

Coherent control of light-driven electrons in solids

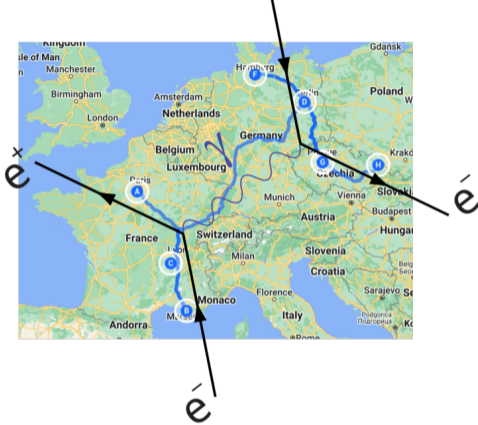
A milestone for multiqubit computing?

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2018. Post-doc at **Max Planck Institute** (MPSD Hamburg, Germany)

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15 years research experience

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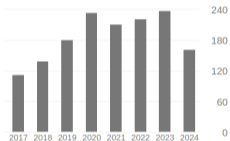
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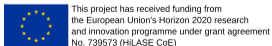
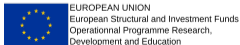
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- Number of citations: ~1,275 (WOS).



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Advanced theoretical network for modeling light-matter interaction

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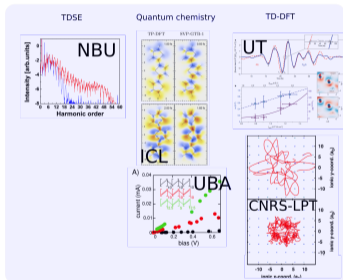
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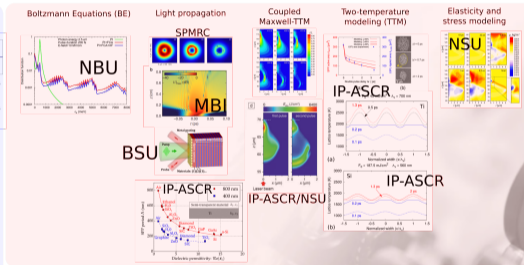
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First principle theories

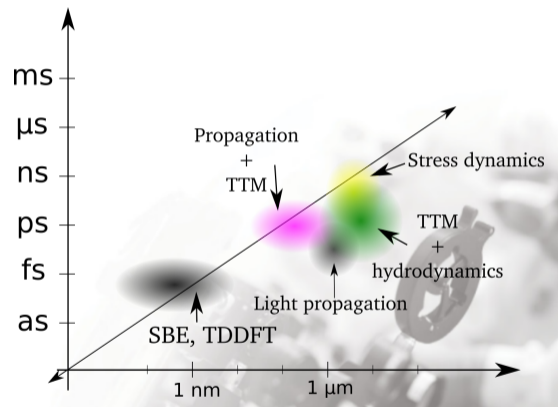
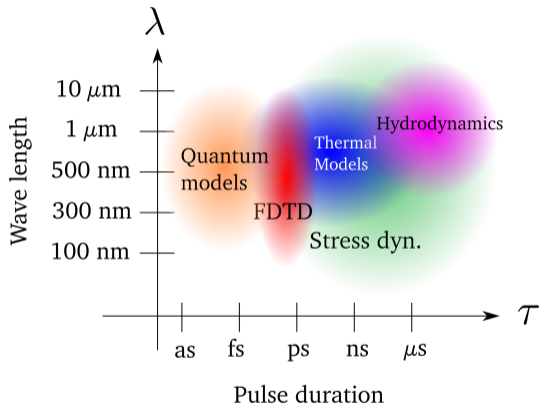


Phenomenological theories



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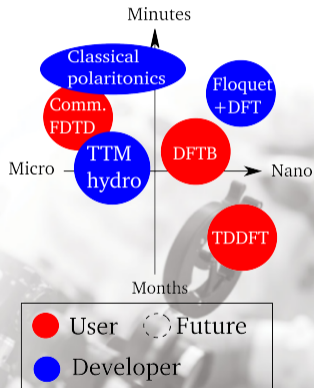
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	Film transfer (LIPT)	[28]*			
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Materials science	Bulk materials eq. properties			[29]	
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	Photovoltaics				[30]
Ultrafast phenom.	Trans. opt. prop. / metallization	[9-12, 31]		[22]	
	Electron exc. in solids	[1, 9, 16, 25]			
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Quantum methods ~ 6+ publications

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		Quantum electrodyn.			
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Estimation time vs size



Mission "The [...] group uses condensed matter, quantum formalisms and high-performance computing to invent applications based on phenomena that are induced by ultrashort laser pulses in solids and nanomaterials."

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2 members

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- **classical** thin film thermodynamics,
- **classical** Lagrangian hydro-dynamics.

PhD std. Kristyna GAZDOVA

- Trainee in **quantum** simulations (DFT, Floquet, quantum chem.)

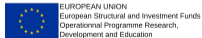
Visiting students (Marie Curie)

PhD std. Andres BERTONI (MSCA-RISE "ATLANTIC" 4 months, Argentina).

- Transient optical response of solids, **quantum** DFTB

PhD std. Micaela SOSA (MSCA-RISE "ATLANTIC" 2 months, Argentina).

- Transient optical response of **biosystems**



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prof. M. Lampart)

Group name: "Quantum Dynamics of
Systems"

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- MSc. *Silvie Illésová*: *ab-initio* molecular dynamics, quantum computing.

Scope

- *Ab-initio* dynamics
- Qubit design
- Quantum implementation



PhD appl. Michal
Belina



BSc. Silvie Illésová

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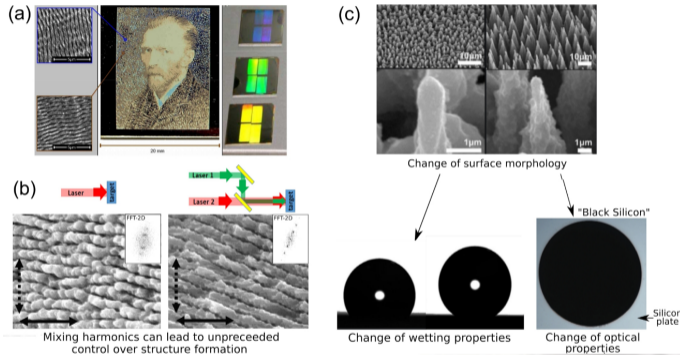
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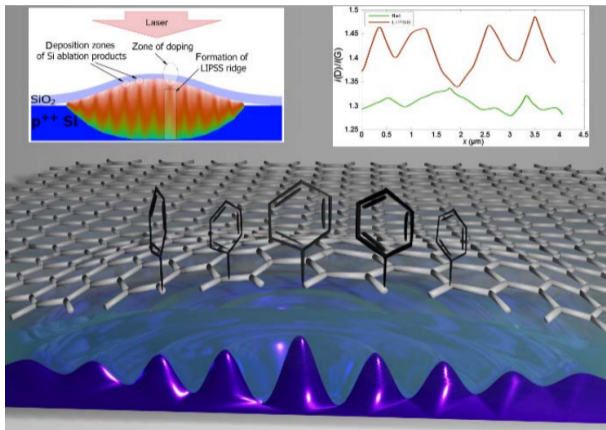
Surface functionalization with intense lasers: the role of polarization



Functionalization of surfaces via [laser nanostructuring](#) (source: "QuantumLaP" MSCA project)

- (a) Dusser et al, Opt. Express **18**, 3 (2010)
- (b) Jia et al, Phys. Rev. B **72**, 12 (2005)
- (c) A. Ranella et al., Acta Biomater. **6**, 2711 (2005)
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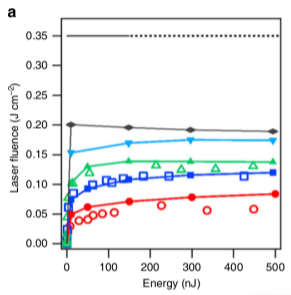
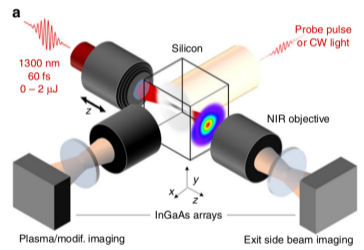
Laser-induced periodic functionalization of graphene



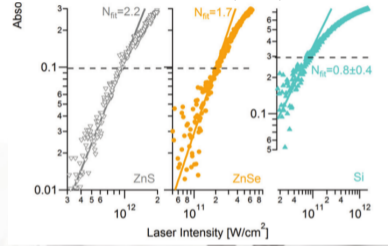
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Femtosecond laser modification of bulk crystals: saturation of absorbed energy

Chanal, Grojo et al., *Nature Communications* **8**, 773 (2017). $\lambda = 1300$ nm, $\tau = 60$ fs



Grojo, D.; Utéza, O. et al., *Physical Review B* **88**, 195135 (2013)



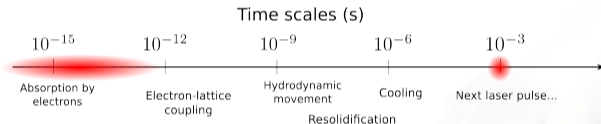
Intensity regime: $10^{12}-14$ W/cm². Origin of absorption limit?

Macroscopic: defocusing (+ Kerr effect)

Microscopic: increase of the band gap upon excitation? Pauli blocking (saturation of conduction states)?

UV - Wavelengths λ - mid-IR

$1 \text{ fs} \leq \text{Pulse durations } \tau \leq 20 \text{ ps}$



Laser intensity scale

perturbative regime	material's modification regime	strong field
$< 10^{11} \text{ W/cm}^2$	$10^{11} - 10^{13} \text{ W/cm}^2$	10^{14+} W/cm^2

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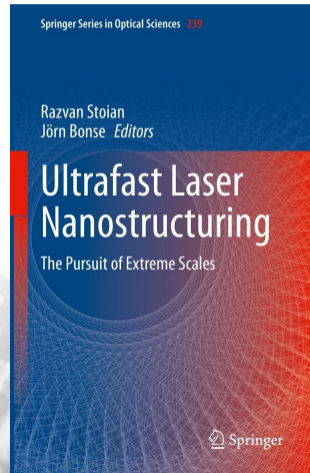
Chap. 1/33. *Insights into laser-matter interaction from inside: wealth of processes, multiplicity of mechanisms and possible roadmaps for energy localization.*

Ultrafast Laser Nanostructuring - The Pursuit of Extreme Scales (Vol. I-III), Eds: R. Stoian, J. Bonse.
Springer, 2023.

Vol 1 Fundamentals processes

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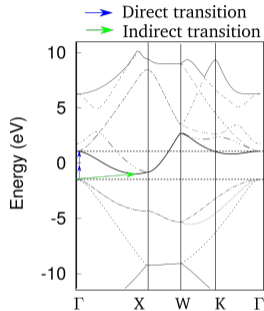
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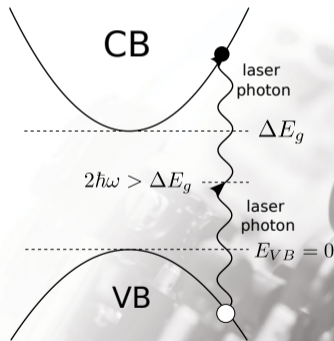
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To study a material, one usually considers its e- band structure being fixed (*Heisenberg frame*).



Direct or indirect transition?

- Multi-photon absorption is usually **direct**.



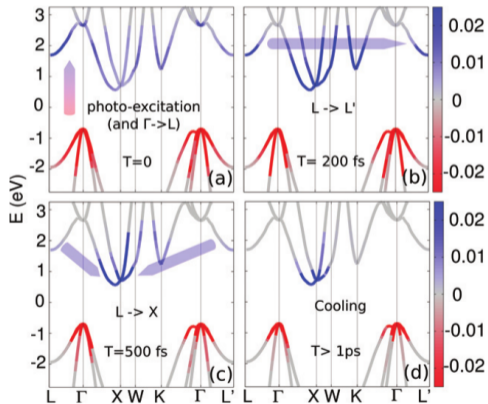
multi-photon absorption

Exp.	Th. (LDA)	Th. (TB09)	Transition	Temperature
3.4 eV	2.56 eV	3.04 eV	$\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$	0 K
1.16 eV	0.51 eV	0.98 eV	$\Gamma \rightarrow X$	0 K

Note: 2.56 eV \longleftrightarrow 484 nm.

- UV light: 1-photon absorption.
- $I = 10^9 \text{ W/cm}^2$, $\tau = 110 \text{ fs}$, $\hbar\omega = 3.4 \text{ eV} = E_{\text{gap}}$.

Sangalli et al, *Europhysics Letters* **110**, 47004 (2015)

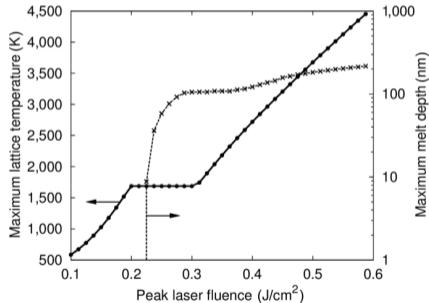


This representation keeps band structure fixed ("Heisenberg frame").

