

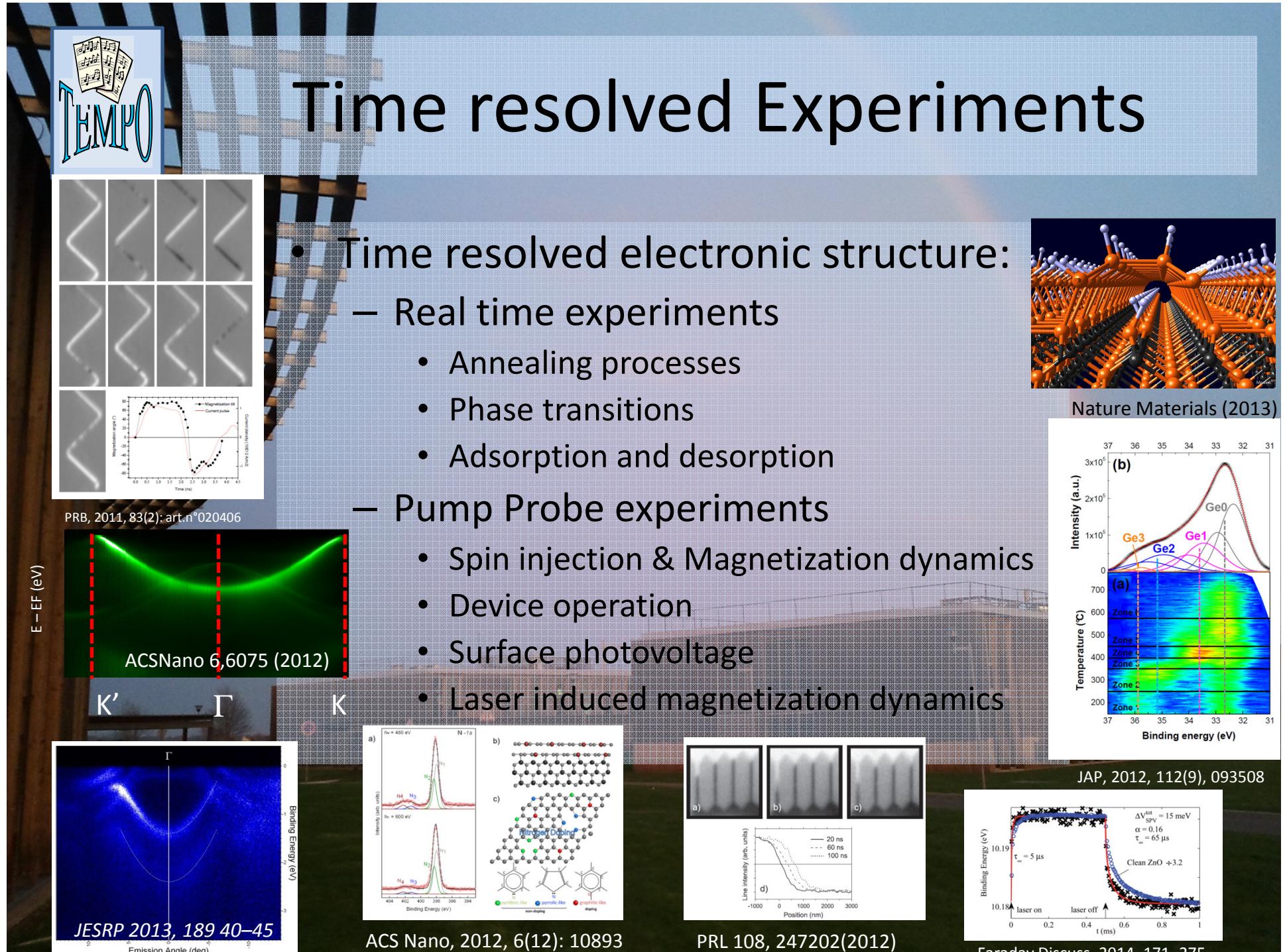


Electronic properties of solids excited with intermediate laser power densities

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TEMPO

Beamline





Laser installation

Fs Pulsed laser
Coherent REGA 9040
- 282 KHz synchronized
- 40 fs, $6\mu\text{J}/\text{pulse}$
- OPA 800 – 400 nm



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fs laser excitations in solid state

- Surface Chemical reactions
- Phase transitions
- Magnetization dynamics

Pump/probe experiments:

Enough power to induce modification of physical properties

But the solid sample is still there

Photoelectron spectroscopy

- Electronic structure =>
- all properties
 - physical, chemical, magnetic,
- Element and site specific
- Basis for all time resolved studies
 - In all phase transitions electrons, more mobile than nuclei could drive the observed behavior

Laser power density

Needed several mJ/cm^2

REGA : $6\mu\text{J}/\text{pulse}$
with a focal spot of about 200 microns



5 mJ/cm^2 @ 25 degrees incidence



High stability needed for both synchrotron and laser beamlines



The phase transition in FeRh

In FeRh the transition involves both the **Magnetic Order** and the **Lattice Structure**;

Below T_c

$$Fe = \pm 3.3 \mu_B$$

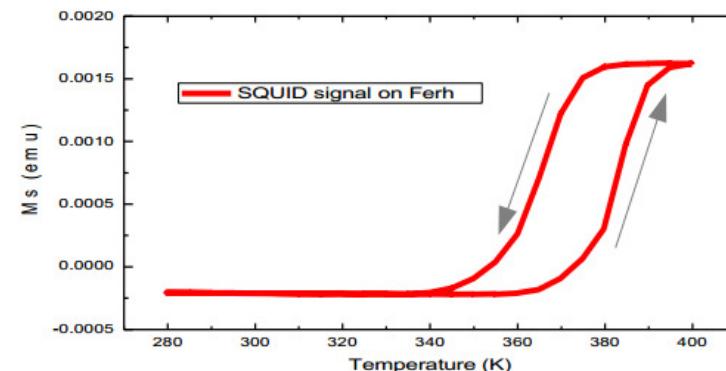
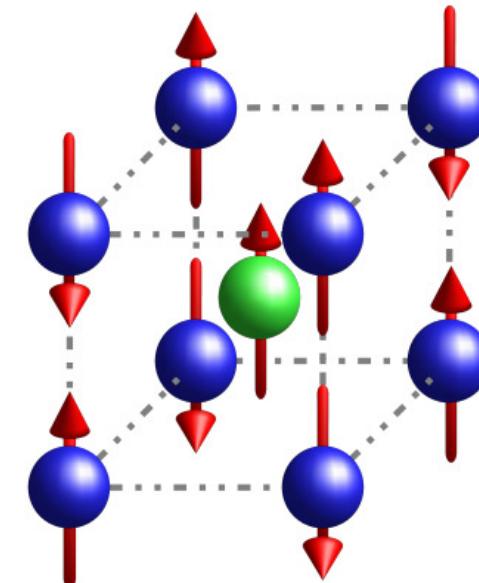
$$Rh = 0 \mu_B$$

