Physics 6567 * Ultrafast Optics * Spring 2009

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Lect #	<u> Topic</u>	Background
1	Introduction to ultrafast optics	Notes
2	Ultrashort pulse generation	DR ch 5 or R ch 3,4 or D ch 2
3	Characteristics of ultrashort light pulses I	Trebino ch 2
4	Characteristics of ultrashort light pulses II	Trebino ch 2
5	Dispersion and propagation of ultrashort pulses	R ch 2
6	Spatio-temporal optics	S ch 14-17
7	Nonlinear optics and phase-matching	Trebino ch 3
8	Second-harmonic generation and electro-optics	Trebino ch 3
9	Four-wave mixing and continuum generation	DR sections 3.3-3.5; A ch 1
10	Measuring ultrashort laser pulses: autocorrelation	Trebino ch 1, 4
11	Measuring ultrashort laser pulses: FROG	Trebino ch 5-12,16
12	Ultrafast Interferometry	Trebino ch 22,23
13	Pulse shaping	Notes, DR ch 7
14	Ultrafast spectroscopy	H (all); E (all); DR ch 9, 10
15	Theory of ultrafast spectroscopy: Feynman diagrams	DR secion 3.1
16	Coherent control of chemical reactions	DR section 11.1
17	Medical imaging with ultrashort pulses	F ch 14,15
18	Mode-locking theory	D ch 1, R ch 1
	Lab tour	Trebino ch 12,17,25
19	Amplification of ultrashort pulses	DR ch 6, F ch 2,4
20	Focusing of ultrashort pulses	Notes, DR section 2.5
21	TeraHertz pulse generation	M (all); R ch 10, F ch 11
22	Ultrafast micro-machining	F ch 6-8
23	High-harmonics and ultrashort x-ray pulses	Notes
24	Attosecond pulses	Notes, F ch 12

Books you should buy or have available:

Trebino, Frequency-Resolved Optical Gating: The Measurement of Ultrashort Laser Pulses Rulliere, Femtosecond Laser Pulses

Books that are also helpful, but you probably don't want to

Diels and Rudolph (DR), Ultrashort Laser Pulse Phenomena

Duling (D), Compact Sources of Ultrashort Pulses Elsaesser (E), Ultrafast Phenomena XII

Alfano (A), The Supercontinuum Laser Source

Siegman (S), Lasers

Fermann, et al. (F), Ultrafast Lasers

Mittleman (M), Sensing with Terahertz Radiation

Hannaford (H), Femtosecond Laser Spectroscopy

Kartner (K), Few-Cycle Laser Pulse Generation and Its Applications





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