

High-intensity phasing with x-ray free-electron lasers

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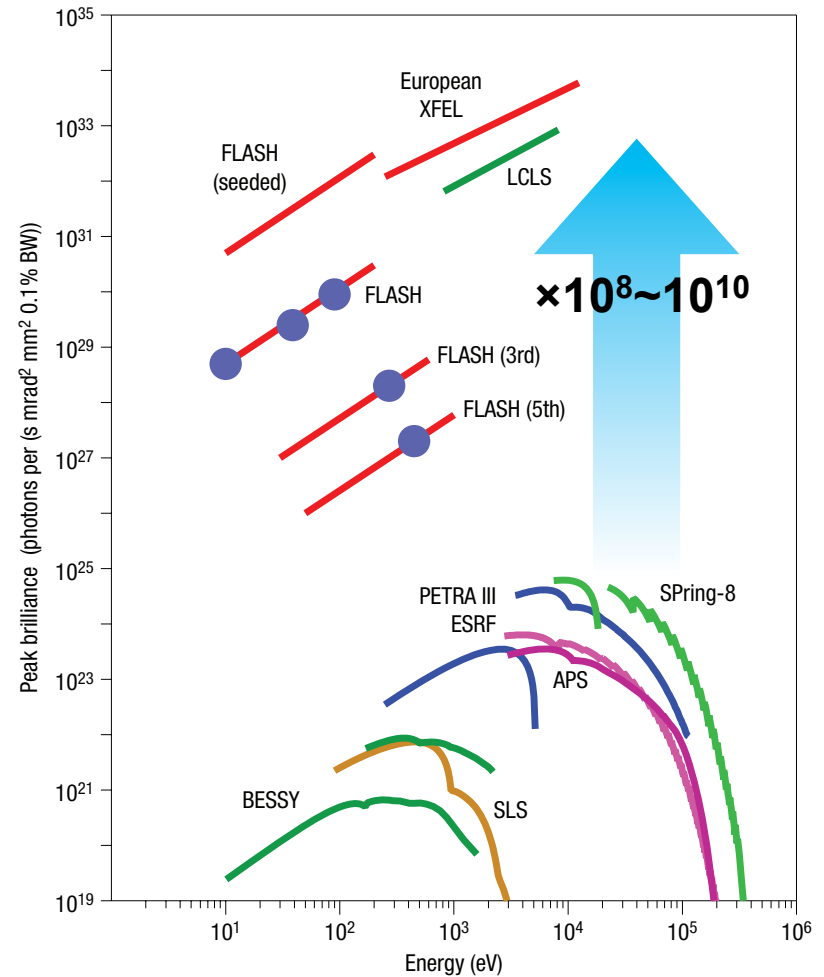
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What is XFEL?

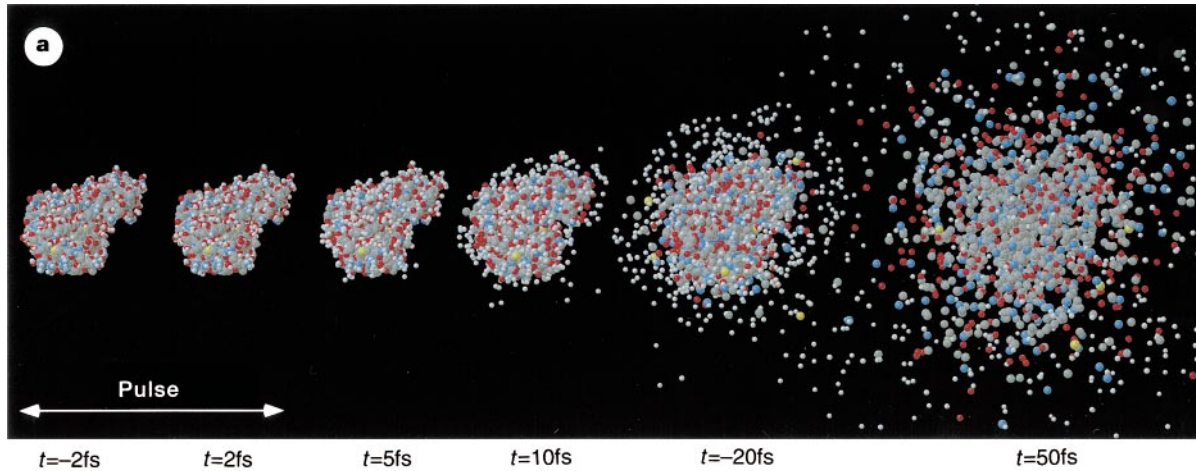
- > XFEL: X-ray Free-Electron Laser
- > *Ultraindense*
 - fluence: $\sim 10^{13}$ photons/ μm^2
 - peak intensity: $\sim 10^{18}$ W/ cm^2
- > *Ultrafast*
 - pulse duration: femtoseconds or sub-fs
- > Where?
 - FLASH at DESY, Germany (2004)
 - LCLS at SLAC, USA (2009)
 - SACLA at RIKEN, Japan (2011)
 - PAL XFEL at Pohang, Korea
 - European XFEL, Germany



Ackermann *et al.*, *Nature Photon.* **1**, 336 (2007).

Radiation damage by XFEL

Coulomb explosion (nuclear damage)

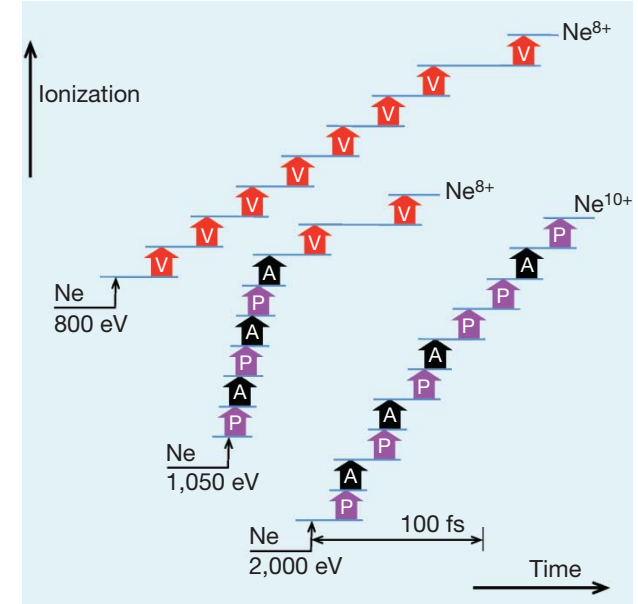


Neutze *et al.*, *Nature* **406**, 752 (2000).



