

# **Terahertz Plasma Oscillations in semiconductor Nanostructures: Basic Physic and Applications**

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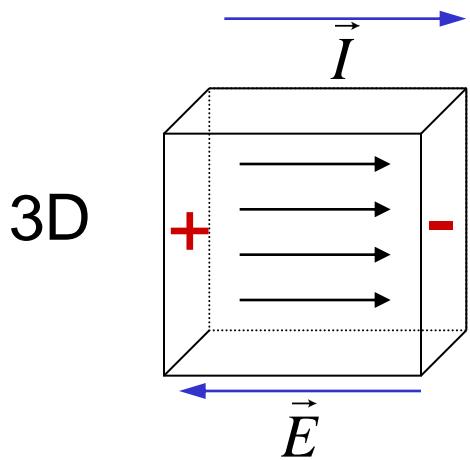
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- Plasma waves sound Waves &Transistors
- Detection & Imaging
- Current research and unresolved problems

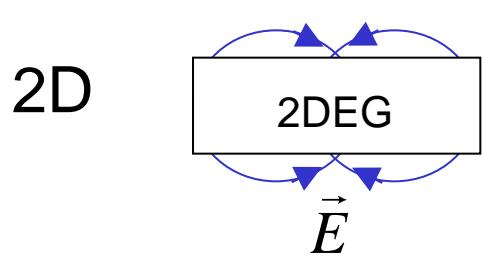
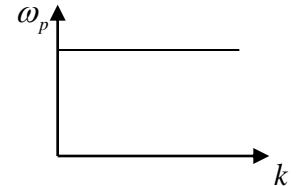
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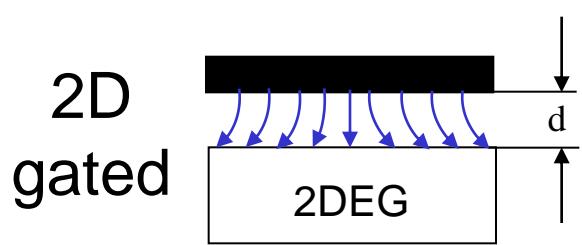
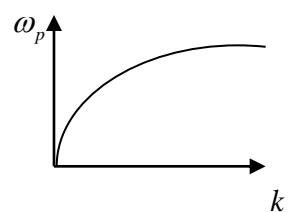
# Plasma waves and dimensionality



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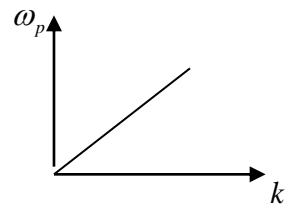


$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{e^2 n_{2D}}{2\epsilon \epsilon_0 m} k}$$

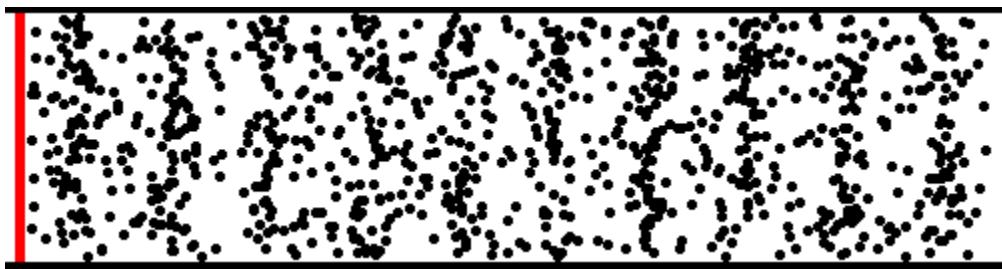


$$\omega_p = sk$$

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{e^2 n_{2D} d}{\epsilon \epsilon_0 m}}$$



## Standing Longitudinal Waves in the tube



Different modes

## **Musical wind instrument Analogy**

( Air and Plasma Waves Comparison)

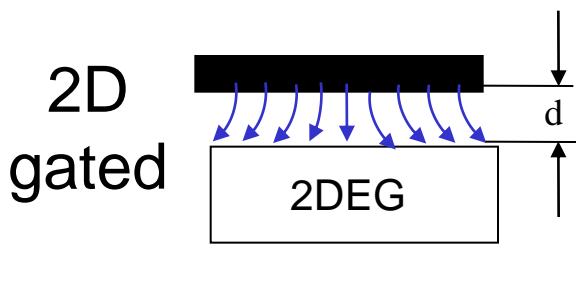
<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Sound</b>	<b>2D plasma</b>
Dimension	0.1-1 m	0.1-1 $\mu\text{m}$
Speed of waves (s)	300 m/s	$10^6$ m/s
Frequency (s/L)	0.3kHz-3kHz	1THz-10THz

BETTER THEN ACOUSTIC INSTRUMENTS .....Voltage tunable

*Appl. Phys. Lett. 67, 1137 (1995) M. Dyakonov et al.*

# Plasma waves velocity in 2DEG gated gas

## « Voltage tuneability »



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$$n_{2D} = CU$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon \epsilon_0}{d}$$

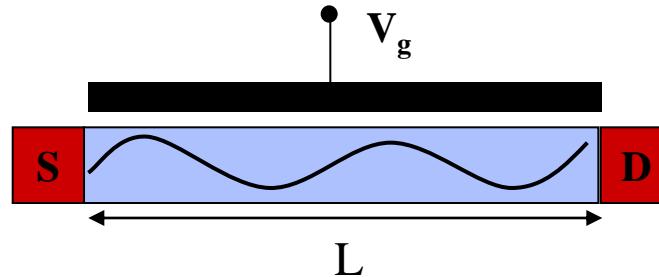
$$s = \sqrt{\frac{eU}{m}}$$

$k$

# Frequency of the plasma oscillations

« Voltage tuneability»

$$\omega = sk$$



$$s = \sqrt{\frac{eU}{m}}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad , \quad \lambda = 4L$$

$$f_p = \frac{1}{4L} \sqrt{\frac{eU}{m}}$$

$$L = 0.1 - 1 \mu m$$

$$U = 1V$$



$$f_p \approx 0.6 \text{ THz} - 4.0 \text{ THz}$$

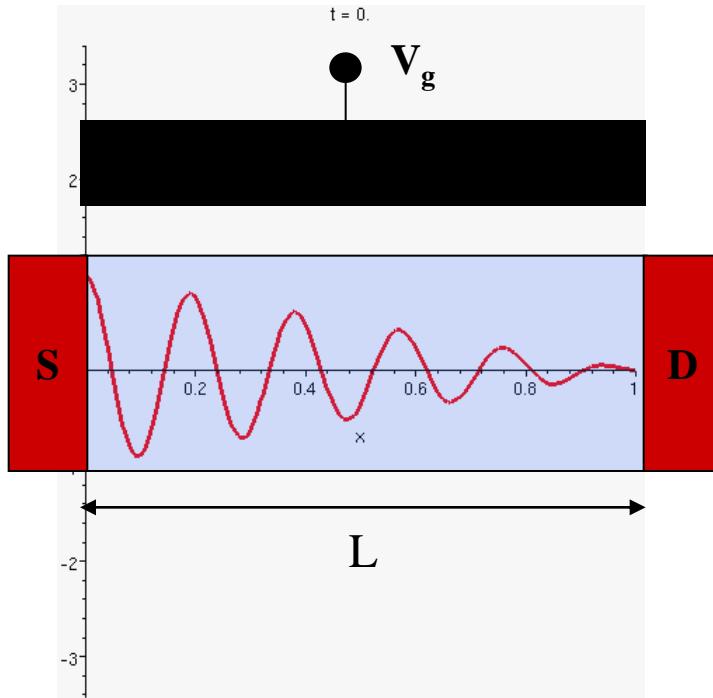
$$m = 0.06 - 0.24$$

Basic mode n=1, ..3,5,7

# Dreams of plasma waves resonances (high frequency and short transistors)

$$\omega\tau \gg 1$$

Plasma waves are weakly damped



Short gate:  $L \ll s\tau$

# Experimental observations of plasma waves in 2DEG

S. J. Allen, D. C. Tsui, and R. A. Logan, PRL, **38**, 980 (1977)

D. C. Tsui, E. Gornik, and R. A. Logan, Sol. St. Comm, **35**, 875 (1980)

P. J. Burke et al. APL, **76**, 745 (2000)

## GaAs/AlGaAs, gated 2DEG

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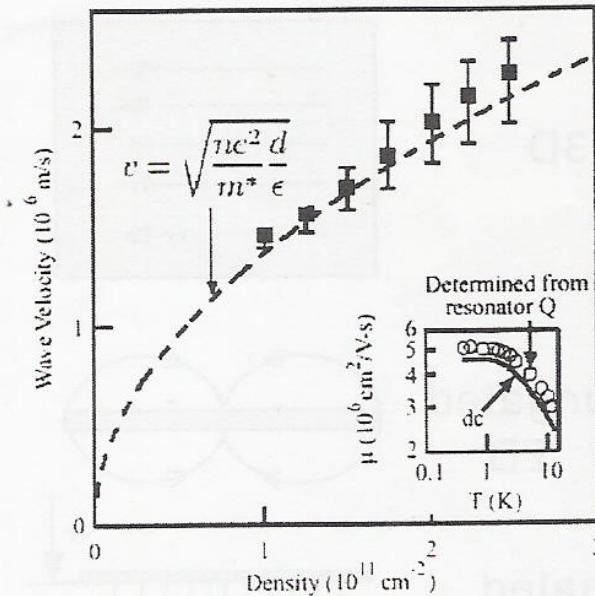
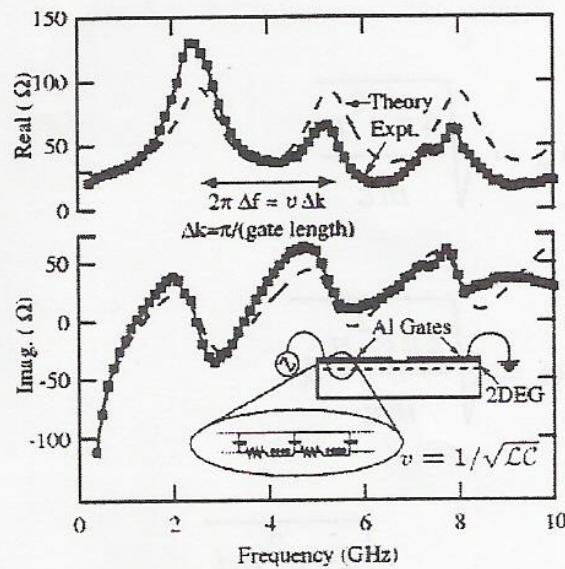


Fig. 2. Impedance of gated sample with 2D electron gas versus frequency. For this sample,  $\omega_p \tau = 1$  at 1.25 GHz (where  $\tau$  is the momentum relaxation time).<sup>7</sup>

Fig. 3. Plasma wave velocity versus electron density.<sup>7</sup>

$$L=360\mu\text{m} \quad \mu \approx 330 \text{ } m^2/Vs \quad T \sim 1K$$

# Can Plasma Waves Exist in main Semiconductor FETs???

reaching  $\omega\tau \geq 1$  at 300K for 1THz ???

$$\mu_{Si} \sim 500 \text{ } cm^2/Vs \quad \omega\tau_{Si} \sim 0.4$$

$$\mu_{GaN} \sim 1500 \text{ } cm^2/Vs \quad \omega\tau_{GaN} \sim 1.2$$

$$\mu_{GaAs} \sim 6000 \text{ } cm^2/Vs \quad \omega\tau_{GaAs} \sim 1.2$$

reaching frequency 1THz ??  $f \sim \sqrt{n_s/m^*}/L$  -

For GaAs ( 1 THz)  $n = 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  &  $L = 600 \text{ nm}$ .

For GaN (1 THz)  $n = 2 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  &  $L = 1000 \text{ nm}$

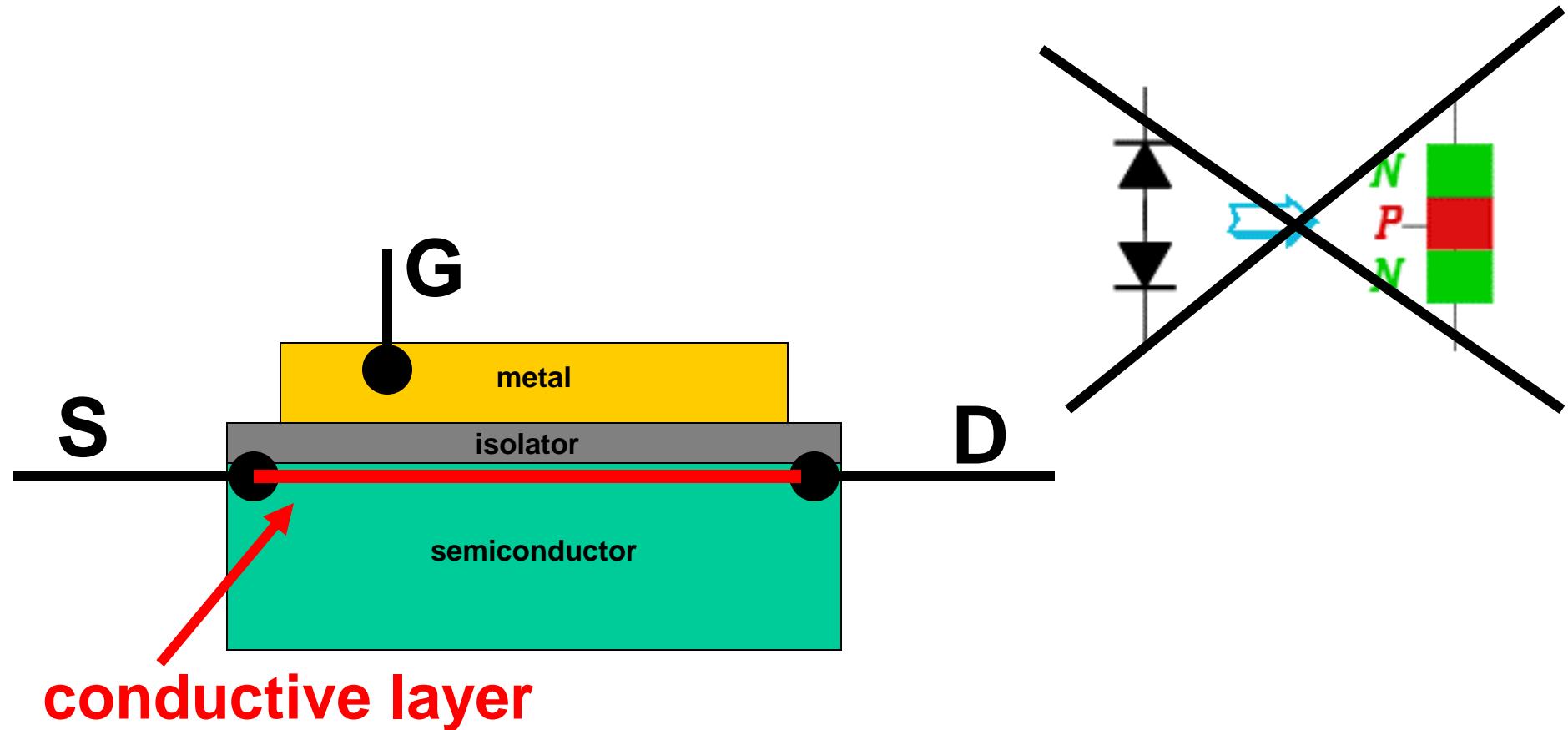
For Si (1 THz)  $n = 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  &  $L = 300 \text{ nm}$

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!NANOTECHNOLOGY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

# Conclusions on plasma

- Plasma oscillations in gated 2DEG have acoustic like behaviour
- They were observed in big devices in cryogenic temperatures
- Plasma resonances can reach THz range for sub-micron devices

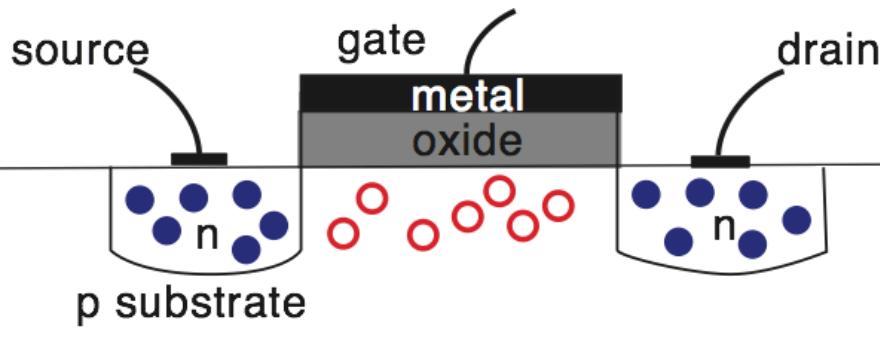
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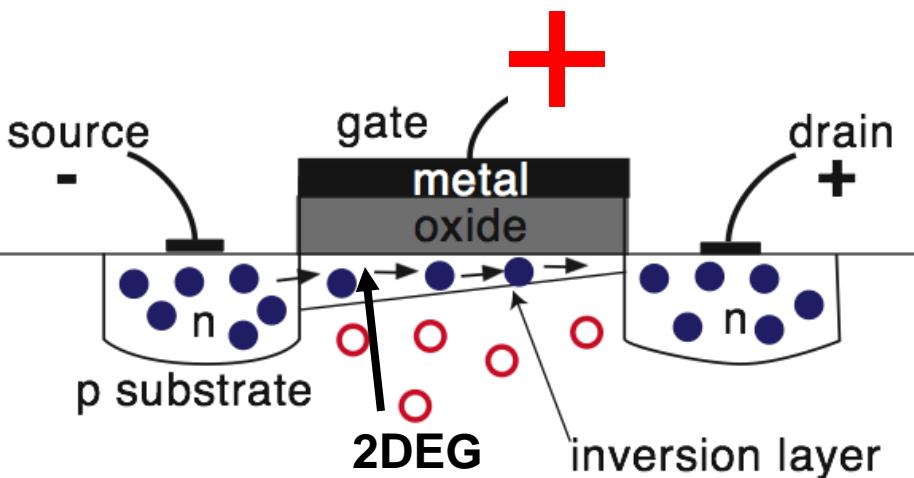
Carrier density regulated by the electric field of the gate

# Field Effect Transistors

## MOSFET

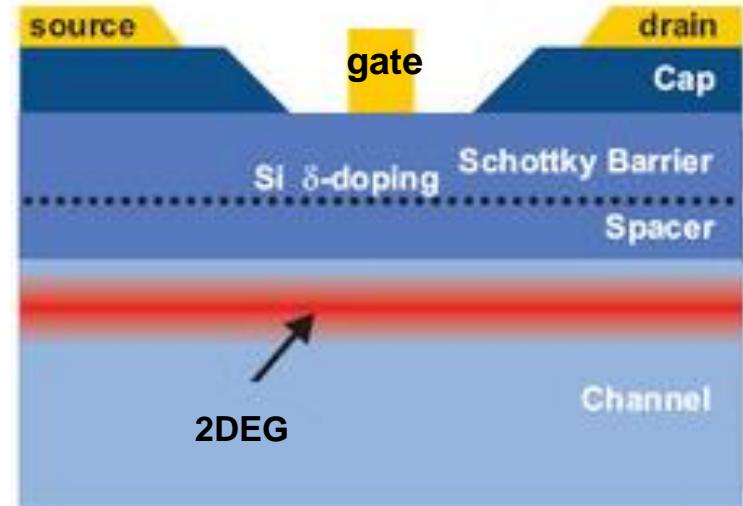


$$V_g = 0 \rightarrow n=0$$

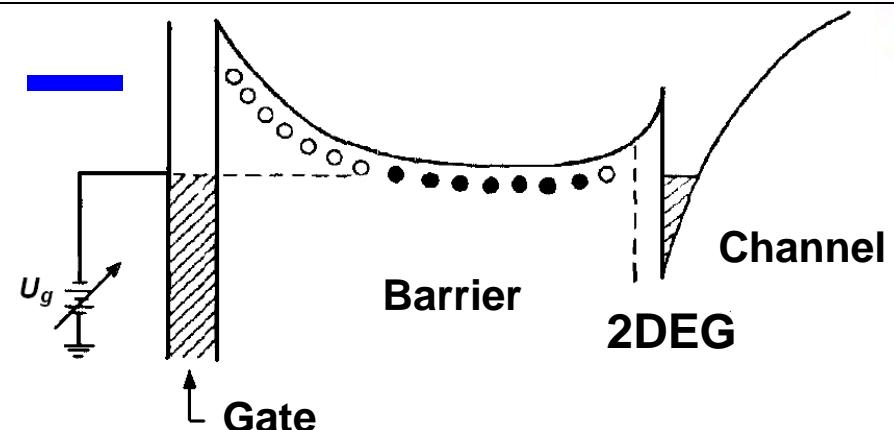


2DEG CREATION

## HEMT

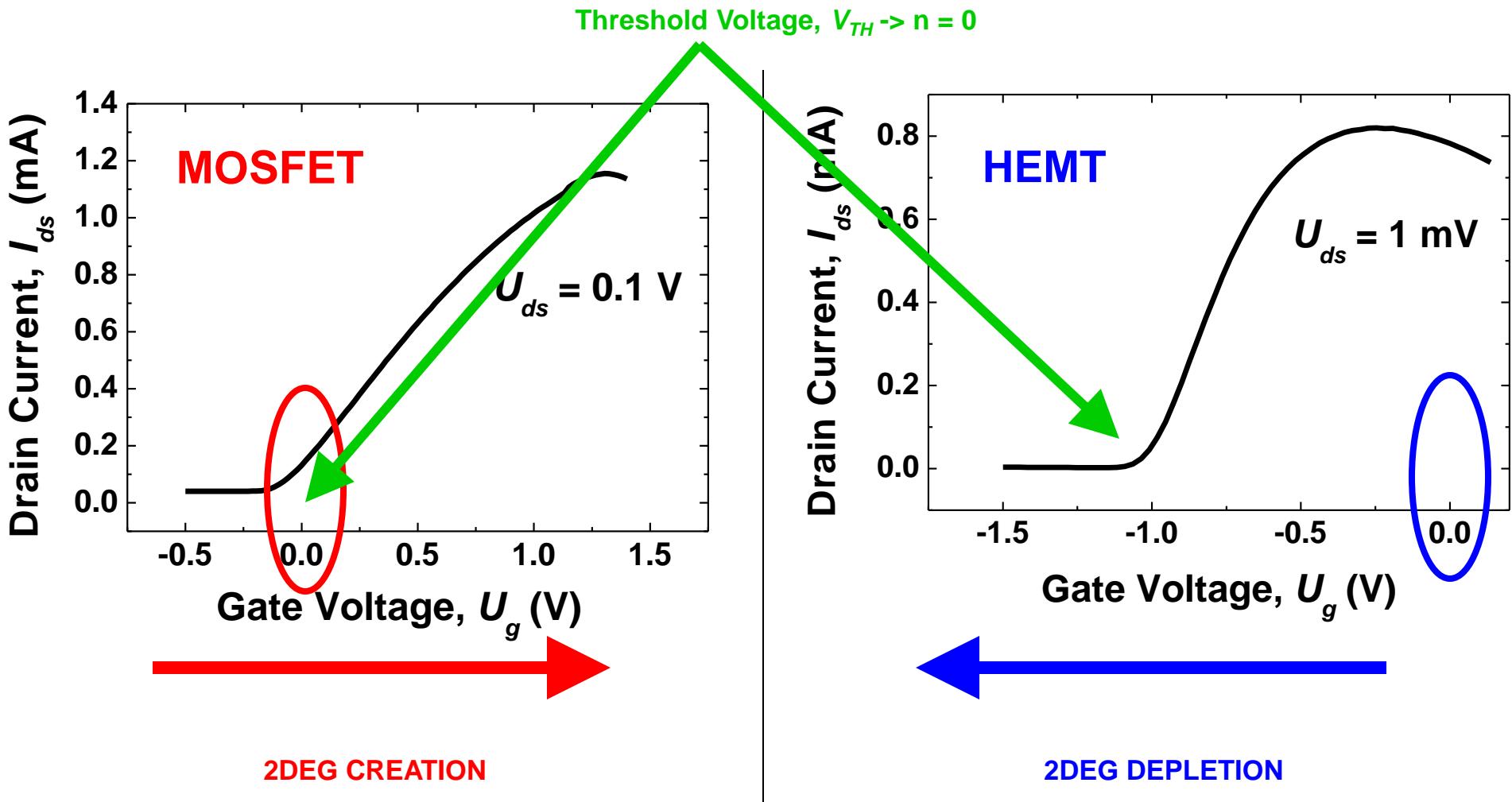


$$V_g = 0 \rightarrow n \neq 0$$



2DEG DEPLETION

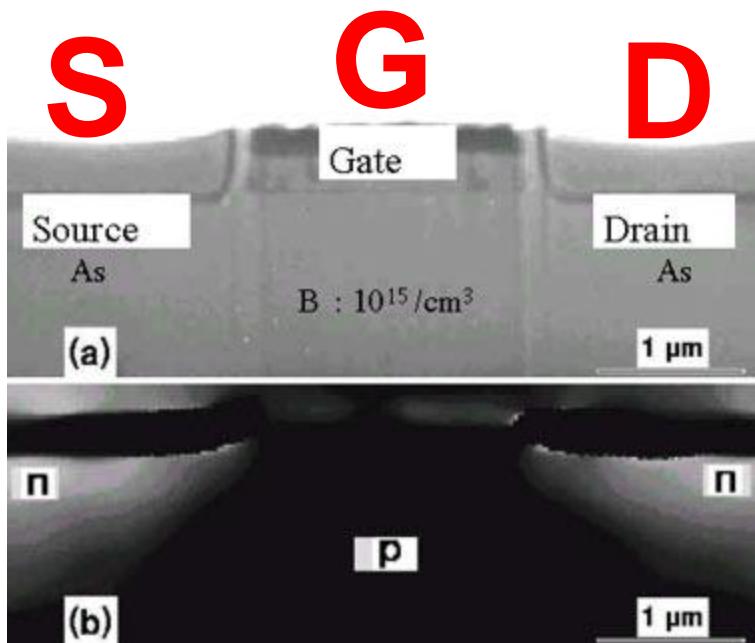
## Transfer Characteristics



$$ne = C(V_g - V_{TH})$$

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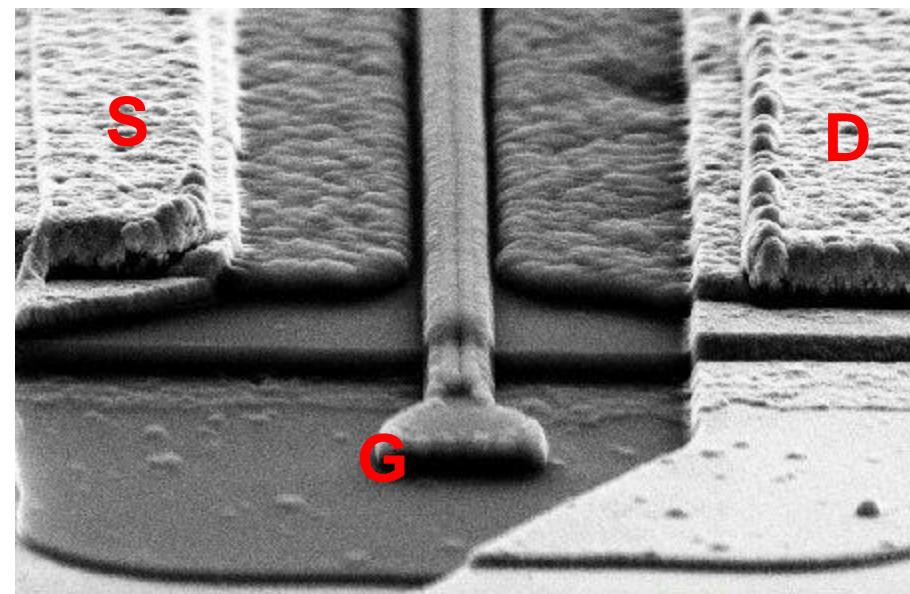
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Cross section of a MOSFET  
(a) Transmission electron micrograph  
(b) Phase image obtained by  
electron holography

APL 80, 246, (2002)

