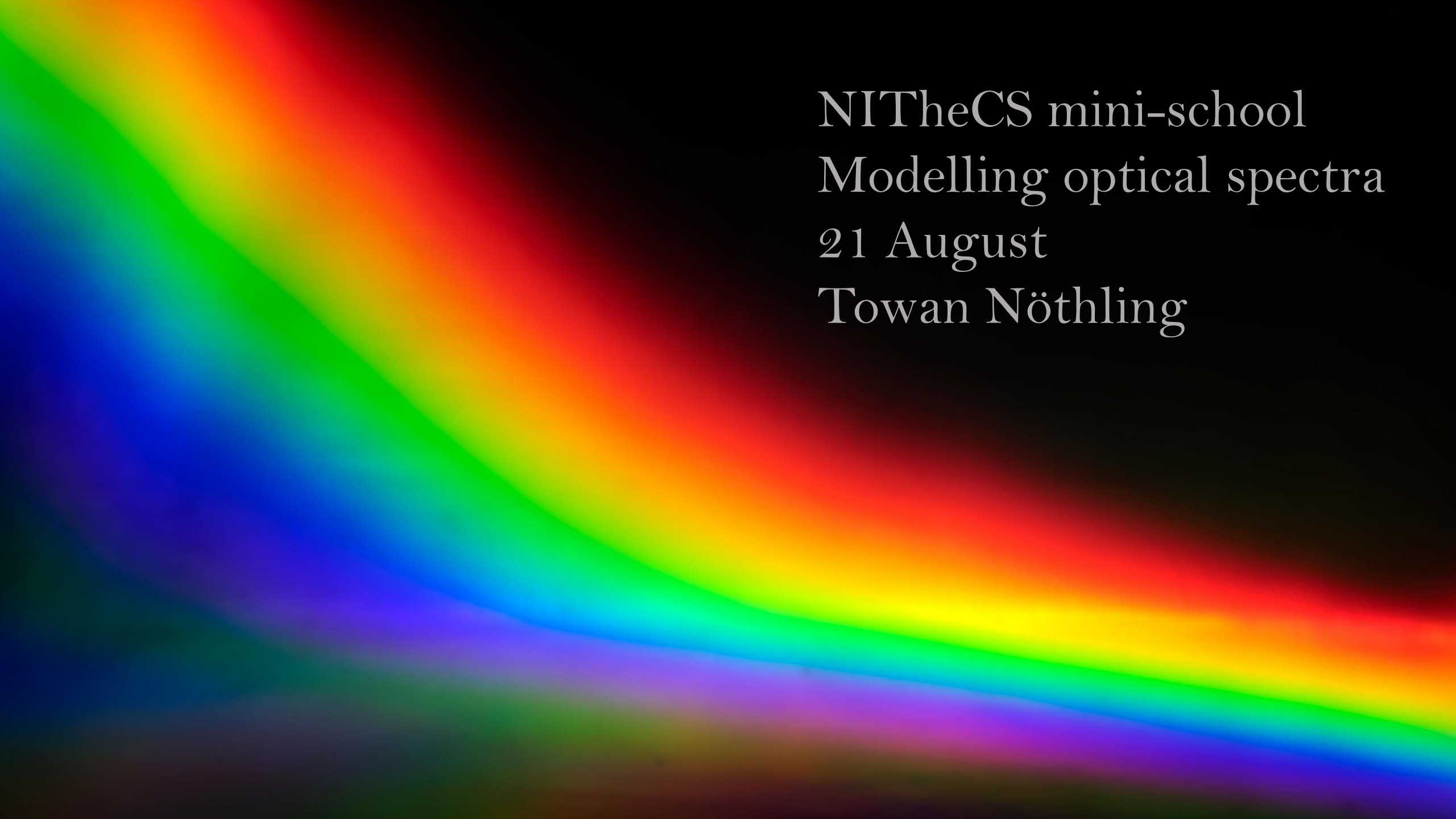




NITheCS mini-school
Modelling optical spectra
21 August
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Linear and nonlinear optical spectroscopy

An aerial photograph of a forest landscape. A narrow, light-colored path or stream winds through the trees, starting from the top left and curving towards the bottom center. The forest is dense with trees showing various shades of green, yellow, and brown, suggesting an autumn or late summer setting. The lighting is warm, creating long shadows and highlighting the textures of the foliage.



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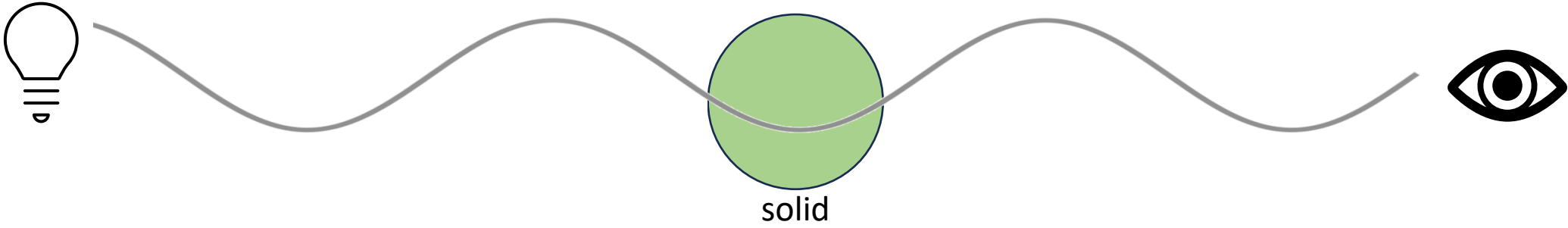
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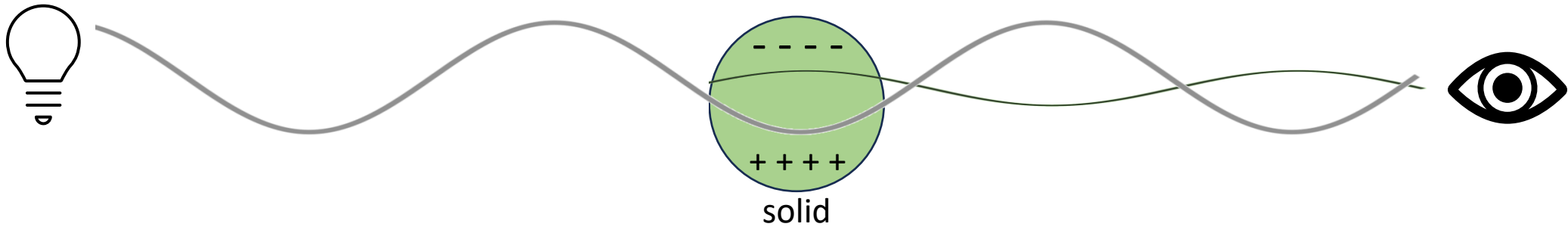
equations

Aerial view

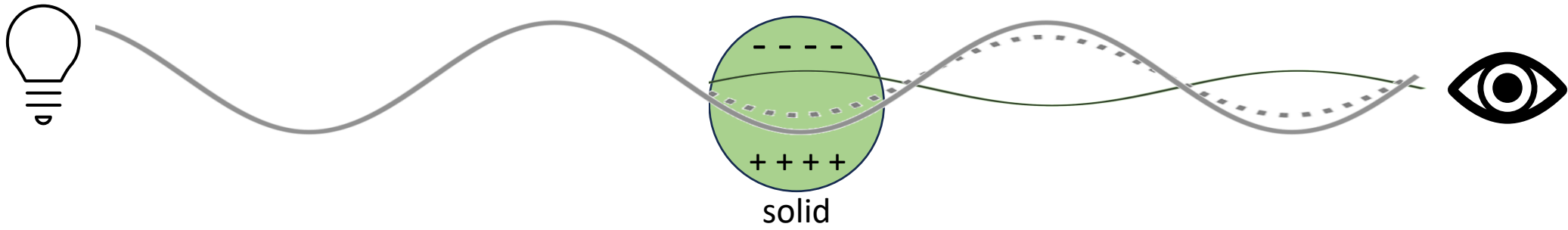
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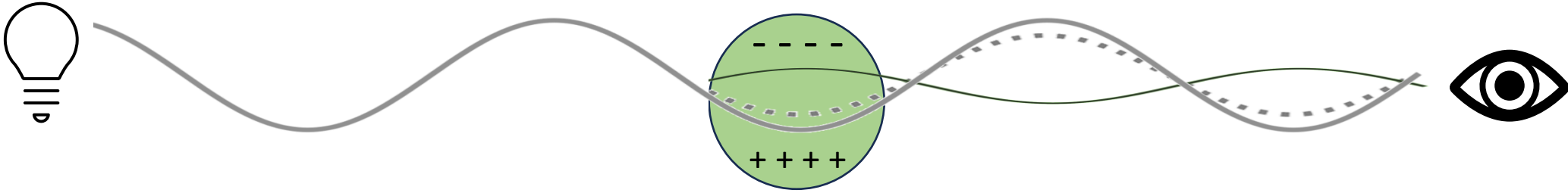
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1. **Maxwell's equations** relate the induced polarization to the measured electric field.
2. The **different orders** of polarization relate to different orders of spectroscopy (**linear and nonlinear**).
3. Spectral signals can be calculated from the system **response functions**.

classical

4. The polarization depends on the **quantum dynamics** in the material.
5. Calculate **linear response function**.
6. Discuss an **exact** method for calculating linear spectra.
7. Calculating **approximate** spectra.