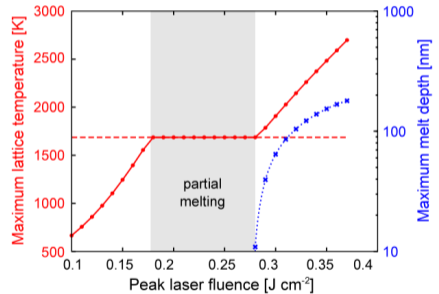
- (a) Non-trivial interband transitions.
- (b) Intraband transitions: excited electrons transfer between bands.
- (c) Relaxation to lower energy levels.

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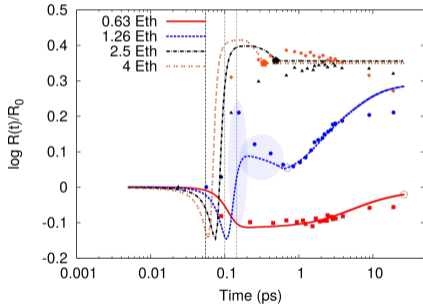
$\tau = 300$ fs, $\lambda = 1030$ nm



$\tau = 250$ fs, $\lambda = 1030$ nm

two-temperature modeling. Pump-probe reflectivity

Derrien, T. J.-Y. & Bulgakova, N. M. Proc. SPIE **10228** (2017)



—: our **theory**. □: experimental from Shank, C. et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **50**, 454 (1983).

◇: partial melting starts, filled-◇: total melting is achieved (at least one cell). $\tau = 90$ fs, $\lambda_p = 620$ nm, $\lambda_{pr} = 1$ μm .

Advantages of TTM

- Pump-probe reflectivity as function of time and energy.
- Spatial-dependence & energy transport.
- Importance of 3-body phenomena (screening of e-ph coupling, Auger recombination, ...).

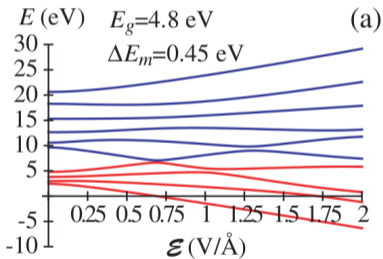
Limits of *two-temperature model* for band-gap materials

- Free param. (σ_1 , σ_2 , v , m^* , ...) \rightarrow fitting procedure \rightarrow "predictions"
- Excessive material dependency. Dependent on crystal orientation.
- Limited to $\tau > \tau_{\text{e-ph}}$, $\tau > \tau_{\text{e-e}}$

Predicting \rightarrow no parameter fitting \rightarrow 1st principles

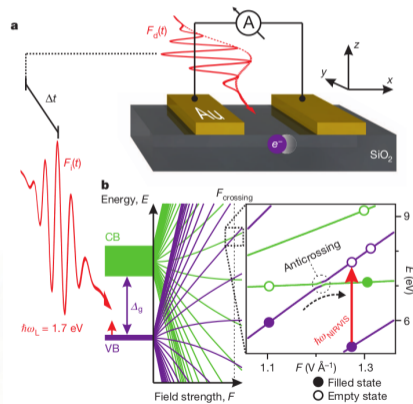
Necessity to get rid of free-parameters

2011 Durach, M.; Rusina, A.; Kling, M. F. & Stockman, M. I. Predicted **Ultrafast Dynamic Metallization of Dielectric Nanofilms** by Strong Single-Cycle Optical Fields, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 086602 (2011)

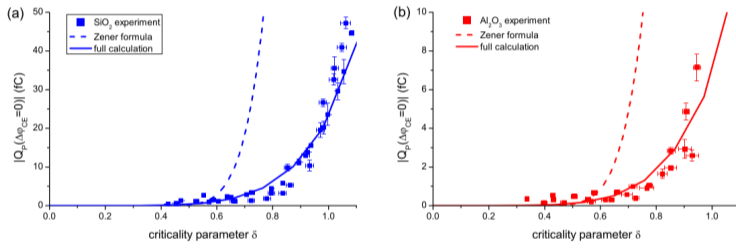


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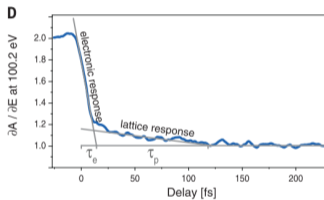
Q_p /[Coulomb]: transferred charges per pulse.
 δ /[V/m]: laser field strength

“Universal” ultrafast phenomenon? Yes & No.

Field-assisted metallization demonstrated for SiO₂, Al₂O₃, and BaF₂.

Role of phonons

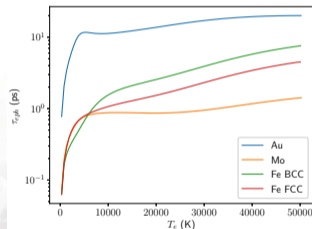
- $\tau, t < \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$: assuming an "optical" regime;
- $\tau, t > \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$: assuming a thermodynamical "collisional" regime: $v = f(T_e, T_{lattice})$.



Si: Schultze, M. & al. *Science* **346**, 1348-1352 (2014)

Material	e-ph coupling time	Ref.
Si	$\gtrsim 240$ fs (exp.)	Sjodin et al. PRL (1998)
Si	~ 64 fs (exp.)	Schultze et al. <i>Science</i> (2014)
Au	770 fs - 20 ps (th.)	Lin et al. PRB (2008)
Mo	70 fs - 1.4 ps (th.)	Lin et al. PRB (2008)

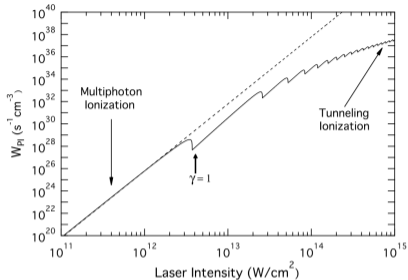
Electron-phonon coupling times in various crystals.



Reconstructed from Lin, Z.; Zhigilei, L. V. & Celli, V. *Physical Review B* **77**, 075133 (2008)

Approximation for our "semi-quantum" works

We consider pulses $\tau \ll \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$, and disregard effect of lattice \rightarrow **direct** transitions at Γ .



Gulley, J. R., *Opt. Eng.* **51**, 121805-1 (2012)

Band gap dynamics in Keldysh (1965) vs reality ($\vec{E}\updownarrow$)?

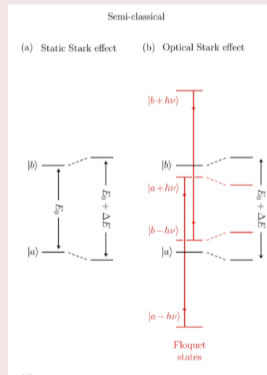
- **In MPI regime**, effective band gap \uparrow with laser field [Gulley, J. R. *Opt. Eng.* **51**, 121805-1 (2012)].

$$E_g^{eff}(F) \underset{\gamma \gg 1}{\approx} E_g + \frac{e^2 F^2}{4 m_e \omega^2} \text{ (Kane).}$$

- **Tunneling** rather \downarrow effective band gap energy E_g^{eff} with intensity.
- Is number of photons required for e- transition \uparrow or \downarrow with laser intensity?

Laser dressing: optical Stark effect (\vec{E} is \odot)

Sie, E. [...] Gedik, N. et al., Valley-selective optical Stark effect in monolayer WS_2 , *Nature Materials*, **14**, 290-294 (2014)



Popular aspects

Adiabaticity parameter: $\gamma \hat{=} \frac{\tau_{\text{tunneling}}}{T_{\text{laser}}}$.

$\gamma \ll 1$: "tunneling dominates",

$\gamma \gg 1$: "multiphotonic transitions dominate."

Hamiltonian expressed in the *length gauge and dipolar approximation* [Keldysh, L. Behavior of non-metallic crystals in strong electric fields, *Sov. Phys. JETP* **6**, 763 (1958)]:

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{0e} + \hat{H}_{0L} + \hat{H}_{eL} + e\mathbf{E}\mathbf{r};$$

$$\hat{H}_{0e} = \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla \right)^2 + W(\mathbf{r}); \hat{H}_{0e} \psi_{0j}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_j(\mathbf{p}) \psi_{0j}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r});$$

Keldysh, L. *Sov. Phys. JETP* **47**, 1307-1314 (1964).

1. Ionization **probability** obtained from *Fermi golden rule*, using *Houston wave functions*.

$$H_0(t) = \int \psi_0^+(rt) \left\{ \varepsilon \left(-i\hbar \nabla - \frac{e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) + e\Phi \right\} \times \psi_0(rt) d\mathbf{r} + H_T. \quad (3)$$

The Bloch wave functions of an electron, accelerated by the field inside each of the bands, have a form analogous to (6):

$$\psi_p^{c,v}(r, t) = u_p^{c,v}(r) \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \left[\mathbf{p}(t) \mathbf{r} - \int_0^t \varepsilon_{c,v}(\mathbf{p}(\tau)) d\tau \right] \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{p} + (e\mathbf{F}/\omega) \sin \omega t, \quad (26)$$

where $u_p^{c,v}(r)$ are periodic functions that have the translational symmetry of the lattice. Calculations perfectly similar to (8)–(15) lead to a general formula for the ionization probability

$$w = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} |L_{cv}(\mathbf{p})|^2 \sum_n \delta(\varepsilon(\mathbf{p}) - n\hbar\omega), \quad (27)$$

2. Dressing of 2 electronic levels by the photon field.

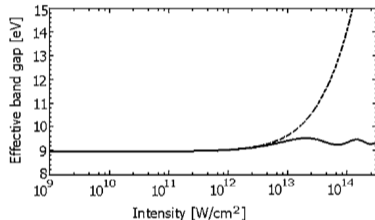
$$\overline{\varepsilon(\mathbf{p})} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varepsilon \left(\mathbf{p} + \frac{e\mathbf{F}}{\omega} \sin x \right) dx,$$

A simplified dressing is included in Keldysh theories

2-bands description of dressing of electronic levels.

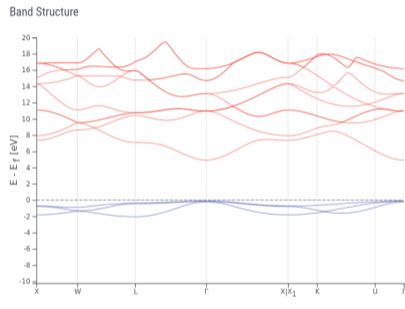
In MPI regime, effective band gap **increases** with field strength. In tunneling, it should **"decrease."**

Gruzdev, V. Photoionization rate in wide band-gap crystals. *Physical Review B*, **75**, 205106 (2007).



—: cosine dispersion, ···: Kane dispersion
(NaCl)

Approached band structure of NaCl (225) crystal
(topological materials.org)

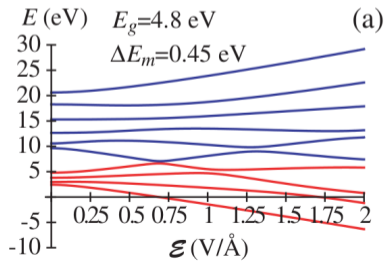


Limits of the 2-band approximation

- Conditions for band gap opening with field?
- Is dispersion law sufficient to estimate a dynamical band gap variation?
- What happens if we account for more bands?

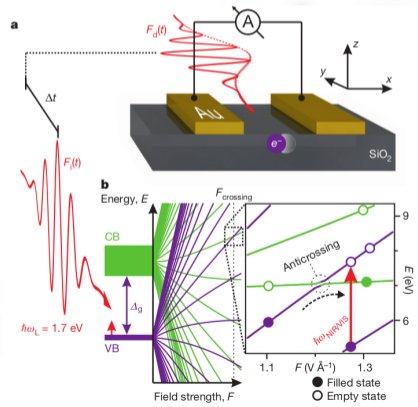
Reversible metallization of dielectrics

2011 Durach, M.; Rusina, A.; Kling, M. F. & Stockman, M. I. Predicted **Ultrafast Dynamic Metallization of Dielectric Nanofilms** by Strong Single-Cycle Optical Fields, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 086602 (2011)



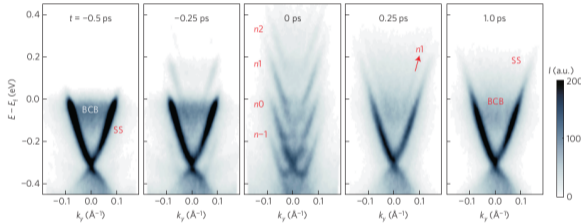
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2013 Wang, Y. H.; Steinberg, H.; Jarillo-Herrero, P. & Gedik, N. *Science* **342**, 453-457 (2013)



Linear polarization ($\vec{E} \updownarrow$): replication of band structure

- Transient Wannier-Stark ladder observed in solids (i.e., dressed picture is meaningful).
- Accessible via TD-ARPES & AR-pump-probe.
- Band gap closes during the pulse.

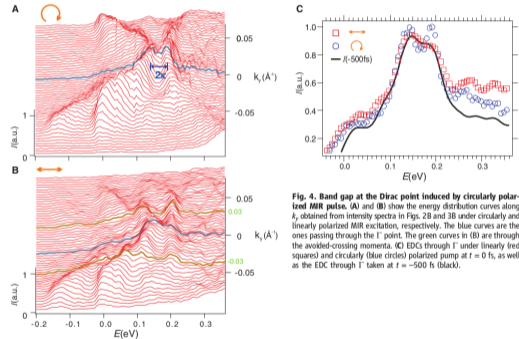


Fig. 4. Band gap at the Dirac point induced by circularly polarized MIR pulse. (A) and (B) show the energy distribution curves along k_x obtained from intensity spectra in Figs. 2B and 3B under circularly and linearly polarized MIR excitation, respectively. The blue curves are the ones passing through the Γ point. The green curves in (B) are through the avoided-crossing momenta. (C) EDCs through Γ under linearly (red squares) and circularly (blue circles) polarized pump at $t = 0$ fs, as well as the EDC through Γ taken at $t = -500$ fs (black).