Above T_c

$$Fe = 3.1 \mu_B$$

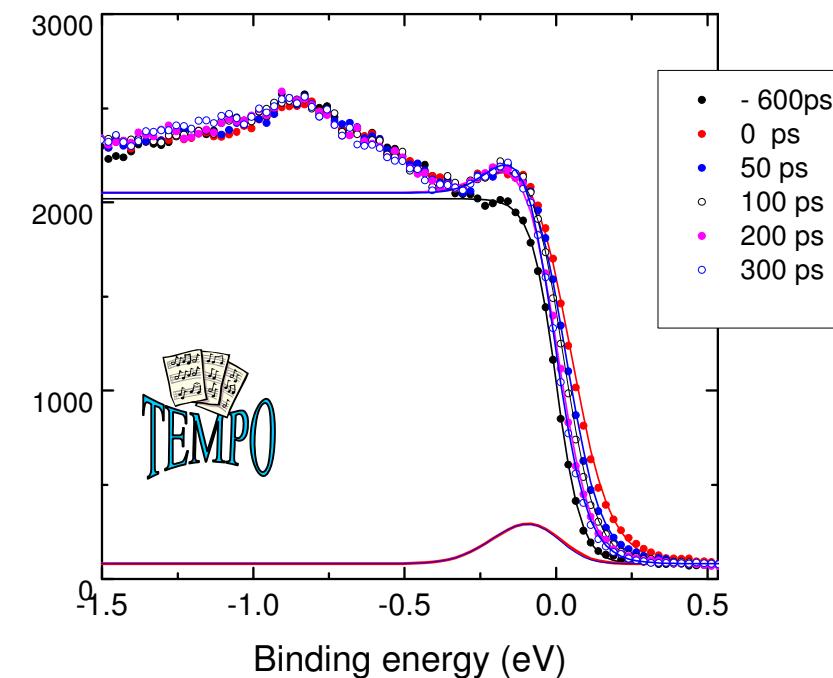
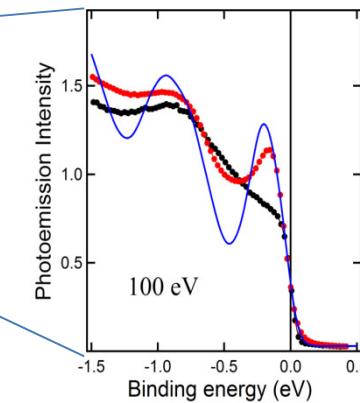
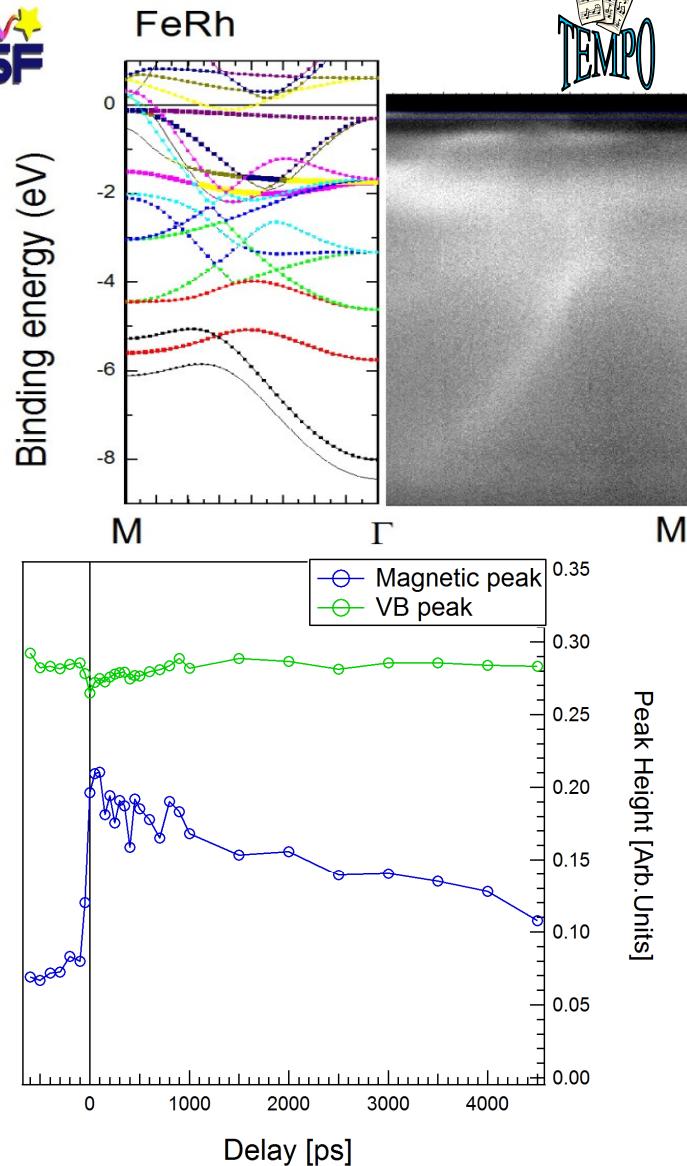
$$Rh = 0.9 \mu_B$$

