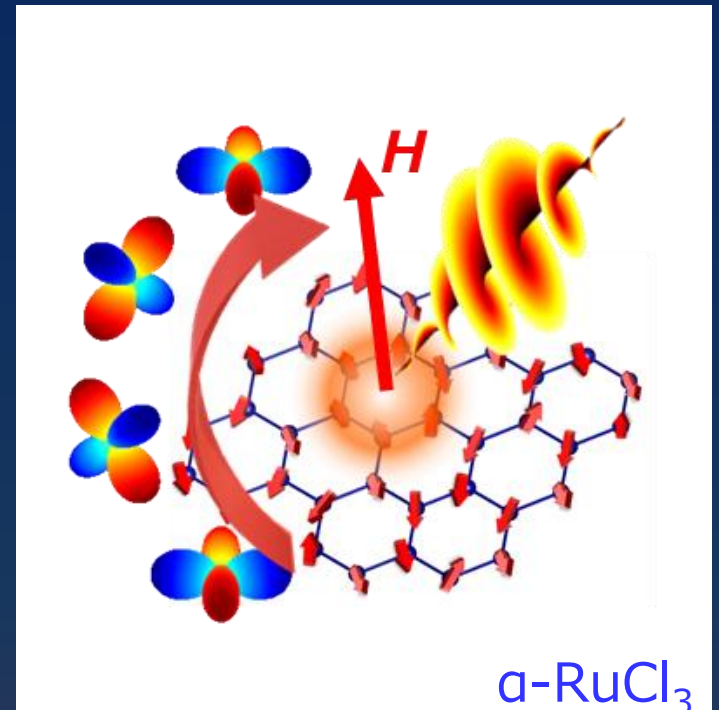
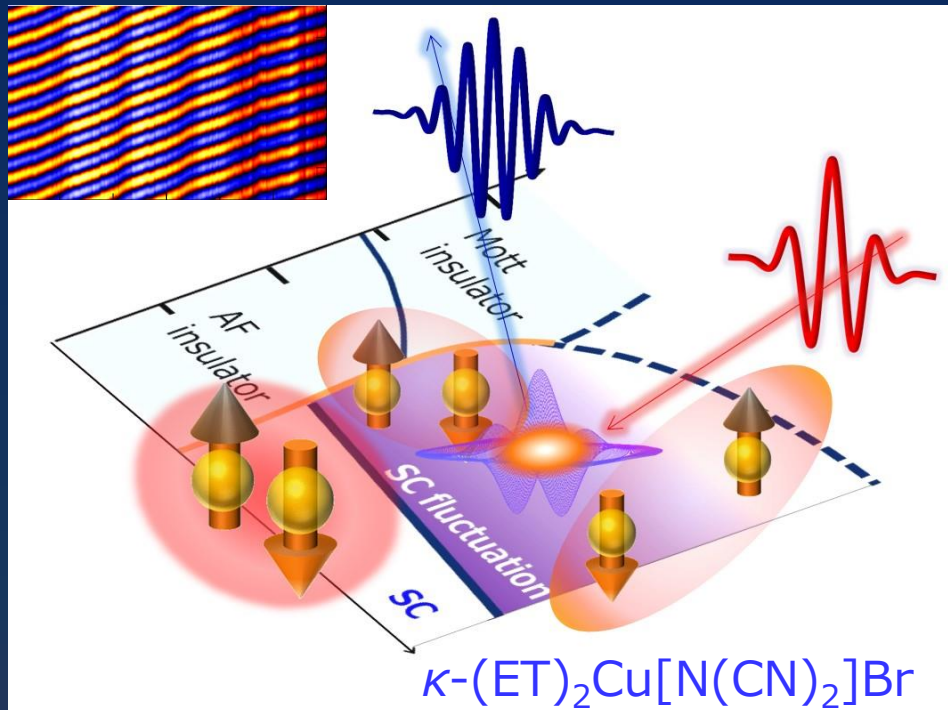


Ultrafast breaking of spatial/time reversal symmetry by a single-cycle light-field in strongly correlated chargers/spins

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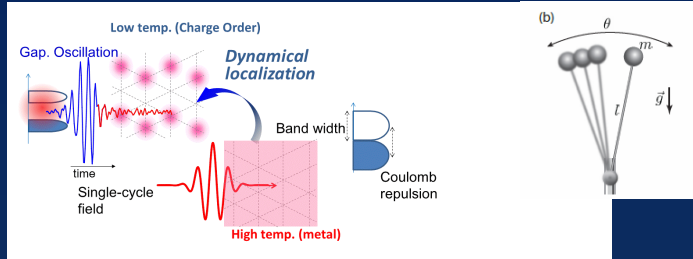
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New pathway toward ultrafast control of correlated electrons

✓ Coherent modulation of electronic states (within scattering time window)

α -(ET)₂I₃ (organic metal)

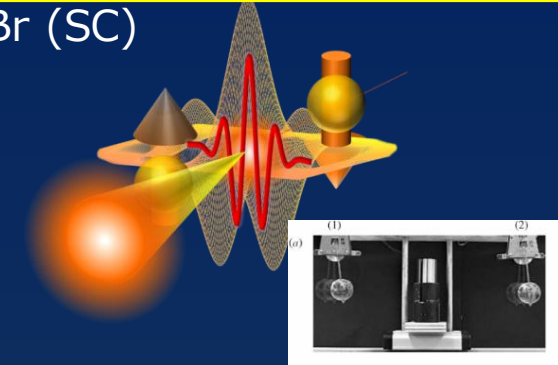
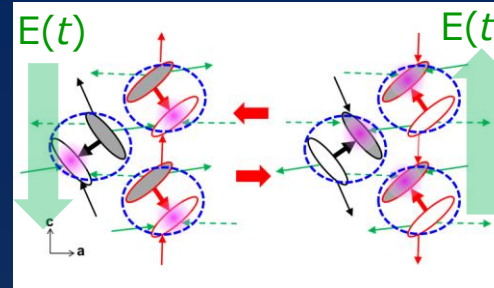


Dynamical localization

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PRB 2016, PRB(R)2017

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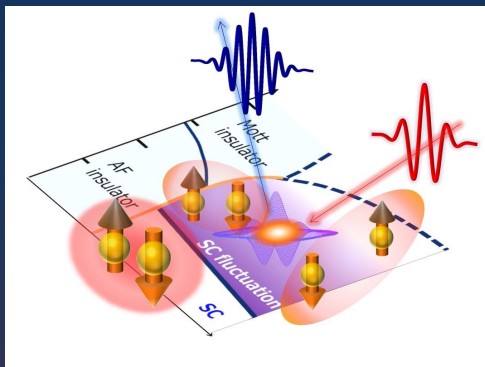


Charge Synchronization

Nature Photon.12, 474 (2018)

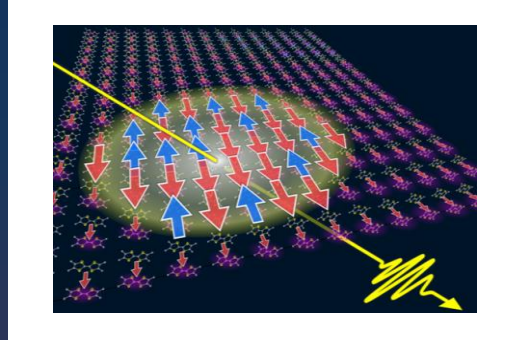
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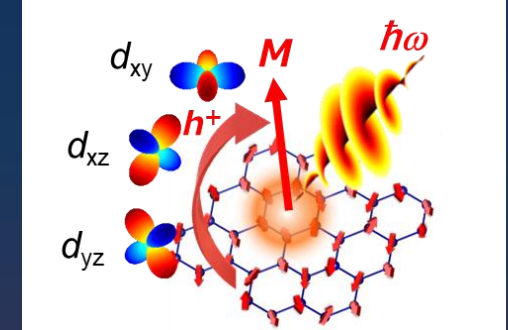
Nonlinear current in organics SC
Nat. Commun.10, 1038 (2020)

(TMTTF)₂AsF₆ (Ferroelectric)



Enhance of correlation
Phys. Rev. Res. 3, L032043(2021)

α -RuCl₃ (Spin liquid)



Ultrafast magnetization
Phys. Rev. Res. 4, L032032 (2022)

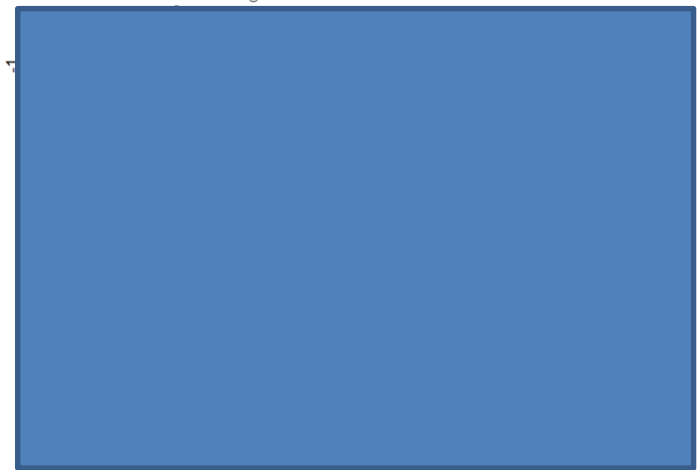
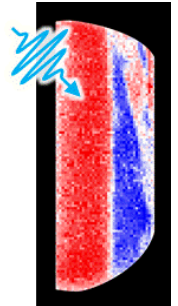
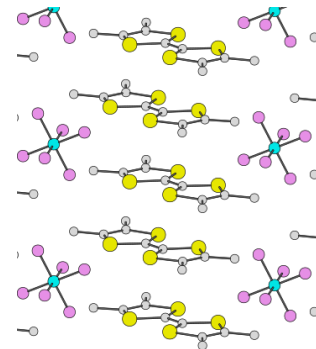
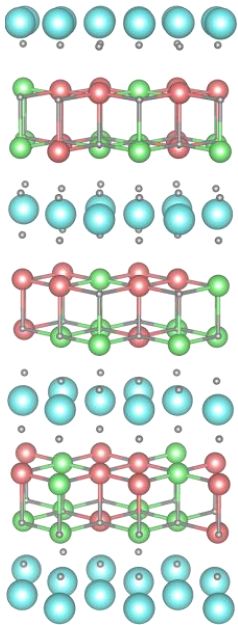
Ultrafast & efficient control of ferroelectrics



with Yu, Okimoto, Koshihara (TITec)
Fujiwara, Ikeda (Okayama)



with M. Dressel
(Stuttgart)



Polarization control by THz field

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- ✓ Kitaev spin-liquid candidate α -RuCl₃
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- ✓ Resonant effect to spin-orbit excitons
- ✓ Coherent carrier dynamics & theory

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arXiv: 2207.03877

v) Summary & Future problems

- ✓ High- T_c Cuprates, Correlated Dirac semimetal (Iridates)...

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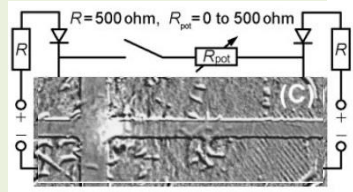
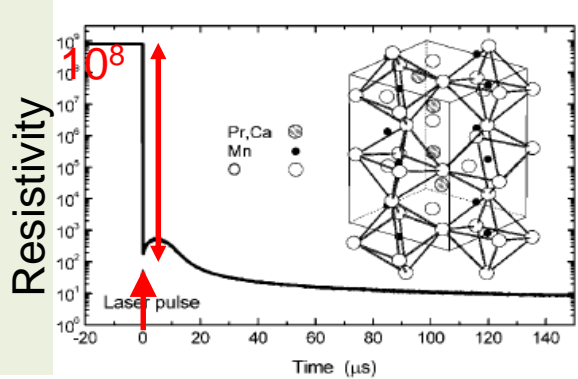
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Photoinduced Insulator –Metal transition

25 years ago

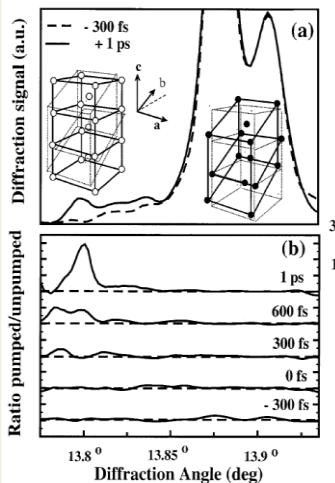
Miyano, Tokura *et al.*
PRL1997.

(Mn oxides)



Fiebig *et al.*
Science 280, 1925, 1998

Melting of Charge/Orbital order PM \rightarrow FM



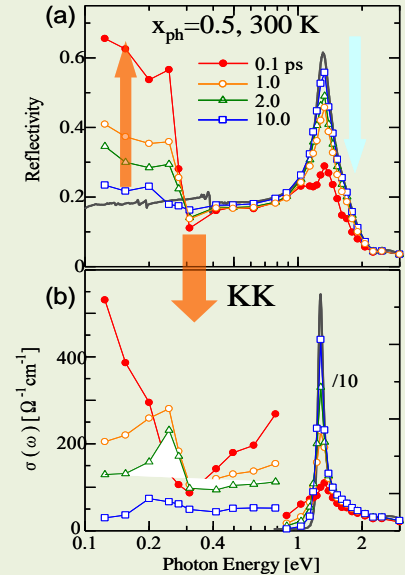
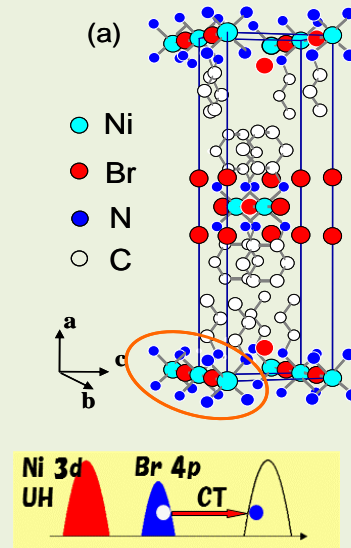
Cavalleri *et al.*
PRL 2001

Structural dynamics
(XRD)

(VO_2)

Iwai, Okamoto, Tokura *et al.* PRL 2003

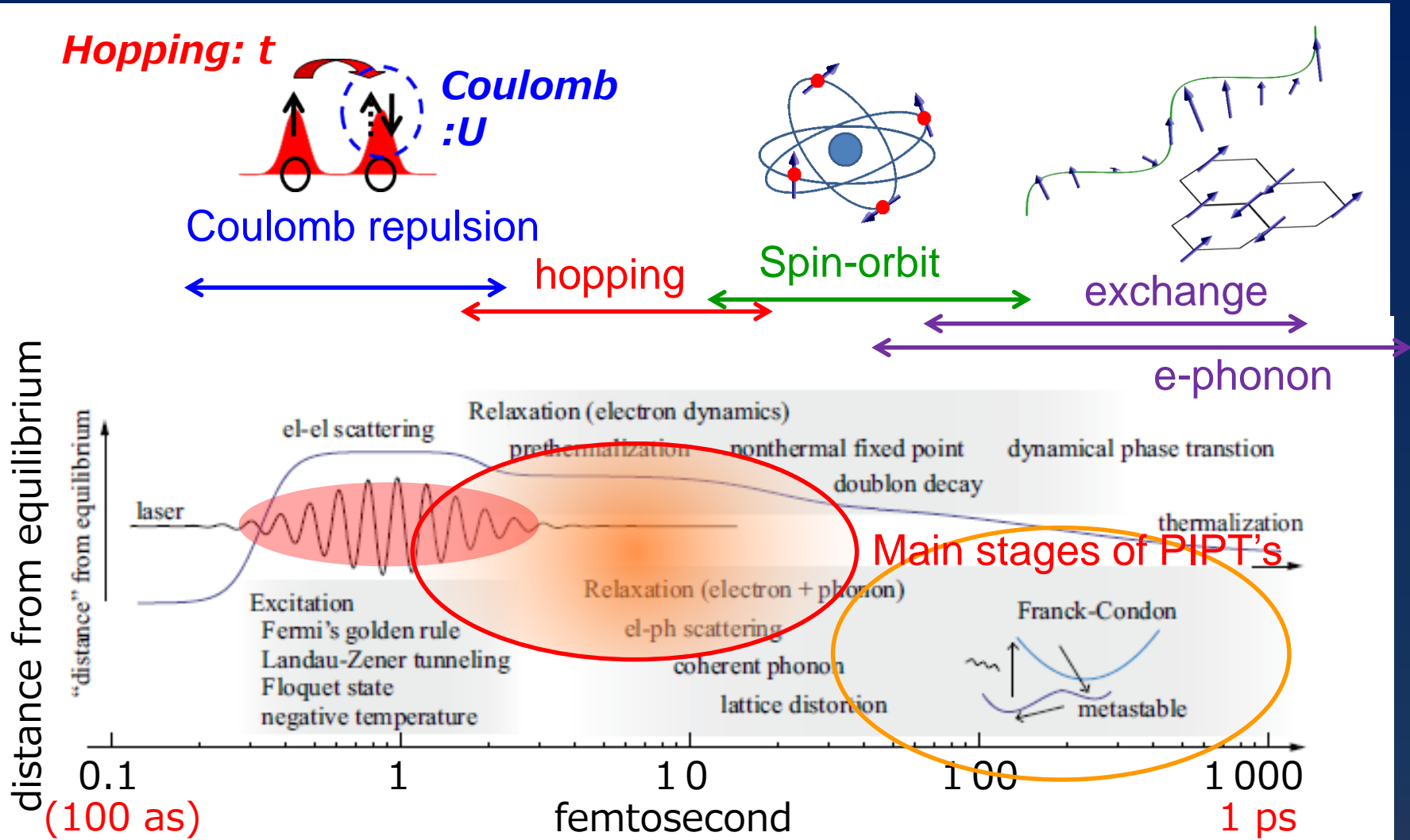
(Ni complex)



Photoinduced Mott transition

Gonokami, Koshihara eds. *JPSJ* 2006
Yonemitsu, Nasu *Phys. Rep.* 2008
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Mihailovic *et al.*, *Advances in Physics*, 2016
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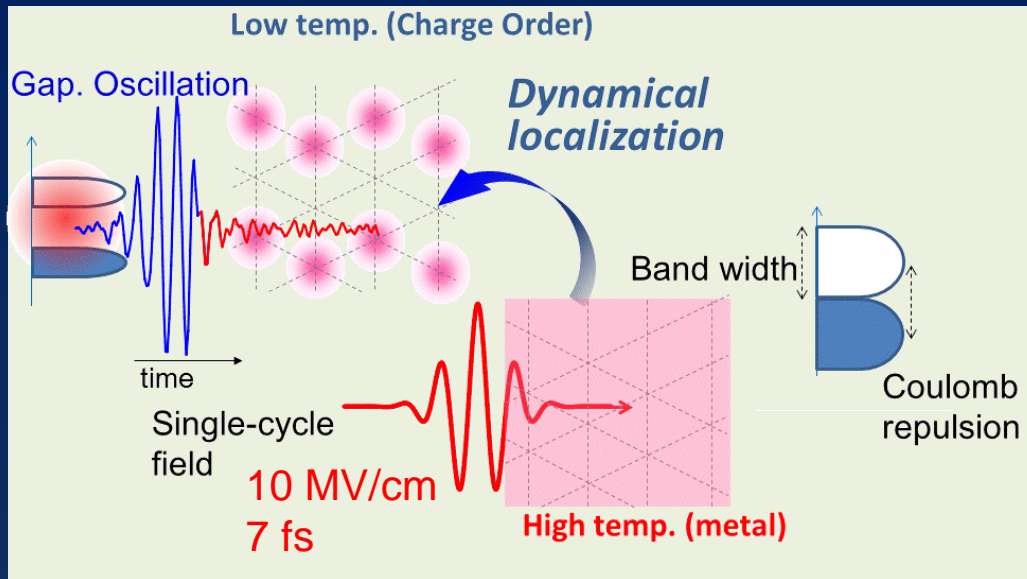
Non equilibrium in correlated system



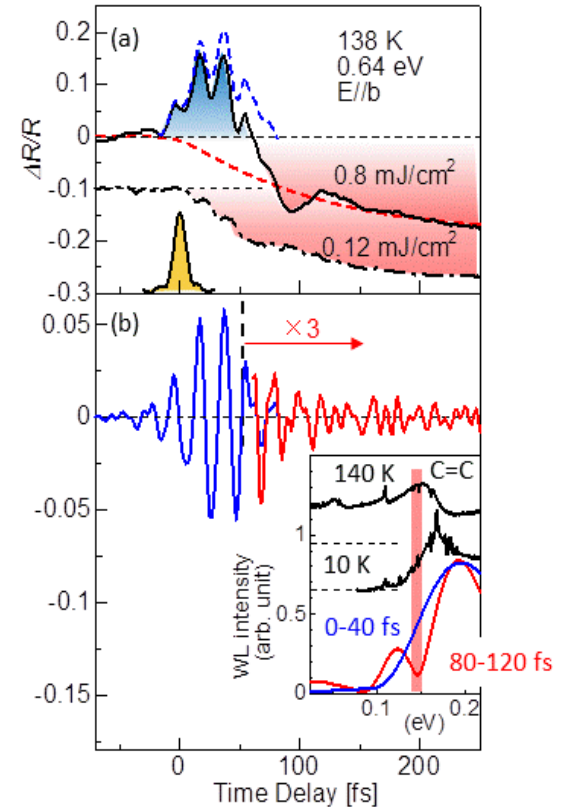
Aoki, Tsuji, Eckstein, Oka, Werner *Rev. Mod. Phys.* 86, 779 (2014).