Diffraction before destruction

Electronic damage



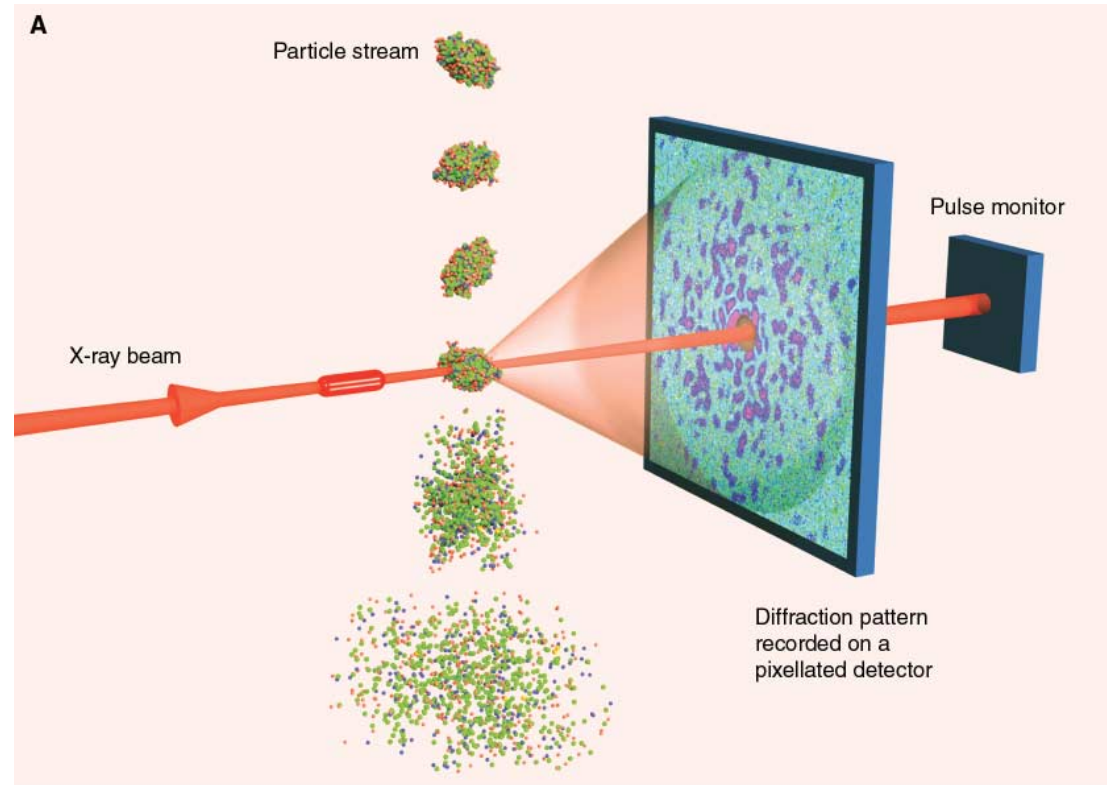
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Diffraction during ionization

Serial femtosecond crystallography (SFX)

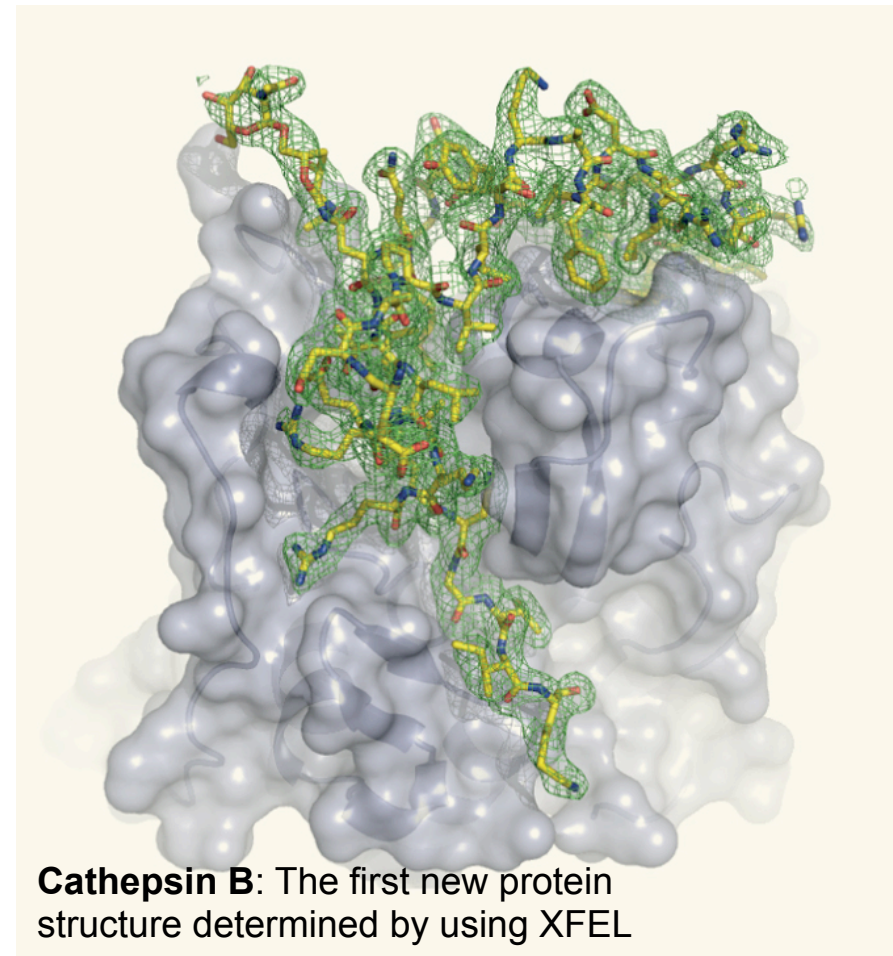
- Growing high-quality crystals is one of major bottlenecks in x-ray crystallography.
- *Ultraintense* and *ultrafast* pulses from XFEL
- Enough signals from *nano-sized crystals* or single molecules



Gaffney & Chapman, *Science* **316**, 1444 (2007).

Phasing for XFEL experiments

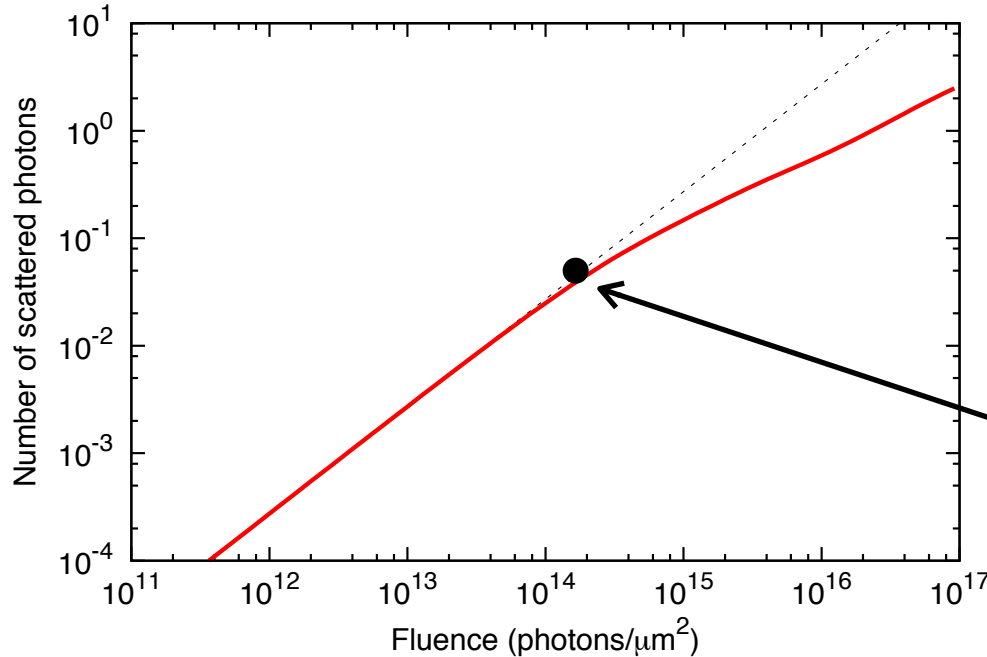
- Femtosec. x-ray nanocrystallography: beyond proof-of-principle
- Mainly solved by molecular replacement
e.g.) Redecke *et al.*, *Science* **339**, 227 (2013).
- SAD in the intermediate intensity regime (< the saturation fluence)
Barends *et al.*, *Nature* **505**, 244 (2014).
- Need for *ab initio* phasing method at high x-ray intensity



Picture taken from *Nature* **505**, 620 (2014).

