



# The ELI ALPS infrastructure

## Basics of high energy, short pulsed lasers

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# The ELI (Extreme Light Infrastructure) project

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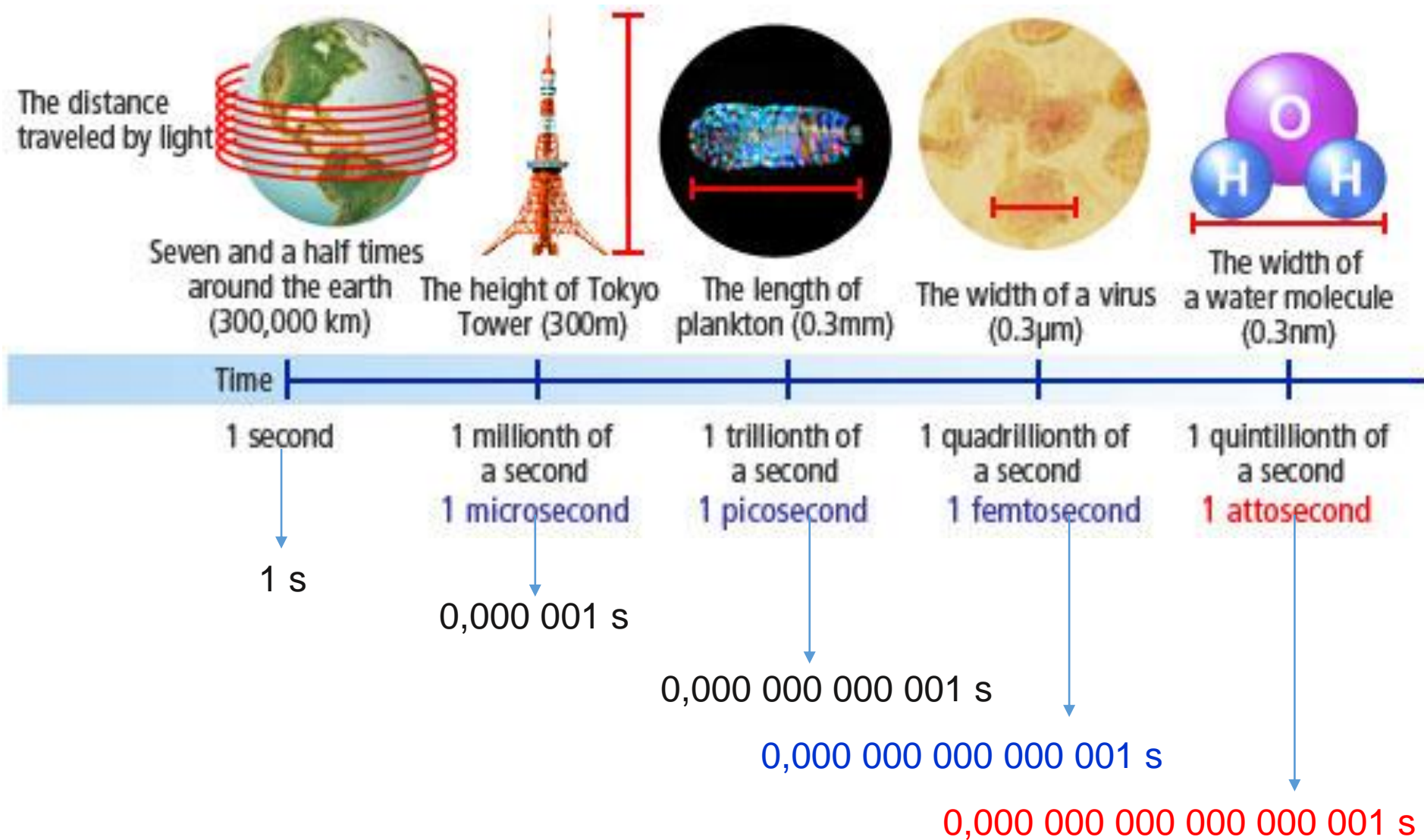


- ELI Attosecond Light Pulse Source (ELI-ALPS) (Szeged, Hungary)
- ELI High Energy Beam-Line Facility (ELI-Beamlines) (Dolni Brezhany, Czech Republic)
- ELI Nuclear Physics Facility (ELI-NP) (Magurele, Romania)

### Missions of ELI ALPS

- 1) To generate X-UV and X-ray fs and atto pulses, for temporal investigation at the attosecond scale of electron dynamics in atoms, molecules, plasmas and solids.
- 2) To contribute to the technological development towards high average power, high intensity lasers.

# How short is an attosecond?







2012



2014





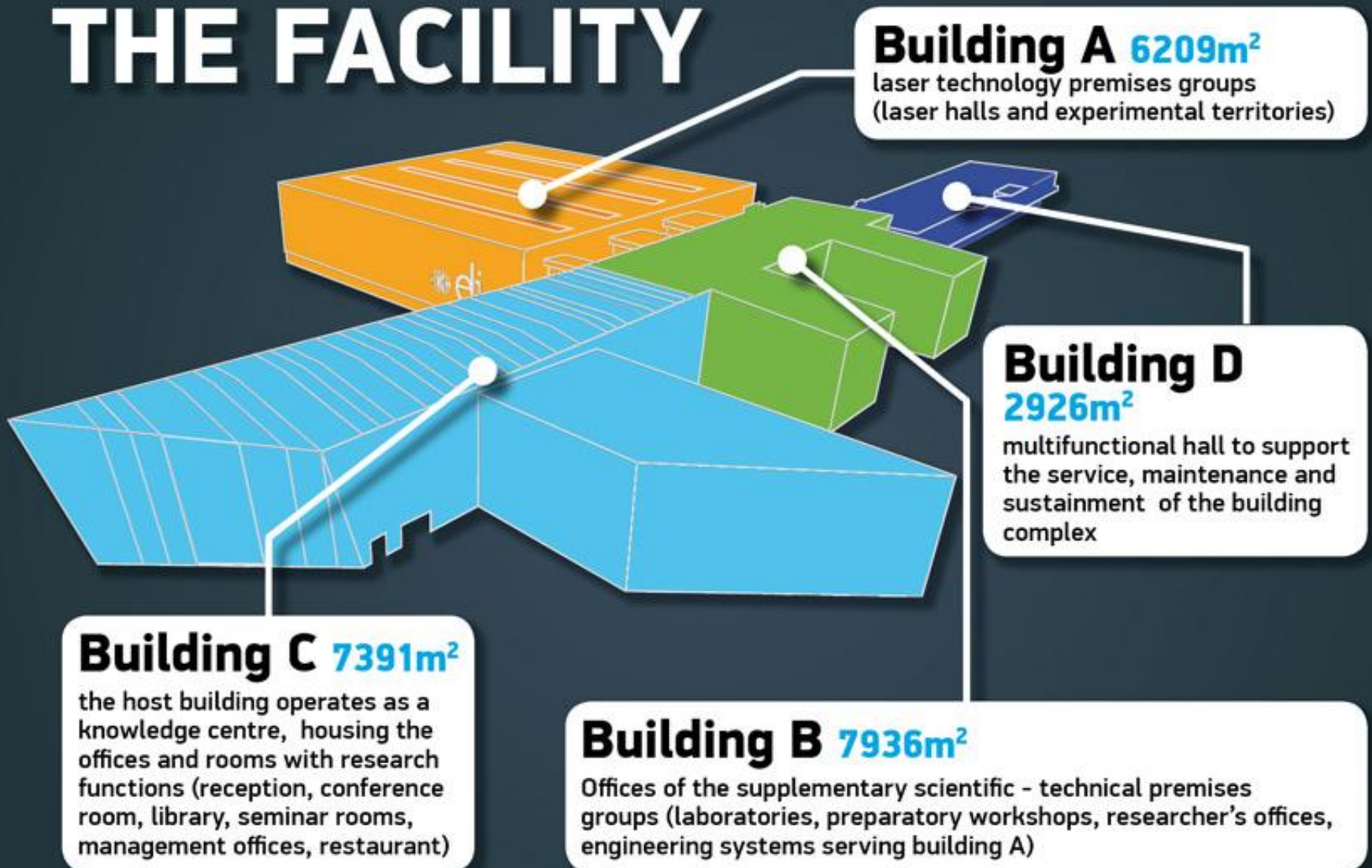








## THE FACILITY



## GROUNDWORK

**133.000m<sup>3</sup>** of soil was removed from under building "A" the rain reservoir.



**12.091 db  
DUMPER**



## TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONCRETE

The total amount of concrete used during the construction would fill up **18 olympic swimming pools**.

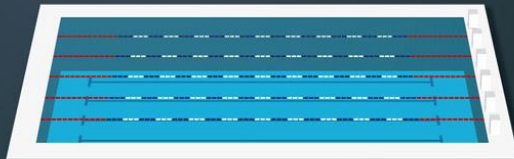
This is approximately **45.656 m<sup>3</sup>**.

**MORE THAN  
18 pc**

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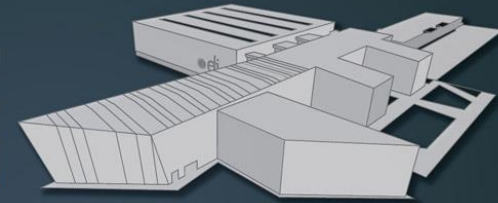


**5707 pc  
CONCRETE MIXER**

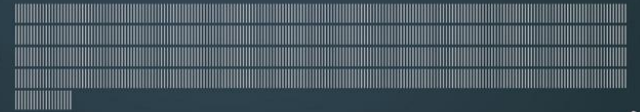


## PILING

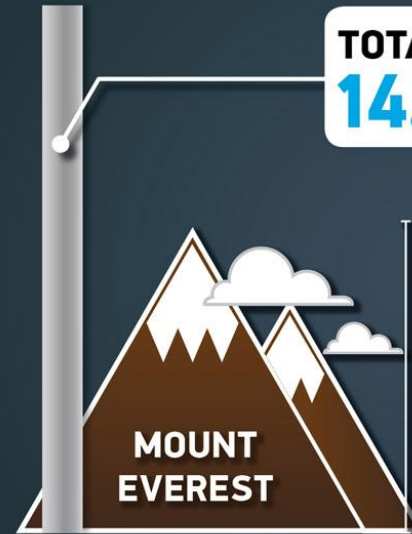
To provide the stability of the buildings, according to soil mechanical, **819** piles were drilled under ground level.



**819  
PILES**



**TOTAL LENGTH OF PILES  
14.400 meters**



**8848m**

**241pc**  
piles with a diameter  
of more than 1 m

**578pc**  
piles with a diameter  
less than 1 m



# Laboratories: Building A

## lasers, laser driven sources, user areas

clean rooms (ISO 7-8), vibration isolation



# Laboratories: Building B

## Preparation labs, electronic workshop

Optical, targetry, chemistry, biomedical





# Supporting infrastructure: building C



# Supporting infrastructure: building D



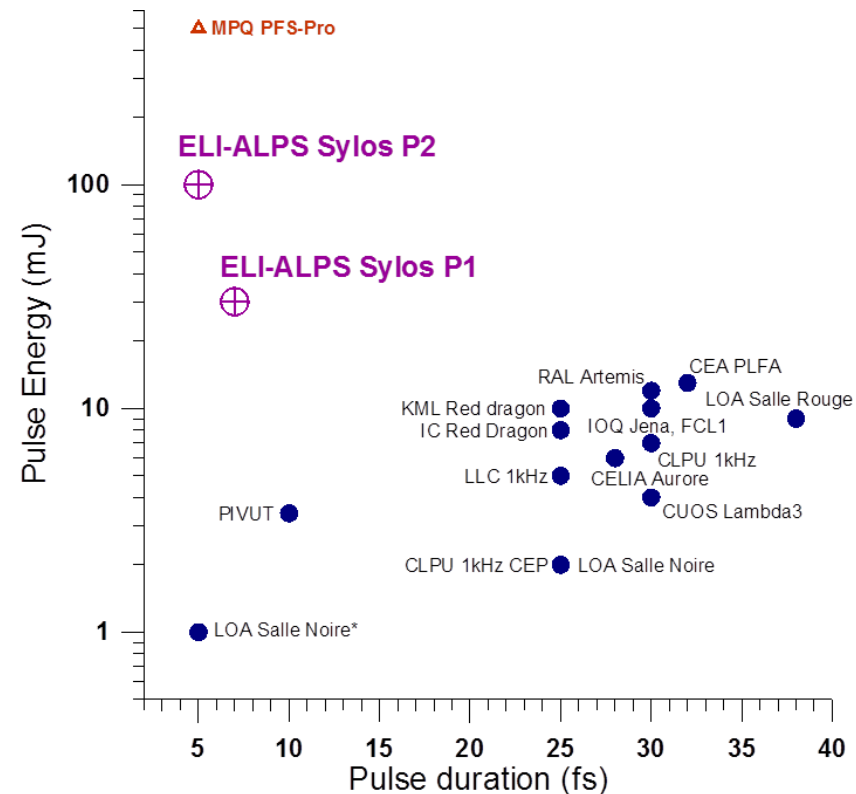
## Cutting edge laser technology by 2018

ALPS High Repetition Rate (HR) beamline  
100kHz, >5mJ, <6fs, 1030nm

ALPS Single Cycle (SYLOS) beamline  
1kHz, >100mJ, <6fs, 860nm

ALPS High Field (HF) beamline  
HF PW: 10Hz, 34J, <20fs, 800nm  
HF 100: 100Hz, 0.5J, <10fs, 800nm

ALPS Mid-IR beamline  
100kHz, 3.1 $\mu$ m, 150 $\mu$ J, <4 cycles



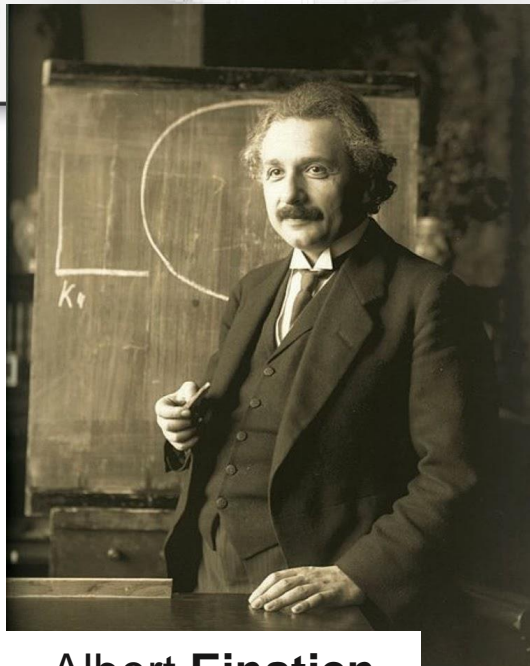


**L**ight  
**A**mplification by  
**S**timulated  
**E**mission of  
**R**adiation

Source  
 producing  
 light with very special  
 properties



# Laser – the beginnings



Albert Einstein  
1916.

## Zur Quantentheorie der Strahlung.

Von A. Einstein<sup>1)</sup>

Die formale Ähnlichkeit der Kurve der chromatischen Verteilung der Temperaturstrahlung mit Maxwell'schen Geschwindigkeits-Verteilungsgesetz ist zu frappant, als daß sie lange hätte verborgen bleiben können. In der Tat wurde bereits W. Wien in der wichtigen theoretischen Arbeit, in welcher er sein Verschiebungsgesetz

$$\rho = \nu^3 f\left(\frac{\nu}{T}\right) \quad (1)$$

ableitete, durch diese Ähnlichkeit auf eine weitergehende Bestimmung der Strahlungsformel geführt. Er fand hierbei bekanntlich die Formel

$$\rho = c \nu^3 e^{-\frac{h\nu}{kT}} \quad (2)$$

welche als Grenzesetz für große Werte von  $\frac{\nu}{T}$  auch heute als richtig anerkannt wird (Wien-

1) Zuerst abgedruckt in den Mitteilungen der Physikalischen Gesellschaft Zürich, Nr. 14, 1916.



Theodore Maiman  
1960.

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

JUNE 1, 1960

it experiments two peaks only about 40 gauss so that the broadening is extreme resonance extends to no additional structure.

This may be related to the characteristic of the magnetic method that even unbroadened lines possess apparent magnetic widths which are proportional to the applied magnetic field.

Although the interpretation is admittedly incomplete, the extreme sharpness of the resonance is apparent. In further study, involving the development of a Doppler shift drive, we hope to measure a number of the energy shifts and level splittings mentioned in previous paragraphs.

We wish to thank S. D. Stoddard and R. E. Cowan for preparation of the ZnO source buttons and for compacting the enriched ZnO absorber. The generous cooperation of the cyclotron group is gratefully acknowledged. W. E. Keller and

J. G. Dash each contributed a number of ideas to the experiment.

<sup>†</sup>Work done under the auspices of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission.

<sup>1</sup>R. L. Mössbauer, Z. Physik **151**, 124 (1958); Naturwissenschaften **45**, 538 (1958); Z. Naturforsch. **14a**, 211 (1959).

<sup>2</sup>D. E. Nagle, P. P. Craig, and W. E. Keller, Nature (to be published).

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<sup>7</sup>H. Kopfermann, Kernmomente (Akademische Verlagsgesellschaft, Frankfurt am Main, 1956).

## OPTICAL AND MICROWAVE-OPTICAL EXPERIMENTS IN RUBY

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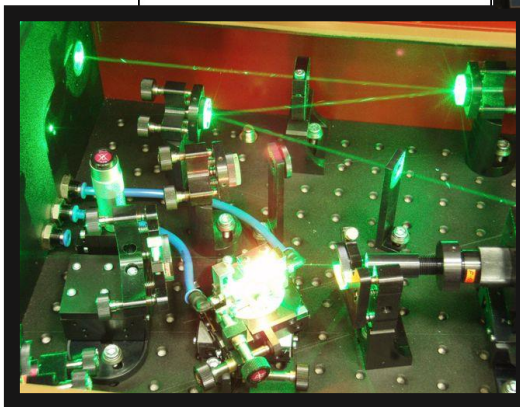
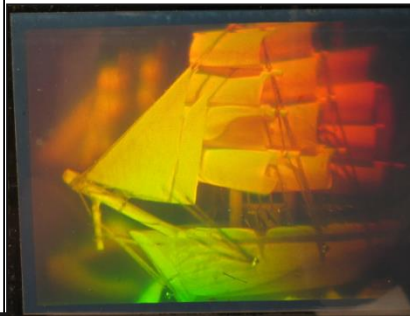
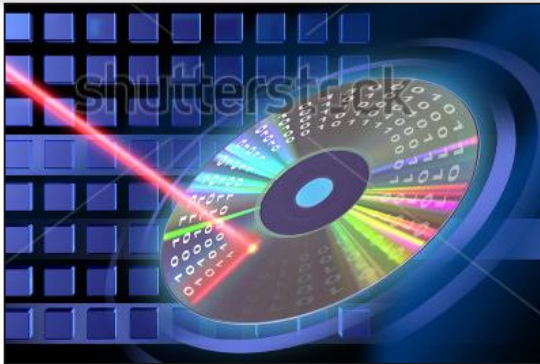
(Received April 22, 1960)

Several recent papers<sup>1-4</sup> have reported optical and microwave-optical measurements in ruby ( $\text{Cr}^{+++}$  in  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ). We wish to report here some

tained in the following way. A crystal of ruby was irradiated with 5600A radiation causing absorption into the lower band ( $A_2 \rightarrow F_2$ ). The sam-



