# THz for spintronics and superresolution imaging



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#### THz resonators

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# Outline





STE (5.8 nm

ZnTe (1mr

• THz spintronic emitter – *applications* 

• Lightwave electronics – *coherent spintronics* 



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# Let's combine optics and spintronics:

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#### Novel spintronic Photonic THz applications









**Ultrafast Spintronics** 

Free THz B-field trigger

- Photoconductive switch, 1ps rise time, 0.2 Tesla
- Wang et al. JAP
- Free THz pulse (organic crystals)
  ~1Tesla
  - C. Hauri et al. Nature Photon
- Stanford accelerator Ch. Back et al. Science



Current bunch I

**=**50 μm

(b)



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- Thin-film preparation Ta(8 nm)/CoFeB(5 nm)
- Lithography of the structures



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### Zeitaufgelöste Spektroskopie



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Simulation of the laser pulse excitation – spin-wave on the picosecond and nanometer time scale



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### Photo excitation of spin waves: theory



• *also*: microscopic model for ultrafast demagnetization

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Writing using the helicity of light:



10 mW Beamwaist 15 μm FePt (AgCu) granular recording media

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### Thermal model of ultrafast demagnetization



Magnetization dynamics with magnetic fluctuations +Sigi7  $\frac{dm_i}{dt} = \gamma m_i \times H_{eff}(T_{el}, \lambda) + \frac{\gamma \alpha}{m^2} m_i \times m_i \times H_{eff}$ Include stochastic fluctuations of the spin system by a Fokker-Planck equation

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#### Femtosecond pump-probe





• Access to ultrafast the relaxation (40 fs,  $\lambda$ =800nm)

M. Djordjevic, PRB **75**, 012404 (2007)

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# Ultrafast: spins







~exchange interaction

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#### Pump pulse excites $\uparrow$ and $\downarrow$ electrons

- ↑:  $d \rightarrow sp$  bands  $\Rightarrow$  become fast
- $\downarrow: d \rightarrow d \text{ bands} \implies \text{stay slow}$

Battiato et al., PRL (2010)

 $\Rightarrow$  Pump launches spin-polarized current

Melnikov *et al.*, PRL (2011) Rudolf *et al.*, NatComm (2012) Turgut *et al.*, PRL (2013)

#### How to detect the spin current?

Idea: convert spin current into charge current

Kampfrath, Battiato, Oppeneer, Wolf, Freimuth, Mokrousov, Münzenberg et al., Nature Nanotech. 8, 256 (2013)





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6G reaches THz frequency: > 95 GHz to 3 THz range

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ACS Applied Nano Materials 4 (7), 7454-7460



W Hoppe, J Weber, S Tirpanci, O Gueckstock, T Kampfrath, G Woltersdorf ACS Applied Nano Materials 4 (7), 7454-7460 C. Rathje, R. von Seggern, L. A. Gräper, J. Kredl, J. Walowski, M. Münzenberg, Sascha Schäfer, arXiv:2209.02542

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#### Fundamental properties of the charge-to-spin

conversion



Test for spintronic device optimization

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Pt: Ta/ CoFeB/ W reference









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#### Nanooscillators for neuromorphic computing UNIVERSITÄT GREIFSWALD Wissen lockt. Seit 1456 Laser chip Sigilin FL Outputs CMOS – readout circuit Ru(4/7)Ta(2/4/6/8/10) NiFe (7) OR CoFeSiB (6) Ta(0.21) CMOS $M_1$ Interfacing $M_2$ $CoFe_{40}B_{20}(2)$ DACS Base of the MT DACS Output voltages MM MM MN MM T<sub>ct</sub> MM MM MM MM LNA MIXER FILTER AMP RECT SHNO COMP Front End Vin\_SHNO f\_shno oscillator oscillator oscillator 늘 누 Neuron\_1 Neuron\_2 Neuron\_m HORIZON 2020 AGE FET Open SpinAge CONSEJO SUPERIOR DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTÍFICAS



# Imaging on THz and nm scale of spin dynamics?



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Tyler L. Cocker, Dominik Peller, Ping Yu, Jascha Repp & Rupert Huber Nature volume 539, pages263–267 (2016)

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#### The spintronic THz emitters: Towards high spatial resolution







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#### Spintronic THz superresolution spectroscopy



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#### **Detection of nanoplastics in live** tissue



THz pulse *E* 



ΕO detector

Spintronic THz Emitterlayer





intensity (a.u.)





Cell growth on THz emitter Doreen Biedenweg, Stefanie Spiegler (Otto group)

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#### Thickness dependence – Polystyrene (PS) b) a) 0.33 mm N<sub>2</sub> 0.75 mm nm 1.50 mm 2.96 mm 3.99 mm 5.13 mm 3 THz Signal (a.u.) (a.u.) Z plastic 0.33 mm 0.75 mm -10 1.50 mm -1 2.96 mm 3.99 mm -2 5.13 mm -15 -2 10 3.5 0 2 4 6 12 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 4.0 8 delay time (ps) frequency (THz)











#### Absorption characteristics for color additives













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- Magnetic spectral imaging in the frequency domain
- Local spin current effects
- Mapping local THz dynamics in antiferromagnets



 Magnetic spectral imaging of a domain wall

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F.-F. Stiewe, T. Winkel, T. Kleinke, T. Tubandt, H. Heyen, L. Vollroth, U. Martens, C. Müller,

J. McCord, J. Walowski, M. Münzenberg, AIP Advances 12, 095010 (2022).





- Magnetic spectral imaging of a domain wall
- Full spectral information at each point: THz dynamics





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Metal	Exchange	Spin-orbit
Fe	$52\mathrm{fs}$	50 <b>fs</b>
Co	80 fs	52 <b>fs</b>
Ni	380fs	48 <b>fs</b>



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#### Nobel Prize in Physics 2023 to Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier





<u>"for experimental methods that generate attosecond pulses of light for</u> <u>the study of electron dynamics in matter</u>"





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Electrons  $(T_{el})$ 

 $au_{\it el-sp}$ 

 $au_{el-lat}$ 

 $au_{_{sp-lat}}$ 

10<sup>3</sup>

Spins  $(T_{sp})$ 

Coupling of electron, spins and phonons



Time (fs)



100

Lattice  $(T_{lat})$ 



Time (fs)





Time (fs)



100

 $au_{el-lat}$ 

 $au_{_{sp-lat}}$ 

10<sup>3</sup>

Spins  $(T_{sp})$ 

 $au_{\it el-sp}$ 

Lattice  $(T_{lat})$ 





# **Attosecond Coherent Spintronics**

Few cycle light pulse, Pump



Attosecond resolution







Mirror based Quarter Wave Plate (QWP)



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Optically Induced Spin Transfer (OISTR): coherent spin motion





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Few fs step like decay with Pt interface (resolution 310 as)

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