What happens at high x-ray intensity?

- > Fluence (photons/unit area) to saturate one-photon absorption



C @ 8 keV

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} = 0.084 \text{ kbarns}$$



$$\text{prob.} = \sigma_{\text{abs}} \times F \sim 1$$

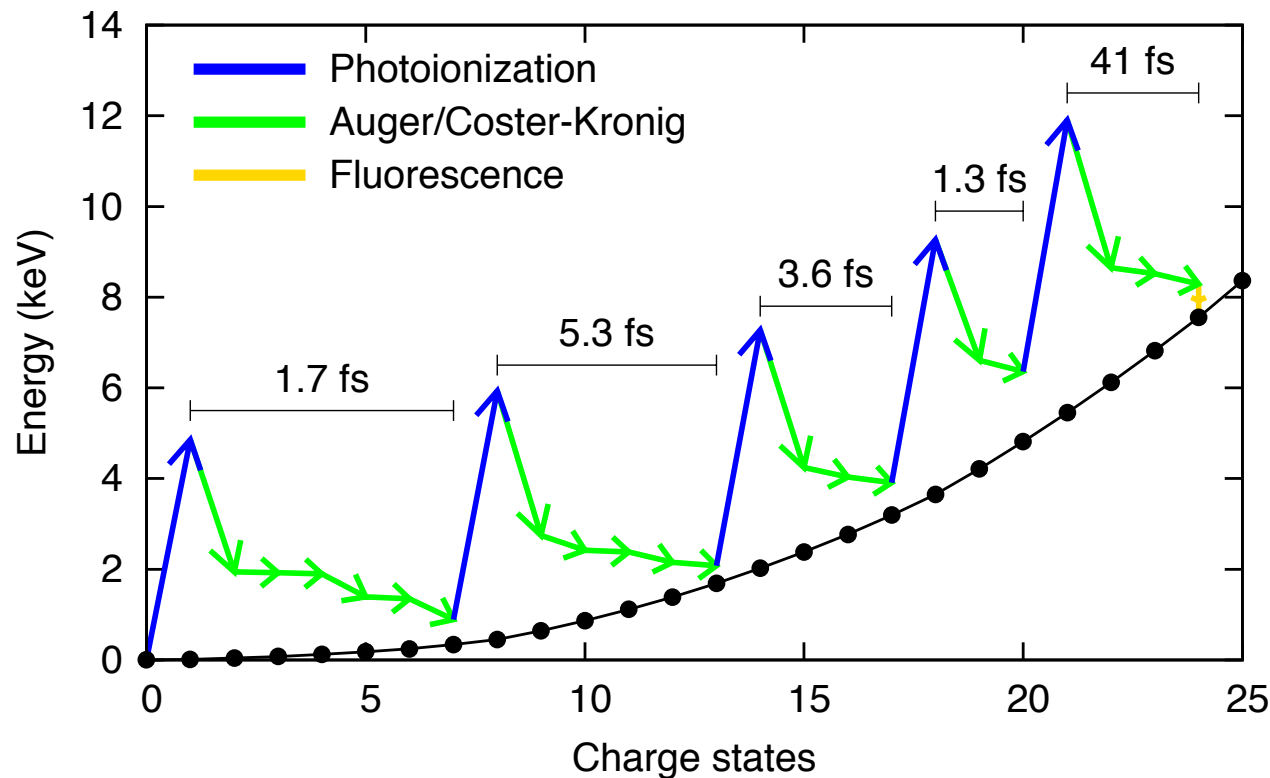


$$F_{\text{sat}} = 1.2 \times 10^{14} \text{ ph}/\mu\text{m}^2$$

Son, Young & Santra,
Phys. Rev. A **83**, 033402 (2011).

- > High x-ray intensity beyond one-photon absorption saturation
 - Synchrotron: at most one photon absorbed → linear phenomena
 - XFEL: at least one photon absorbed → nonlinear phenomena

Sequential multiphoton multiple ionization

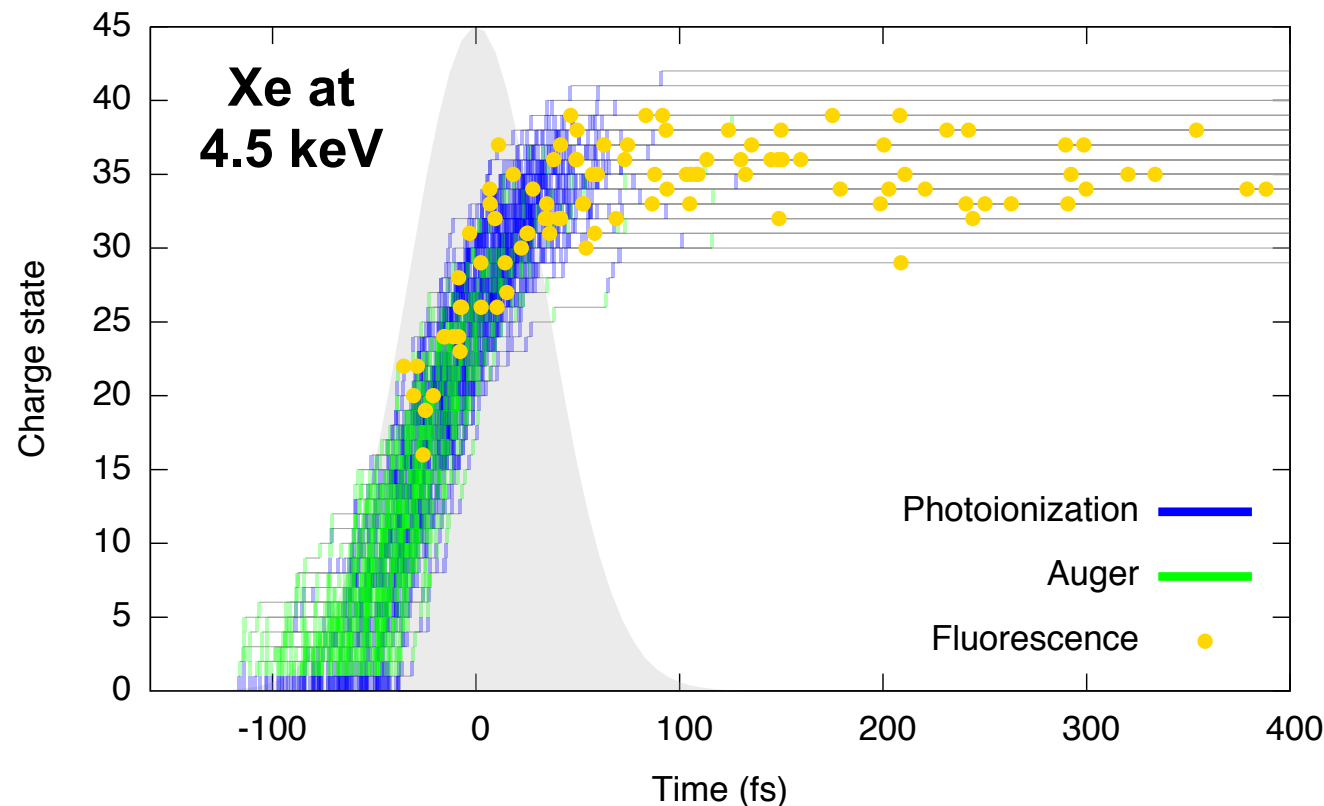


Xe @ 5.5 keV

Fukuzawa *et al.*,
Phys. Rev. Lett.
110, 173005 (2013).