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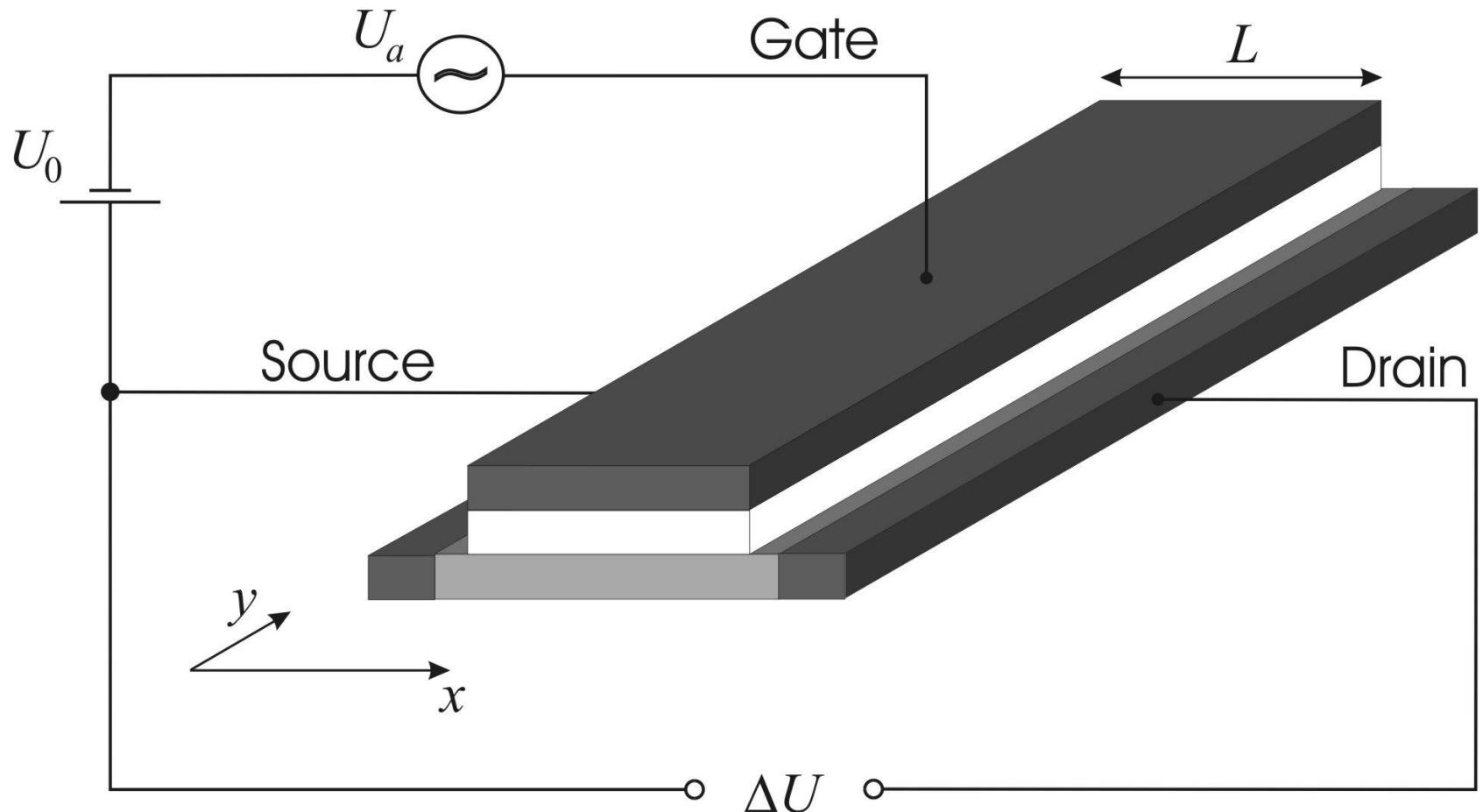


100 nm gate AlGaN/GaN on silicon  
HEMT with a 1 μm source-drain  
separation

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# Plasma waves excitation by THz radiation

THz radiation couples to the transistor by antennas – it can be represented as AC source between two electrodes

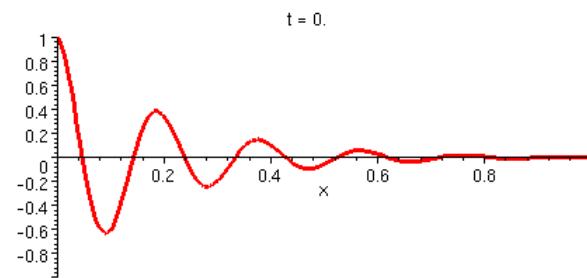
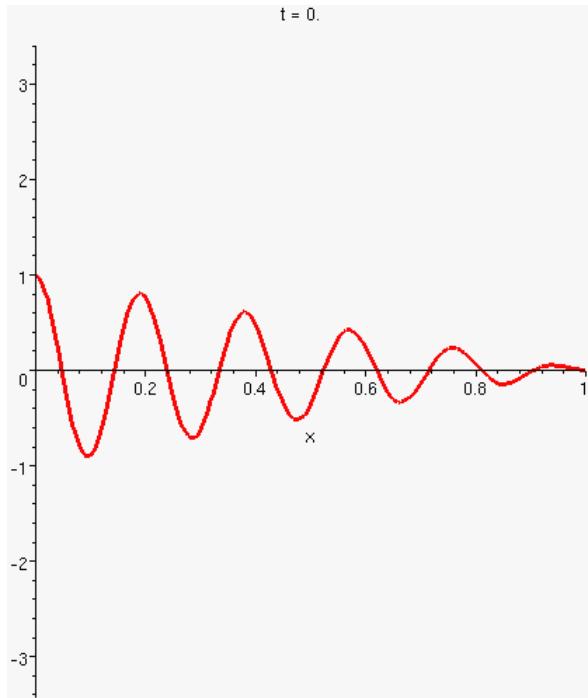


# Regimes of plasma waves (high frequency)

$$\omega\tau \gg 1$$

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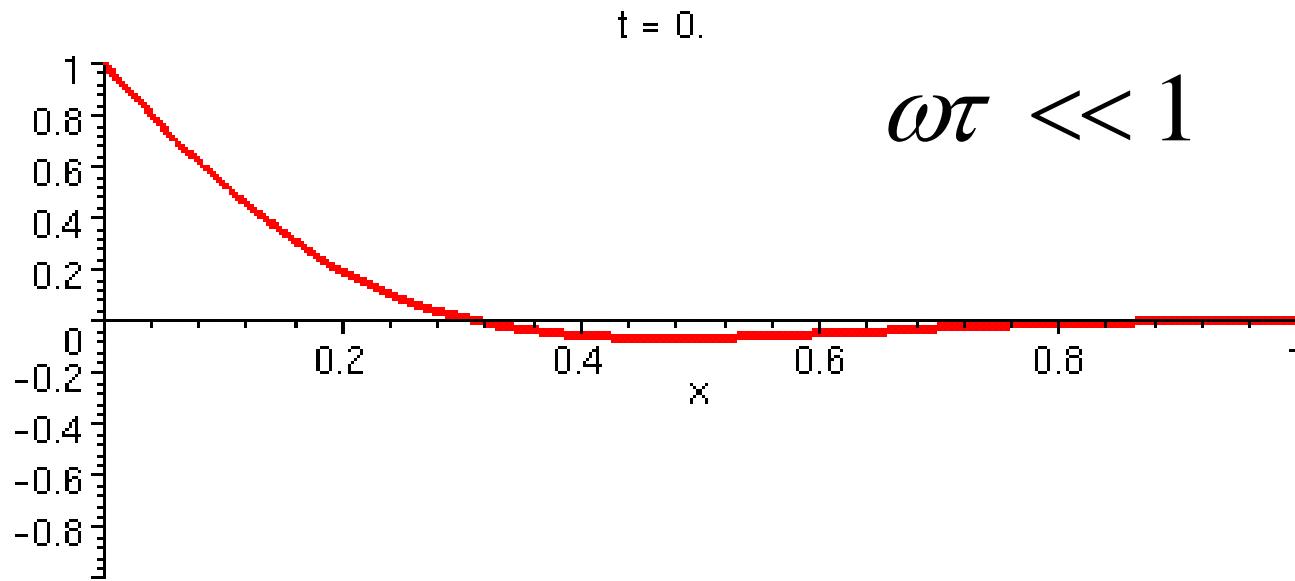
Characteristic damping length:  $l = s\tau$



Short gate:  $L \ll s\tau$

Long gate:  $L \gg s\tau$

# Overdamped oscillations (low frequency/mobility ,300K )



“ $x$ ” distance normalized by “ damping length”

$$l_{eff} = s\sqrt{\tau / \omega} = \sqrt{\mu U_g / \omega}$$

## Transistor basic ideas

- Two main families of transistors –of FETs
- Basic FET Characteristics – transfer
- Plasma excitations can have a form of travelling waves or overdamped/dacaying oscillations (300K)

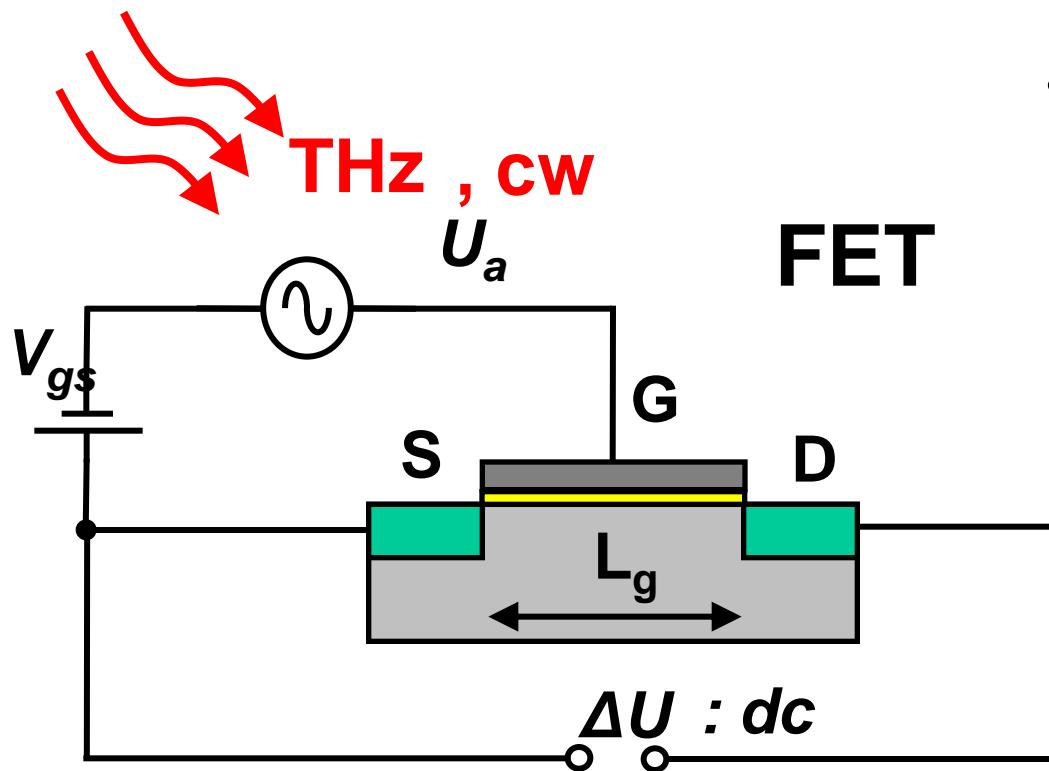
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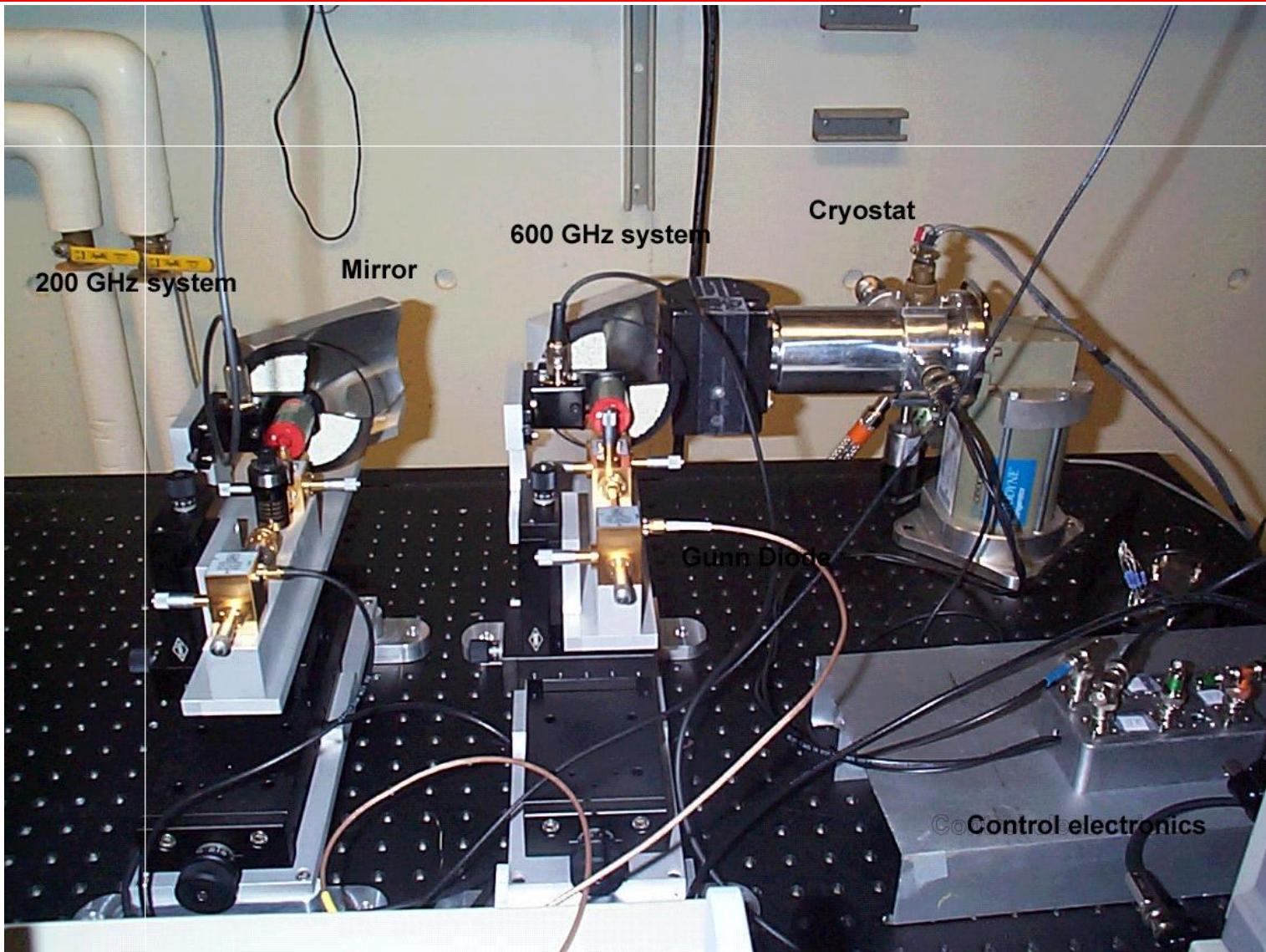


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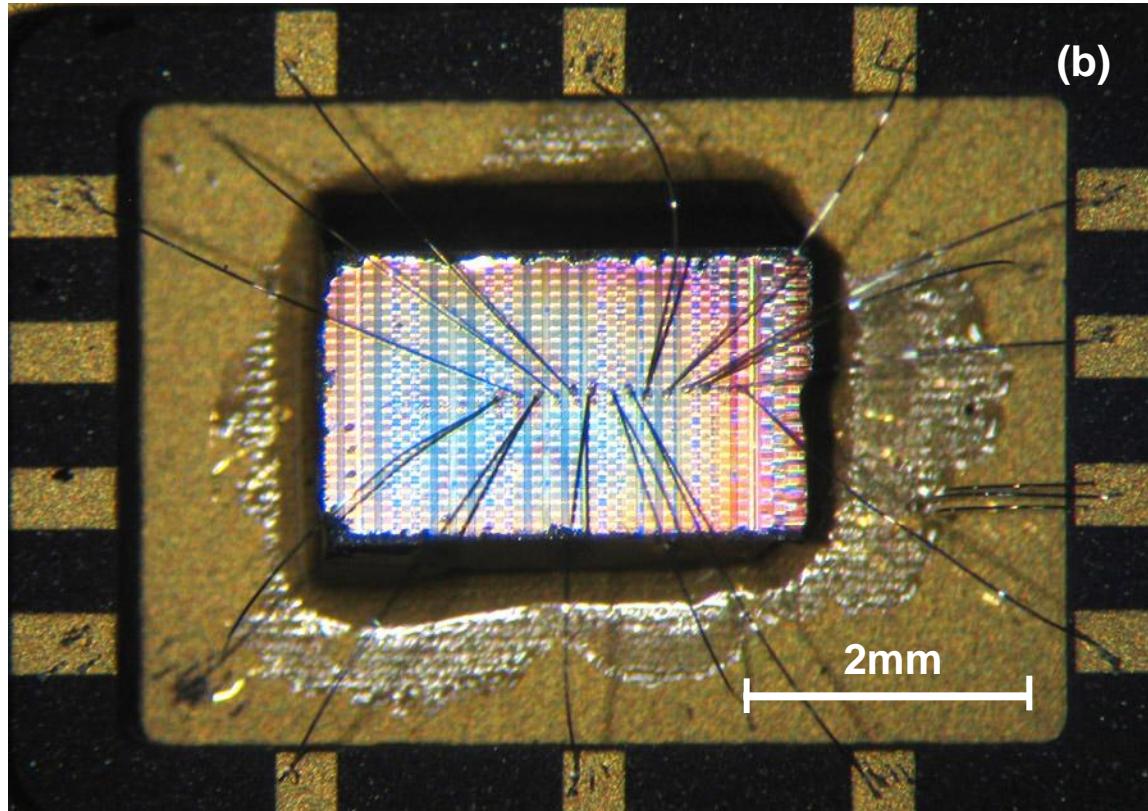
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## *Experimental Setup*

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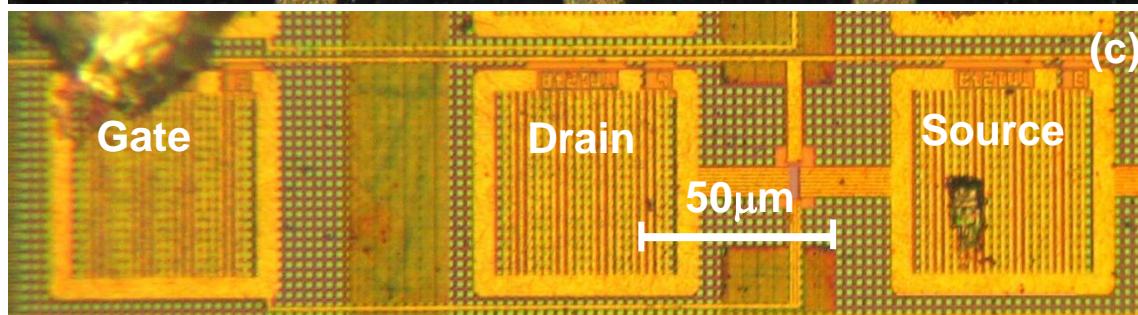


## Devices



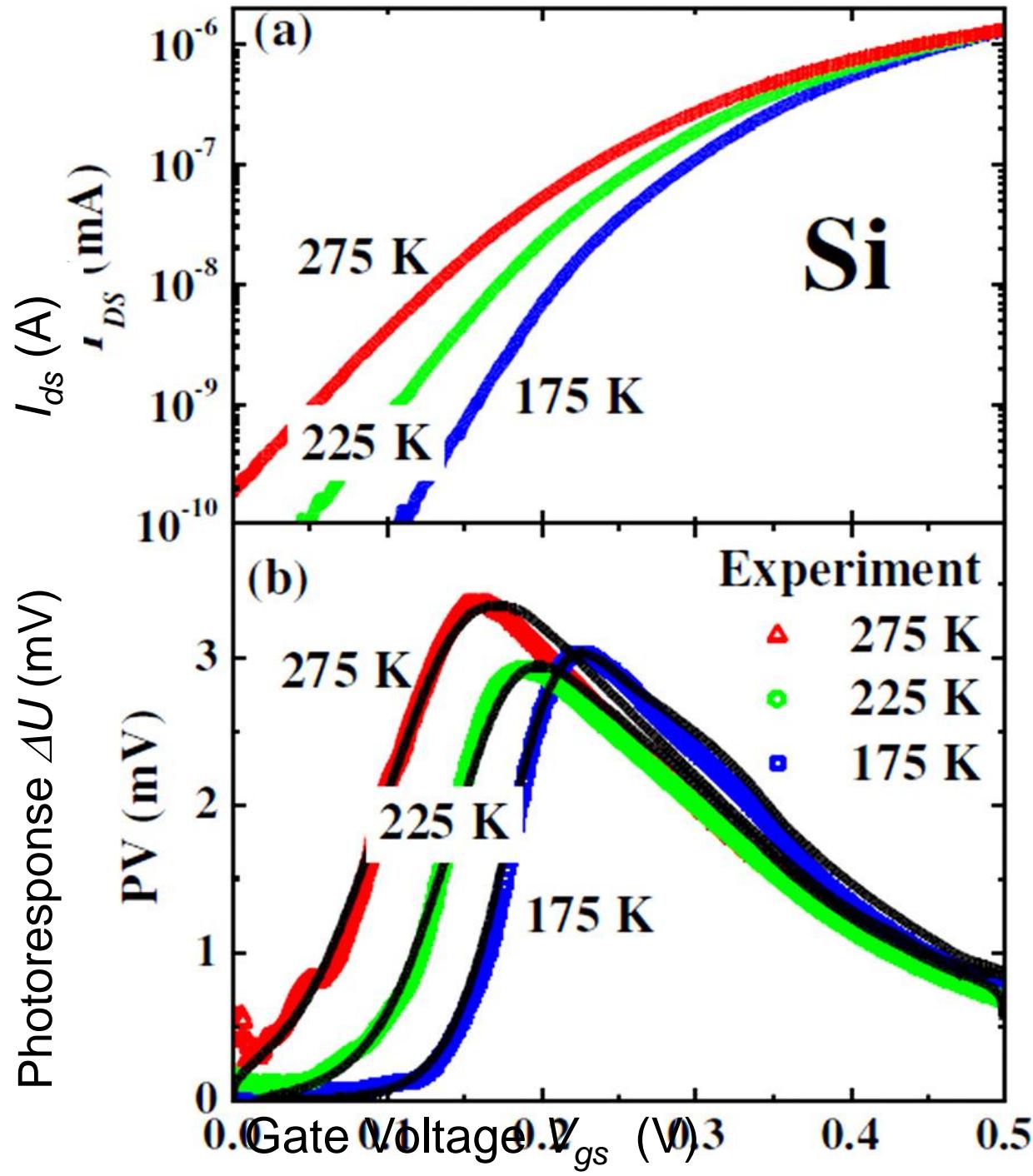
$$0.7\text{THz} \rightarrow \lambda/2 = 214\mu\text{m}$$

**Diffraction limited spot:**  
**214X214μm**



R. Tauk, F. Teppe, S. Boubanga, D. Coquillat, W. Knap, Y.M. Meziani

C. Gallon, F. Boeuf, T. Skotnicki, C. Fenouillet-Beranger, D. Maude, S. Romyantsev, M.S. Shur Plasma wave detection of terahertz radiation by silicon field effects transistors: responsivity and noise equivalent power, accepted to APL



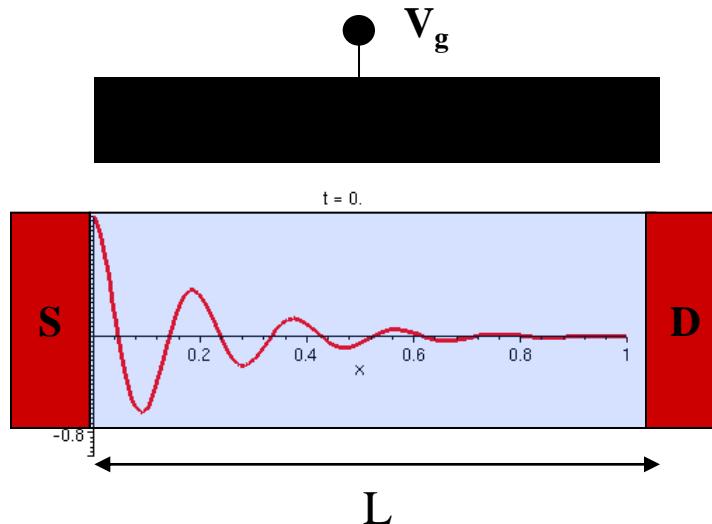
Sakowicz et  
JAP, 2011

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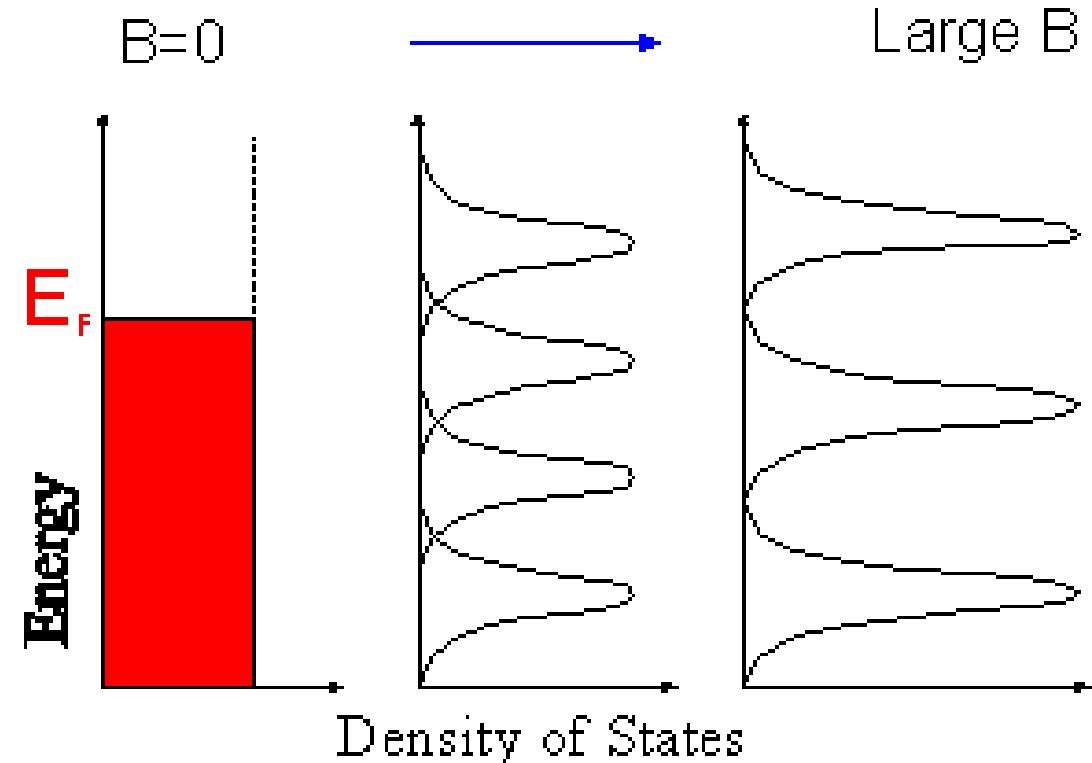
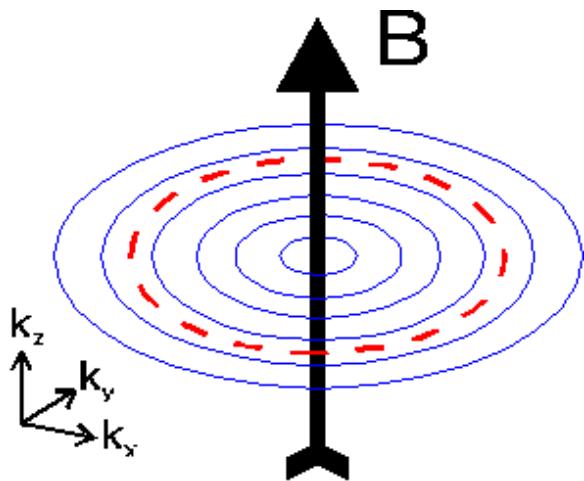
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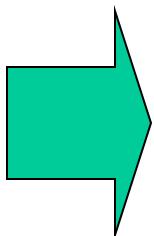
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## 2DEG in Magnetic Field



