

# Group delay time at the neutron reflection from multilayered resonant structures

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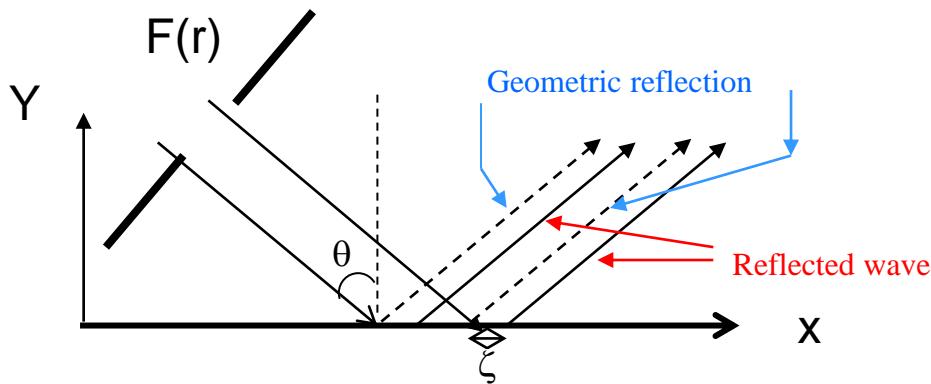
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# **Outline**

- *Reflection of waves and Goose - Hänchen effect*
- *Goose - Hänchen shift and group delay time (GDT)*
- *Giant positive and negative GDT the neutron refection from multi-layers structures as that was considered early*
- *Negative delay time and contradiction with causality principle*
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## G.-H. shift. Formulation of the problem



K. Artmann, Ann. der Phys. 2, 87 (1948)

L.M. Brechovskikh, Usp. Fiz. Nauk 50, 539 (1953)

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$$A_{in}(\mathbf{r}) = A_0(\mathbf{r}) \exp(i\mathbf{k}_0 \mathbf{r})$$

At  $z = 0$

$$A_{in}(x) = A_0(x) F(x) \exp(ik_{0x}x).$$

where  $k_{0x} = k_0 \sin(\theta)$

Our aim is to find displacement  $\zeta$

## G.-H shift. Simplified solution

Fourier transform of the incoming and reflected waves

$$A_{in}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(k_x) \exp(ik_x x) dk_x$$

$$A_R(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(k_x) R(k_x) \exp(ik_x x) dk_x,$$

Approximation

$$R(k_x) = |R(k_x)| \exp[i\varphi(k_x)]$$

$$\varphi(k_x) \approx \varphi_0(k_x)_{x0} + \varphi'(k_x)_{x0}(k_x - k_{x0})$$

Solution

$$A_R(x) \approx |R(k_{x0})| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(k_x) \exp[ik_x(x - \zeta)] dx.$$

$$\zeta = -\left(\frac{d\varphi}{dk_x}\right)_{x0}$$

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# **G.-H shift of the matter waves and its relation with the group delay time**

$$k_z^2 = k_0^2 - k_x^2$$

$$\varsigma = - \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dk_x} \right)_{x_0} = - \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dk_z^2} \right) \frac{dk_z^2}{dk_x}$$

$$\frac{dk_z^2}{dk_x} = -2k_x$$

$$\varsigma = 2 \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dk_z^2} \right) k_x$$

$$k_z^2 = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_z$$

$$\varsigma = \hbar \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dE_z} \right) v_x = \tau_g v_x$$

$$\tau_g = \hbar \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dE_z} \right)$$

**Group delay time**  
*(Bohm, Wigner, 1952-55)*

*For the total reflection  $\tau \approx 5 \div 7 \text{ ns}$*

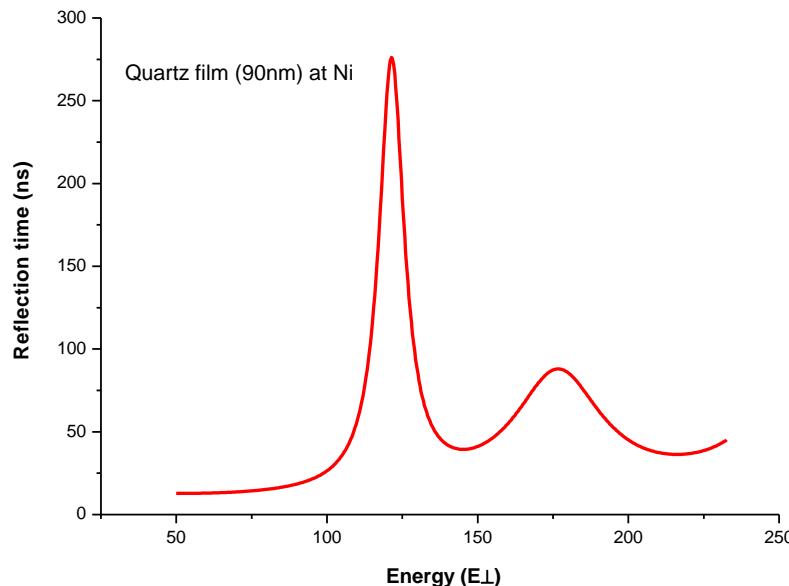
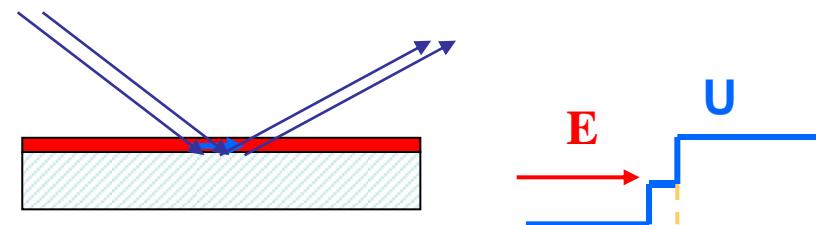
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# *Giant delay time in reflection (and G-Ch. shift of the neutron beam)*

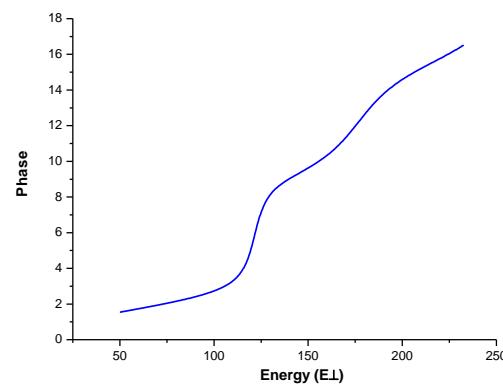
*A films at the wafer (total reflection)*

