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Accelerator based ultrafast electron diffraction and microscopy

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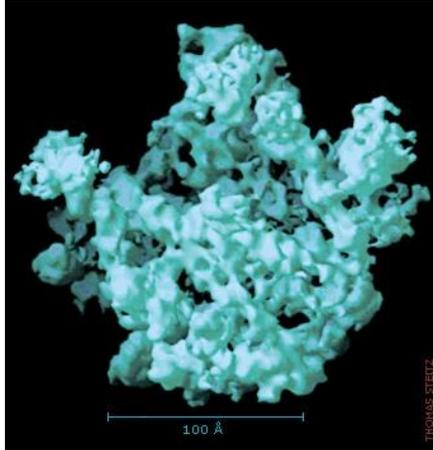


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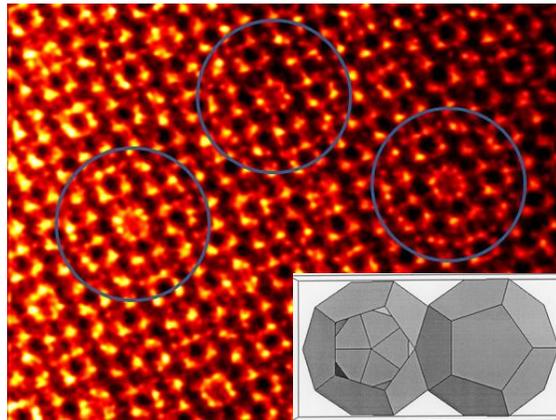


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Capture the ultrafast **OR** probe the ultras small

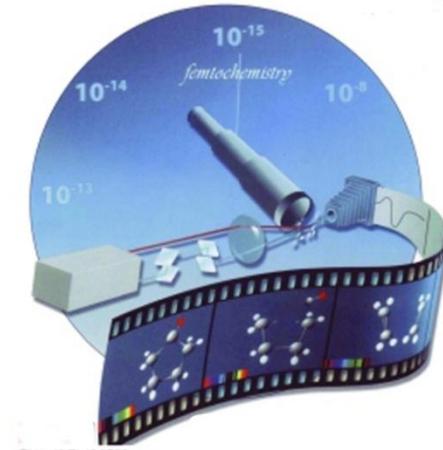


**Structure of Ribosome, 2009
Nobel Prize in Chemistry**

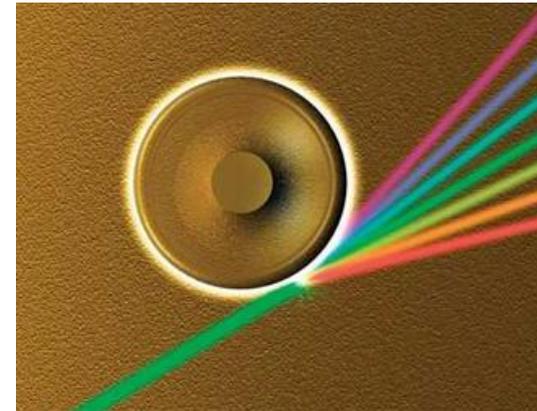


Quasicrystal, 2011 Nobel Prize in Chemistry

Spatial resolution



**Femtosecond spectroscopy, 1999
Nobel Prize in Chemistry**



Frequency comb, 2005 Nobel Prize in Physics

Temporal resolution

Capture the ultrafast **AND** probe the ultrasmall

*“Making the Leap from Observation
Science to Control Science”*



This grand challenge requires new instruments with both high **temporal** and **spatial** resolution

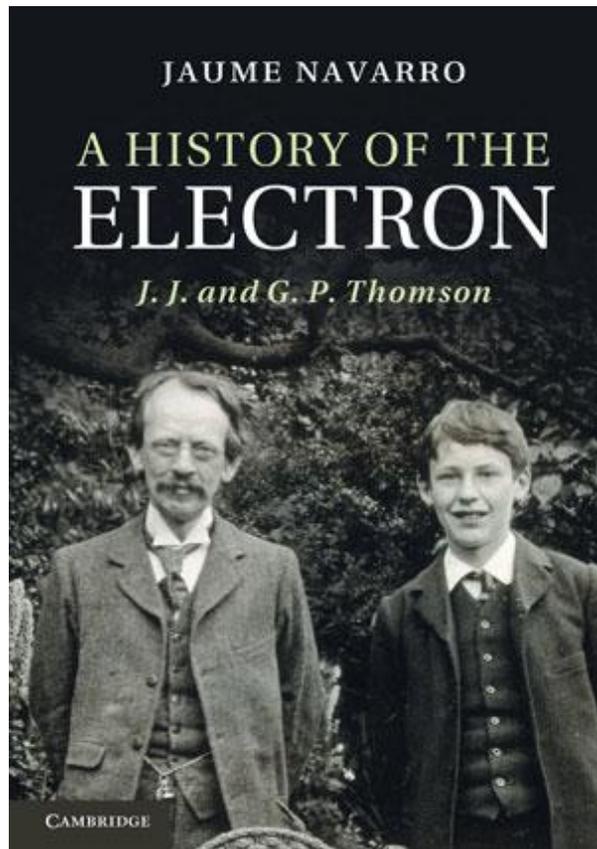
World-wide interest in ultrafast-ultrasmall



Electron's wave-particle duality

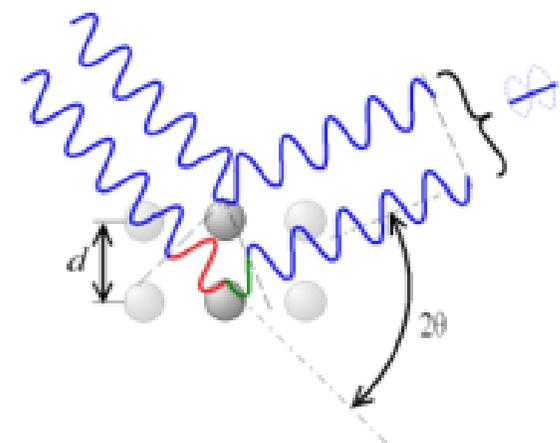
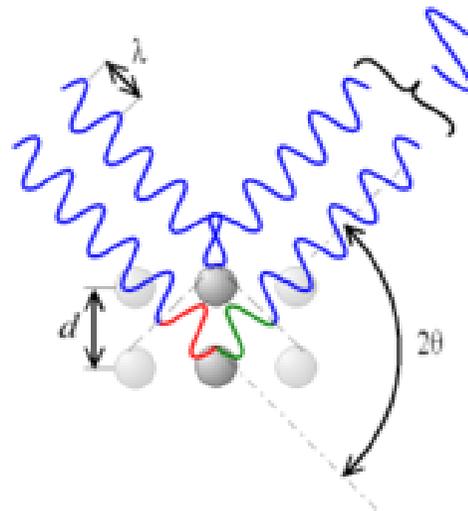
J.J. Thomson: 1906 Nobel prize; electrons are particles