The volume is expanded of about 1%
bulk samples or in thick films;
• Isotropically in bulk or in thick films;
• Along the out of plane direction for
thin films



$$T_{FM \rightarrow AFM} = 385 K \quad T_{AFM \rightarrow FM} = 395 K$$

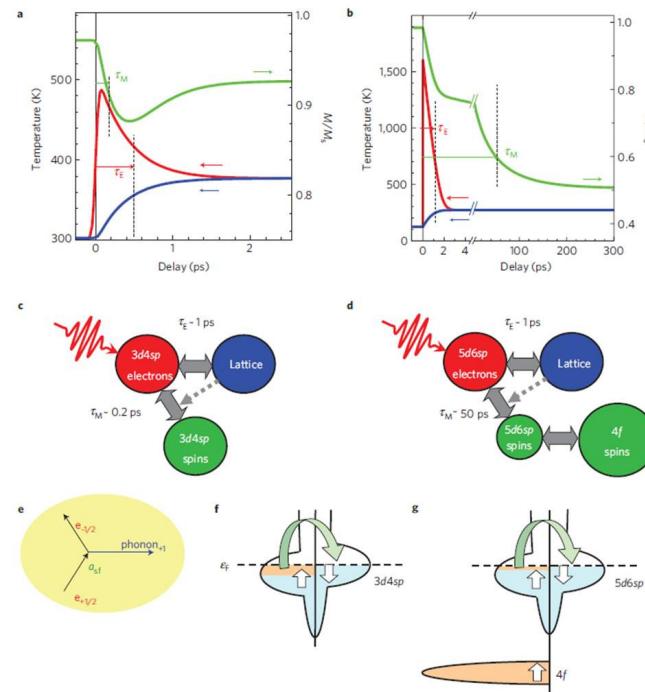
FeRh : electronic structure \rightarrow + laser induced phase transition



(F. Pressacco, M. Gatti, A. Nicolaou, D. Krizmancic)