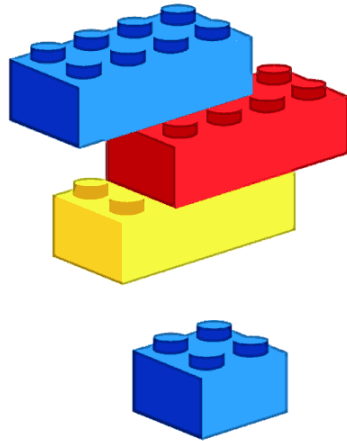




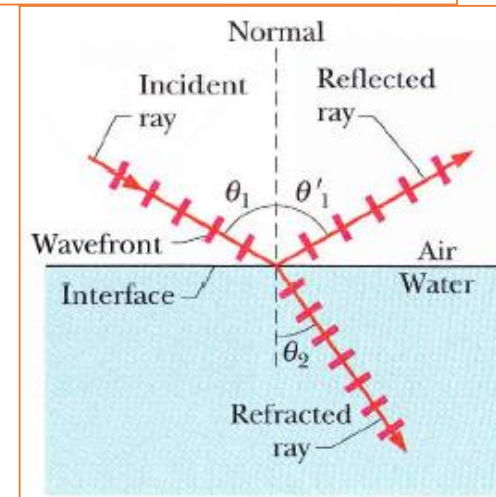
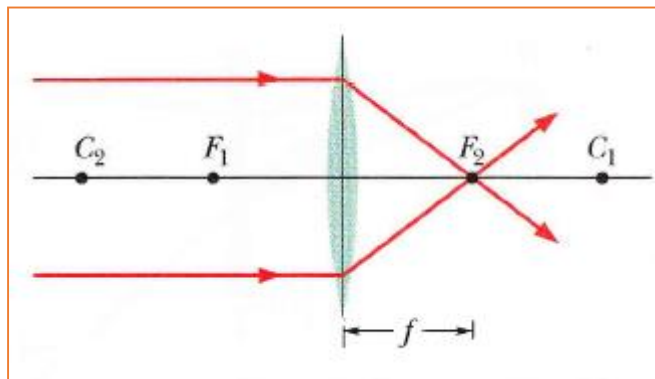
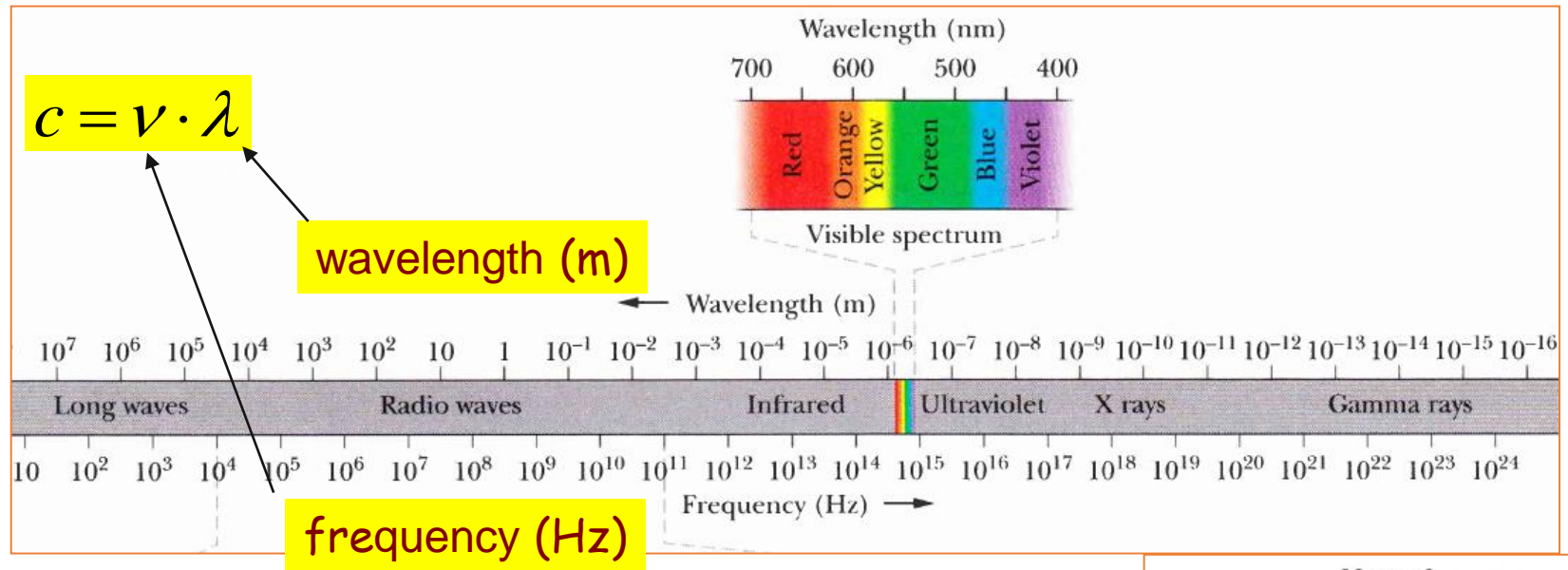
- What is a laser? What is its specialty?
- How the special properties come about?
- Main components of lasers ensuring the special properties.
- What properties qualify lasers an ideal tool for medical applications?



# How to build a laser?



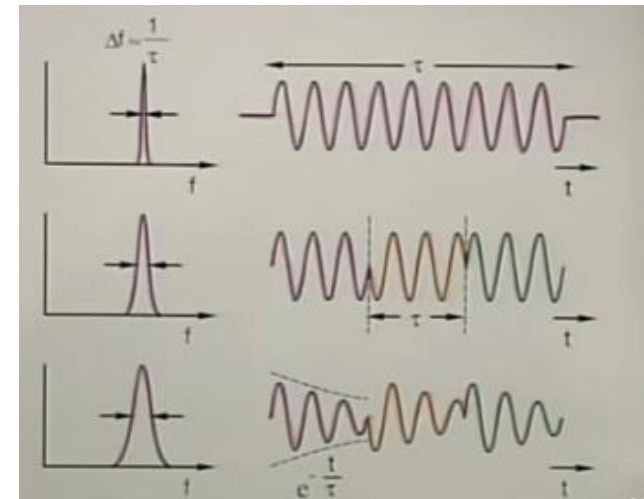
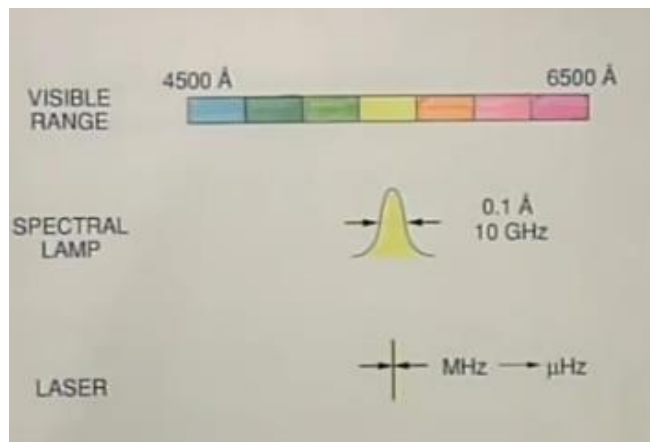
# Laser = light with special properties





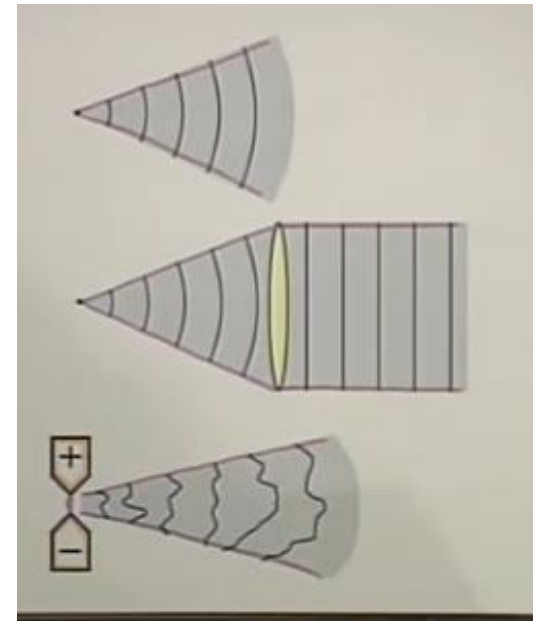
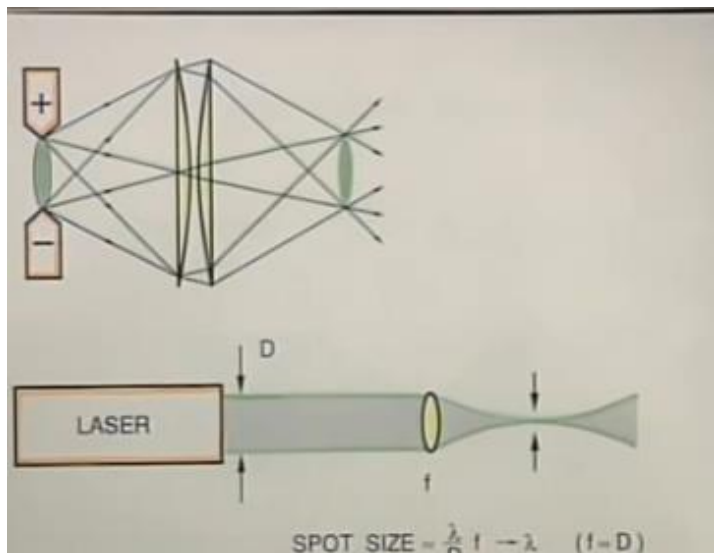
## Monochromaticity

- single color
- narrow bandwidth
- temporal coherence (able to interfere, ordered, „well behaved phase“)



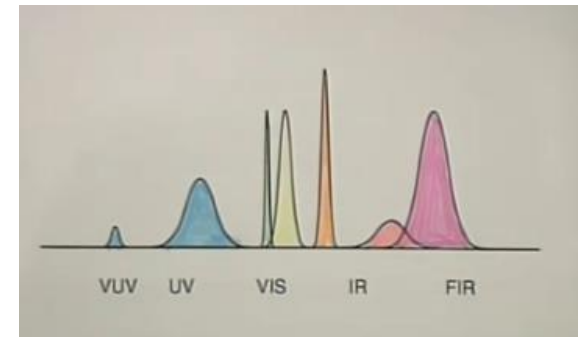
## Small divergence (parallel)

- well collimated
- good focusability to a small spot
- spatial coherence (able to interfere, ordered, „well behaved phase“)

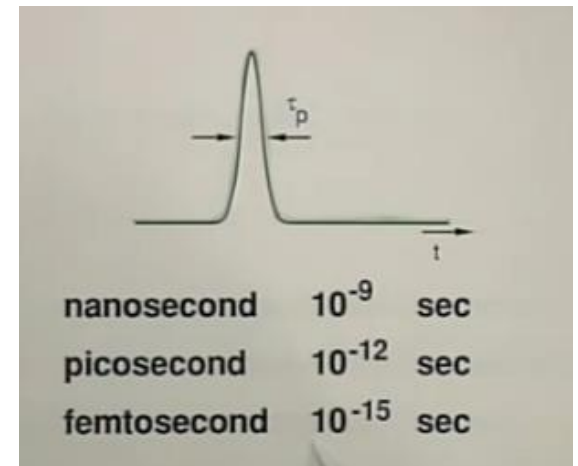




- Tunability



- Short pulse durations



- High power

# Interaction of radiation and atoms elementary processes

Quantum physics:

Radiation can only exchange energy with matter in discrete packages (photon)

$$hf = E_x - E_0 \quad \text{2-level system}$$

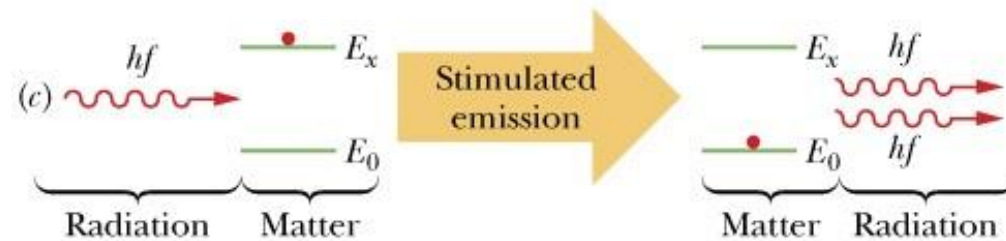
absorption



spontaneous emission



induced/stimulated emission



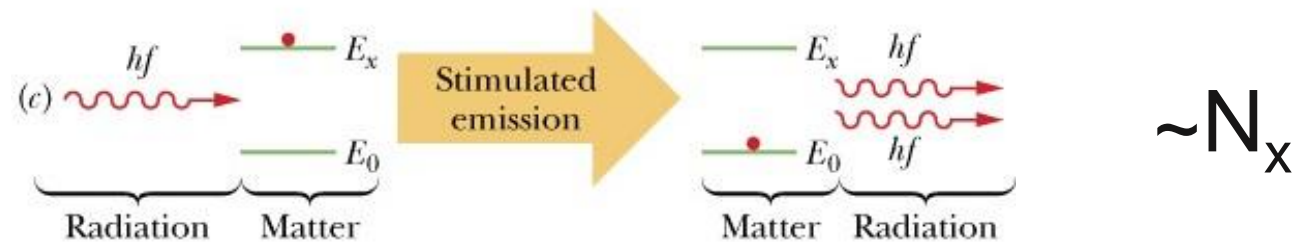
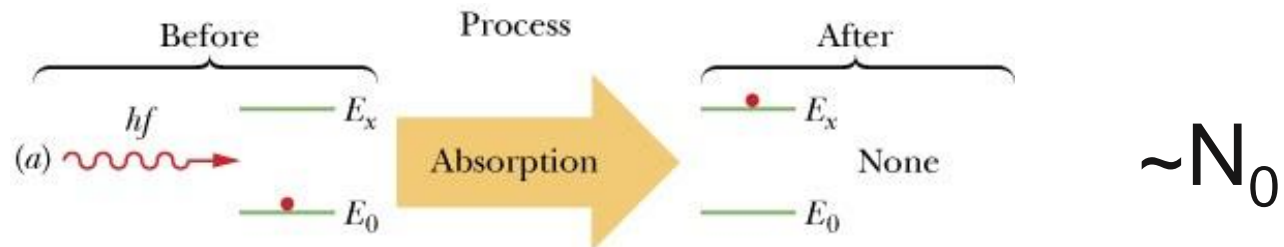
**LASER (Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation)**



# Optical pumping

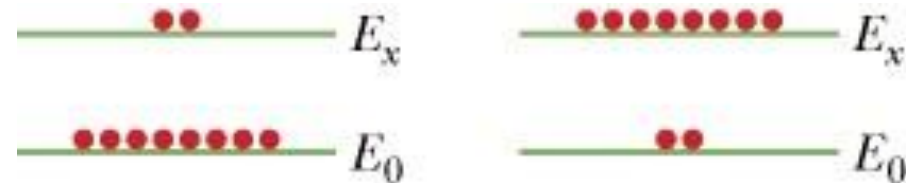
„more light out than in“

## Competition between absorption and induced emission

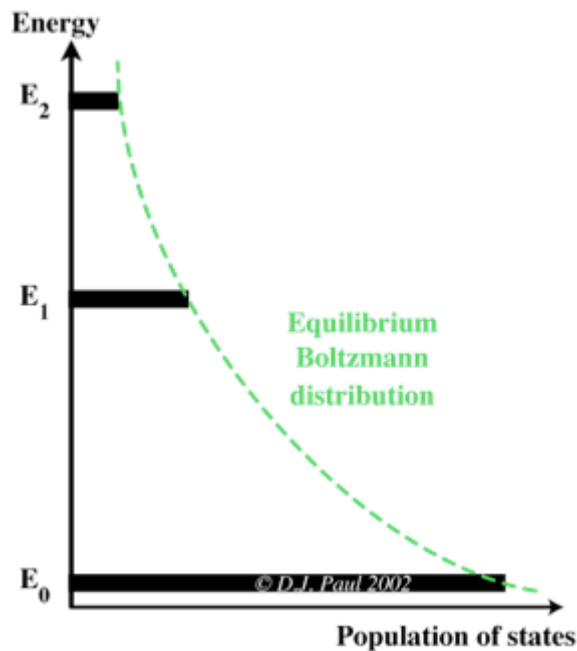


$$N_x > N_0$$

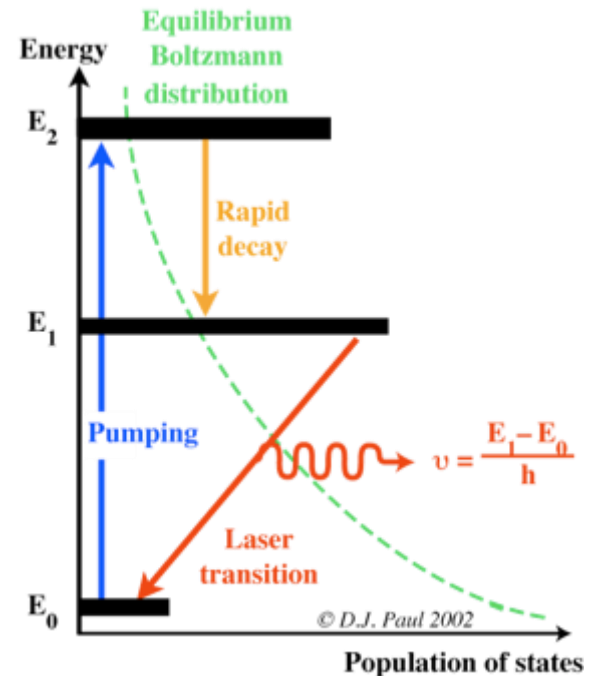
population inversion,  
larger population in  
excited state



Population is a measure of how the particles occupy the available energy levels.

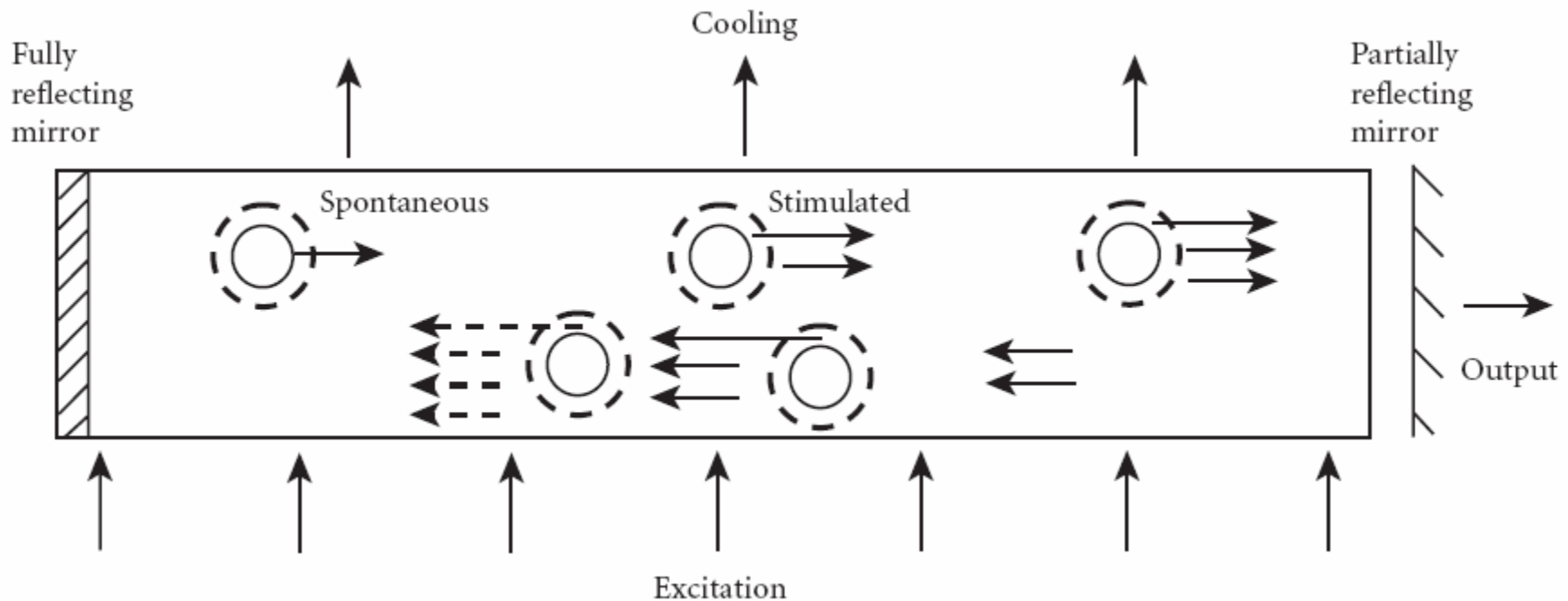


In thermodynamical equilibrium:  
Higher levels have exponentially lower occupancy.



Pumped system:  
Investing energy in the system leads to more populated higher levels, that decay to the lower levels spontaneously.