G.P. Thomson: 1937 Nobel prize; electrons are NOT particles



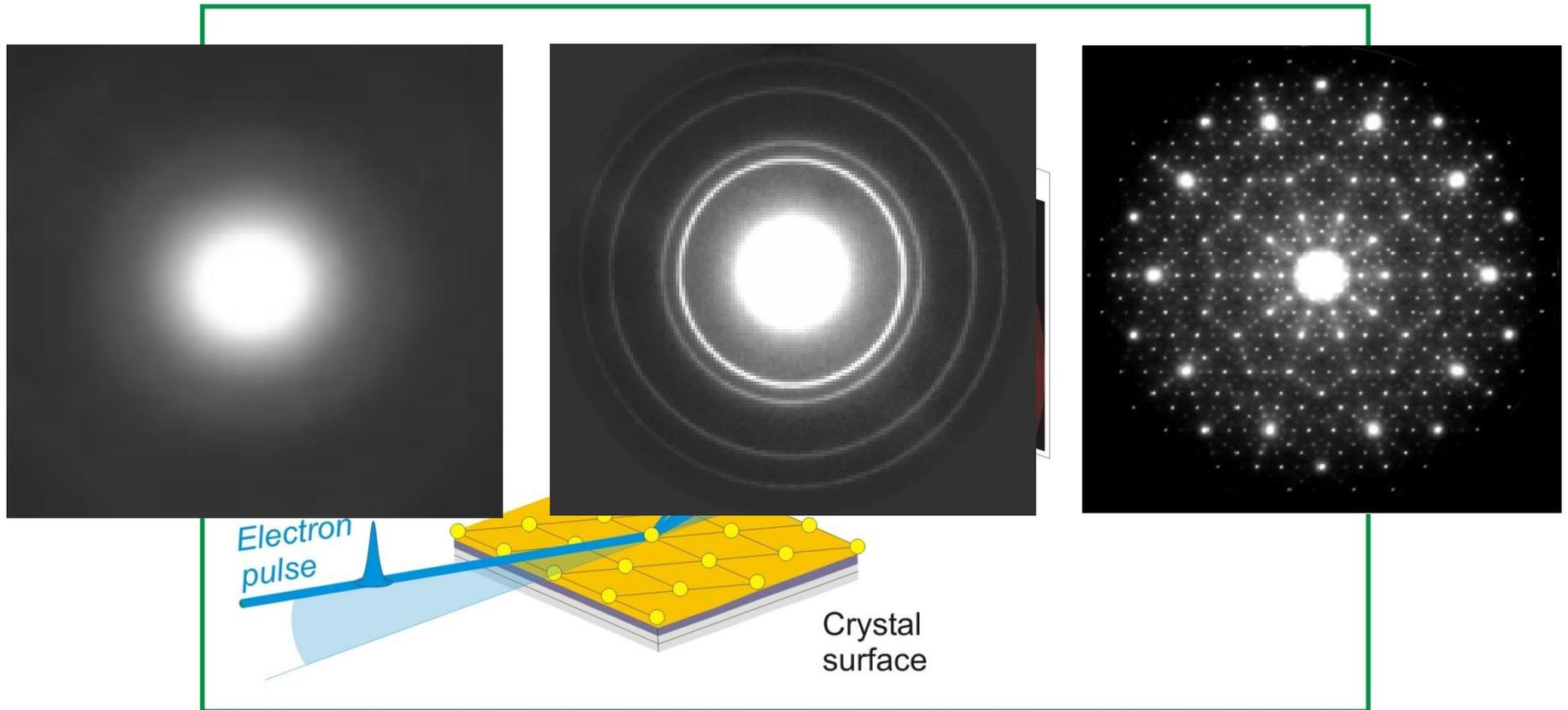
$$\lambda = h / p$$

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{\lambda}{2d}$$



Ultrafast electron diffraction

Structure information encoded in the diffraction pattern

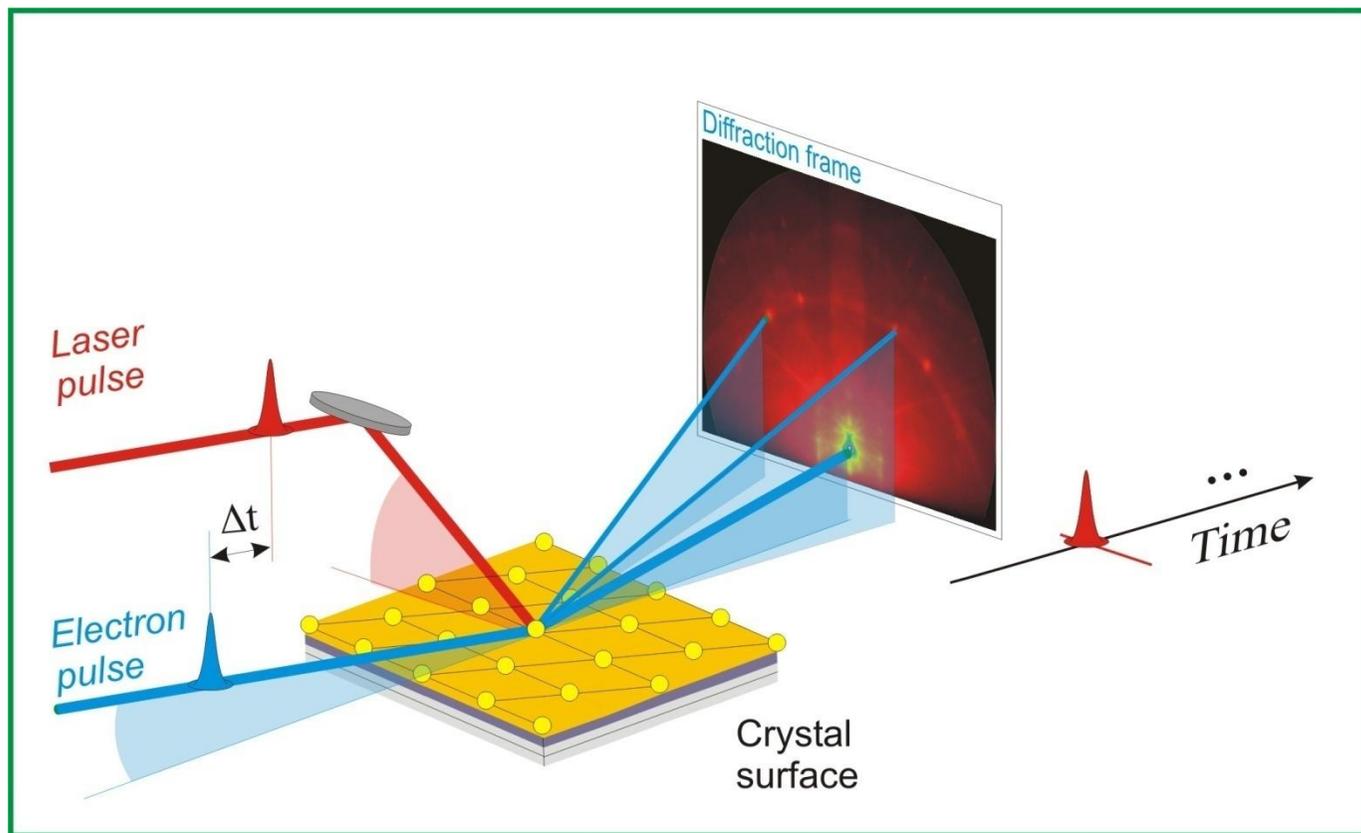


Pump-probe technique

Ultrafast electron diffraction

Structure information encoded in the diffraction pattern

Dynamics initiated by an ultrafast laser

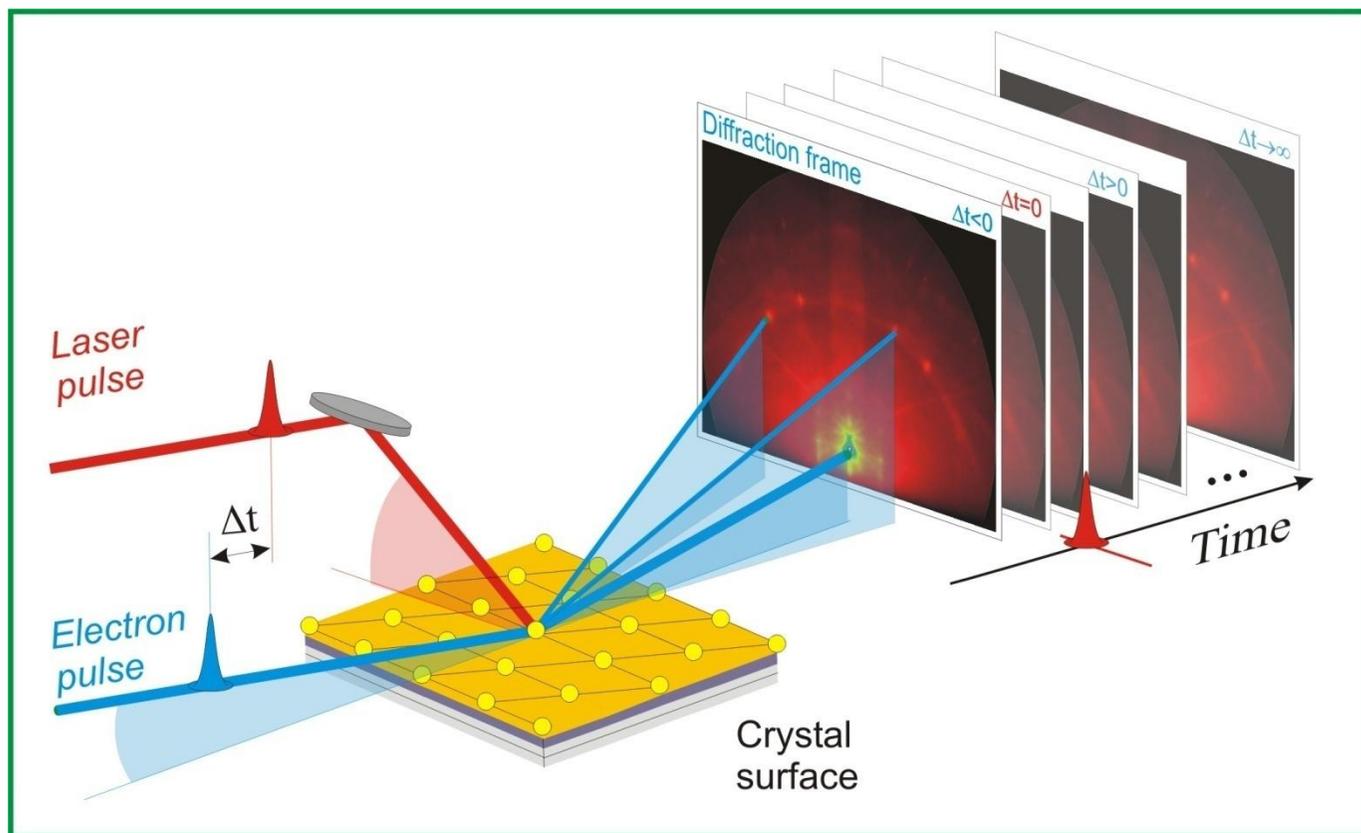


