

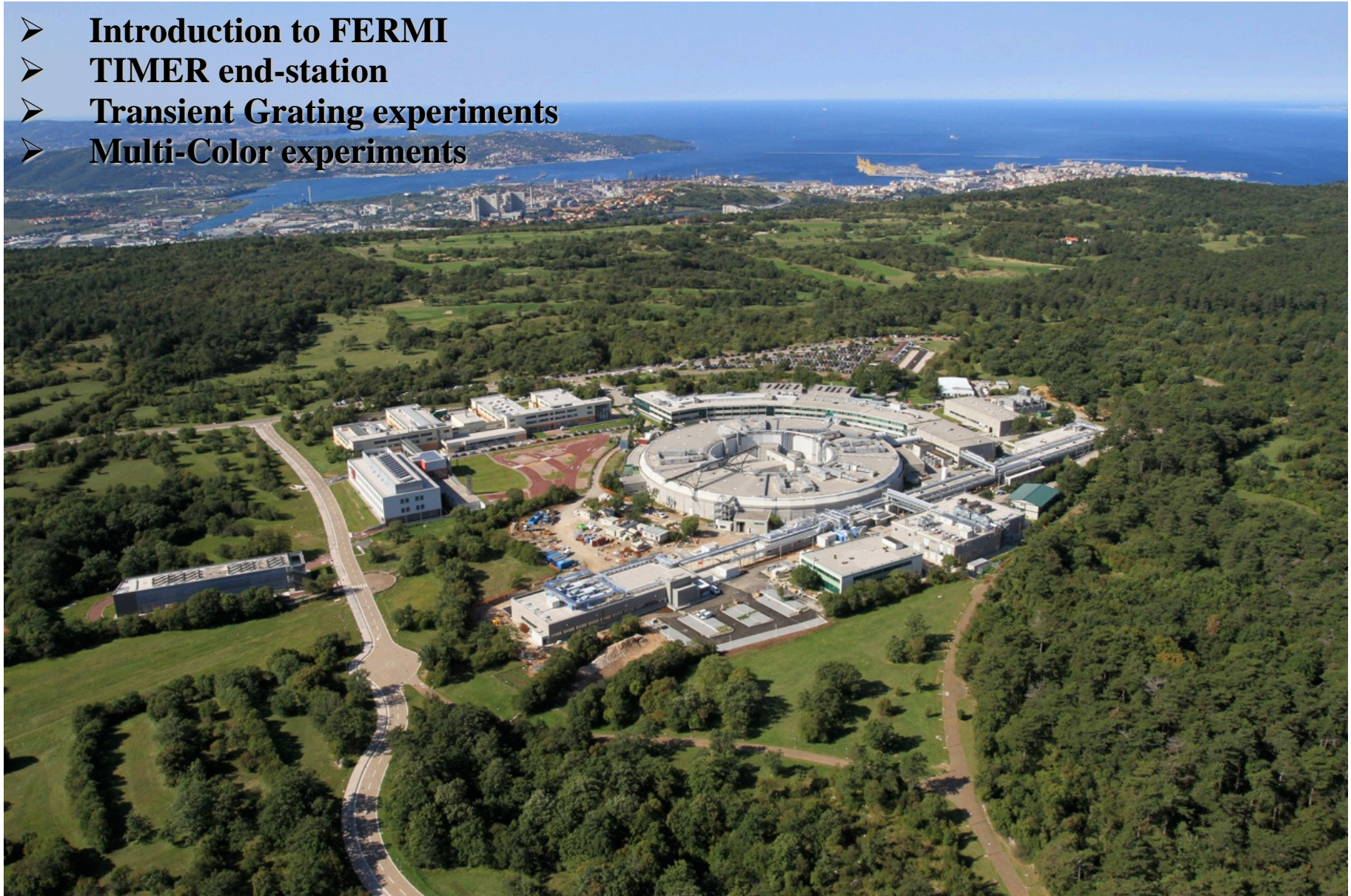
# *FERMI based Multi-Wave Experiments*

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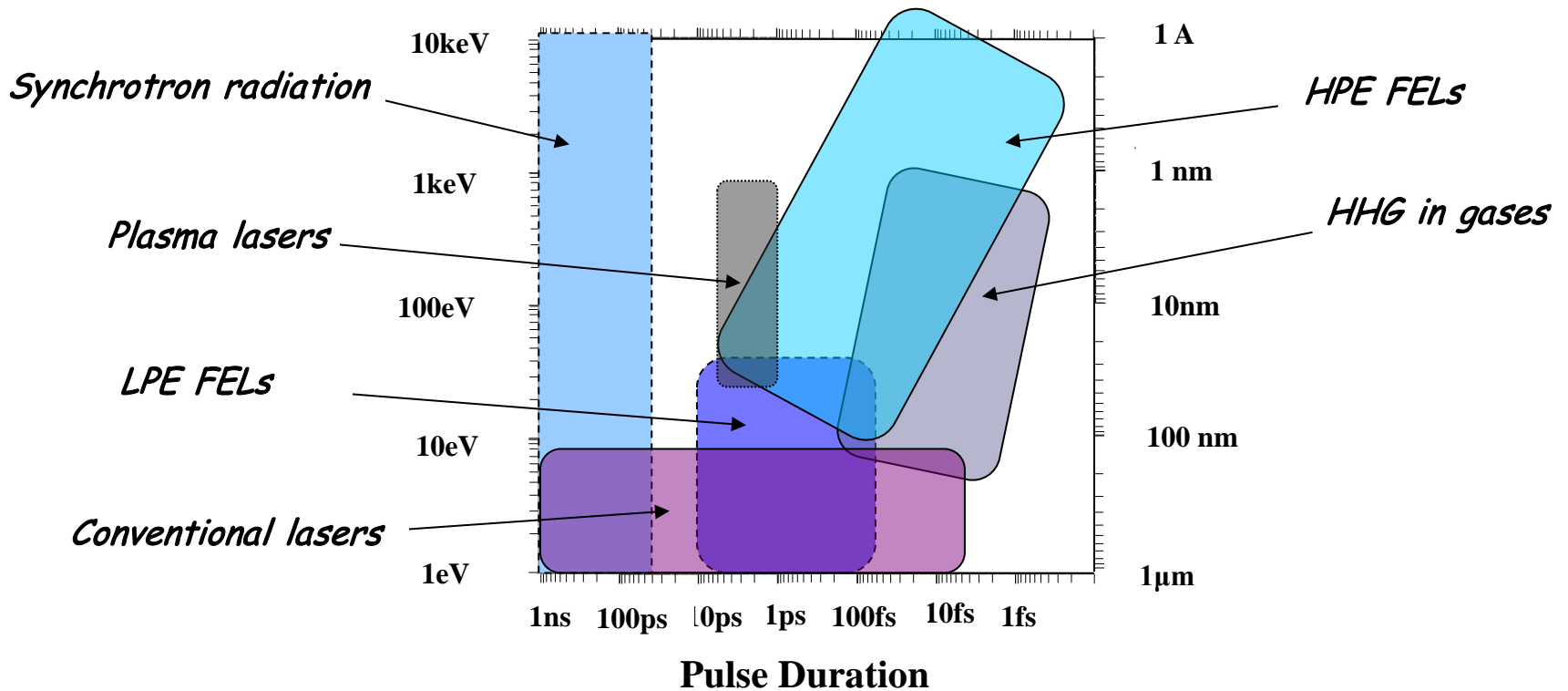
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- **Introduction to FERMI**
- **TIMER end-station**
- **Transient Grating experiments**
- **Multi-Color experiments**



# Why Free Electron Lasers ?

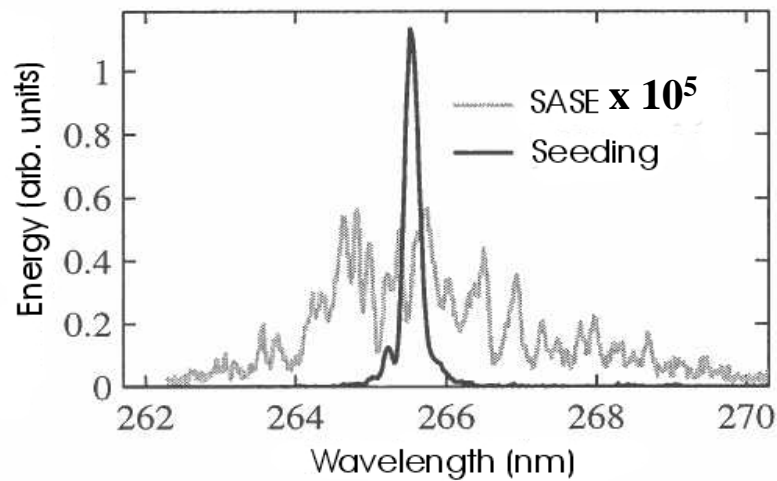
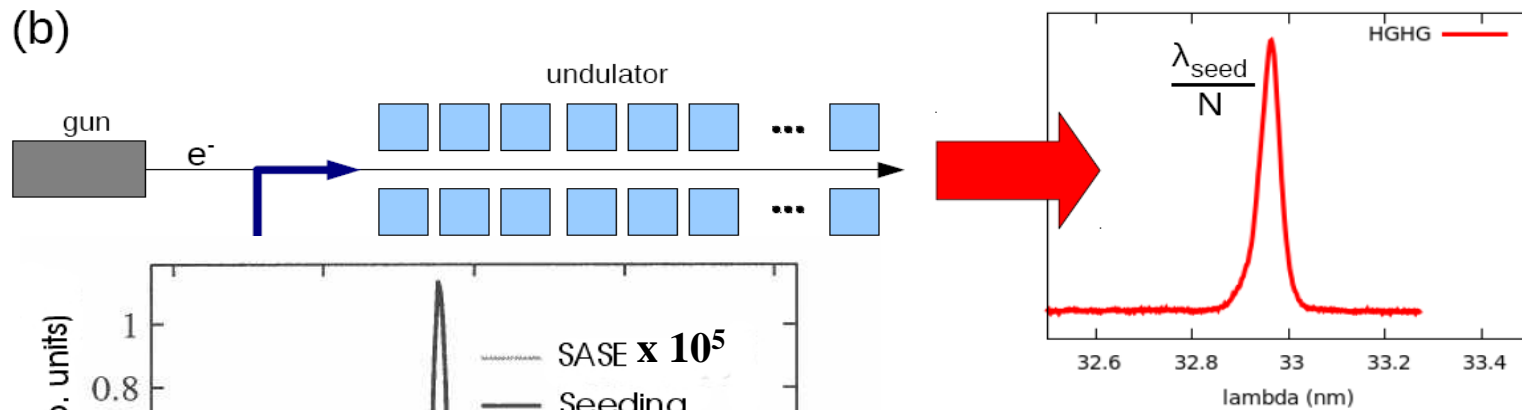
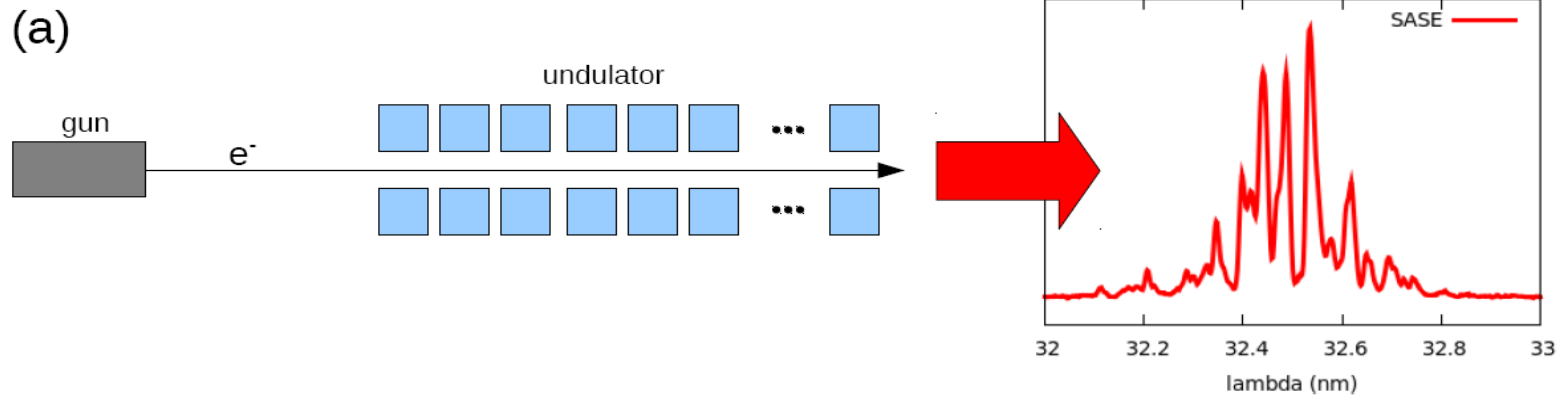


