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High Resolution Angle Resolved Photoemission with Tabletop 11eV Laser

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We developed a table-top vacuum ultraviolet (VUV) laser with 113.778 nm wavelength (10.897eV) and demonstrated its viability as a photon source for high resolution angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES). This sub-nanosecond pulsed VUV laser operates at a repetition rate of 10 MHz, provides a flux of 2×10^{12} photons/second, and enables photoemission with energy and momentum resolutions better than 2 meV and 0.012 \AA^{-1} , respectively. Space-charge induced energy shifts and spectral broadenings can be reduced below 2 meV. The setup reaches electron momenta up to 1.2 \AA^{-1} , granting full access to the first Brillouin zone of most materials. Control over the linear polarization, repetition rate, and photon flux of the VUV source facilitates ARPES investigations of a broad range of quantum materials, bridging the application gap between contemporary low energy laser-based ARPES and synchrotron-based ARPES. We describe the principles and operational characteristics of this source, and showcase its performance for rare earth metal tritellurides, high temperature cuprate superconductors and iron-based superconductors.

I. INTRODUCTION

Angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES) directly accesses electronic band structures and electronic self-energies in a momentum-resolved manner, which makes it a powerful and unique technique in condensed matter research. This momentum resolution allows one to distinguish multiple electronic band dispersions in multiband systems, to assess the symmetry of order parameters, and to characterize electronic anisotropy in solid state systems. Recent progress in the ARPES technique has pushed energy resolutions down to meV scales, which gives unprecedented access to low energy excitations in quantum materials. With its unique combination of energy and momentum resolution, ARPES contributes significantly to the understanding of many two-dimensional quantum materials¹⁻⁴, in particular high T_c superconducting cuprates^{5,6}, iron based superconductors⁷⁻⁹ and topological states of matter^{10,11}.

ARPES collects photoemitted electrons as a function of kinetic energy E_k and emission angle θ with respect to the sample surface normal. The conservation of energy and in-plane momentum of each electron¹² allows the calculation of the electron's binding energy with respect to the Fermi level E_F and its parallel momentum $\hbar k_{\parallel}$:⁵

$$E - E_F = E_k + \phi - h\nu \quad (1)$$

$$\hbar k_{\parallel} = \sqrt{2m_e E_k} \sin\theta \quad (2)$$

Here, ϕ denotes the work function of the material and $h\nu$ the photon energy. Eq. (1) describes how larger photon energies provide access to states with higher binding energy. Eq. (2) shows that the accessible electron momenta are limited by the electron kinetic energy, which

scales monotonically with the photon energy. For typical values of $\theta = 50^\circ$ and $\phi = 4.5 \text{ eV}$, the minimum photon energy required to capture the entire first Brillouin zone (BZ) of a material with 3.5 \AA lattice constant is $h\nu = 9.7 \text{ eV}$.¹³

The relation between photon energy $h\nu$ and parallel momentum resolution Δk_{\parallel} is given by

$$\hbar\Delta k_{\parallel}(E = E_F) = \sqrt{2m_e(h\nu - \phi)} \cos\theta\Delta\theta \quad (3)$$

As indicated in Eq. (2-3), for a given detector angular resolution $\Delta\theta$ and momentum feature, higher photon energies degrade the momentum resolution due to increasing $h\nu$ and decreasing θ .

When employing pulsed photon sources Coulomb repulsion of electrons photoemitted by a single pulse can lead to space charging effects, which both shift and broaden the spectrum.^{14,15} The effects of space charging can be mitigated by higher repetition rates while maintaining a constant photon flux. Therefore to achieve ultimate resolution and applicability, a light source optimized for high-resolution ARPES studies of complex materials should satisfy several requirements.

1. Sufficiently high photon energy ($> 10 \text{ eV}$) to access the first BZ and probe valence bands (Eq. (1-2))
2. Sufficiently low photon energy ($< 20 \text{ eV}$) to facilitate high momentum resolution (Eq. (3))
3. Sufficiently high repetition rate ($\gg 100 \text{ kHz}$) to limit the loss of energy and momentum resolutions due to space-charge effects while maintaining sufficiently high signal-to-noise ratio
4. Sub-meV bandwidth, high flux and long term stability

5. Variable polarization for control over photoemission matrix elements
6. Additional requirements may include a small (< 1 mm) beam spot and short (≤ 100 ps) pulse duration for time-of-flight detection schemes

While it is challenging to integrate all these properties into one single light source, existing light sources successfully capture different aspects of the requirements listed above (TABLE I). Noble gas discharge lamps, helium and xenon in particular, were among the earliest photoemission light sources with photon energies in the range of 8.4 - 41 eV.¹⁶⁻¹⁹ These pioneering experiments established ARPES as a valuable tool for the analysis of electronic structures in solids.

Continuous advances of synchrotron technology provided bright and tunable light sources that were pivotal to the tremendous success of ARPES in the last two decades. Comparing with gas discharge lamps, synchrotron-based ARPES features small (< 0.5 mm) beam spots which improve momentum resolution, and avoids reduced sample lifetimes due to gas molecules effusing from the light source.^{16,17} Additionally, third generation synchrotron sources feature low photon energies in combination with excellent energy-momentum resolution.^{20,21} Despite the outstanding capabilities of synchrotron-based ARPES the demand for accessible, table-top ultraviolet light sources with higher photon flux and improved energy stability remains high.

Laser-based ARPES commonly utilizes non-linear optical crystals to up-convert infrared light pulses into the UV spectral region.²² The generated low photon energies of 6-7 eV result in the excellent energy and momentum resolution required for studies of detailed band dispersions and subtle low-energy excitations.²³⁻²⁶ Yet these low photon energies limit the access to high momenta and valence bands.

Although highly desirable, frequency up-conversion to sub-170 nm wavelengths is not feasible in nonlinear optical crystals due to the re-absorption in the vacuum UV (VUV) range in any material. Instead, these short wavelengths can be generated via high-harmonic generation in polarizable gases. Tjernberg and coworkers built a 10.5 eV light source dedicated to ARPES by frequency tripling the third harmonic of a pulsed IR laser in Xe gas,²⁷ which, when integrated with a time-of-flight detector, for the first time made laser-based photoemission study possible at many materials' BZ boundaries. Such non-resonant XUV generation schemes usually require MW peak power, which in turn typically limit the laser repetition rate to < 1 MHz.²⁷ The capabilities of commonly used light sources for ARPES are summarized in TABLE I.