Pump-probe technique

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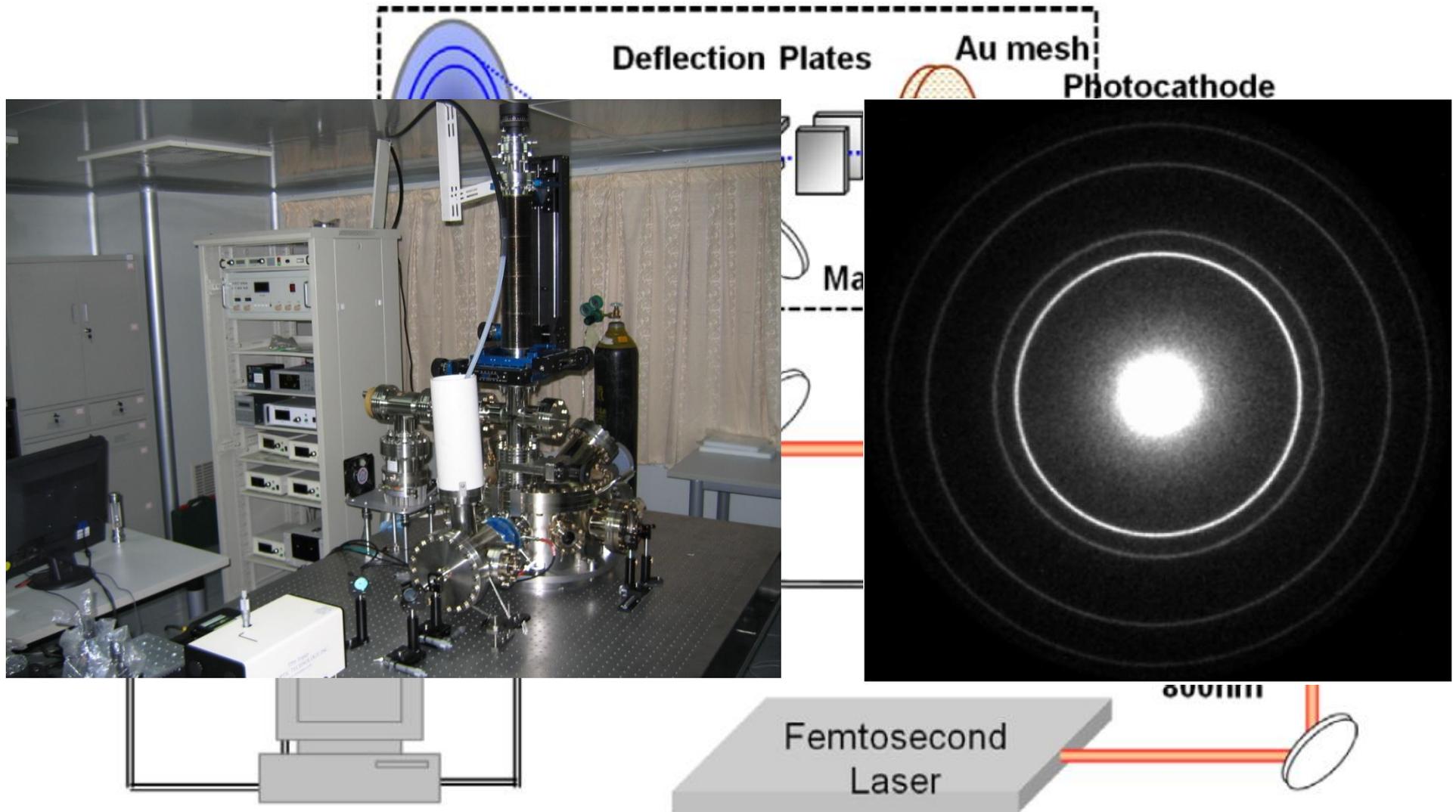
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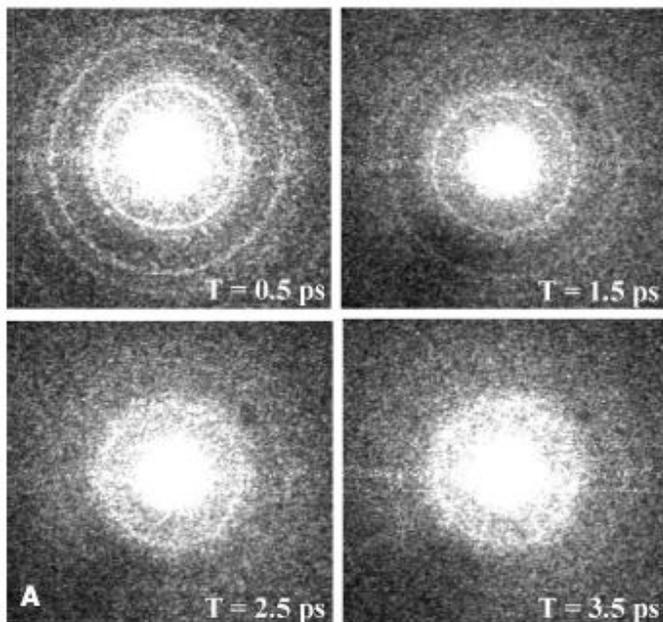
Ultrafast electron diffraction facility



60 keV UED @ Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Applications of ultrafast electron diffraction

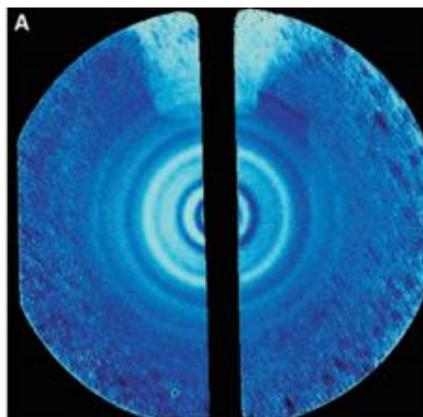
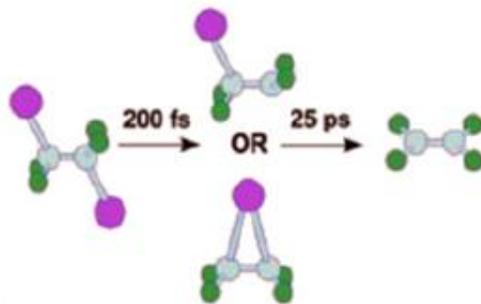
Atomic view of phase transitions



Melting of Aluminium

Science (2003)