T. Tamir, H.L. Bertoni, J.Opt.Soc.Am. 61, 1397 (1971)

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*Group delay time at neutron reflection from quartz film (90nm) deposited at Ni substrate*

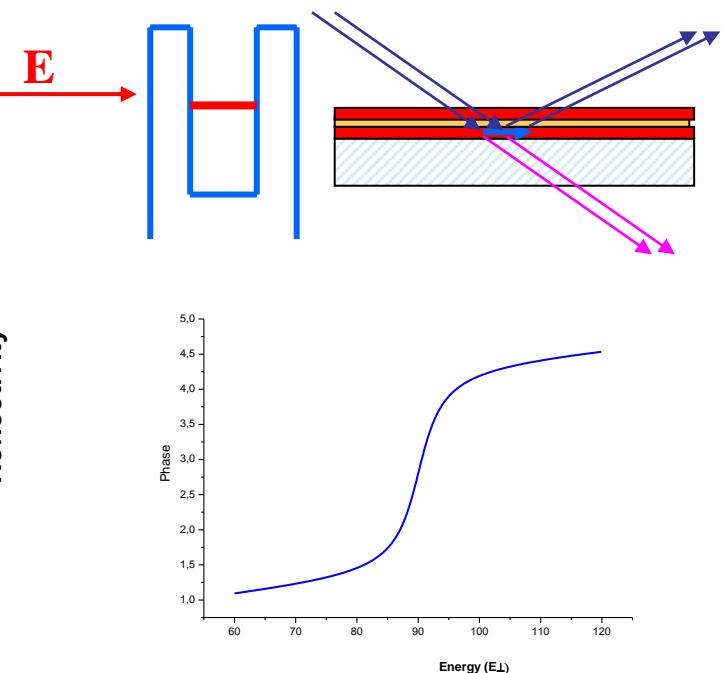
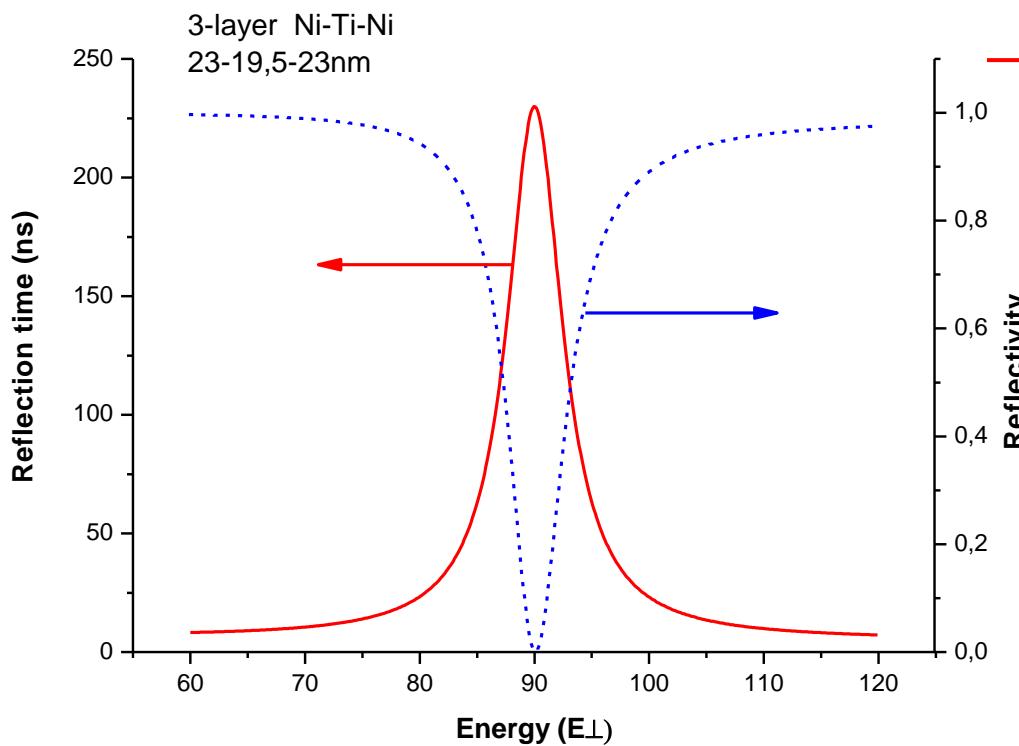


*Phase of the reflected wave*

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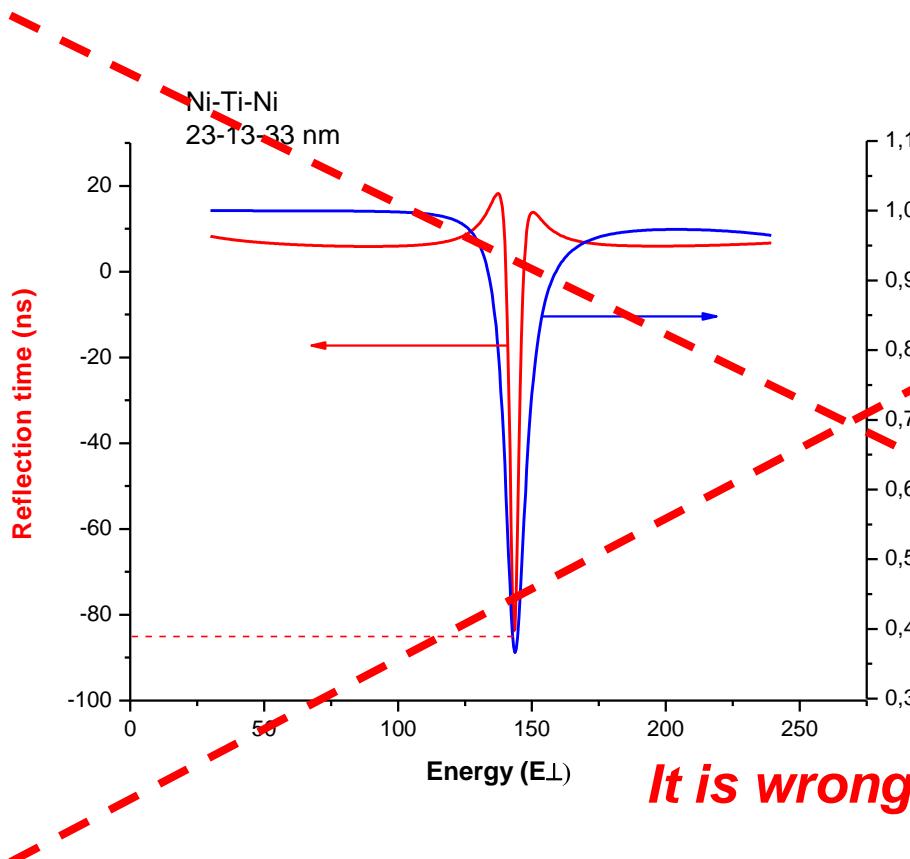
## Fabry-Perrot interferometer (Neutron Interference filter)



