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Electron-boson coupling



Kinks in the quasiparticle dispersion



Johnston, PRL (2012) (a) 0.00 0.00 0.04 -0.08 -0.12 -0.12 -80×10^{-3} -40 0 $k_{\parallel} - k_{F}$ (Å⁻¹)

Johnson, PRL (2001)



- Indications of coupling to bosons
 - Origin?
 - Effects on quasiparticles

Manifestations of electron-boson interactions in spectra







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<u>Time- and angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy</u>

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- Incoming light pulse (the pump) excites electrons and lattice
- (2) Second incoming light pulse (the probe) ejects electrons (called photoemission) some time Δt later
- (3) Excited electrons are measured as a function of their energy and momentum

Non-Equilibrium Keldysh Formalism

 $GGt_{k}(\mathcal{W}) \xrightarrow{G^{0}_{\mathbf{k}}} (\mathcal{G}^{0}_{k}(\mathcal{H})) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}} (\mathcal{H}) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}} (\mathcal{H}$



self-energy Σ : electron-electron scattering electron-phonon scattering

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Include the effects of strong driving field through Peierls substitution

$$k \rightarrow k - e\mathbf{A}(t)$$



Pump-probe photoemission



M. Eckstein and M. Kollar, PRB (2008), J. K. Freericks et al., PRL (2009), J. K. Freericks et al.

Electron-lattice coupling

t = -65.00



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Return to equilibrium significantly slowed within a window around E_F



J. Graf et al., Nat. Phys. (2011)

Electron-lattice coupling



M. Sentef, Phys. Rev. X 3, 041033

 $\Sigma =$

g

How does the pump fluence affect these results?

We should account for the changes in the distribution self-consistently.

 $\Sigma[G^0]$





Sharp kink is a signature of large electron-boson coupling



Strong excitation appears to change features of electron-phonon coupling

AFK et al PRB 2014



AFK et al PRB 2014





Total interaction stays constant!

AFK et al PRB 2014



Strong pumping leads to fluence- and time-dependent interactions

 $1/\tau(\omega) \approx -2\mathrm{Im}\Sigma(\omega)$

AFK et al PRB 2014

Experimental evidence for modified interactions

- Increase in MDC width after pumping within phonon window
- Weakening of the kink



(2014)



Ishida, Nat. Sci. Reports (2016)

Changes in kink, linewidth, and population decay rate after pumping can be understood simply by considering population redistribution



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Also: I. Gierz, S. Link, U. Starke, and A. Cavalleri, Faraday Discuss. 171, 311 (2014).

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- Equilibrium frequency domain arises in t-t' direction
- Population dynamics occurs along average time

Consider interactions beyond electronphonon coupling











 $-2\mathrm{Im}\Sigma(\omega=\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})\neq\frac{1}{\tau(\omega)}$







$$-2\mathrm{Im}\Sigma(\omega=\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})\neq\frac{1}{\tau(\omega)}$$

Energy transfer determines population dynamics



Combining electron-electron and electron-phonon scattering



$$g^2 = 0.02$$

Step in lifetimes remains visible

Competition between e-p and e-e scattering

Apparent λ could be too small!

Time-resolved ARPES experiment by J.D. Rameau, S. Freutel, I. Avigo, M. Ligges, L. Rettig, P.D. Johnson, U. Bovensiepen



30 meV



Scattering rates are fluence dependent





Population dynamics can be understood with a strongly coupled boson at approximately 75 meV and $\,\lambda\approx 0.2$

Quantitative agreement between experiment and theory



If you can see the fingerprint of a boson in the time domain, it is capable of taking energy out of the electronic system.

Summary

- Dynamics in the time domain are not always equivalent to frequency domain
- Dynamics in the time domain are principally controlled by energy transfer processes
 - We can use this to separate/suppress interactions that can obscure electron-boson interactions
 - Interpreting changes in the spectra using equilibrium language can be erroneous





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