Circular polarization ($\vec{E} \odot$): potential opening of gap

Only in two-dimensional & topological materials.

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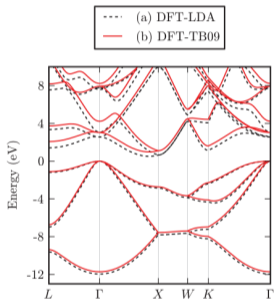
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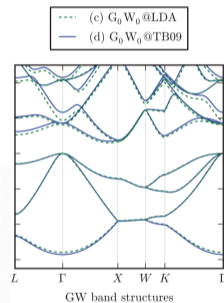
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DFT band gaps @ 0K (dir. and indir.)

DFT+LDA: 2.56 eV and 0.51 eV.

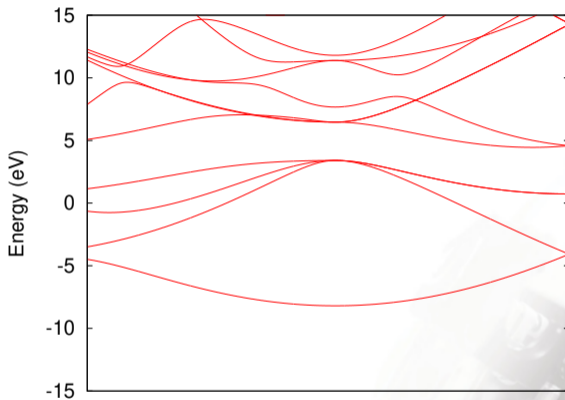
DFT+TB09: 3.04 eV and 0.98 eV.



GW band gaps @ 0K (dir. and indir.)

GW+LDA: 3.25 eV and 1.21 eV.

GW+TB09: 3.44 eV and 1.38 eV.

 $K - \Gamma - X$

Direct band gap energy: 3.06 eV. Indirect band gap energy: 1.04 eV.

TDDFT: "time-dependent **density** functional theory"

Kohn-Sham equation in a solid using the method of *ab-initio* norm-conserving pseudo-potentials

$$\left[\left(\underbrace{-\frac{i\hbar}{2m_e} \nabla_r}_{\text{kinetic energy}} + \frac{|e|\hbar}{c} A(t) \right) + \underbrace{\hat{v}_{\text{ion}}(r)}_{\text{atoms}} + \underbrace{\hat{v}_{\text{H}}[n(r,t)](r)}_{\text{e- density-functional}} + \underbrace{\hat{v}_{\text{xc}}[n(r,t)](r)}_{\text{e- density-functional}} \right] \times \psi_{n,k}(r,t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_{n,k}(r,t) \quad (1)$$

with vector potential (dipolar approximation)

$$A(t) = -c \int_{-\infty}^t \underbrace{E(t')}_{\text{laser light}} dt', \quad (2)$$

expressed in atomic units (Hartree).



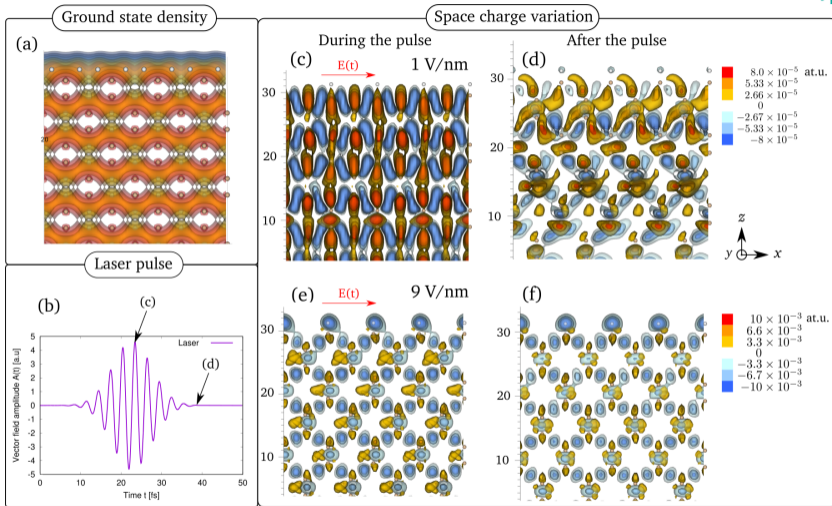
"Salomon" and "Barbora", IT4I, Ostrava, Czech Republic



"Karolina", IT4I, Ostrava, Czech Republic

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2016	EOS	Max Planck	264	Germany	Linux
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2019-2020	Prometheus	Cyfronet	49	Poland	Linux
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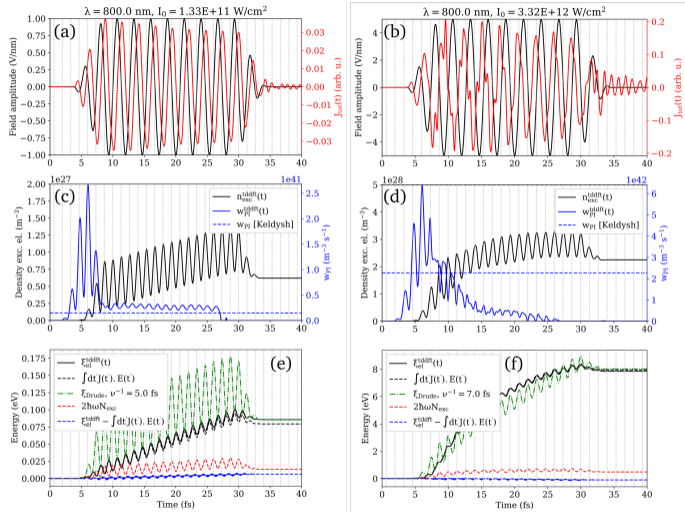
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EX: $n_{exc}(t)$, $J(t)$, energy $\xi_{e-}(t)$



Left: $E = 1$ V/nm. Right: $E = 5$ V/nm.

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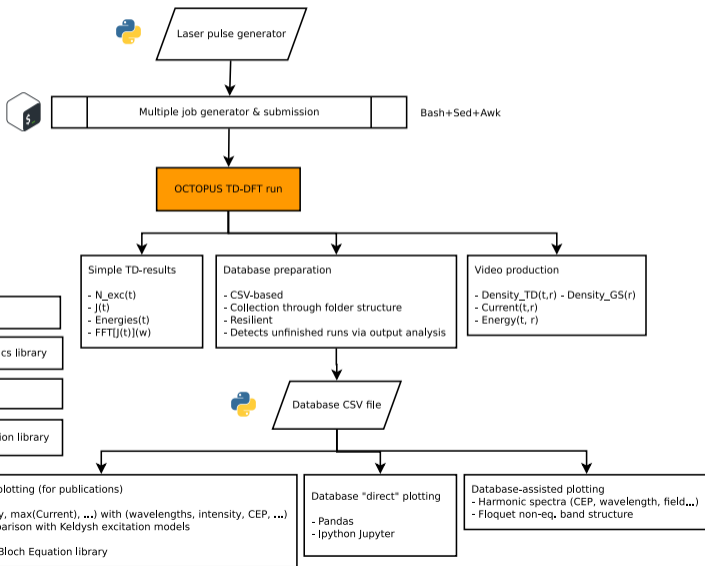
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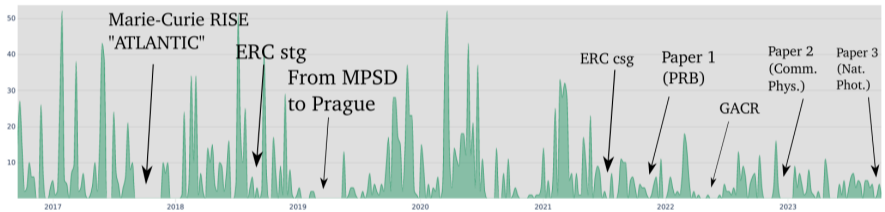
Product: In-house library "octopus-slabs".



- Since 2016 Multi-year investment @ 1 FTE.
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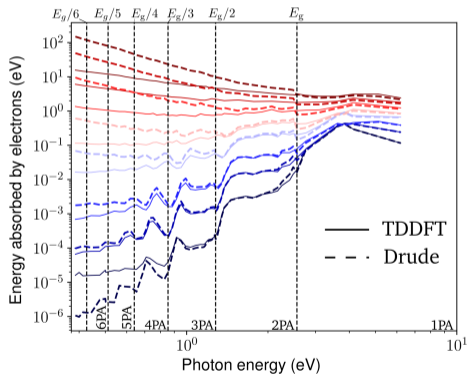
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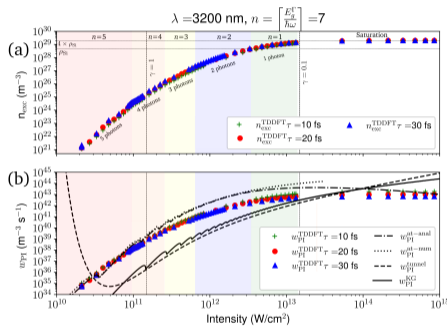
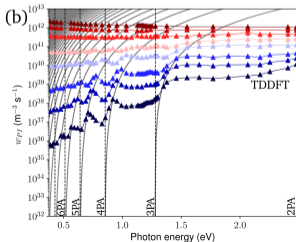
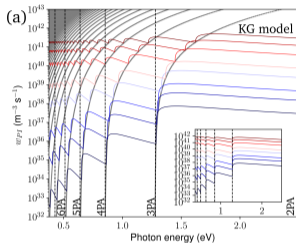
Observation

- Prediction of the **absorbed electron energy** from TDDFT. **Multiphotonic peaks** are clearly visible.
- **1 Drude model** applied to all wavelengths and intensities using **1 collision frequency** $\nu^{-1} = 6$ fs (indep. from field or wavelength).

Questions

- How **accurate** are TDDFT results vs **experiments**? In which regime?
- Could **damage threshold** of e.g. Si ($\tau < \tau_{\text{eph}}$) be studied by **combining Keldysh & Drude** models inside a thermal model?
- **Applications** of the transient band gap dynamics?

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Keldysh model (1964): limited qualitative agreement w/ TDDFT

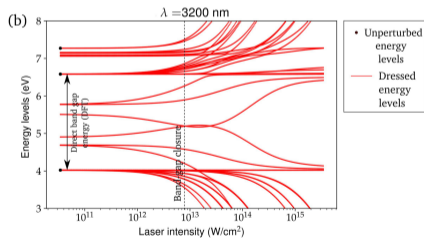
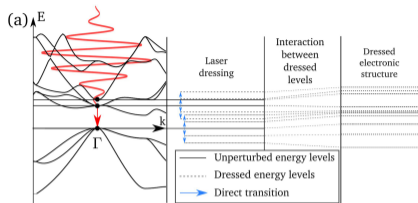
- **Keldysh excitation rate w_{PI}** : *qualitative* agreement for Si. Agreement as function of wavelength was impressive (Si: $\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$, valid for $\tau < 30$ fs).
- **Band-gap decreases with intensity**: light-induced tunneling. 5 ph. \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0.

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Theory (TD-LDA)	3200 nm	30 fs	2.56 eV (d)	$(2.1 - 9.9) \times 10^{10}$	σ_5 (m ⁷ W ⁻⁴) = 4.84×10^{-56}	This work
				$(1.0 - 2.6) \times 10^{11}$	σ_4 (m ⁵ W ⁻³) = 3.05×10^{-41}	This work
				$(2.6 - 5.3) \times 10^{11}$	σ_3 (m ³ W ⁻²) = 5.25×10^{-26}	This work
				$(0.53 - 3.4) \times 10^{12}$	σ_2 (mW ⁻¹) = 2.00×10^{-10}	This work
				$(0.34 - 1.0) \times 10^{13}$	σ_1 (m ⁻¹) = 2.93×10^6	This work
Exp.		200 fs			σ_3 (m ³ W ⁻²) = 0.5×10^{-26}	Pearl et al. (2008)

More is available for direct transitions

- See Suppl. Inf. of the paper. [Derrien *et al.*, PRB **104** L241201 (2021)].
- TDDFT database at QuantumLaP.eu



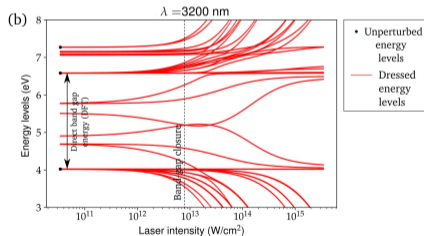
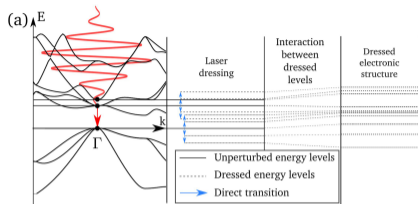
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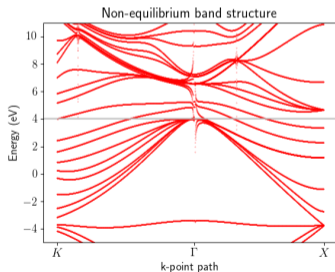


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For Si, +3,000 TDDFT simulations with relevant laser pulses have been prepared

[~M-core-hours per year]

- Several materials (Si, SiO₂, Mo, Au, ...)
- Several pulse shapes, pulse mixtures, ...
- Several observables (absorbed energy, currents, harmonic spectra, ...).
- All the work has been **systematized** into PYTHON & BASH routines for **collaboration purposes**.