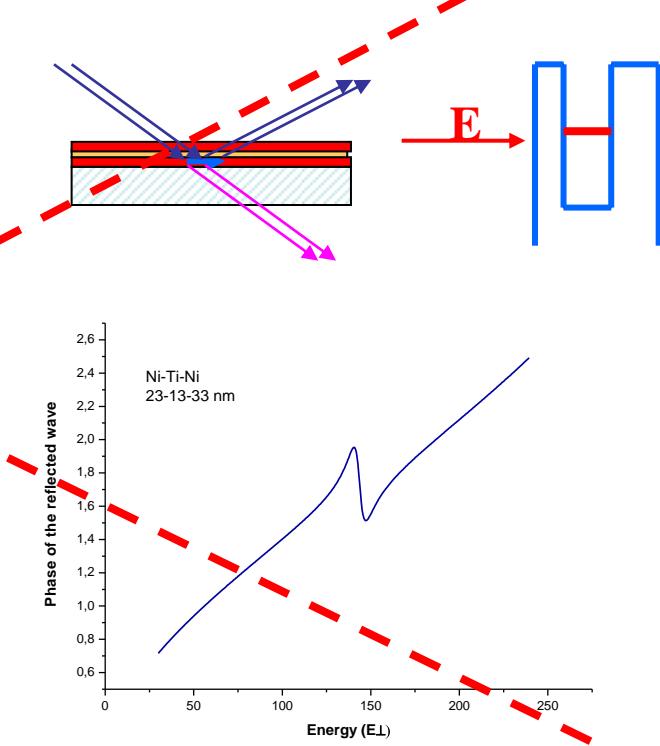
Reflection time and reflection coefficient for neutron reflection from the three layered resonant structure NiMo-Ti-NiMo. On the right – phase of the reflected wave

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# Giant negative group delay time



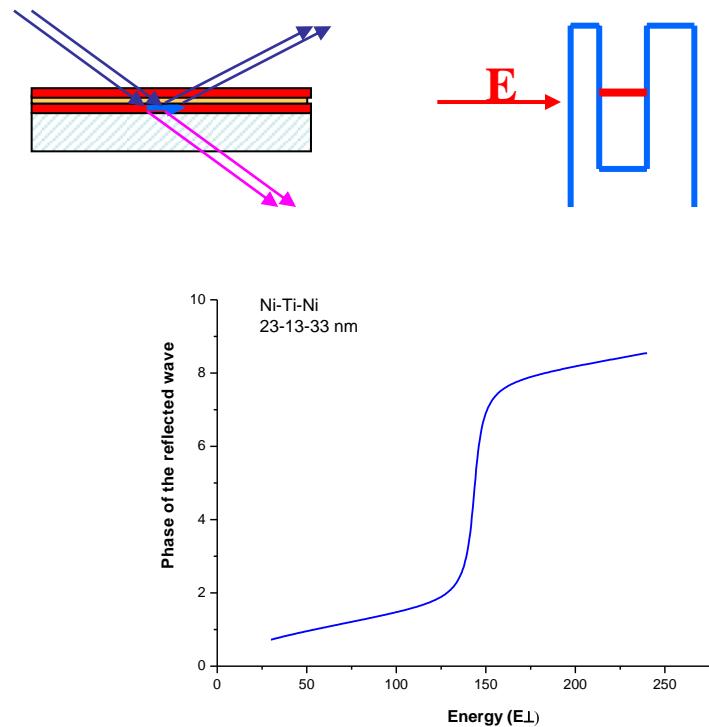
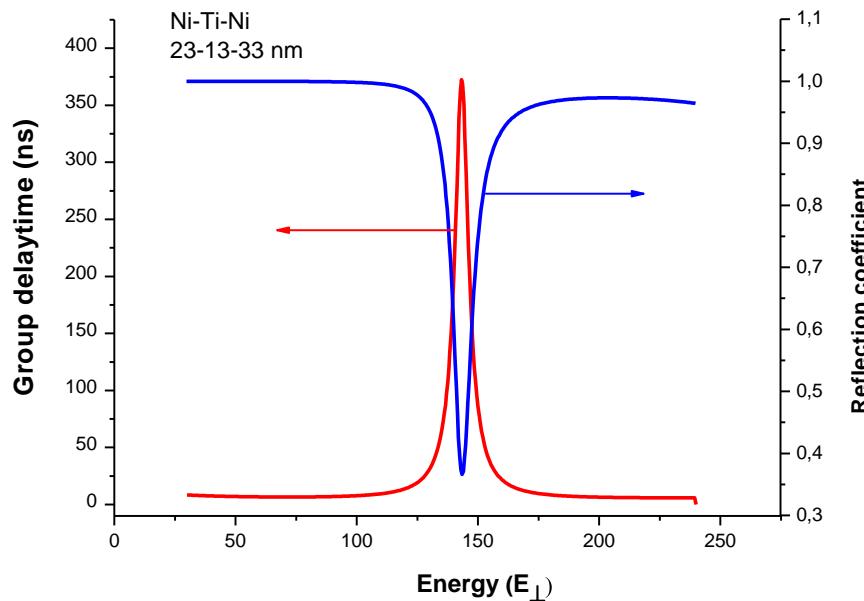
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# Giant **POSITIVE** group delay time

