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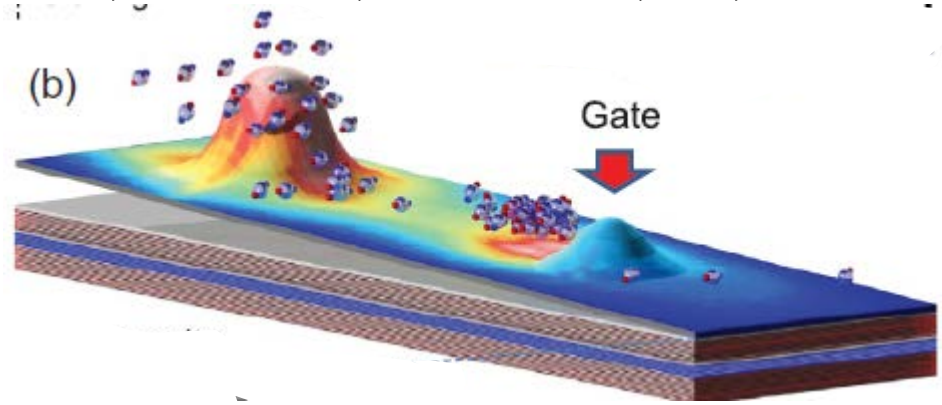
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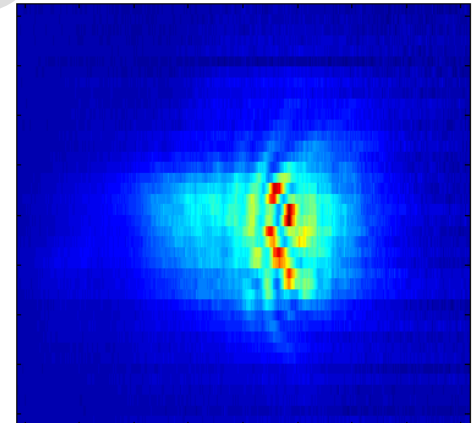
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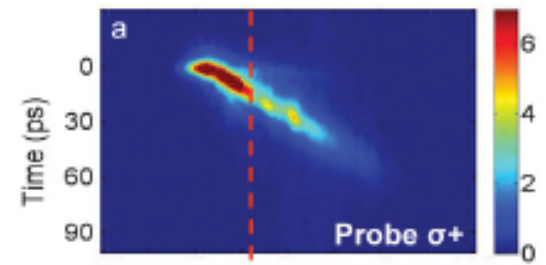
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A question

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**Atomic physics and quantum optics beat
condensed matter physics ?**

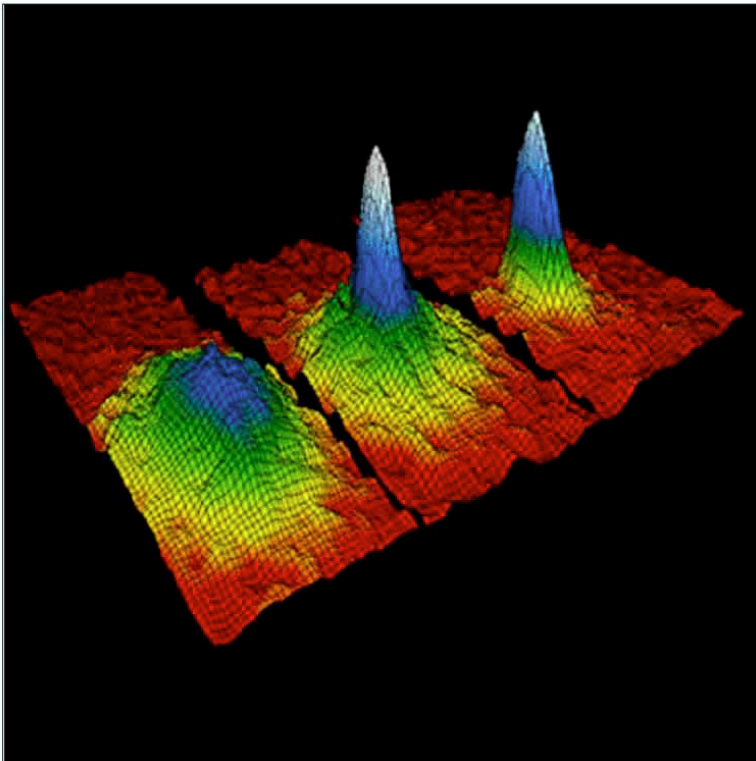
(attributed to Wolfgang Ketterle)

WELCOME to the homepage of the 2008 Latsis Symposium at EPFL on "Bose Einstein Condensation in dilute atomic gases and in condensed matter"

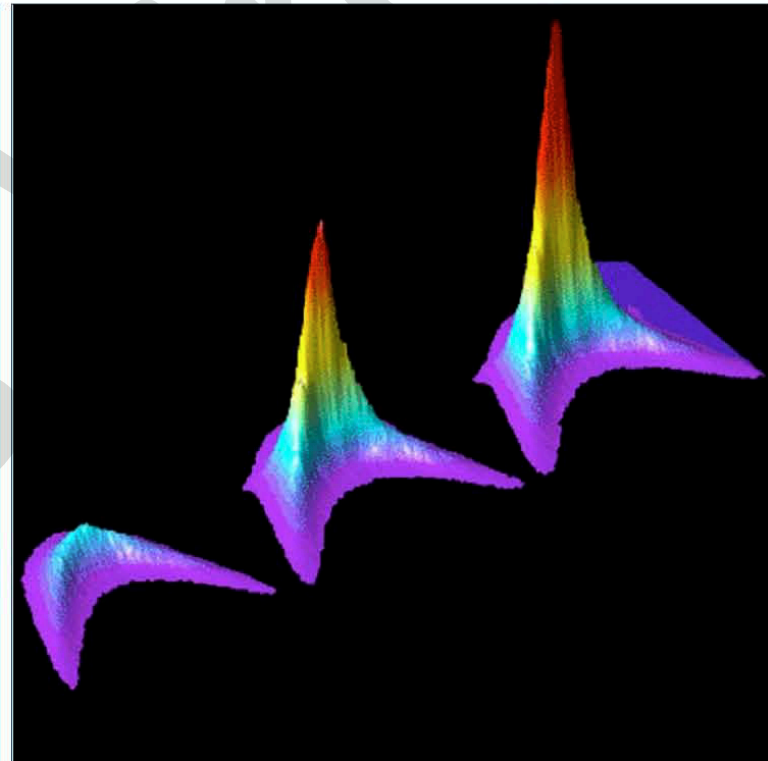
The Physics Nobel Prize in 2001 of Eric Cornell, Carl Wieman, Wolfgang Ketterle and recent publications in Journals such as Science and Nature have raised expectations in the field of Bose Einstein Condensation (BEC). The Symposium Latsis EPFL 2008 wishes to gather the experience developed by the "BEC Cold Atom" and the new "BEC Solid State" Communities. The Participants will have a unique opportunity to exchange ideas and compare findings. This will certainly lead to an unprecedented leap in BEC research, to the benefit of the two communities.

When: 28-30 January 2008

Where: EPF Lausanne, Switzerland



Observation of Bose-Einstein Condensation
in a Dilute Atomic Vapor
Science 1995



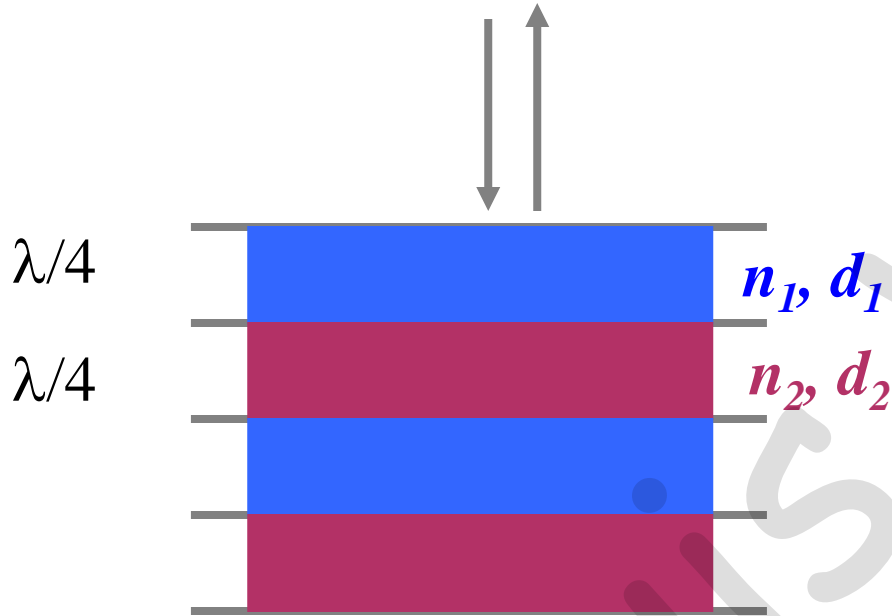
Bose-Einstein Condensation
of exciton polaritons
Nature 2006

Outline

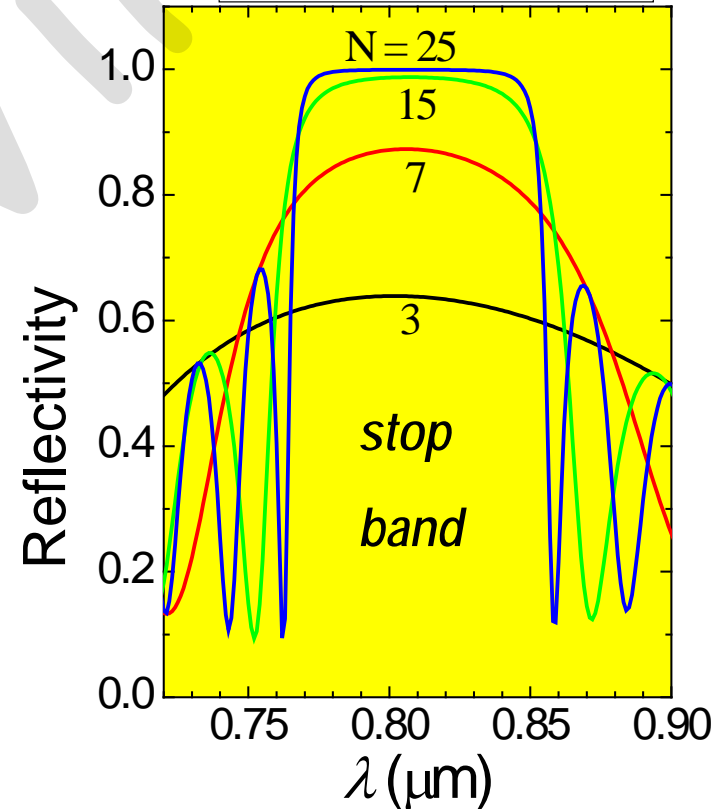
- Introduction
microcavity polaritons
- Polariton BECs
- Dynamics of polariton fluids: the TOPO configuration
- Resonantly driven polaritons
 - Case of a long living quantum state put in motion
- Topological defects

Laser cavity(I)

Distributed Bragg Reflectors (DBR)



$n_1 = 2.9364$ $d_1 = 688 \text{ \AA}$
 $n_2 = 3.4075$ $d_2 = 593 \text{ \AA}$

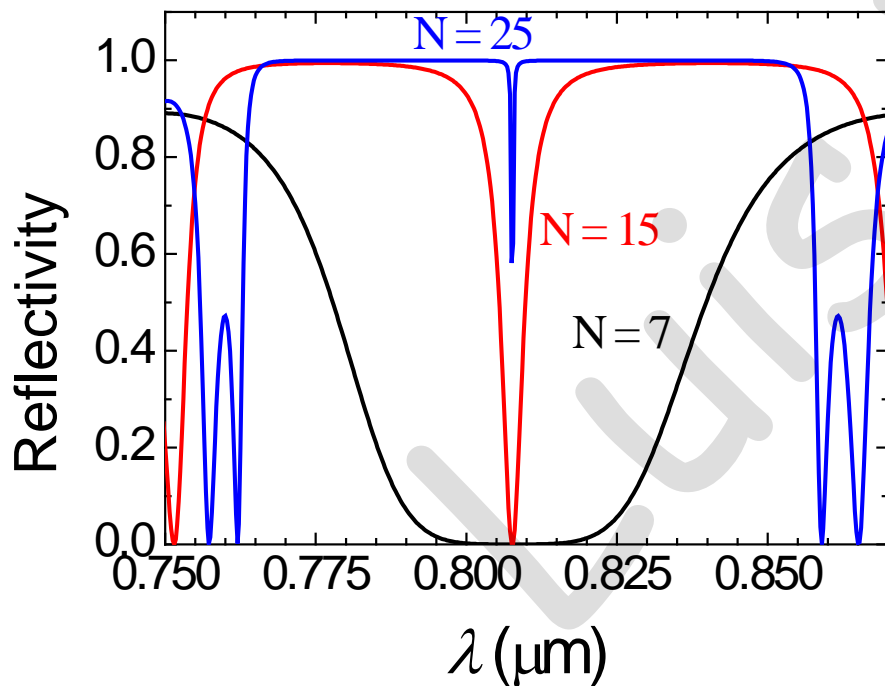
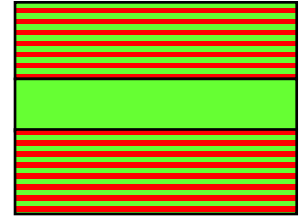


High reflectivity

- *normal incidence*
- *many periods*

Laser cavity(II)

- “Cavity” \longleftrightarrow open region (d) in the DBR
- “Defect” \longrightarrow Transmission increase ($R \downarrow$)
- $d = \lambda/2$ \longrightarrow Transmission at center of “stop”band

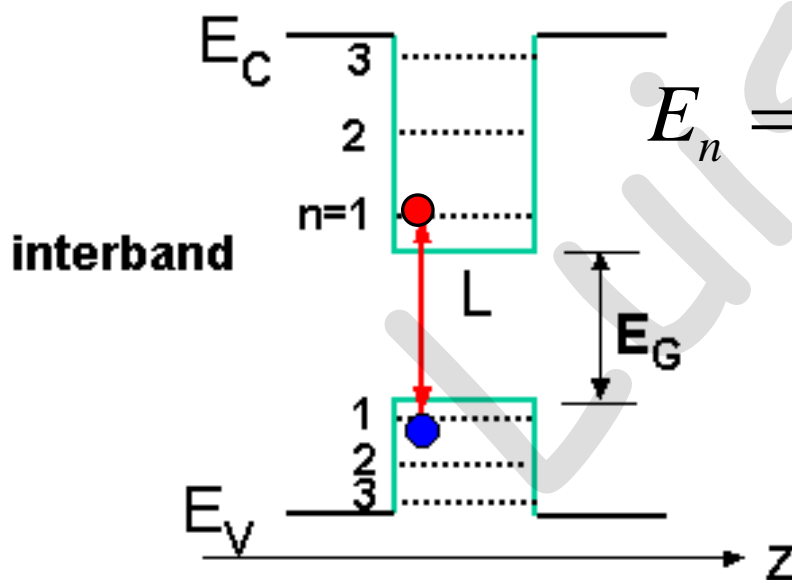


*Emitter
in the cavity*

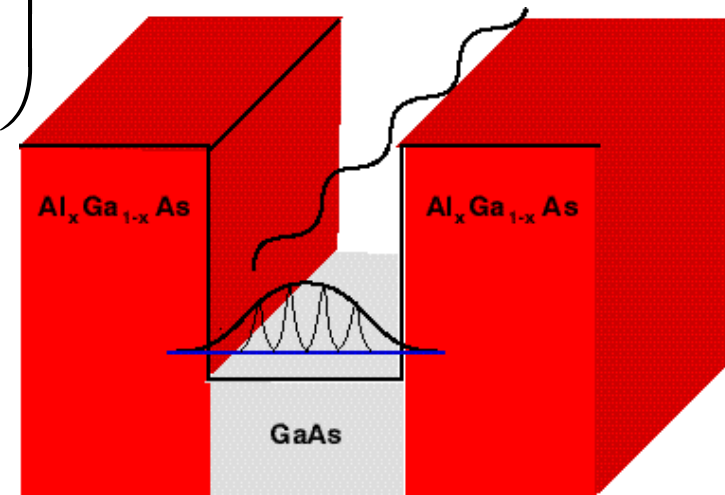
Emitter (I)

Quantum wells

- Artificial structures
- Layers of ~10 nm, with different band gap
- Quantum mechanical confinement effects



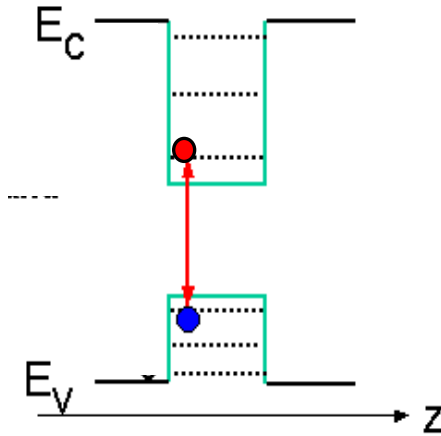
$$E_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{n\pi}{L} \right)^2$$



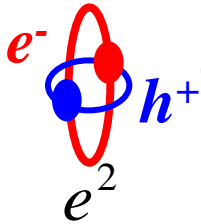
Emitter (II)

Excitons

Independent particles

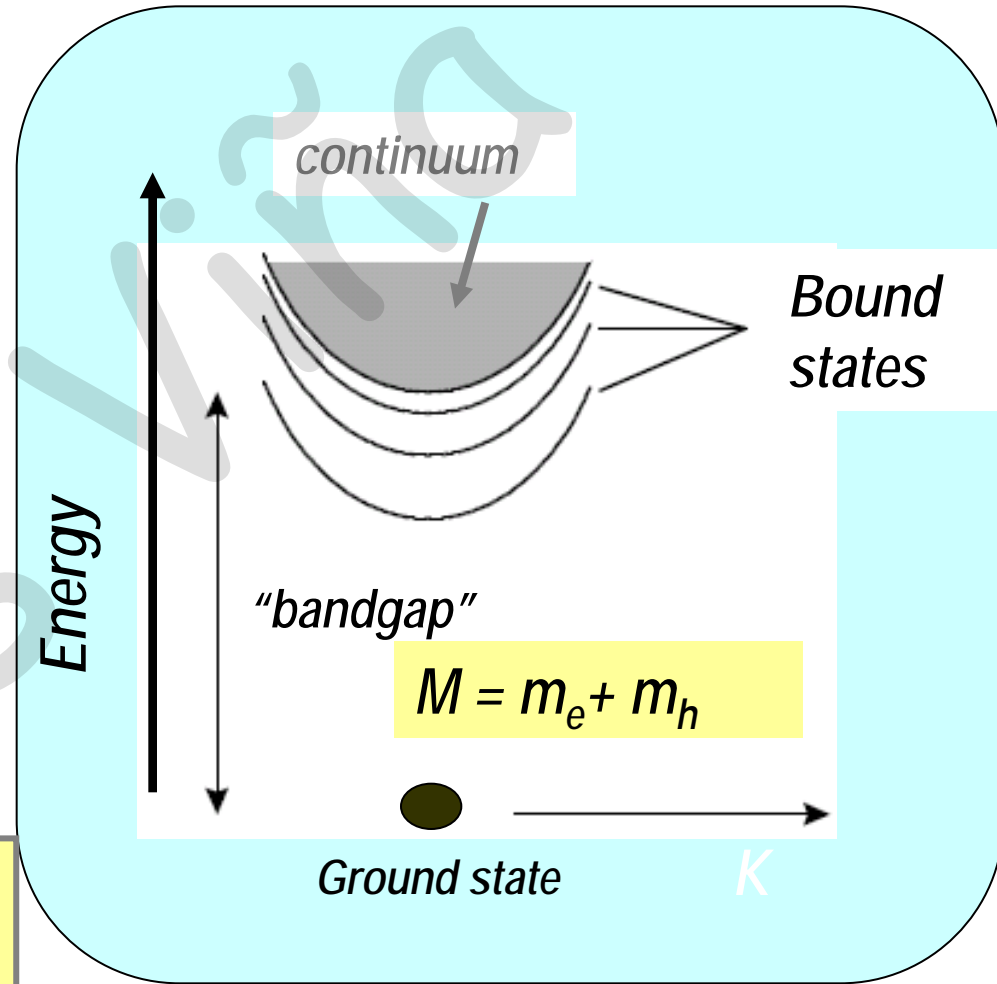


Coulomb interaction



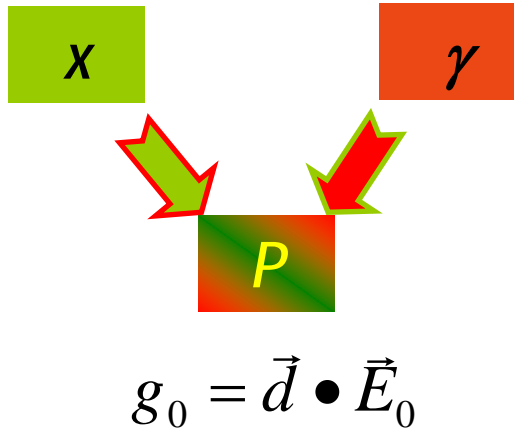
$$-\frac{4\pi\epsilon_r\epsilon_0}{|\vec{r}_e - \vec{r}_h|}$$

$$\mu = \frac{m_e + m_h}{m_e \times m_h}$$



Integer Spin \rightleftarrows Boson

Excitón-Polaritón (I)

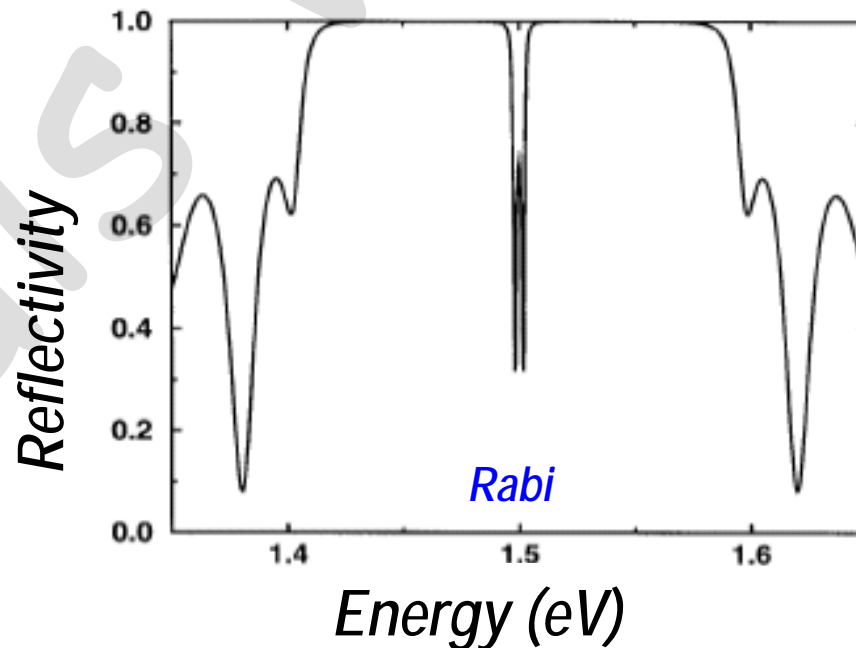


Integer Spin

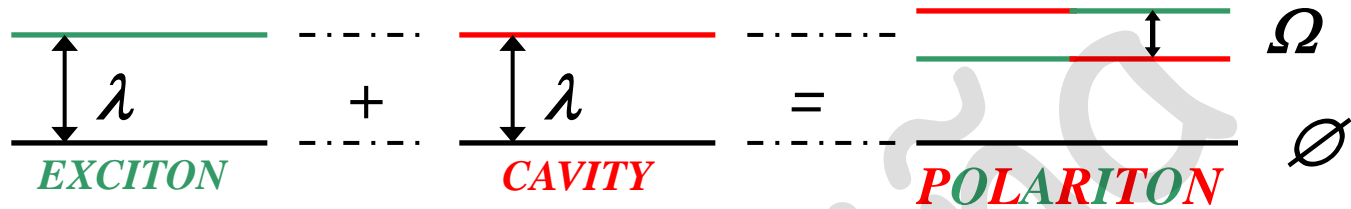
Boson

Strong coupling

- ➡ *Slow dumping rates*
- ➡ *Oscillations $|X, \gamma\rangle \leftrightarrow |\gamma, X\rangle$*
- ➡ *Mode anticrossing \rightarrow Rabi*

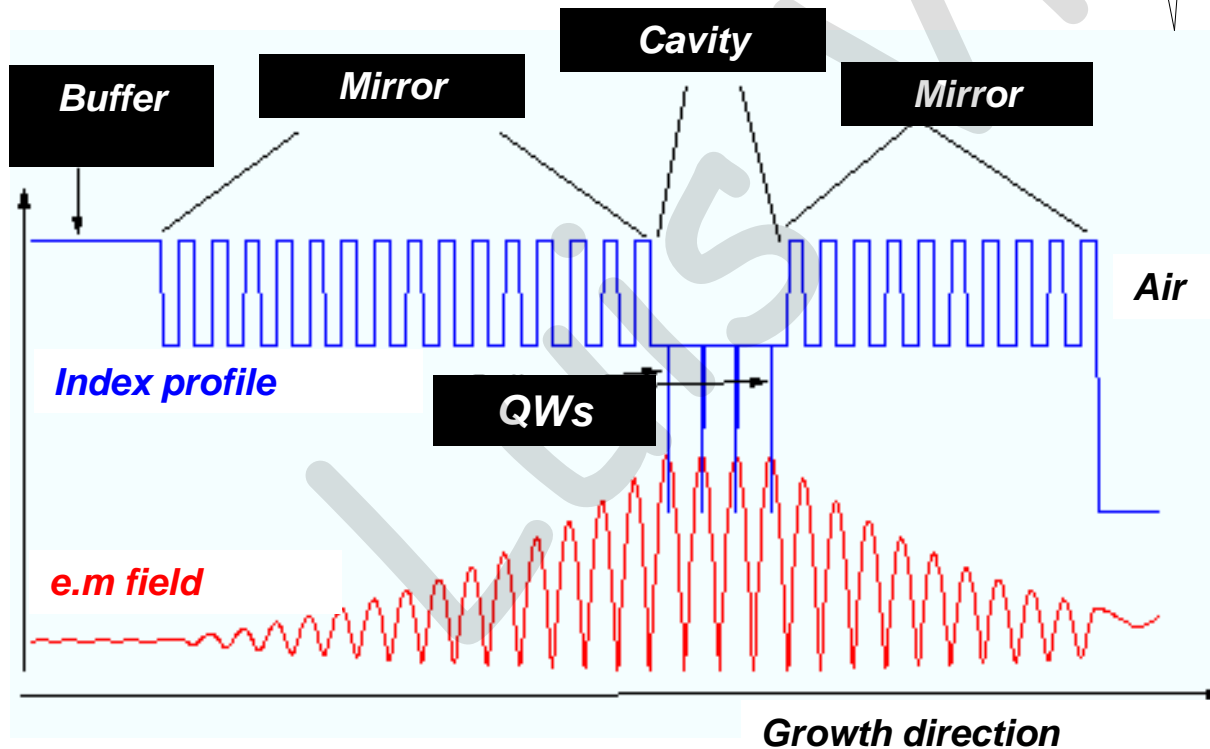


Excitón-Polaritón (II)



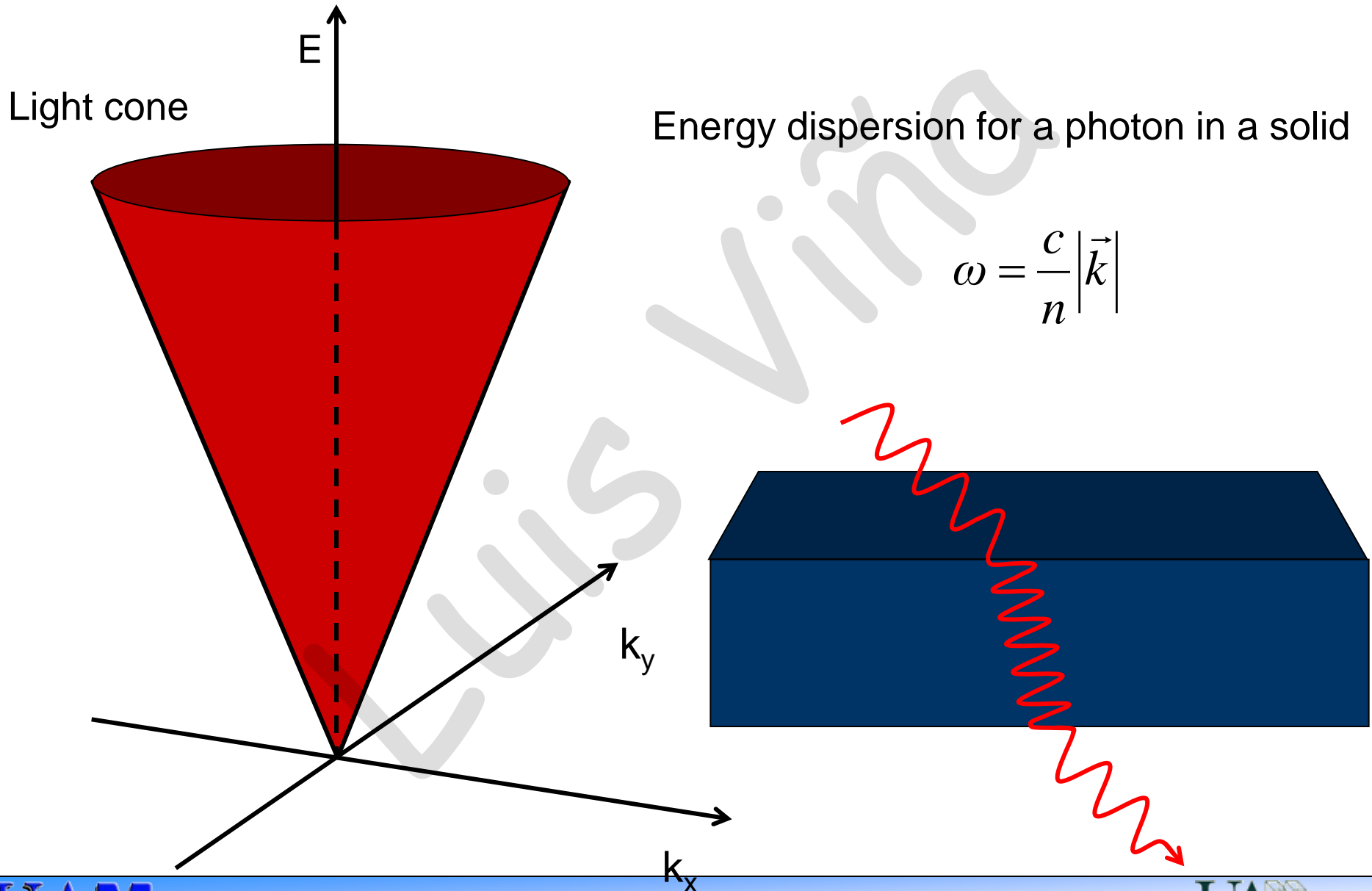
Matter-radiation interaction optimization

$$\Omega = 2 \sqrt{\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r} \frac{2\pi}{m_0} N f_x L_{eff}}$$