**Imaging** with high Spatial Resolution ( $\sim \lambda$ ): fixed target imaging, particle injection imaging,...

**Dynamics:** four wave mixing (nanoscale), warm dense matter, extreme condition, ....

**Resonant** Experiments: XANES (tunability), XMCD (polarization), chemical mapping, .....

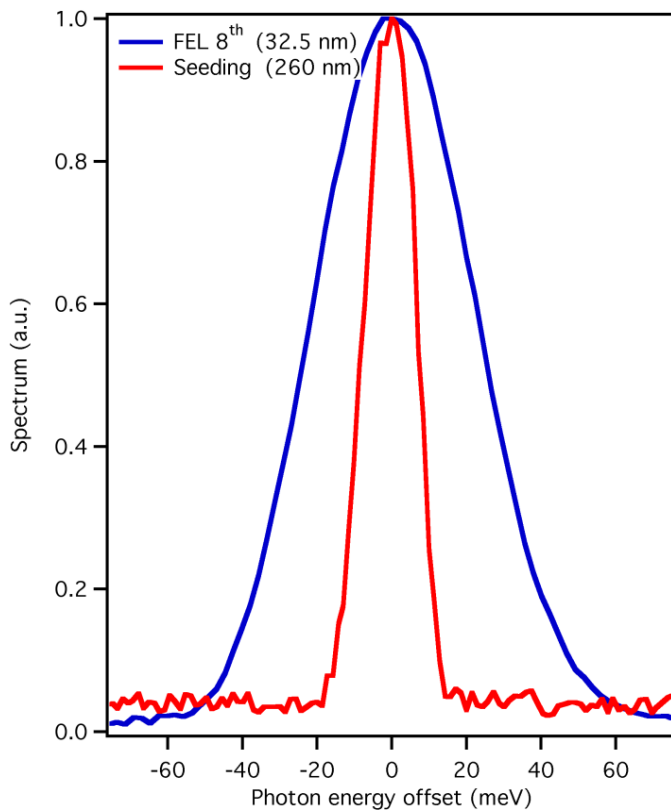
# SASE vs Seeded



*L. H. Yu et al., PRL (2003)*

# Highly coherent and stable pulses from the FERMI seeded free-electron laser in the extreme ultraviolet

*E. Allaria et al., Nat. Phot. (2012)*



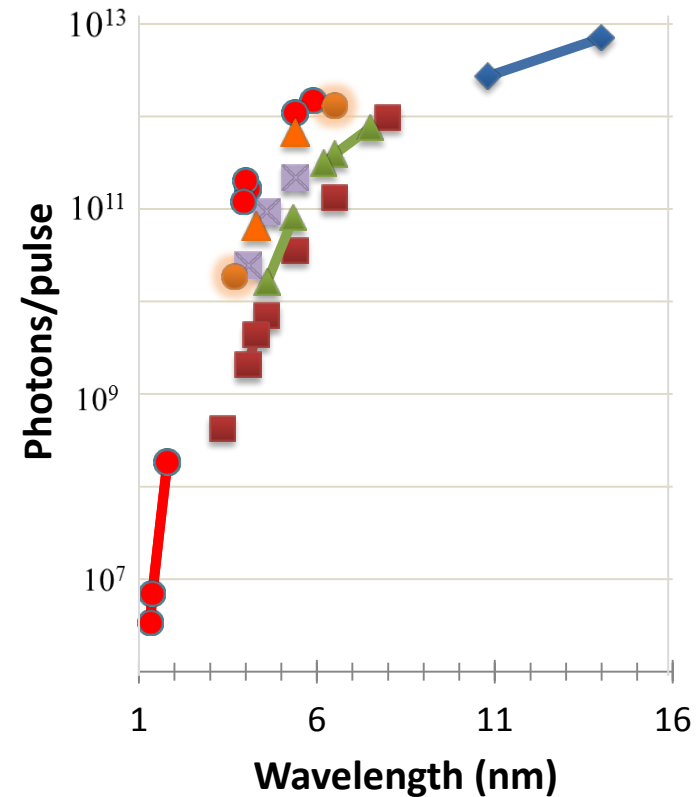
$\Delta t < 100$  fs

Flux  $\sim 10^{13}$  ph/pulse

$\lambda \sim (1) 10 - 100$  nm

**Total Control** on

- Pulse Energy
- Time Shape
- Polarization



# The Experimental Hall

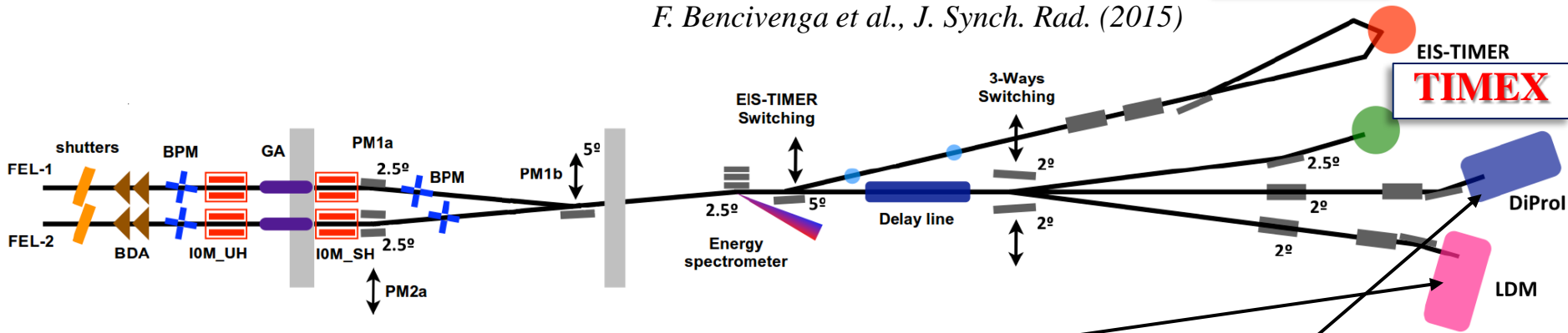
## EIS (Elastic & Inelastic Scattering)

*C. Masciovecchio et al., J. Synch. Rad. (2015)*

## Commissioning

*F. Bencivenga et al., J. Synch. Rad. (2015)*

## TIMER



## LDM (Low Density Matter)

*C. Svetina et al., J. Synch. Rad. (2015)*

## DIPROI (Diffraction & PROjection Imaging)

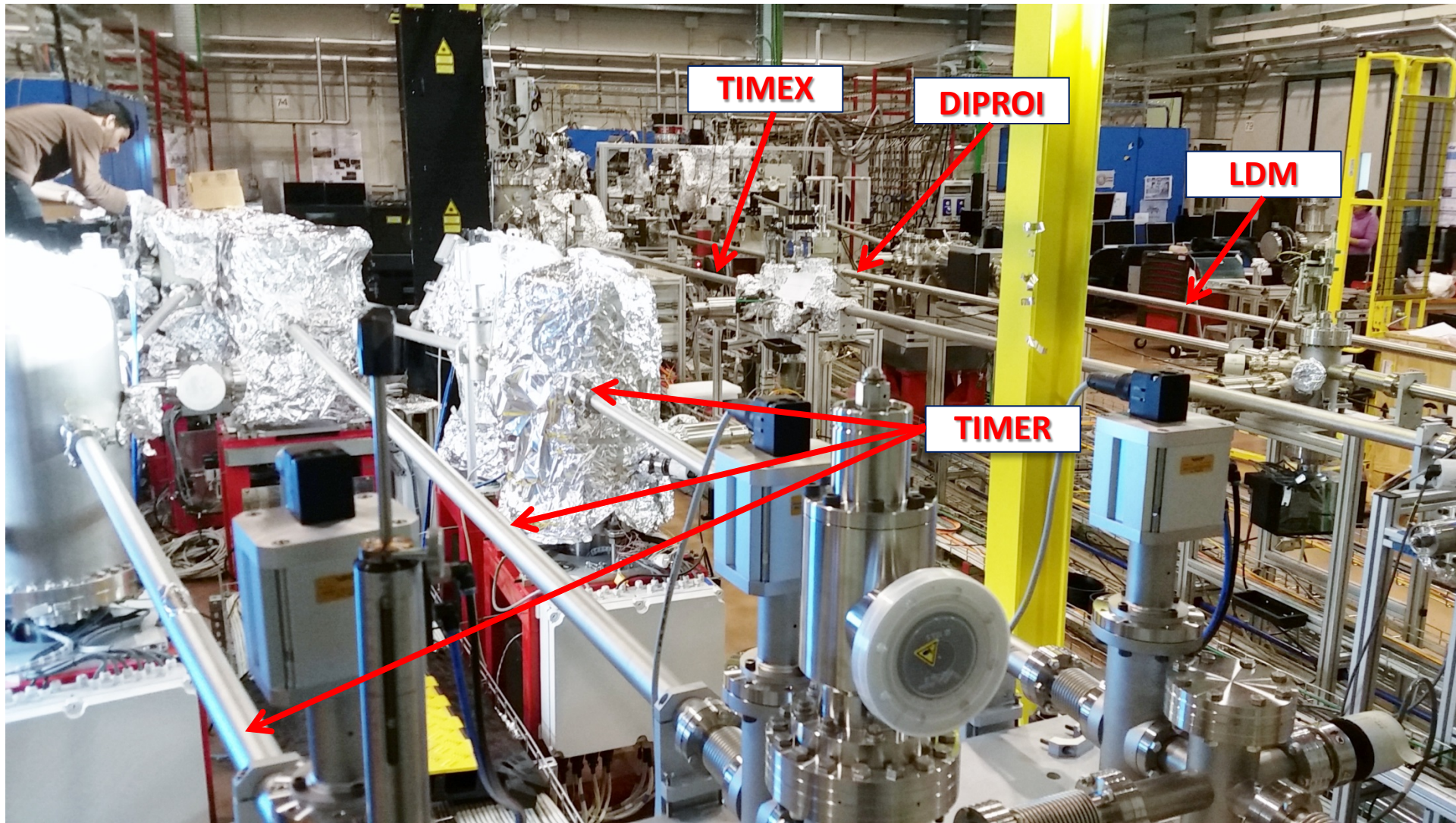
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## MagneDYN (Magnetic Dynamics)