High Power Computation Projects

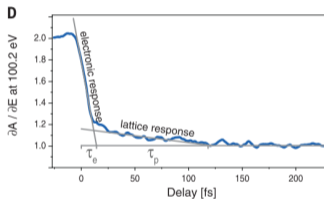
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Backup National Grid Infrastructure **MetaCentrum** eINFRA (ID:90140).

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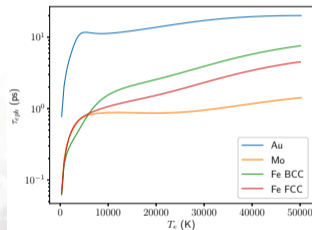
- $\tau, t < \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$: assuming an "optical" regime;
- $\tau, t > \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$: assuming a thermodynamical "collisional" regime: $\nu = f(T_e, T_{lattice})$.



Si: Schultze, M. & al. *Science* **346**, 1348-1352 (2014)

Material	e-ph coupling time	Ref.
Si	$\gtrsim 240$ fs (exp.)	Sjodin et al. PRL (1998)
Si	~ 64 fs (exp.)	Schultze et al. <i>Science</i> (2014)
Au	770 fs - 20 ps (th.)	Lin et al. PRB (2008)
Mo	70 fs - 1.4 ps (th.)	Lin et al. PRB (2008)

Electron-phonon coupling times in various crystals.

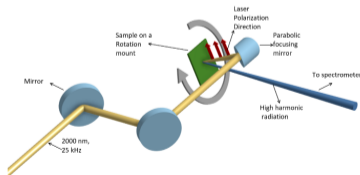


Reconstructed from Lin, Z.; Zhigilei, L. V. & Celli, V. *Physical Review B* **77**, 075133 (2008)

Choice for this work

We consider pulses $\tau \ll \gamma_{e-ph}^{-1}$, and disregard effect of lattice \rightarrow direct transitions at Γ .

- Group of assoc. prof. Martin Kozák.
- $\tau = 15$ fs or 25 fs at FWHM.
- Wavelength $\lambda \sim 2000$ nm.
- Electric field: $E = 3$ V/nm out of sample.
- Probing harmonics generated in reflection configuration.



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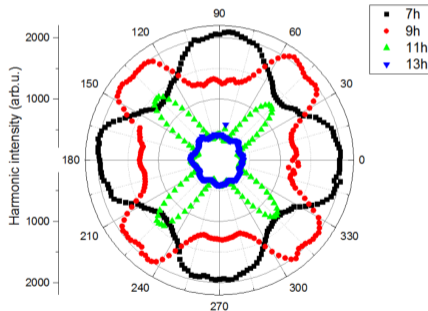
”Ultrashort” pulses

Experimental			
Quantity	Notation	Value	Unit
Pulse duration	τ	25	fs
Wavelength	λ	2000	nm
Band gap energy	E_g^Γ	3.4	eV
Optical cycles	n_{OC}	3.747	cycles

Table: 25 fs FWHM pulses

Dr. Martin Kozak group (Charles University). Experimental measurement of harmonic spectrum emitted by Si as function of sample orientation.

- n : harmonic order.
- ϕ : orientation angle in plane ($[100]$, $[110]$).



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Excited electron density (Otoabe et al., 2008)

$$n_{\text{exc}}(t) = \frac{1}{V} \left[N_{\text{tot}} - \sum_{n,n',k}^{\text{occ.}} \left| \int d^3r \underbrace{\psi_{n',k}^\dagger(r,t)}_{\text{time-evolved}} \underbrace{\psi_{n,k}^{\text{GS}}(r)}_{\text{ground state}} \right|^2 \right]. \quad (3)$$

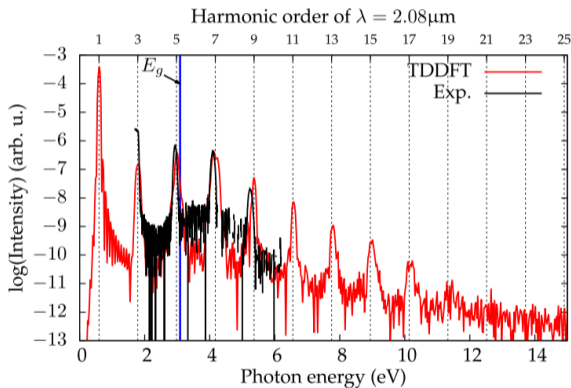
Total current (Stefanucci & Leeuwen, 2013)

$$\mathbf{J}(t) \propto (\nabla \psi^\dagger) \psi - \psi^\dagger (\nabla \psi)$$

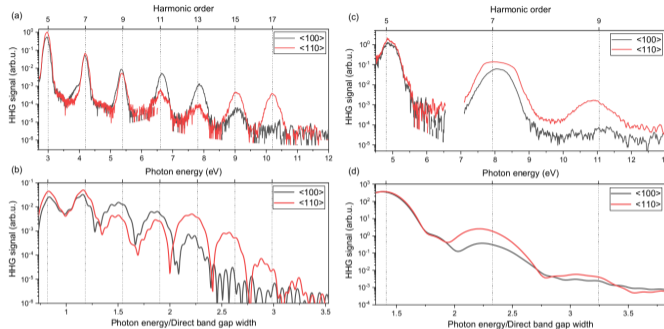
Harmonic spectrum (Larmor formula) (Floss et al., 2018; Tancogne-Dejean et al., 2017)

$$\text{HHG}(\omega) = \omega^2 |\mathcal{F}[\mathbf{J}(t)](\omega)|^2.$$

Simulation of high-harmonic generation has been historically difficult.



Max Planck Institute: Klemke *et al. Nat. Comm.* **10**, 1319 (2019): $\tau = 50$ fs, $\lambda = 2080$ nm, \sin^2 , TB09.

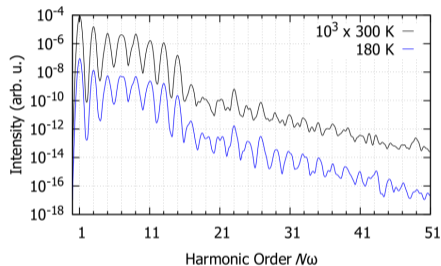
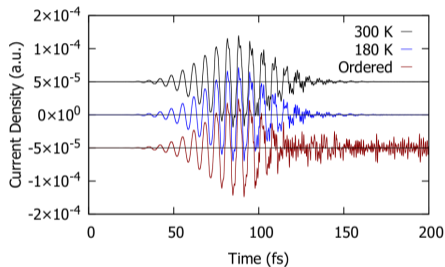


Czech Republic: Suthar, P.; Trojáněk, F.; Malý, P.; Derrien, T. J.-Y. & Kozák, M., *Comm. Phys.* **5**, 288 (2022). [(a,c): exp., (b,d): TDDFT. (a,b): $\lambda = 2000$ nm, (c,d): $\lambda = 800$ nm].

Ultrafast photonic applications can rely on predictions provided by TDDFT

- High quality predictions: model matches with experiments.
- Can be applied to other materials. Can be improved by introducing real shape of pulse.

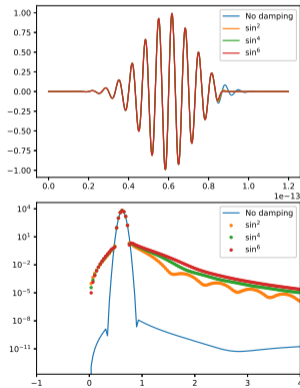
Japan: Freeman, D.; Kheifets, A.; Yamada, S.; Yamada, A. & Yabana, K. High-order harmonic generation in semiconductors driven at near- and mid-infrared wavelengths, *Phys. Rev. B*, **106**, 075202 (2022)



Effect of lattice temperature? Not much in Si

- $J(t)$: temperature \rightarrow a source for damping the oscillations of electrons.
- Harmonic spectrum is sensitive to ultracold environments (space!)

In pure TDDFT, $J(t)$ is eternally oscillating (no damping). To avoid inducing a non-physical discontinuity at the end of simulation, damping is applied to currents.



Method for damping the tail of the current $J(t)$

$$J_{\text{damped}}(t) = J(t) \times \eta(t)$$

where

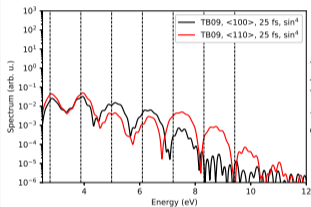
$$\eta(t) = 1 - H(t - t_{\text{final}} + t_{\text{damping}}) + \sin^2 \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \times \frac{t - t_{\text{final}}}{t_{\text{damping}}} \right] \times H(t - t_{\text{final}} + t_{\text{damping}}) \times [1 - H(t - t_{\text{final}})]$$

and $H(t)$ is the Heaviside function.

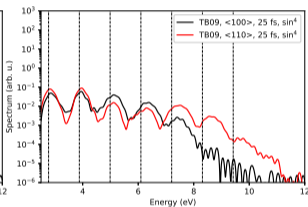
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This damping is applied to all $J(t)$, and impacts HHG(ω) distribution.

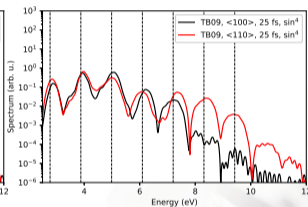
HHG($\phi = 0^\circ, 45^\circ$) - TB09 - $\tau = 25$ fs - \sin^4



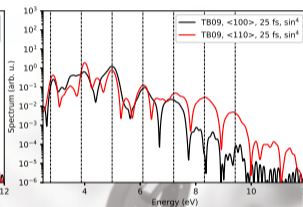
1.25 τ



1.3 τ



1.5 τ



1.75 τ

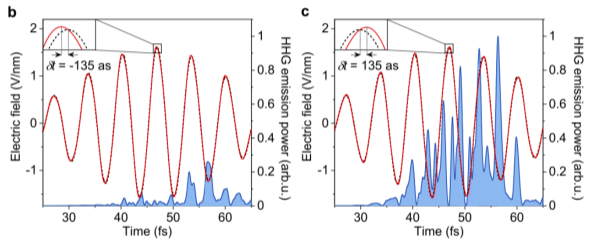
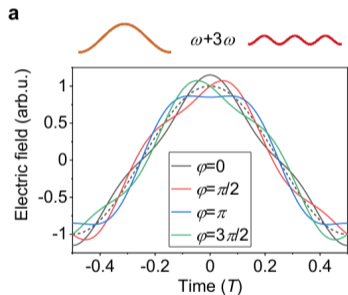
Importance of decoherence & damping

Temporal dynamics is crucial: collisions and decoherence induce discrepancy of TDDFT vs TD-experiments.

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Effect of CEP on harmonic emission (filtered HHG yield)

Our TDDFT predictions reveal the extreme sensitivity of HHG to CEP

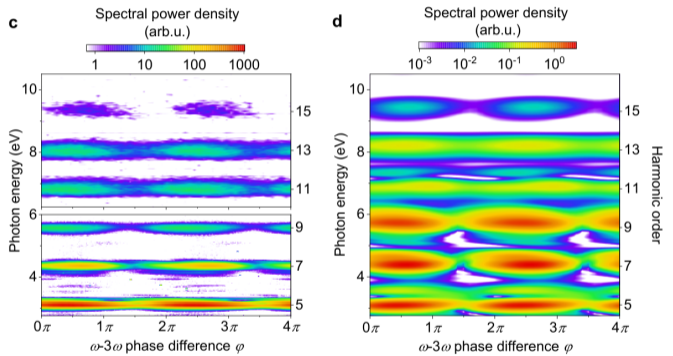
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HHG experiments \leftarrow | \rightarrow : TDDFT simulations

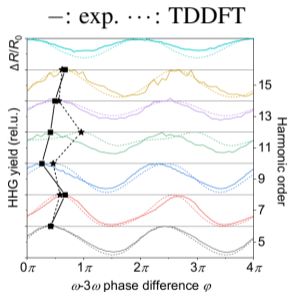
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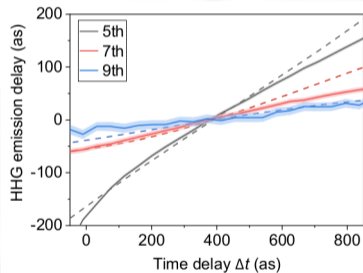
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Resonant control on temporal emission dynamics of HHG



—: experiment | ...: TDDFT

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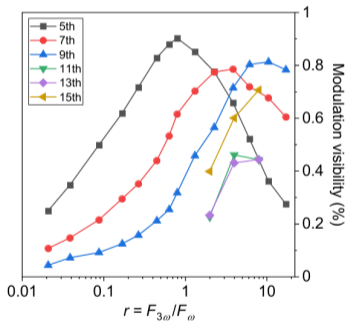
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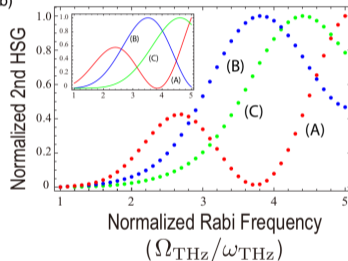
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Tamaya, T. & Kato, T. *Phys. Rev. B*, **100**, 081203(R) (2019)

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Electron dynamics induced by bi-color mixing may be linked to the dynamical band structure (sub-bands & Rabi frequency variation with field & wavelength).