Position

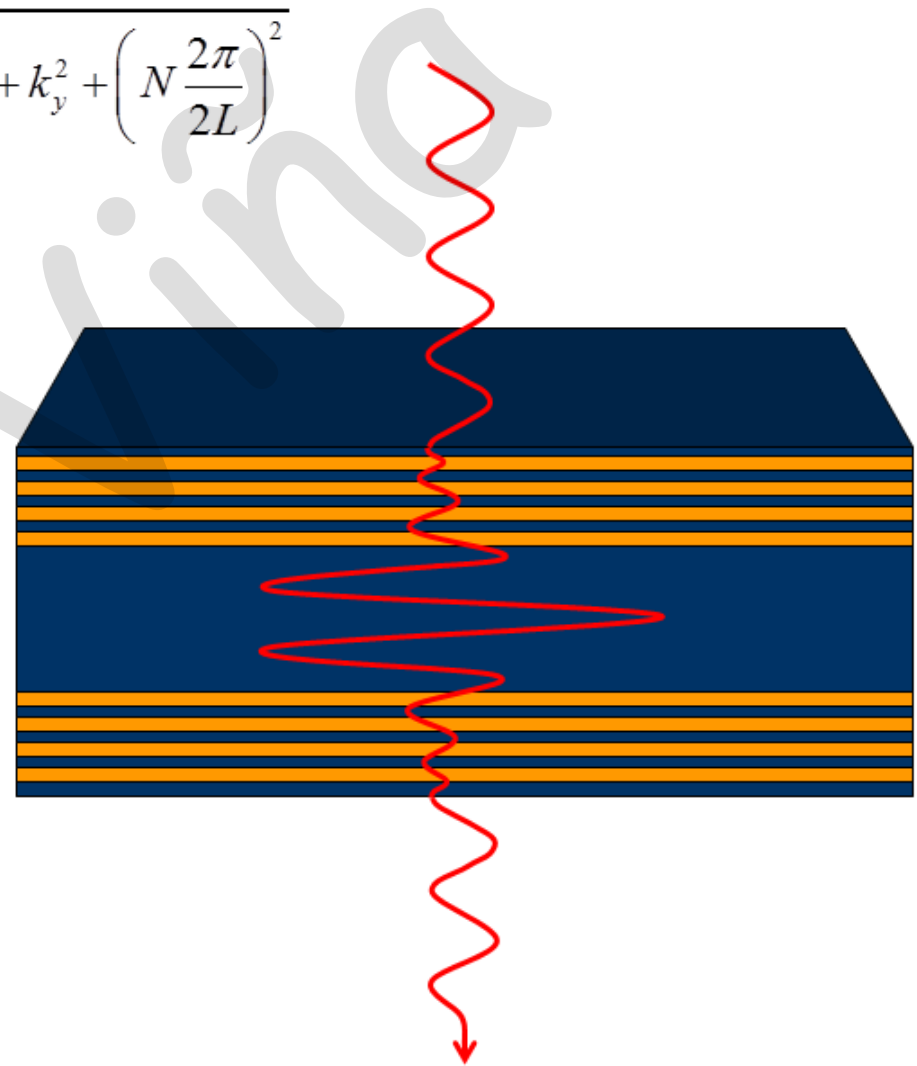
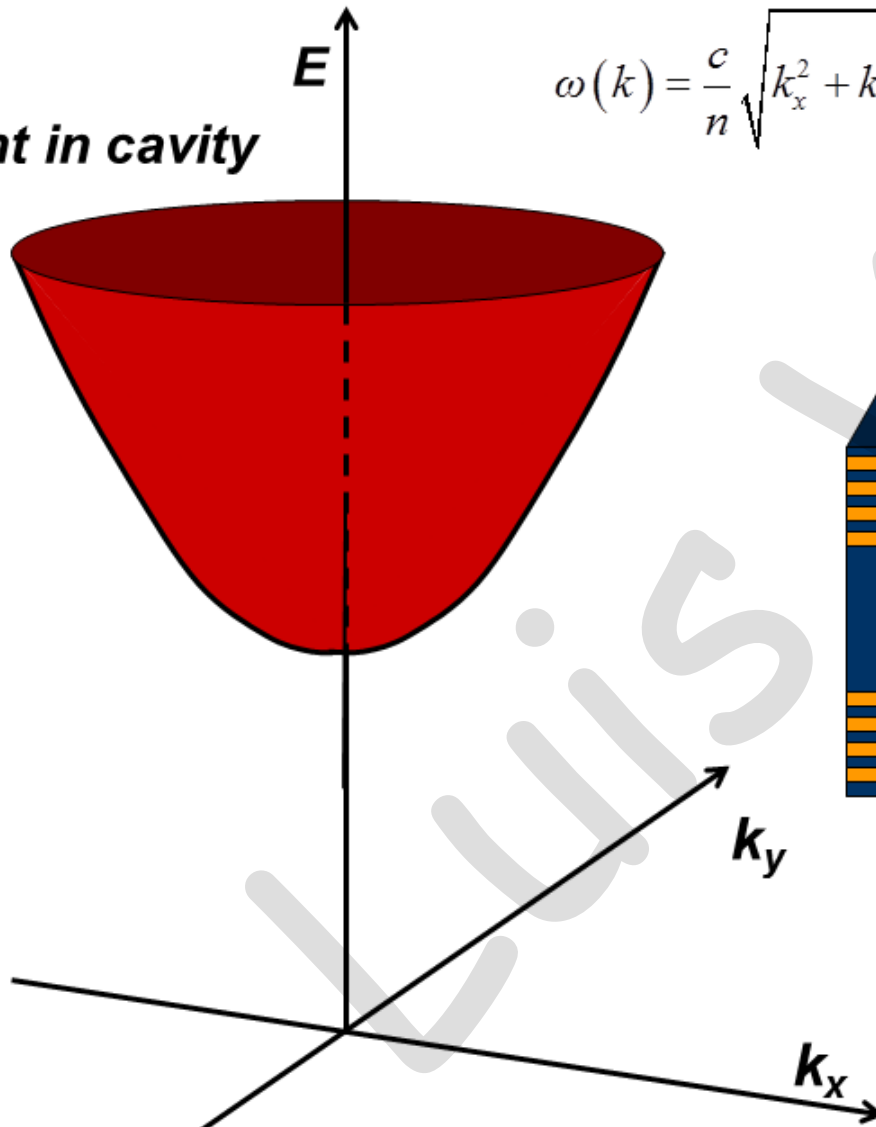
Semiconductor microcavities



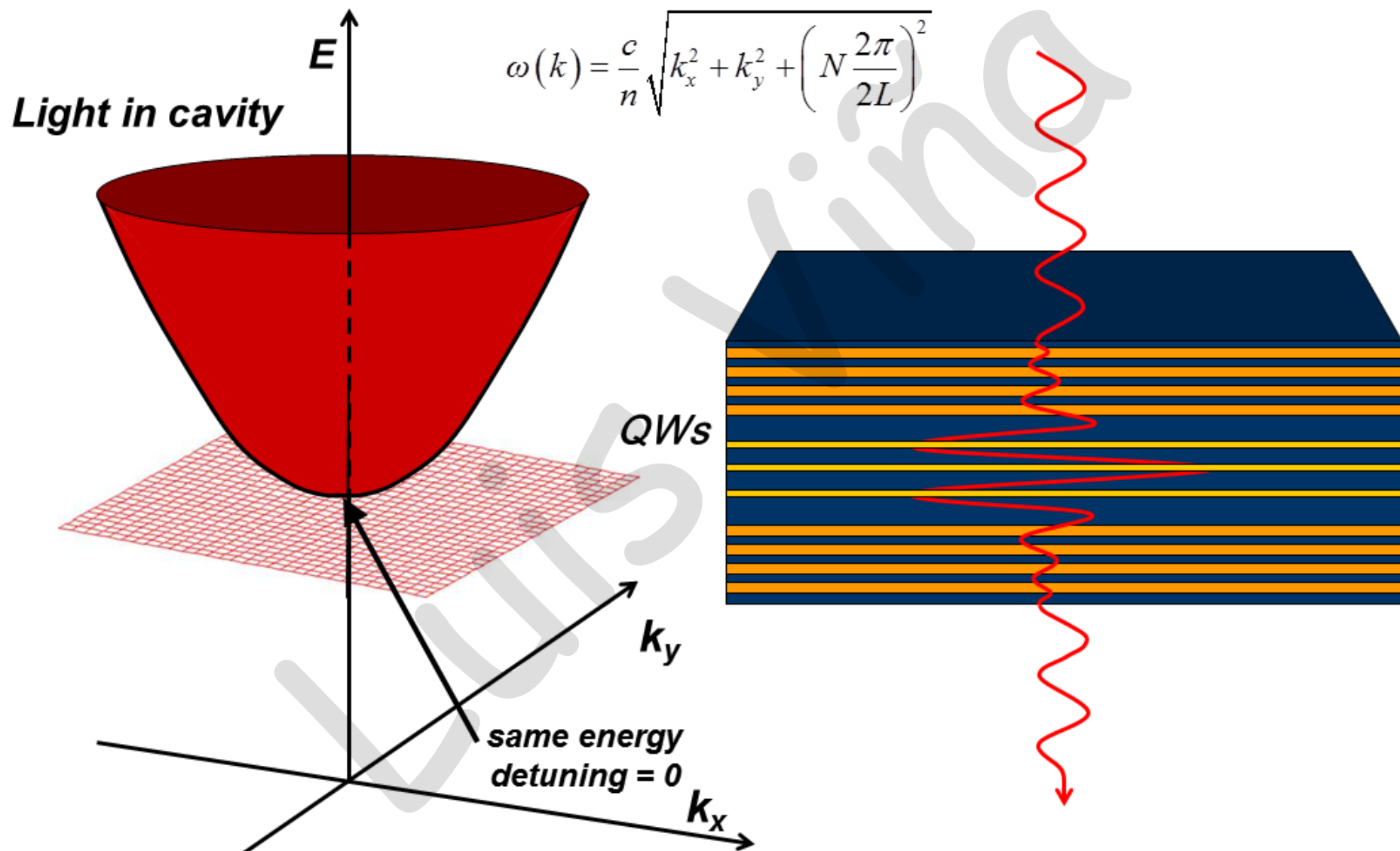
Semiconductor microcavities

Light in cavity

$$\omega(k) = \frac{c}{n} \sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 + \left(N \frac{2\pi}{2L}\right)^2}$$



Semiconductor microcavities

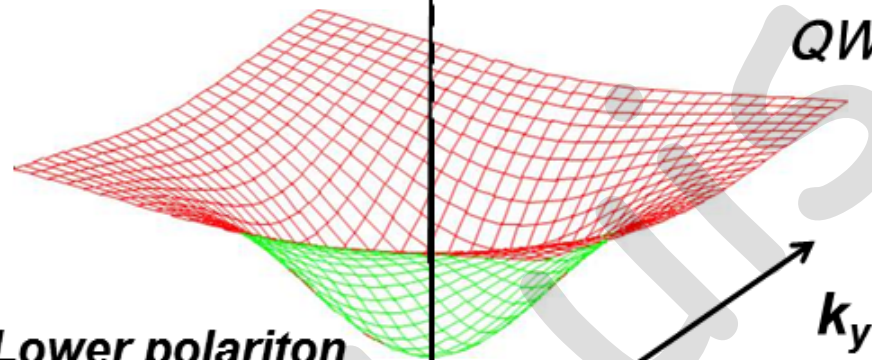
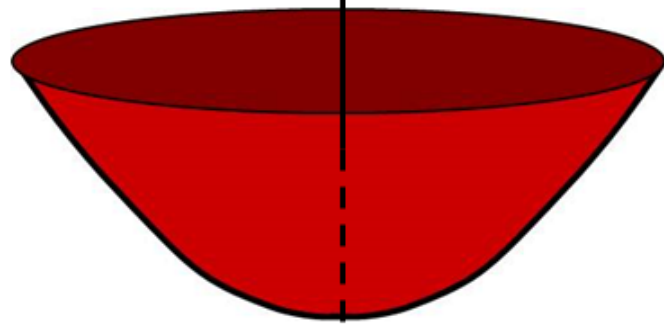


Semiconductor microcavities

Upper polariton branch

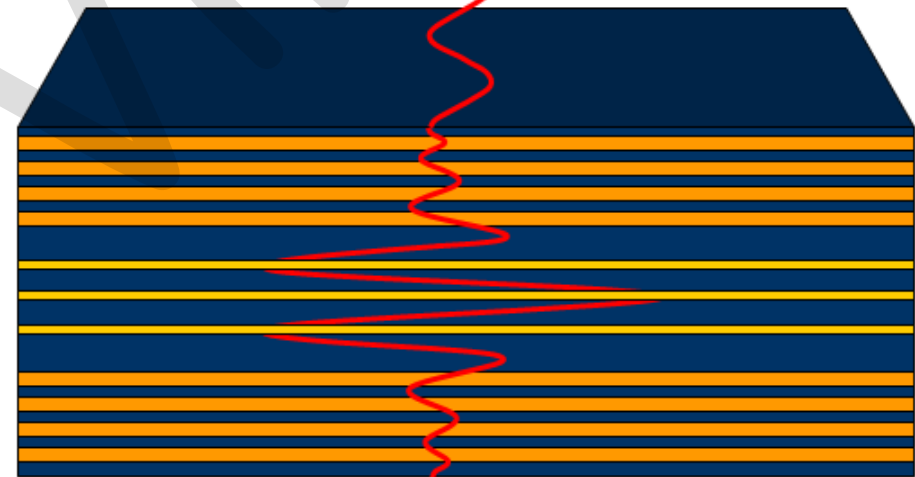
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$$\omega(k) = \frac{c}{n} \sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 + \left(N \frac{2\pi}{2L}\right)^2}$$



Lower polariton branch

QWs



k_y

k_x

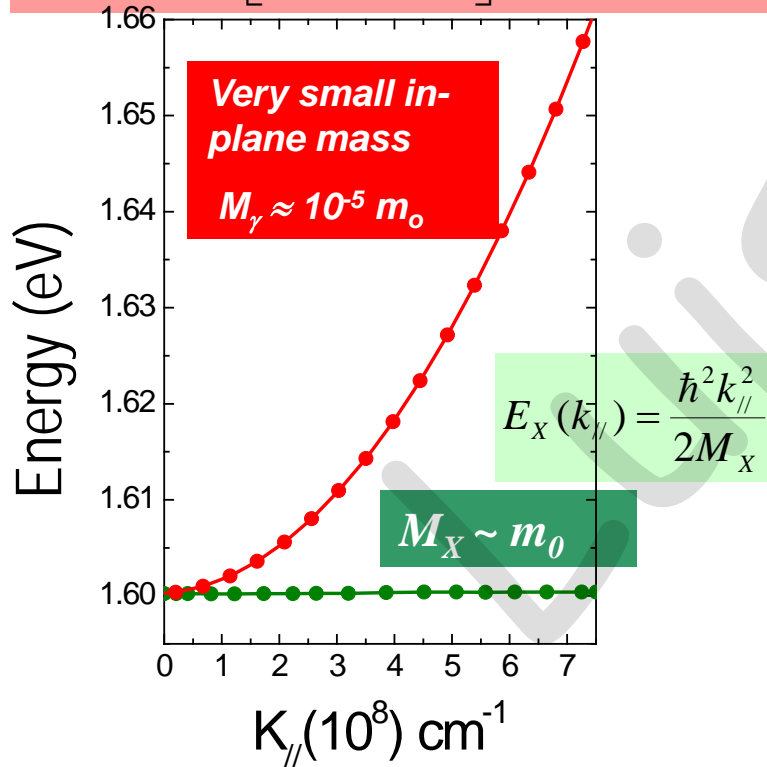
$$\mathcal{H}_{pol}(k_{\parallel}) = \begin{pmatrix} \hbar\omega_c(k_{\parallel}) & \hbar\Omega_R \\ \hbar\Omega_R & \hbar\omega_x(k_{\parallel}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Dispersion relations

Along growth direction (confinement): $K_z = 2\pi/L$

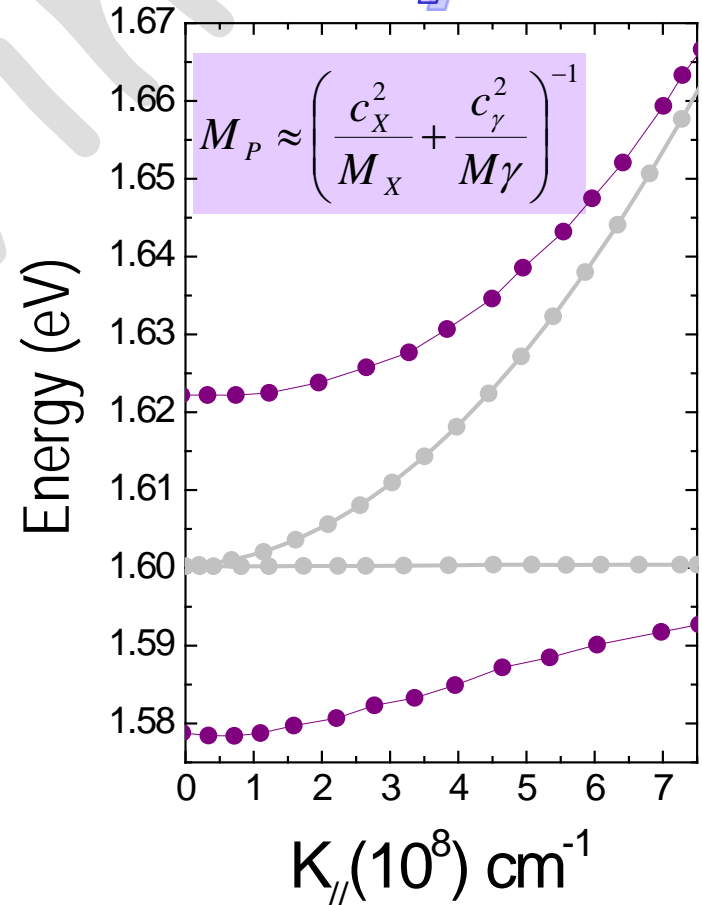
De-coupled

$$E_\gamma(k_{//}) = \frac{\hbar c}{n} \left[\left(\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^2 + k_{//}^2 \right]^{1/2} = E_0 \left(1 + \frac{\hbar^2 c^2 k_{//}^2}{E_0^2 n^2} \right)^{1/2}$$



$$K_{//} = \frac{E}{\hbar c} \sin \theta$$

Coupled



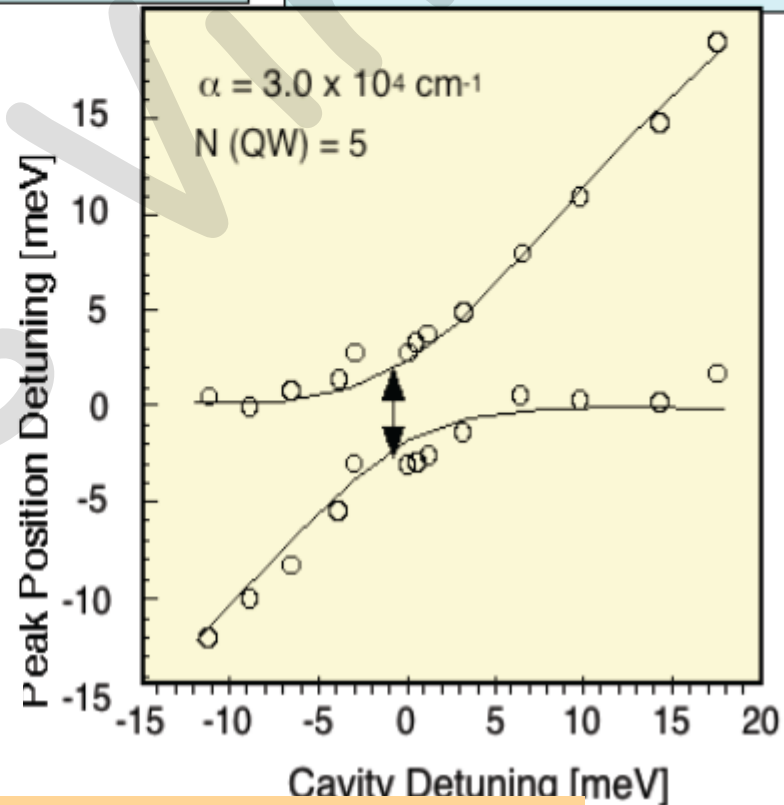
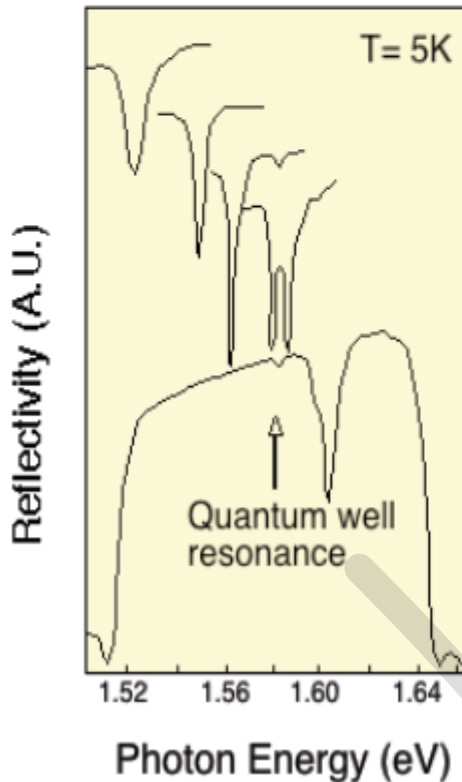
Strong coupling régime: observation of the anti-crossing

changing detuning
by moving on
wedge sample

$$\hbar\Omega = dE_0 = d\sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega_{ph}}{\epsilon_0 V_{cav}}}$$

implies

- photon lifetime longer than Rabi period
- exciton damping slower than rabi oscillation

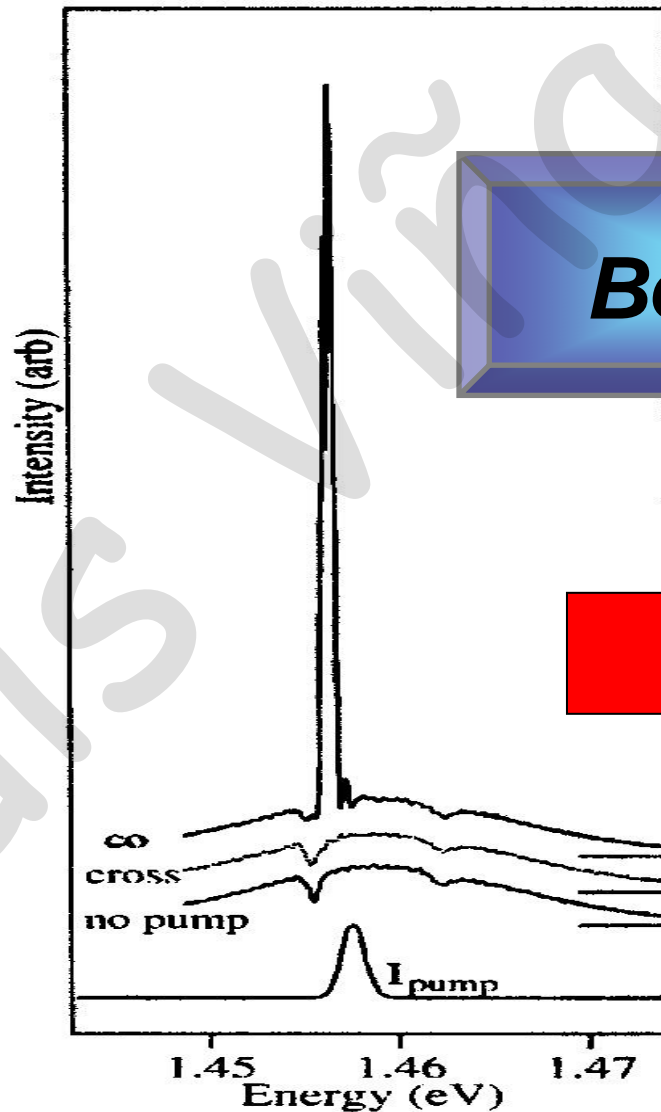
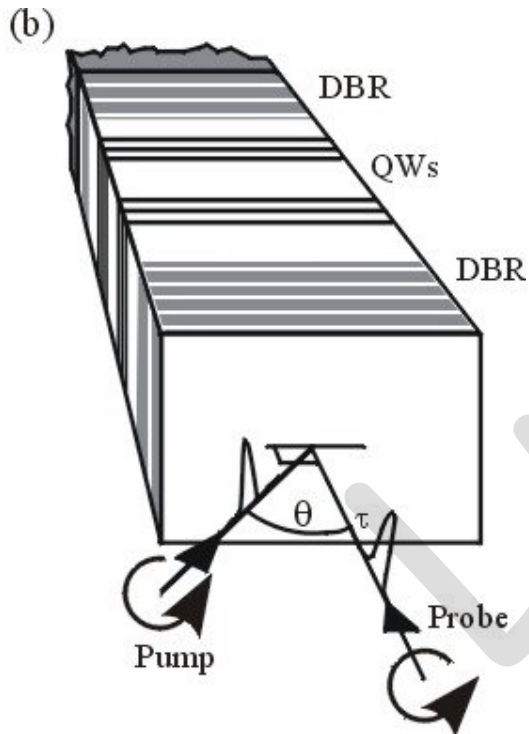


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Angle-Resonant Stimulated Polariton Amplifier

P.G. Savvidis et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 84, 1547 (2000)

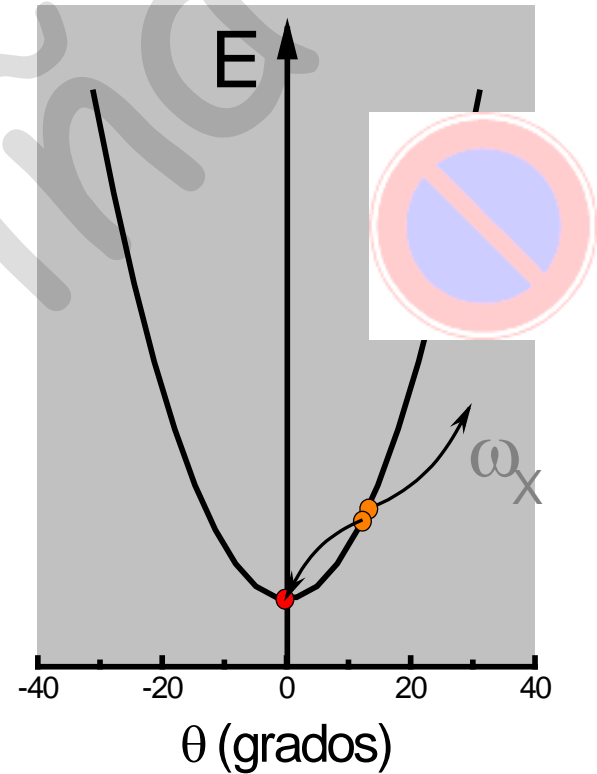
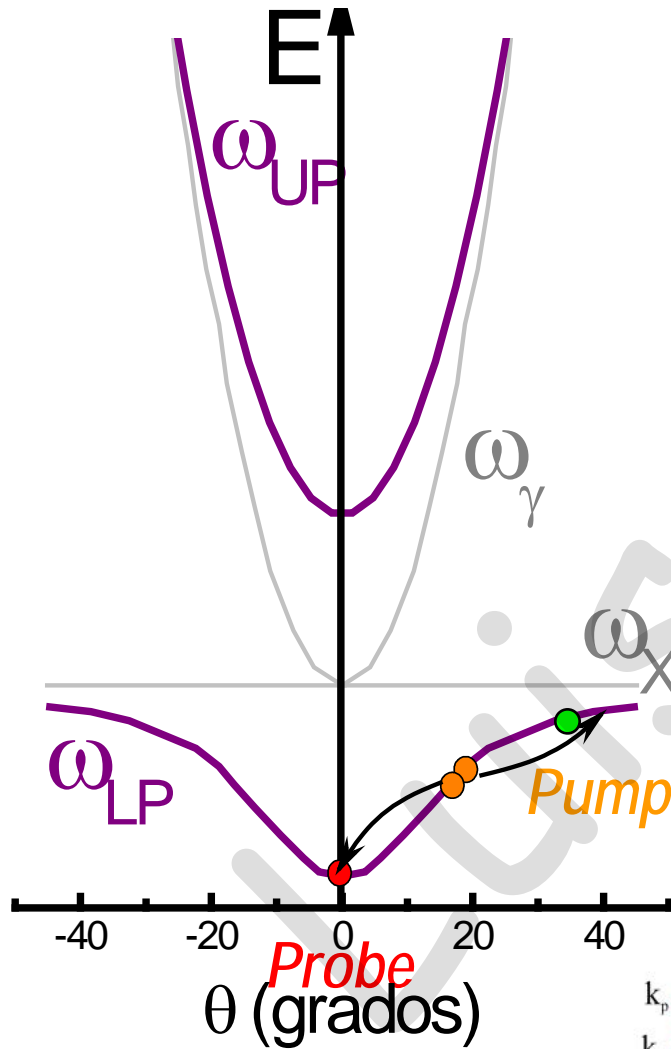
Reflectivity:
"pump & probe"



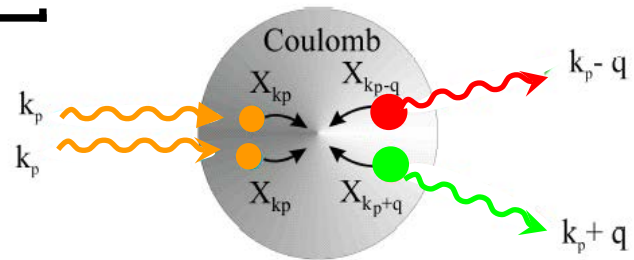
Gain 700%

Stimulated scattering

Polariton's dispersion



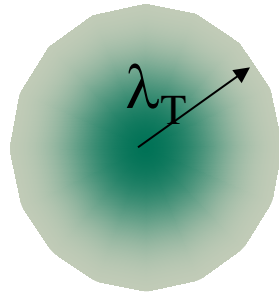
Exciton's dispersion



Atomic BECs

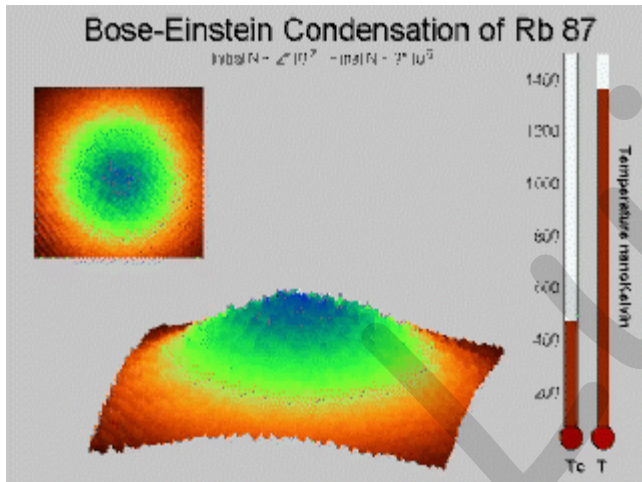
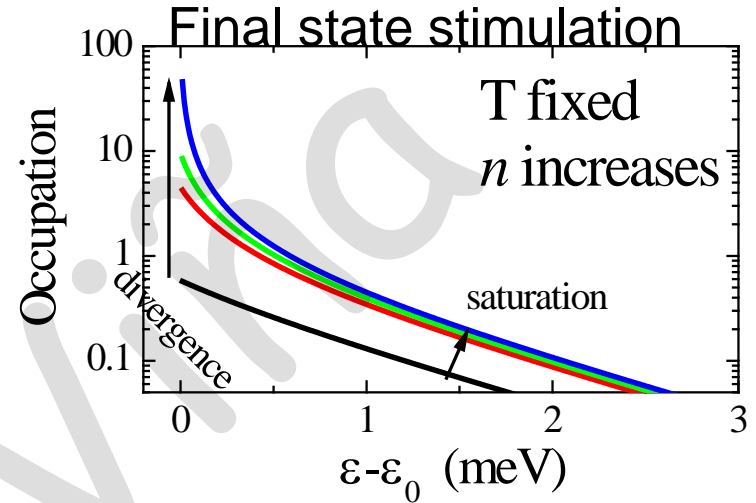
$$f_{BE} = \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}\right) - 1}$$

$$\lambda_T = \left(\frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{mk_B T}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

