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K-alpha Spectra from Laser-Produced Solid-Density Plasmas

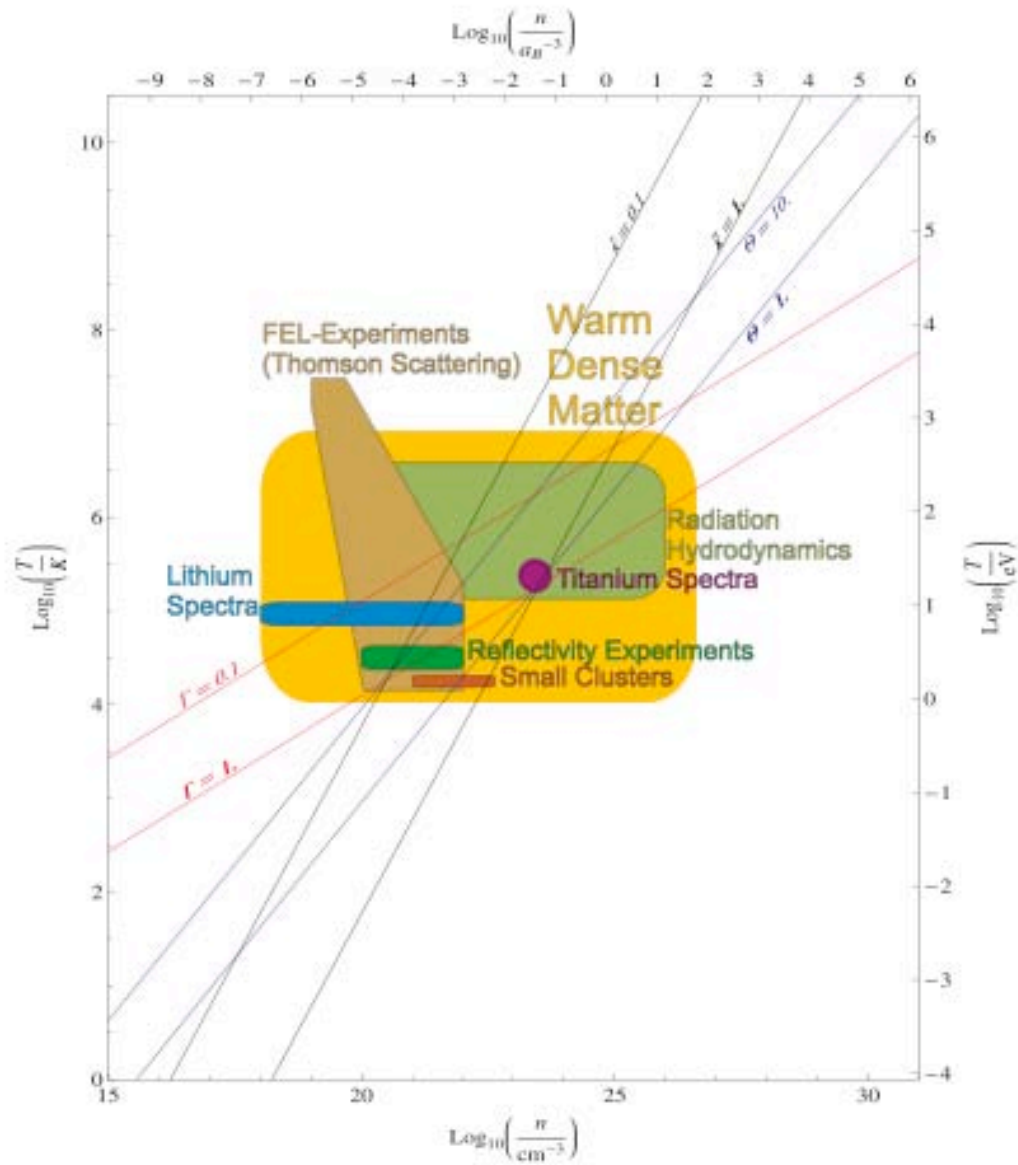
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Outline

- Warm dense matter
- Line spectra, profiles
- X-ray spectroscopy and K-alpha lines
- The Titanium K-alpha experiment at LULI

The Plasma Phase Diagram



Research Activities in Our Rostock Central Research Unit

- experimental investigations of matter under extreme conditions using X-ray laser, intense short pulse laser, electric or magnetic fields
⇒ production/excitation, and **diagnostics** of warm dense matter
- Many-body theory
⇒ kinetic equations, linear response, molecular dynamics simulations
- Applications
⇒ transport properties: conductivity, Hall effect
⇒ optical properties:
reflectivity, **bremsstrahlung**, **Thomson scattering**,
spectral lines - optical spectrum, X-ray emission lines
⇒ **cluster physics**: size dependent properties



Quantum Statistical Approach to Nonequilibrium

- statistical operator for generalized grand canonical ensemble by introducing set of relevant observables $\{B_n\}$

$$\rho_{\text{rel}} = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{rel}}} e^{-[\hat{\mathcal{H}} - \mu N + \sum_n \Phi_n B_n]} \quad \hat{\mathcal{H}} = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{eq}} - \sum_c e_c \vec{R}_c \vec{E}$$

- self-consistency condition for response parameter Φ_n

$$\boxed{\text{Tr}(B_n \rho_{\text{rel}}) = \text{Tr}(B_n \rho)} \quad \text{with statistical operator} \quad \rho = \rho_{\text{rel}} + \rho_{\text{irrel}}$$

- solution in **linear response**:

response equation containing equilibrium correlation functions/
generalized BOLTZMANN equation

$$\langle B_m; \dot{\vec{R}}_c \rangle e_c \vec{E} = \sum_n \langle B_m; \dot{B}_n \rangle \Phi_n$$

$$\text{Tr}\{B_n \rho\} = \sum_m \langle B_n; B_m \rangle \Phi_m$$

Fluctuation - Dissipation Theorem for Absorption

equilibrium correlation functions

$$\langle A; B \rangle_z = \int_0^\infty dt e^{izt} (A(t); B) = -\frac{i}{\beta} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \frac{1}{z - \omega} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} G_{AB^+}(\omega - i0)$$

$$(A(t); B) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\infty d\tau \text{Tr} [A(t - i\hbar\tau) B^+ \rho_0]$$

- application to electrical current density using set $\{B_n\} = \vec{P} = m_e \dot{\vec{R}}$

$$\vec{J} = \langle \vec{j} \rangle = \text{Tr} \{ \rho \vec{j} \} = \frac{e}{\Omega} \text{Tr} \{ \rho \dot{\vec{R}} \} = \frac{e}{\Omega m_e} \text{Tr} \{ \rho_{\text{rel}} \vec{P} \} = \sigma \vec{E}$$

- solution for electrical conductivity

$$\sigma = \beta \Omega \langle j; j \rangle = \frac{\beta e^2}{\Omega m_e} \frac{\langle P; P \rangle^2}{\langle \dot{P}; \dot{P} \rangle}$$

Kubo-Greenwood formula



force force correlation functions

$$(\dot{P} = F_{ei} + F_{ee} + F_{ea})$$

Optical Properties

$$\epsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = 1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 k^2} \Pi(\mathbf{k}, \omega) \quad \Pi(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \Pi_1(\mathbf{k}, \omega) + \Pi_2(\mathbf{k}, \omega) + \dots$$

- polarization function $\Pi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ from many-body theory using cluster decomposition

$\Pi_1(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ - single-particle contribution [1]

$\Pi_2(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ - two-particle contributions (bound states) [2]

- optical information: refraction index & absorption coefficient

$\Pi_1(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ - **bremsstrahlung** [1,3], $\Pi_2(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ - **spectral line profiles** [2]

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \epsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \left(n(\omega) + \frac{ic}{2\omega} \alpha(\omega) \right)^2$$

- dynamical structure factor [1] → **Thomson scattering**

$$S(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\pi V(k)} \frac{1}{e^{-\beta \hbar \omega} - 1} \text{Im} \epsilon_l^{-1}(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$$

Some Applications

- reflectivity *Morozov, Raitza, HR et al. 2005*
- optical line shapes (H, He⁺, Li²⁺) *Omar, Lorenzen, Wierling, HR et al. 2008, 2009*

VUV to X-ray necessary for diagnostics of warm dense matter

$$\omega > \omega_{\text{pl}} = \sqrt{\frac{e^2 n_e}{\epsilon_0 m_e}}$$

- Thomson scattering *Thiele, HR et al. PRE 78 (2008); Fäustlin, HR et al. 2009*
- bremsstrahlung *Zastrau, HR et al. PRE 78 (2008), Fortmann, HR et al. 2006, 2009*
- X-ray emission lines (K_α, K_β) *Sengebusch, HR et al. 2008, 2009*

X Ray Thomson Scattering

scattering cross section:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} = \sigma_T \frac{k_1}{k_0} S(k, \omega)$$

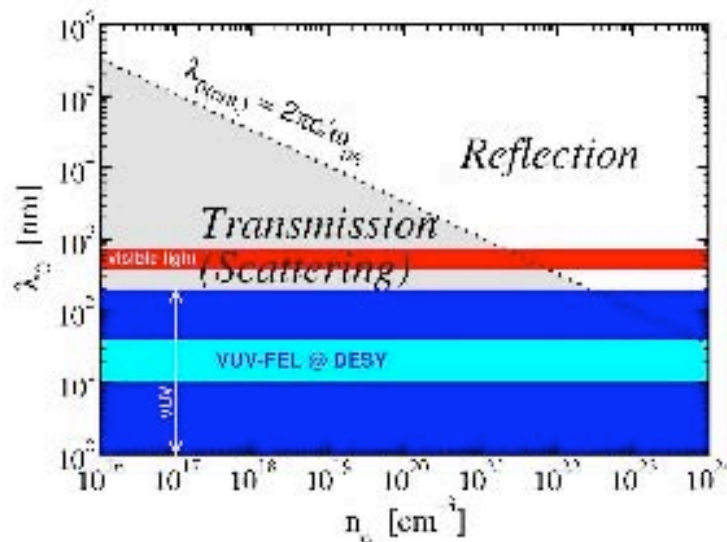
$$S_{ee}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \hbar k^2}{\pi e^2 n_e} \frac{\text{Im} \epsilon^{-1}(\mathbf{k}, \omega)}{1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega/k_B T_e)}$$

$\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}_0 - \mathbf{k}_1$, $\omega = \omega_0 - \omega_1$

$k_0(k_1)$: incident (scattered) wavevector

$\sigma_T = 8\pi r_e^2/3$: Thomson cross section

$$S(k, \omega) = |f_I(k) + q(k)|^2 S_{ii}(k, \omega) + Z_f S_{ee}(k, \omega) + Z_C \int d\omega' \tilde{S}(k, \omega - \omega') S_s(k, \omega')$$