## TeraFERMI (THz beramline)



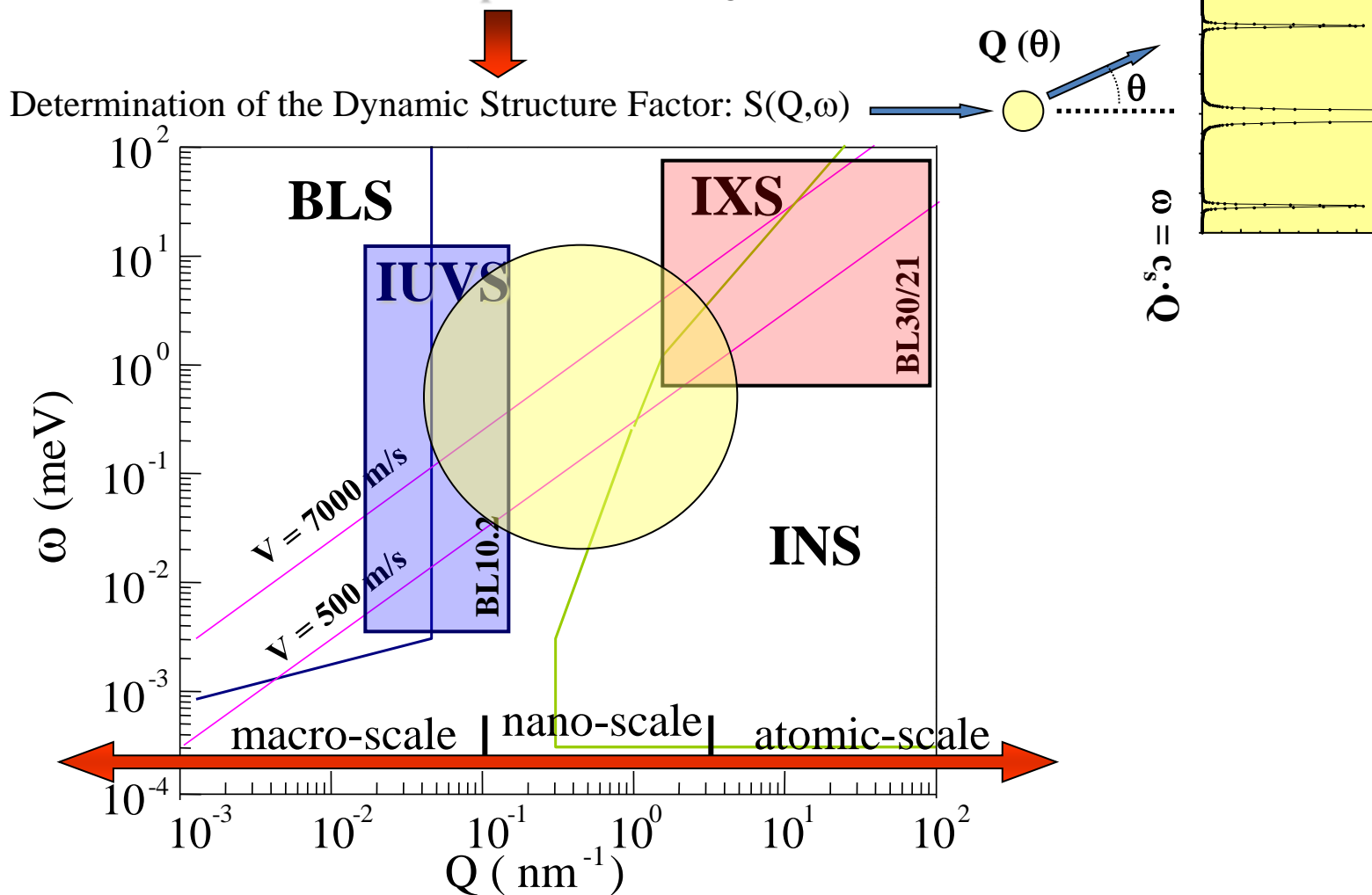
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## TIMER

**TIME-Resolved spectroscopy of mesoscopic dynamics in condensed matter**

Challenge: Study Collective Excitations in **Disordered Systems**  
in the **Unexplored**  $\omega$ - $Q$  region



# Why Disordered Systems ?

## UNSOLVED PROBLEMS IN PHYSICS



### Condensed matter physics

#### Amorphous solids

What is the nature of the [transition](#) between a fluid or regular solid and a glassy [phase](#)? What are the physical processes giving rise to the general properties of glasses?

#### High-temperature superconductors

What is the responsible mechanism that causes certain materials to exhibit [superconductivity](#) at temperatures much higher than around 50 [Kelvin](#)?

#### Sonoluminescence

What causes the emission of short bursts of light from imploding bubbles in a liquid when excited by sound?

#### Turbulence

Is it possible to make a theoretical model to describe the statistics of a turbulent flow (in particular, its internal structures)? Also, under what conditions do [smooth solution to the Navier-Stokes equations](#) exist?

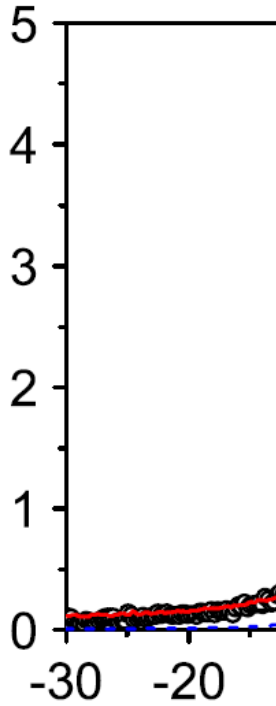
Glass is a **very general state** of condensed matter → a large variety of systems can be transformed from liquid to glass

The liquid-glass transition cannot be described in the framework of classical phase transitions since  $T_g$  depends on the **quenching rate** → one cannot define an **order parameter** showing a critical behaviour at  $T_g$

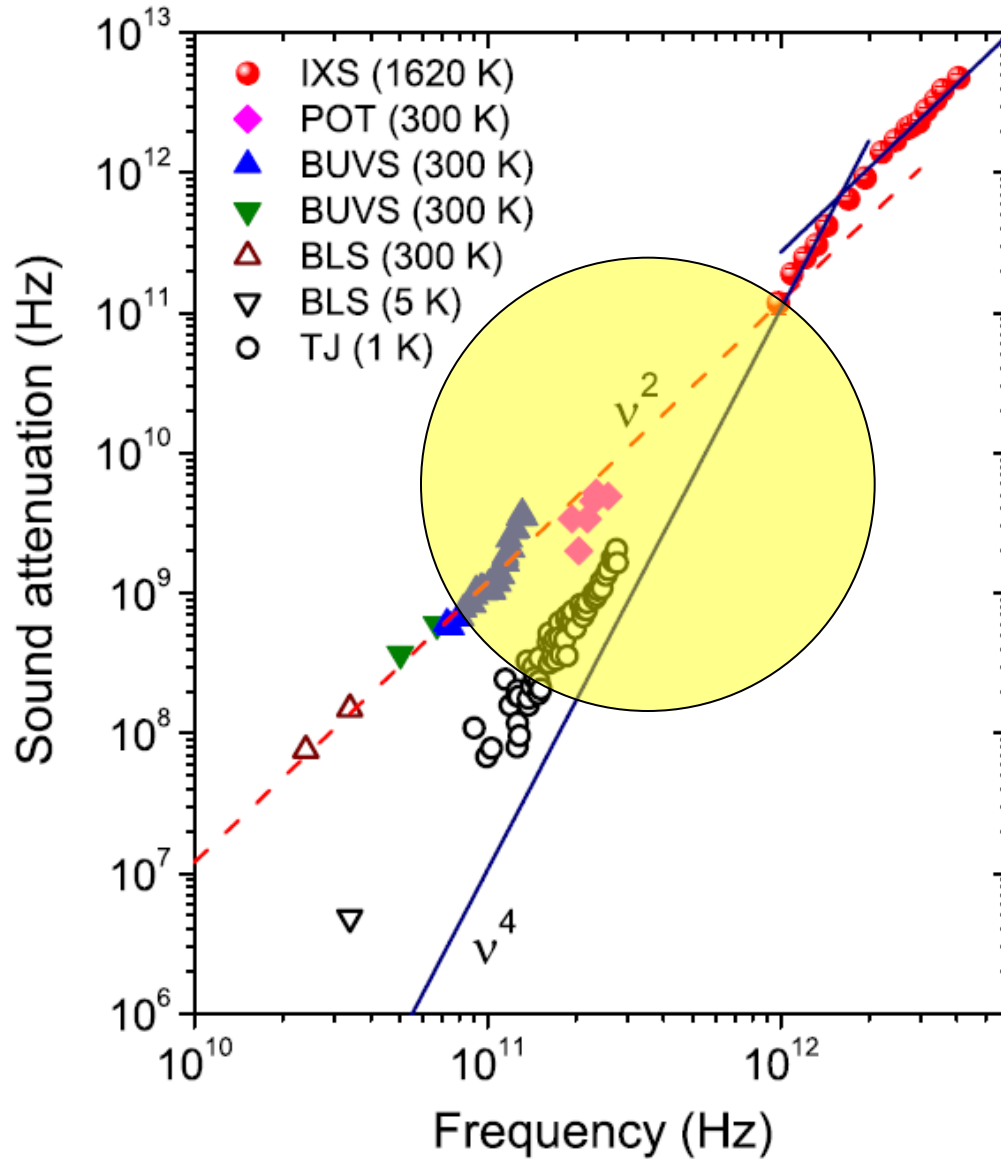


# Why at the nanoscale ?

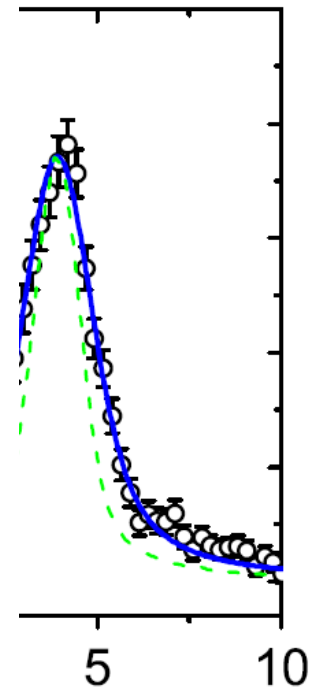
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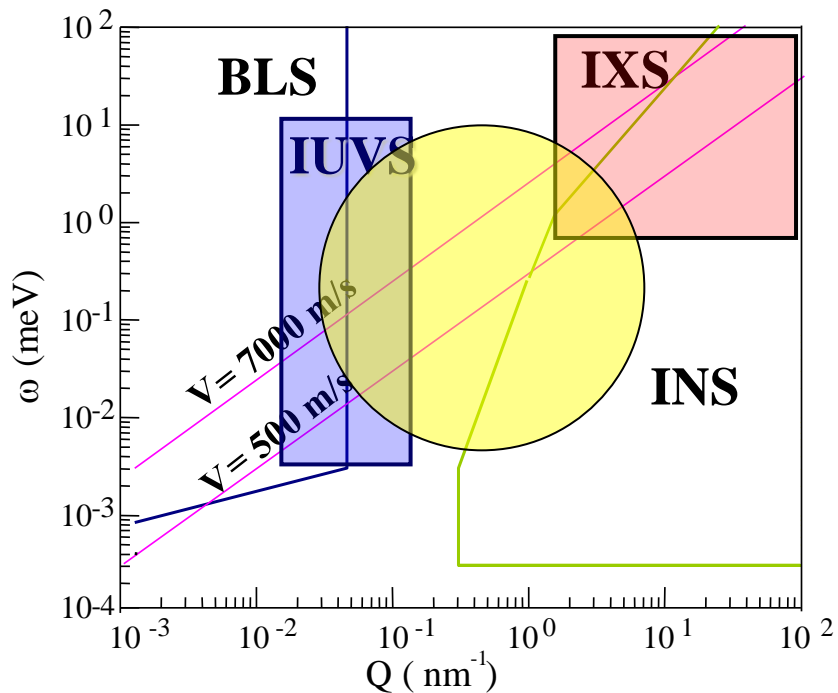


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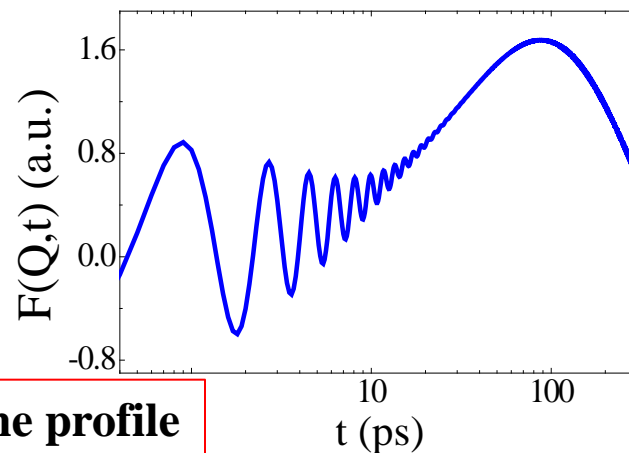
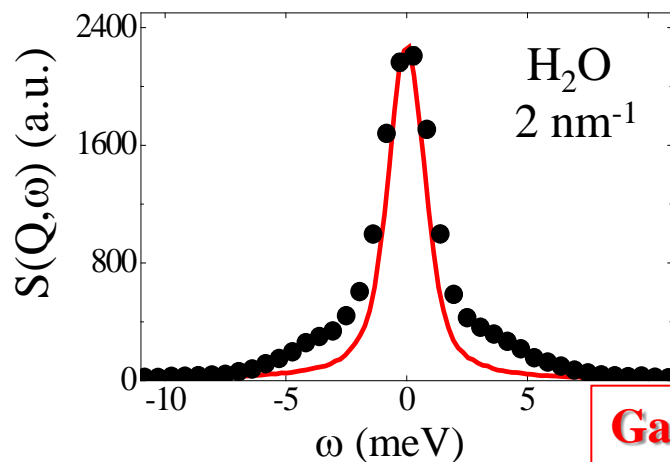
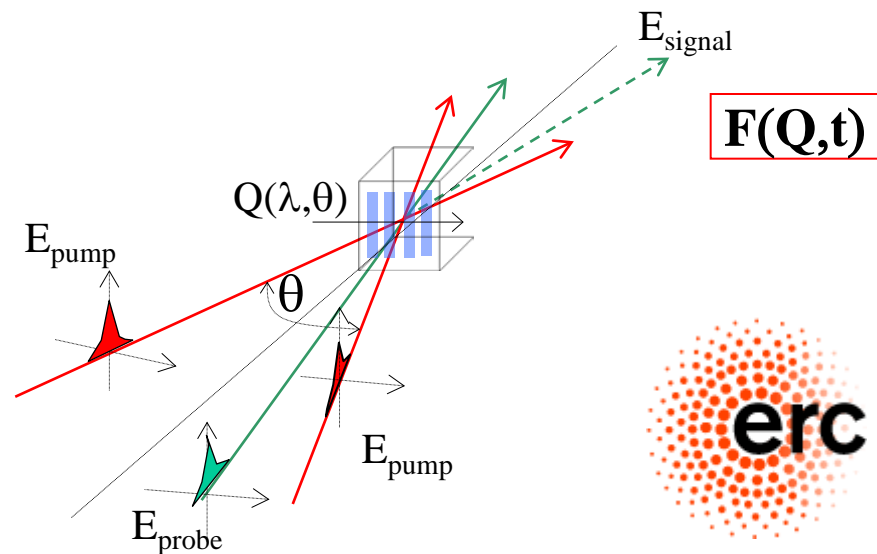


ear (V-SiO<sub>2</sub>)