quantum
mechanics

Electric field and polarization

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

Gauss's law

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

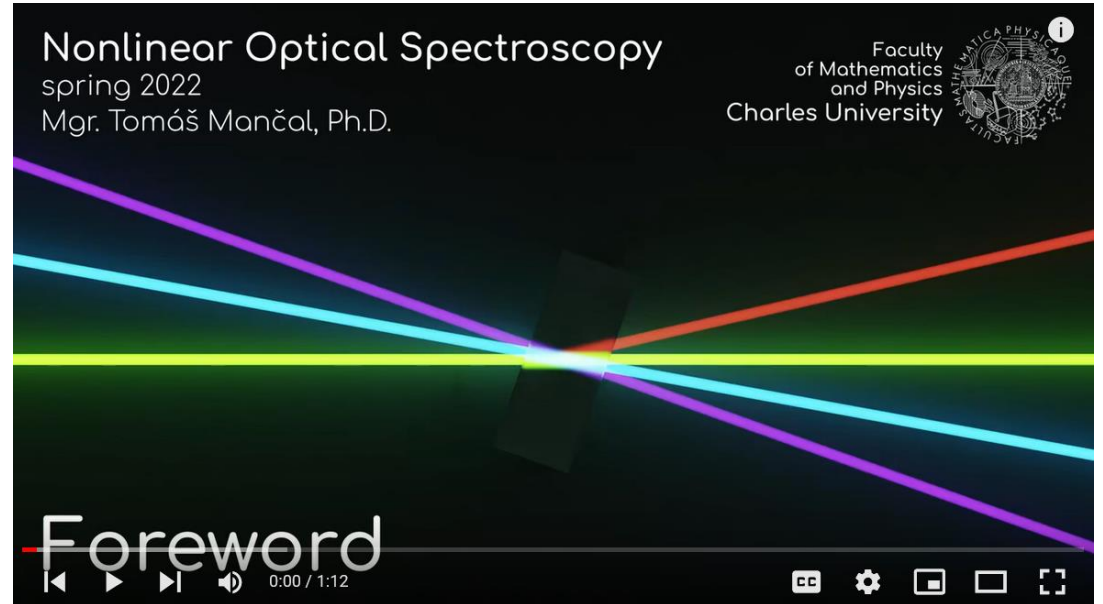
No magnetic monopoles

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

Faraday's law of induction

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

Ampère's law



Tomáš Mančal, Charles University, Prague

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- Derivation i.t.o. potentials
 $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{E} = -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} + \nabla \phi\right)$
- in the Coulomb gauge
 $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$
- Helmholtz theorem
 $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}^\perp + \mathbf{E}^\parallel$
- Relate current density to polarization density
 $\mathbf{j}^\perp = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{P}$



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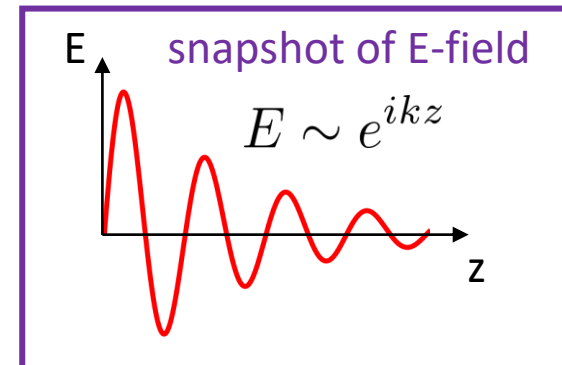
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algebra

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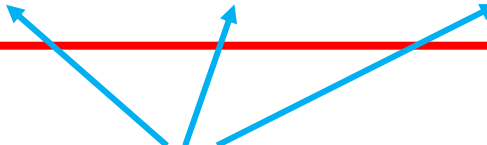
$$I = I_0 e^{-\alpha(\omega)z}$$

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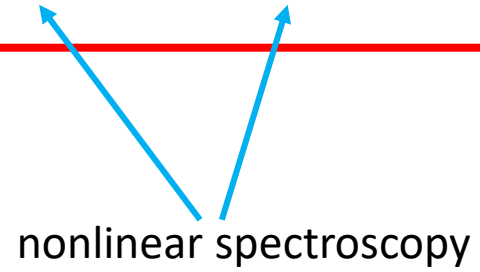
linear spectroscopy



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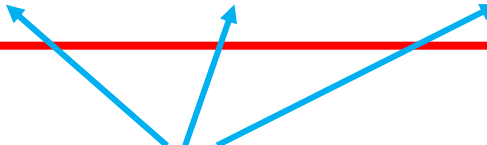


The diagram consists of two blue arrows originating from the text 'nonlinear spectroscopy' and pointing upwards to the second and third terms of the polarization expansion, $\epsilon_0 \chi^{(2)} E^2$ and $\epsilon_0 \chi^{(3)} E^3$, respectively. This indicates that nonlinear spectroscopy is associated with the second and third orders of polarization.

Susceptibility

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susceptibilities



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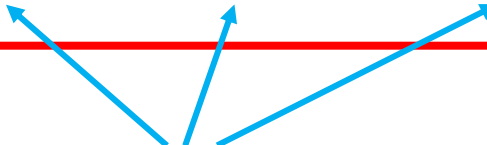
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P In the time domain

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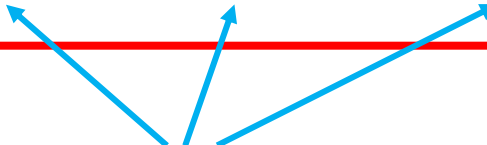
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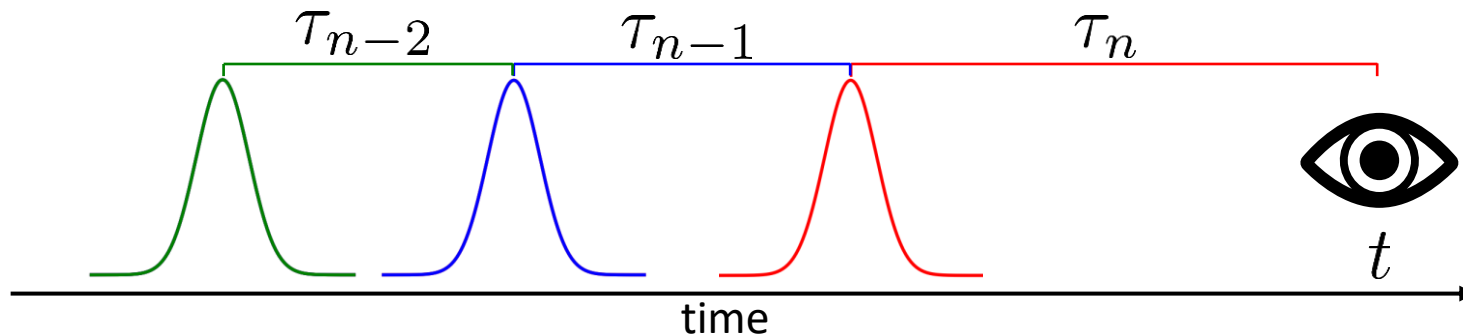
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Summary

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QM of linear response

FMO complex

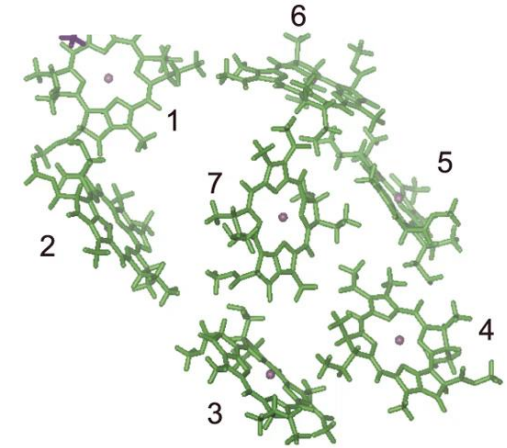
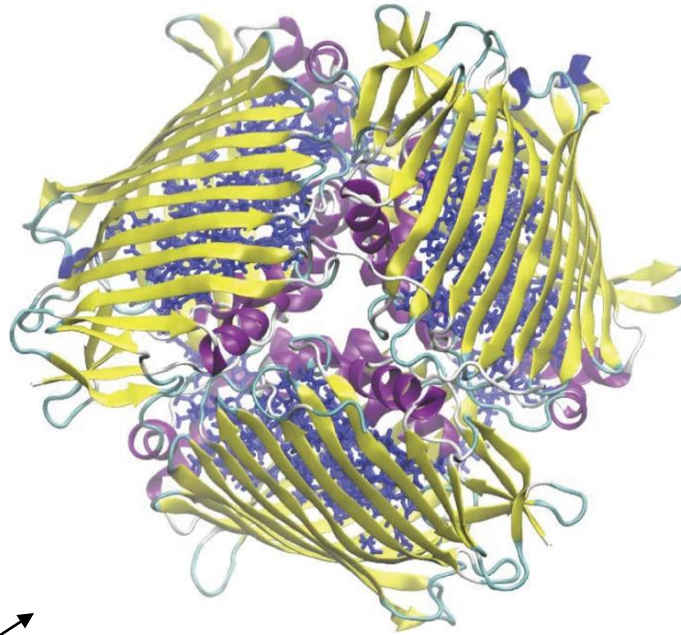
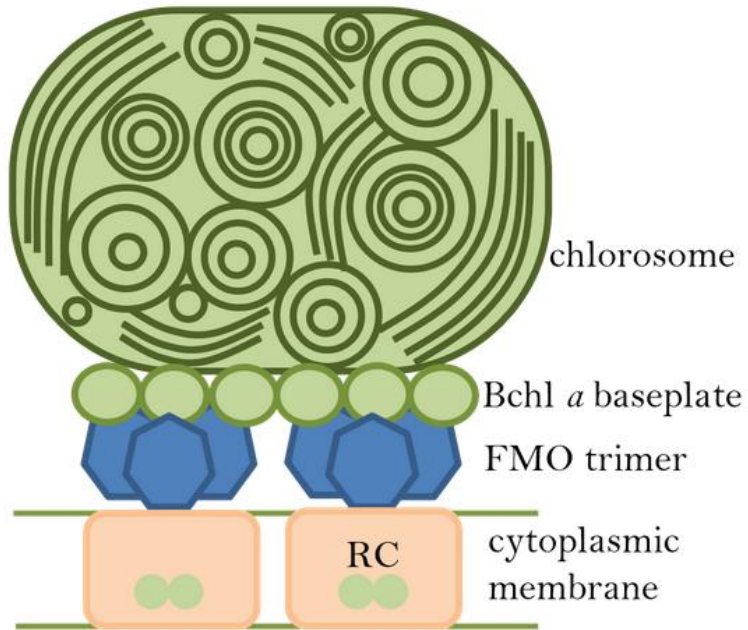
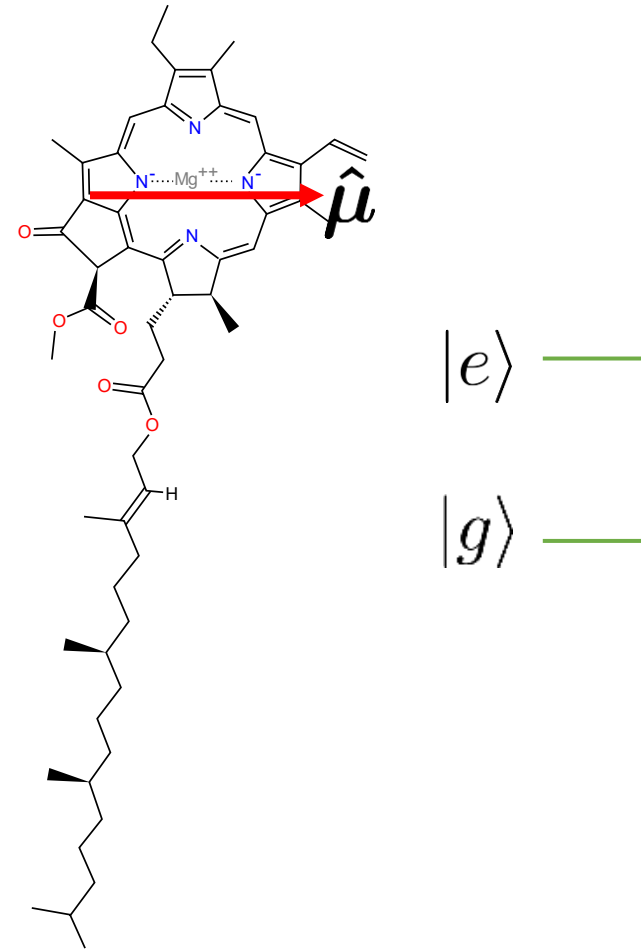