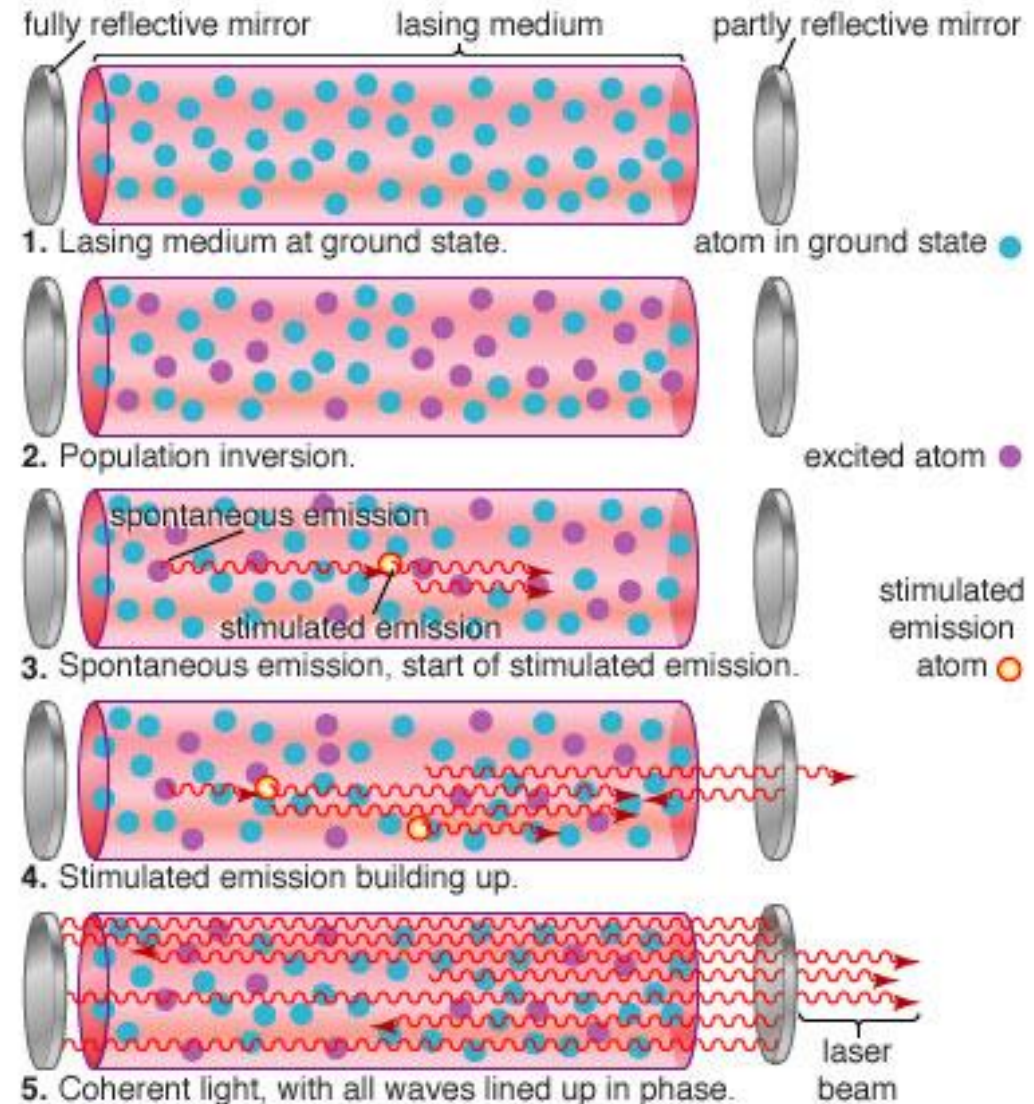




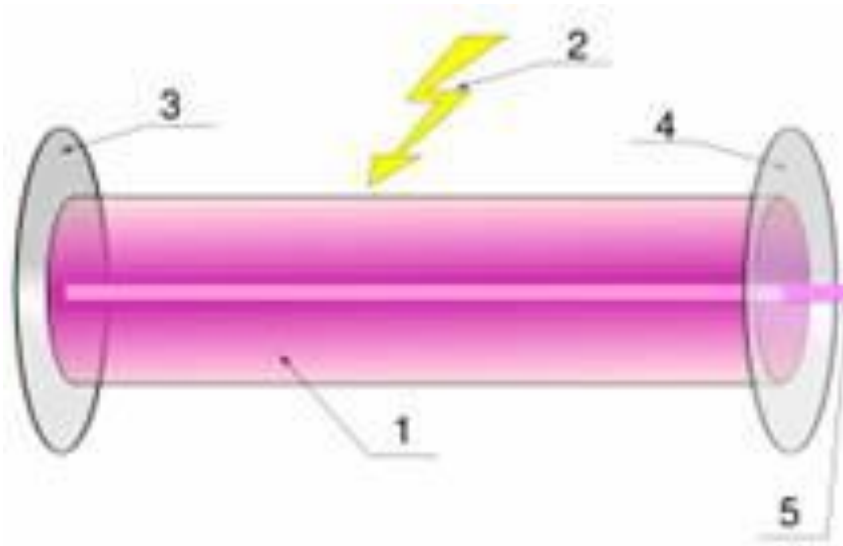
If more photons are generated than absorbed in each round (positive amplification).

Light originally produced in spontaneous emission is amplified via stimulated emission.

Reflections (positive feedback) make it a self-maintaining procedure.



# LASER – functional parts



(1) Laser (active) material (gas, liquid, solid state) - to amplify light

(2) Pumping (electric current, intense lighting) - to create and maintain population inversion

(3 and 4) optical resonator (mirrors) - to feed light back to the active medium

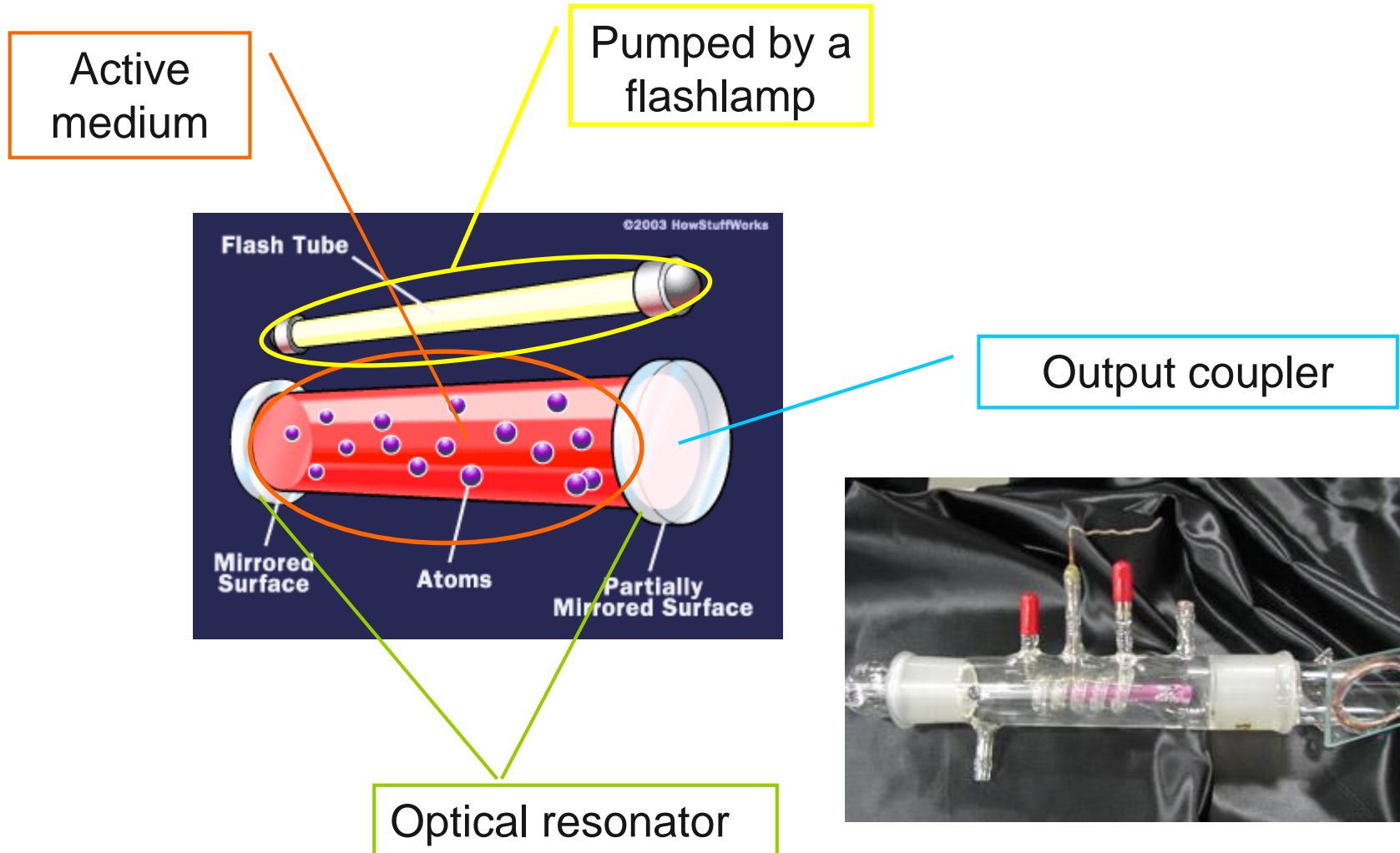
(3) Perfect mirror

(4) Partial reflector (1-0.1% transmittance) to couple out some light, above 99% reflected to keep the lasing on

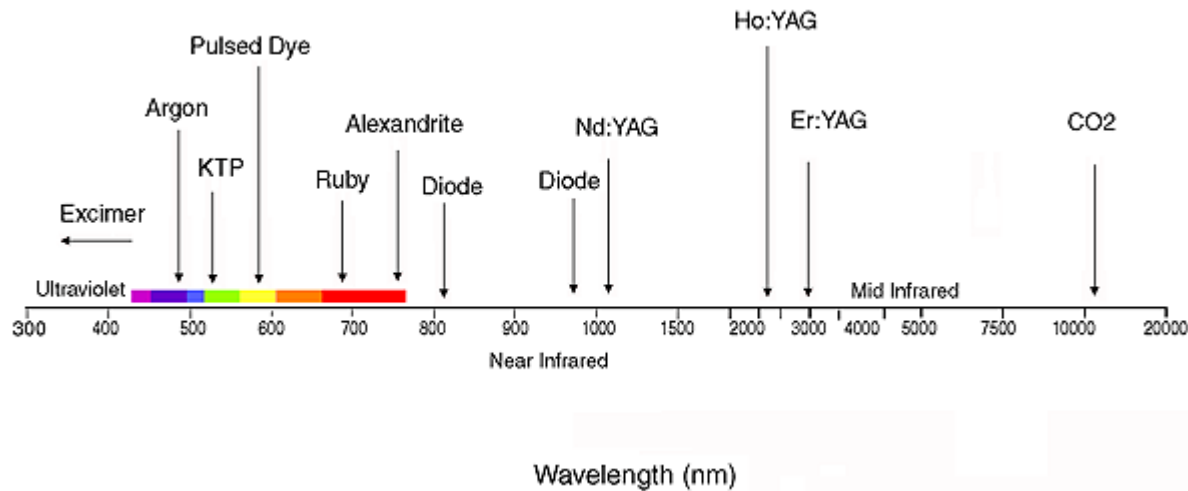
+ additional: voltage supply, control, cooling system, etc.



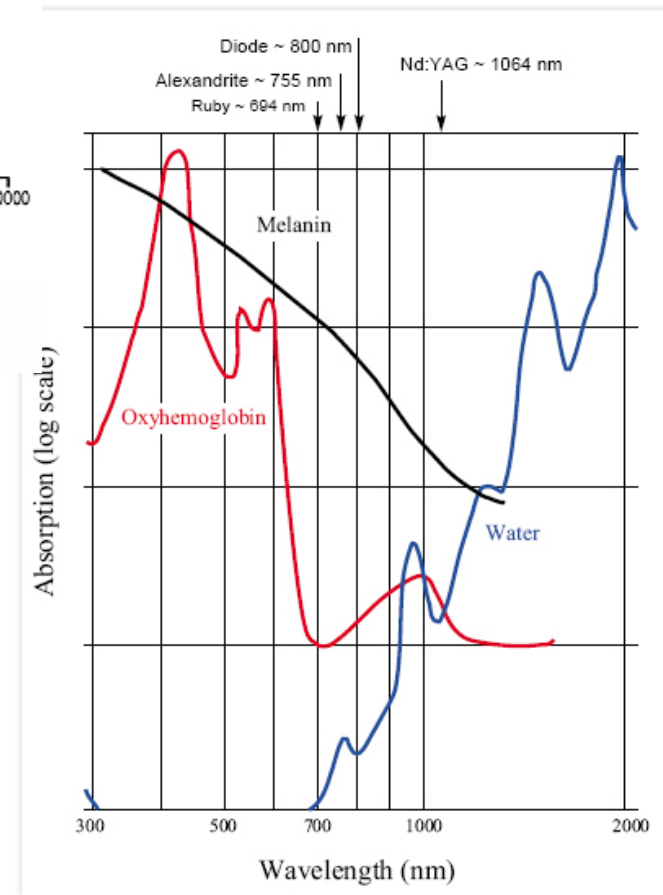
# The first manifestation: Ruby laser



# 1. Active / laser medium

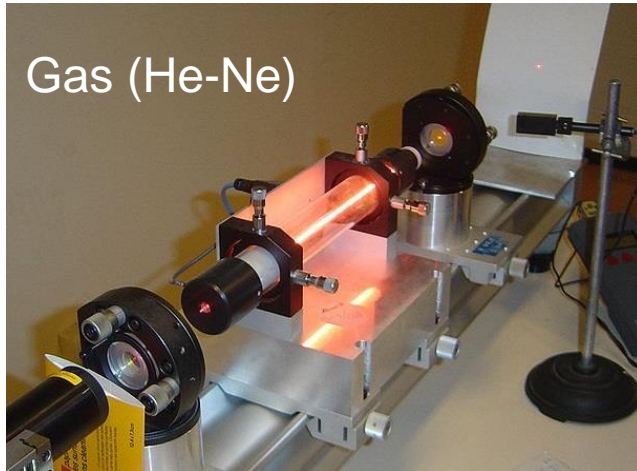


choice of wavelength enables choosing which material you interact with /address

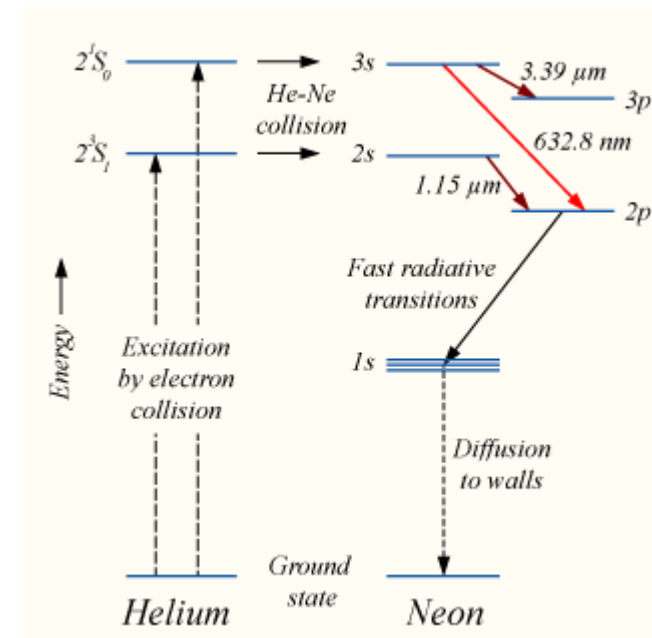
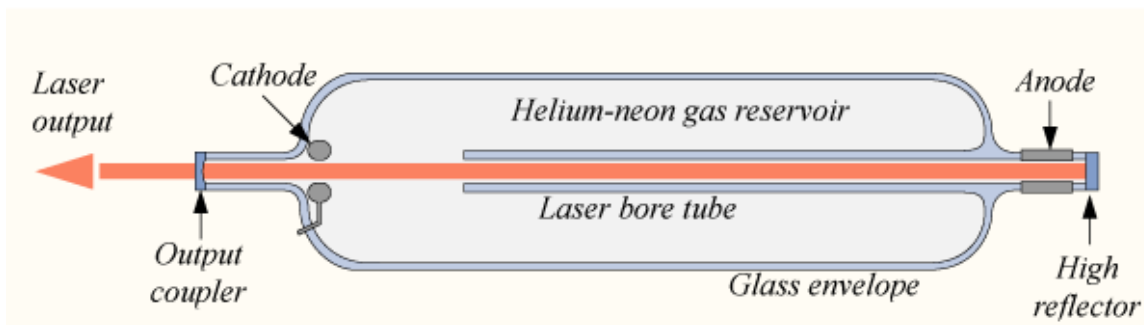


# Active / laser medium: gas

Gas (He-Ne)



Gas discharges have been found to amplify light coherently.  
Homogeneous, allows flexible resonator geometries





Gas lasers use many different gases,  
eg.

- noble gases or mixtures (He-Ne)
- ionic ( $\text{Ar}^+$ ,  $\text{Kr}^+$ )
- molecules ( $\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$ , CO),
- metal vapours (HeCd),
- neutral atoms (Cu-vapour),
- **excimer (excited dimer)** - molecule formed from two species, at least one of which is in an electronic excited state  
     **powered by an electric discharge**  
     once the molecule transfers its excitation energy to a photon, atoms are no longer bound to each other and the molecule disintegrates, this drastically reduces the population of the lower energy state

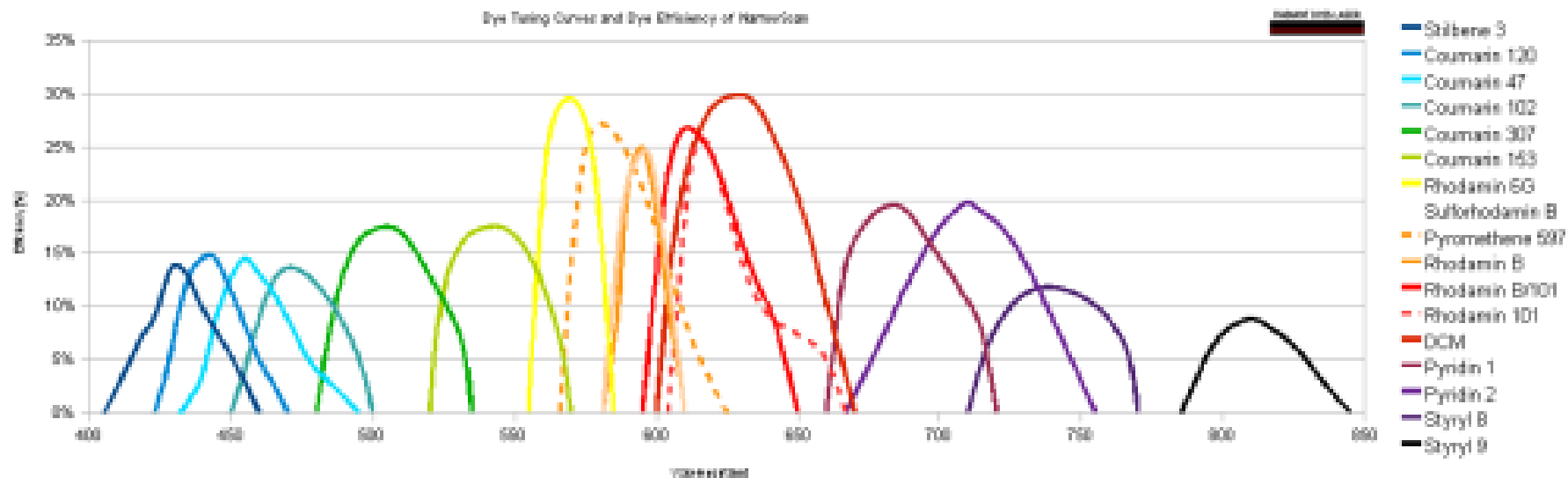
# Active / laser medium : liquid (dye solution)

large organic molecules dissolved in a suitable liquid solvent (such as ethanol, methanol, or an ethanol-water mixture)