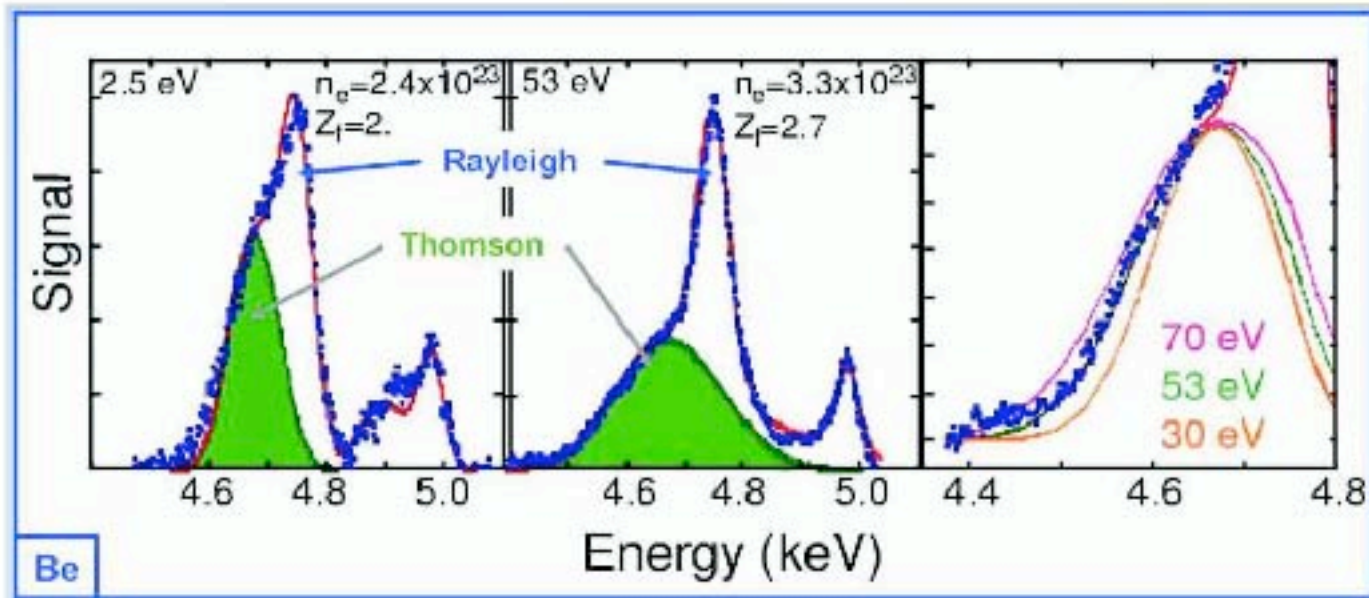
scattering parameter

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{k\lambda_D} \propto \frac{\lambda_0 \sqrt{n_e}}{\sqrt{T} \sin \theta_S / 2}$$

$\alpha > 1$ collective, $\alpha < 1$ non-collective

Fortmann, PhD thesis, Rostock 2008

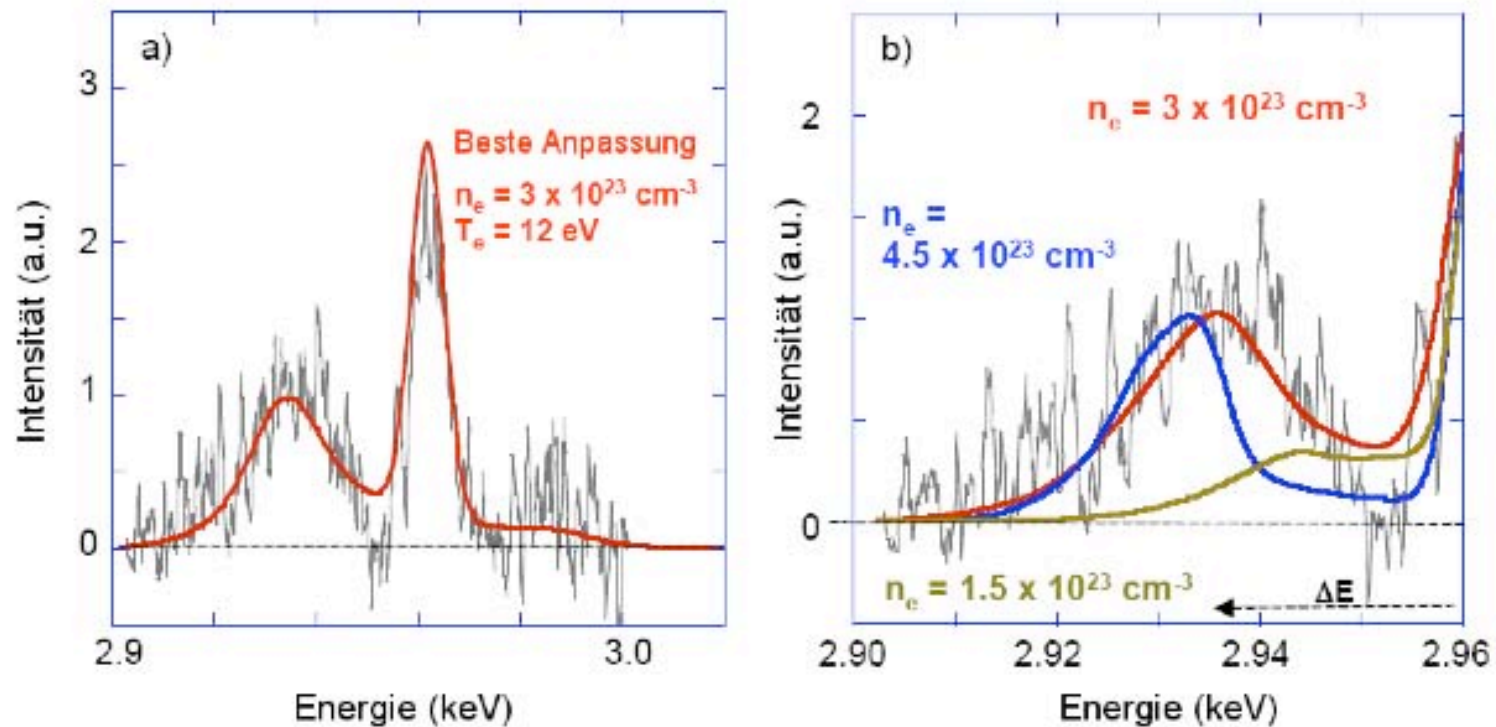
Plasmons in Beryllium Plasmas



Glenzer et al., PRL 90 (2003) 175002

- Experiment on Beryllium at 30 kJ Omega laser facility in Rochester
- heating: Rh X-ray (2.7 keV - 3.4 keV)
- scattering source: He-like Ti α -line (4.75 keV), scattering angle: $\Theta_S = 125^\circ$

Plasma Parameters from Born - Mermin Fit



- Be with Cl Ly_α at $E=2.96\text{keV}$ ($\lambda_0 = 0.42 \text{ nm}$)
- scattering angle $\theta_s = 40^\circ$, $T_e = 12 \text{ eV}$
- best fit of free electron density using Born-Mermin approximation

Profiles of Spectral Lines

Absorption coefficient

from the quantum statistical evaluation of the polarization function

Line shape using a static microfield:

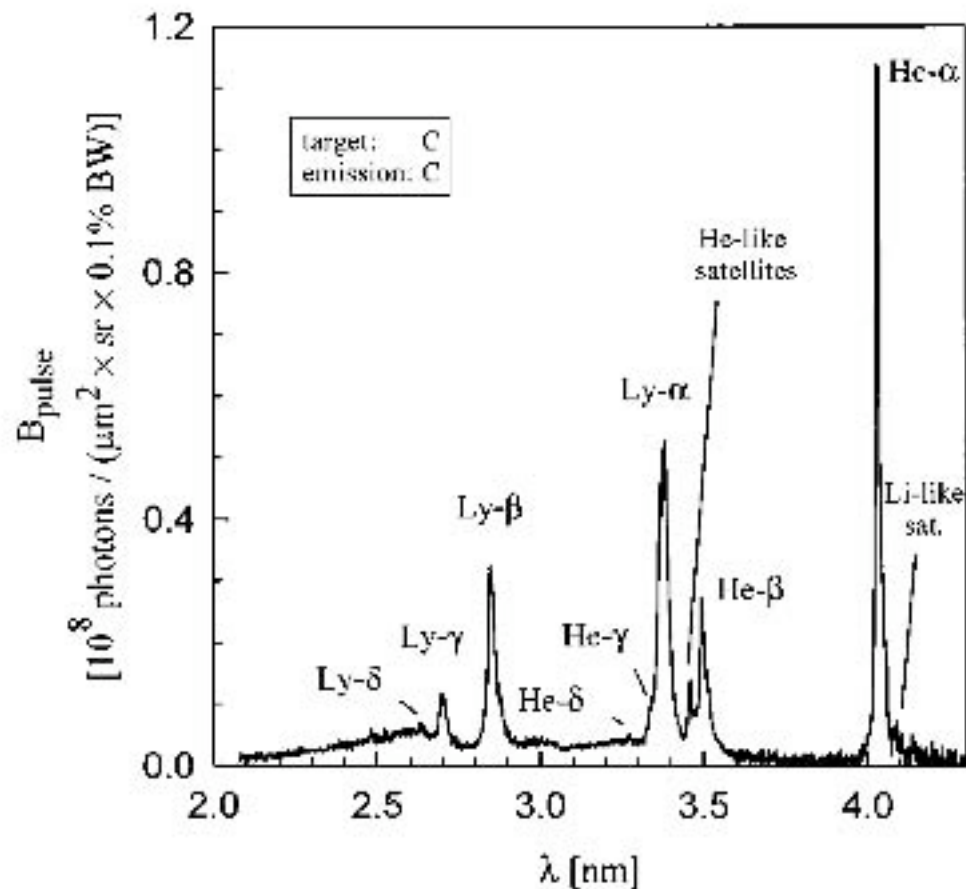
$$L(\Delta\omega) = \Delta\omega - \frac{\vec{P}\vec{k}}{M} - \frac{k^2}{2M} - \text{Re} \{ \Sigma_i(\Delta\omega, \beta) - \Sigma_f(\Delta\omega, \beta) \} \\ + i \text{Im} \{ \Sigma_i(\Delta\omega, \beta) + \Sigma_f(\Delta\omega, \beta) \} + i\Gamma^v$$

Self energy:

$$\langle n | \Sigma(E_n^0 + \Delta\omega, \beta) | n \rangle = -\frac{1}{e^2} \int \frac{d\vec{q}}{(2\pi)^3} V(q) \sum_{\alpha} |M_{n\alpha}^{(0)}(\vec{q})|^2 \\ \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{\pi} [1 + n_B(\omega)] \frac{\text{Im}\epsilon^{-1}(\vec{q}, \omega + i0)}{E_n^0 + \Delta\omega - E_{\alpha}(\beta) - (\omega + i0)}$$