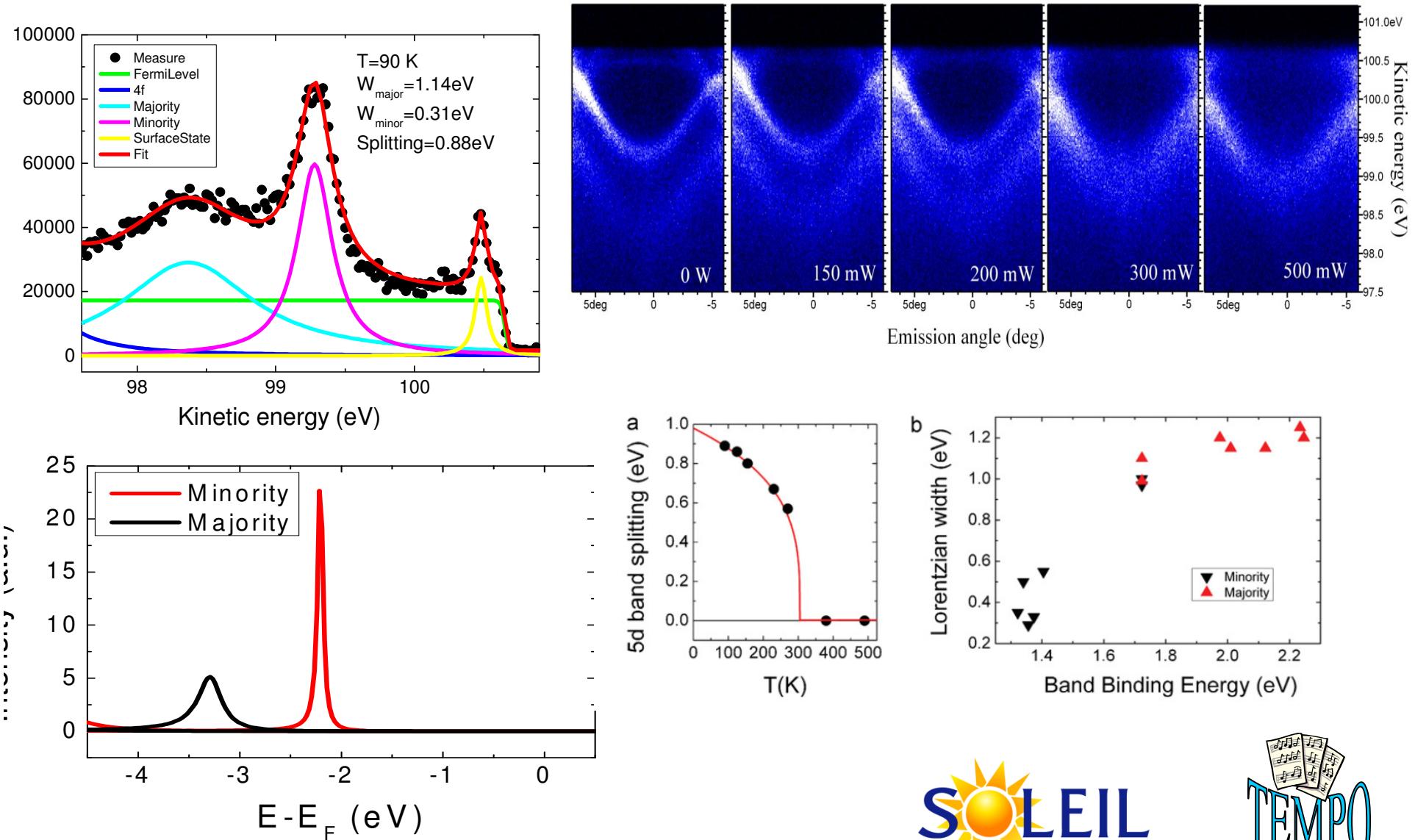
Magnetization dynamics

- Three temperature model
- Role of hot electrons
- IR laser excitation



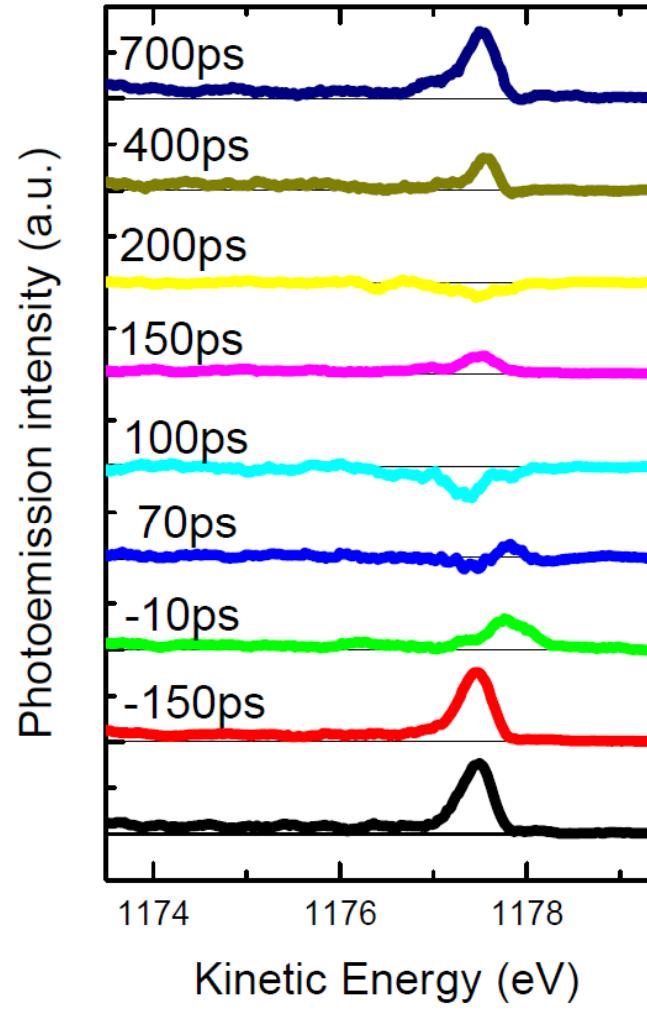
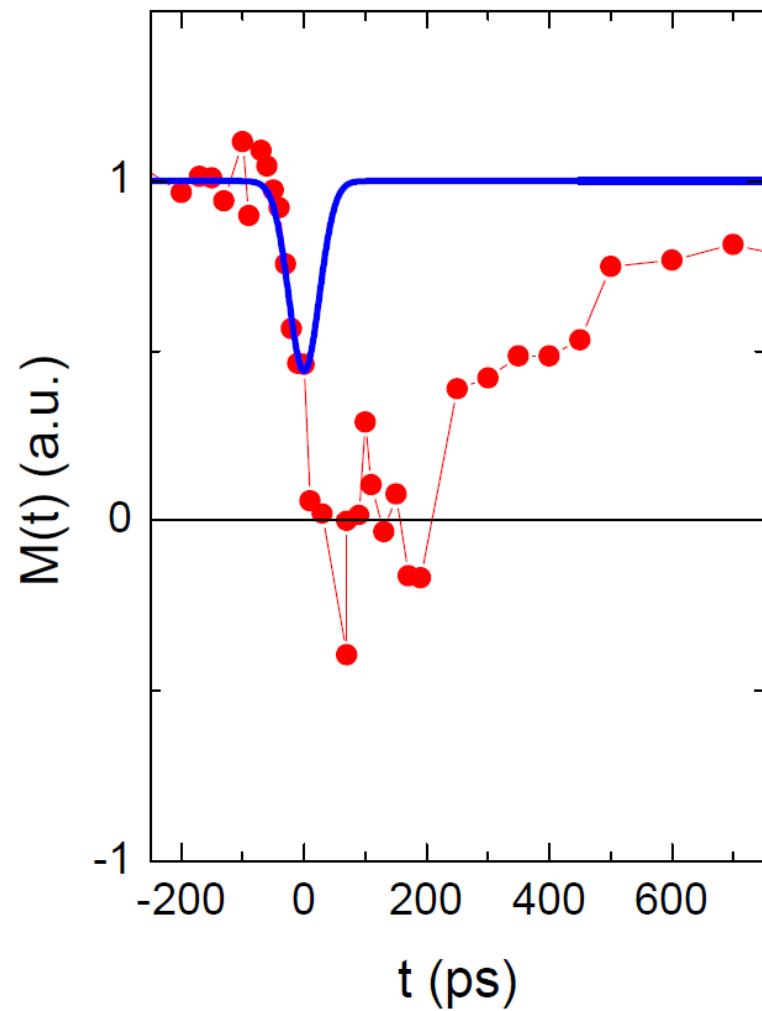
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Gd: Temperature dependence of magnetization





Laser induced Fast demagnetization



Femtosecond Laser Excitation Drives Ferromagnetic Gadolinium out of Magnetic Equilibrium