- ✓ Limited degrees of freedom can work
- ✓ Electronic coherence survives (depends on material)

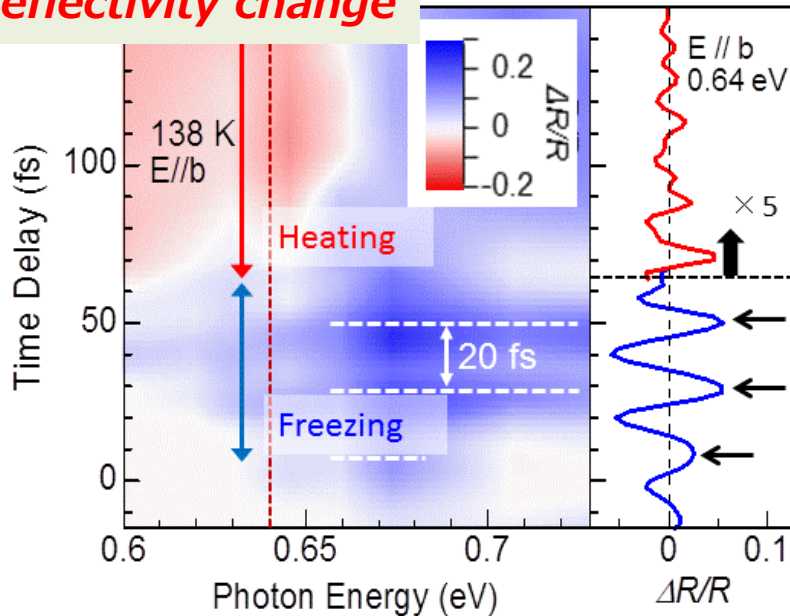
Optical freezing of charge motion



Insulating gap in time axis



Reflectivity change

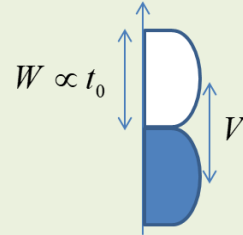
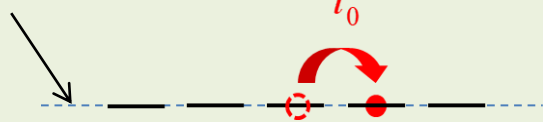


Ishikawa, Iwai et al., Nat. commun. 2014

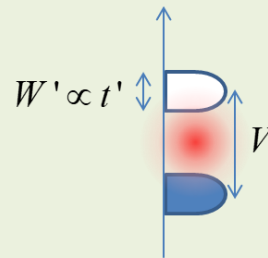
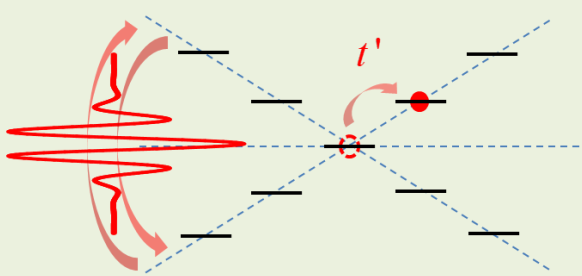
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Dynamical localization

Wannier state (tight-binding)

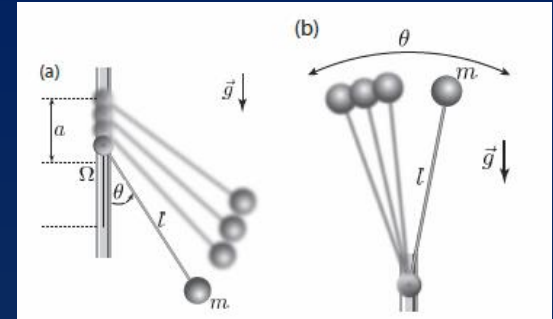
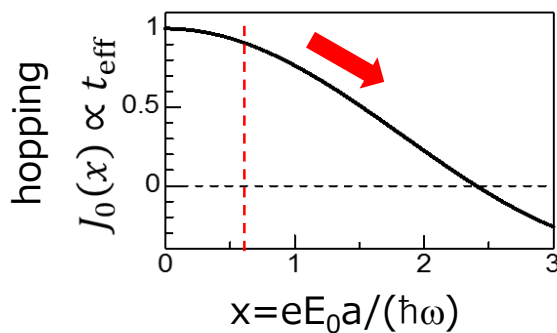


$E(\omega)$

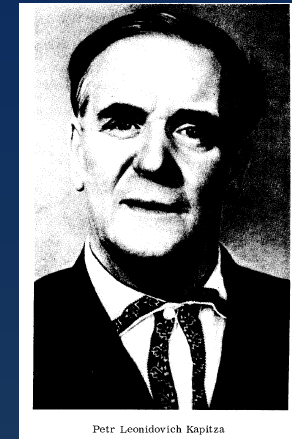


High-frequency strong field
disturbs hopping ($\omega=0$; stark ladders)

$$H_1 = -eE(t)a \sum_i m (|m\rangle\langle m|) + t_0 \sum_{i,j} (|i\rangle\langle j| - |j\rangle\langle i|)$$



Dynamical stabilization
M. Bukovet al.,
Advances in Physics, **64**, 139(2011)

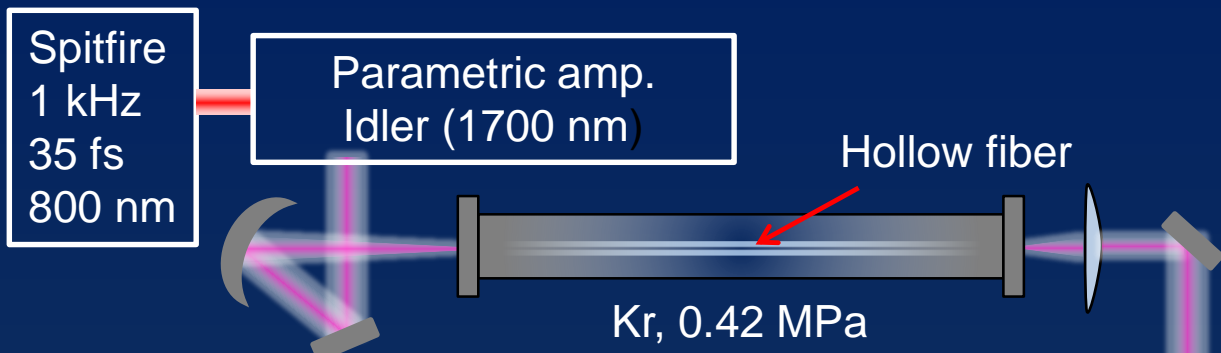


Petr Leonidovich Kapitza

P. L. Kapitza, *Soviet Phys. JETP*, **21**, 588(1951)

Dunlap, Kenkre, *PRB*(1986)
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6 fs NIR pulse (1.3 cycle, CEP stabilized)



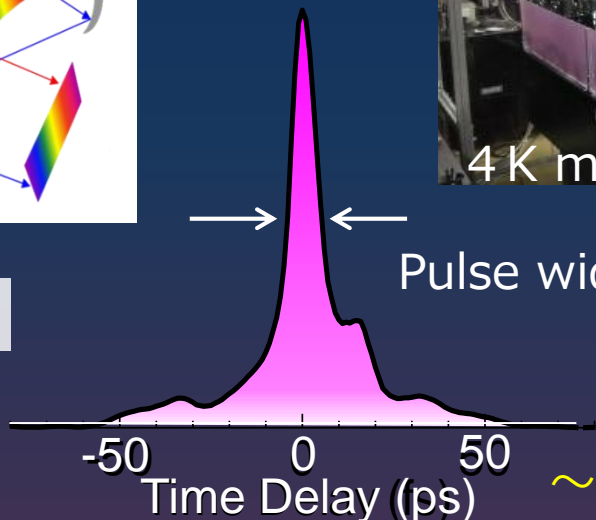
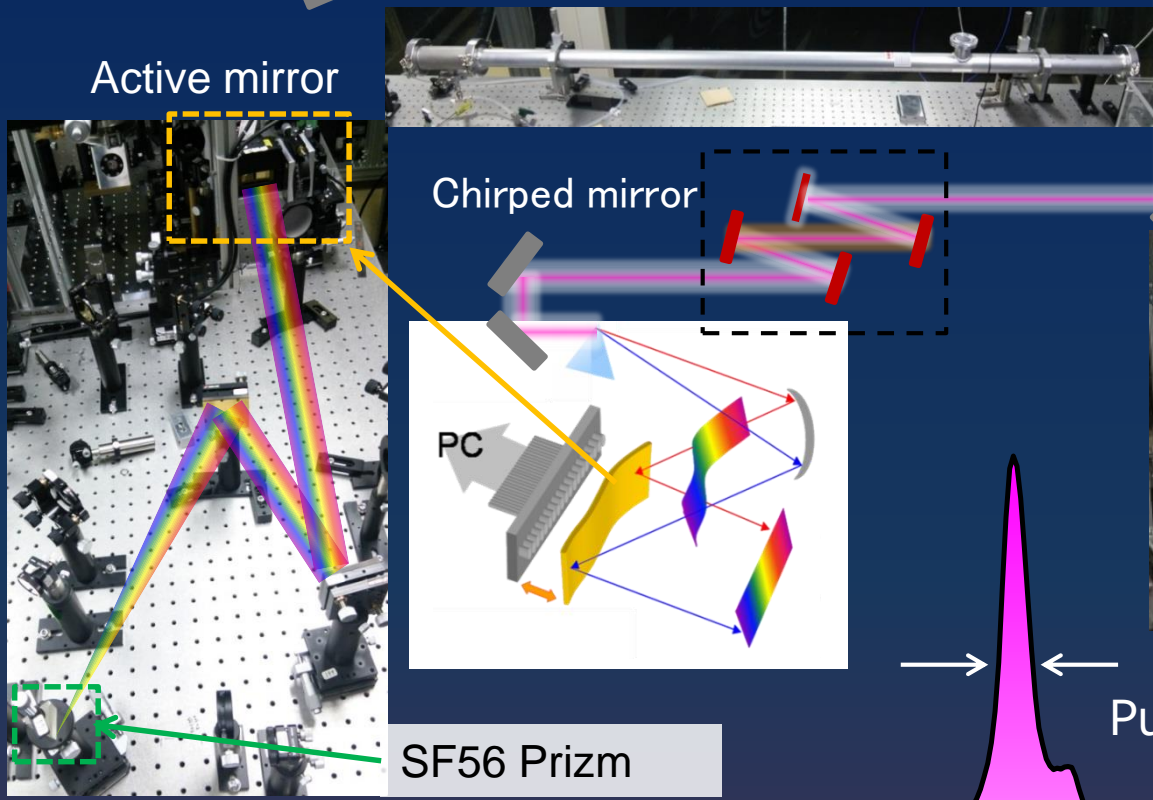
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→ CEP stable

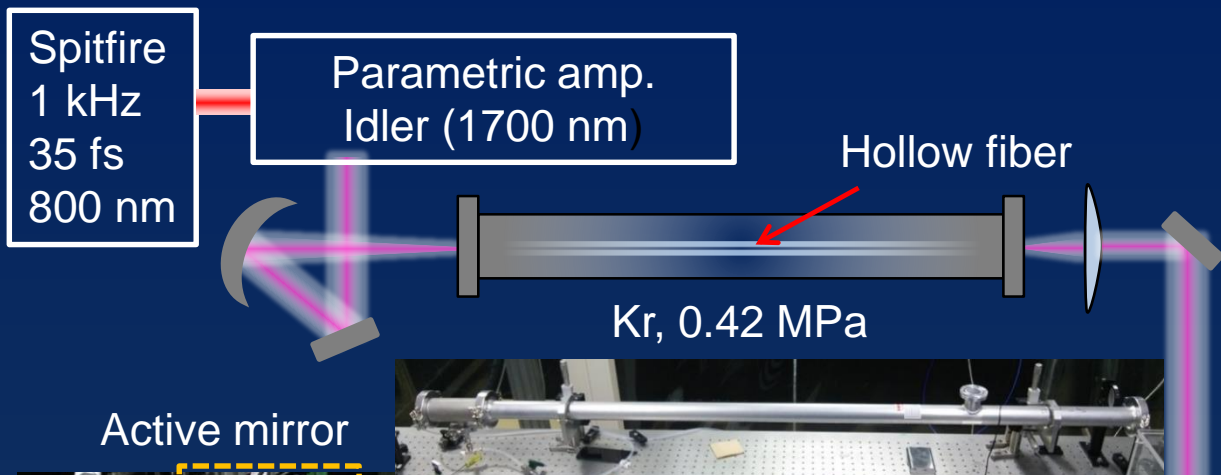


Pulse width = 6 fs 30 μ J/pulse
 Φ 200 μ m

J. Phys. B 51, 174005(2018)
(Review)

Max >100 MV/cm !
~20 MV/cm for organics

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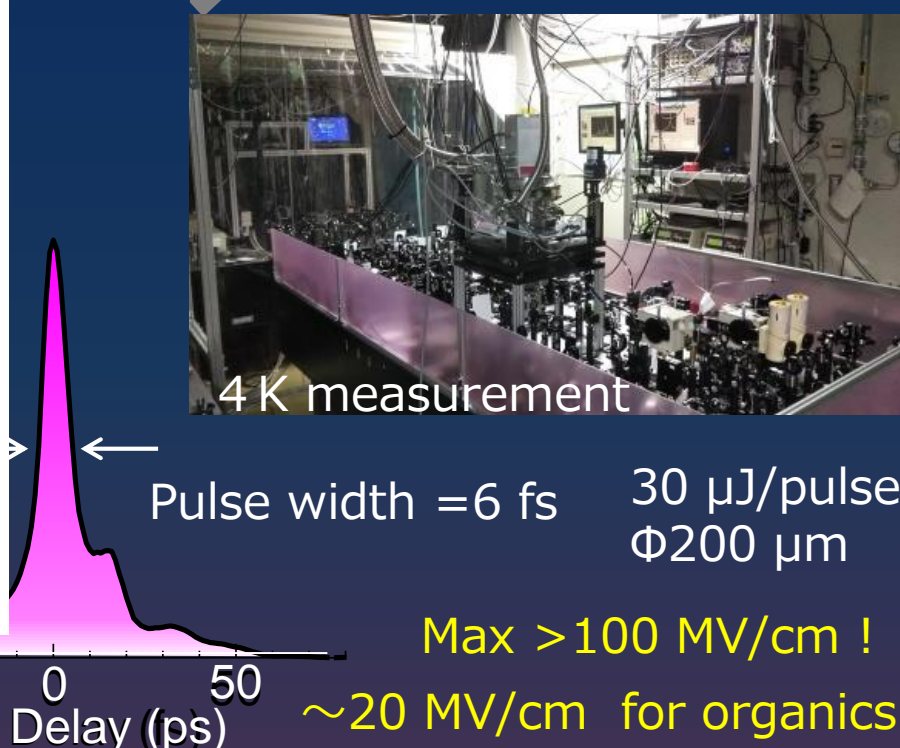
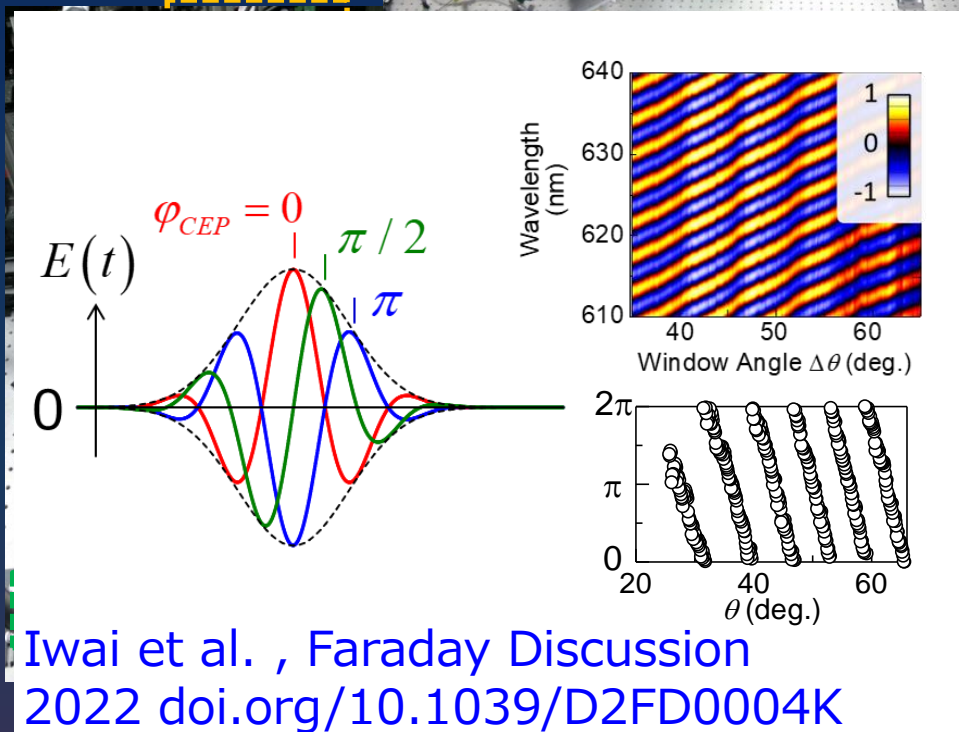
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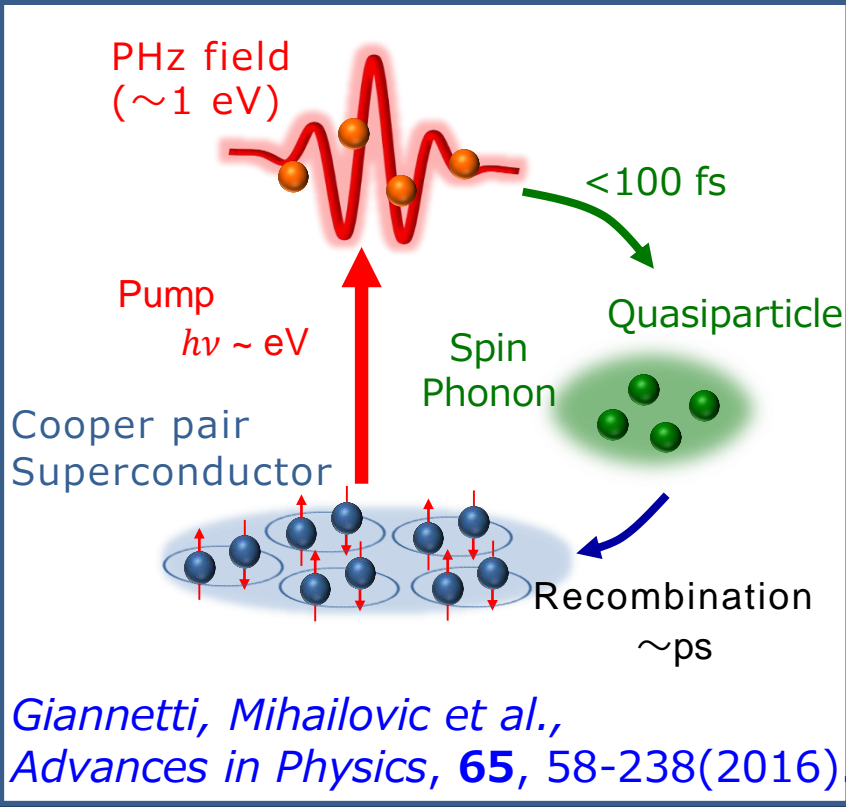
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Excitation of superconductors

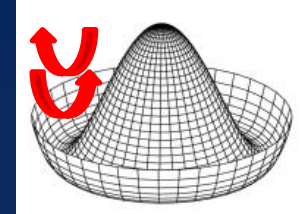
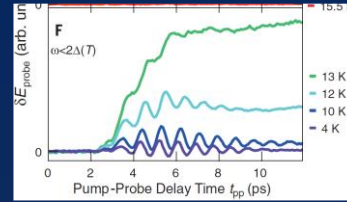
Excitation by light (NIR-Visible)

→ rise of electron temp. (scattering)



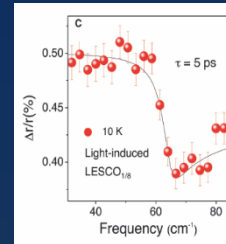
✓ Avoid increasing temp
→ low energy excitations

• Coherent exc. of Higgs mode (BCS)

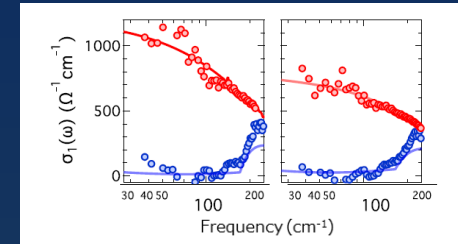


Matsunaga, Shimano et al. *Science* 2014.

