

Optimal Control Theory

Applications to Polyatomic Systems

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- (2) laser pulse control using non-resonant multi-photon transitions
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- (5) excitation energy localization in chromophore complexes

Optimal Control Theory

Control functional

$$J[\mathbf{E}_c] = \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] - \lambda \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} dt \mathbf{E}_c^2(t) - I_0 \right)$$

Functional equation
determining the optimal pulse

$$\mathbf{E}_c(t) = \lambda \frac{\delta \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c]}{\delta \mathbf{E}_c(t)}$$

standard scheme of OCT with a target operator

$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \langle \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) | \hat{O} | \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) \rangle$$

non-resonant
multi-photon
transitions,
MCTDH

OCT for open system dynamics

$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \text{tr} \{ \hat{\rho}(t; \mathbf{E}_c) \hat{O} \}$$

excitation energy localization
in chromophore complexes
(control of exciton dynamics)

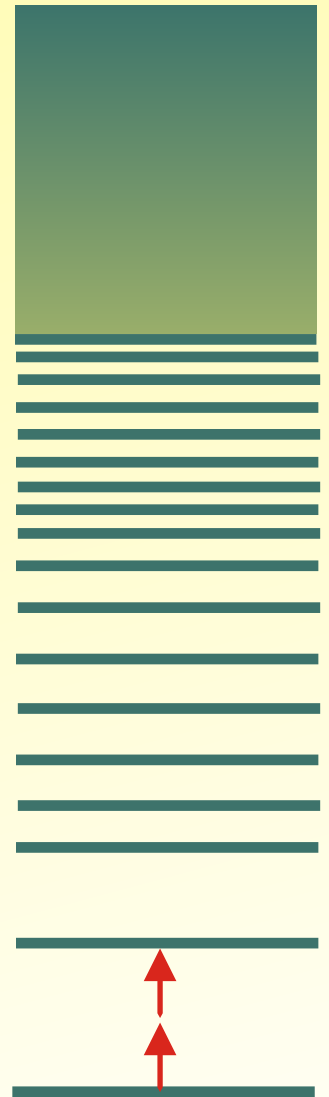
OCT with a target operator distributed in time and parameter space

direct optimization of transient
probe pulse absorption in
a pump probe scheme

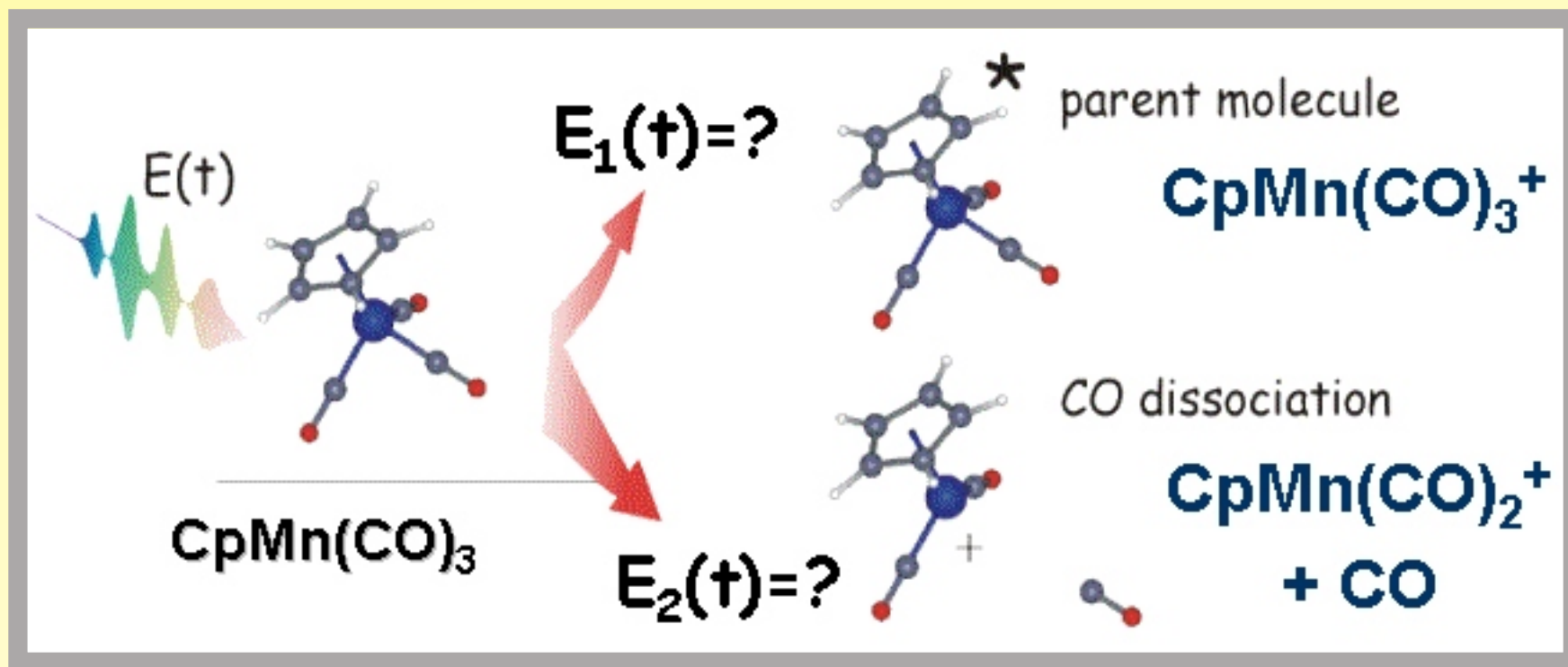
$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt \int dp \langle \Psi(t; p) | \hat{O}(t; p) | \Psi(t; p) \rangle$$

Optimal Control Theory for Non-Resonant Multi-Photon Transitions

$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \langle \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) | \hat{O} | \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) \rangle$$



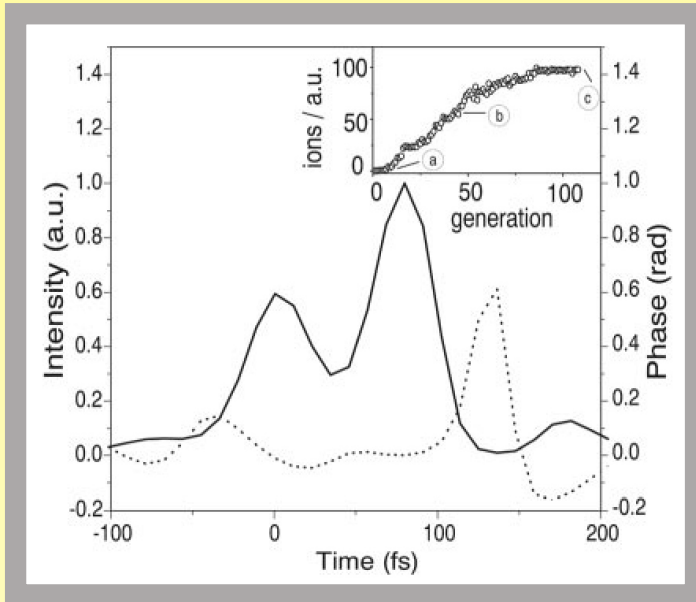
Fs-Laser Pulse Induced Ionization Versus Dissociation of an Organometallic Compound