- a sequence of photoionization, Auger decays, and fluorescences
- complicated multiphoton multiple ionization at high x-ray intensity

Complex inner-shell ionization dynamics

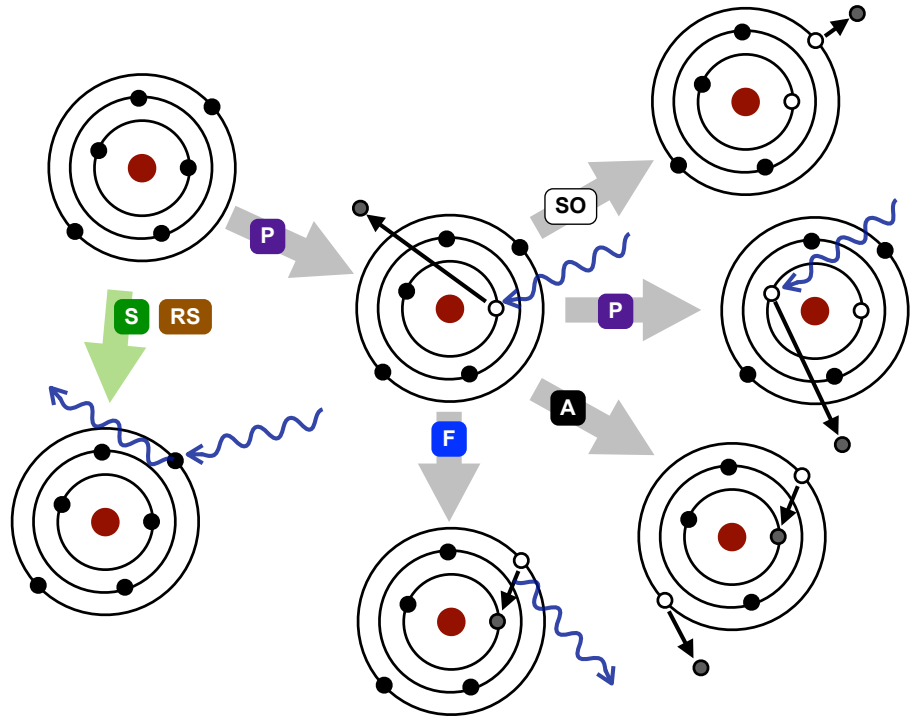


Son & Santra,
PRA **85**,
063415 (2012).

- more than one million electronic states calculated
- more than 40 million x-ray-induced processes calculated
- conventional quantum chemistry codes not applicable

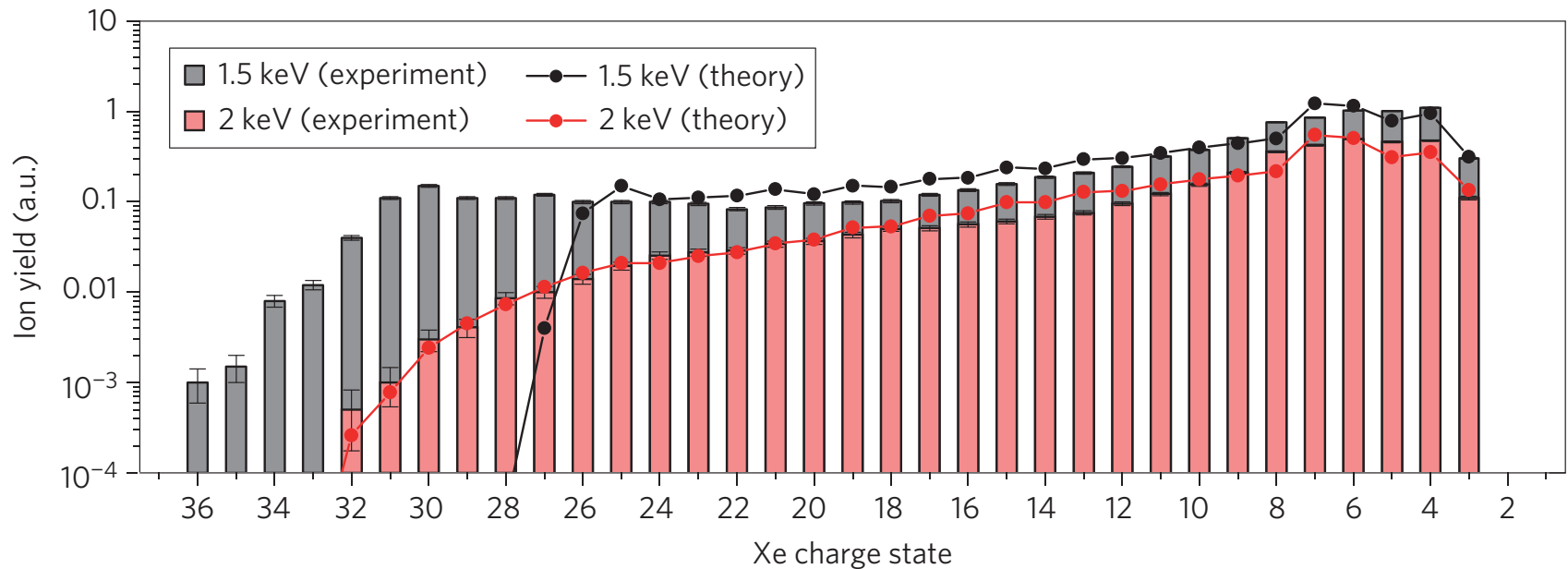
How to describe ionization dynamics?