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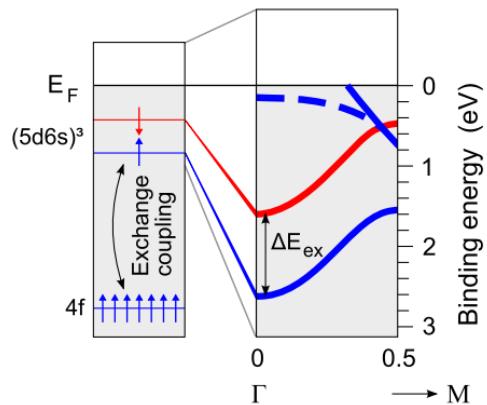
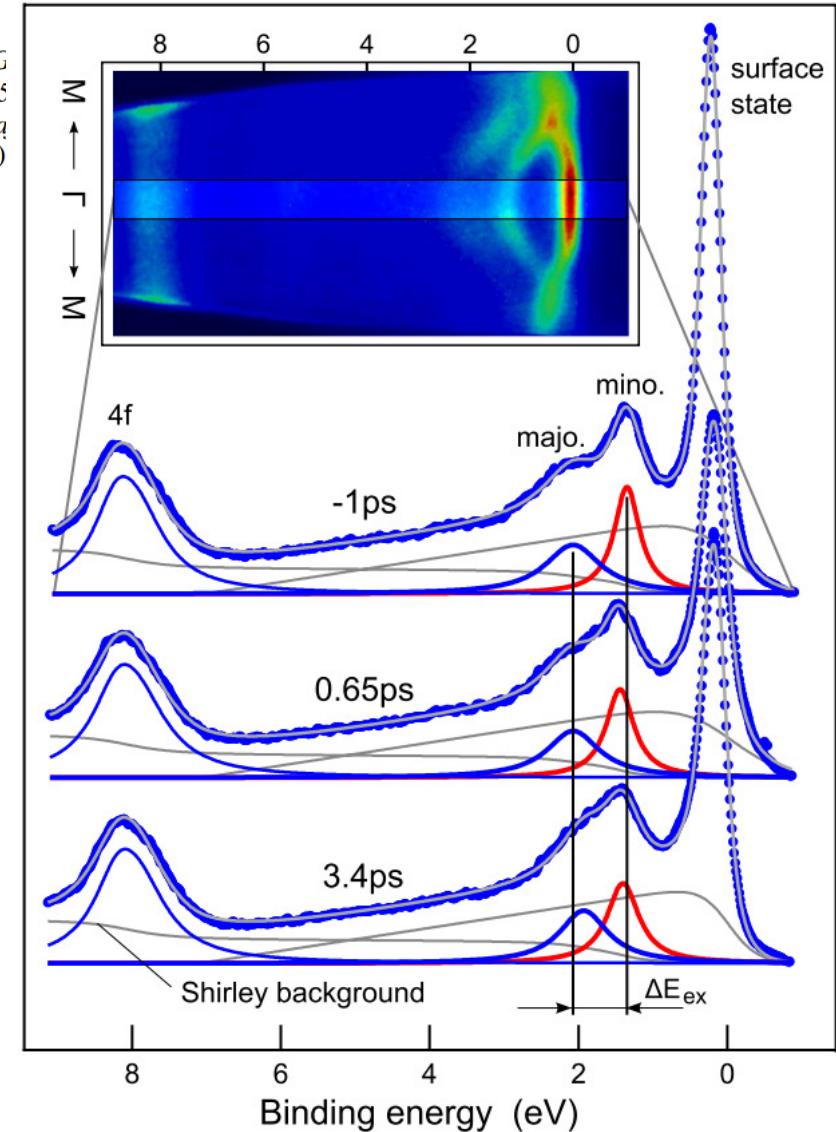
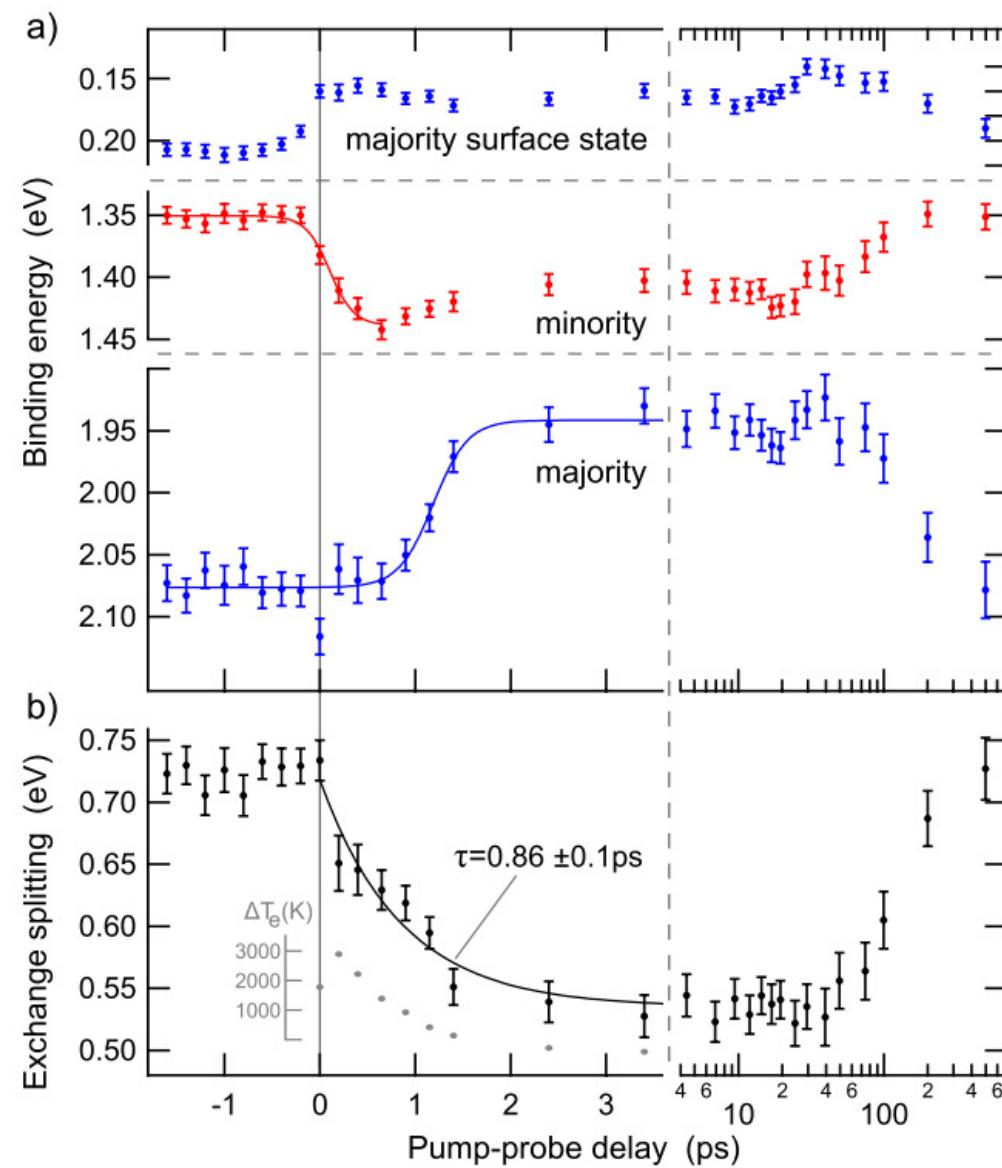


FIG. 1 (color online). Magnetic coupling (left) and calculated exchange-split valence band structure [31] of gadolinium (right). Majority spin band: blue, up arrows. Minority spin band: red, down arrows. The dashed line is the $5d_z^2$ majority spin surface state. Bands not seen in ARPES at 36 eV photon energy have been omitted.

HHG source





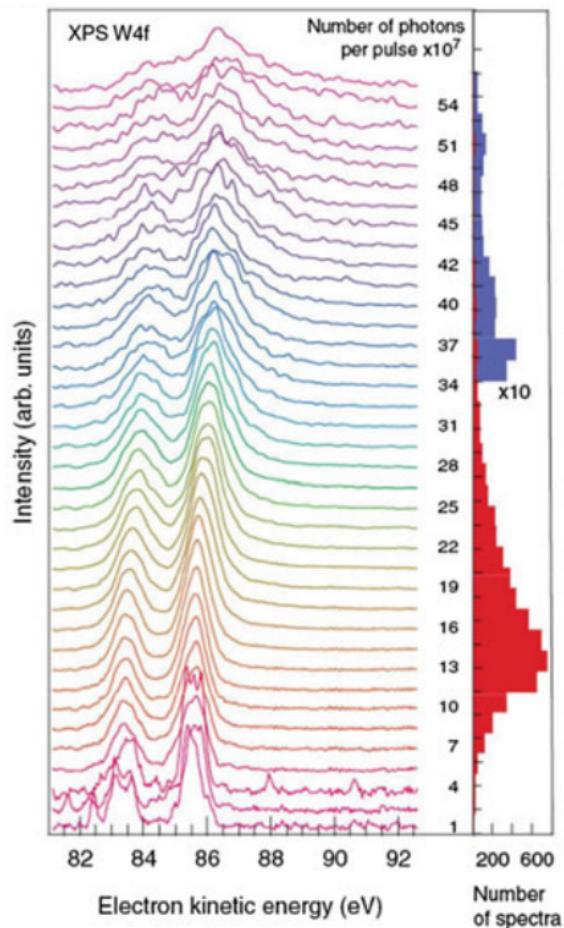


Relatively high power density
Space charge created by pump
pulse.