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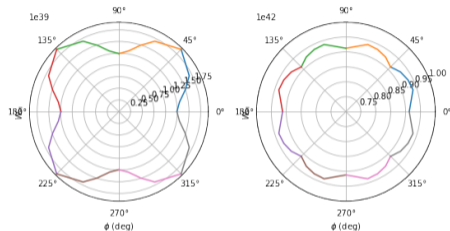
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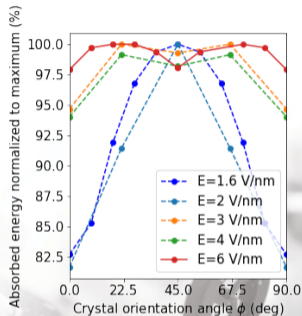
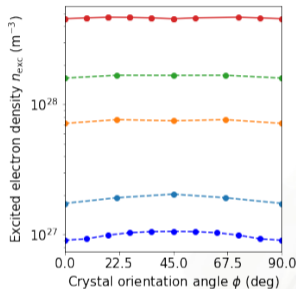
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1 V/nm
(0.12 TW/cm²)

6 V/nm
(4 TW/cm²)



←: $n_{\text{exc}}(\phi)$ excited e- density, →: $\xi_{\text{abs}}(\phi)$ absorbed energy (eV)

$E = 1.6 \text{ V/nm} \sim 25 \text{ mJ/cm}^2$

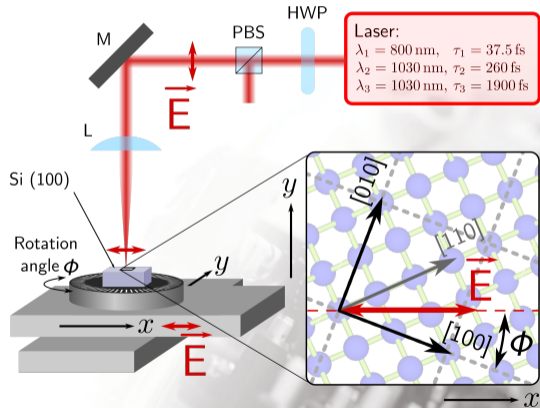
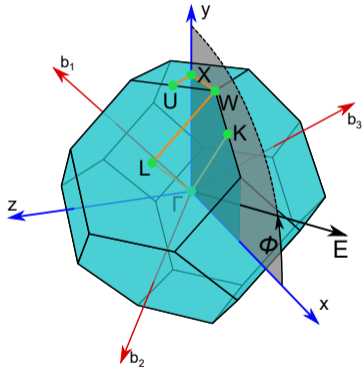
$E = 6 \text{ V/nm} \sim 350 \text{ mJ/cm}^2$

Orientation-dep. energy absorption pattern is also ... intensity-dependent

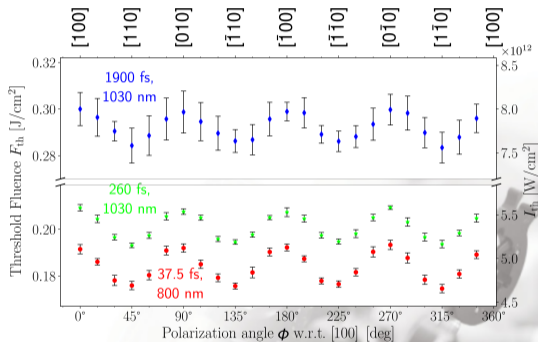
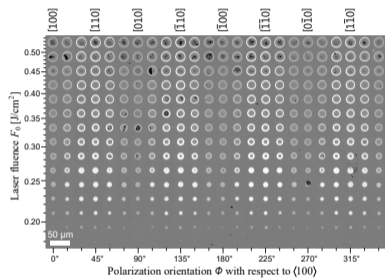
Low intensity: TDDFT predicts a 20% contrast in absorption pattern following the Si crystal symmetry.

High intensity: TDDFT predicts a 2% contrast (symmetry weakening / transition to plasma).

J. Sladek, Y. Levy (HiLASE Centre)



Juraj Sladek & Yoann Levy (HiLASE Centre).



Condensed matter effect at various τ

Orientation-dependent damage threshold appears clearly, for 37 fs, 250 fs and 2 ps pulse duration. [For $\langle 111 \rangle$, see Florian et al., Materials **14**, 1651 (2021)].

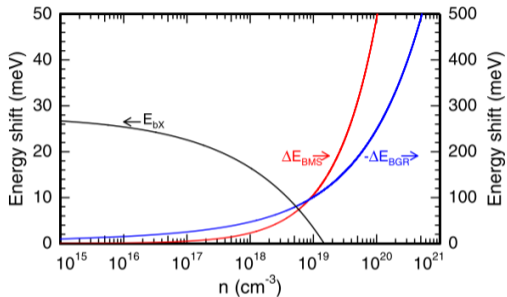
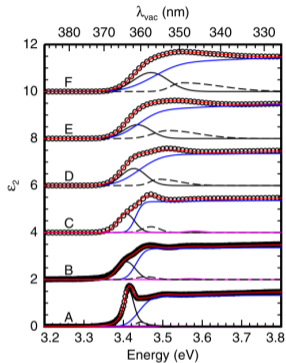


- **Experimental confirmation** of orientation-dependent damage threshold, pump-probe, ...



- **Invited stay** 15 days by Assoc. Prof. Mario Garcia-Lechuga (CSIC/iLINK project).

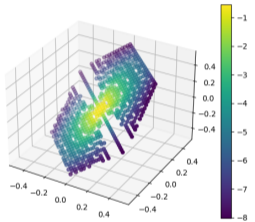
Upon doping (resp. exciting electrons) a sample, band gap can shift (increase) due to saturation of band



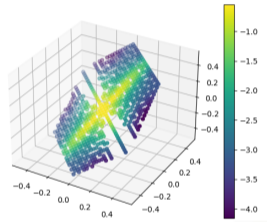
Feneberg, M. et al. Band gap renormalization and Burstein-Moss effect in silicon- and germanium-doped wurtzite GaN up to 10^{20} cm^{-3} , *Phys. Rev. B*, **90**, 075203 (2014)

Burnstein-Moss effect?

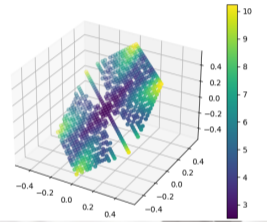
Saturation phenomena should also depend on crystal orientation and laser polarization.



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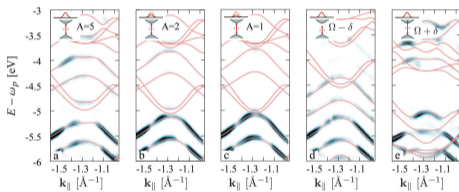
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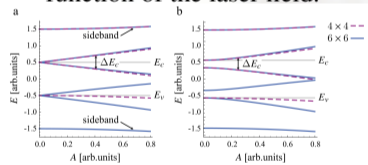
2016 De Giovannini, U.; Hübener, H. & Rubio, A. Monitoring Electron-Photon Dressing in WSe₂, *Nano Letters*, **16**, 7993-7998 (2016)



—: Floquet-Stark "dressed electron" energy levels.

- : TDDFT-simulated angle-resolved photo-emission spectrum (ARPES)

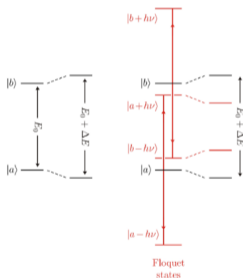
Two-band Floquet (toy-)model as function of the laser field.



- Higuchi, T.; Stockman, M. I. & Hommelhoff, P. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **113**, 213901 (2014)
- De Giovannini, U.; Hübener, H. & Rubio, A. *Nano Letters*, **16**, 7993-7998 (2016)
- **Temporal integration** of operators on 1 optical cycle: $\mathcal{H}(t) = \mathcal{H}(t + 2\pi/\omega)$.

Semi-classical

(a) Static Stark effect (b) Optical Stark effect



$$H_{\text{Floquet}}^{m,n}(\omega) \equiv \int dt e^{-i(m-n)\hbar\omega t} H(t) \pm \delta_{m,n} n\hbar\omega$$

ω : laser photon energy (at. units),

n -photons transitions (number of "replicates"),

m : number of electronic bands,

$$H(t) = H_{\text{GS}} + \underbrace{\vec{A}(t) \cdot \vec{p}}_{H_{\text{int}}}$$

A : vector potential amplitude (at. units)

\vec{p} : momentum operator

$$H(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -E_g/2 & 0 \\ 0 & E_g/2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{ground state band structure at } k = (0,0,0)} + \underbrace{A \cos(\omega t)}_{\text{laser field}} \times \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & M \\ \bar{M} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{dipolar coupling matrix at } k = (0,0,0)}, \quad (4)$$

M : dipolar transition matrix elements (at. units).

Example: $n = 1$ photon, $m = 2$ bands.

$$H_{\text{eff}2 \text{ bands}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{E_g}{2} - \omega & -\omega & \cdot & \frac{AM}{2} & \cdot & \cdot \\ -\Omega & \frac{E_g}{2} - \omega & \frac{A\bar{M}}{2} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \frac{AM}{2} & -\frac{E_g}{2} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{AM}{2} \\ \frac{A\bar{M}}{2} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{E_g}{2} & \frac{A\bar{M}}{2} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{AM}{2} & -\frac{E_g}{2} + \omega & \Omega \\ \cdot & \cdot & \frac{A\bar{M}}{2} & \cdot & \Omega & \frac{E_g}{2} + \omega \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

Eigen energy values (diagonalization):

$$E^{\text{eff}} = \begin{cases} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2A^2 M \bar{M} + E_g^2} & 2 \text{ lev.} \\ \pm \frac{1}{2} \left(\pm \sqrt{\bar{M}^2 A^4 M^2 + 16A^2 M \bar{M} \omega^2 + 64\omega^4 + 16\omega^2 E_g^2} + \right. & 4 \text{ lev.} \\ \left. + A^2 M \bar{M} + 8\omega^2 + E_g^2 \right) & \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

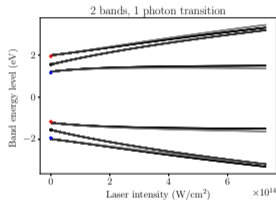
Conclusion for two-band models

In a two-band system, transient band-gap **increases** with field amplitude A (seems consistent with Keldysh " $\tilde{\Delta}$ ", " U_{eff} ")

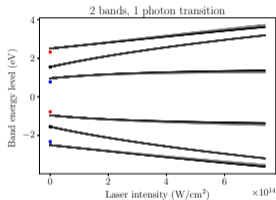
$$E_{\text{gap}}^{\text{eff}}(A) = \sqrt{2A^2 M \bar{M} + E_g^2} \propto A. \quad (7)$$

$m = 2$ bands, $n = 1$ photon.

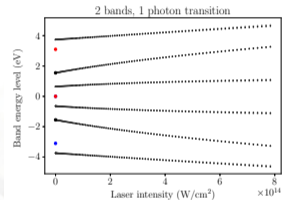
$E_{\sigma_e}(\Gamma) = 2.56$ eV (LDA band gap of Si).



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$\lambda = 1600$ nm



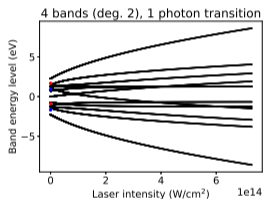
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Observation for 2 bands

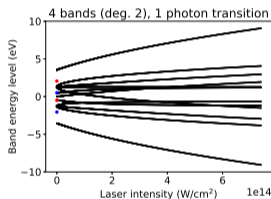
Shifting originates from the AC Stark effect. Opening of the band gap is observed.
 Low intensity also evidences some "detuning".

- In Si, 2 bands are degenerated 2 times at Γ -point. We use: $H(A=0) = \frac{1}{2}$

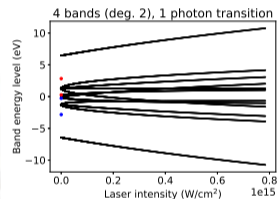
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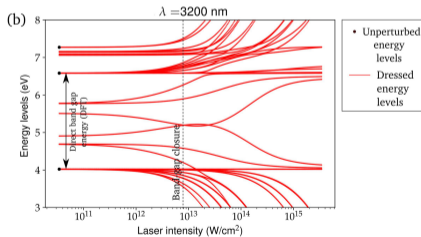
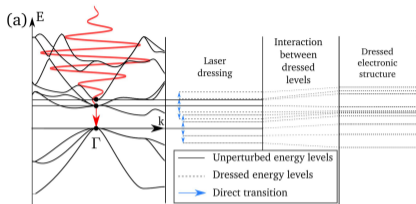


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Observation for 4 bands

Splitting of degenerated bands is observed. **Crossing** points are **observed** at points where band gap closes. This is laser-induced tunneling/metallization.

Effect of the laser excitation ($\vec{E} \updownarrow$) on the band structure?



- Predictions for **realistic materials** is possible at **low cost** (10 min).
- Which materials undergo metallization / phase transition upon irradiation?

!/\ **Thermal effects are absent** in the presented descriptions.