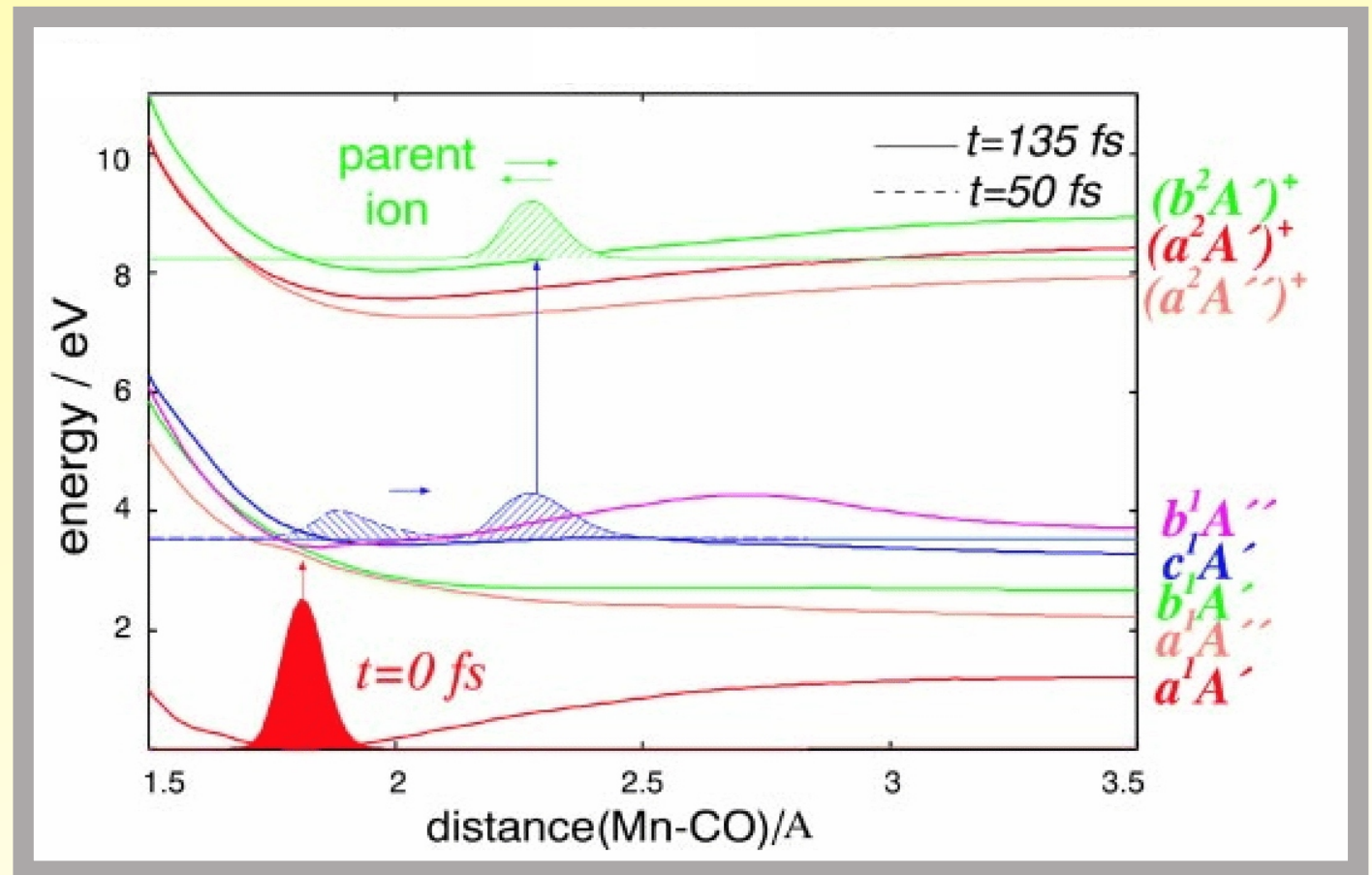
cyclopentadienyl manganese tricarbonyl

C. Daniel et al., *Science*, 299, 536 (2003)

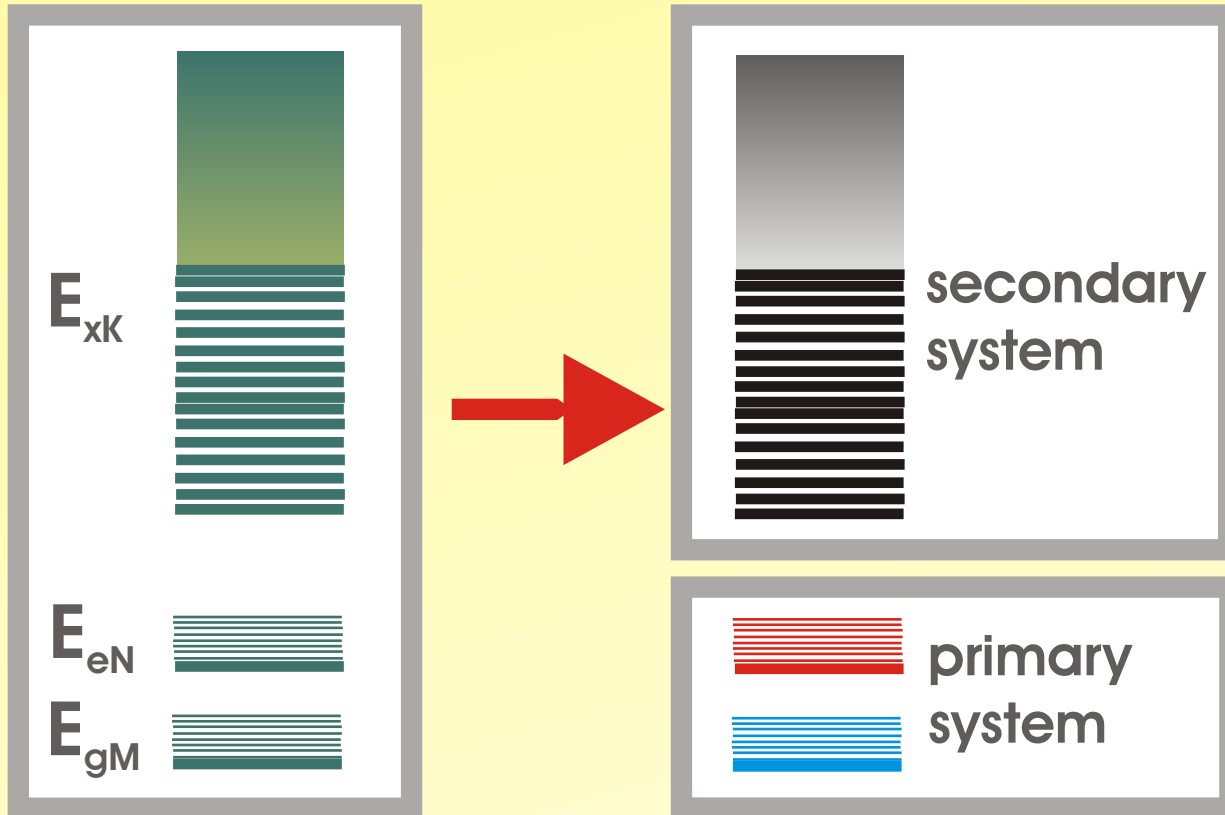
5-photon transition and the optimal pulse to form the parent ion



$a^1A' \rightarrow c^1A'$:
 2PT at $\lambda = 798.7 \text{ nm}$
 85 fs
 $c^1A' \rightarrow (b^2A')^+$:
 3PT at $\lambda = 801.12 \text{ nm}$



Removal of the Off-Resonant States



Effective Time-Dependent Schrödinger Equation

- > time-nonlocal
- > nonlinear with respect to the radiation field

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi_1(t)\rangle = H_1(t) |\Psi_1(t)\rangle - \int_{t_0}^t d\bar{t} K_{\text{field}}(t, \bar{t}) |\Psi_1(\bar{t})\rangle$$

$$K_{\text{field}}(t, \bar{t}) = \mathbf{E}(t) \cdot \sum_{a,b} \mathbf{D}_{ab}(t, \bar{t}; \mathbf{E}) |\varphi_a\rangle \langle \varphi_b| \cdot \mathbf{E}(\bar{t})$$

integral kernel

Non-Resonant Two-Photon Transitions

The RWA and the SVA

Coupled Schrödinger-equations for the vibrational wave functions

$$\begin{aligned}i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\chi_g(0; t)\rangle &= (H_g - \frac{1}{2}|E(t)|^2 d_{gg}^{(II)}) |\chi_g(0; t)\rangle - \frac{1}{4} E^{*2}(t) d_{ge}^{(II)} |\chi_e(2; t)\rangle \\i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\chi_e(2; t)\rangle &= (H_e - 2\hbar\omega_0 - \frac{1}{2}|E(t)|^2 d_{ee}^{(II)}) |\chi_e(2; t)\rangle - \frac{1}{4} E^2(t) d_{eg}^{(II)} |\chi_g(0; t)\rangle\end{aligned}$$

Control Functional

$$J(t_f; E, E^*) = | \langle \chi_e^{(\text{tar})} | \chi_e(t_f) \rangle |^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} dt |E(t)|^4$$