• Photoinduced SC Cuprates, Organics



D. Faustii et al., *Science* 2011



M. Buzzi et al., *PRX* 10, 031028 (2020)

✓ Another approach

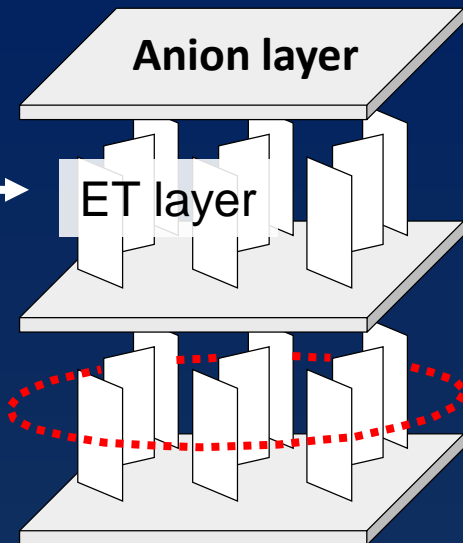
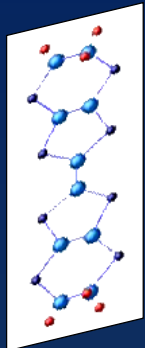
e-e scattering time

- ~ 40 fs $h/(0.1$ eV) organic SC
- ~ 4 fs or shorter ? High- T_c Cuprates

• 6 fs pulse can control electrons in no-scattering time window ?

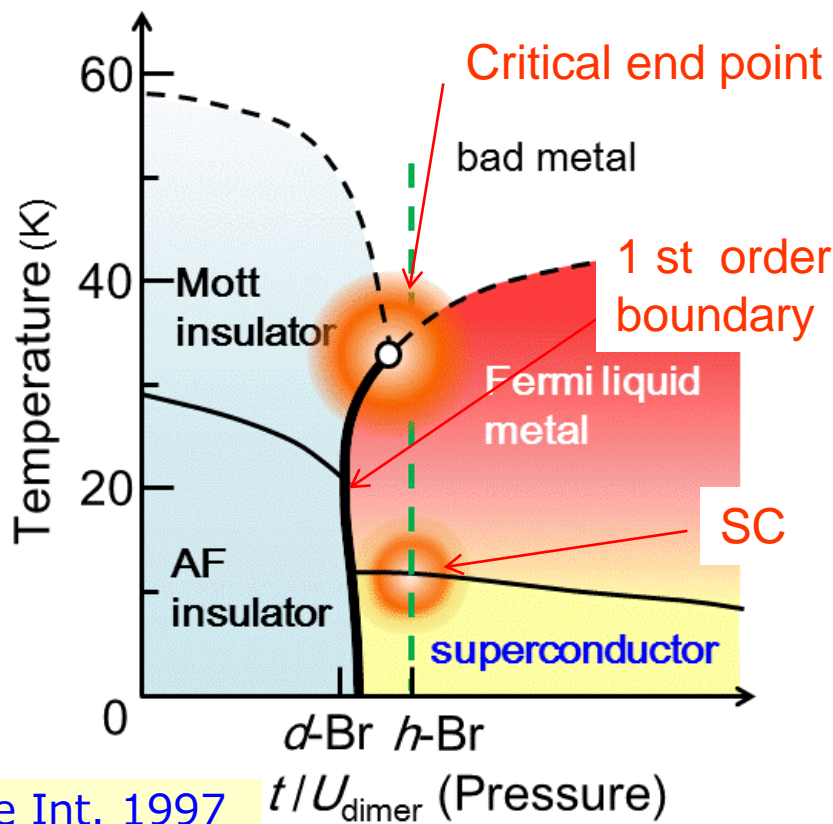
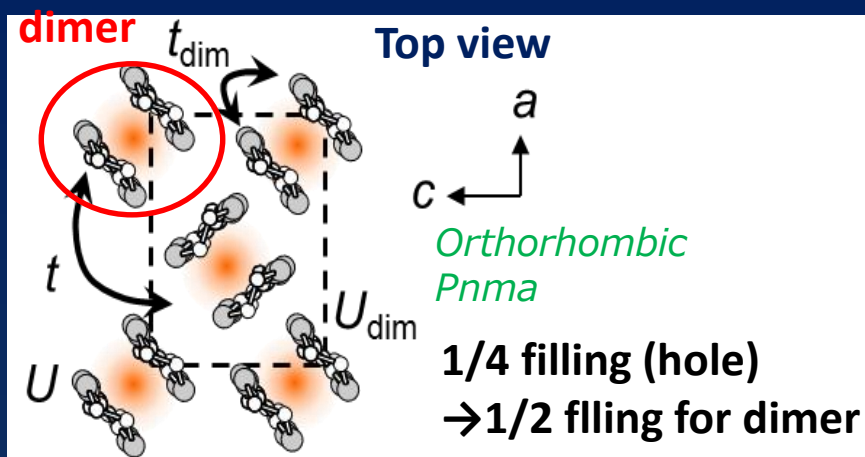
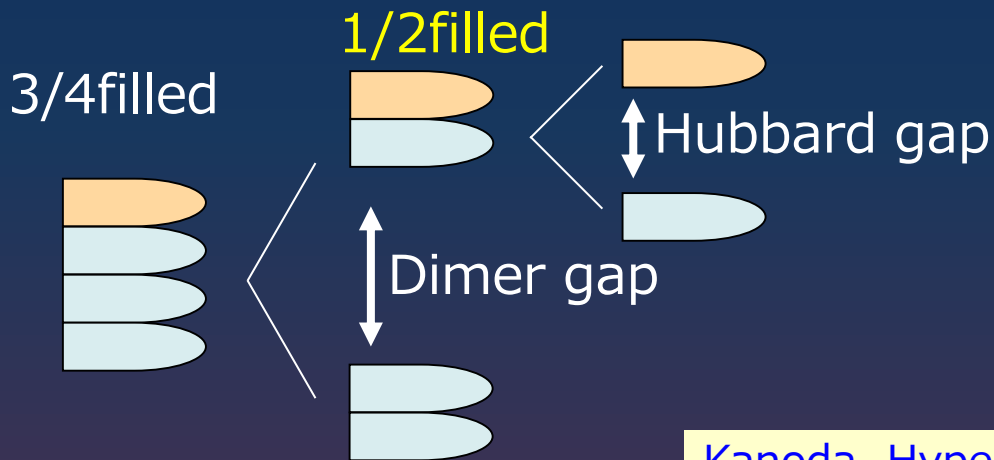
Organic superconductor κ -(ET)₂Cu[N(CN)₂]Br

ET
(BEDT-TTF)



κ -(ET)₂X

Dimer Mott insulator



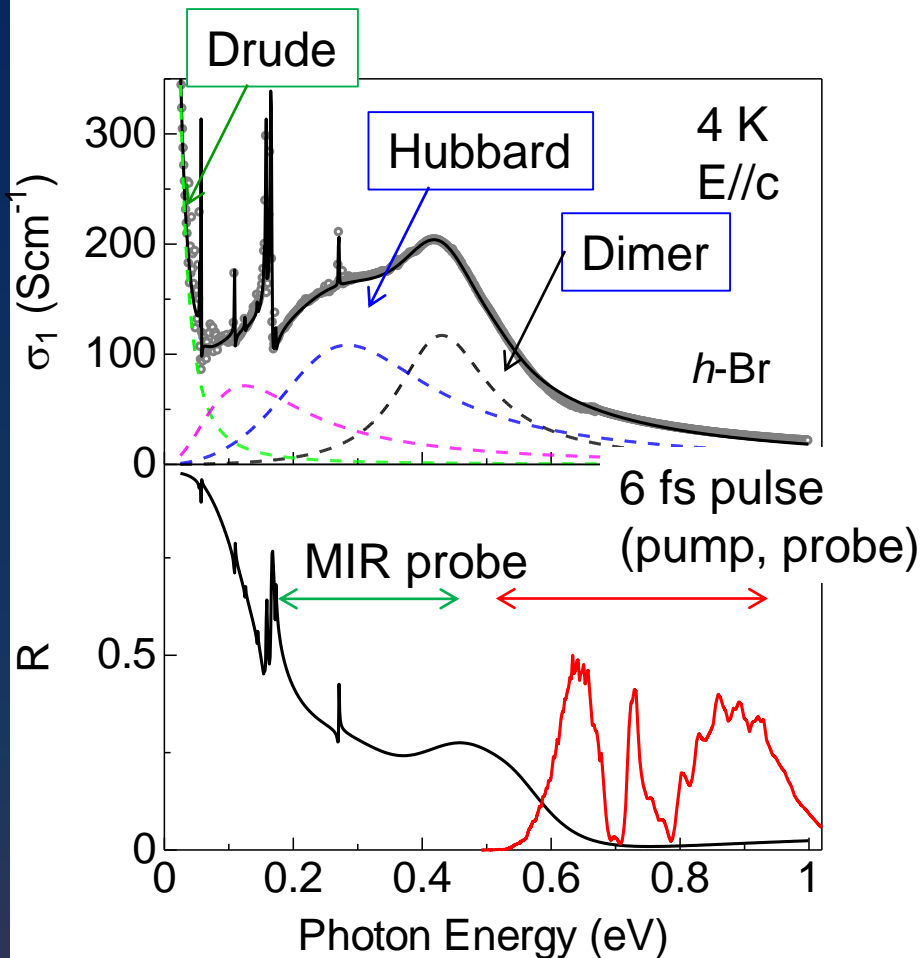
Kanoda, Hyperfine Int. 1997

t/U_{dimer} (Pressure)

κ -(*h*-ET)₂Cu[N(CN)₂]Br (*h*-Br)

Reflectivity/Optical conductivity (*h*-Br)

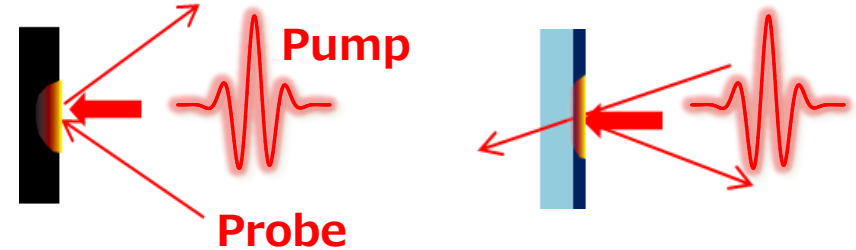
c.f. Faltermeier, Dressel *et al.*,
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Pump-probe(2-or 3- beam)

Single crystal

Film (180 nm)

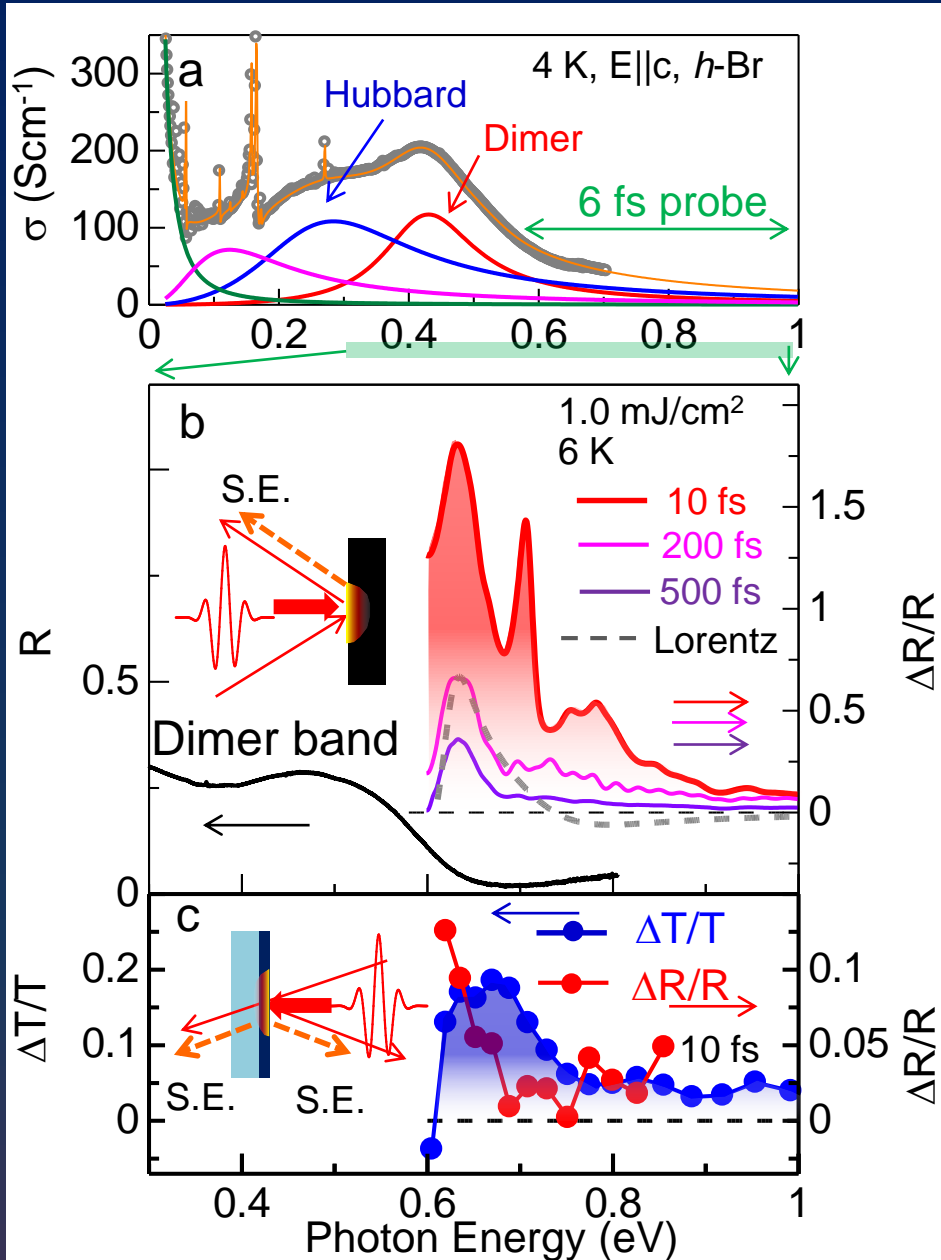


Reflectivity

Transmittance/
reflectivity

Pump/Probe \sim 1000/1

Tr. reflectivity($\Delta R/R$) & transmittance($\Delta T/T$)

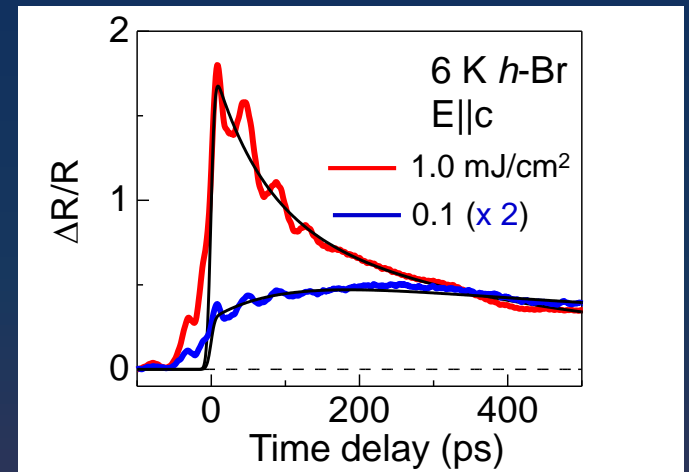


✓ Same-color pump & probe

✓ New reflectivity peak
 0.63 eV, at 10 fs (FID at 0.7 eV)
 ~200 % reflectivity increase !

✓ Lorentz analysis

Additional oscillator
 frequency: 0.61 eV
 damping: 0.04 eV



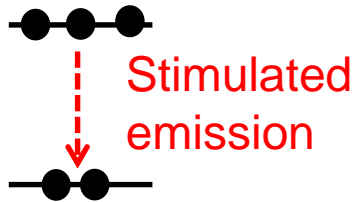
Fast (65%) rise <10 fs,
 decay 70 fs

Slow(35%) rise 90 fs,
 decay 360 fs, 4.2 ps, > 100 ps

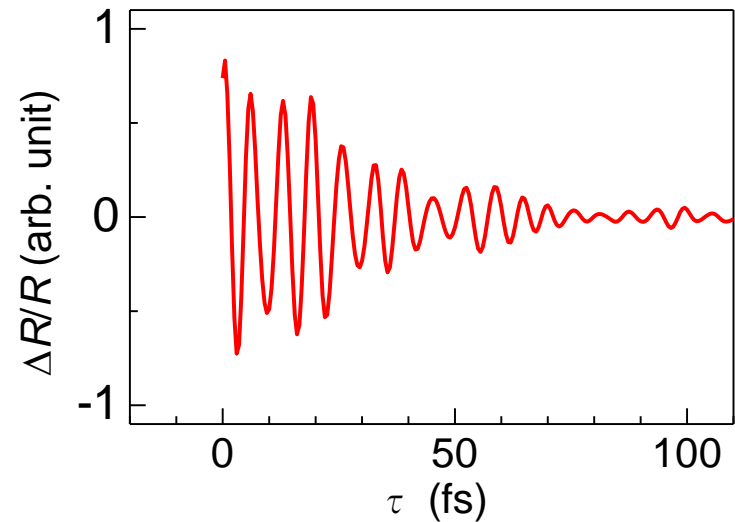
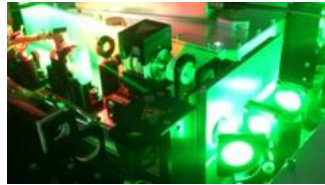
Double-pump & probe to detect coherence of the nonlinear charge osc.

“Conventional” stimulated emission

Population inversion



Laser

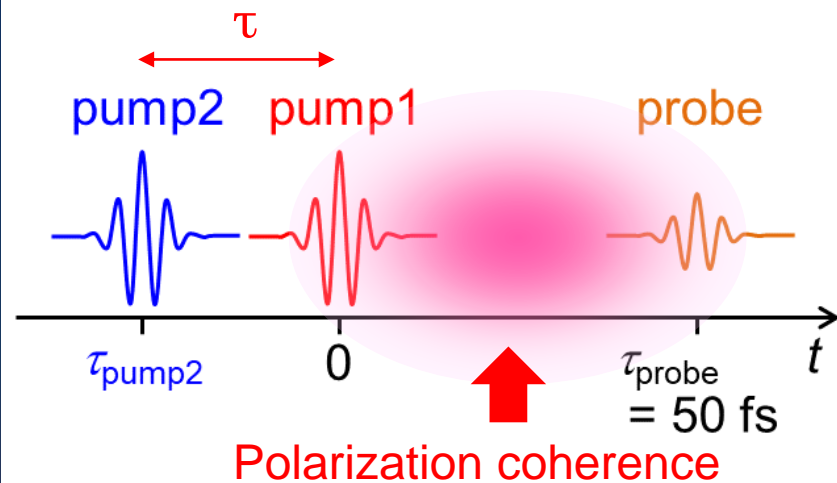


Difference between pump1 and pump2

Supplementary

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- ✓ Decay time of SE (70 fs) is approximately equal to the electronic coherence time



Matsubara, Itatani, Yonemitsu, Koshihara, Onda et al., PRB89, 161102(R)(2014)
Kimata, Kayanuma, Nakamura et al., PRB101, 174301(2020)

Origin of the SE is coherent charge motion ?