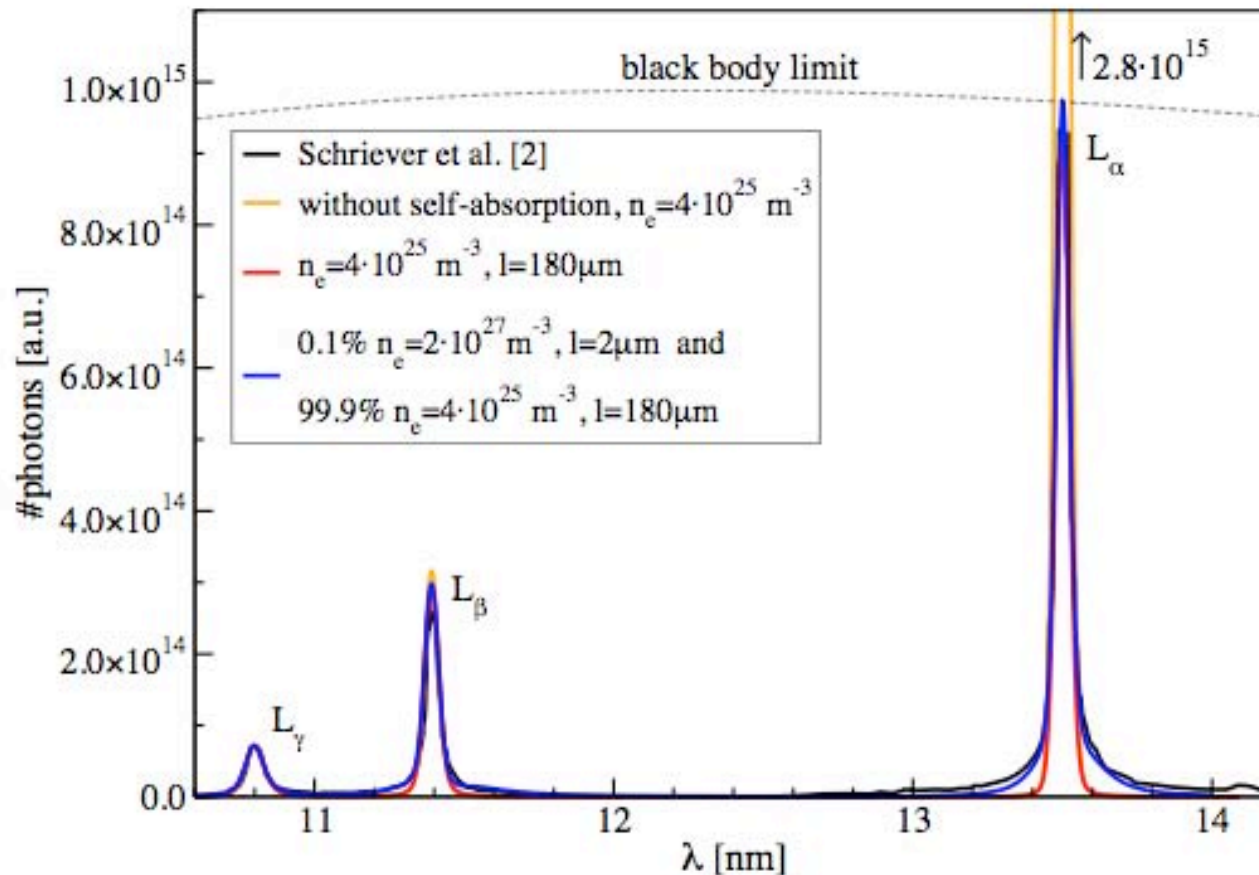
Hydrogen like Carbon spectrum

$$n_e = 4 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}, T = 90 \text{ eV}$$



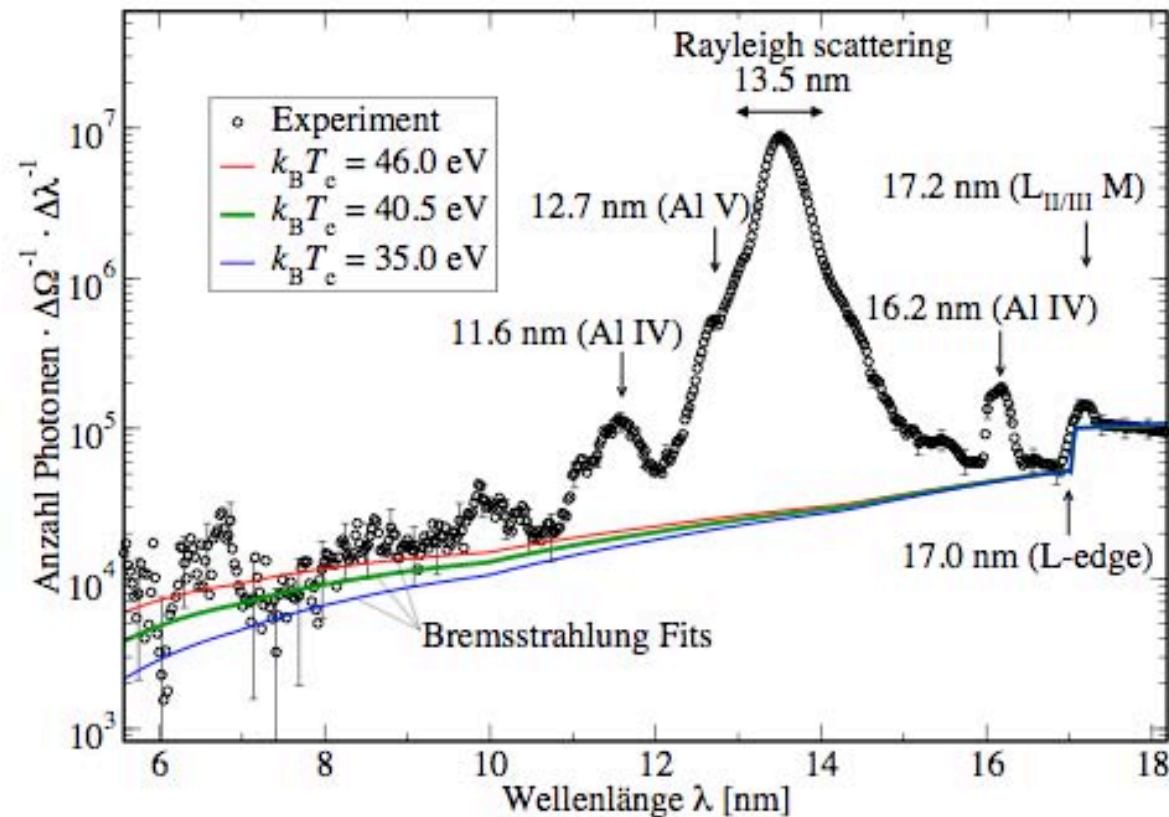
T. Wilhein, D. Altenbernd, U. Teubner, E. Förster, R. Häfner, W. Theobald, R. Sauerbrey, *J. Opt. Soc. Am. B* **15**, 1235 (1998)

Line Spectrum of Li^{2+} Plasmas



- temperature $3 \cdot 10^5$ K determined via intensity ratio of L_β and L_γ lines
- consideration of self absorption for L_α line

XUV - FEL Excited Al Plasmas



- emission spectrum of warm dense matter ($2 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$) in XUV range
- temperature determined via intensity ratio of spectral lines as well as from **bremsstrahlung** \Rightarrow consistent results of $T = (40.5 \pm 5.5) \text{ eV}$

X-ray spectroscopy and K_{α} lines

- X-rays: diagnostic tool
- Experiment: Ti K_{α} emissions (LULI 100 TW)
- Theory: emitter + perturbing plasma
 - Ionization and polarization shifts
 - Synthetic spectra
- Analysis: Ti K_{α} emissions (LULI 100 TW)

Titanium K_{α} emission

Measured by Zastra et al. at LULI (2008)

laser: up to 14 J at 1057 nm in 330 fs, $d = 8 \mu\text{m}$

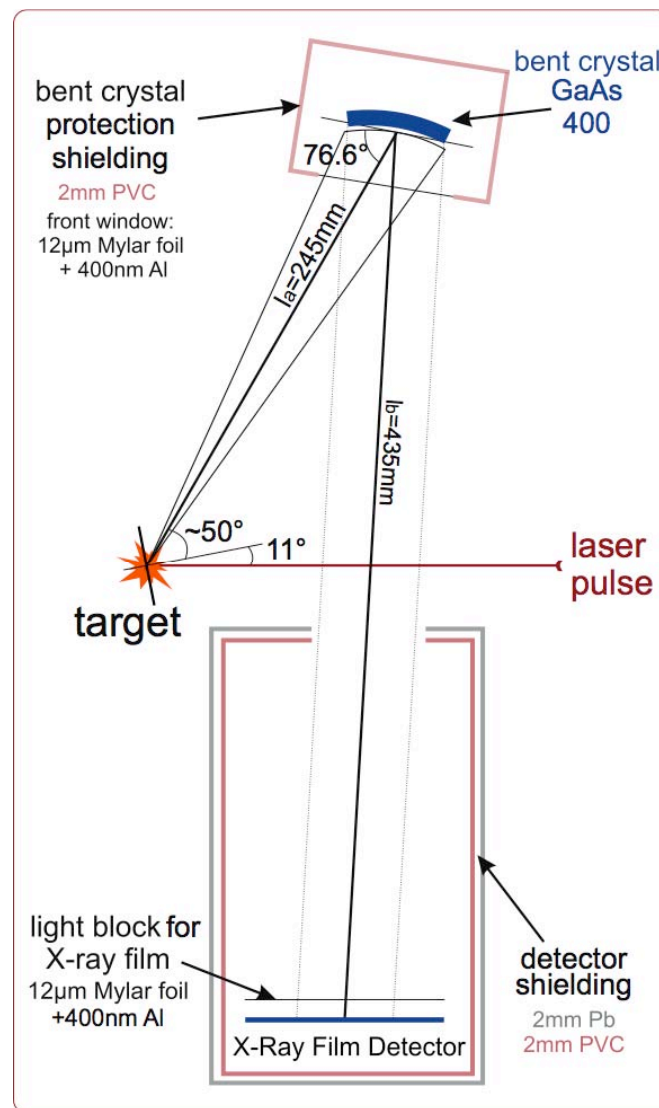
spectrometer: toroidal bent GaAs crystals,
resolution: $E/\Delta E = 15\,000$

targets: solid density titanium foils

spacial resolution: $13.5 \mu\text{m}$

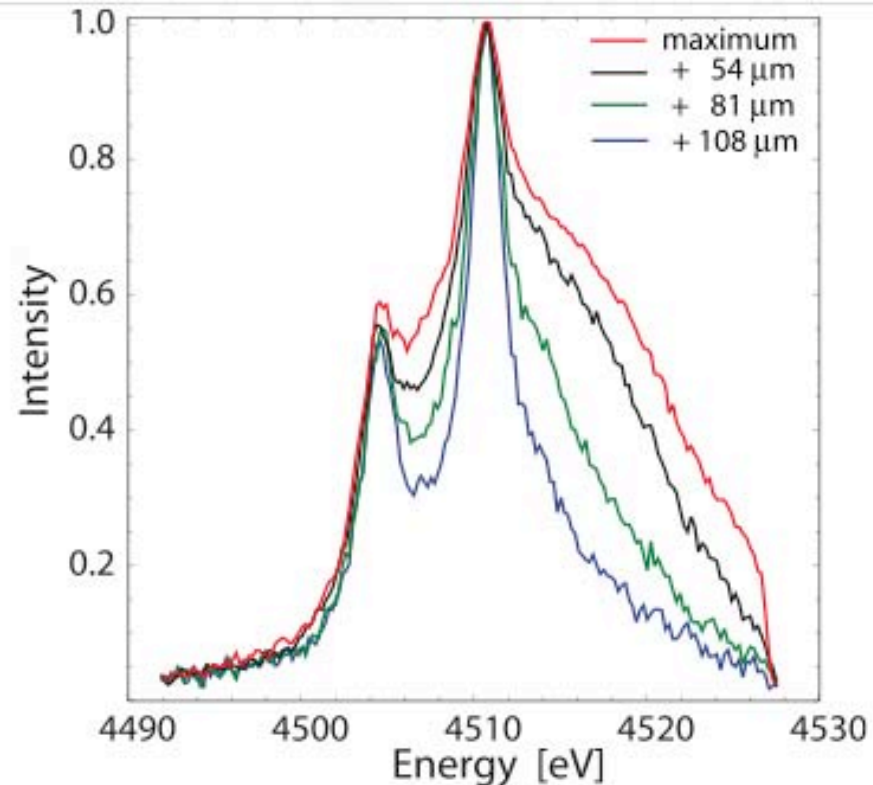
Abel deconvolution

[Phys. Rev. E 81, 026406 \(2010\)](#)



