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Alvra in-house beamtime

## Sulfur K-edge Spectroscopy

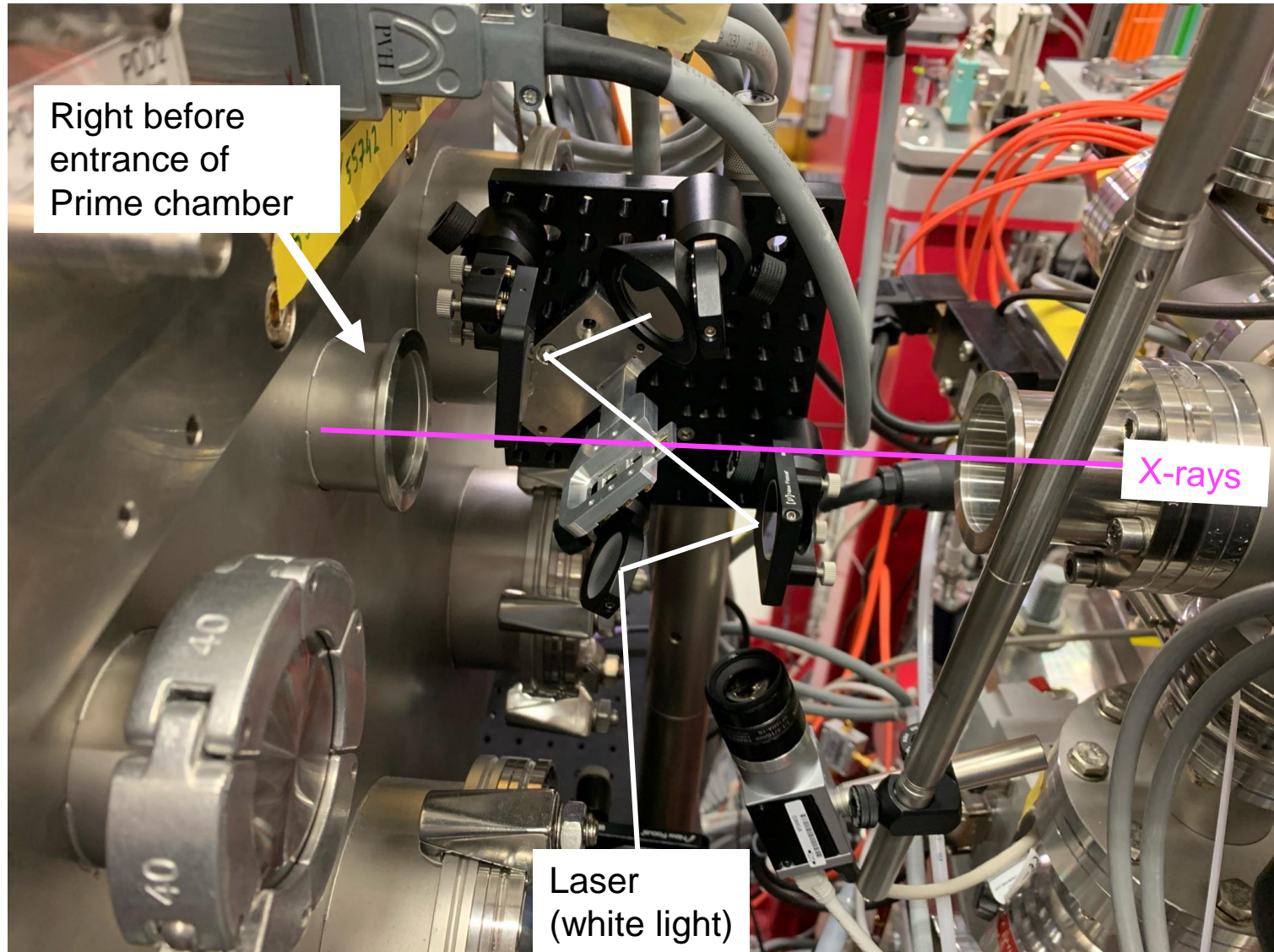
May 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 + User experiment May 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>