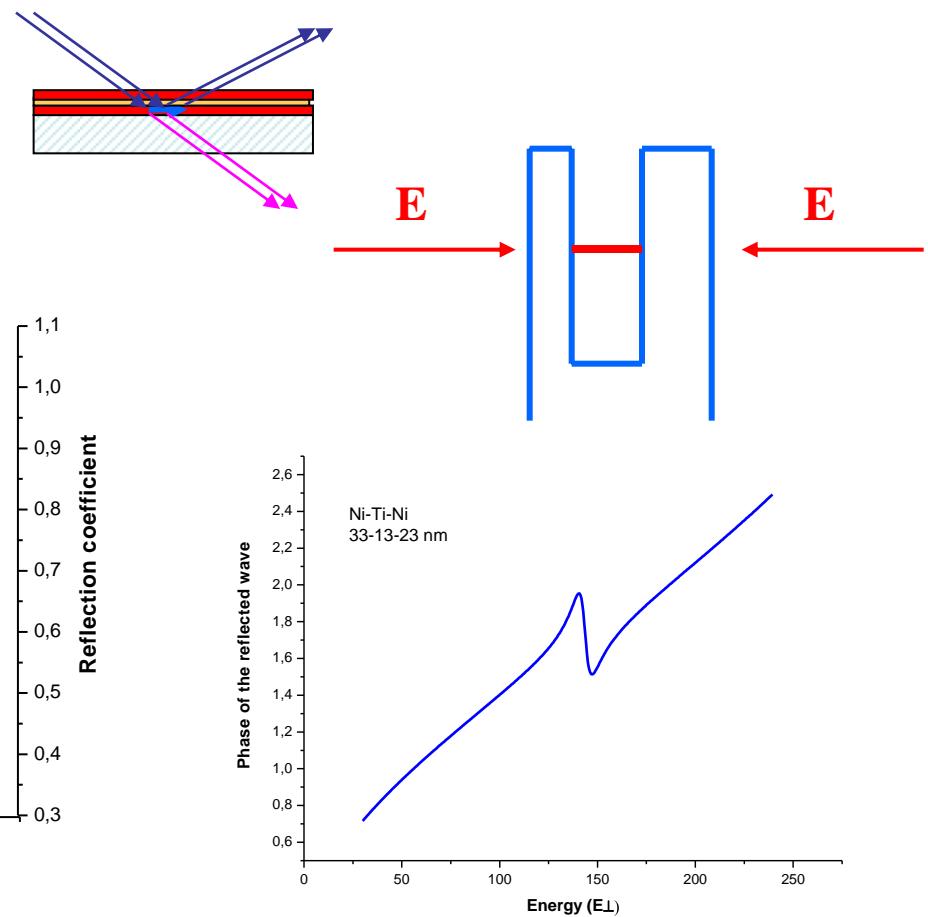
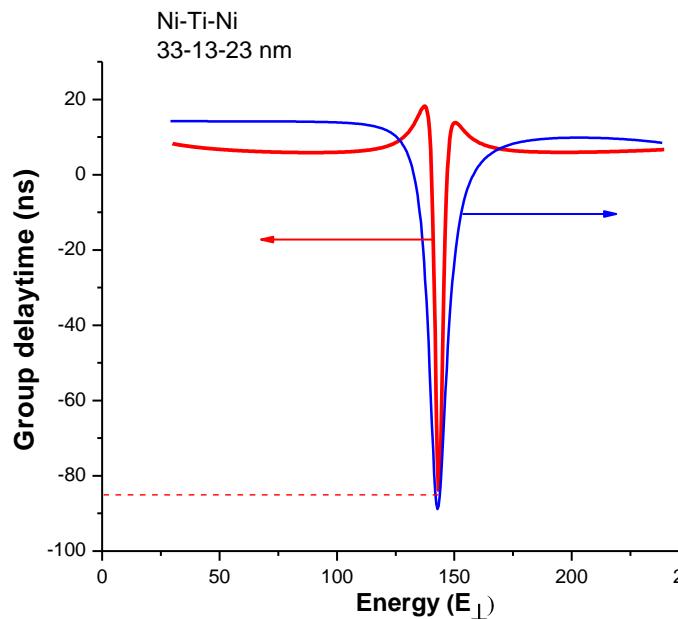


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# Negative group delay time

Asymmetric interference filter



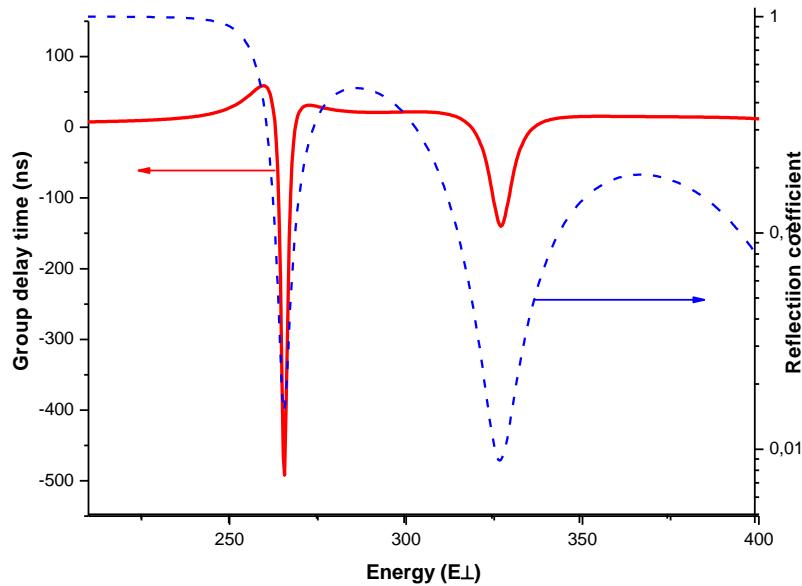
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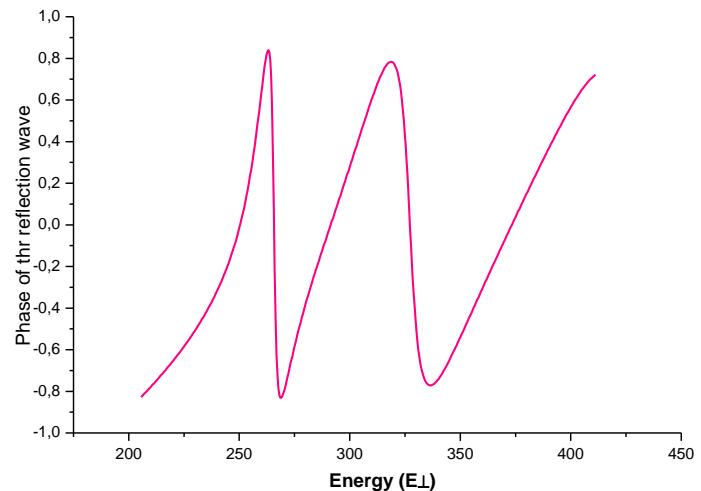
# *Negative group time and negative longitudinal shift*