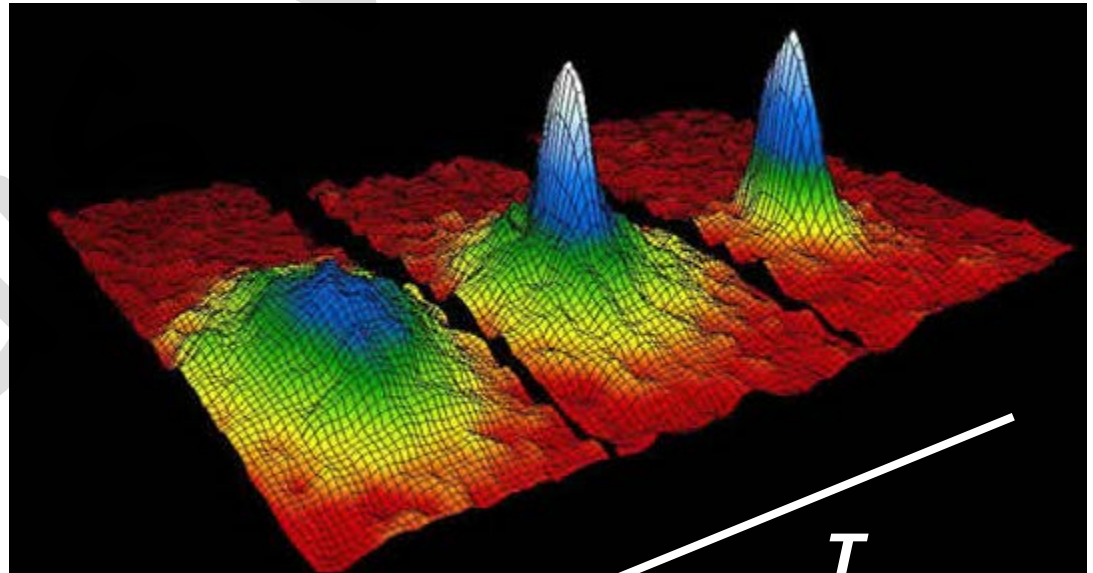


For $T < T_{deg}$
the particles-waves overlap

Long-range order



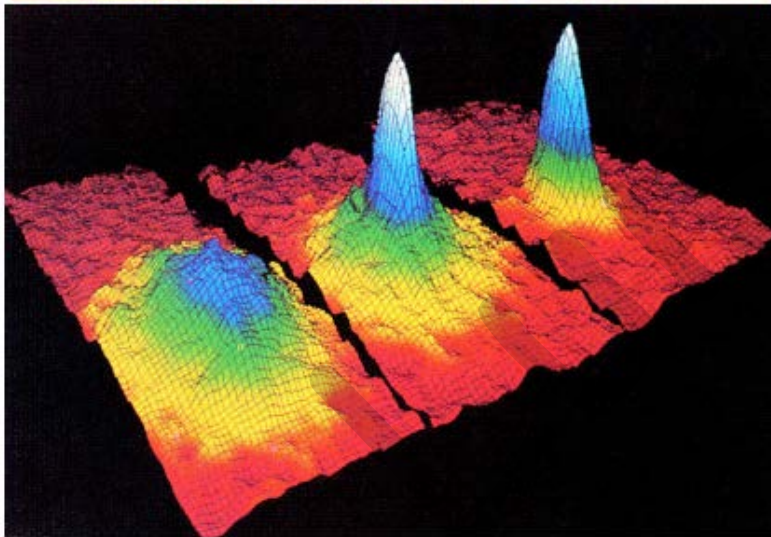
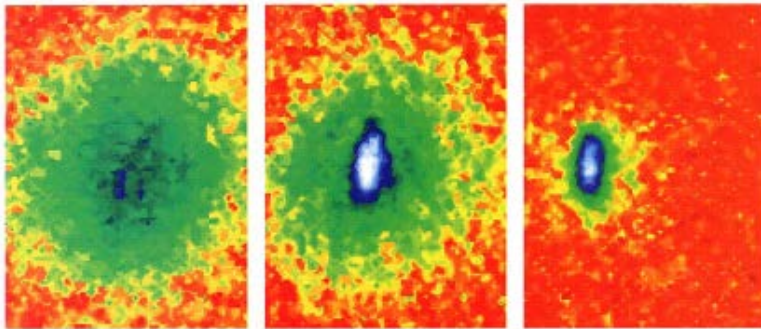
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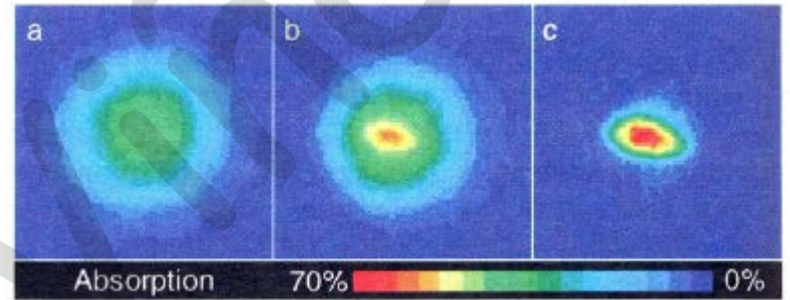
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Bose-Einstein condensation in alkali atoms

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Rubidium: Science **269**, 198 (1995)
JILA, Colorado



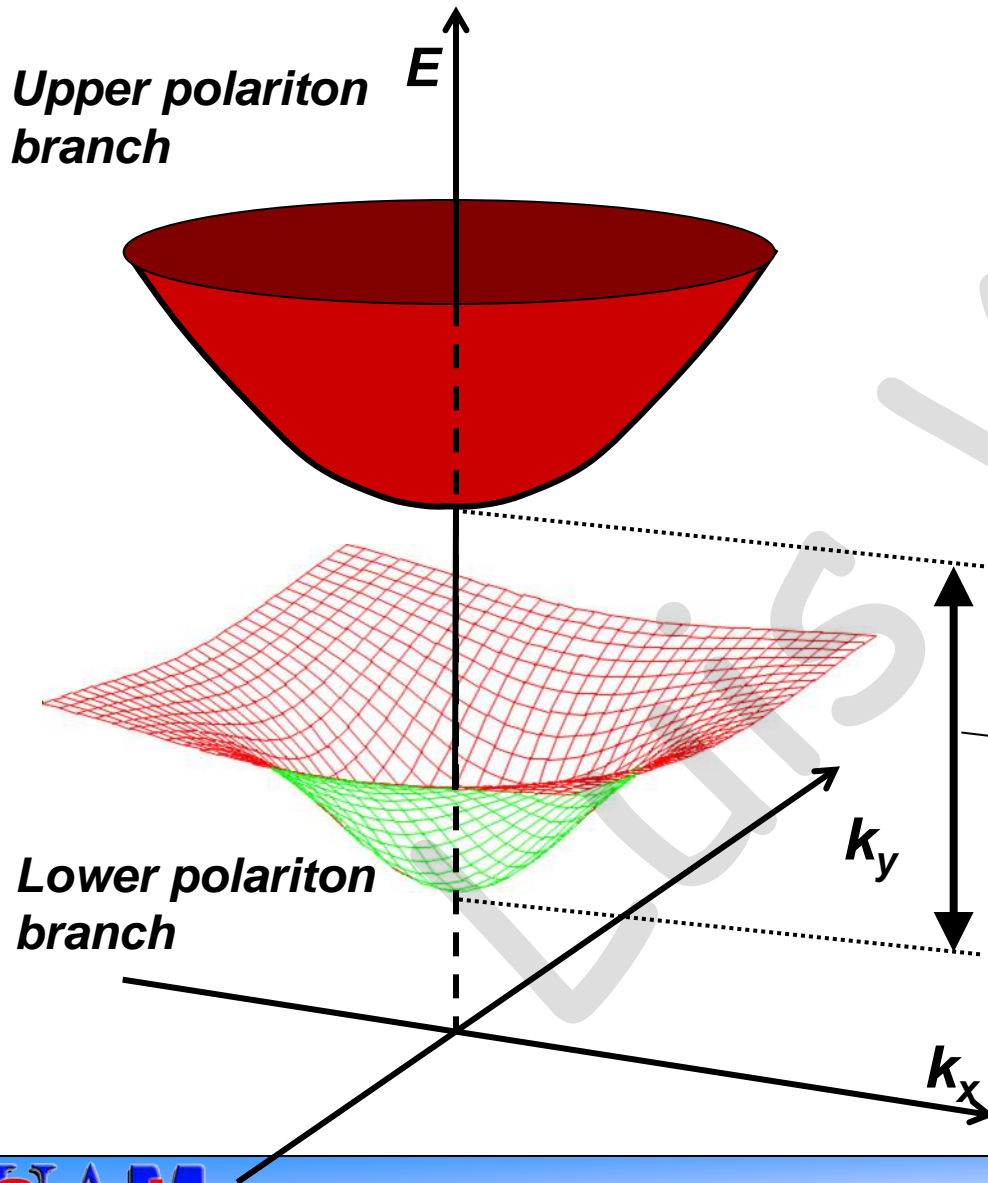
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Semiconductor microcavities



Strong exciton confinement
Enhanced electromagnetic field



Strong light-matter coupling

New eigenstates
POLARITONS

$$\hat{Q}_{UPB} = c \cdot \hat{P} + d \cdot \hat{X}$$

$$\hat{Q}_{LPB} = -d \cdot \hat{P} + c \cdot \hat{X}$$

Rabi splitting

$$\Omega_R^2 = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{R})^2}{2\sqrt{R}} \frac{c\Gamma_0}{n_{cav}L_{eff}}$$

Low polariton mass

“S” shaped dispersion

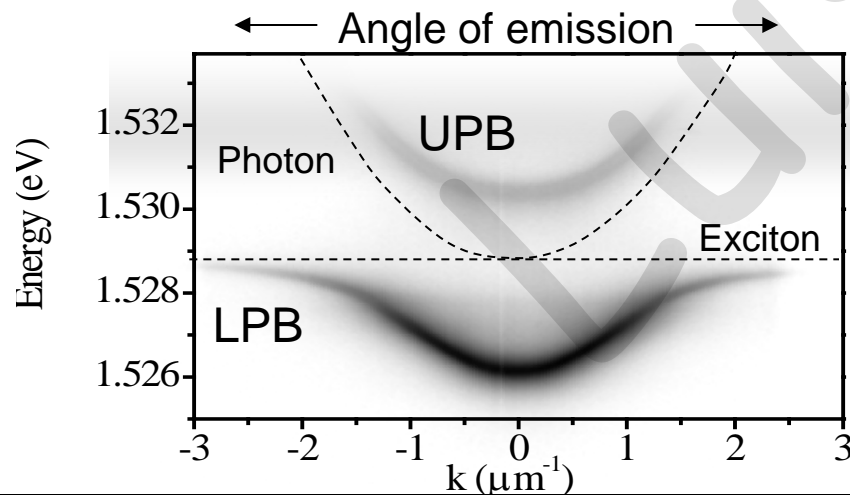
Momentum trap

Polaritons

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Polariton lifetime: 2-8 ps (at $k = 0$)

PL experiment

Polaritons

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**composite
BOSONS**

photonic content \longleftrightarrow very low mass

High condensation temperature

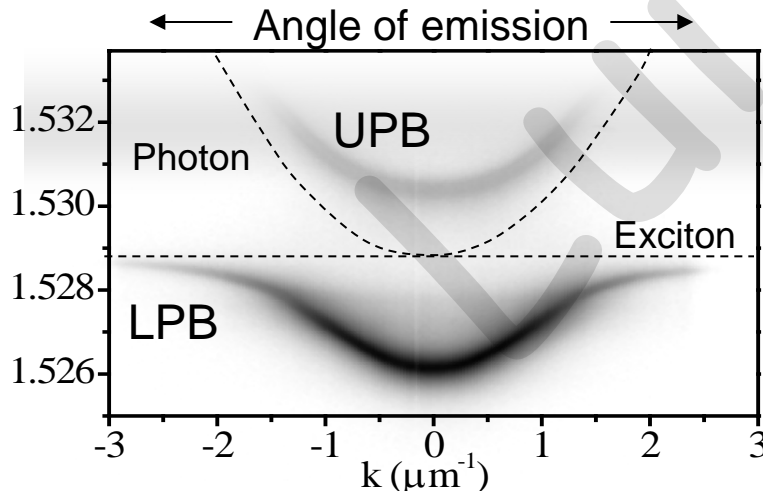
10 K - 300 K

$$\lambda_T = \left(\frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{mk_B T} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

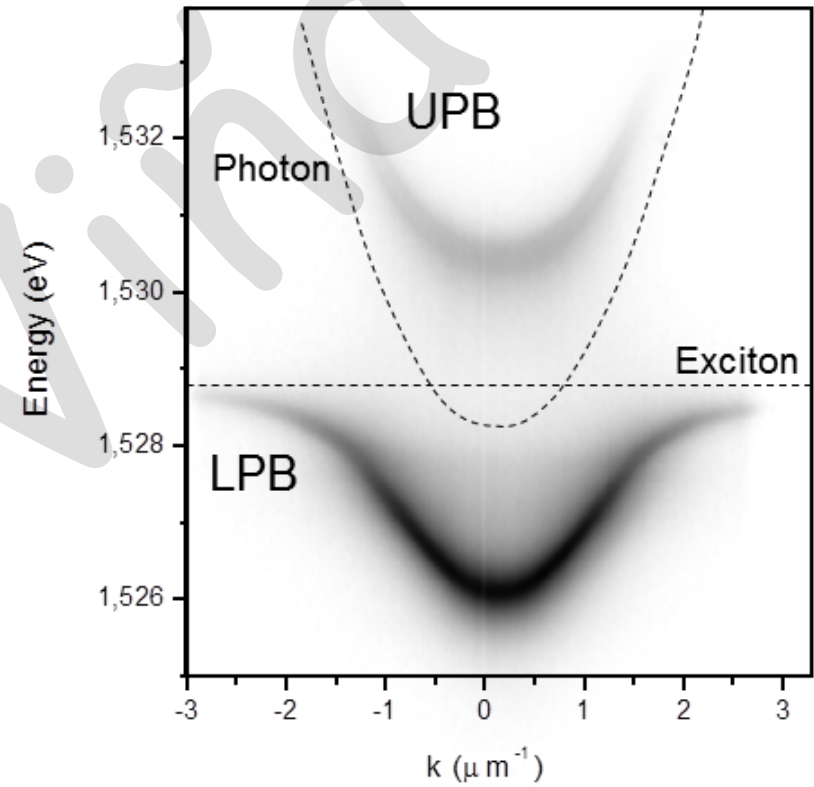
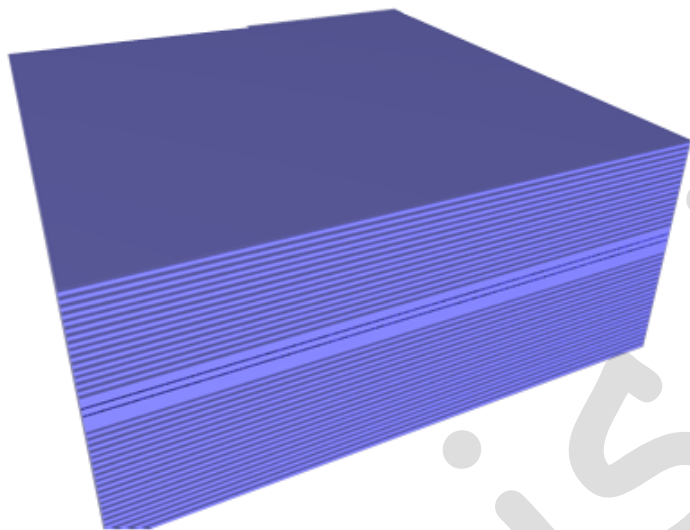
species	atomic gases	polaritons
mass m^*/m_0	10^4	10^{-5}
Bohr radius	10^{-1} \AA	10^2 \AA
λ_T at T_c	10^3 \AA	10^4 \AA
T_c	$< 1 \mu\text{K}$	10 – 300K

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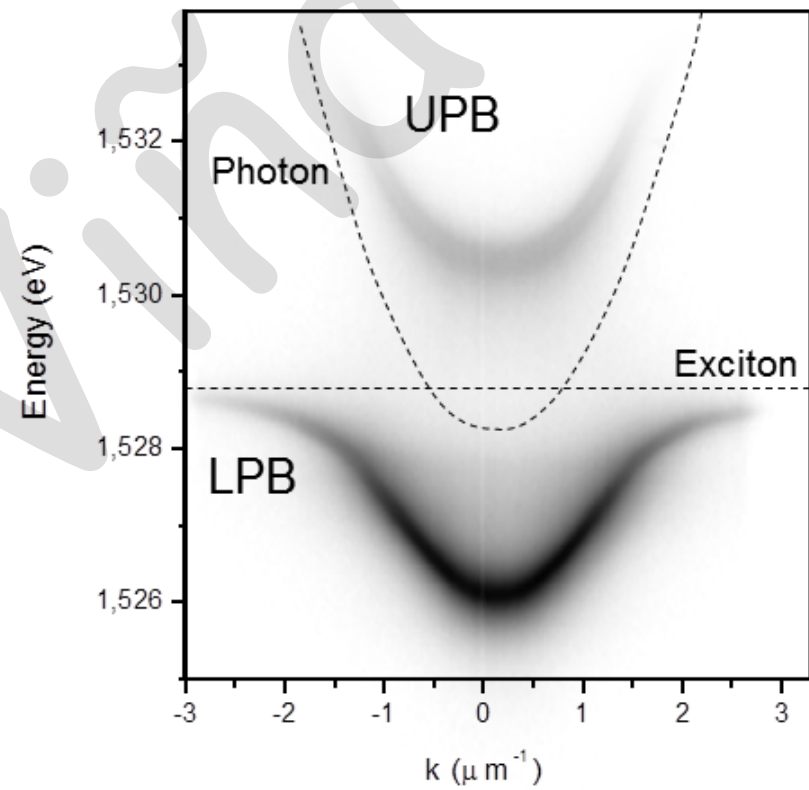
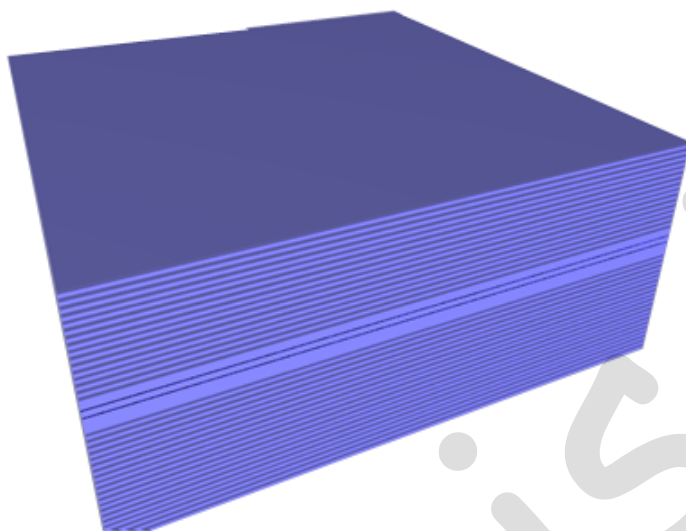
PL experiment



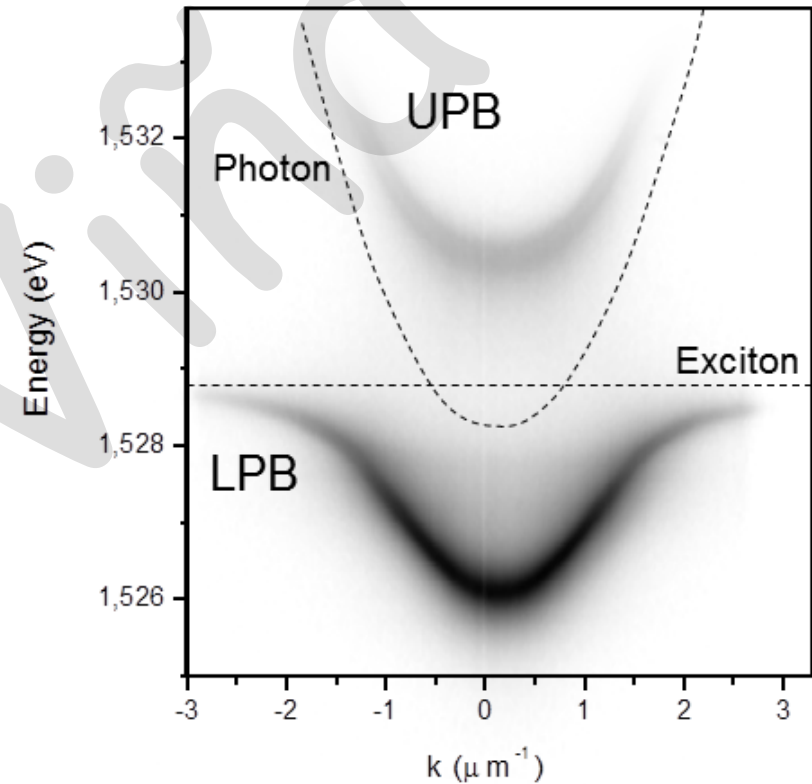
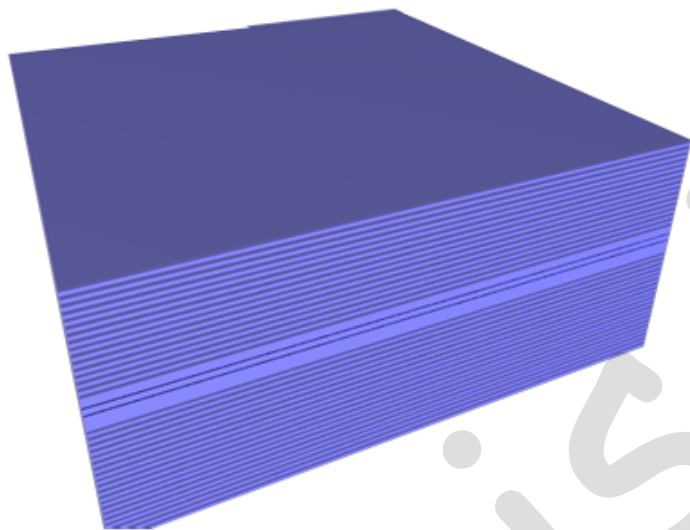
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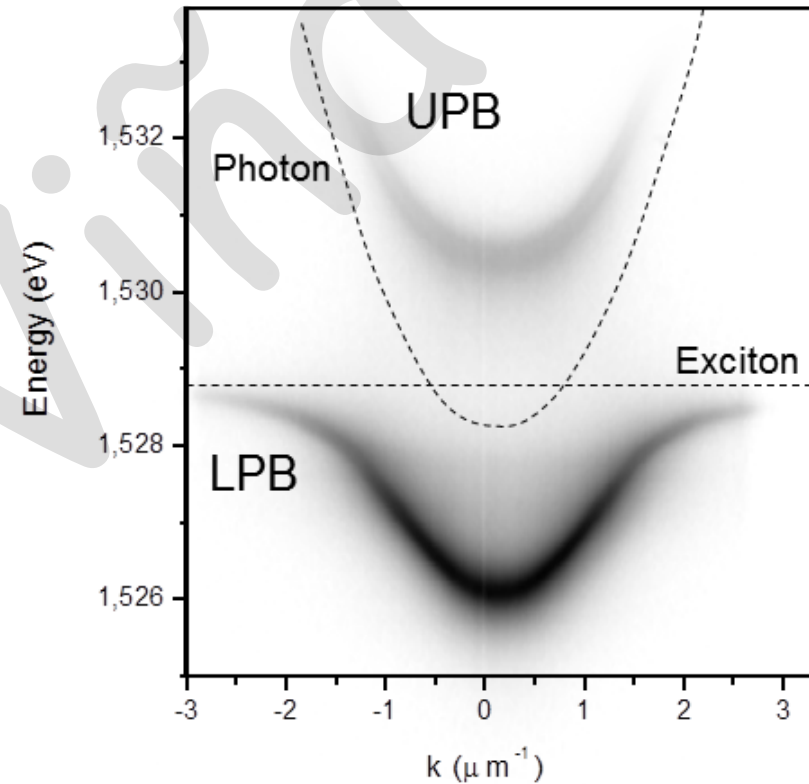
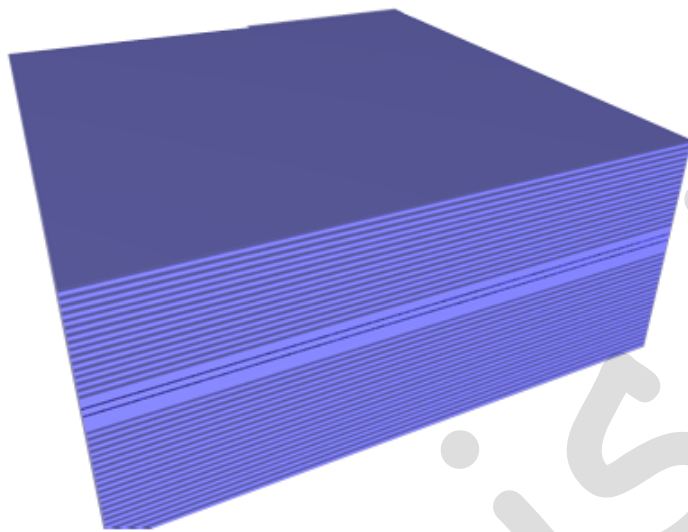


- Low mass ($10^{-5} m_e$) \rightarrow low density of states

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High condensation temperatures
(10 K - 300 K)

Polaritons



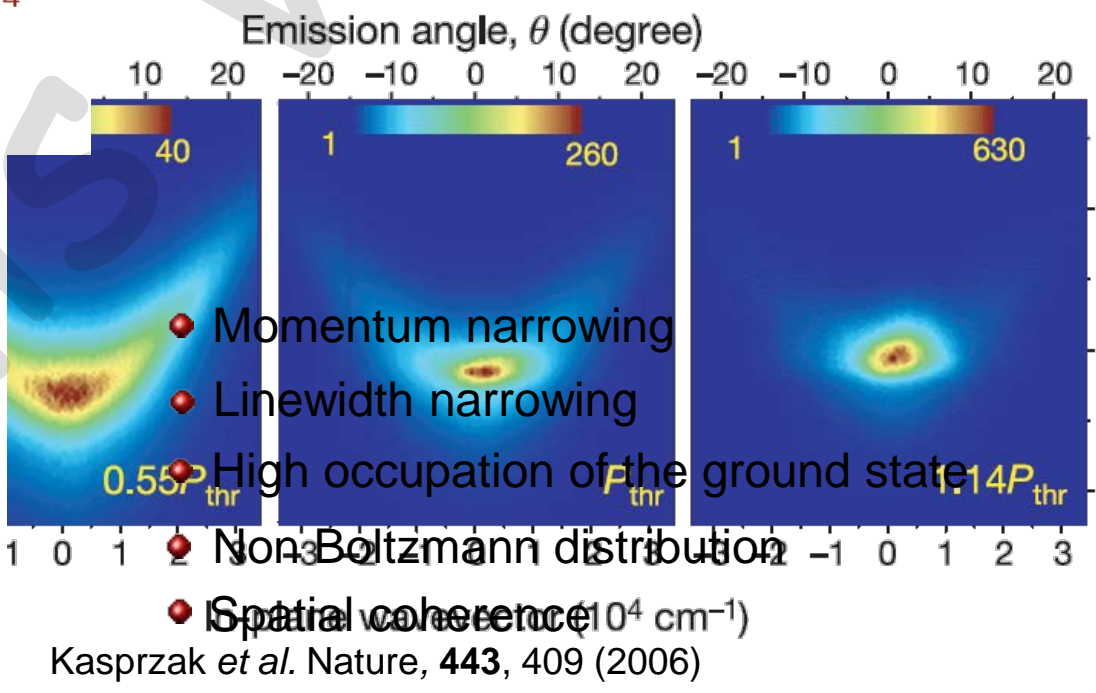
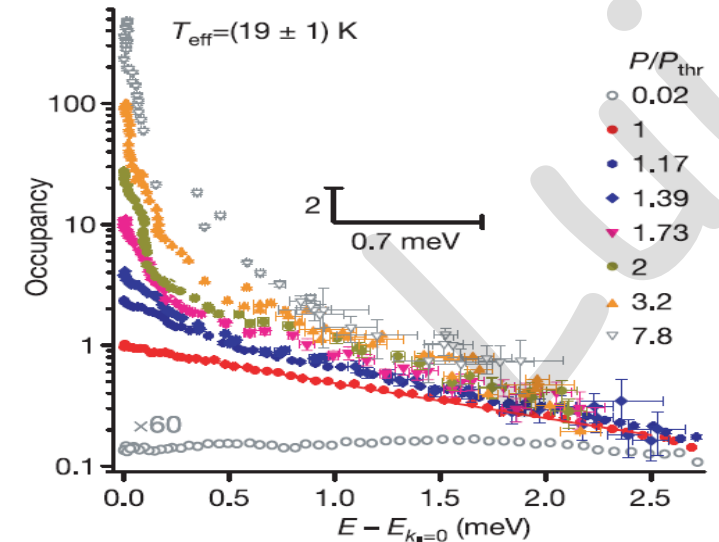
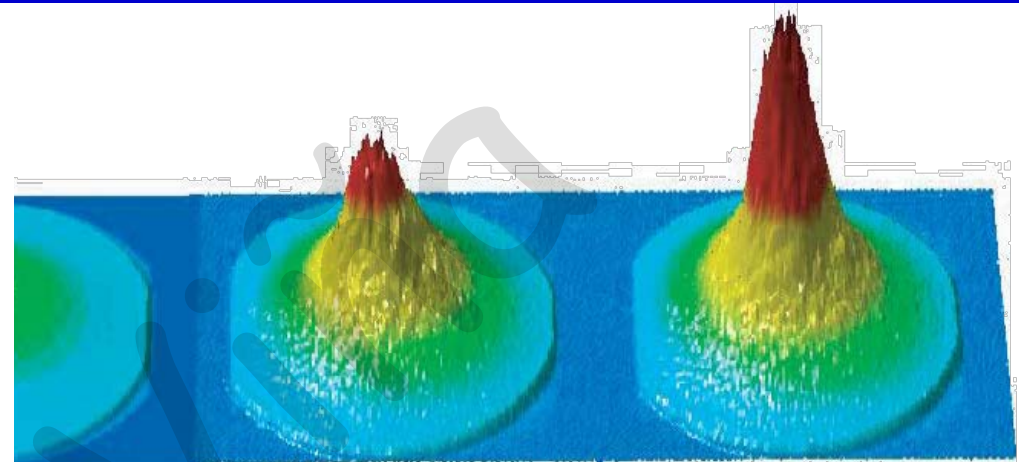
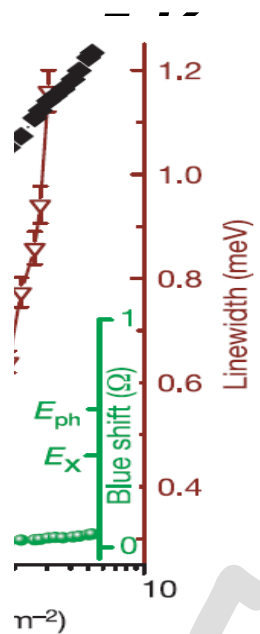
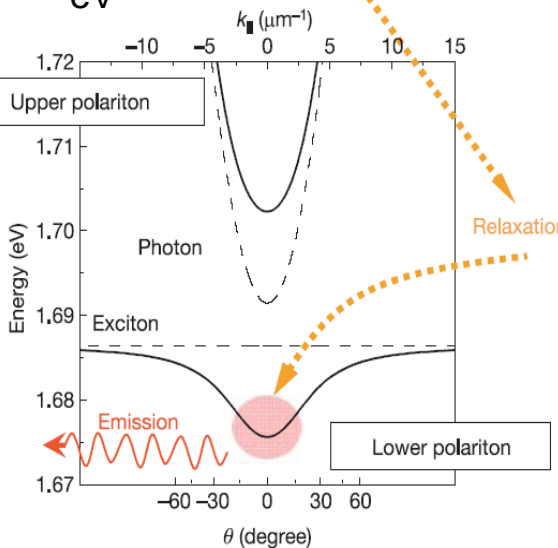
- Low mass ($10^{-5} m_e$) \rightarrow low density of states
- Strong non-linearities (χ^3) \rightarrow polariton OPO



