

# ***Electro-Optic Longitudinal Profile Diagnostics***

## ***Current Status & Future Directions***

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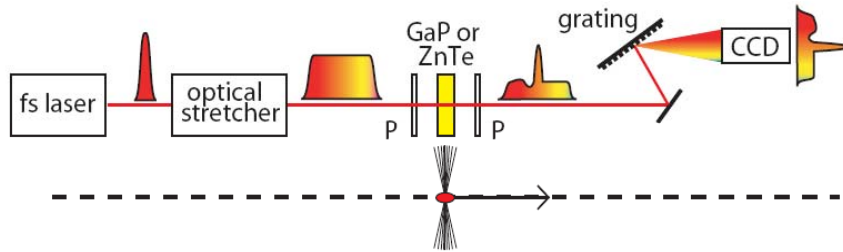
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# Electro-Optic Techniques...

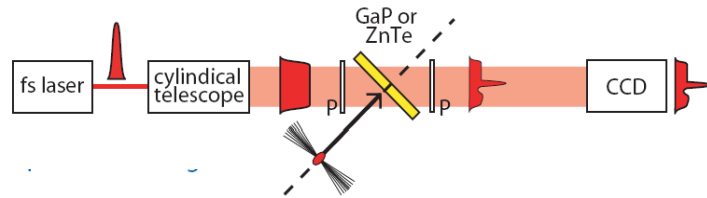
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DESY  
LBNL

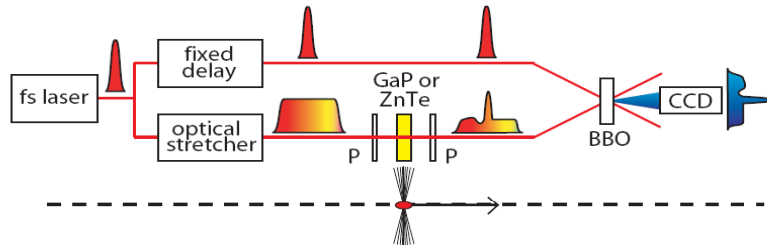
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## 2. Spatial Encoding



SLAC  
DESY  
LBNL, ...

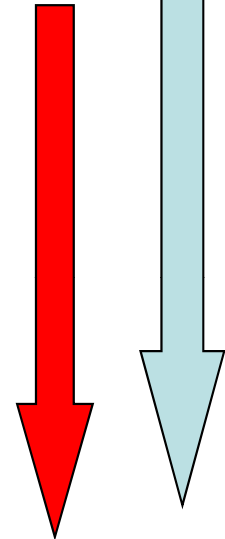
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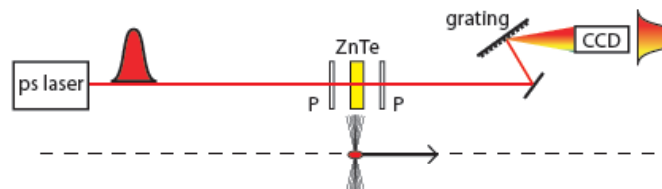
FELIX  
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RAL(CLF)  
MPQ  
Jena, ...

complexity

*demonstrated*  
time resolution

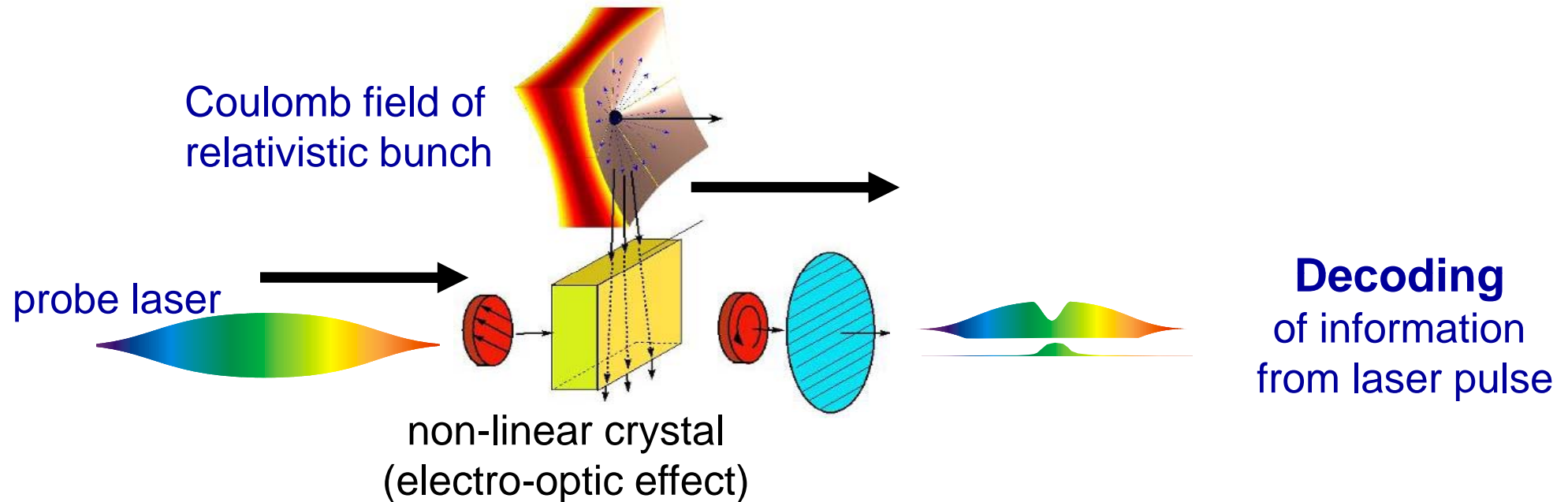


## 4. Spectral Upconversion



# Concept of electro-optic profile diagnostic

*all-optical intra-beamline pickup of relativistic bunch Coulomb field*



## Encoding

- same for all techniques
- limiting factor for high time resolution techniques

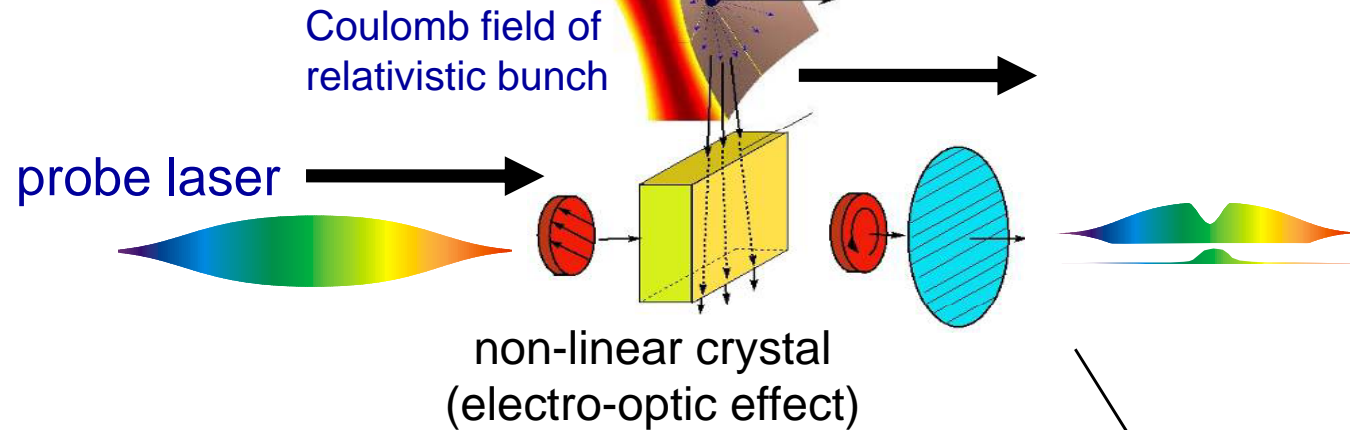
## Decoding

- choices for complexity
- limiting factor for spectral decoding

# Physics of EO encoding ... standard description

Refractive index modified by external (quasi)-DC electric field

laser pulse  
(linearly polarised)