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Quantum system: radiation-matter interaction

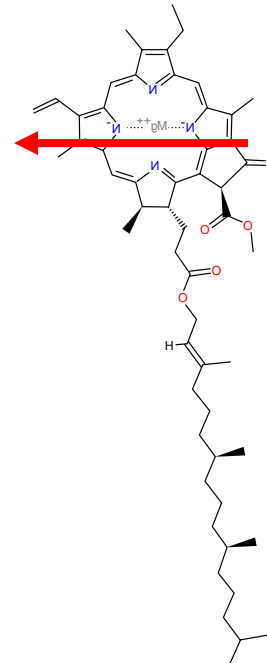
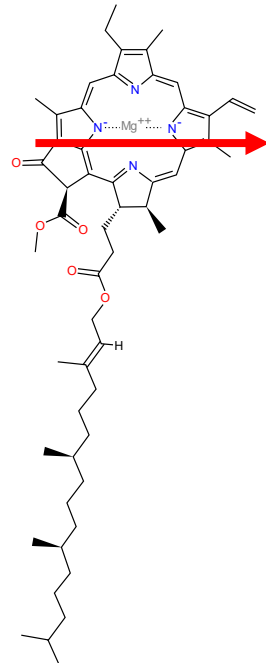
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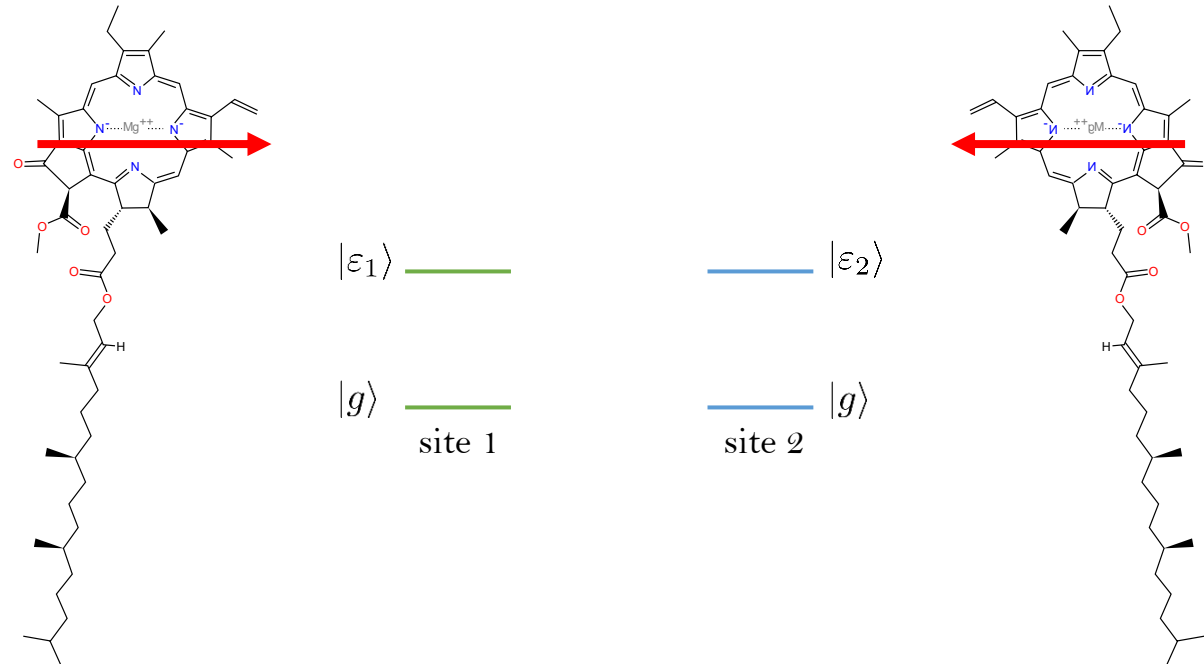
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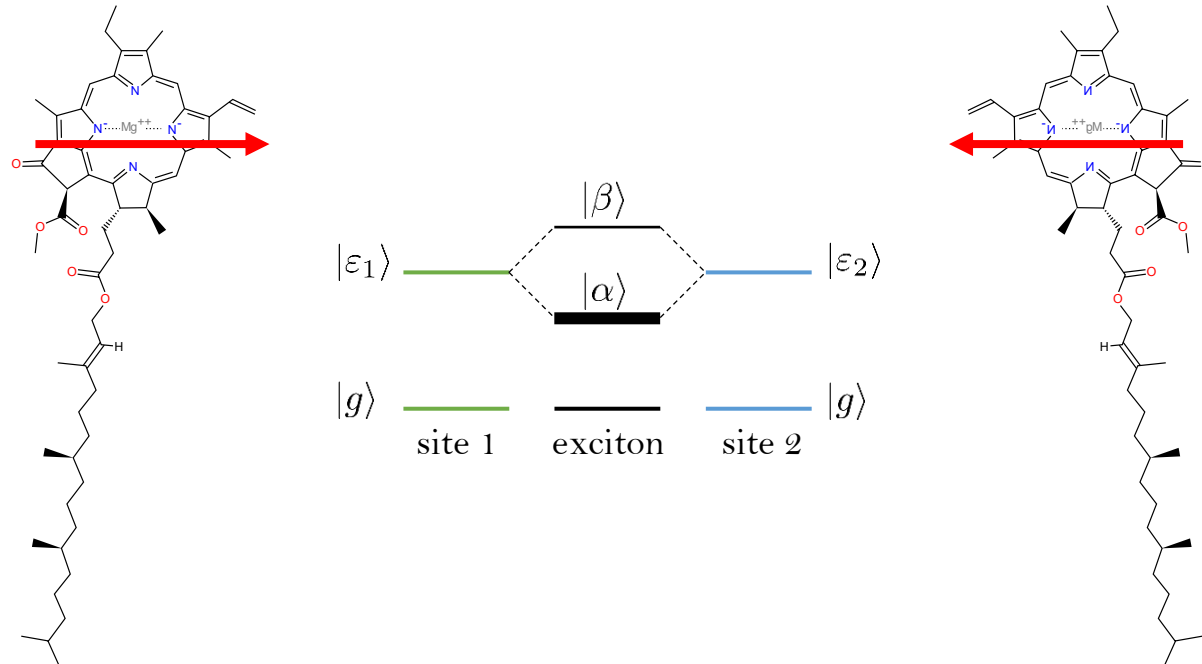
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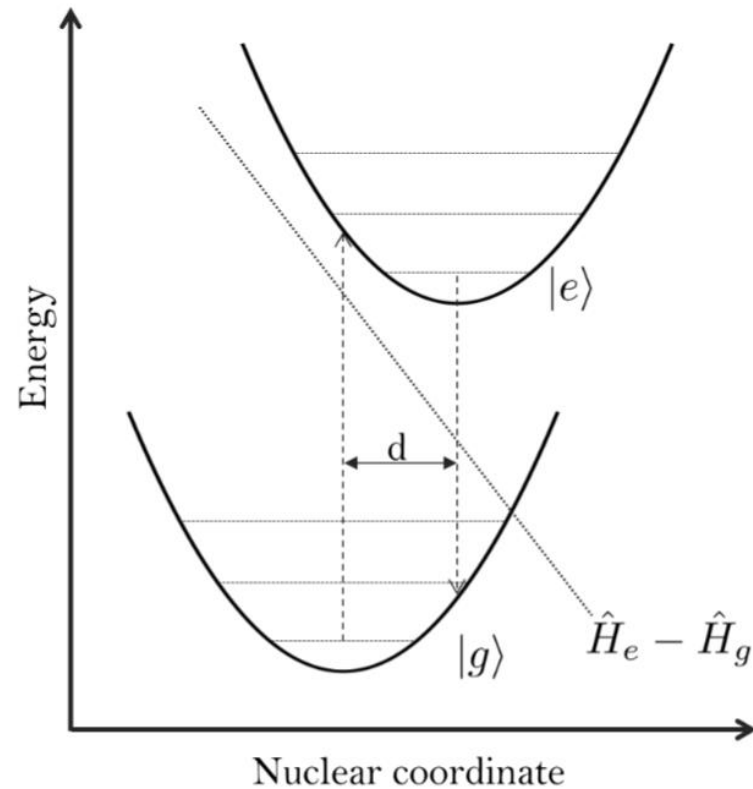
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Full Hamiltonian

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Bath

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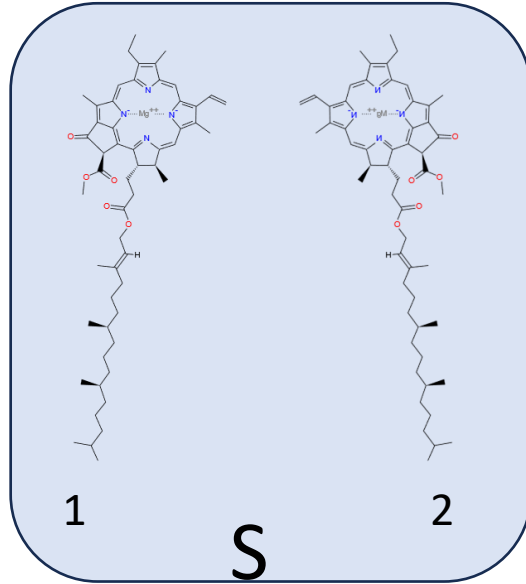
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$$\hat{H}_{\text{mol}} = \hat{H}_{\text{el}} + \hat{H}_{\text{nuc}}$$

