

## **Magnetization dynamics in lanthanides** new frontiers in spin-dependent band mapping at BESSY<sup>VSR</sup>

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#### **Photon flux**

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Ti:Sa	
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UV 10 mW



BESSY

10<sup>13</sup> photons / s (@ 0.1A, 0.1% BW)



HHG

86 MHz, 0.1 nJ	500 MHz	10 kHz
10 <sup>9</sup> photons / pulse	10 <sup>5</sup> photons / pulse	10 <sup>5</sup> photons / pulse
80 MHz pump, 1 nJ	1.25 MHz	pump, 500 μJ ~ J / cm <sup>2</sup>
10 <sup>17</sup> photons / s, 50 fs	10 <sup>11</sup> photons / s, 3 ps 10 <sup>9</sup> photons / s, 700 fs	10 <sup>9</sup> photons / s, 100 fs

#### Space-charge problem:

S. Passlack et al., J. Appl. Phys. 100 (2006) 024912.

limit at  $E_{kin} \sim 80 \text{ eV}$ : 10<sup>7</sup> photons / pulse A. Pietzsch et al., New J. Phys. 10 (2008) 033004.

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#### **Our Goal:**

# Follow the signatures of "phase transitions" in the <u>transient</u> electronic band structure

**Our BESSY<sup>VSR</sup> Goal:** 

**Spin- and time-resolved ARPES** 

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Coherent rotation of magnetization: "precessional switching" > 10 ps

Conventional switching: Domain-wall

nucleation and propagation > 1 ns

Laser-induced magnetic switching !

I. Radu et al., Nature 472 (2011) 205. T.A. Ostler et al., Nature Communications 3 (2012) 666.

Time

ns

ps

fs

N

#### **Spin polarization**



A. Vaterlaus et al., Phys. Rev. B 46 (1992) 5280

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#### **Femtosecond magnetization dynamics**



E. Beaurepaire, J.-C. Merle, A. Daunois, and J.-Y. Bigot., Phys. Rev. Lett. 76 (1996) 4250

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S.I. Anisimov et al., Sov. Phys. JETP **39**, (1974) 375 A. Vaterlaus et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **67** (1991) 3314 E. Beaurepaire et al.; Phys. Rev. Lett. **76** (1996) 4250

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#### Higher harmonic spectrum of Argon

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XUV sensitive silicon photodiode (AXUV100)

# **VUV** photoemission beamline



MB

35 eV XUV-pulse, 100 fs pulse duration, 150 meV energy resolution, 10<sup>8</sup> photons/s

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# Pulse broadening Freie Universität C∆t **Pulse tilt**

O.E. Martinez, Opt. Comm. 59 (1986) 229

large IR focal length: 600 mm small divergence of VUV beam: 4 mrad slit - grating distance: 330 mm 200 lines / mm

Pulse broadening (35 nm):

 $\Delta t \simeq N \cdot \lambda / c$ decrease in bandwith:

 $N = \text{spot size} \cdot \text{lines/mm}$ 

 $\Delta t \propto \lambda^3 \cdot N^2$ Group-velocity dispersion:

Energy - chirp:

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~ 90 fs

~ 8 fs

~ 30 meV

### **Ray tracing**





Olaf Schwarzkopf, Helmholtz Zentrum Berlin REFLEC CODE, F. Schäfers, Technical Report 201, BESSY, (1996)

#### **Electronic Structure of Gd**



0

2

3

0.5

Binding energy / eV



Gd: (5d6s)<sup>3</sup> exchange splitting

Parallel momentum /Å<sup>-1</sup>

# Space charge @ 35 eV

**XUV** probe-pulse

**IR pump-pulse** 

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35 eV XUV-pulse, 100 fs pulse duration, 150 meV energy resolution, 10<sup>8</sup> photons/s

0.5 electrons/pulse @ 10 kHz repetition rate

### (5d6s)<sup>3</sup> Exchange Splitting

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### Gd / W(110)



 $\Delta_2$  majority spin bulk-band

 $\Delta_{\rm 2}$  minority spin bulk-band

exchange splitting  $\Delta_{\mathrm{ex}}$ 

C. Schüßler-Langeheine, PhD thesis, FU Berlin, 1999

#### **Ultrafast Demagnetization of Gd**



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#### Gd: band position vs exchange splitting



Exchange splitting (eV)

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#### **Ultrafast Demagn.: Hysteresis Loop**

Binding energy minority component (eV) Binding energy majority component (eV) 75ps 1.95 .35 2ps 2.00 .40 2.05 .45 500ps 0.6ps .6ps 2.10 electronic demagnetization 1.50 thermal recovery 0ps 0.75 0.70 0.65 0.55 0.60 0.50

Hysteresis: valence and 4f spins not in equilibrium during demagnetization

- Instantaneous response of minority spin band
- 1 ps delayed response of the majority spin band

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#### **Three Temperature Model**



Beaurepaire *et al.* PRL **76** (1996) 4250 Hübner, Bennemann PRB **53** (1996) 3422

#### a) Superdiffusive spin transport

Battiato *et al.*, PRL **105** (2010) 027203 Rudolf *et al.*, Nature Comm. **3** (2012) 1037



b) Electron-phonon spin-flip scattering Koopmans *et al.*, Nature Mat. **9** (2010) 259





#### **Magnetic Linear Dichroism (MLD)**



O. Krupin, PhD-Thesis (2004), FU-Berlin





# - towards a complete picture ...

4f spins valence spins exchange (5d6s)<sup>3</sup> spin currents  $\tau_{\text{SL}}$  $au_{e,ph}$ Electrons Lattice l<sub>e</sub> (p

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Binding energy (eV)

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