T. J.-Y. Derrien, N. Tancogne-Dejean, [...] and N. M. Bulgakova, *Phys. Rev. B.* **104** L241201 (2021)

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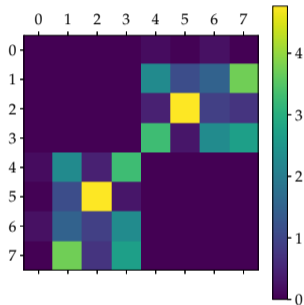
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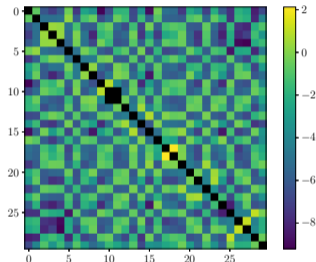
Subset of dipolar matrix for polarization in (Ox) direction.

Si [227], LDA (Γ : 2.56 eV)



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SiO₂ [154]: α -quartz



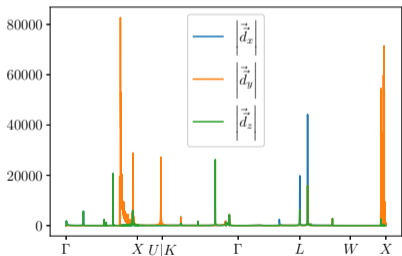
SiO₂, $k = 8^3$,
18 atoms, 30 electronic levels.

Density Functional Theory (DFT) - 3D

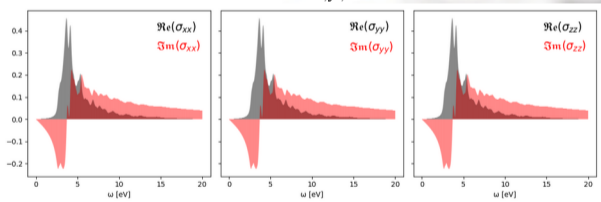
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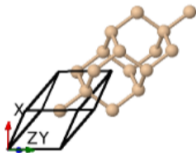
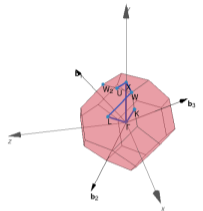
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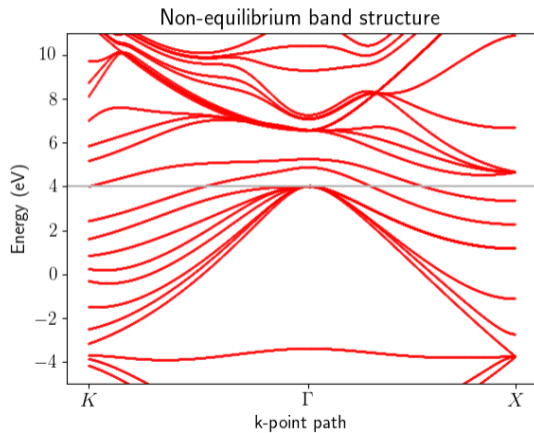
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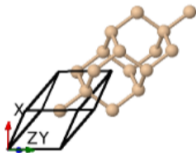
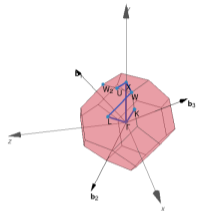
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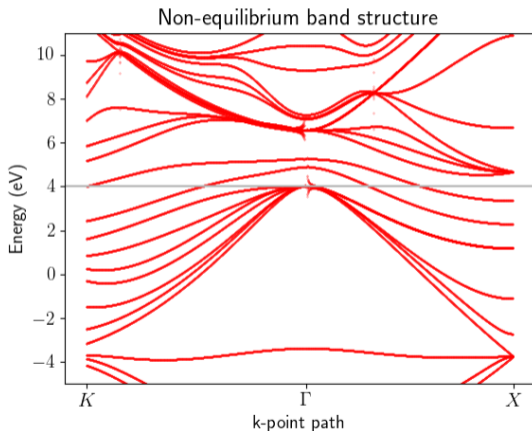
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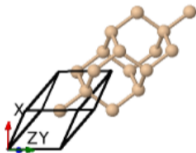
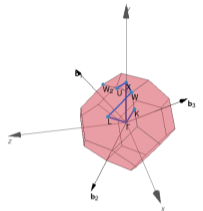
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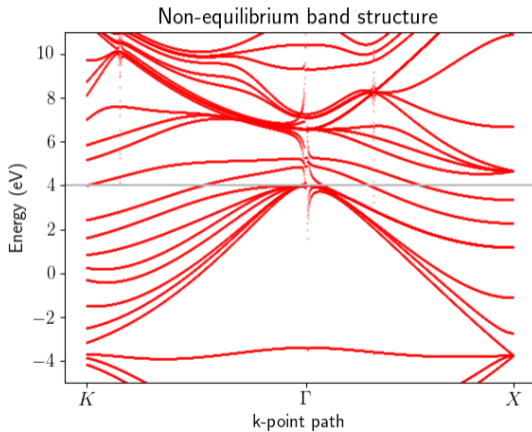
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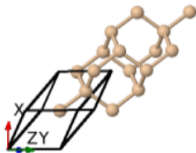
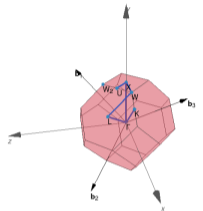
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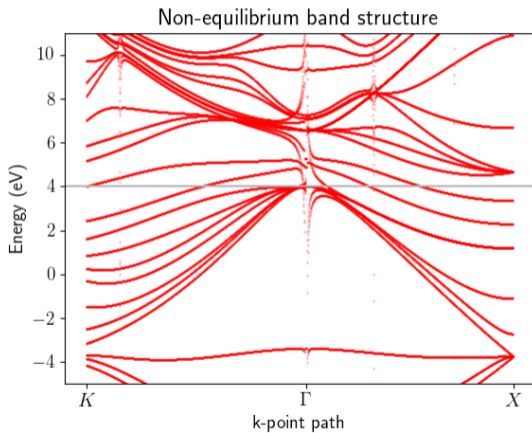
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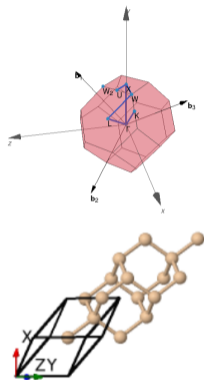
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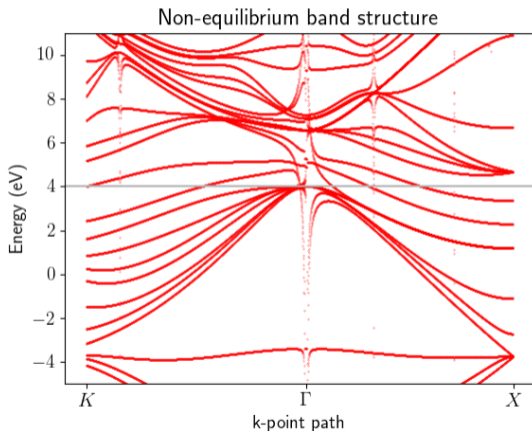
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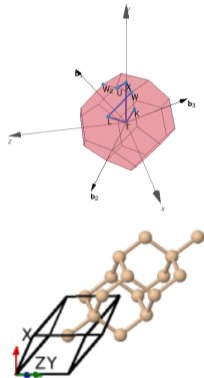
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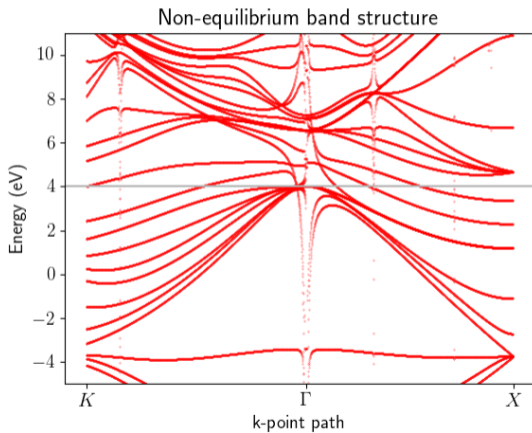
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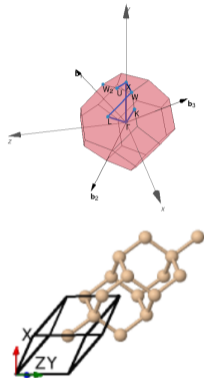
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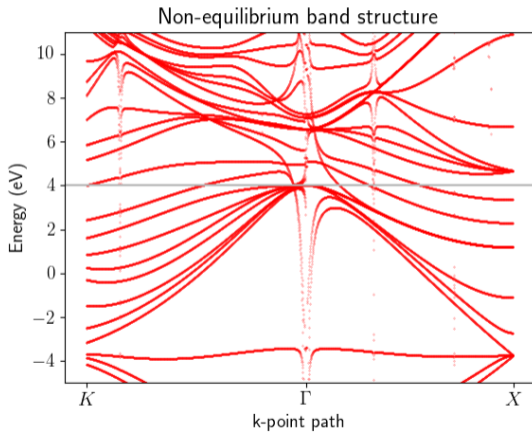
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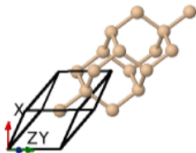
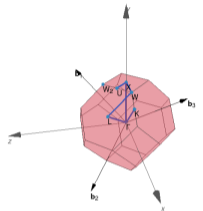
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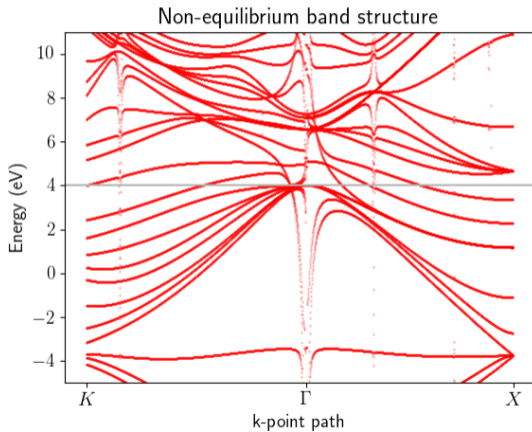
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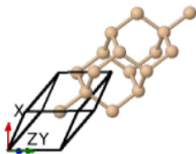
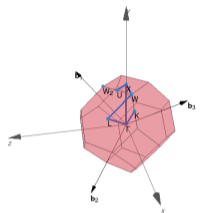
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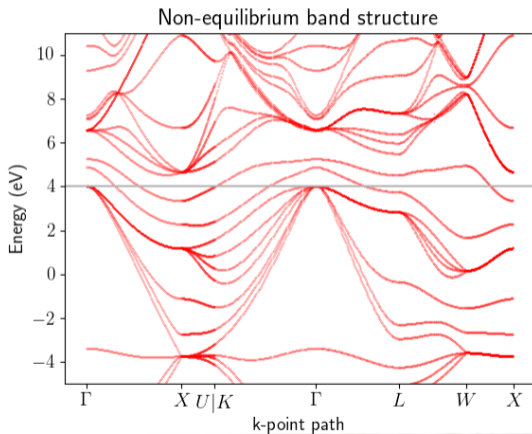
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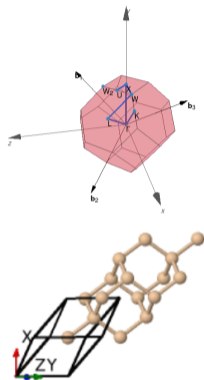
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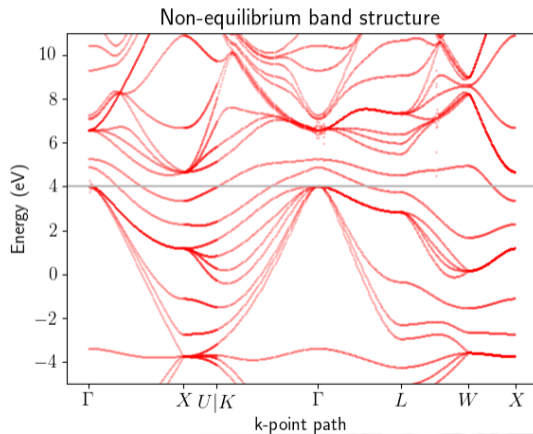
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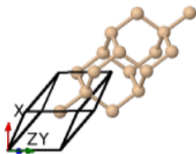
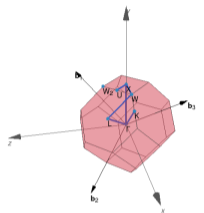
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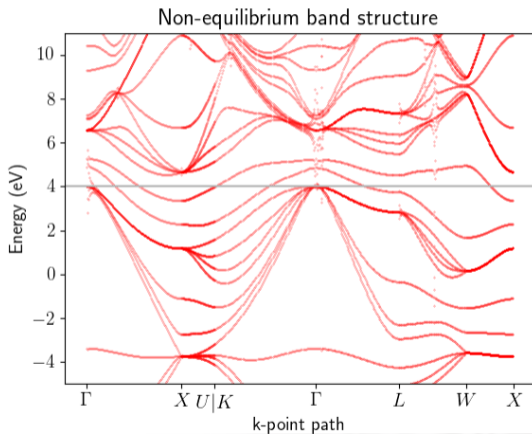
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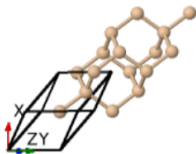
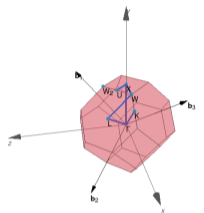
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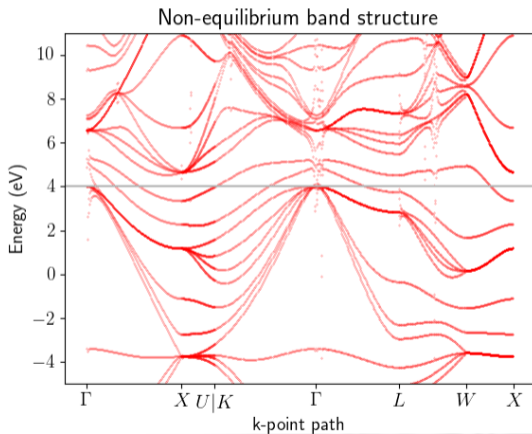
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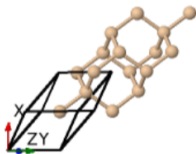
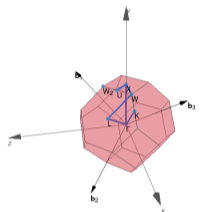
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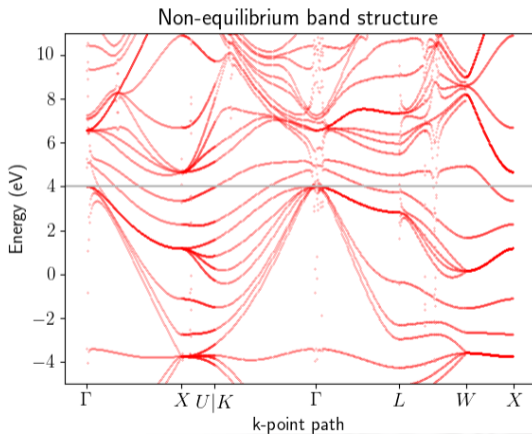
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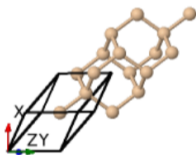
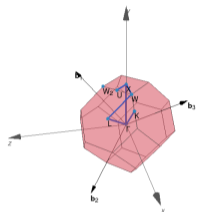
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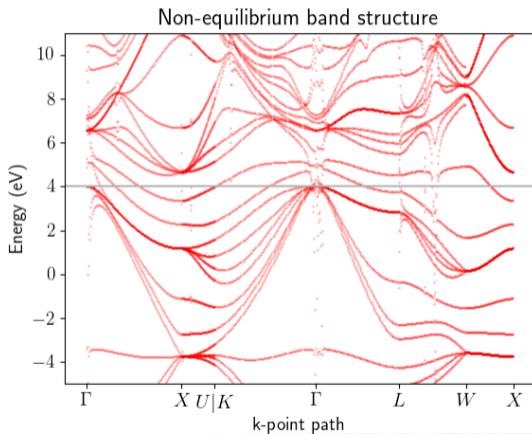
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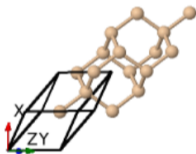
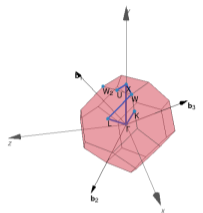
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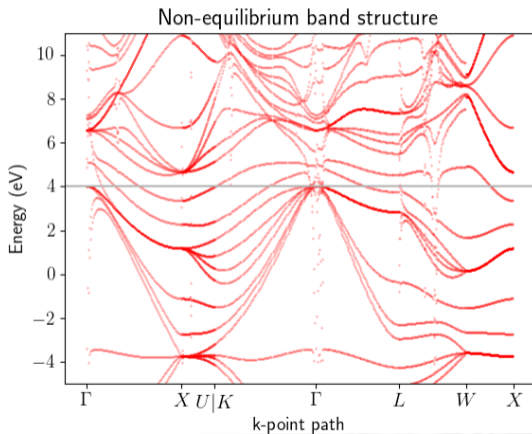
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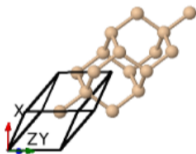
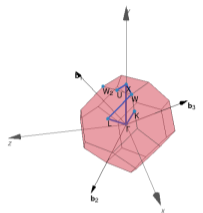
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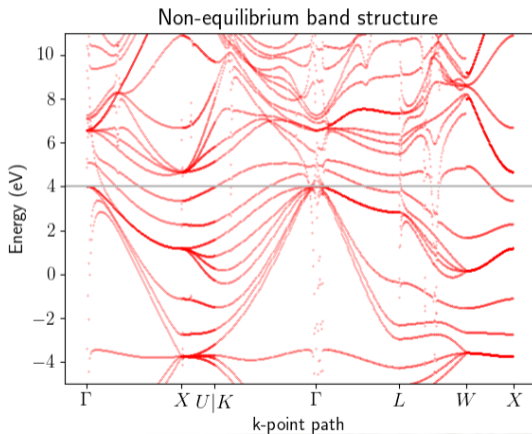
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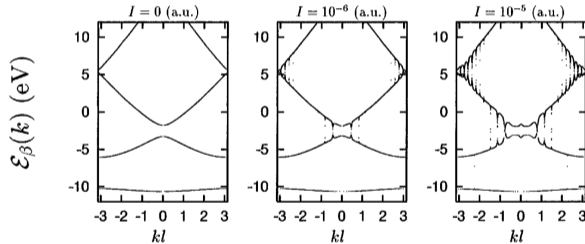
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Interpretation