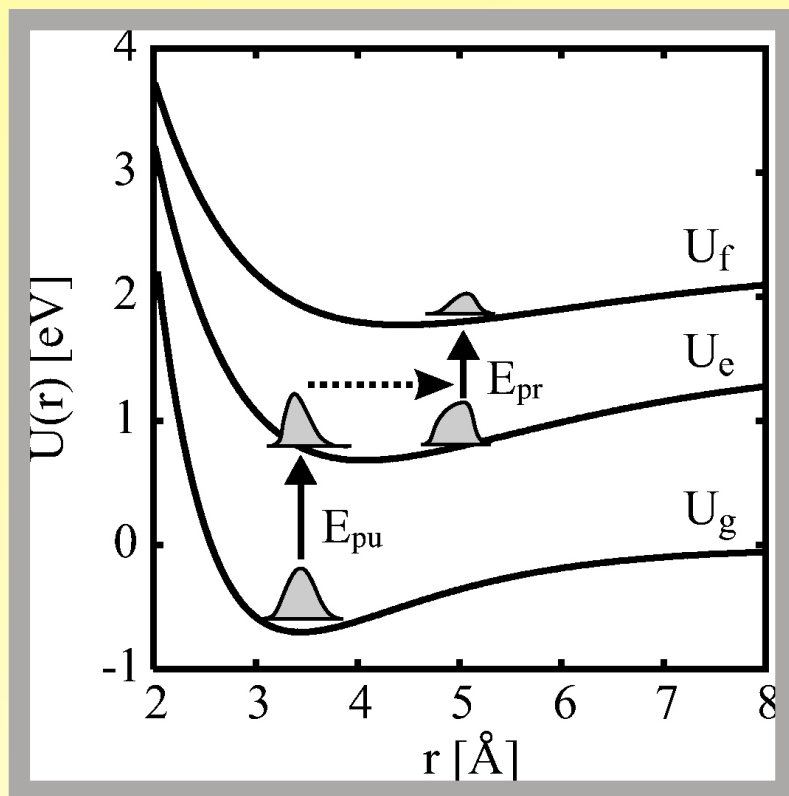
D. Ambrosek, M. Oppel, L. Gonzalez and V. M.
opt.comm. (special issue, submitted)

Direct Optimization of a Probe-Pulse Transient Absorption

$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt \int dp \langle \Psi(t; p) | \hat{O}(t; p) | \Psi(t; p) \rangle$$

Three level scheme for NaK

- 1¹⁺ -ground-state
- 2¹⁺ -first-excited states
- 3¹⁺ -higher excited state



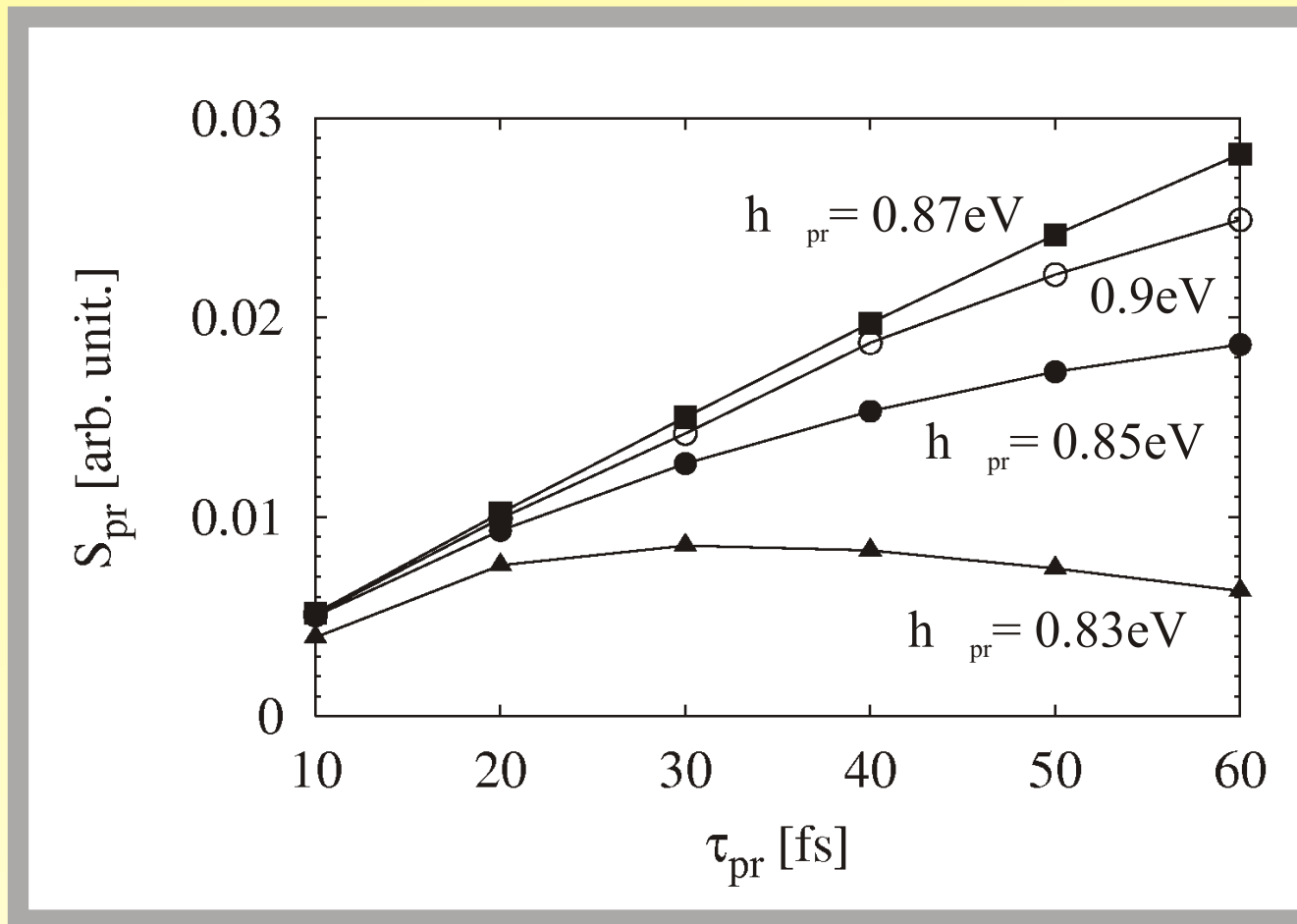
**probe pulse
transient absorption signal**

$$S_{\text{pr}} = - \int dt \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}_{\text{pr}}(t)}{\partial t} \mathbf{P}_{\text{pr}}(t; \mathbf{E}_{\text{c}})$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{pr}}(t) = n_{\text{mol}} \langle \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_{\text{c}}, \mathbf{E}_{\text{pr}}) | \hat{\mu} | \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_{\text{c}}, \mathbf{E}_{\text{pr}}) \rangle - n_{\text{mol}} \langle \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_{\text{c}}) | \hat{\mu} | \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_{\text{c}}) \rangle$$

**probe pulse
polarization**

Optimized Probe Pulse Transient Absorption Signal versus Probe Pulse Length



- > control pulse acts up to 1.5 ps
- > probe pulse is centered at 1.6 ps

A. Kaiser, and V. M., JCP 121, 2528 (2004), CPL 405, 339 (2005), CP (2005)

Laser Pulse Control of Vibrational Dynamics in Pyrazine

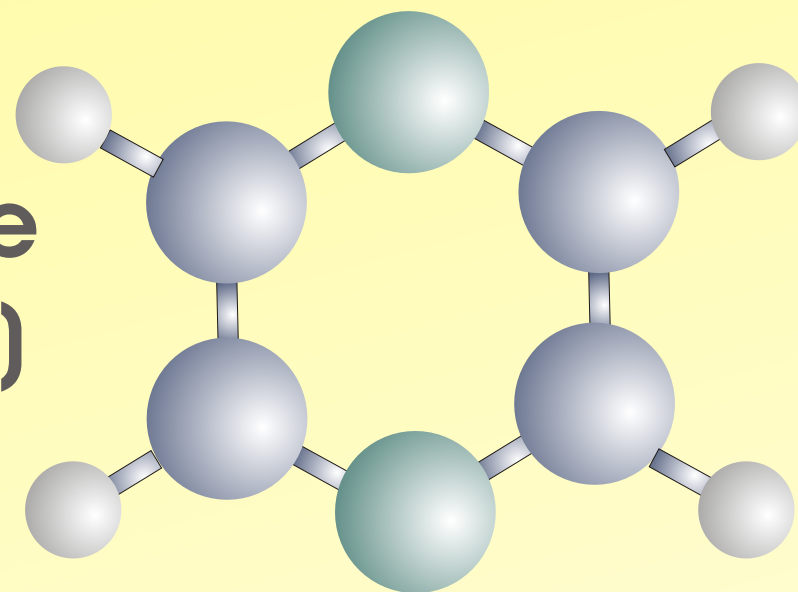
$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \langle \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) | \hat{O} | \Psi(t; \mathbf{E}_c) \rangle$$