Ideal system to study interacting BEC

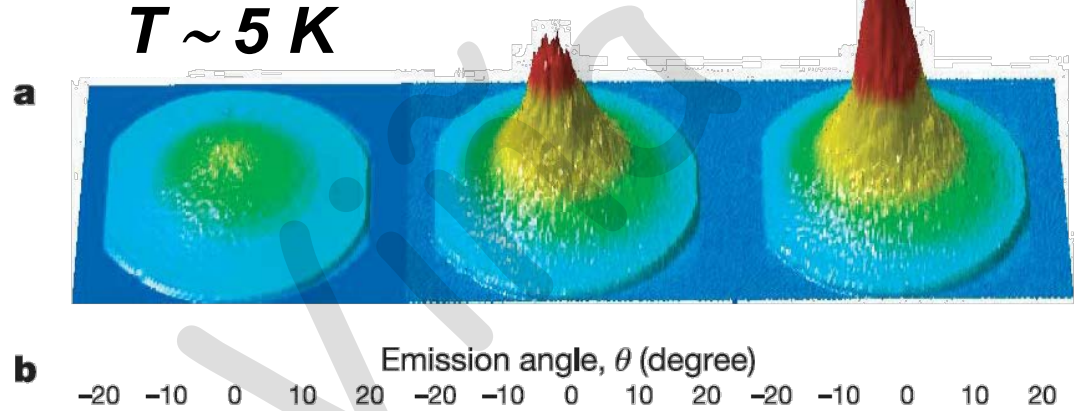
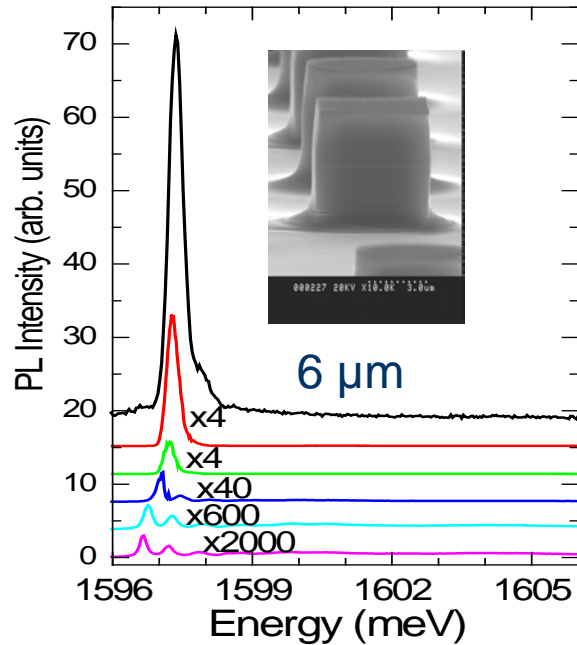
BEC of polaritons

a Excitation CW laser 1.755 eV

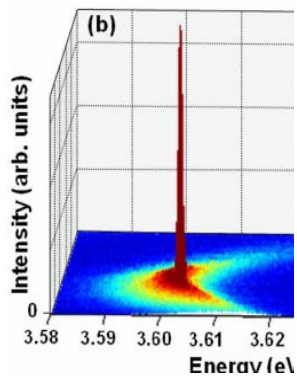


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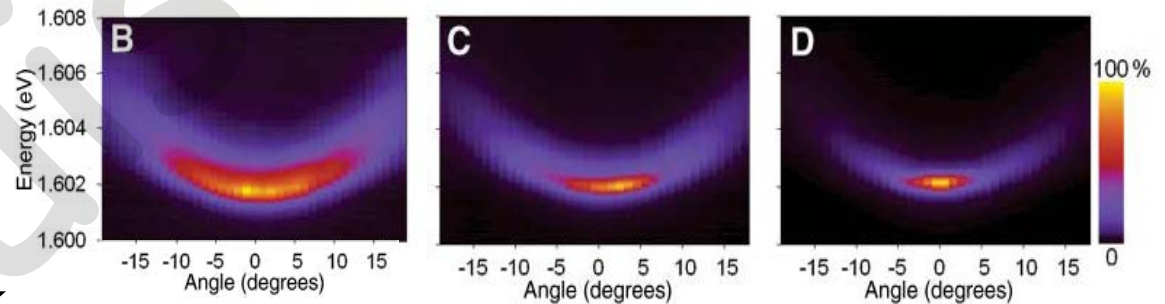
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$T \sim 300 K$



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Superfluid flow of Helium through the pores of a glass & Helium fountain

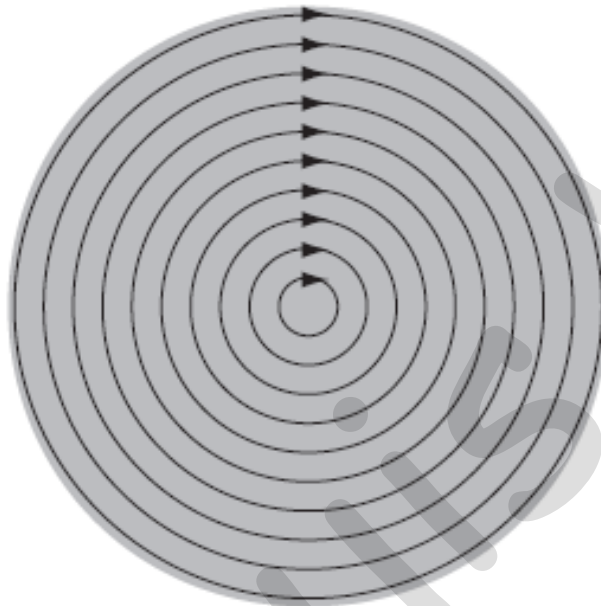
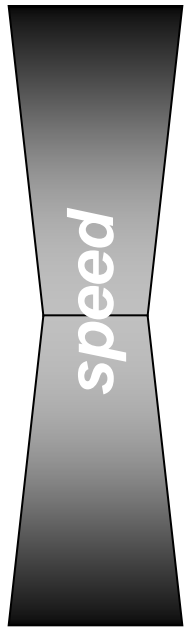


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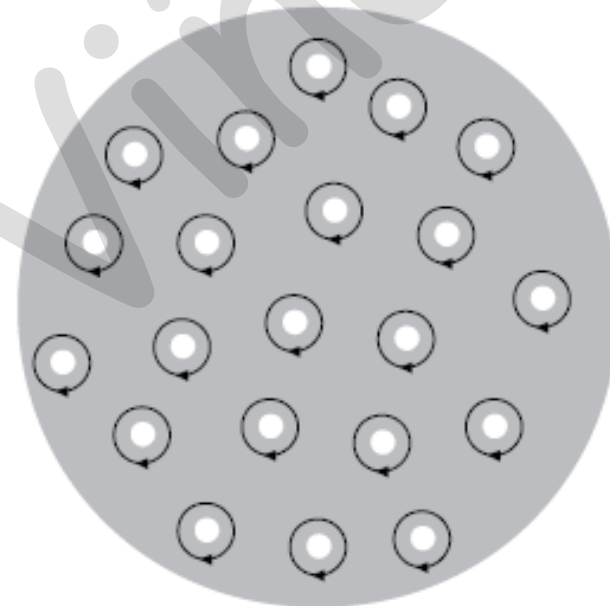


Superfluidity: phenomenology

Normal fluid



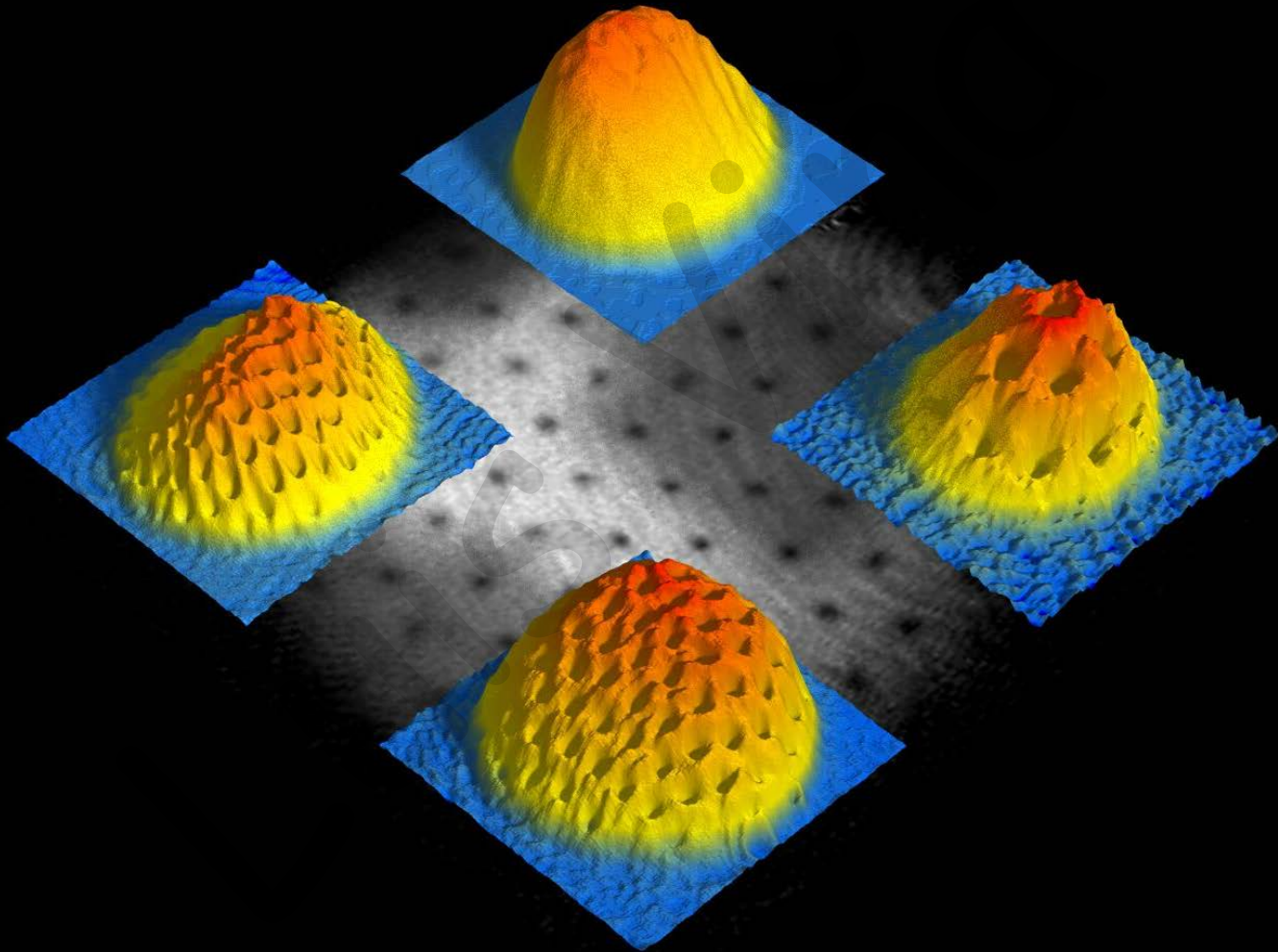
Superfluid



Quantum-mechanical particle
in a circle: orbit = $n \times \lambda_{dB}$

Appearance of singular regions:
arrays of vortices

Lattices of vortices in a BEC



W. Ketterle, MIT physics annual (2001)

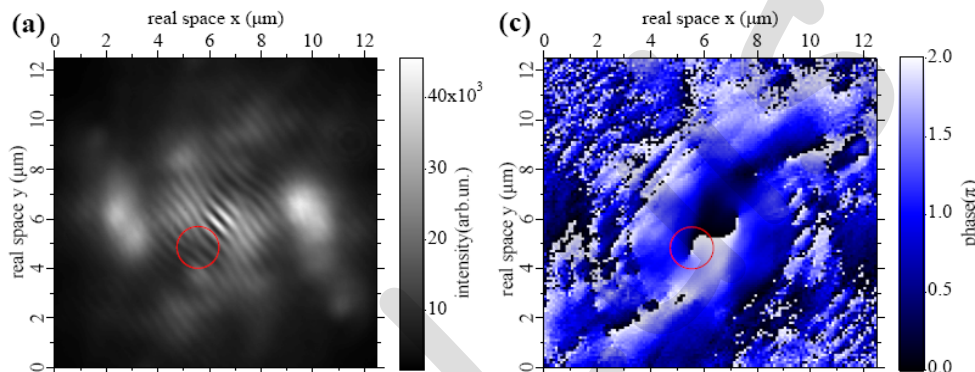
Superfluidity: phenomenology

- Hess-Fairbank effect $\omega < \omega_c$ superfluid cannot rotate
 - Quantized circulation $\omega > \omega_c$ angular momentum is quantized
- } continuity of the phase

vortex formation

polariton BEC
(spontaneous)

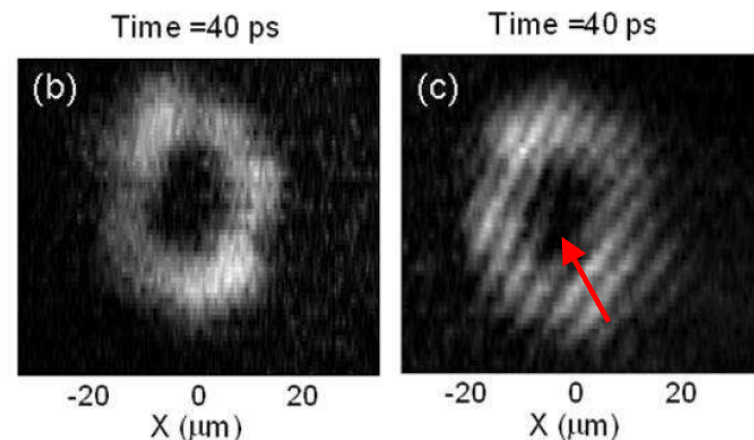
$$n = 1$$



Lagoudakis *et al.*, *Nature Phys.*, **4**, 706 (2008)

polariton BEC
(stirred)

$$n = 2$$



Sanvitto *et al.*, *Nature Phys.* **6**, 527 (2010)

Superfluidity: definition

→ Hess-Fairbank effect $\omega < \omega_c$ superfluid cannot rotate

→ Quantized circulation $\omega > \omega_c$ angular momentum is quantized

→ Persistent currents circulation persists indefinitely

→ Frictionless flow no drag on objects traversing the condensate if

$$v_f < v_c$$

drag if $v_f > v_c$ Čerenkov regime



The Landau Criterion

in polaritons in semiconductor microcavities

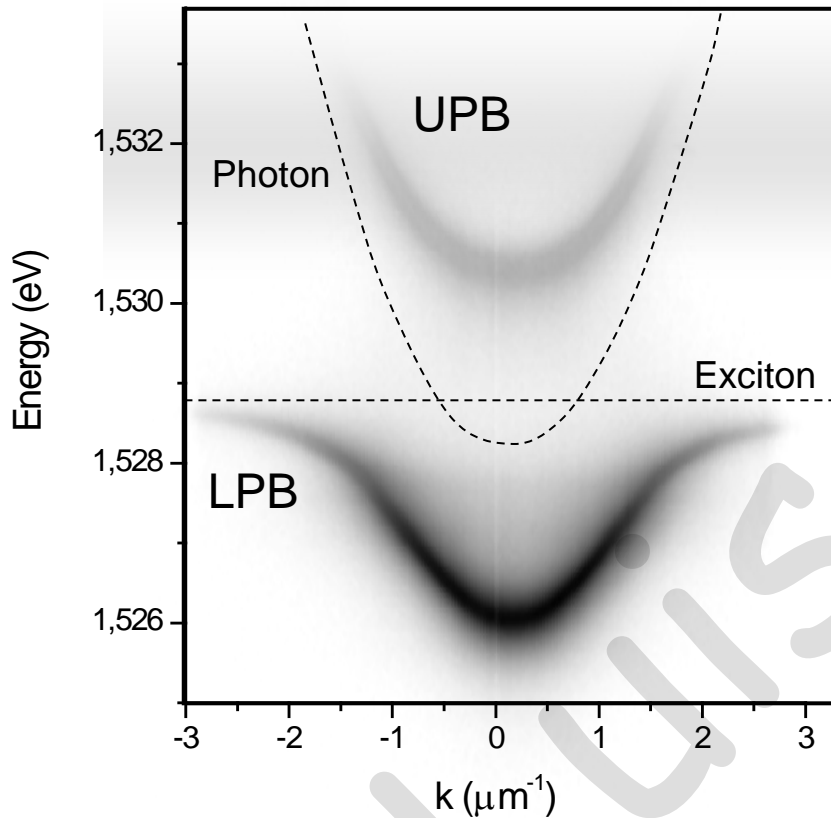
Our experiments: dynamics of the polariton condensed phase

Polaritons in the OPO regime: A quantum state put in motion

- ➔ Creation of polariton fluids with $k \neq 0$
- ➔ Interaction with defects

Part I: Creation of polariton fluids with $k \neq 0$

GOAL: make polaritons flow and study their excitations

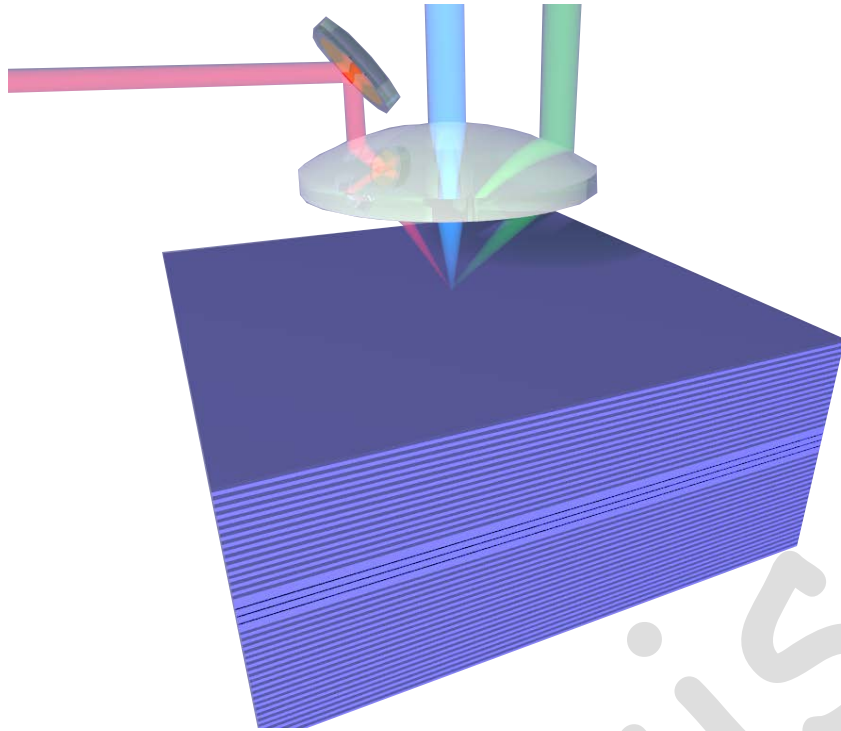


Creating a polariton fluid at $k \neq 0$

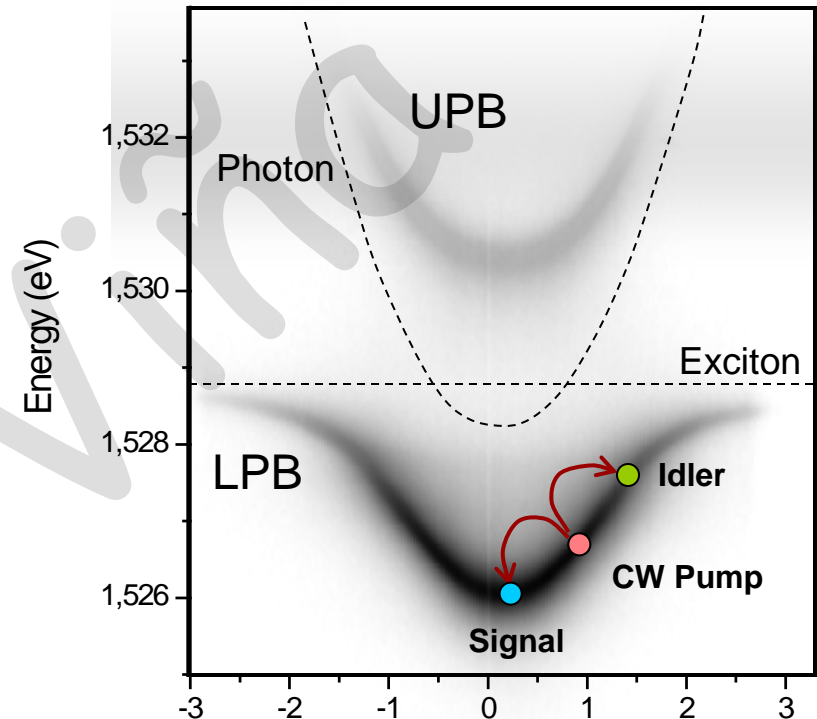
CHALLENGES:

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- Limited polariton lifetime (2-10 ps)
- Laser stray light in actual experiments

Making polaritons flow: OPO



$\lambda/2$ GaAs cavity with one InAs QW



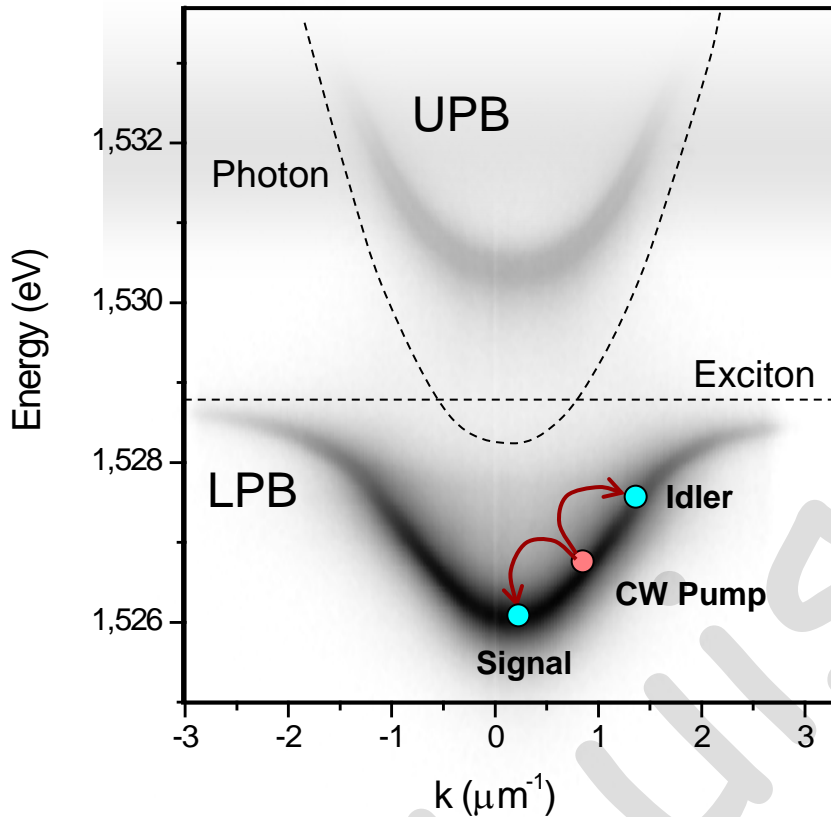
$$k_s + k_i = 2k_p$$

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Scattering of pump polariton (k_p , E_p) into a signal (k_s , E_s) and an idler ($2k_p - k_s$, $2E_p - E_s$) stimulated by final state occupation

Condition on the phase: $2\varphi_{pump} = \varphi_{signal} + \varphi_{idler}$

Making polaritons flow: OPO



Pumping at the inflexion point

Spontaneous parametric scattering

Above a given threshold

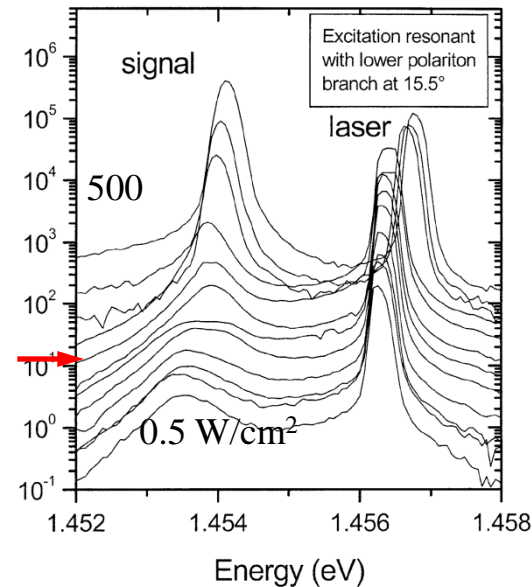
Bosonic system

Stimulated parametric scattering to **signal and idler modes at $k = 0$**

Savvidis *et al.* PRL **84** 1547 (2000)
Stevenson *et al.* PRL **85** 3680 (2000)

Dispersion relation
+
pol-pol interactions

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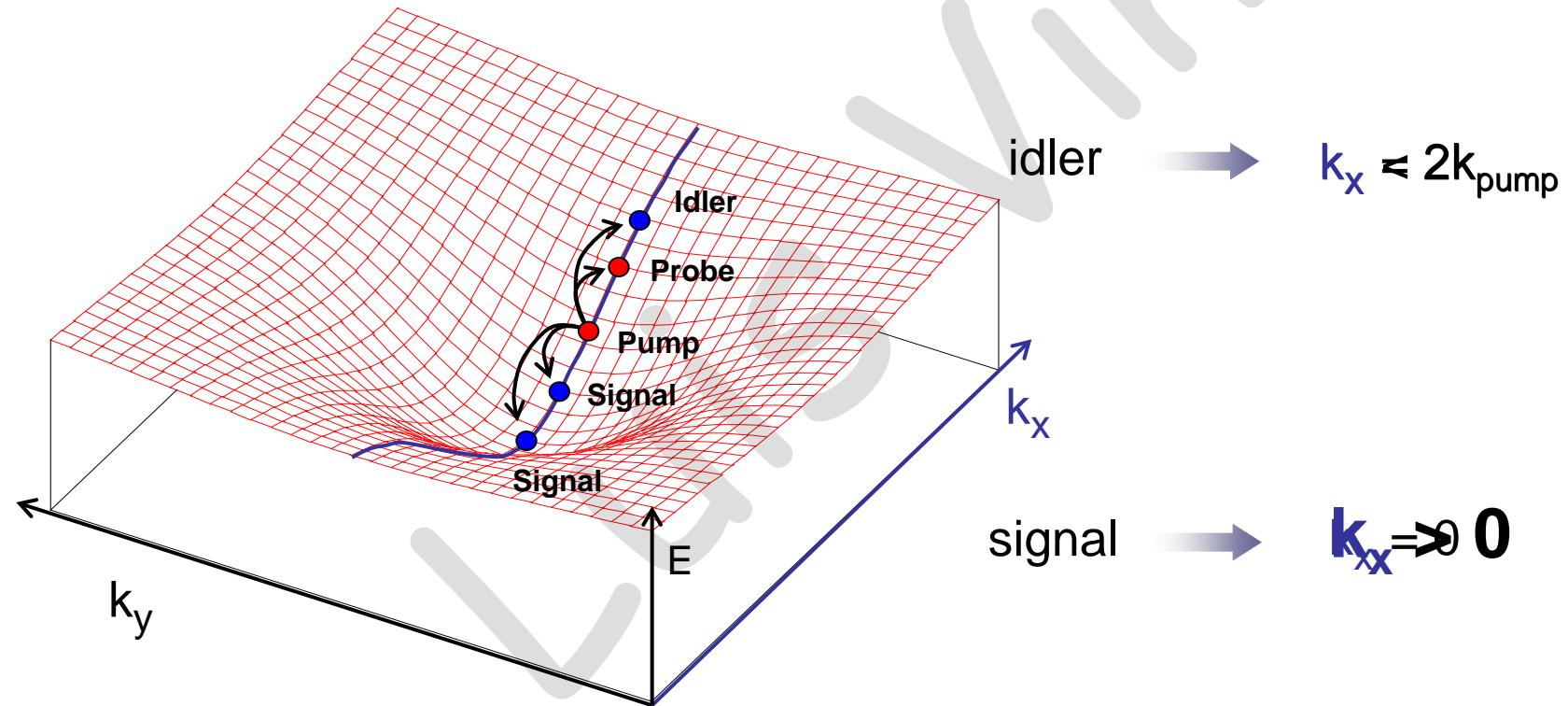


How can we give a finite velocity to polariton condensates?