Quantum Mechanics: density operator



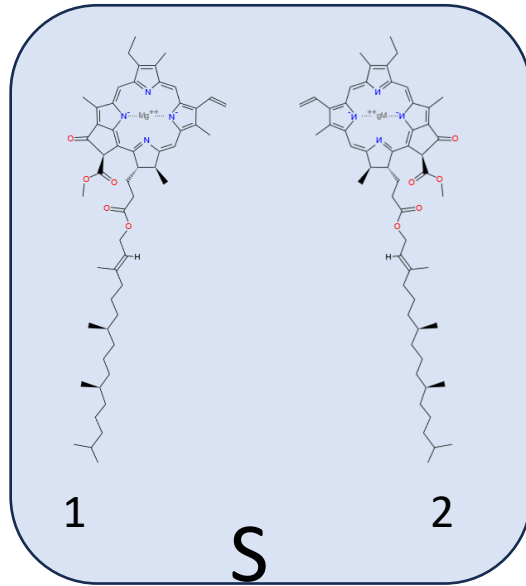
$$|\psi\rangle_S = \alpha |1\rangle + \beta |2\rangle$$

exciton (superposition) state

Only pigment 1 excited

Only pigment 2 excited

Quantum Mechanics: density operator



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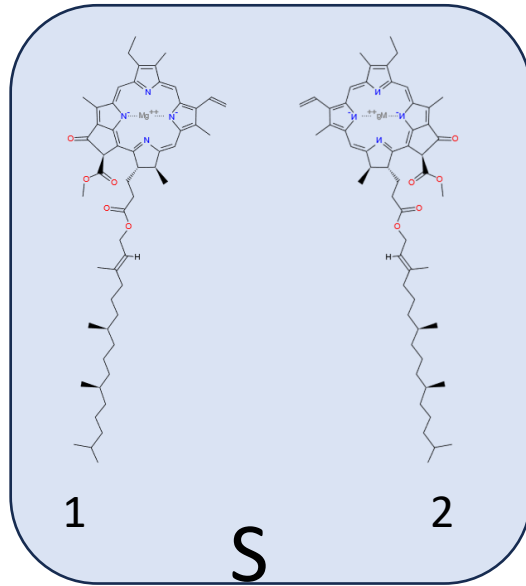
$$\hat{\rho}_S = |\psi\rangle_S \langle\psi|_S$$

$$\rho_S = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & \alpha\beta^* \\ \beta\alpha^* & |\beta|^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

coherences

populations

Quantum Mechanics: density operator



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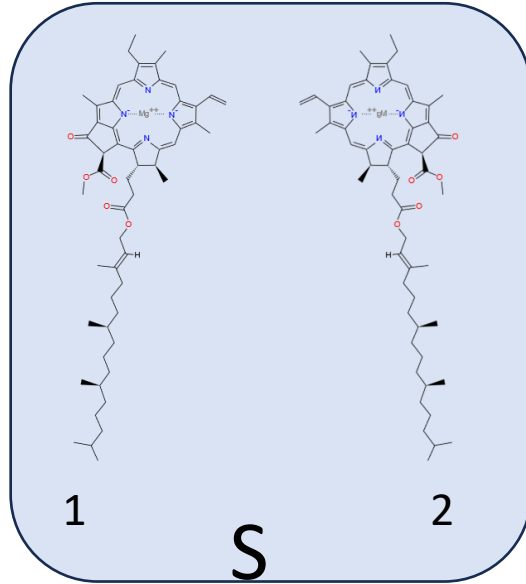
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Quantum Mechanics: density operator



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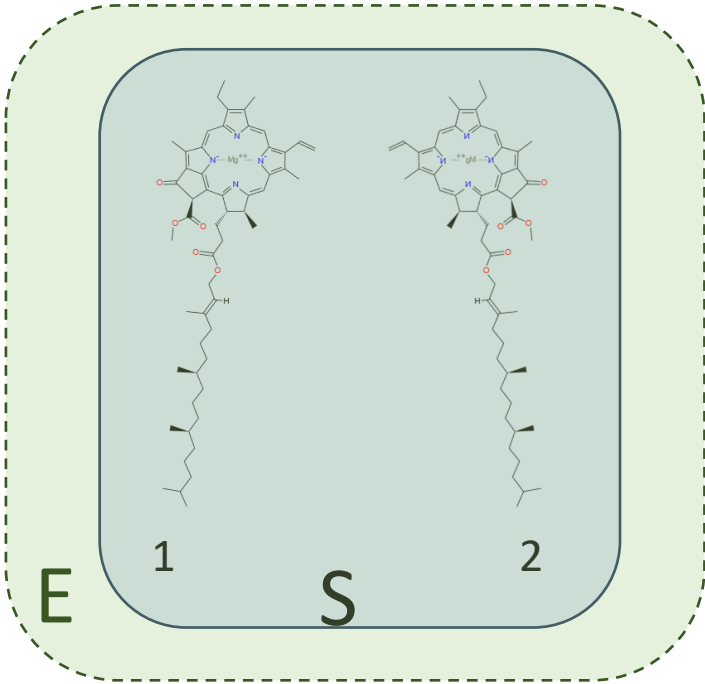
The matrix elements are highlighted with colored circles: the diagonal elements $|\alpha|^2$ and $|\beta|^2$ are circled in blue and labeled 'populations' below the matrix. The off-diagonal elements $\alpha\beta^*$ and $\beta\alpha^*$ are circled in purple and labeled 'coherences' above the matrix.

$$\text{Tr}(\rho_S) = |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2$$

The terms $|\alpha|^2$ and $|\beta|^2$ in the trace equation are circled in blue.

$$\langle\hat{A}\rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{A}\hat{\rho}_S)$$

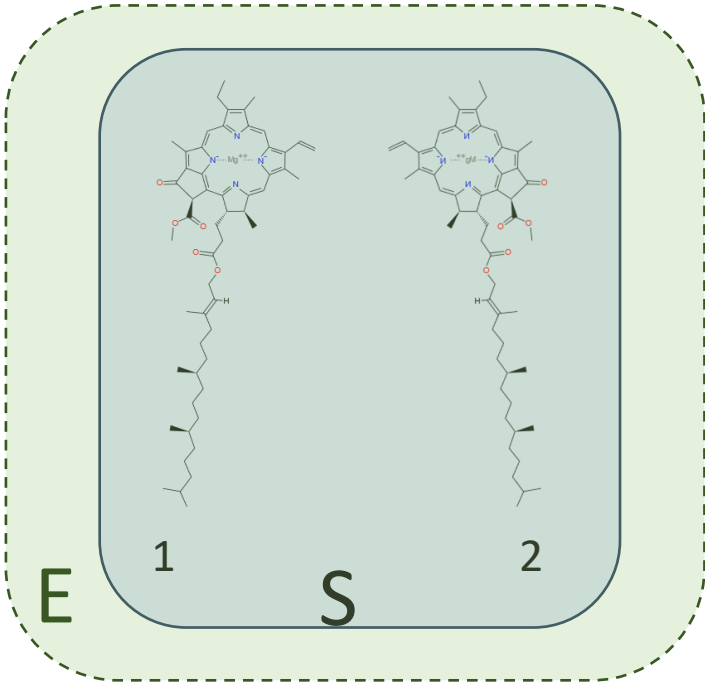
Quantum Mechanics: density operator



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$$\hat{\rho} = |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi|$$

Quantum Mechanics: density operator



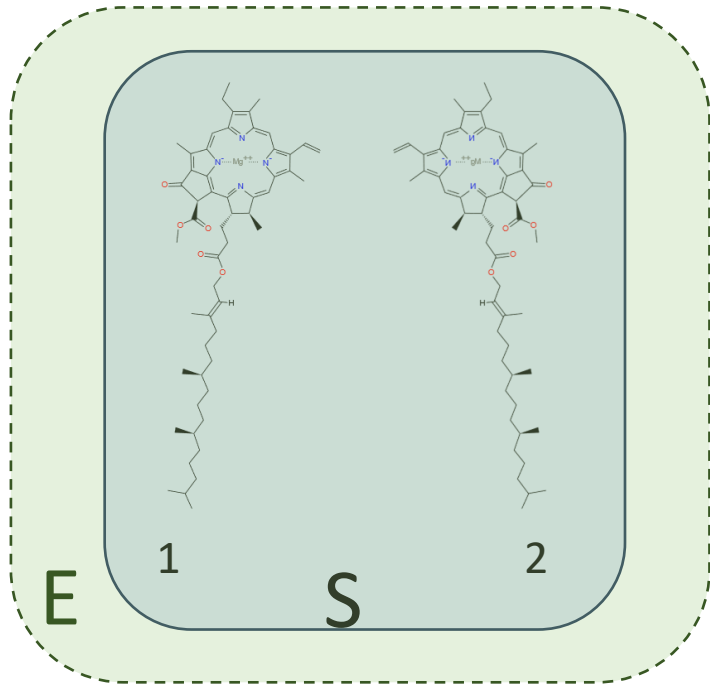
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$$\text{Tr}_E(\rho)$$

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle_E = \text{Tr}_E(\hat{A} \hat{\rho})$$

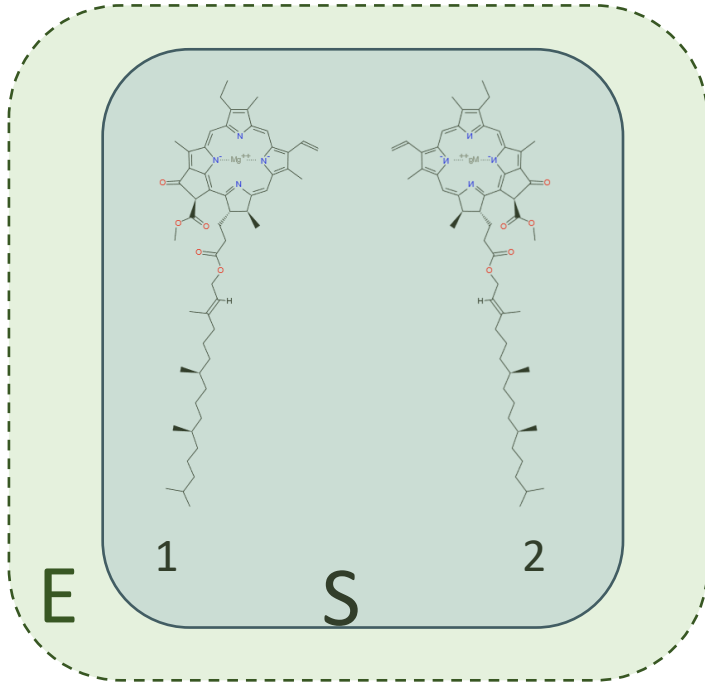
Quantum Mechanics: equilibrium density operator



