

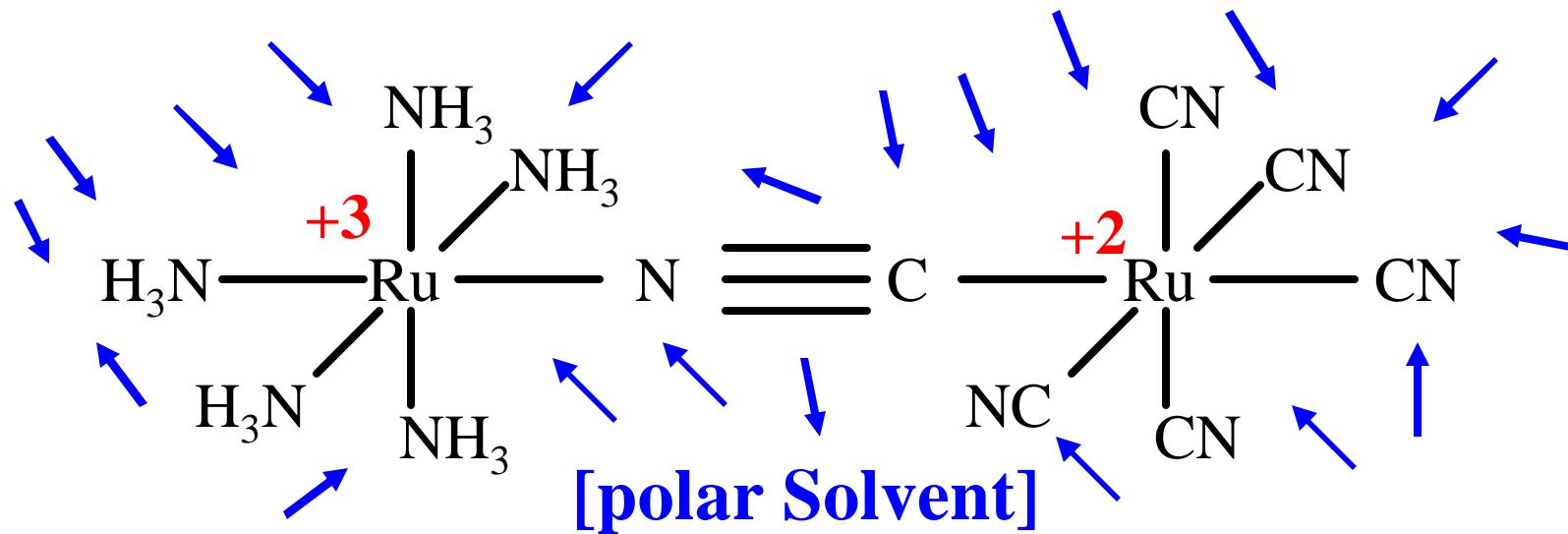
Laser–Induced Control of Condensed Phase Electron Transfer

