THz light-driving ferroelectric transitions in Ca-doped STO

• a hidden ferroelectric (FE) phase in the paradigmatic material SrTiO3 accessed by intense coherent THz excitation of the FE soft mode

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- Ferroelectric TO phonon mode at 25 K and Eg mode splitting at 30K as an indicator of structural phase transition in SrTiO3
- Introduce anisotropy to induce ferroelectricity (doping, E-field...)
- Apply THz pump and measure IR-probe rotation induced by phonons.
- Ferroelectricity observed with significantly smaller field strength with calcium doping.