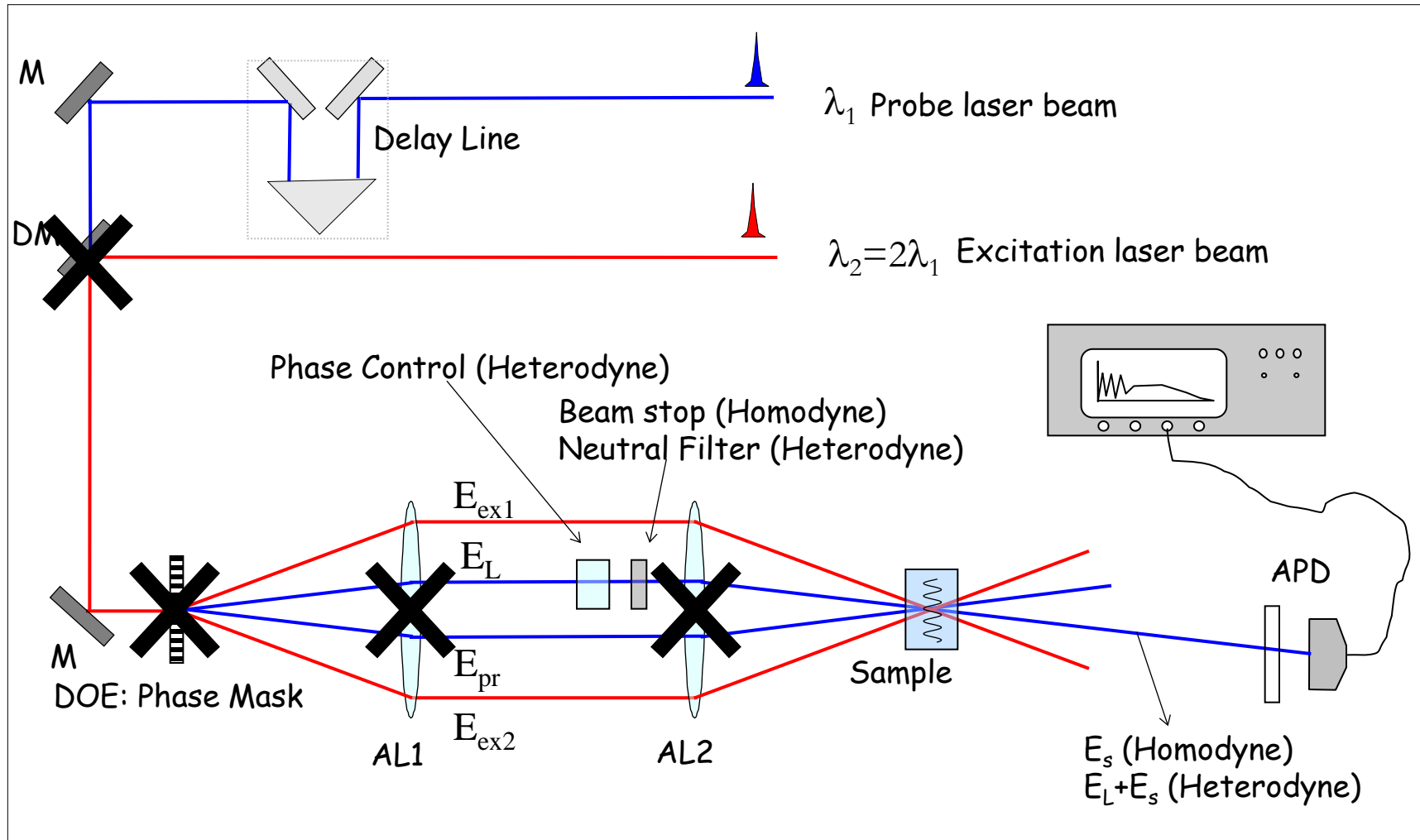


**Solution:** Free Electron Laser based Transient Grating Spectroscopy



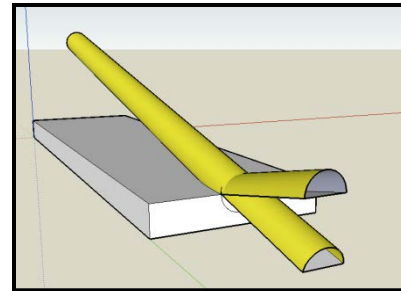
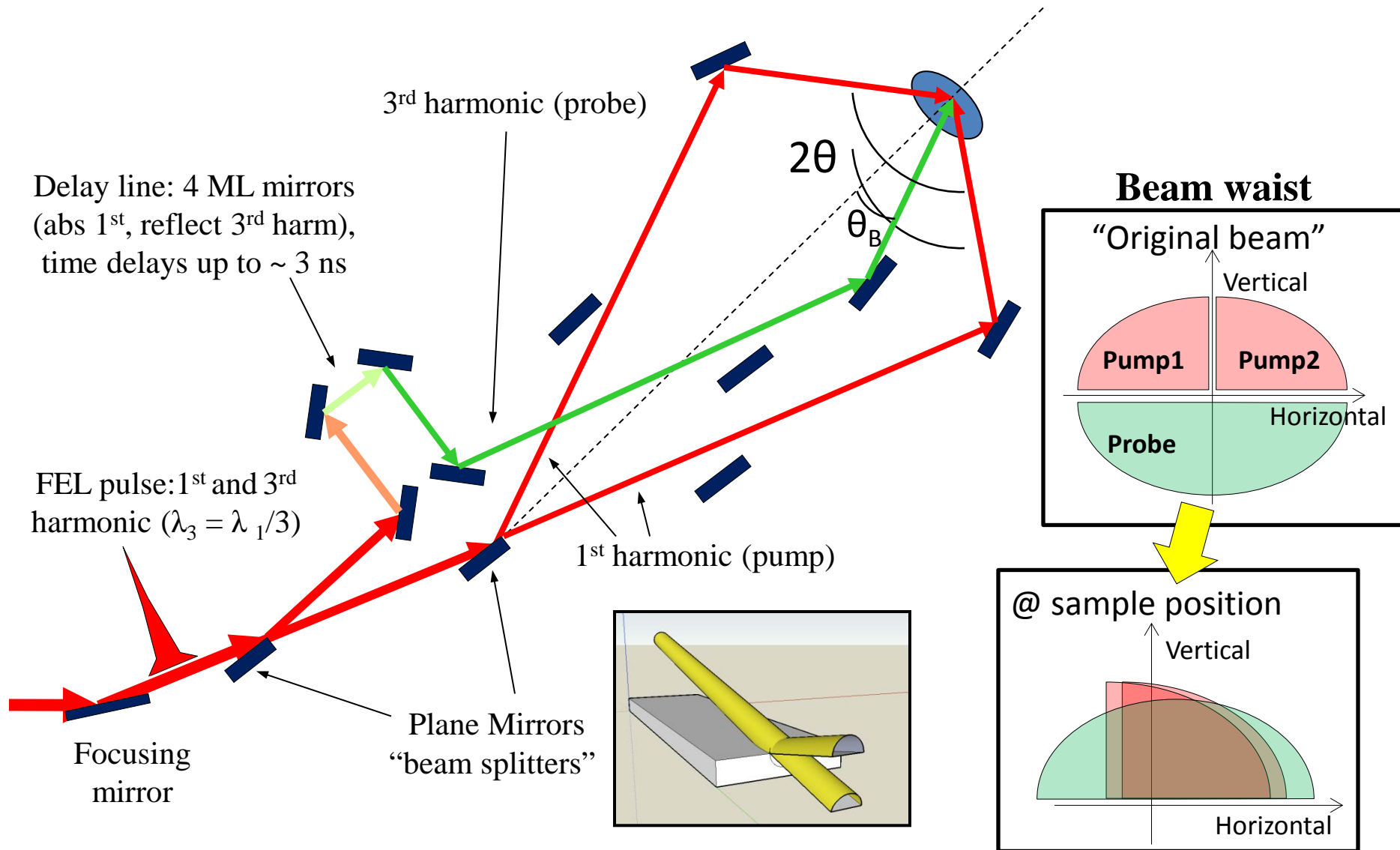
**Gaussian-like time profile**

# Typical Infrared/Visible Set-Up

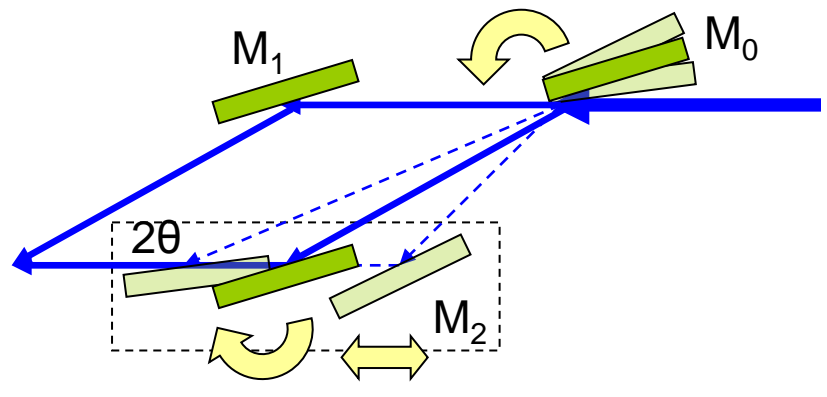
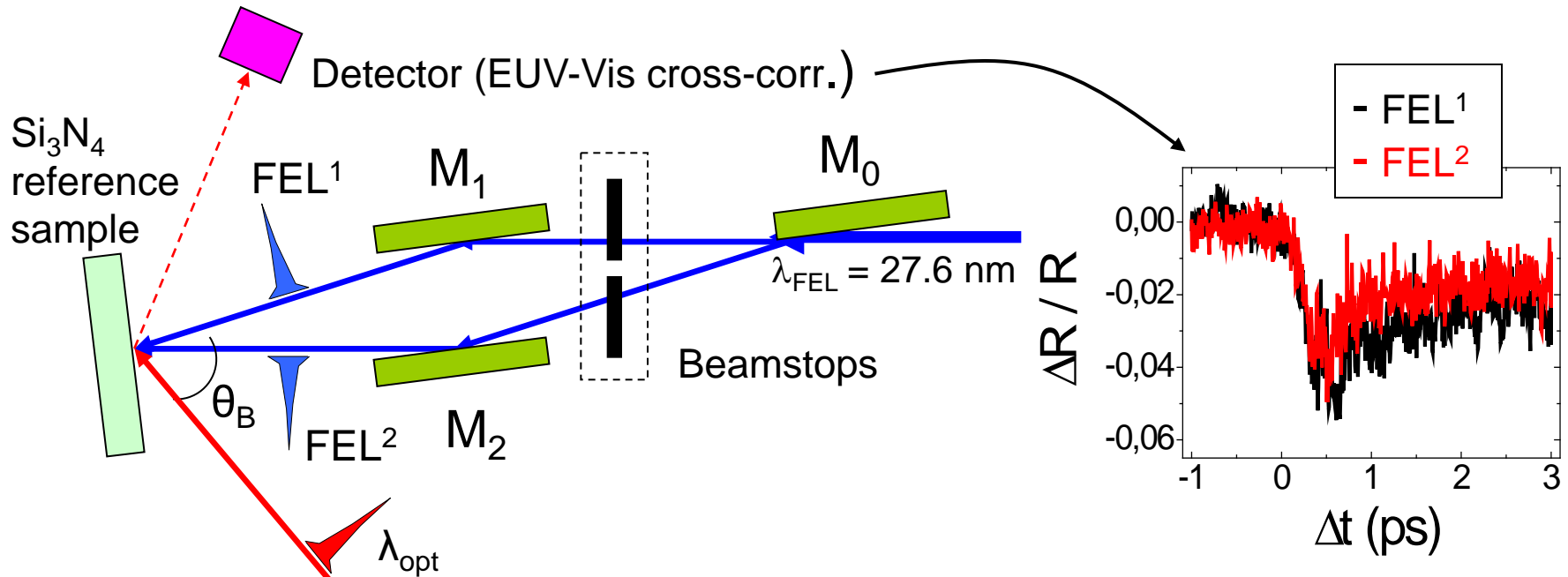