- > XATOM: describes dynamical behaviors of atoms interacting with XFEL pulses
- > Uses the Hartree-Fock-Slater model
- > Calculates all cross sections and rates of x-ray-induced processes for any given element / any given charge state / any given electronic configuration
- > Solves coupled rate equations to simulate x-ray ionization dynamics



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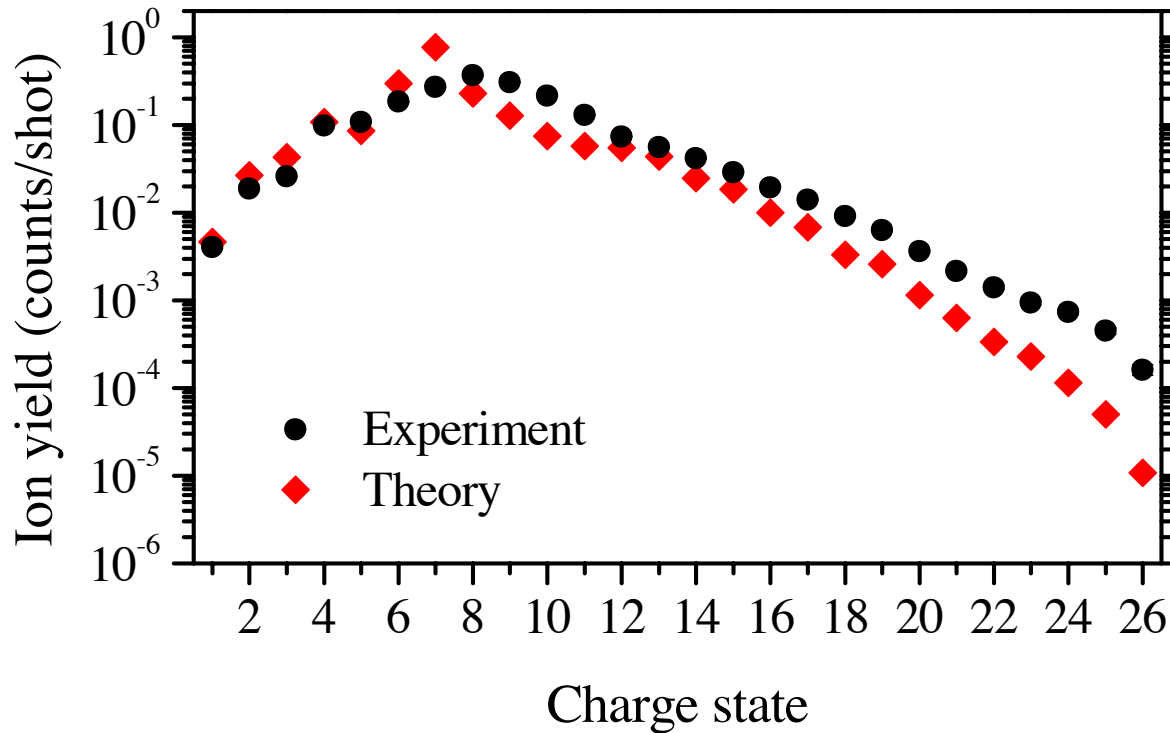
Xe at LCLS



Rudek *et al.*, *Nature Photon.* **6**, 858 (2012).

- Charge state distribution of Xe measured at LCLS
- At 2 keV: good agreement between experiment and theory
- At 1.5 keV: unprecedented high charge states (up to Xe³⁶⁺) in experiment
- Resonance-enabled ionization: may be suppressed by a narrow bandwidth

Xe at SACLA



Fukuzawa *et al.*,
Phys. Rev. Lett.
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- > At 5.5 keV: deep inner-shell (*L*-shell) ionization dynamics
- > Good agreement between experiment and theory
- > Theoretical challenges: >20-million config. with >2-billion processes

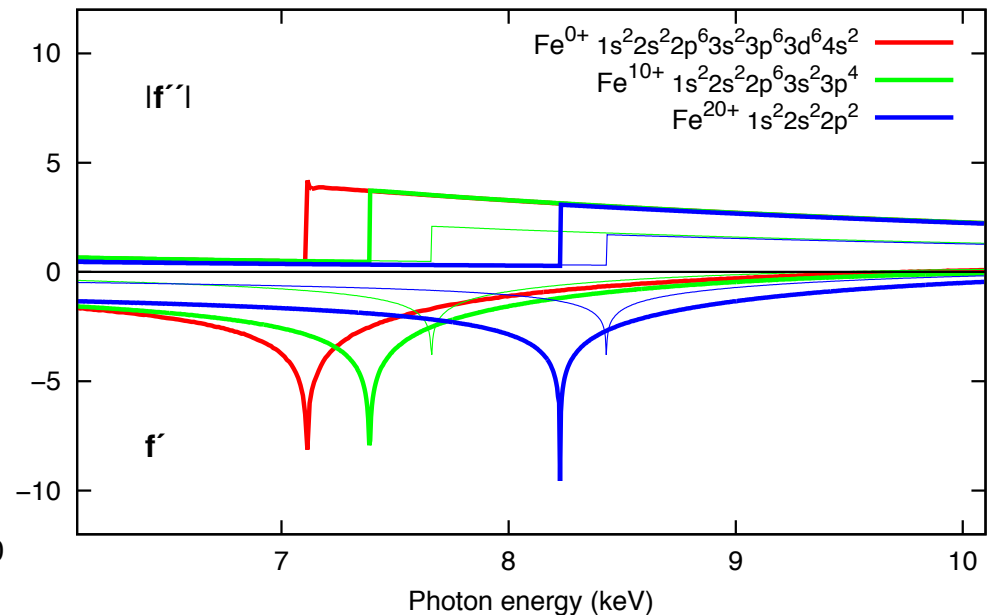
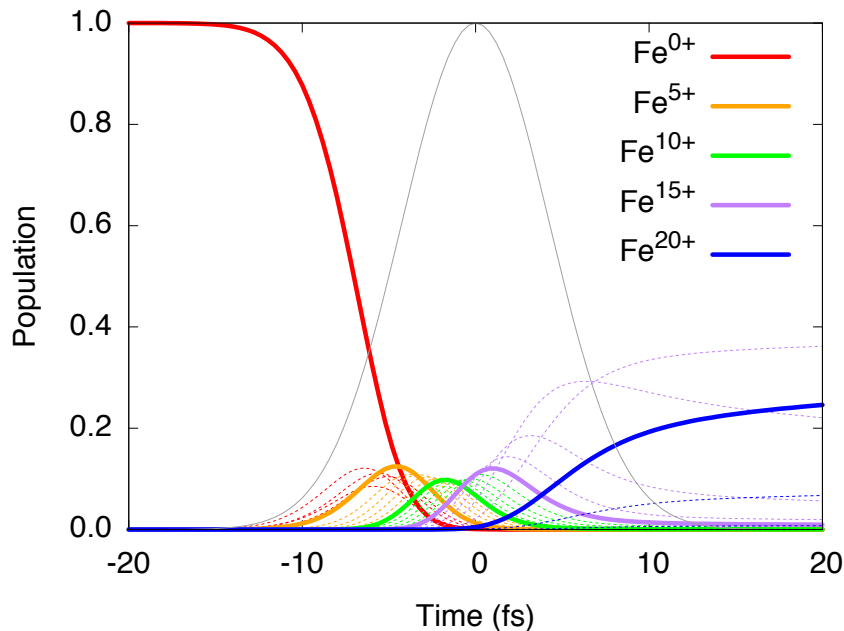
Electronic radiation damage

- > Unavoidable at high x-ray intensity (time scale: ~femtoseconds)
- > Can we reduce electronic radiation damage?
 - frustrated ionization: *higher* intensity, *less* ionization
 - seeded XFEL pulse: *narrower* bandwidth, *less* ionization
- > Can we take benefits from electronic radiation damage?
 - understand ionization dynamics mechanism
 - heavy atoms at higher photon energies → relevant for phasing
 - turn x-ray ionization into an advantage for phasing

Impact on anomalous scattering

- Extensive electronic rearrangements during one pulse
- Dramatic change of anomalous scattering for high charge states

$$f_{I_j}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = f_{I_j}^0(\mathbf{Q}) + f'_{I_j}(\omega) + i f''_{I_j}(\omega)$$



Son, Chapman & Santra, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 218102 (2011).

