

Curriculum Fisica della Materia

Condensed matter



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Curriculum (piano di studi)

standard:

Mandatory and eligible courses chosen within the groups A, B, C following the general instructions.

customized:

Mandatory courses but eligible courses can be chosen more freely. The individual plan **must be motivated** and possibly discussed with the responsible of the curriculum.

Corso di laurea in Fisica (LM-17) - Curriculum Fisica della Materia

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1	Relativistic Quantum Mechanics	6	1	1	FIS/02	Y	caratt.
2	Condensed Matter Physics	6	1	1	FIS/03	Y	caratt.
3	gruppo C	6	1 / 2	1 / 2			aff.-int.
4	Meccanica statistica e fenomeni critici	6	1	1	FIS/02	N	caratt.
5	Physics Laboratory I (propedeutico a Physics Laboratory II)	6	1	1	FIS/01	Y	caratt.
6	Solid State Physics	6	1	2	FIS/03	Y	caratt.
7	Mathematical Physics	6	1	2	MAT/07	Y	aff.-int.
8	gruppo A	6	1 / 2	1 / 2			aff.-int.
9	Corso a scelta	6	1	2			
10	Physics Laboratory II	12	1	2	FIS/01	Y	caratt.
11	gruppo B	6	1 / 2	1 / 2	FIS/03		caratt.
12	Corso a scelta	6	2	1			
13	Internship	3	2	1		Y	AAF
14	Thesis Project	39	2	2		Y	AAF

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Gruppo A (aff.-int.)

1	Fisica dei sistemi a molti corpi	6	1	2	FIS/03	N	
2	Statistical Mechanics of Disordered Systems	6	2	1	FIS/02	Y	

Gruppo B (caratt.)

1	Physics of liquids	6	1	2	FIS/03	Y	
2	Fisica dei sistemi a molti corpi	6	1	2	FIS/03	N	
3	Fisica dei sistemi complessi	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	
4	Surface Physics and Nanostructures	6	2	1	FIS/03	Y	
5	Informazione e computazione quantistica	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	
6	Spectroscopy Methods and Nanophotonics	6	2	1	FIS/03	Y	
7	Superconduttività e superfluidità	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	

Gruppo C (aff.-int.)

1	Biophysics	6	1	2	FIS/03	Y	
2	Fisica dei sistemi a molti corpi	6	1	2	FIS/03	N	
3	Fisica dei sistemi complessi	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	
4	Surface Physics and Nanostructures	6	2	1	FIS/03	Y	
5	Fotonica	6	1	1	FIS/03	N	
6	Informazione e computazione quantistica	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	
7	Computational Statistical Mechanics	6	1	2	FIS/02	Y	
8	Meccanica Statistica del Non Equilibrio	6	1	2	FIS/02	N	
9	Medical applications of physics	6	2	1	FIS/01	Y	
10	Metodi computazionali per la fisica	6	1	1	INF/01	N	
11	Physics of liquids	6	1	2	FIS/03	Y	
12	Spectroscopy Methods and Nanophotonics	6	2	1	FIS/03	Y	
13	Onde non lineari e solitoni	6	1	2	FIS/02	N	
14	Ottica non lineare e quantistica	6	1	2	FIS/01	N	
15	Simulazioni atomistiche	6	1	2	INF/01	N	
16	Superconduttività e superfluidità	6	2	1	FIS/03	N	

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 - Huge number of application fields
 - Most of them are real, substantial you can *touch* them
 - P.W. Anderson (Nobel laureate) : «*more is different*»

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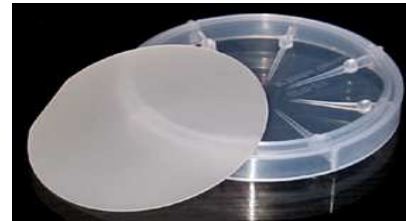
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Al_2O_3 aluminum oxide (corundum)