plus

**Multi Configuration
Time-Dependent Hartree Method**

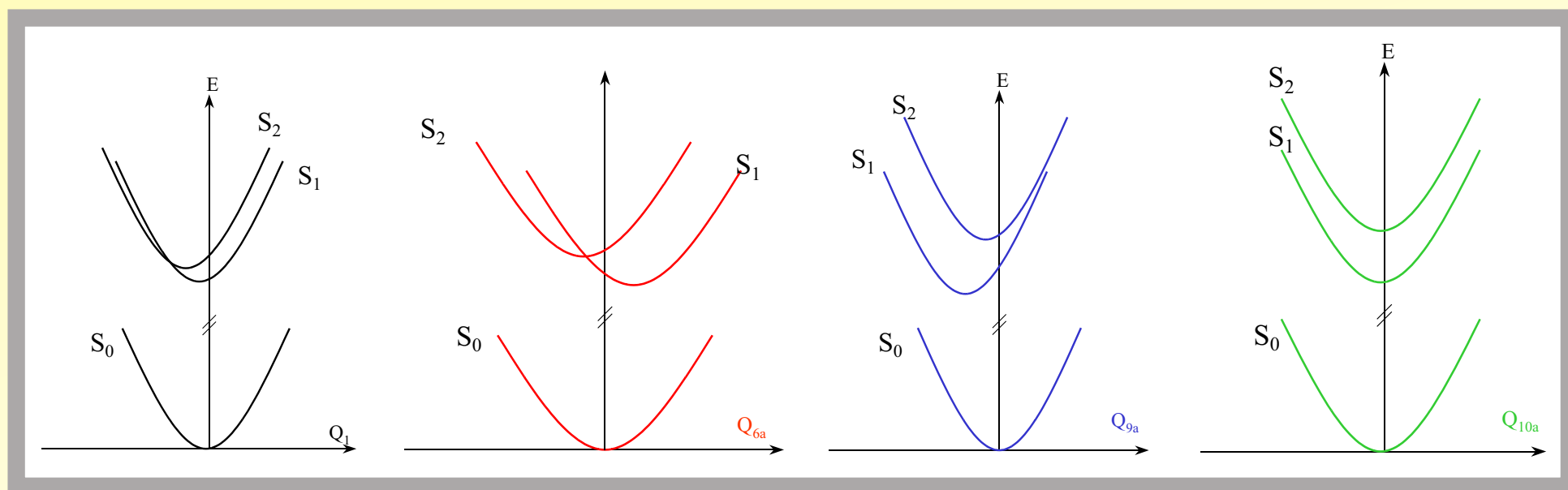
4-Mode Model of Pyrazine (vibronic coupling model)

Worth, Meyer, and Cederbaum,
JCP 109, 3518 (1998)



tuning modes

coupling mode

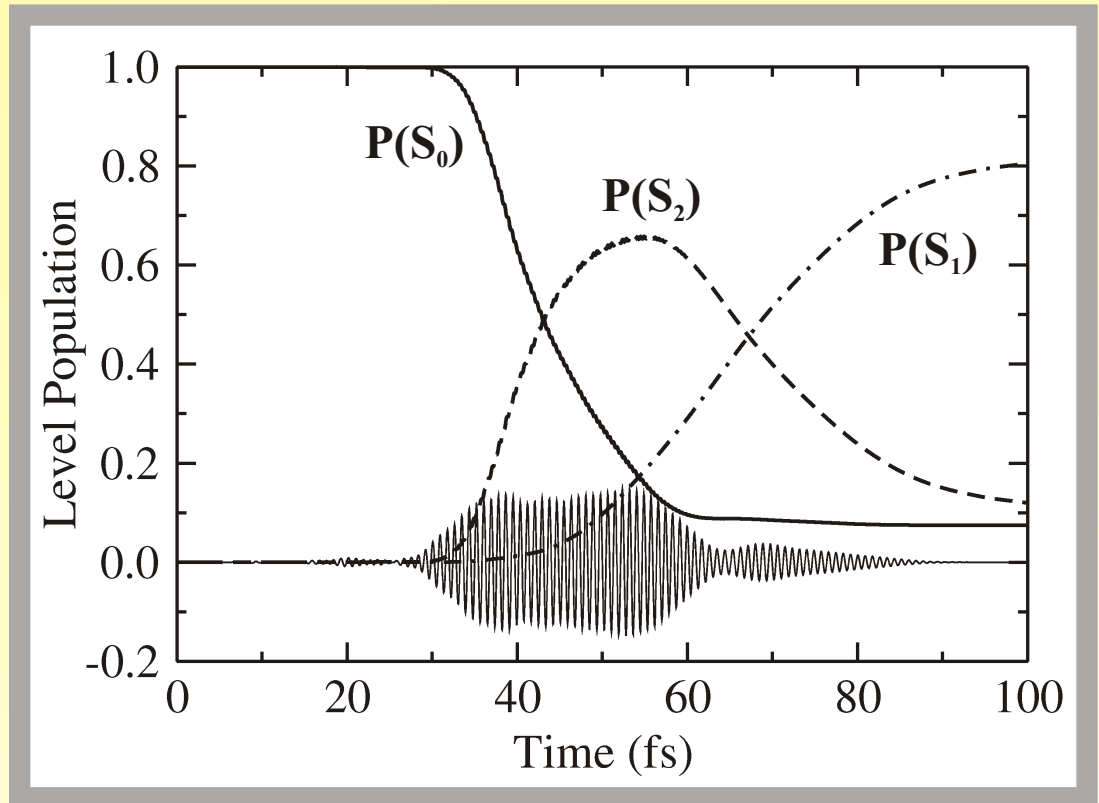
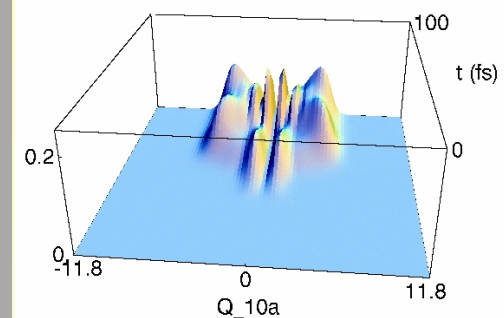
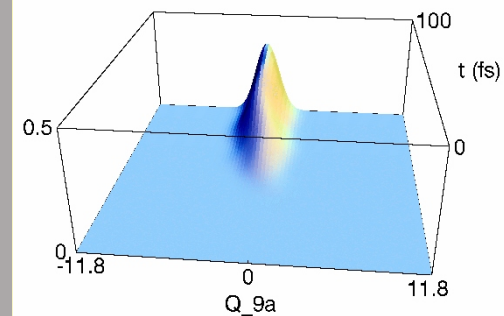
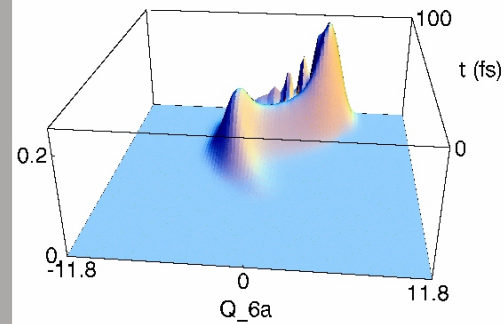
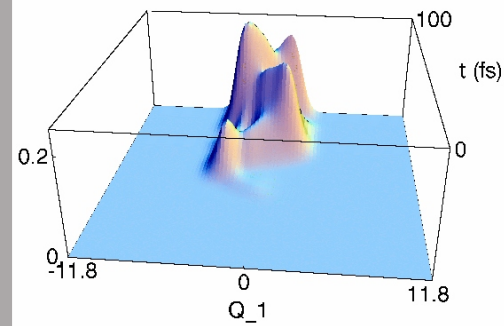


