

MO 9: Atomic clusters I (with A)

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Invited Talk

MO 9.1 Mon 16:30 B 302

Spectra of cold molecular ions from hot helium nanodroplets — ●MARCEL DRABBELS — EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland

The function of a molecule is intimately related to its structure. Accordingly, in the quest for a better understanding of molecular function, the development of spectroscopic methods to elucidate molecular structures increasingly takes central stage. The amount of detail that can be derived from spectra depends on the experimental conditions, most notably on the temperature of the sample and the intermolecular interactions a molecule experiences. Helium nanodroplets provide in this respect an almost ideal matrix. For neutral molecules, helium nanodroplet spectroscopy thus has led to important discoveries related to the structure of key molecular systems and has provided insight into the mechanisms underlying chemical reactions.

Compared to the level of sophistication that has been reached for neutrals, the spectroscopic exploration of ions is still in its infancy. The use of helium droplets as a cryogenic matrix could potentially solve many of the technical challenges associated with recording high-resolution spectra of cold molecular ions. Here, we will present a method to record spectra of ion containing helium nanodroplets that finds its roots in the nonthermal cooling dynamics of excited molecular ions. In addition, spectra of several molecular ions will be present and the influence of the helium environment on these spectra will be discussed.

MO 9.2 Mon 17:00 B 302

Angular resolved photoionization study of C₆₀ in ultrashort (4 fs) and short (40 fs) laser pulses — ●S. SKRUSZEWICZ¹, H. LI², S. ZHEREBTSOV³, R. IRSIG¹, F. SÜSSMANN³, TH. FENNEL¹, J. TIGGESBÄUMKER¹, M. F. KLING^{2,3}, and K.-H. MEIWES-BROER¹ —

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Recently, the existence of Superatom Molecular Orbitals (SAMO) bound to the core of the hollow C₆₀ cage has been reported [1,2]. Few-cycle as well as two-color pulses (w/2w) [3] are applied to study angle-resolved photoelectron emission from C₆₀ in order to characterize SAMO in more details. As tool we utilize Velocity Map Imaging spectrometer to map angular dependence in the photoelectron emission. Multiple nodal structures appear in the angular signal distribution as we excite C₆₀ with few-cycle laser pulses. At pulse durations of 40 fs, one observes distinct changes in the photoelectron angular distribution. We also made attempt to compare the CEP dependence on the electron emission to the result obtained with w/2w pulses of 40 fs.

[1] M. Feng et al., *Science* **320**, 359 (2008)[2] O. Johansson et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **108** 173401 (2012)[3] N. Dudovich et. al., *Nature* **2**, 781 (2006)

MO 9.3 Mon 17:15 B 302

Magnetic Moments of Chromium-Doped Gold Clusters: Anderson Impurity Model in Finite Systems — KONSTANTIN HIRSCH^{1,2}, VICENTE ZAMUDIO-BAYER^{1,2}, ANDREAS LANGENBERG^{1,2}, MARKUS NIEMEYER^{1,2}, BRUNO LANGBEHN^{1,2}, THOMAS MÖLLER¹, AKIRA TERASAKI^{3,4}, BERND VON ISSENDORFF⁵, and ●TOBIAS LAU² —

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The interaction of a single magnetic impurity with a free electron gas is a long standing problem in condensed matter physics. It results in interesting phenomena like the Kondo effect or Friedel oscillations. In recent years substantial progress was made by studying these phenomena in atomic scale systems. Here we follow this approach and investigate the interaction of a single magnetic impurity with a finite free electron gas. CrAu_n⁺ clusters serve as a model system. We show that the size dependence of the local spin magnetic moment of CrAu_n⁺

can well be described within in the Anderson impurity model, where the interaction of the localized impurity states with the electron bath of the gold matrix is governed by quantum confinement in the host, which is absent in the corresponding bulk material.