**Challenge:** Extend and modify the set-up for UV Transient Grating Experiments

# TIMER Layout



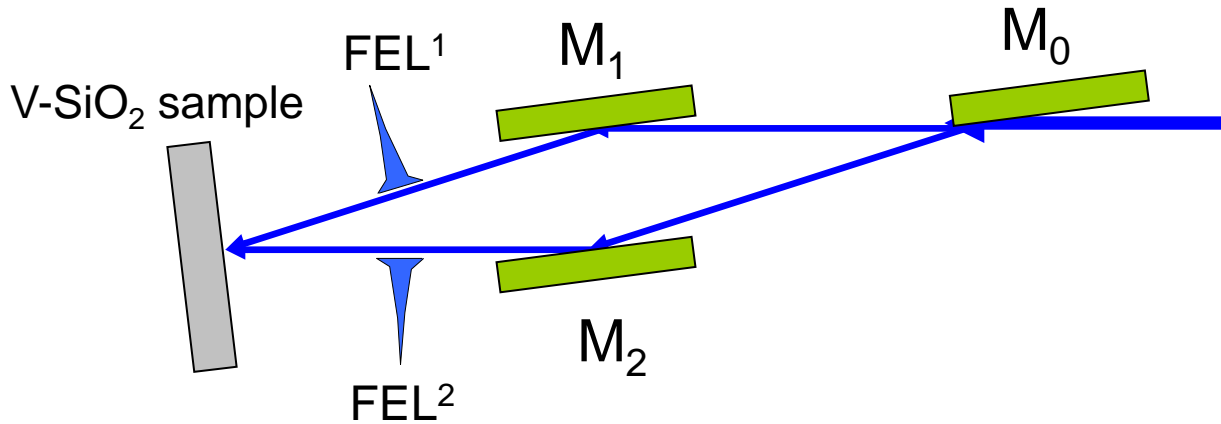
# Feasibility @ DIPROI



$\pm 0.5 \text{ ps at } 2\theta = \text{constant}$

*F. Bencivenga et al., NIMA (2010)*  
*R. Cucini et al., NIMA (2011)*  
*R. Cucini et al., Opt. Lett. (2011)*  
*F. Casolari et al., Appl. Phys. (2014)*  
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# FEL Transient Grating Experiments on V-SiO<sub>2</sub>

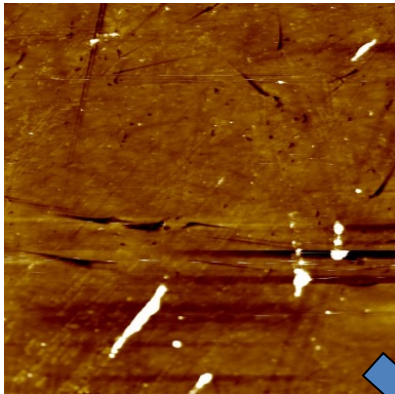


Inprints on SiO<sub>2</sub>

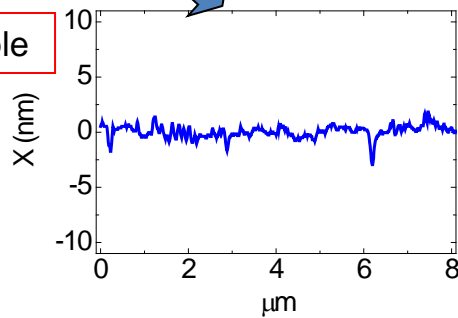
$$\rightarrow 2\theta = 5.975^\circ$$

Grating visibility after  
multi-shot exposure

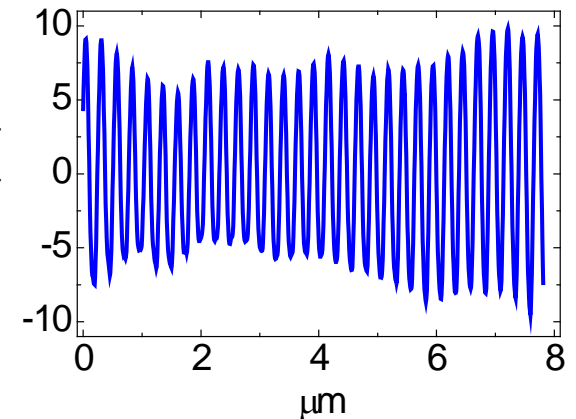
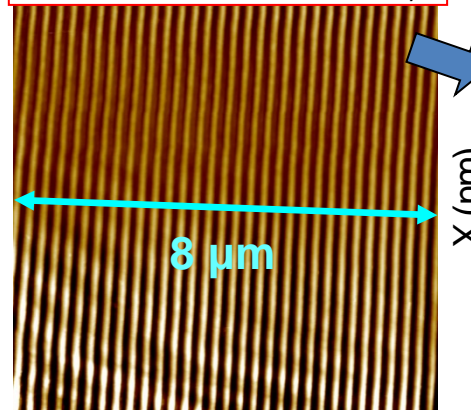
$\rightarrow$  FEL<sup>1</sup>-FEL<sup>2</sup> optical path  
difference  $< \lambda_{\text{FEL}}$



Clean sample

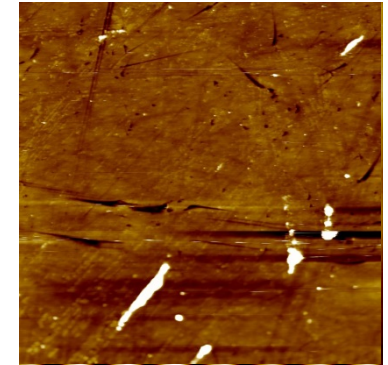
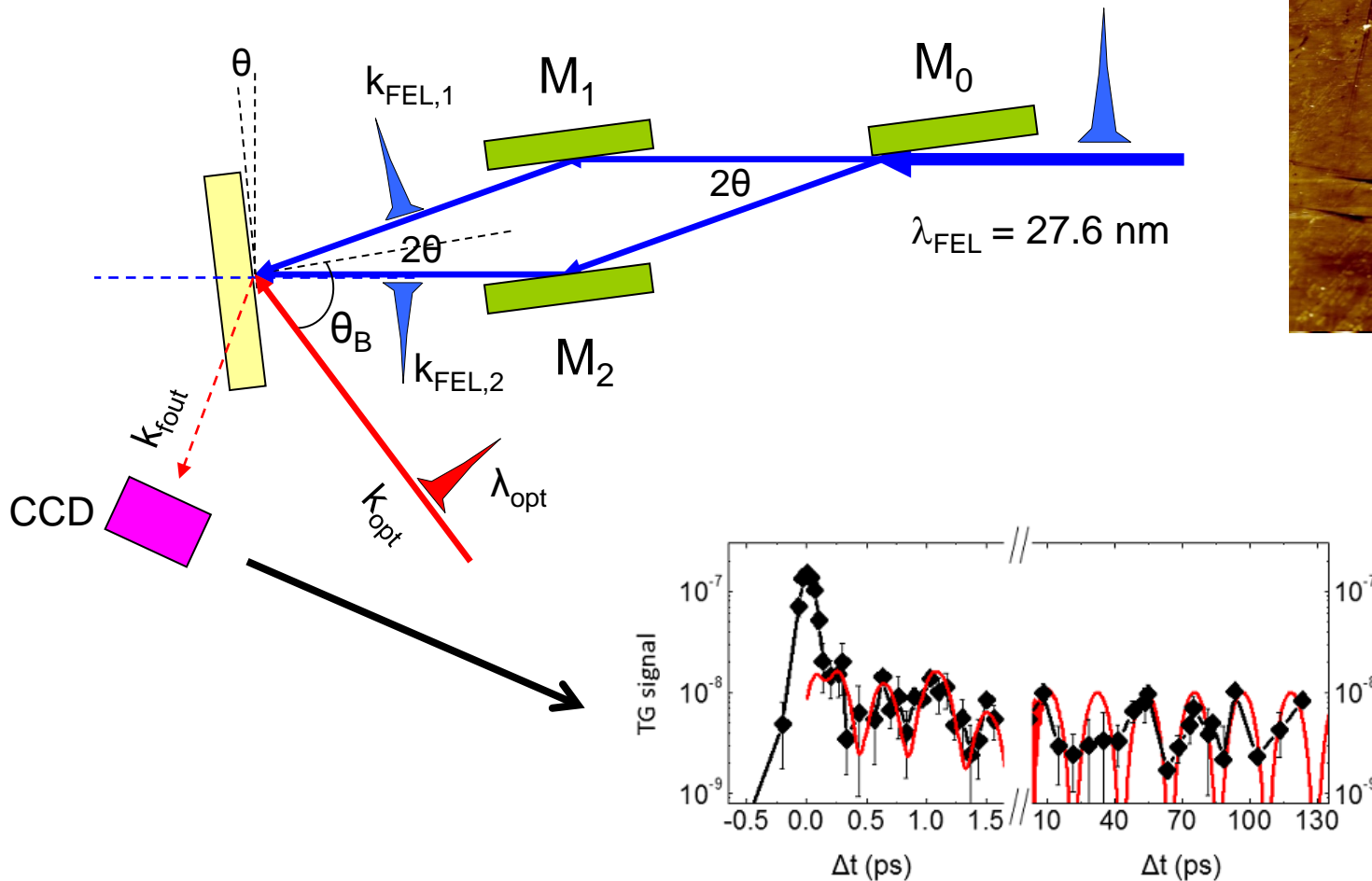


Permanent gratings on  
SiO<sub>2</sub> (after 1000's shots  
@ FEL flux  $> 50 \text{ mJ/cm}^2$ )