ring stretching

ring bending

out of plane

Optimization of the overall S_1 -population



Reduced probability distribution
of the four modes

$$P_{S_1}(Q_j, t) = \int dQ' |\chi_{S_1}(Q_1, Q_{6a}, Q_{9a}, Q_{10a}, t)|^2$$

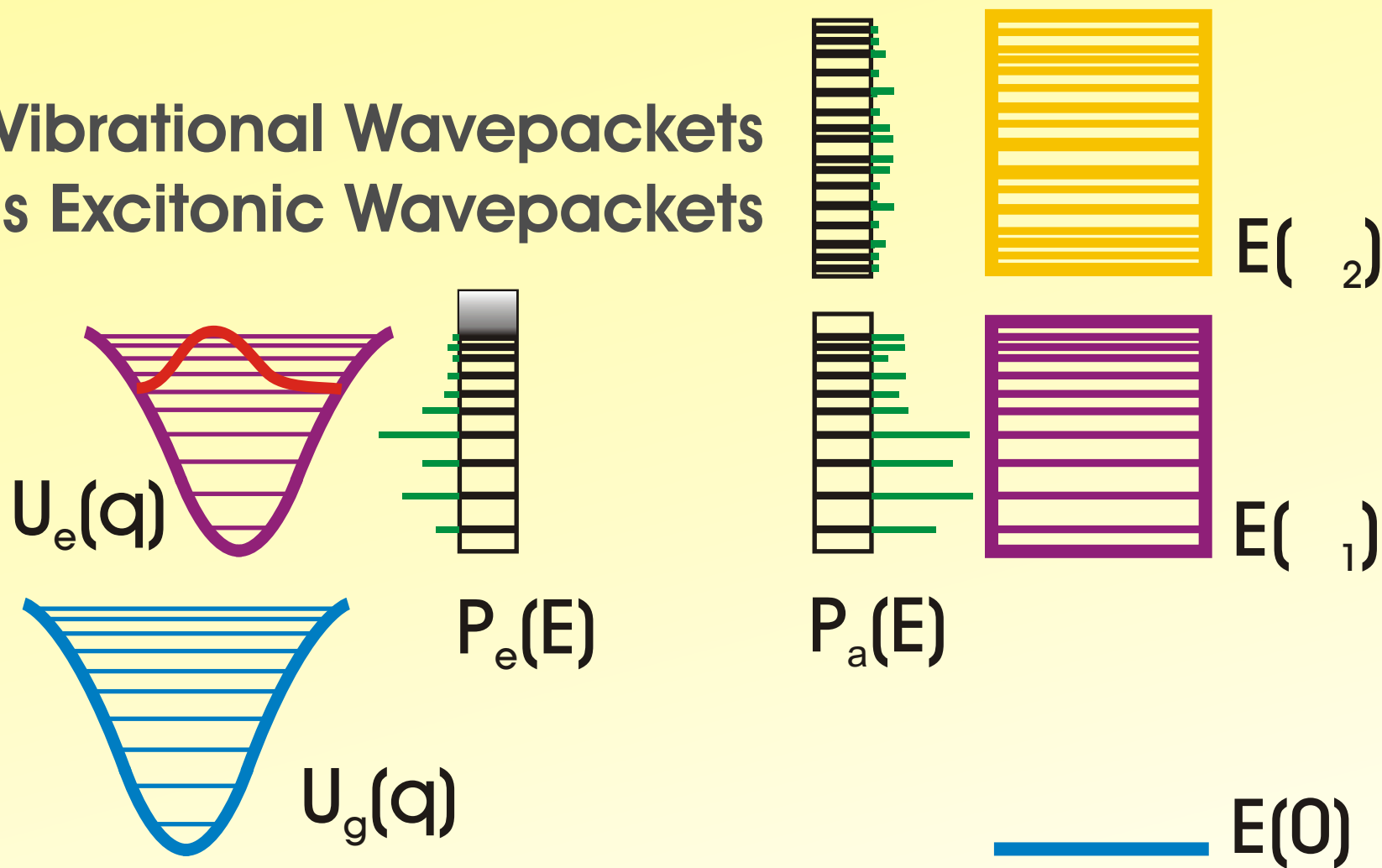
Excitation Energy Localization in a Pigment Protein Complex

$$\mathcal{O}[\mathbf{E}_c] = \text{tr}\{\hat{\rho}(t; \mathbf{E}_c)\hat{O}\}$$

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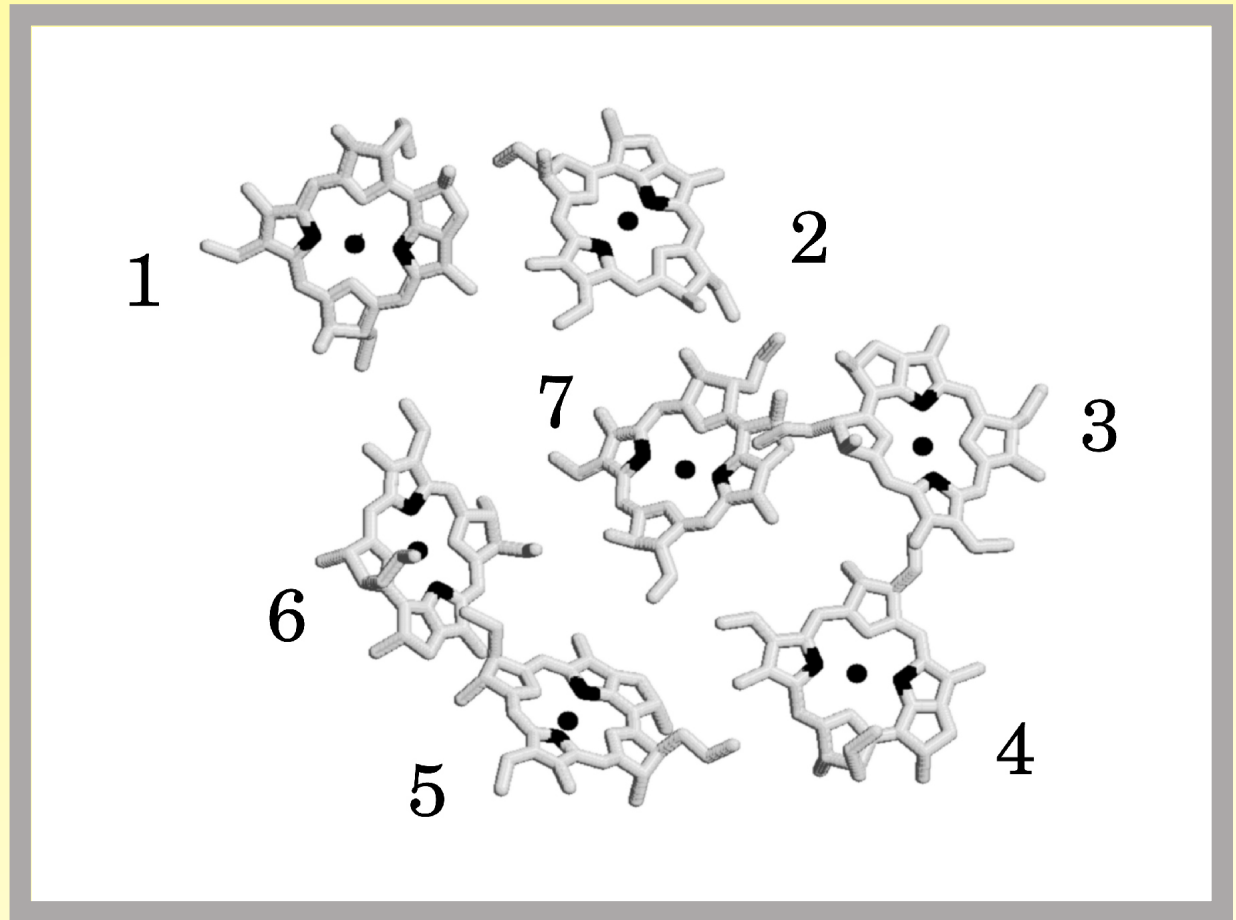
Excitation Energy Localization via the Formation of Excitonic Wavepackets

Vibrational Wavepackets
versus Excitonic Wavepackets



The study of particular relaxation pathways
may become possible!

