





Low-density matter with synchrotrons and time-resolved experiments with FELs

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Photon Interaction



Cross Sections





Below 100 keV

Photoelectric and elastic cross section dominate

Spectroscopy-Scattering

Detected Particles



EMITTED PARTICLE

- Elastic Scattering X-Diffraction
- Inelastic Scattering X-ray Emission Spectroscopy
- *Electron Emission* Photoelectron Spectroscopy

NO EMITTED PARTICLE

Photon Adsorbed X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

Spectroscopy



Methods

•X-ray Diffraction

•Photoelectron Spectroscopy (PES)

Core level electron spectroscopy Valence band photoemission Resonant photoemission

•X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS) Near Edge X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (NEXAFS) Extended X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (EXAFS)

•X-ray Emission Spectroscopy (XES) Resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering (RIXS)

Selected examples:

Resonant photoemission

Ultrafast dynamics

Young's double slit-type interference

Doppler effects





X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy of N₂0







Decay Processes in Core-Excited N₂O

 $1 \sigma^2 2 \sigma^2 3 \sigma^2 4 \sigma^2 5 \sigma^2 6 \sigma^2 1 \pi^4 7 \sigma^2 2 \pi^4 3 \pi^{-1} \Sigma^+$



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Nuclear Pnamics of core-excited systems



Possible mechanisms of nuclear dynamics:

- ultrafast dissociation
- geometry change
 - e.g. bending, twisting
- conformational changes





Auger resonant Raman conditions: Photon bandwidth much narrower than the natural lifetime width of the intermediate state Core-hole clock

$(\Delta T) (\Delta E) \geq \hbar/2$



duration time
$$\tau_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Gamma^2 + \Omega^2}}$$



Nuclear Dynamics of core-excited systems

Ultrafast dissociation

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Atomic Autoionization Following Very Fast Dissociation of Core-Excited HBr

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Young's double slit interference in photoemission







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