# Field Theory of Nonequilibrium Systems

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### Nonequilibrium systems



## Open problem: Light-induced states of matter

Lattice control of reflectivity and possible lightinduced superconductivity in  $K_3C_{60}$ 







M. Mitrano et al., Nature 530, 461 (2016)



# Pump-probe spectroscopy (1887)

stroboscopic investigations of dynamic phenomena





Muybridge 1887

# Pump-probe spectroscopy (today)

stroboscopic investigations of dynamic phenomena



#### TbTe3 CDW metal



J. Sobota et al., PRL 108, 117403 (2012) F. Schmitt et al., Science 321, 1649 (2008) Image courtesy: J. Sobota / F. Schmitt

# Challenge



many-body problem (electrons + ions)

#### movies by Koichiro Tanaka (Kyoto university)



nonequilibrium many-body problem (electrons + ions + photons)

### One method: Nonequilibrium Green's functions



### # Outline

#### **Correlation functions and response**

Kubo formalism, Fluctuation dissipation theorem

#### Field theory for quantum many-particle systems

path integrals, second quantization, coherent state path integrals, concepts of many-body perturbation theory

#### Keldysh formalism

field theory for nonequilibrium systems

#### **Classical stochastic equations**

Langevin equation, semiclassical equations of motion in a dissipative environment

#### **Kinetic equations**

Derivation of the quantum Boltzmann

From collisionless dynamics to kinetic theory

Dynamics of BEC condensates, superconductors

#### **Quantum Transport**

Landauer formula, transport and the Kondo effect

#### **Driven systems**

Parametric instabilities of many-particle systems

### Literature





### Keldysh formalism