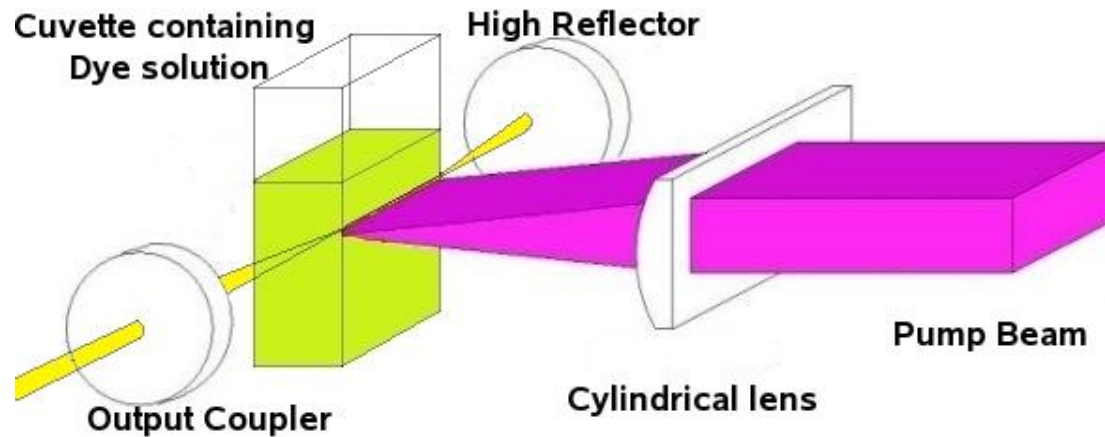
higher density of particles

wider emission bandwidth → tuning via resonator setup

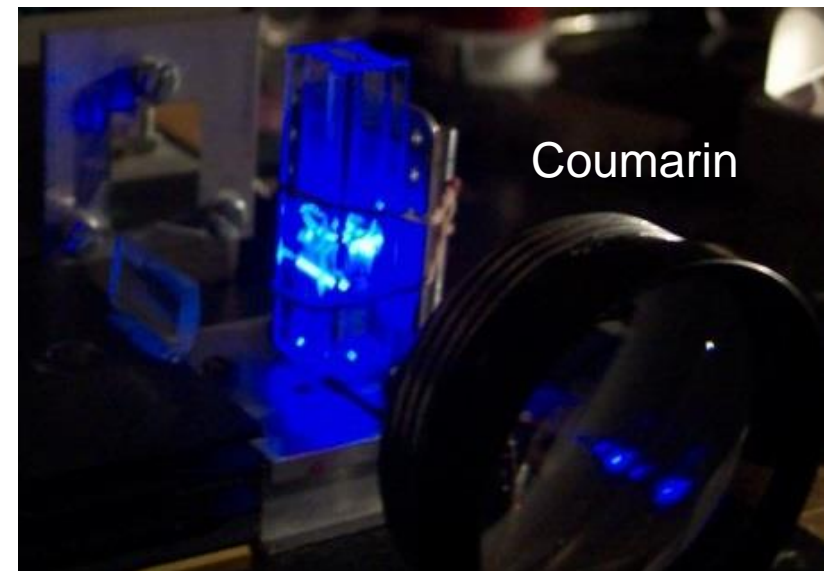
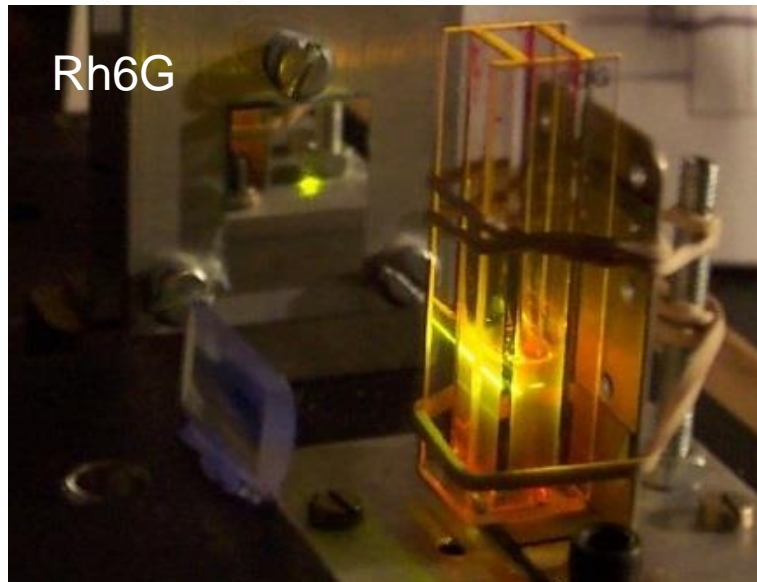
more than 50 dye molecules are in use



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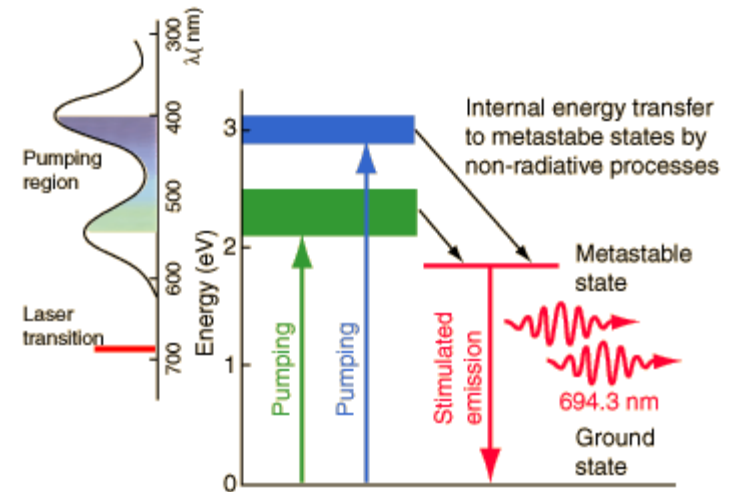
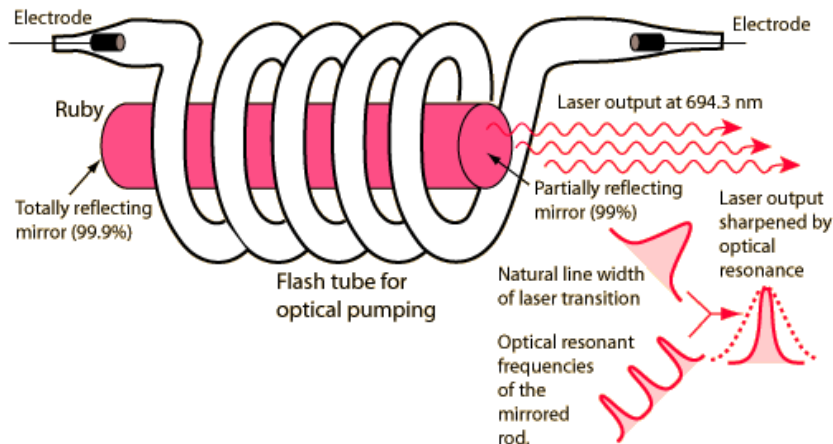
#Coumarin  
#DCM  
#Fluorescein  
#polyphenyl  
#Rhodamine 6G, B, 123  
#Umbelliferone (aka 7-hydroxycoumarin)



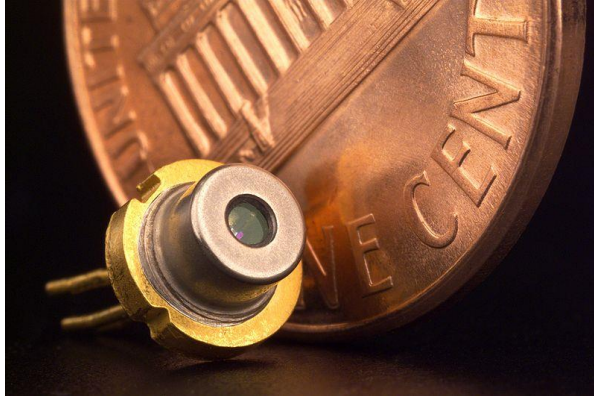


simple architecture, small size

crystalline or glass rod which is "doped" with ions that provide the required energy states

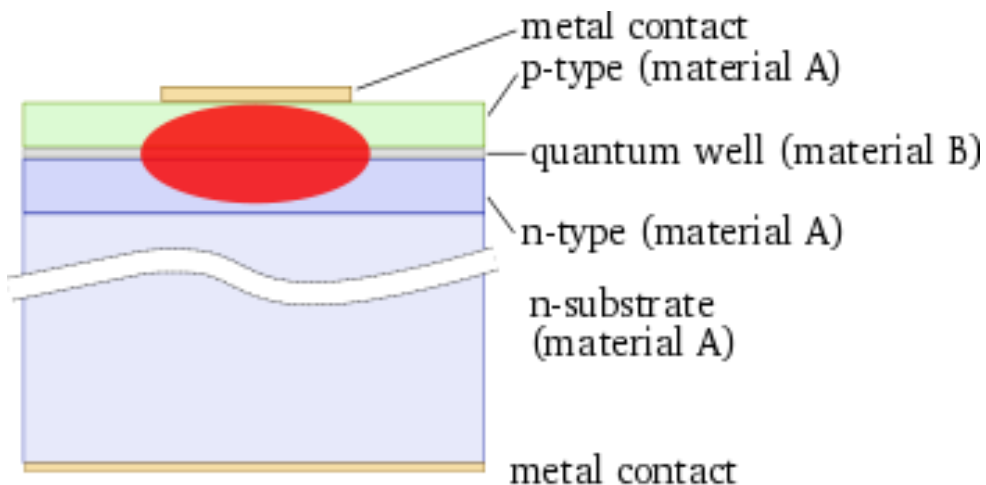


These materials are pumped optically using a shorter wavelength than the lasing wavelength, often from a flashtube or from another laser.



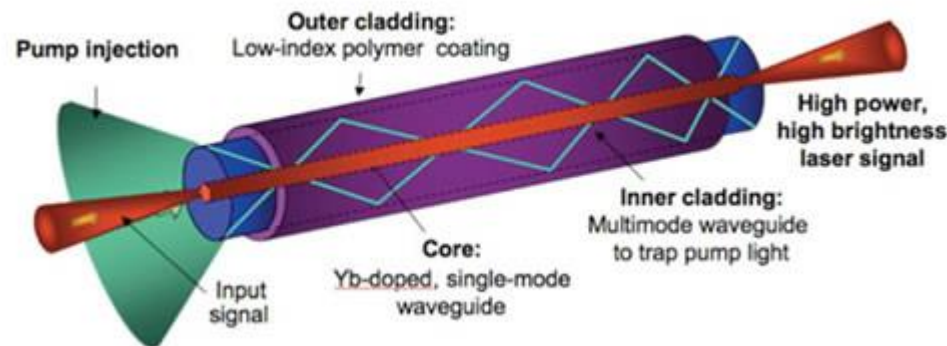
Recombination of electrons and holes created by the applied current introduces optical gain.

Commercial laser diodes emit at wavelengths from 375 nm to 1800 nm, and wavelengths of over 3  $\mu\text{m}$  have been demonstrated. Low to medium power laser diodes are used in laser printers and CD/DVD players. Laser diodes are also frequently used to optically pump other lasers with high efficiency.



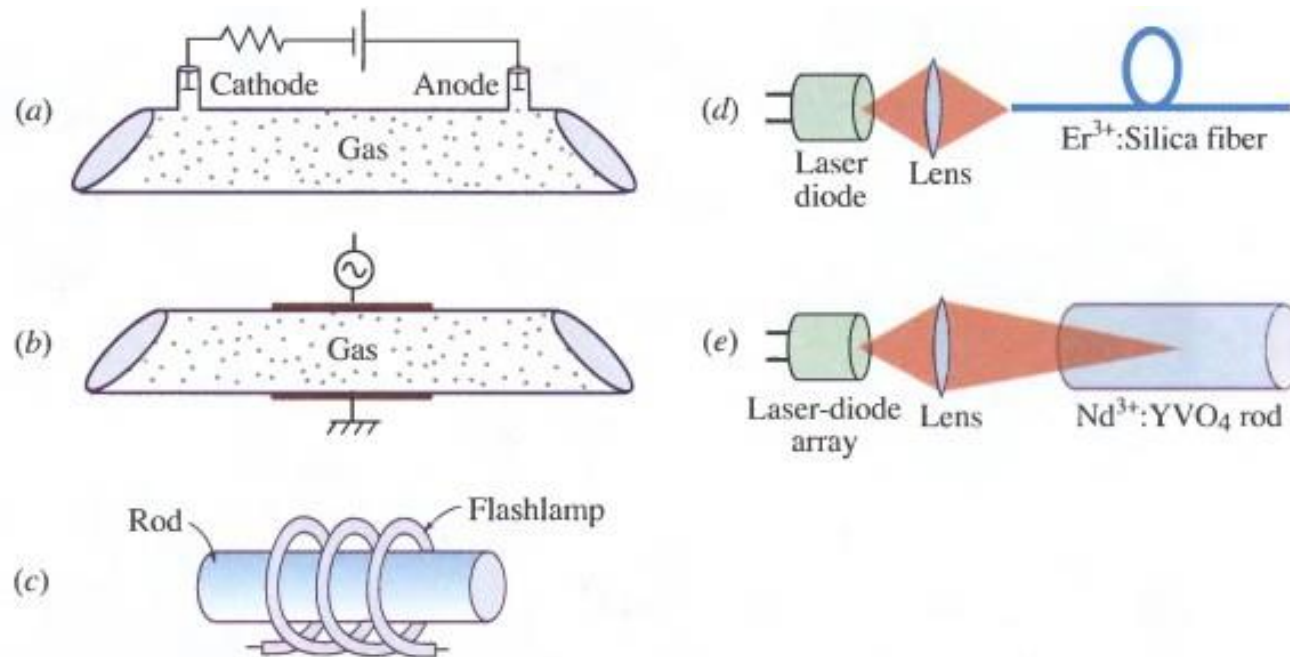
the active gain medium is an optical fiber doped with rare-earth elements such as erbium, ytterbium, neodymium, dysprosium, praseodymium, and thulium

- light is already in a fiber allows it to be easily delivered to a movable focusing element (eg. for laser cutting, welding)
- high output power (active region can be several kilometer long provide very high optical gain, kilowatt level)
- high optical quality
- compact size (compared to rod or gas lasers of comparable power, since the fiber can be bent and coiled to save space)





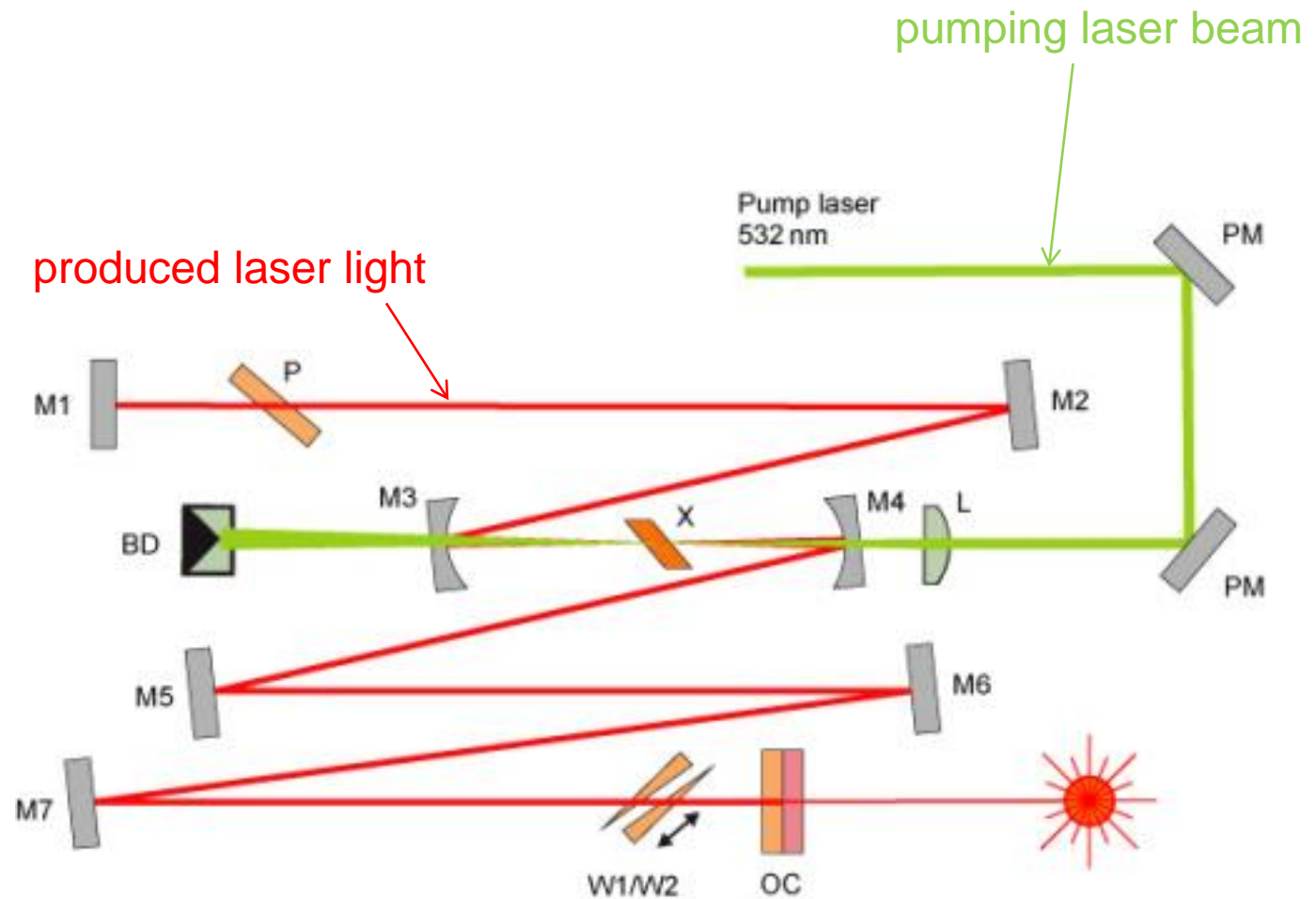
To create and maintain population inversion (energy source)



Types:

- electrical discharge
- optical (flashlamps (Xe, Kr), discharge lamps )
- chemical reaction feeding the system (initiated by a flashlamp e.g. photo-dissociation)

# Laser pumping a laser



The optical resonator / cavity = an arrangement of mirrors that forms a standing wave cavity resonator for light waves

parameters: distance, curvature and reflectance of mirrors

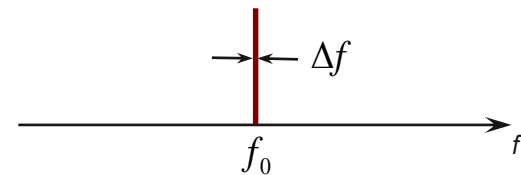
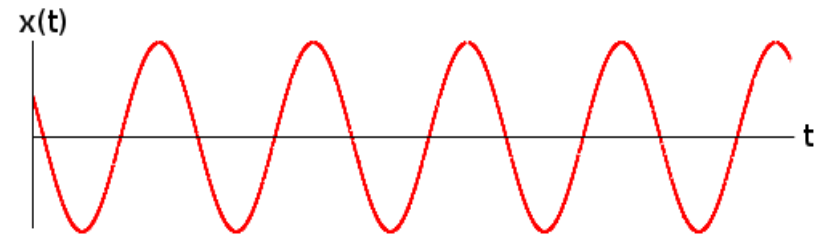
Back and forth reflection of light

- increases time of photons in the amplifier medium
- enables feedback



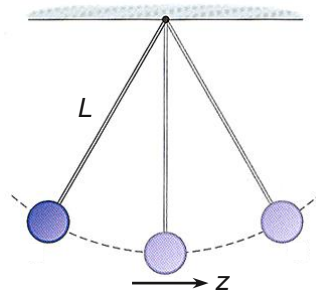
# LASER = an optical oscillator

oscillator

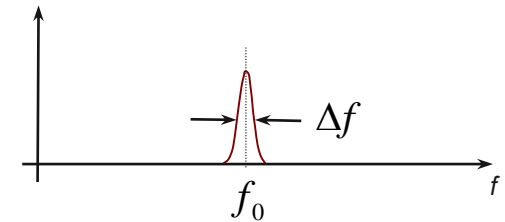
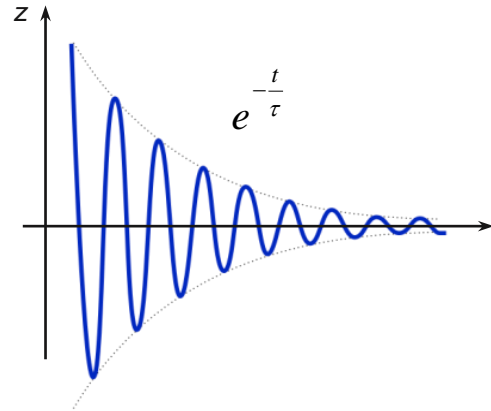


Resonator (low loss) → to define the narrow oscillation frequency  $f_0$

# Simple oscillator: the pendulum

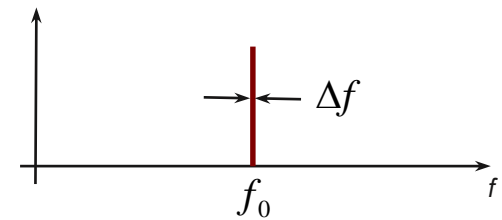
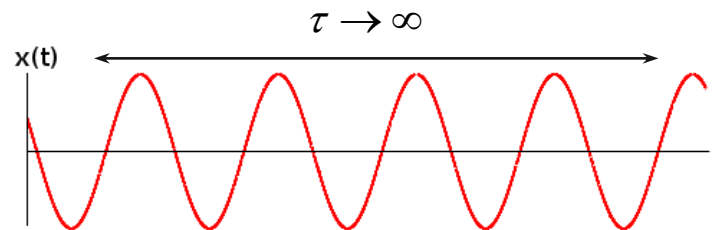
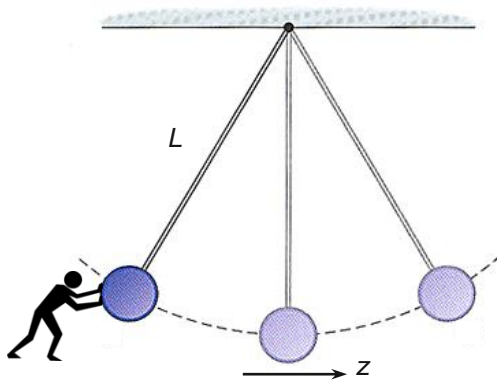


$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$



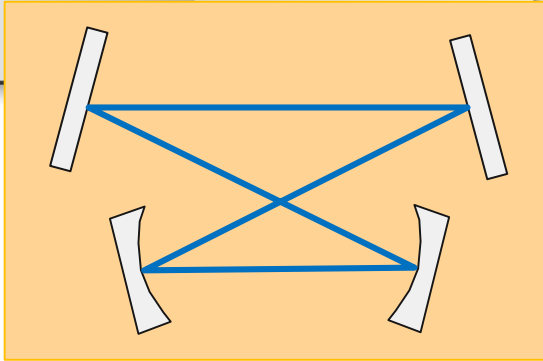
$$\Delta f \approx \frac{1}{\tau} \approx \text{loss}$$

Means to overcome losses at the oscillation frequency: amplifier.