At equilibrium:

$$\hat{\rho}^{\text{eq}}$$

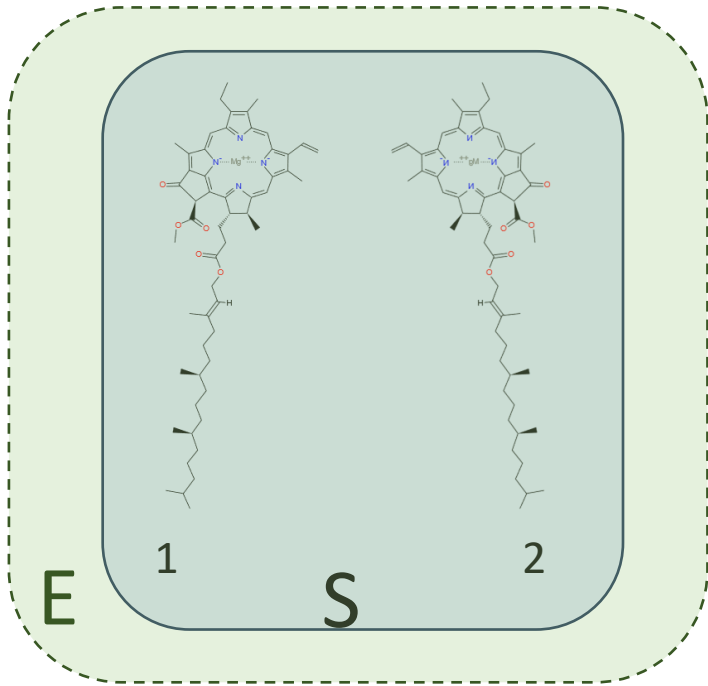
Quantum Mechanics: superoperators



$$\hat{\rho} = |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi|$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\rho}(t) &= \hat{U}(t) |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi| \hat{U}^\dagger(t) \\ &= \mathcal{U}(t) \hat{\rho}(0)\end{aligned}$$

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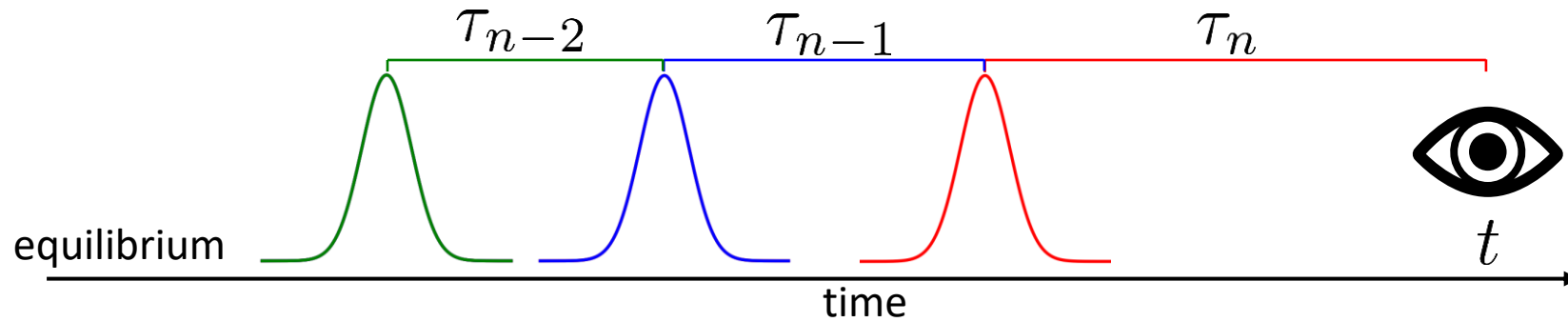
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$$\mathcal{V}\hat{A} = [\hat{\mu}, \hat{A}]$$

Superoperators

QM of response

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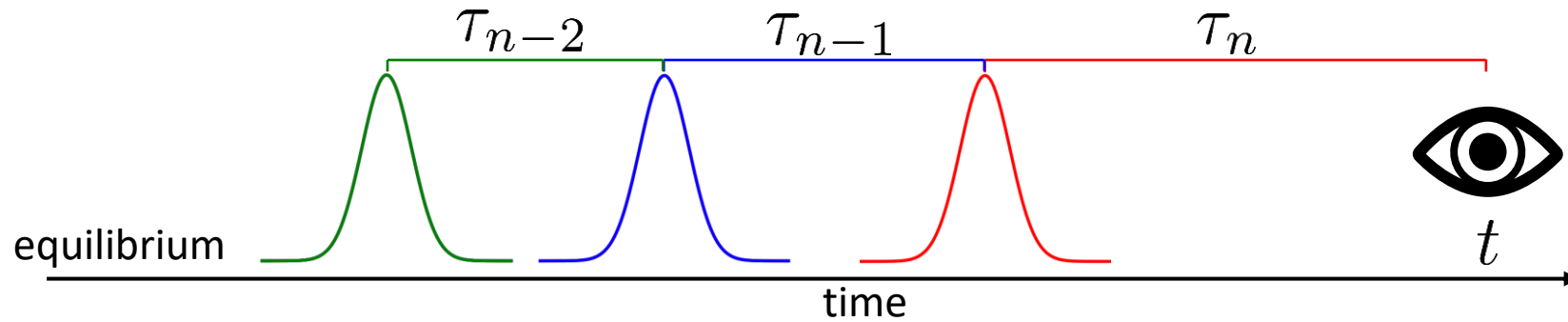


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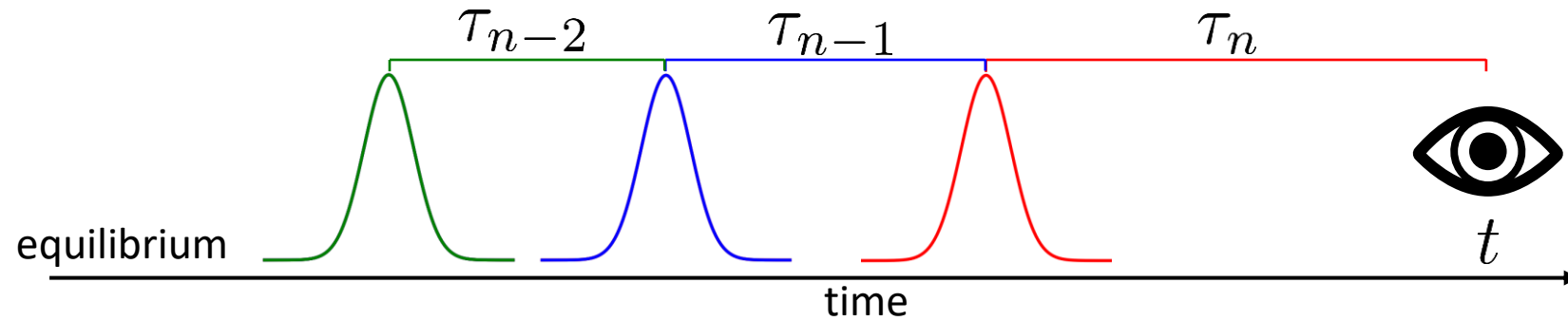


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Evolution only under $\mathcal{U}_{\text{mol}}$

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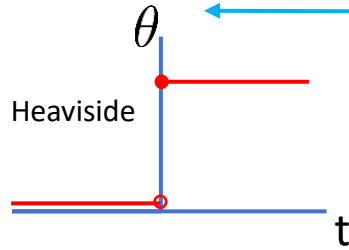
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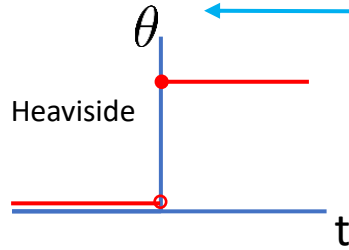
linear response function



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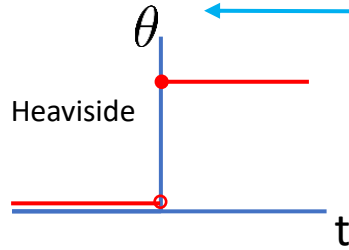


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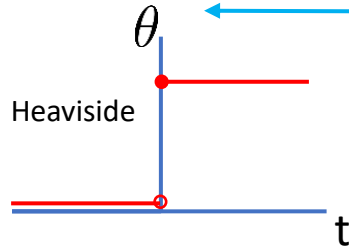
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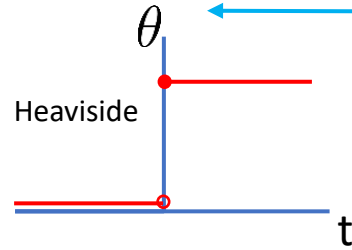
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Dipole factor matrix