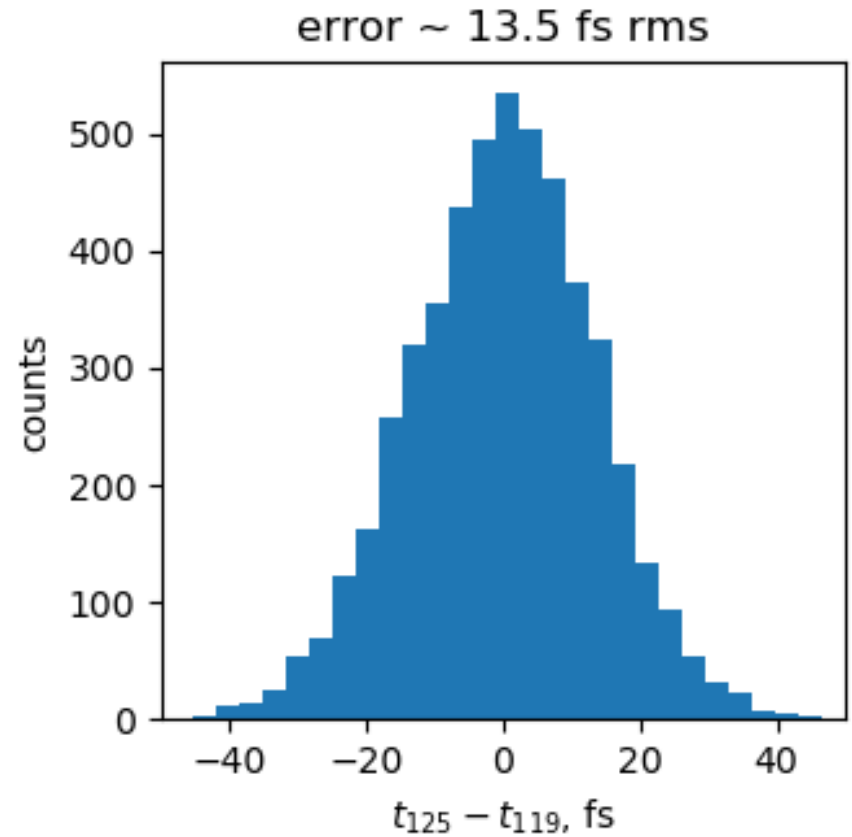
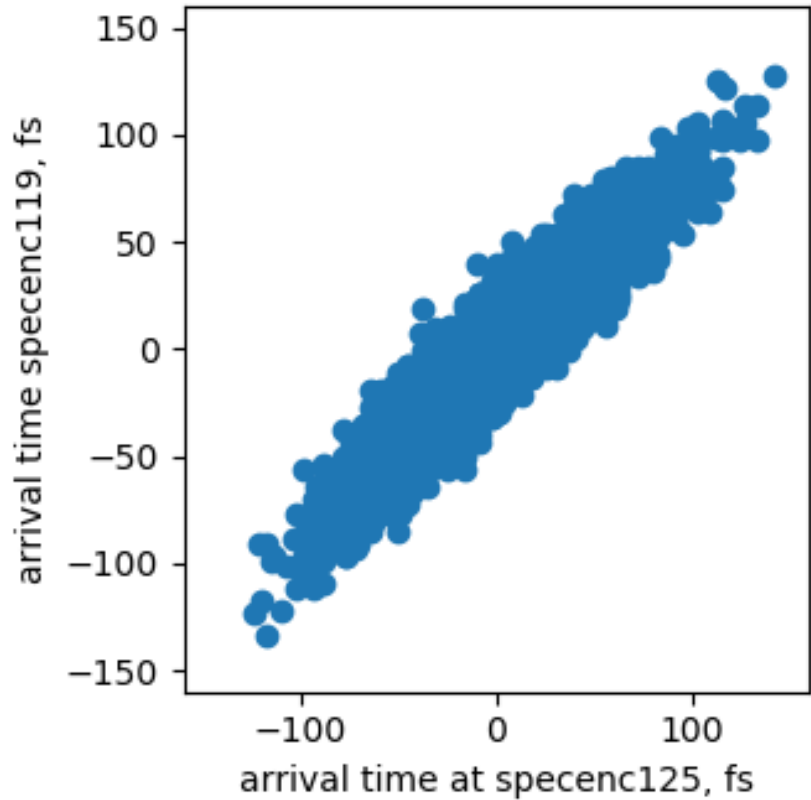
# In-house Beamtime Goals