Can we do MAD with XFELs?

- > *Ab initio* phasing: MAD (multiwavelength anomalous diffraction)
- > Unavoidable electronic damage, especially to heavy atoms
- > Dramatic change of anomalous scattering for high charge states
- > Stochastic electronic damage to heavy atoms would destroy coherent scattering signals in nanocrystals
- > MAD would not be an applicable route for phasing at XFEL...?



Existence of a generalized Karle-Hendrickson equation
in the high-intensity regime

Son, Chapman & Santra, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 218102 (2011).

Scattering intensity including ionization

$$\frac{dI(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)}{d\Omega} = \mathcal{F}C(\Omega) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \sum_I P_I(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) \left| F_P^0(\mathbf{Q}) + \sum_{j=1}^{N_H} f_{I_j}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j} \right|^2$$

$$I = (I_1, I_2, \dots, I_{N_H}), \quad P_I(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) = \prod_{j=1}^{N_H} P_{I_j}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t)$$

$$f_{I_j}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = f_{I_j}^0(\mathbf{Q}) + f'_{I_j}(\omega) + i f''_{I_j}(\omega)$$

- All changes among N_H heavy atoms in a crystal are included.
- P : protein, H : heavy atoms; only heavy atoms scatter anomalously and undergo ionization dynamics during an x-ray pulse.
- Heavy atoms are ionized independently.
- Only one species of heavy atoms is considered.

Son, Chapman & Santra, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 218102 (2011).

Generalized Karle-Hendrickson equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dI(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)}{d\Omega} = \mathcal{F}C(\Omega) & \left[|F_P^0(\mathbf{Q})|^2 + |F_H^0(\mathbf{Q})|^2 \tilde{a}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega) \right. \\ & + |F_P^0(\mathbf{Q})| |F_H^0(\mathbf{Q})| b(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega) \cos \Delta\phi^0(\mathbf{Q}) \\ & + |F_P^0(\mathbf{Q})| |F_H^0(\mathbf{Q})| c(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega) \sin \Delta\phi^0(\mathbf{Q}) \\ & \left. + N_H |f_H^0(\mathbf{Q})|^2 \{a(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega) - \tilde{a}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- > MAD coefficients: $a(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)$, $b(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)$, $c(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)$, and $\tilde{a}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{F}, \omega)$
→ measured or calculated including electronic damage dynamics
- > 3 unknowns: $|F_P^0(\mathbf{Q})|$, $|F_H^0(\mathbf{Q})|$, $\Delta\phi^0(\mathbf{Q}) [= \phi_P^0(\mathbf{Q}) - \phi_H^0(\mathbf{Q})]$
→ solvable with measurements at 3 different wavelengths.

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MAD coefficients in generalized KH eq.

original KH equation

$$f_H(\omega) = f_H^0 + f_H'(\omega) + i f_H''(\omega)$$

$$a(\omega) = \frac{f_H'^2 + f_H''^2}{(f_H^0)^2}$$

$$b(\omega) = \frac{2f_H'}{f_H^0}$$

$$c(\omega) = \frac{2f_H''}{f_H^0}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4}$$

Need to know f' and f''

generalized KH equation

$$\tilde{f}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) = \sum_{I_H} P_{I_H}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) f_{I_H}(\omega)$$

$$a(\mathcal{F}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\{f_H^0\}^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \sum_{I_H} P_{I_H}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) |f_{I_H}(\omega)|^2$$

$$\tilde{a}(\mathcal{F}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\{f_H^0\}^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \left| \tilde{f}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t) \right|^2$$

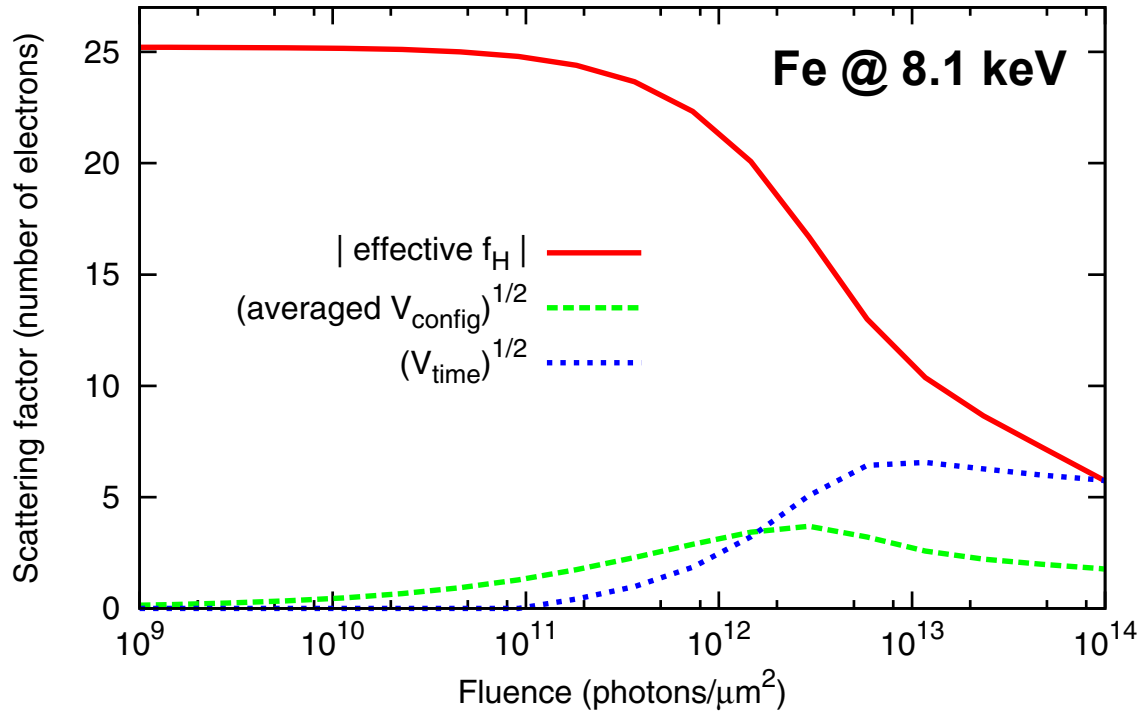
$$b(\mathcal{F}, \omega) = \frac{2}{f_H^0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \operatorname{Re} \tilde{f}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t)$$

$$c(\mathcal{F}, \omega) = \frac{2}{f_H^0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \operatorname{Im} \tilde{f}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow a \neq \tilde{a} \text{ and } a \neq \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4} \text{ and } \tilde{a} \neq \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4}$$

Need to know a , b , c , and \tilde{a}

Fluctuation at high x-ray intensity



$$\bar{f}_H(\mathcal{F}, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt g(t) \tilde{f}(\mathcal{F}, \omega, t)$$

