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Title: On-chip Non-local Ultrafast Carrier Dynamics of Graphene Investigated Using Terahertz Electronics

Abstract:

Exploring inherent non-local ultrafast dynamics in two-dimensional electron systems necessitates high-frequency measurements, a task gigahertz electronics can only partially meet. To bridge this gap, we've introduced terahertz (THz) electronics ^[1-4] capable of subpicosecond time resolution, enriching our study of charge dynamics. Our method uses laser-induced photo-conductive switches to generate and detect ultrashort electrical pulses, allowing detailed time-domain analysis. A significant achievement is our development of a graphene photodetector with a 220 GHz bandwidth, revealing complex optical-to-electrical conversion processes ^[3]. Additionally, we've observed 1-picosecond wavepacket propagation of graphene plasmons, with velocity shifts dependent on carrier density, aligning with acoustic graphene plasmon theory ^[4]. These insights not only enhance our comprehension of ultrafast charge dynamics in two-dimensional materials but also indicate new possibilities for creating advanced high-speed optoelectronic devices.

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