Powder



Pressed



Polycrystalline

single crystal



Doped

Fe^{3+}



Cr^{3+}

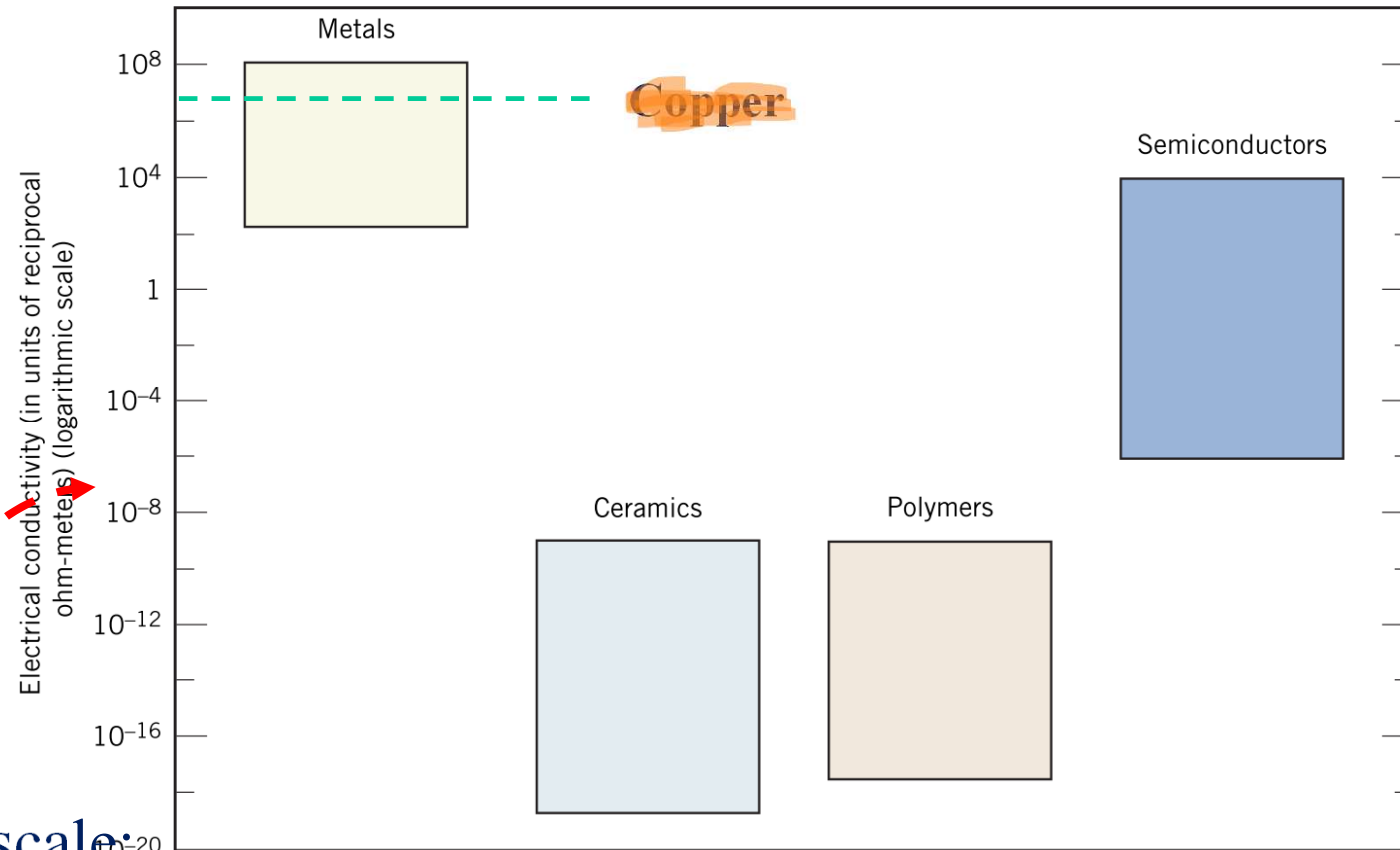


$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Ti}^{4+}$

General properties of materials

Figure 1.8

Bar chart of room-temperature electrical conductivity ranges for metals, ceramics, polymers, and semiconducting materials.



Notice: Log scale:
More than 28 order of magnitude !

From W.D. Callister, D.G. Retwisch *Fundamentals of materials science and engineering an integrated approach*

Why condensed matter?

- It is the world around you.
 - It is useful
- Energy: solar-cell, battery, loss reduction..
 - Miniaturization
 - Environment: clean water, clean air
 - Medical: imaging, cell screening, nano-medicine, theragnosis...

It can be even much more useful

- 60×10^6 transistors /year/person are produced.
- More than 20% of losses transering electricity
- Maximum solar/eelectricity conversion efficiency 22%

Nanotechnology R. Feynmann (Nobel Laureate):

There is a plenty of space at the bottom.

Why condensed matter?

- It is the world around you
 - It is useful
 - It is deep
- Condensed matter is a quantum mechanics playground!
+ statistical mechanics + many body interaction +
→ **above all creativity!**
- Design and realize** new: experiments, materials, instruments,
material architectures (nano-design),
analysis...

In between *infinity big* and *infinity small*
there is infinity complex

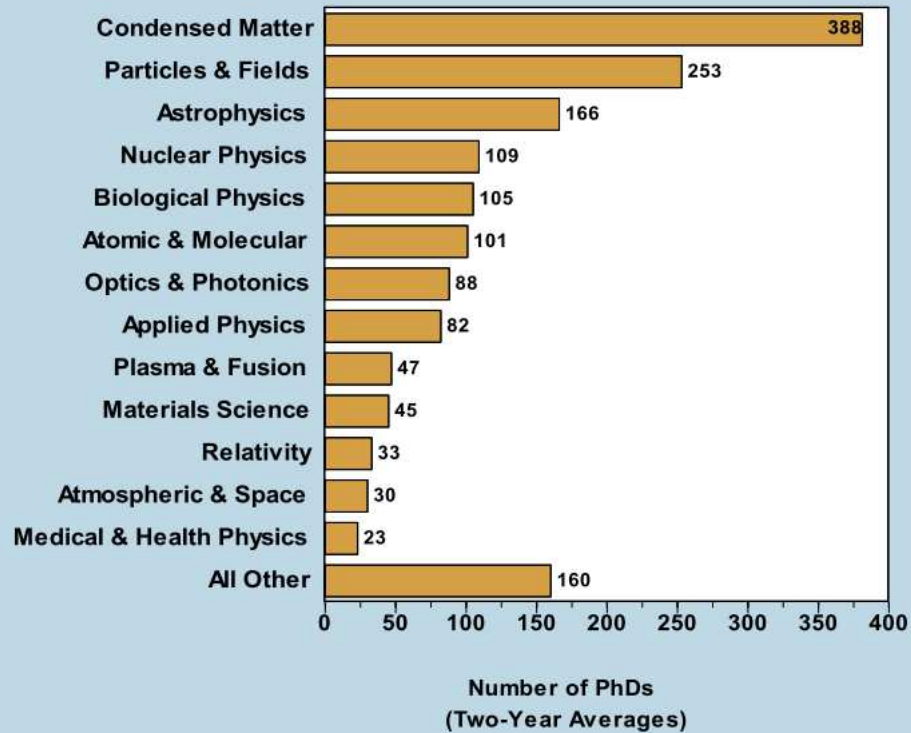
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- It is deep
- It is very cross-disciplinary

Biology, chemistry, engineering, humanistic studies (cultural heritage, archeology..), forensic, medical etc. etc.

About 30% of the physicists in the world can be classified as «condensed matter physicists»

**Number of Physics PhDs Granted by Subfield From
Physics Departments, Classes of 2010 & 2011 Combined.**



Note: These data are based on a 2 year average of 1,623 PhDs conferred at U.S. physics departments. Additionally, there was an average of 158 PhD astronomers from departments that offer astronomy degrees.

<http://www.aip.org/statistics>

AIP Statistical Research Center

**AIP – American Institute of Physics
(2014)**

Why condensed matter?

- It is the world around you.
- It is useful
- It is deep
- It is very cross-disciplinary
- It shows the way from microscopic → macroscopic

You can: design the material
create the material
ask the questions
get the answers.

In principle you can do all yourself

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3De1rLxvzyU> (So Close and Such a Stranger)

Superconductivity & strongly correlated systems.

Nanostructured & low dimensional systems

Liquids & disordered systems

Teaching closely related to the research activity carried out in the Dept.

Quantum information, non linear optics

Statistical Mechanics

Materials and methods for cultural heritage ...