In this article, we describe a table-top pulsed VUV light source optimized for high resolution ARPES studies of quantum materials. Its photon energy of ~ 11 eV is sufficient to cover the complete BZ in most materials, while maintaining exceptional energy and momentum

resolution at high photon flux. We demonstrate its capabilities for high resolution ARPES on a number of materials, including antimony, rare earth metal tritelluride, unconventional copper and iron-based high temperature superconductors and single unit cell FeSe film.

II. SYSTEM OVERVIEW

A. Vacuum-Ultraviolet (VUV) Laser Light Source

Our coherent VUV light source utilizes three cascaded stages of nonlinear frequency conversion of a quasi-continuous wave pulsed, 1024 nm infrared (IR) solid-state laser. As shown schematically in Fig. 1, the first two conversion stages occur in birefringent nonlinear crystals; VUV flux is generated via two-photon resonant, sum-frequency generation in xenon gas using the fundamental (ω) and fourth-harmonic (4ω) of this laser system.

The VUV light source is driven by a fiber-coupled wavelength-tunable (1024 nm) IR seed source with variable repetition rate and sub-nanosecond pulse duration. Its output is amplified by a Yb-doped fiber amplifier to an average power of 10 W, and a peak power of ~ 10 kW. The amplified IR light is up-converted to the second harmonic (512 nm) using a first second harmonics crystal (SHG1) with 50% efficiency. The second harmonic light is separated from the fundamental using a dichroic beam splitter (BS) and refocused into a second nonlinear crystal (SHG2) to generate UV light (256 nm). By controlling the polarization of the 512 nm beam, the output power of the frequency quadrupled UV light can be continuously modulated. This attenuation method provides VUV (114 nm) flux control, without change to the alignment or beam profile.

Following the beam splitter, the polarization of the residual IR beam is controlled by a second half-wave plate (HWP) to achieve any given VUV beam polarization. Then the IR and UV beams are overlapped in time and space using dichroic dielectric-coated beam-combiner mirrors, and focused by a single lens into a xenon-filled gas cell. The energy-level diagram of the specific nonlinear process in atomic xenon, and the control of the final VUV polarization, are shown in Fig. 2. Two UV photons (4ω) with wavelengths of 256.015 nm resonantly drive the dipole forbidden $5p^6 \ ^1S_0 - 5p^5 6p$ transition.³³⁻³⁵ By mixing this local atomic oscillator with a fundamental IR photon (ω), light at the 9th harmonic (9ω) is generated (10.897 eV, or 113.778 nm). By driving the two-photon transition with linearly-polarized UV light, the polarization of the VUV photon is determined by the optical polarization of the IR photon.

Traditional gas-phase nonlinear optical systems have typically required MW-scale peak-power driving lasers for efficient conversion, thereby severely limiting the achievable repetition rates. However, by operating at a two-photon resonance condition, the peak optical powers required for efficient up-conversion are reduced to the

	ΔE (meV)	spot FWHM (mm)	max k_{\parallel} (\AA^{-1})	max BE $E - E_F$ (eV)	polarization control	rep rate (MHz)	photon flux (photons/second)
5.8 - 8eV laser ^{23,28,29}	< 2	< 0.1	< 0.75	< 2	Yes	$\sim 10^2$	$\sim 10^{14}$
He/Xe discharge lamp ¹⁶⁻¹⁸	< 10	~ 1	< 0.82 < 1.8 < 2.7	< 3 (XeI) < 16 (HeI α) < 36 (HeII)	No	CW	$\sim 10^{13}$
Synchrotron ³⁰⁻³²	> 1	< 0.3	multiple BZ	up to core level (keV)	Limited	500	$\sim 10^{12}$
11eV laser	< 2	< 0.5	< 1.2	< 6	Yes	1~20	$\sim 10^{13}$

TABLE I. Comparison of contemporary ARPES light source properties. 11eV laser combines high energy-momentum resolution and large energy-momentum coverage into one single light source. The maximum parallel momentum are calculated based on 4.5eV work function of typical materials.

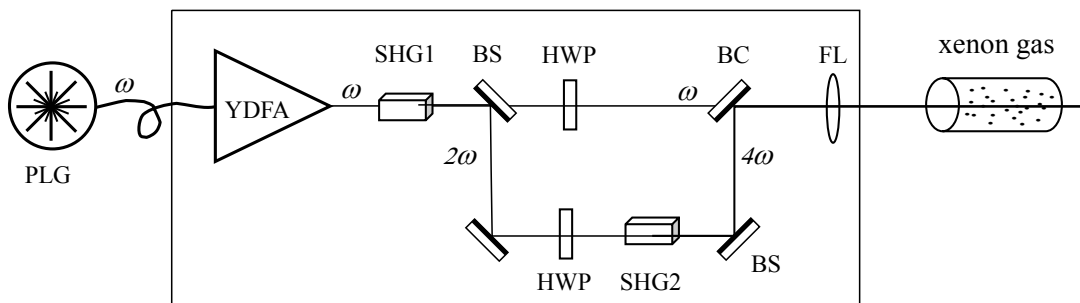


FIG. 1. Schematic diagram of the coherent VUV light source. PLG, fiber-coupled Pulsed Light Generator seed source; YDFA, Yb-doped fiber amplifier; SHG, Second Harmonic Generation nonlinear crystal stages; HWP, half-wave plate; BS, Beam Splitter; BC, Beam Combiner; FL, Focus Lens. VUV light is produced by frequency-mixing the fundamental (ω) and fourth-harmonic (4ω) in an external xenon gas cell via the third-order nonlinear susceptibility $\chi^{(3)}[9\omega; 4\omega + 4\omega + \omega]$

kW level, which is a necessary condition for increasing the repetition rate of the source to the MHz range,²⁷ and for reducing the overall source size to a table-top device.