Time dependent Schrödinger eq. (Yonemitsu)

2D ext. Hubbard model (16-site, $\frac{3}{4}$ filling)
(Exact diagonalization)

$$H_{2D} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} t_{ij} (c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{j,\sigma} + c_{j,\sigma}^+ c_{i,\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} + \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} V_{ij} n_i n_j$$

Photoexcitation (Peierls phase)

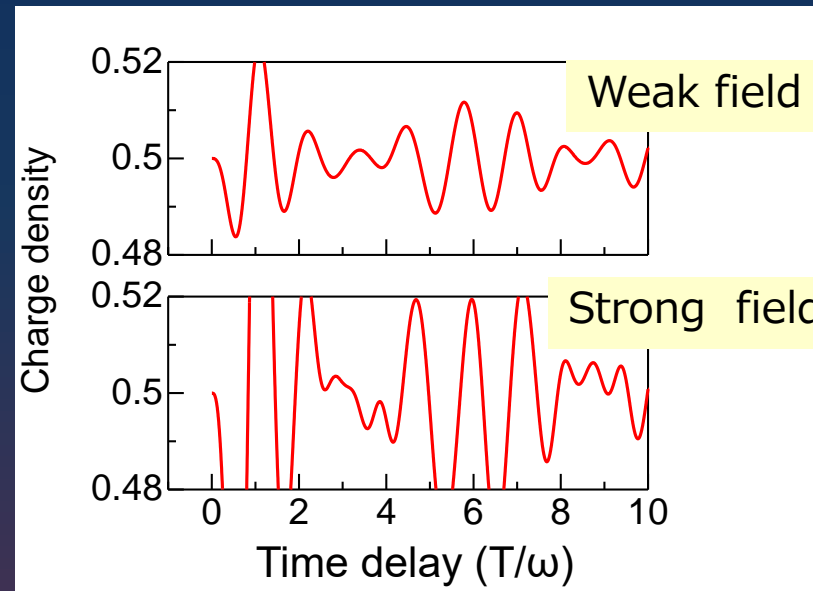
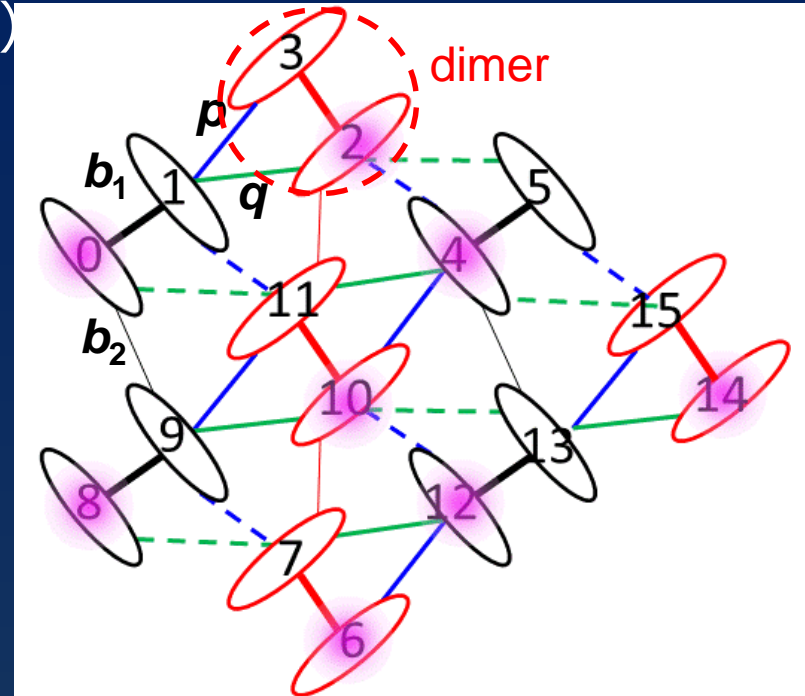
$$c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{j,\sigma} \rightarrow \exp \left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{A}(t) \right] c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{j,\sigma}$$

Single-cycle pulse

$$\mathbf{A}(t) = \frac{c\mathbf{F}}{\omega} [\cos(\omega t) - 1] \theta(t) \theta\left(\frac{2\pi}{\omega} - t\right)$$

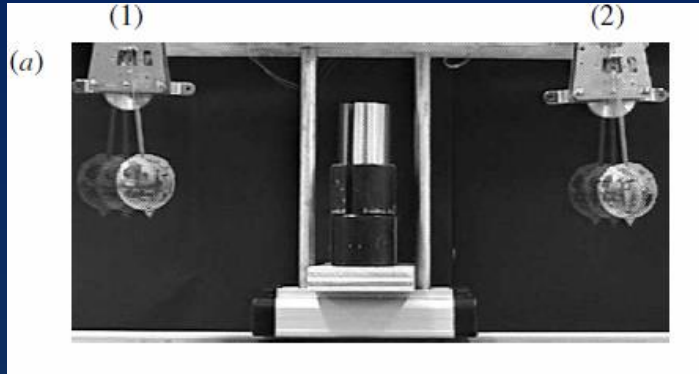
Time evolution of charge density on a molecule

Yonemitsu, JPSJ87, 044708(2018).



Synchronization (entrainment)

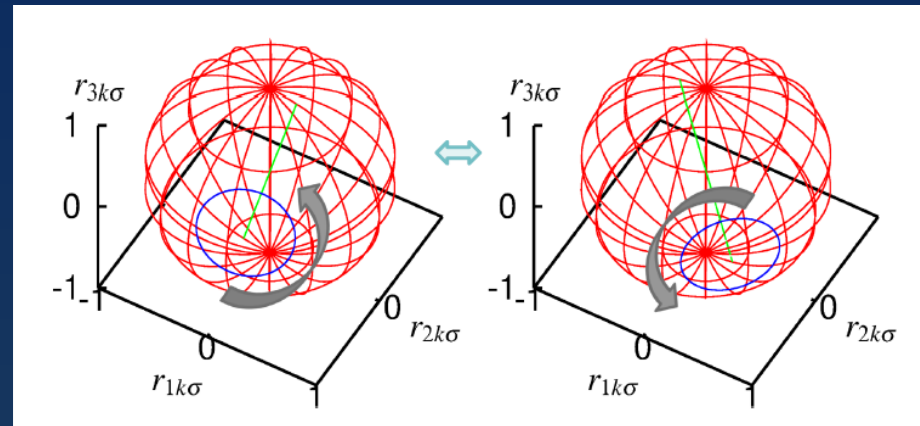
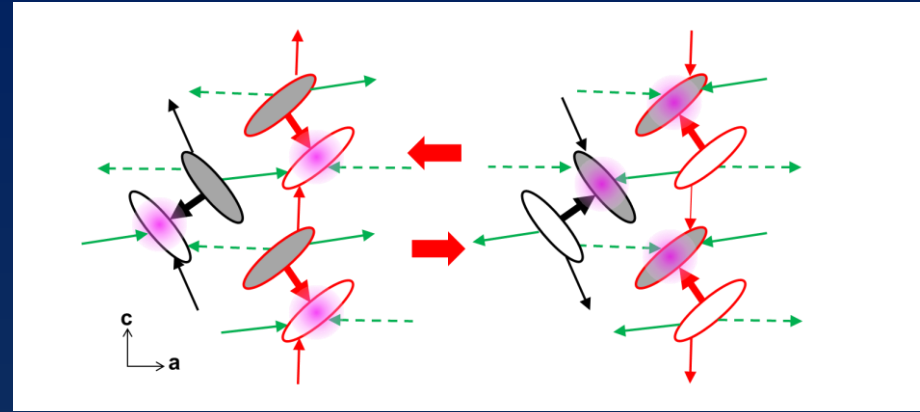
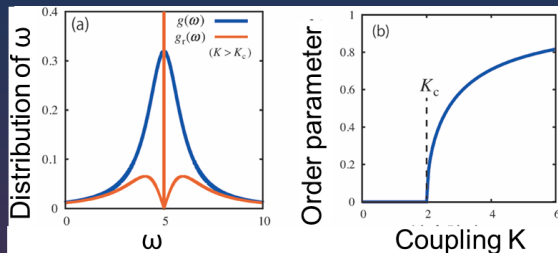
Huygens's clock
(cycloidal pendulum clock)



M. Bennet et al.,
Proc. R. Soc. Lond. A 458, 563(2002)
Huygens 1669

Kuramoto model (1975)

$$\frac{d\phi_i}{dt} = \omega_i + \frac{K}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N h(\phi_i - \phi_j)$$



非線形同期振動の一般的理解

✓Bipartite lattice

✓Bloch eq. (pseudospin)

電荷密度の差、電流密度、結合密度

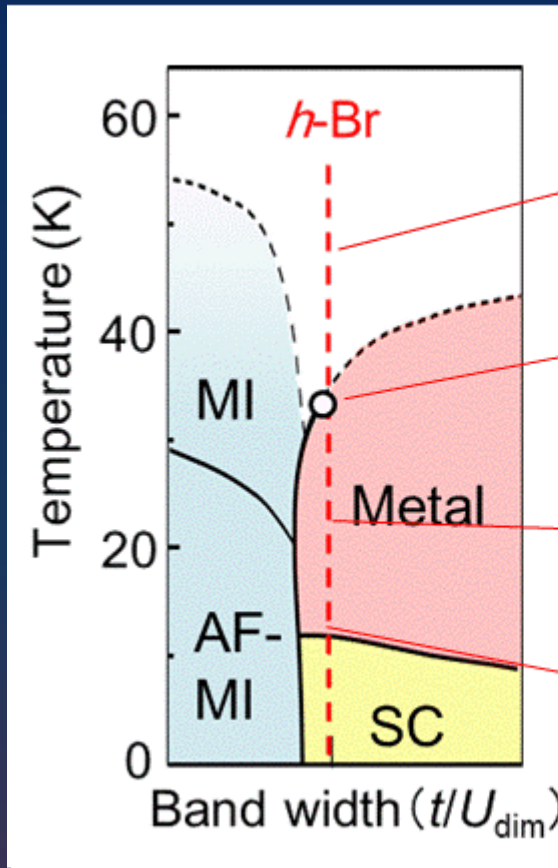
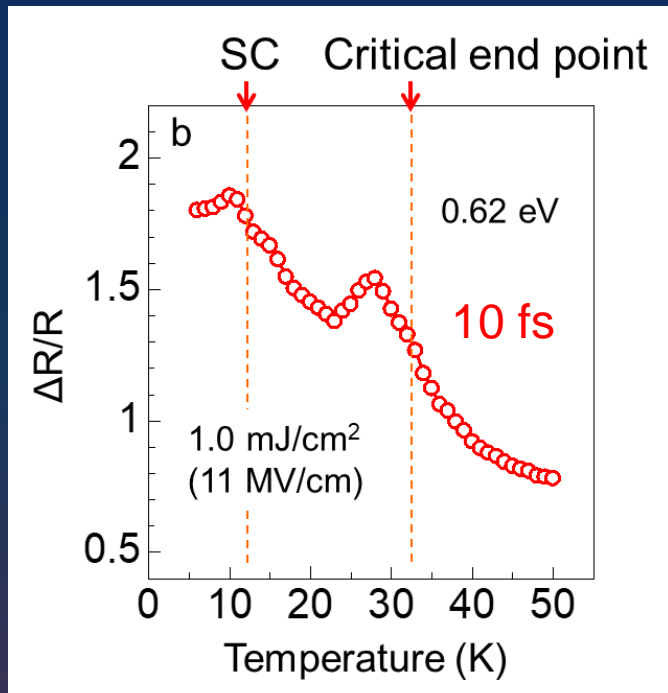
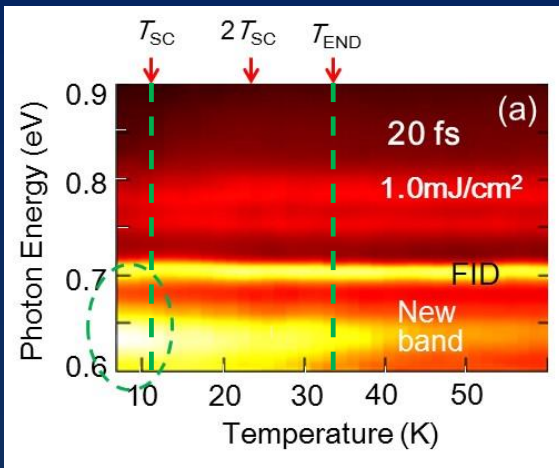
✓Hubbard model, spinless Fermion

Yonemitsu, Werner JPSJ89, 084701(2021)

Anomaly at T_{SC}

✓ Gradual increase from 20 K $\sim 2 T_{SC}$

✓ Anomaly at 10 K $\sim T_{SC}$ (heating effect ~ 3 K)
 Nonlinear charge osc. (transient current)
 amplified by SC fluctuation



10 fs (time const. 5 fs)
 response
 (strong field)



High energy (> 0.4 eV)
 Interaction

$\Leftrightarrow U$ 0.8 eV
 V 0.2~0.3 eV
 t 0.1~0.3 eV

Outline

i) Introduction

- ✓ Optical responses of strongly correlated system
- ✓ *Time/energy scales of strongly correlated system* *PRL2010*
- ✓ Coherent charge motion in correlated system
(Coherent charge motion, Dynamical localization) *Nat. commun. 2014*
PRB 2016
- ✓ *6-fs NIR pulse, CEP control/detection* *PRB 2017(R)*
J. Phys. B 2018
(review)

ii) Stimulated emission in organic SC κ -ET salt

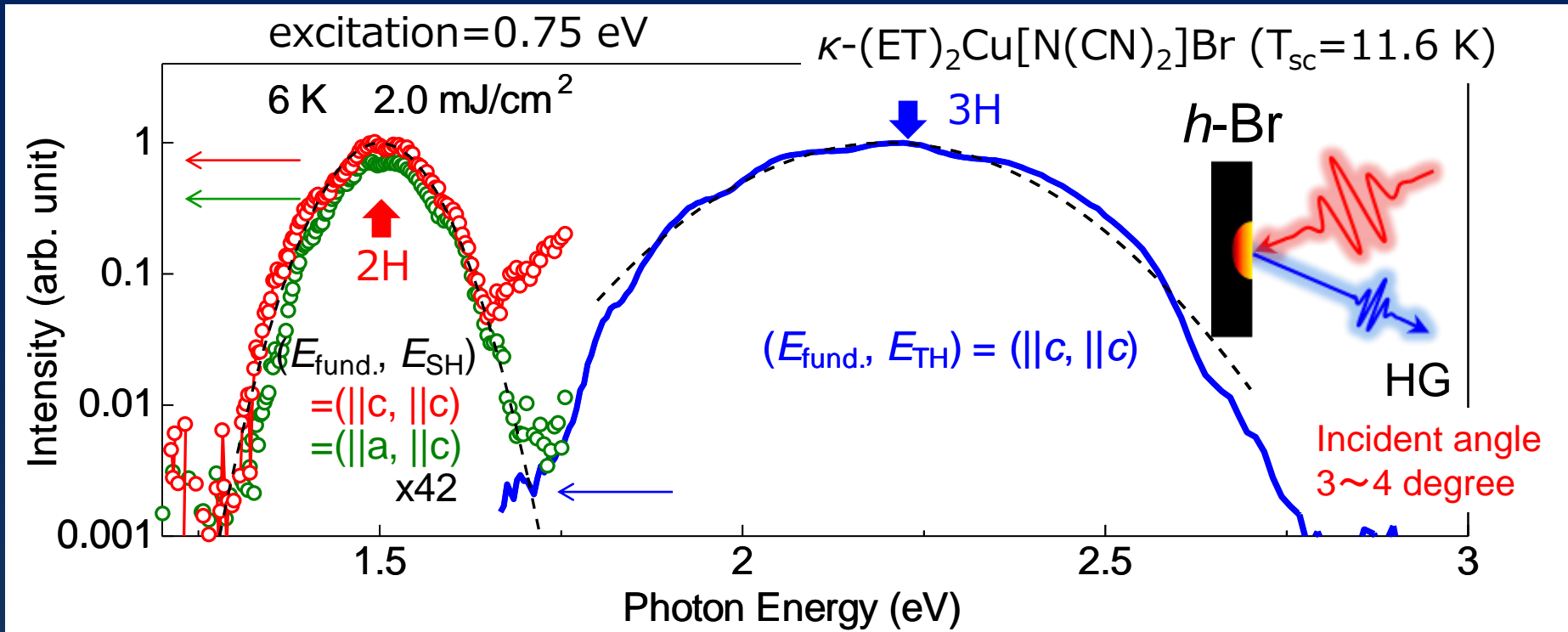
- ✓ Ultrafast stimulated emission (SE) driven by strong field
- ✓ Quantum mechanical analysis (charge synchronization)
- ✓ Temperature dependence (anomaly around T_{sc}) *Nat. Photon 2018*

SHG in κ -ET salt

- ✓ SHG induced by Petahertz no-scattering current (CEP sensitive)
- ✓ Enhancement of SHG near SC fluctuation
- ✓ Quantum mechanical analysis of unconventional SHG

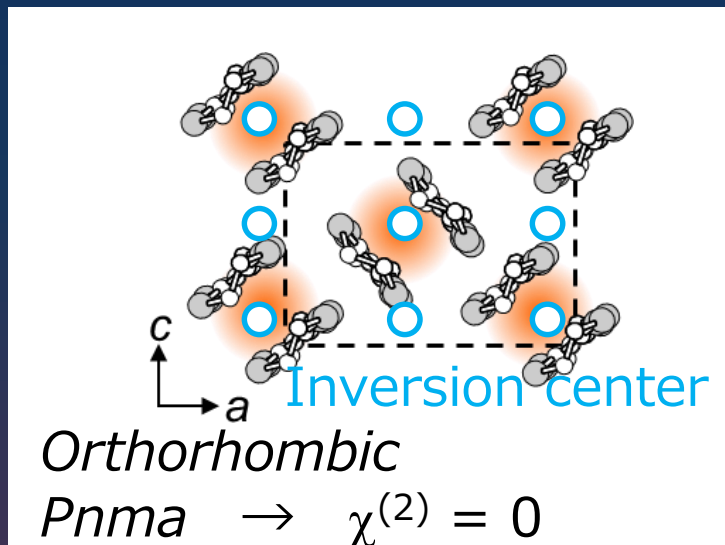
Nat. Commun. 2020

SHG & THG in organic superconductor



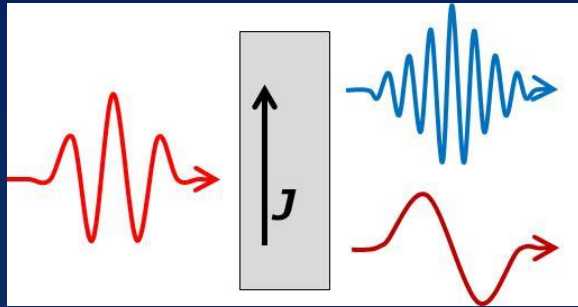
- ✓ SHG is not active (in perturbation)
- ✓ CEP (carrier-envelope phase) dependence
- ✓ Temperature dependence
- ✓ Polarization dependence

→ unconventional SHG



Current induced SHG

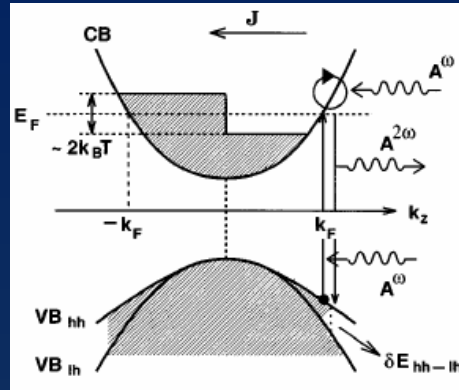
N-doped (direct gap) semiconductor (Density matrix theory)



Khurgin,
APL67, 1113 (1995)

*Breaking of spatial symmetry

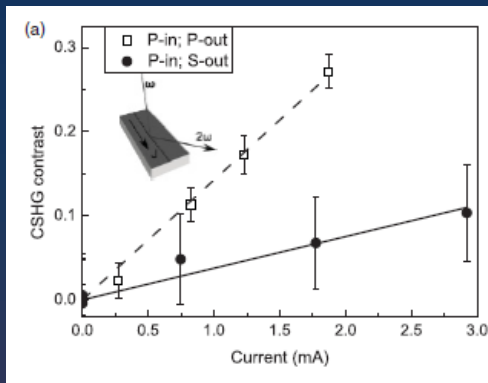
in the sense that the induced current can't be described as odd function of $E(t)$



$$\mathbf{J} = - \sum_{\mathbf{k}} e v(\mathbf{k}) f(\mathbf{k}) = - \frac{e \hbar}{m_c} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k} f(\mathbf{k})$$

