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Ultrafast extreme-ultraviolet emission and excitations in solids

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The generation of extreme ultraviolet and soft-X-ray pulses by high-harmonic generation (HHG) is the workhorse of attosecond science [1] and enables the observation of ultrafast electronic and nuclear dynamics in molecules and solids [2]. Importantly, the introduction of extreme-ultraviolet lithography into the high-volume manufacturing of integrated circuits now created the first industrial applications of high-harmonic sources [3,4], and even attosecond spectroscopic techniques to investigate processes in solids are becoming implemented in industry [5]. Thus, both fundamental science and industrial applications now require more robust and brighter HHG sources, as well as a better understanding of the interaction of XUV photons with semiconductor wafers and thin films.

In this talk I will discuss experiments both for improving HHG sources, as well as their application to study ultrafast processes in solids. The recently discovered extreme-ultraviolet emission from solids opens an avenue to more compact HHG sources, and is a new method to study solids in high fields. I will discuss new experiments to boost the efficiency of XUV emission from solids through resonant enhancement in multi-color HHG, and ways to tailor the emission properties by engineering the surface of the materials. Extreme ultraviolet and soft-X-ray pulses provide an ideal way to monitor valence dynamics in transient reflectivity experiments. I will discuss previous experiments in germanium [6] that enable the simultaneous monitoring of valence and conduction band dynamics in real semiconductor wafers. Furthermore, I will introduce extreme-ultraviolet excited visible luminescence spectroscopy, which allows monitoring ultrafast XUV induced processes in thin films on picosecond to nanosecond time scales.

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