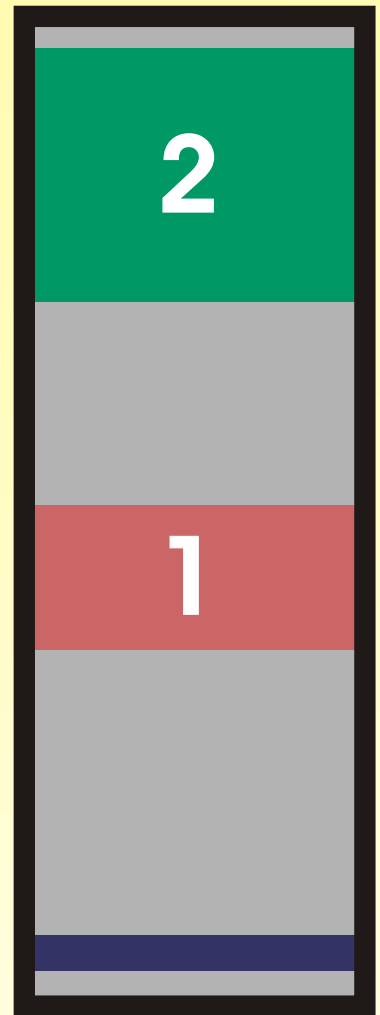
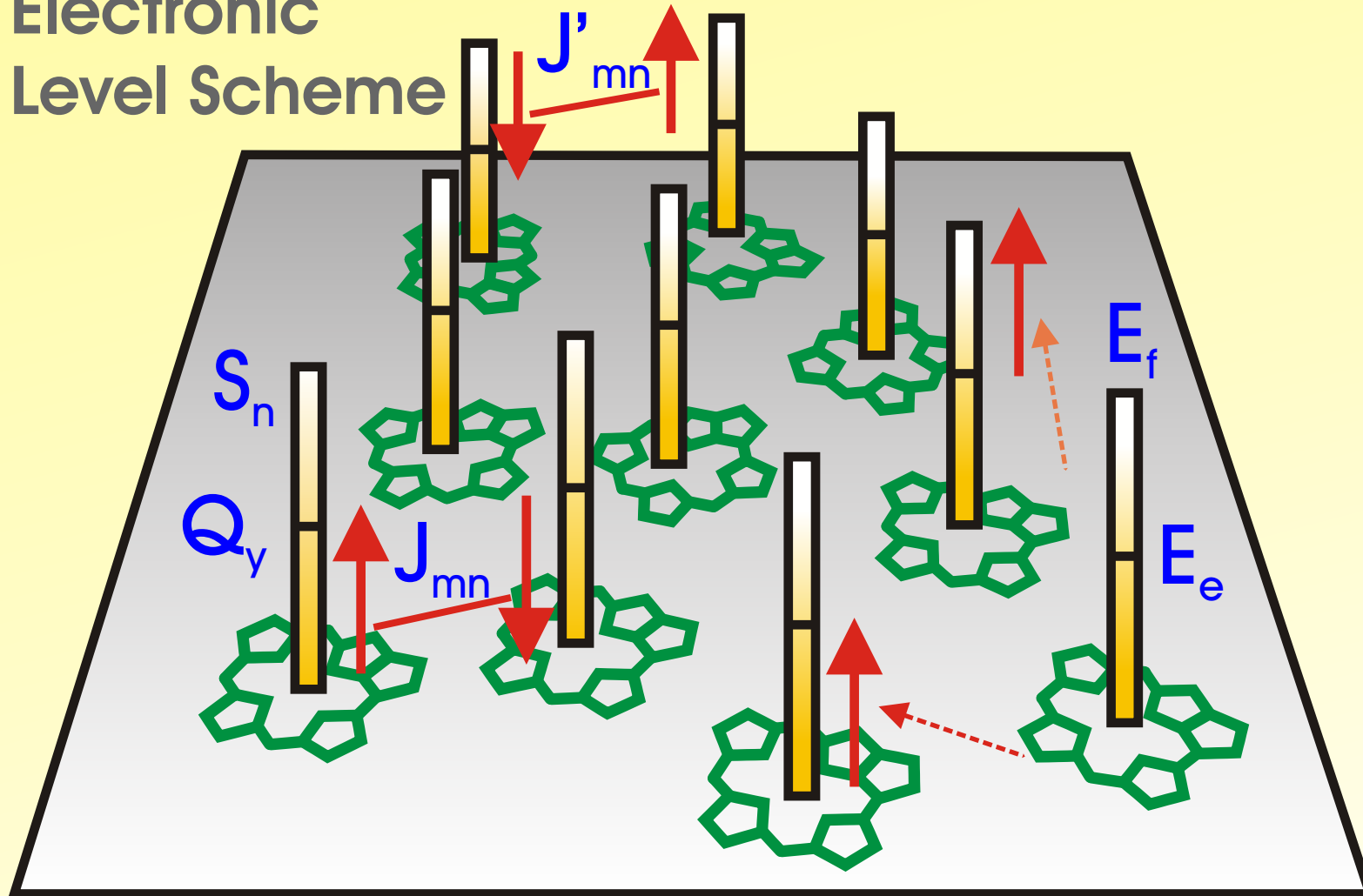
The monomeric FMO-complex



- > two-exciton states
- > excitation energy dissipation
- > structural and energetic disorder
- > control using circular polarized laser pulses