Atomic xenon is negatively dispersive for degenerate two-photon-resonant sum-frequency generation, which enables a tightly-focussed geometry for VUV generation.³⁶ Fig. 3(a) demonstrates typical variation of generated VUV flux on the xenon gas pressure. The single-peaked curve, with a maximum at approximately 12 torr xenon pressure, is typical of tightly-focussed sum-frequency generation.³⁷

Due to the intermediate resonance step in the frequency-conversion process, the generated VUV flux is particularly sensitive to the absolute frequency of the UV beam. As shown in Fig. 3(b) for the 1 MHz repetition rate, 1 ns pulsewidth laser setup, detuning of the UV wave from the two-photon resonance results in a rapid reduction in VUV generation efficiency.³⁸ The width of this resonance profile is set by the convolution of the laser

linewidth and the natural linewidth (including isotopic and Doppler broadening) of the two-photon transition. In order to maintain peak flux, the central frequency of the UV beam must be maintained to within 1 GHz; the IR frequency must therefore be stabilized to the central frequency within 250 MHz uncertainty. In comparison, the total width of the resonance curve for the case of the broader-bandwidth excitation laser pulses produced in the 10 MHz, 100 ps laser configuration reaches ~ 8 GHz. This provides a lower bound on both the energy resolution and the absolute energy stability of the 11 eV laser of $\sim 30 \mu\text{eV}$.

B. VUV DISPERSION AND FOCUSING

VUV light is absorbed strongly by several atmospheric constituents, most notably oxygen and water vapor.^{39,40} The 1/e attenuation length for 11 eV photons in air is

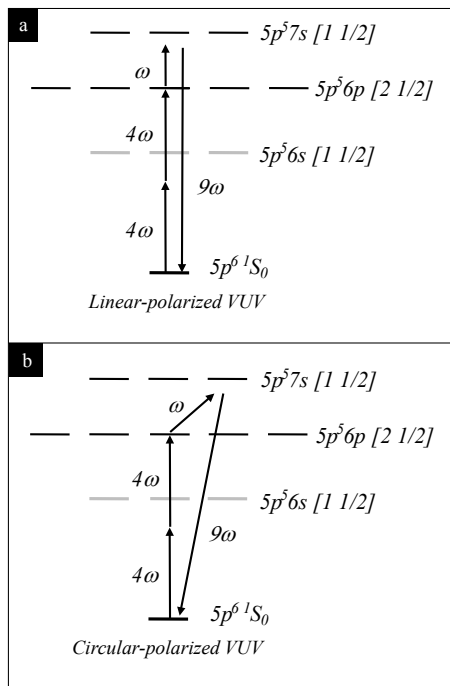


FIG. 2. Energy-level diagram of the nonlinear process in xenon gas, demonstrating polarization control of the upconverted VUV photon. Two fourth-harmonic UV photons drive the $5p^6 \ ^1S_0 - 5p^5 6p$ two-photon transition at resonance. This local atomic oscillator beats against the applied fundamental wave to generate sum frequency (9ω). Optical polarizations are indicated by the direction of the arrows: vertical arrows correspond to linear polarization (zero change in angular momentum) and angled arrows correspond to circular (angular momentum changes by $\pm\hbar$). When the polarization of the UV light (4ω) is linear, the polarization of the VUV light (9ω) may be adjusted from linear (a), to circular (b), depending on the polarization of the fundamental IR (ω).

approximately 3 mm.⁴¹ Therefore, the entire beam path for the 11 eV light must be either evacuated or purged to remove the absorbing species.

The xenon-filled gas converter is connected directly to a N_2 -purged dispersion chamber using an uncoated LiF window. The 11 eV light is generated inside the xenon gas cell as a nearly-diffraction-limited beam that propagates collinearly with the driving IR and UV beams. The IR and UV photons have energies of 1.21 eV and 4.84 eV, respectively, and Watt-level average powers. Illumination of the sample with these IR and UV beams can cause heating and photoemission and must be avoided. We employ an equilateral LiF prism to refractively disperse the 11 eV flux from the lower-energy photons prior to photoemission. The prism is operated in a minimum-deviation condition, so that the incidence angle is near the Brewster angle for the VUV light, thus minimizing reflective losses for horizontal-linearly polarized 11 eV flux.⁴²

Under normal photoemission measurement conditions, the prism is positioned to refract the co-propagating

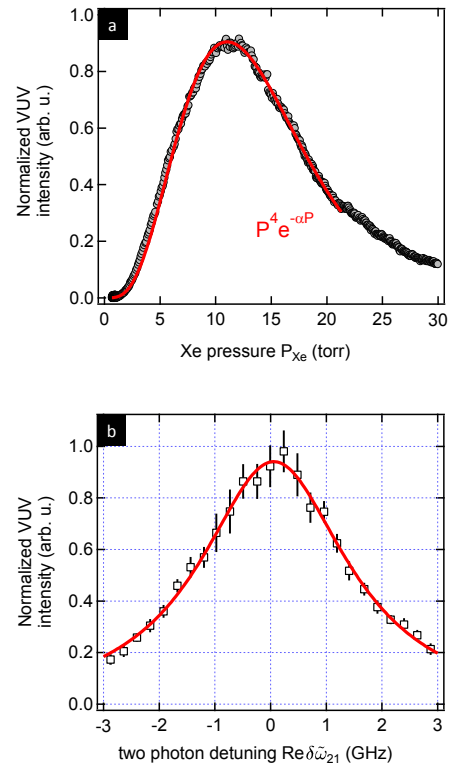


FIG. 3. (a) Dependence of 11 eV flux on xenon pressure. The data are fit to a tight-focussing model,³⁶ indicating excellent beam quality and minimal saturation. (b) Resonant enhancement of the VUV up-conversion process at 1 ns pulsewidth and 1 MHz repetition rate. The generated VUV flux scales as $\text{Im}(1/\delta\tilde{\omega})$, with the complex detuning parameter $\delta\tilde{\omega}$ defined as $(\omega_{21} - 8\omega) + i\Gamma$; ω_{21} is the energy of the $5p^6 \ ^1S_0 - 5p^5 6p$ two-photon transition (9.69 eV), ω is the frequency of the fundamental IR light, and Γ is the combination of the transition linewidth and laser linewidth ~ 1 GHz.

beams; both the front-surface reflections, and the refracted IR and UV beams, are trapped by beam dumps to minimize scattered light. In order to measure the 11 eV source power, the prism may be automatically retracted to allow the three laser beams to propagate to the opposite port of the dispersion chamber (dashed line in Fig. 4(b)). The photocurrent produced by an ionization chamber mounted to this port (Lumeras model IC-LF-C, with a LiF entrance window and filled with isopropanol vapor) provides solar-blind measurements of the 11 eV flux.