CYCLOTRON ORBIT

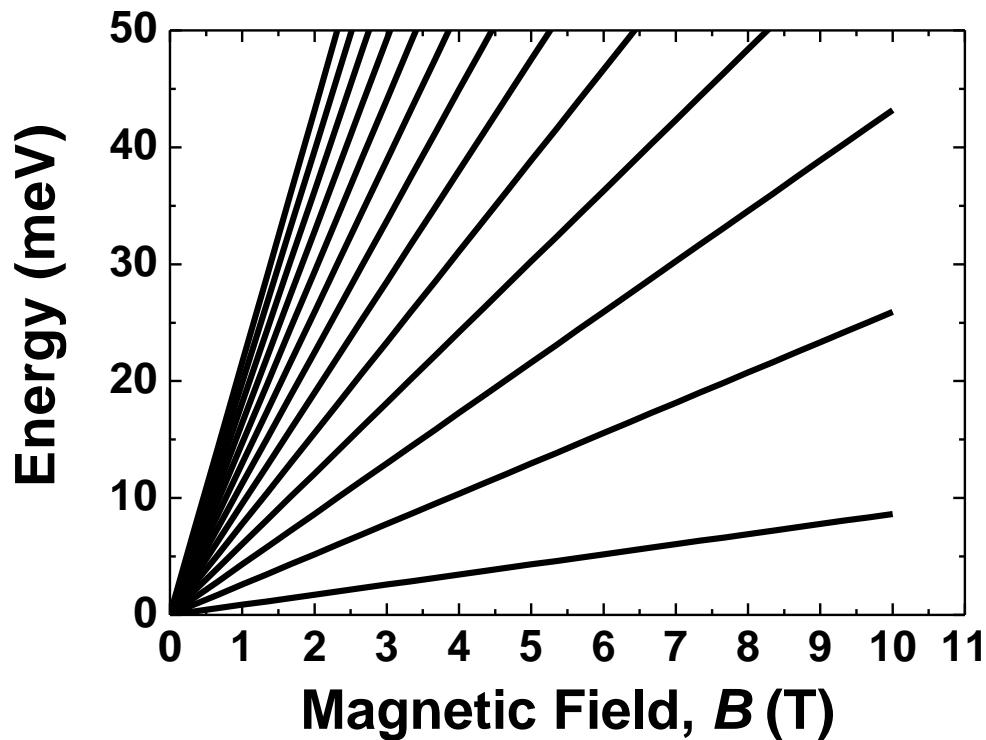
$$\omega_c = \frac{eB}{m^*}$$



ENERGY QUANTIZATION

$$E = E_0 + (n + 1/2)\hbar\omega_c$$

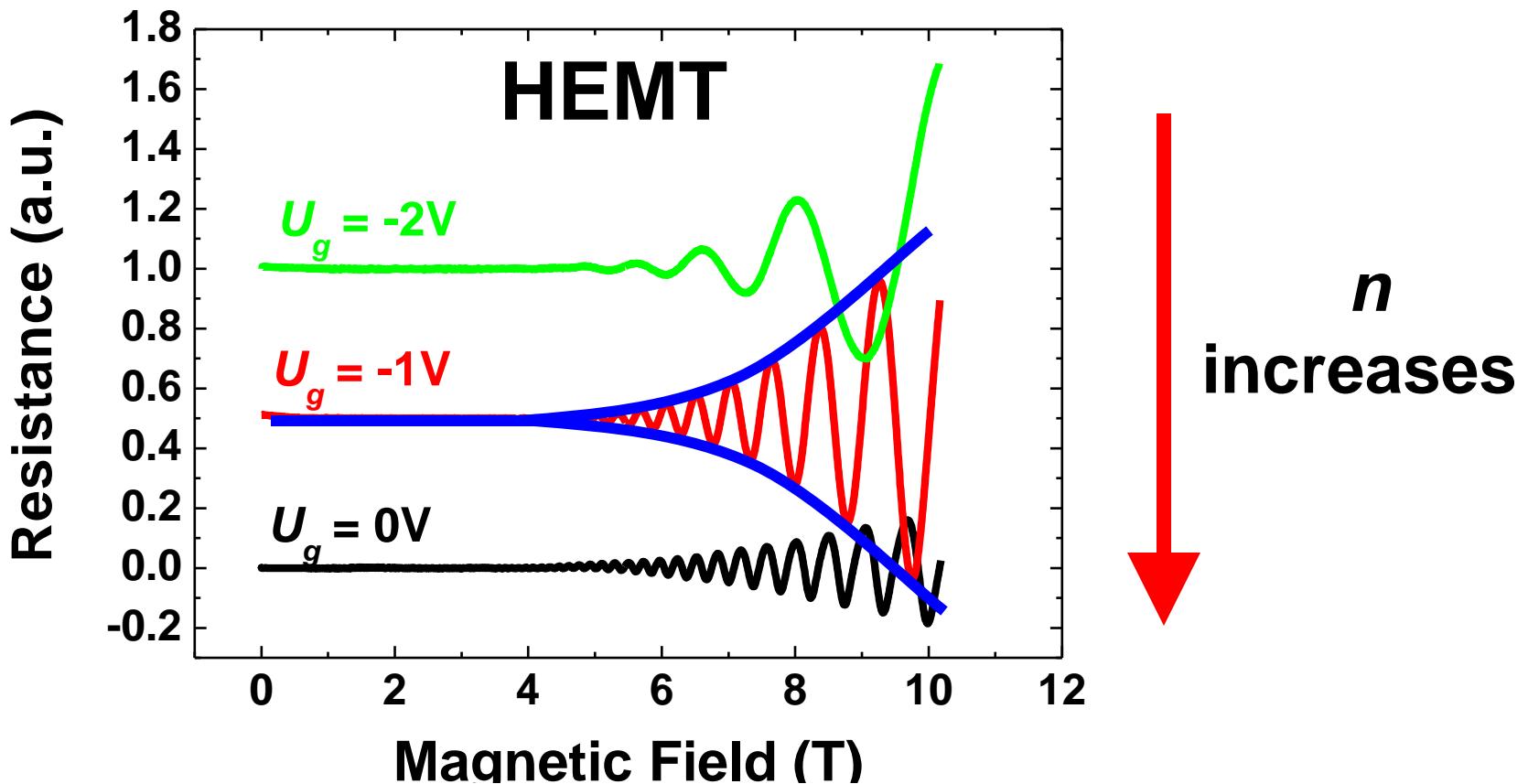
## Cyclotron Resonance



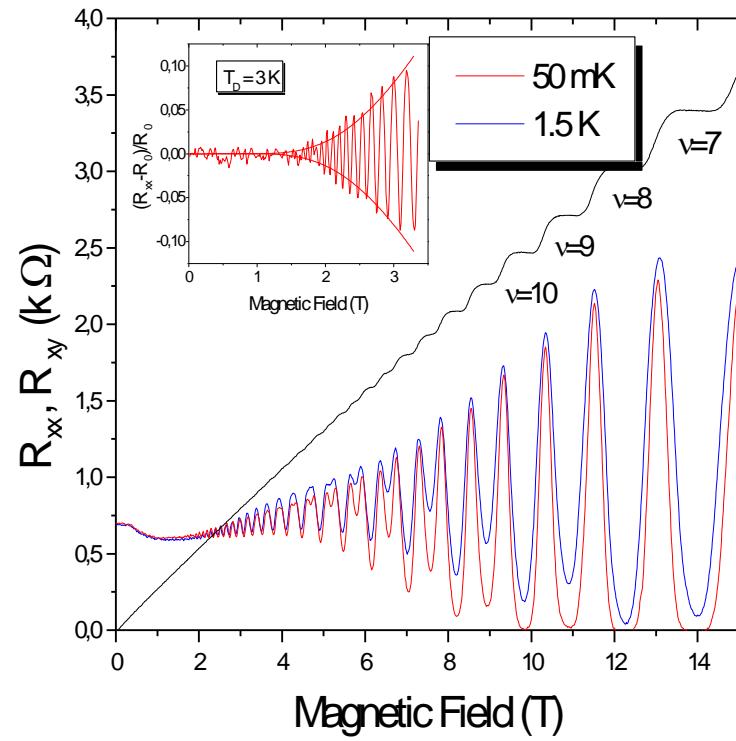
$$\hbar\omega_c \quad \omega_c = \frac{eB}{m^*}$$

## Schubnikov – de Haas Oscillations

$$\rho = \rho_0 \frac{A}{shA} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi e}{m^* \tau_q} \frac{1}{B}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi n h}{e} \frac{1}{B} + \phi\right)$$



## Quantum Hall Effect and SdH Studies



-Fig. 2-

Frassinet et al. Appl. Phys. Lett. 77, 2551 (2000)

# Plasma waves and Cyclotron resonance

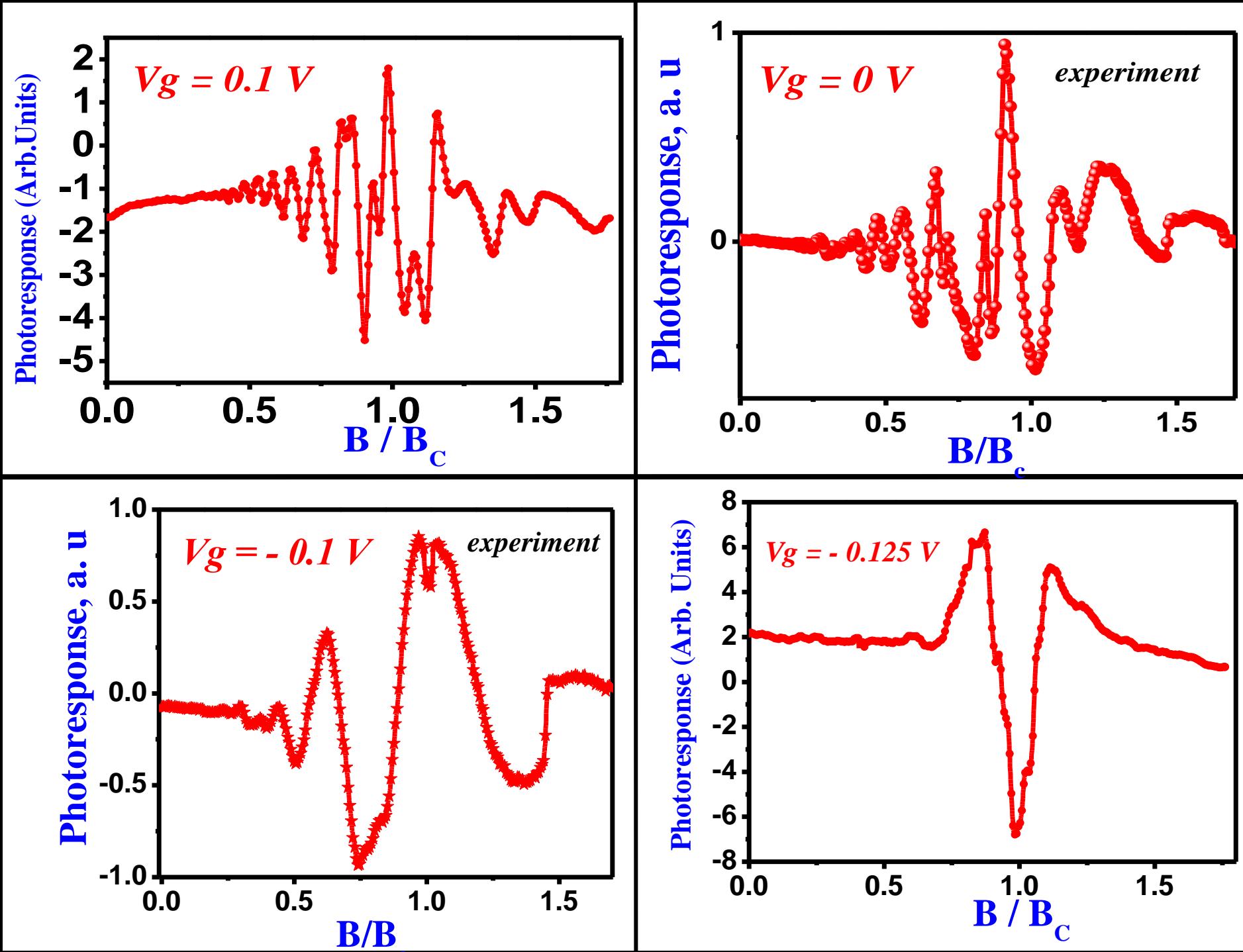
$$\omega = sk$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\omega_c^2 + (sk)^2}$$

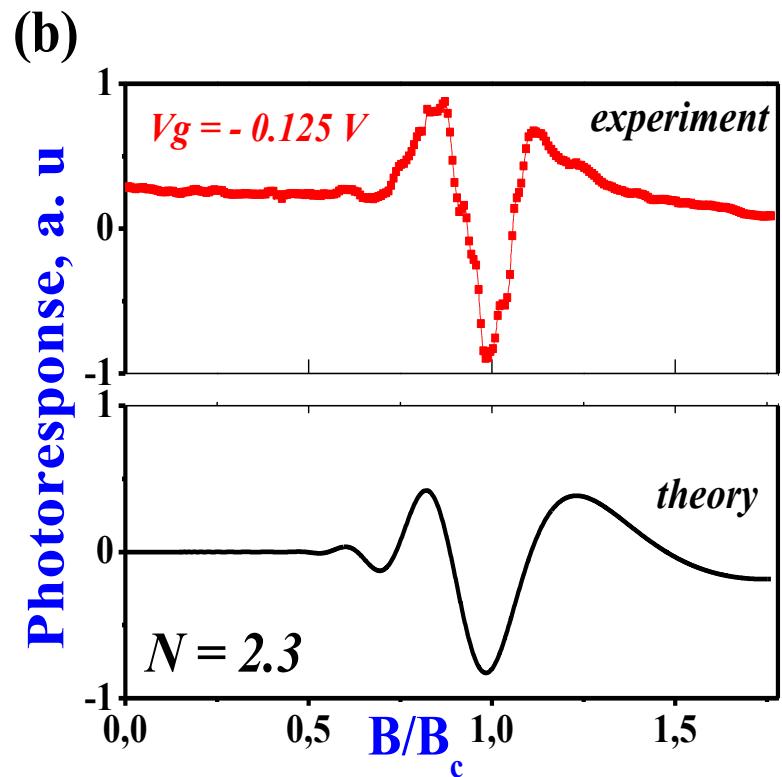
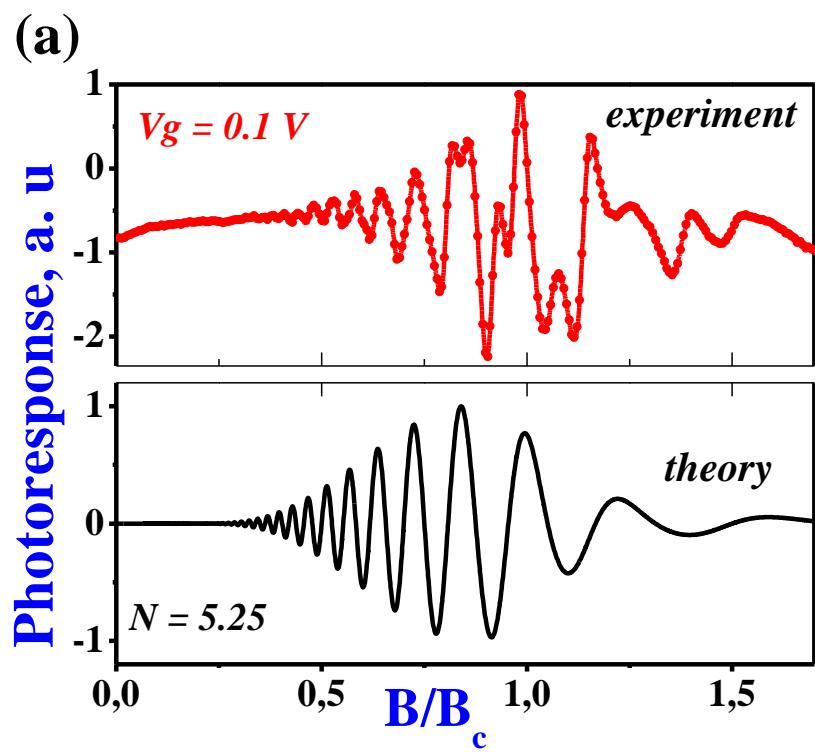
$$k = \frac{\omega}{s} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_c^2}{\omega^2}}$$

When  $\omega_c > \omega$   $k$  is imaginary and plasma waves can not propagate

**THz rectification by In GaAs FET in magnetic fields**



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*Exp S. Boubanga-Tombet et al.  
APL 2009*

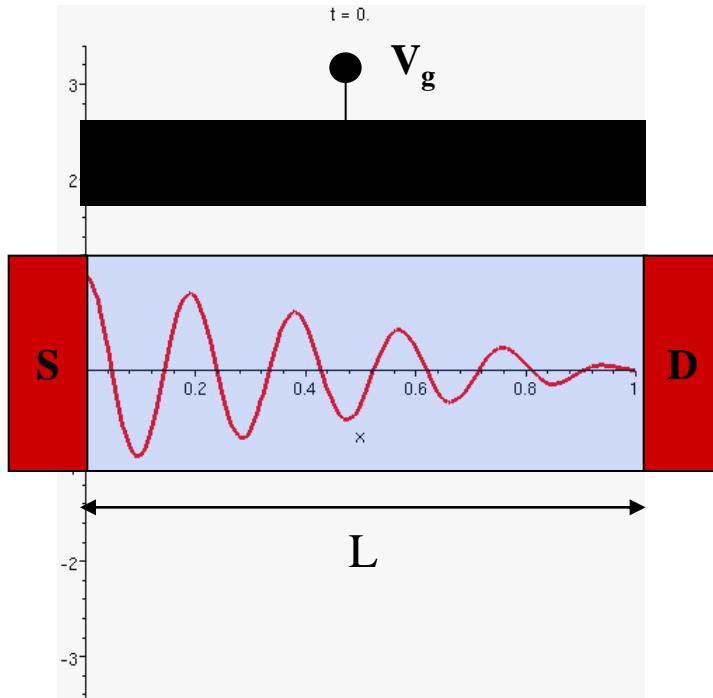
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PRB –Rapid Com 2009*

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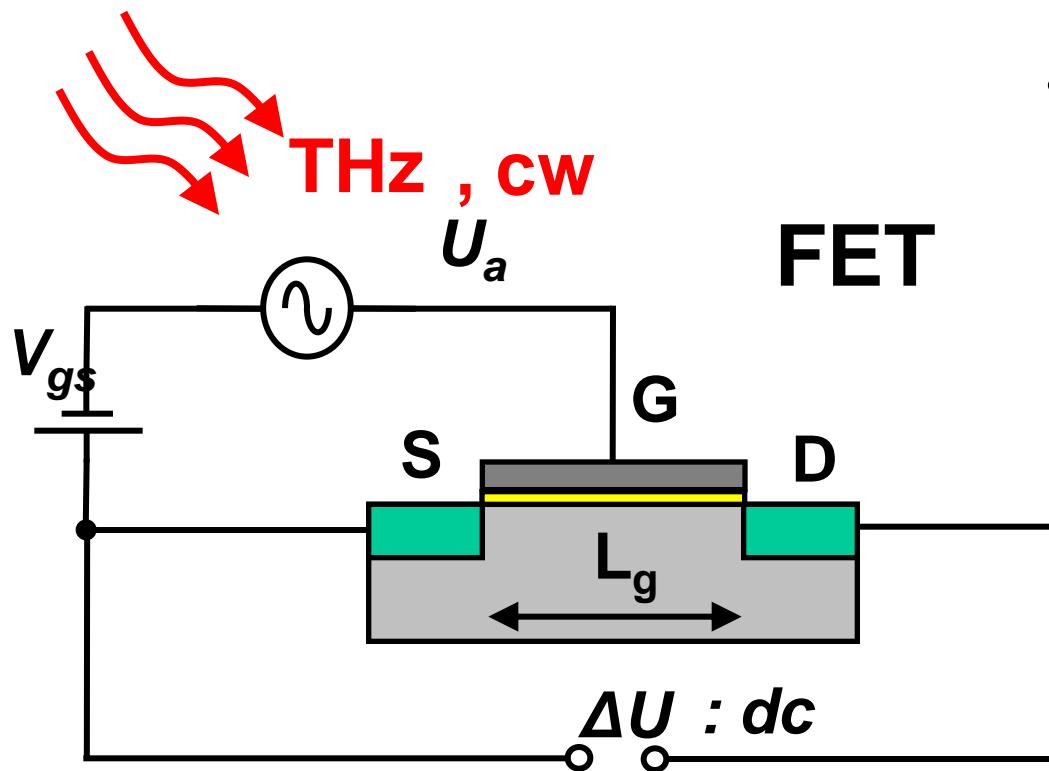
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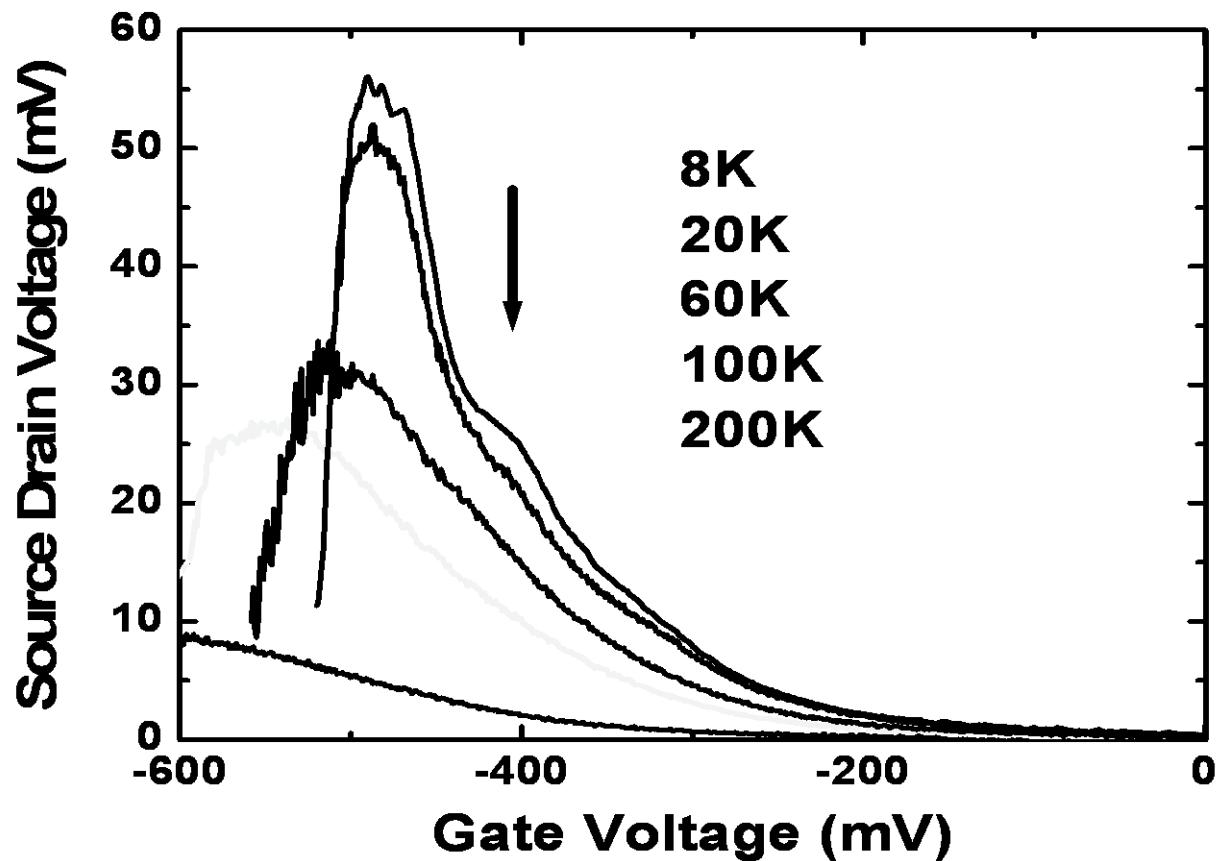
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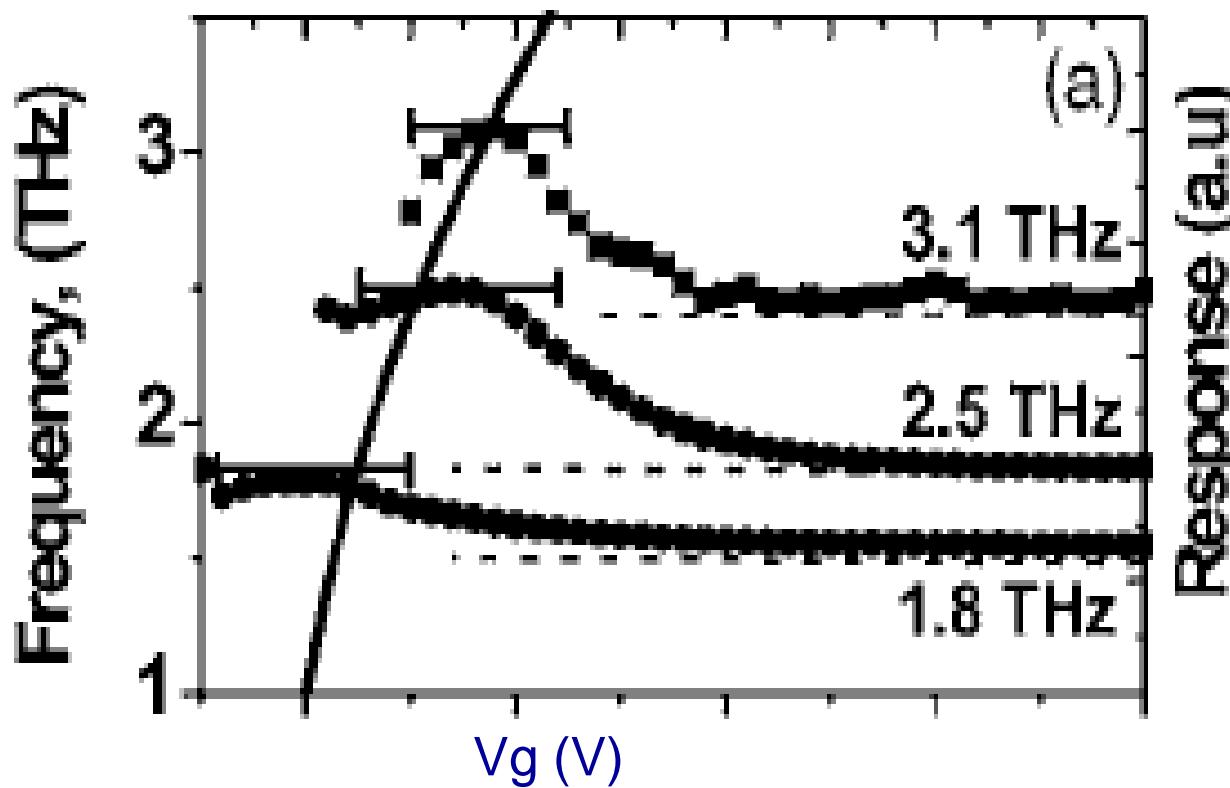
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*First -Resonant Detection*  
*0.6 THz  $\omega\tau \sim 1$  Experiment , 250nm GaAs FET (Appl Phys Lett 2001)*



The gate voltage – tunes carrier density – plasma frequency ...to resonance

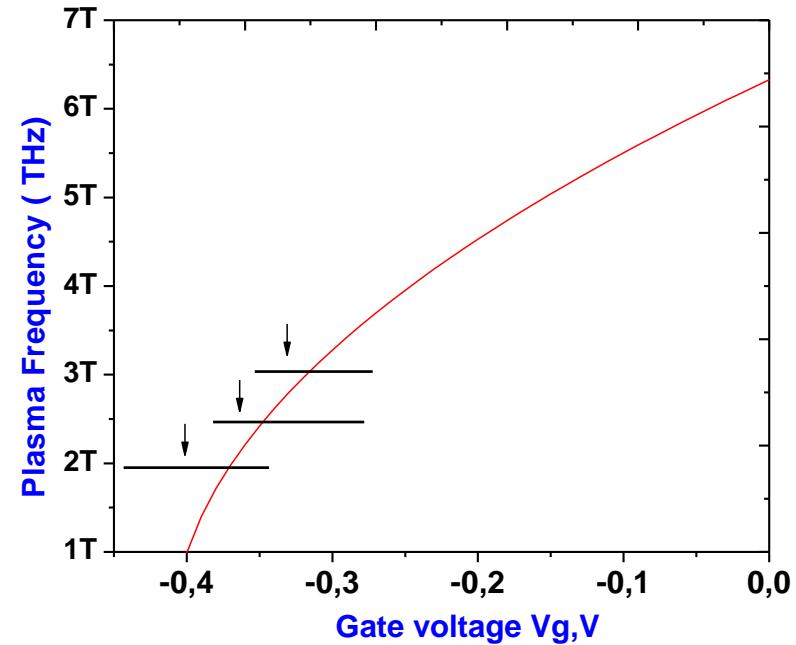
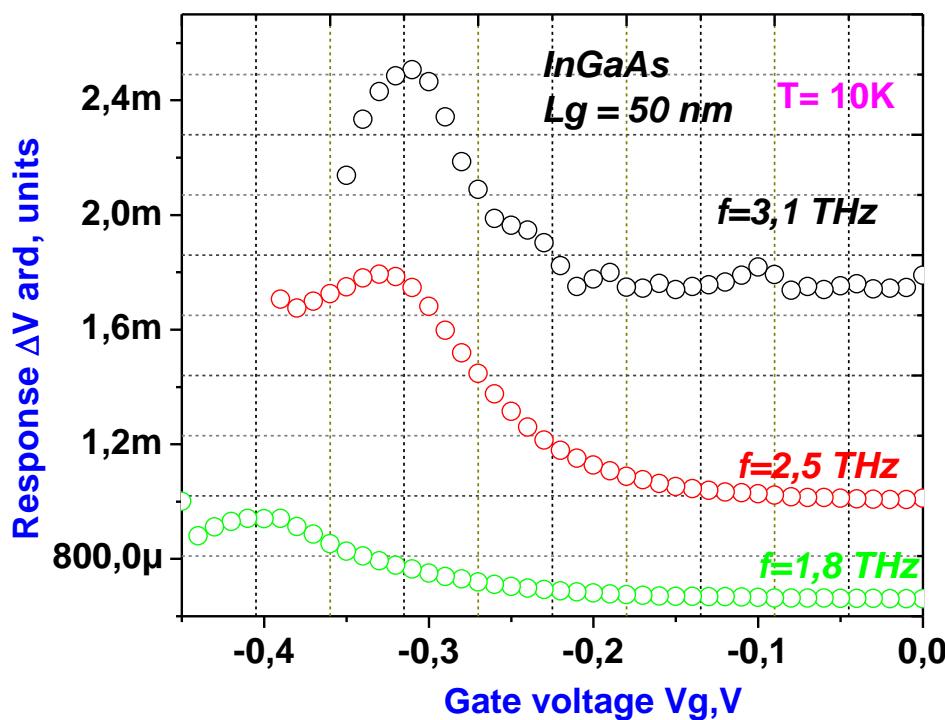
# Resonant and “voltage-tunable” terahertz detection in InGaAs/InP nanometer transistors



**The calculated plasmon frequency as a function of the gate voltage for  
Shown by the solid line SQRT dependence .**

**The error bars correspond to the linewidth of the measured plasmon  
resonance peaks.**

# Resonant Detector & Quality factor InGaAs



Line width :  $\omega\tau \sim 3 \text{ ???}$

$\mu = 36\,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V.s}$  ??  $\omega\tau \sim 13??$

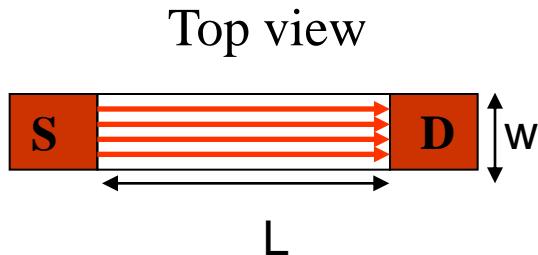
Resonances are wider than expected...???