X-Ray Plasma Diagnostics

- K_{α} lines of laser excited titanium plasma @ LULI
 $Z = 22$, $E_{K_{\alpha}} = 4.5$ keV



- line profile shifted and broadened with increasing temperature and free electron density as well as higher ionization stages
- considering radial distribution after deconvolution

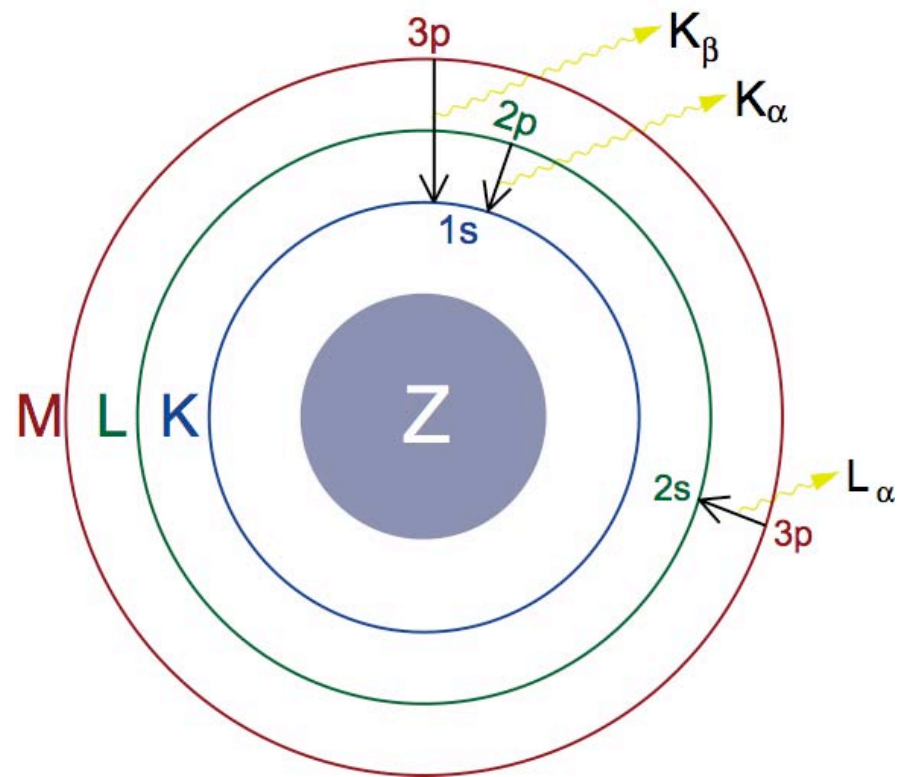
Characteristic X-Ray Emission

Mid-Z M-shell ions:
inner shell transitions

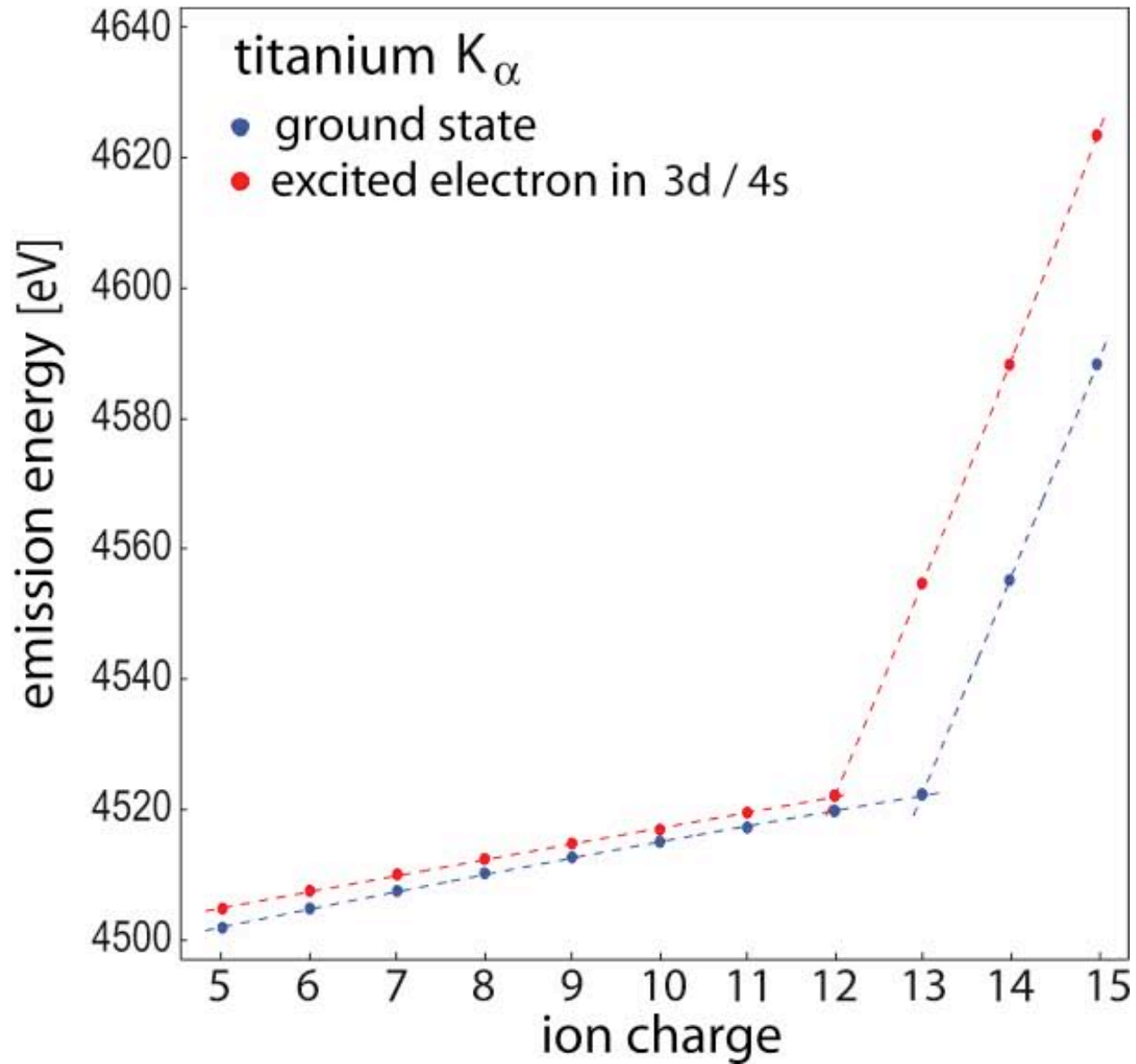
Roothan-Hartree Fock calculation,
depending on configuration

perturbing plasma potential,
self-consistent ion sphere model

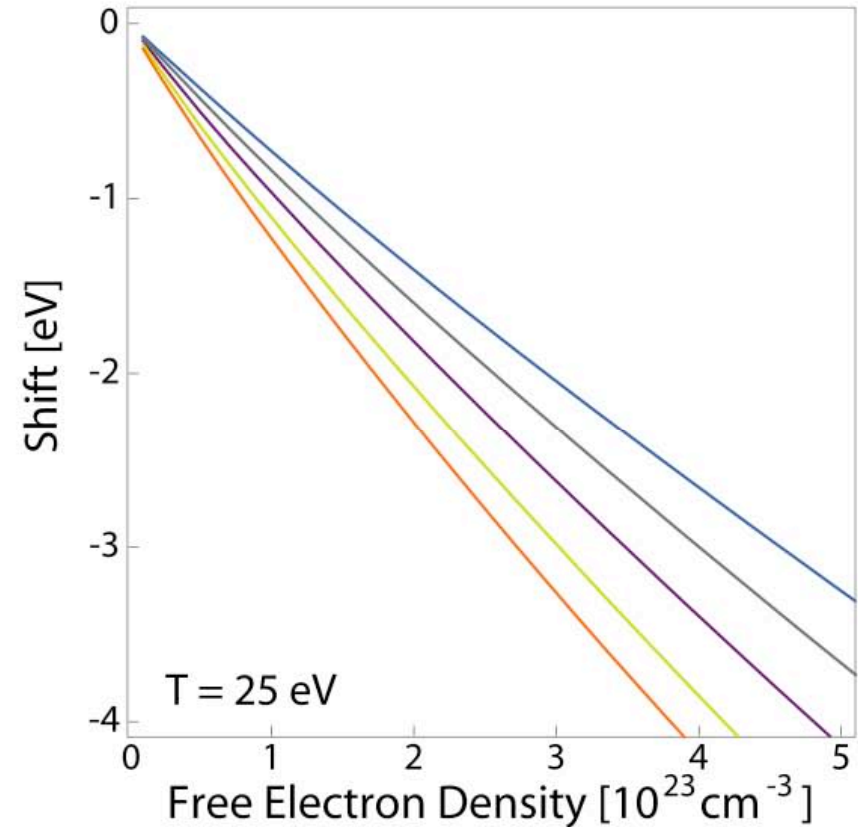
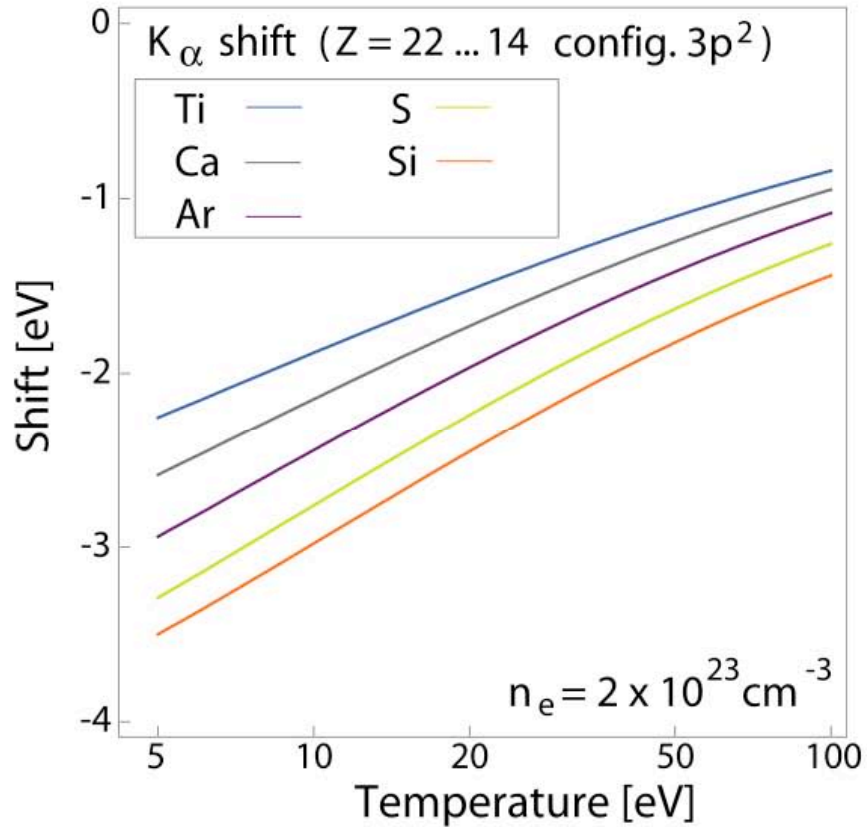
first order perturbation theory:
spectral line shift, continuum lowering