elliptically  
polarised

intensity dependent  
on 'DC' field strength

**Decoding**  
of information  
from laser pulse

$$E_x(t)$$

$$E_y(t)$$

$$\eta_x = \eta_0 + \alpha_x E_{DC}$$

$$\eta_y = \eta_0 + \alpha_y E_{DC}$$

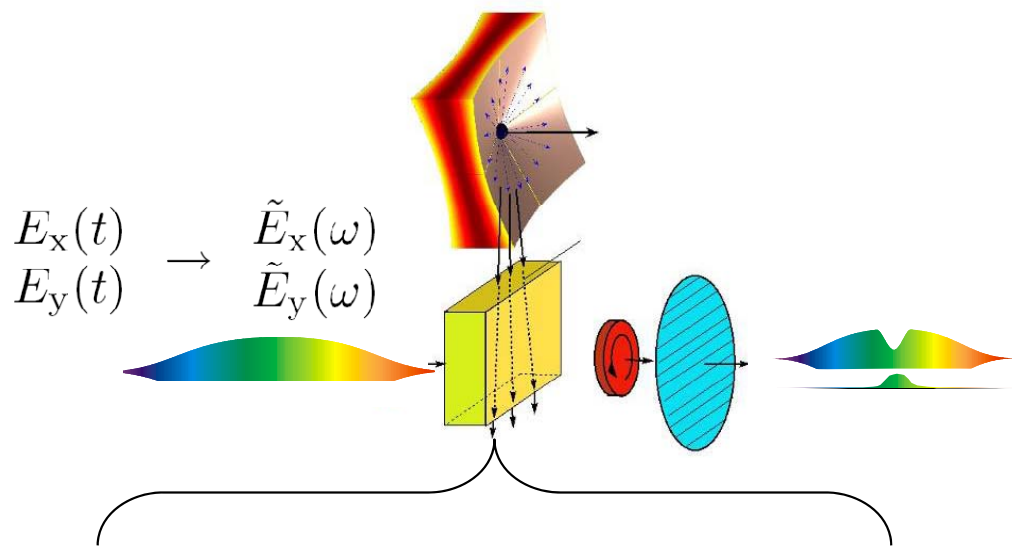
$$E_x(t) \sim E_x(t) \exp(i\omega t - i\eta_x \omega z / c)$$

$$E_y(t) \sim E_y(t) \exp(i\omega t - i\eta_y \omega z / c)$$

quasi-DC description ok if  $\tau_{laser} \ll$  time scale of  $E_{DC}$  variations

(basis for Pockels cells, sampling electro-optic THz detection, ...)

***N.B. Time-varying refractive index is a restricted approximation to the physics  
(albeit a very useful and applicable formalism for majority of situations)***



$$I(t) \propto E_{\text{Coul}}(t)$$

$$[ \text{ or } \propto E_{\text{Coul}}^2(t) ]$$

$$\tilde{E}_{\text{out}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) = \tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) + i\omega a \tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) * \left[ \tilde{E}^{\text{Coul}}(\omega) \tilde{R}(\omega) \right]$$

Coulomb spectrum shifted to optical region

$$E_{\text{out}}^{\text{opt}}(t) = E_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(t) + a \left[ E^{\text{Coul}}(t) * R(t) \right] \frac{d}{dt} E_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(t)$$

Coulomb pulse replicated in optical pulse

envelope

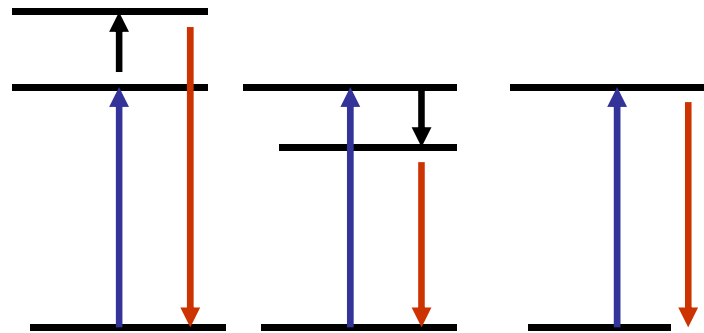
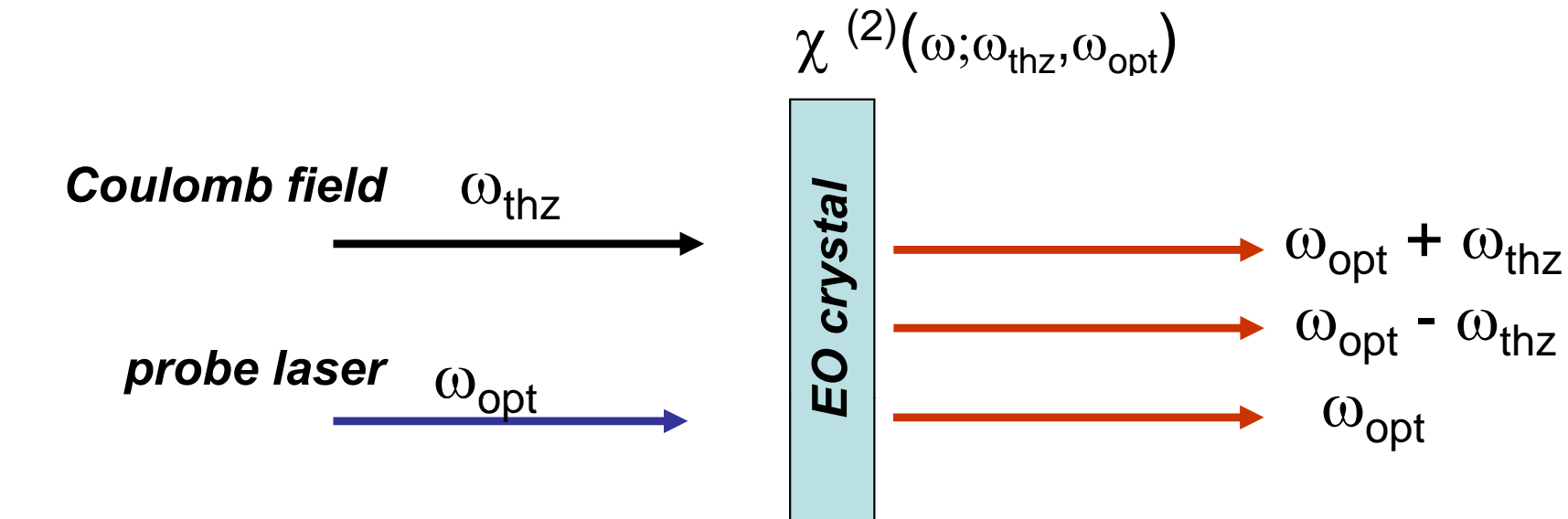
optical field

***New concepts & understanding of very high time resolution techniques come from generality of frequency mixing physics description***

Jamison et al. Opt. Lett 31 1753 (2006)

# Frequency domain description of EO detection...

Electro-optic encoding is a consequence of sum- and difference-frequency mixing

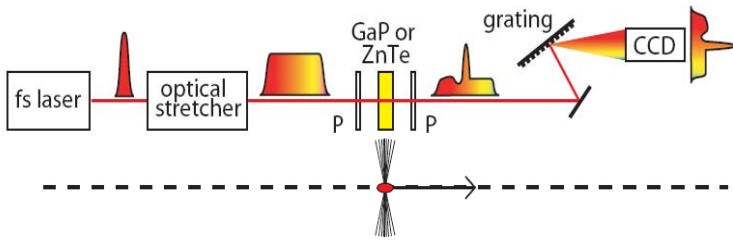


*for arbitrary probe and Coulomb pulses...*

- convolve over all combinations of optical and Coulomb frequencies.
- includes field phase (chirp), general phase matching, optical GVD, etc

*Previous refractive index formalism comes out as subset of solutions  
( restriction on laser parameters )*

# 1. Spectral Decoding

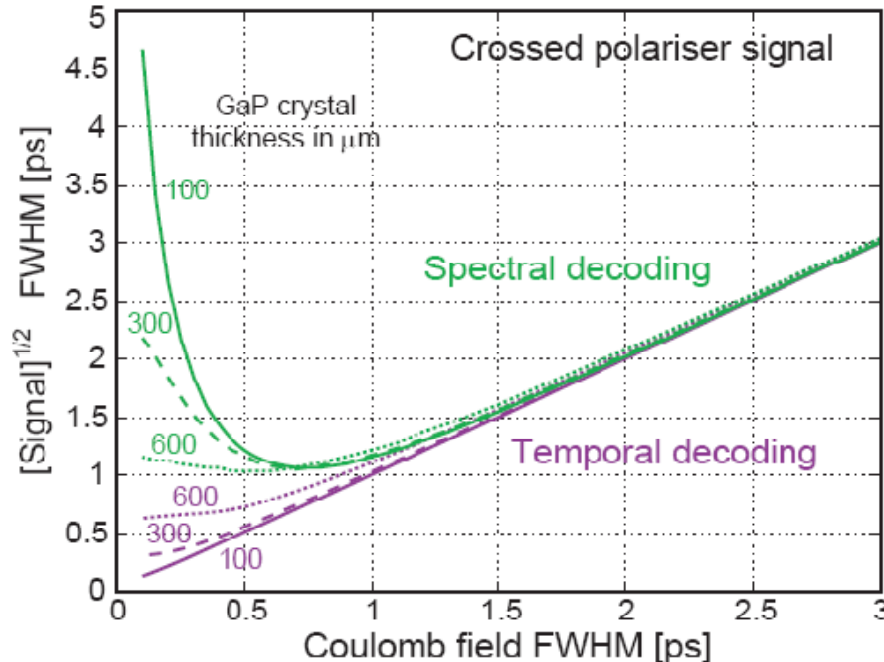


Attractive simplicity for low time resolution measurements e.g. injector diagnostics

**Rely on  $t-\lambda$  relationship of input pulse for interpreting output optical spectrum**  
**Resolution limits come from the fact that the EO-generated optical field doesn't have the same  $t-\lambda$  relationship**

## temporal resolution limits...

In general spectral decoding limited by chirp  $\tau_{\text{lim}} = \sqrt{12\pi\beta}$   
 For specific laser profiles, can relate to FWHM durations...