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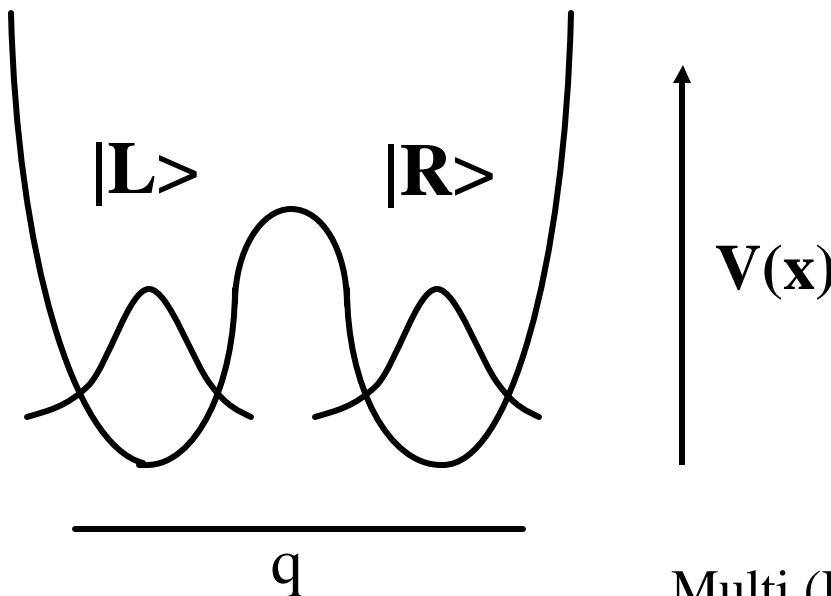
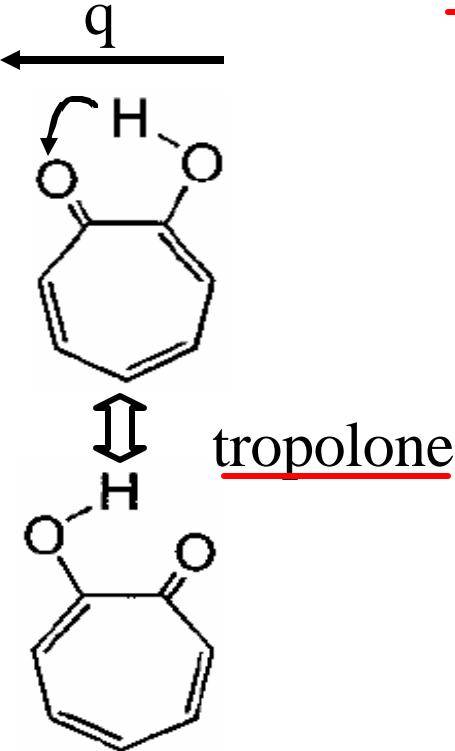
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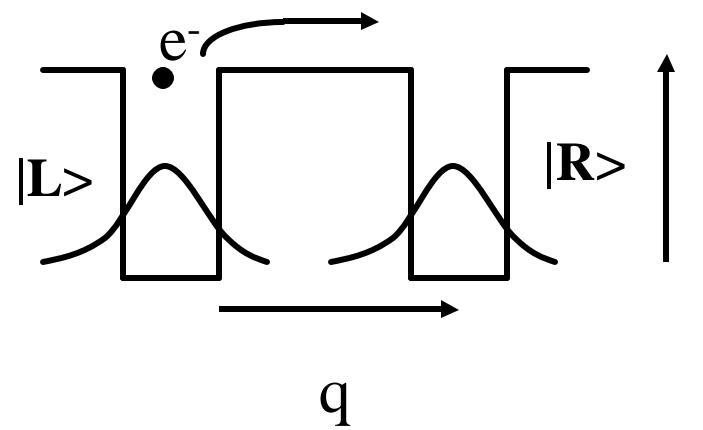
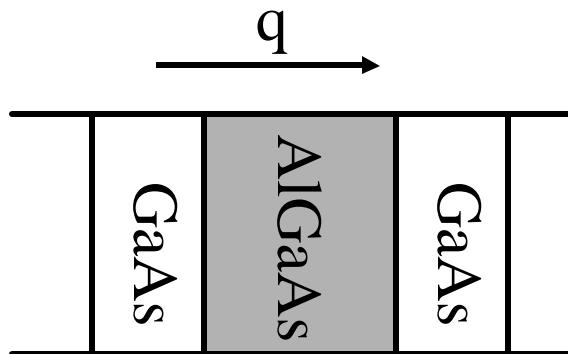
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Tunneling in A 2-State System