Ionization Blue Shift in Titanium



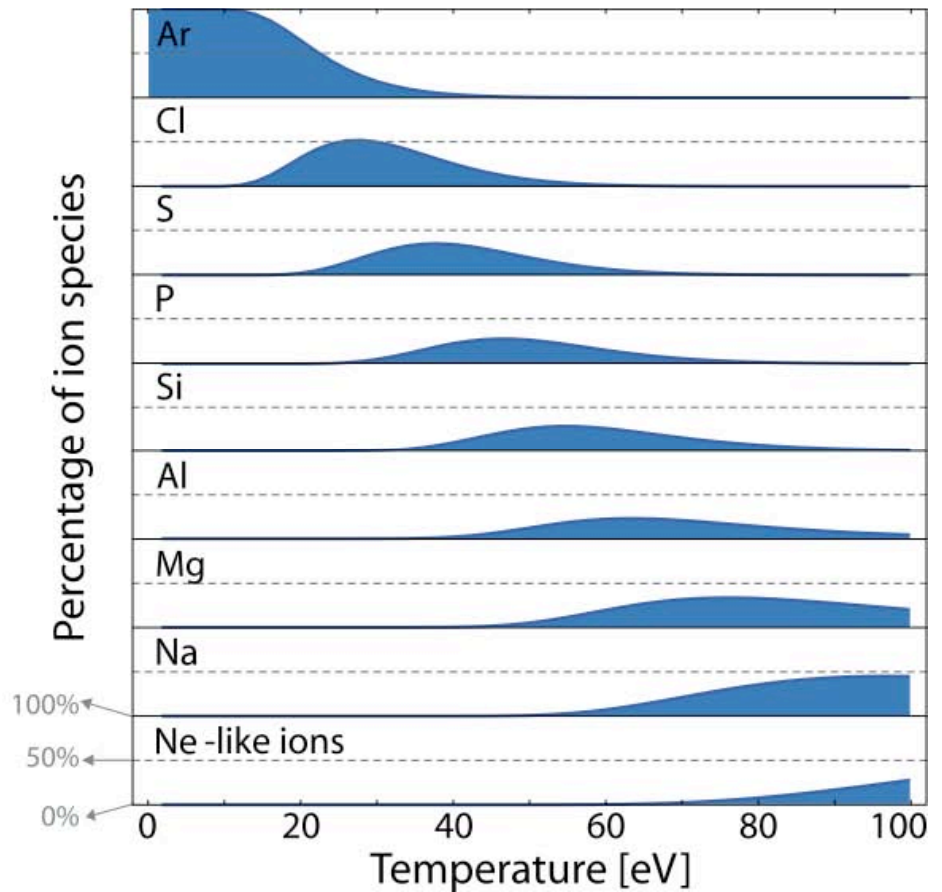
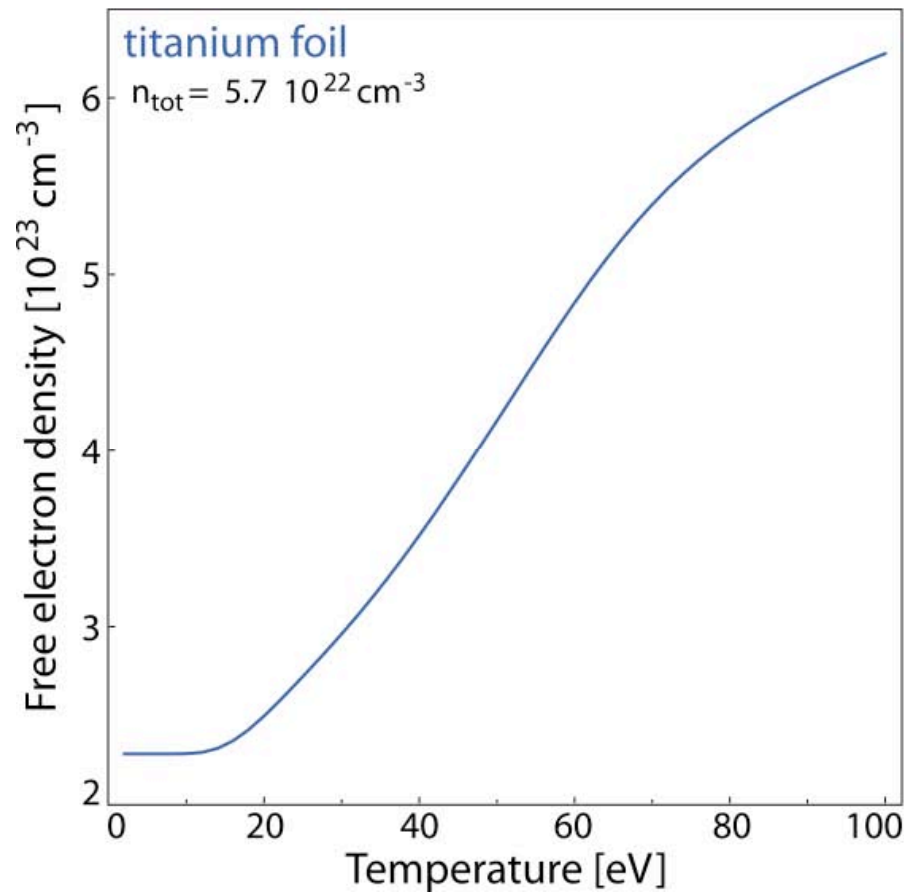
Polarization Shift of K_{α}



red shift due to screening

- decreases with increasing temperature or nuclear charge
- increases with increasing free electron density