*Film at the substrate (above barrier reflection)*



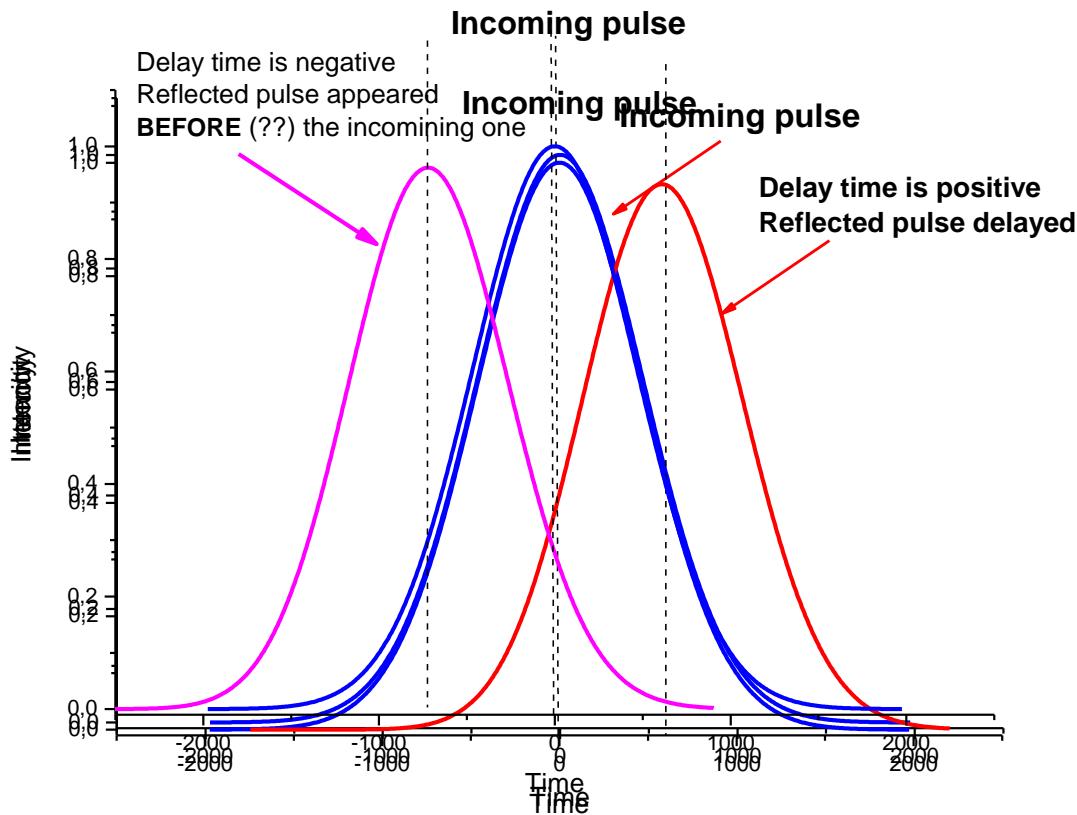
*Reflection time and coefficient of reflection  
for the Ni film (100nm) deposited at the quartz  
wafer.*



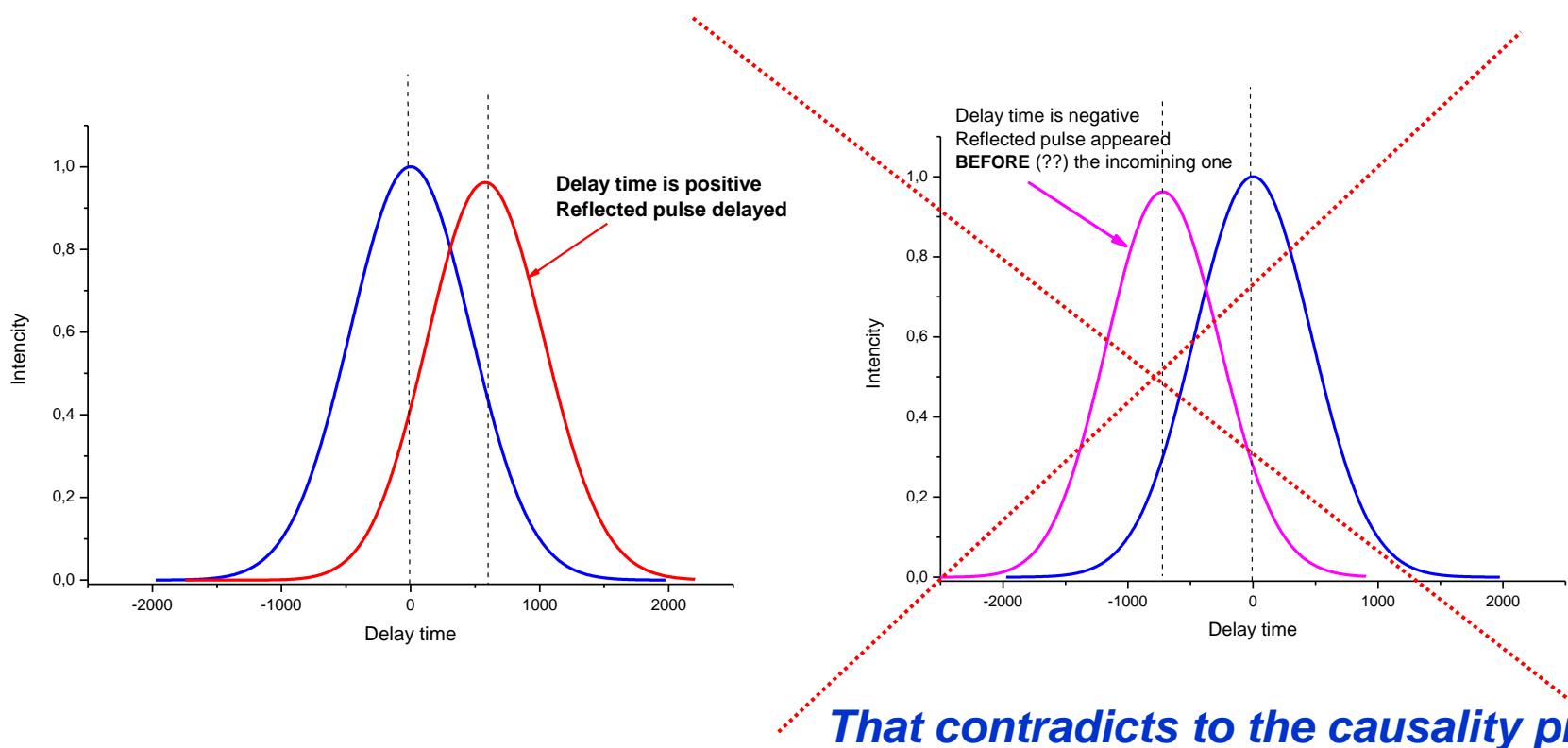
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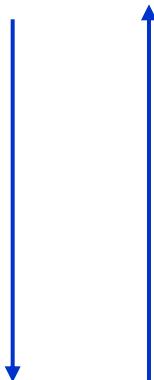
# **Group delay time at the reflection of wave packet**