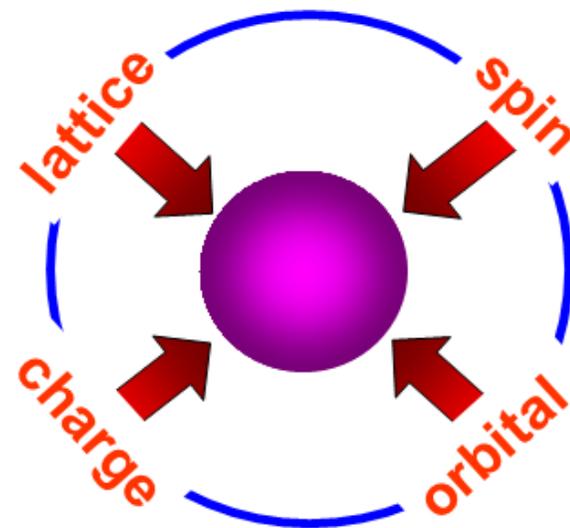
Making molecular movie



Photodissociation

Science (2001)

Understanding high Tc superconductor



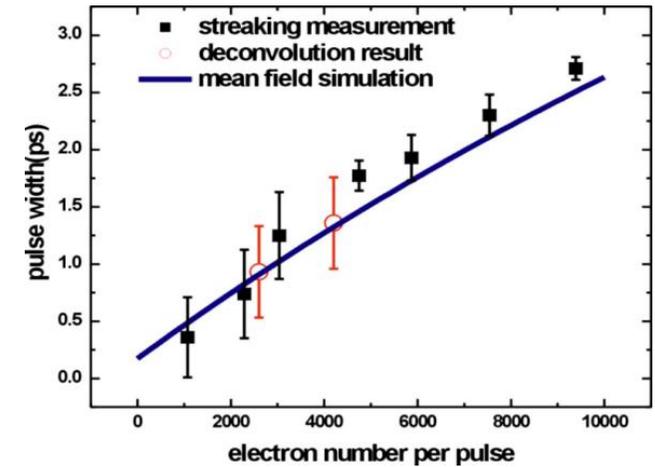
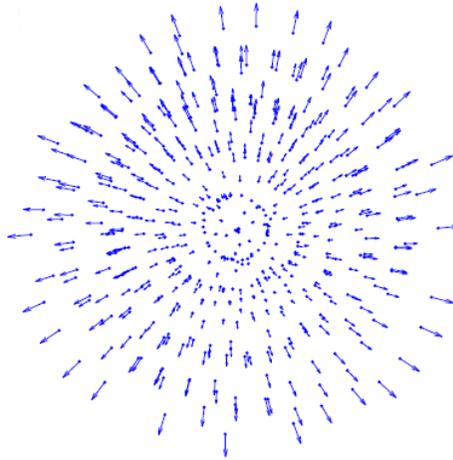
Disentangle freedom

PNAS (2010)

Limitations of keV UED

Single-shot capability or high temporal resolution

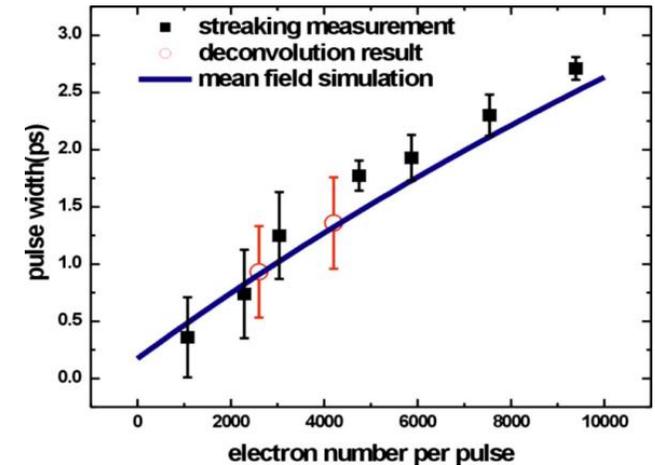
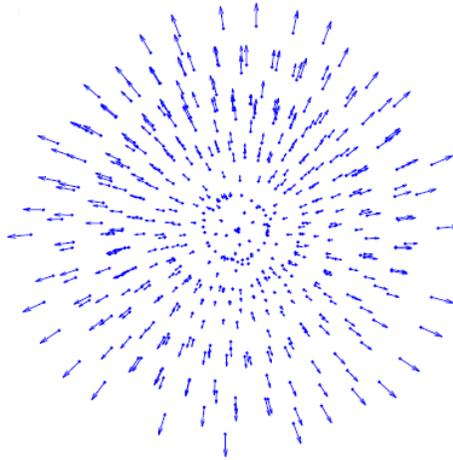
Space charge force
increases e-beam
pulse width



Limitations of keV UED

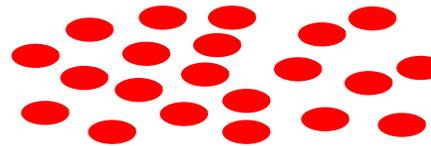
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60keV UED

$$V_e = 0.446c$$



sample



Velocity mismatch limits the temporal resolution of keV UED (in gas sample) to >1 ps

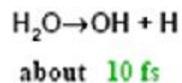
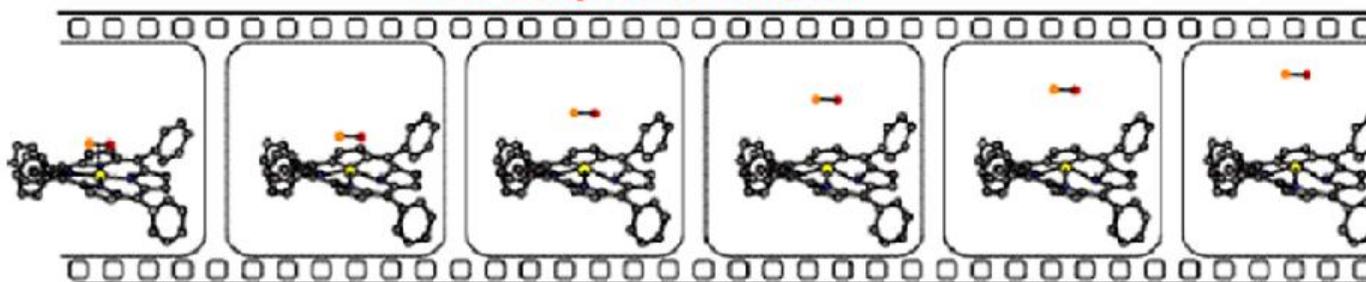
UED: poor man's FEL

Femtosecond Chemistry

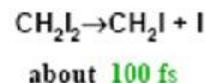
LCLS

- Forefront area in chemistry
 - So far the domain of fast laser spectroscopy with a few fs resolution
- Chemical dynamics happens in fs - ps range
 - Lasers probe charge dynamics
- Electron Diffraction limited to ps range