Beamline

Photoemission as a function of the photons per pulse

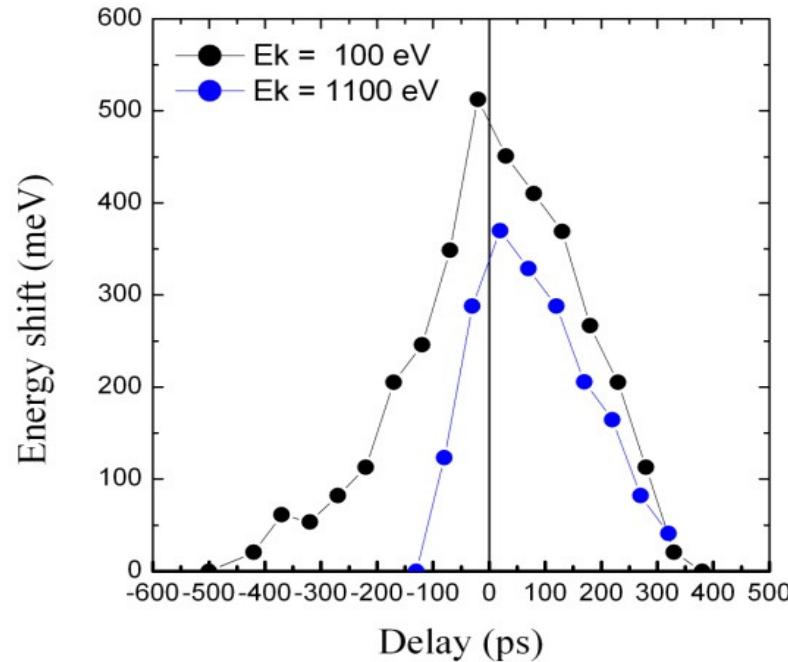


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Space charge effects occurring during fast demagnetization processes.



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Multiphoton Photoemission

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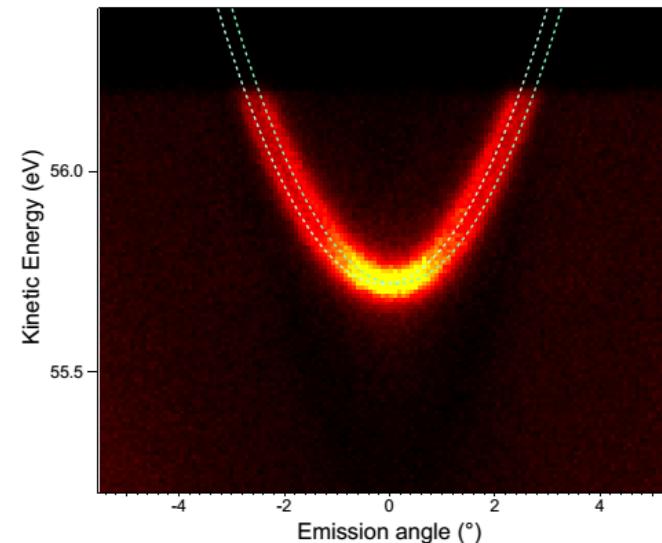
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Synchrotron radiation
60 eV photon energy