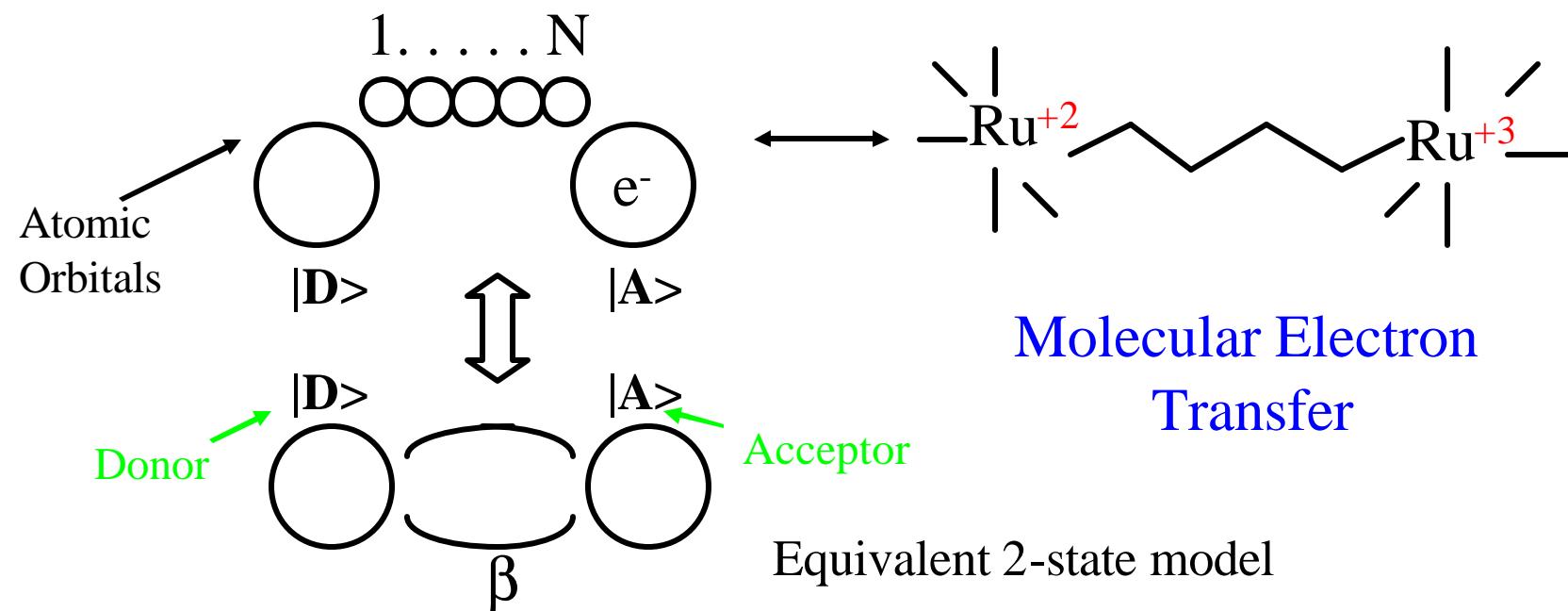


Proton Transfer



Multi (Double) Quantum Well Structure

Electron Transport In Solids



For any of these systems: $|\Psi(t)\rangle = c_D(t) |D\rangle + c_A(t) |A\rangle$

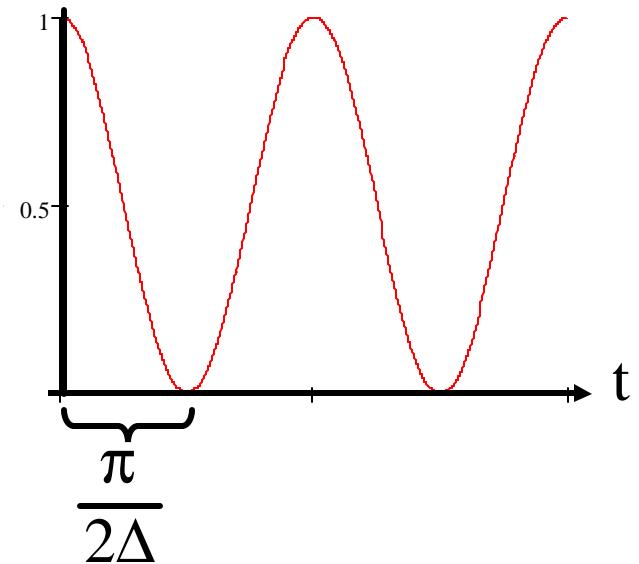
where

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{AA} & H_{AD} \\ H_{DA} & H_{DD} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_A \\ c_D \end{pmatrix} = i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} c_A \\ c_D \end{pmatrix}$$