At  $z = 0$

$$A_{in}(t) = A_0(t) \exp(-i\omega t)$$

$$A_{in}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(\omega) \exp(-i\omega t) d\omega$$

$$A_R(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(\omega) R(\omega) \exp(-i\omega t) d\omega,$$



$$R(\omega) = |R(\omega)| \exp[i\varphi(\omega)]$$

$$\varphi(\omega) \approx \varphi_0(\omega_0) + \varphi'(\omega_0)(\omega - \omega_0)$$

$$A_R(t) = |R(\omega)| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(\omega) \exp[i\omega(t - \tau)] d\omega.$$

$$\tau = \left( \frac{d\varphi}{d\omega} \right)_{\omega_0} = \hbar \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dE} \right)_{E_0}$$

## **Group delay time at the reflection of wave packet**

$$\tau = \left( \frac{d\varphi}{d\omega} \right)_{\omega_0} = \hbar \left( \frac{d\varphi}{dE} \right)_{E_0}$$

***That is very rough approximation***

$$A_R(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(\omega) R(\omega) \exp(-i\omega t) d\omega,$$

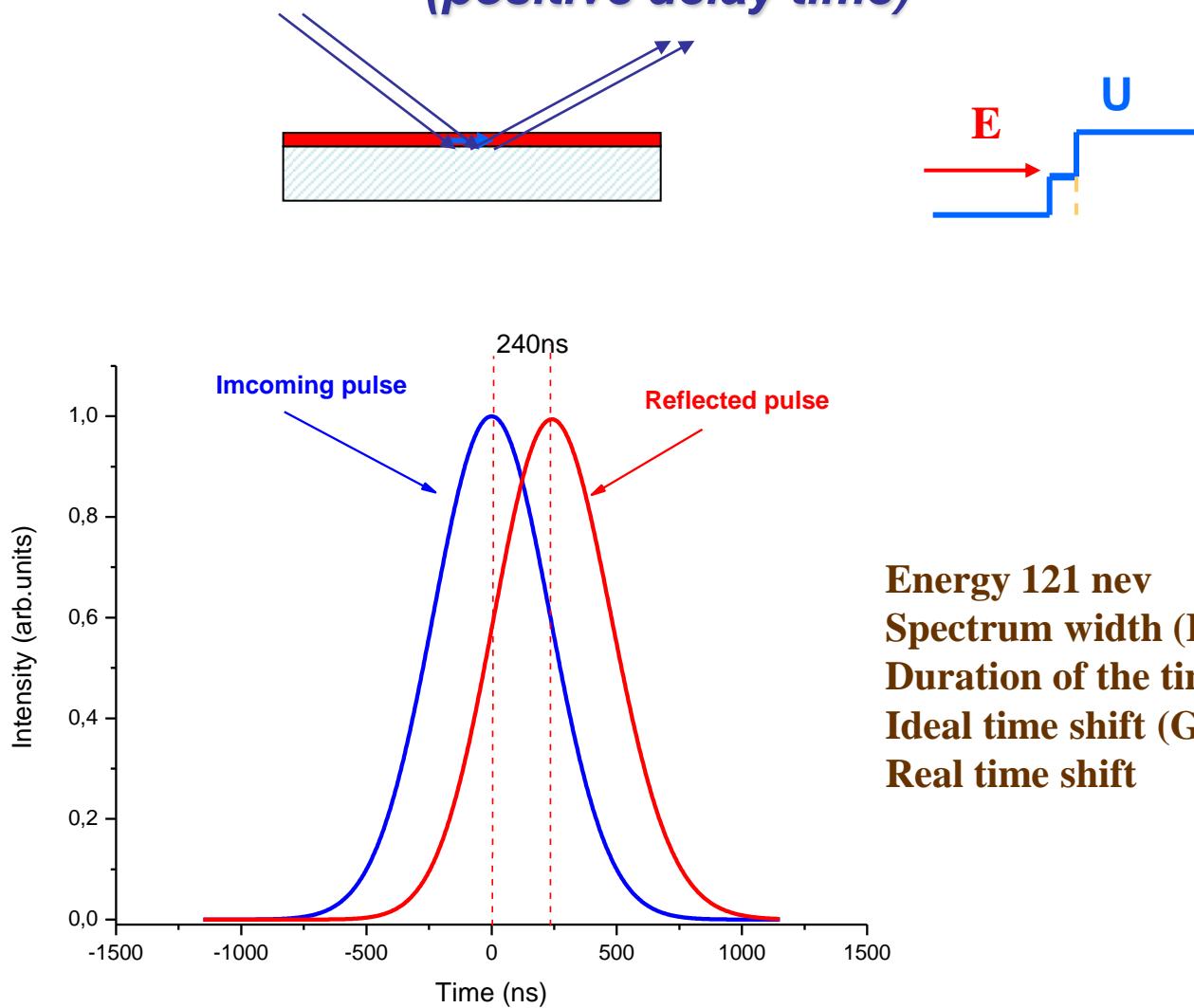
where  $A_{in}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_{in}(t) \exp(i\omega t) dt$