Chemistry is about Motion



time depends on
mass →



FEL

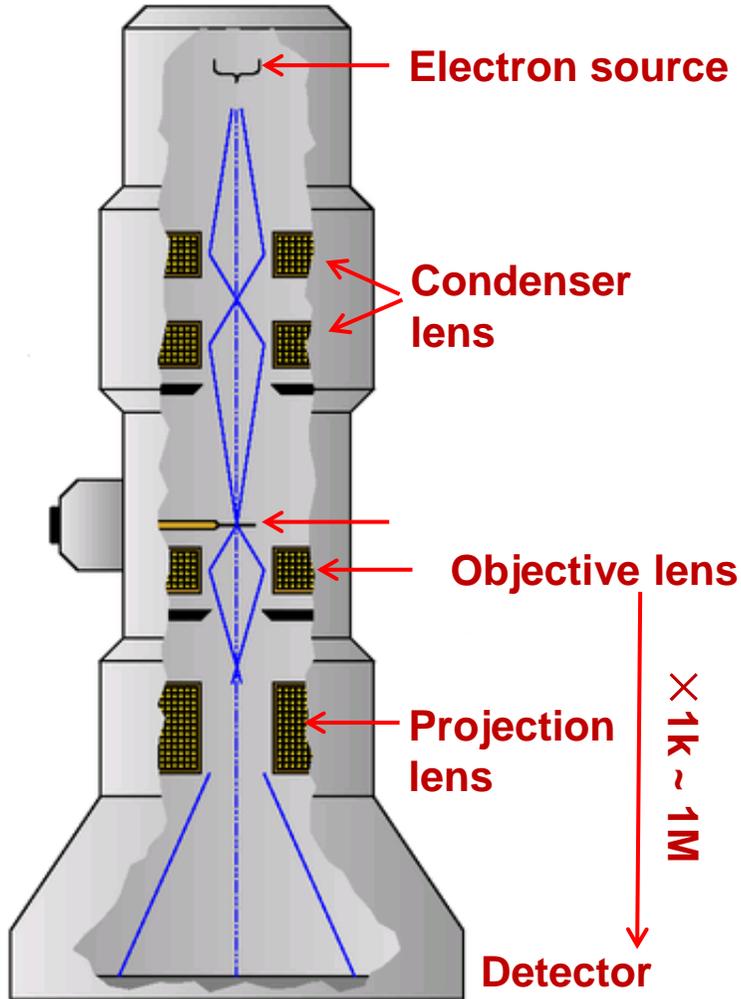


UED/UEM



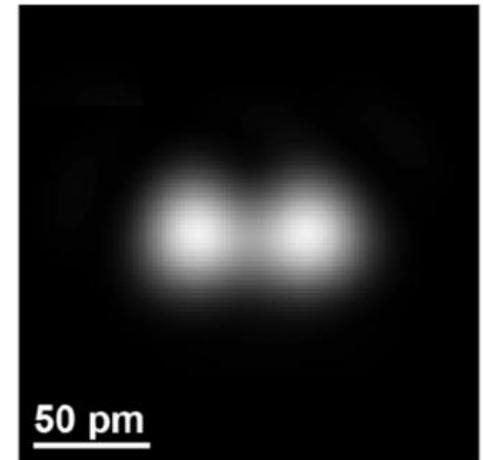
Ultrafast electron microscope

Transmission electron microscope



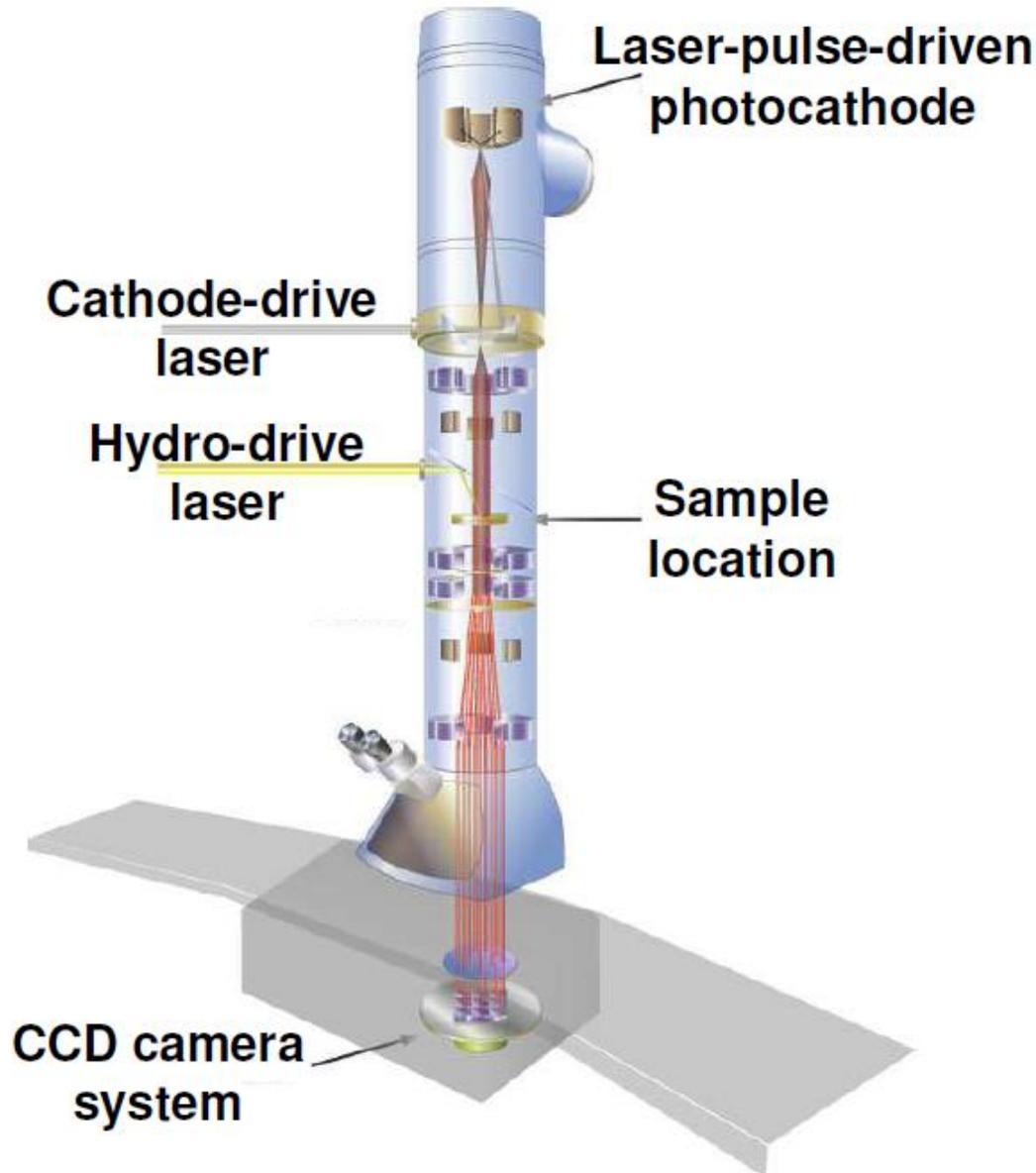
Schematic of a transmission electron microscope

- ✓ **Gun:** thermionic or field emission
- ✓ **Acceleration with DC field**
- ✓ **Voltage:** <200 kV (routine); 200 ~ 500 kV (medium energy); 500 kV ~ 3 MV (high voltage)
- ✓ **Spatial resolution:** down to 50 pm



5th order aberration corrected TEM (2009)

Ultrafast electron microscope



LLNL's Dynamic TEM

- Laser triggered photocathode DC gun
- $\sim 10^8$ electrons per pulse (single shot)
- Temporal resolution: ~ 10 ns
- Spatial resolution: ~ 10 nm
- Applies to irreversible process
- Resolution limited by space charge

How to improve UEM temporal resolution?

Increasing beam energy causes more problems than it solves

- Size
- Cost
- Stability
- Magnets
- Radiation
-

1 MV TEM @ Beijing
costs 0.05% of the
GDP at 1971



3 MV TEM @ Osaka U



Accelerator as the ultimate solution



Accelerator based UED/UEM - Why

Higher beam energy mitigates space charge effect

Space charge force is proportional to $1/\gamma^2$

Higher beam energy mitigates velocity mismatch effect ($v \approx c$)

Higher accelerating gradient gives higher beam brightness

$$B_e = \frac{N_e}{(2\pi)^3 \epsilon_{nx} \epsilon_{ny} \epsilon_{nz}}$$

- Produce a beam with smaller thermal emittance
- Reduces emittance growth

Higher gradient reduces the size of a MeV TEM

- World's highest voltage TEM with 3 MeV beam stands 13 m high and weighs 140 tons
- S-band photocathode rf gun: ~15 cm

Feasibility of MeV UED

First systematic study of MeV UED

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Potential of Femtosecond Electron Diffraction Using Near-Relativistic Electrons from a Photocathode RF Electron Gun