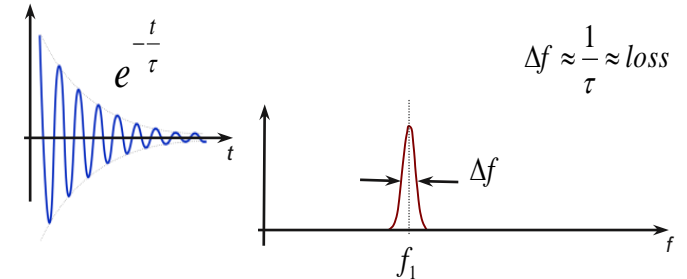


$$\Delta f \approx \frac{1}{\tau} \approx 0$$

# An optical (multimode) resonator



$$\lambda \cdot f = c$$



$L$   $q$



$$\textcircled{1} \quad L = \frac{\lambda_1}{2}$$

$$f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$$



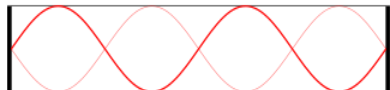
$$\textcircled{2} \quad L = 2 \frac{\lambda_2}{2}$$

$$f_2 = 2 \cdot \frac{c}{2L}$$

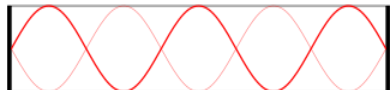


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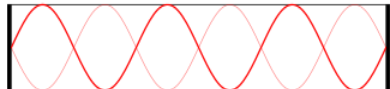
$$f_3 = 3 \cdot \frac{c}{2L}$$



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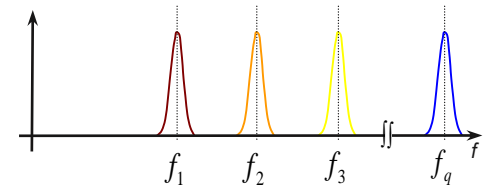
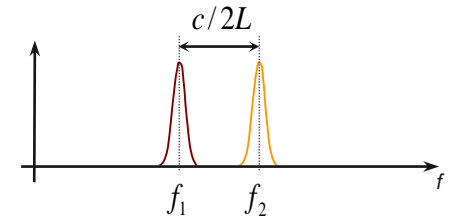


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$$q = 6 \quad L = q \frac{\lambda_q}{2}$$

$$f_q = q \cdot \frac{c}{2L}$$

„resonances”





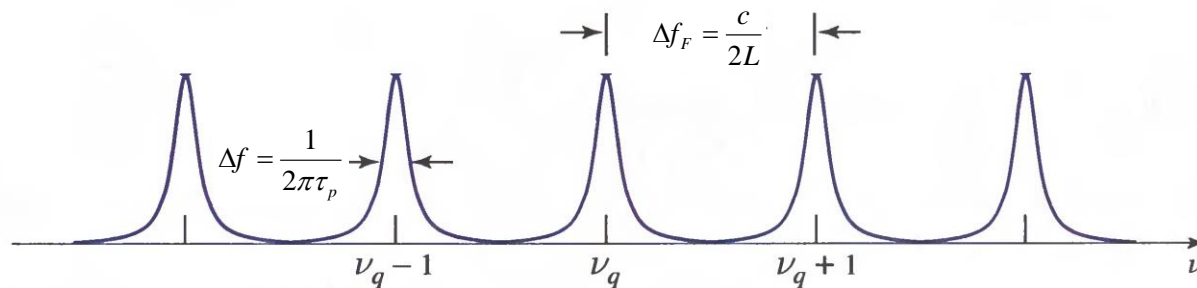
## Standing waves in a 1 m long resonator

$$\lambda_q = 500 \text{ nm} = 5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m} \quad L = 1 \text{ m}$$

$$q = \frac{2L}{\lambda_q} = \frac{2 \cdot 1 \text{ m}}{5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m}} = 4 \cdot 10^6$$

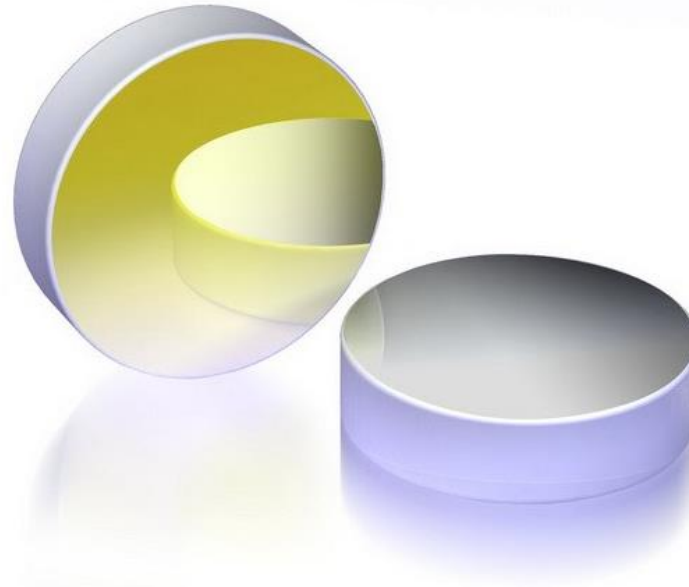
$$f_q = q \frac{c}{2L} = 4 \cdot 10^6 \frac{3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{2 \cdot 1 \text{ m}} = 6 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

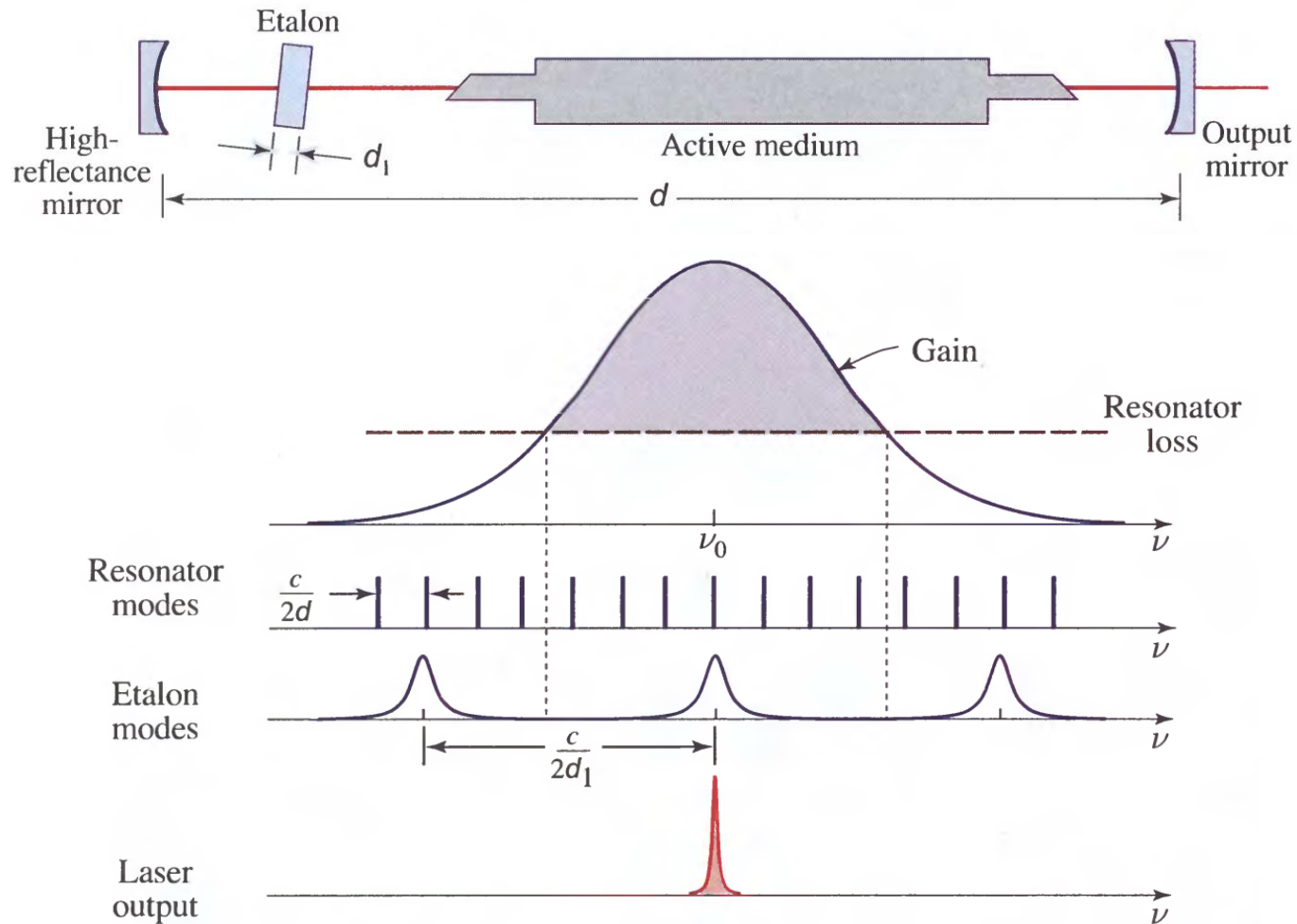
$$\Delta f_F = \frac{c}{2L} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{2 \cdot 1 \text{ m}} = 1,5 \cdot 10^8 \text{ Hz}$$



### Partially reflecting mirror

- given reflection coefficient (10-99.5%) **at lasing wavelength**
- substrate does not absorb at lasing wavelength (BK7 glass or fused silica)
- usually wedged to eliminate interference between front and back reflection

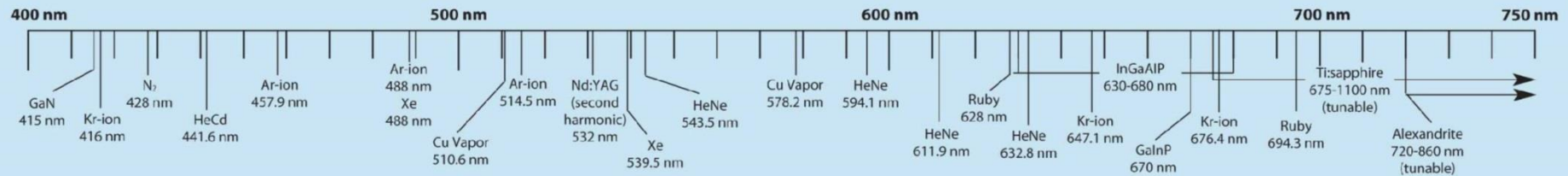




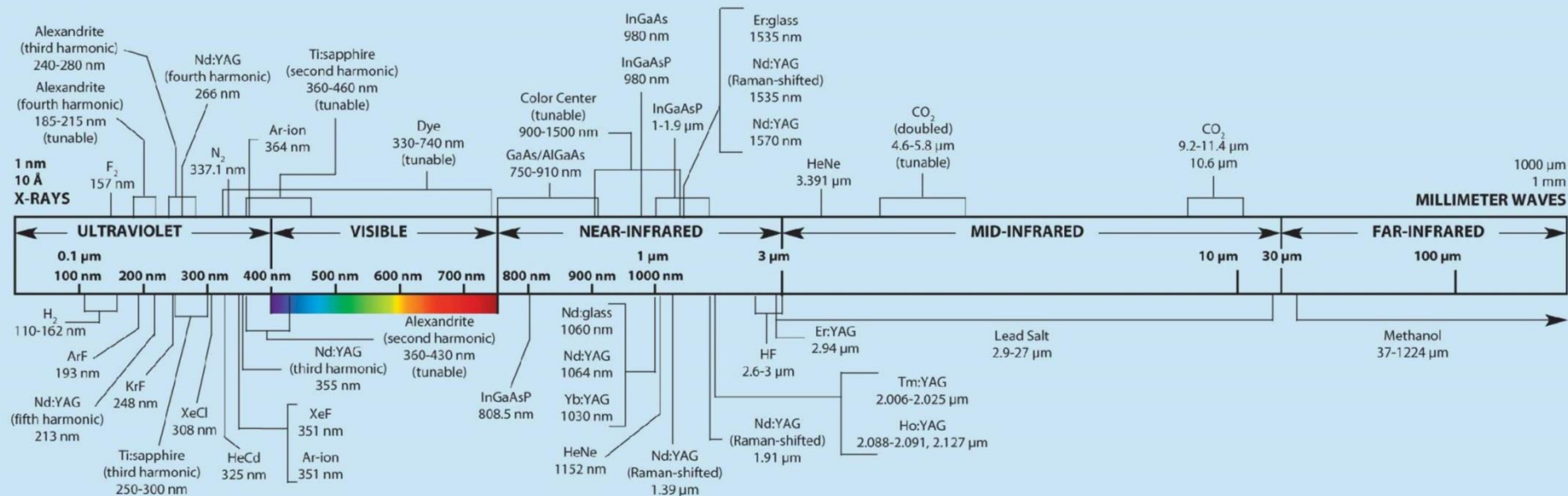
When only one frequency component is allowed.



# Available laser wavelengths

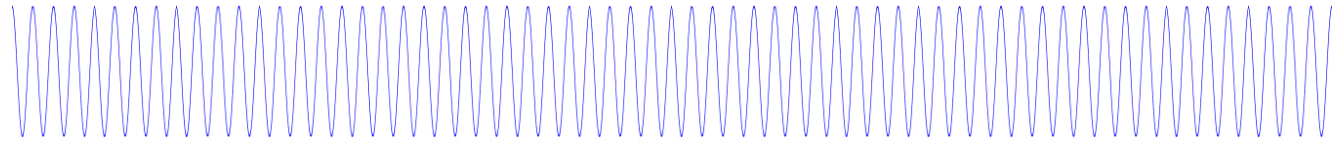


The photonics spectrum reference chart displays the major commercial laser lines in the ultraviolet to the far-infrared and beyond. Space limitations make it impossible to include all available lasing media, and, particularly in the crowded areas of the visible spectrum and the near-infrared, we were forced to limit their multiple secondary lines to the more familiar. In drawing the full spectrum band, legibility received a higher priority than accurate scale or proportion.

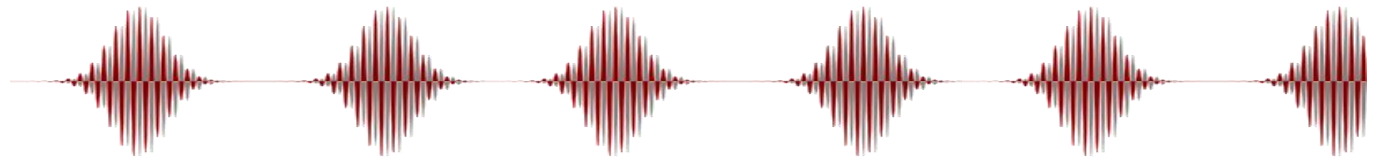


THE PHOTONICS SPECTRUM AND COMMERCIAL LASER LINES  
(wavelength increases left to right)

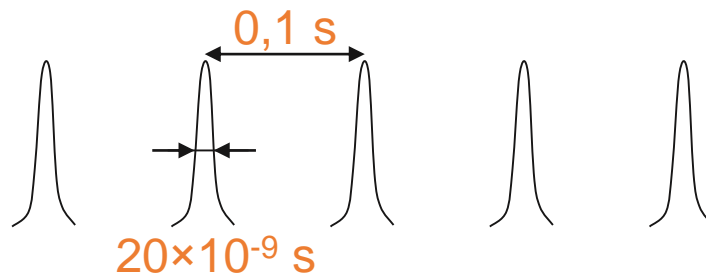
• continuous mode



• pulsed mode



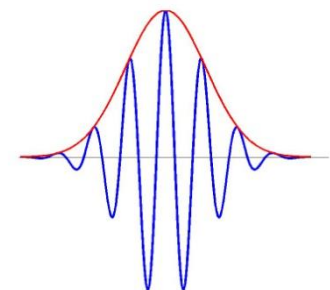
eg: Nd-YAG laser  
(neodimium doped yttrium aluminium garnet  $\text{Y}_3\text{Al}_5\text{O}_{12}$ )



$$E = 2 \text{ J}$$

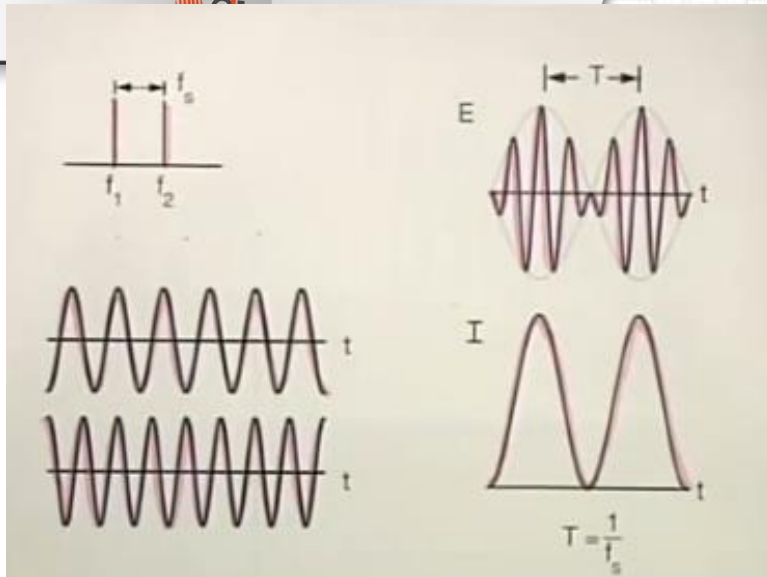
$$\tau = 20 \text{ ns} = 2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s} \quad \text{pulse duration}$$

10 Hz repetition rate

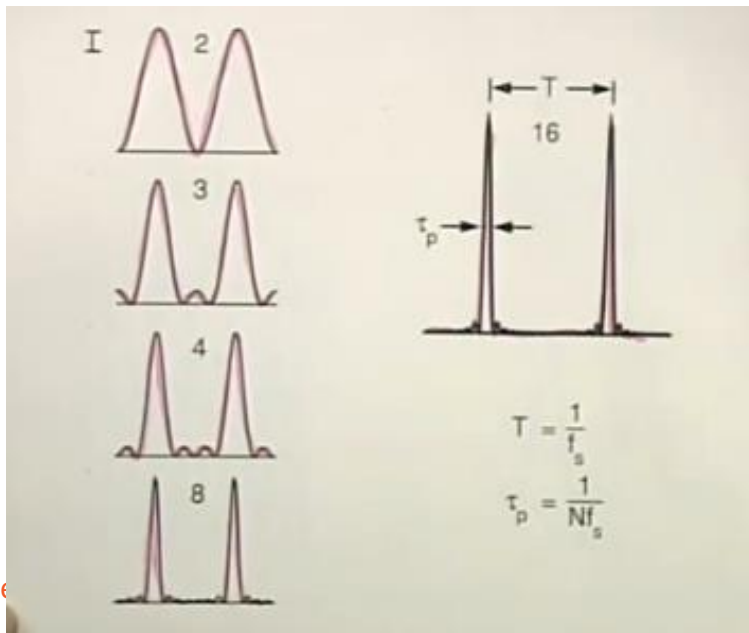


limited by carrier  
wavelength  
WR: 800nm 3,8 fs

# Pulsed laser mode



Two nearby frequencies produce beating.



More frequency component enables shorter pulse production.