Plasma Composition via Coupled Saha equations

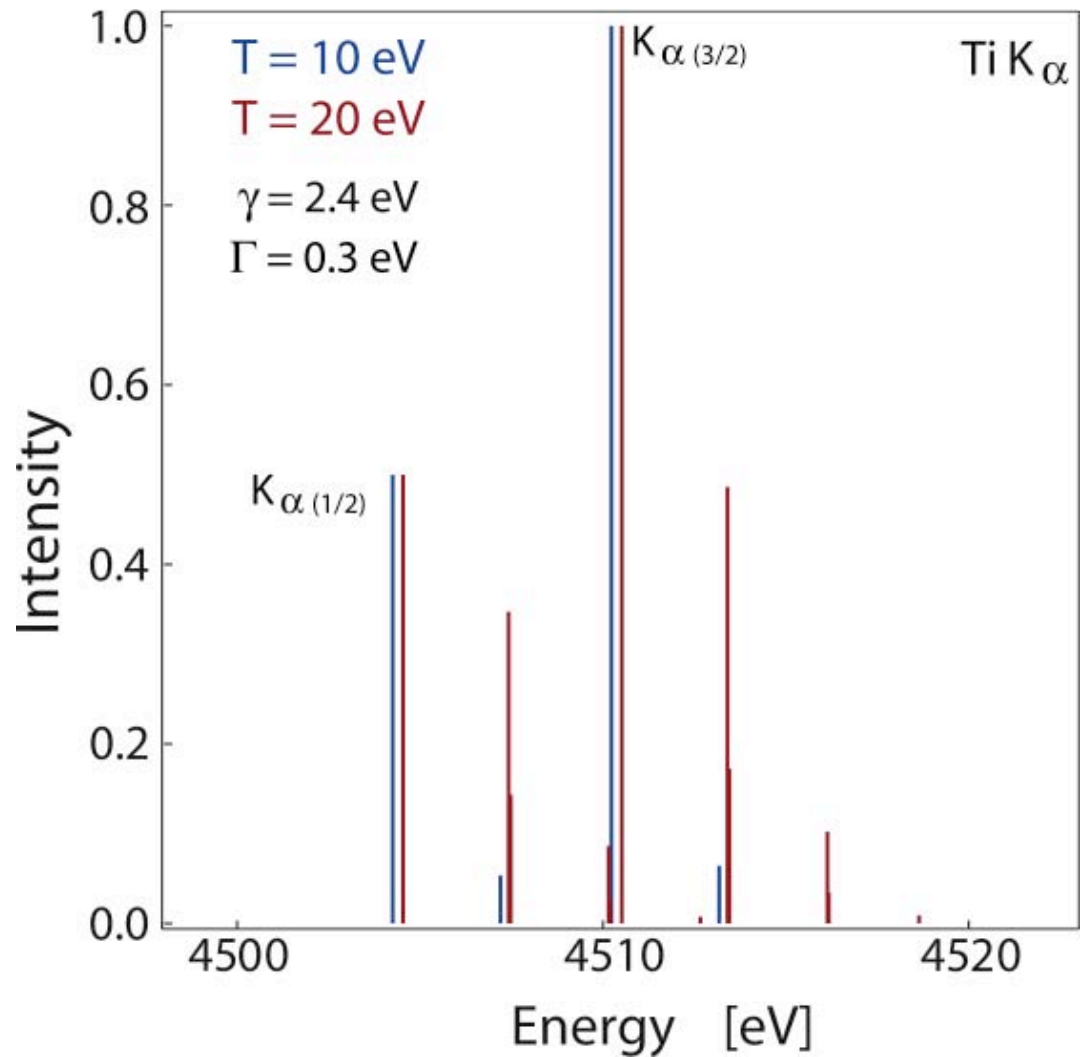


metallic titanium: conduction electrons + self-consistent ionization

Synthetic Spectra

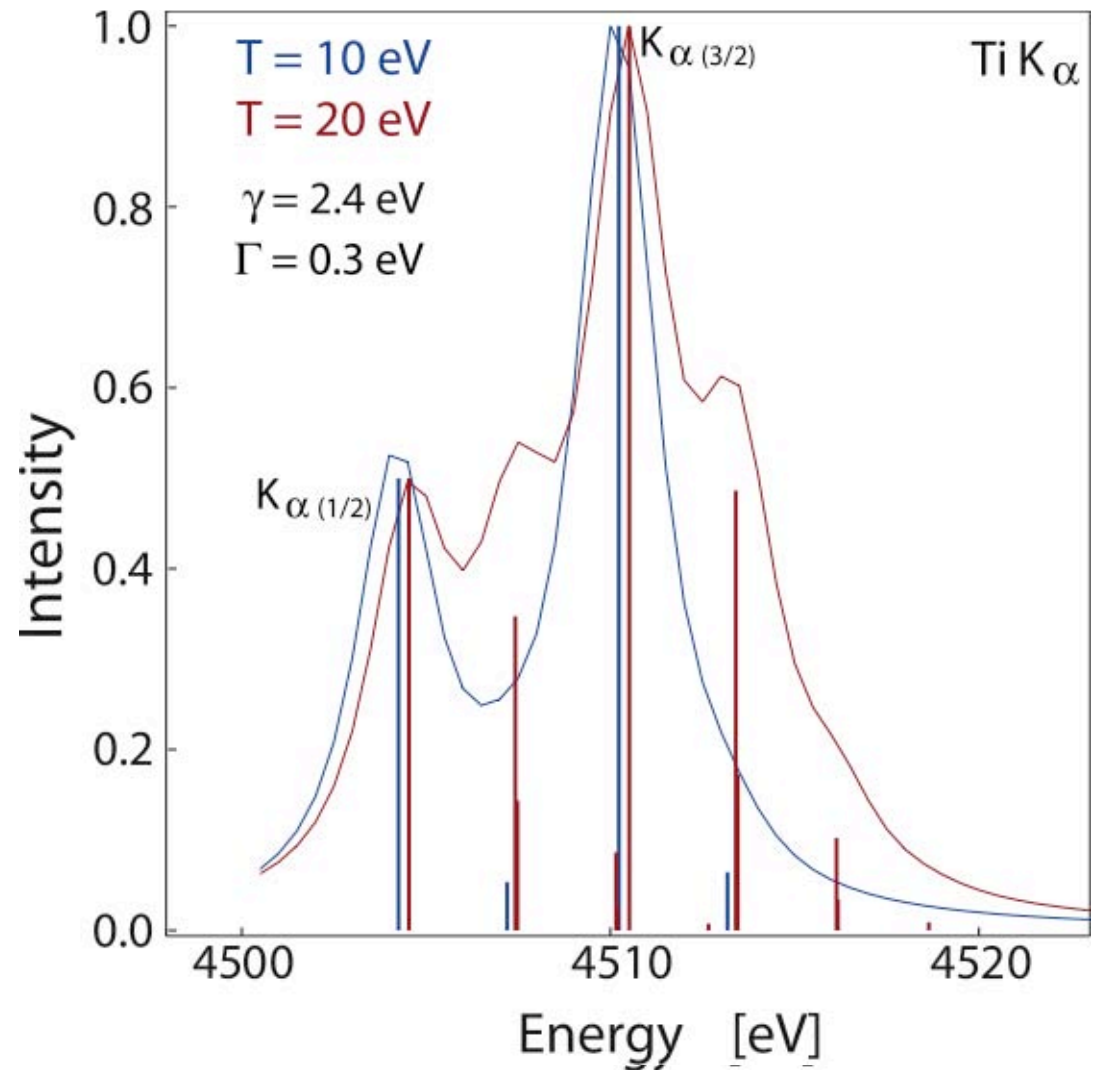
-shifted spectral line positions

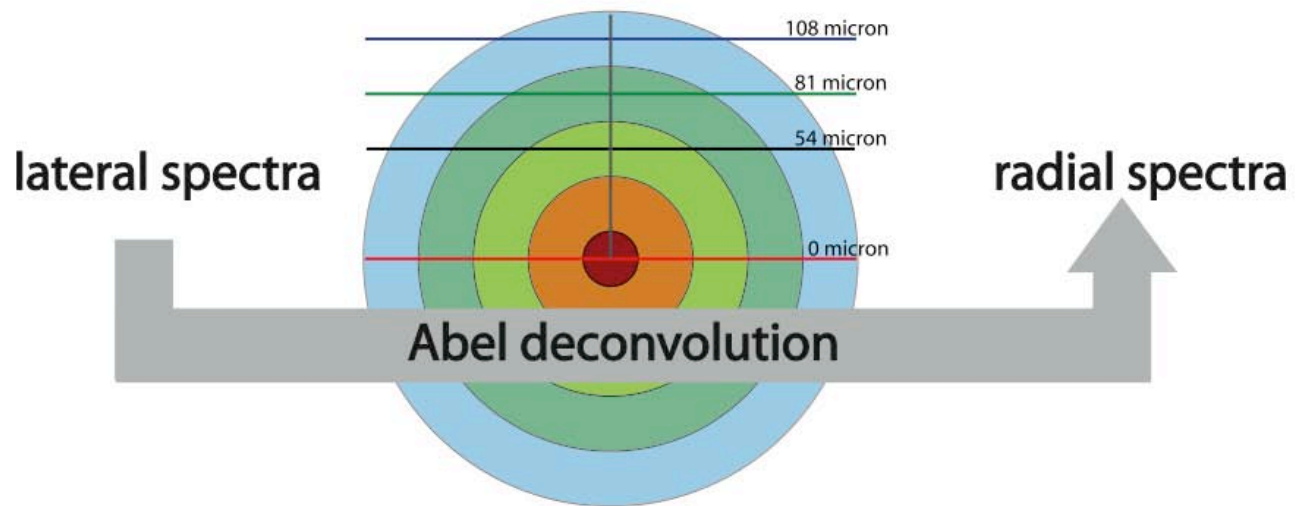
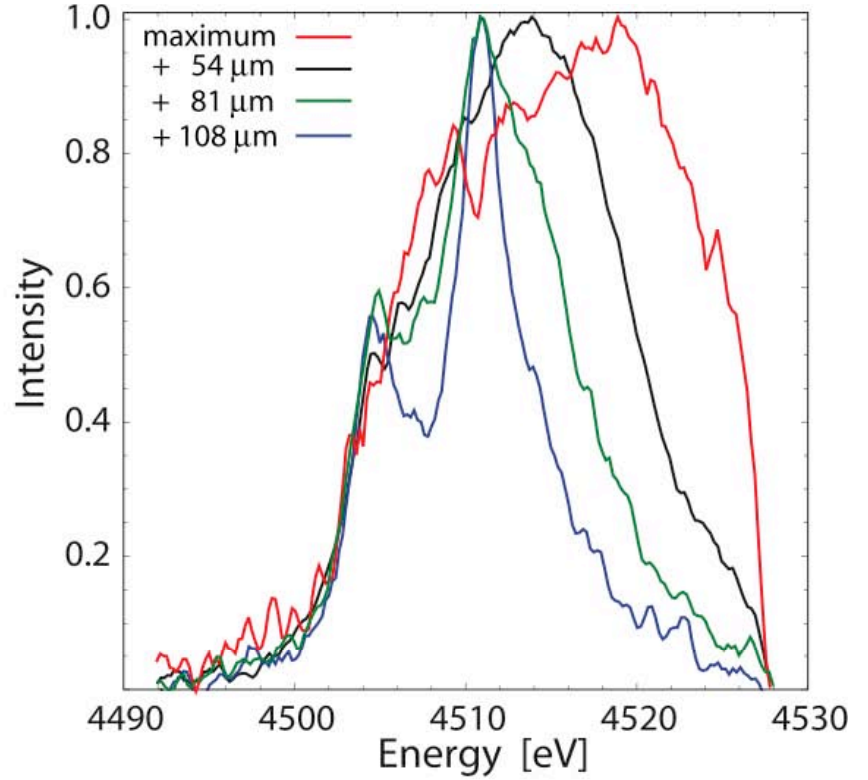
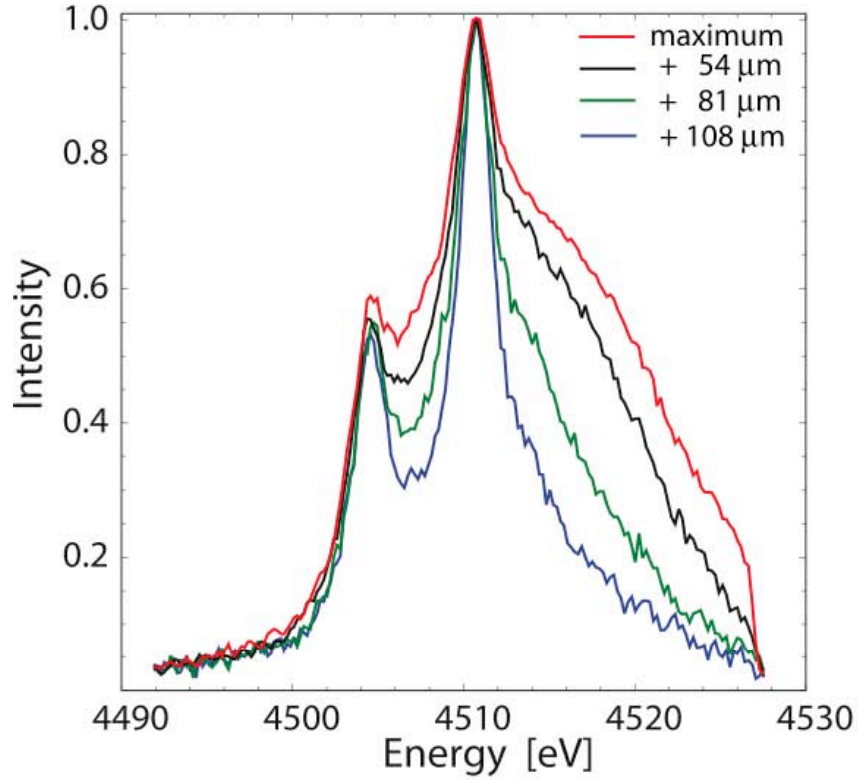
-relative intensities according to composition



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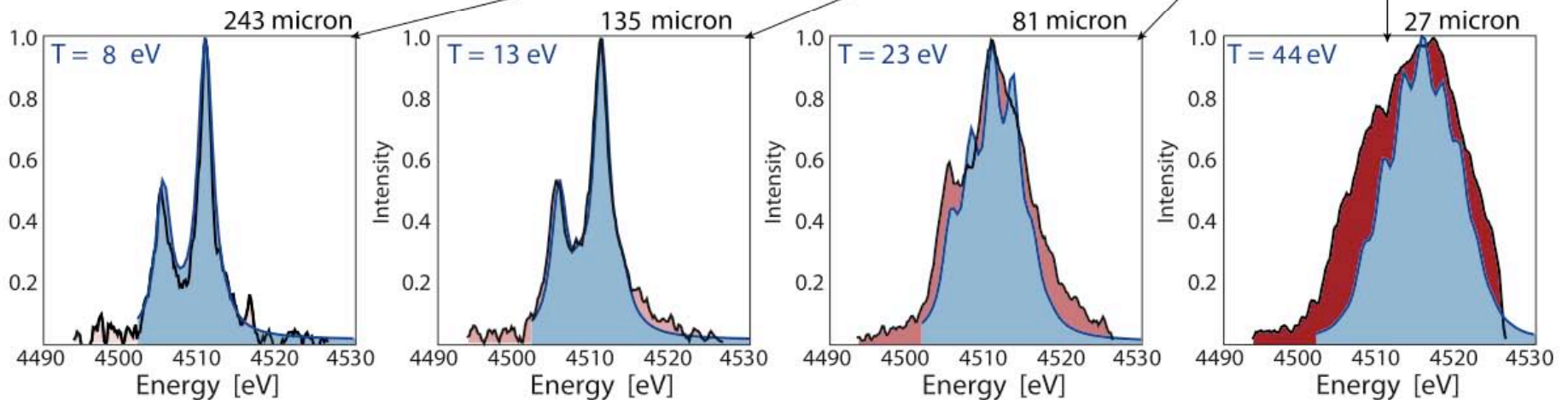
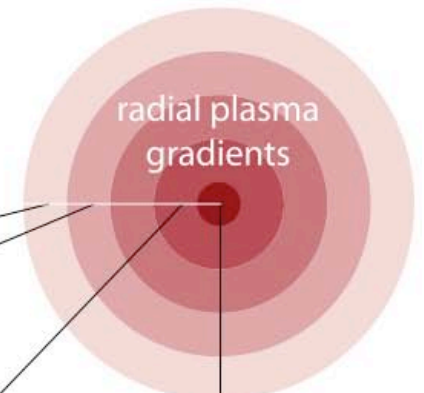
- shifted spectral line positions
- relative intensities according to composition
- Lorentzian line shape empirical spectral line width
- Gaussian instrumental broadening Γ