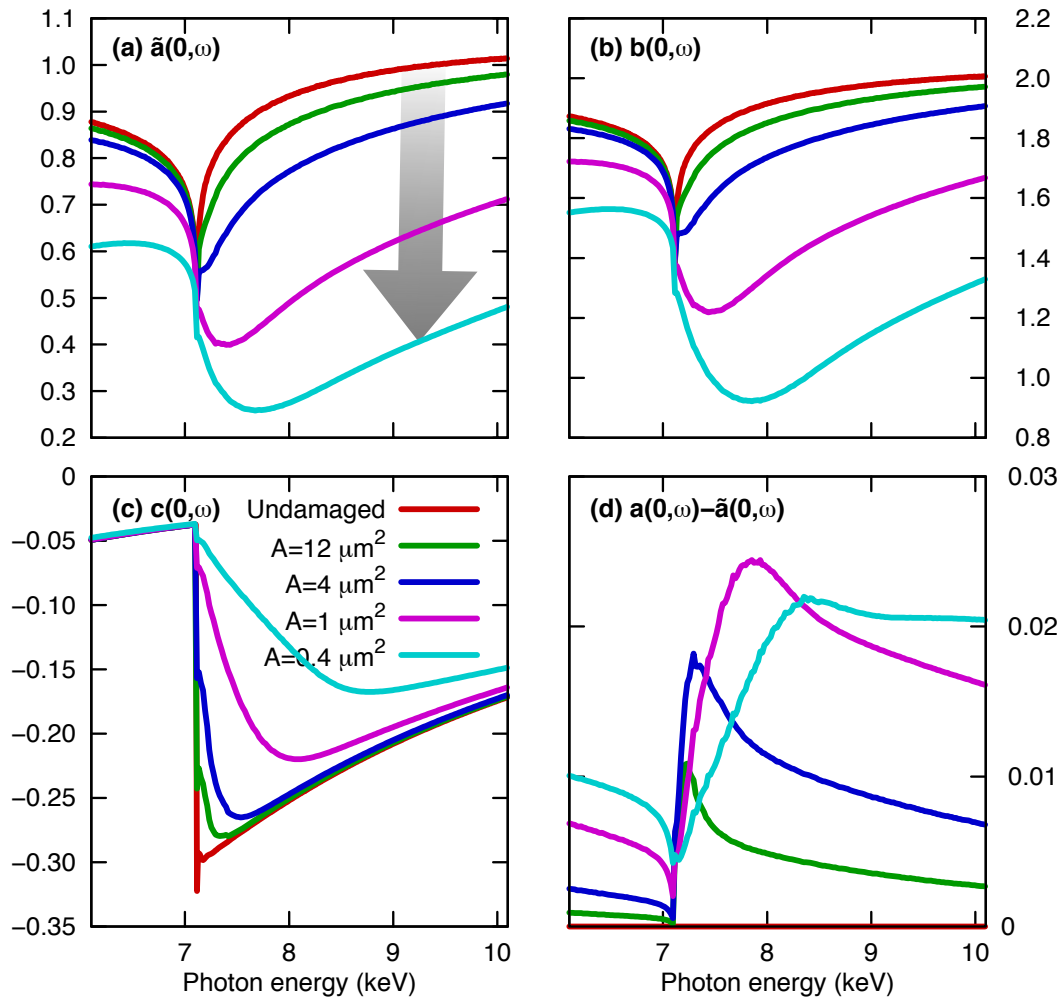
$$\bar{V}_{\text{config}} = |f_H^0|^2 (a - \tilde{a})$$

$$V_{\text{time}} = |f_H^0|^2 \left(\tilde{a} - \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{dI}{d\Omega} = \mathcal{F}C(\Omega) \left[\left| F_P^0 + \bar{f}_H \sum_{j=1}^{N_H} e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j} \right|^2 + N_H \bar{V}_{\text{config}} + \left| \sum_{j=1}^{N_H} e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j} \right|^2 V_{\text{time}} \right]$$

Son, Chapman & Santra, *J. Phys. B* **46**, 164015 (2013).

Plotting of MAD coefficients



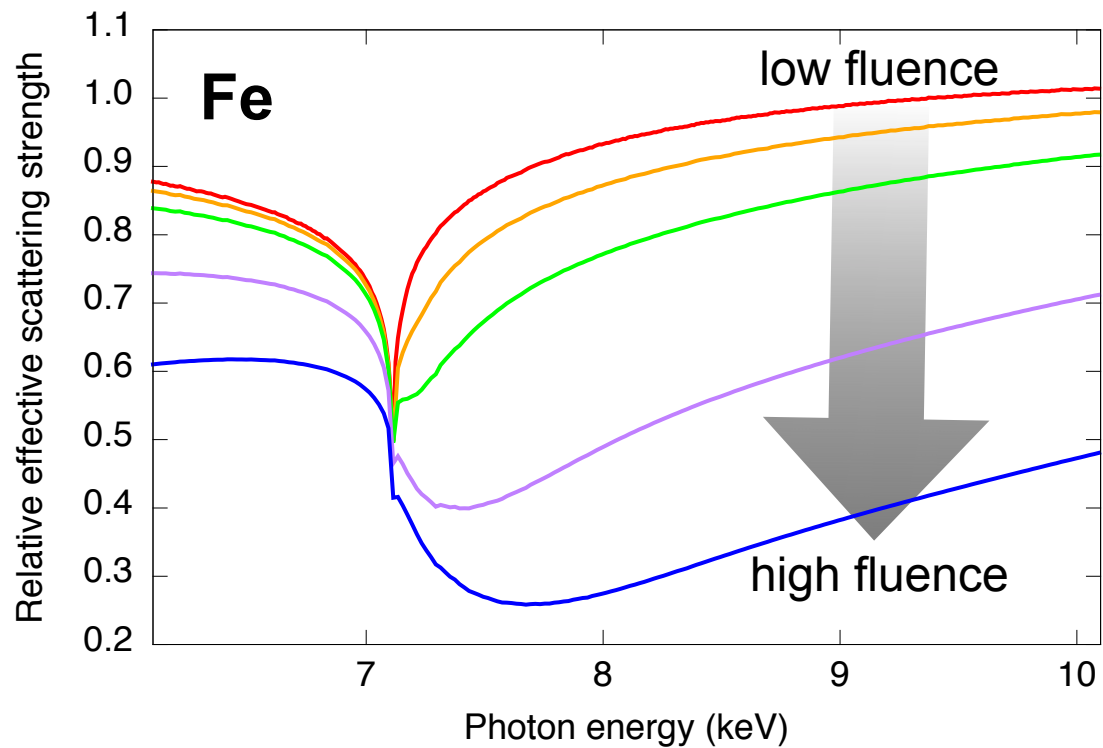
- > calculated by XATOM
- > different ionization mechanism before and after the edge
- > contrast at different wavelengths
- > anomalous scattering (MAD c coefficient) not completely eliminated
- > bleaching effect as intensity increases

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High-intensity phasing methods

- > HI-MAD (high-intensity multi-wavelength anomalous diffraction)
 - generalized Karle-Hendrickson equation + MAD coefficients
- > HI-SAD (high-intensity single-wavelength anomalous diffraction)
 - one dataset required — simple in measurement
- > HI-RIP (high-intensity radiation-damage induced phasing)
 - two different fluences: undamaged and damaged
 - exploiting the bleaching effect of heavy atoms (HA)
- > brand-new HIP: based on generalized Karle-Hendrickson equation
 - multi-fluence measurement at single wavelength
 - RIP-like: undamaged vs. damaged
 - SIR-like: HA-derivative vs. HA-free