Ti-sapphire

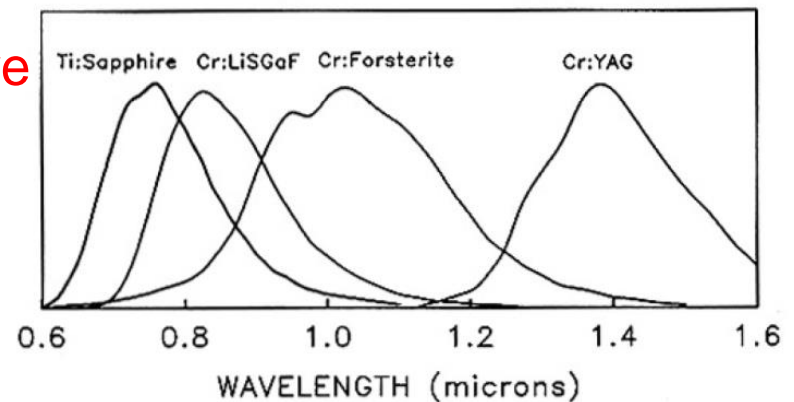
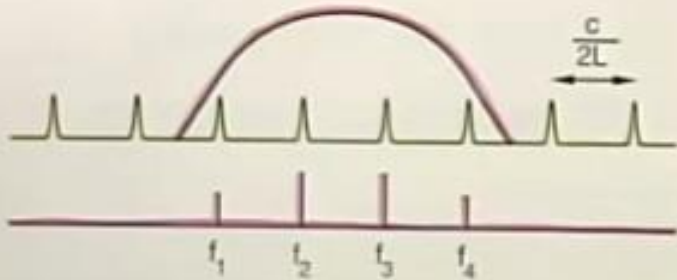
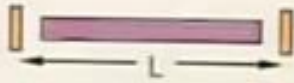


Fig. VIII-46: Fluorescence emission line (gain curve) of broad-band solid-state laser materials.

modelocking

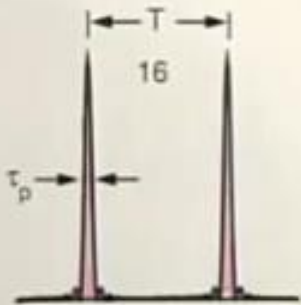
1. broadband amplifier medium
2. resonator
3. output coupler
4. phase/amplitude modulator
5. gain/loss mechanism controlled by intensity of pulse
6. dispersion compensation

# Pulsed laser mode



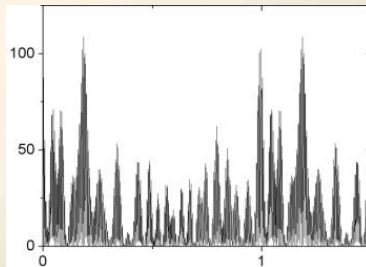
A broad amplifier gain can support multiple modes.

All 16 start in phase



$$T = \frac{1}{f_s} \quad \tau_p = \frac{1}{Nf_s}$$

random phase

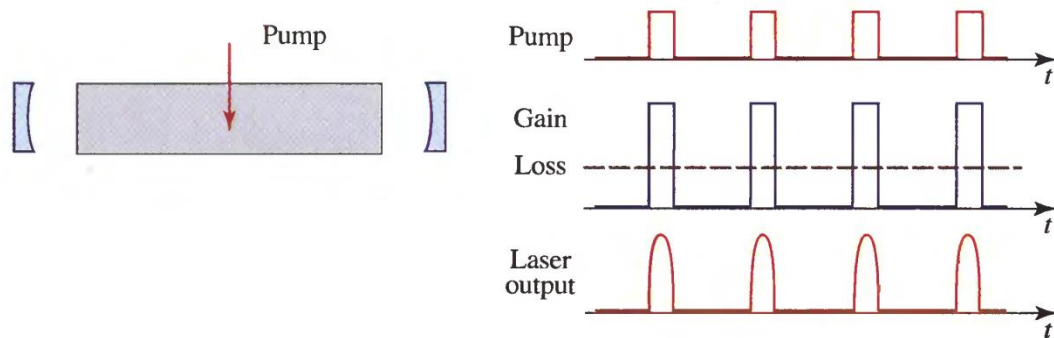
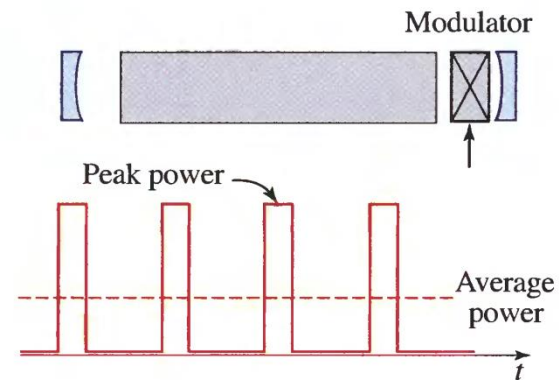
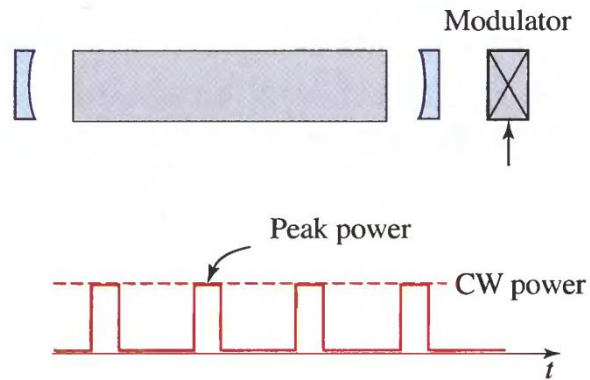


Short pulse production requires locking the phase of the components.

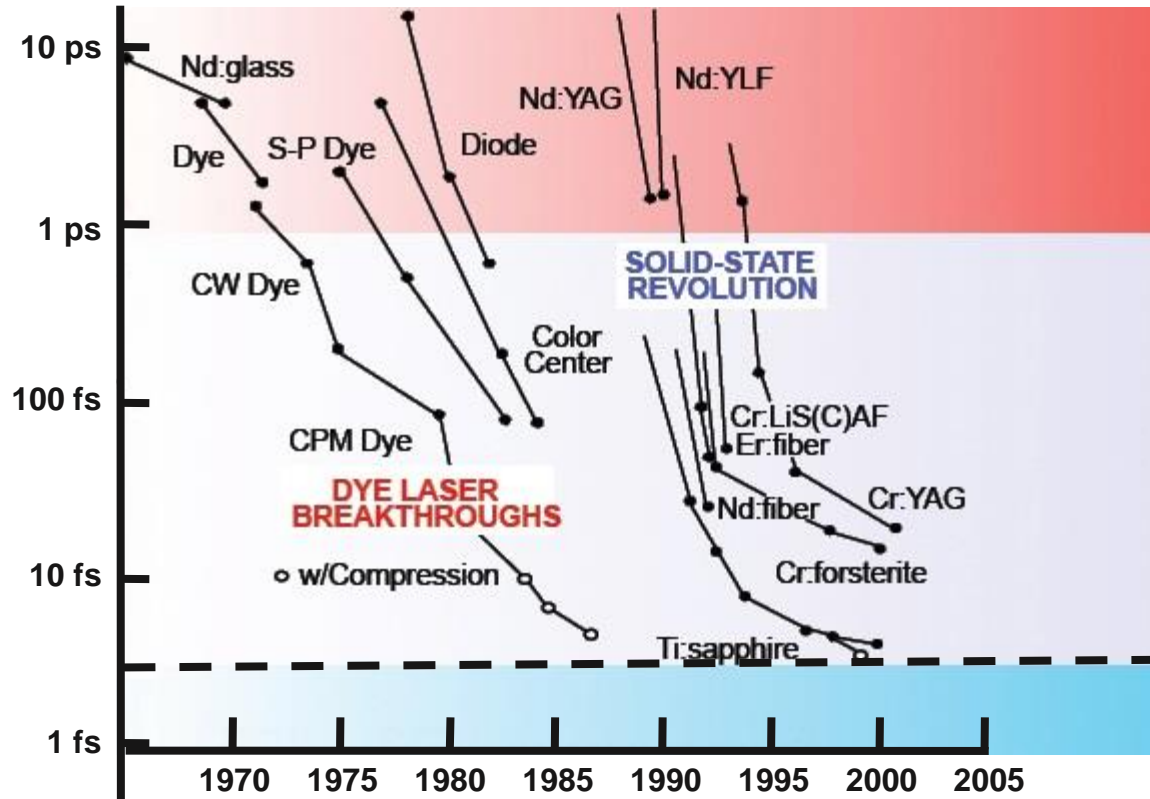
# How can we induce pulsed mode of a laser?



## Modulators



# Quest for shorter pulse durations

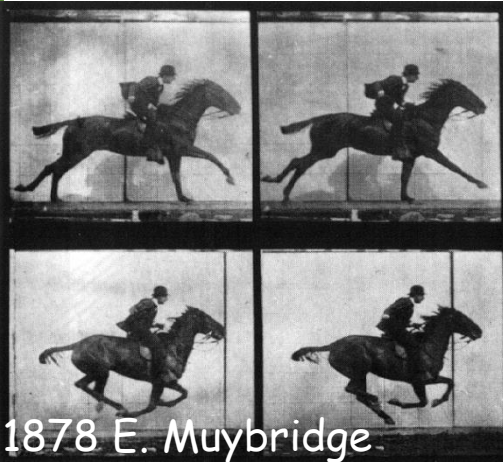


1) to concentrate energy  
(high power)

2) to freeze fast processes



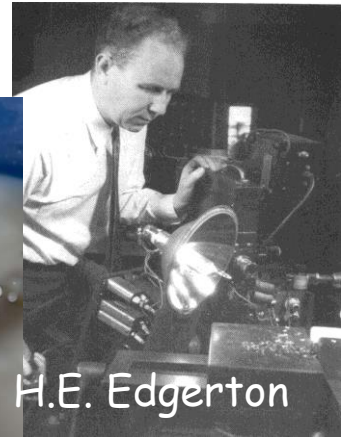
# Picturing fast processes



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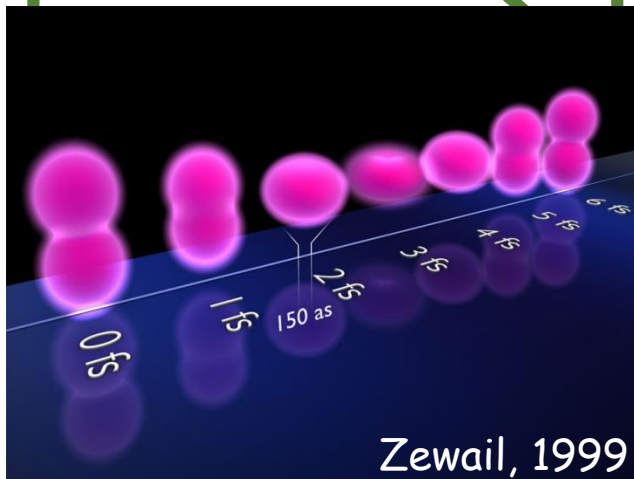


mechanical  
shutter: ms

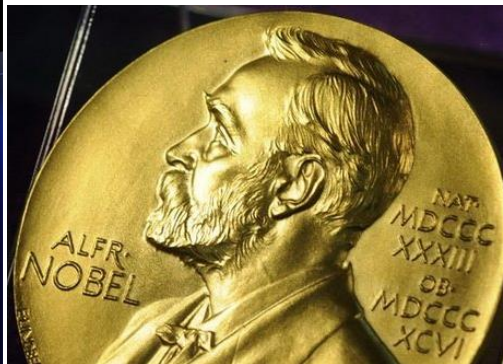


1937 H.E. Edgerton

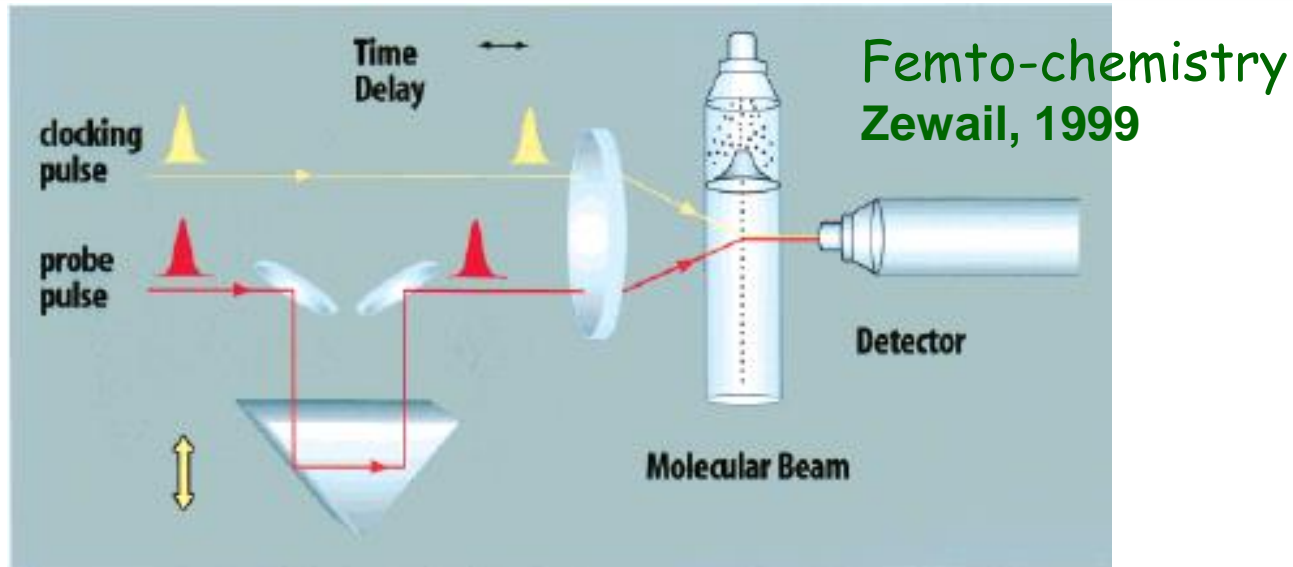
electronically  
synched flash:  $\mu\text{s}$ -ns



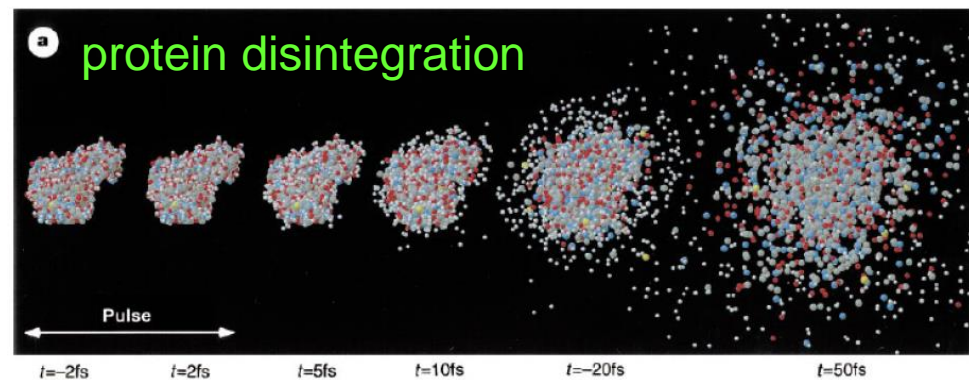
Zewail, 1999



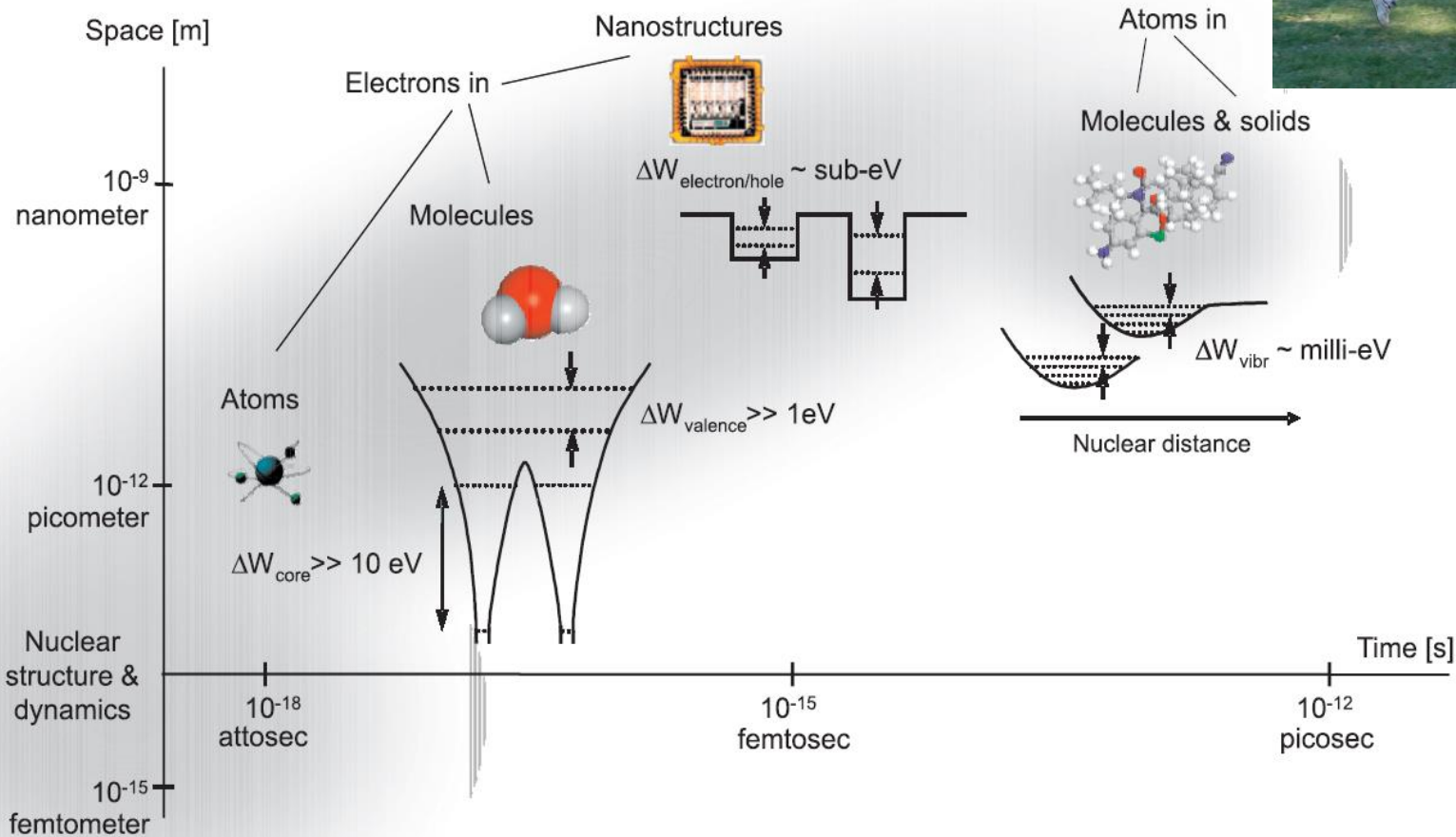
laser  
pump-probe  
ps - fs - as



laser pump-probe method: ns - fs - as

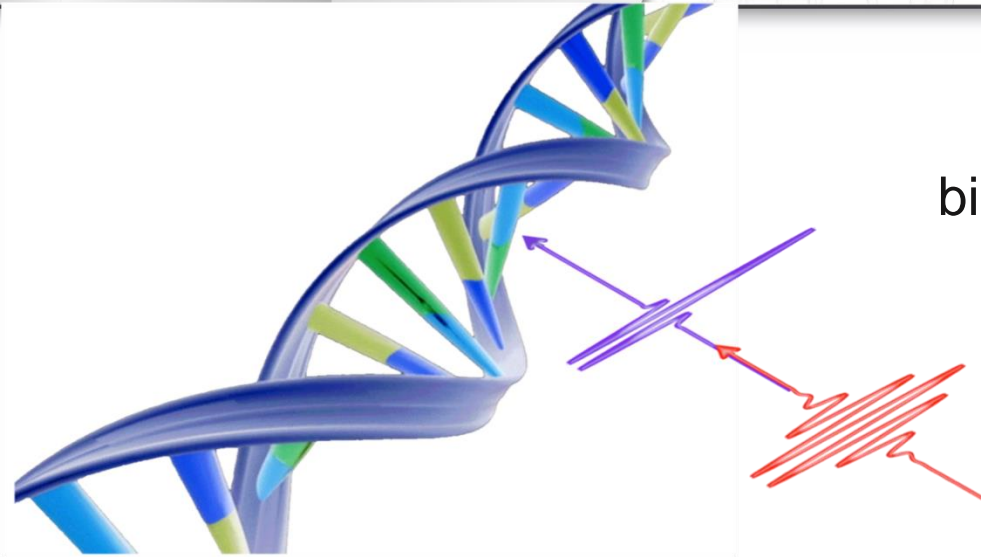


# Characteristic time – characteristic size





biological signal transfer in proteins



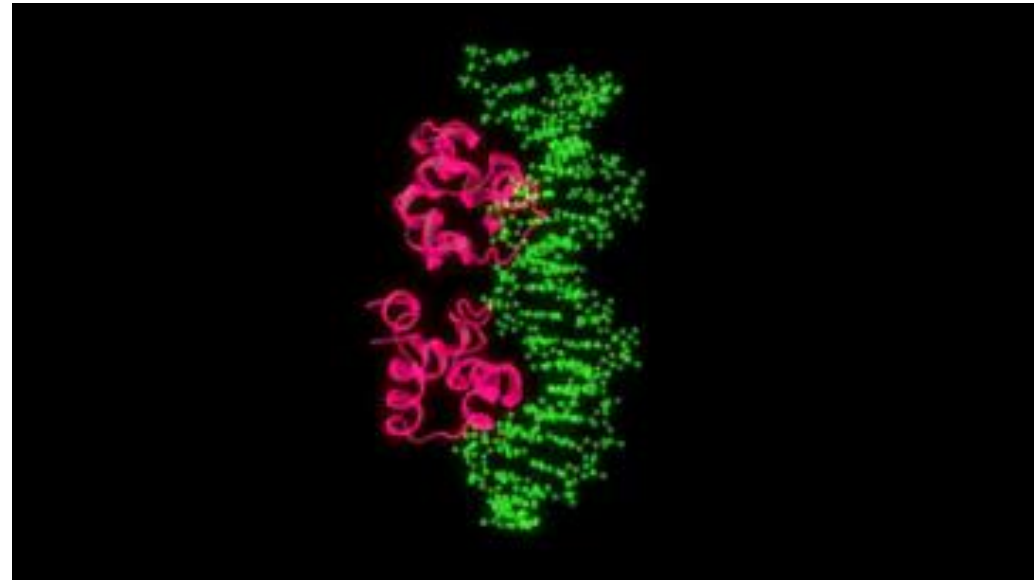
Changes in the electronic  
configuration (radiation, drug)



global electron-rearrangement

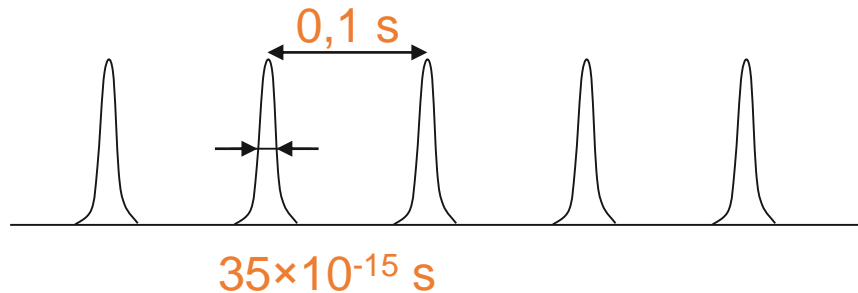


structural changes of the molecule  
(illness, cure)