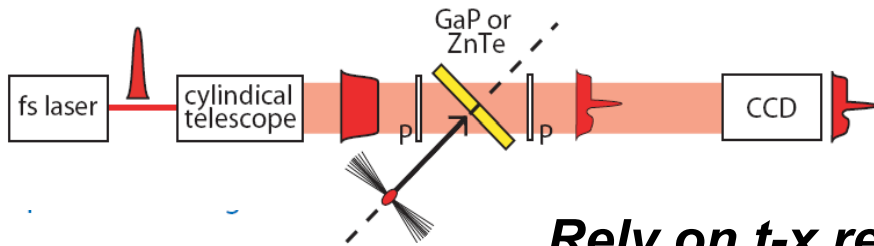


$$\tau_{\text{lim}} = 2.61 \sqrt{T_0 T_c} \quad ; \text{ for a Gaussian pulse}$$

Unlikely to get better than 1.0 ps (FWHM) with spectral decoding

*Concepts based on  $T_c < 20$  fs pulses must address extra problems of optical GVD (not clear these can be overcome without significant complication)*

## 2. Spatial Encoding



***Rely on  $t$ - $x$  relationship between laser and Coulomb field***

EO encoding (almost) same as before - Same  $t$ - $x$  relationship

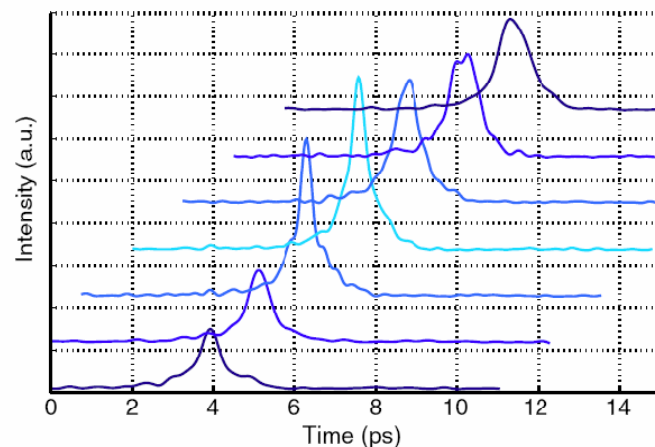
In principle: expect same/similar capabilities as TD

Caveat: non-collinear geometry alters EO *tensor* response

less widely demonstrated:

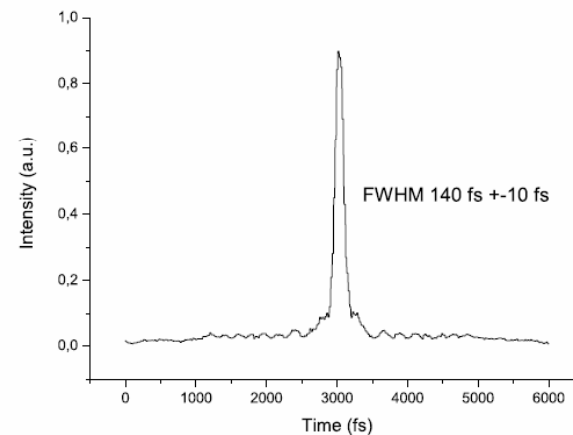
SLAC and DESY expts had significant additional complications of long transport in fibre...

SPPS (SLAC) measurements



from Cavalieri et al. PRL 2005

FLASH (DESY) measurements



from A. Azima et. al EPAC06



# Spatial Encoding...

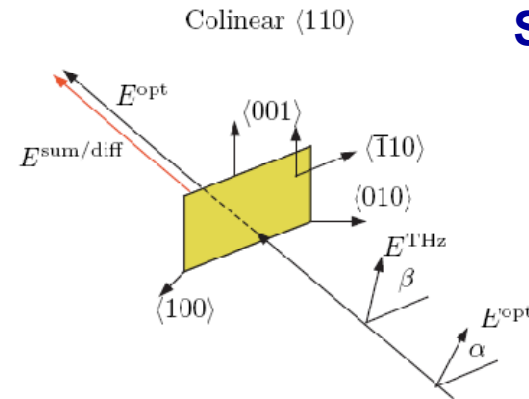
Questions / concerns on practical implementation

(from someone who hasn't performed a spatial encoding diagnostic expt!)

## special properties of Collinear <110> geometry

### SD or TD arrangement

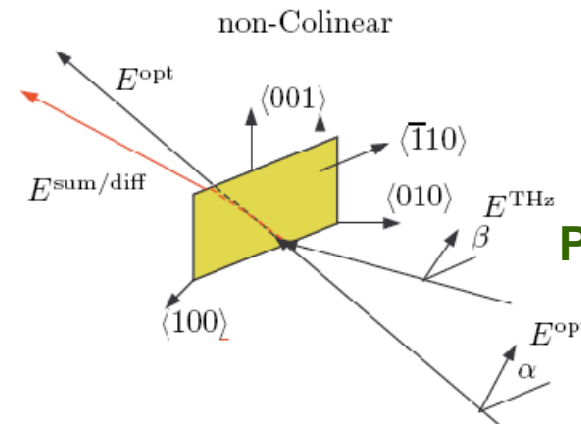
sum frequency  
optical field  
remains  
collinear to input  
field



### SE arrangement

sum frequency  
propagation  
direction differs.

**Problem or advantage?**



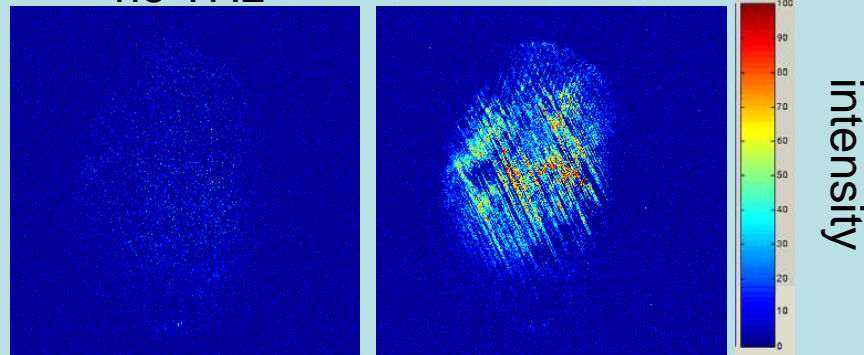
**not addressed in  
current models**

### EO crystal quality...is this an issue?

imaging of EO crystal and probe laser  
(similar to spatial encoding)

no THz

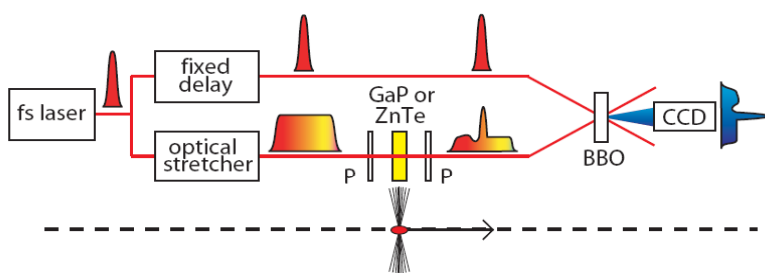
with THz



striations in signal  
from crystal inhomogeneity

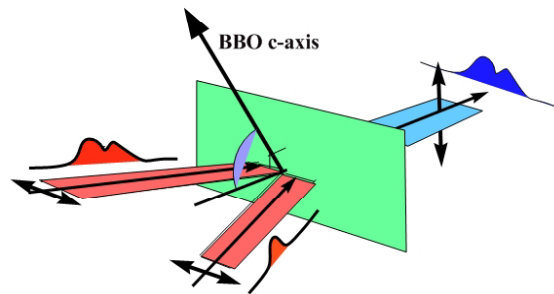
(tests using laser-driven THz source)