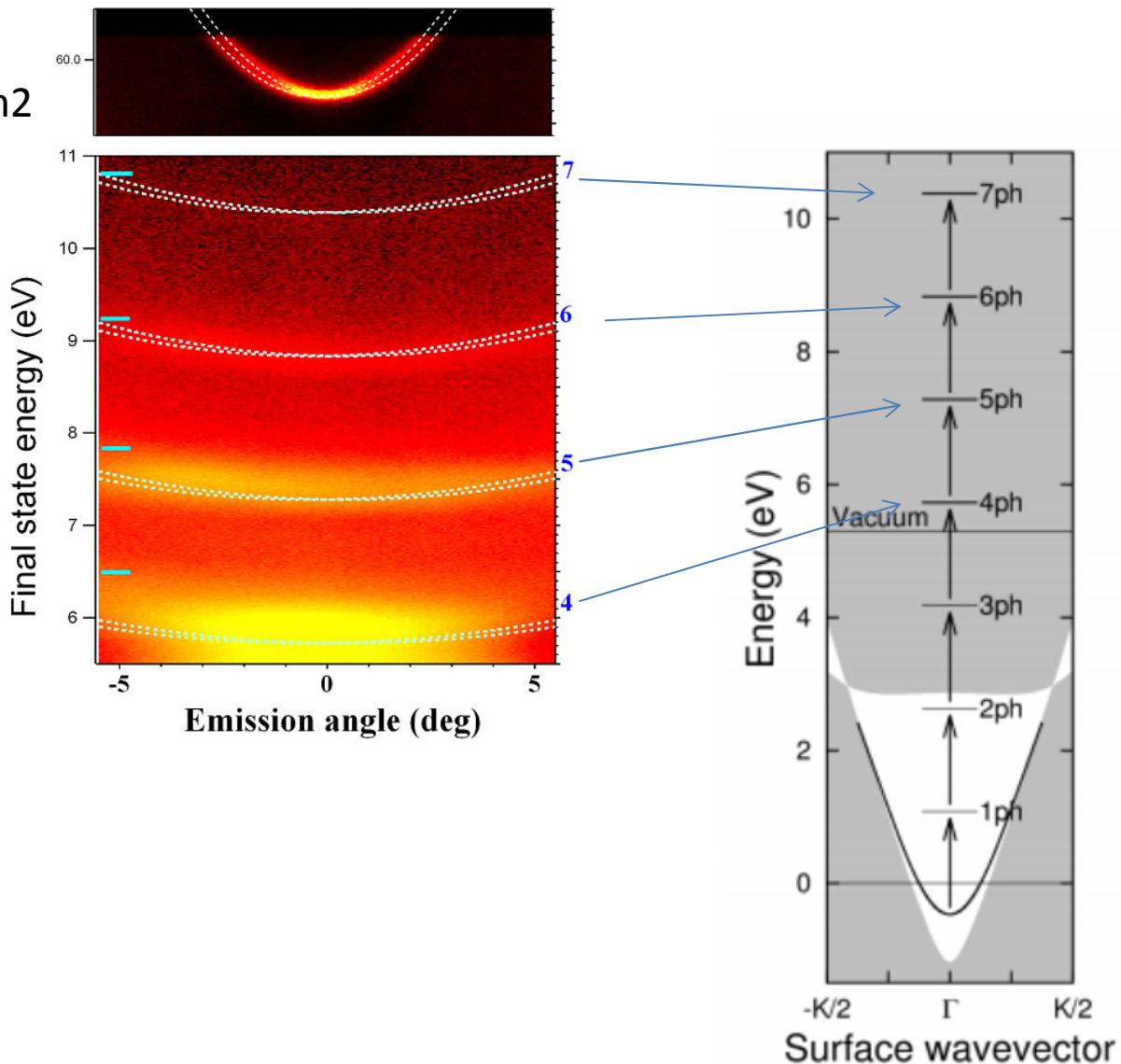
Au(111) - 90 K

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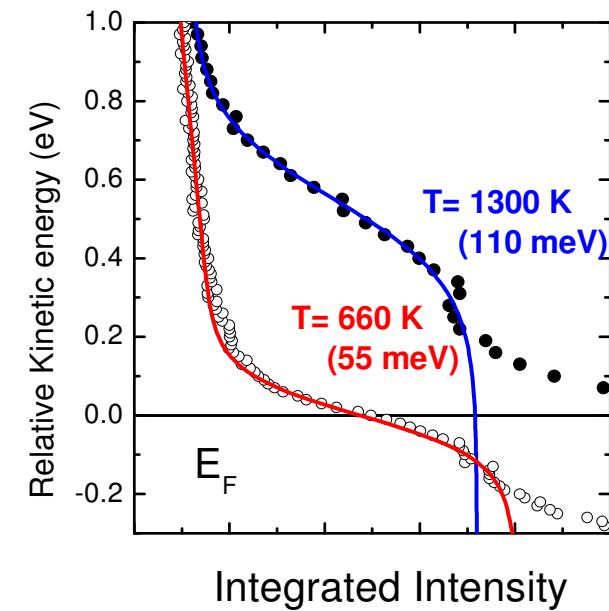
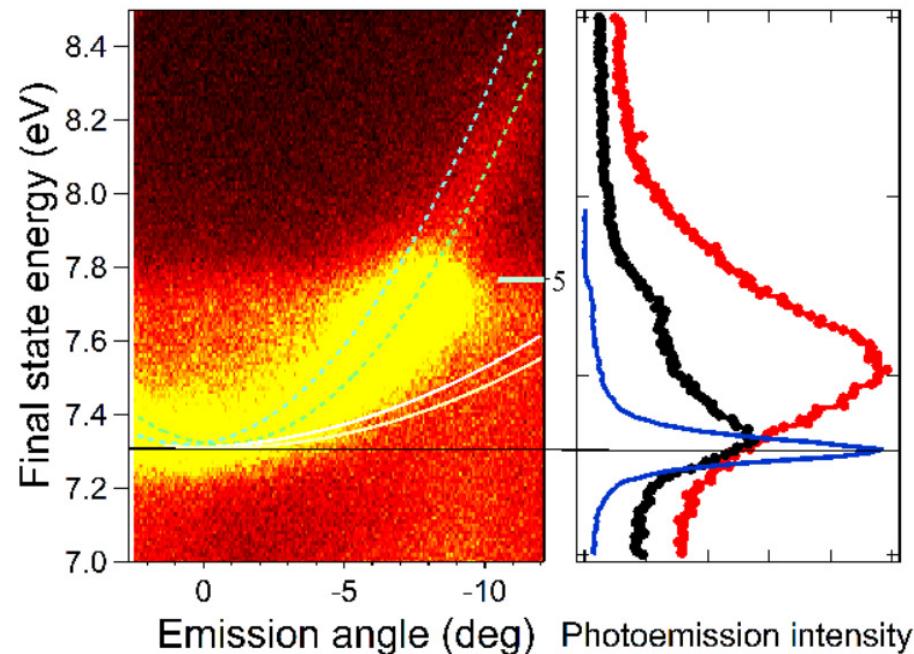
Multiphoton photoemission

REGA : 2mJ/cm²
800 nm





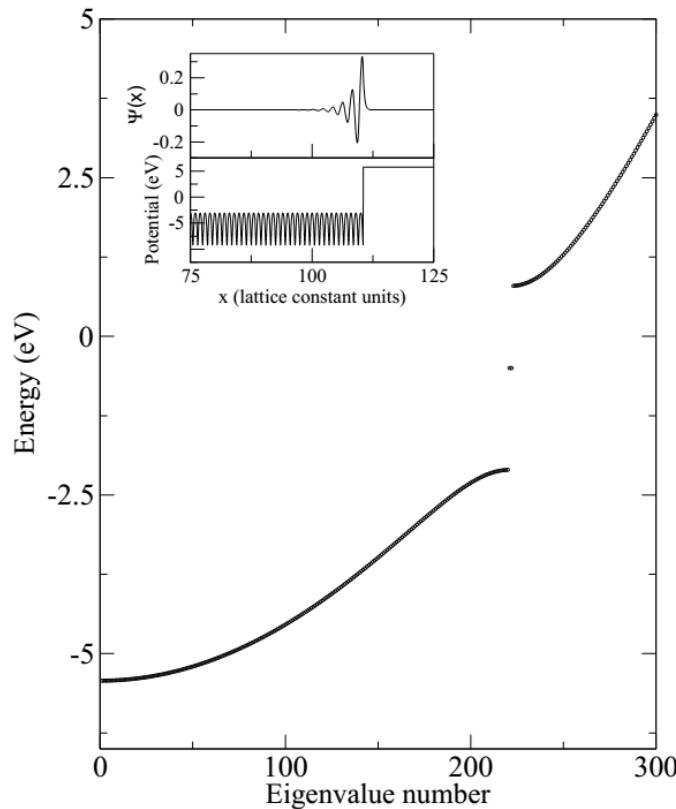
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Simple model to describe the excitation of the electron in the surface state