# How „powerful” a laser pulse is?



$E$  — energy in each pulse  
 $\tau$  — pulse duration  
 $A$  — illuminated (focal) area

$$\rho = \frac{E}{A} \quad \text{fluence (J/cm}^2\text{)}$$

$$P = \frac{E}{\tau} \quad \text{peak power (J/sec=W)}$$

$$I = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{E}{\tau \cdot A} \quad \text{intensity, power density (W/cm}^2\text{)}$$

## Example

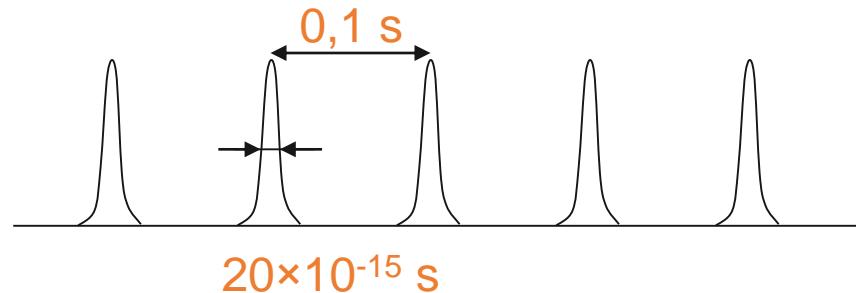
$$E = 35 \text{ mJ} = 0,035 \text{ J}$$

$$\tau = 20 \text{ fs} = 20 \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

$$P = \frac{E}{\tau} = 1,75 \times 10^{12} \text{ W} = 1,75 \text{ TW} \text{ peak power}$$

repetition rate is 10 Hz, i.e. 10 pulses flash in 1 s

$$P = \frac{10 \times E}{1 \text{ s}} = 0,35 \text{ W} \text{ average power (related to the power consumption)}$$



Paks nuclear power plant:  $4 \times 465 \text{ MW} = 1,86 \text{ GW} = 1,86 \times 10^9 \text{ W}$

TeVATI research lab (SZTE):  $35 \text{ mJ} / 20 \text{ fs} = 1,75 \text{ TW} = 1,75 \times 10^{12} \text{ W}$

ELI „superlaser”:  $1 \text{ EW} = 10^{18} \text{ W}$

# How high these intensities are?

light is an electromagnetic wave, how strong is the electric field?

$$I = S = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} E_{\max} B_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_{\max}^2$$

„university lab“ laser pulse

$$I = 35 \text{ mJ} / 20 \text{ fs} / (100 \mu\text{m})^2 = 1,75 \times 10^{20} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2} = 1,75 \times 10^{16} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

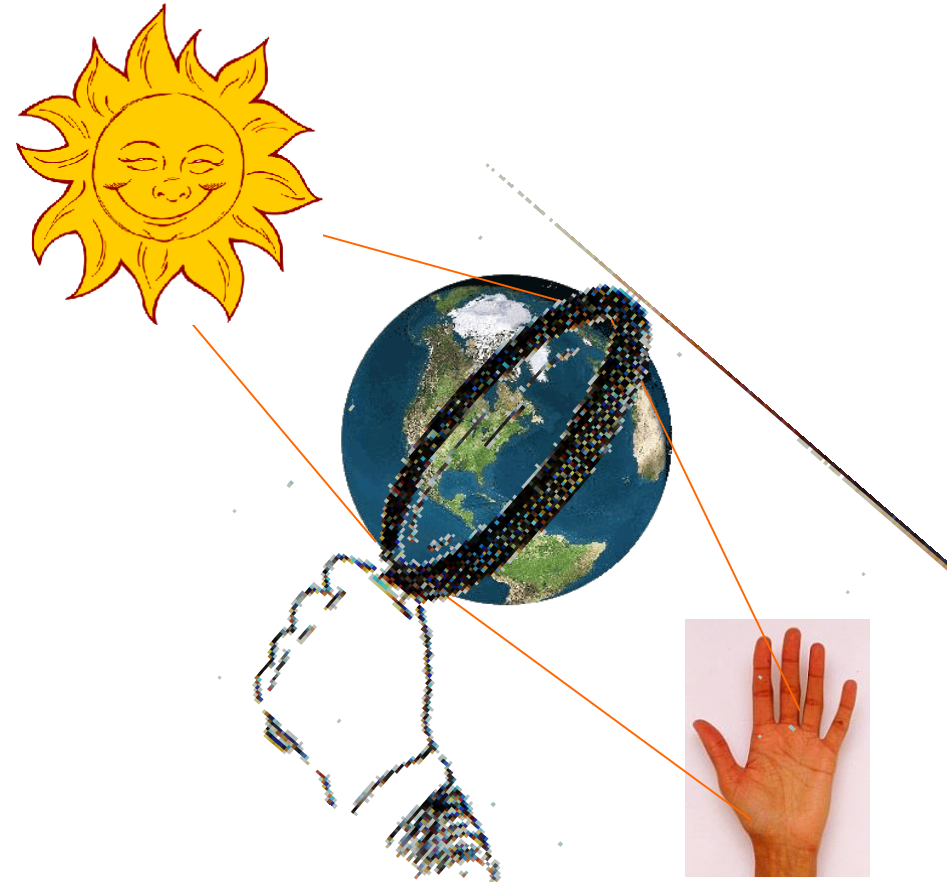
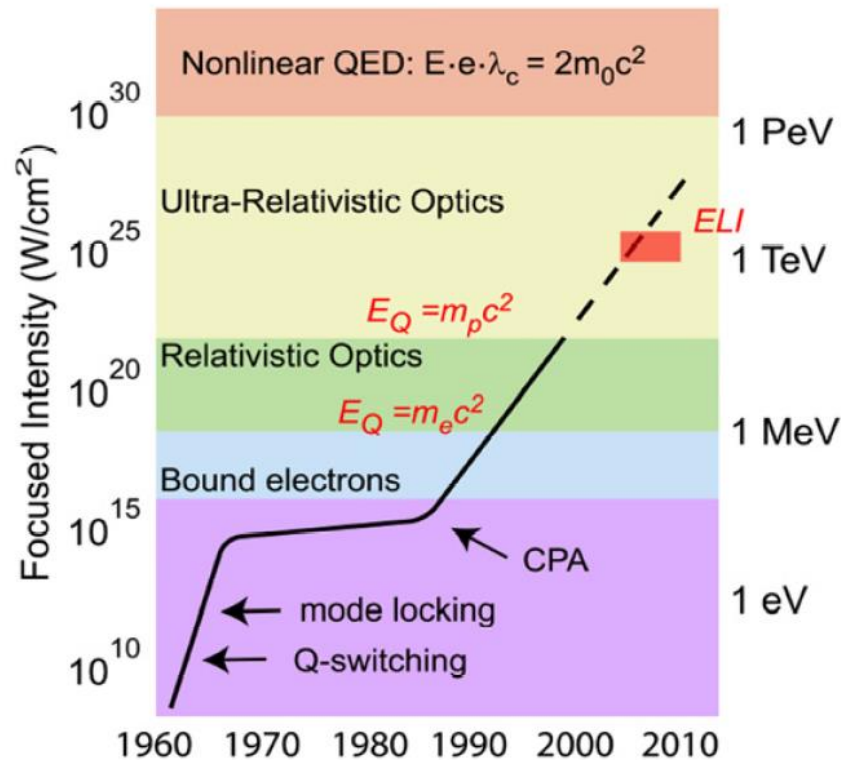
$$E_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot I}{\epsilon_0 c}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 1,75 \times 10^{20} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}}{8,8 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{As}}{\text{Vm}} \cdot 3 \times 10^8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}} \approx 10^{11} \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$

Coulomb force for an atomic electron:

$$E(r) = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e}{r^2} \quad r \approx 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$E \approx 10^{11} \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$

# How high these intensities are?



at ELI, everything evaporates  
the question to ask: how?

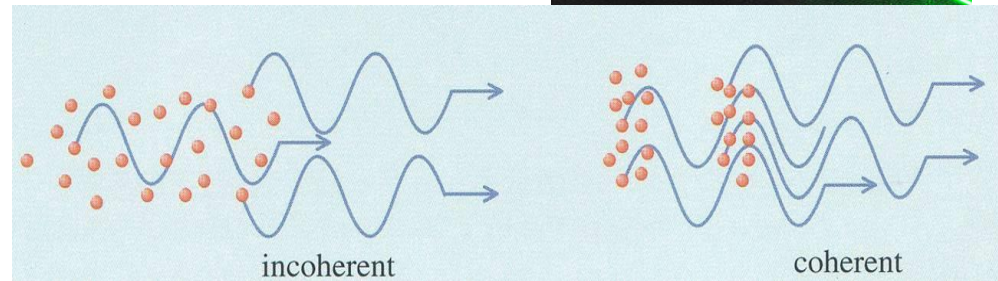
$\sim 10^{14} \text{ W/cm}^2$



# Which properties of laser light serve medicine?

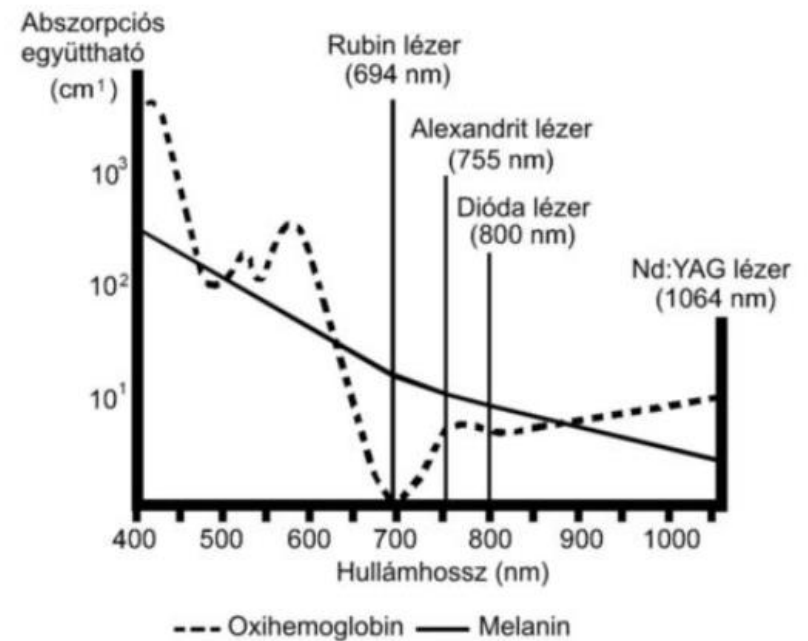


- monochromaticity
- coherence
- collimated, small divergence beam
- good focusability, high intensity ( $\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )

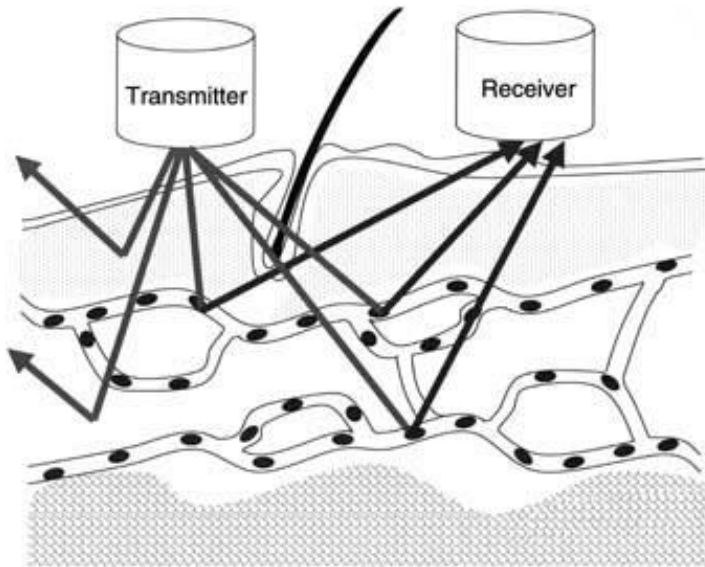


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AM ▶ Arrival		▶ 9 <sup>00</sup> –10 <sup>30</sup> • Péter Maróti, <i>Lasers in biophysics: why is laser light unique?</i> ▶ 10 <sup>45</sup> –12 <sup>15</sup> • Simona M Cristescu, <i>Sniffing volatiles released from biological samples with laser-based instrumentation</i>		▶ 9 <sup>00</sup> –10 <sup>30</sup> • Ferenc Bari, <i>What did we learn about microcirculation using lasers</i> ▶ 10 <sup>45</sup> –12 <sup>15</sup> • Laboratory visit: <i>telemedicine</i>		▶ Excursion: Ópusztaszer Heritage Park			
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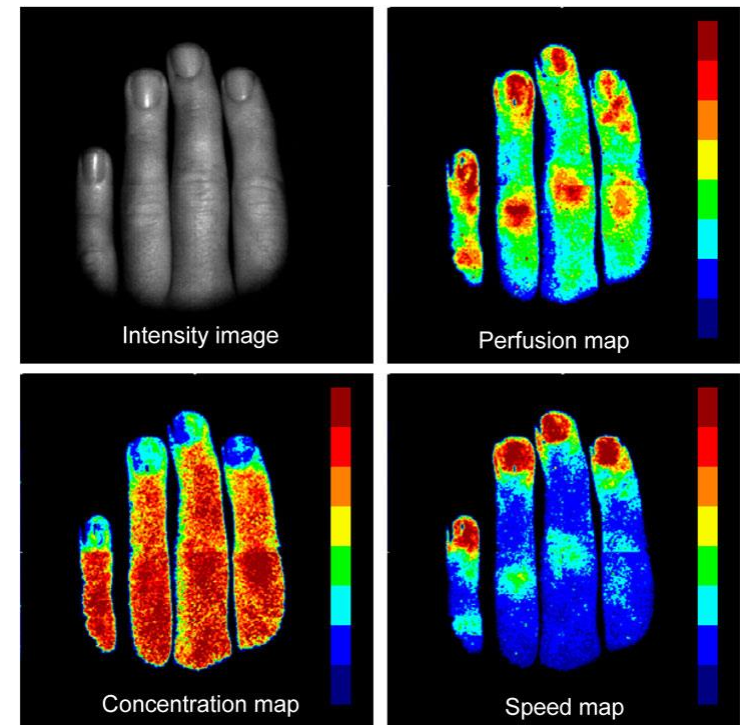






Doppler effect: frequency of scattered light is shifted

due to the narrow bandwidth of laser light, the shift can be accurately determined

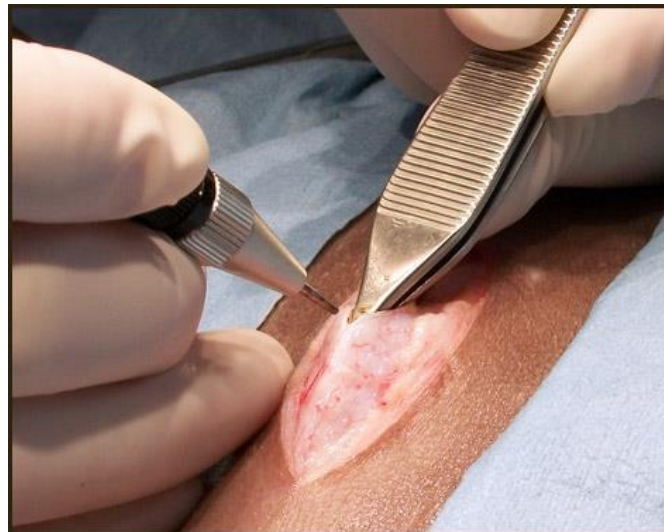




## Stone fragmentation



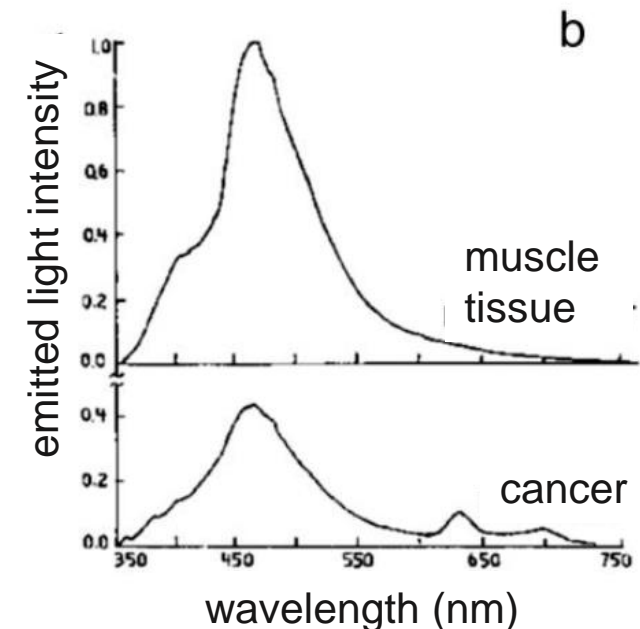
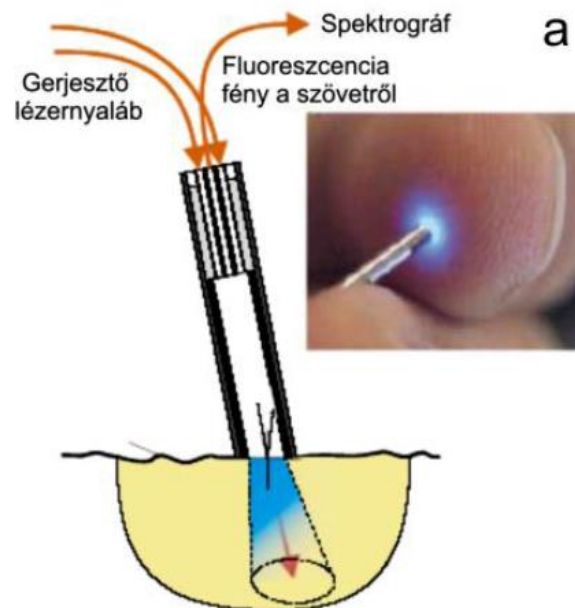
## Laser-knife

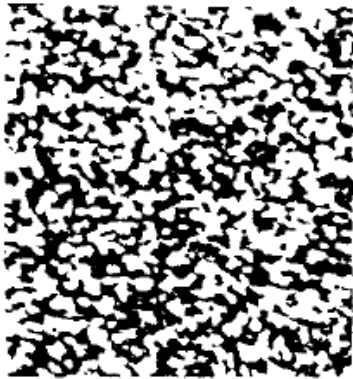


# Monochromaticity, tunability, low divergence, short duration

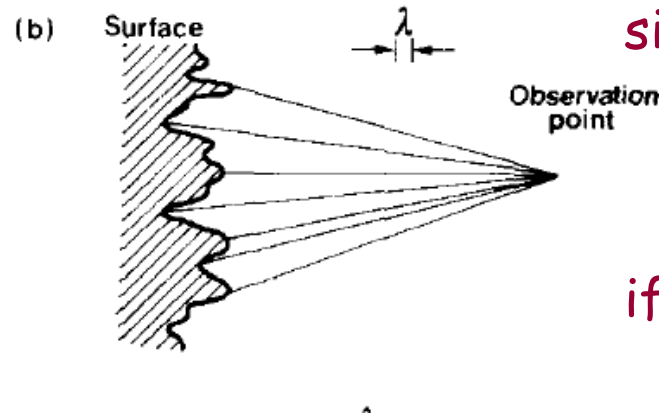
## I. Laser spectroscopy

- focusable to a small volume » increased spatial resolution
- tunable narrowband lasers » increased spectral resolution
- pulsed ( $<10^{-12}$  s) lasers » temporal resolution