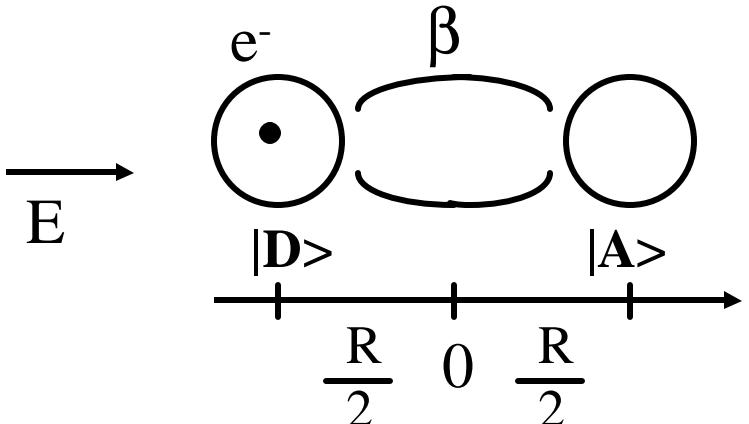
For a Symmetric Tunneling System: $H_{AA}=H_{DD}=0$; $H_{AD}=H_{DA}=\Delta (< 0)$

Given initial preparation in $|D\rangle$, for a symmetric system:

$$P_D(t) = 1 - P_A(t) = \boxed{\cos^2(\Delta t)} =$$



Now, apply an electric field



Q: How does this modify the Hamiltonian??

A: It modifies the site energies according to “ $-\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}$ ”

Thus: $\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \\ \approx \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} H_{AA} & \Delta \\ \Delta & H_{DD} \end{pmatrix} - E \begin{pmatrix} e_o R/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -e_o R/2 \end{pmatrix}$

Permanent dipole moment of A

Analysis in the case of time-dependent $E(t) = E_0 \cos \omega_0 t$

Consider first the symmetric case:

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} c_A \\ c_D \end{pmatrix} = \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta \\ \Delta & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \underset{\text{Permanent dipole moment difference}}{\uparrow} \mu E_0 \cos \omega_0 t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} c_A \\ c_D \end{pmatrix}$$

Letting: $c_A(t) = e^{i a \sin \omega_0 t} c_A^I(t)$; $c_D(t) = e^{i a \sin \omega_0 t} c_D^I(t)$

Where: $a = \frac{\mu E_0}{(h)\omega_0}$ [N.B.: $\mu \int_0^t E_0 \cos \omega_0 t' dt' = \frac{\mu E_0}{\omega_0} \sin \omega_0 t$]

Thus, Interaction Picture S.E. reads:

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} c_A^I \\ c_D^I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{-2i a \sin \omega_0 t} \Delta \\ e^{2i a \sin \omega_0 t} \Delta & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_A^I \\ c_D^I \end{pmatrix}$$

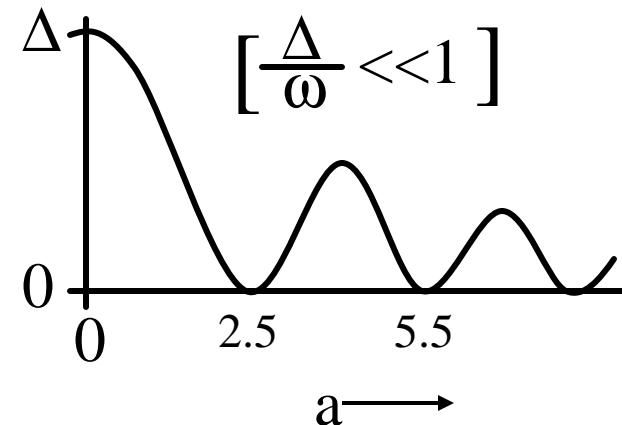
Now note: $e^{i b \sin \omega t} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(b) e^{i m \omega t}$

So: $\Delta e^{2i a \sin \omega_0 t} = \Delta \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(2a) e^{i m \omega_0 t}$

$$\approx \boxed{\Delta \cdot J_o(2a)} , \text{ for } \Delta/\omega_o \ll 1$$

RWA

Thus, the shuttle frequency is renormalized to $\Delta |J_o(2a)|$



NB: Trapping or localization
occurs at certain E_o values!