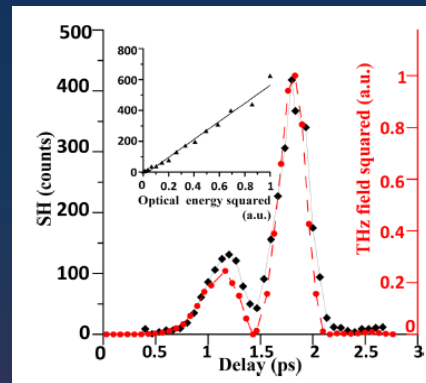
$$\chi_{\mathbf{J}}^{(2)}(2\omega; \omega, \omega) = \frac{e^3}{4 \epsilon_0 m_0^2 \mu \omega^4 (k_B T + i \hbar T_2^{-1})} \times \sum_{\mathbf{k}} P_{vc, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}) (P_{cv, \mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}) f(\mathbf{k})$$

Graphene (DC)



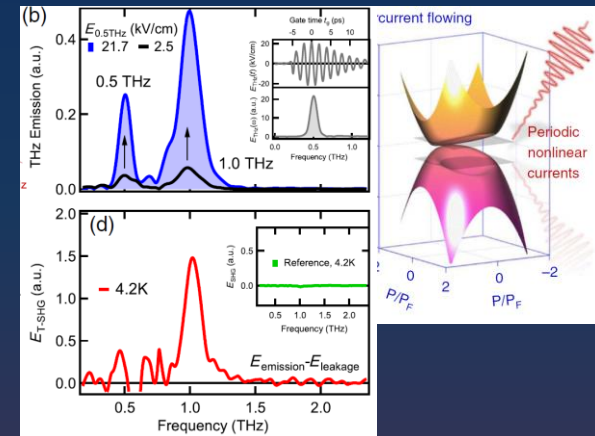
Bykov *et al.*,
PRB85, 121413 (2012)

Graphene (THz)



M. Tokman *et al.*,
PRL. 99, 155411(2019)

Nb₃Sn (THz)

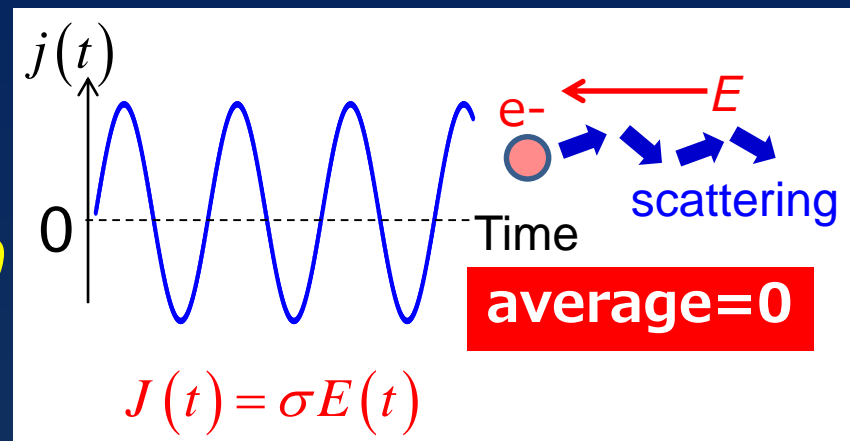


Vaswani *et al.*
PRL124, 207003(2020)

Does osc. light field induce current ?

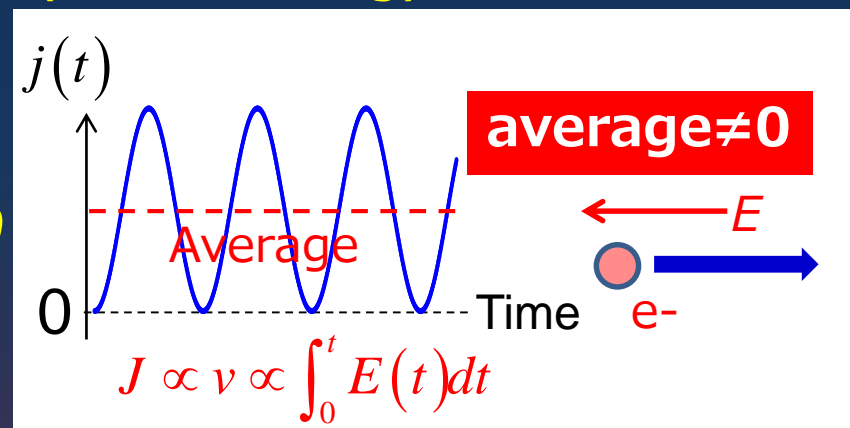
No ! If ohm's law works

Ohm's law (with scattering)



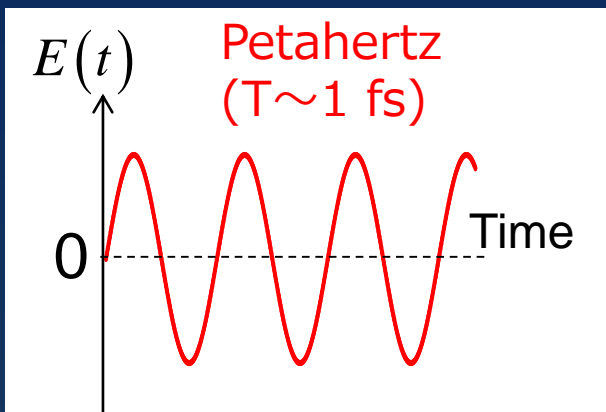
**Net
current= 0**

Electron acceleration
(no-scattering)



**Net
current≠ 0**

If, we have no scattering, averaged current ≠0

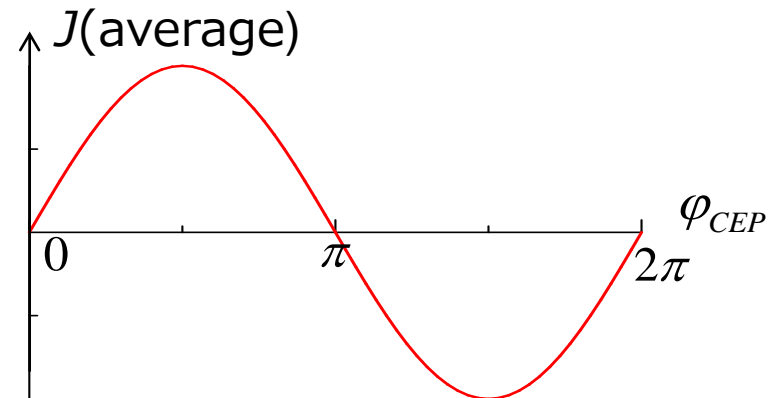
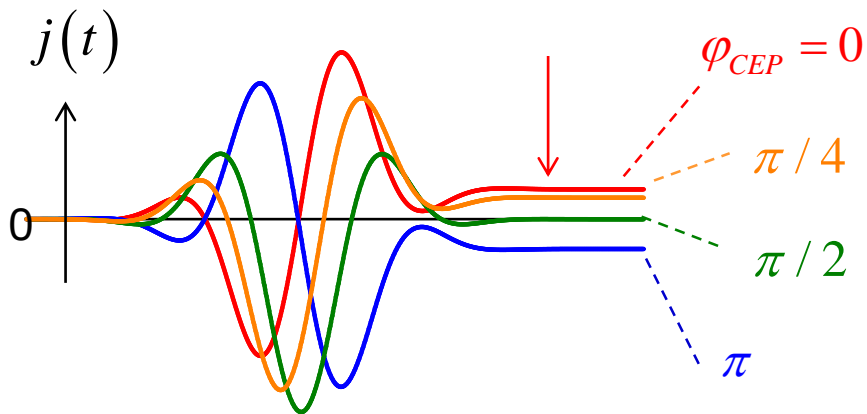
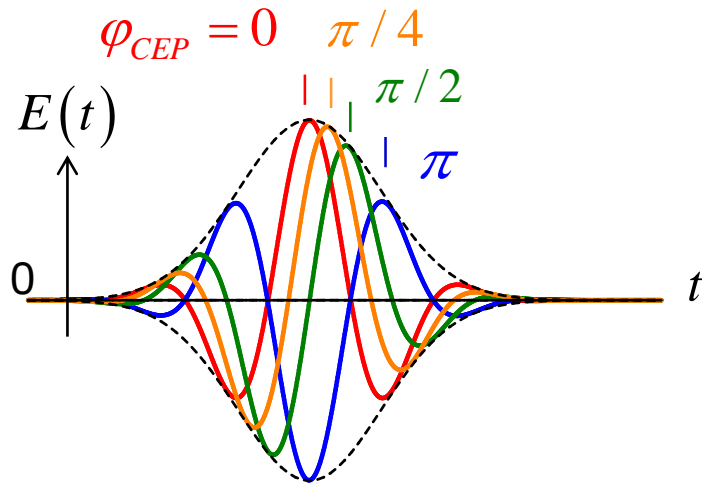


Carrier Envelope Phase (CEP)

$$E(t) = E_0(t) \sin(\omega t - \varphi_{CEP}) \quad \varphi_{CEP} : \text{CEP}$$

$$J \propto v \propto \int_0^t E(t) dt$$

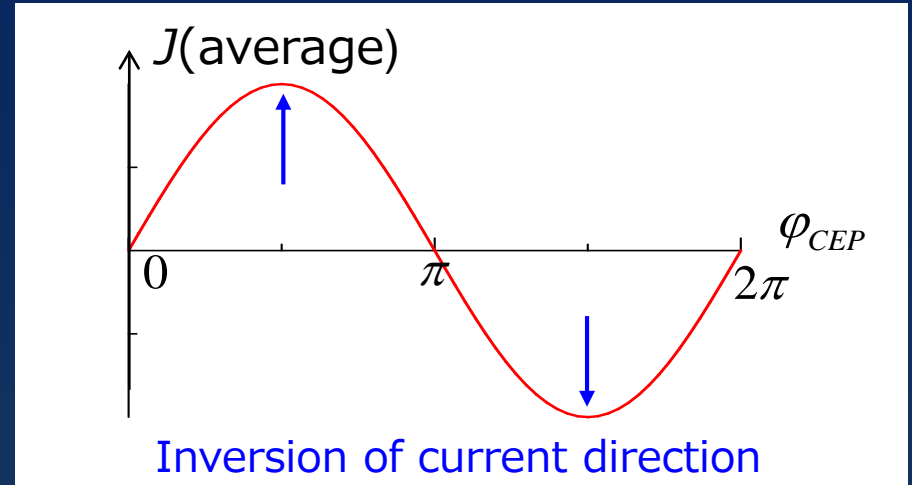
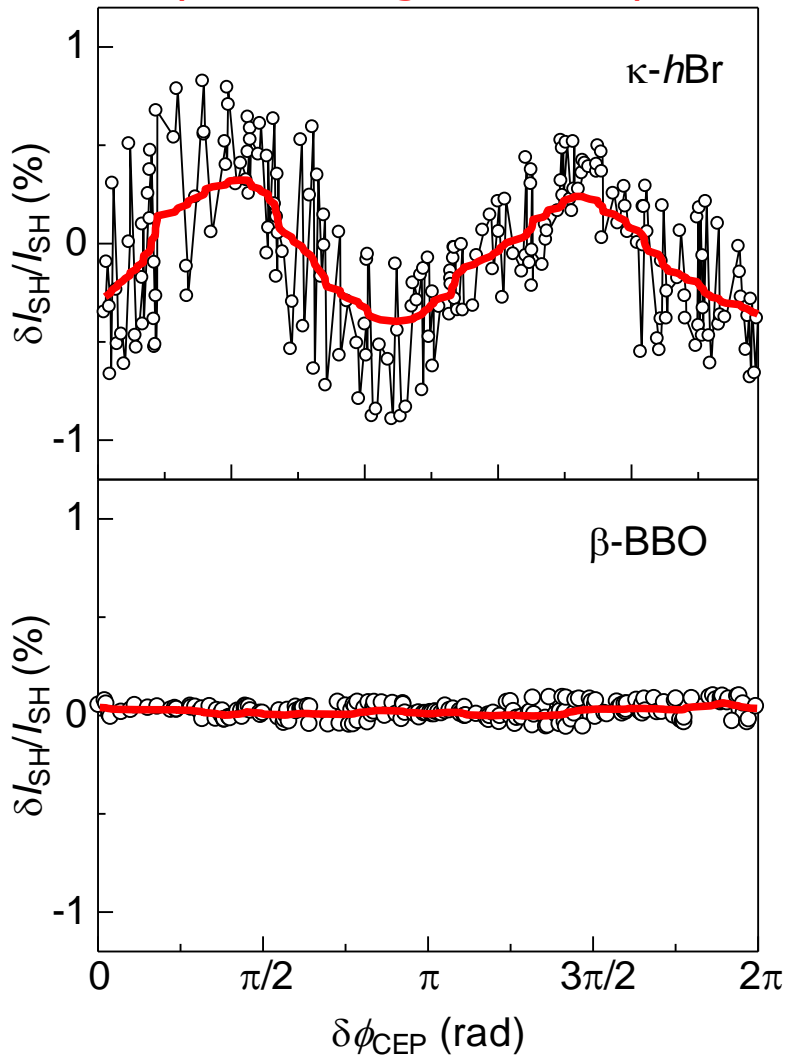
✓ J survives after the pulse
(during scattering time window)



✓ Non-dissipative J is CEP sensitive
One-cycle change in one-period

CEP dependence of SHG

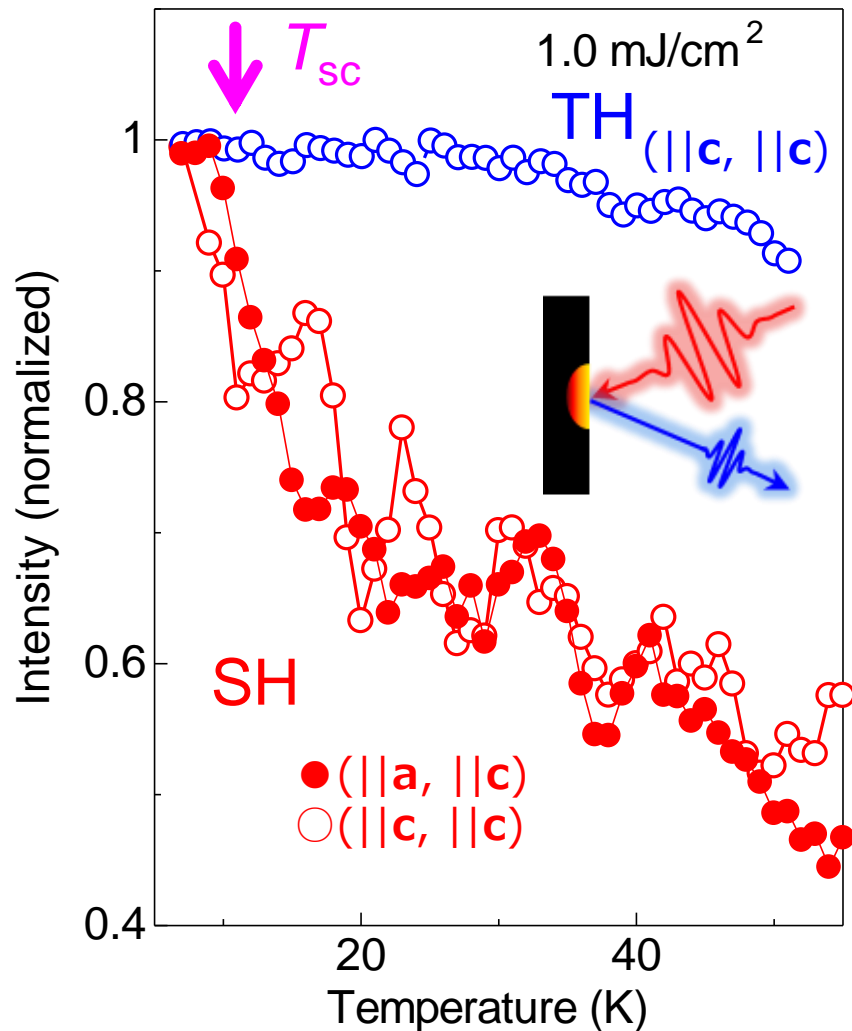
Two-cycle change in one-period



Current is modulated by f .
*But, SHG can't distinguish
direction of current
(SHG is modulated by $2f$)*

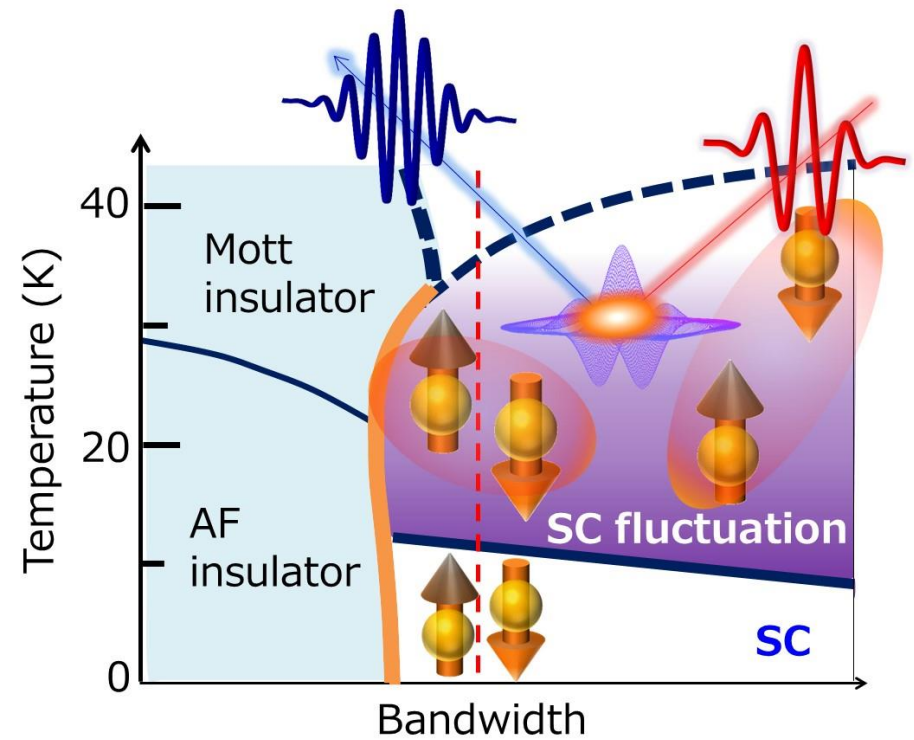
SHG is described by non-scattering current

Temperature dependences of SHG



✓ SHG increases toward T_{sc}

✓ **SHG is sensitive to SC fluctuation**
(reflecting the small working distance of non-scattering current?)

