

Colloquium

Seeing magnetic fields and electric currents using light

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In this talk I will discuss the magneto-optical imaging (MOI) technique which offers a way to image and quantitatively measure the behavior of local magnetic field distribution across any non-volatile sample. The technique allows one to image with high signal to noise ratio, changes in local magnetic field down to 0.001 milli-Tesla. The sensitive technique offers high spatio-temporal imaging capability for exploring static and dynamic behavior of local magnetic state in a material. At IITK we have been working on enhancing the sensitivity of this you will share with technique and some of these Ι developments. I will present a recent example from our lab, on using this technique to unravel a competition between magnetism and superconductivity above the superconducting critical transition temperature in Pnictides class of material, and if time permits some other examples. Apart from this I will discuss our recent attempts to use this technique to image electric current distributions inside different materials.

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