- **Intraband absorption** modifies band gap, and *modifies* interband absorption.
- **Strong anisotropy emerges from the laser irradiation:** constrained electron trajectories.

Artefact? No!

Analytical models did exhibit a similar response in simplified cases.

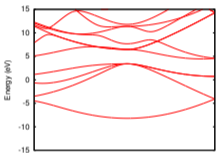


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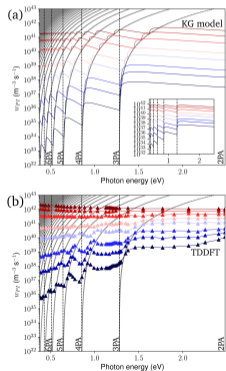
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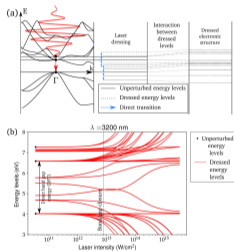
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Benchmark of simplified theories



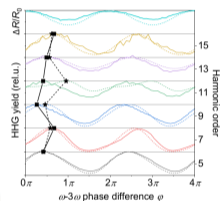
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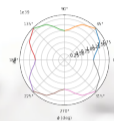
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Benchmarking TDDFT vs reality (HHG)



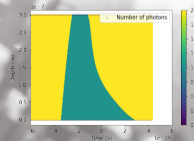
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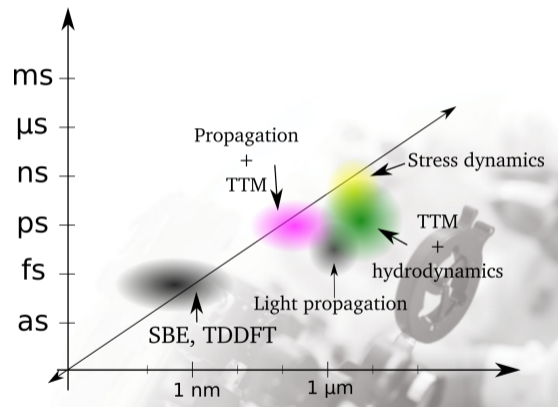
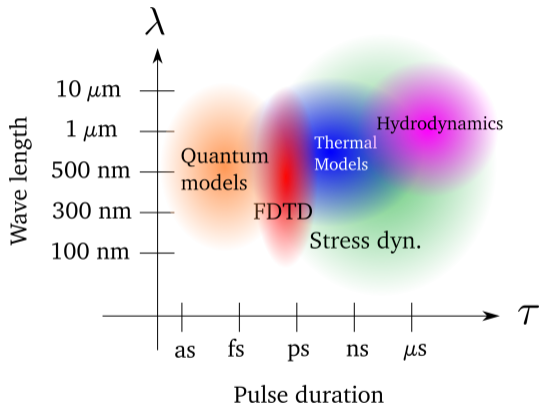
Predictions of new control parameters



1 V/nm
(0.12 TW/cm²)

Quantum effects at large scales





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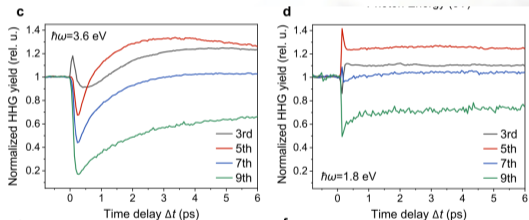
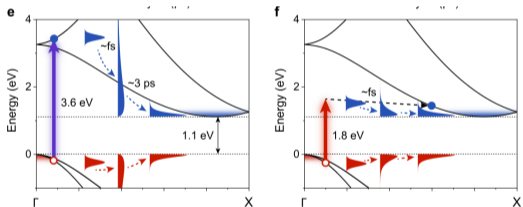
Considered done

- Early instants (~ 50 fs) of light-matter interaction with **topologically trivial materials** (Si, SiO₂, SiC, CaF₂, ...) are now **well described** up to intensities enabling **materials modification** (strong field regime), still disregarding some induced defects: annealing, reduction of oxidation, etc...
- **Prediction capabilities** of available models at the ultrafast scales (faster-than-phonon response) have reached **excellent maturity**: demonstrated with HHG spectroscopy vs TDDFT.

The future: optimal control at ultrafast timescales

- **Ultrafast pulses** in perturbative regime should enable to use reversible population of exciton-polariton states (with fs/ps lifetimes), along with **avoiding damage**.
- **Occupations** of electronic states in matter can be populated at will (bicolor mixing).
- **Design crystals** and to consider **controlling their reaction upon few-cycle light**.

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Need for relaxation dynamics

Finite temperature DFT + TDDFT possible.

Nielsen & Chuang 2010, p. 278, Quantum Computation & Quantum Information (Cambridge U. Press)

- ✓ **Finite number of states** (digital quantum computer): light intensity actually acts as a selector for the number of states.
- ✓ How to **probe the states**? Harmonic spectroscopy appears extremely precise, still state-destructive.
- ✓ **Timescales** of the interaction?
 - τ_Q : time of decoherence
 - τ_{op} : time for population of states
 - fs laser + Si = FAST! but not a great coherence time.

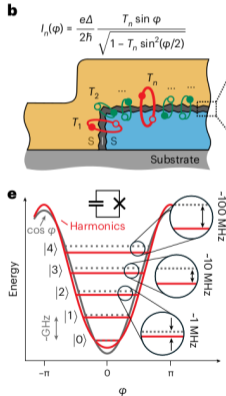
→ Multi-material study @ poster "Quantum Dynamics of Systems" @ IT4I Users Meeting, November.

System	τ_Q	τ_{op}	$n_{op} = \lambda^{-1}$
Nuclear spin	$10^{-2} - 10^8$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-6}$	$10^5 - 10^{14}$
Electron spin	10^{-3}	10^{-7}	10^4
Ion trap (In^+)	10^{-1}	10^{-14}	10^{13}
Electron - Au	10^{-8}	10^{-14}	10^6
Electron - GaAs	10^{-10}	10^{-13}	10^3
Quantum dot	10^{-6}	10^{-9}	10^3
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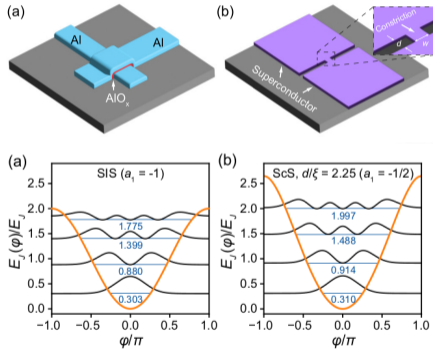
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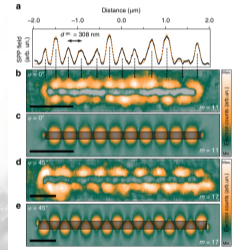
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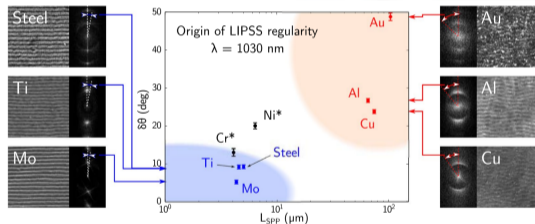


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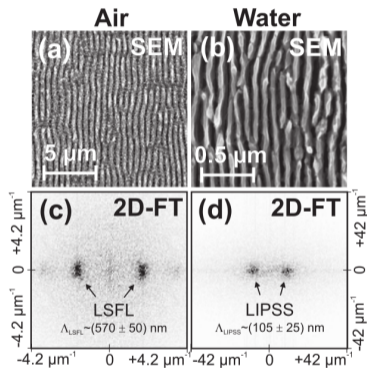
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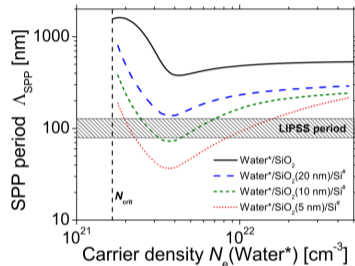
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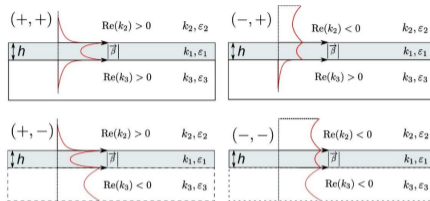
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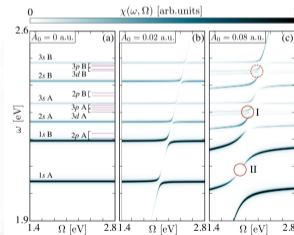
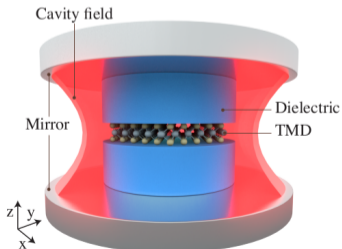
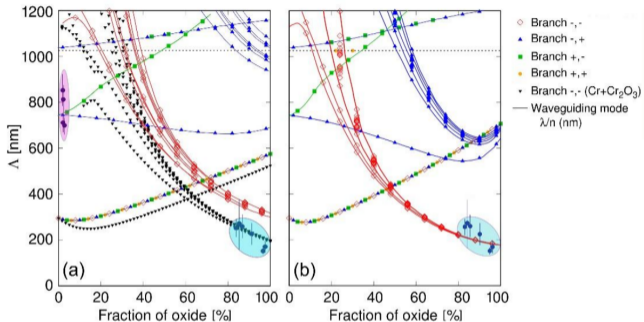


FIG. 2. Exciton-polariton spectra of MoS₂ in a cavity as a

Multiple polaritons in thin cavities



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High-spatial frequency LIPSS explained by SPP, oxidation and porosity.