A. El Fatimy et al. APL, 89, 131926 , (2006)

# Discussion on plasma modes Broadening

## Additional broadening mechanism

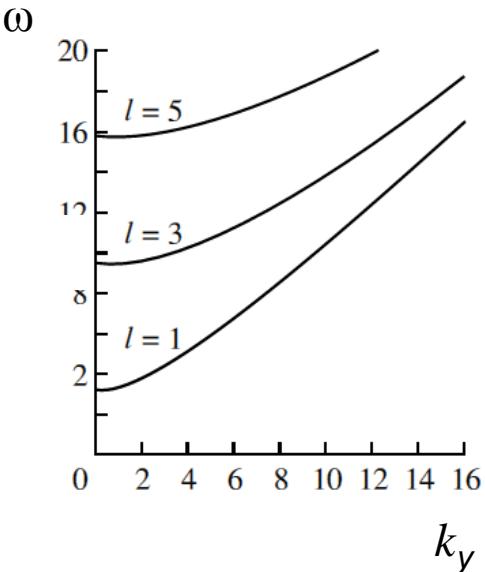
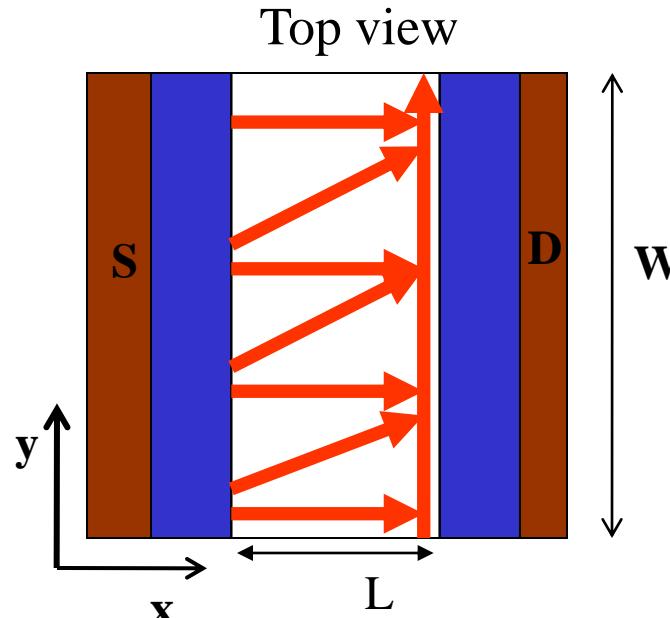
Dyakonov-Shur theory  
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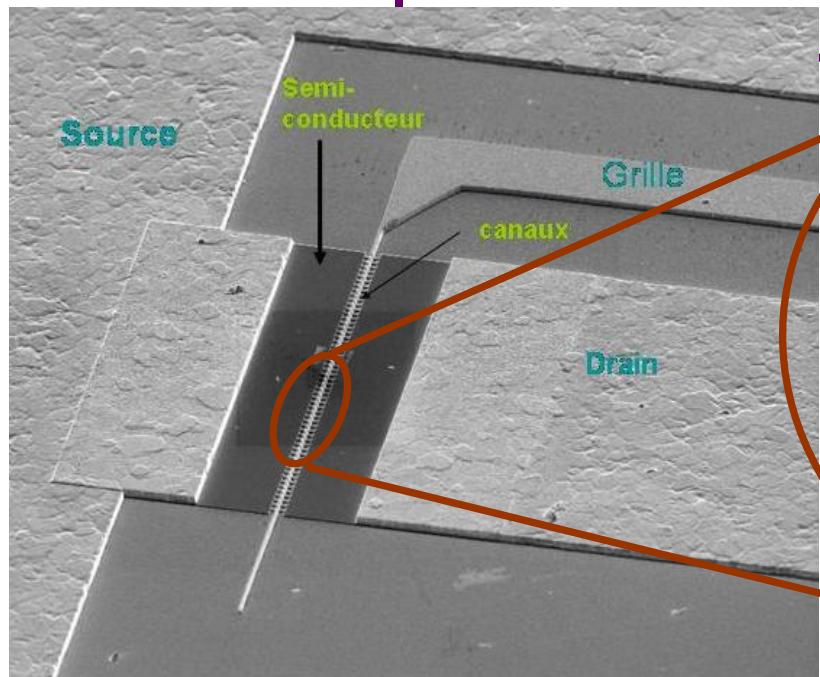
Experimental geometry

- $W/L \sim 100$
- roughness on the gate boundaries

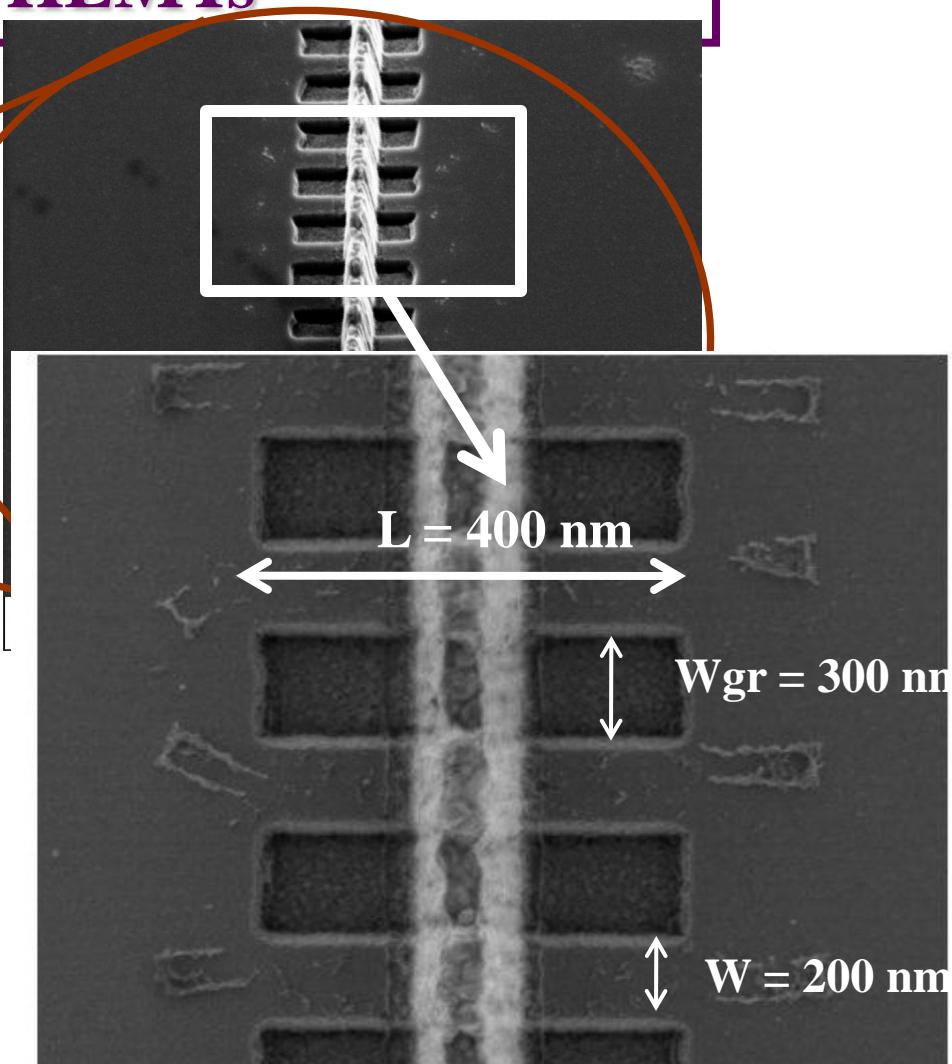


# Samples - Multi-Channel InGaAs

HEMTs

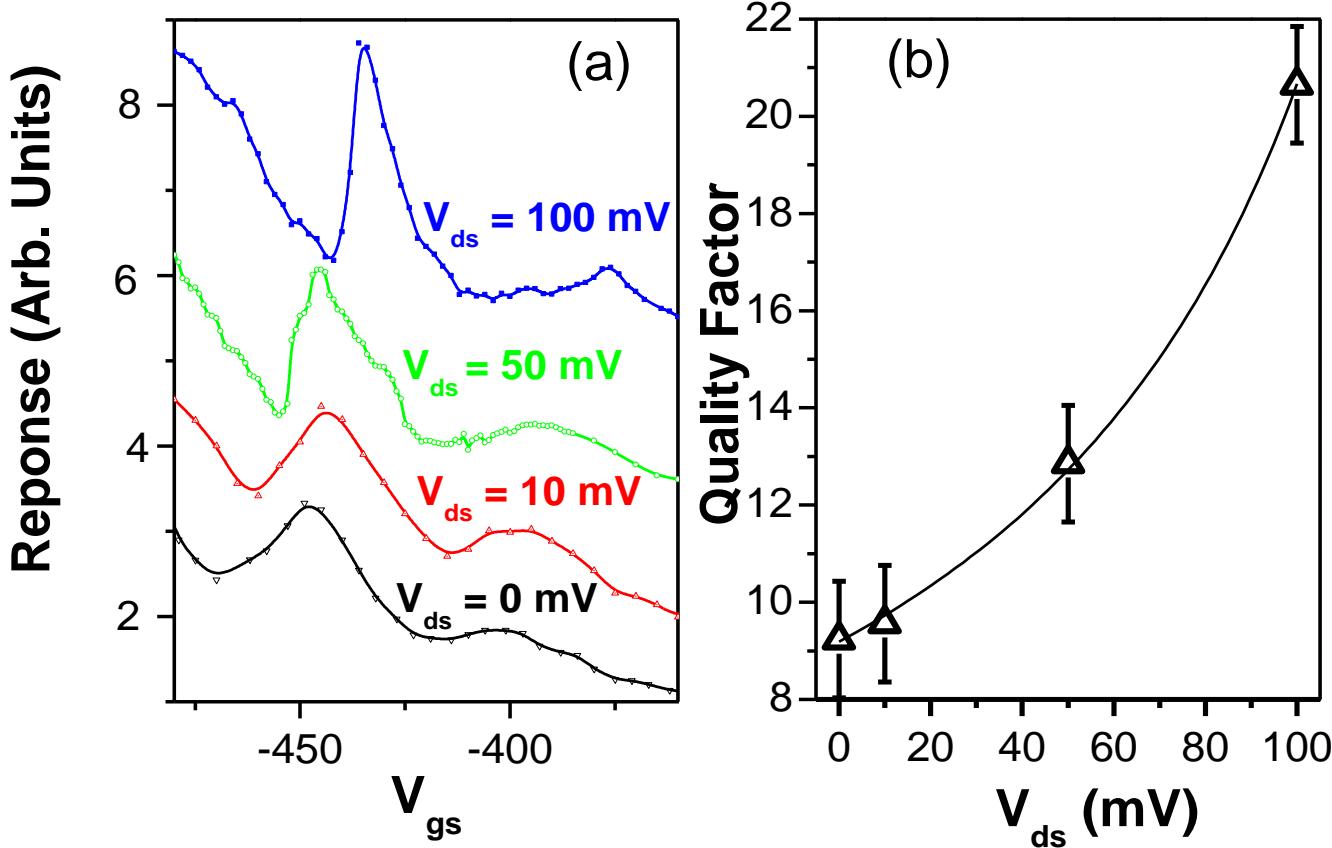


I-V Characteristics at 20 K



S. Boubanga-Tombet et al. *APL*, 92, 212101, (2008)  
A. Shepetov et al. *APL*, 92, 242105, (2008)

# Detection governed by dc current in Multi-Channel FET



Incoming frequency = 0.54 THz

$T = 10 \text{ K}$

$$v_d = \frac{\mu V_{ds}}{L}$$

$$\mu = 11 \text{ m}^2/\text{V.s}$$

Dc current leads to a strong shrinking of the line : From 58 GHz at  $V_{ds} = 0 \text{ V}$  to 26 GHz at  $V_{ds} = 100 \text{ mV}$

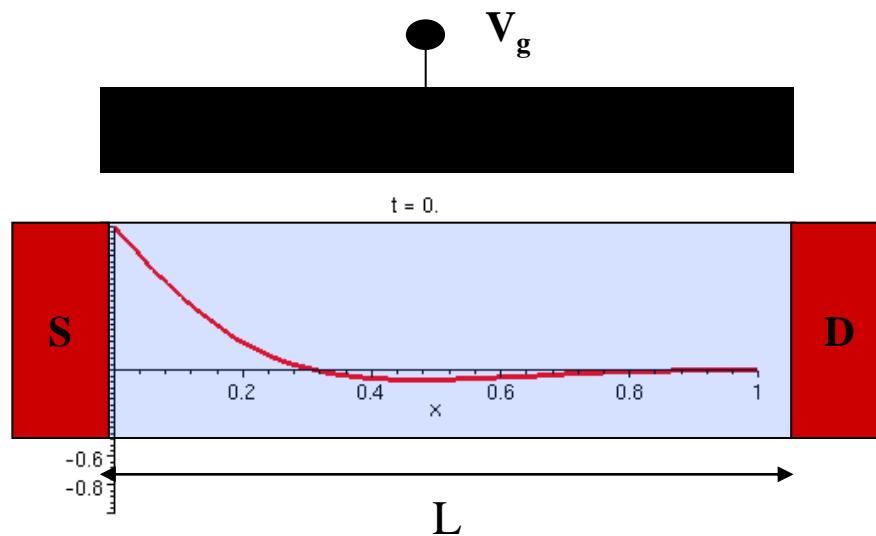
DC current strongly reduce plasma wave damping

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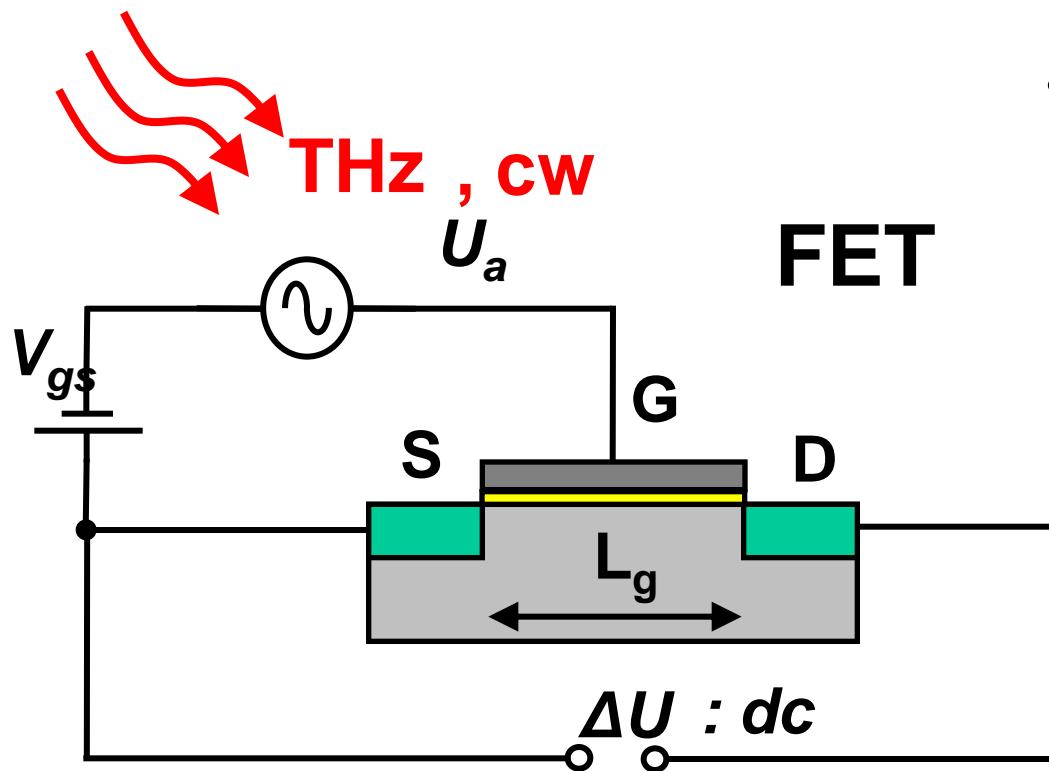
# 300K - Overdamped plasma oscillations

$$\omega\tau \ll 1$$



Characteristic length:  $l = s\sqrt{\tau / \omega}$

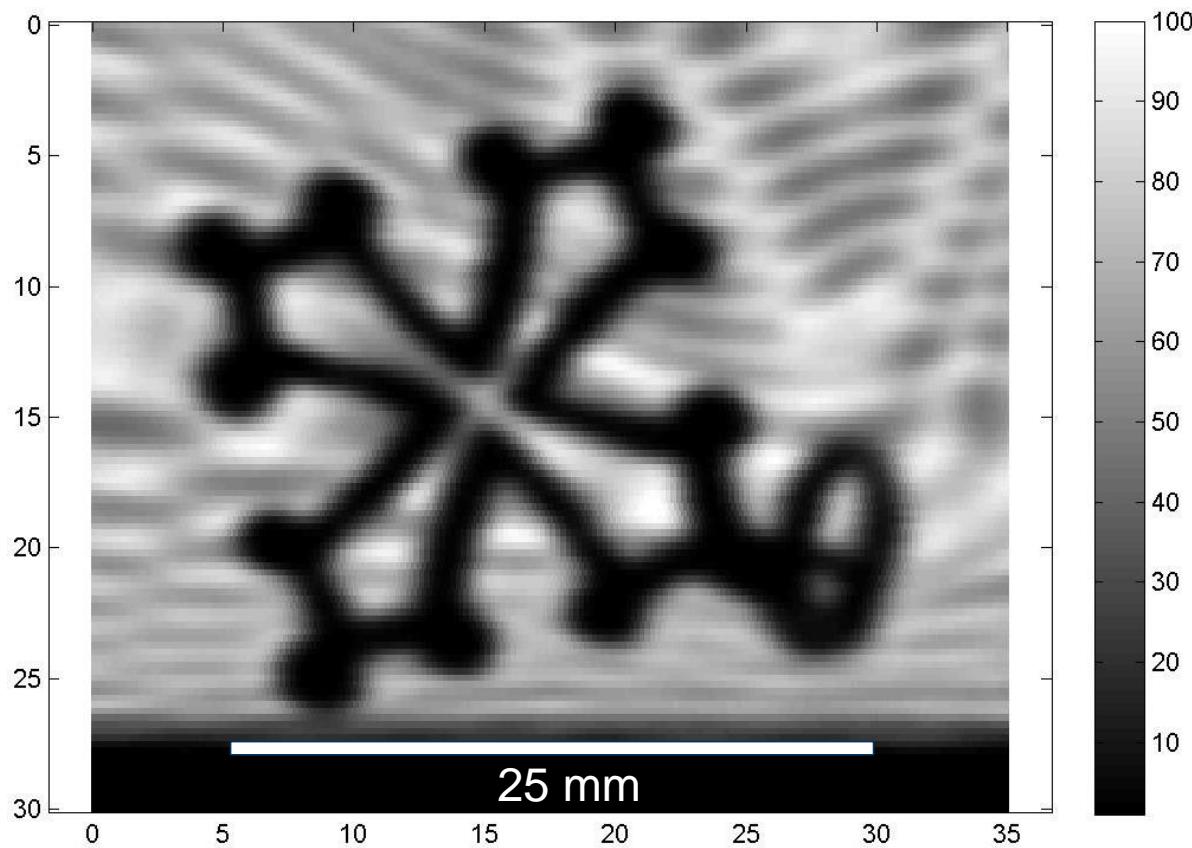
# Rectification of THz radiation in FETs



- $V_{gs}$ : Source-Gate bias
- $U_a$ : irradiation induced ac voltage
- $\Delta U$ : dc photoresponse

!!Nonlinearity – THz modulates simultaneously  
!!carrier density and drift velocity!!

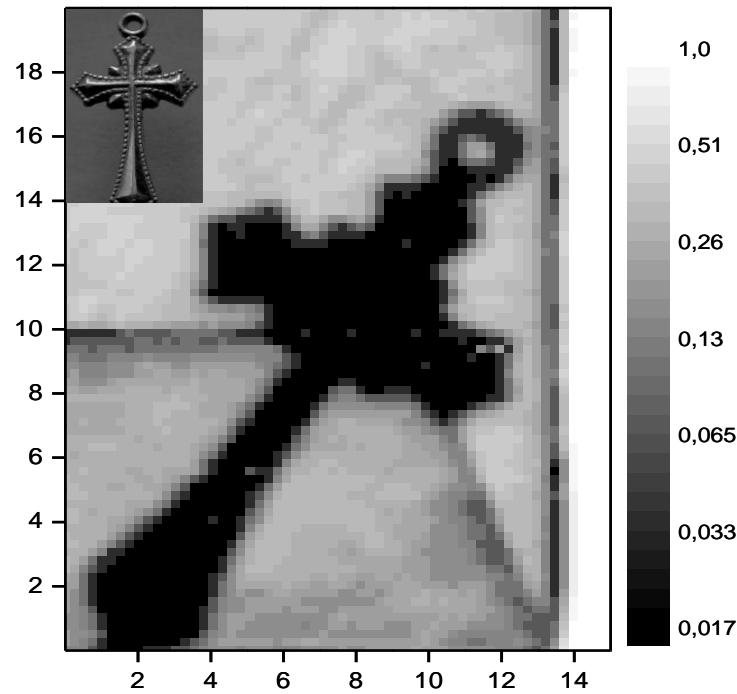
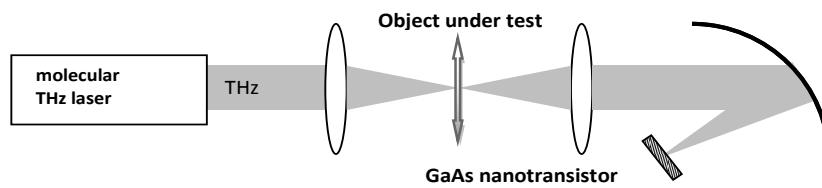
## *0.6 THz imaging with InGaAs HEMT – 300K*



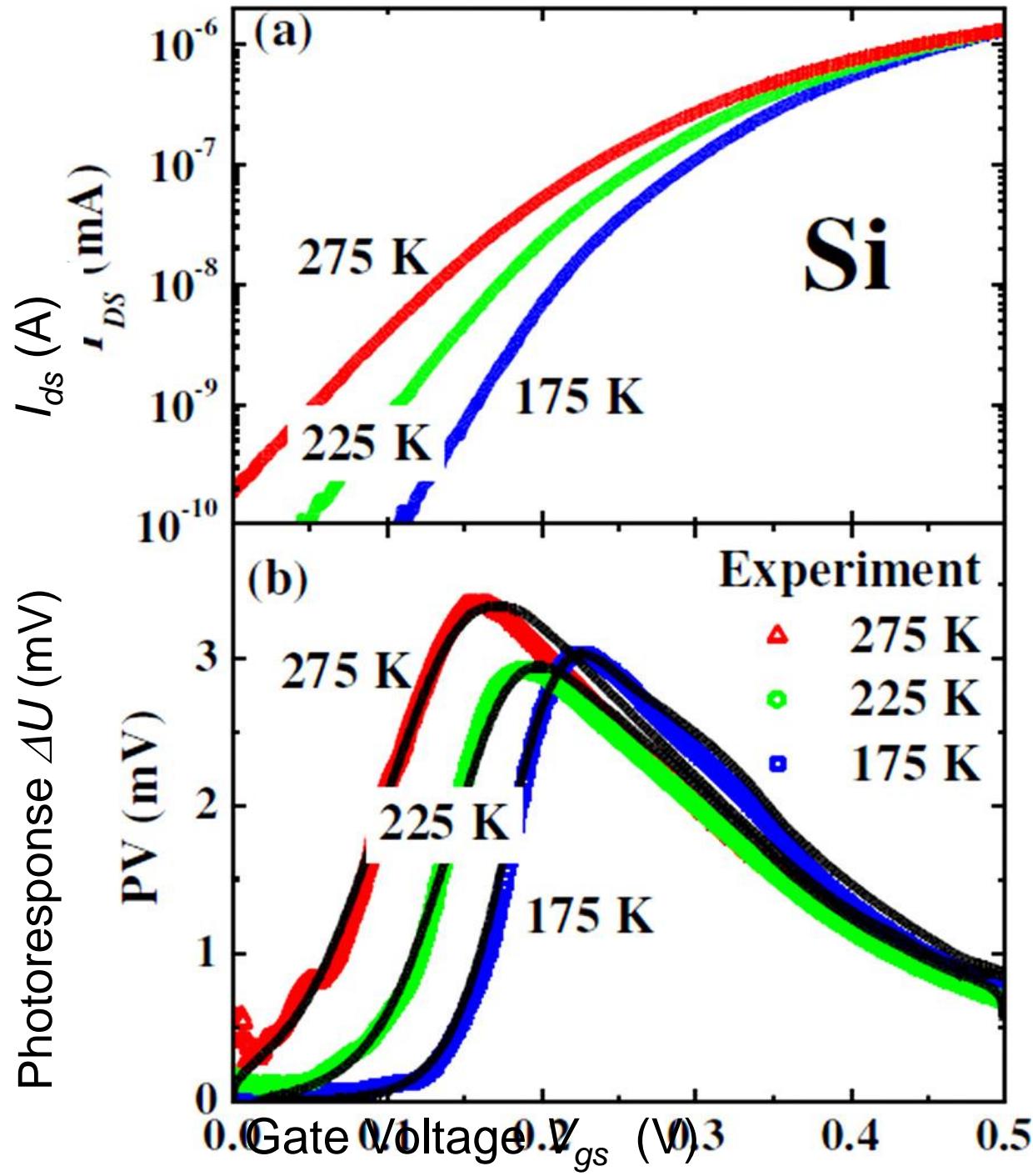
*0.6 THz imaging* - collaboration with University of Frankfurt

A. Lisauskas, W. von Spiegel, S. Boubanga, A. El Fatimy, D. Coquillat, F. Teppe, N. Dyakonova, W. Knap, and H. G. Roskos, Electr. Lett. **44**, 408 (2008).