Formation of Delocalized Single- and Two-Exciton States

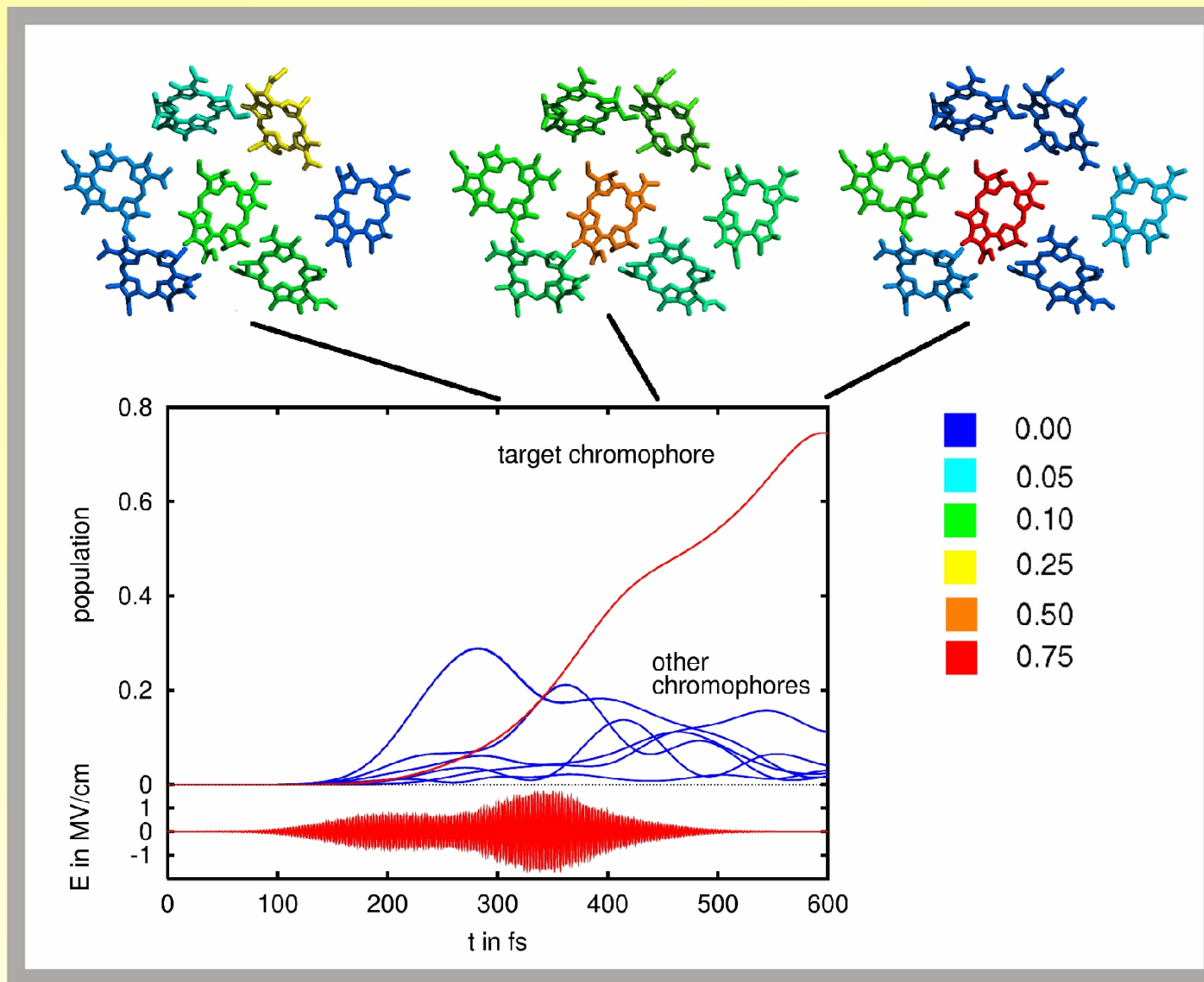
Electronic Level Scheme



Multiexciton Density Matrix

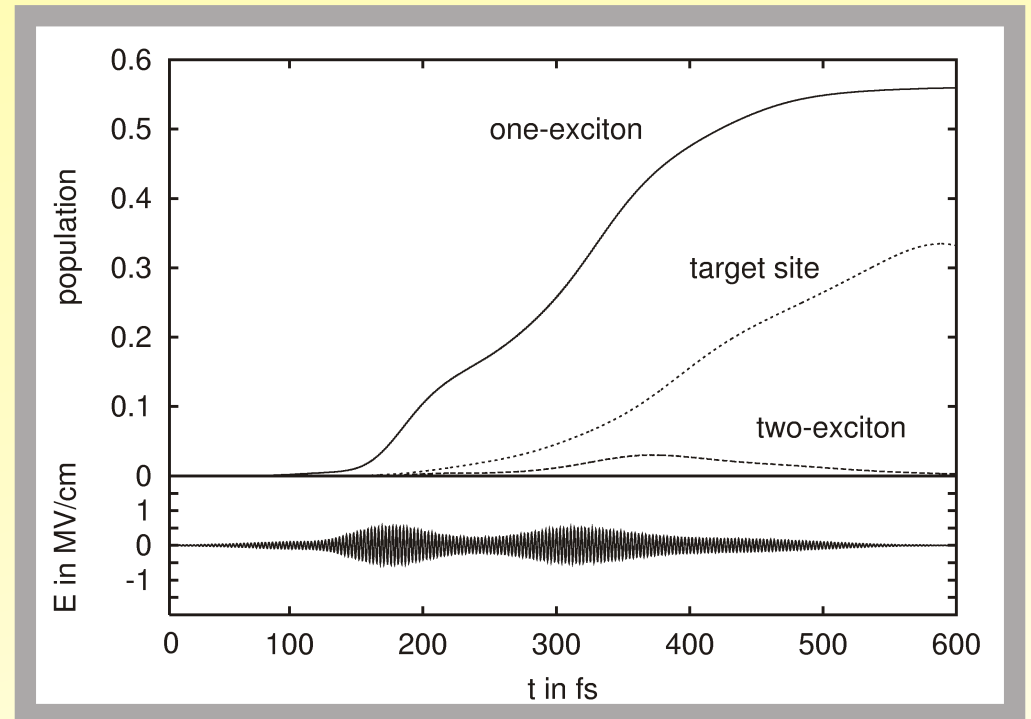
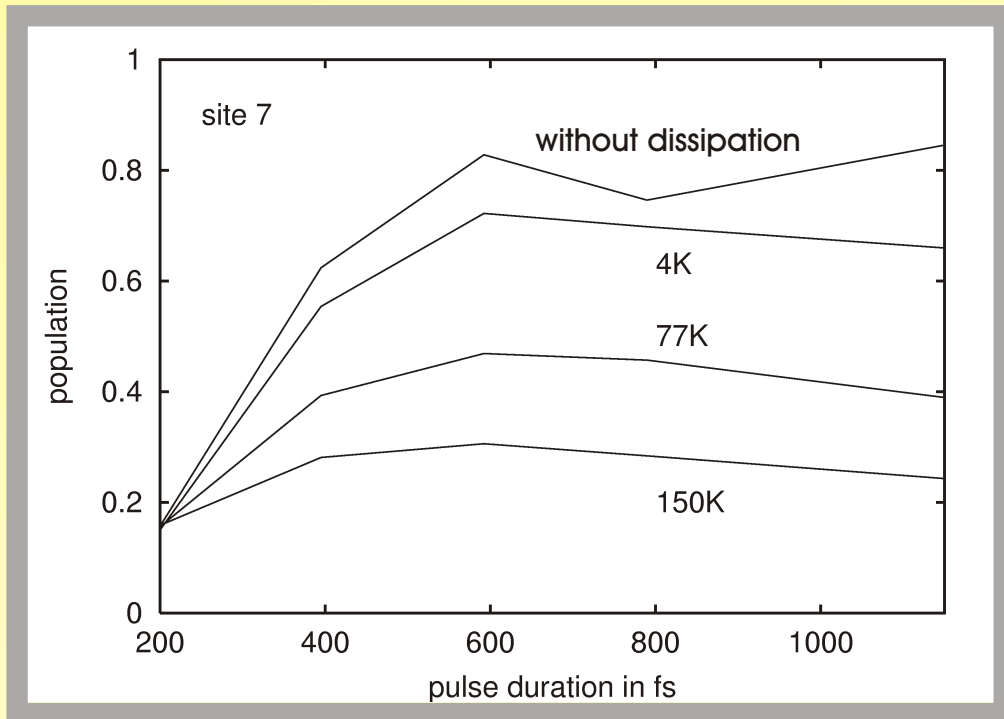
$$\rho(\alpha_M, \beta_N; t)$$

Laser Pulse Excitation Energy Localization in the FMO-Complex



B. Brüggemann, and V. M., JPC B 108, 10529 (2004)

Excitation Energy Localization at Chromophore $m=7$

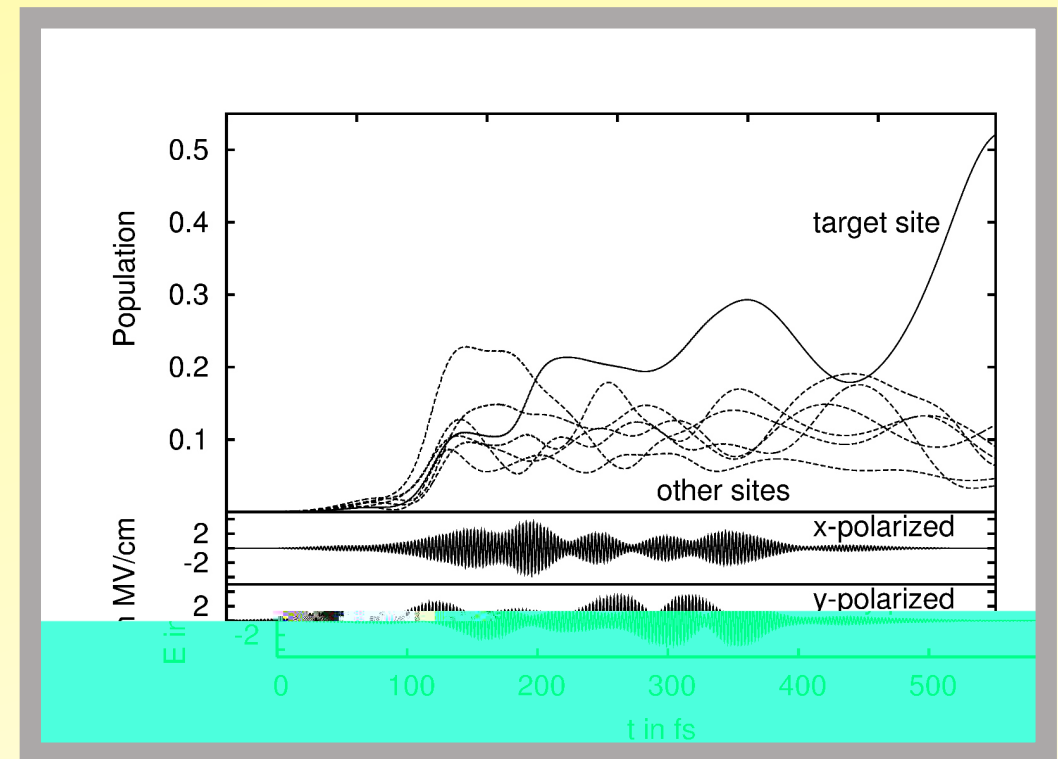
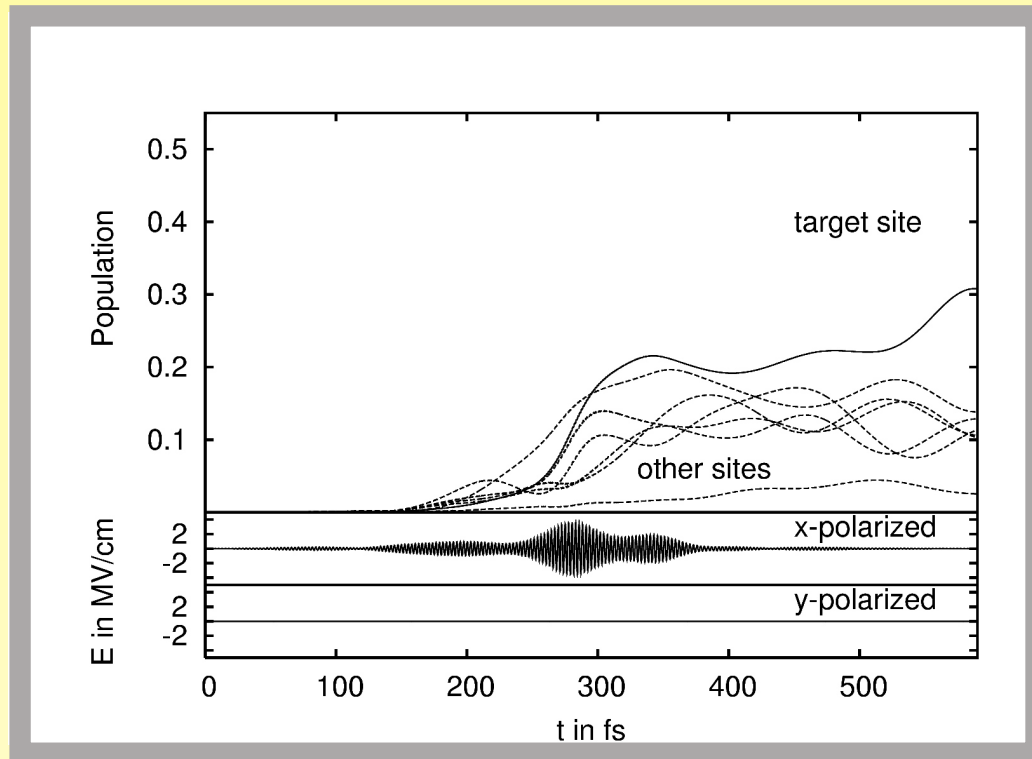