- **Test new spatial timing tool prototype** (1-2 days @high energy) 
  - Placed right in front of the prime chamber
  - Compact, in air (for now)
  - Measure long term drifts and compare with PSEN and sample position  $t_0$
- **Prepare the setup for S K-edge experiments** (~2 days @2.5 keV) 
  - “Recommission” InSb monochromator crystal @2.5 keV
  - Test new APD diodes
  - Get good S/N S K-edge spectra on reference sample
- **Measure S K-edge of Cytochrome c** (rest of the beamtime @2.5 keV) 
  - Pump-probe measurement
  - Scientific question: Does the Fe-S bond dissociates in ferric Cyt c?

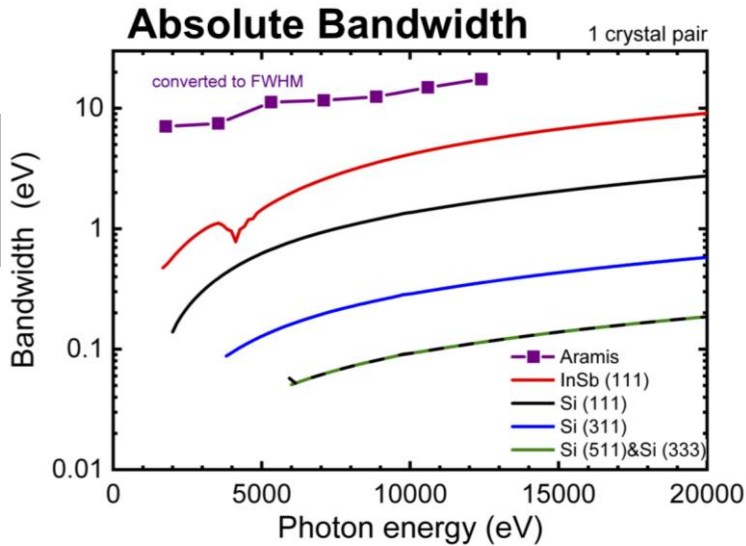
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# InSb(111) vs Si(111) monochromator crystal



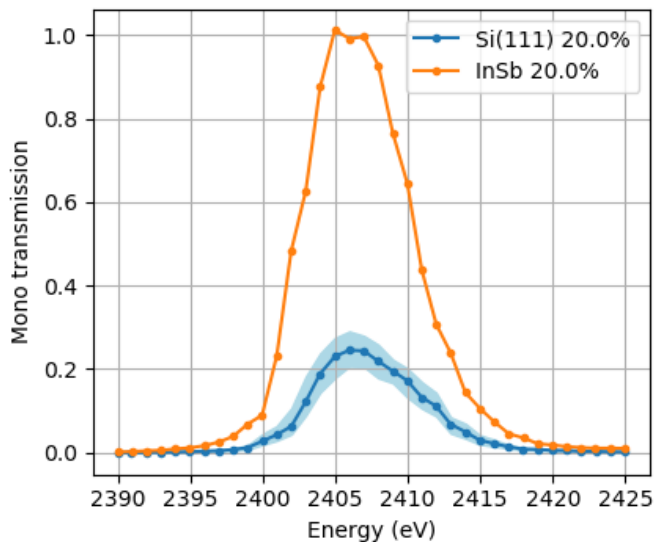
Curve from the optics group:

Si(111) resolution @2.5 keV ~220 meV

InSb(111) resolution @2.5 keV ~660 meV

Measured this week ( $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ , 250 meV steps):