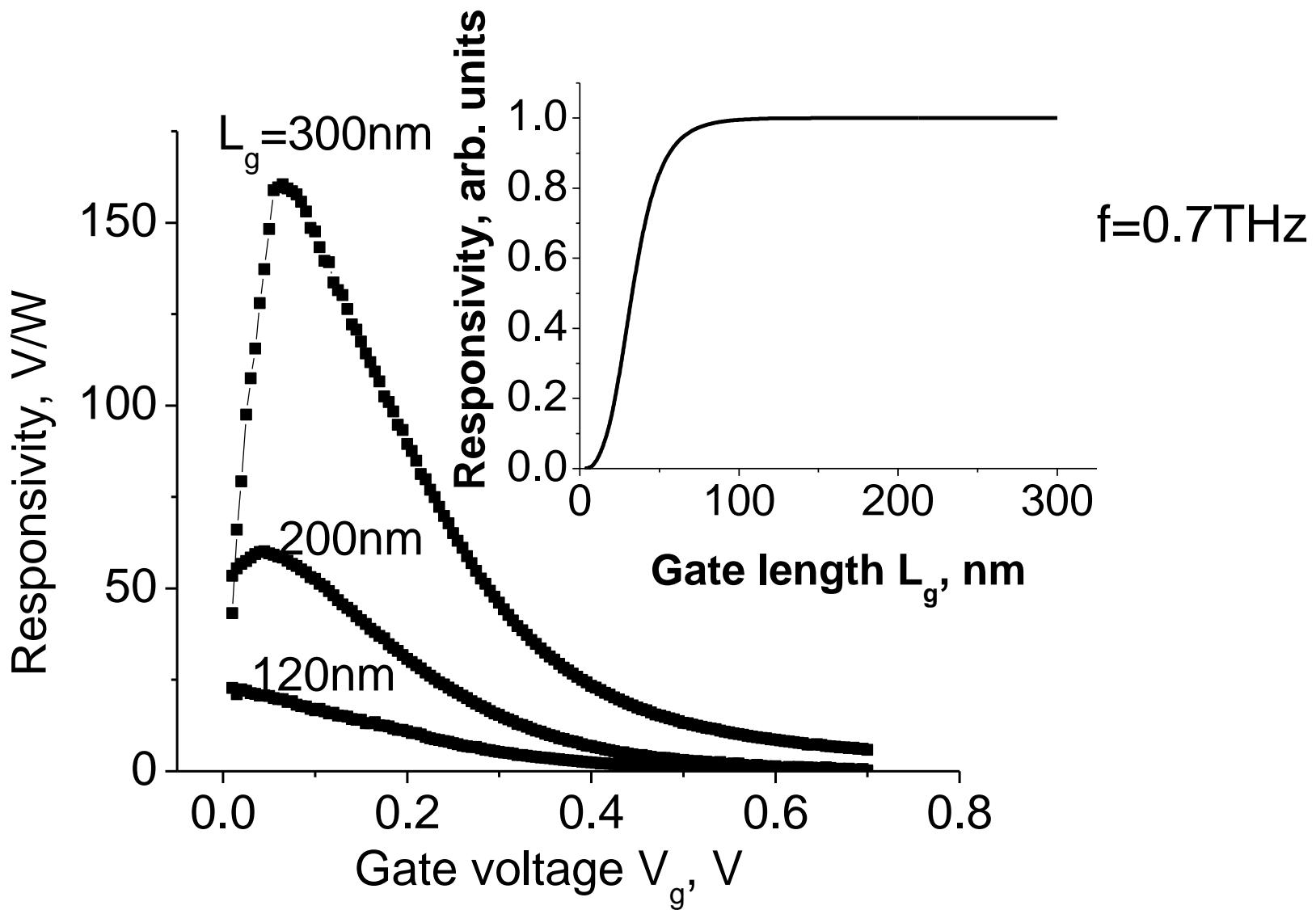
# Imaging at 1.6 THz with a single FET



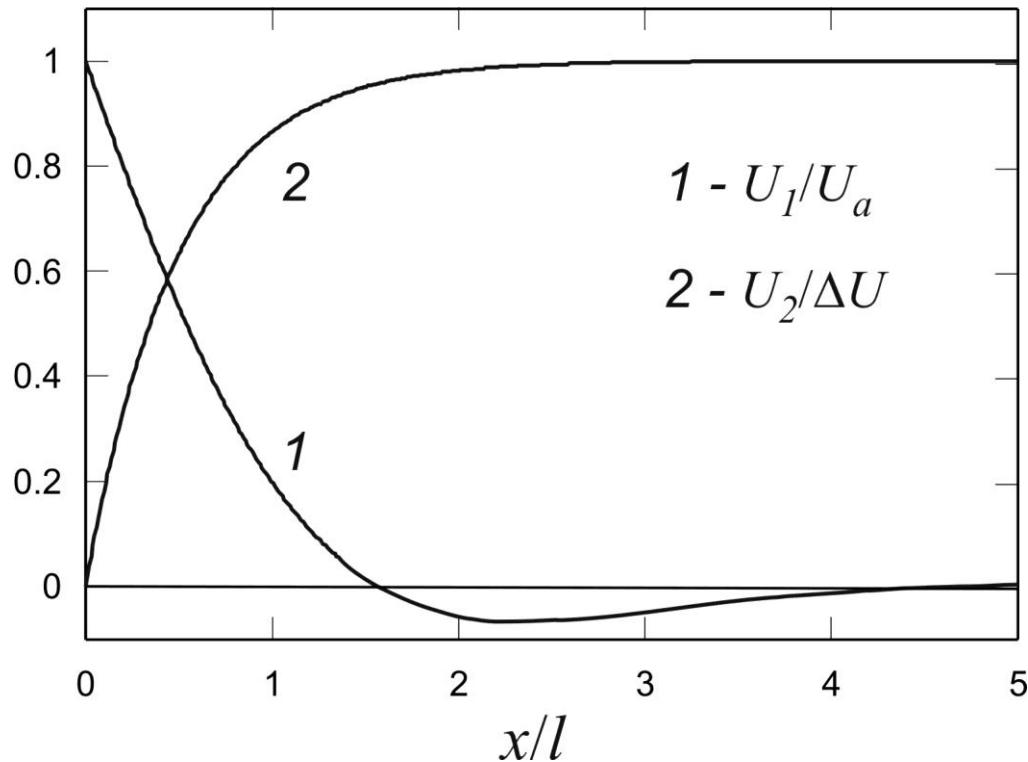
**Results from Vilnius ( collaboration with Montpellier) (2008).**



# Detection of terahertz radiation by Si field effects transistors 300K



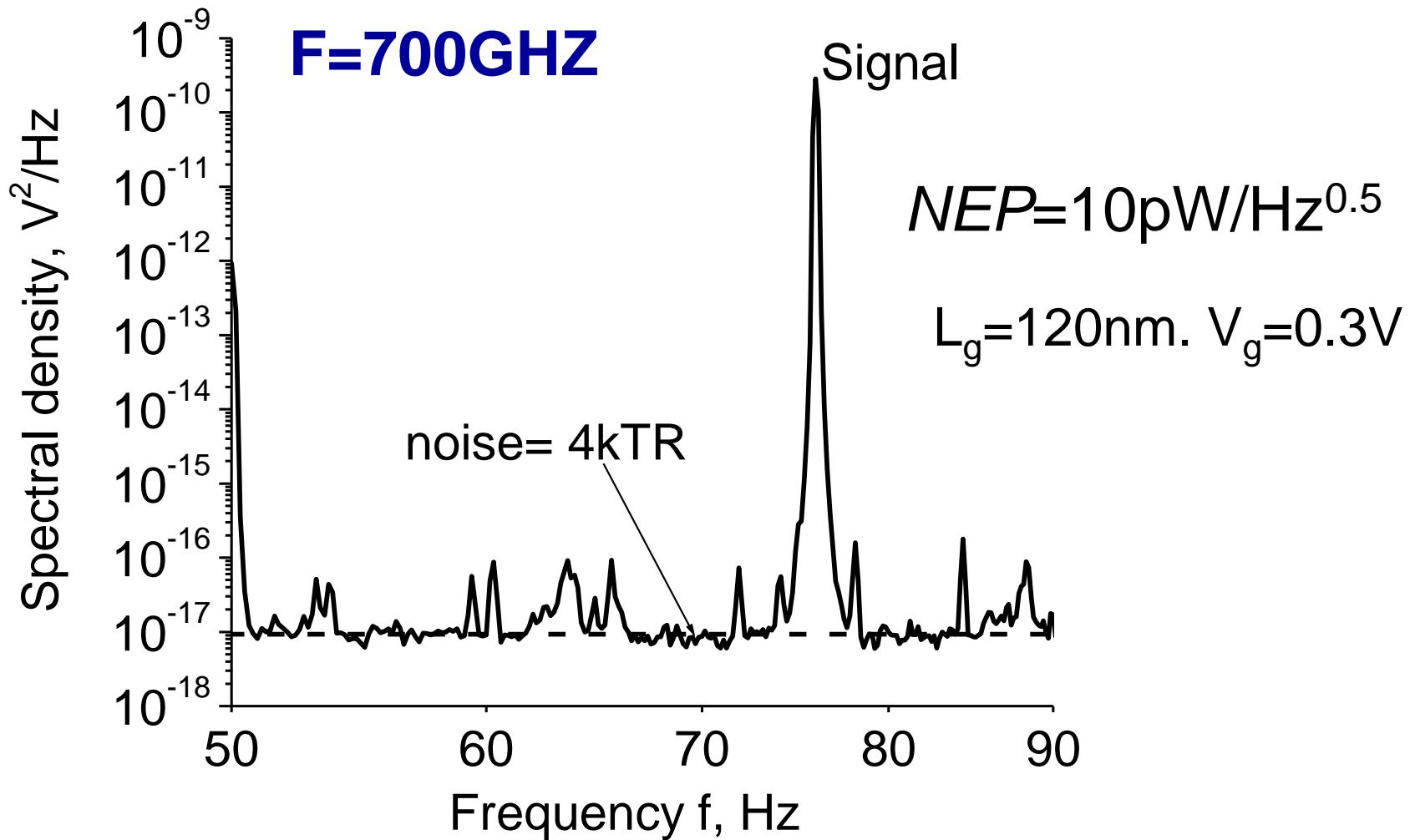
## AC voltage U1 and DC signal U2



Dependence of the ac voltage  $U1/Ua$  at  $\omega t = 2\pi n$   
and of the dc photoinduced voltage  $U2/\Delta U$   
on the distance from the source  $x$  for a long gate

# THz detection & Signal to noise ratio in Si-MOSFETs

Appl Phys. Letters 2004 & 2006



## 300K CMOS THz detectors

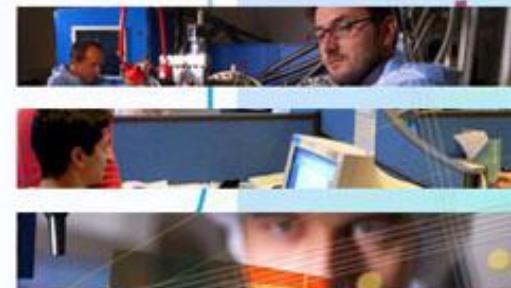
- Fast, sensitive & INTEGRABLE in MATRICES!!!
- For 300K price effective focal plane arrays
- Fast enough for THz communication

		Sampling frequency (MAX)	NEP ( $\text{pW}/\text{Hz}^{0.5}$ )
Golay Cell		~20Hz	100
Pyroelectric		<10KHz	1000
Schottky Diodes		<20GHz	10
Microbolometers		<1MHz	10
Si transistors		30GHz or higher	10

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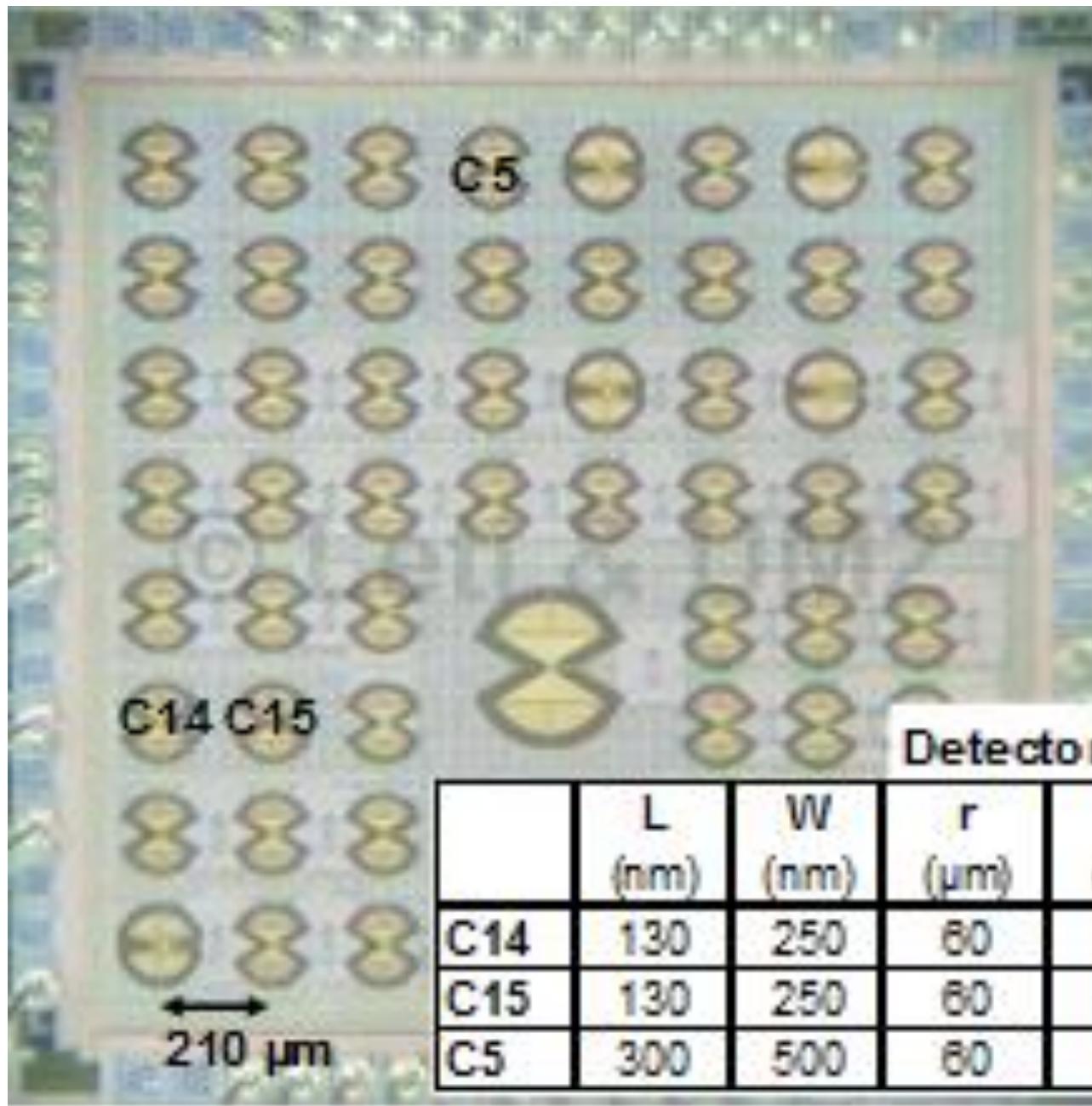


# THz Imaging with Si-MOSFET Detectors

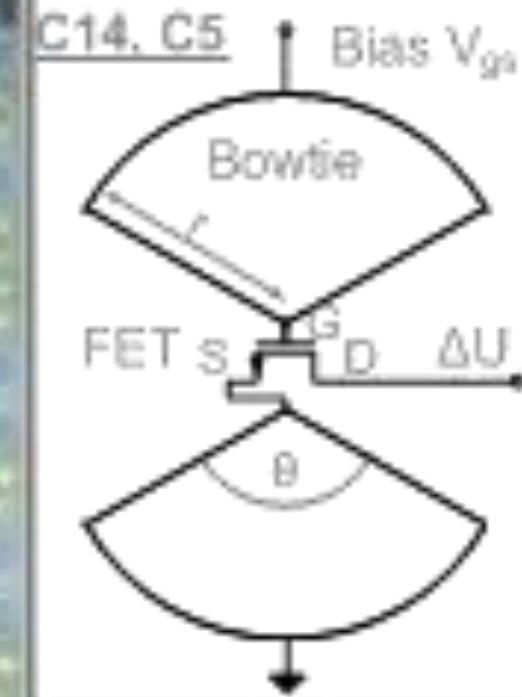


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# 0.13μm CMOS

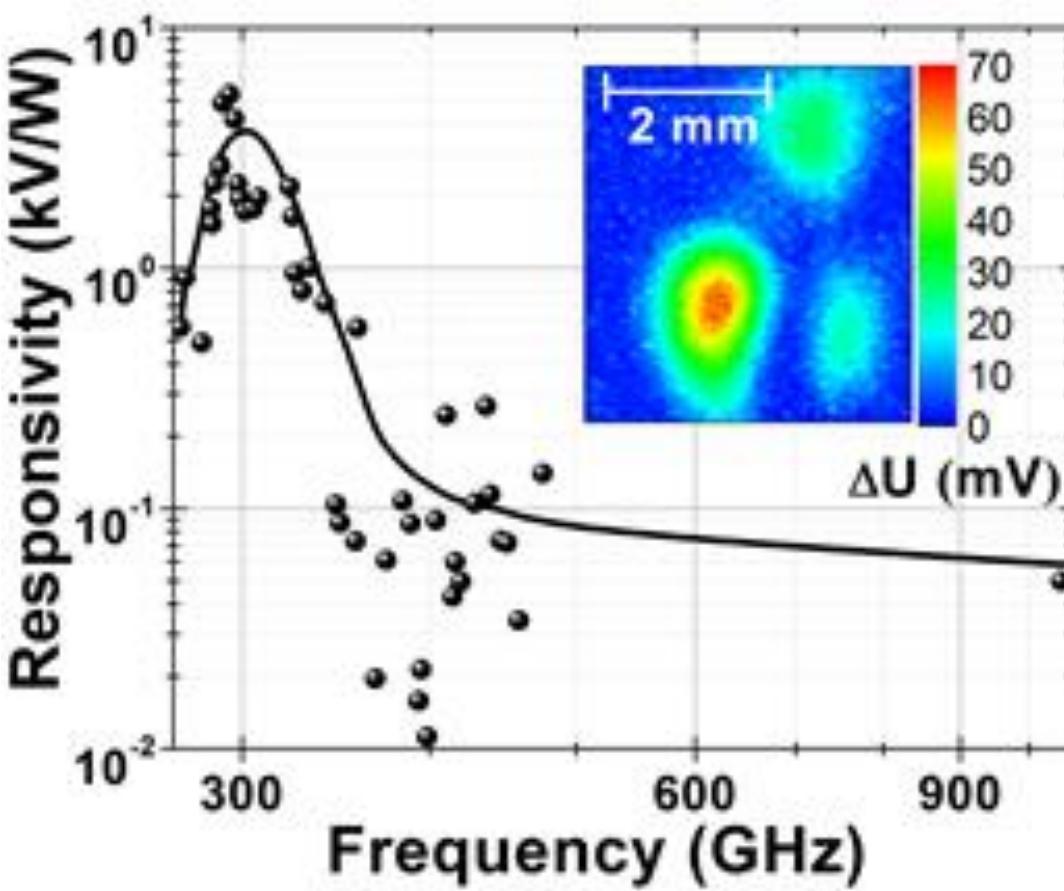


Schematic



Detector Characteristics

	L (nm)	W (nm)	r (μm)	θ (deg)	Antenna Connection
C14	130	250	60	120	gate-source
C15	130	250	60	120	source-drain
C5	300	500	60	120	gate-source



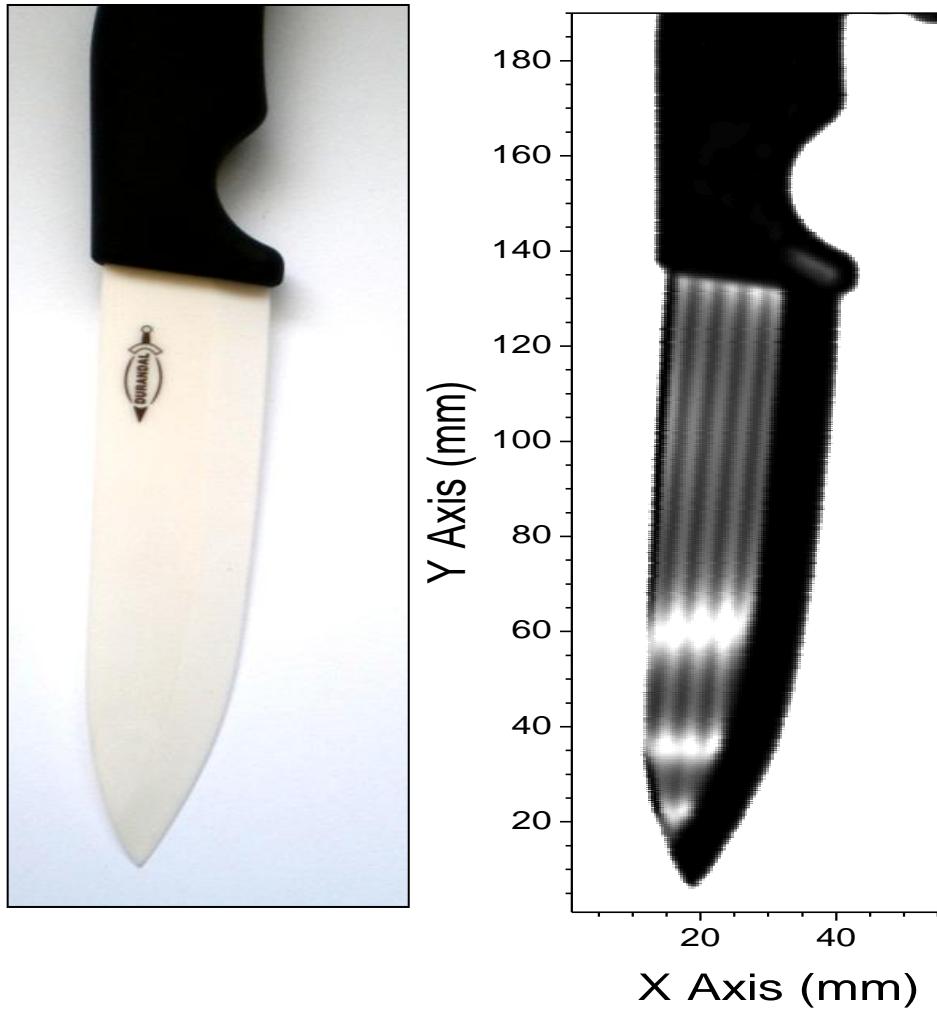
**"Broadband terahertz imaging with highly sensitive silicon CMOS detectors,"**

F.Schuster et al

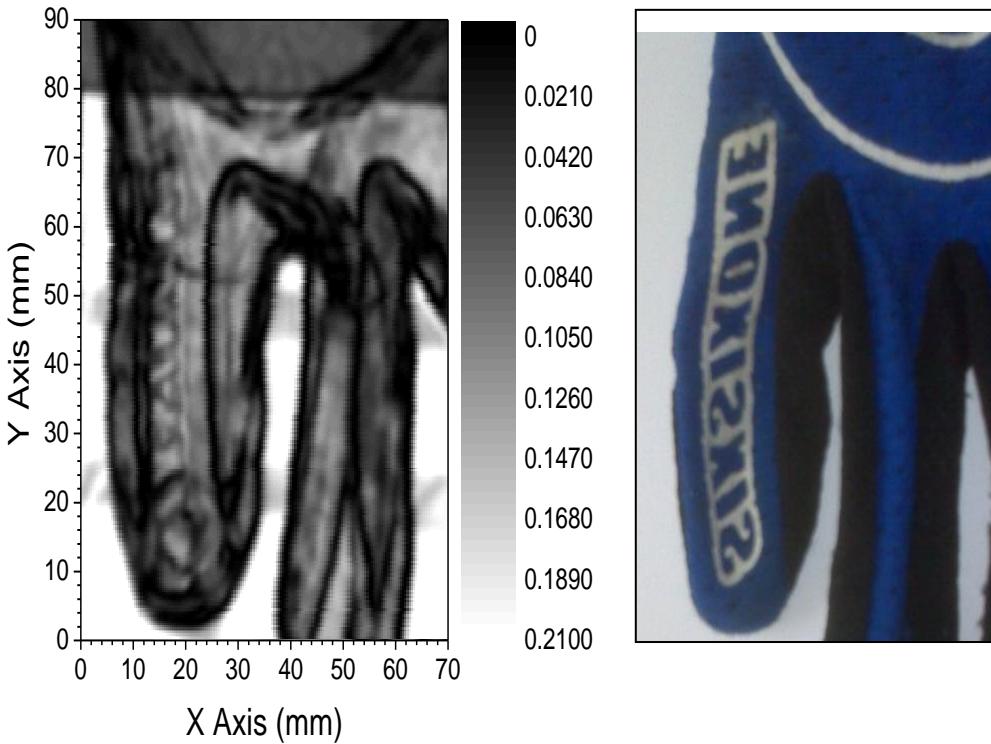
*Optics Express*, vol. 19, pp. 7827-7832, (2011)  
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# Imaging with MOSFET –0.3THz