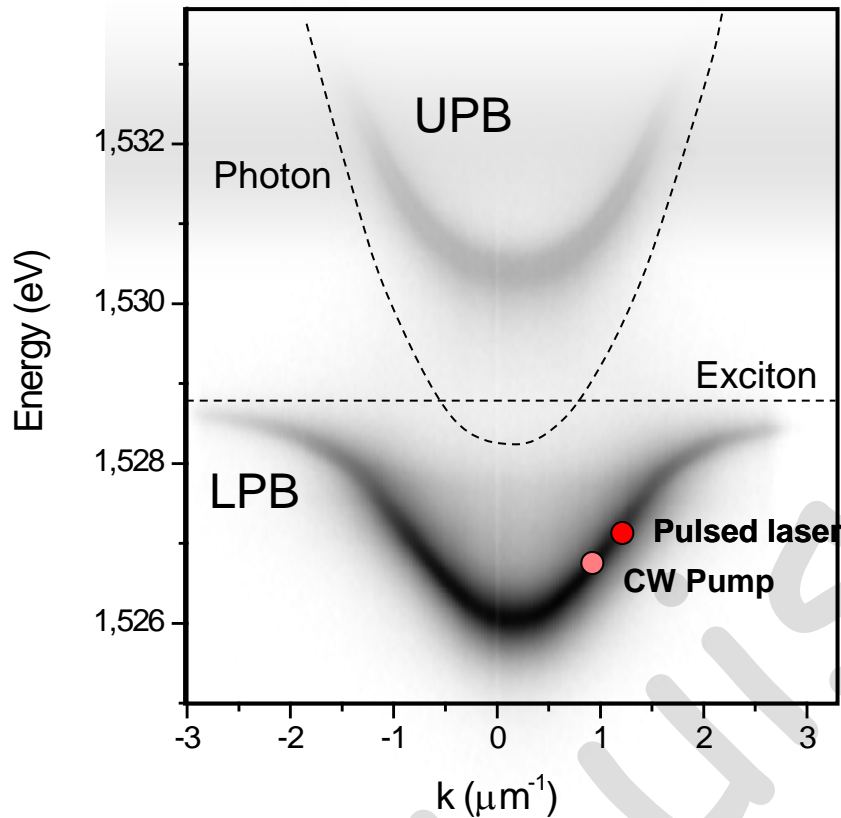
$$v_g = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial E}{\partial k}$$

A pump only OPO takes always place at $k=0$

For the TOPO, the initial phase matching conditions of the idler determine the final state of the signal



Making polaritons flow: **TOPO**



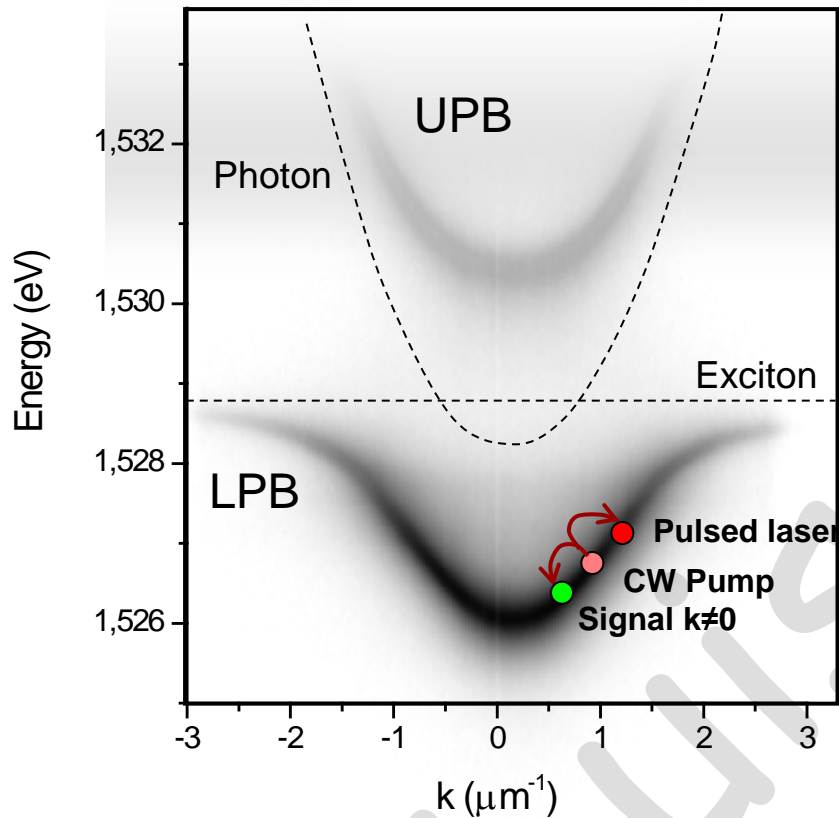
The **TOPO** configuration
(triggered optical parametric oscillator)

- CW pump below spontaneous stimulation threshold
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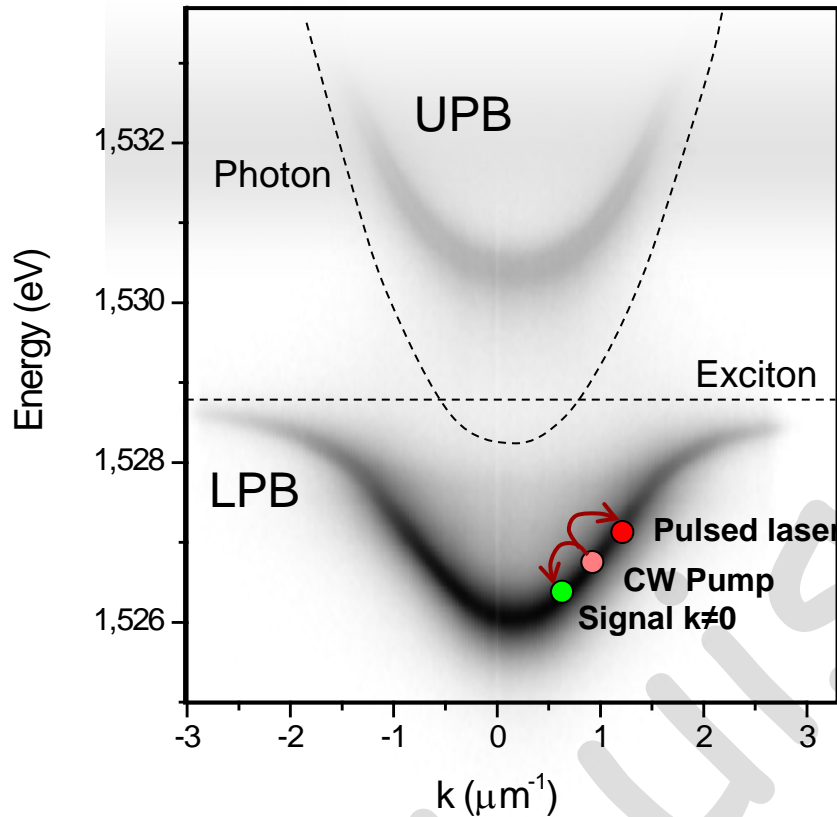
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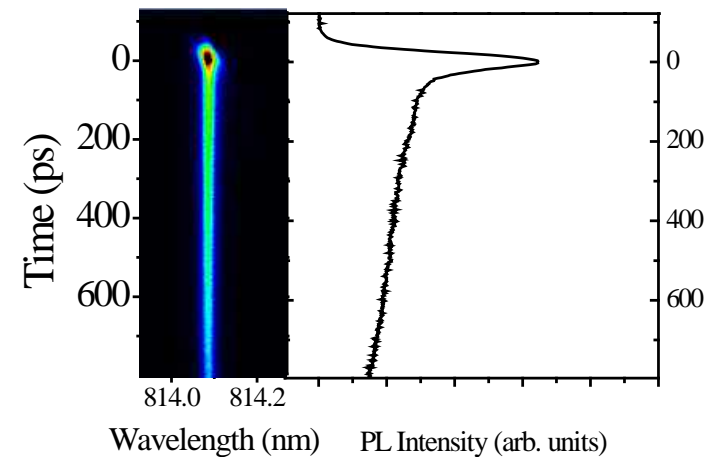
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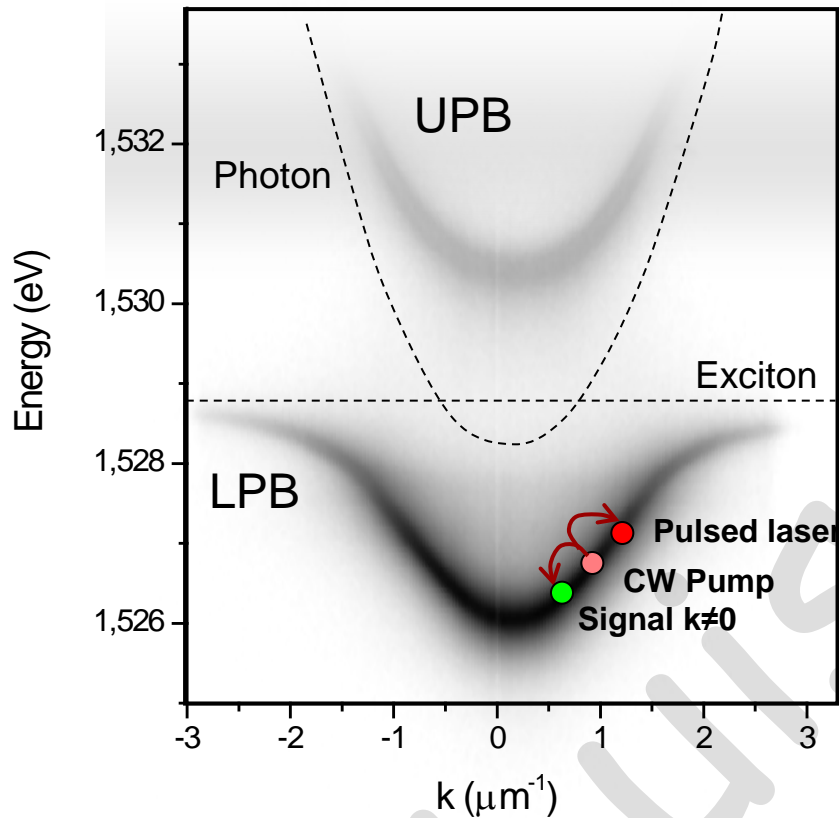


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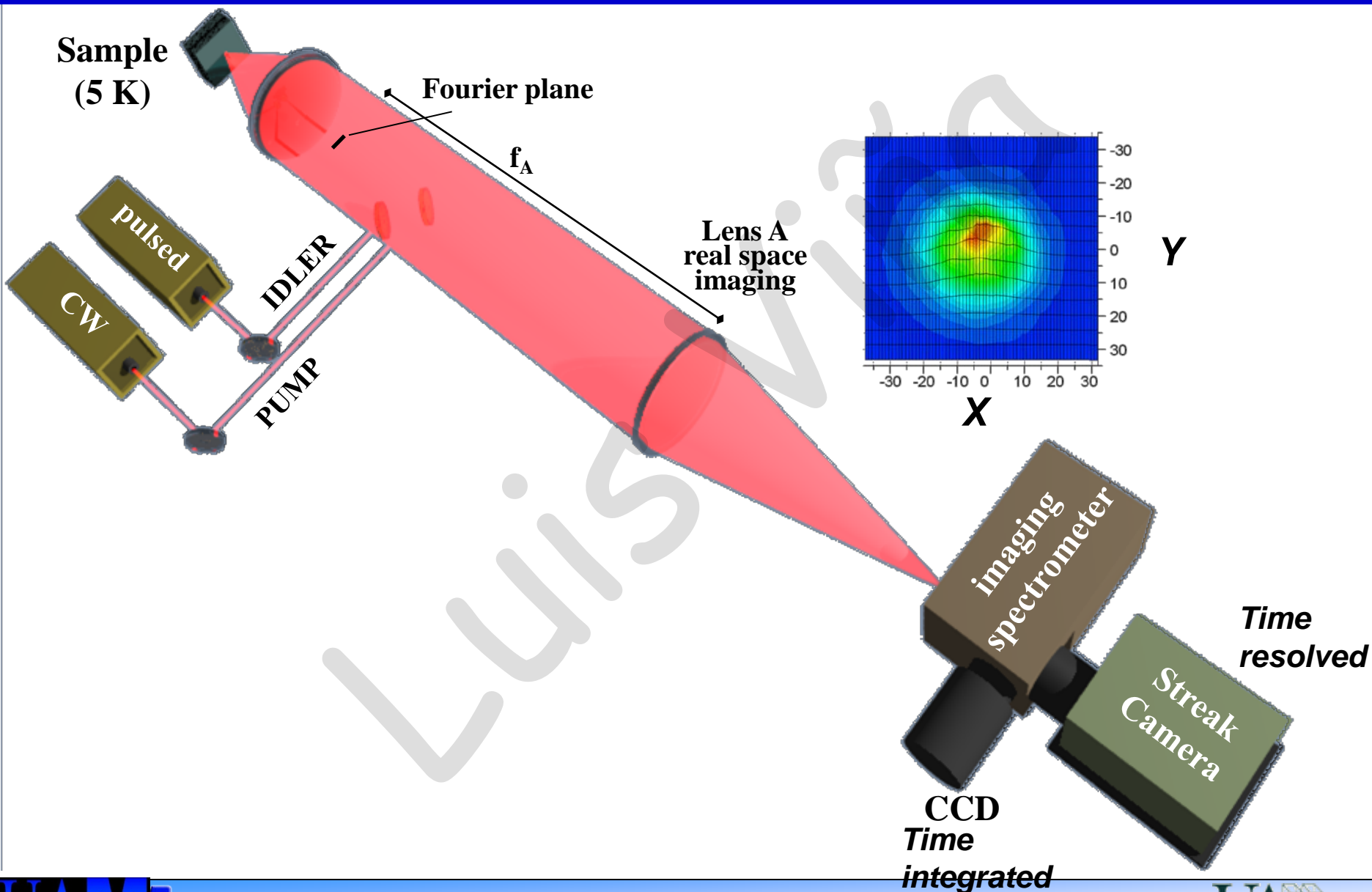
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Creating a polariton fluid at $k \neq 0$

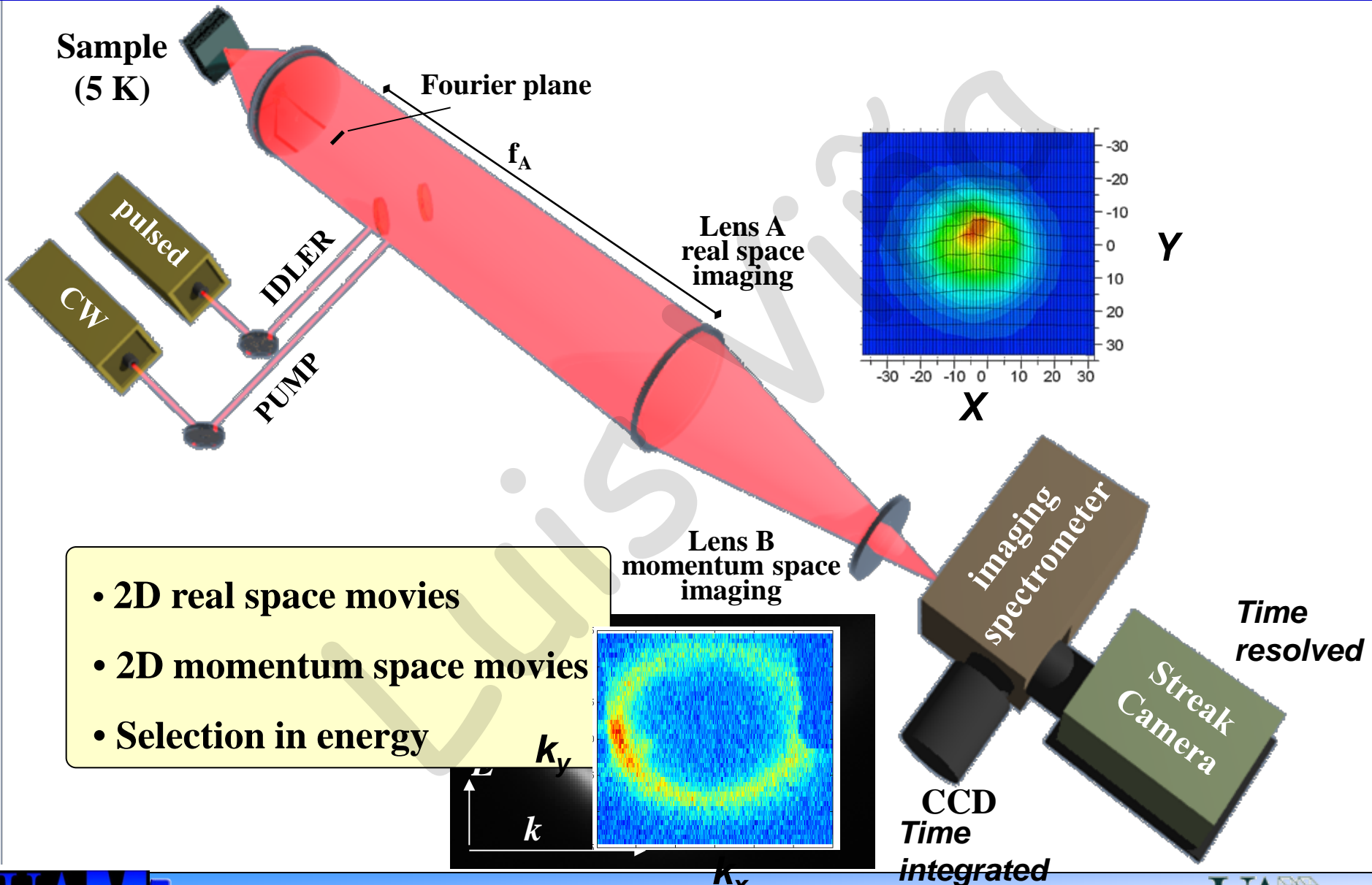
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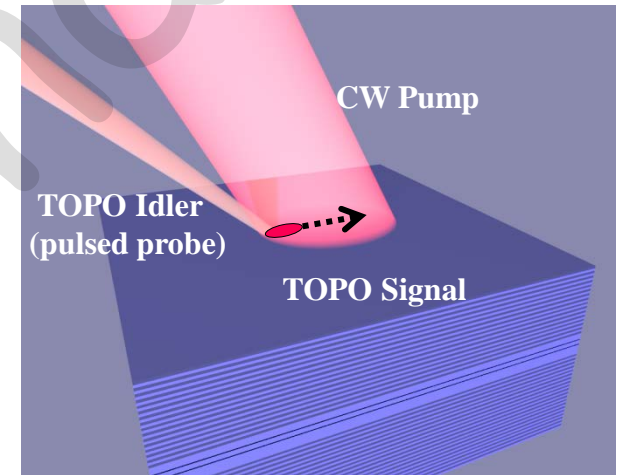
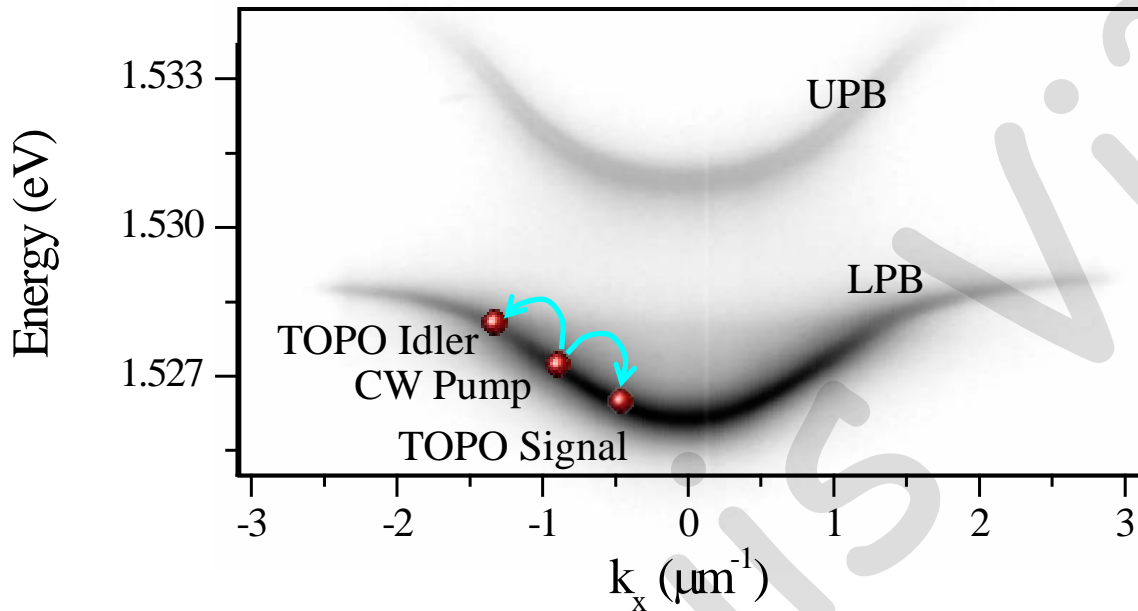


The actual experiment: set-up



- 2D real space movies
- 2D momentum space movies
- Selection in energy

Experiment preparation

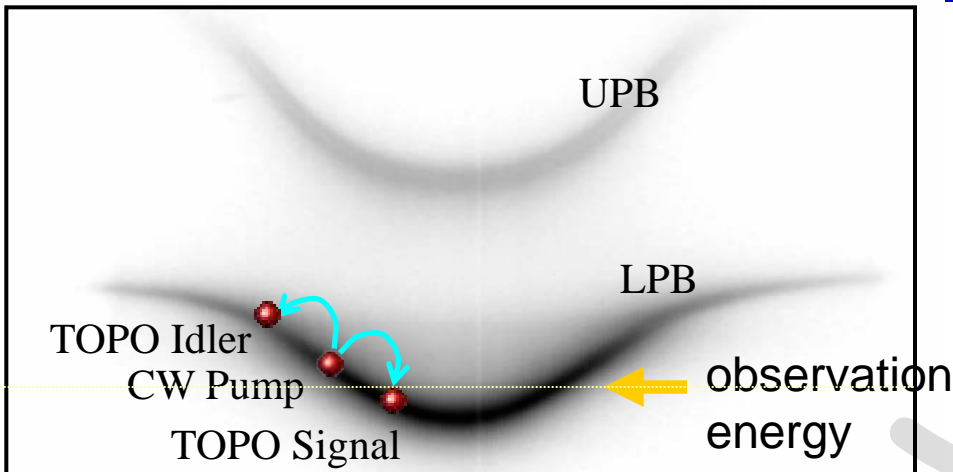


Coexistence of **two fluids** with different velocities:

$$v_g = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial E}{\partial k} > 0 \quad \rightarrow$$

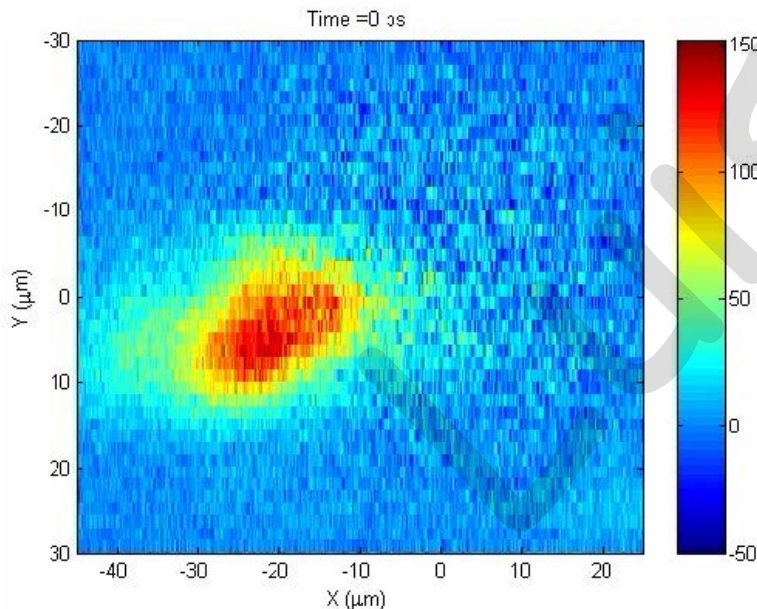
- Steady state CW (pump) ← large spot
- Triggered OPO (signal) ← small initial spot

Incoherent polariton flow

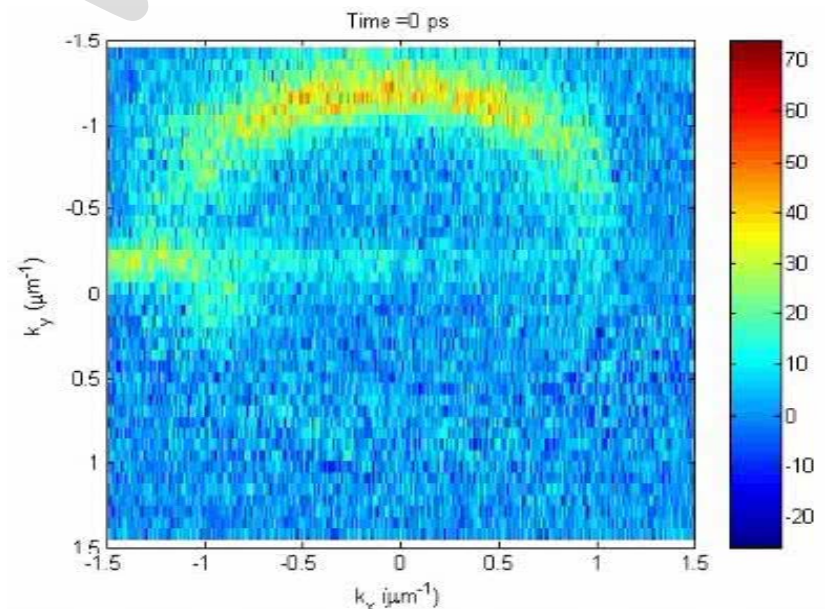


Low pump power

- Localization in shallow potential
- Not well defined k



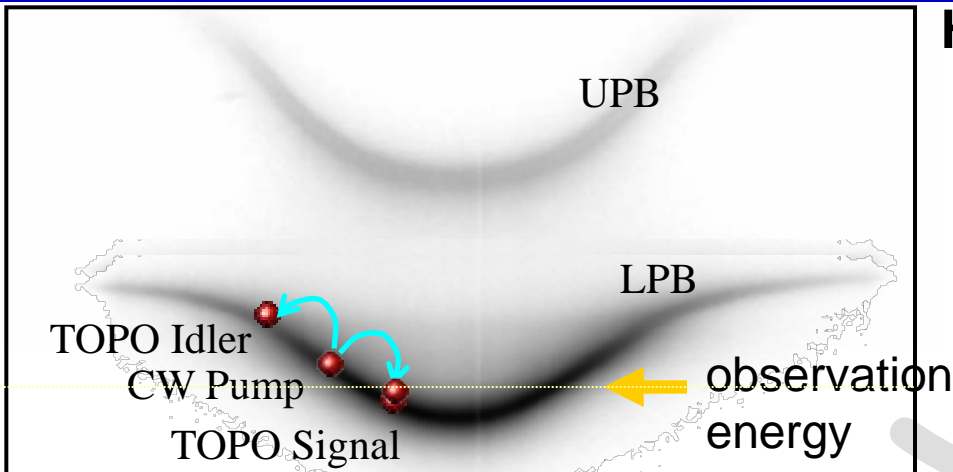
real space



momentum space

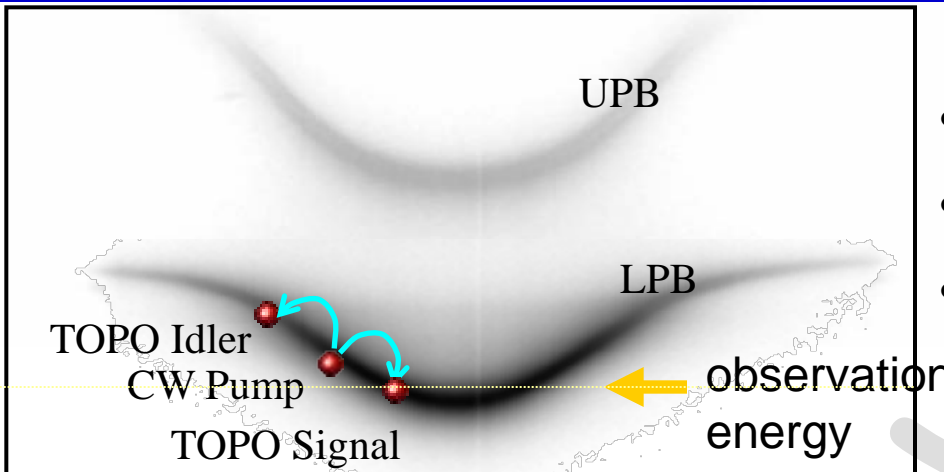
Coherent polariton flow

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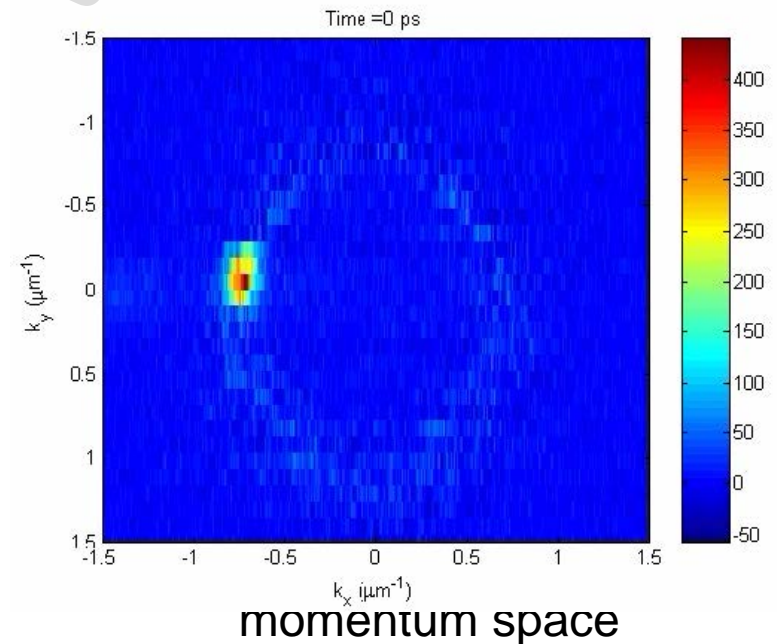
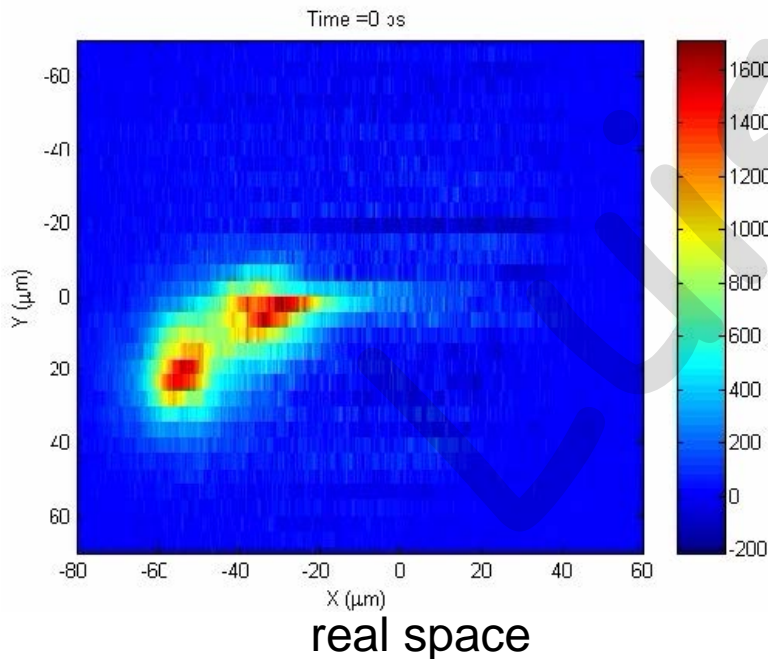
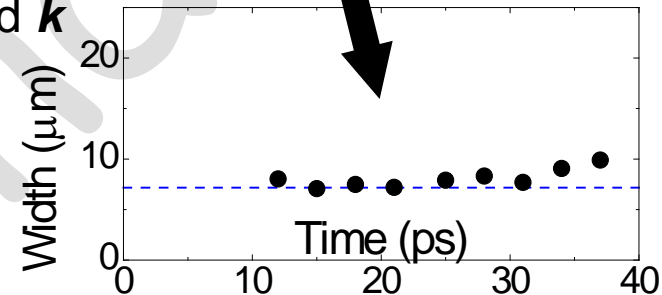
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Coherent polariton flow



High pump power (blueshift)

- Unperturbed flow: no expansion
- Well defined k
- $1.7 \mu\text{m}/\text{ps}$



Part II: Interaction with defects

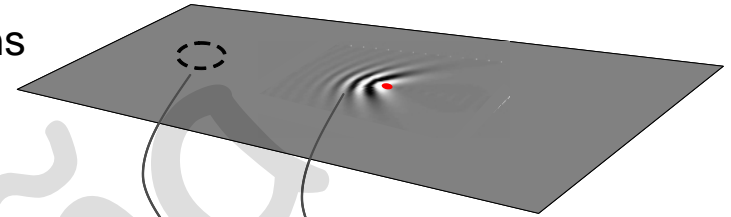
**GOAL: study the excitations of the polariton fluids
via interaction with defects**