# 3. Temporal Decoding

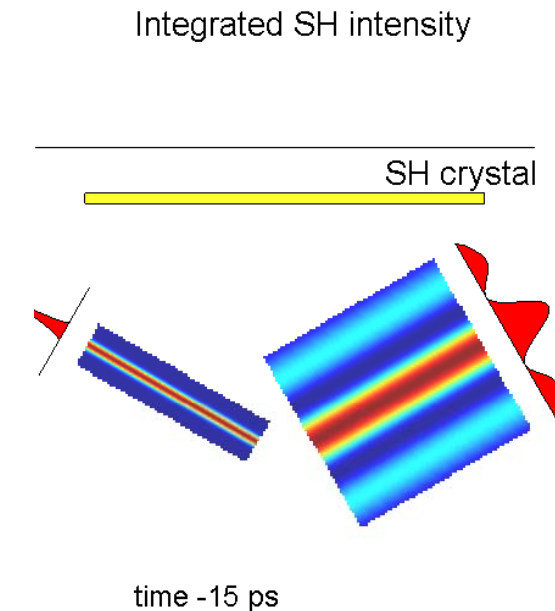


**Rely on EO crystal producing an optical temporal replica of Coulomb field**

Measure optical replica with  $t$ - $x$  mapping in 2<sup>nd</sup> Harmonic Generation



Temporal profile of probe pulse  
 ⇒ Spatial image of 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic



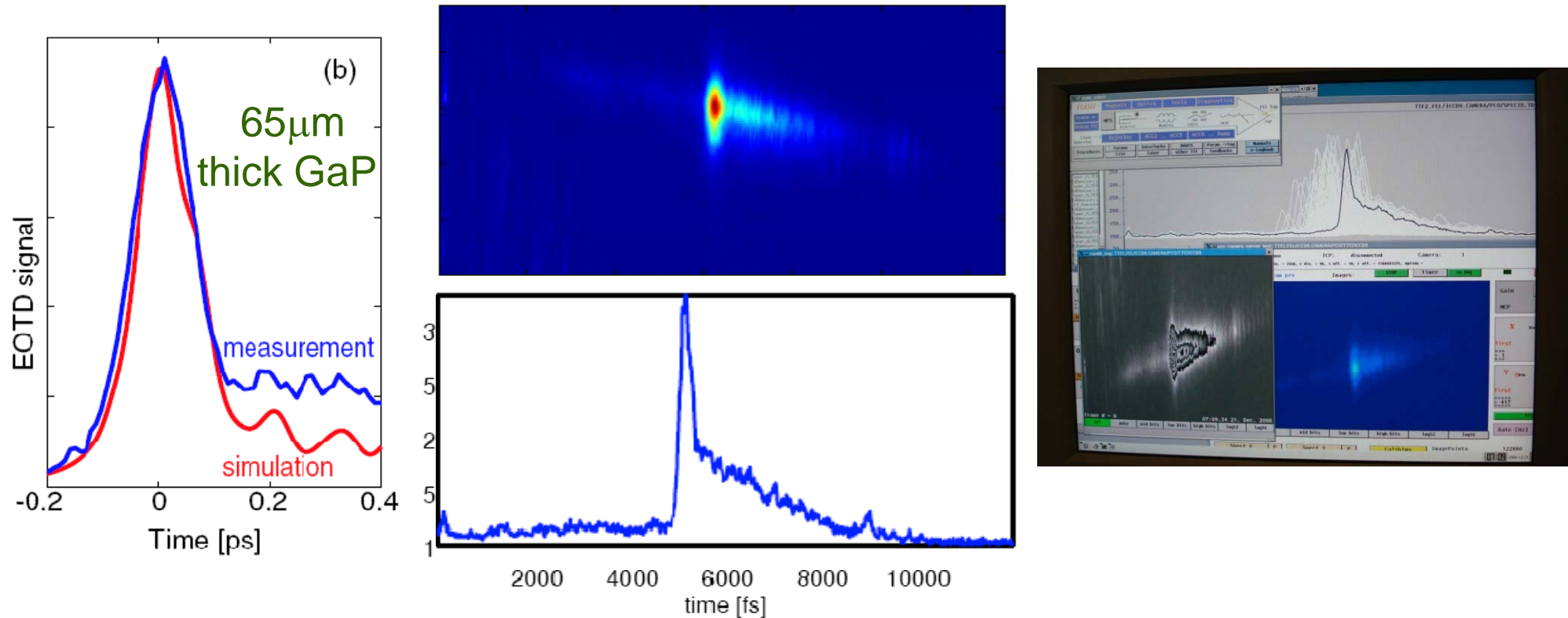
limited by

- gate pulse duration (although FROG etc could improve)
- EO encoding efficiency, phase matching

**Practical limitations: complexity of laser systems  
 transporting short pulse laser (gate pulse only)**

# temporal decoding in practice..

currently the highest time-resolution  
non-destructive diagnostic demonstrated



“Time resolution”

$$\sigma_z \sim 90\text{fs (rms)}$$

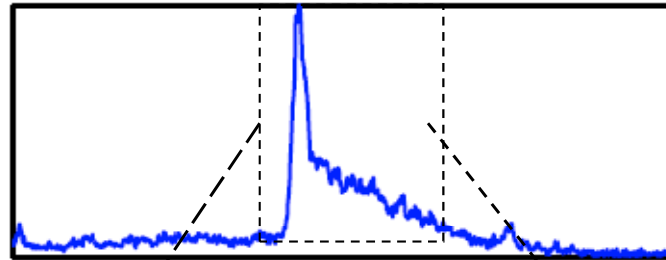
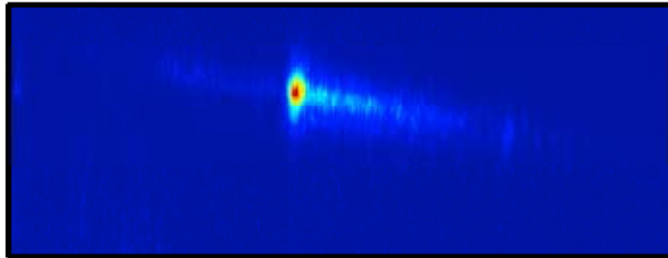
$$\sigma_z^{\text{actual}} \sim 30\text{fs} \Rightarrow \sigma_z^{\text{measured}} \sim 55\text{fs}$$

$$\sigma_z^{\text{actual}} \sim 90\text{fs} \Rightarrow \sigma_z^{\text{measured}} \sim 90\text{fs}$$