## “!!!!Cutting Edge Technology!!!”

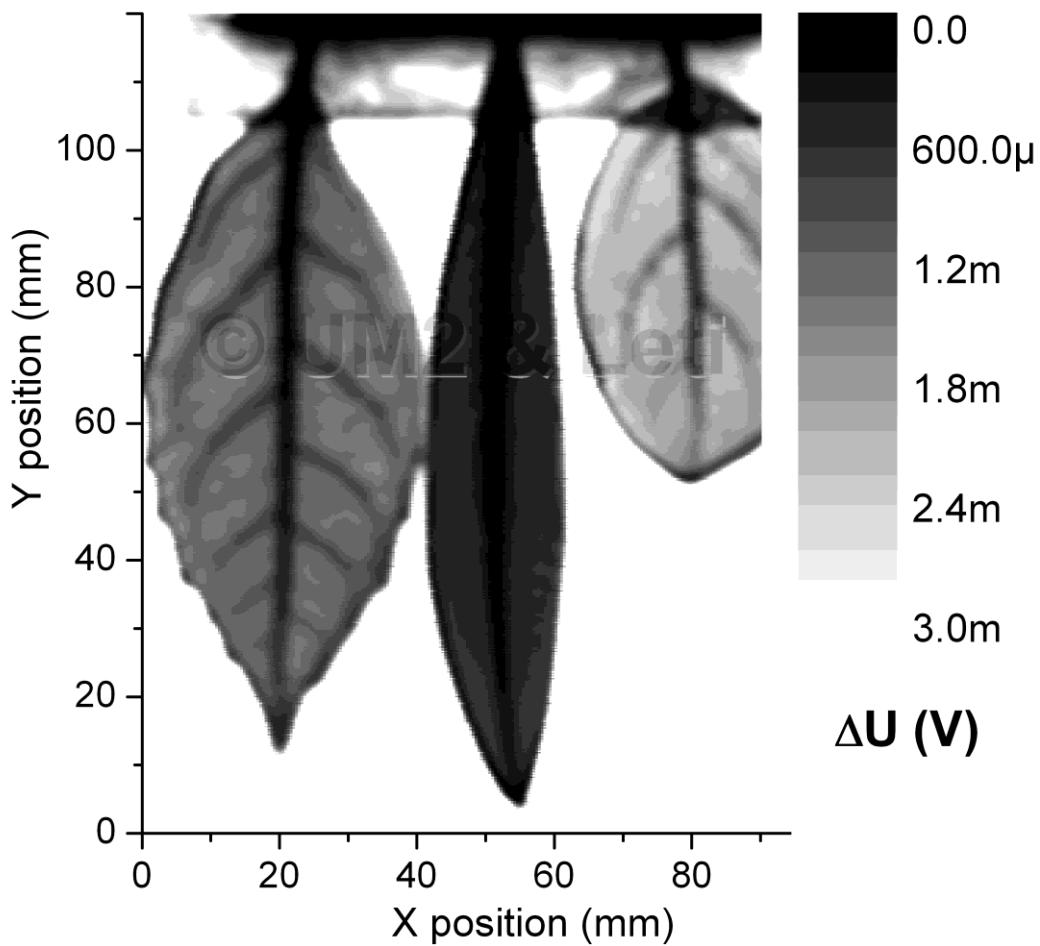


# Imagerie THz avec un Transistor MOSFET



**Radiation : 0.3 THz ( $\lambda= 1 \text{ mm}$ ),  
Puissance 2 mW  
10 ms/point Scan-Time: qq min**

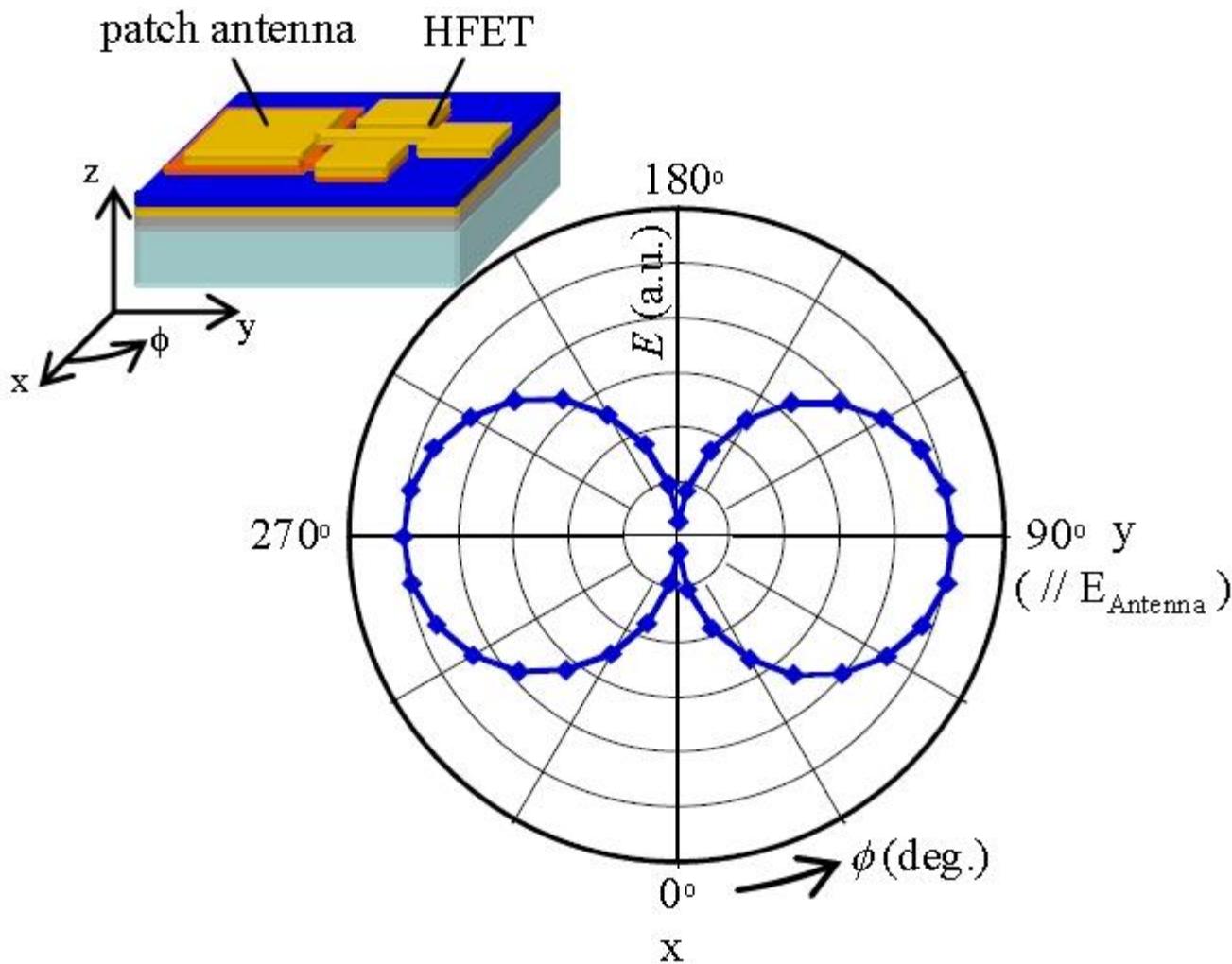
# Measurement Imaging at 300GHz, tree leaves



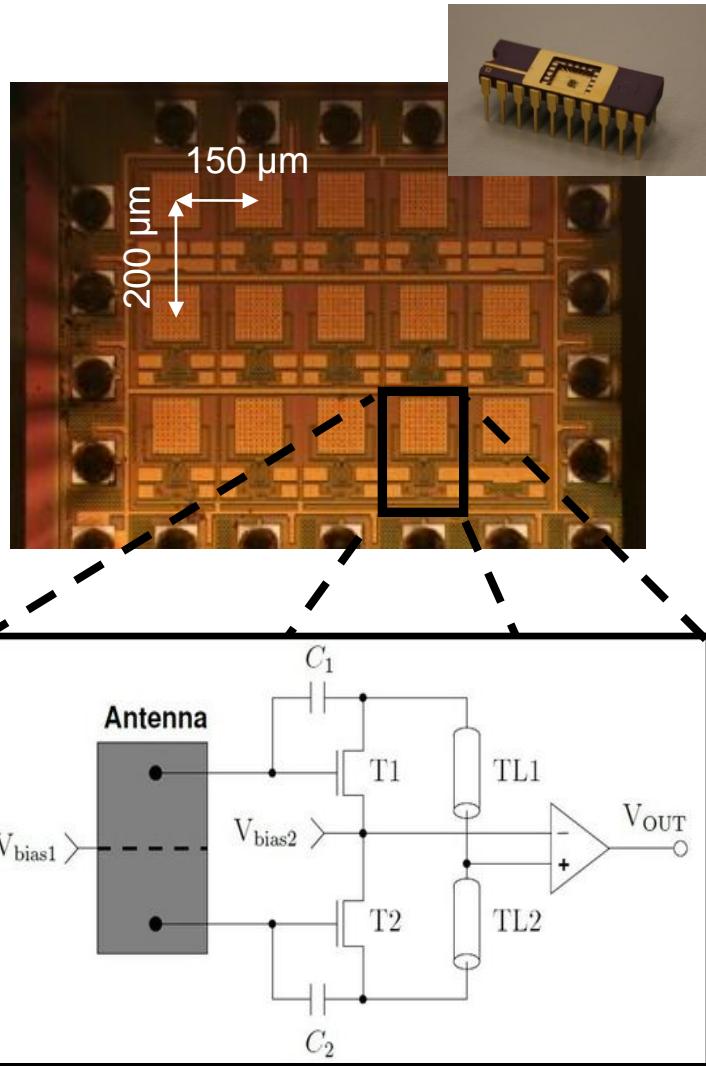
225x600 scanned points



## PANASONIC GaN detector 2011



# Other groups – Competitors/Collaborators in Si CMOS Imaging



- Goethe University of Frankfurt group of Prof.Roskos
- Dallas University /Texas Inst. USA Ken.O

• **Wuppertal University**  
**Prof. Pfeifer**

**First 1000 pixel Si CMOS  
camera**

**( February 2012)**  
**(German –French project)**

**End of The Second Part**

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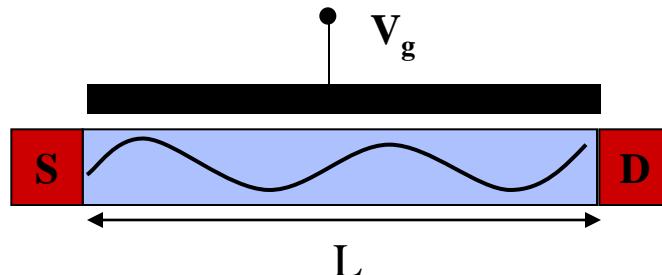
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# Frequency of the plasma oscillations !!!300K!!!



$$f_p = \frac{1}{4L} \sqrt{\frac{eU}{m}}$$

$$L = 0.1 - 1 \mu m$$

$$U = 1V$$

$$m = 0.06 - 0.24$$

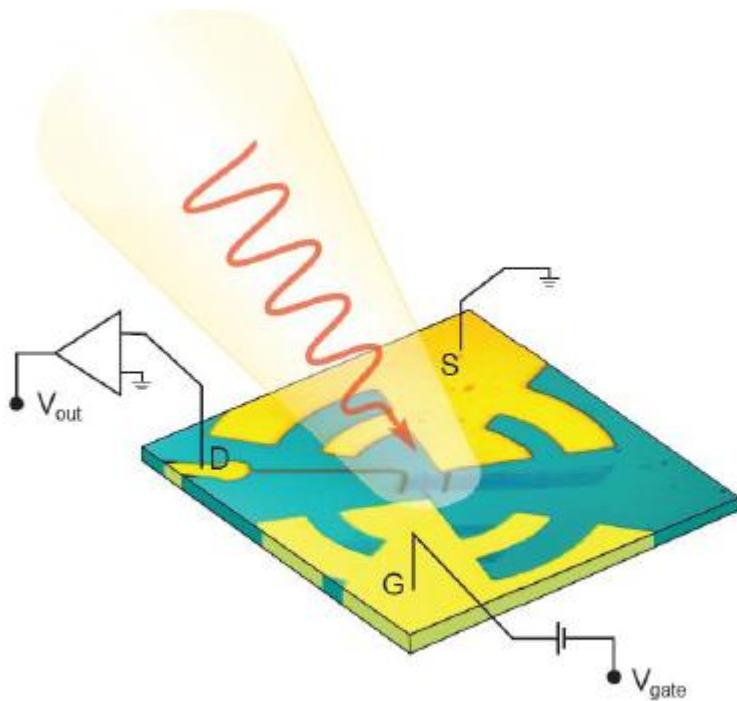


$$f_p \approx 0.6 \text{ THz} - 4.0 \text{ THz}$$

!!Only When Plasma waves are weakly damped!

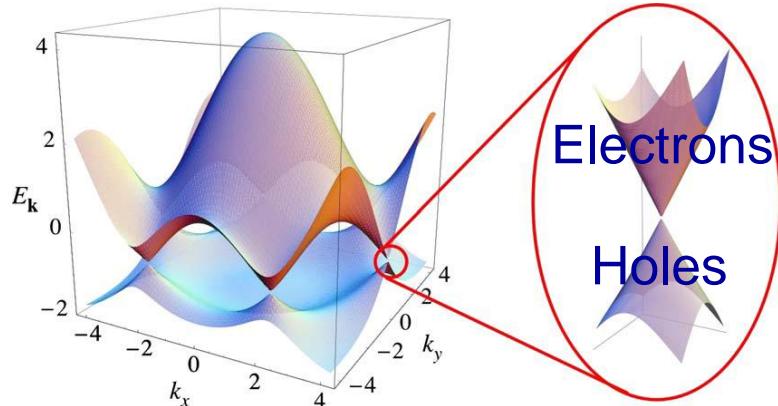
$$\omega\tau \gg 1$$

# THz detection by Graphene transistors

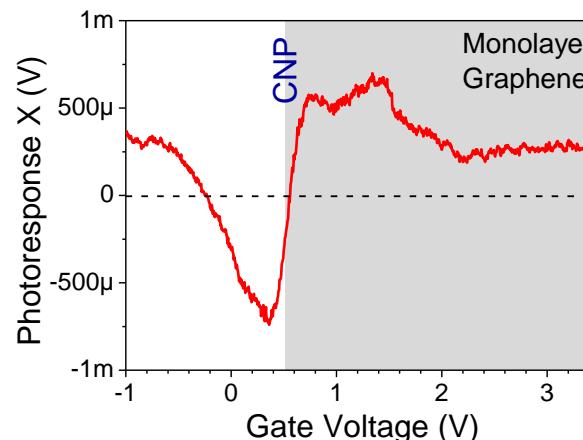
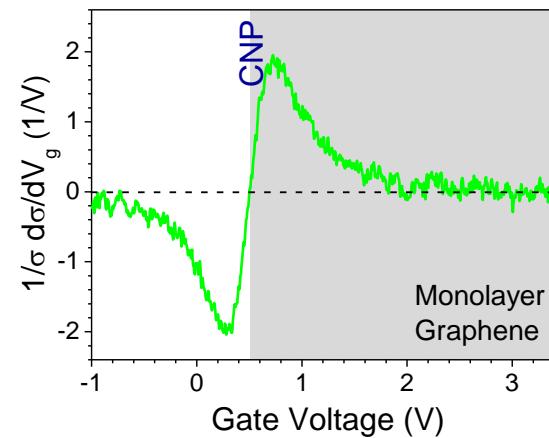
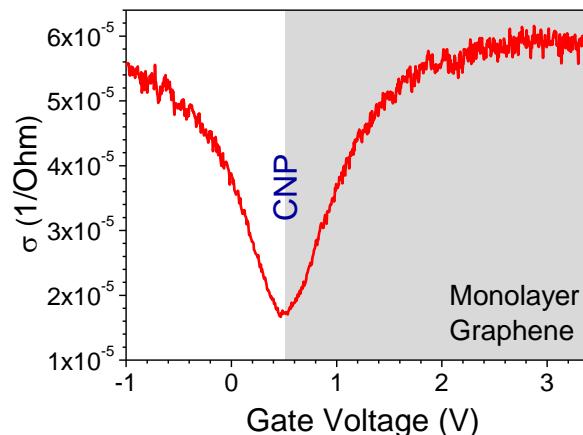


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Common project : Pise<sup>1</sup>, Montpellier<sup>2</sup>, Cambridge<sup>3</sup>



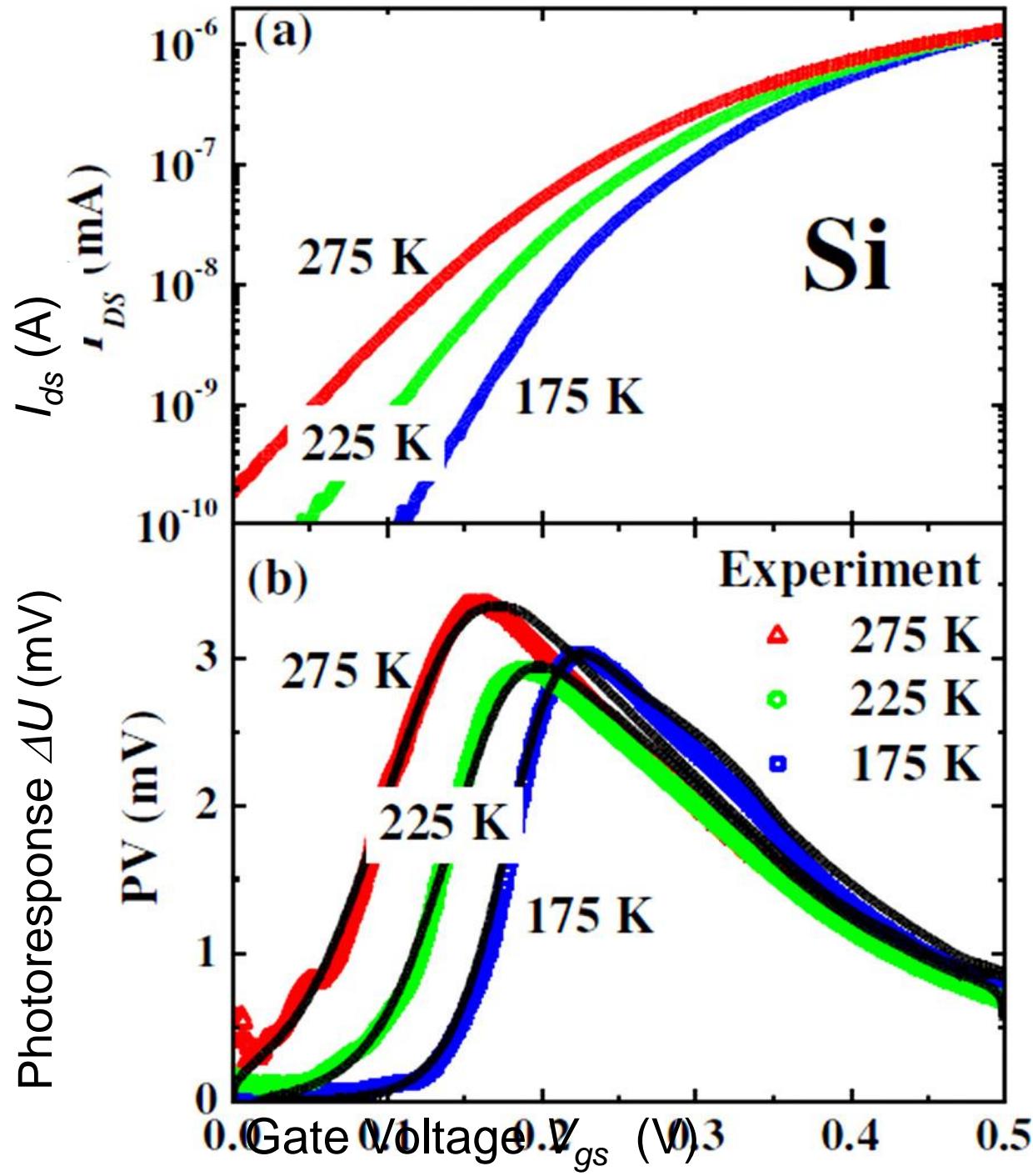
$$\Delta U = \frac{U_a^2}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dU} \right]_{U=V_g}$$



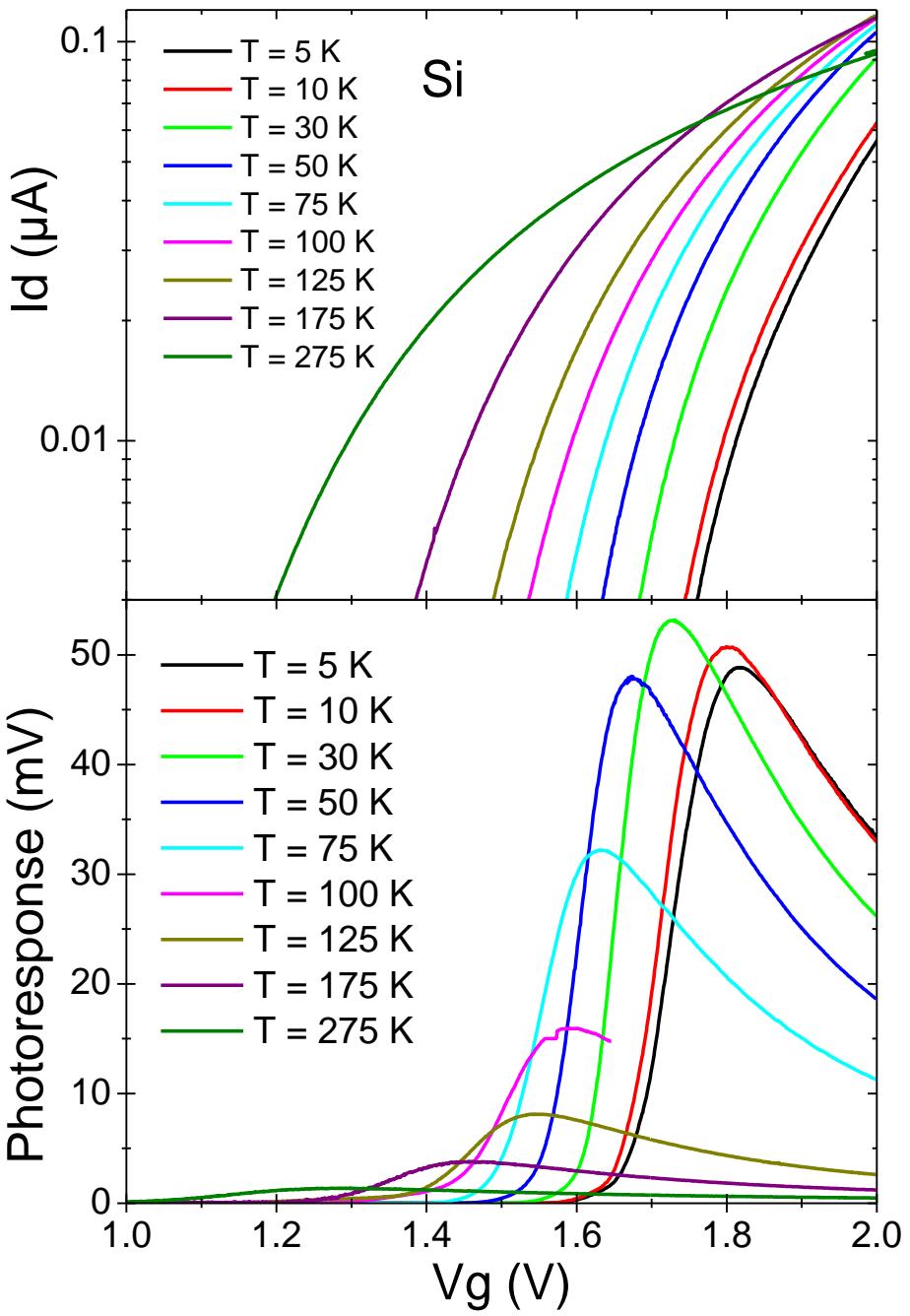
**MOTIVATION!!!**  
**??300K RESONANCES**  
**FOR SELECTIVE GATE TUNABLE**  
**DETECTION AND EMISSION ???**

NATURE MATERIALS DEC 2012

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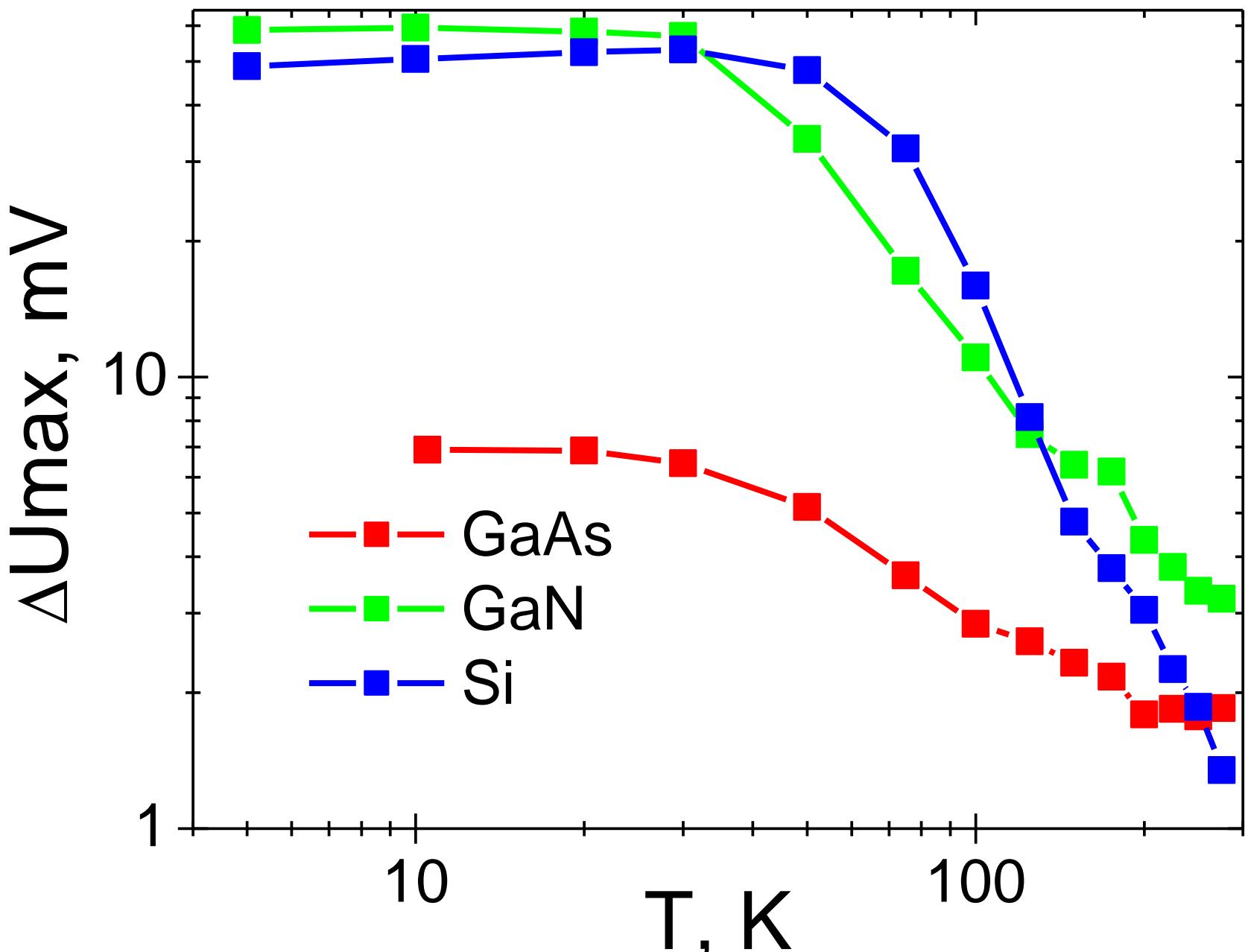
Sakowicz et  
JAP, 2011



(Klimenko et al  
JAP 2012)

?? THz \_ signal

$$\Delta U \propto 1/\eta kT$$



(Klimenko et al JAP 2012)

# Physical limitations – $U^*$

## subthreshold

$$\sigma \propto \exp(-U/U^*) \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta U \propto 1/U^*$$

where

$$U^* = \eta k T / e \quad \text{diffusion\_above\_30K}$$

$$U^* = \text{const} \quad \text{???\_impurity\_band}$$

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**Radiation helicity sensitive photoresponse  
in the plasmons effect based detection of terahertz radiation.**

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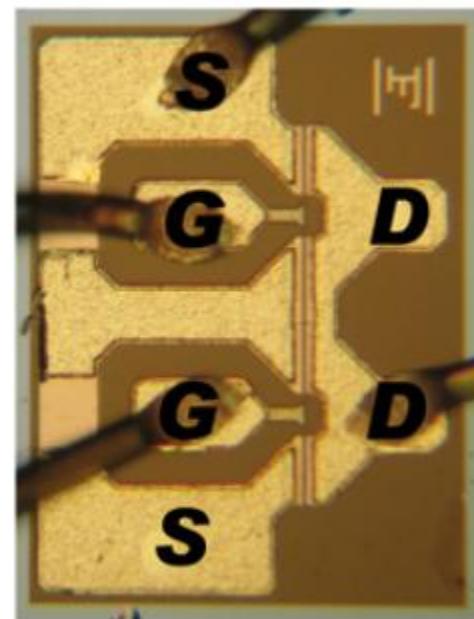
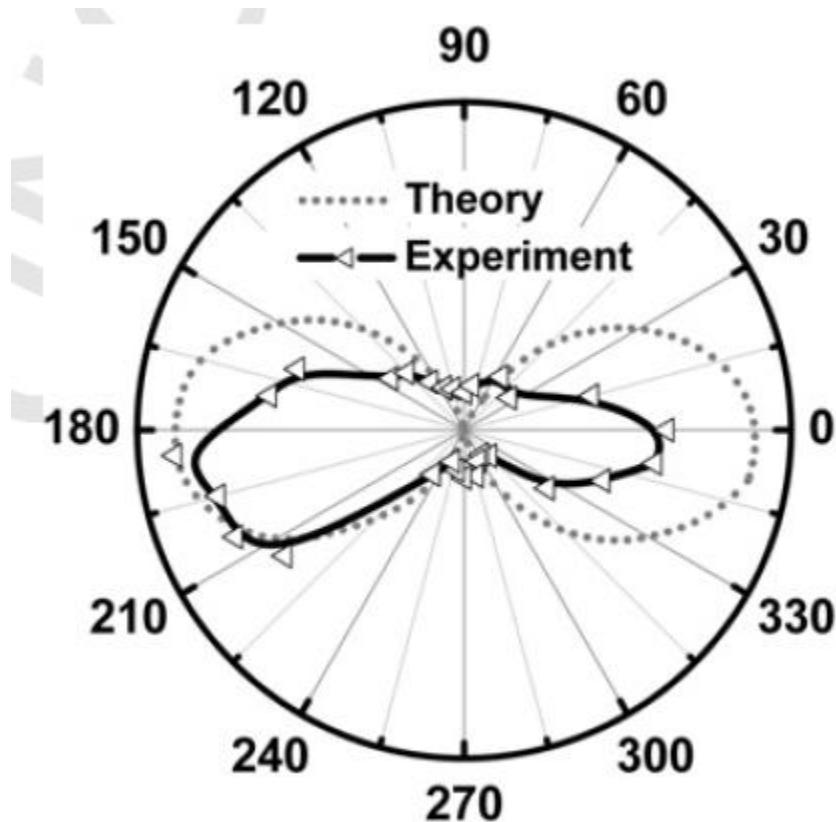
<sup>4</sup>*Departamento de Fisica Aplicada, Universidad de Salamanca, Spain*

We report on the observation of the photon helicity sensitive photoresponce in GaAs/AlGaAs high electron mobility transistors (HEMT) excited by terahertz laser radiation. We demonstrate, that for a certain structure design and large negative bias voltages the sign of the photoresponce changes upon switching from right to left circular polarization. The effect is discussed in terms of the nonresonant broadband detection due to plasma oscillations. Our results may provide a bases for a sensitive all-electric room-temperature detection of the radiation Stokes parameters. Time resolved experiments indicate that the time resolution of the device is at least better than 1 ns.