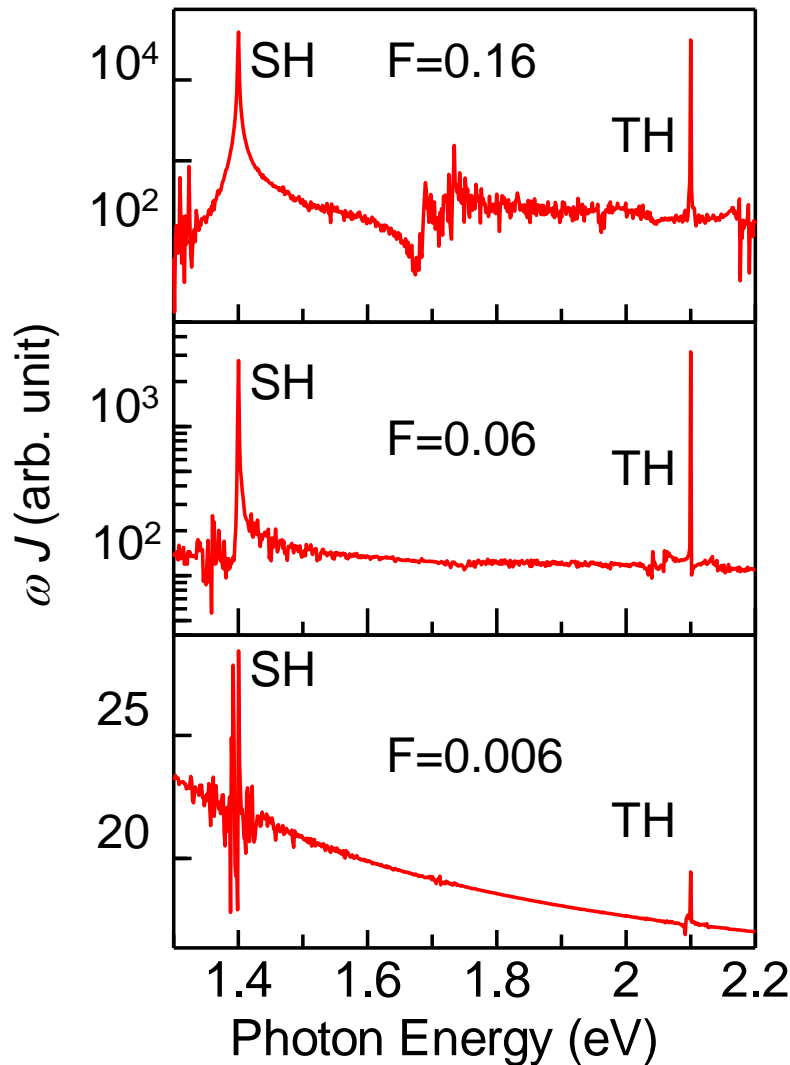


SC fluctuation ($T > T_{sc}$)

- Lang et al., PRB49, 15227(1994)
- Kobayashi et al., PRB89, 165141(2014)
- Mckenzie., Science (1997)

Mean field theory (Prof. Yonemitsu)

- ✓ Hartree Fock (98x98), $U=0.8$, $V=0$, triangular lattice,
- ✓ Hubbard model, Peierls phase $\omega=0.7$ eV, E/c



Hubbard model (3/4 filled)

$$H = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} t_{ij} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

Electric field of light: substitution

$$S c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} \rightarrow \exp \left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{A}(t) \right] c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma}$$

with vector potential

$$\mathbf{A}(t) = \theta(t) \frac{\mathbf{F}}{\omega_{\text{fund}}} [\cos(\omega_{\text{fund}} t - \phi) - \cos \phi]$$

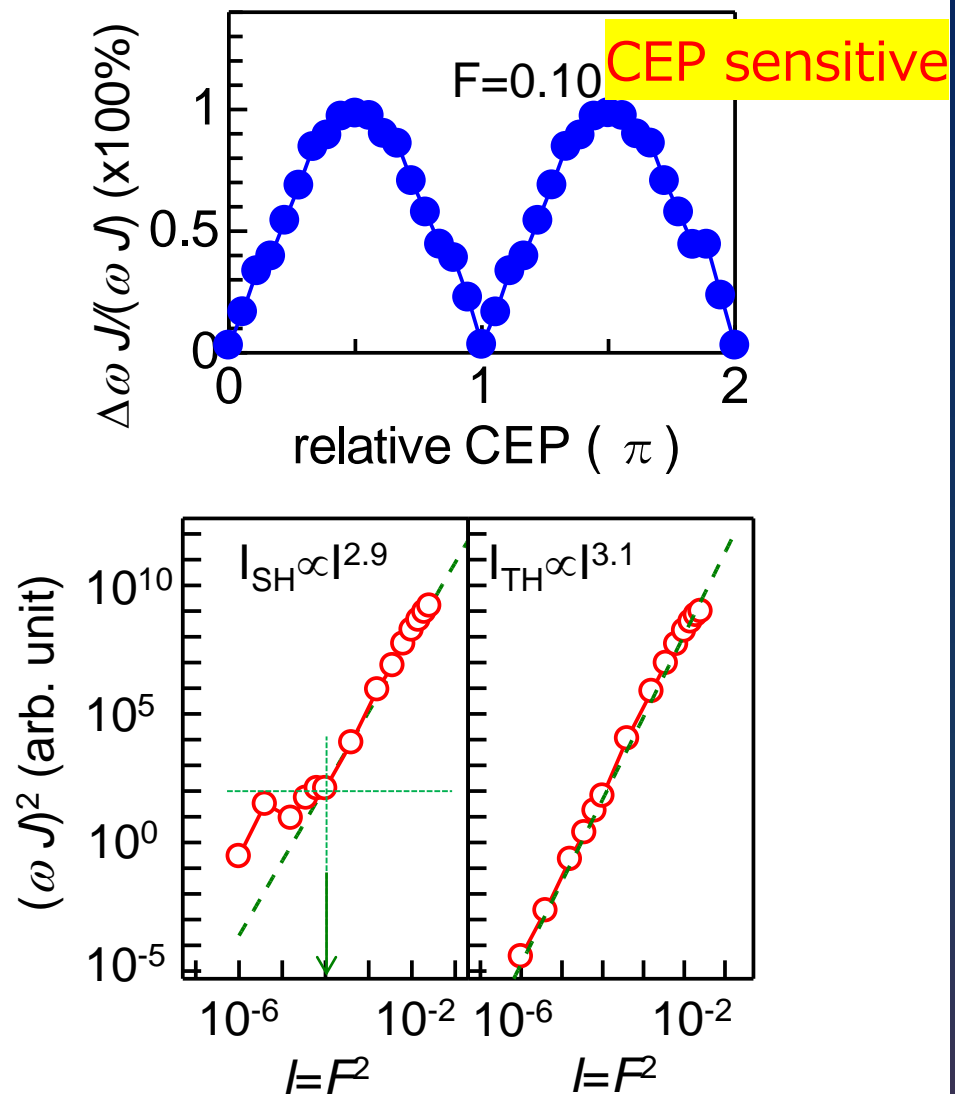
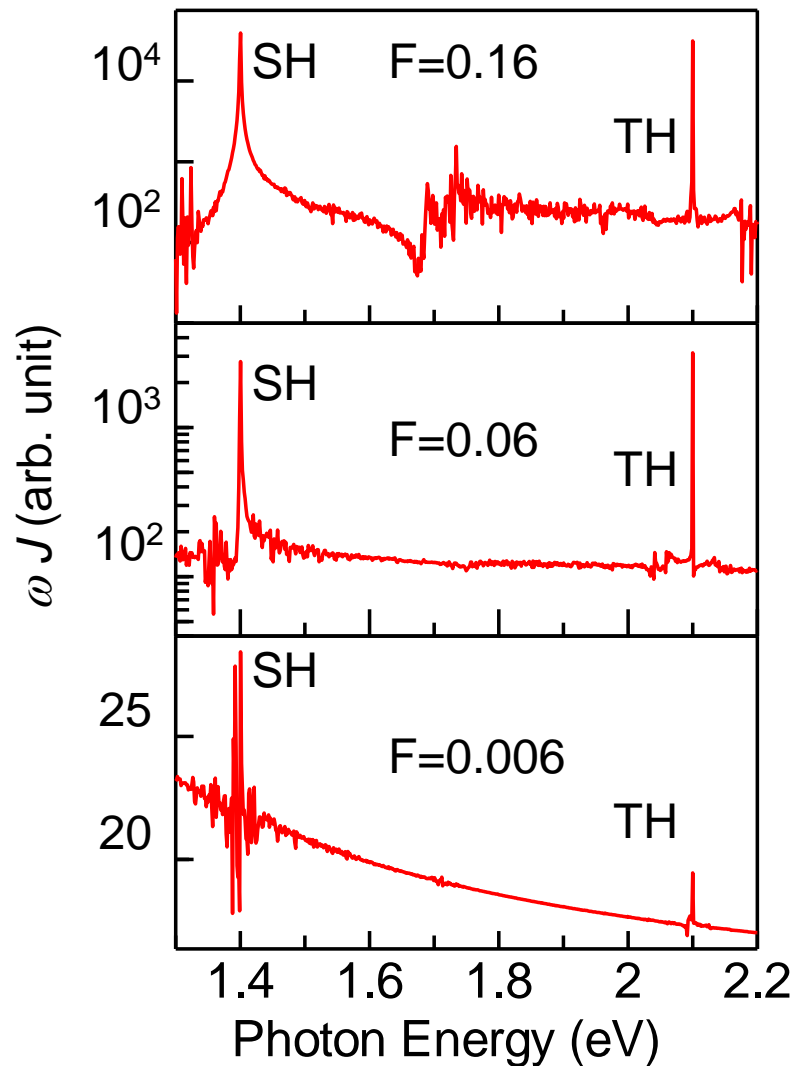
current density $\mathbf{j}(t) = - \left\langle \frac{\partial H}{N \partial \mathbf{A}} \right\rangle$

SHG and THG are evaluated as

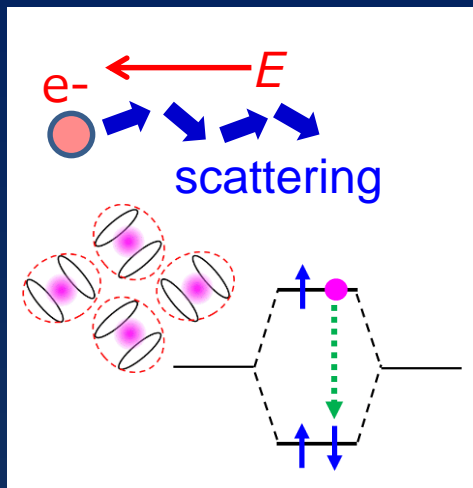
ωJ : absolute value of
 Fourier transform of dj/dt
 (500 cycle)

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Summary Organic superconductor *h*-Br



Linear response

Correlated charge motion



Current induced SHG



Stimulated emission

Strong excitation

$E(t)$

$\hbar / (0.63eV) \sim 6.4fs$

Synchronization

Nature Photon.
12, 474 (2018)

SHG

$j(t)$

$\pi/2$

π

Charge acceleration

$J \propto v \propto \int_0^t E(t)dt$

Temperature (K)

Mott insulator

AF insulator

SC fluctuation

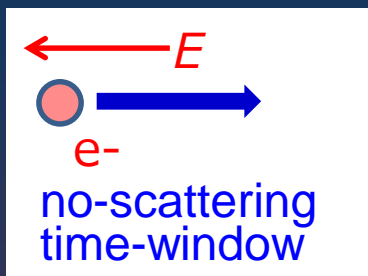
SC

$\kappa-(BEDT-TTF)_2Cu[N(CN)_2]Br$

Bandwidth

Nat. Commun.
10, 1038 (2020)

No-scattering current is sensitive to SC fluctuation ?



$J \propto v \propto \int_0^t E(t)dt$ (One-electron approx.)

?

$j = \frac{n_s e^2}{m} A$ (London eq.) (Many electron system)

Open problem between ultrafast and SC ?

Outline (continued)

iv) Ultrafast magnetization in Kitaev spin-liquid α -RuCl₃

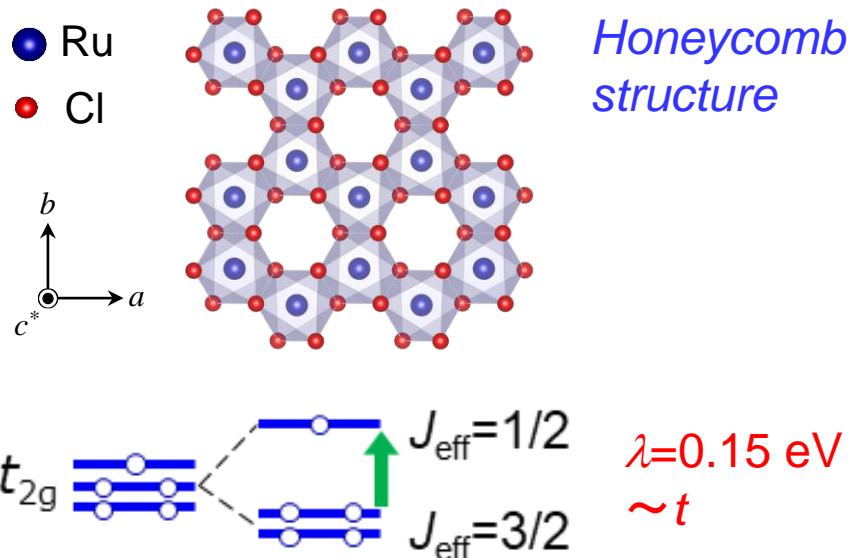
- ✓ Kitaev spin-liquid candidate α -RuCl₃
- ✓ Ultrafast magnetization (larger for $T > T_N$)
- ✓ Resonant effect to spin-orbit excitons
- ✓ Coherent carrier dynamics & theory

Phys. Rev. Res. 4, L032032 (2022)
arXiv: 2207.03877

v) Summary & Future problems

- ✓ High- T_c Cuprates, Correlated Dirac semimetal (Iridates)...

α -RuCl₃ : Spin-orbit assisted Mott insulator



✓ No magnetic order ($T > T_N = 7\text{K}$)

- described as Kitaev spin liquid
- excited : Majorana Fermion

A. Kitaev, Ann. Phys. 2006

✓ Spin-orbit assisted Mott Insulator

- 1/2 filling is realized by SOI ($\lambda \sim 0.15 \text{ eV}$)

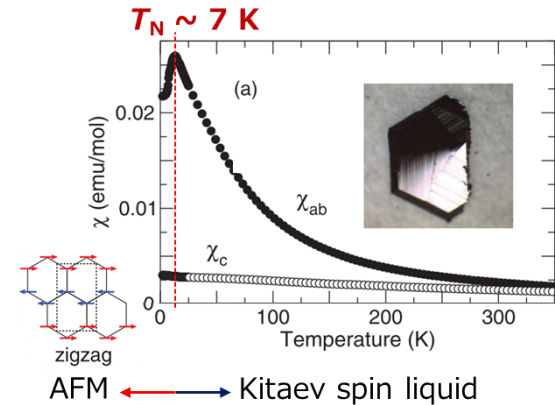
Jackeli, Khaliullin PRL 2009

✓ Inter-site hopping t

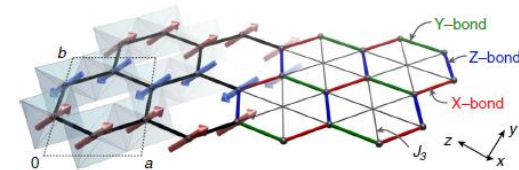
(between different t_{2g} orbitals (such as $d_{xz} - d_{yz}$))

Winter al. Phys. Rev. B93, 214431(2016)

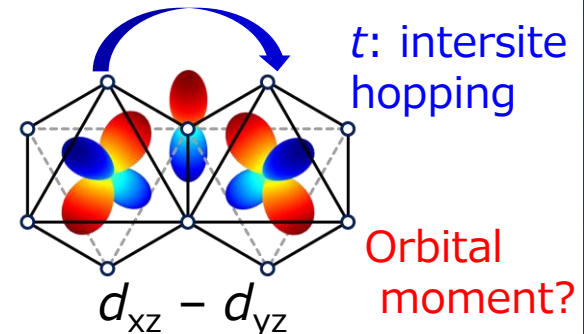
Magnetic susceptibility



Sears et al., PRB 2015



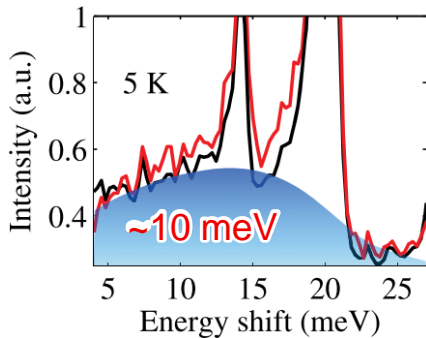
Zig-zag AFM ($T < T_N$)
 Winter, Valenti et al.,
 Nat. Commu 2017



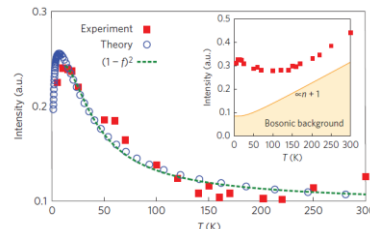
Optical properties of α -RuCl₃

✓ Raman

Sandilands *et al.*,
PRL114, 147201(2015)



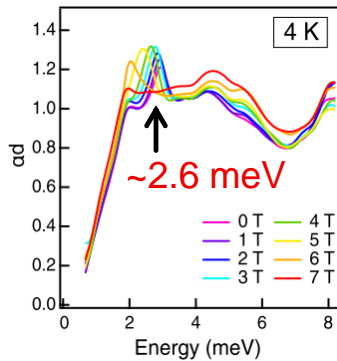
Nasu *et al.*,
Nat. Phys. 12, 912 (2016)



Excitation of QSL

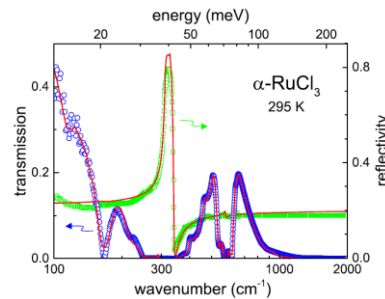
✓ IR

Little *et al.*,
PRL119, 227201(2017)



Magnon

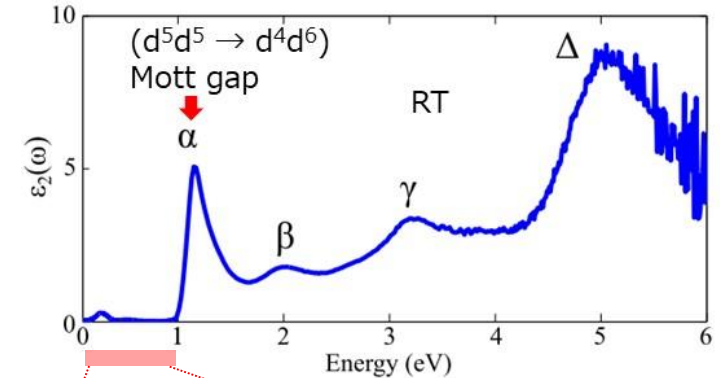
Reschke *et al.*,
PRB96,165120(2017)



Phonon

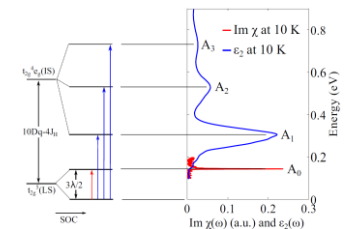
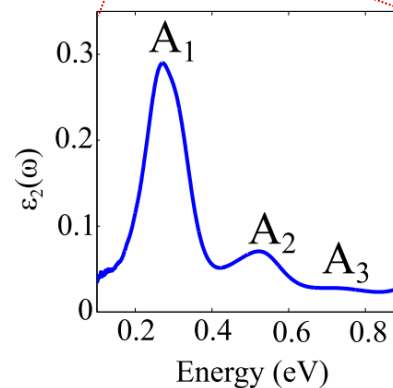
Glamazda *et al.*,
PRB95,174429(2017)

✓ Mid-IR~UV (> 0.1 eV)

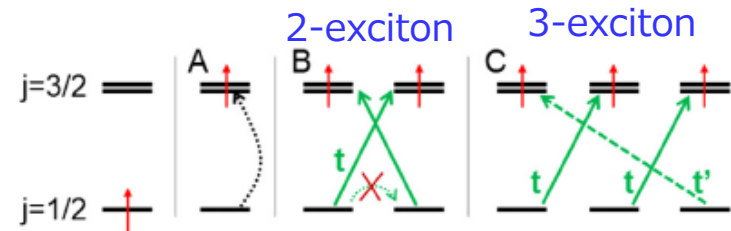


Sandilands *et al.*,
PRB 93, 075144 (2016)
PRB 94, 195156 (2016)

• Intra site d-d ?