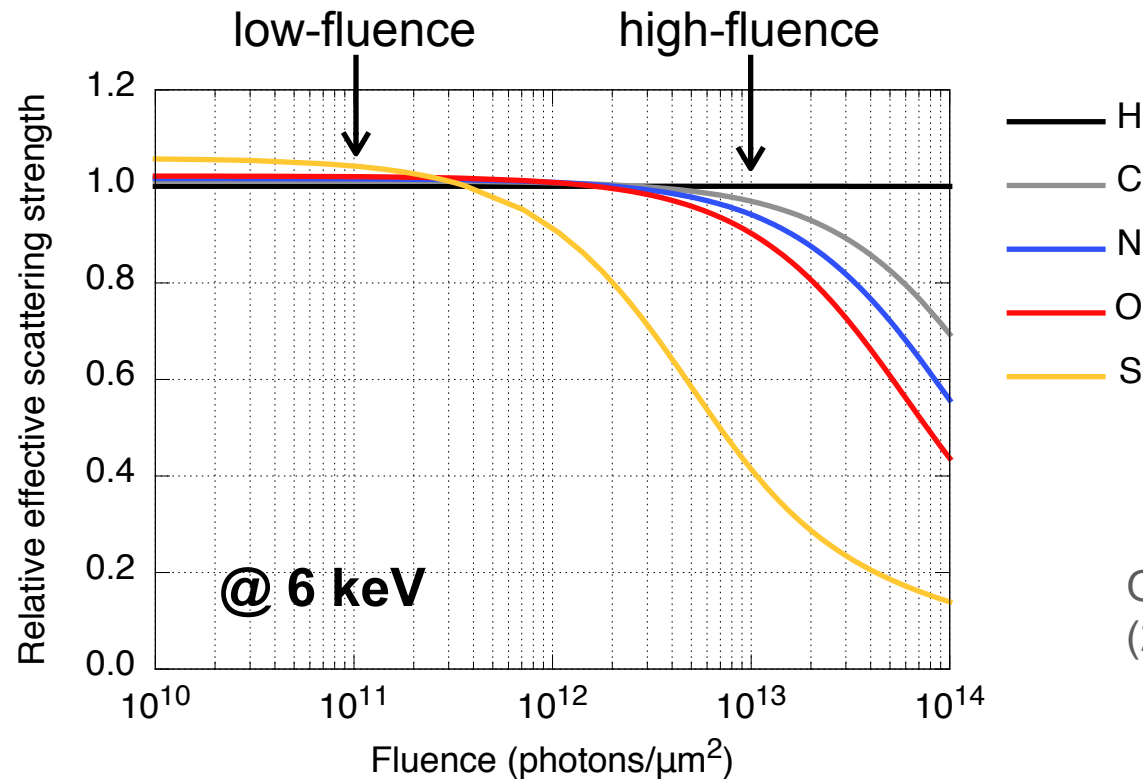
High-intensity MAD



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- > minimum deepened and edge broadened → easy to choose wavelengths
- > experimentally difficult to vary wavelengths, while keeping the same fluence

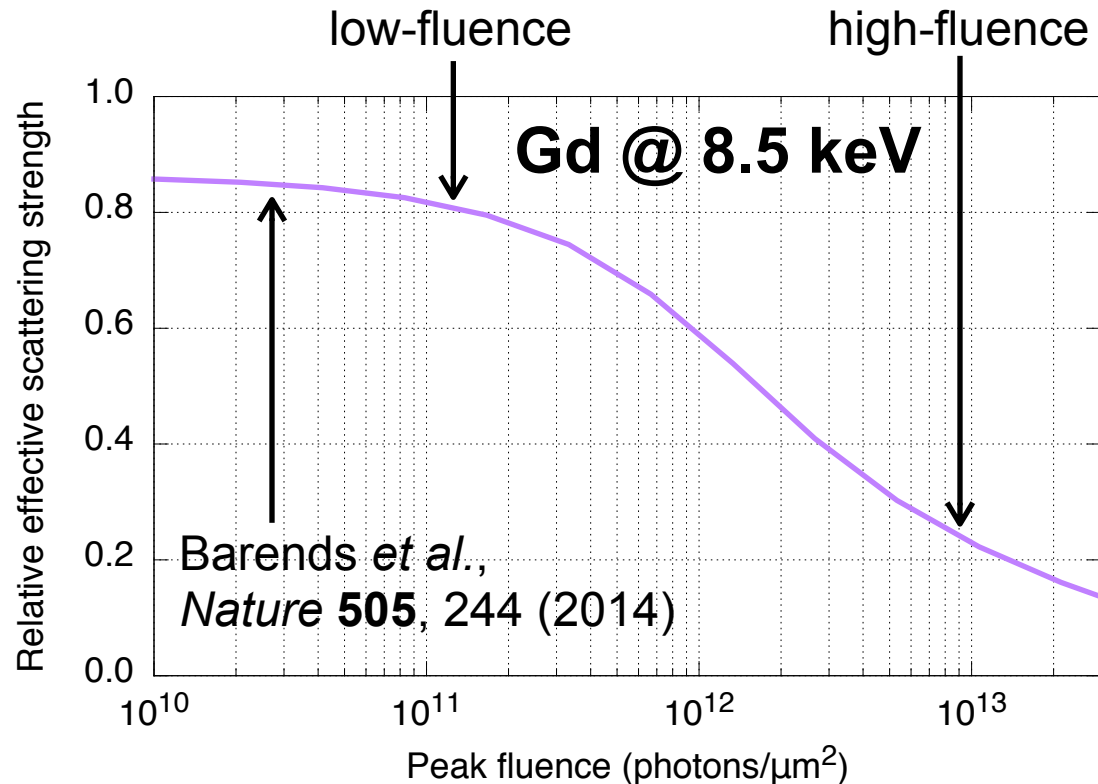
High-intensity RIP



Galli *et al.*, *J. Synch. Rad.*
(2015, in press).

- exploiting selective ionization for S atoms at high x-ray intensity
- simulated datasets of Cathepsin B including ionization for all atoms
- phased by the RIP workflow (Max Nanao)

(High-intensity) SAD



experimental datasets of Gd-Lys measured at LCLS

Galli *et al.*, (submitted).

- phased by conventional SAD techniques
- tested at several fluences (LF: $R_{\text{free}}=0.264$, HF: $R_{\text{free}}=0.457$)
- Towards HI-SAD: need for generalized KH equation

Conclusion

- SFX with XFELs: revolutionary impact on structural biology
- Electronic radiation damage: unavoidable at high x-ray intensity
- XATOM describes multiphoton multiple ionization dynamics of individual atoms; tested by LCLS and SACLA experiments
- Generalized Karle–Hendrickson equation in extreme conditions of ionizing radiations: not only in phasing but also in refinement
- HIP: brand-new phasing only achievable at high x-ray intensity
 - high-intensity version of MAD, SAD, and RIP
- Novel phasing at high x-ray intensity: new opportunities for solving the phase problem in crystallography with XFELs

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