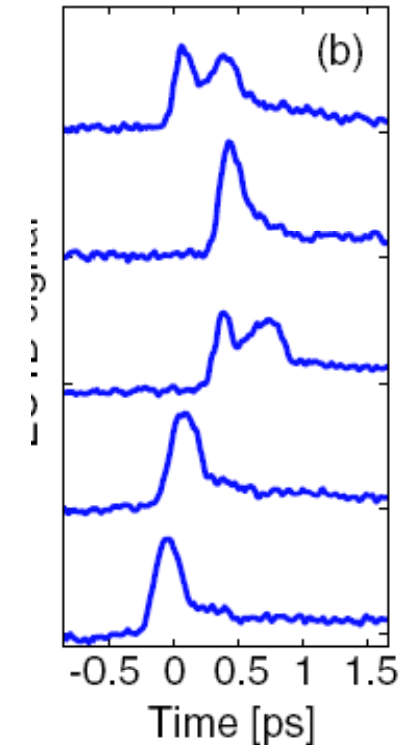
# Benchmarking of EO diagnostics

comparison with transverse deflecting (*LOLA*) cavity

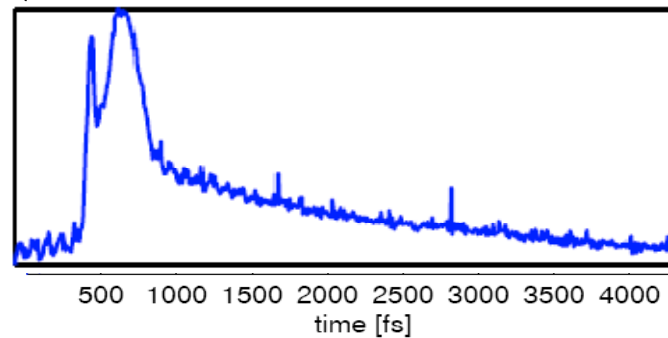
## Electro-Optic



## *shot-shot variations*



## Transverse Deflecting Cavity



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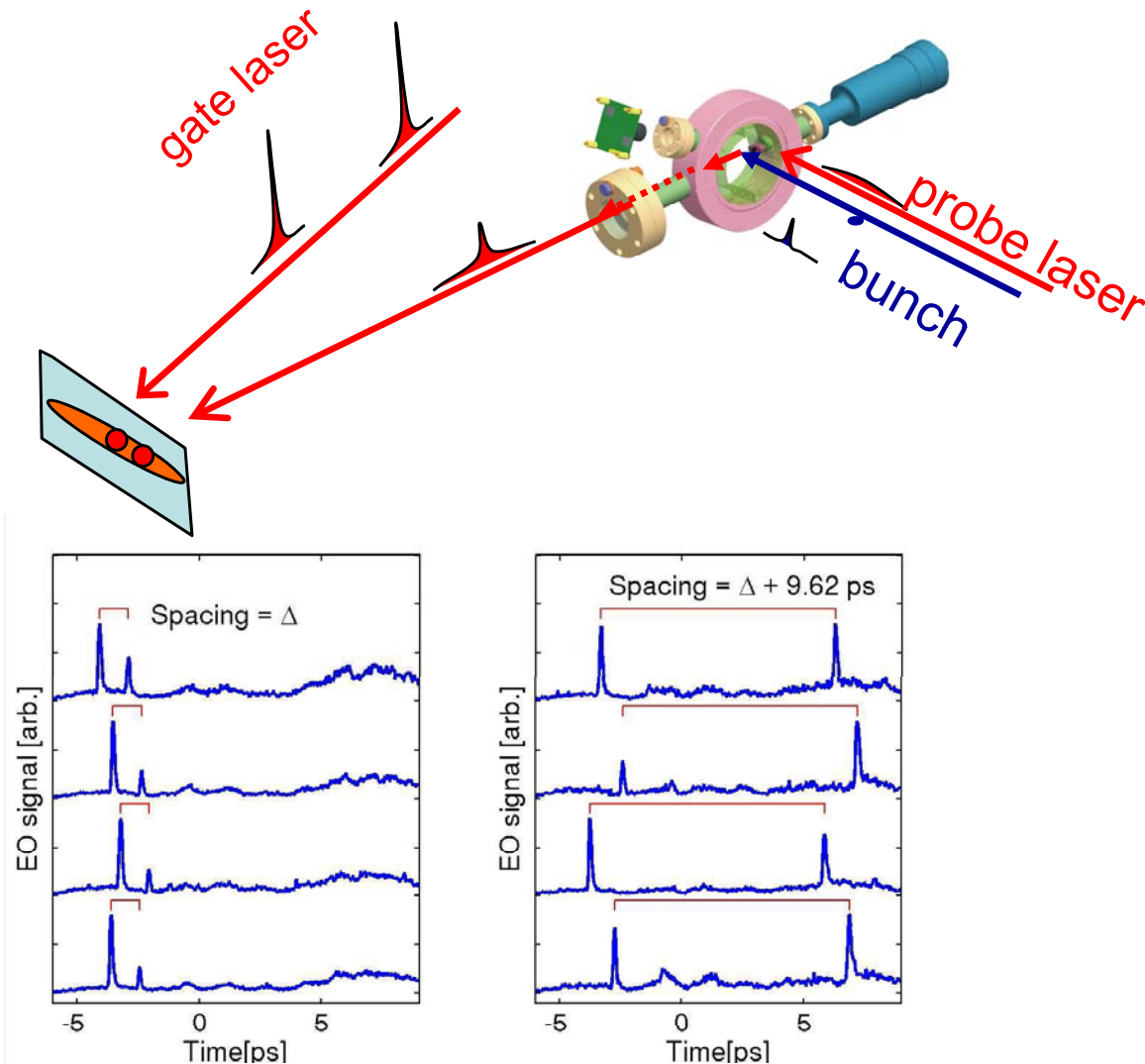
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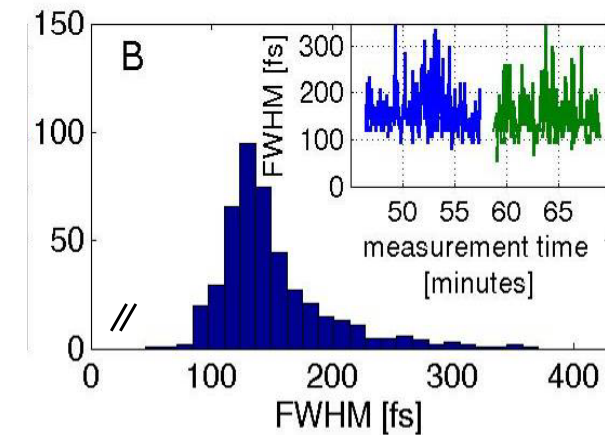
# Temporal decoding extras: EO confirmation of CDR feedback systems

## Time Calibration....

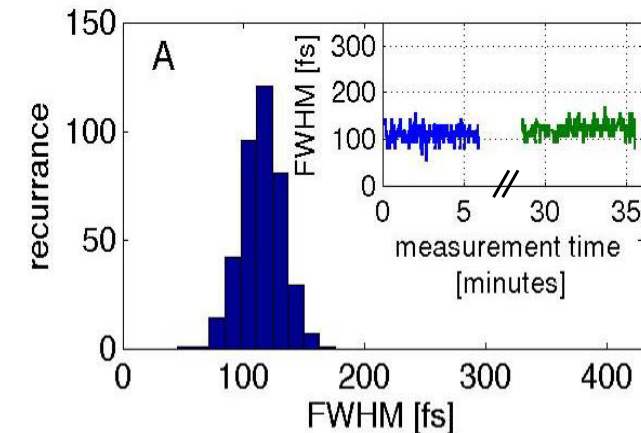


single shot capability (FLASH) reveals  
stabilising effect of slow feedback

## CDR feedback off



## CDR feedback on



# So are all the problems solved...?

## ***Low time resolution (>1ps structure)***

- *spectral decoding offers explicit temporal characterisation*
- *relatively robust laser systems available*
- *diagnostic rep rate only limited by optical cameras*

## ***High time resolution (>60 fs rms structure)***

- *proven capability*
- *significant issues with laser complexity / robustness*

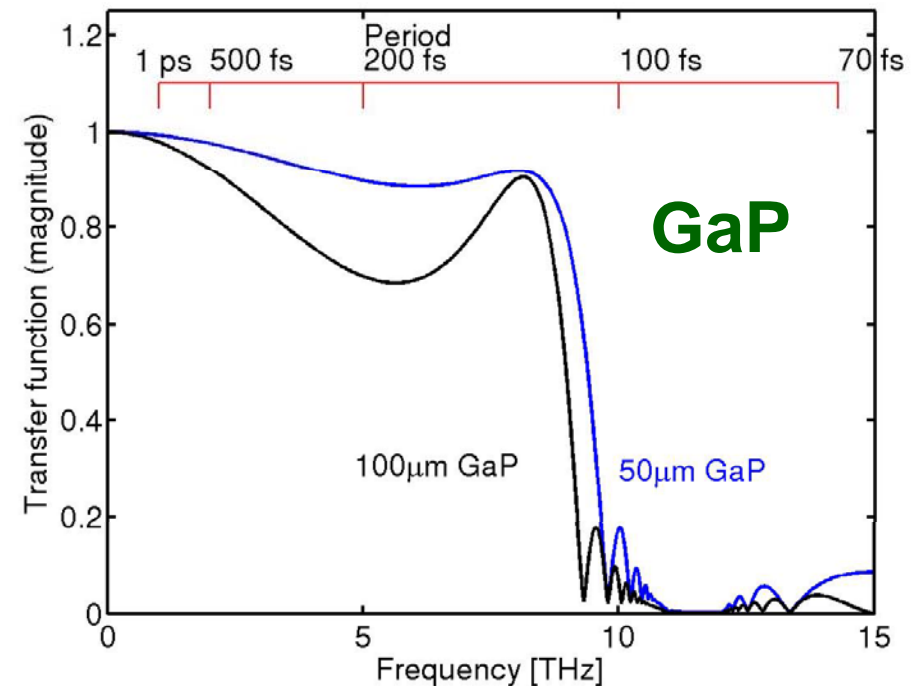
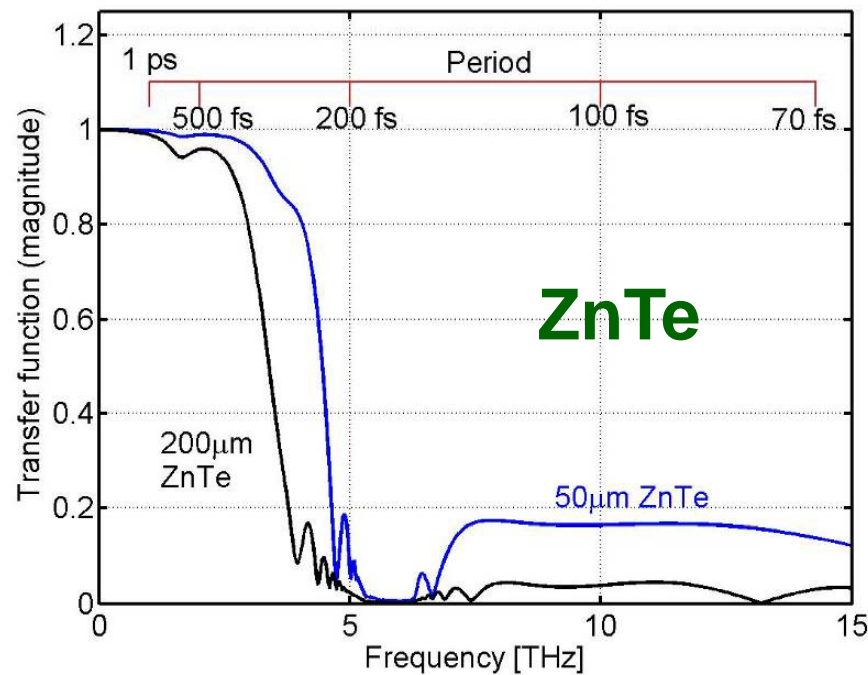
## ***Very high time resolution (<60 fs rms structure)***