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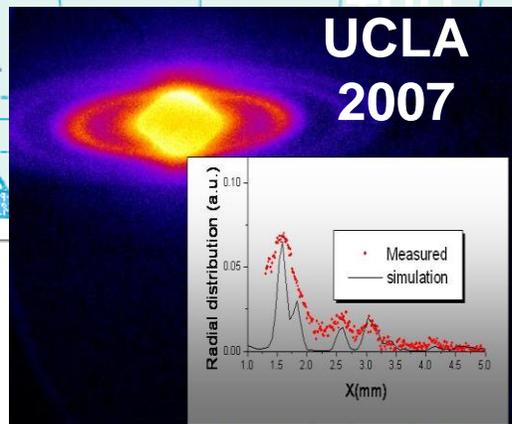
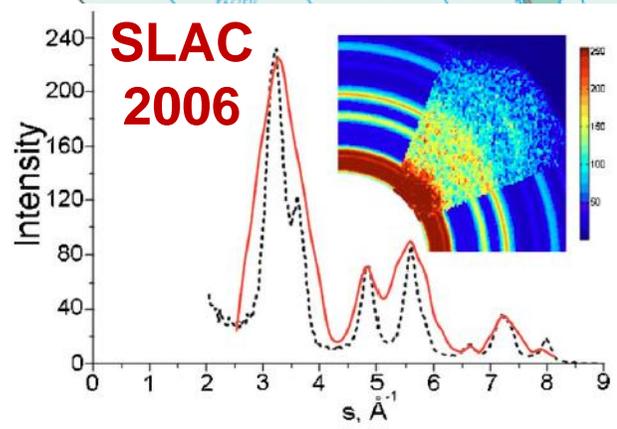
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MeV UED (world-wide interest)



Accelerator based UEM – feasibility

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Accelerator-based single-shot ultrafast transmission electron microscope with picosecond temporal resolution and nanometer spatial resolution



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ABSTRACT

We present feasibility study of an accelerator-based ultrafast transmission electron microscope (u-TEM) capable of producing a full field image in a single-shot with simultaneous picosecond temporal resolution and nanometer spatial resolution. We study key physics related to performance of u-TEMs and discuss major challenges as well as possible solutions for practical realization of u-TEMs. The feasibility of u-TEMs is confirmed through simulations using realistic electron beam parameters. We anticipate that u-TEMs with a product of temporal and spatial resolution beyond 10^{-19} ms will open up new opportunities in probing matter at ultrafast temporal and ultrasmall spatial scales.

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Single-Shot MeV Transmission Electron Microscopy with Picosecond Temporal Resolution

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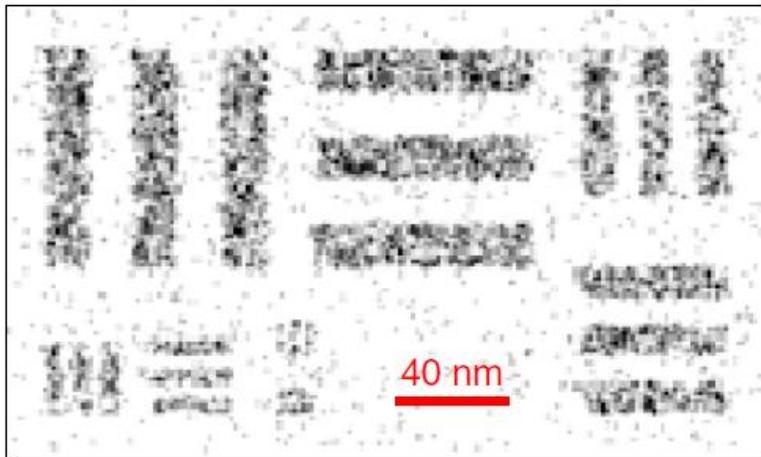
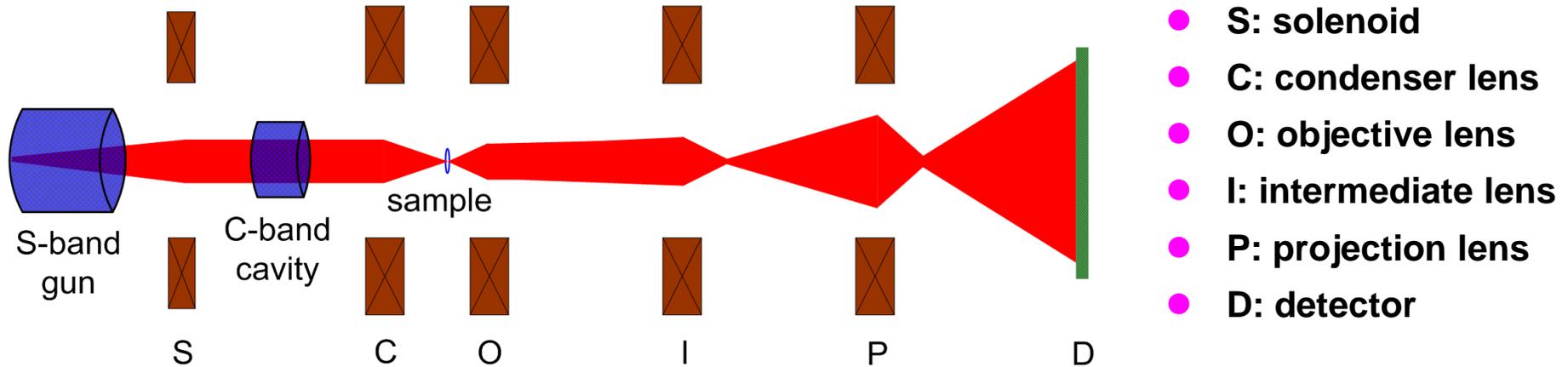
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Pushing the limits in temporal resolution for transmission electron microscopy (TEM) requires a revolutionary change in the electron source technology. In this paper, we study the possibility of employing a radio-frequency photoinjector as the electron source for a time-resolved TEM. By raising the beam energy to the relativistic regime, we minimize the space-charge effects which otherwise limit the spatiotemporal resolution of the instrument. Analysis and optimization of the system taking into account the achievable beam brightness, electron flux on the sample, chromatic and spherical aberration of the electron optic system, and space-charge effects in image formation are presented and supported by detailed numerical modeling. The results demonstrate the feasibility of 10-nm–10-ps spatiotemporal resolution single-shot MeV TEM.

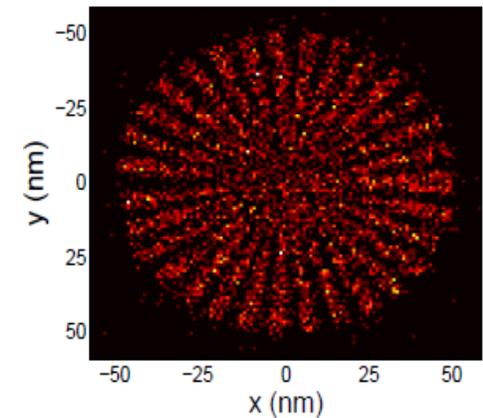
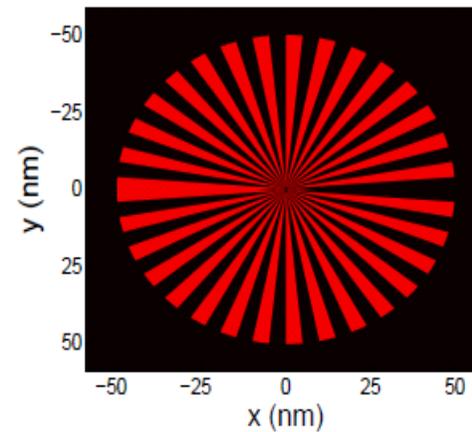
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Accelerator based UEM – feasibility