The 11 eV light is then focused onto the ARPES sample using a single concave reflective MgF_2 -overcoated aluminum mirror. This mirror images the laser waists in the xenon converter onto the ARPES sample with a magnification factor of approximately 3. The 11 eV photons propagate through a second, uncoated 2mm-thick LiF window into the UHV chamber. Photoelectrons are collected by a Scienta R8000 hemispherical electron analyzer.

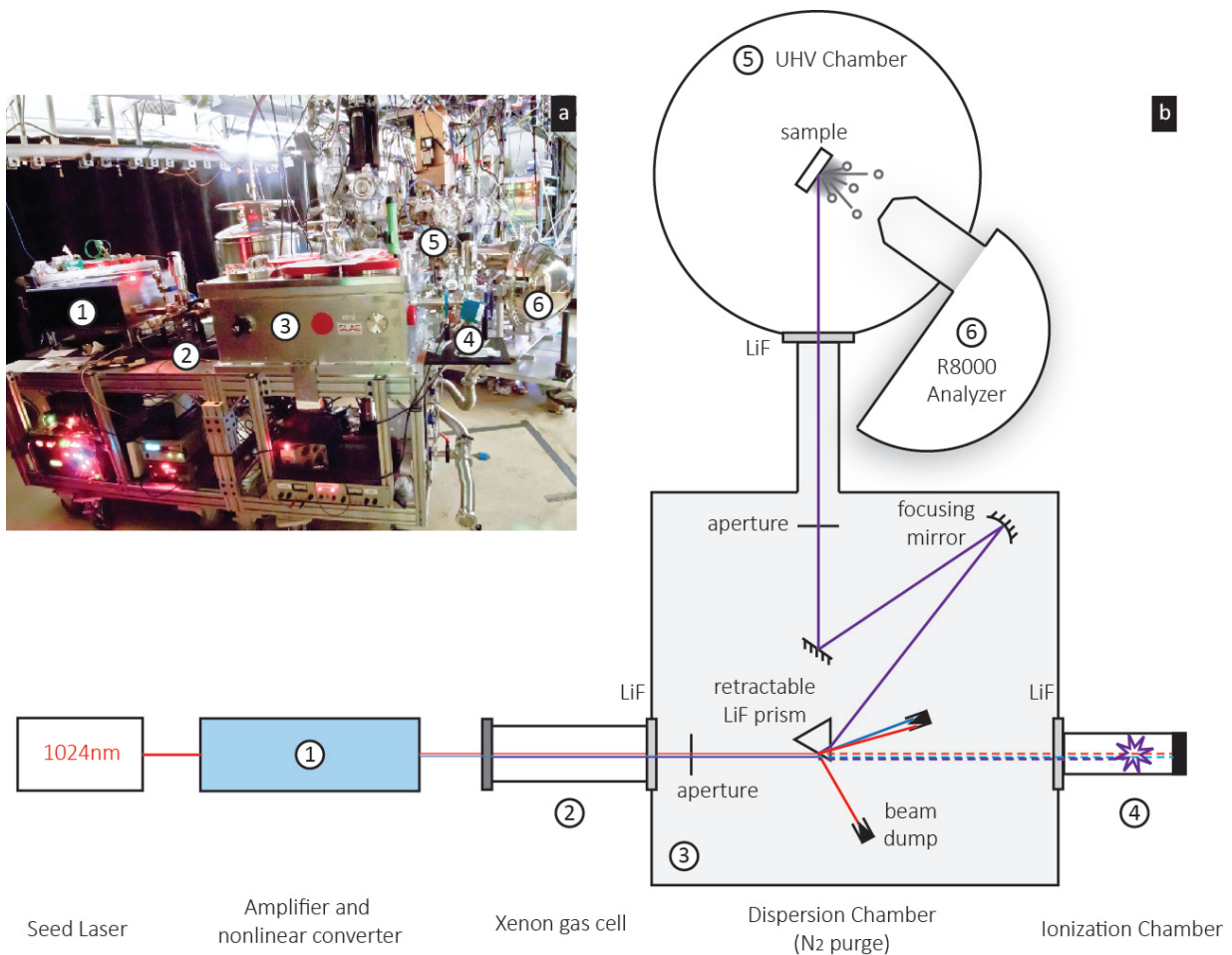


FIG. 4. (a) Picture of the experimental setup (b) Schematic layout of the optics setup and its coupling to the ARPES UHV chamber.

III. SYSTEM CHARACTERIZATION AND BENCHMARK

A. Ultimate resolution

Fig. 5(a) shows the momentum-integrated spectrum of an evaporated polycrystalline gold film. The angle-integrated Energy distribution curves (EDC) was fit with a Fermi-Dirac function convolved with a Gaussian instrument energy-resolution function (red lines), giving 0.9 meV as an upper bound of the experimental energy resolution for the raw spectrum (open markers). A similar analysis was carried out after correcting the spectrum for detector nonlinearity (solid markers). The correction gives an experimental resolution of 2.2 meV. The origin and correction procedure of the detector nonlinear effect were detailed in Ref[40]. As shown in Fig. 5(b), by continuously varying the laser power, the detector count rate was measured as a function of total photoemission current over a large photon flux range. To remove the non-linearity, detector count rates were mapped to the corresponding photoemission current (incident laser power)

for every pixel.⁴³

Antimony is known to host a metallic surface state on the (111) surface,⁴⁵ which we can use to estimate the upper bound of the setup's momentum resolution as shown in Fig. 6. A bulk Sb crystal is cleaved *in-vacuo* on the (111) surface with Fig. 6(c) showing the band dispersion along the Γ -M cut. The angular distribution curve of the surface state from inner Γ pocket at E_F reaches a FWHM of 0.53° , or 0.012 \AA^{-1} when converted to parallel momentum. It should be noted that this is a combined effect from both instrument resolution and intrinsic sample-dependent electron scattering at E_F . In comparison, high quality measurements on optimally doped Bi-2212 can yield 0.37° angular or 0.0039 \AA^{-1} momentum FWHM at E_F with 7 eV laser-ARPES.⁴⁶