• Spin-orbit excitons



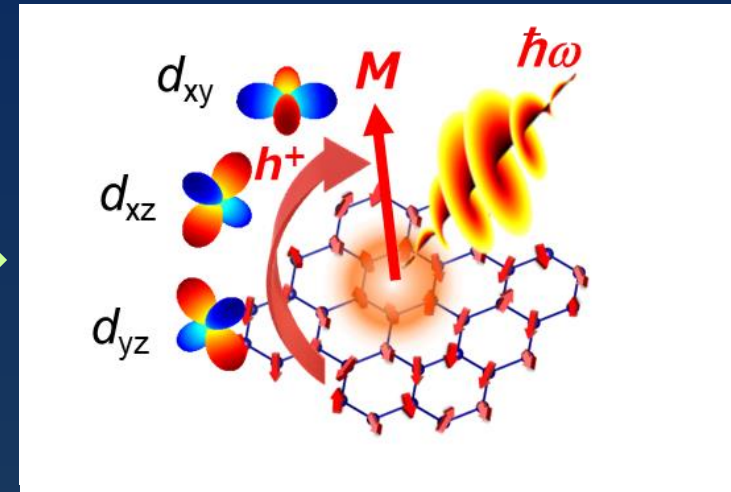
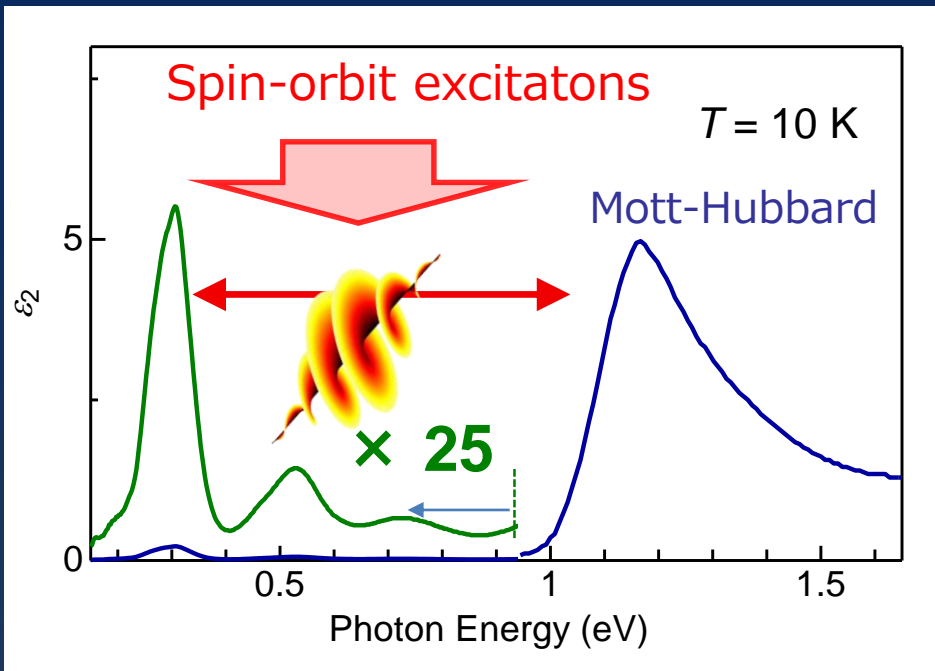
Warzanowski *et al.*, PRR2,042007R(2020)

Objective

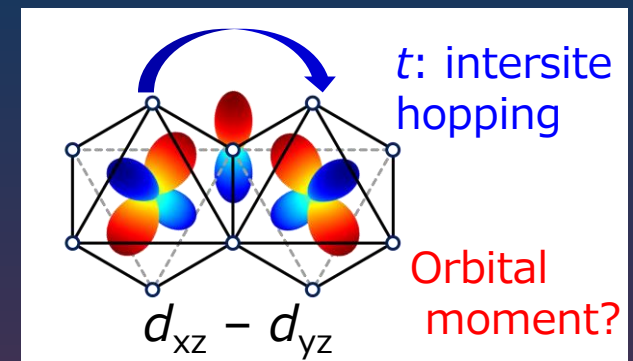
Modulating magnetic properties by excitation of spin-orbit excitations

- ✓ Resonant excitation by circular polarized light

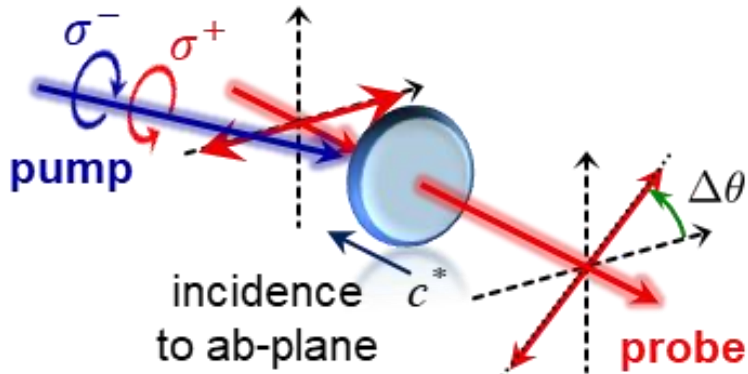
- ✓ We expect that orbital moment is induced by inter-site charge hopping (between different t_{2g} orbitals) ?



Query
Light-induced magnetization
is possible via orbital moment ?

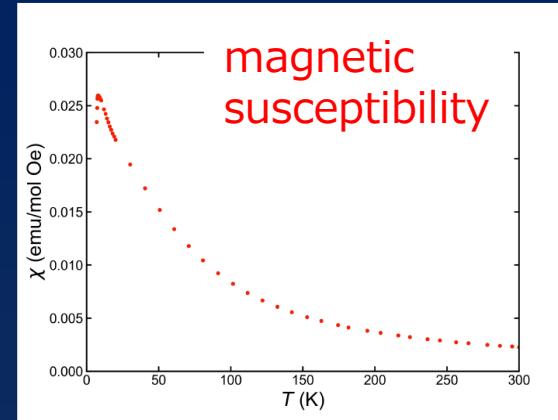


Experimental



Helicity dependent polarization rotation
Inverse Faraday effect

WFM Kimel *et al.*, Nature 2005
AFM Satoh *et al.*, PRL 2010



Sample : α -RuCl₃ (single crystal)
 $E \parallel ab$ plane, thickness $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$

Temperature :
4 K - 20 K, 300 K ($T_N = 7-8$ K)

○ 100 fs pulse (spot size $100 \mu\text{m}$)
Pump : 0.30, 0.62, 0.89 eV, (1.55 eV)
(0.1-4.0 mJ/cm²)

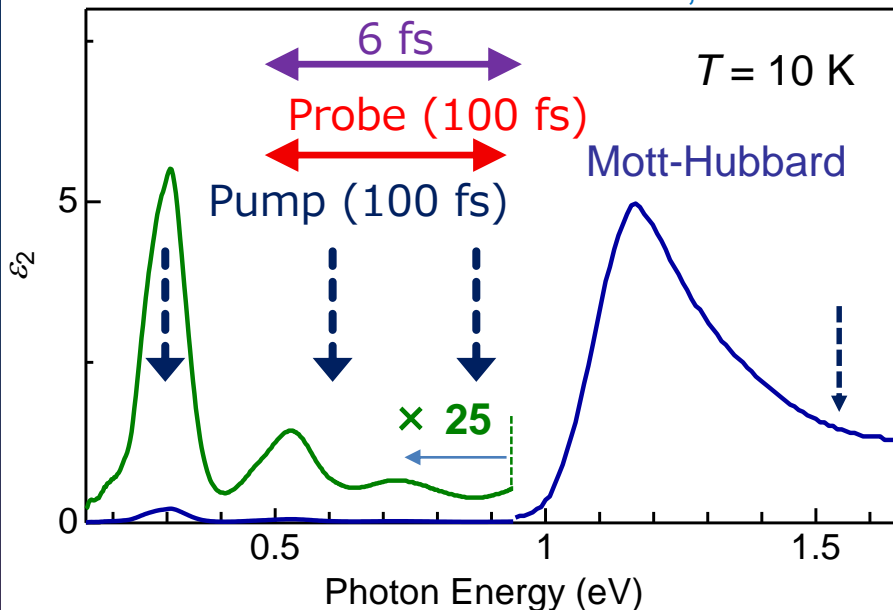
✓ Circular (σ^+ , σ^-) polarization

Probe : 0.54-1.03 eV

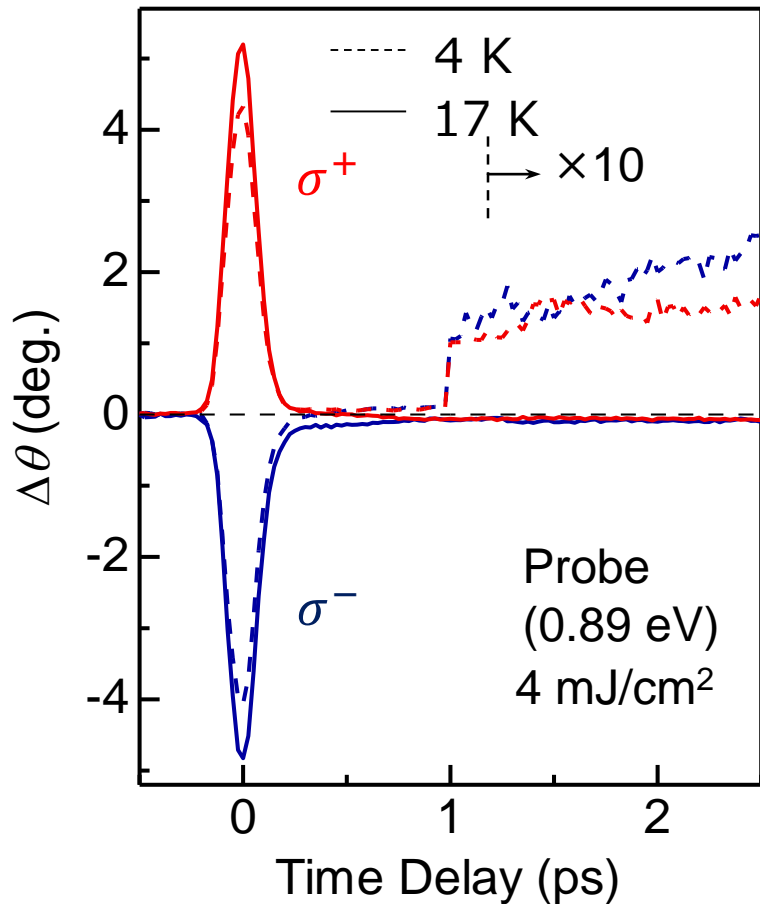
✓ Linear polarization

○ 6 fs pulse $\Delta R/R$ (charge dynamics)
0.55 eV- 1 eV, 1 mJ/cm²

Sandilands *et al.*, PRB 2016.



Polarization rotation $\Delta\theta$



✓ Ultrafast (~ 100 fs) & large response (helicity sensitive)

$\Delta\theta = 5^\circ$, $t \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$, 4 mJ/cm^2

AFM(NiO) $\sim 1/20$

$\Delta\theta = 1.14^\circ$, $t = 0.1 \text{ mm}$, 10 mJ/cm^2

Sato et al., et al., *PRL* 2010

Paramagnet (TGG) $\sim 1/400$

$\Delta\theta = 0.15^\circ$, $t = 1 \text{ mm}$, 3 mJ/cm^2

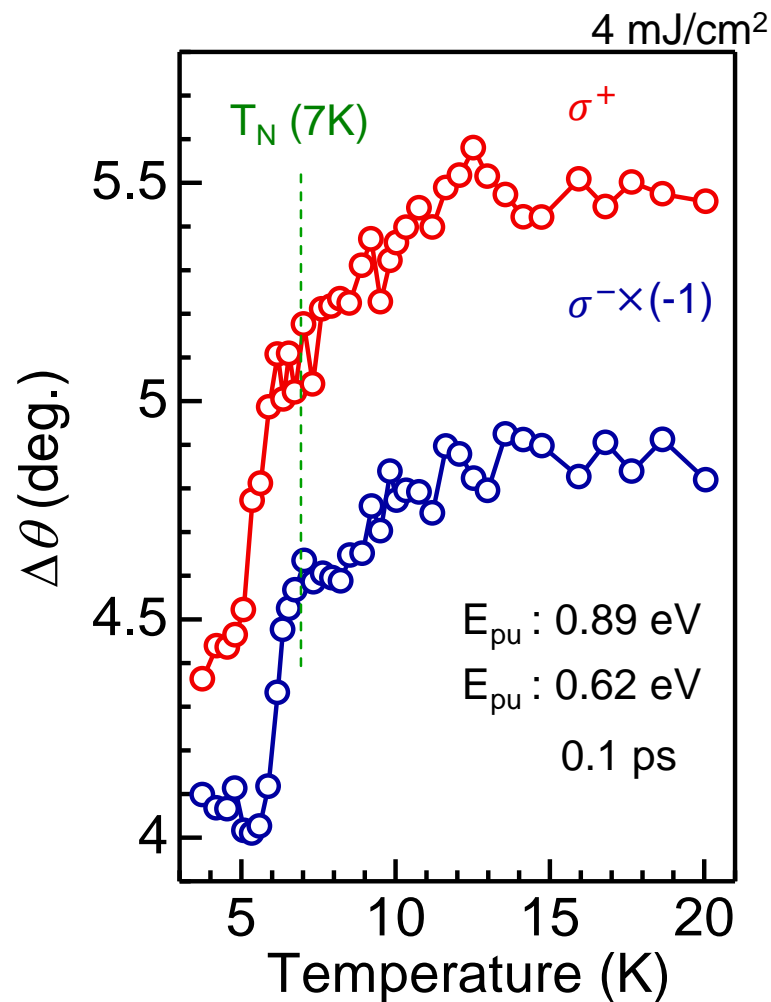
Mikhaylovskiy et al., *PRB* 2012

✓ Temperature dependence
 $\Delta\theta$ for $T > T_N$ is larger
(\rightarrow next page)

✓ Helicity-independent slow component
(> 10 ps,
 \rightarrow melting of AFM order)

Light induced ultrafast magnetization (\perp plane)

Temperature dependence (fast component)



✓ Reduction at $T < T_N$?

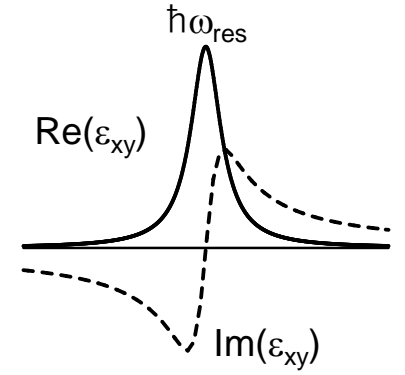
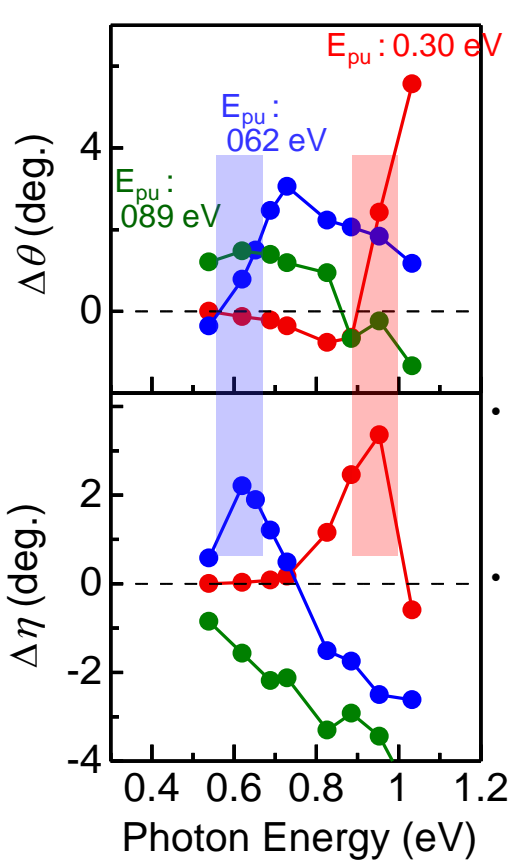
opposit to the expected
tendency in typical IFE
in AFM & WFM
(increase in $\Delta\theta$ below T_N)

New mechanism of light-induced magnetization ?

Excitation & detection energy dependence

Rotation angle ($\Delta\theta$) and Ellipticity ($\Delta\eta$)

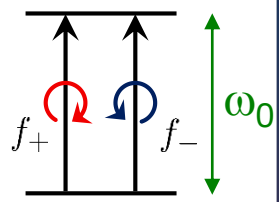
Pump (i) 0.30 eV, (ii) 0.62 eV, (iii) 0.89 eV,



- **Rotation angle**

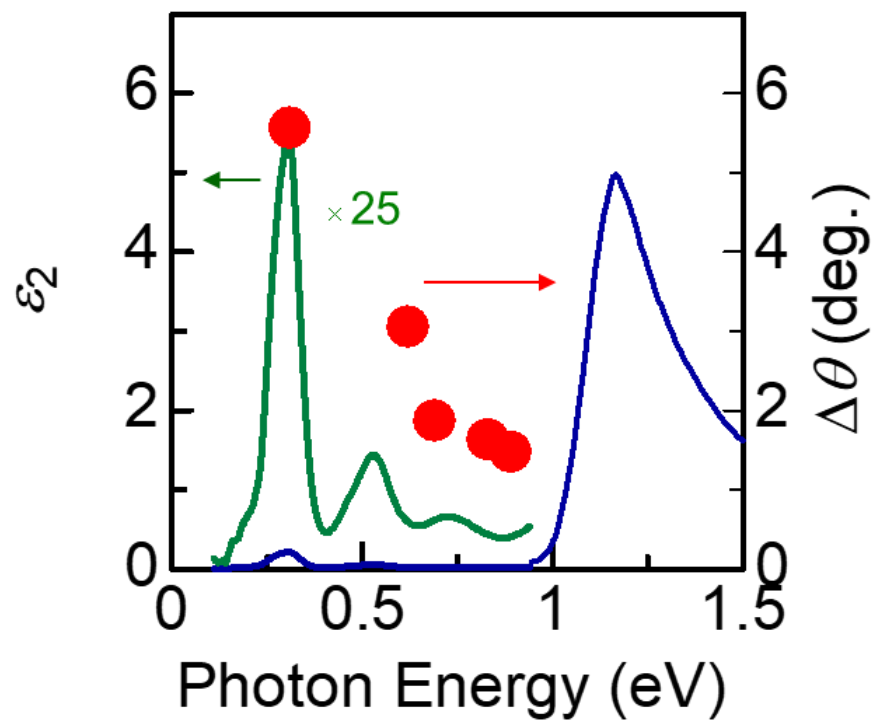
$$\theta = \frac{\omega l}{2cn} \text{Im}(\epsilon_{xy})$$
- **Ellipticity**

$$\eta = -\frac{\omega l}{2cn} \text{Re}(\epsilon_{xy})$$



Helicity dependent change of oscillator strength

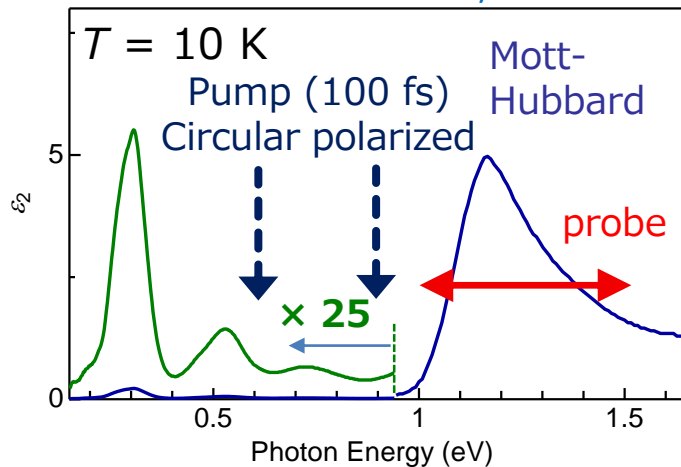
Excitation energy dependence (Excitation spectrum of $\Delta\theta$)



Resonance effect to spin-orbit excitons

$\Delta R/R$ under Spin-orbit excitation

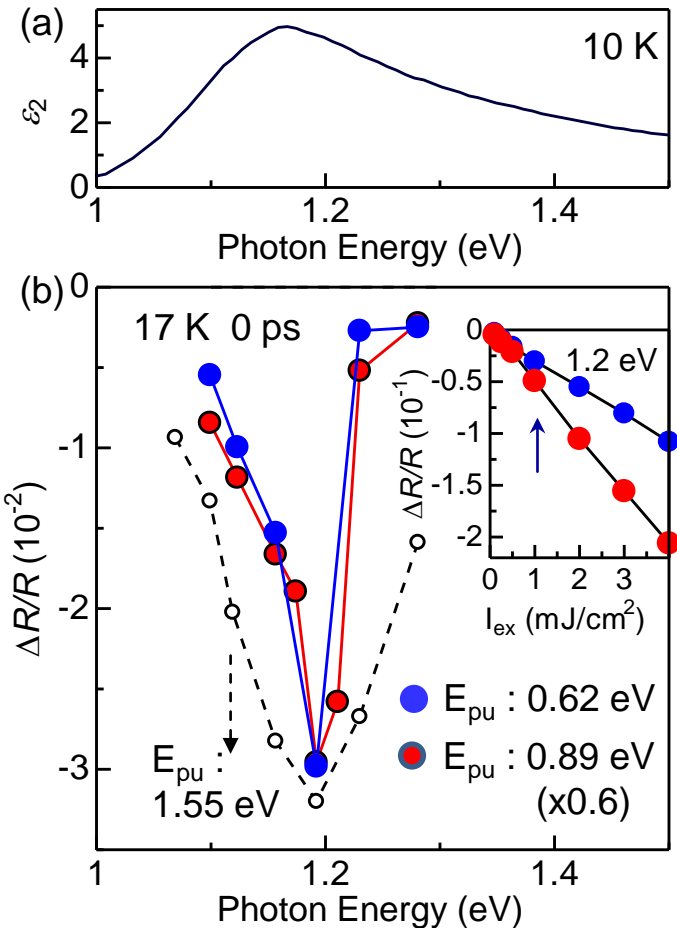
Sandilands *et al.*, PRB 2016.