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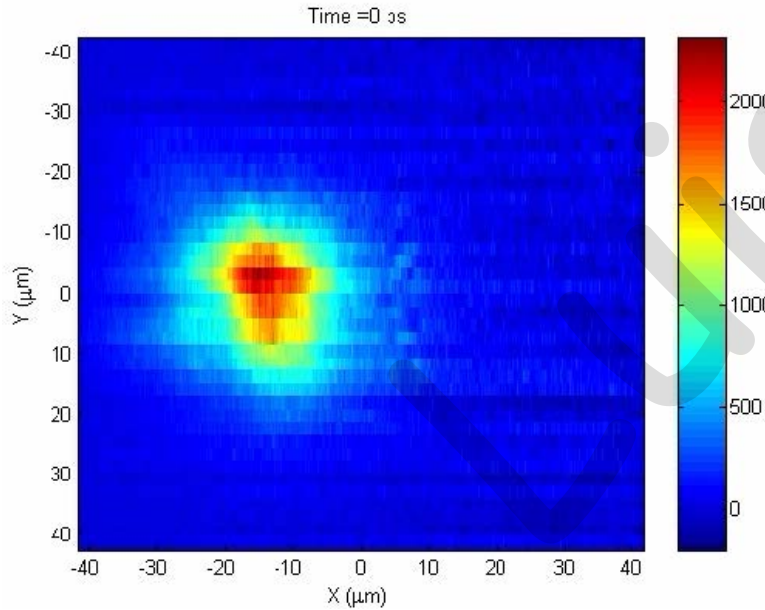
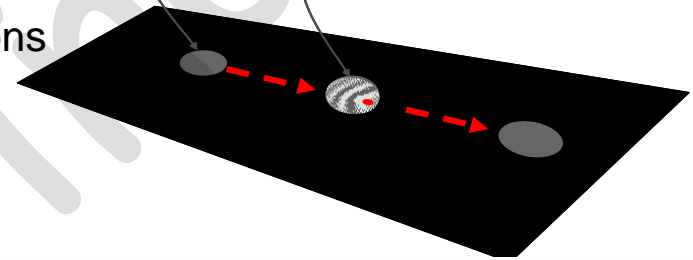
Interaction with small defect

- The defect is observed through the Čerenkov waves present at the pump state
- Signal fluid
no scattering with the defect
well defined momentum

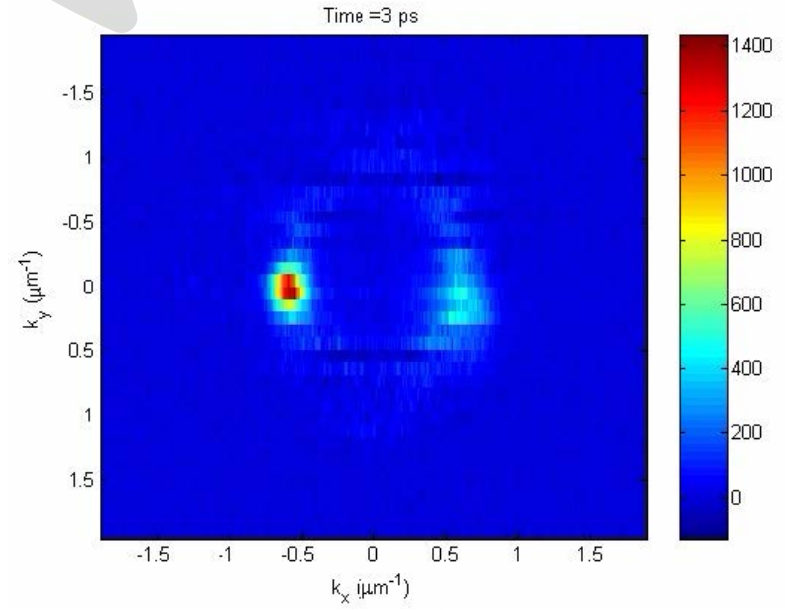
Pump polaritons



Signal polaritons



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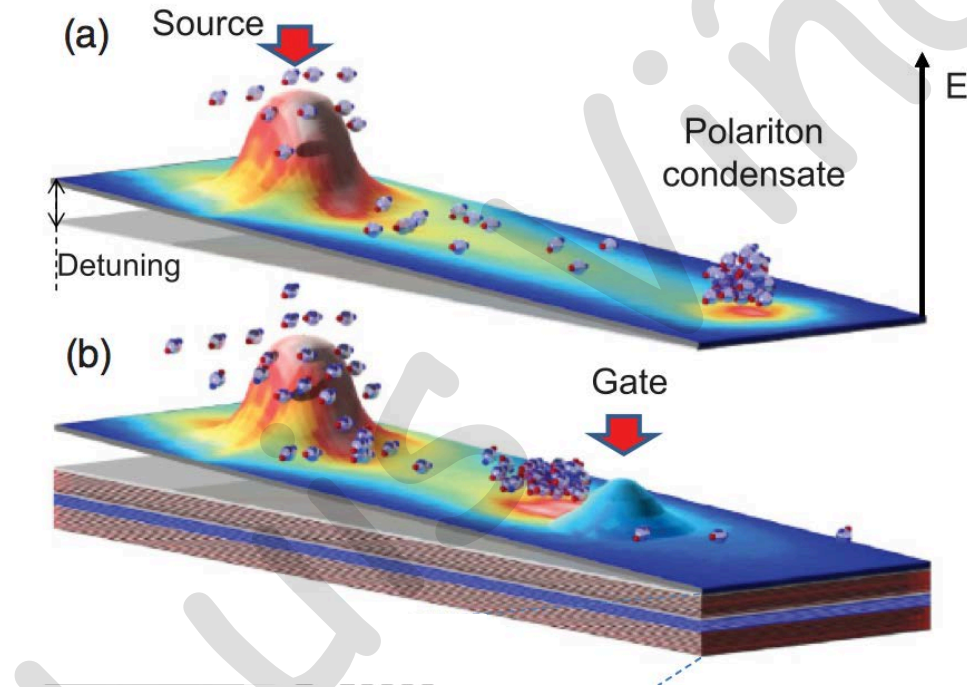


momentum space

Summary

- Polaritons allow for the dynamical study of their condensed state
- TOPO configuration:
 - ✓ creation of long lived polariton fluids with well defined k
- Linear dispersion \longrightarrow created by interactions
- Observation of Čerenkov shock waves
- Friction-less motion when passing through a defect
 - ✓ **Superfluidity**

Dynamics of a polariton condensate transistor switch



1. Motivations

2. Sample and previous work

3. Experiments

4. Theory and simulations

Motivations

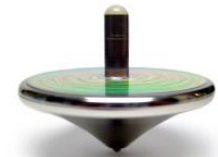
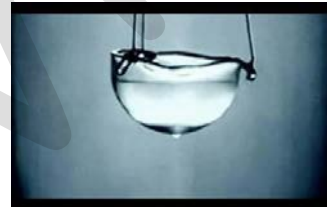
On the polaritronic technology...

Bose-Einstein condensates as a tool for technological development

✓ *Coherence* $\Psi_0(r, t)$

✓ *Superfluid character*

✓ *Spin properties*



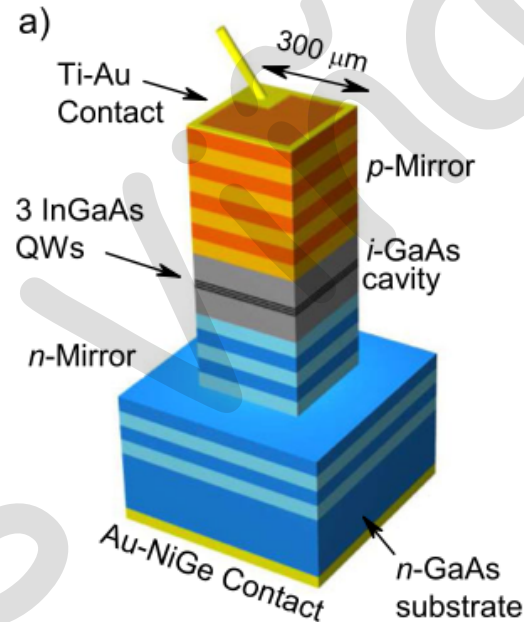
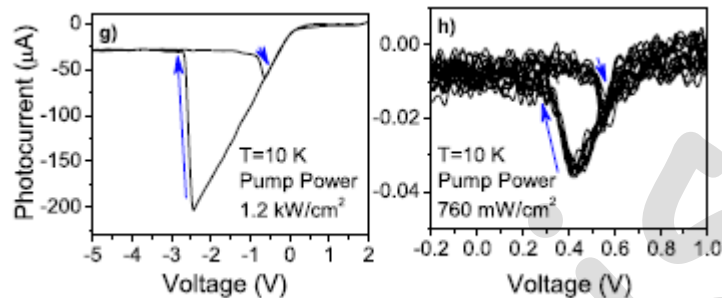
Why use polaritons?

species	atomic gases	polaritons
mass m^*/m_0	10^4	10^{-5}
Bohr radius	10^{-1} \AA	10^2 \AA
λ_T at T_c	10^3 \AA	10^4 \AA
T_c	$< 1 \mu\text{K}$	10 – 300K

Motivations

On the polaritronic technology...

✓ Optical gates



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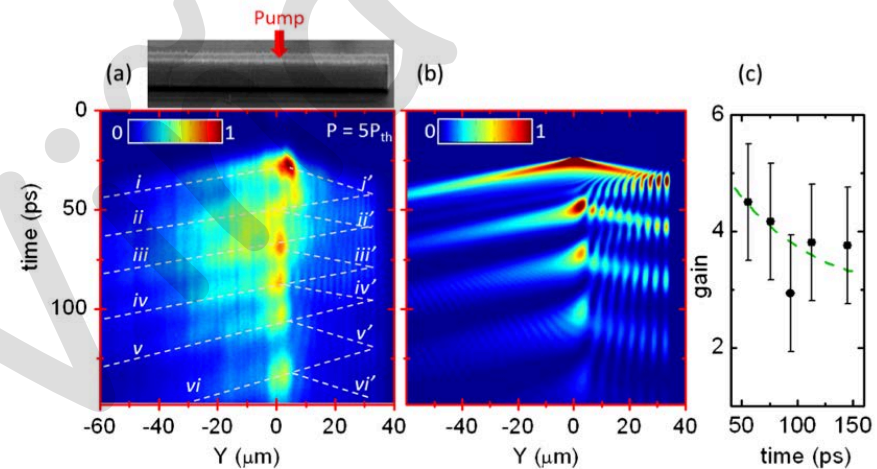
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Motivations

On the polaritronic technology...

✓ Optical amplifiers



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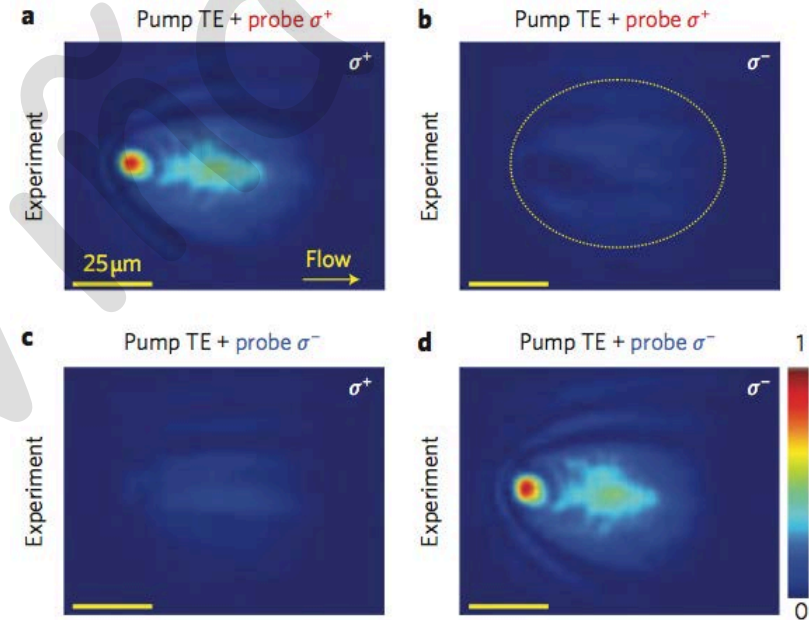
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Motivations

On the polaritronic technology...

✓ *Spin-switches*



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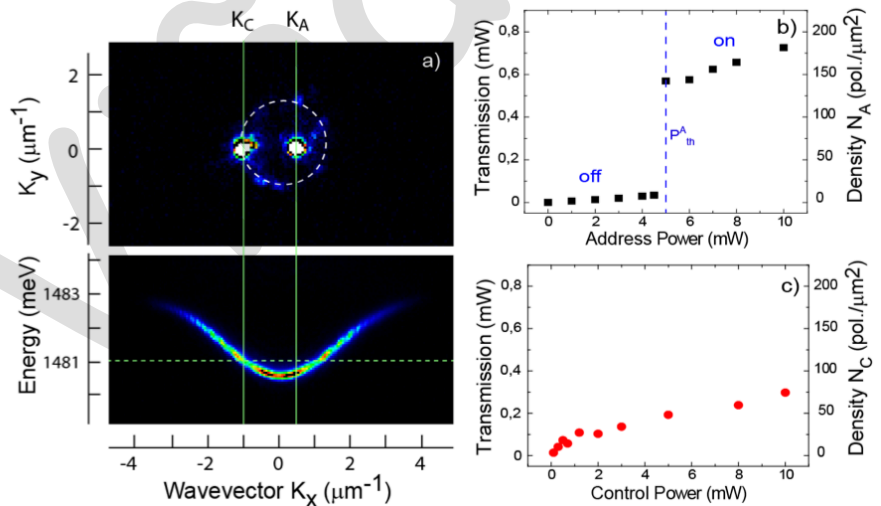
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Motivations

On the polaritronic technology...

✓ Transistors



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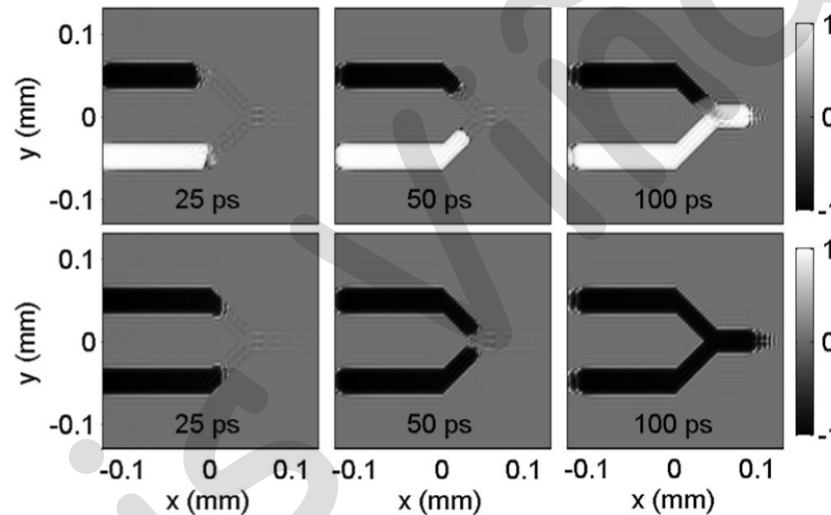
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Motivations

On the polaritronic technology...

✓ *Circuits*



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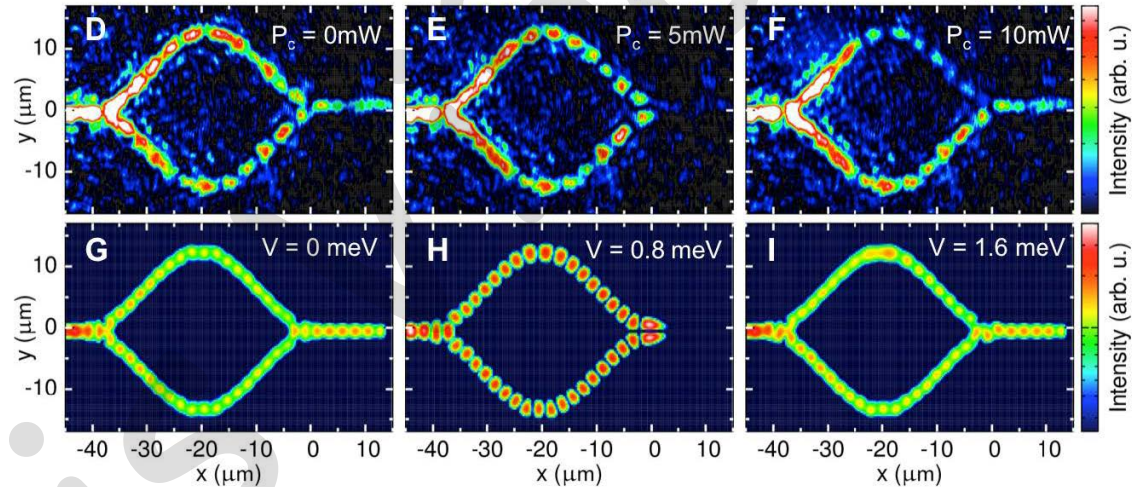
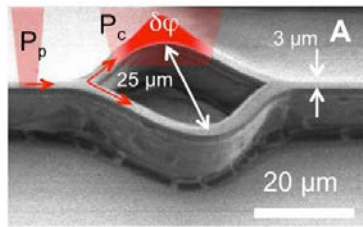
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Motivations

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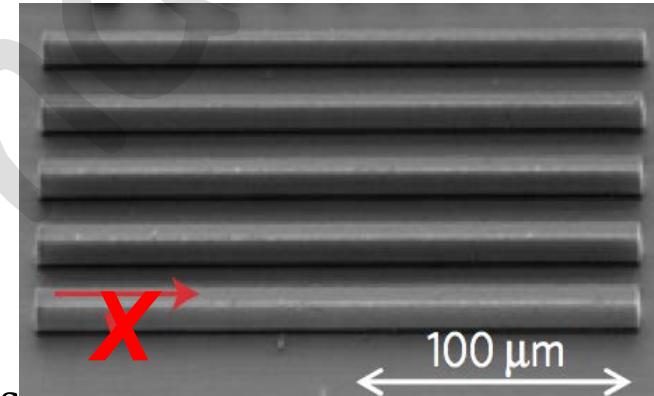
Reducing the **dimensionality** by patterning the microcavities

Wire microcavities

Very long polariton effective **lifetimes**

Propagation of condensates over **macroscopic distances**

Manipulation of condensates using **repulsive local potentials** by photogeneration of excitons



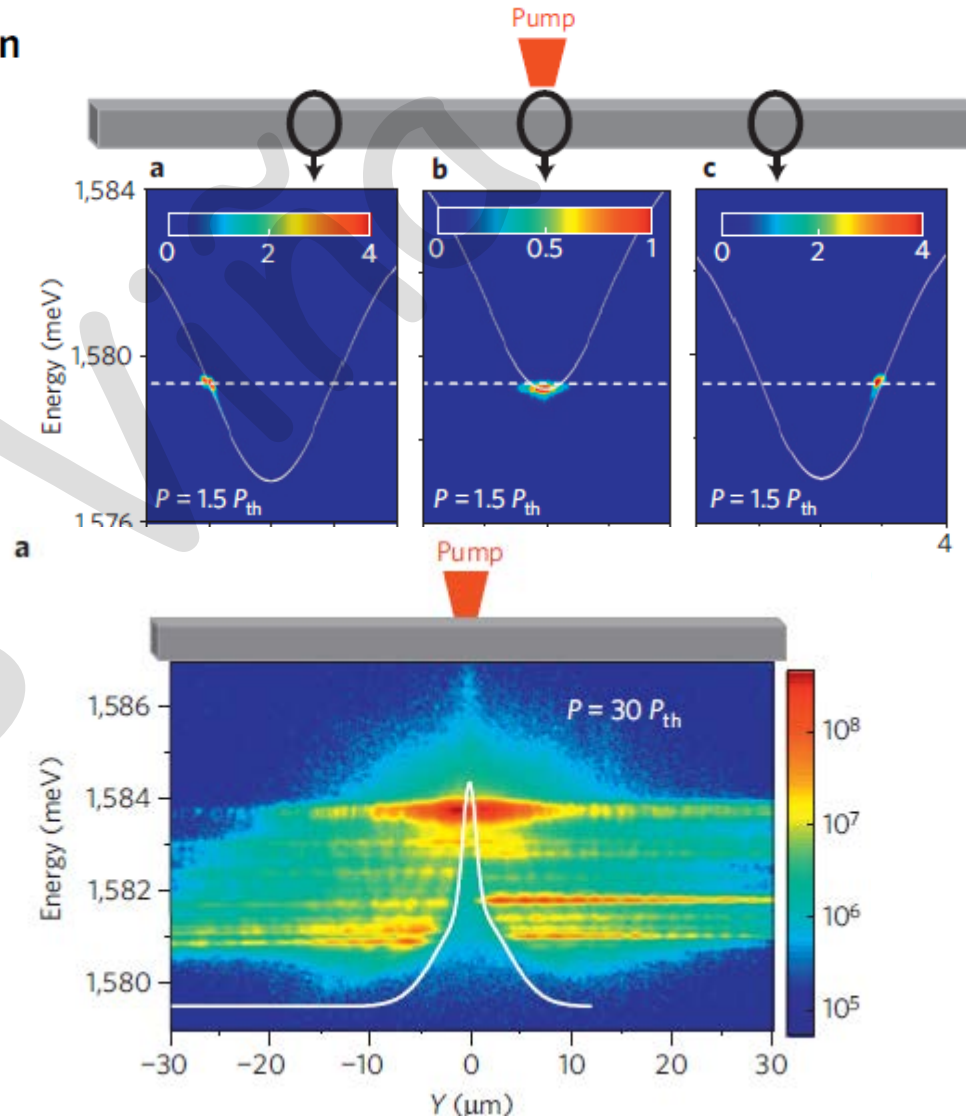
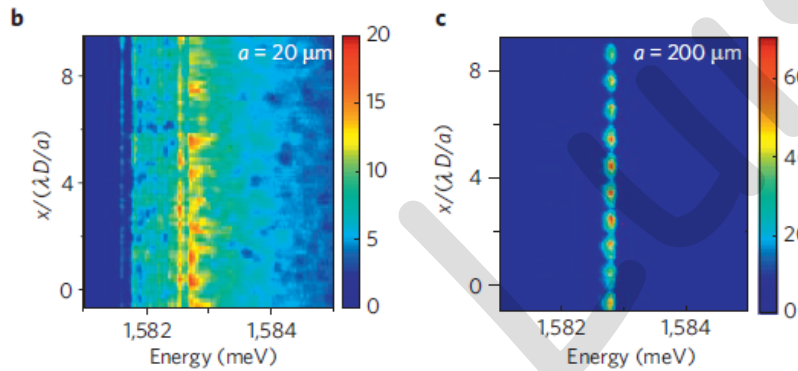
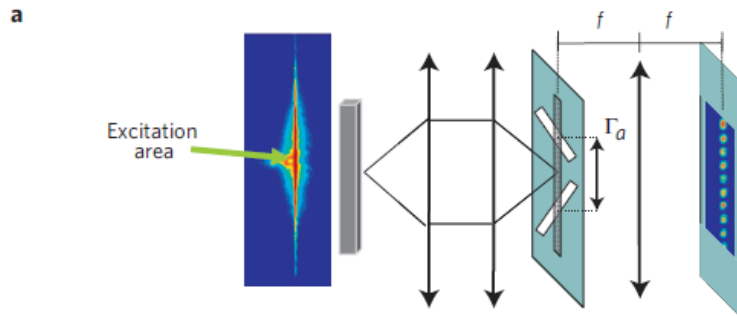
Superfluid character:

High lateral speed of propagation

Ballistic transport without energy loss

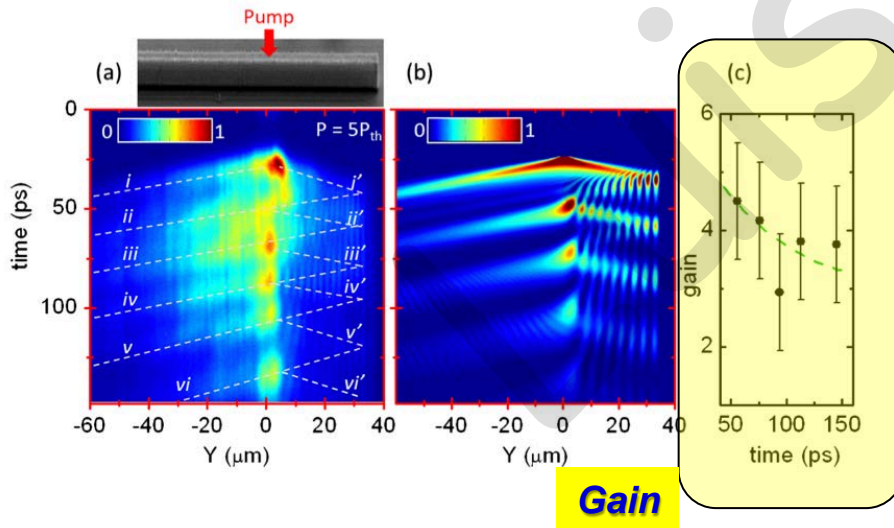
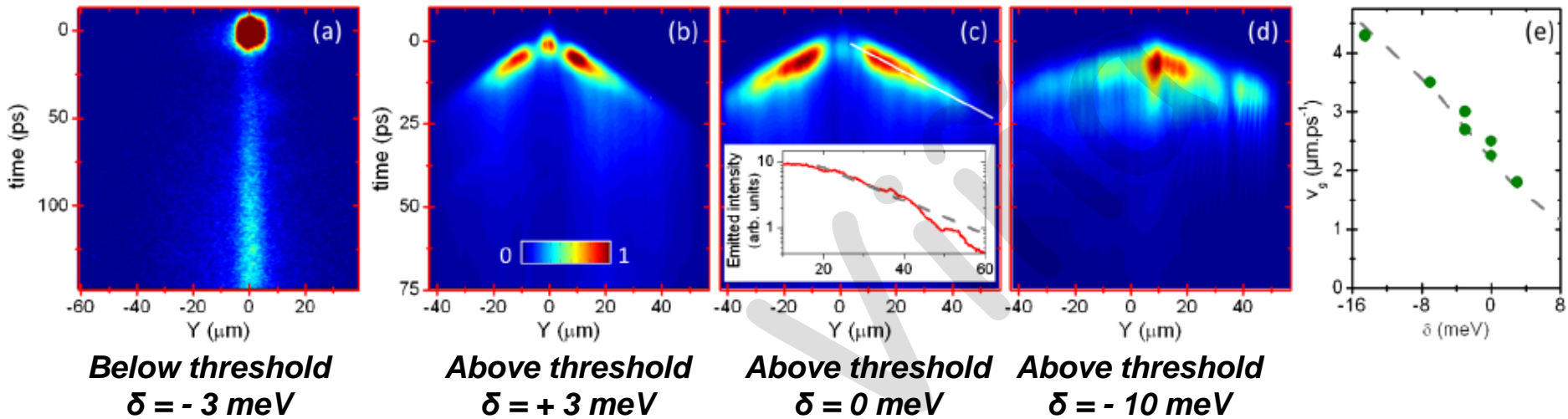
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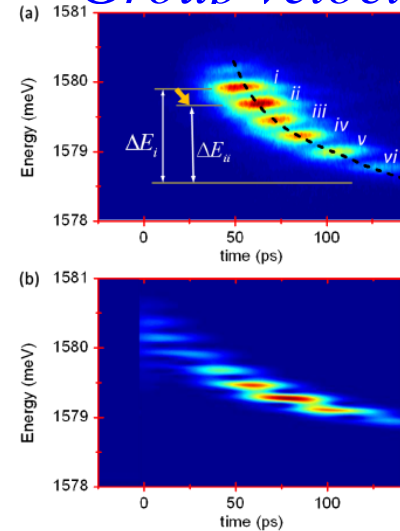


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Group velocity

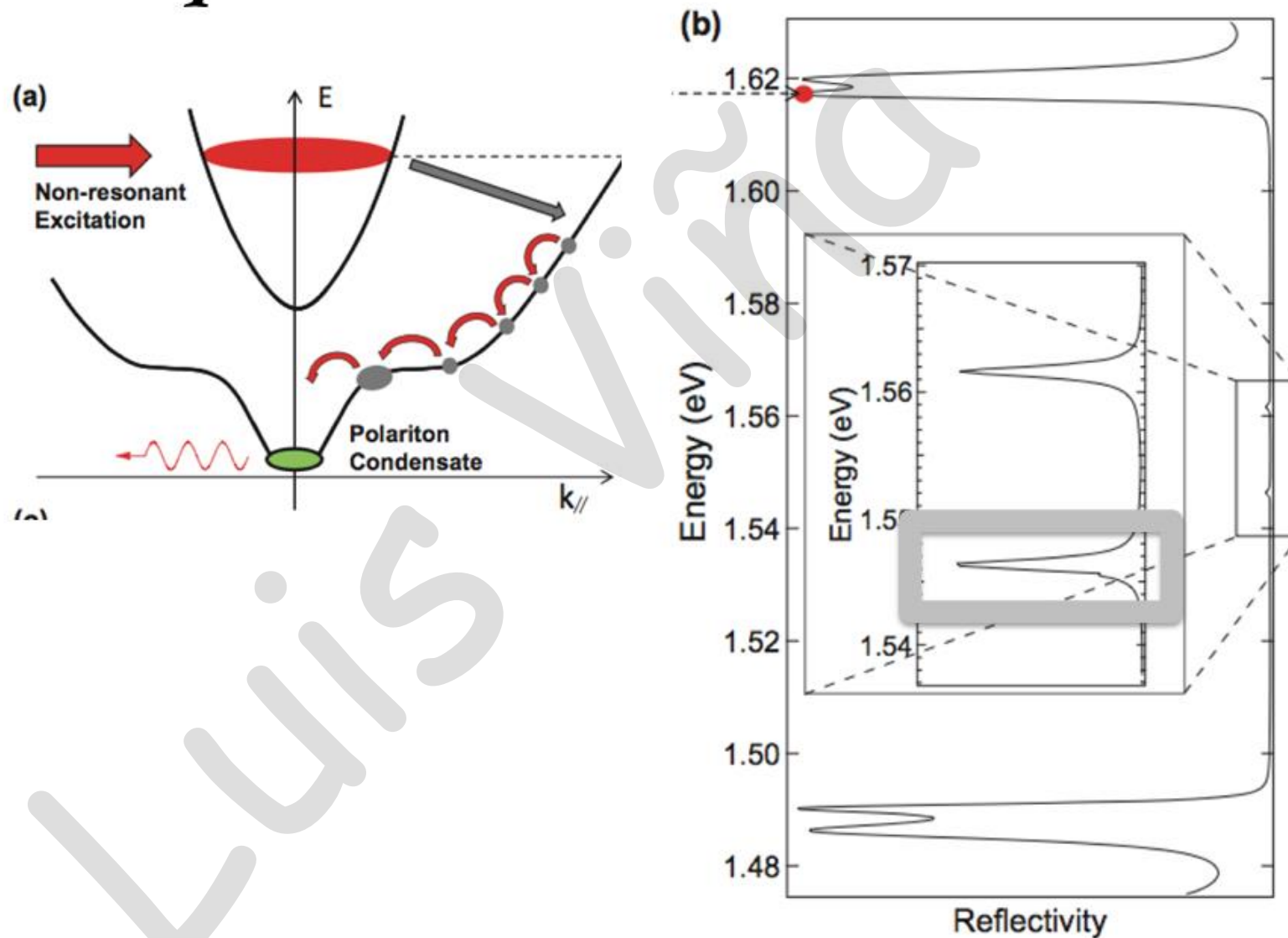


Group velocity $\sim 1/\sqrt{m_P}$

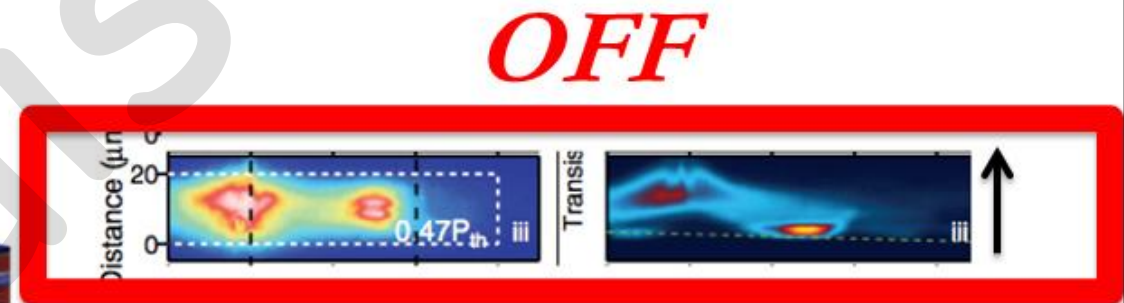
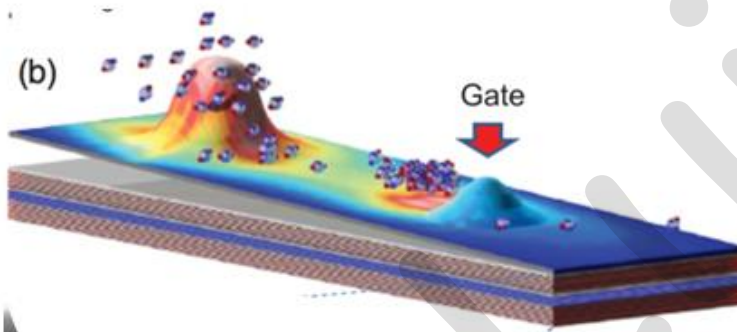
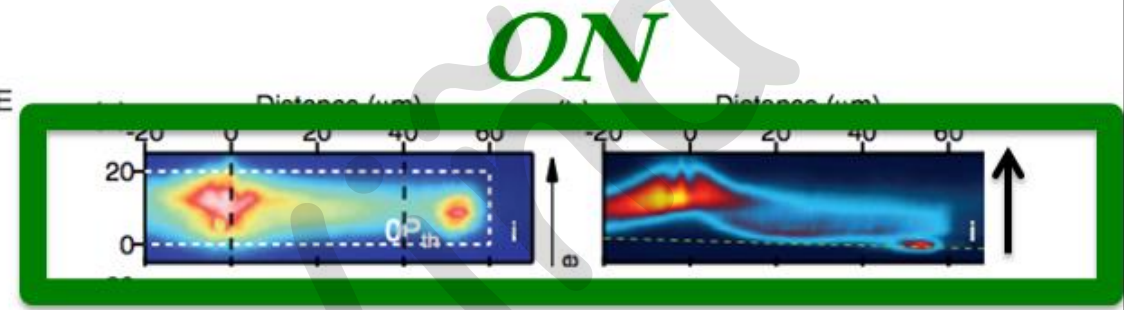
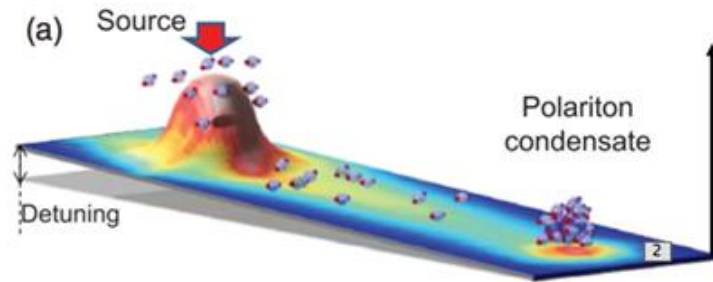