B. Space charging

We employ two systems with comparable flux but different repetition rates to calibrate the system's space-charging effect. For our control experiment setup, at

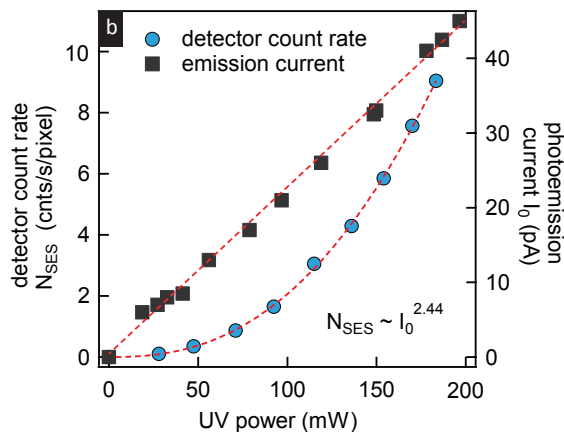
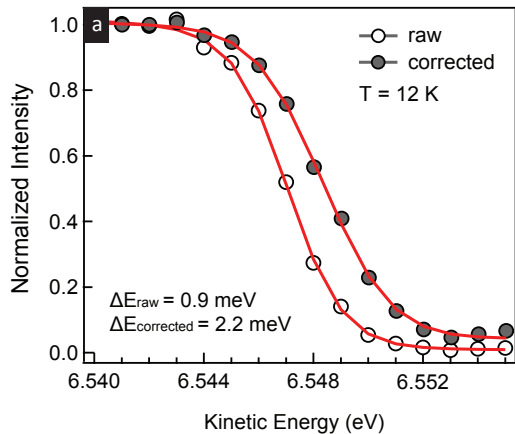


FIG. 5. (a) Characterization of the energy resolution. Angle integrated energy distribution curve (EDC) of an evaporated polycrystalline Au film at 12K. The raw curve has an artificial sharpening and downshifting of the Fermi edge due to detector count-rate nonlinearity. This effect is removed in the corrected curve. (b) Detector nonlinearity characterization with a 7 eV light source. Detector count rate is measured as a function of photoemission current, which can be described by a power law fitting.

1 MHz repetition rate, 500 ps pulse duration and 2×10^{12} photons/second, space charging caused the measured Fermi level (on evaporated polycrystalline gold) to shift by 6 meV.

In order to mitigate the space charging induced spectral changes, we reduce the pulse duration to 100 ps while maintaining the peak pulse intensity of the IR beam, which is crucial to preserve high conversion efficiency of VUV photon generation.⁴⁷ The repetition rate is boosted up to 10 MHz to compensate for the reduced photon count within every single pulse comparing to 1 MHz setup.

Fig. 7 shows the photon-intensity dependence of space charging for both the 1 MHz and the 10 MHz setup. The severity of space charging is quantified both by the shift

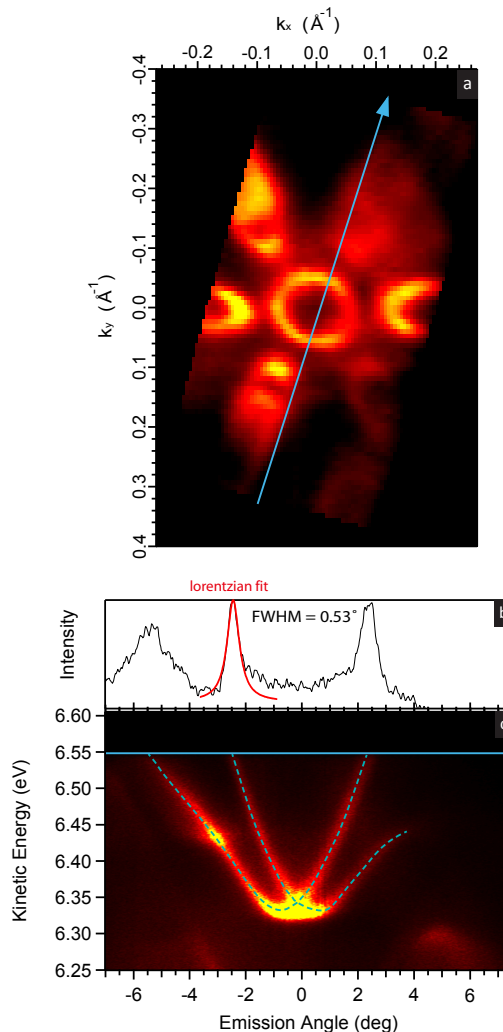


FIG. 6. Characterization of the momentum resolution. (a) Fermi surface of the Sb(111) surface state. The blue line cut is shown in (c), where dashed lines are Rashba-split surface states.⁴⁴ (b) angular distribution curve at E_F

in E_F (Fig. 7(a)) as well as the broadening of the Fermi edge (Fig. 7(b)). The broadening is defined as the fitted instrument resolution as is adopted in Fig. 5(a). Electron count/pixel/second from the Scienta R8000 detector camera is used as a measure of beam intensity. We find that up to 10^{12} photons/sec or 1 electron count/pixel/sec, space charging can be limited to 2 meV E_F shift and 4 meV broadening for the 10 MHz configuration. In the control experiment (blue markers), the 1 MHz setup gives worse space charging with a decade lower photon flux. In typical high resolution ARPES experiment operating at 0.1-1 count/pixel/sec, space charging effects are almost absent in the 10 MHz setup.