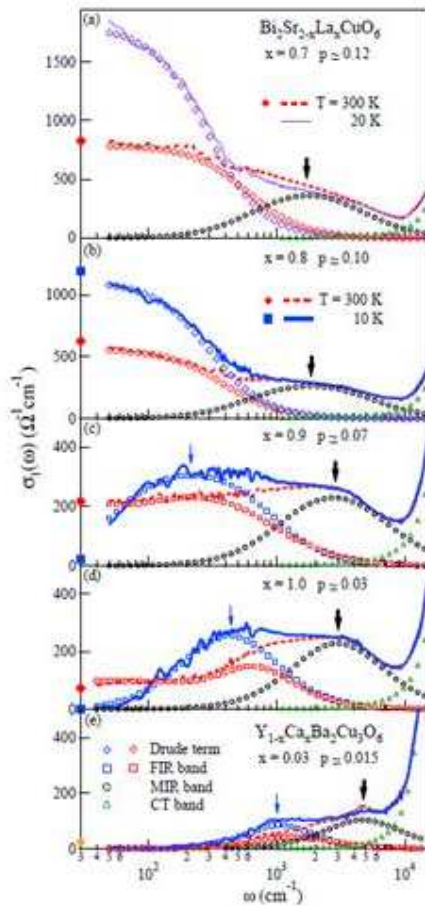
***In house* laboratory
(Spectroscopy: optical,
electron, linear, non-
linear, time resolved...)**

**Computational and *ab-
initio* methods.**

Research activities and methods in condensed matter

**Large scale facilities:
Synchrotron and Neutron
sources**

Superconductivity & strongly correlated materials

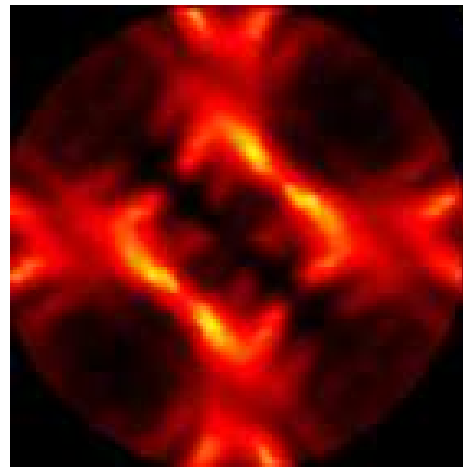
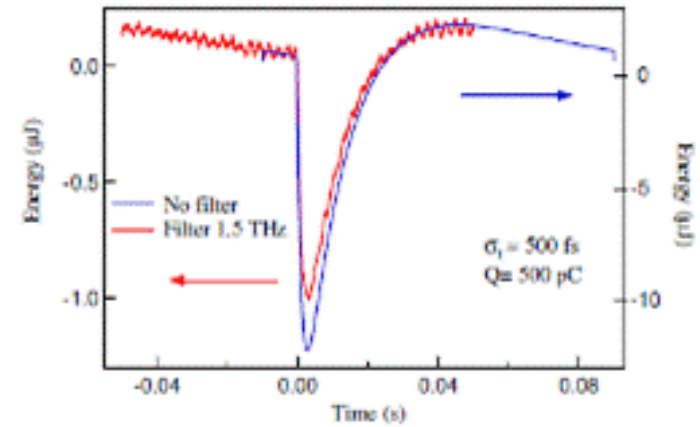


**High Tc Superconductors
Insulator-metal transition
transizione metallo-isolante**

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Michele ORTOLANI
Alessandro NUCARA

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THz sources, Metamaterial
Stefano LUPI

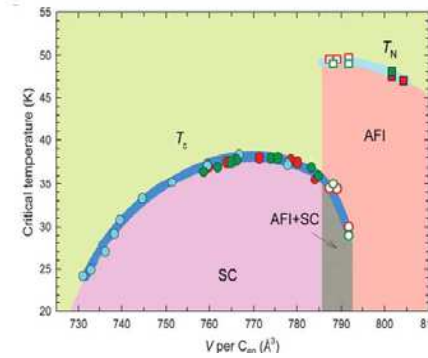
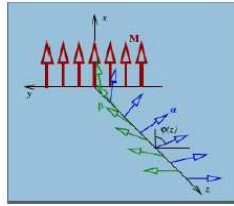
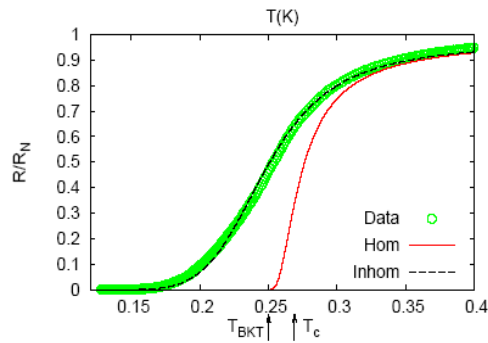
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**Fermi surface of the
Bi2212 superconductor**
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Strongly correlated materials, theory



High Tc Superconductors Electron-Phonon coupling

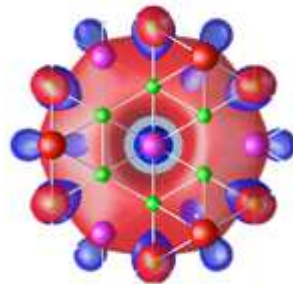
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Claudio CASTELLANI
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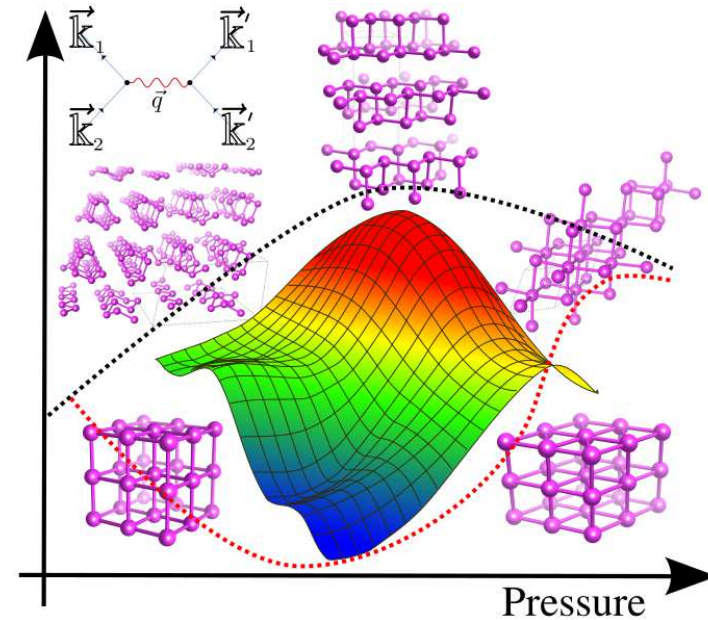
Quantum theory of solids Density Functional Theory, Quantum Monte Carlo

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Saverio MORONI

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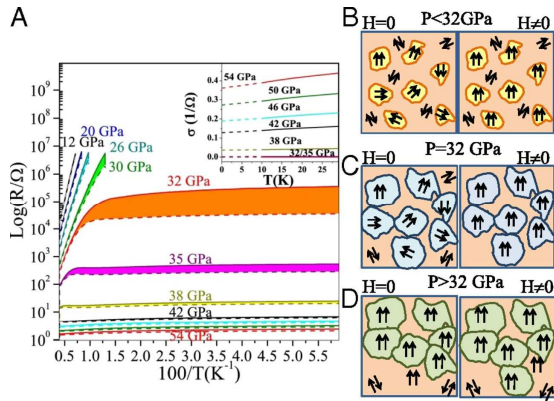