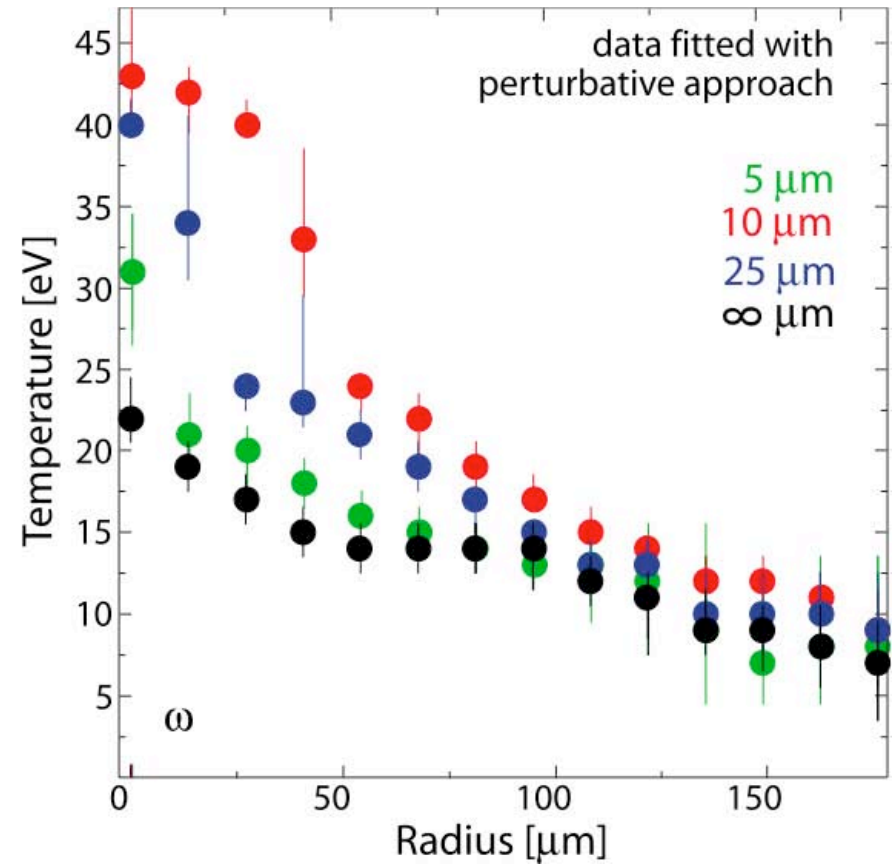
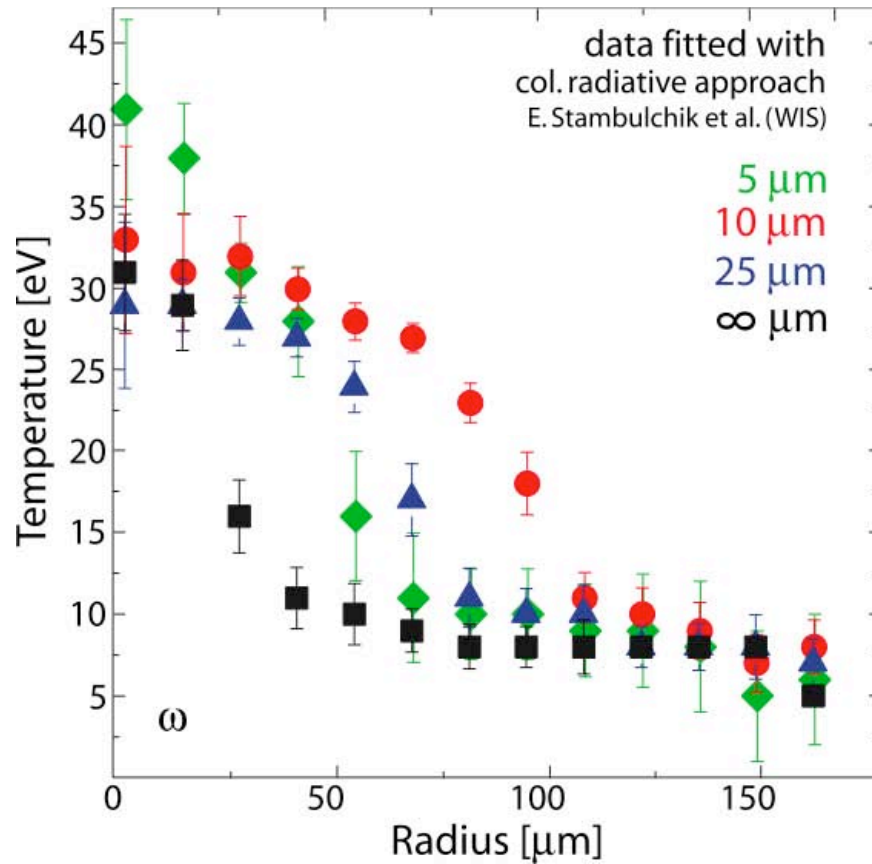


Interpretation of Deconvoluted Ti K_{α} Spectra

synthetic spectra fitted with respect to plasma temperature
radial temperature profile



Plasma Temperature Profile



U. Zastra et al., Phys. Rev. E 81, 026406 (2010)

Chlorine K-shell emission

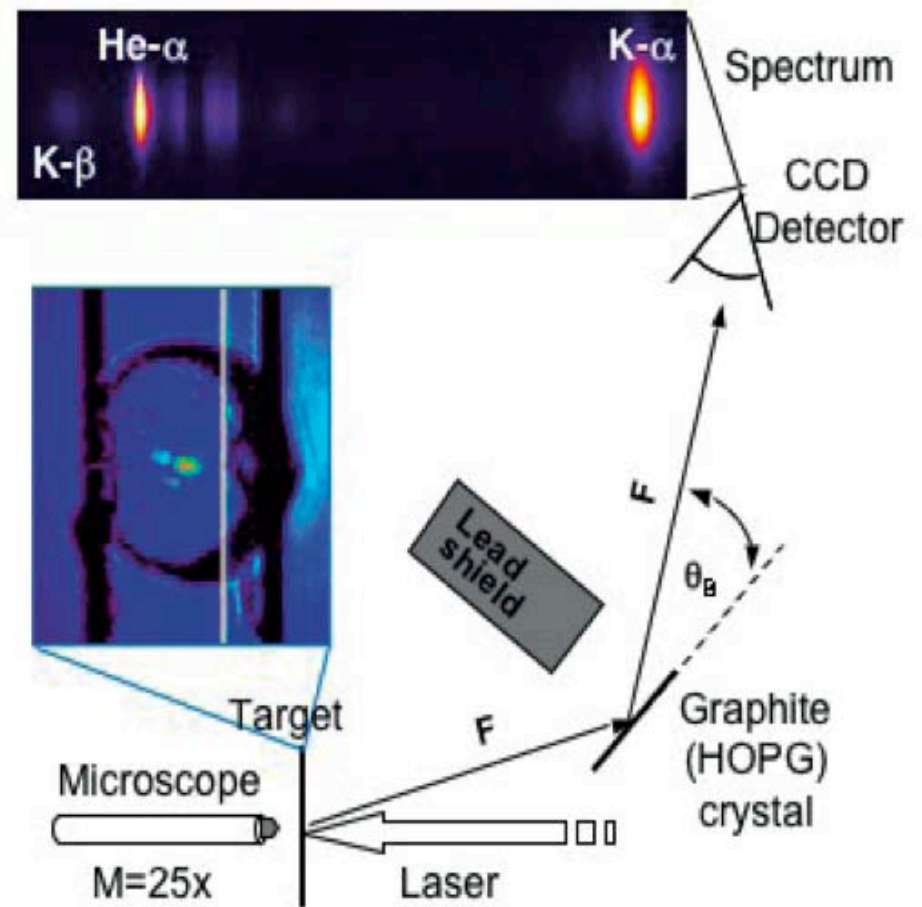
measured by Kritcher et al. (LLNL)

laser: 10 J at 800 nm in 150 fs, $d=7$ nm

spectrometer: HOPG crystals
resolution $E/\Delta E = 1500$

target: polymere foil n(C₂H₂Cl₂)