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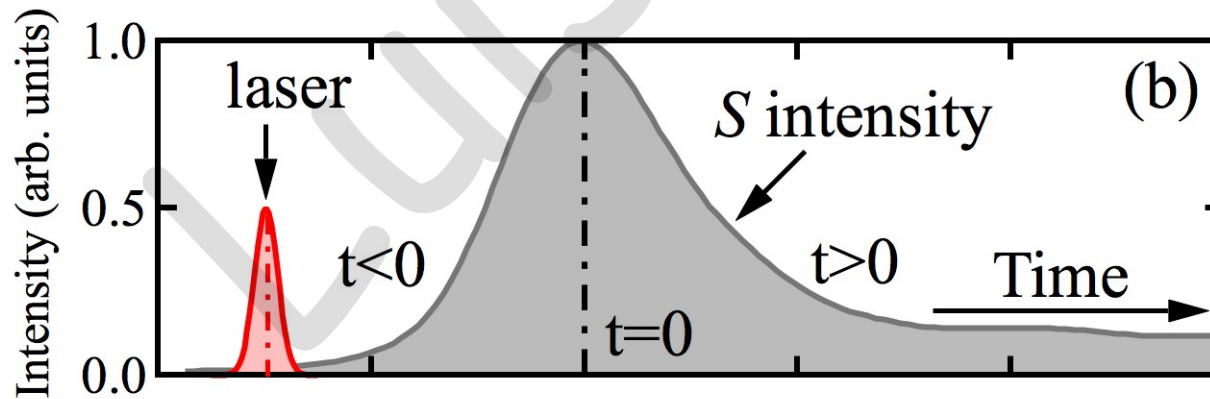
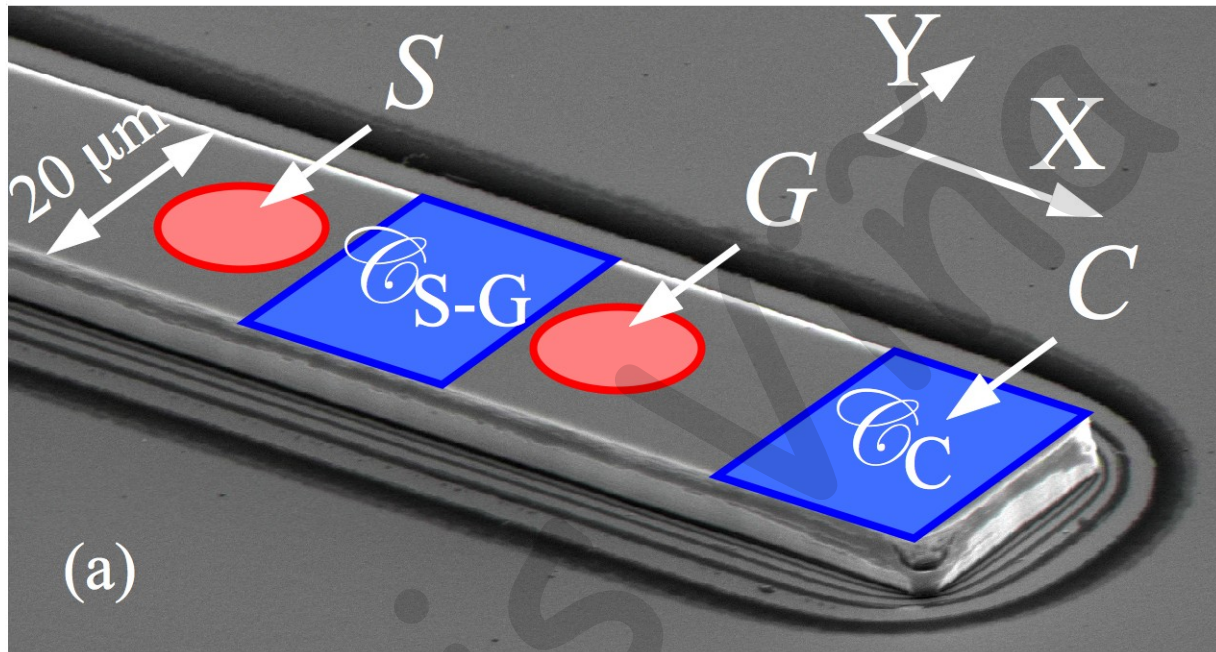
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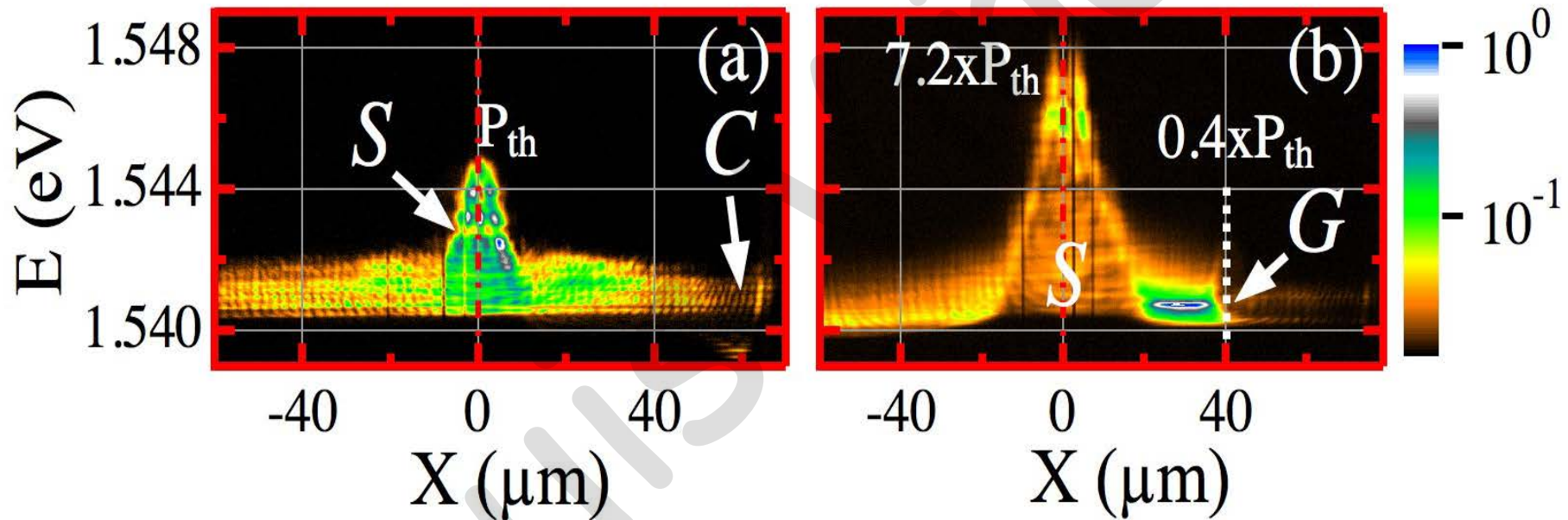
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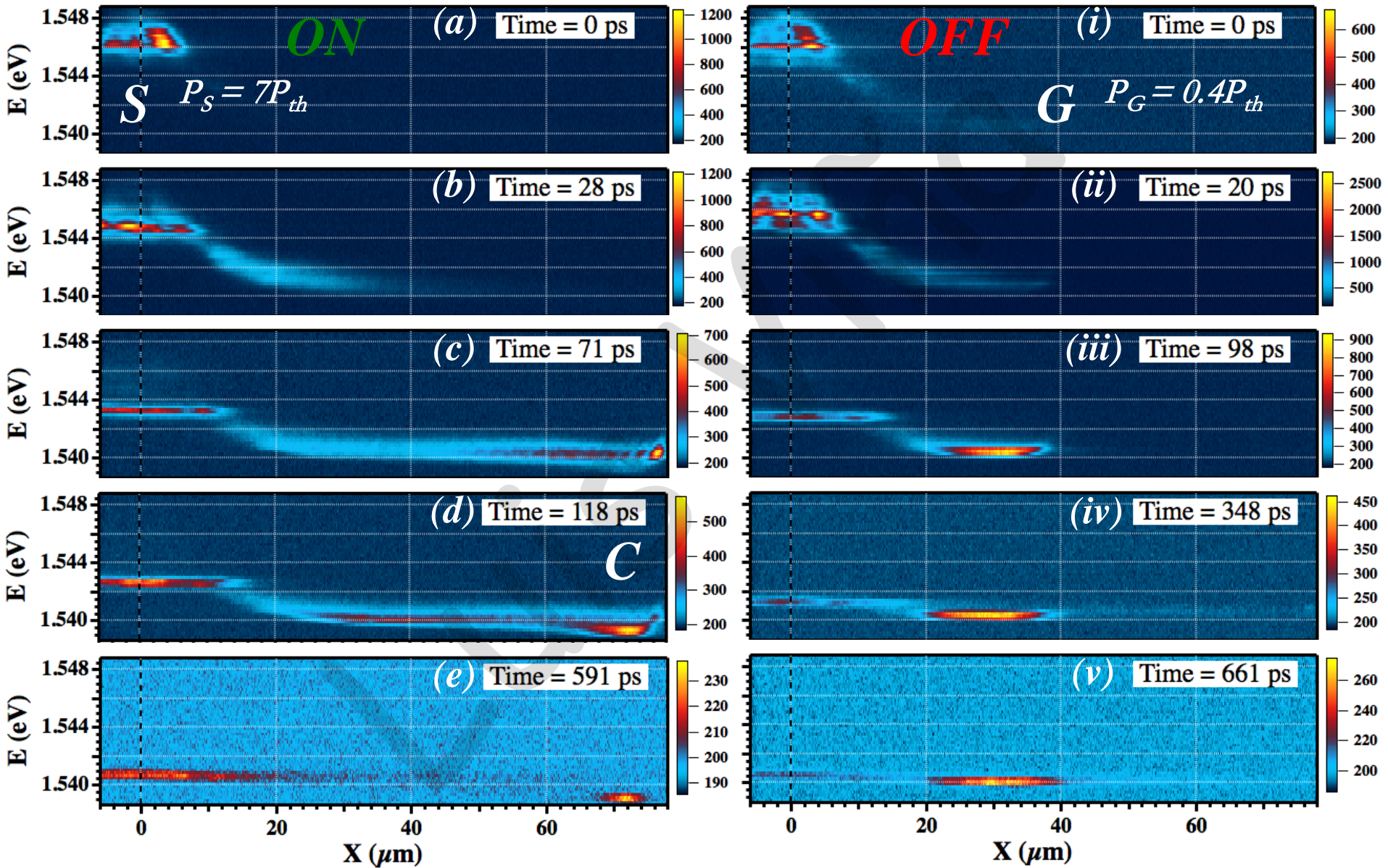
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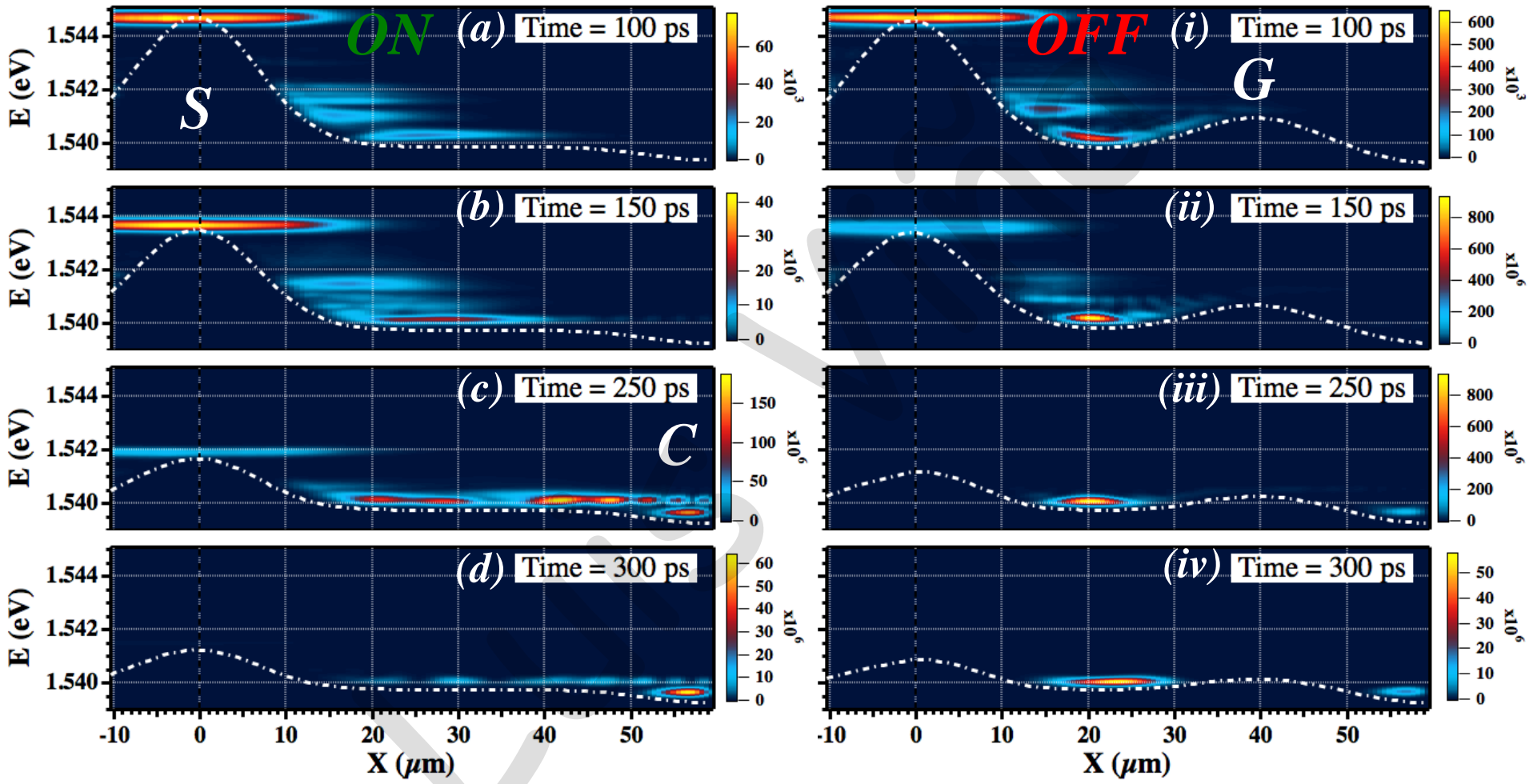
Experiments: *pulsed excitation* *time-integrated*



Experiments

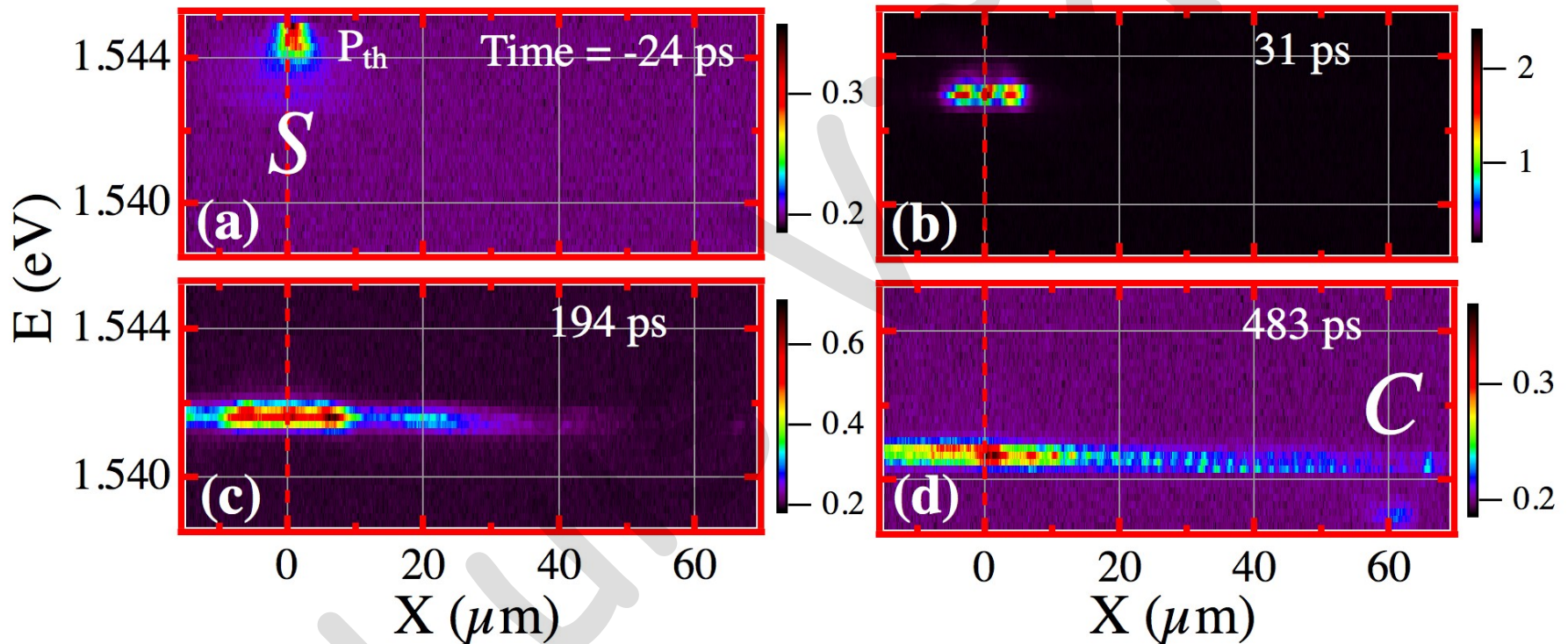


Simulations - Gross-Pitaevskii Equation

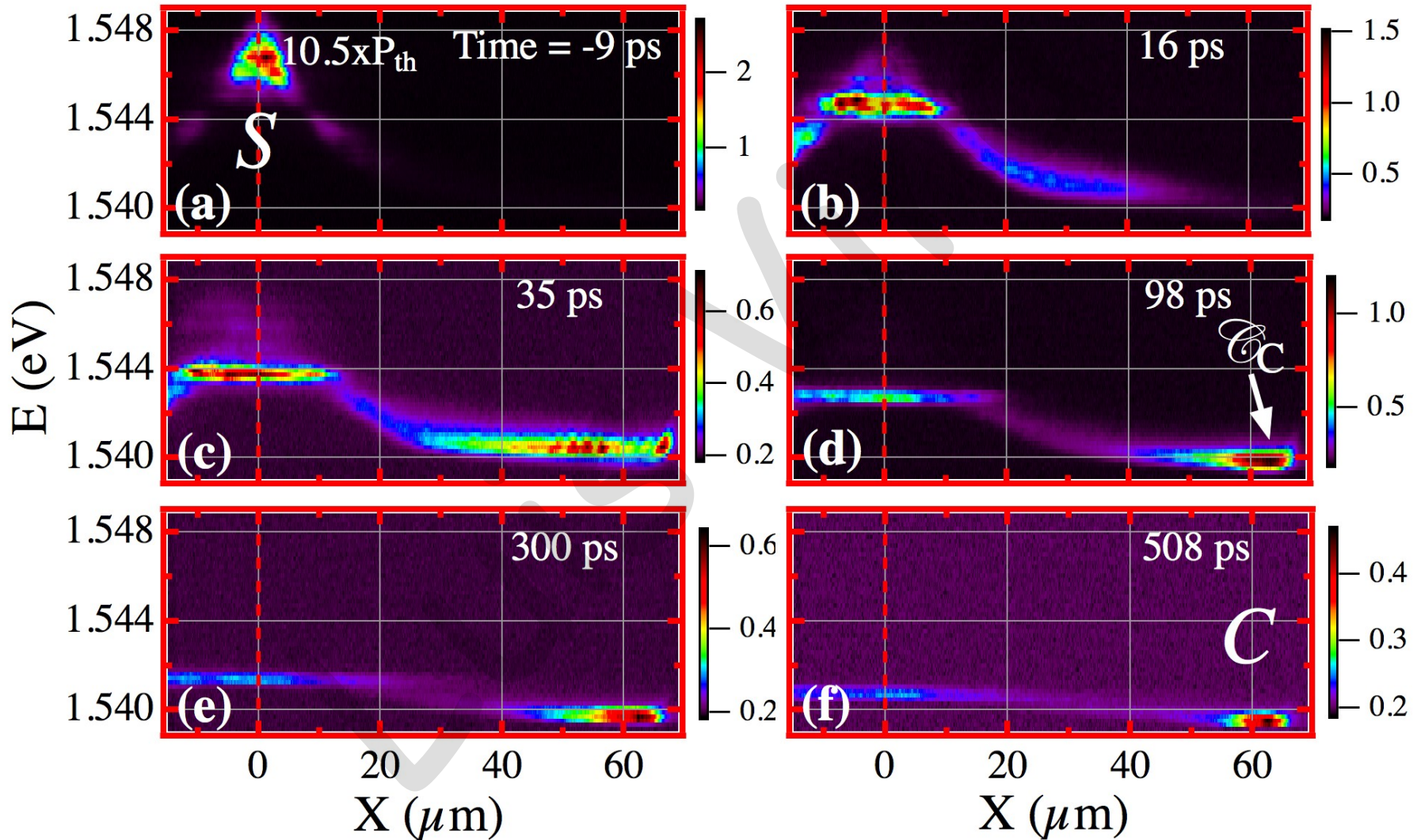


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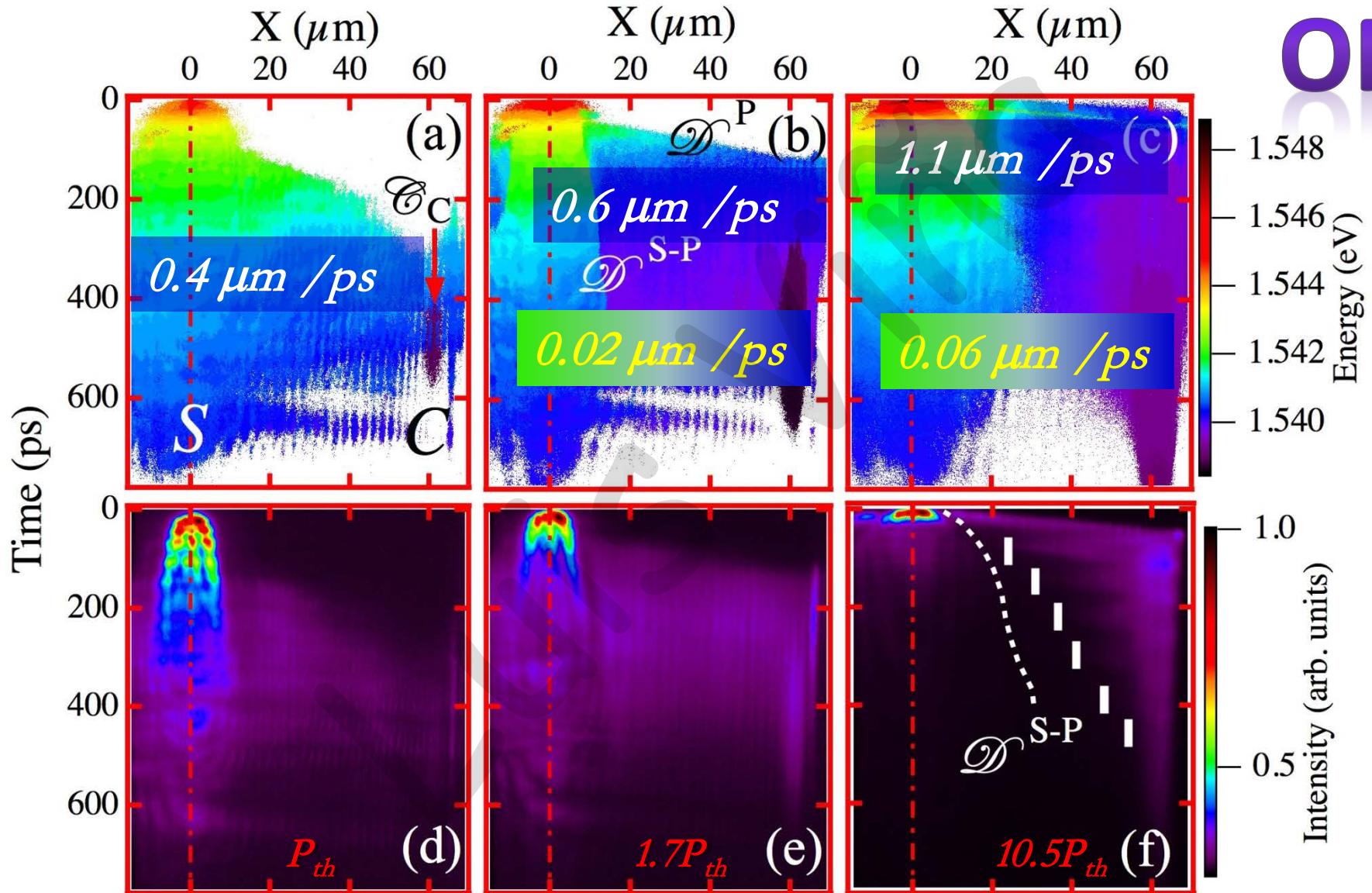
Experiments – S only at P_{th}