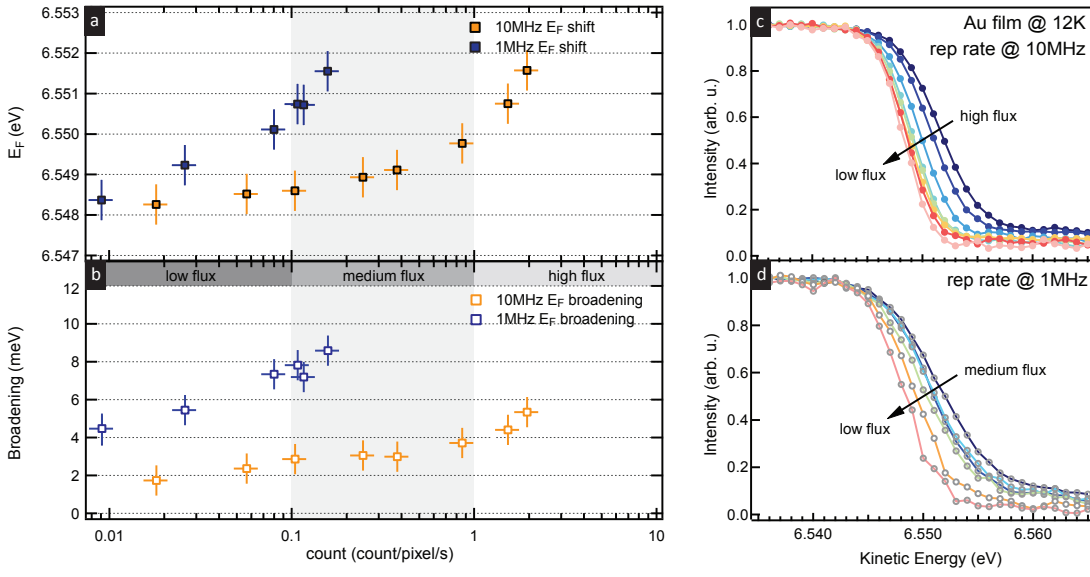


FIG. 7. Characterization of space charging effects. (a) Flux dependent Fermi level shift. (b) Flux dependent broadening of Fermi edge (combined instrument resolution). Orange markers are data taken with 100 ps pulse duration and 10 MHz repetition rate, and the blue markers with 500 ps and 1 MHz. Flux dependent integrated EDC from polycrystalline gold were taken at 12K, at a repetition rate of 10 MHz (c) and 1 MHz (d) respectively. Our typical operating flux is between 0.1 and 1 count/pixel/second (medium flux range).

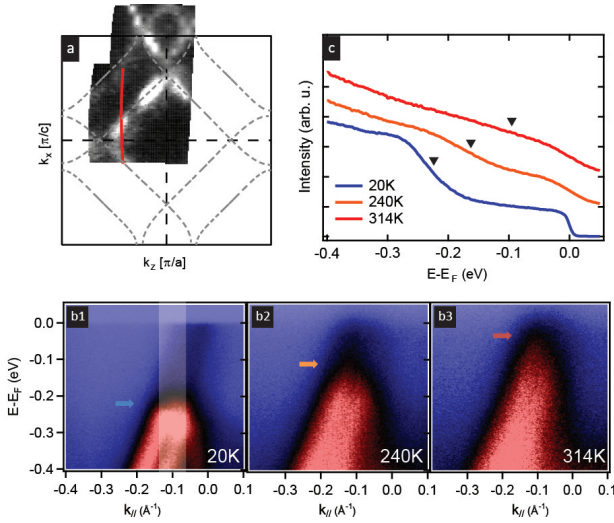


FIG. 8. Measurement of TbTe_3 in the ac plane. (a) Fermi surface at 20K. (b1)-(b3) Temperature dependent CDW gap for the cut indicated in (a). (c) Angle integrated EDCs with integration window shaded in (b1).

IV. MATERIAL SYSTEM APPLICATIONS

A. Rare earth metal tritelluride

Rare earth metal tritellurides have been a model system to study charge density wave (CDW) formation, where a large CDW gap extends over the entire BZ.^{48,49} 11 eV photons provide access to the entire first folded

BZ (Fig. 8(a)). When the system is warmed up from 20K to 314K, the CDW order weakens. This manifests as a shrinking CDW gap below E_F (b1-b3), which is observed in our experiment as an uplifting gap edge in the integrated EDC (c).

B. High temperature cuprate superconductor

We then apply the 11 eV laser-ARPES to cuprate high temperature superconductors, namely bilayer Pb-doped $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_{8+\delta}$ with a T_c of 80K (overdoped). Previous laser-based ARPES studies at both 6 eV and 7 eV photon excitation energies have provided tremendous insights towards near-nodal excitation, yet the antinodal region near the BZ boundary was not accessible with these low photon energies.⁵⁰⁻⁵³ Fig. 9(a) compares the Fermi surface in the superconducting state obtained by 11 eV (upper left quadrant) and 7 eV (upper right quadrant) photoemission. The grey dashed lines are superstructures related to Bi-O sublattice distortion.^{54,55}

With 11 eV photons, the entire BZ can be mapped with high energy and momentum resolution. Notably, the 11 eV system can measure an antinodal (near $(\pi, 0)$) spectrum (Fig. 9(d2-d3)), whereas measurements with 7 eV laser can barely reach the antinode and have poor cross section there.⁵⁶ EDCs with clear quasiparticle peaks from node to antinode are shown in panel (b) and (c) with two different analyzer slit orientations to account for different matrix element effects.⁵⁷ Here we adopted photon flux of $\sim 10^{11}$ photons/sec during data collection to ensure the absence of space-charging.