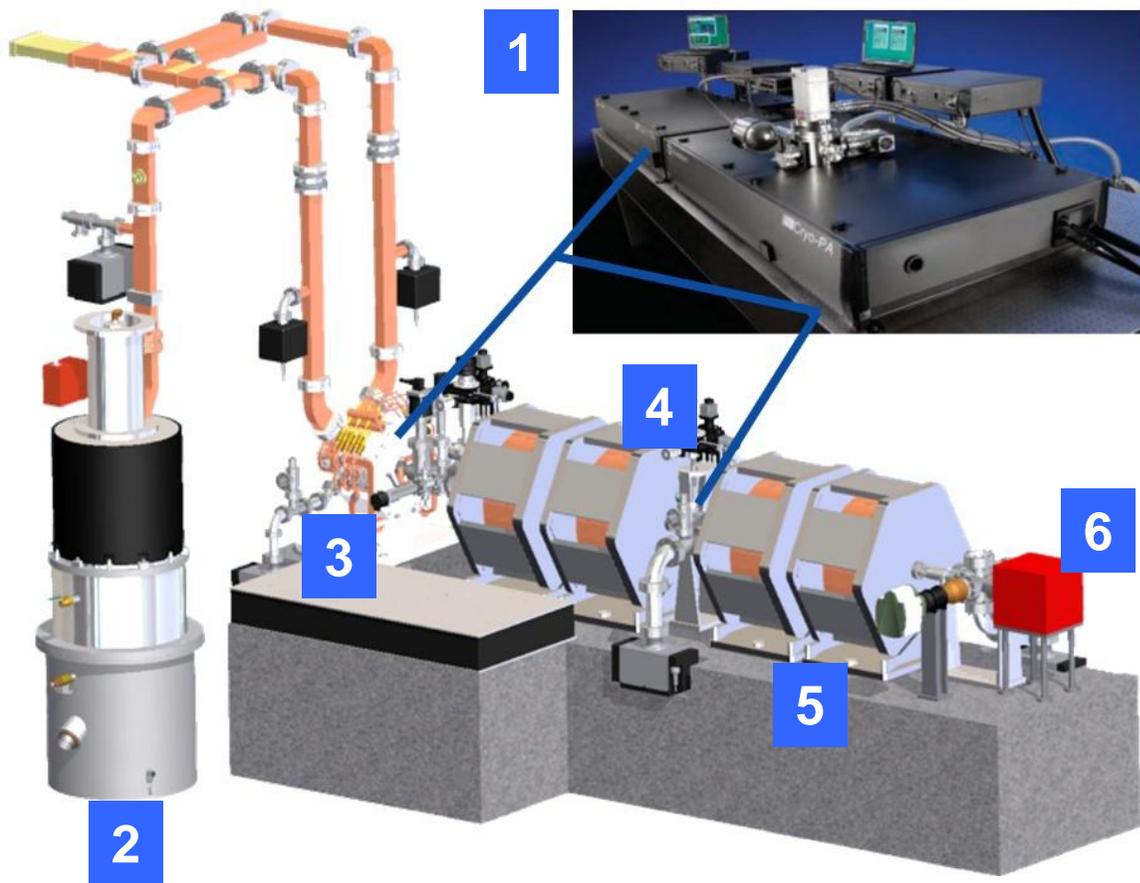
A representative design (10 ps & 10 nm)



$$\frac{50 e}{(10 \text{ nm})^2}$$



兆伏特超快电子衍射与成像系统



1. 飞秒激光
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模式	衍射	透镜	重频
目前水平	~500 fs	10 ns 10 nm	~10
项目目标	50 fs	10 ps 10 nm	~1000

本系统预期达到的工作参数与相应世界最好水平相比，
均有量级的提高，
可满足原子尺度物质结构动力学研究的需求

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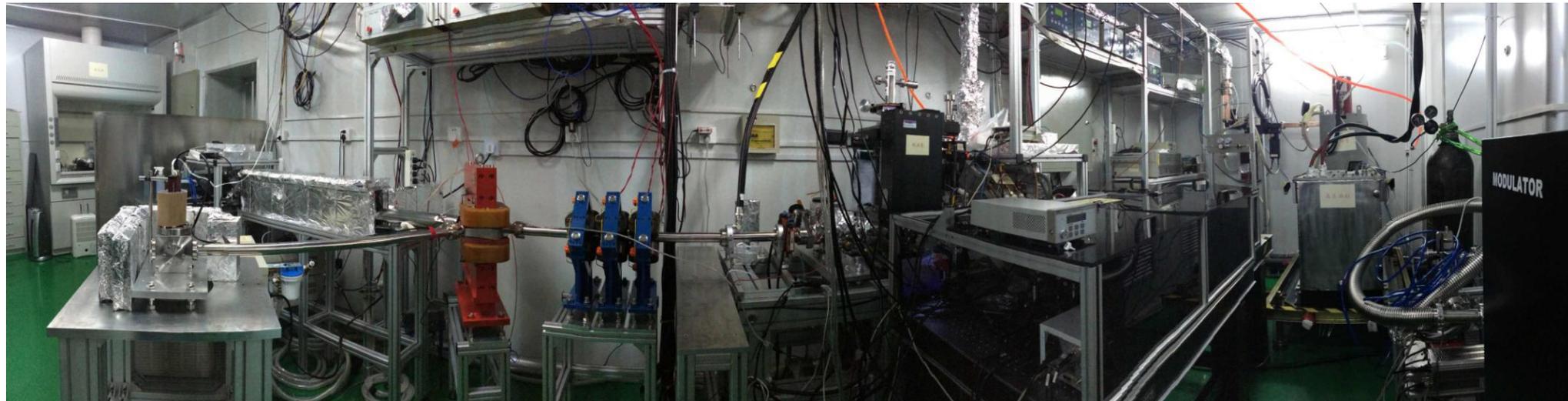


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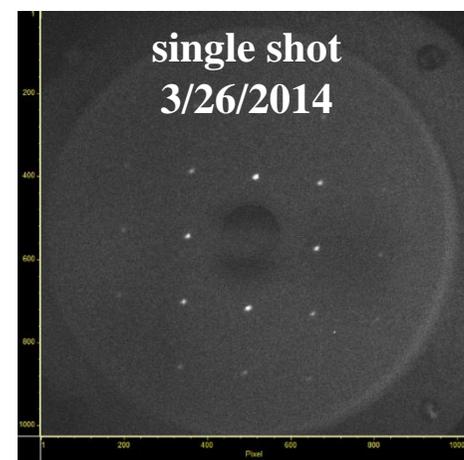
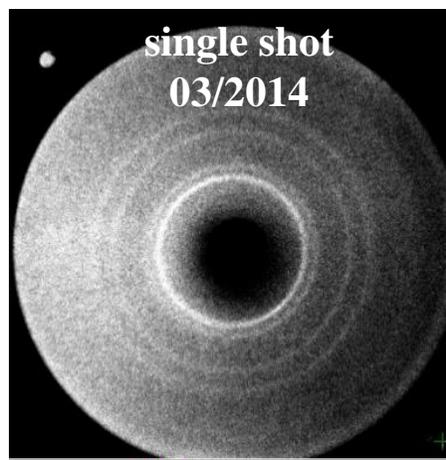


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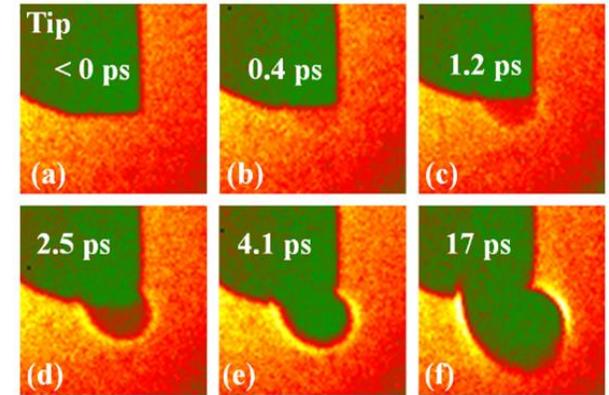
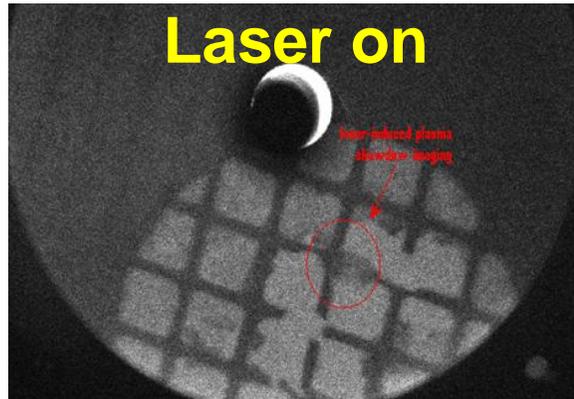
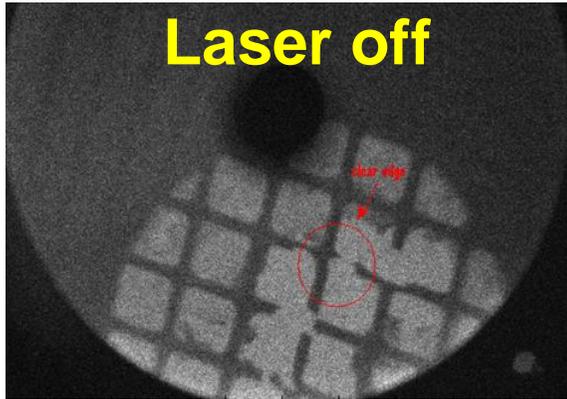