MO 9.4 Mon 17:30 B 302

Clusters in intense femtosecond XUV pulses: Direct simulation of light scattering — ●CHRISTIAN PELTZ¹, CHARLES VARIN², THOMAS BRABEC², and THOMAS FENNEL¹ —

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Recent XUV experiments on rare gas clusters at FLASH have proven that single-shot imaging of clusters contains valuable information on transient matter properties under intense XUV excitation [1]. These advances show that IR-XUV pump-probe experiments are in reach to illuminate the ultrafast dynamical evolution of highly excited nanosystems via the XUV scattering. However, so far no well established theory exists to fully describe the light scattering of strongly dynamical systems including nonlinear and transient effects. We propose a route to such theoretical analysis based on the recently introduced microscopic particle-in-cell (MicPIC) approach [2]. MicPIC enables us to simultaneously account for the nonlinear laser-cluster interaction dynamics including ionization, heating, and expansion along with light propagation on the fully microscopic level and without any restrictions on particle geometry. We report first theory results on XUV only and IR-XUV pump probe scenarios for large rare gas clusters up to (D~80nm), which show the typical geometry-induced Mie scattering as well as elastic and inelastic XUV light scattering signals stemming from nonlinear effects and plasmonic excitations of the nanoplasma.

[1] C. Bostedt et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **108**, 093401 (2012)[2] C. Varin et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **108**, 175007 (2012)

MO 9.5 Mon 17:45 B 302

Time resolved electron spectra from clusters in the light of FLASH — ●M. MÜLLER¹, D. RUPP¹, T. OELZE¹, M. SAUPPE¹, L. FLÜCKIGER¹, T. GORKHOVER¹, A. PRZYSTAWIK², M. ADOLPH¹, U. FRÜHLING², M. WIELAND², B. SCHÜTTE³, A. AL-SHEMMARY², N. STOJANOVIC², S. TOLEIKIS², J.-P. MÜLLER¹, M. KRIKUNOVA¹, T. LAARMANN², and T. MÖLLER¹ —

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During the last ten years free-electron lasers (FEL) made highly intense and short pulses from the soft to the hard X-ray regime for the first time accessible. Facilities like FLASH opened a wide range of new research fields concerning the interaction of light with matter for example in physics, chemistry and biology.

We use rare gas clusters as a model system to study the complex interaction, which proceeds on different time scales. At first the cluster is ionized. Due to the loss of electrons and further ionization the Coulomb potential of the cluster gets deeper and the electrons are trapped in the cluster - a nanoplasma is built up. Finally the cluster is destroyed either by coulomb explosion or hydrodynamic expansion of the nanoplasma. By measuring electron and ion spectra, further insight into the ionization and recombination processes can be gained. The temporal evolution of the FEL induced plasma dynamics in clusters was further investigated by means of streaking the photoelectrons with a THz pulse, a very promising new tool at FLASH. We will give an overview of our setup and discuss first results.

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Non-adiabatic quantum molecular dynamics with trajectory surface hopping — ●MICHAEL FISCHER^{1,2}, JAN HANDT², and RÜDIGER SCHMIDT² —

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We present a simple and straightforward extension of non-adiabatic quantum molecular dynamics to approximately include electron-nuclear correlations by combining electron dynamics within time-dependent density functional theory with trajectory surface hopping dynamics for the nuclei. This approach allows for the qualitative understanding of experimentally measured collision spectra as well as

photoinduced processes as radiationless electron-nuclear relaxation. Benchmark examples from collision physics and photochemistry illustrate the improvements gained over ordinary non-adiabatic quantum molecular dynamics.

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In einer Elektronenstrahl-Ionenfalle (EBIT) werden Ionen mittels eines hoch- und monoenergetischen Elektronenstrahls erzeugt und gespeichert. Mit einem starken magnetischen Feld von 3 Tesla wird

der Elektronenstrahl komprimiert, wodurch Stromdichten von 4000 A/cm² erreicht werden. In radialer Richtung erfolgt der Einschluss der Ionen durch die Raumladung des Elektronenstrahls und eines elektrostatischen Speicherpotentials an drei Driftröhren. Neutrale Atome werden durch Elektronenstoßionisation in der Falle schrittweise ionisiert. Der maximale Ladungszustand der erzeugten Ionen lässt sich über die Energie des Elektronenstrahls kontrollieren.

Die erzeugten hochgeladenen Ionen sollen in einem ersten Schritt in Wechselwirkung mit Fullerenen gebracht und deren Reaktionsprodukte mit einem Flugzeit-Massenspektrometer gemessen werden. Erste Voruntersuchungen mit der in Greifswald wieder in Betrieb genommenen ehemaligen Berlin EBIT [1] werden vorgestellt.

[1] C. Biedermann *et. al*, Phys. Scr. T. 73 (1997) 360