Laser speckle



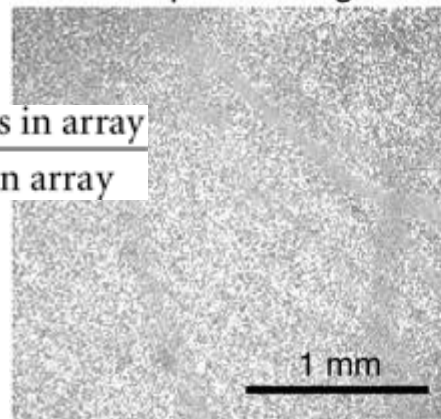
since laser light is coherent, reflections from different points interfere

if the scattering particle moves, the speckle image gets blurred during exposure time

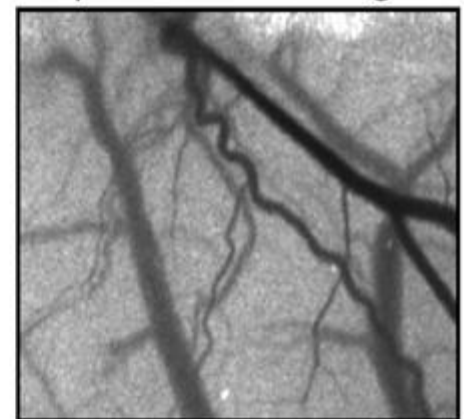
$$\text{Speckle contrast value} = \frac{\text{standard deviation of pixels in array}}{\text{mean intensity of pixels in array}}$$

$$\text{Velocity} \propto \frac{1}{(\text{speckle contrast})^2}$$

Raw speckle image

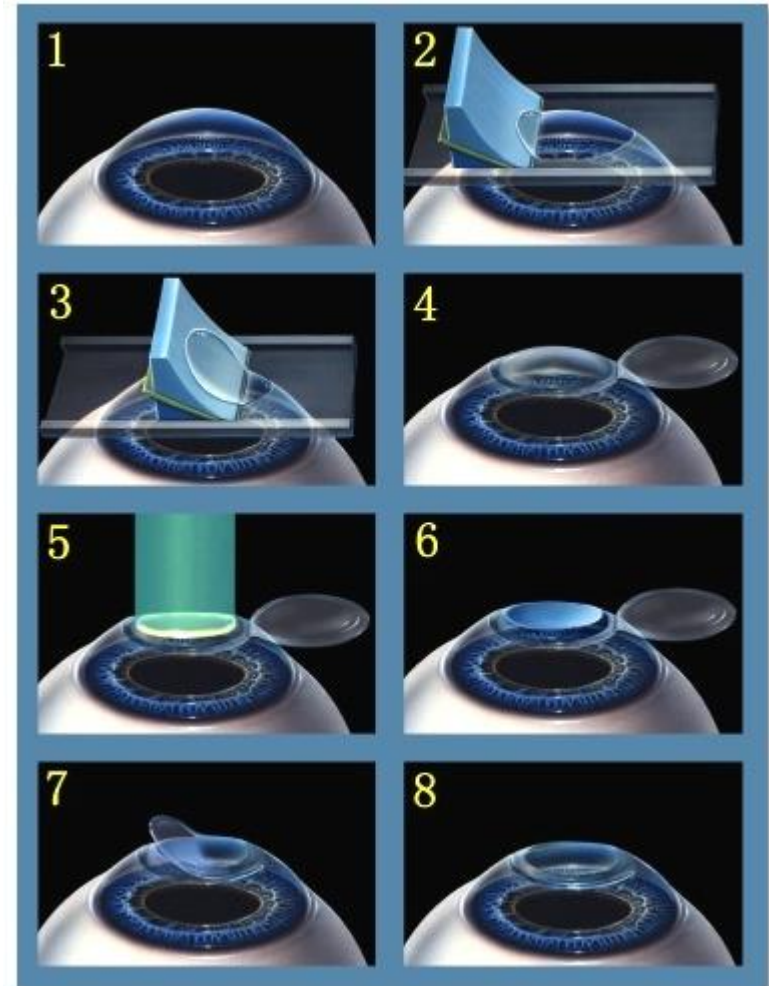
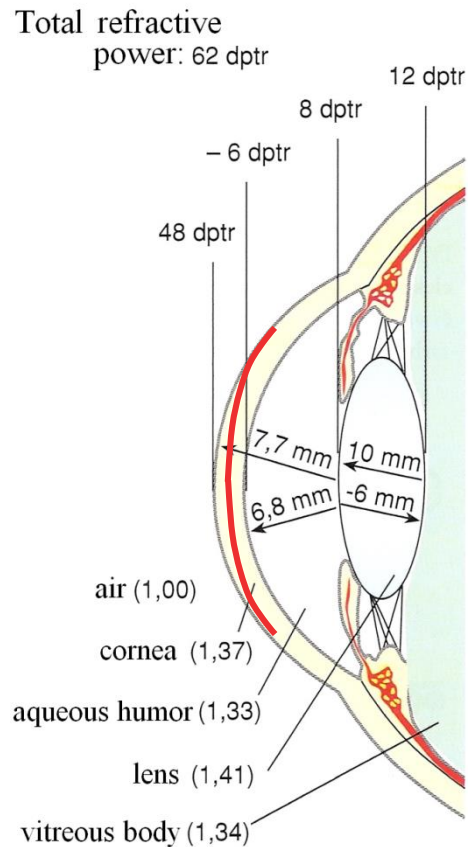


Speckle contrast image





## LASer In-situ Keratomileusis



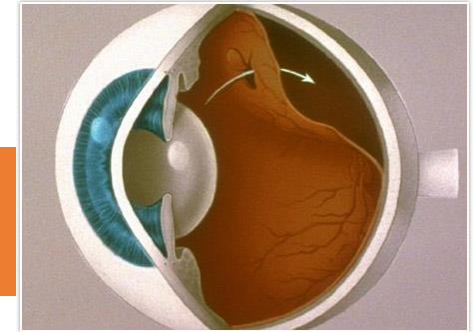


# Wavelength-dependent penetration

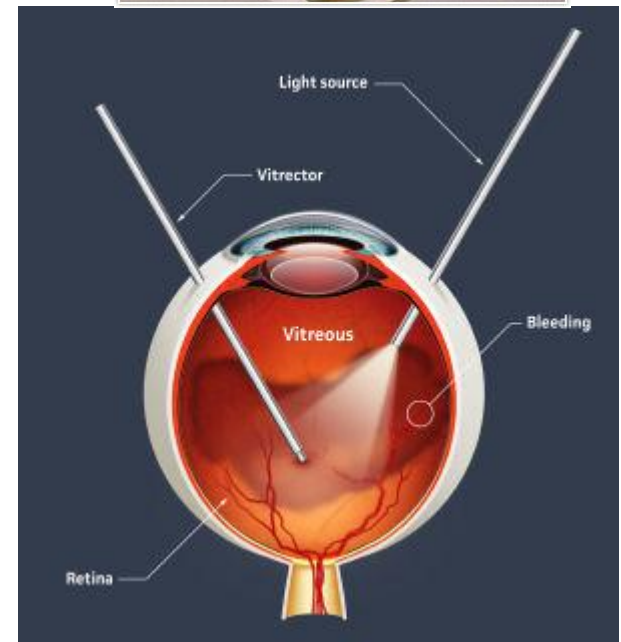
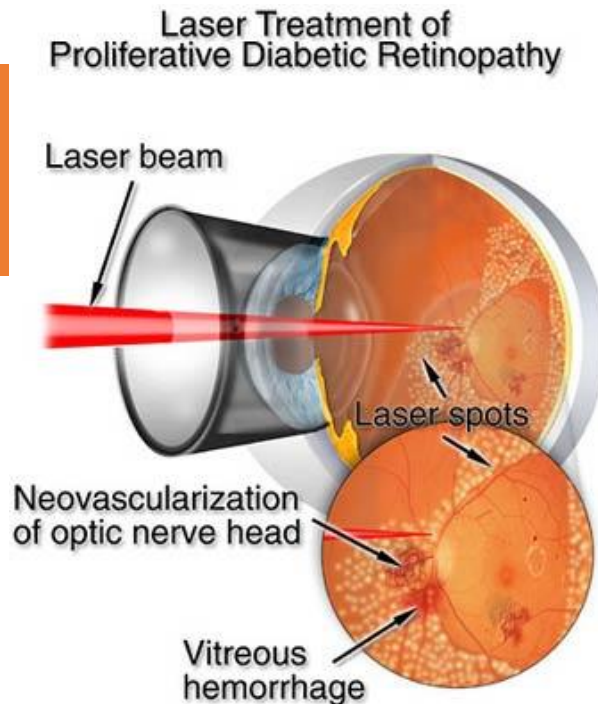
## Beyond tissue operation

surgery behind a transparent medium

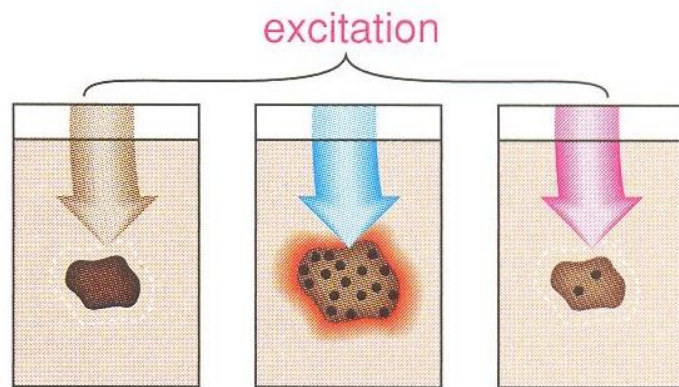
reattach torn retina



treatment of diabetic retinopathy



monochromatic (wavelength matched to absorption of tissue)  
good focusability (high power density), good pointing definition



warming

fluorescence

photo-  
chemical  
reactions

no short-term tissue damage, biostimulant  
(increased diffusion and metabolism  
increase wound healing: ulcers, open  
wounds, muscle strains, nerve injuries)

protein coagulation, cell destruction  
(staunch bleeding, cure blood vessel  
proliferation)

laserthermia: ~ 40 °C  
coagulation: 60–90 °C  
vaporisation: 100–150 °C  
carbonisation: above 300 °C

cutting with coagulated blood  
vessels in the surrounding areas

boiling water, rapid expansion  
(tissue lesion, cutting, ablation of  
stones)  
not advised for tumour elimination  
due to spreading of bio-molecules



laser material				typical wave-length (nm)	typical power (W)		applications
main type (state)	sub-type	name	notation		continuous or quasi-continuous mode	impulse mode, during an impulse	
gas		Helium-neon	HeNe	633	$5 \cdot 10^{-3}$		<i>infrared targeting laser</i>
		argon	Ar	488 514	10	$10^2$	<i>ophthalmology, dye lasers, pumping</i>
		krypton	Kr	548 647	10		<i>ophthalmology</i>
		carbon-dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	10 600	$2 \cdot 10^2$	$10^9$	<i>surgery</i>
	Excimer (excited dimer) (rare gas or halogen gas)	<i>e.g.</i> krypton-fluor	KrF	248		$5 \cdot 10^4$	<i>ophthalmology</i>
liquid	dye (solution)	<i>e.g.</i> rhodamine 6G	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>31</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Cl	560-610	1	$10^5$	<i>ophthalmology, dermatology, PDT (IX/2.2.)</i>
solid state		ruby	Cr-Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	694		$10^9$	<i>dermatology</i>
	YAG (yttrium-aluminium-garnet) + lanthanides: Nd, Ho, Er, ...	<i>e.g.</i> neodymium-YAG	Nd-Y <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>5</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	1064	50	$10^8$	<i>surgery</i>
	semiconductor	<i>e.r.</i> gallium-arsenide	GaAs	840	$5 \cdot 10^{-3}$		<i>laser pointer, CD player</i>



ALPS High Repetition Rate (HR) beamline  
100kHz, >5mJ, <6fs, 1030nm

Av.power (contracted)  
Peak power (contracted)

500 (100) W  
1 (0.16) TW  $10^{12}$ W

ALPS Single Cycle (SYLOS) beamline  
1kHz, >100mJ, <6fs, 860nm

100 (45) W  
20 (4.5) TW  $10^{12}$ W

ALPS High Field (HF) beamline  
HF PW: 10Hz, 34J, <20fs, 800nm  
HF 100: 100Hz, 0.5J, <10fs, 800nm

(340) W  
(>2) PW  $10^{15}$ W

ALPS Mid-IR beamline  
100kHz, 3.1 $\mu$ m, 150 $\mu$ J, <4 cycles

(15) W  
(3.75) GW  $10^9$ W



# Breakthrough in laser science and technologies (Mission 2)

## Front end of large scale ultrafast laser systems

Change of paradigm - no Kerr-lens mode-locked Ti:S oscillators are involved

**Instead:** Sub-ps fiber oscillators around 1  $\mu$ J

## The first TW-class few cycle fiber laser for users (HR laser)

Change of paradigm – new generation of HAP / HI lasers.

## Unprecedented conditions for operation (SYLOS1, PW)

Installation requirement: 12h operation for 3 consecutive days

Trial period: 6 months, 4 months trouble-free operation

Primary sources  
(laser pulses)

Secondary sources  
(harmonics, particles, THz, etc.)

Experiment /  
User stations

GHHG  
attosecond  
sources

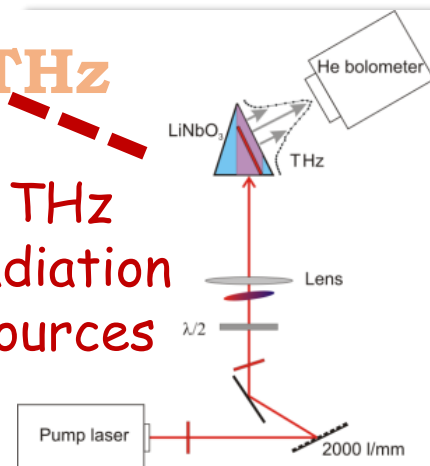
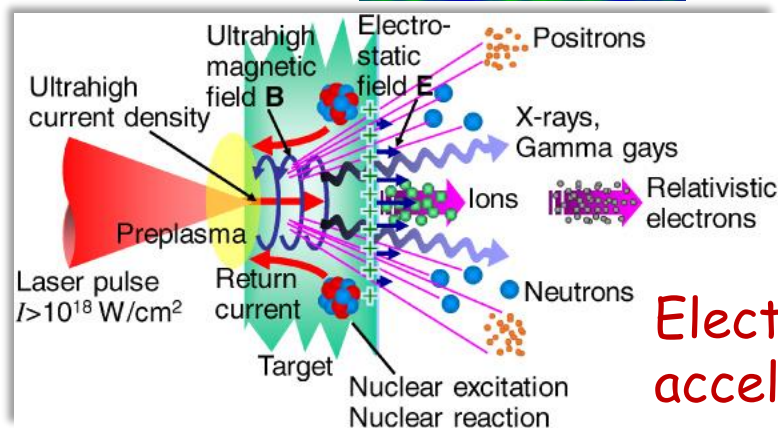
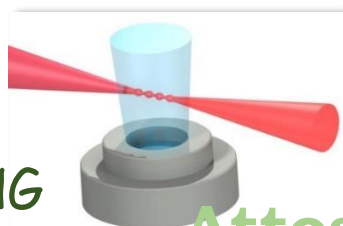
Attosecond  
Sources

SHHG  
attosecond  
sources

Particle and THz  
Sources

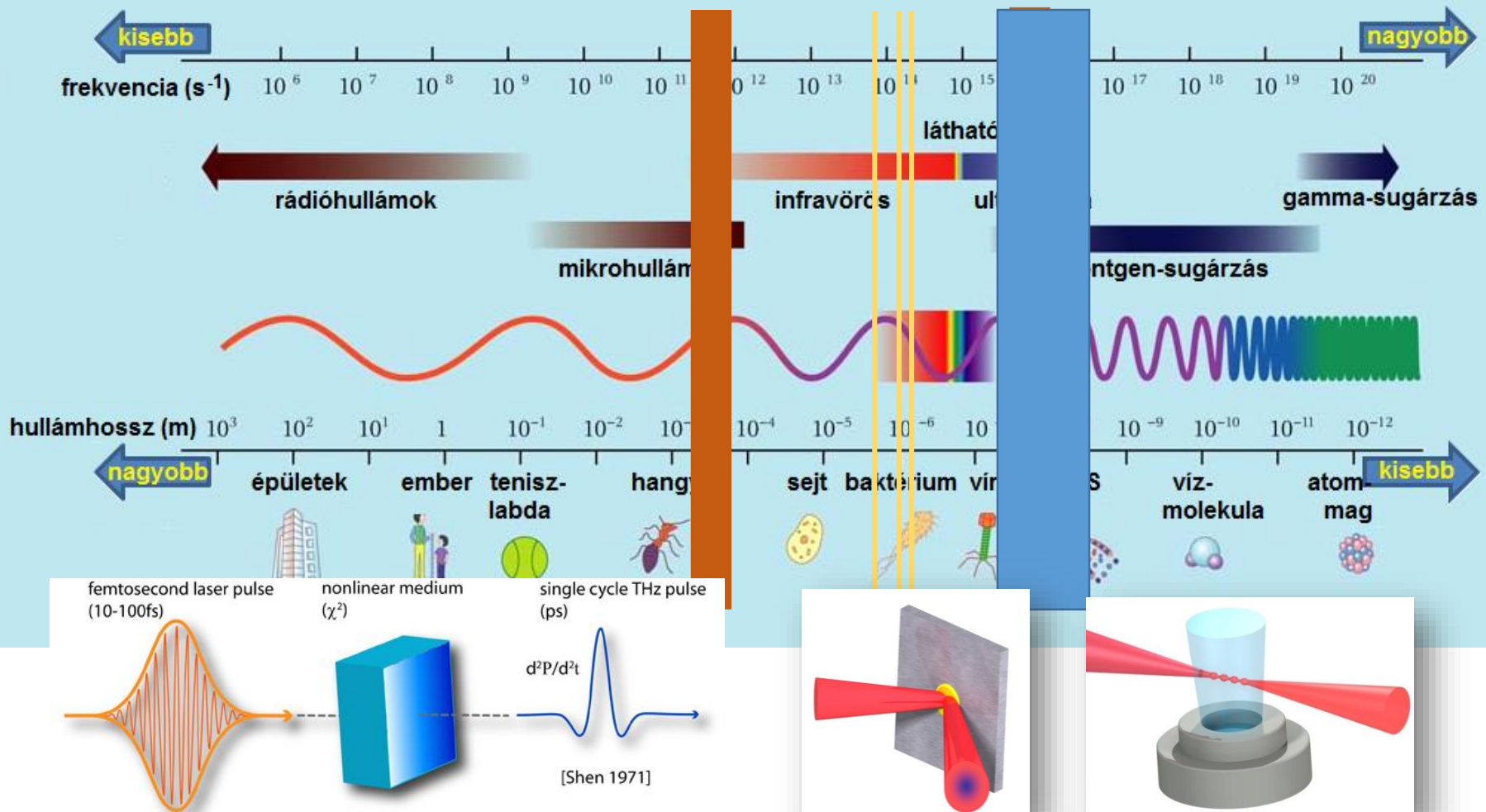
THz  
radiation  
sources

Electron, ion  
accelerators



# Secondary sources of ELI ALPS (XUV to THz)

Nagy intenzitású lézer kölcsönhatása révén újabb típusú sugárzás keltődik.





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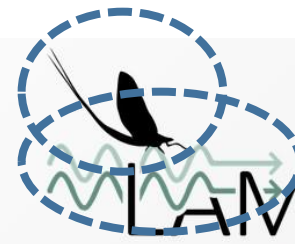
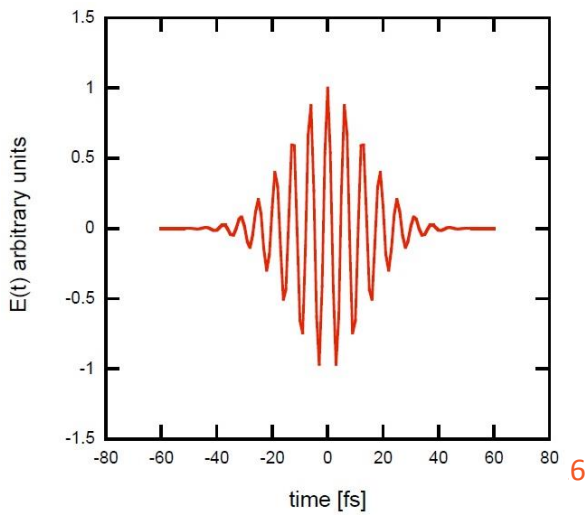
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