Experiments – S only at $10.5P_{th}$

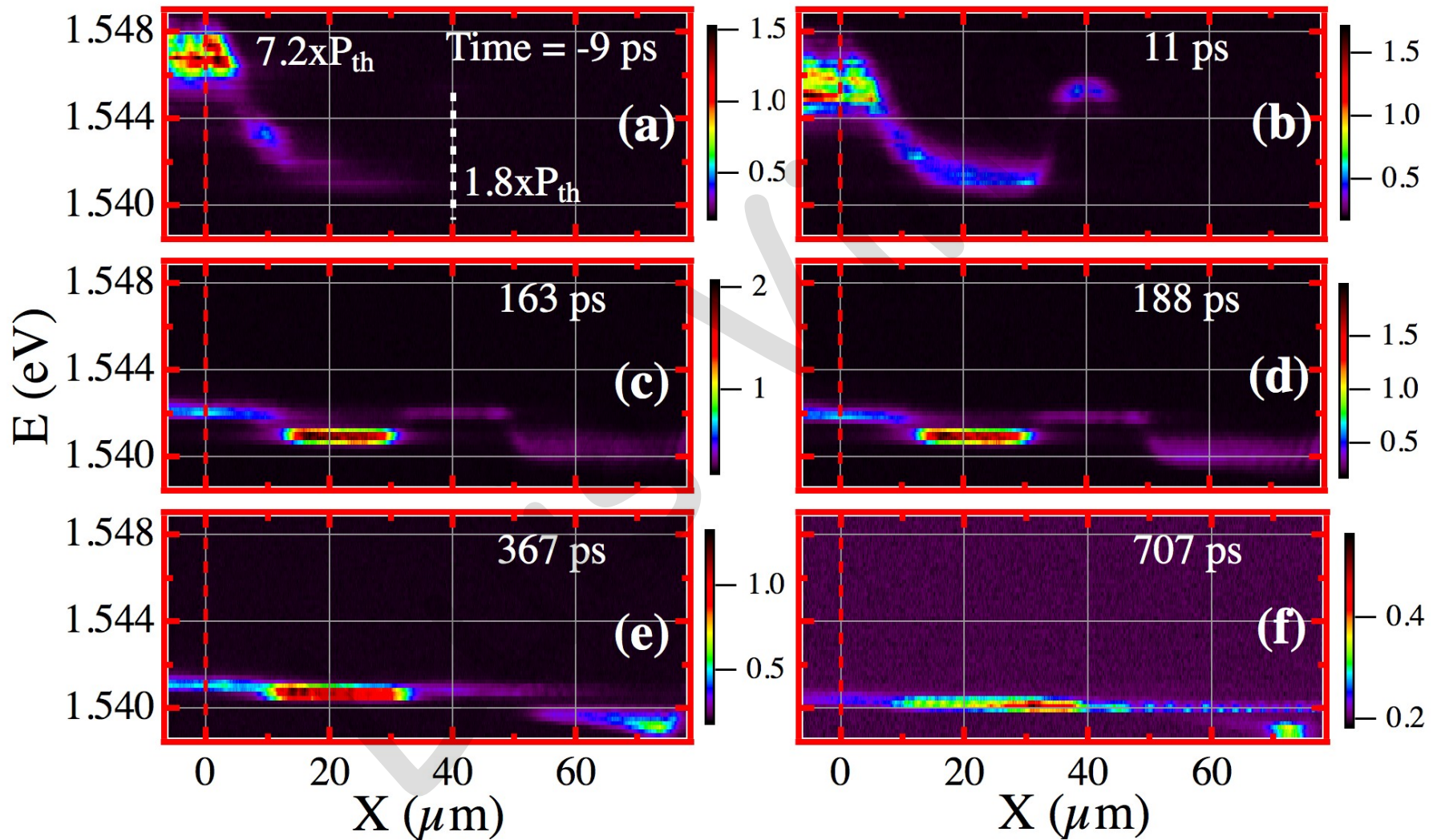


Energy and Intensity decay dynamics

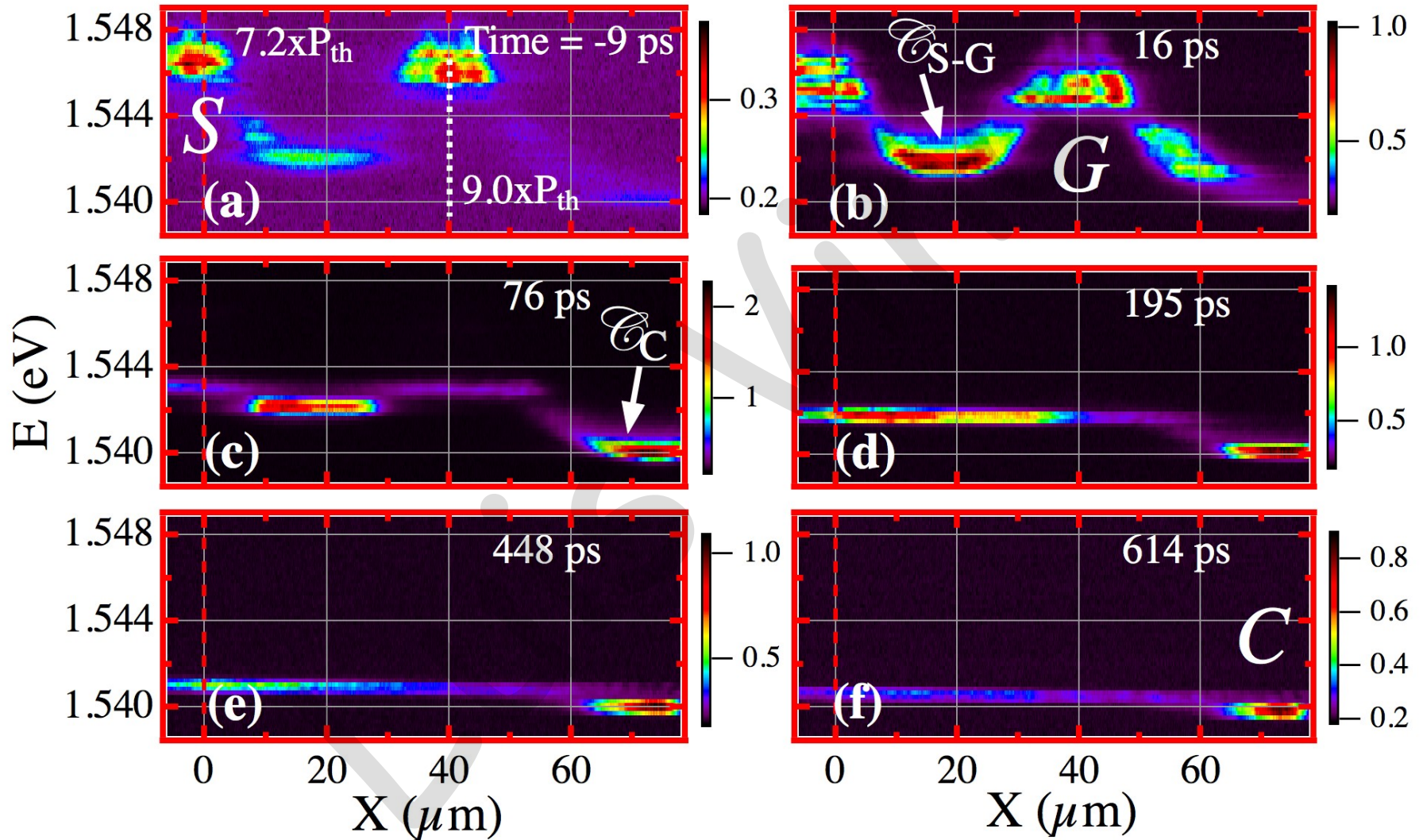


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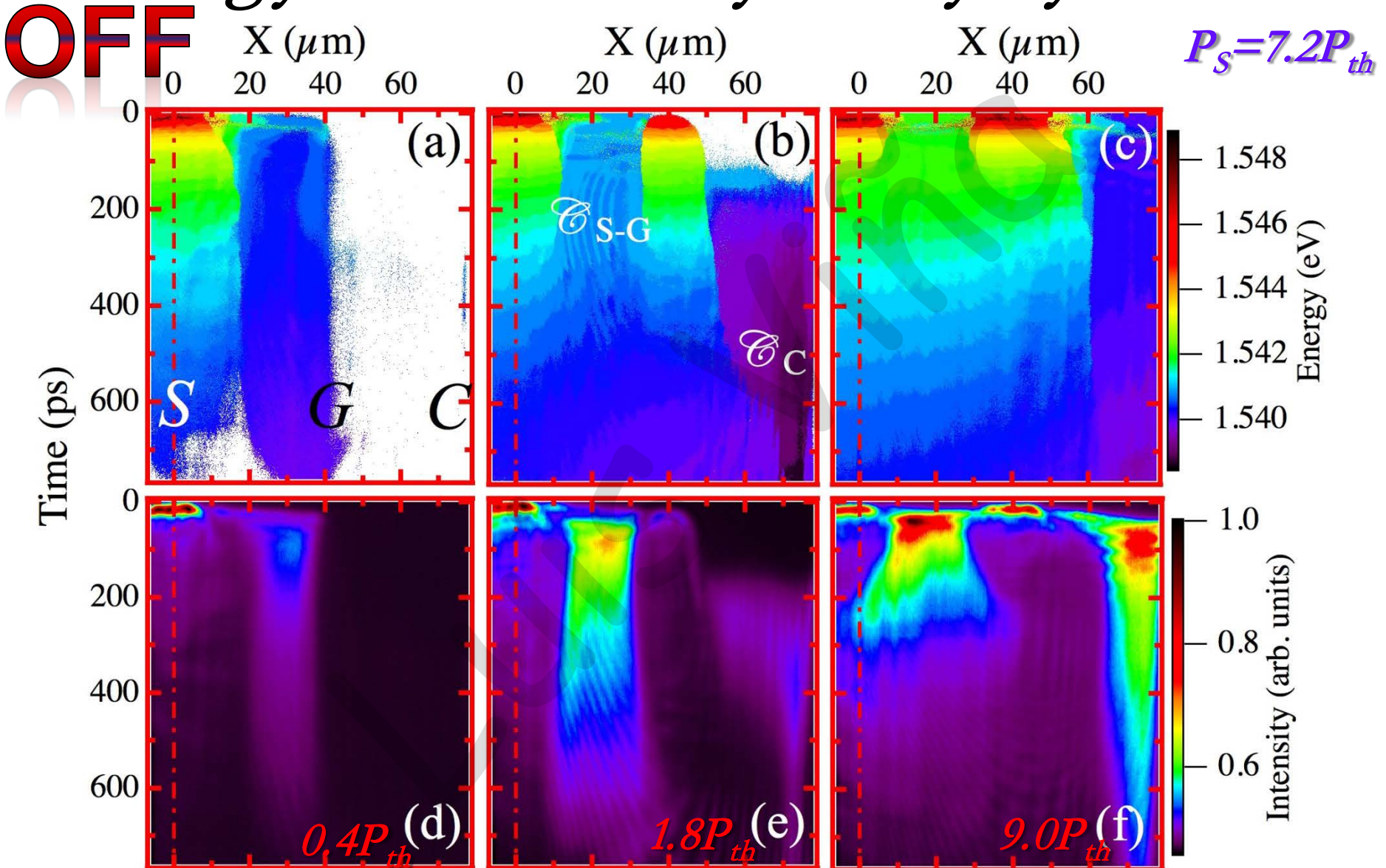
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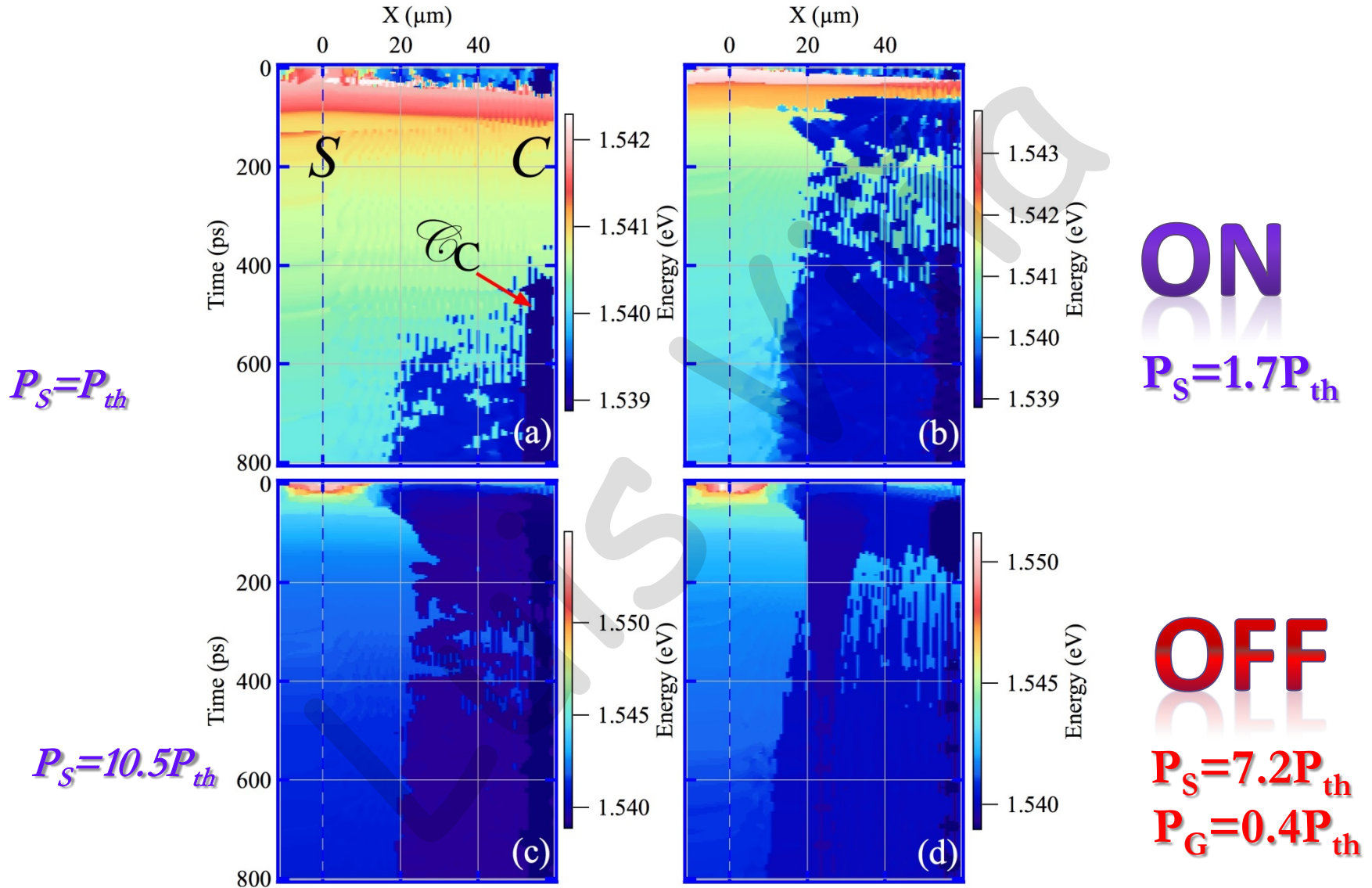
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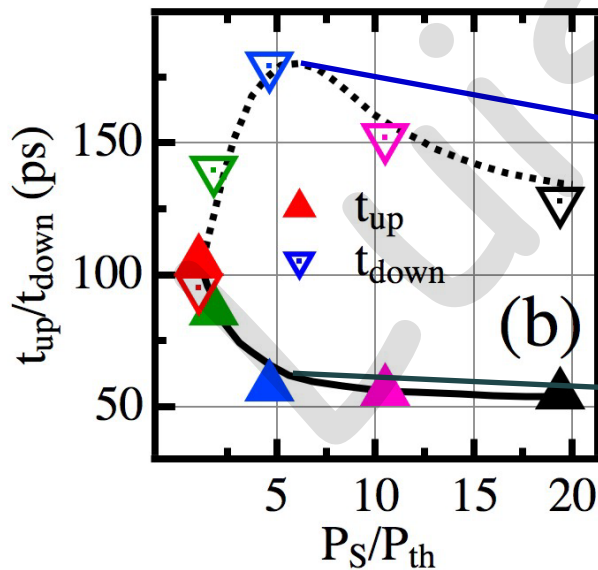
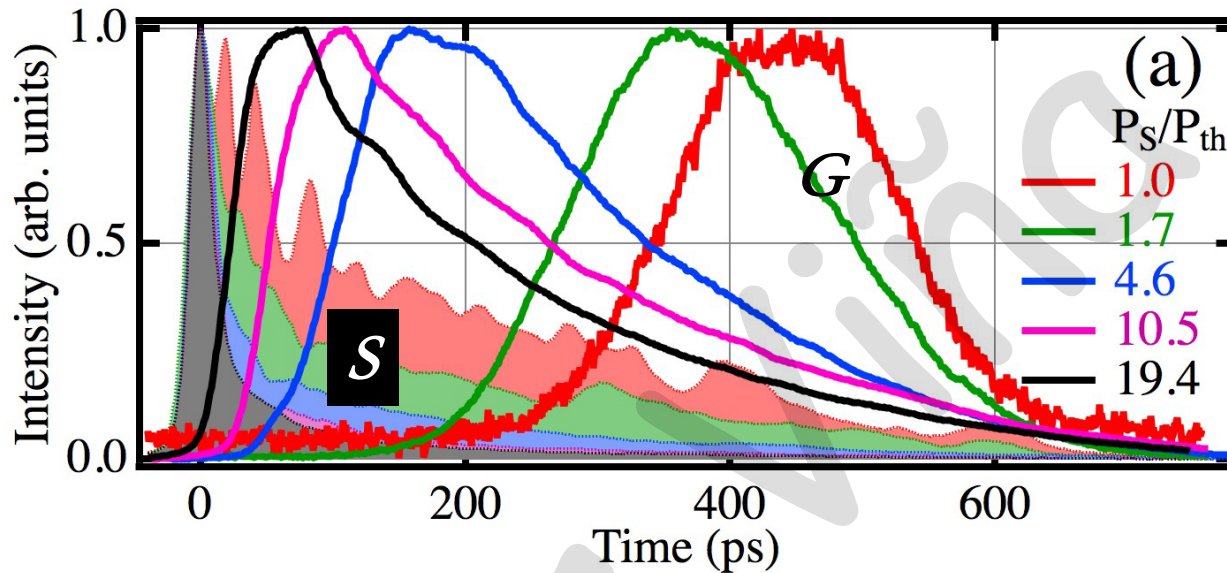


Energy decay dynamics: Simulations



Optimization of the device

$$S \leftrightarrow G = 60 \mu m$$

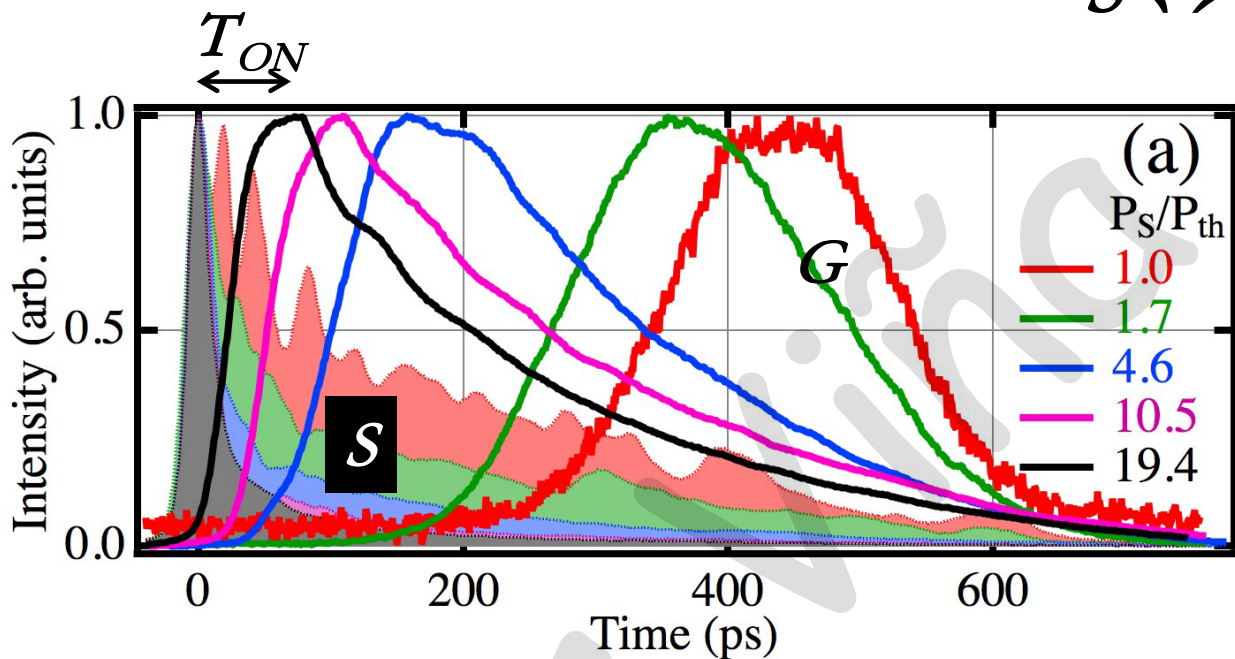


Long lived ON (t_{down}):
Optimal power = $7 P_{th}$

Fast response (t_{up}):
Optimal power $\geq 7 P_{th}$

Optimization of the device

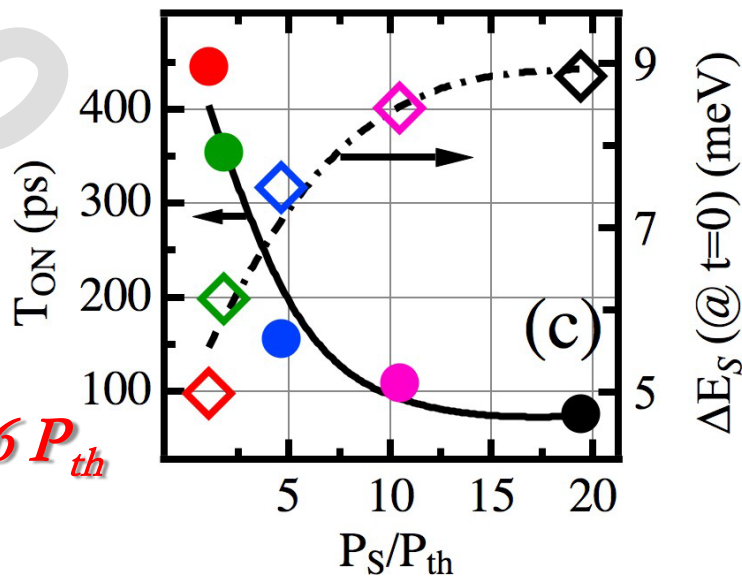
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T_{ON} minimum 80 ps

$v_P \sim 1.1 \mu m/ps$

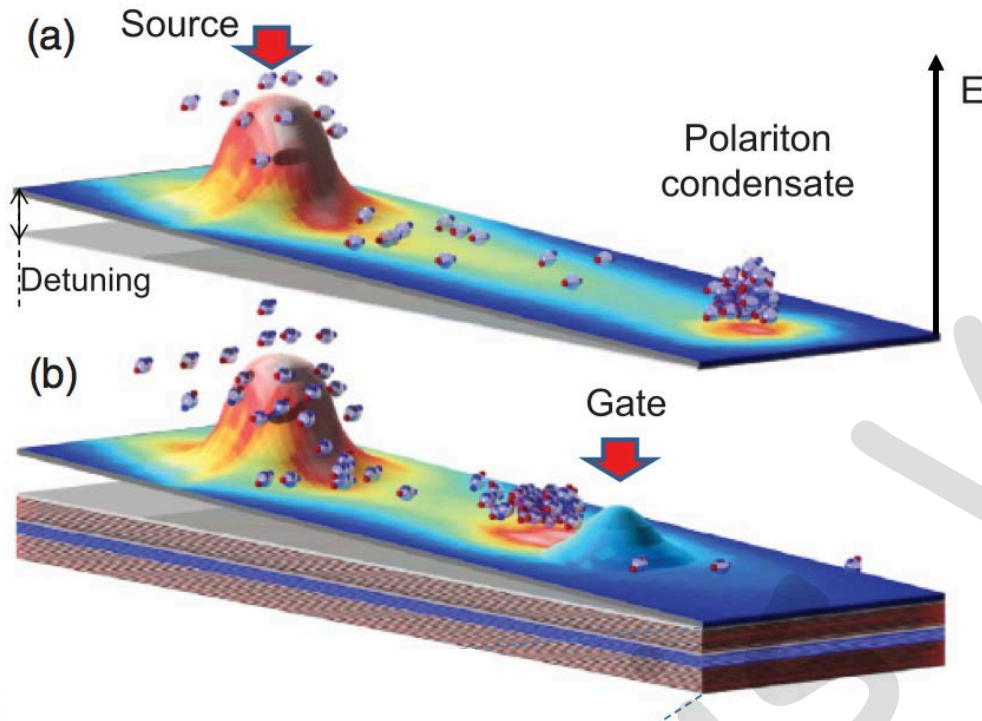
Optimal Gate power $0.6 P_{th}$



Summary

- ✓ Full dynamics study for the **ON/OFF states** of an **all-optical polariton condensate transistor switch**, which is promising for high-speed inter-chip and intra-chip communication for core-based integrated circuits.
- ✓ The results are interpreted as a result of **polariton condensate propagation and energy relaxation** in a dynamic potential due to the exciton reservoir, which can be **optically controlled**.

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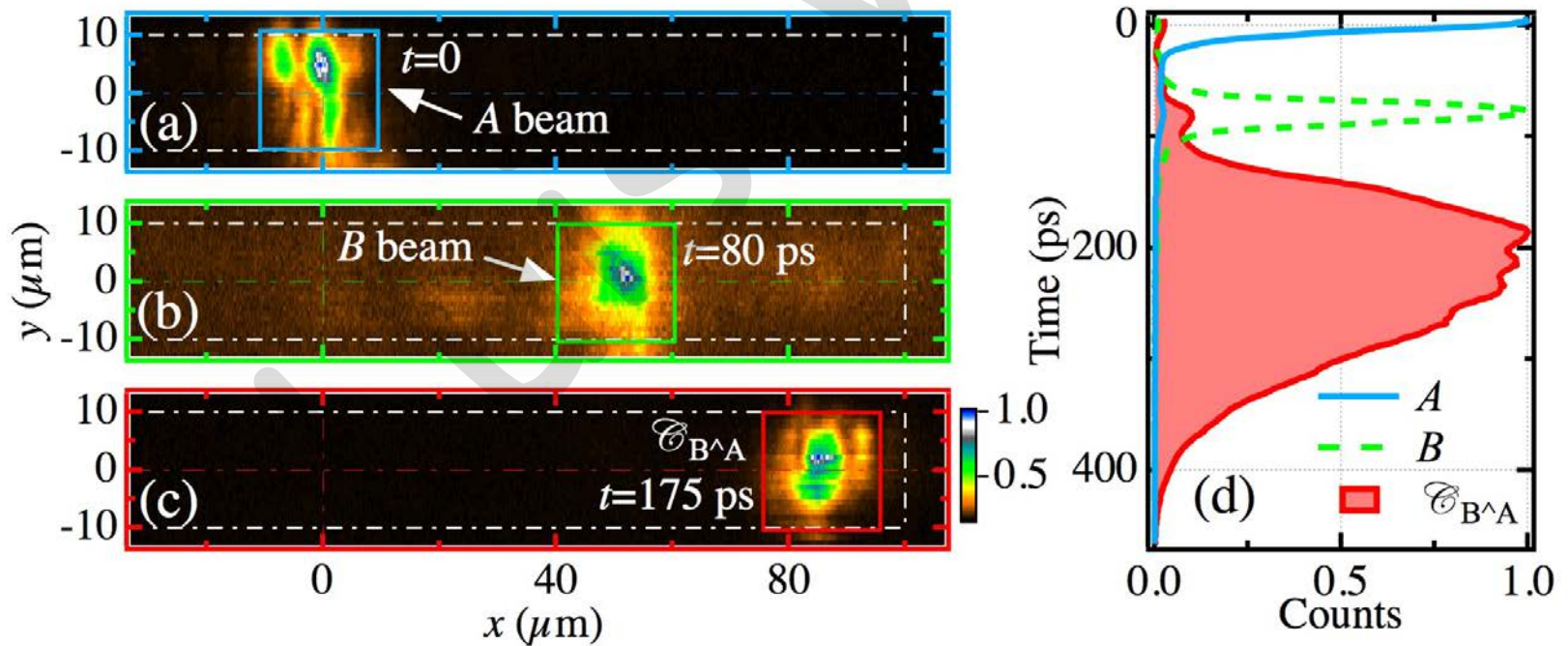
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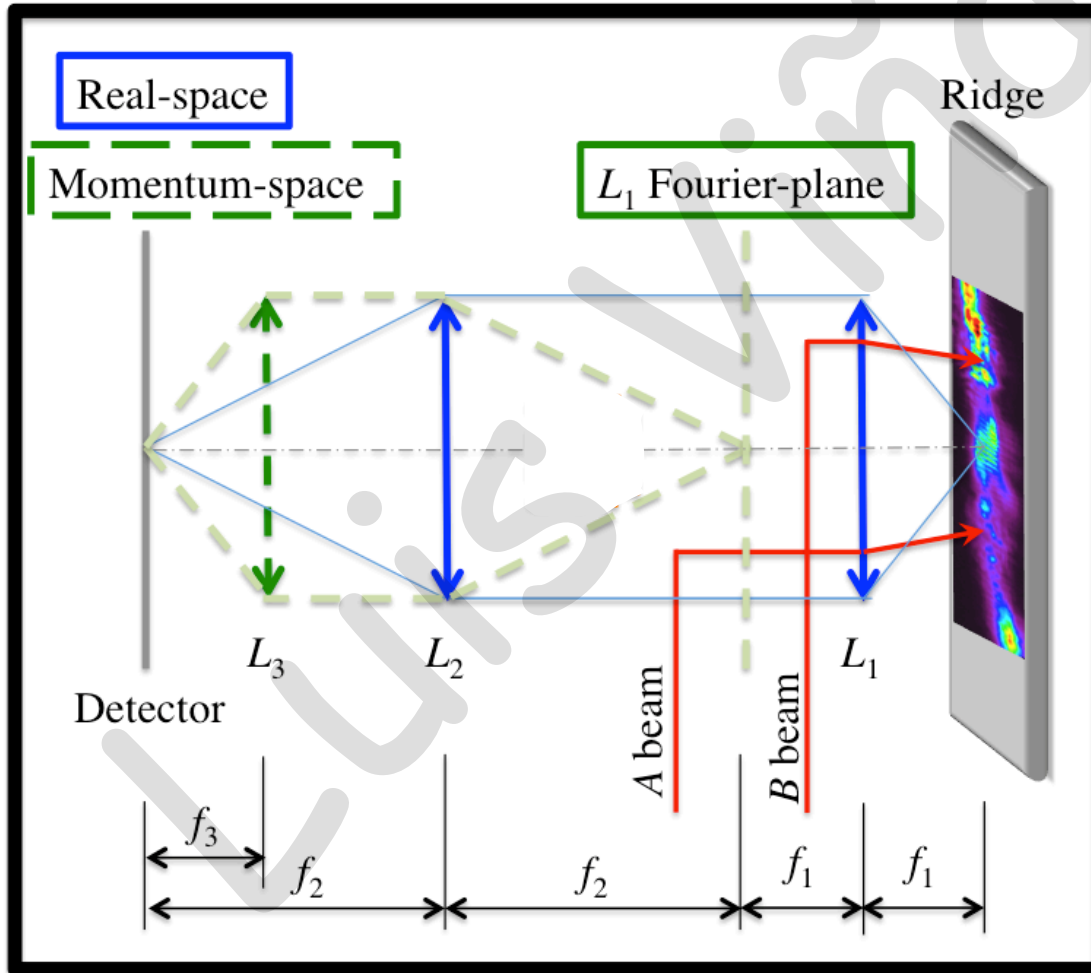
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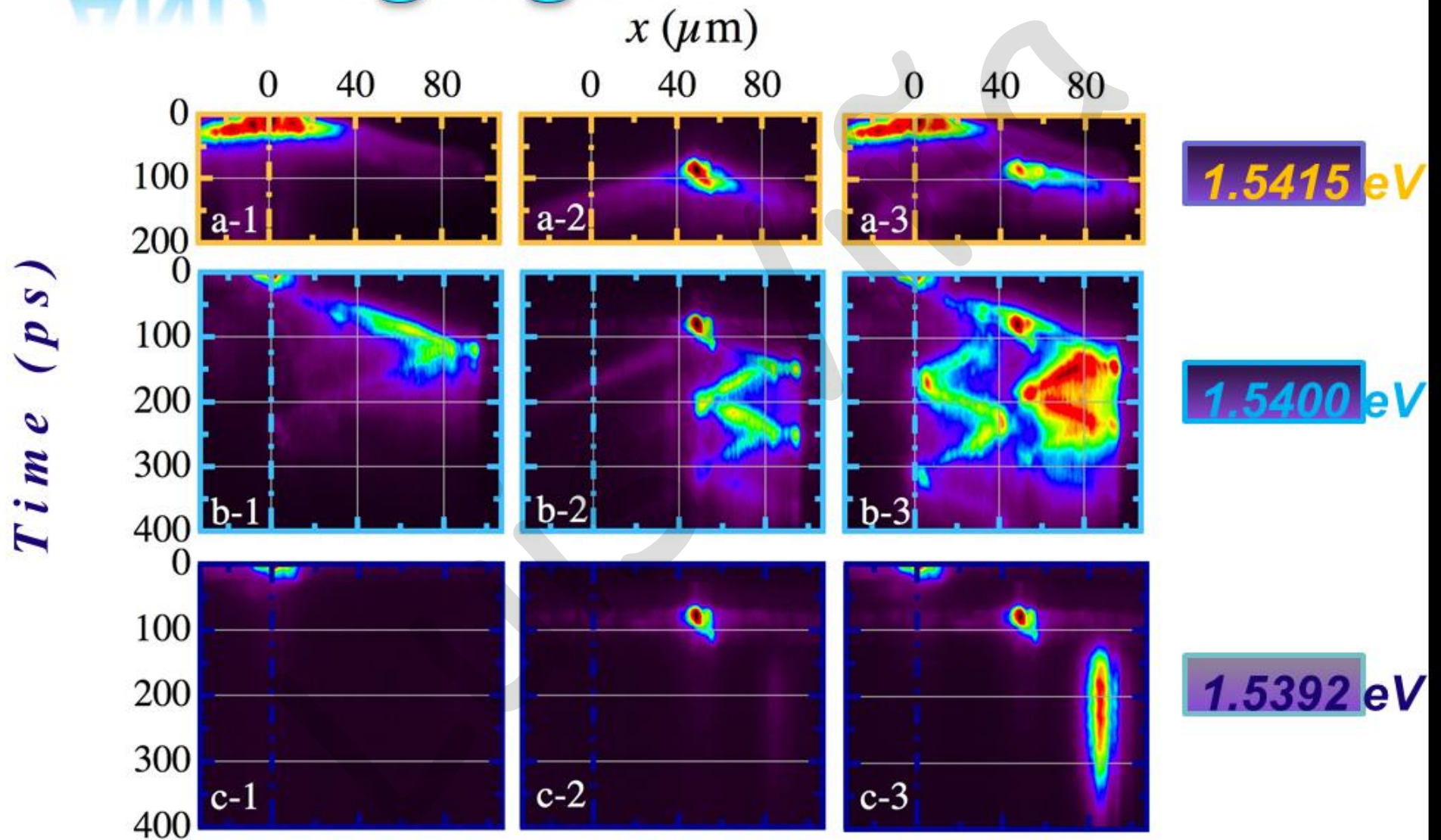
if the pulses don't arrive simultaneously?



Setup



AND logic gate



AND logic gate