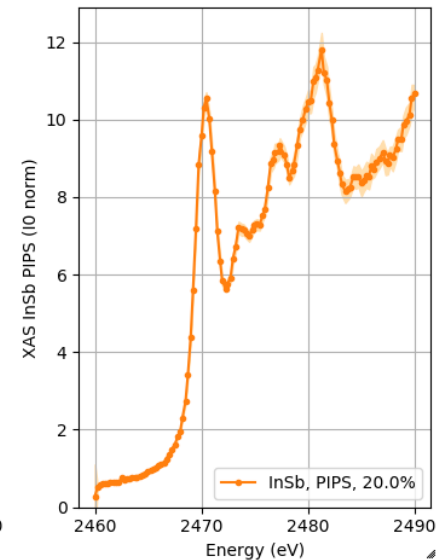
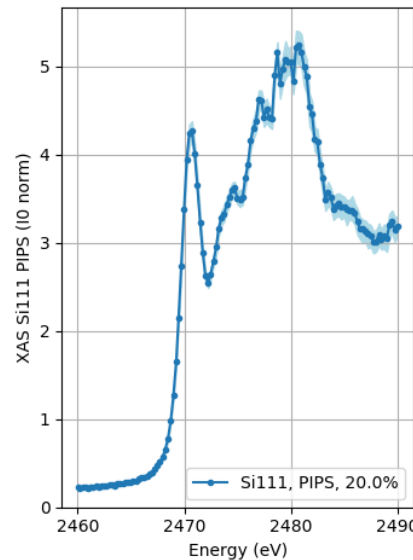
Measured this week (SASE Spectrum)



Si(111)

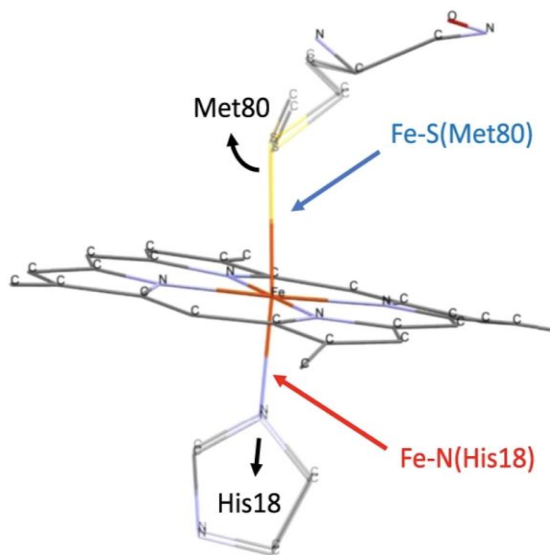
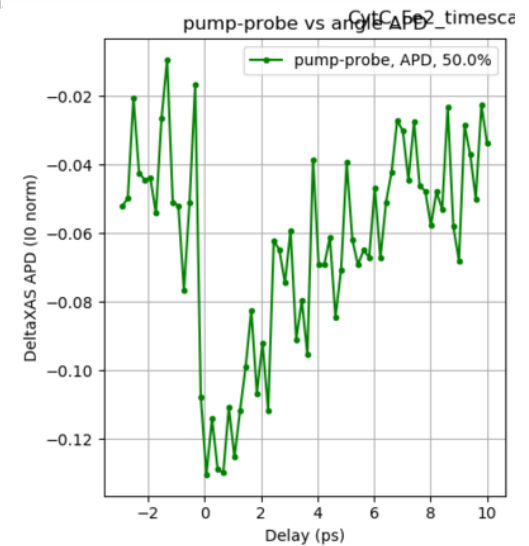
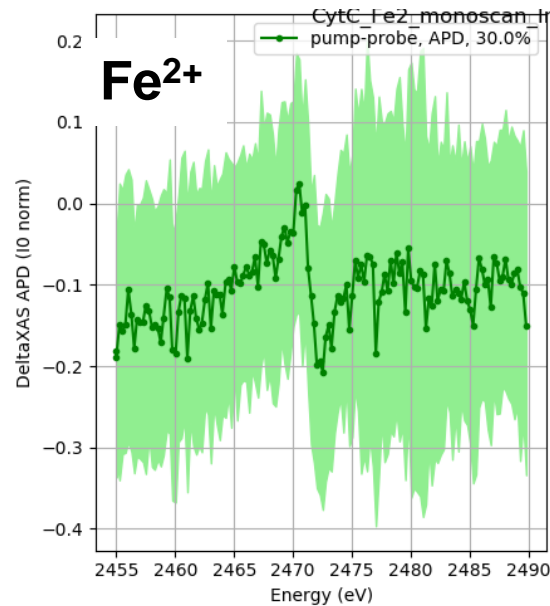
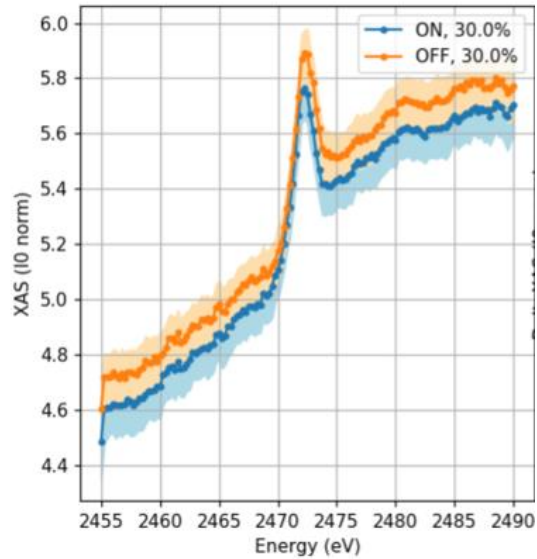
$\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$  XAS (fluo)