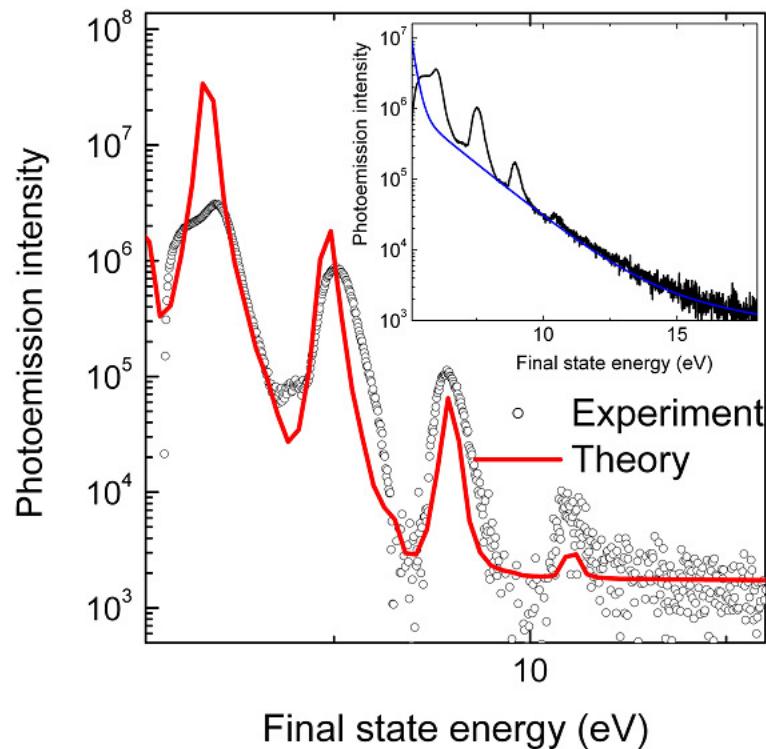


$$V(x) = \sum_n \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{(x - na_0)^2 + 1}} \exp(-k_{scr}|x - na_0|).$$

Time dependent Schrödinger equation →



Multiple electronic excitations with laser pulses at high power densities

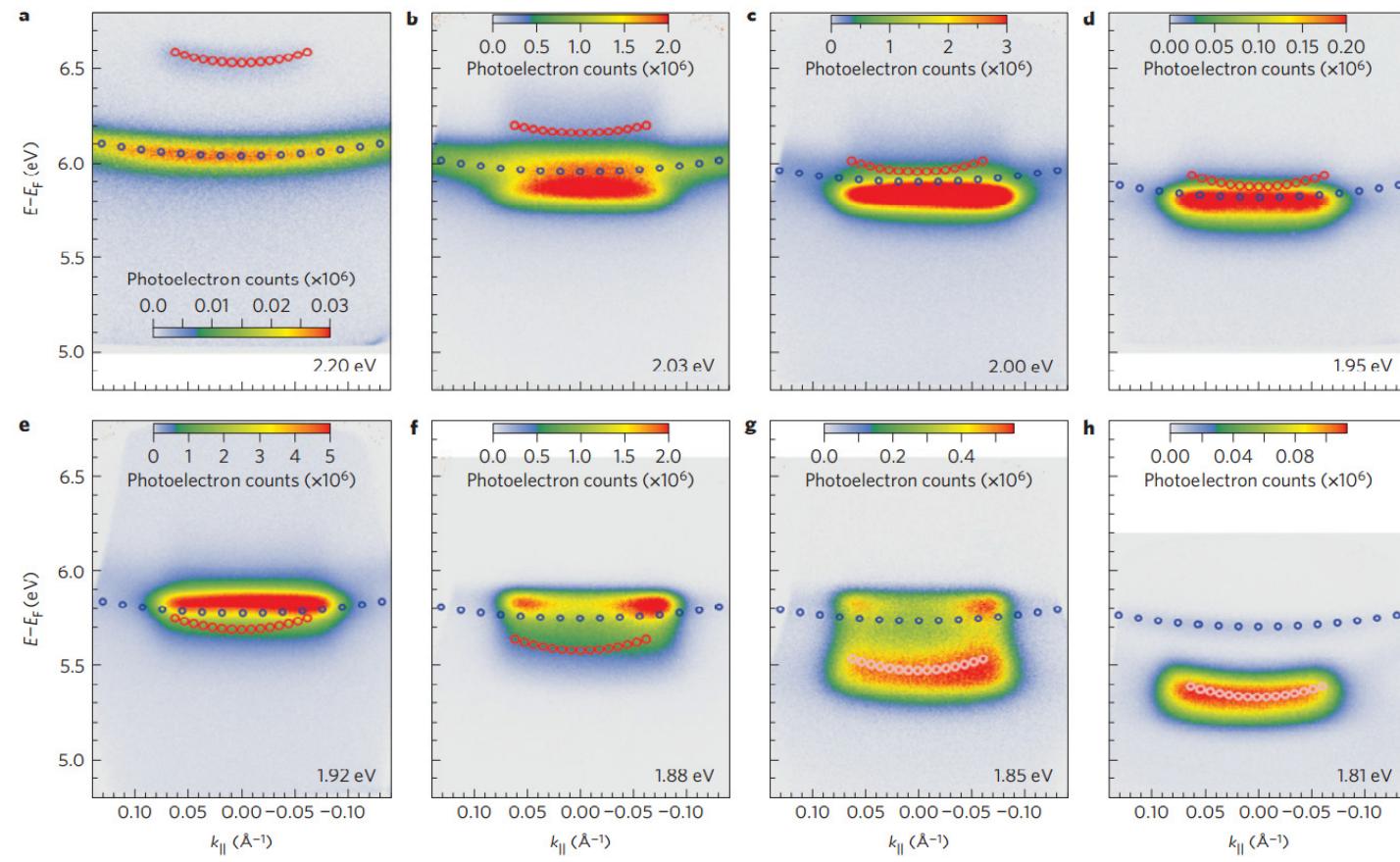


Good description of the
Electronic excitation

Good agreement of laser power density

Transient excitons at metal surfaces

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and Hrvoje Petek^{1*}



Conclusion:

electronic structure:

photon energies in the range up to 100 eV

No need to destroy samples

- High repetition rate fs pulses
- Continuous reliable operation
- Dedicated optimized exp. stations

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