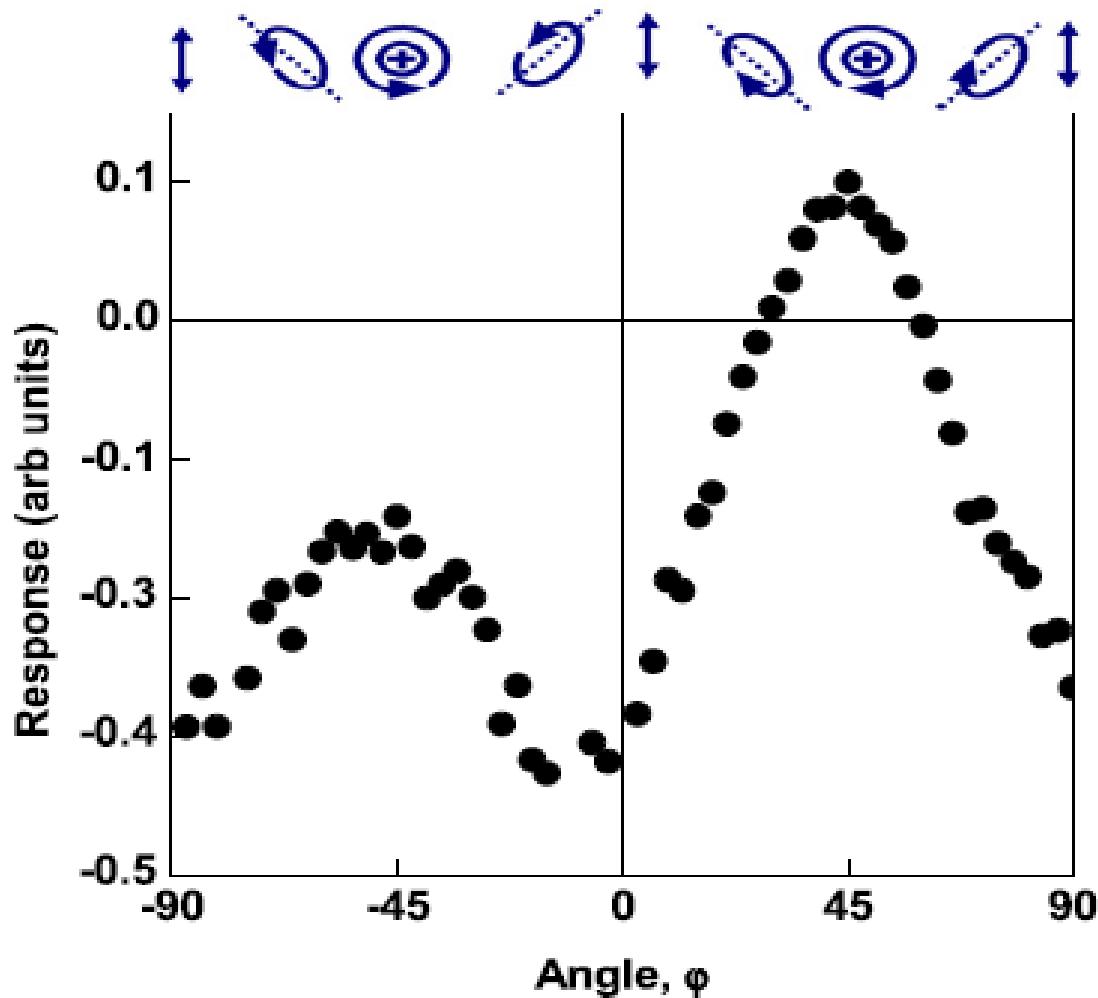
PACS numbers: 29.40.-n,07.57.Kp,85.25.Pb,42.25.Ja

***theory M.Dyakonov J. Appl. Phys.  
(2013)***

# Linear polarization detection



## **Source drain voltage from FET at 800GHz**



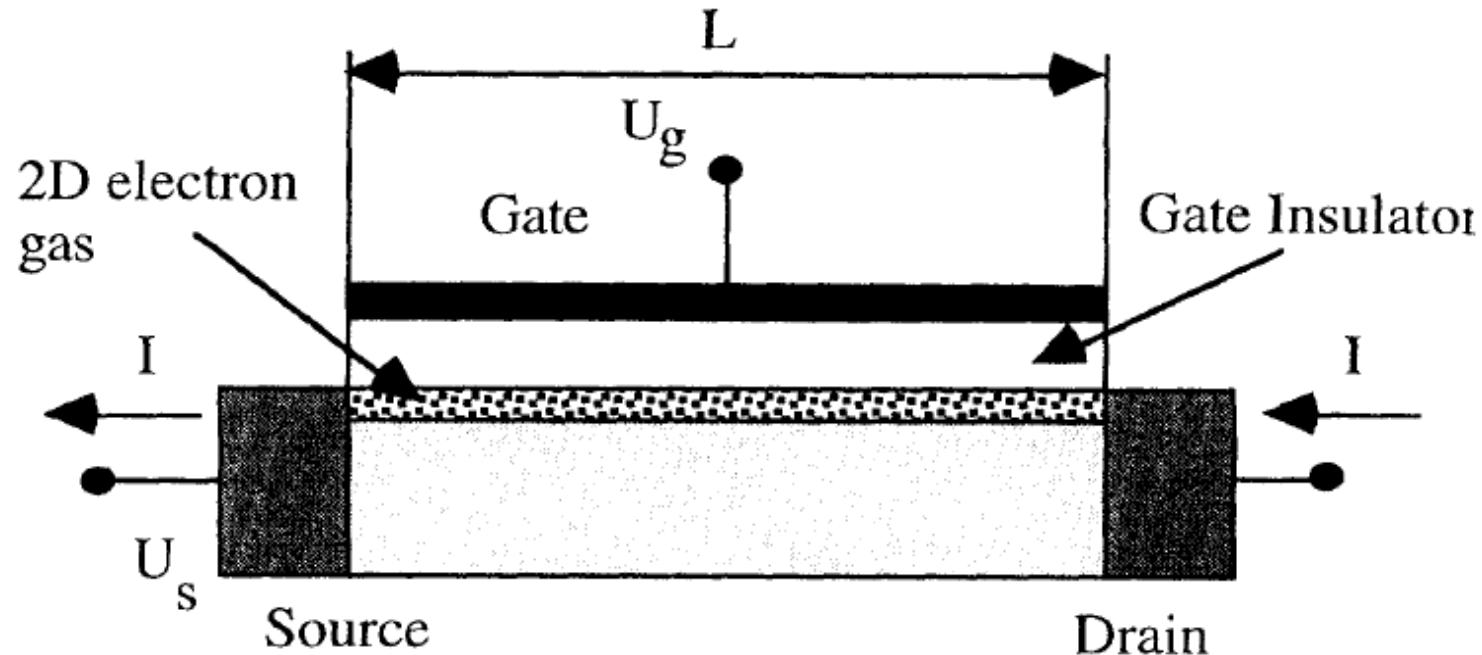
**Figure 4.** Polarization dependence of the response,  $f = 0.8$  THz. Ellipses on the top illustrate the polarization states (after [40]).

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# Plasma Waves FET as THz Emitter

Shallow water analogy for a ballistic field effect transistor: New mechanism of plasma wave generation by DC current

M. Dyakonov and M. S. Shur, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **71**, 2465 (1993)



# Instability and THz generation

This mechanism of plasma wave generation is similar to sound generation in a whistle and wind musical instruments:

## Ingredients:

a) Resonator

b) Asymmetric boundary conditions

**Instability - Threshold**

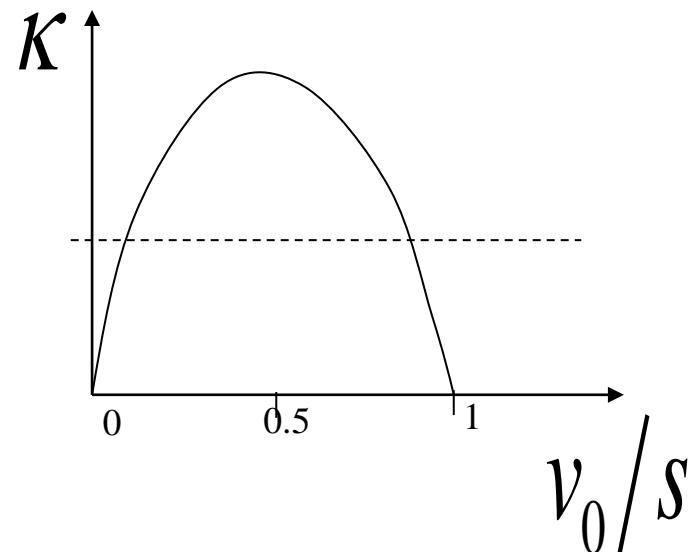


# Plasma waves instability &Emission-

Threshold like - phenomena – laser analogy

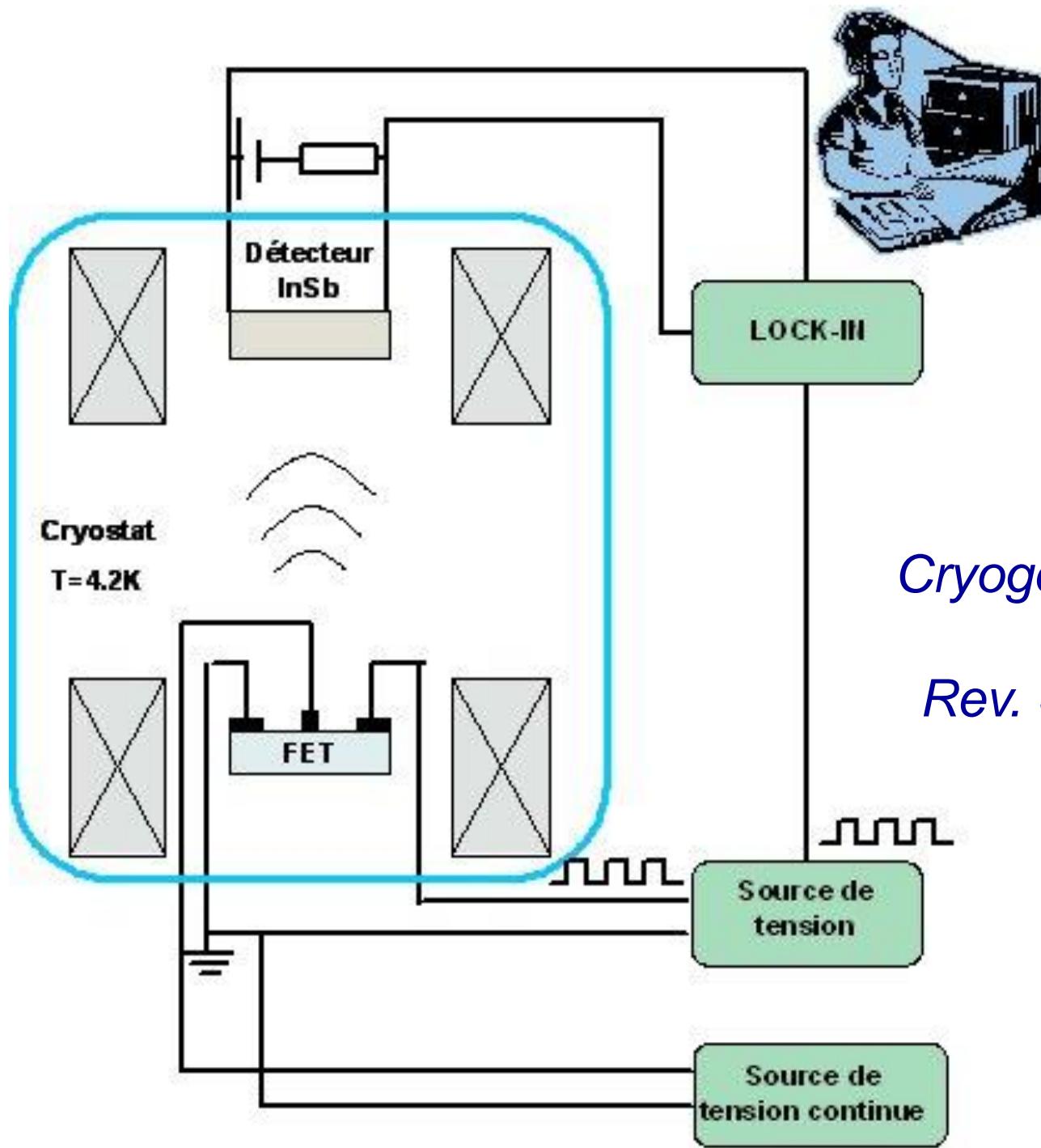
$$A \propto \exp(\kappa t)$$

$$\kappa = \frac{s^2 - v_0^2}{2Ls} \ln \left| \frac{s + v_0}{s - v_0} \right|$$

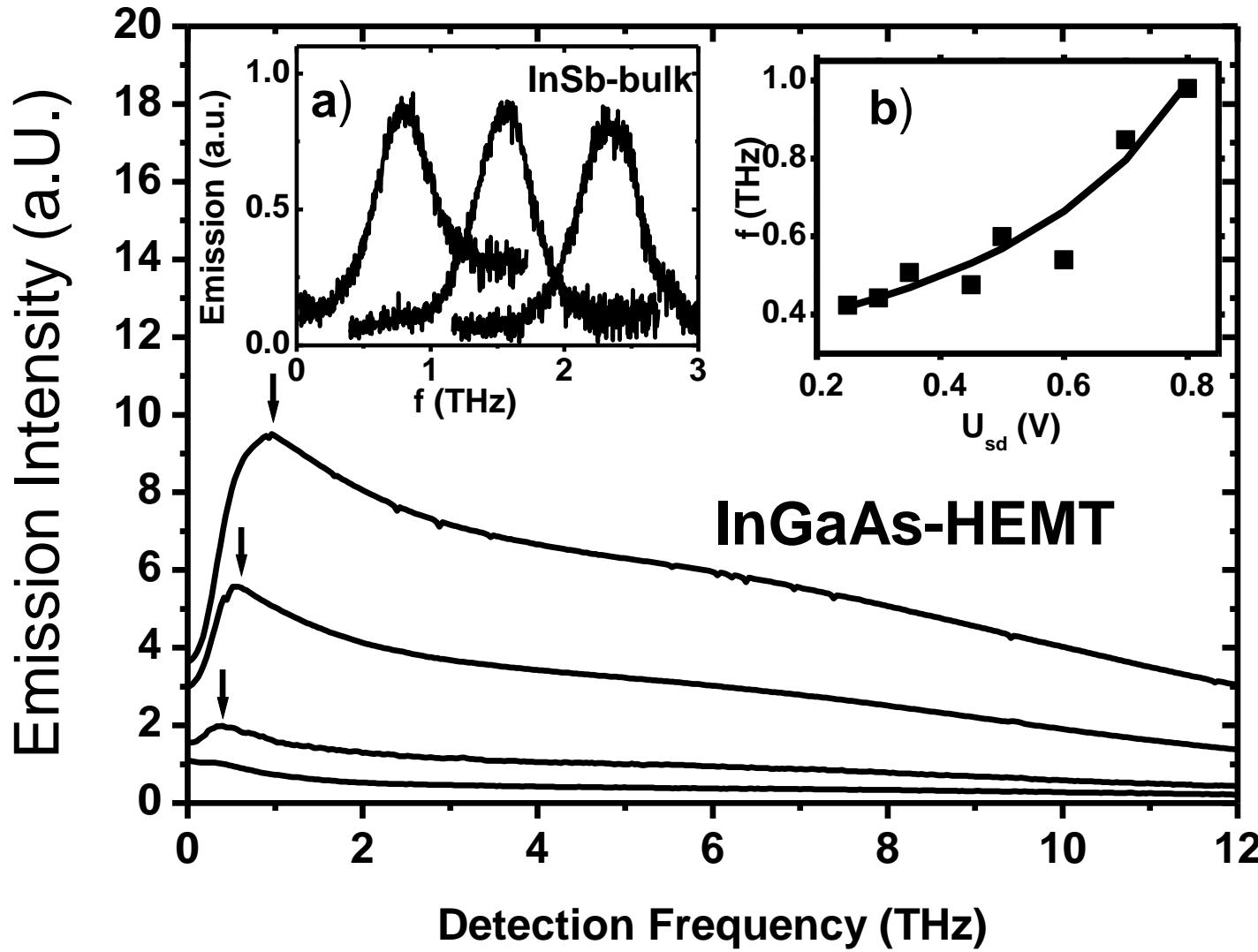


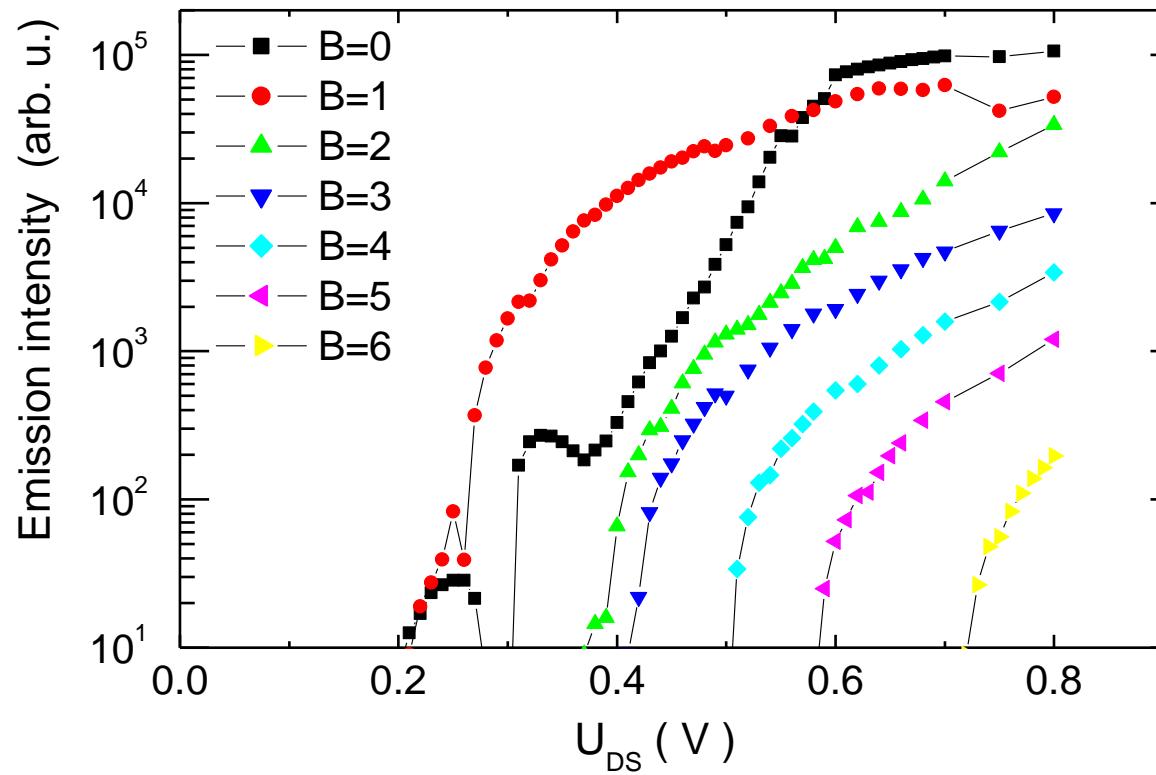
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*Cryogenic THz Spectrometer*  
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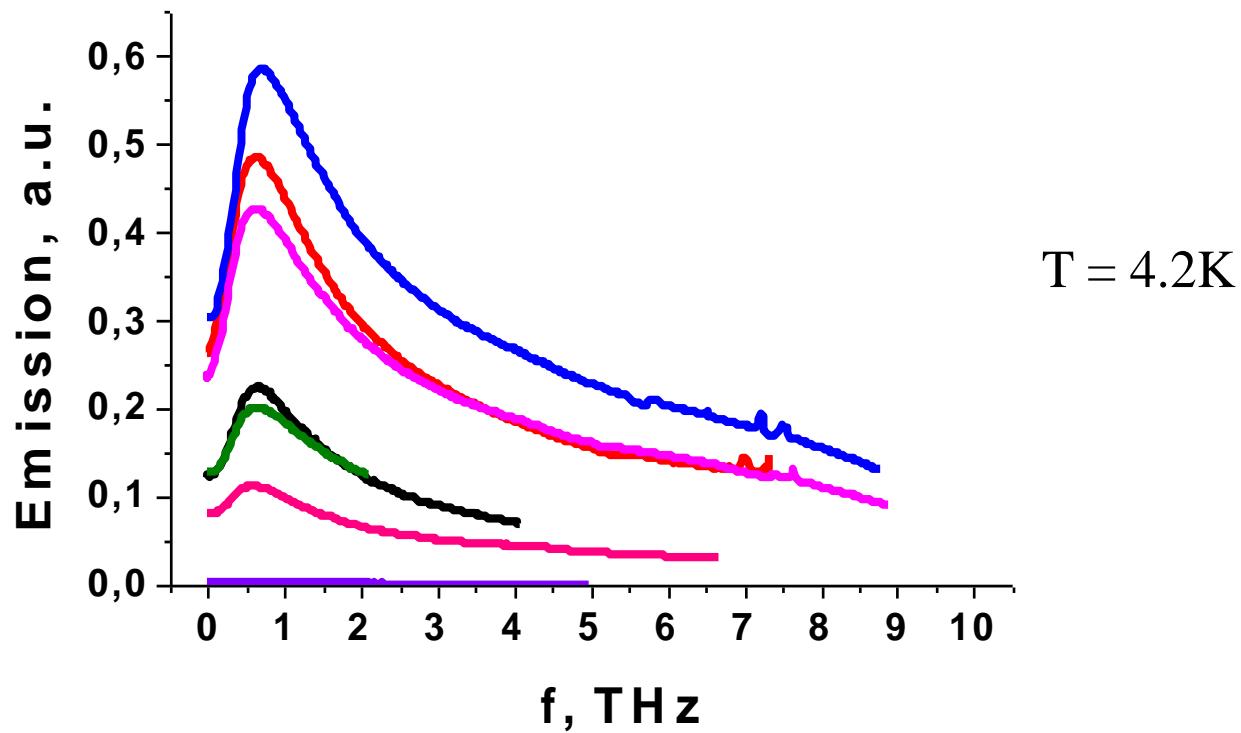
The shift of the threshold voltage - the magnetoresistance of the ungated

*N. Dyakonova et al. J. Appl. Phys. 97, 114313 (2005),*

# Emission spectra

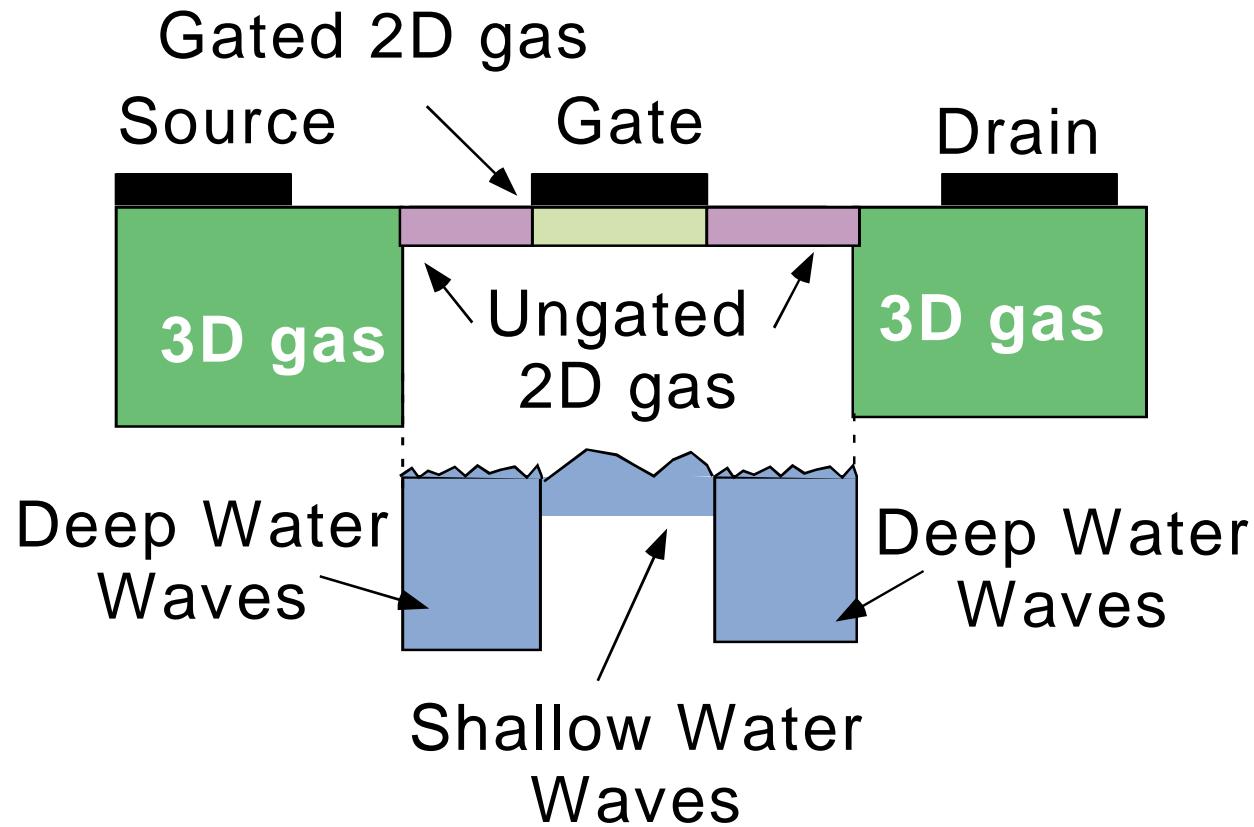
Transistors of different gate length

$L_g = 50, 60, 80 \dots 100 \text{ nm}$   $W = 20 \mu\text{m}$



- $V_g$  dependence is not observed
- Spectra is broad and there is no strong dependence on  $L$