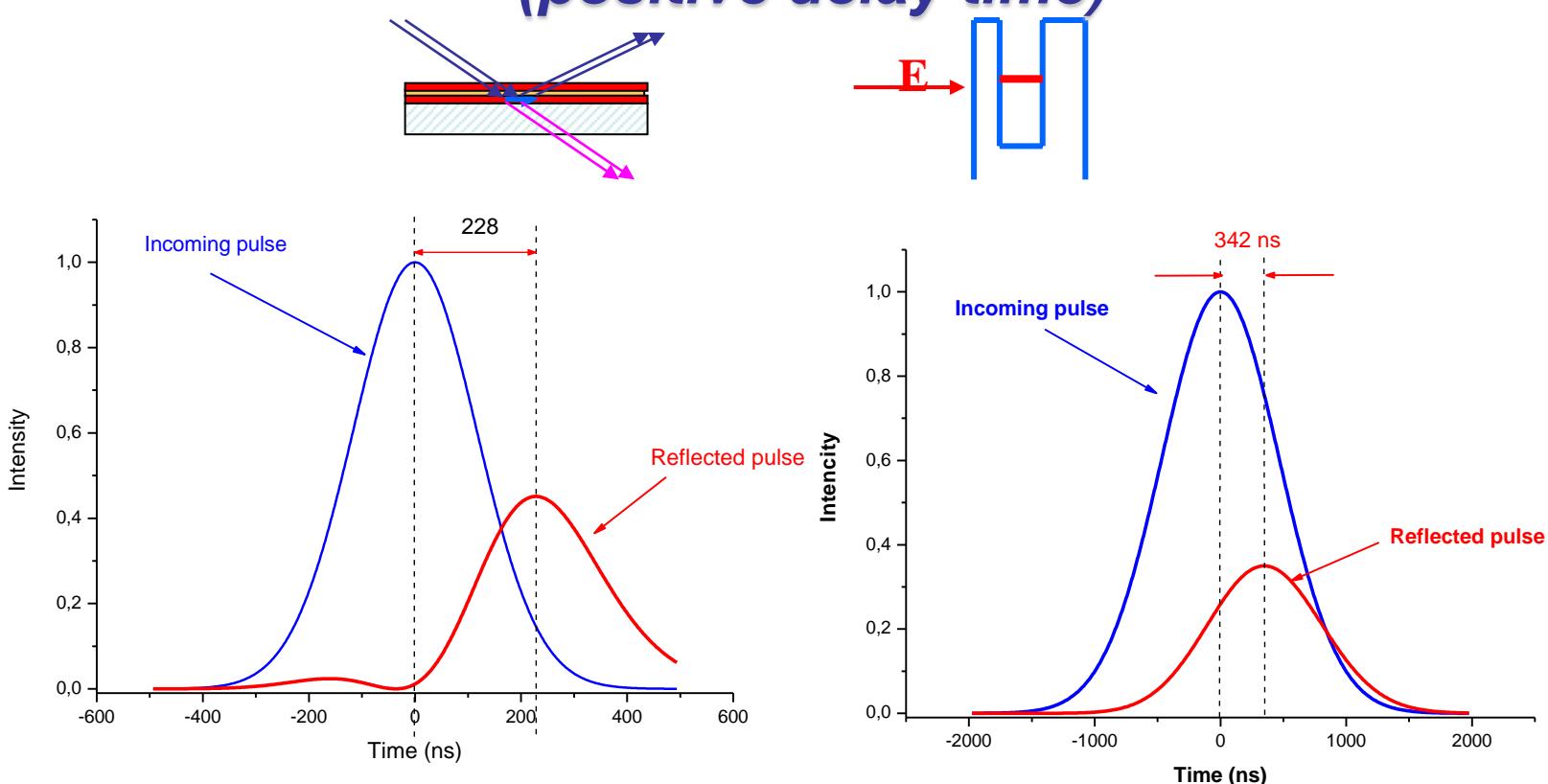
***Must be calculated***

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## *Reflection of the short time pulse (positive delay time)*



# Reflection of the short time pulse (positive delay time)



Energy 144nev

Spectrum width (FWHM) 4 nev

Duration of the time pulse 165 ns

Ideal time shift (GDT) 337ns

Real time shift 228 ns

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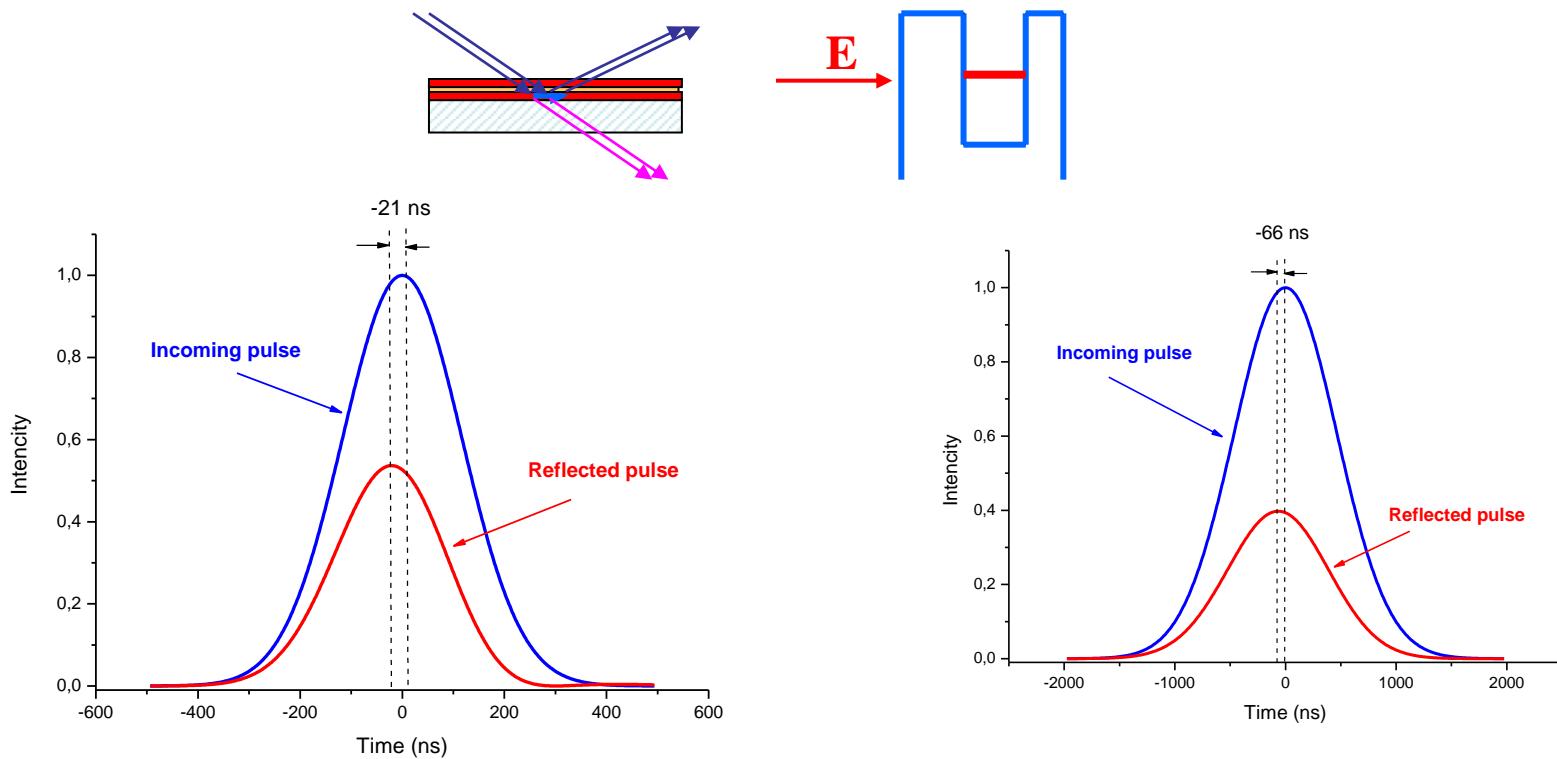
Spectrum width (FWHM) 1 nev