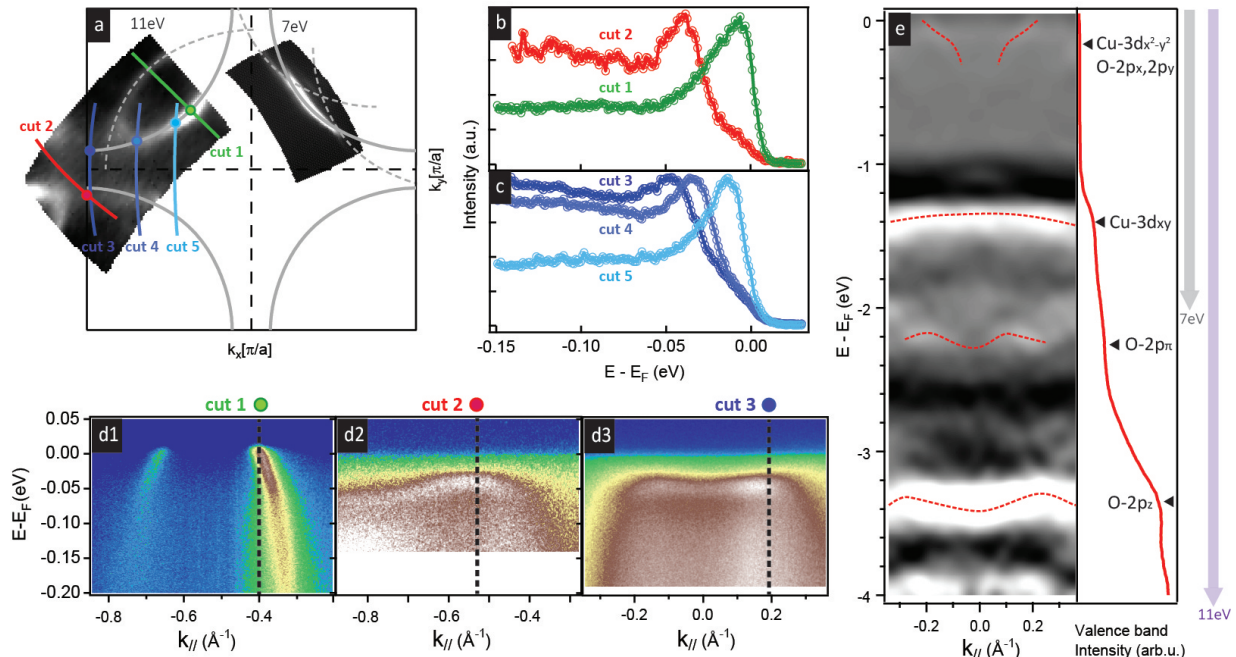


FIG. 9. Measurement of overdoped Pb-Bi2212 single crystal ($T_c = 80\text{K}$) at 20K. (a) Comparison of Fermi surface between 11eV (left) and 7eV (right) laser. The grey dashed lines are superstructures associated with BiO layer lattice distortion. (b) Nodal (green) and antinodal (red) EDCs at Fermi momentum k_F , with analyzer slit parallel to zone diagonal direction. (c) EDCs at intermediate Fermi momenta between node and antinode, with the analyzer slit parallel to zone boundary. (d1)-(d3) False color plots of energy-momentum cuts from node to antinode. (e) Second derivative valence band cut in OP96 Bi2212 at the zone center. The integrated raw spectral intensity is shown as the red solid line to the right. Red dotted lines are guides to the eye.

Another advantage is the ability to access valence bands (Fig. 9(e)). While a 7 eV laser cannot reach the copper $3d_{xy}$ band (grey arrow), the 11 eV system enables access all the way down in binding energy including non-interacting oxygen $2p_z$ band (purple arrow). This is a significant advancement compared to previous laser ARPES setups in addressing materials' chemical potential evolution, and it provides opportunities for the application of a full 5-band treatment in cuprate superconductors.^{58–60}

C. Iron-based superconductor

Previous laser-based ARPES studies on iron-based high temperature superconductors,^{61–64} were limited by the small cross-section of 7 eV photons when compared to higher energy synchrotron light sources.^{65,66} In addition, as a multi-band system, iron based superconductors have a rich Fermi surface structure, which has significant contributions from both the BZ center and corner, as the nesting-driven spin fluctuations are considered to govern the physics in these materials.^{8,67} The importance of the corner pockets has recently been highlighted in $K_x\text{Fe}_{2-y}\text{Se}_2$ ^{63,68–70} and the superconducting monolayer FeSe/SrTiO₃ film systems, which have only Fermi surfaces at the BZ corner.^{9,71,72} For ARPES studies on these

systems, access to the full BZ with high resolution and flux is required.

The 11 eV laser-based ARPES system is ideal to tackle these questions. Here we demonstrate the much improved cross section and extended momentum range in both (Ba,K)Fe₂As₂ ($T_c \sim 38\text{K}$, Fig. 10(a)-(c)) bulk crystal system at 10 K and monolayer FeSe/STO film system ($T_{gap} \sim 65\text{K}$, Fig. 10(d)-(f)) at 10 K. The VUV light is polarized along the Γ -M direction, and is kept perpendicular to the cut direction.

In (Ba,K)Fe₂As₂, two hole pockets with different k_F 's centered around Γ (Fig. 10(b))⁷³ are identified, with the inner pocket (red arrows) showing a bigger superconducting gap (7.2 meV) than the outer pocket (blue arrows, 2.4 meV). For the two bands the Bogoliubov quasiparticle band backbending is observed in the superconducting state. For the zone corner cut (c), the d_{xz}/d_{yz} band shows a shallow band bottom and forms an electron-like Fermi surface, consistent with previous observations from synchrotron studies.^{72,74,75}

The single unit cell FeSe film is grown on Nb-doped SrTiO₃ substrate, and is transferred to the ARPES measurement chamber *in-situ*. The Fermi surface shows that Fermi pockets only exist at the BZ corner (Fig. 10(f)), and the hole band does not cross E_F at the Γ point (Fig. 10(e)). The superconducting backbending of the