- *limited by EO material properties (& laser)*

# Encoding Time Resolution...

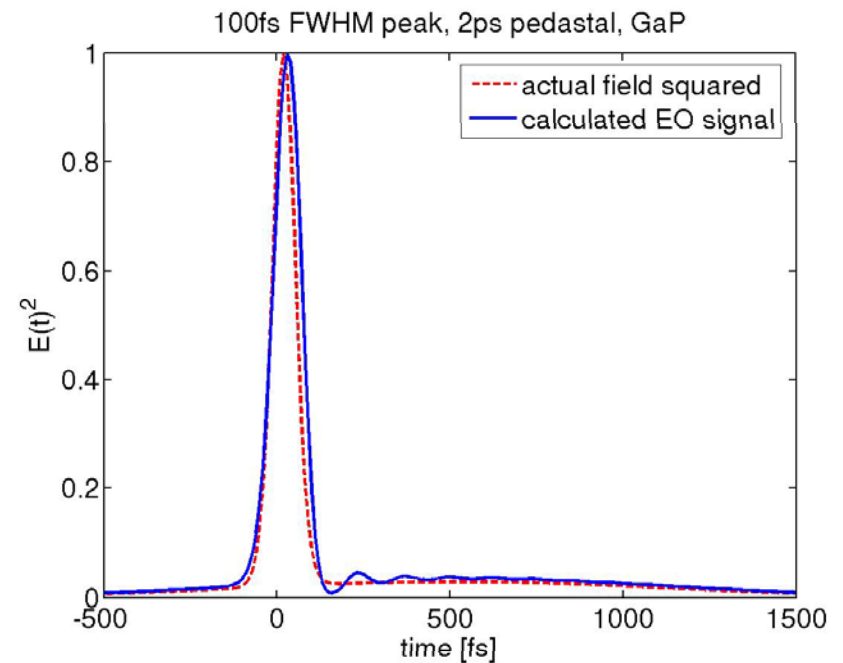
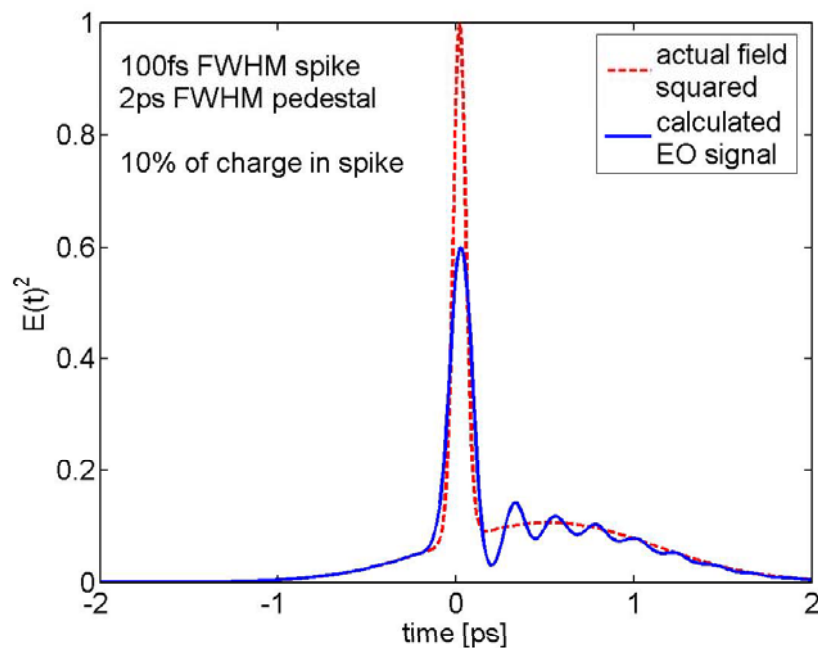
## material frequency response, $R(\omega)$

- velocity mismatch of Coulomb field and probe laser
- frequency mixing efficiency,  $\chi^{(2)}(\omega)$



# Time resolution from frequency response

- Encoding “time resolution” not a RMS measure...
- Better described as “temporal limitation”
- *structure on longer time scale recorded faithfully*
- *short time scale structure not observed, PLUS ringing artefacts*





# Can we achieve even better resolution ...?

## *Encoding*

Detector Material:

- GaP
- Move to new material? ( phase matching,  $\chi^{(2)}$  considerations )
- Could use **GaSe, DAST, MBANP .....** or **poled organic polymers?**
- use multiple crystals, **and reconstruction process**

## *Decoding*

Gate pulse width ~ 50 fs

Introduce shorter pulse

Use (linear) spectral interferometry

Use FROG Measurement (initially attempted at FELIX, 2004)

## *or Alternative Techniques: Spectral Upconversion*

If drop requirement for explicit time information at high frequencies,  
other options also become available ...

# alternative ways forward...

*Current limitations are from material properties*

*Phonon-resonances at 3-15 THz (material dependent)*

*All materials will have some phonon resonance effects*

*Can we use a set of crystals to cover larger range?*

*requires (uncertain) reconstruction to find temporal profile  
(relative phase shifts, phase matching, efficiency between crystals)*

*→ complication of system would multiply*

*If reconstruction needed anyway, reconsider spectral techniques ...*

***BUT** traditional spectral techniques have difficulties :*

*long-wavelength / DC-component transport  
extreme (“100%”) spectral bandwidths for detection*

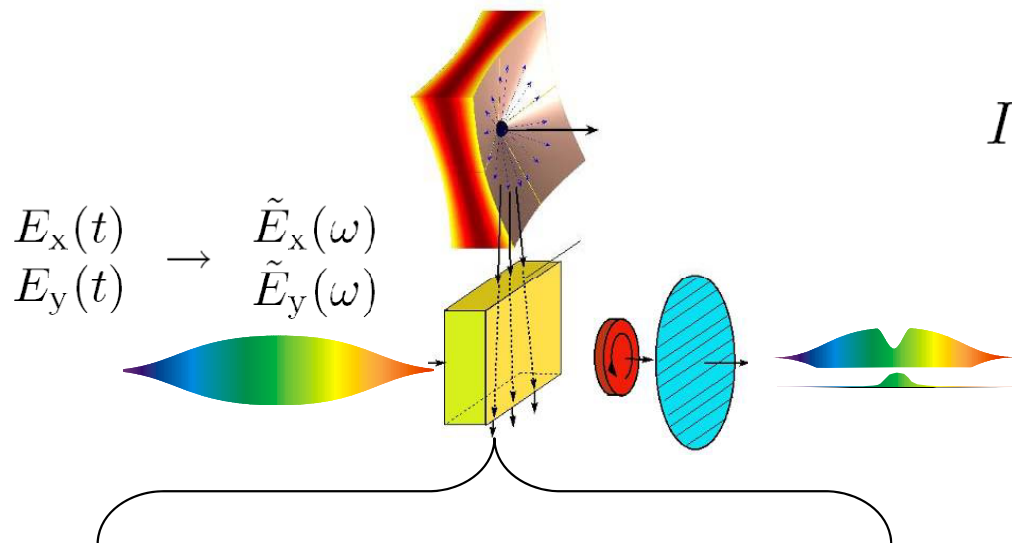
***A solution : Electro-optic spectral upconversion***

# 4. Spectral upconversion diagnostic

Physics of EO encoding...

OR

- shifting Coulomb spectrum to optical region
- creating an optical “replica” of Coulomb field



$$I(t) \propto E_{\text{Coul}}(t)$$

$$[ \text{ or } \propto E_{\text{Coul}}^2(t) ]$$

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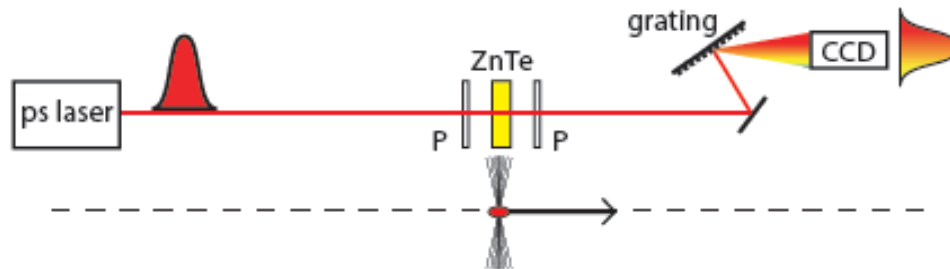
Coulomb pulse replicated in optical pulse

envelope

optical field

# Spectral upconversion diagnostic

Aim to measure the bunch Fourier spectrum...