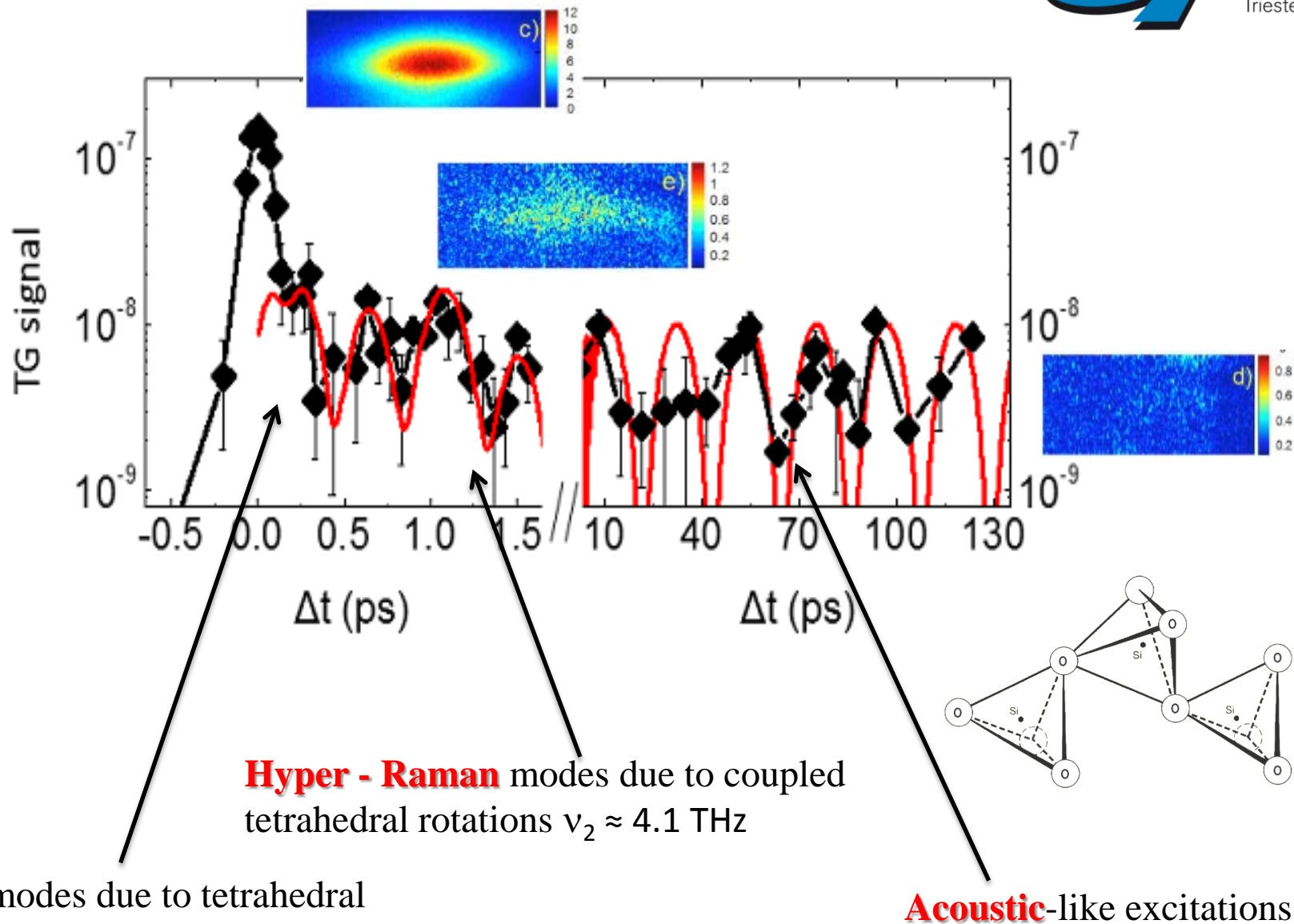


## Four-wave mixing experiments with extreme ultraviolet transient gratings

*F. Bencivenga et al., Nature 2015*



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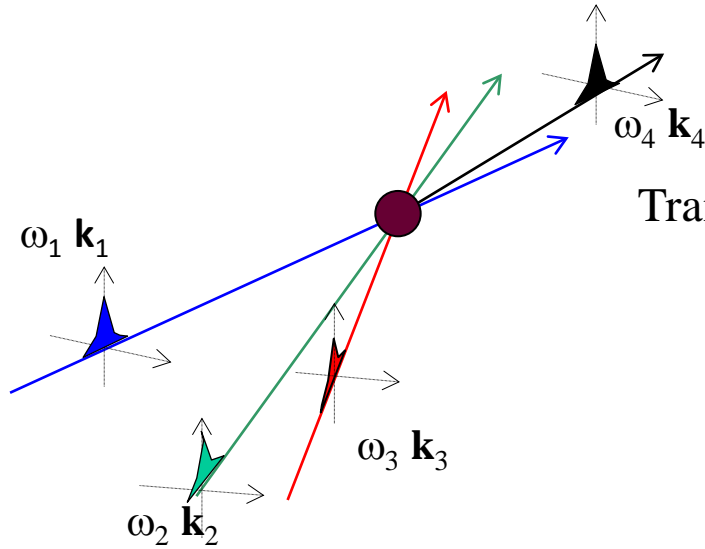
**Hyper - Raman** modes due to coupled tetrahedral rotations  $\nu_2 \approx 4.1$  THz

**Raman** modes due to tetrahedral bending  $\nu_1 \approx 1.2$  THz

**Acoustic**-like excitations



# Four Wave Mixing at FEL's

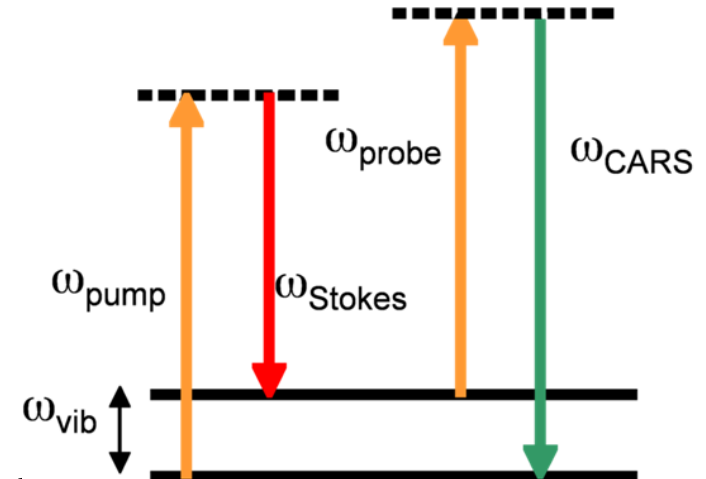


Transient grating is one of **Four Wave Mixing** techniques

Coherent Antistokes Raman Scattering (**CARS**)

*P. D. Maker et al., Phys. Rev. (1965)*

- Charge transfer dynamics in **metal complexes**
- Charge injection in **metal oxides nanoparticles**
- Quasiparticle diffusion (**Polarons**)



*S. Tanaka et al*

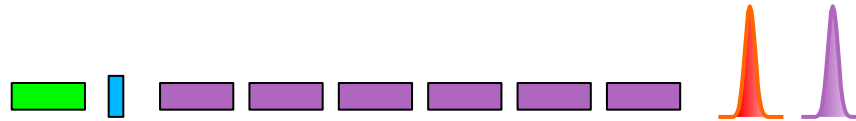
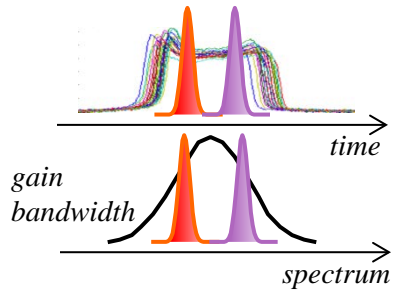
Measure the coherence between the two different sites  $\rightarrow$  it makes possible to chose where a given excitation is created, as well as where and when it is probed



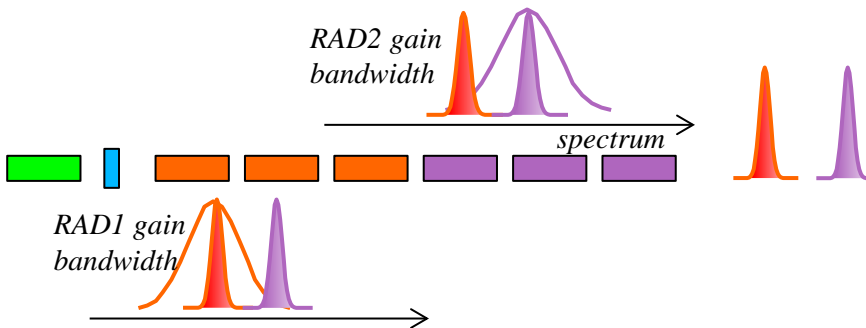
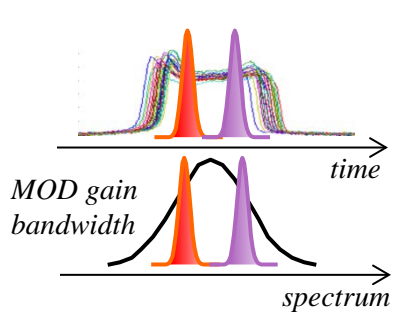
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# Multiple pulse configurations

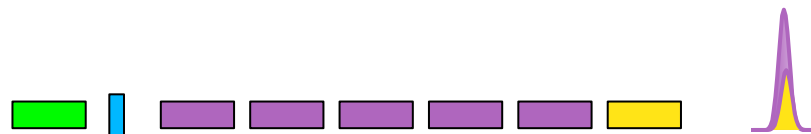
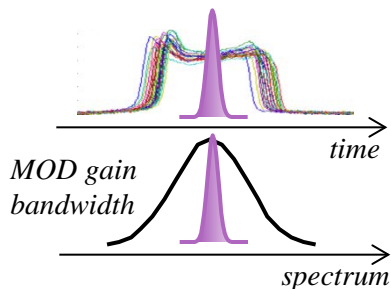
Multiple pulses can be generated by **double pulse seeding**



Spectral separation 0.4-0.7%  
(*E. Allaria et al., Nat. Comm 2013*)

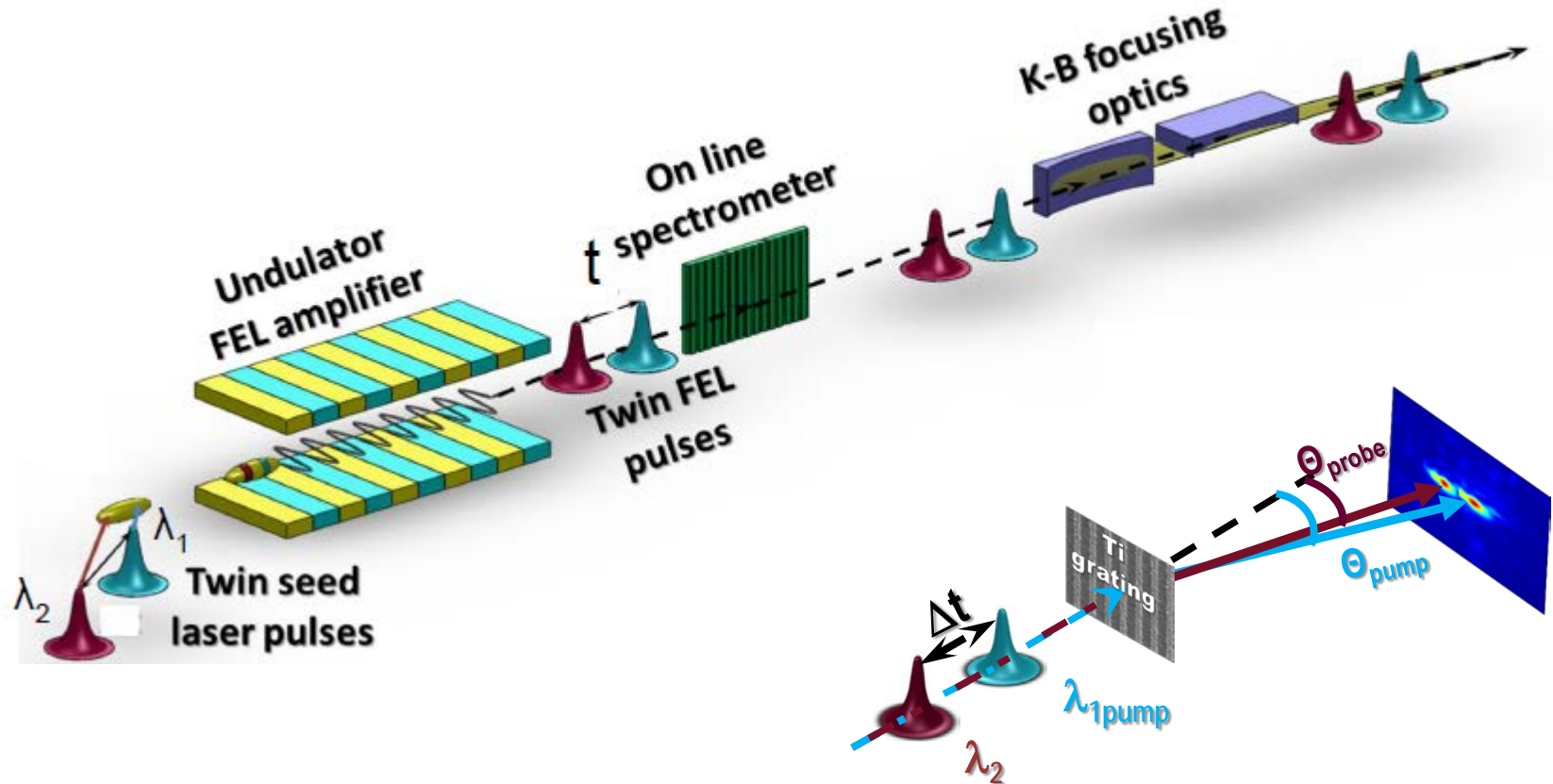


Spectral separation 2-3%  
or much larger if two radiators  
are tuned at different harmonics  
(*Sacchi et al., Nat. Comm. 2016*)