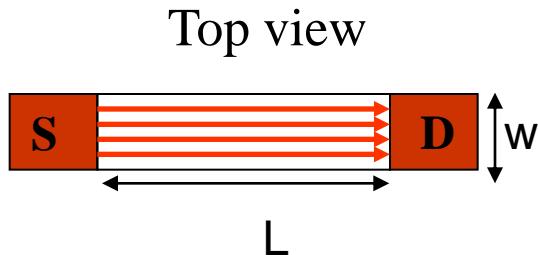
## Deep/shallow water analogy -



# Discussion on plasma modes Broadening

## Additional broadening mechanism

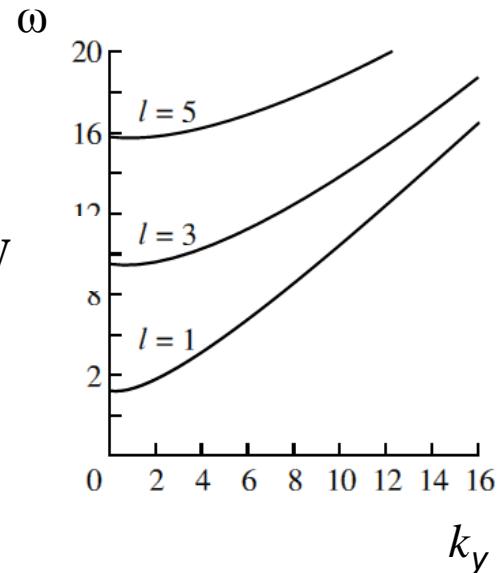
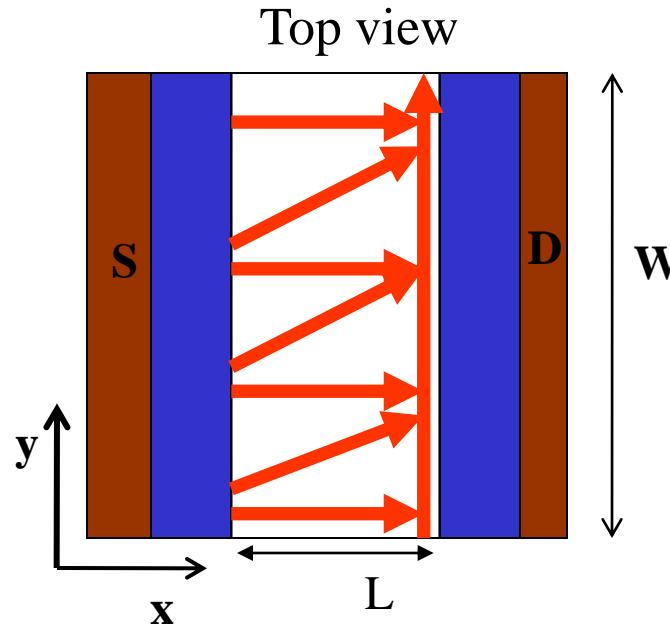
Dyakonov-Shur theory  
geometry



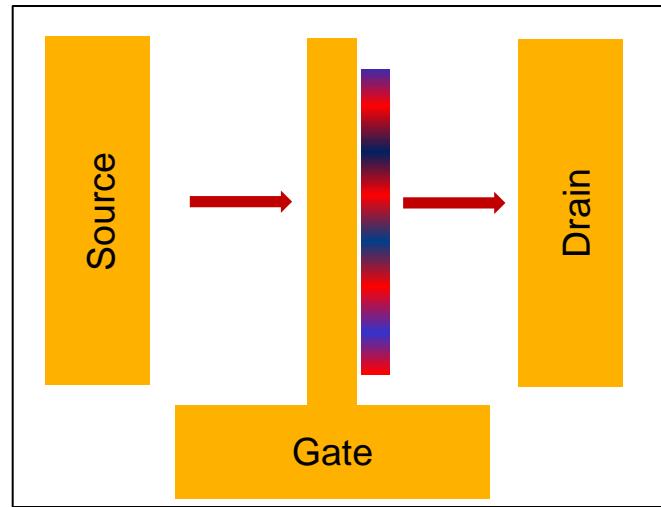
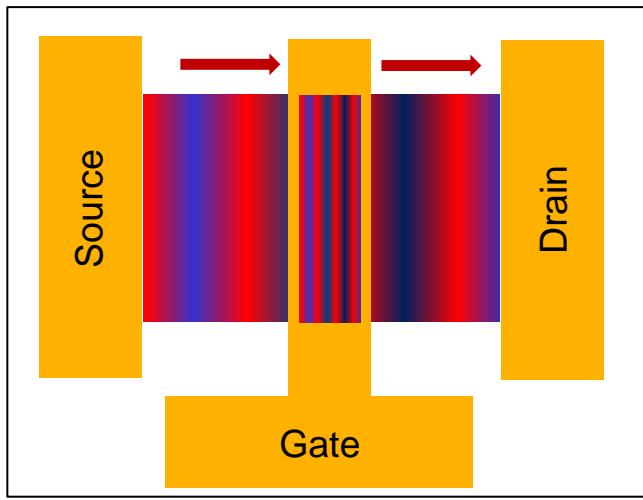
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Experimental geometry

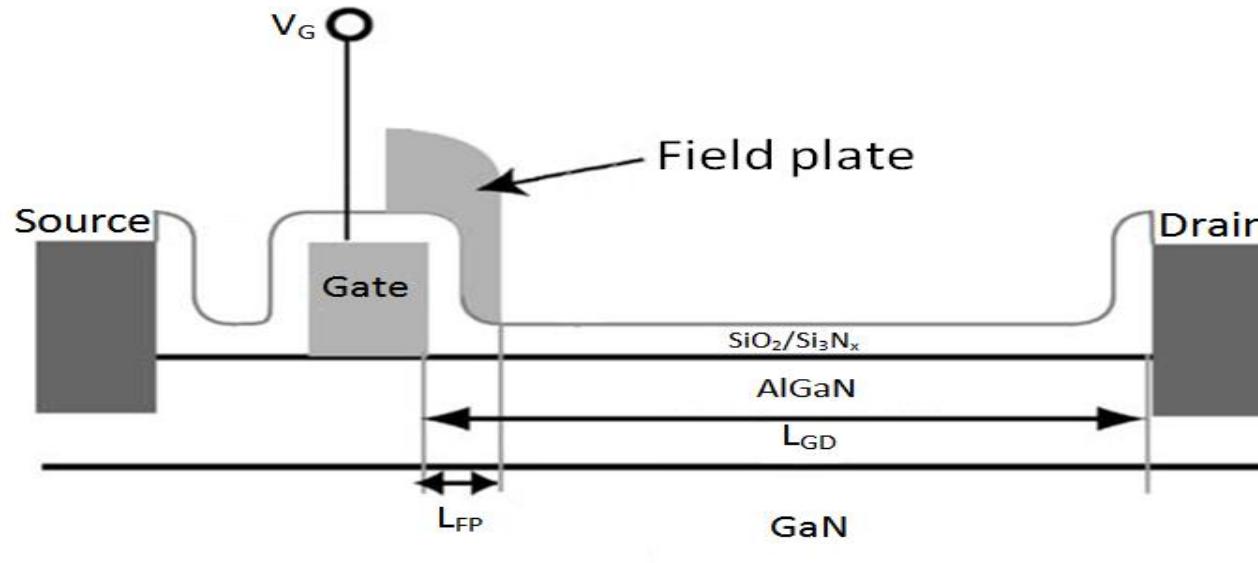
- $W/L \sim 100$
- roughness on the gate boundaries

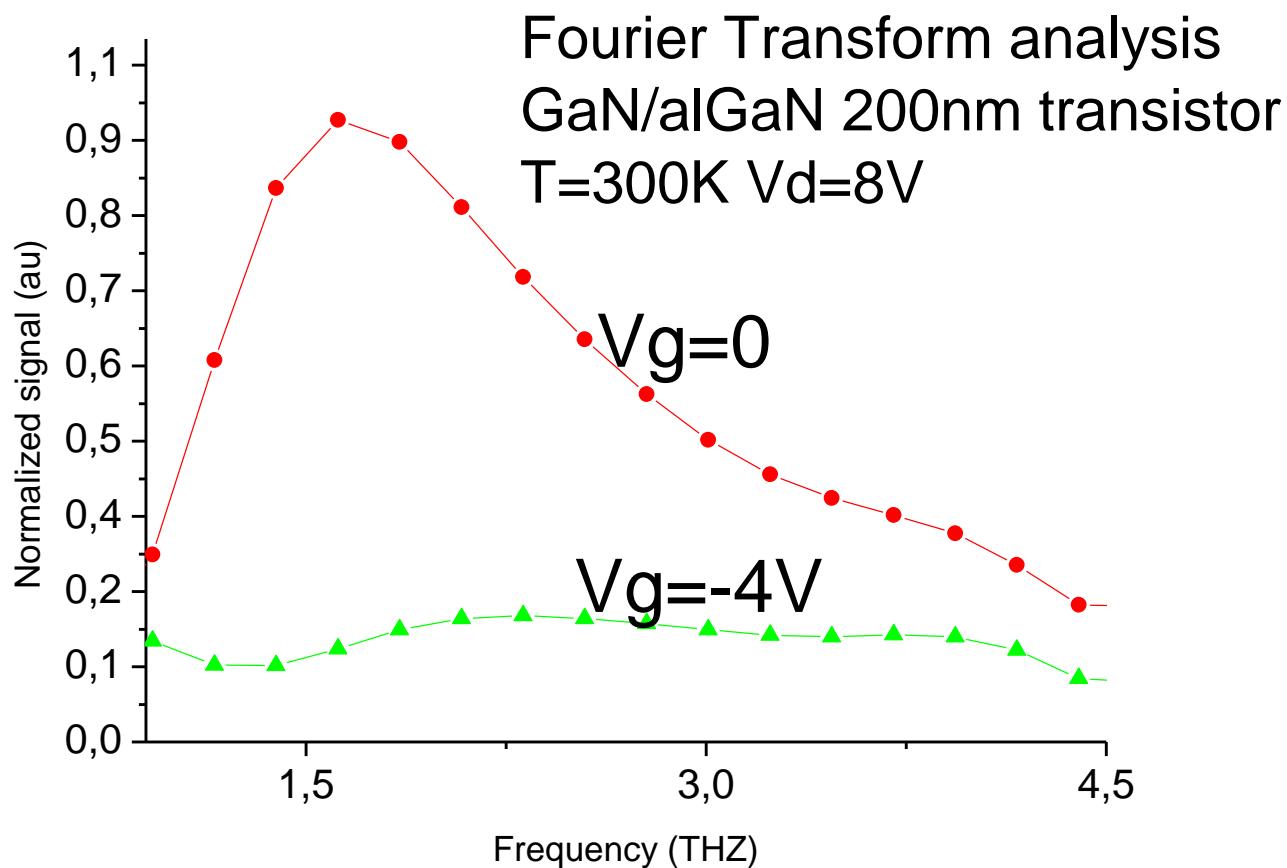


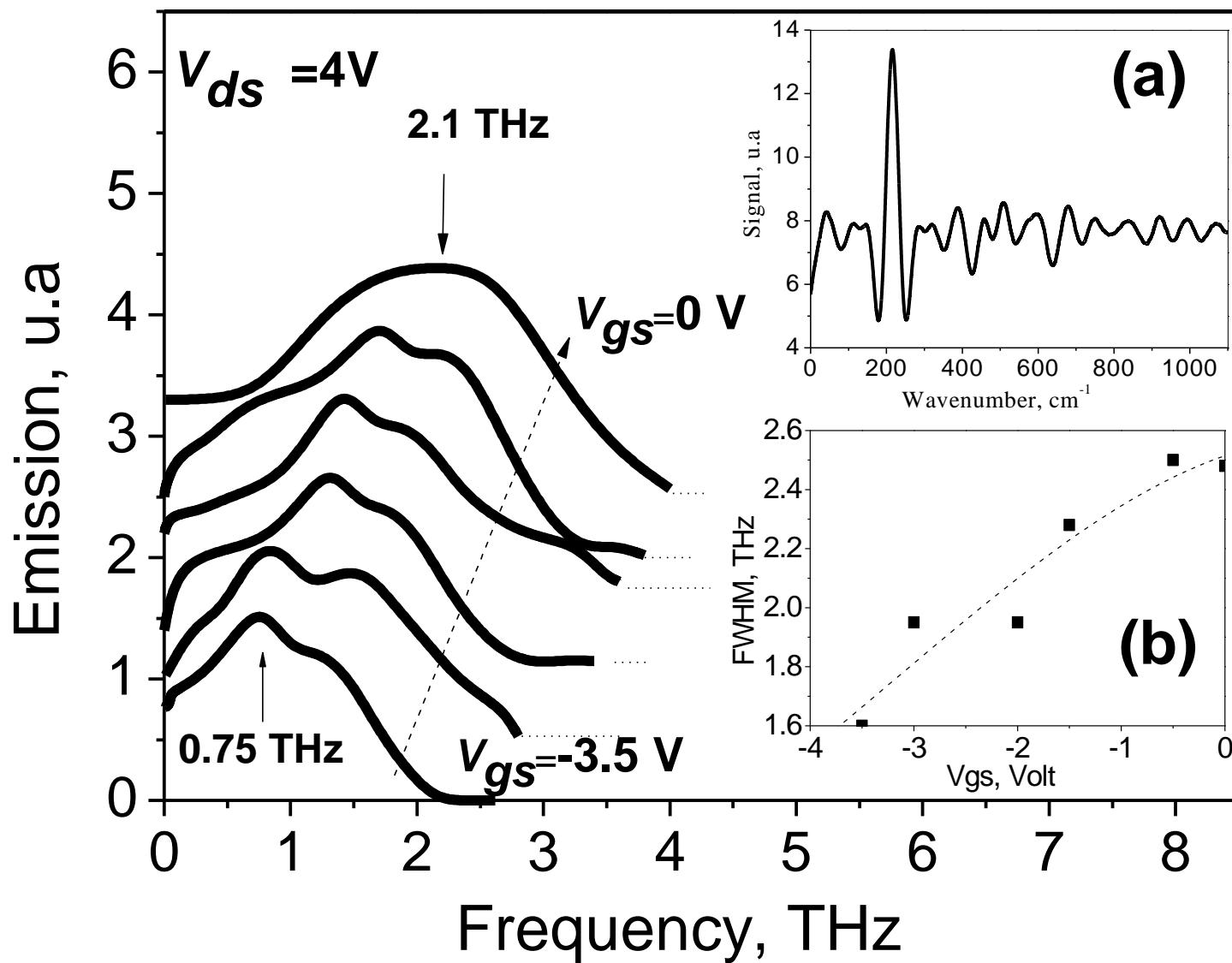
# Shallow , deep and white water instabilities



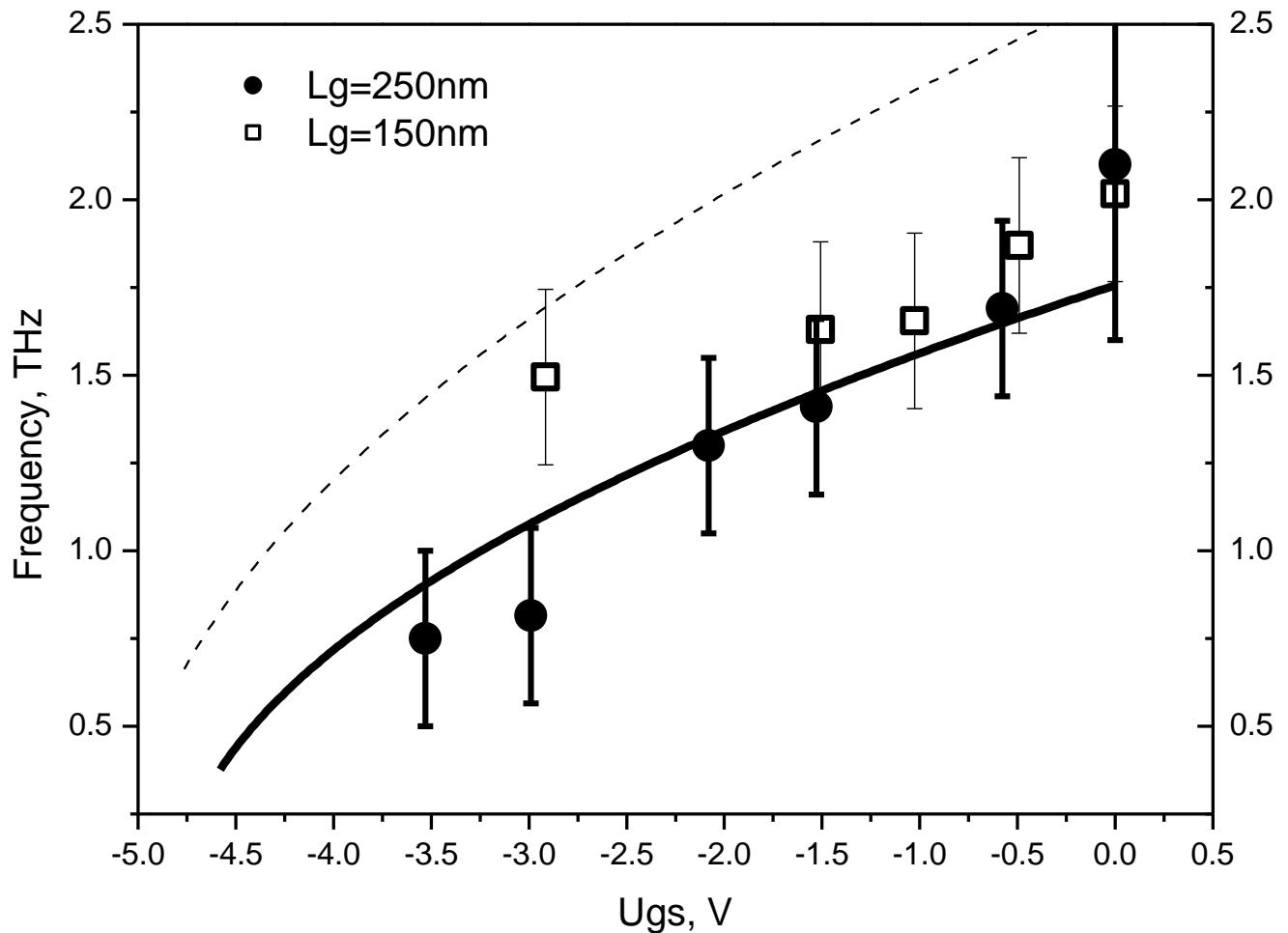
# Field Plate GaN transistor for THz emission



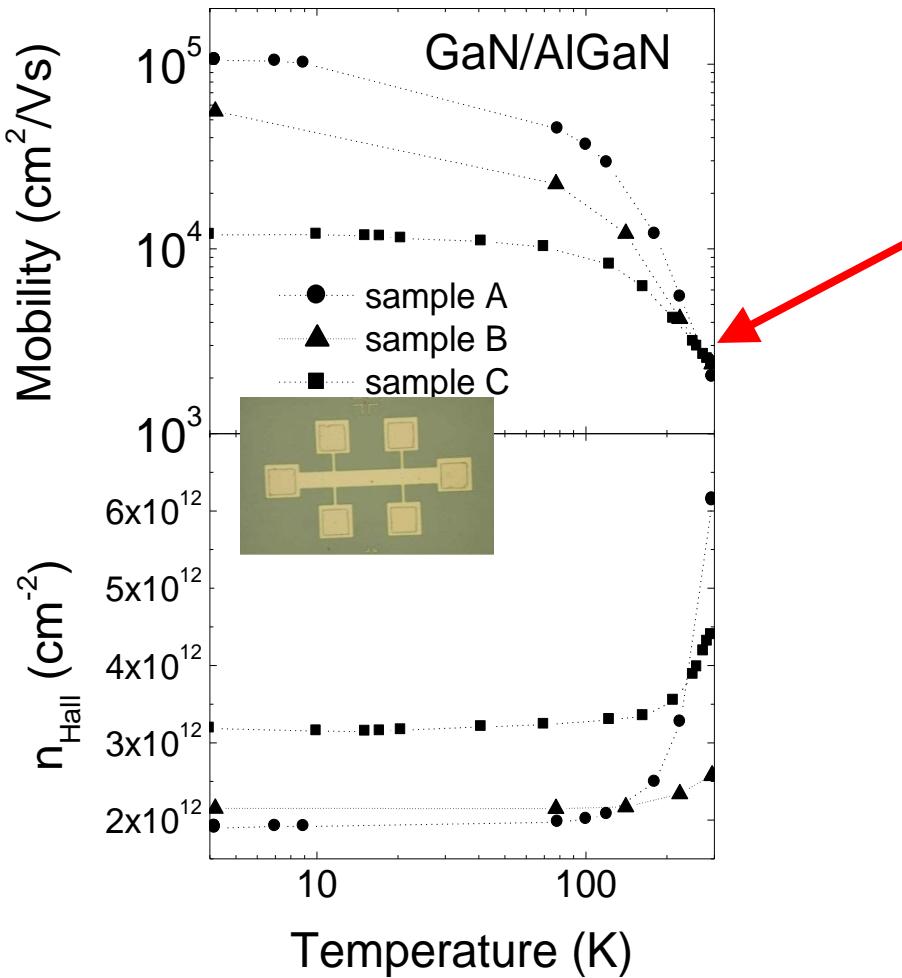




# THZ emission from GaN/AlGaN

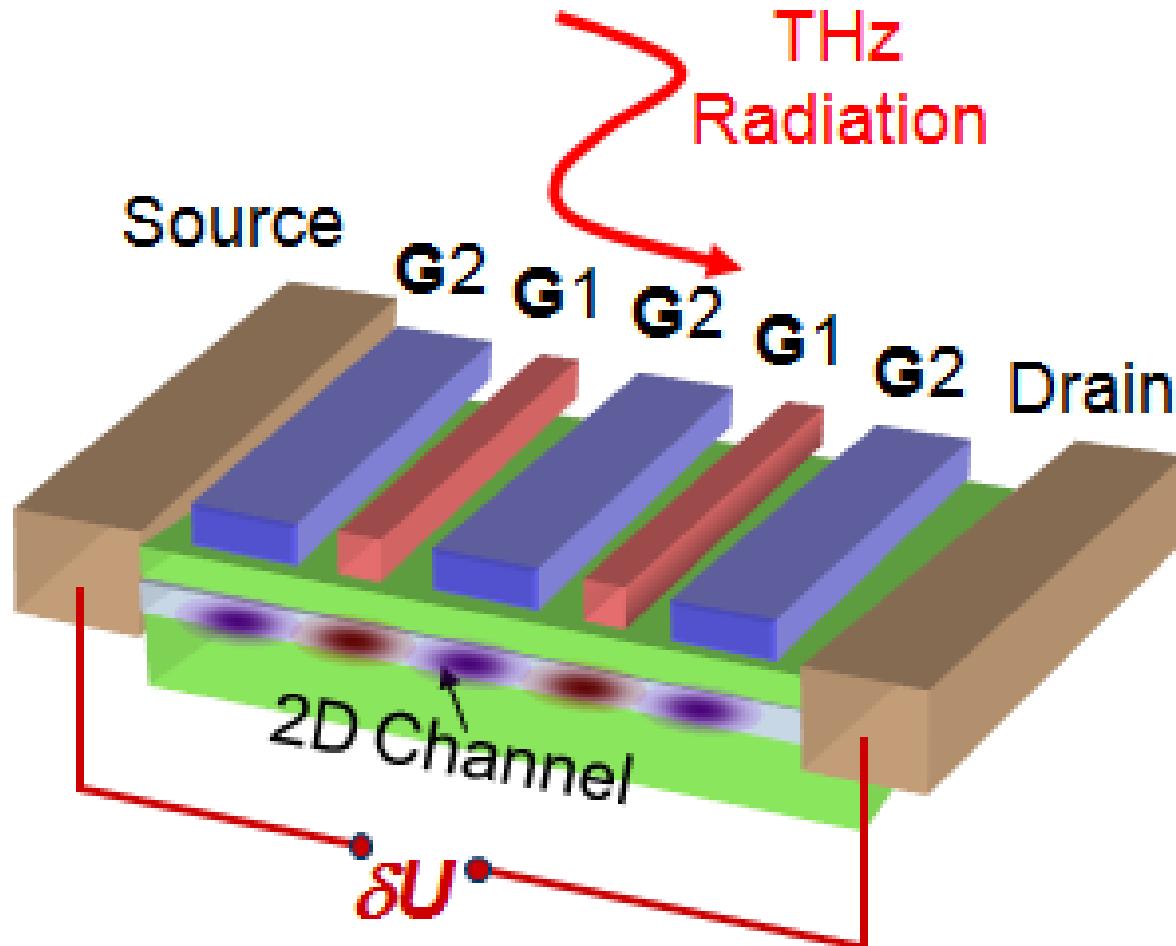


# 2DEG at AlGaN/GaN



**HIGH MOBILITY at 300K :**  
*2500  $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$*   
**World record!**  
***Important for device performance***

# THz Source Based on GaN THz Emission ( UNIPRESS – UM2)





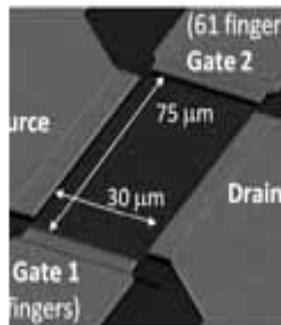
## Defense &amp; Security

## Plasmonic nanodevices for terahertz sensing and spectroscopy

Taiichi Otsuji, Tsuneyoshi Komori, Takayuki Watanabe, and Tetsuya Suemitsu

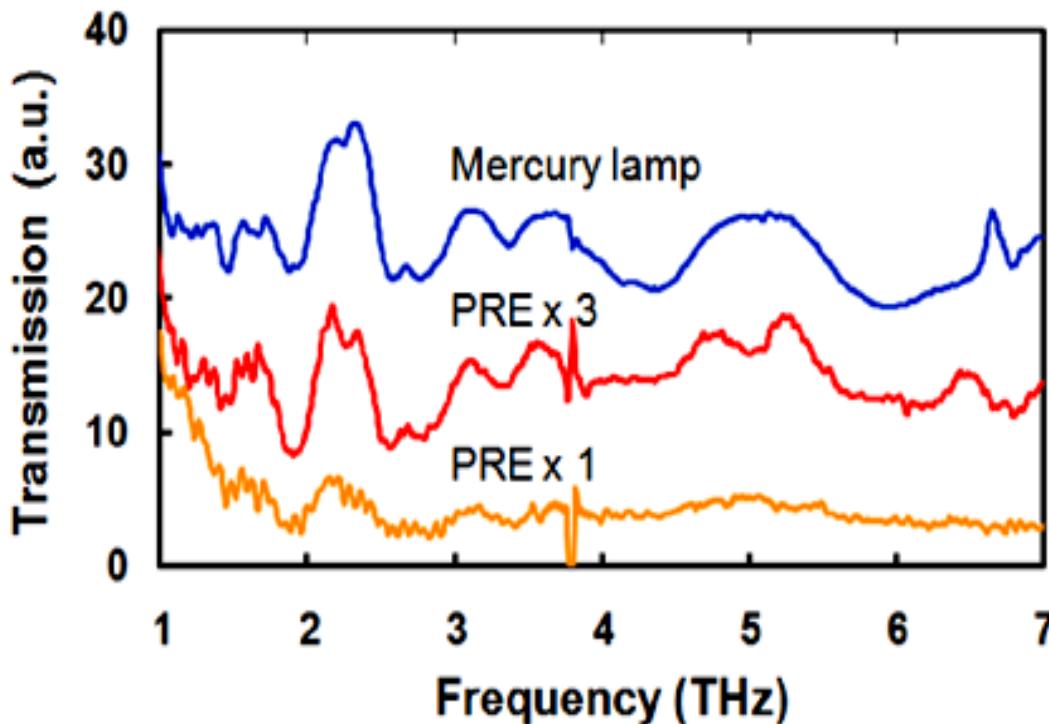
Novel solid-state emitters and detectors exploit electron motion in plasmonic nanodevices to improve the operating frequency of devices intended for terahertz applications.

15 February 2010, SPIE Newsroom. DOI: 10.11117/2.1201



Tunable and coherent sources of terahertz (THz) frequencies currently represent some of the hottest topics in modern electronics. Terahertz radiation was the province of analytical science. Now, the technology has found its way into an increasingly wide variety of applications, including information and communication technologies, medical sciences, nondestructive testing, homeland security, quality control of food and agricultu

## Multi GaInAs HEMT Emitters



**Figure 3.** Transmission spectra for maple-syrup liquid measured using single- and triple-chip PRE(s), and an HP-Hg lamp.

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**2) FET transistors and THz plasma oscillations(nano)**

**3) Experimental proofs of existence (f(B))**

**4) Can we make a resonators and see resonant voltage tunable THz detection ?? (Yes ...broad & LT)**

**5) Can we make a resonators and see resonant voltage tunable THz emission ?? (Yes ....broad)**

**6) Ovedamped Plasma and THz 300K imaging with Si MOSFETS (Leading current application)**

**7) Current and Future Research  
( 300K Res plasma in Graphene for detectors  
Polarization, GaN THz emitters )**