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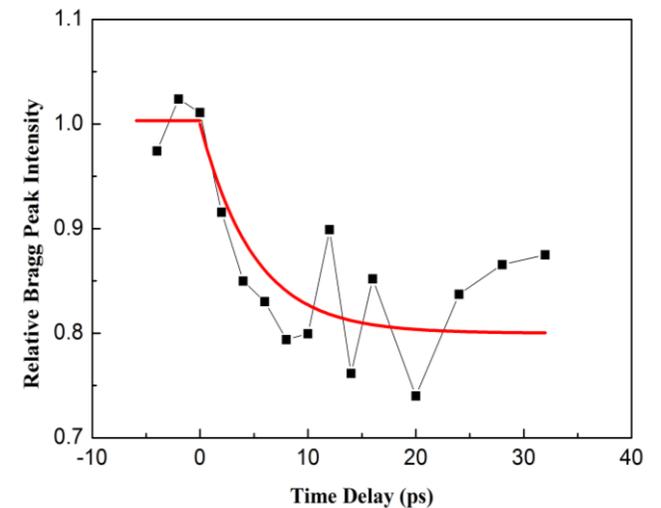
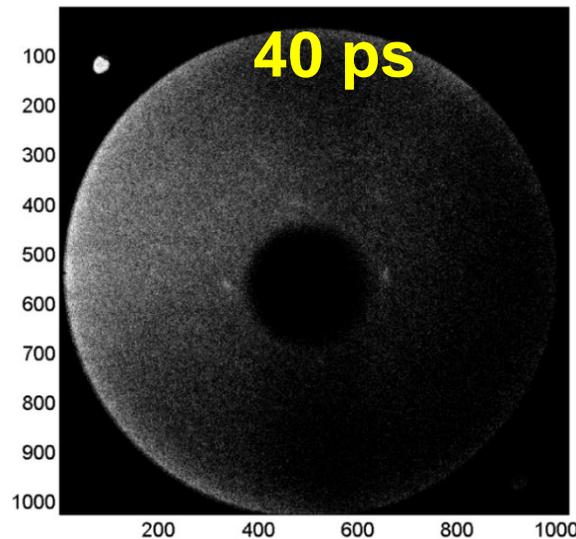
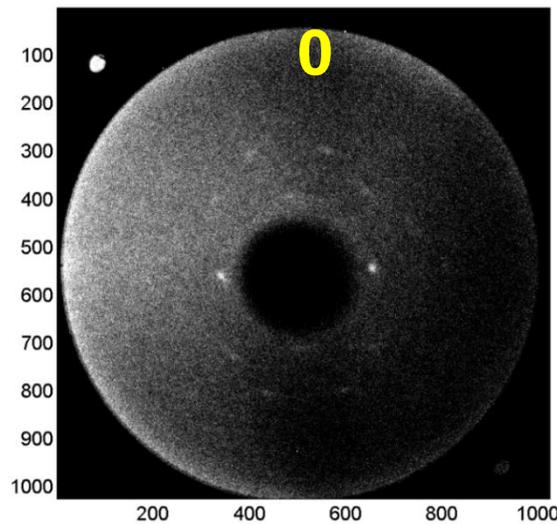


多晶铝和单晶金的衍射样斑 (*Fu et al., Rev. Sci. Instru. 2014*)

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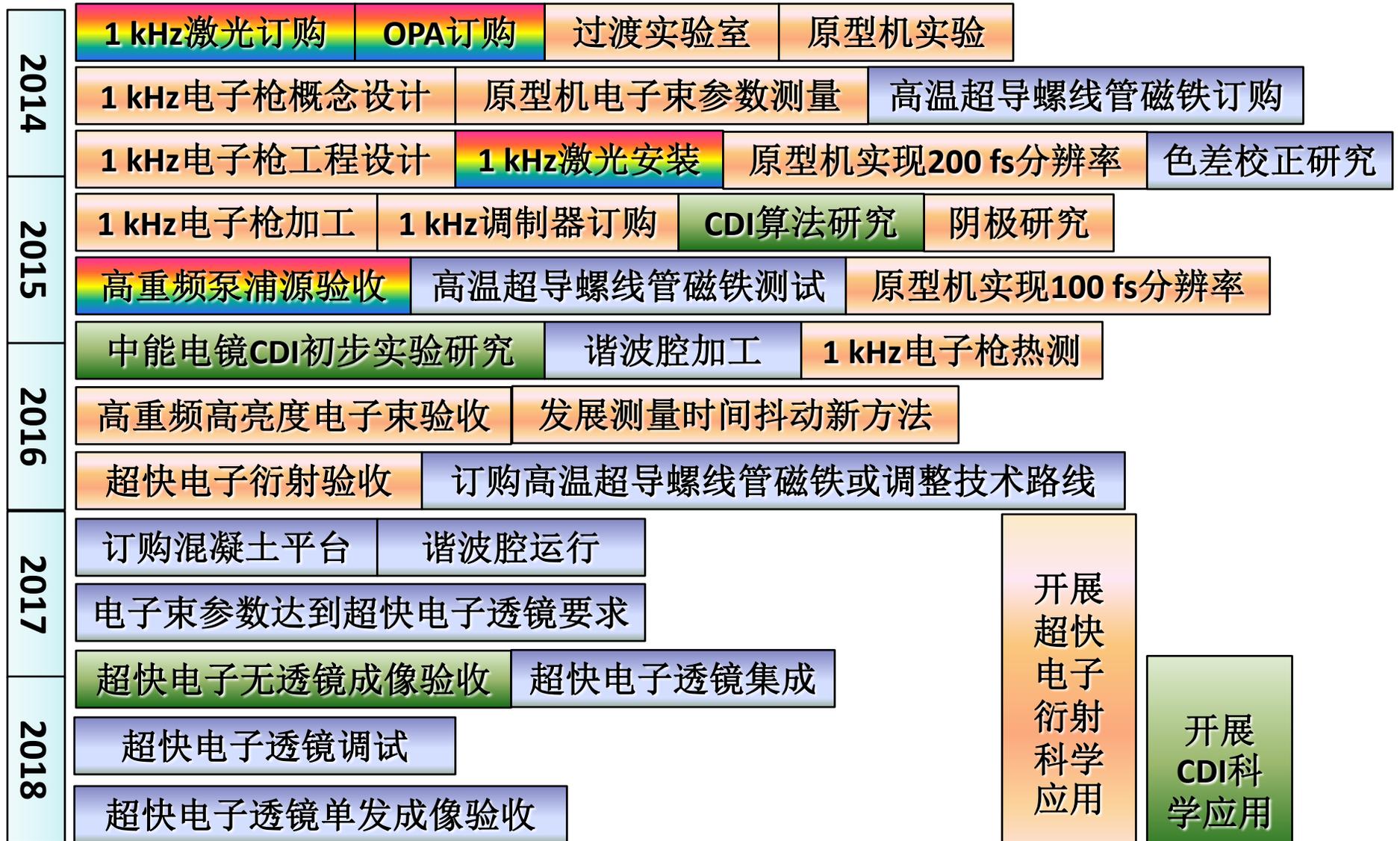


利用等离子体对电子束的扰动确定激光/电子的相对时间



兆伏特超快电子衍射泵浦-探测动态实验 (Zhu et al., CPL, 2014)

超快电子衍射与成像总体规划



总结

1. 机遇

率先成功建设基于加速器的超快电子衍射与成像用户装置；体现科研需求，推动原始创新；加速器的新应用。

2. 挑战

多项技术均为国际上首次大胆尝试，如1000 Hz电子枪， 10^{-4} 能散及能量稳定度，高温超导螺线管磁铁等。

3. 责任

“在仪器领域，国外对中国采取的策略是，对你不能制造的精密仪器，它会要高价，甚至不卖给你；当你有能力制造时，它以低价销售给你，打垮你，不让你发展。”

—— 姚骏恩 院士