Duration of the time pulse 660 ns

Ideal time shift (GDT) 337ns

Real time shift 349ns

# Reflection of the short time pulse (negative delay time)



**Energy 144nev**

**Spectrum width (FWHM) 4 nev**

**Duration of the time pulse 164 ns**

**Ideal time shift (GDT) -80ns**

**Real time shift -21 ns**

**Energy 144nev**

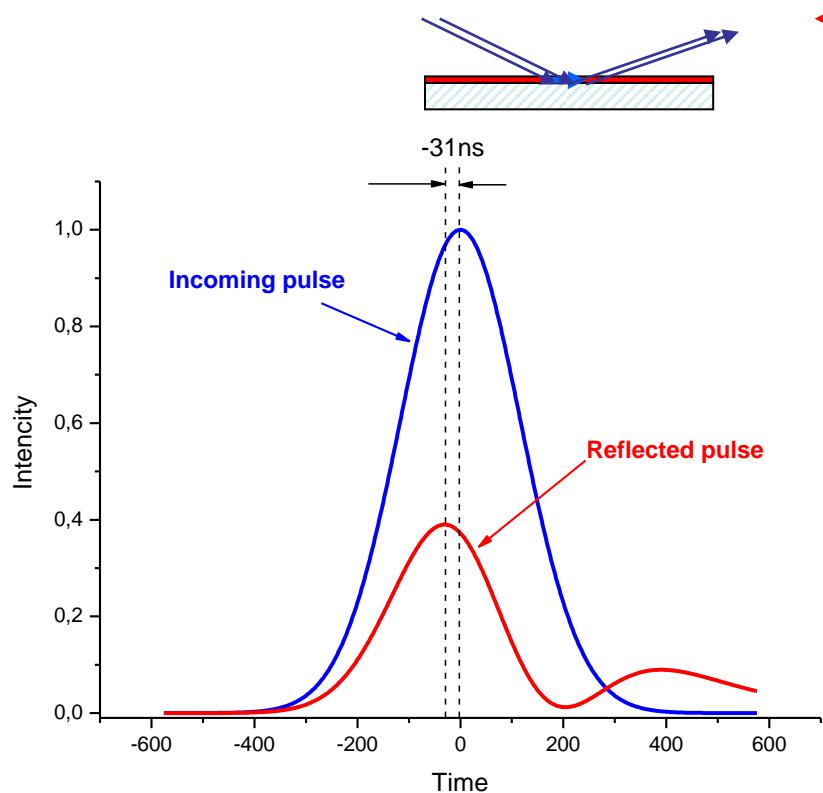
**Spectrum width (FWHM) 1 nev**

**Duration of the time pulse 660 ns**

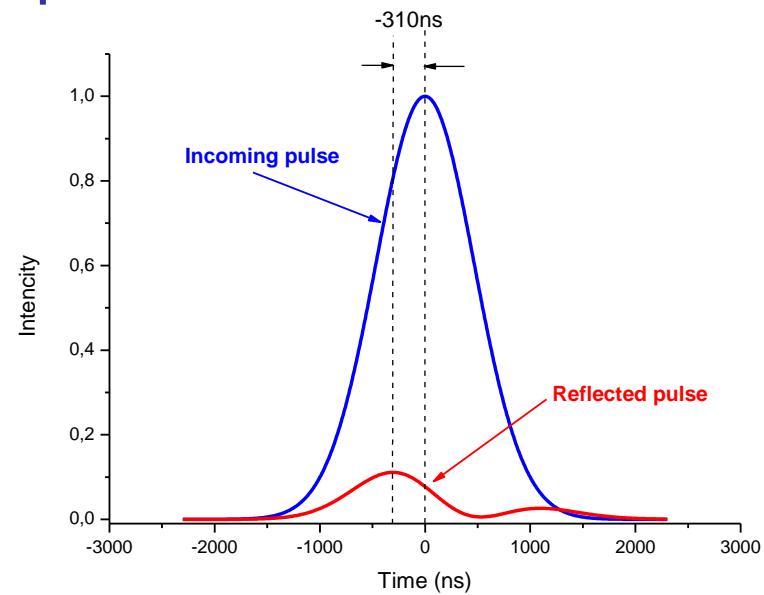
**Ideal time shift (GDT) -80ns**

**Real time shift -66 ns**

# Reflection of the short time pulse (negative delay time)



**Duration of the time pulse 164**  
**Energy 256 nev**  
**Energy width 4 nev**  
**Ideal time shift - 500 ns**  
**Real time shift - 31ns**



**Duration of the time pulse 660**  
**Energy 256 nev**  
**Energy width 1 nev**  
**Ideal time shift - 500 ns**  
**Real time shift - 310 ns**

# Conclusion

1. Group delay time (GDT) at neutron reflection from multilayered structures really may reach very large positive and negative value.
2. GDT is only very rough measure of the time distribution of the reflected pulse.
3. Peak of the reflected pulse may be really appeared before the incoming pulse would reach its maximum.
4. Negative shift of the time pulse at neutron reflection from layered structures is not due to early appearing of reflected wave but due to the leakage of waves into other channels like transmission and absorption.
5. Existing of the negative pulse shift is not contradict to the causality principle

*Thank you for your attention*