Multiple polaritonic modes are found in metal and in oxides.

LSFL-|| are well explained by Plasmon Polariton in metallic regime.

Oxidation seems to play a major role in the formation of HSFL- \perp , $\Lambda \ll \lambda$ structures.



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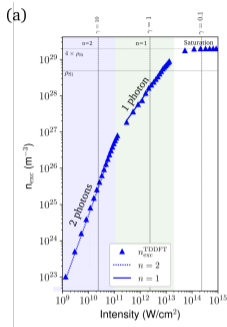


And the future is certain
Give us time to work it out



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Key point

In atomic physics, n increases with intensity.
In solid state physics, n decreases.

A data approach to electron excitation

- Multiphotonic rates are not directly usable: number of photons n changes with intensity (ultrafast metallization)

$$\sigma_n I^n \rightarrow \sigma_n(I) I^{n(I)}.$$

- Keldysh model is not directly usable: it has discontinuities due to interruption of transition between 2 levels ("Wannier-Stark localization").
- Data from TDDFT are contiguous, due to multiband description: only 1 transition can be disabled at once (theorem of "Le Bourget").

Let's try!

Reduction of the band-gap during pulse → **effect at large spatial scale** (μm)?

- Density of conduction bands electrons

$$\frac{\partial n_{\text{exc}}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = G_{\text{e-h}} + R_{\text{AR}} \quad (8)$$

$$G_{\text{e-h}} = \left\{ w_{\text{PI}}^{\text{TDDFT}} \left[f \left(\text{Re} \sqrt{\epsilon_{\text{eq}}(\omega)} \right) \times I(t) \times [1 - R(t)] \right] + \underbrace{\delta_{\text{II}}(n_{\text{exc}})}_{\text{negligible if } \tau \ll \tau_{\text{eph}}} \times n_{\text{exc}}(t) \right\} \times \frac{n_0^\dagger - n_{\text{exc}}(t)}{n_0^\dagger} \quad (9)$$

where $f(x) = x \times \theta(x)$ and $\theta(x)$ is Heaviside function.

- Beer-Lambert law

$$\frac{dI}{dz} = - \left(\hbar\omega \times n_{\text{ph}}^{\text{TDDFT}}(I) \times \underbrace{w_{\text{PI}}^{\text{TDDFT}}[I]}_{\text{MPI+tunnel+fcr. abs.}} \right), \quad (10)$$

Difficulties

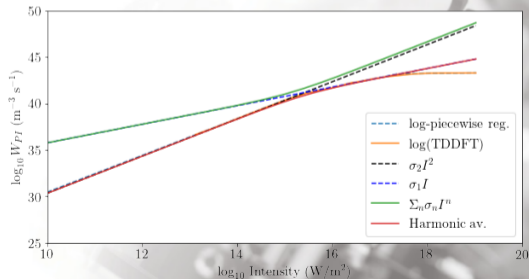
- Discontinuity of the Keldysh model at Wannier-Stark localizations
- Number of photons for multiphoton absorption: depends on intensity!

$$n = n(I)$$

- TDDFT provides predictions for high intensity pulse: **how to describe intensities from 0 to our calculations?**

Methods

- Extend the TDDFT data down to 0 V/m by using piece-wise interpolation.
- Directly use the resulting parametrization inside the RE model, and address various wavelengths.

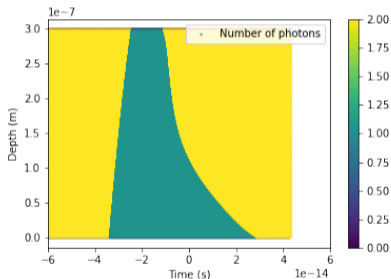


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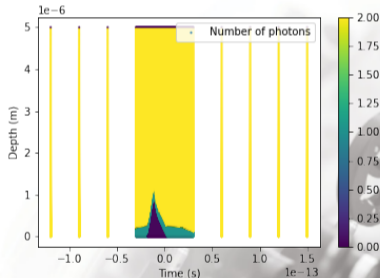
Introducing the laser dressing into large-scale description

Laser modifies the gap of interaction *during* the pulse.

0.1 μm thin Si sample - 0.18 J/cm²



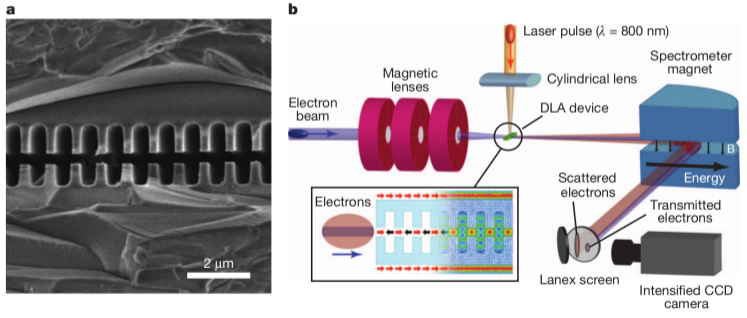
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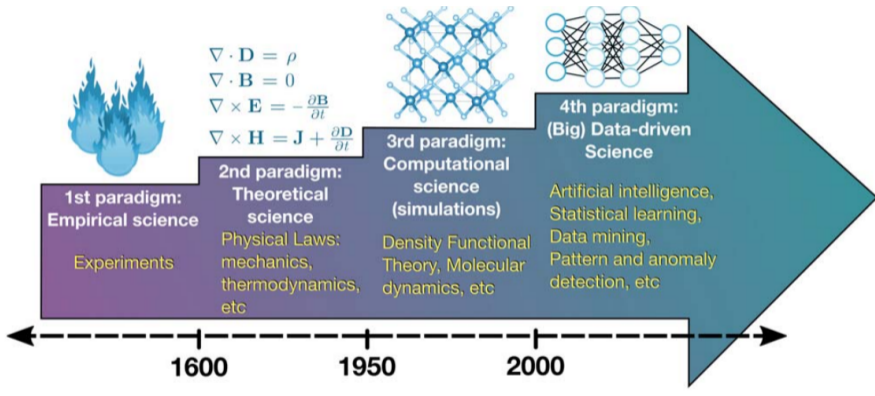


Band structure engineering using light

Large-scale consequence of laser dressing: a position-dependent band structure \Rightarrow ultrafast currents generated in the band gap material \rightarrow electron acceleration.

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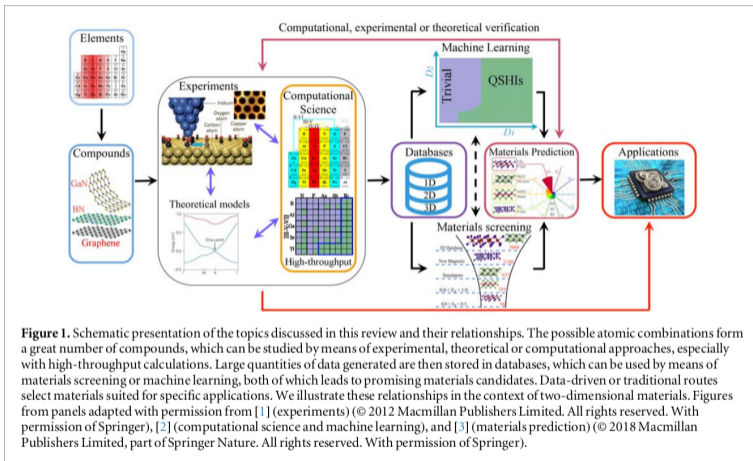
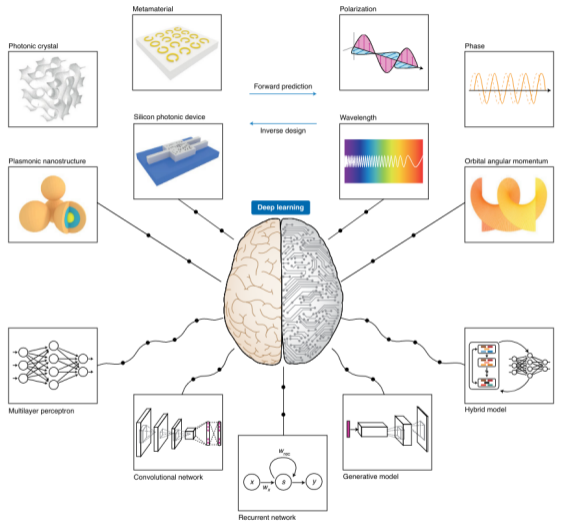


Figure 1. Schematic presentation of the topics discussed in this review and their relationships. The possible atomic combinations form a great number of compounds, which can be studied by means of experimental, theoretical or computational approaches, especially with high-throughput calculations. Large quantities of data generated are then stored in databases, which can be used by means of materials screening or machine learning, both of which leads to promising materials candidates. Data-driven or traditional routes select materials suited for specific applications. We illustrate these relationships in the context of two-dimensional materials. Figures from panels adapted with permission from [1] (experiments) © 2012 Macmillan Publishers Limited. All rights reserved. With permission of Springer, [2] (computational science and machine learning), and [3] (materials prediction) © 2018 Macmillan Publishers Limited, part of Springer Nature. All rights reserved. With permission of Springer.

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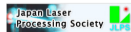
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Special Session 2: Machine Learning and Simulation for Laser Processing

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Dr. Thibault J.-Y. Derrien, HILASE Centre, Czech Republic

Short description:

Laser processing is flexible with many tunable parameters such as wavelength, pulse duration, pulse energy, and scan speed. Today, these parameters are optimized by human experience and intuition. In this special session, to meet the mass customization need in the coming super smart society, we discuss alternative approaches driven by data, artificial intelligence, and numerical simulations



For Si, ~3,000 TDDFT simulations with relevant laser pulses have been prepared [~2.7 M-core-hours per year]

- Several materials (Si, Mo, Au, ...)
- Several pulse shapes, pulse mixtures, ...
- Several observables (absorbed energy, currents, harmonic spectra, ...).
- All the work has been **systematized** into PYTHON & BASH routines for **collaboration purposes**.

High Power Computation Projects

- **IT4Innovations** National Supercomputing Center - eINFRA (ID:90140), sub-proj. MORILLE, FLAMENCO, FILIPINAS.
- **PRACE** aisbl (projects BOLERO, FRECUENCIA).

Backup National Grid Infrastructure **MetaCentrum** eINFRA (ID:90140).



Open questions

- What could be done beyond interpolation / extrapolation of existing results?
- Can it help to reduce k-grid space? mesh space? decrease cost of calculations?
- How many TDDFT simulations are necessary to train the algorithm? millions? thousands?

Attempts using SKLEARN for now: extrapolation of n_{exc} from ~ 18 input parameters.

Talent competition high-school student (CZ)



Topic: Supervised machine-learning on existing TDDFT datasets for accelerating laser processing.

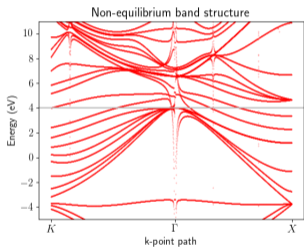
Preliminary results

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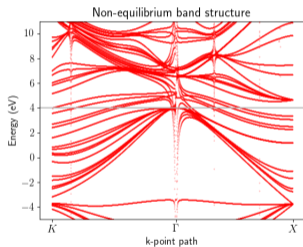
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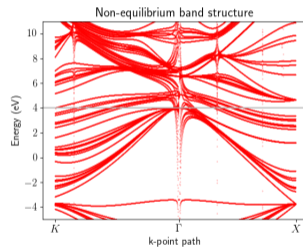
$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ replicates. $E = 0.2$ V/nm, $\lambda = 1030$ nm.



$n = 1$



$n = 2$



$n = 3$