✓ Pump : S-O excitation (0.3, 0.62 eV)

✓ Probe : Mott-Hubbard transition

- Bleaching of Mott-Hubbard transition under in-gap excitation
- Linear response
→ 2-photon abs. is ruled out



“Spin-orbit assisted Mott insulator”

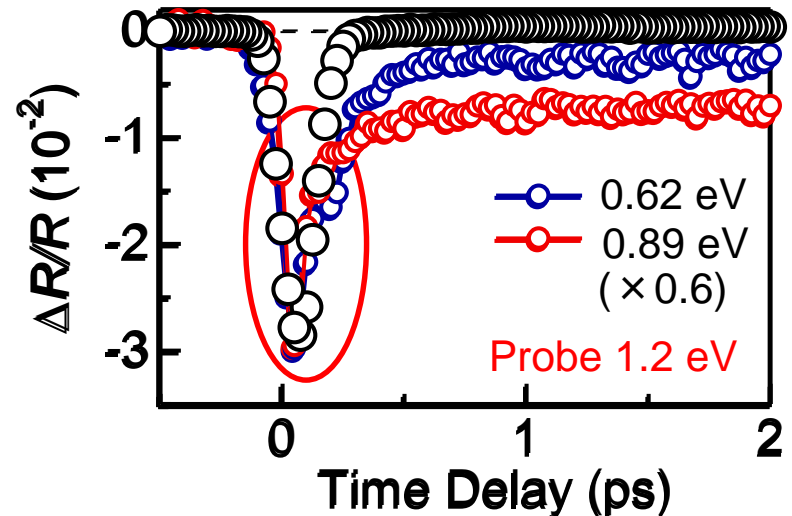
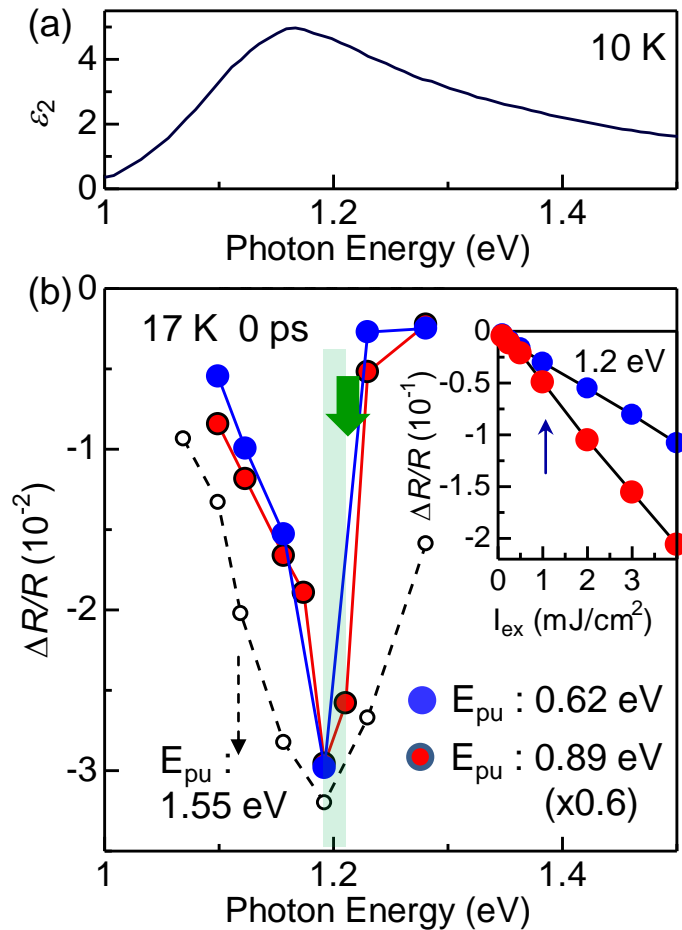
Plumb *et al.*, PRB 90, 041112 (R) (2014)

Kim *et al.*, PRL 117, 187201 (2016)



Mott gap is modulated even for in-gap excitation

Time profile of $\Delta R/R$



✓ Relaxation dynamics

i) < 100 fs

→ Ultrafast magnetization ?

ii) ~ 400 fs

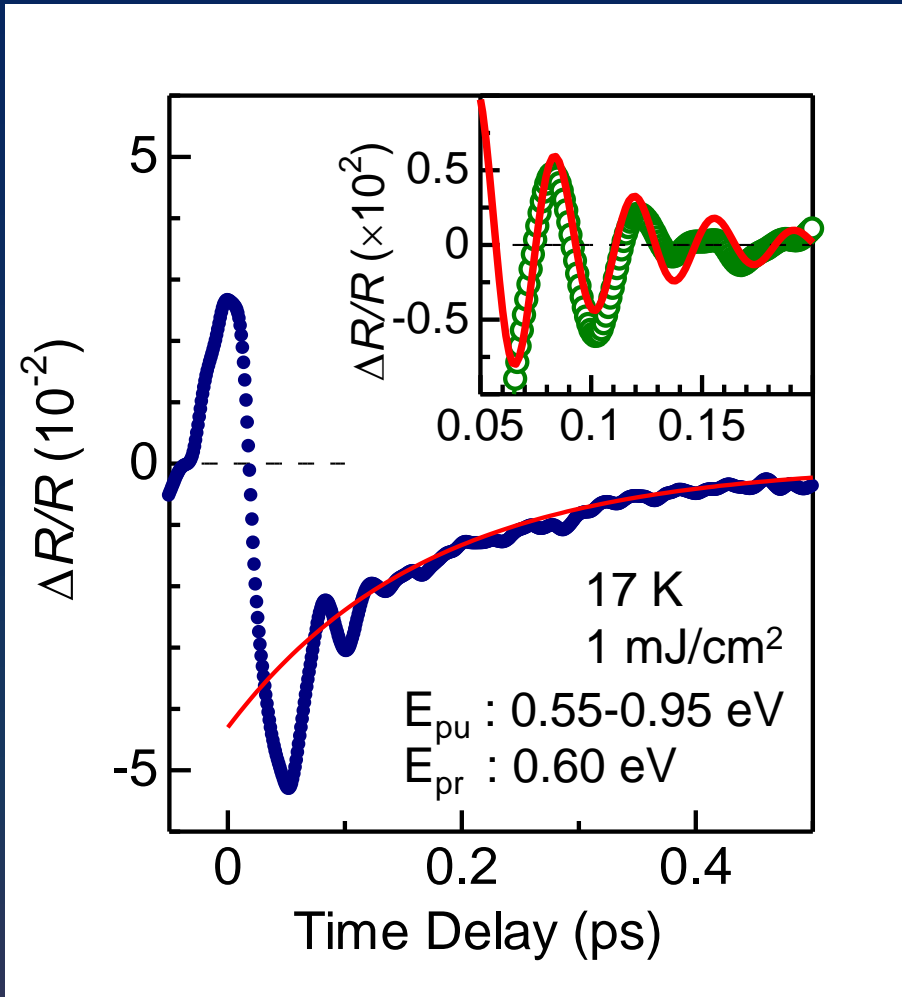
→ phonon, spin ?

✓ Ultrafast magnetization is related to the fast charge dynamics ?

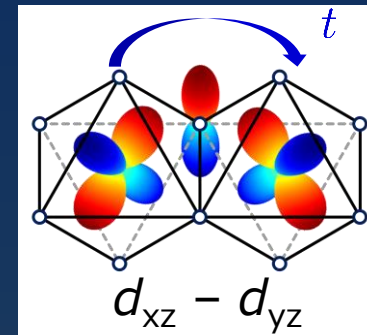
Charge dynamics captured by 6 fs pulse

$\Delta R/R$ measurement using 6 fs pulse (CEP locked)

✓ oscillation period ~ 40 fs
($<$ shortest phonon period 100 fs)



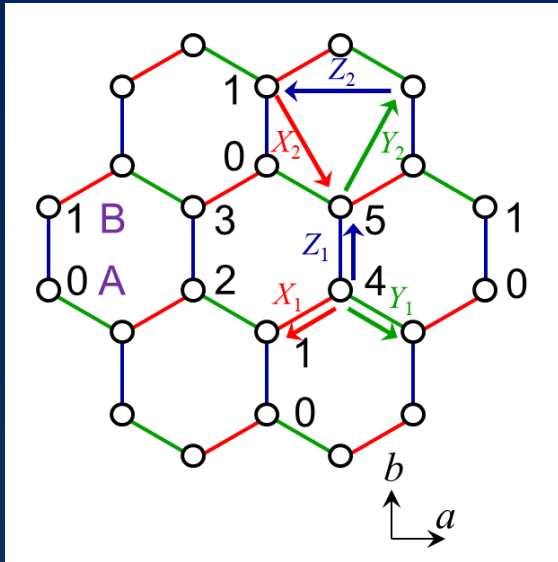
\Leftrightarrow *charge hopping*
($0.1 \text{ eV} = h/(40 \text{ fs})$)
 \rightarrow Coherent charge hopping
between different t_{2g} orbitals?



dephasing time 60 fs
 \sim lifetime of magnetization

Magnetization is induced by the coherent charge motion
between different t_{2g} (lifting orbital moment)

Opto-magneto effects in α -RuCl₃ (theory)



Quantum mechanical analysis (steady state)

J. G. Rau et al., PRL112, 077204 (2014)

H. -S. Kim et al., PRB93, 155143 (2016)

S. M. Winter et al., PRB 93, 214431 (2016)

✓ The result of numerical calculation shows that in-gap excitation is essential

✓ Exact diagonalization (6-site)
+ time dependent Schrödinger equation

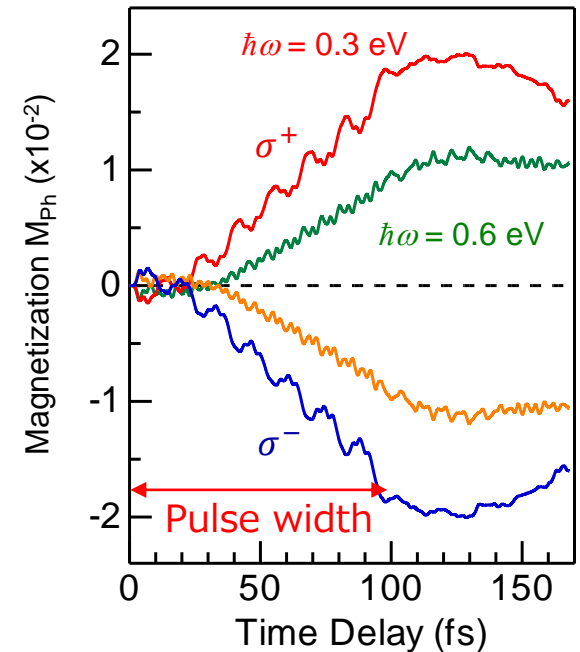
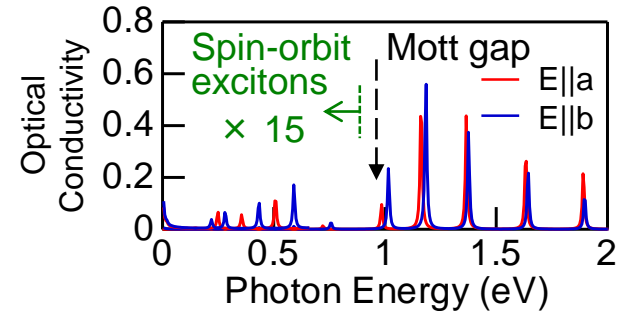
• 3- orbital (d_{yz} , d_{xz} , d_{xy}) Hubbard model

$$H_U = U \sum_{i,a} n_{i,a,\uparrow} n_{i,a,\downarrow} + (U' - J_H) \sum_{i,a < b, \sigma} n_{i,a,\sigma} n_{i,b,\sigma} + U' \sum_{i,a \neq b} n_{i,a,\uparrow} n_{i,b,\downarrow} - J_H \sum_{i,a \neq b} c_{i,a,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i,a,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{i,b,\downarrow} c_{i,b,\uparrow} + J_H \sum_{i,a \neq b} c_{i,a,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i,a,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{i,b,\downarrow} c_{i,b,\uparrow}$$

✓ Peierls substitution

• $\omega = 0.3$ eV, 0.6 eV (pulse width = 100 fs)

Calculation of magnetization \perp ab-plane



High-frequency expansion in Floquet theory

$$H_F^{(2)} \cong \frac{1}{\omega} J_1^2 \left(\frac{F_{L(R)}}{\omega} \right) (\pm\sqrt{3})(t_2 - t_4)[t_2 - t_4 + 2(t_3 - t_1)]$$

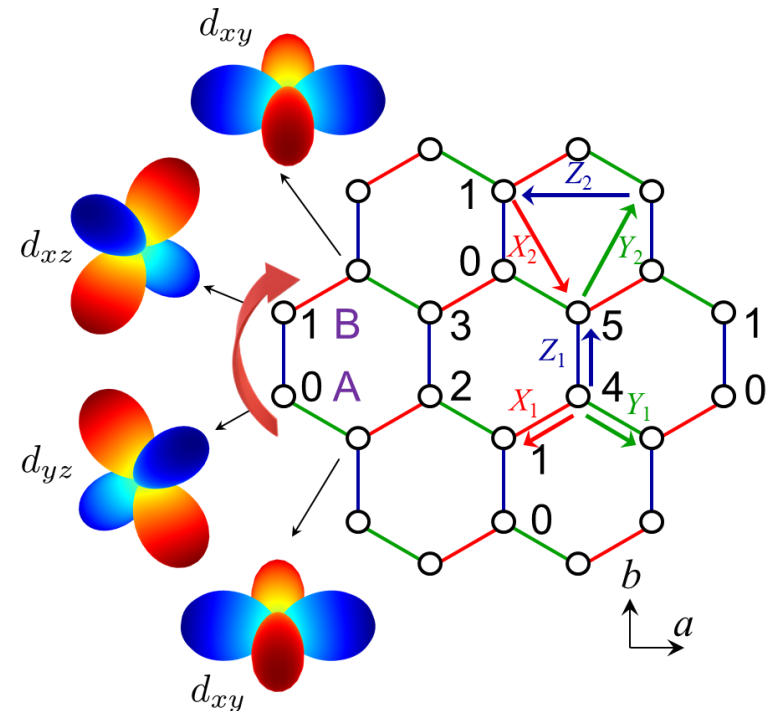
the second-lowest order of the high-frequency expansion

$$\times \sum_{i\sigma} \begin{pmatrix} c_{i,yz,\sigma}^\dagger & c_{i,xz,\sigma}^\dagger & c_{i,xy,\sigma}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & i \\ i & 0 & -i \\ -i & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{i,yz,\sigma} \\ c_{i,xz,\sigma} \\ c_{i,xy,\sigma} \end{pmatrix}$$

orbital moment

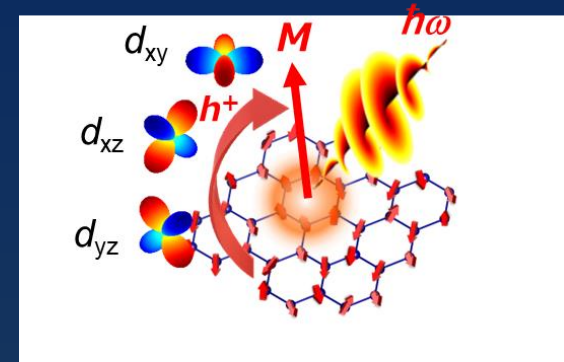
Spiral current drives magnetic moment

✓ Effective magnetic field is induced by charge hopping between different t_{2g} orbitals



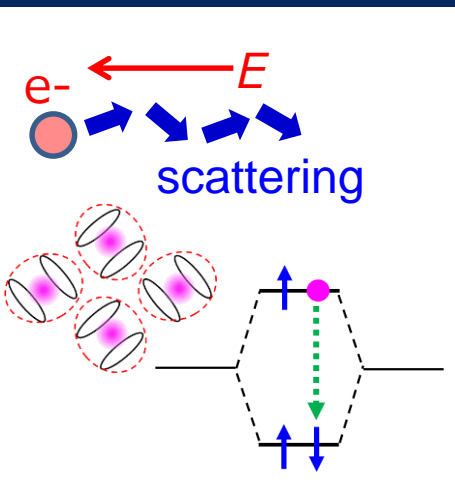
Summary

- ✓ Helicity dependent polarization rotation ($\Delta\theta$) in α - RuCl_3
→ 20 time larger than that of typical AF
- ✓ Increase of $\Delta\theta$ above T_N
→ opposite tendency from conventional IFE
- ✓ Resonant to spin-orbit excitons
- ✓ Possible scenario
→ coherent charge motion between
different t_{2g} orbitals such as $d_{yz}-d_{xz}-d_{xy}$)
- ✓ Quantum mechanical analyses support the above mechanism



Summary

Organic SC κ -ET salt



Linear response

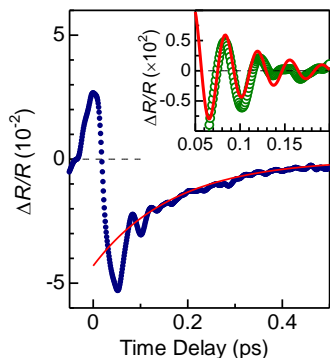
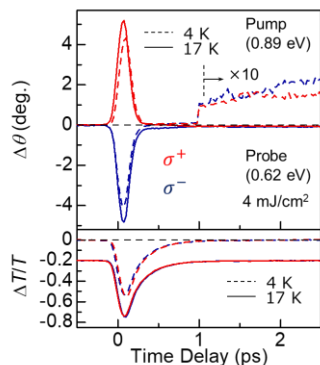
Correlated charge motion



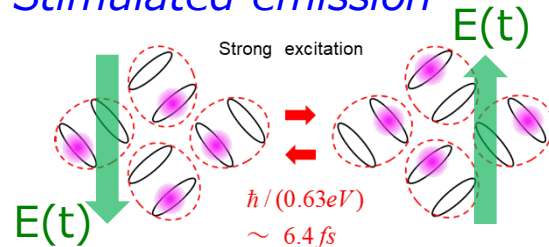
Current induced SHG



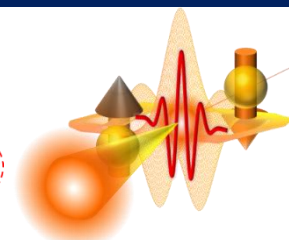
Spin-orbit Mott insulator α -RuCl₃



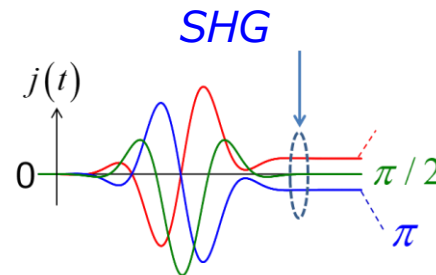
Stimulated emission



Synchronization

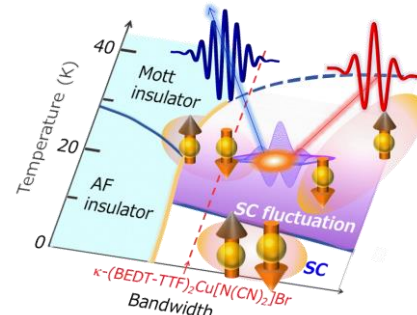


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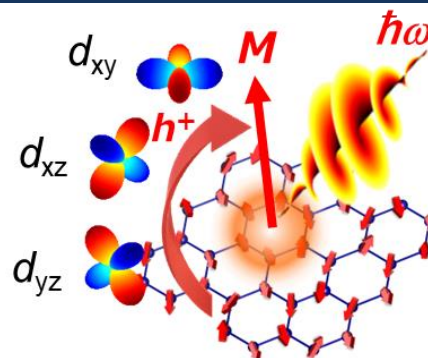


Charge acceleration

$$J \propto v \propto \int_0^t E(t) dt$$



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