Interlayer states of intercalated graphite



Predicted Phase Diagram of Phosphorous

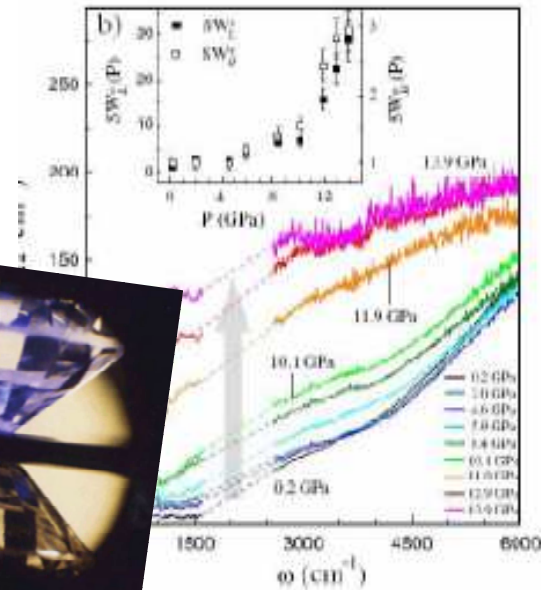
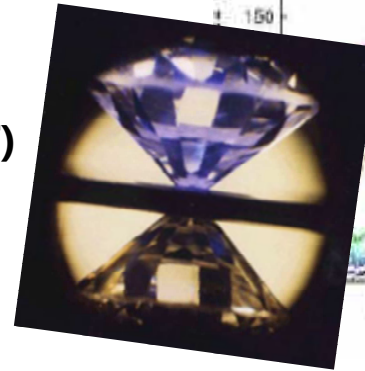
Strongly correlated materials



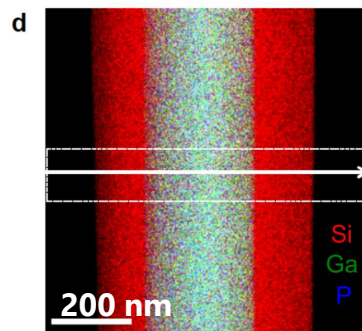
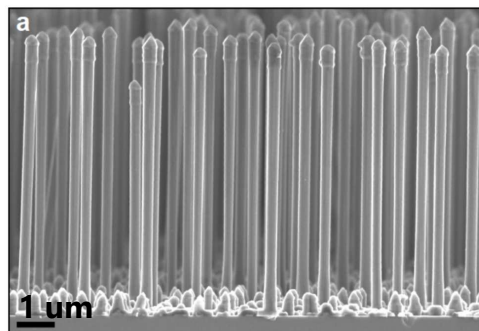
**Condensed matter
under extreme
conditions
(very high P,
very high/low T)**

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Paolo DORE

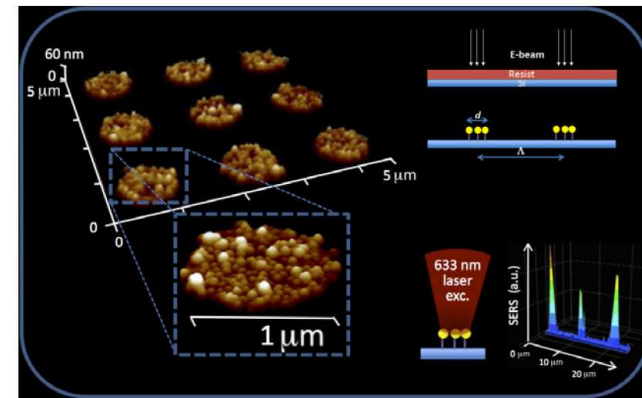
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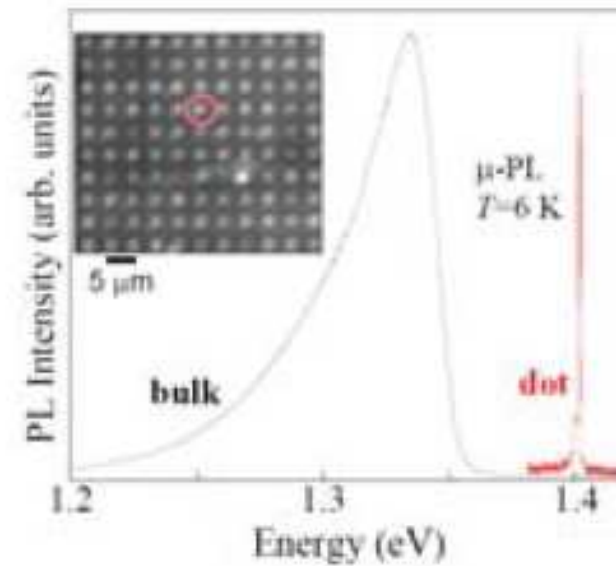
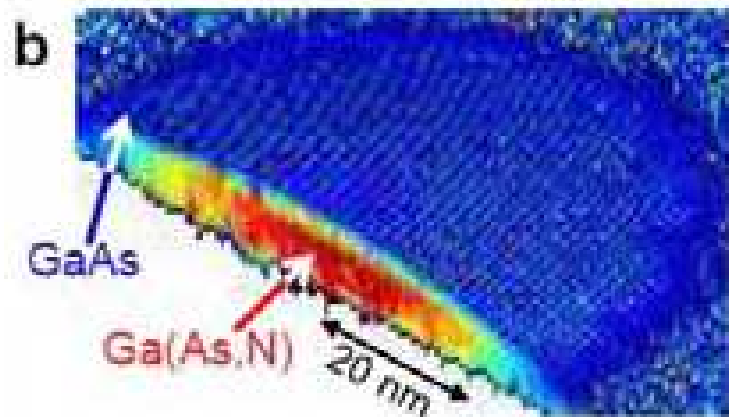
Nanostructures and low-dimensional systems