- ... accepting loss of phase information & explicit temporal information
- ... gaining potential for determining information on even shorter structure
- ... gaining measurement simplicity

**use long pulse, narrow band, probe laser**

$$\tilde{E}_{\text{out}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) = \underbrace{\tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega)}_{\rightarrow \delta\text{-function}} + i\omega a \underbrace{\tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega)}_{\rightarrow \delta\text{-function}} * \left[ \tilde{E}^{\text{Coul}}(\omega) \tilde{R}(\omega) \right]$$

same physics as “standard” EO

$$\tilde{E}(\omega_0 + \Omega) = \tilde{E}(\omega_0) + i\omega a \tilde{E}(\omega_0) \left[ \tilde{E}^{\text{Coul}}(\Omega) \tilde{R}(\Omega) \right]$$

( $\Omega$  can be  $< 0$ )

different observational outcome

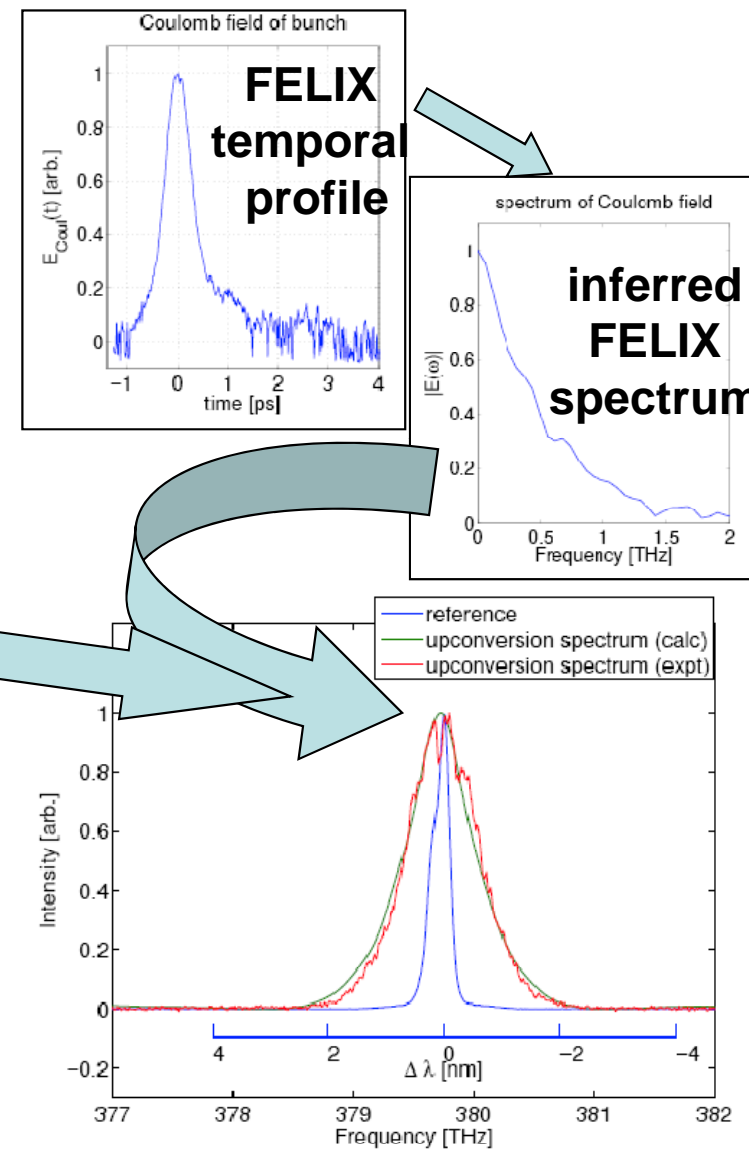
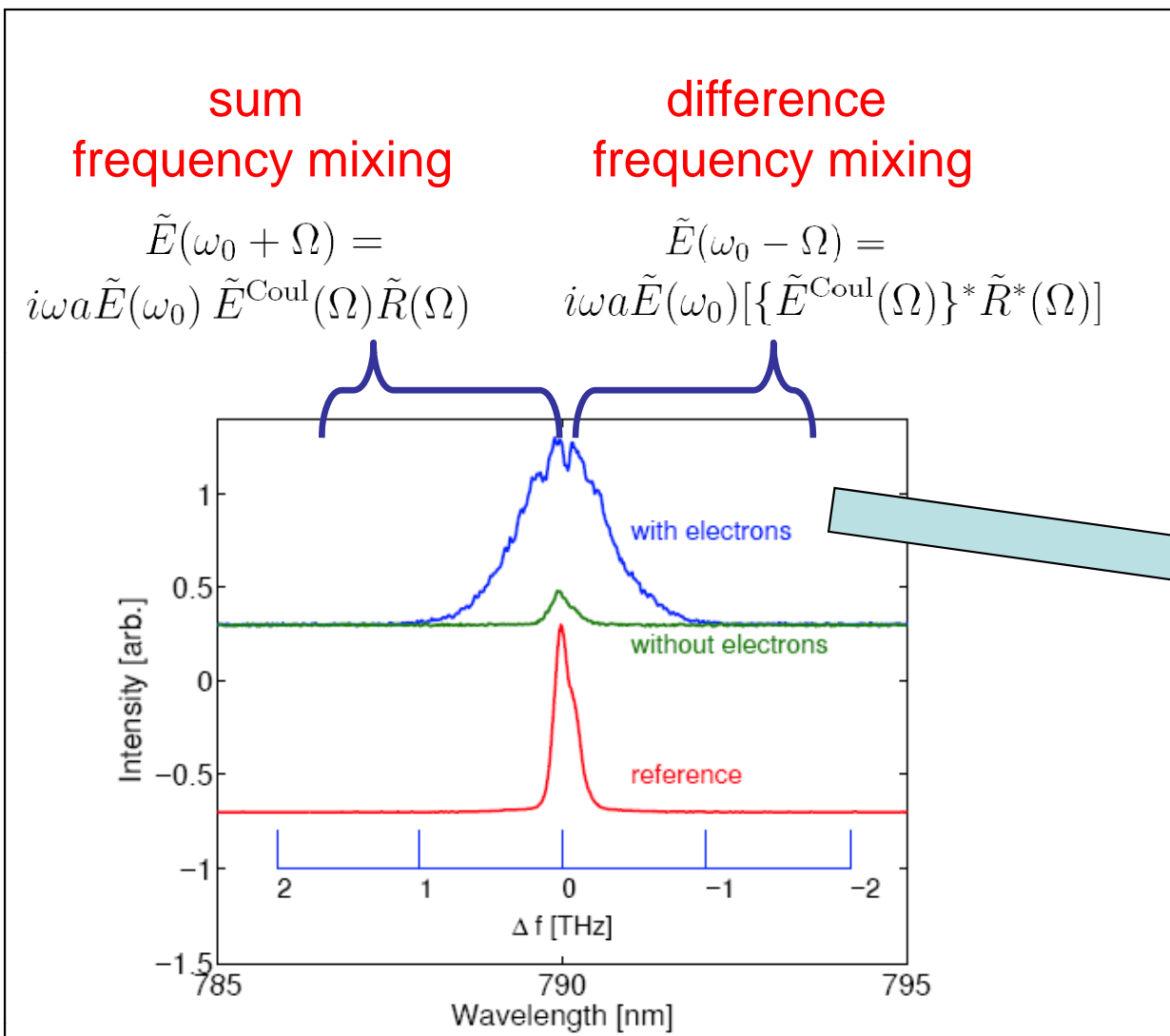
- **laser complexity reduced, reliability increased**
- **laser transport becomes trivial (fibre)**
- **problematic *artefacts* of spectral decoding become *solution***