in dependence on

- the control pulse length
- temperature

- including two-exciton states
- at a temperature of 4 K

Linear versus circular polarization of the control pulse



- > 10 randomly oriented complexes
- > energetic disorder of 100 cm^{-1}
- > 4 K
- > neglect of two-exciton levels

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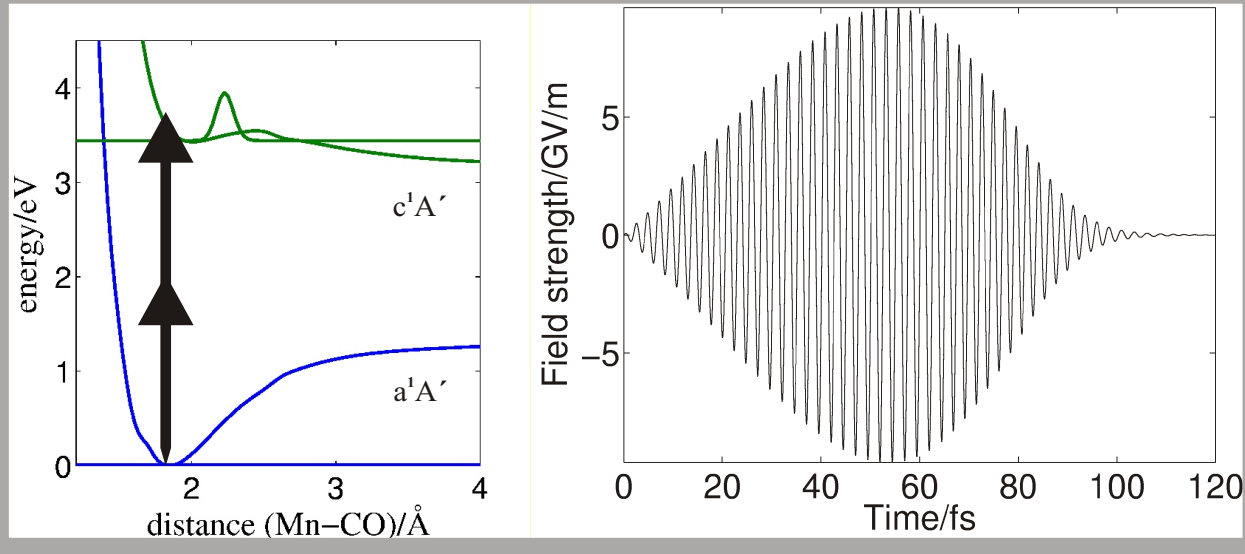
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Appendix



Control yield of simple wave packet formation

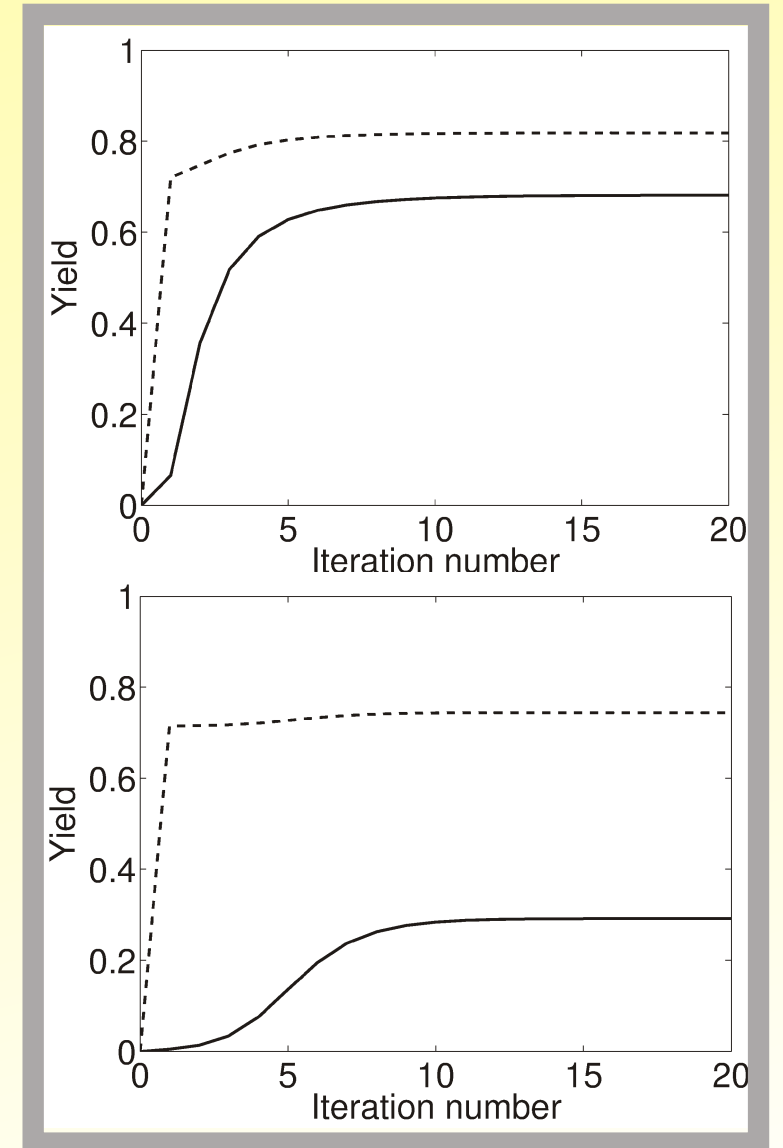


TABLE I: The yield Q , the renormalized yield q , the maximum E_{\max} of the field-strength (in GV/m) and the related intensity I_{\max} (in GW/cm^2) for different used penalty factors λ (in $10^{12} \text{ fs (GV/m)}^4$) of the described control scheme

Q	q	E_{\max}	I_{\max}	λ
0.68	0.82	58.1	3.02	3
0.29	0.74	42.2	2.19	12
0.0049	0.72	14.7	0.76	19
0.0009	0.72	9.6	0.50	20