**Semiconductor nanowires,
Metallic nanostructure**



Nanostructures and low-dimensional systems



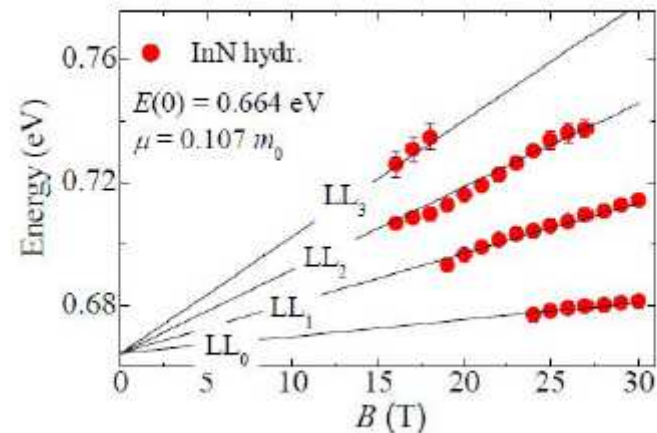
Semiconductor II-V Quantum-dots (0D)

Antonio POLIMENI

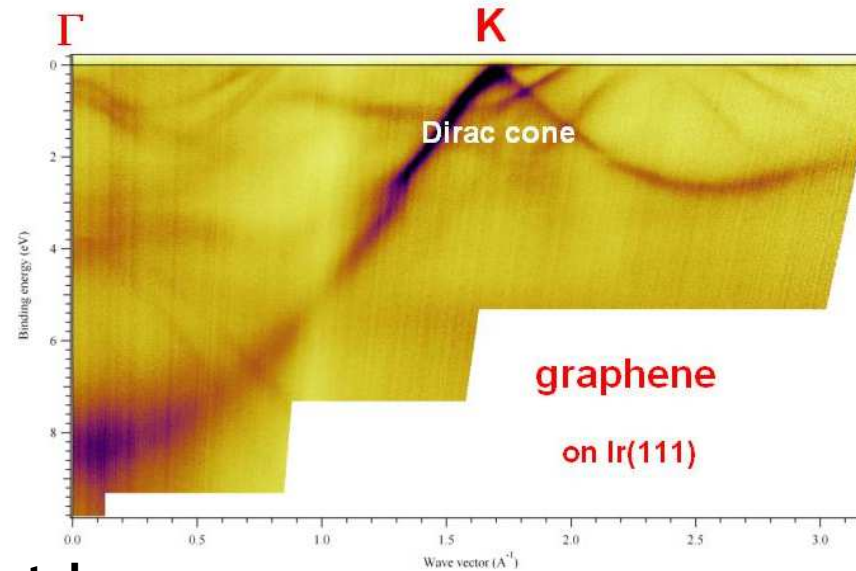
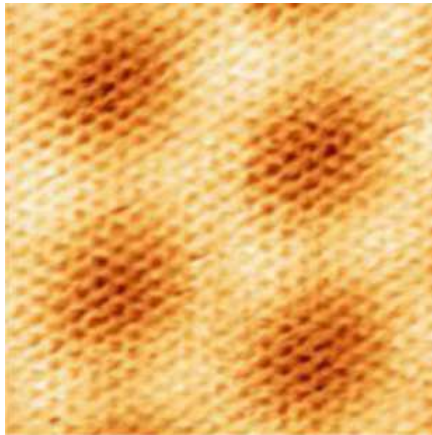
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Optical properties under strong magnetic fields



Nanostructures and low-dimensional systems



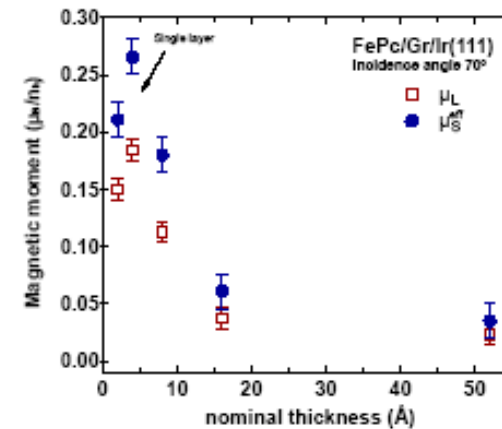
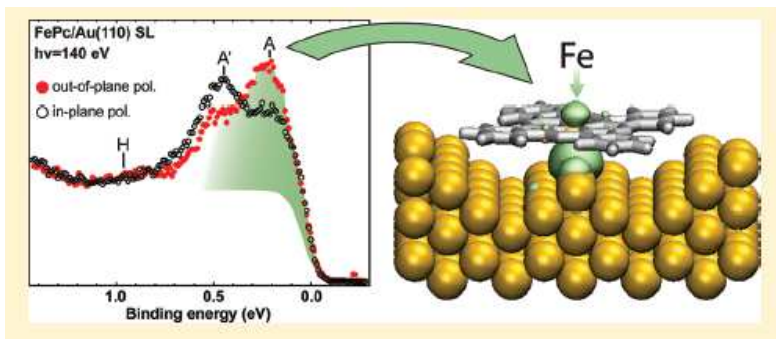
Carbon based systems: Nanotubes, graphene. Electronic properties

Maria Grazia BETTI

Carlo MARIANI

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Molecular systems at high magnetic anisotropy

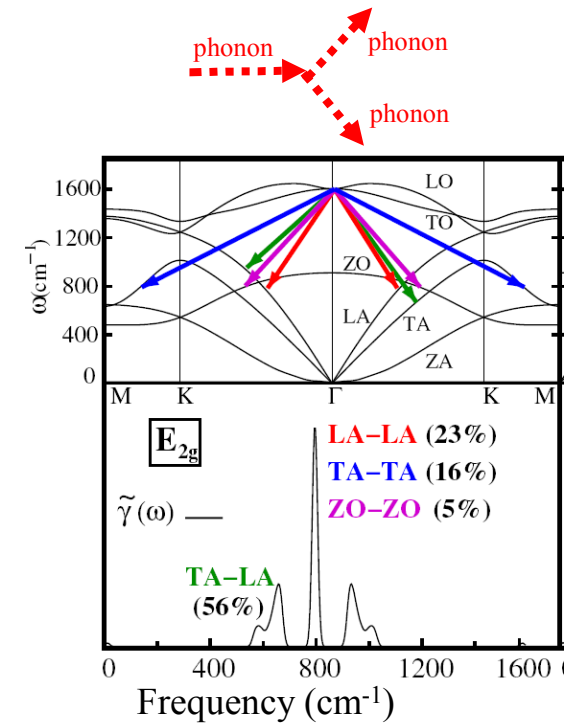
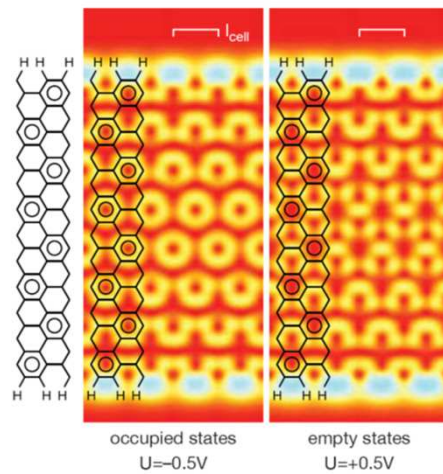