Spectral tensor

Absorption and emission spectra

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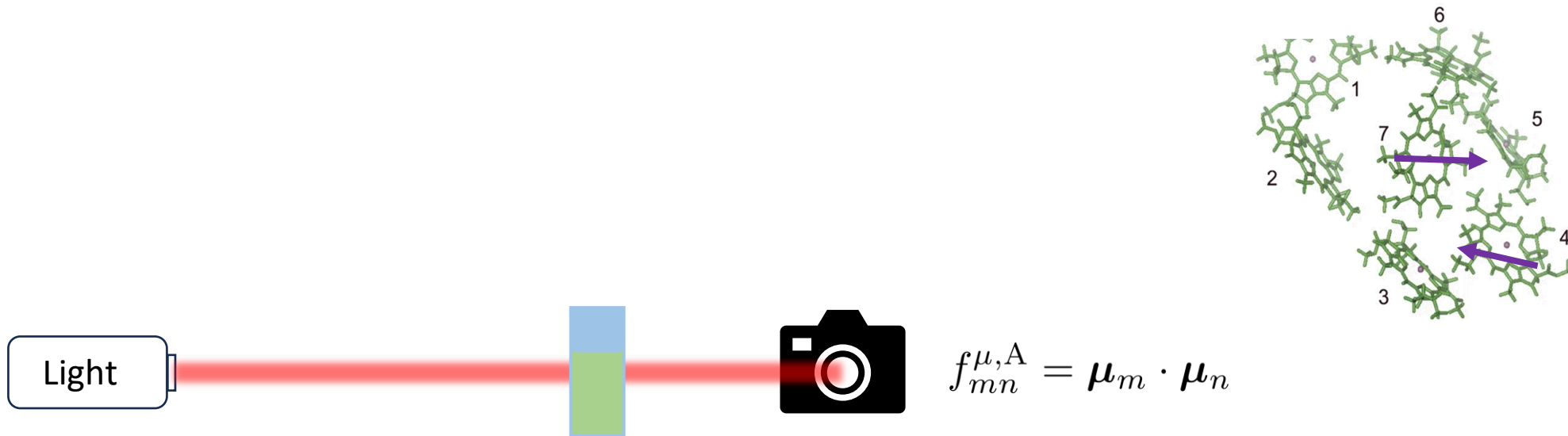
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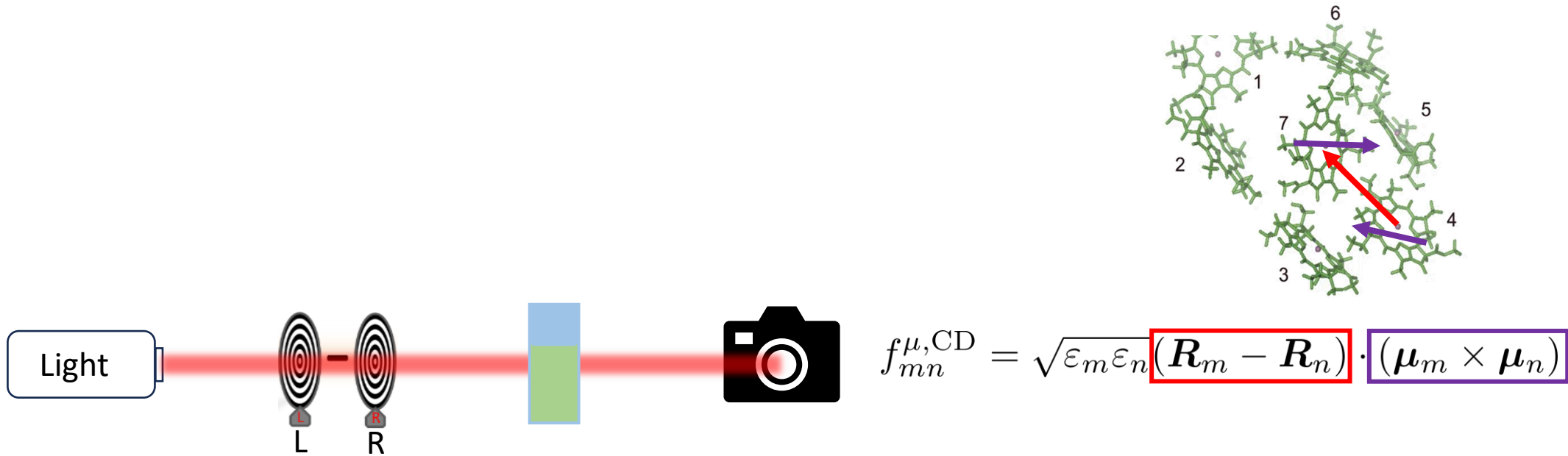
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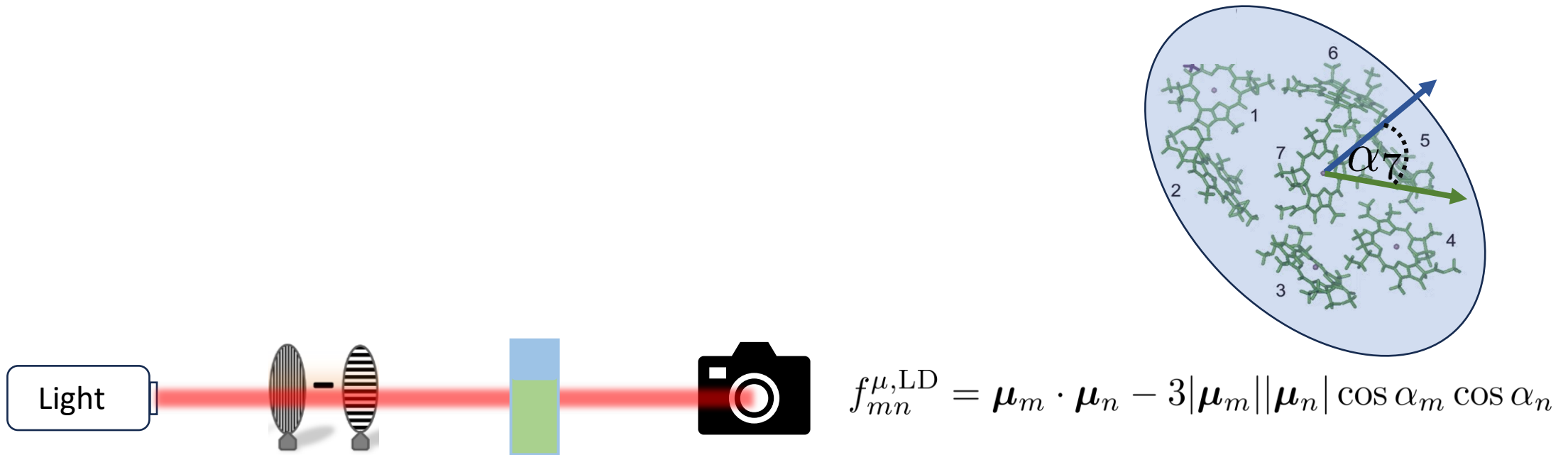
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Spectral tensor

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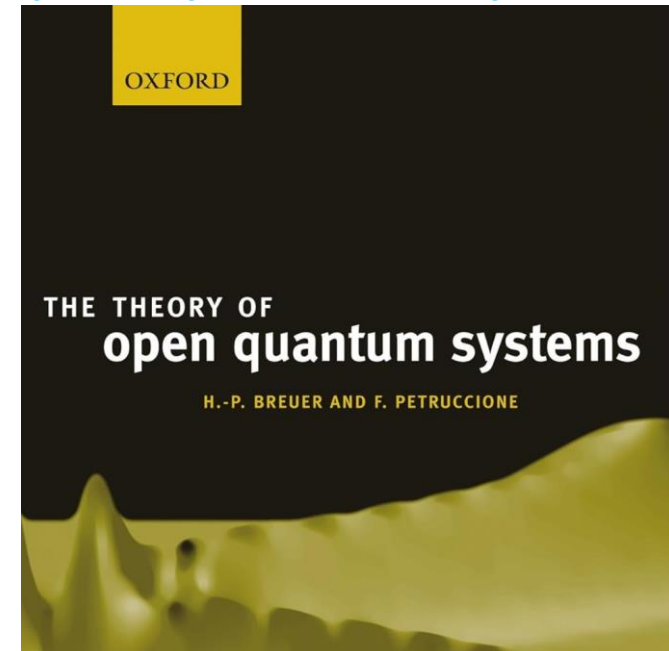
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Open quantum systems



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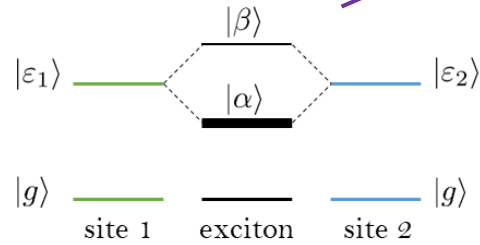
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↓ algebra

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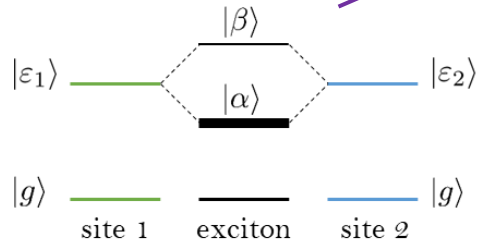
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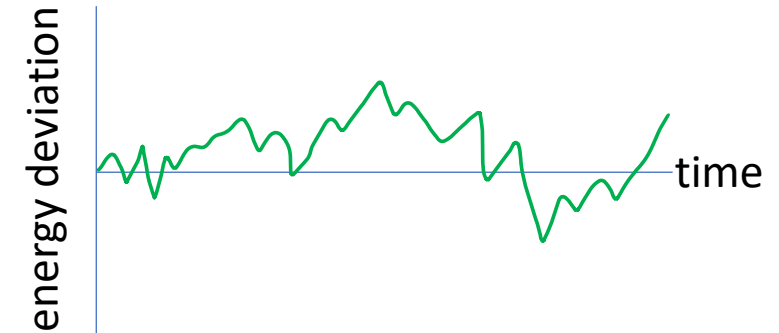
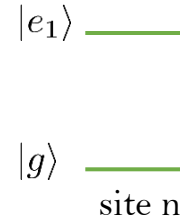


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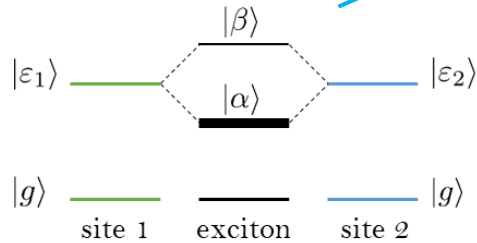


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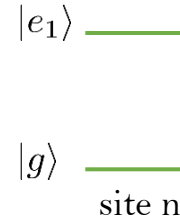