InSb(111)

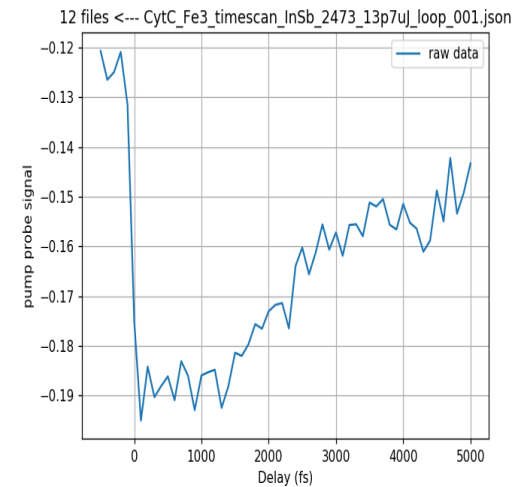
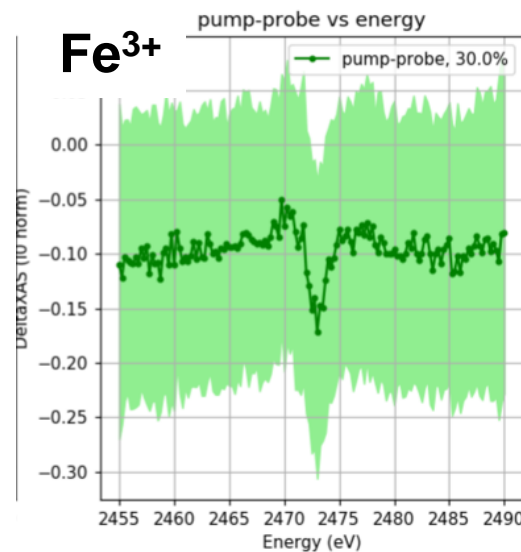


# Cyt C – Does the S-Fe<sup>3+</sup> bond dissociate?

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- **S K-edge experiments (until May 17th)**

- 2.5 keV, **scanning over 150 eV range!!**

- High pulse energy (as much as possible, minimum 600  $\mu\text{J}$ )  $\rightarrow$   
max 500  $\mu\text{J}$  this week

- Narrow BW if possible ( $<0.28\%$ )  $\rightarrow$   $\sim 0.32\text{-}0.34\%$  this week

- No need for high compression (25 fs rms)

- **Remote Users**

- Scanning overnight with no support

- Ni dithiolene or thiolate photocatalysts