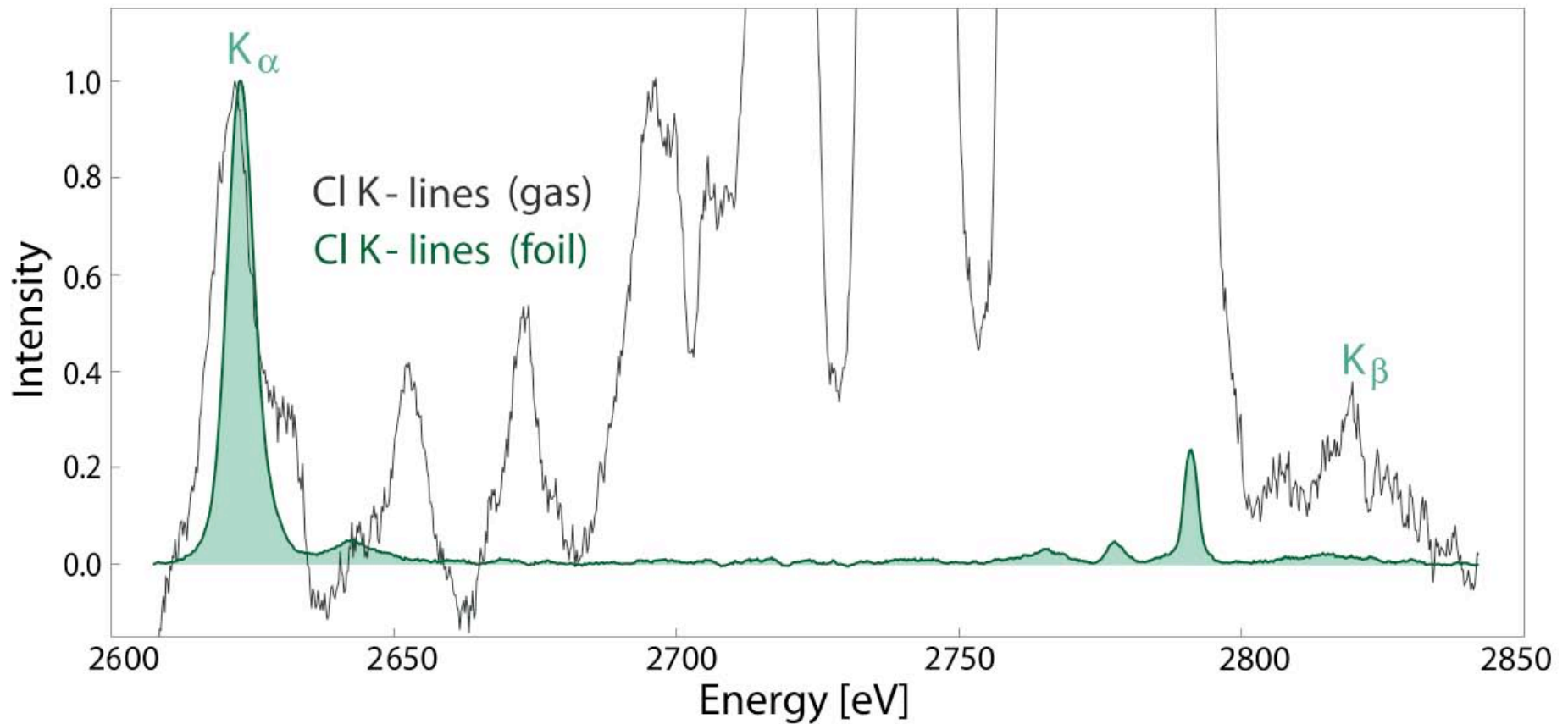
gas jet with 6 % Cl



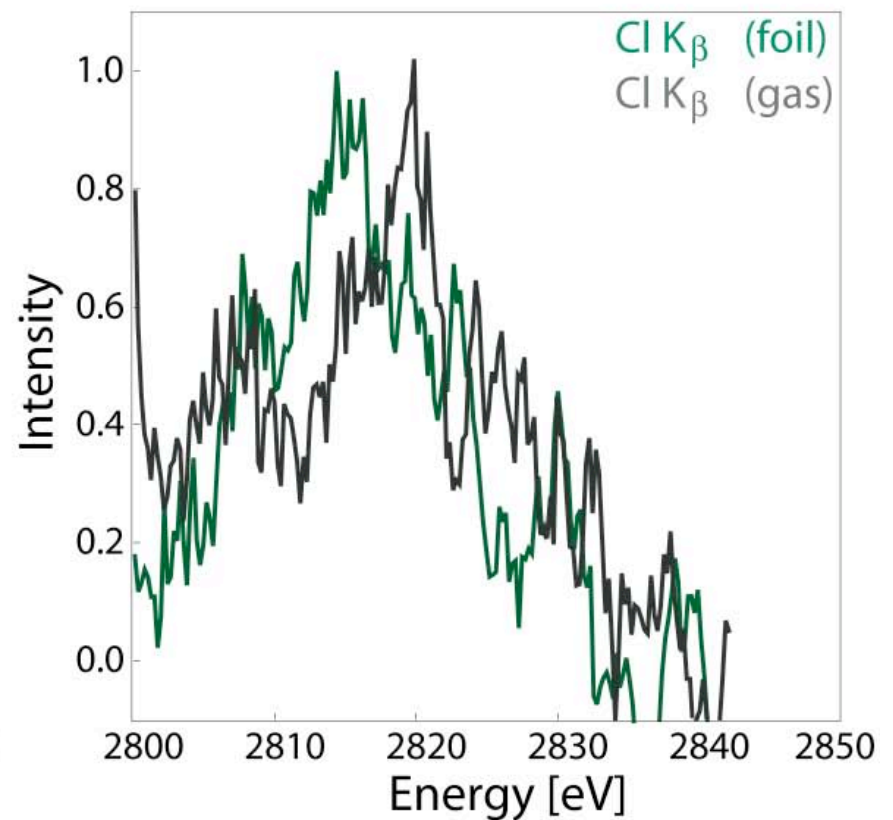
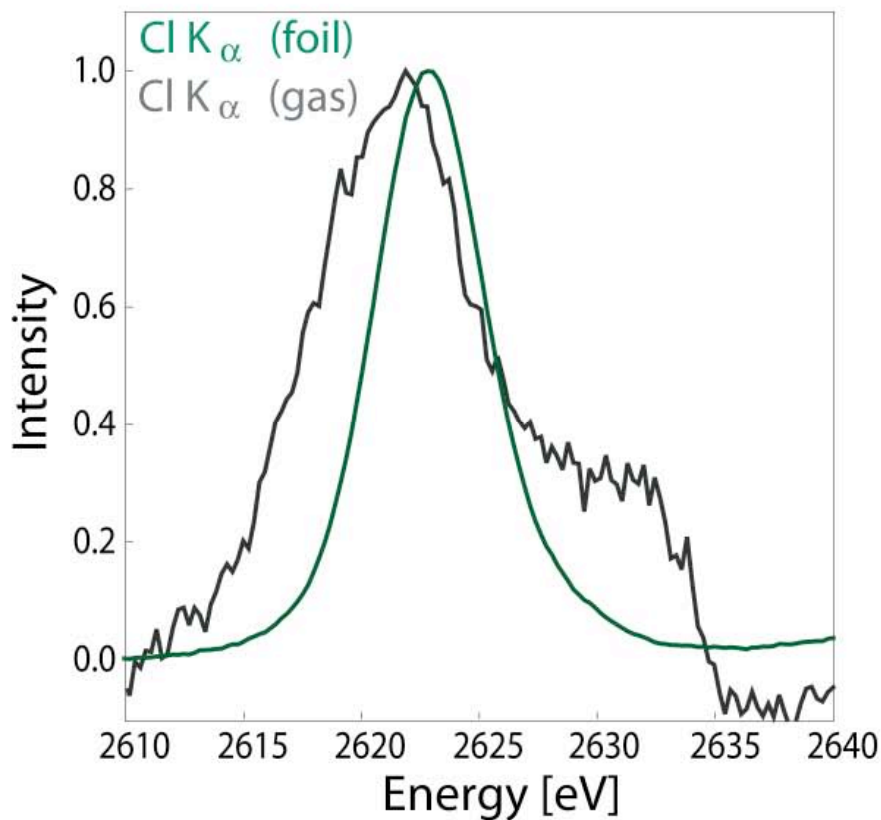
Chlorine K-shell Spectra

solid target (saran foil) $n_e=10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

gas target $n_e=10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

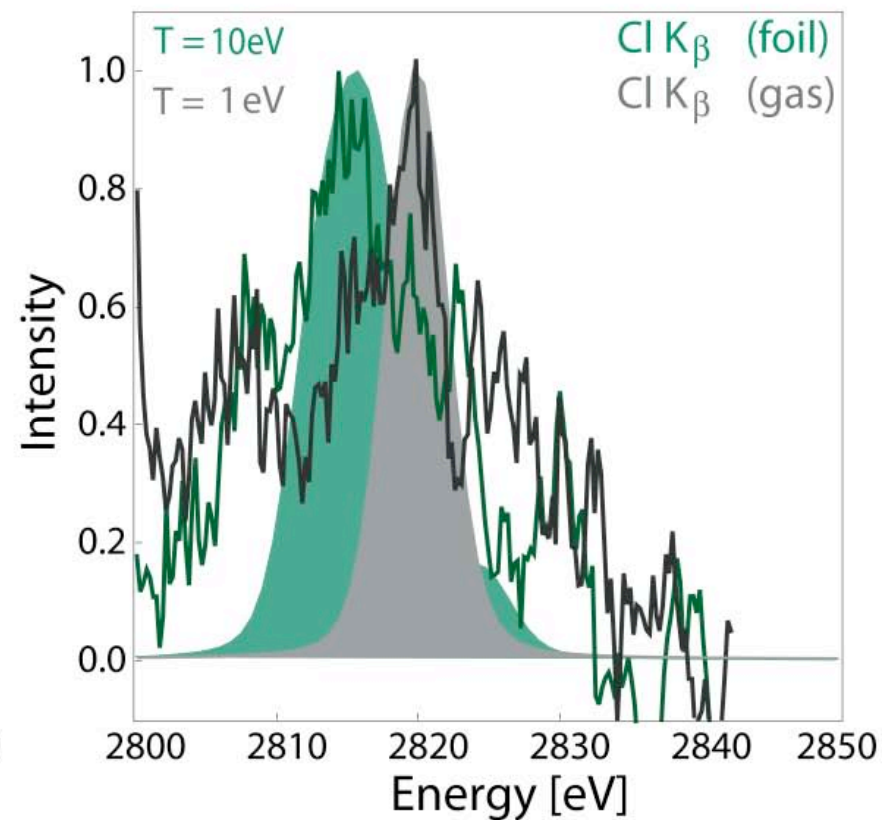
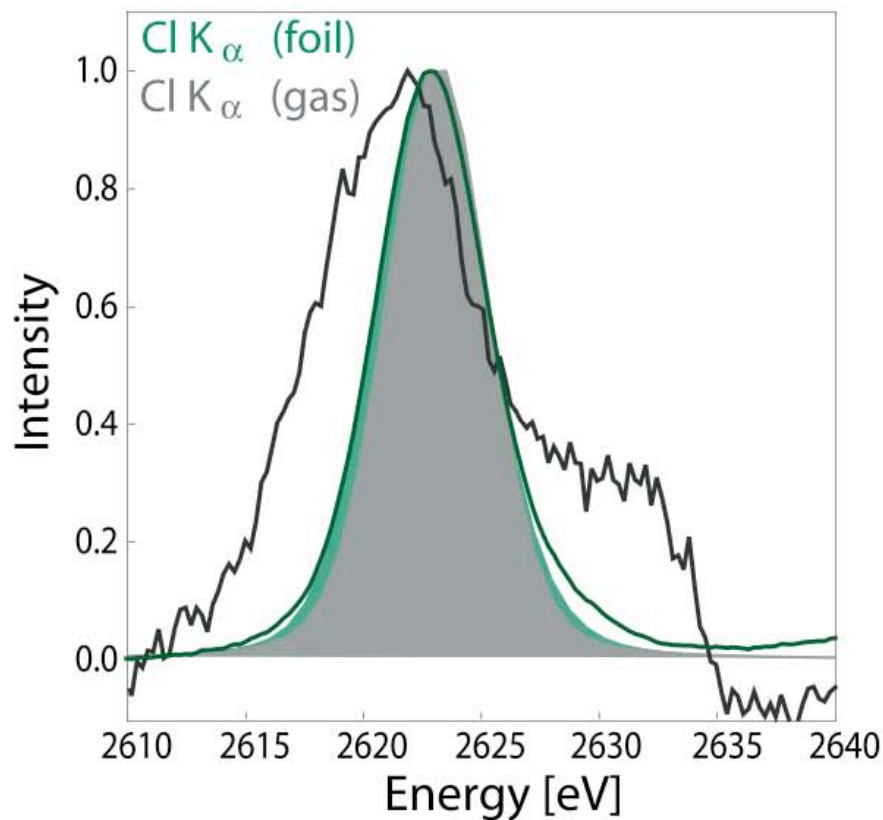


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