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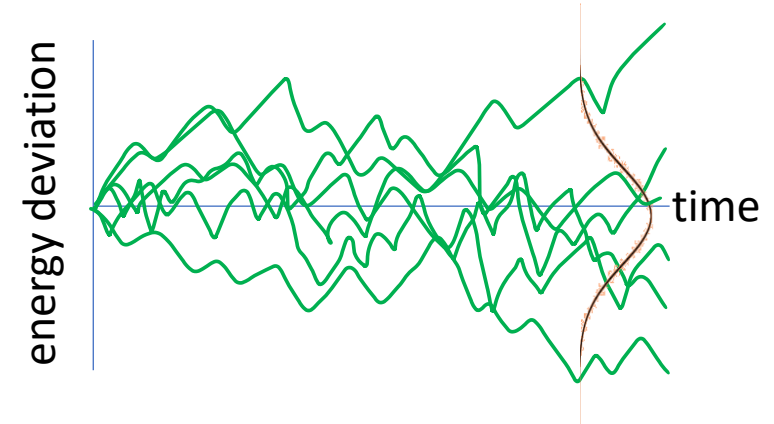
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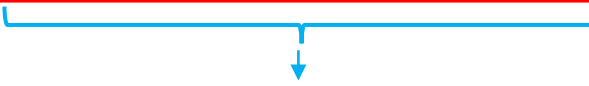
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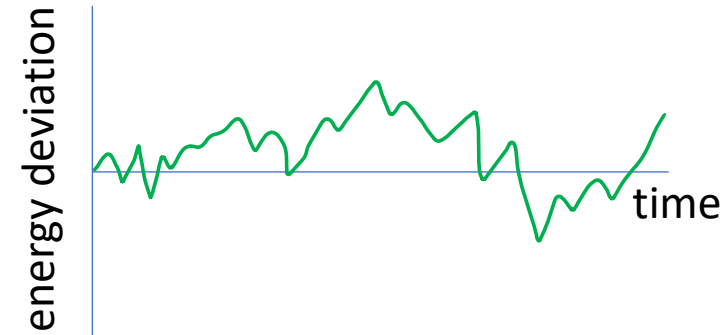
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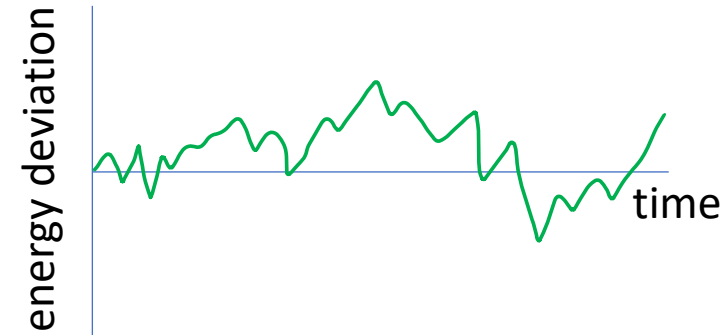
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$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{I}^A(t) = -i \left(\hat{H}_S + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n(t) |n\rangle \langle n| \right) \mathcal{I}^A(t)$$

$$I^A(t) = \langle \mathcal{I}^A(t) \rangle_{\xi}$$

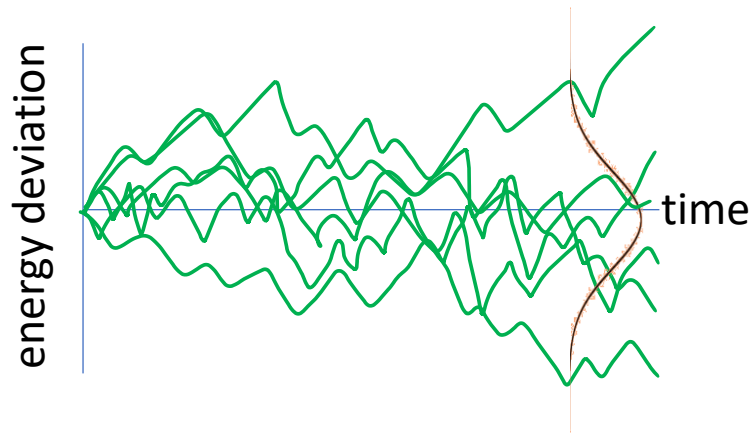


SLOW!

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$

$$\langle e^{kt} \rangle_B$$



$$\langle \xi_n(t) \rangle = 0$$

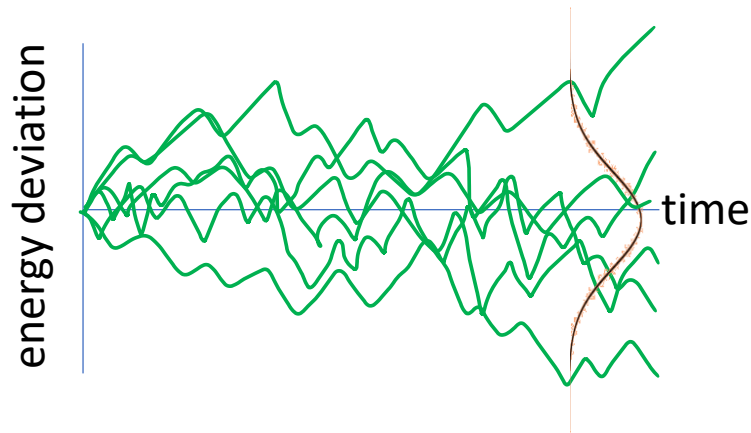
mean

$$\langle \xi_n(t) \xi_n(t') \rangle = C_n(t - t')$$

variance

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$



$$\langle e^{kt} \rangle_B$$

Plan:

Expand $I^A(t)$ in cumulants of $\hat{H}_{SB}$

$$\langle \xi_n(t) \rangle = 0$$

mean

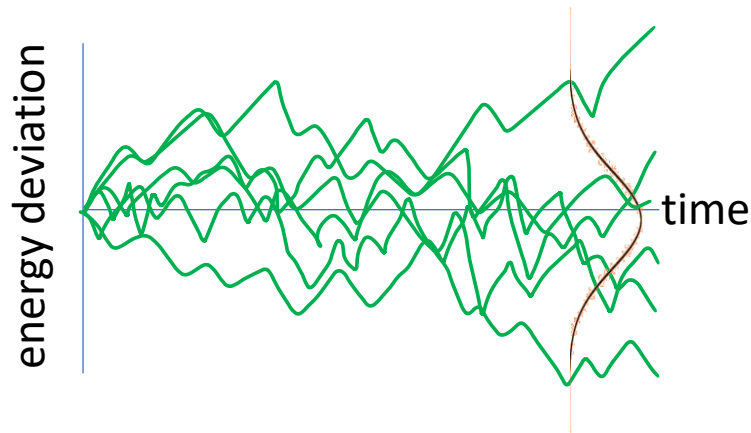
$$\langle \xi_n(t) \xi_n(t') \rangle = C_n(t - t')$$

variance



Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$



$$\langle e^{kt} \rangle_B$$

Plan:

Expand $I^A(t)$ in cumulants of $\hat{H}_{SB}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi_n(t) \rangle &= 0 && \text{mean} \\ \langle \xi_n(t) \xi_n(t') \rangle &= C_n(t - t') && \text{variance} \end{aligned}$$

$$I^A(t) = e^{-i\hat{H}_S t} e^{-K(t)}$$

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$

Full Cumulant expansion (FCE)

Calculation time: ●●●○○ Accuracy: ●●●●○

with

$$I^A(t) = e^{-iH_S t} e^{-K(t)}$$

$$K_{\alpha\beta}(t) = \sum_{\delta=1}^N \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^\tau d\tau' e^{i\omega_{\alpha\delta}\tau - i\omega_{\beta\delta}\tau'} \\ \times C_{\alpha\delta\delta\beta}(\tau - \tau').$$

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$

Complex time-dependent Redfield (ctR)

Calculation time:      Accuracy:     

$$I_{\alpha\beta}^A(t) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} e^{-i\varepsilon_\alpha t - g_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(t) - \xi_\alpha(t)},$$

with

$$g_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(t) = \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^\tau d\tau' C_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(\tau')$$

and

$$\xi_\alpha(t) = \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha}^N \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^\tau d\tau' e^{i\omega_{\alpha\beta}\tau'} C_{\alpha\beta\beta\alpha}(\tau')$$

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$

Modified Redfield

Calculation time:      Accuracy:     

$$I_{\alpha\beta}^A(t) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} e^{-i\varepsilon_\alpha t - g_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(t) - R_\alpha(t)},$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} R_\alpha^{\text{mR}} = & \sum_{\beta} \text{Re} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega_{\alpha\beta} t} \\ & \times \exp \left(-g_{\beta\beta\beta\beta}(t) - g_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(t) + g_{\alpha\alpha\beta\beta}(t) \right. \\ & \left. + g_{\beta\beta\alpha\alpha}(t) - 2i(\lambda_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha} - \lambda_{\beta\beta\alpha\alpha})t \right) \\ & \times \left(C_{\beta\alpha\alpha\beta}(t) - [\dot{g}_{\alpha\beta\beta\beta}(t) - \dot{g}_{\alpha\beta\alpha\alpha}(t) - 2i\lambda_{\alpha\beta\alpha\alpha}] \right. \\ & \left. \times [\dot{g}_{\beta\beta\beta\alpha}(t) - \dot{g}_{\alpha\alpha\beta\alpha}(t) - 2i\lambda_{\beta\alpha\alpha\alpha}] \right) \end{aligned}$$

Approximate methods

$$I^A(t) = \text{Tr}_B \left[\exp_+ \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_S t + \int_0^t d\tau \hat{H}_{SB}(\tau) \right) \right] \hat{\rho}_B^{\text{eq}} \right],$$

Redfield

Calculation time:  Accuracy: 

$$I_{\alpha\beta}^A(t) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} e^{-i\varepsilon_\alpha t - g_{\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha}(t) - R_\alpha(t)},$$

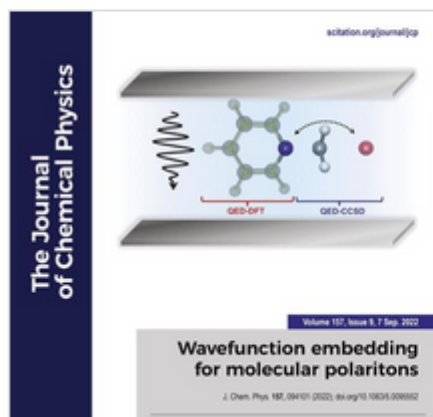
with

$$R_\alpha^{\text{SR}} = \sum_\beta \text{Re} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega_{\alpha\beta} t} C_{\alpha\beta\beta\alpha}(t),$$