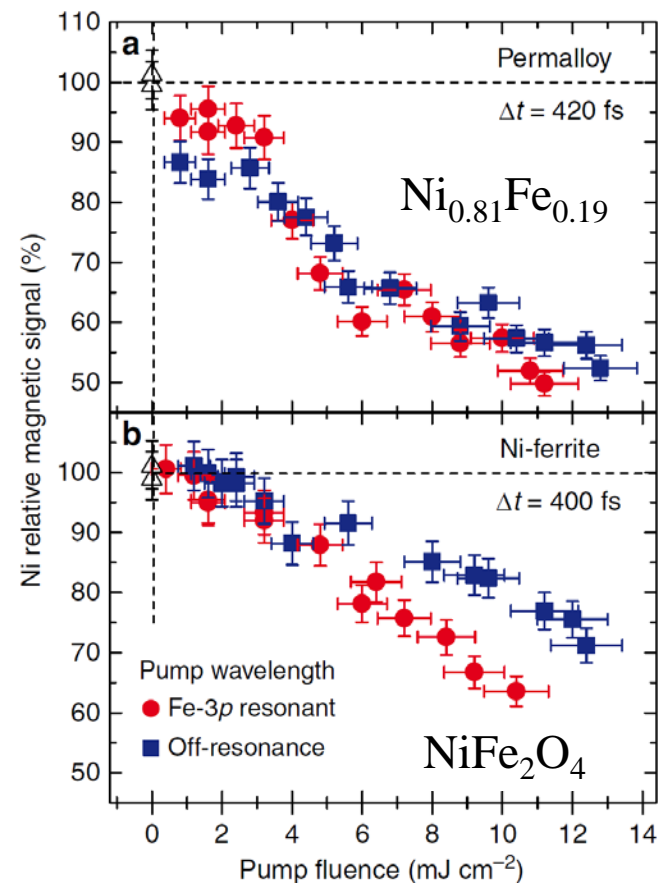
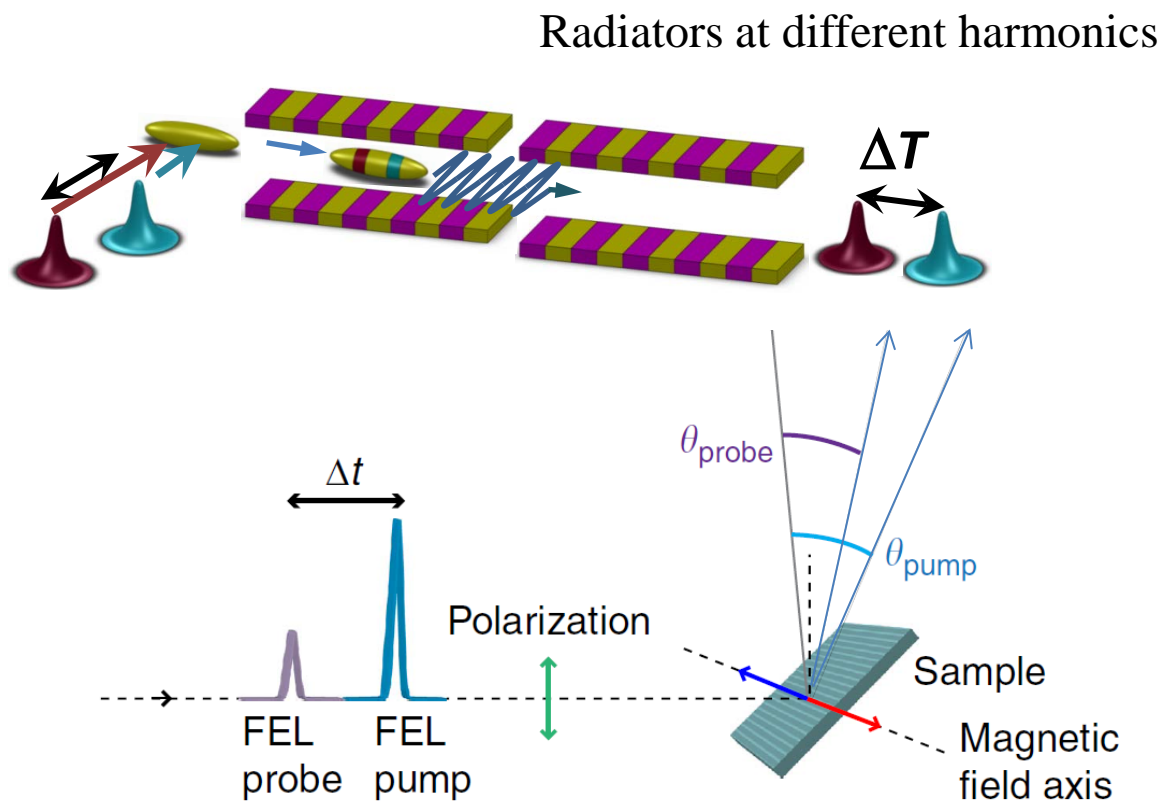
Two (almost) temporally  
superimposed pulses at harmonic  
wavelengths of the seed. They are  
correlated in phase that can be  
controlled with the phase shifter  
(*K.C. Prince et al., Nat. Phot. acc.*)

## Two-colour pump-probe experiments with a twin-pulse-seed extreme ultraviolet free-electron laser

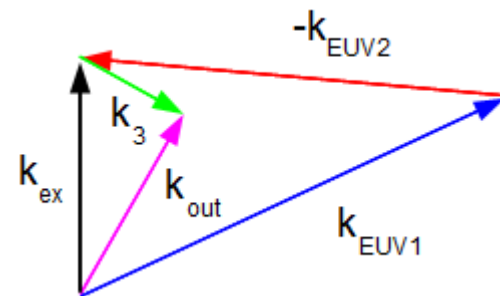
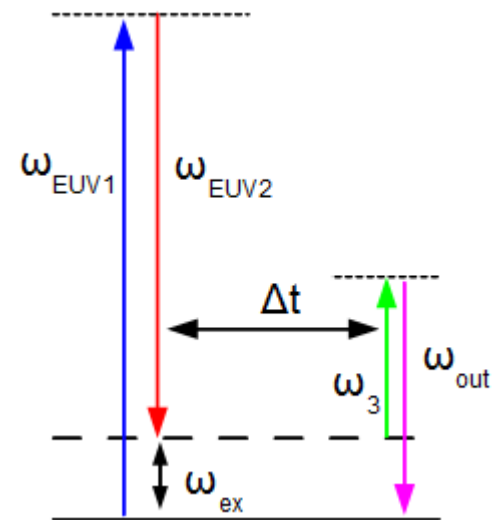
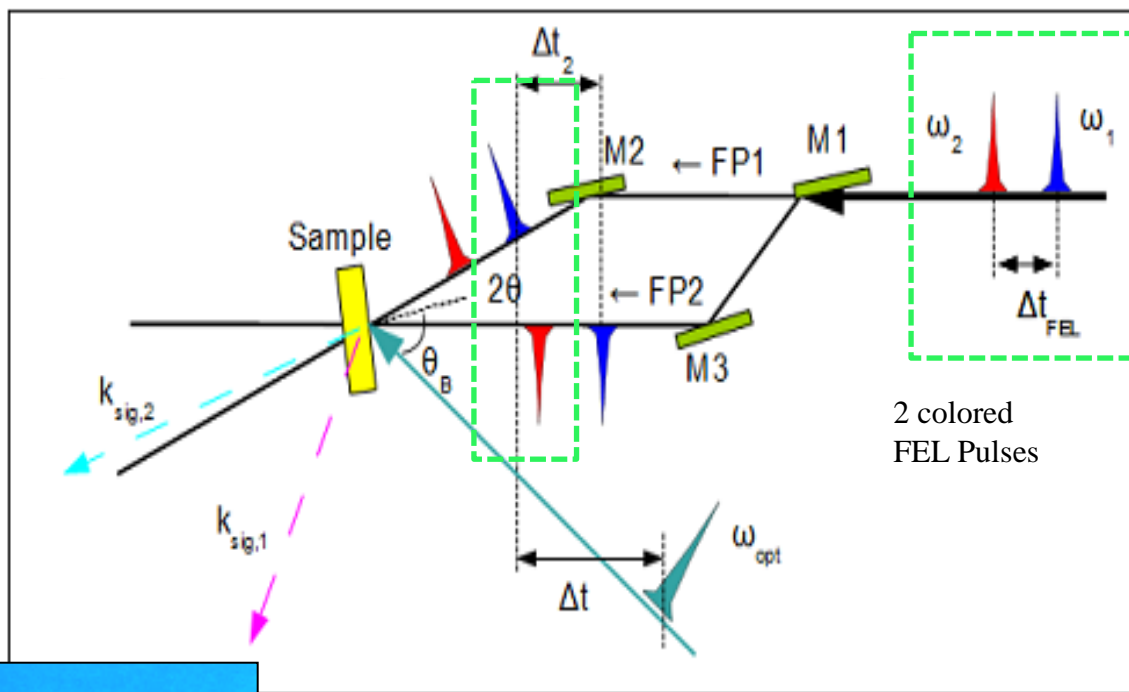
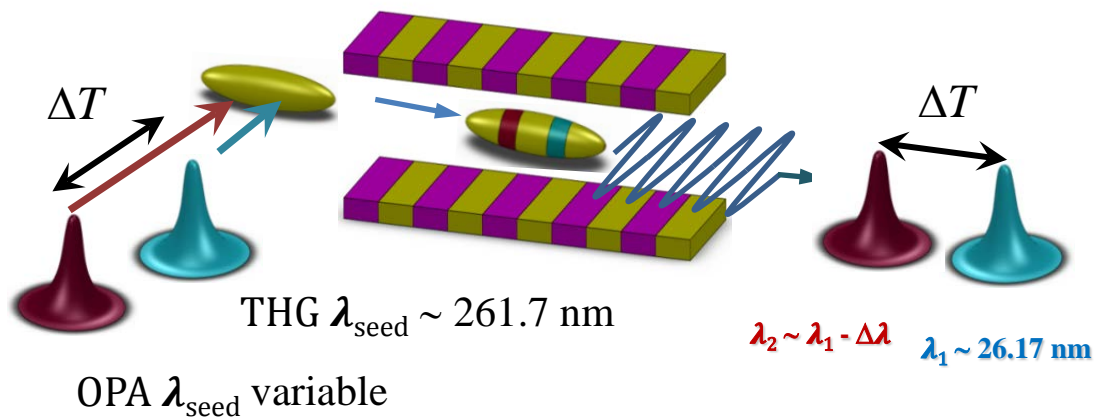