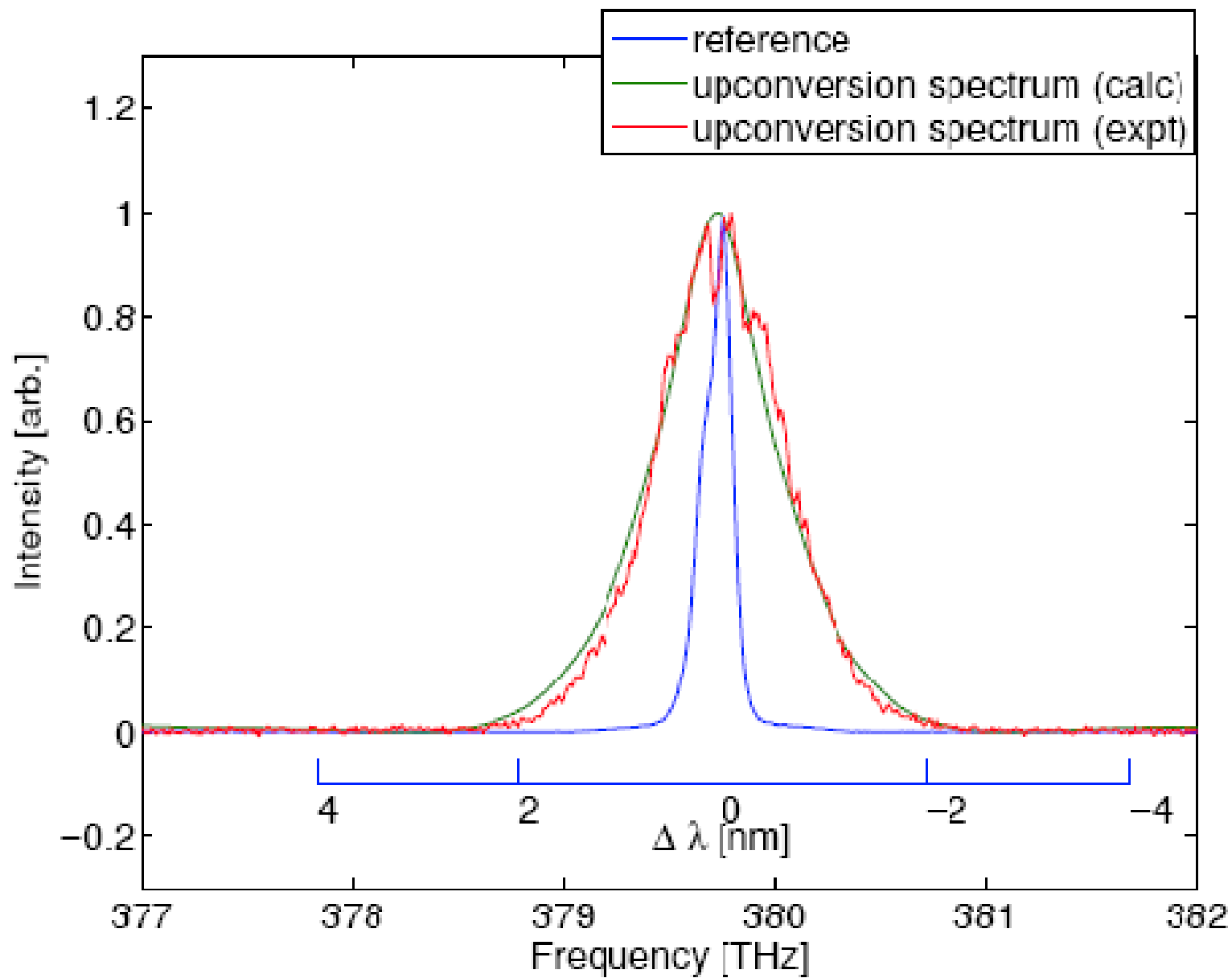
**NOTE: the long probe is converted to optical replica**

# Spectral upconversion diagnostic

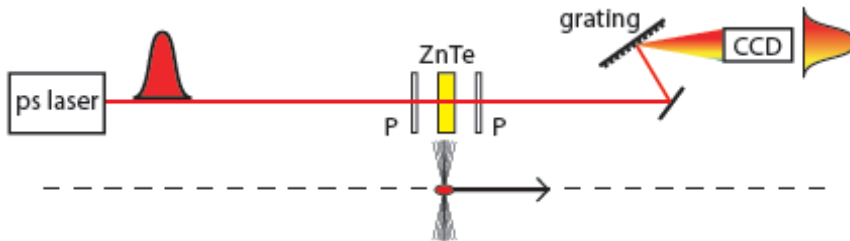
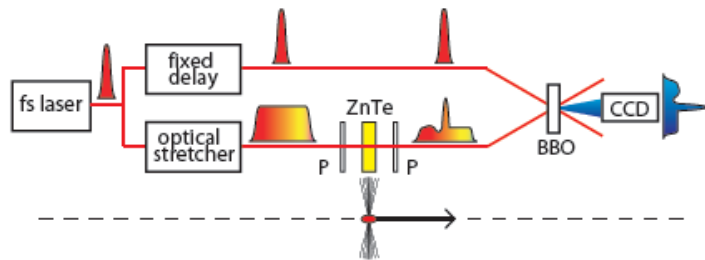
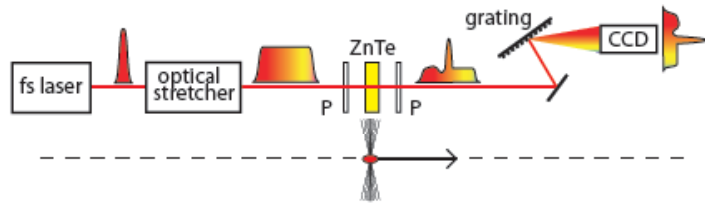
Results from experiments at FELIX (Feb 2009)  
in FEL'09; and *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **96**, 231114 (2010)

## Theory / Expt. comparison





# What's different...?



## Spectral decoding & Temporal decoding

laser bandwidth  $\gg$  bunch spectral extent

issues of

- laser transport
- laser complexity/expense/reliability
- material effects (e.g. group velocity dispersion)

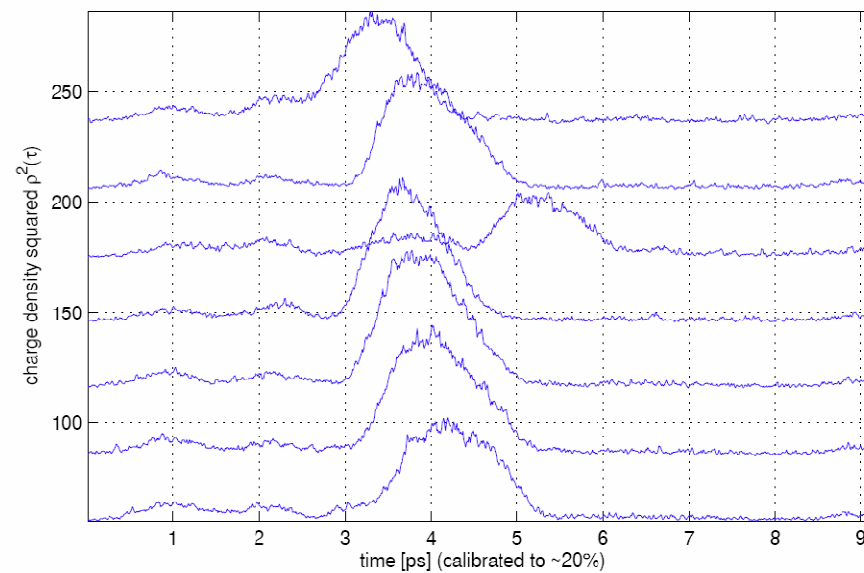
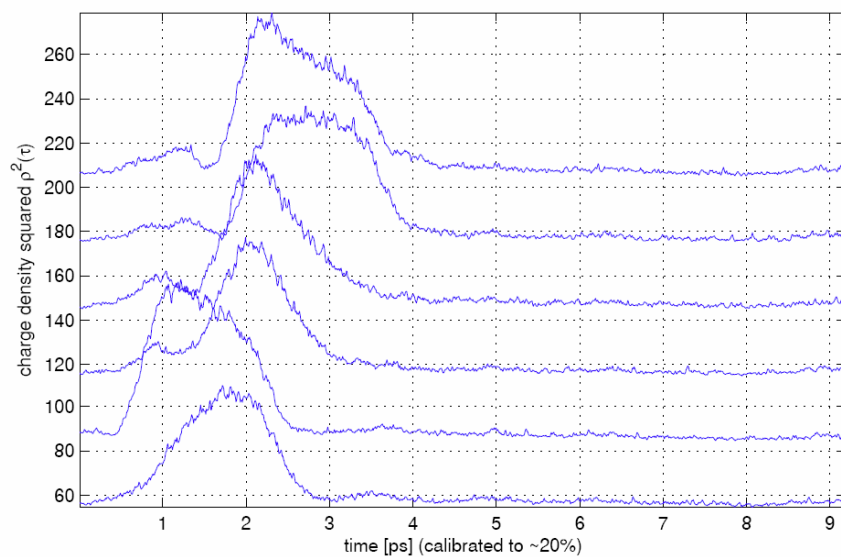
## Spectral upconversion

laser bandwidth  $\ll$  bunch spectral extent

- low power, 'simple' lasers OK
- fibre transport now an option
- simple – linear – spectral detection  
*without artefacts of spectral decoding*

**Important:** technique can measure non-propagating long-wavelength components not accessible to radiative techniques (CSR/CTR/S-P)

# ALICE spectral decoding, 40pC, first results from last week....





## In Summary ...

- **Proven capability for explicit temporal characterisation up to ~100 fs rms electron bunch structure**
- **High time resolution techniques have problems with reliability & necessary infrastructure...**
- **... *but* there exist avenues available for improving time resolution & robustness (depending on the beam diagnostics requirements)**
- **For high time resolution, alternative materials & spectral upconversion are both under investigation**

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