Approximate methods

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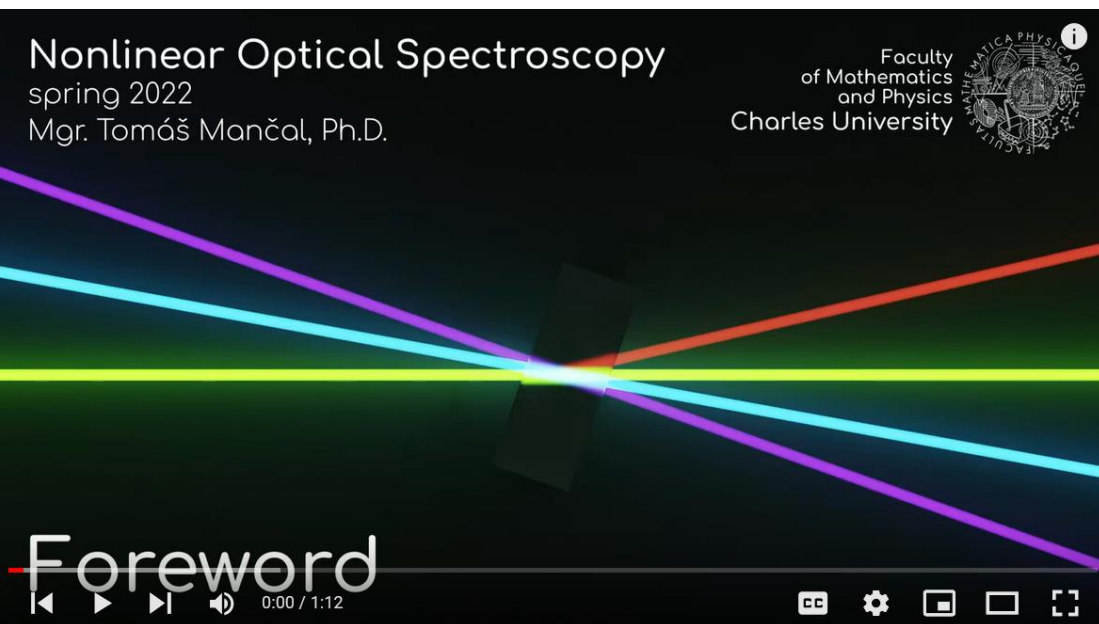
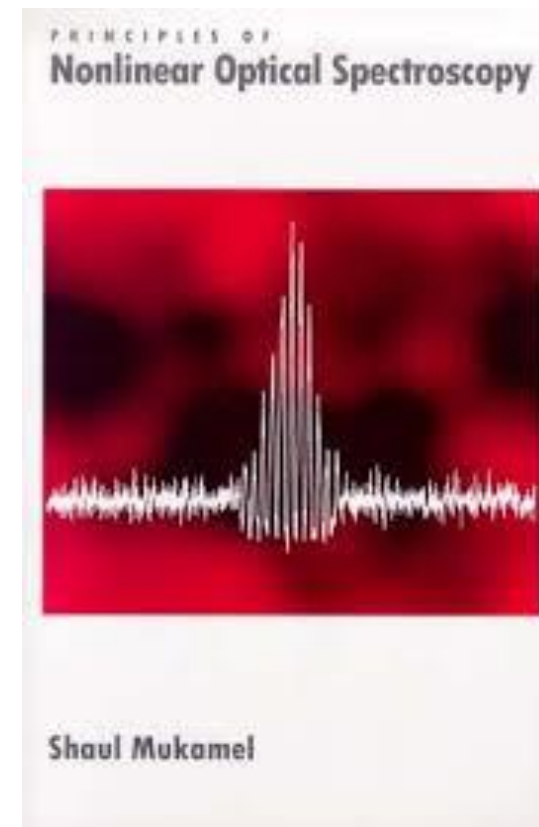
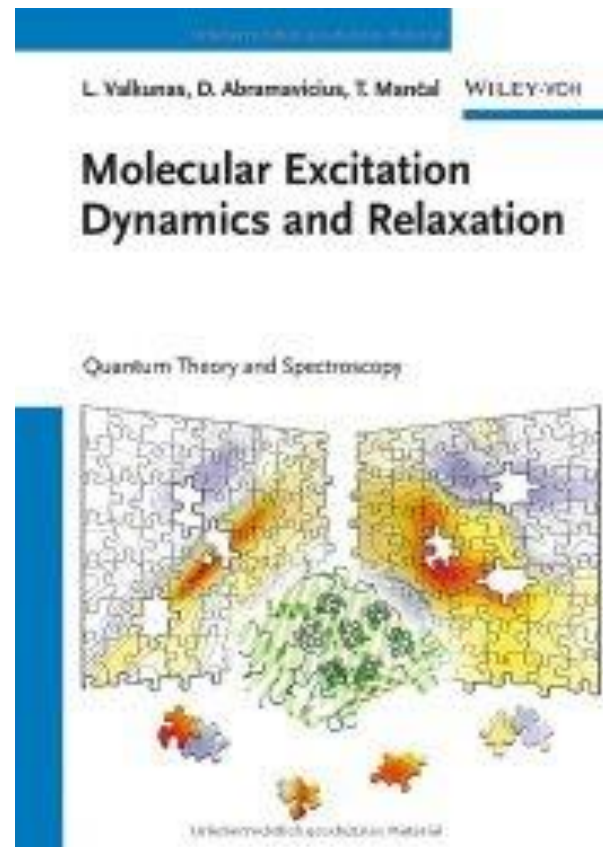
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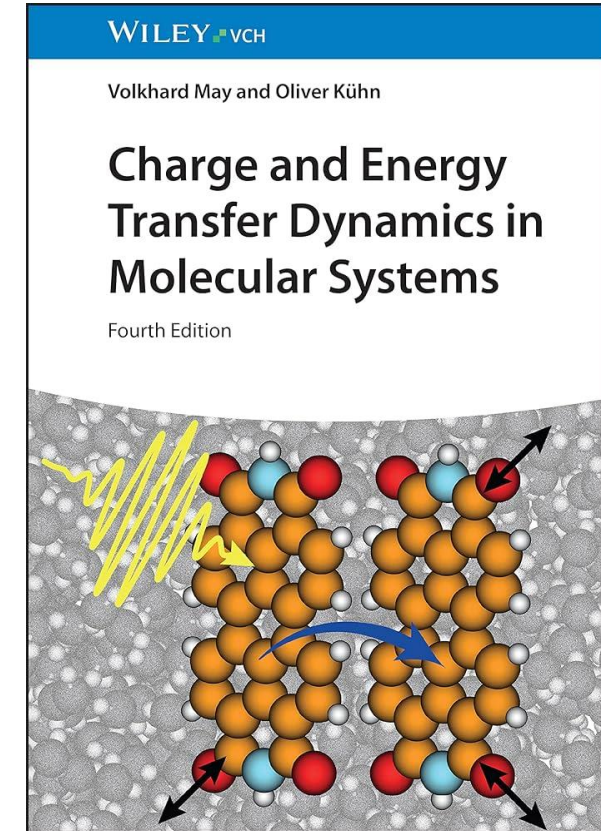
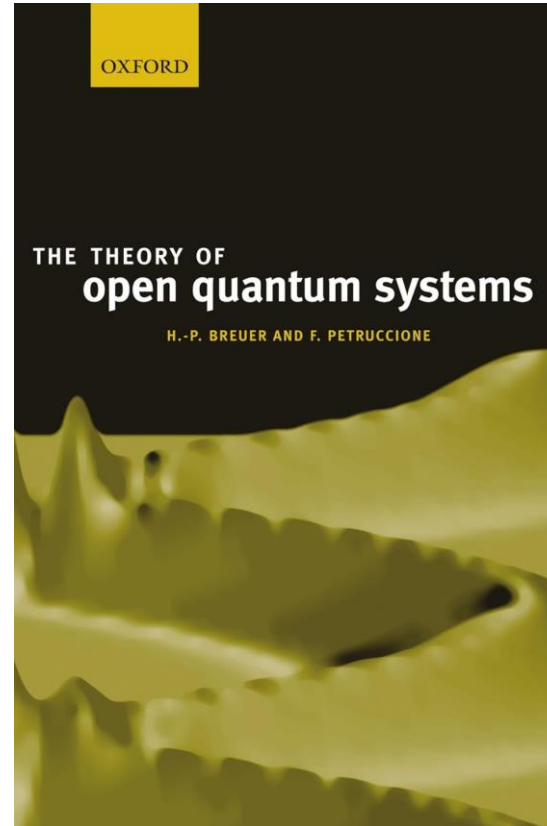
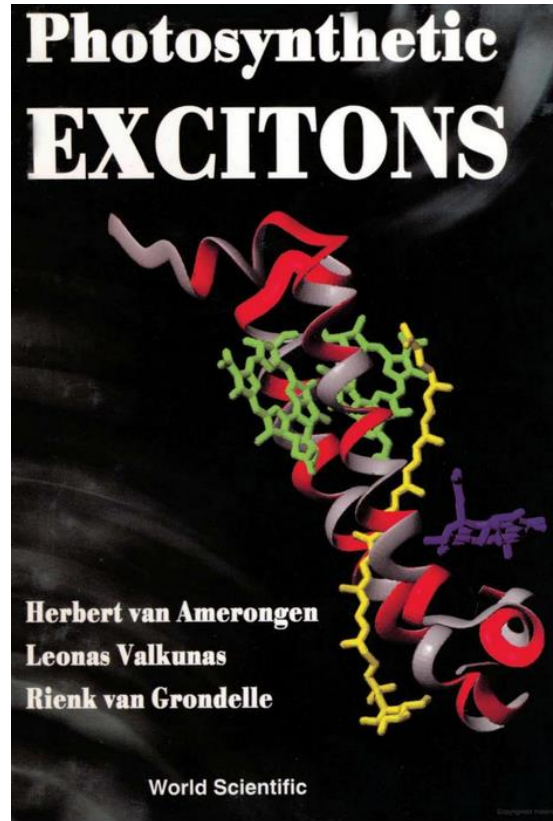
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Spectroscopy comes from the Latin "spectron" for spirit or ghost and the Greek "ᾠκονειν" for to see. These roots are very telling, because in molecular spectroscopy you use light to interrogate matter, but you actually never see the molecules, only their influence on the light. Different spectroscopies give you different perspectives. This indirect contact with the microscopic targets means that the interpretation of spectroscopy in some manner requires a model, whether it is stated or not. Linear spectroscopy commonly refers to light-matter interaction with one primary incident radiation field which is weak, and can be treated as a linear response between the incident light and the matter. From a quantum mechanical view of the light field, it is often conceived as a "one photon in/one photon out" measurement. Nonlinear spectroscopy is used to refer to cases that fall outside this view



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