Graphene and 2D systems : first principle theory

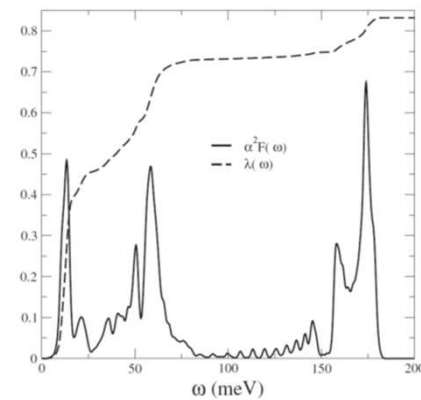
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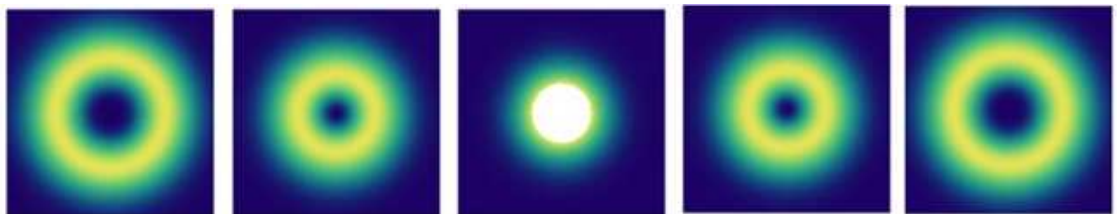
Graphene nanoribbons



CaC_6 superconductor: Eliashberg function



Quantum information, non-linear optics



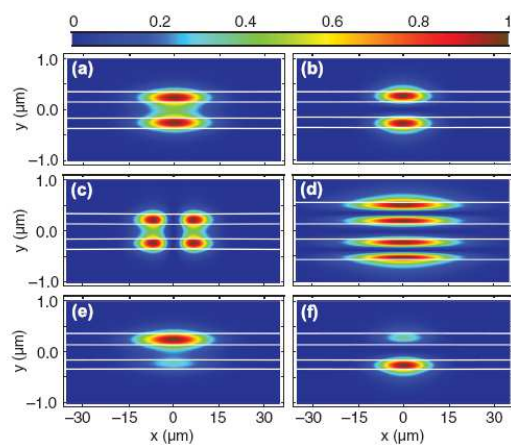
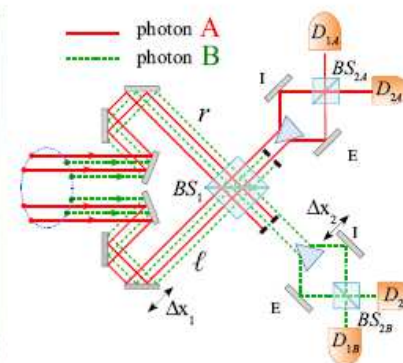
Qu-bits, quantum photonics

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Fabio SCIARRINO

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Optical technologies for quantum information.



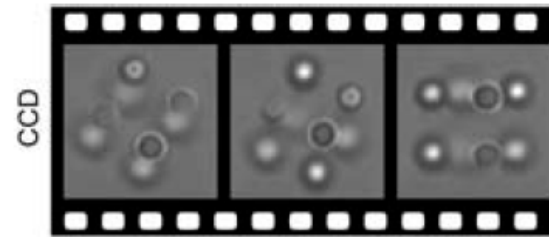
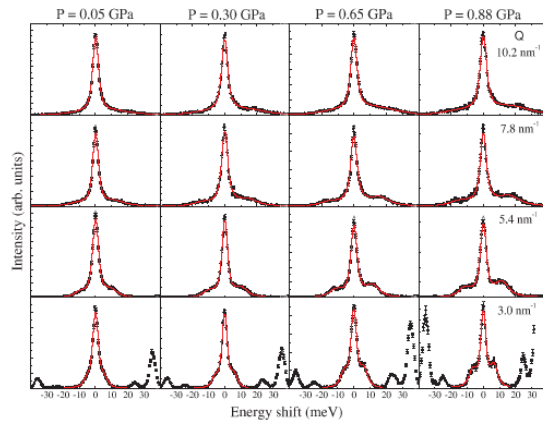
Non-linear optics, super-resolution

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Eugenio DEL RE

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Liquidi e sistemi disordinati



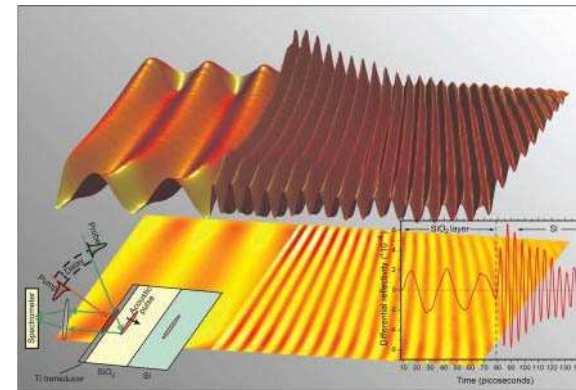
Sound velocity in liquids under extreme pressures / colloidal particle

Giancarlo RUOCCO

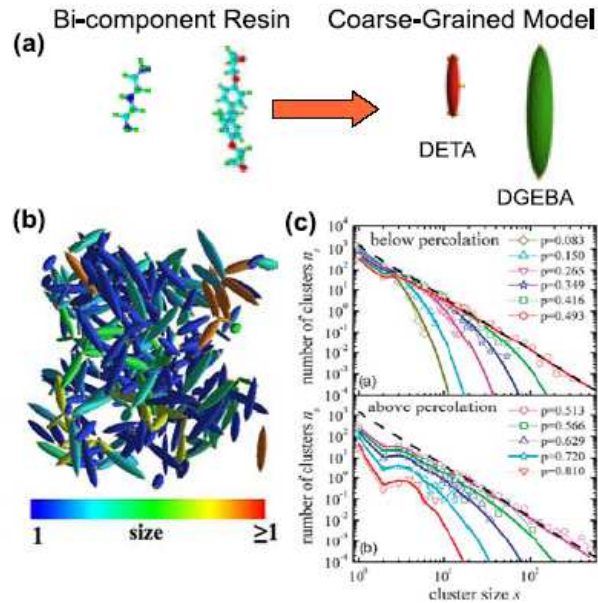
Tullio SCOPIGNO

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Coherent excitation in disordered systems, femto-second spectroscopy