# Element selective magnetization dynamics

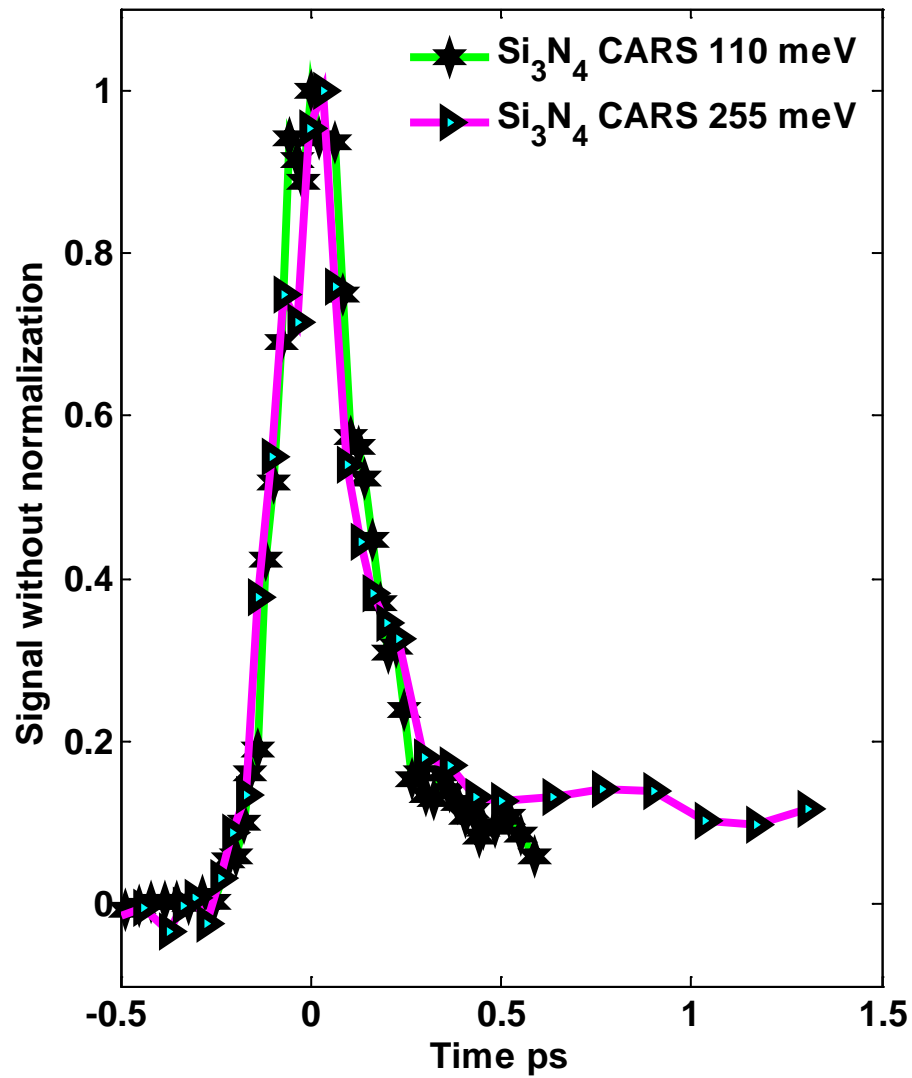
Widely tunable two-colour seeded free-electron laser source for resonant-pump resonant-probe magnetic scattering



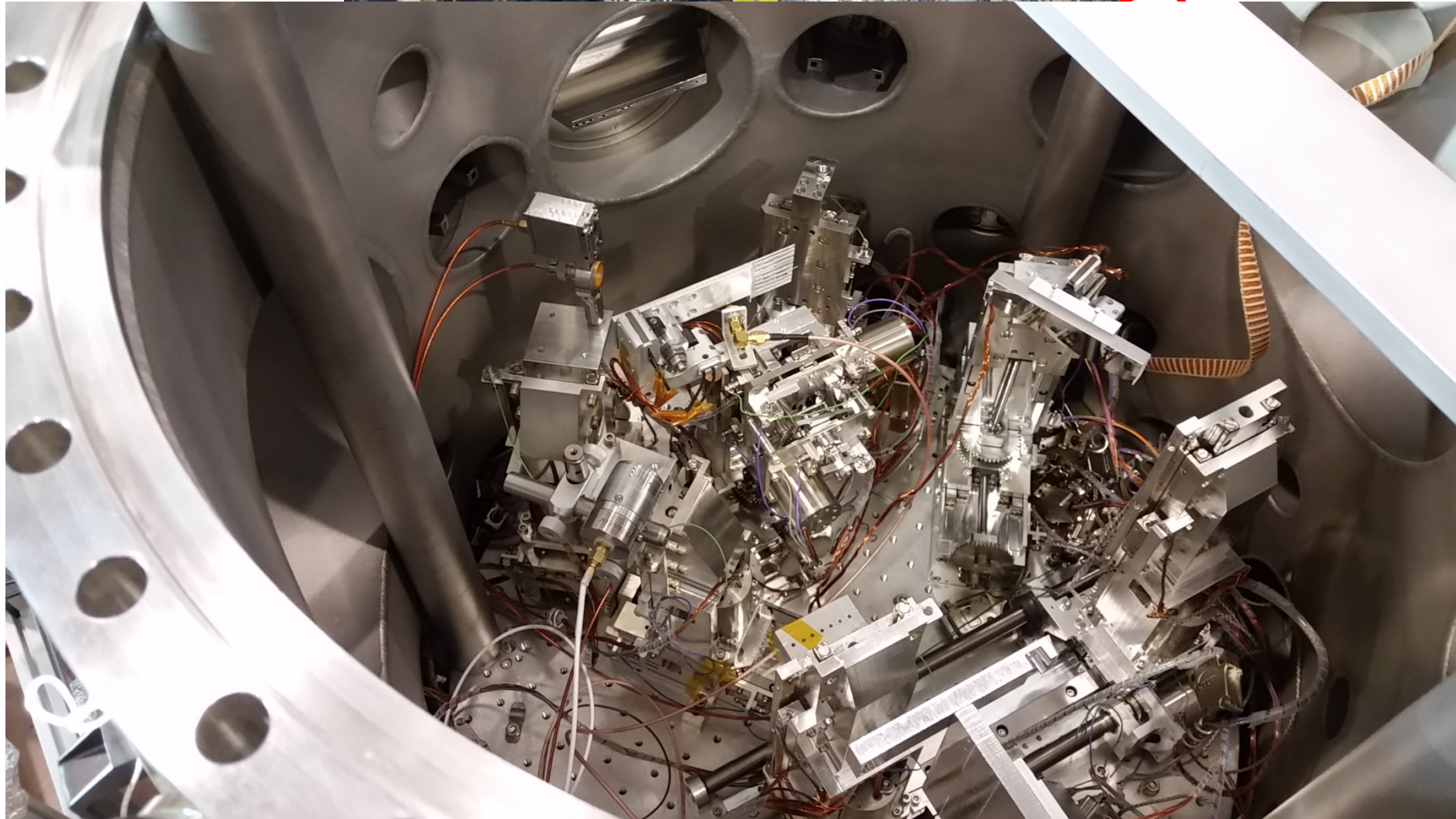
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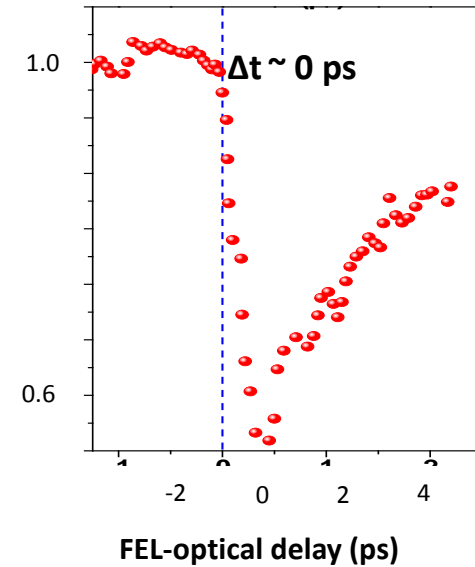
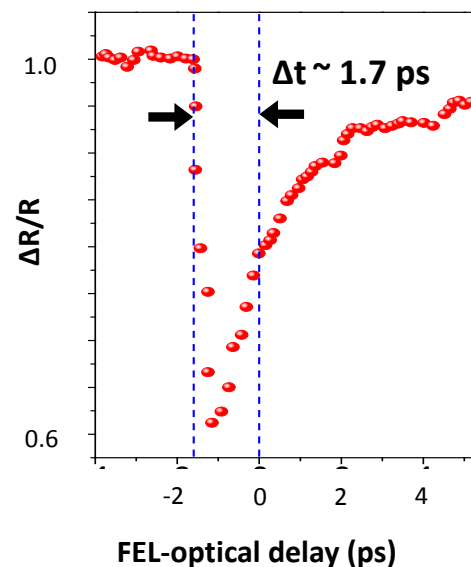
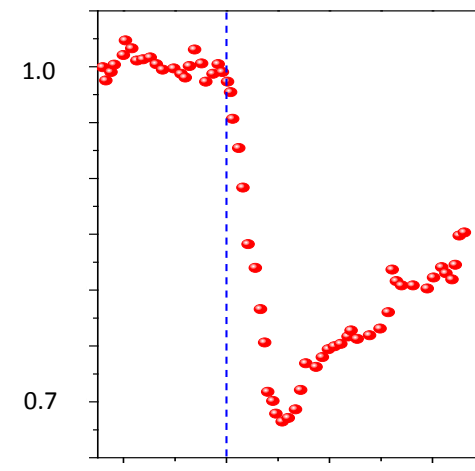
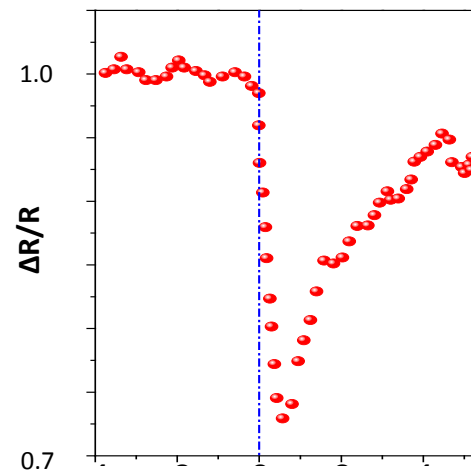
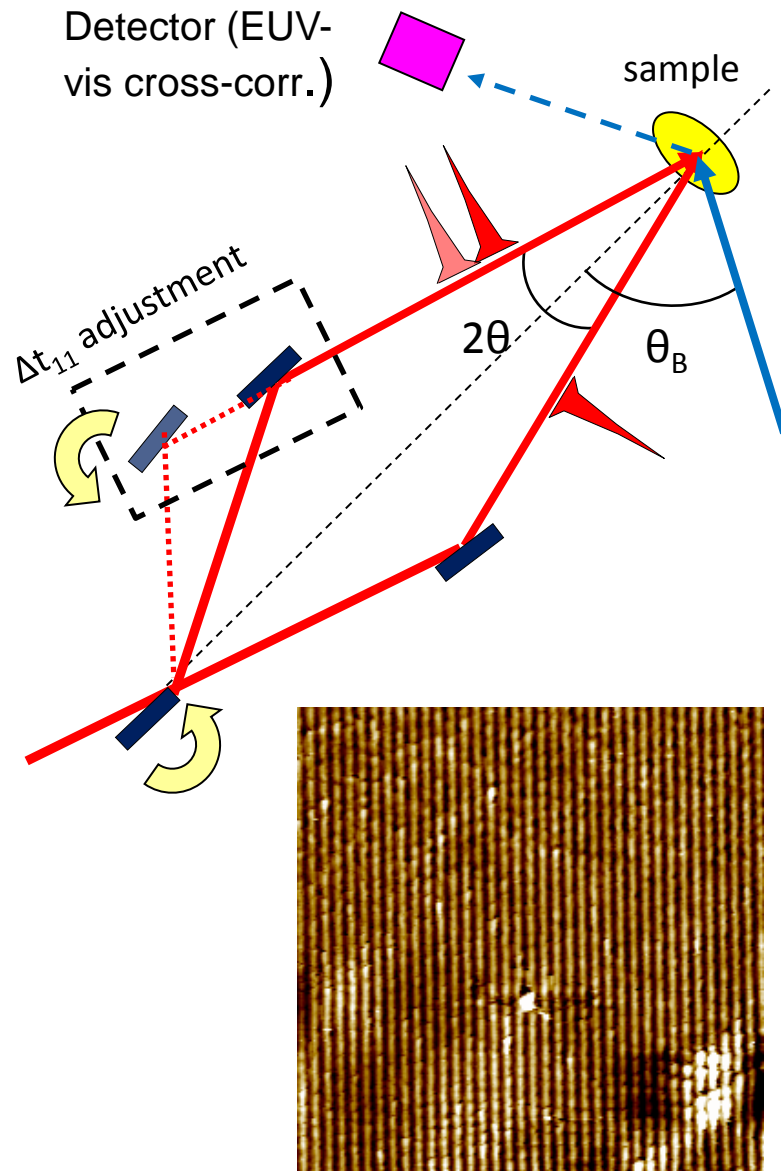
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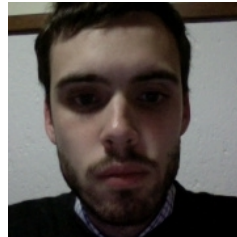
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