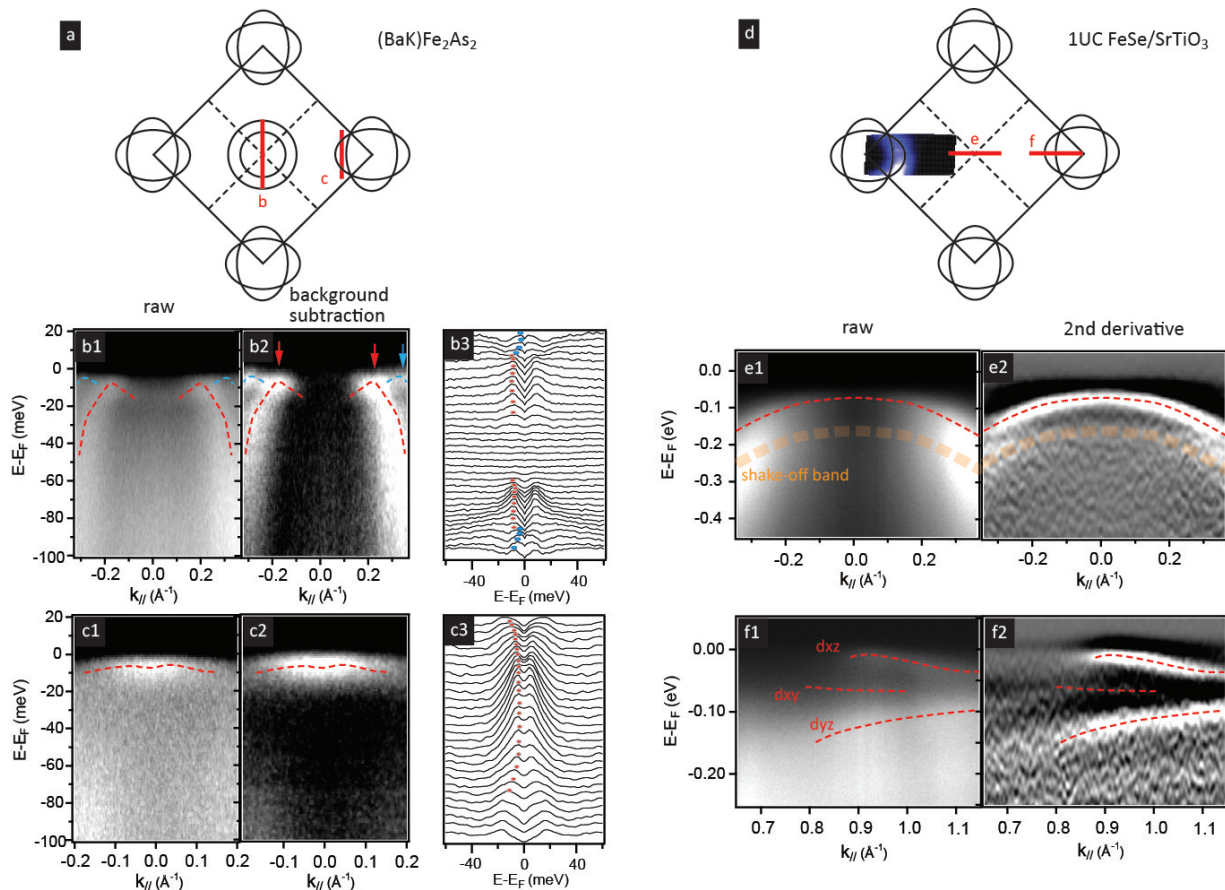


FIG. 10. Measurement of iron based superconductors - single crystal $(\text{Ba,K})\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$ ($T_c \sim 38\text{K}$, (a)-(c)) and monolayer $\text{FeSe}/\text{SrTiO}_3$ film ($T_c \sim 65\text{K}$, (d)-(f)) at $T = 10\text{K}$. (a)(d) Schematics of the Fermi surfaces and exemplary fermi surface map (not to scale). (b) Raw spectrum of a high symmetry cut at the Γ in $(\text{Ba,K})\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$ (b1), background subtracted spectrum (b2) and symmetrized EDCs (b3). The blue and red arrows indicate the gap minimum from two hole bands near Γ point. (c) Raw spectrum of a cut near zone corner (c1), background subtracted spectrum (c2) and symmetrized EDCs (c3). The spectral quality is sufficiently good to track and fit the superconducting gap on multiple bands (blue and red dots track the quasiparticle peak dispersion). (e) Raw spectrum of a high symmetry cut at the zone center in a one unit cell FeSe/STO film (e1) and second derivative spectrum (e2). (f) Raw spectrum of a high symmetry cut at M pocket (f1) and second derivative spectrum (f2). The red lines are guide to the eye of bands with different dominating orbital components. Orange dotted lines indicate the shake-off bands due to the electron-boson coupling.

d_{xz} electron band, as well as its hybridization gap with d_{xy} band are observed, consistent with previous measurements at higher photon energy.^{71,76} The measurements also show evidence, although weaker than synchrotron data, of the shadow band due to the strong coupling to the substrate's out-of-plane phonon, which could play a decisive role in boosting T_c by as much as 50% from its $\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_{2-y}\text{Se}_2$ counterpart.⁹ The polarization control and improved cross section of our 11 eV laser facilitates resolving gap functions with high resolution on multiple bands across the entire BZ. This is essential to understand the pairing symmetry and superconducting mechanism of this multi-band system.

V. SUMMARY

We have presented a table-top 11eV laser-based ARPES system. The system utilizes the 9th harmonics of a 1024 nm IR laser to produce the 113.778 nm VUV radiation for photoemission. Combined with a Scienta R8000 hemispherical electron analyzer, we demonstrate the system's energy resolution of 2 meV and momentum resolution of 0.012 \AA^{-1} under realistic experimental conditions. The system is capable of reaching to $k_{\parallel} = 1.2 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$ parallel momenta as well as 5 eV in binding energy (assuming 4.5 eV material work function). Space charging effects are reduced at high repetition rates of 10 MHz. On the other hand, short pulses (≤ 100 ps) can be utilized for time-of-flight applications where time resolution is more prioritized.

This system provides a long desired solution to bridg-

ing the gap between the existing high-resolution small-momentum-coverage laser-based ARPES and large-momentum-coverage synchrotron-based ARPES. It is capable of producing high resolution spectra in many correlated electron systems and reaching their BZ boundaries as well as valence bands, including the temperature dependent CDW gap in rare earth metal tritelluride, the antinode and oxygen 2p band spectrum in cuprate superconductor and superconducting gap measurements in iron-pnictide and iron-chalcogenide film.

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