Liquids, macromolecules, disordered systems, gel

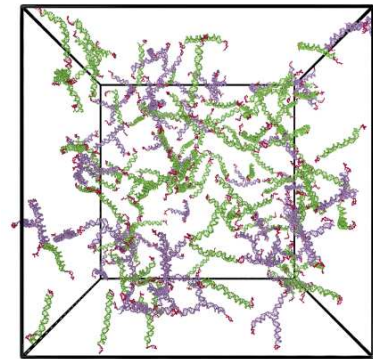


Proteins, colloids simulations

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 Emanuela ZACCARELLI

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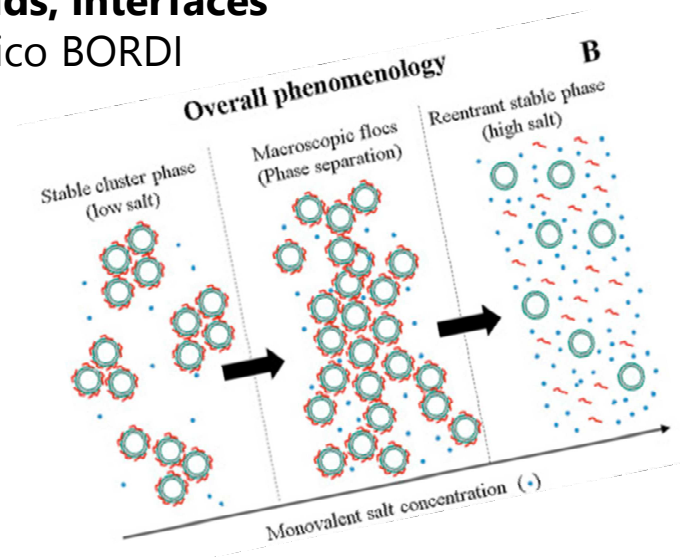
Self-assembled DNA structures: structural predictions.



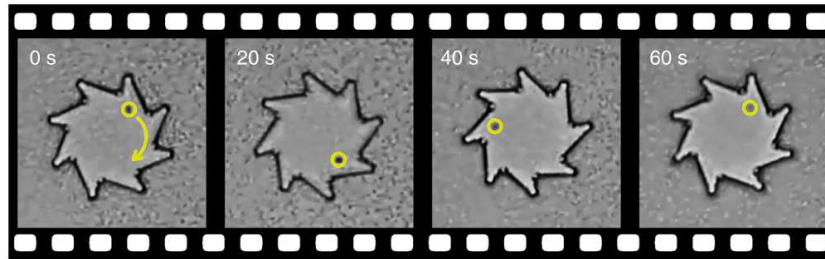
Colloids, interfaces

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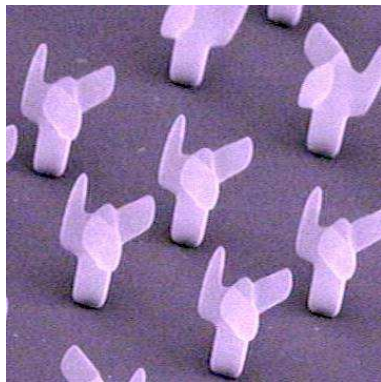


Structured matter at the microscale

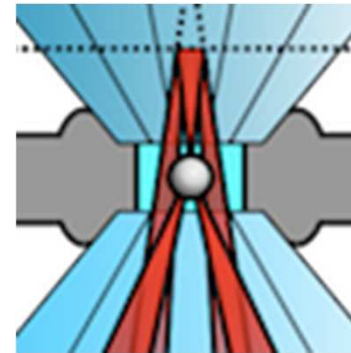


Active matter, ...
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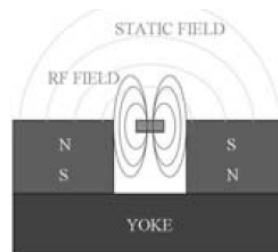


**Light driven
Micromotors**



Optical trapping

Materials and methods for cultural heritage



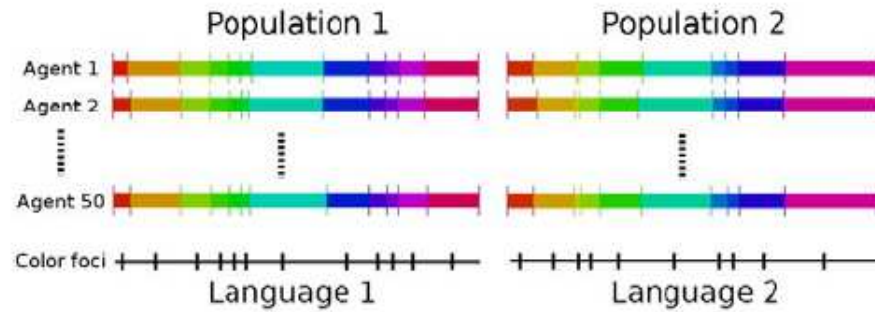
Diagnostic for cultural heritage

Franco DE LUCA

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Statistical mechanics and applications

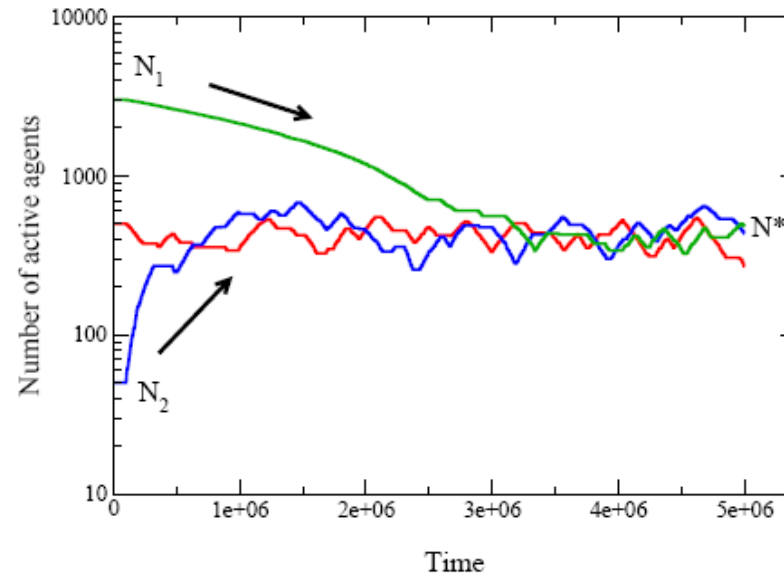


Self-organization, complexity, social dynamics

Vittorio LORETO

Luciano PIETRONERO

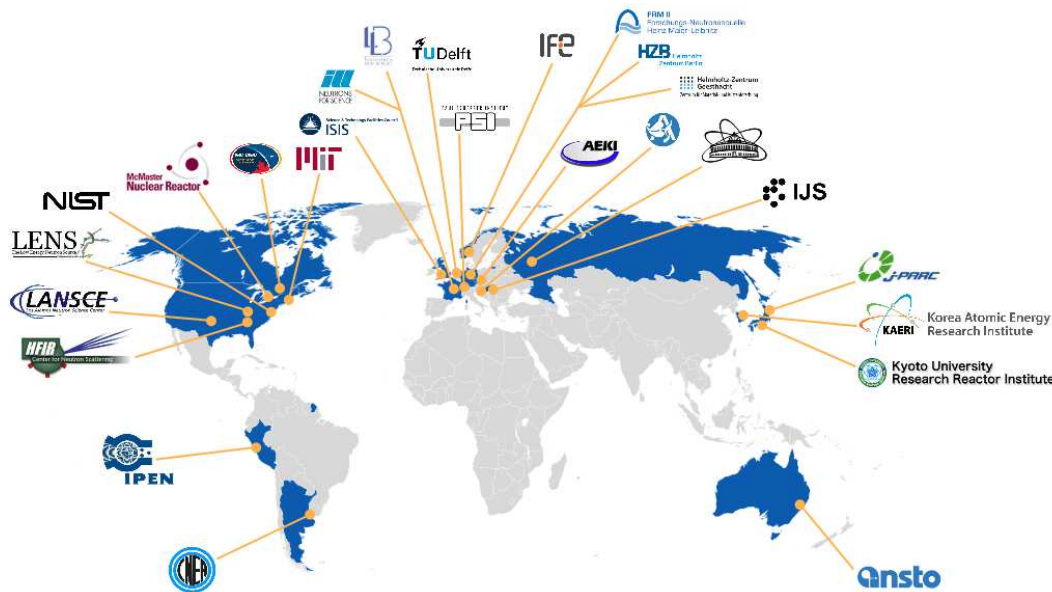
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Large scale facilities in the world

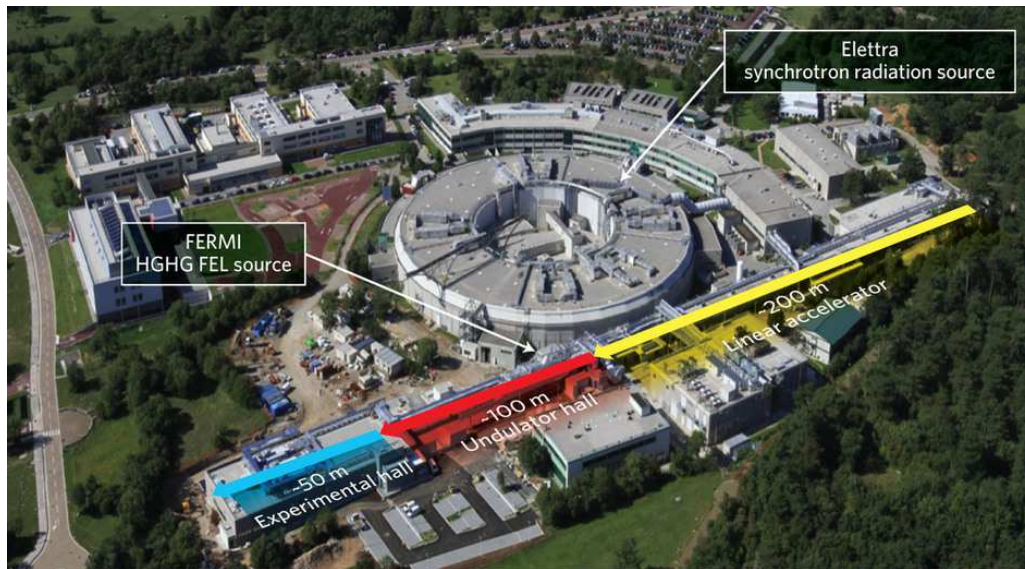


Synchrotron sources

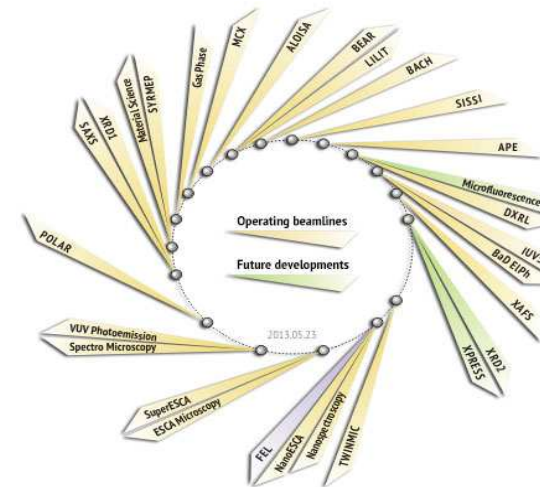


Neutron sources

Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories



ELETTRA
(Trieste, Italy)



+
Fermi FEL (Free Electron Laser)

Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories



ESRF
Grenoble (France)



Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories

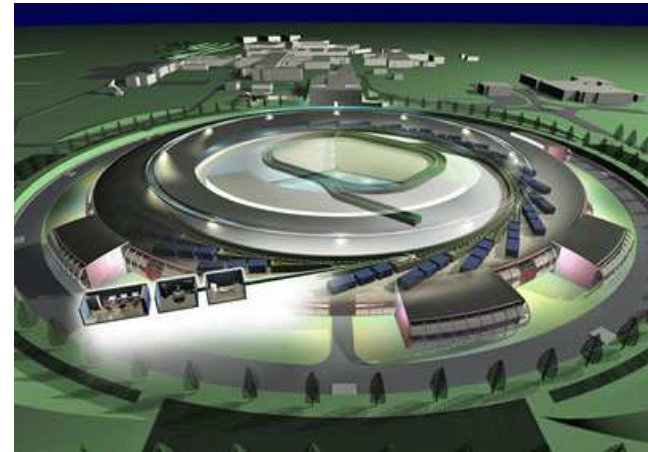


ALBA
Barcelona (Spain)



Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories

DIAMOND
Oxfordshire (United Kingdom)



Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories



SOLEIL
Paris (France)