[Grossman - Hänggi, Dakhnovskii – Metiu]

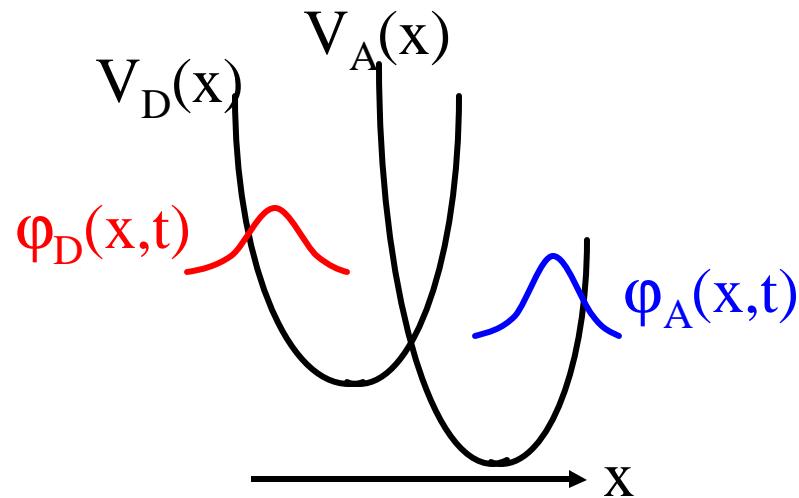
Add coupling to a condensed phase environment

$$\hat{H} = \hat{T} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} V_D(x) & \Delta \\ \Delta & V_A(x) \end{bmatrix} - \mu E_0 \cos \omega_0 t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

↑ Nuclear coordinate
kinetic energy

↑ Nuclear coordinate

Field couples only to
2-level system

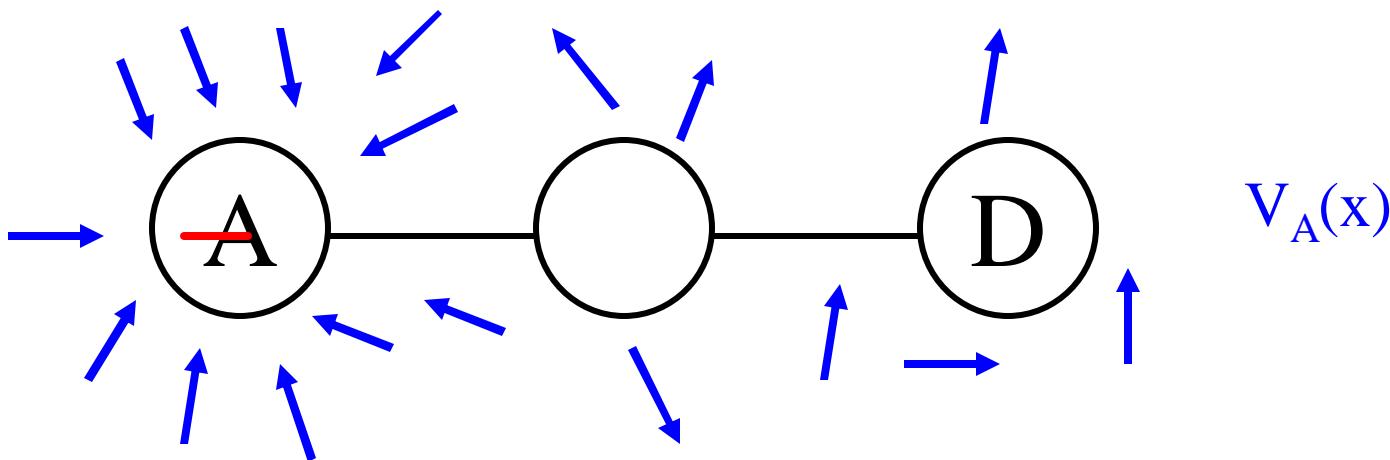
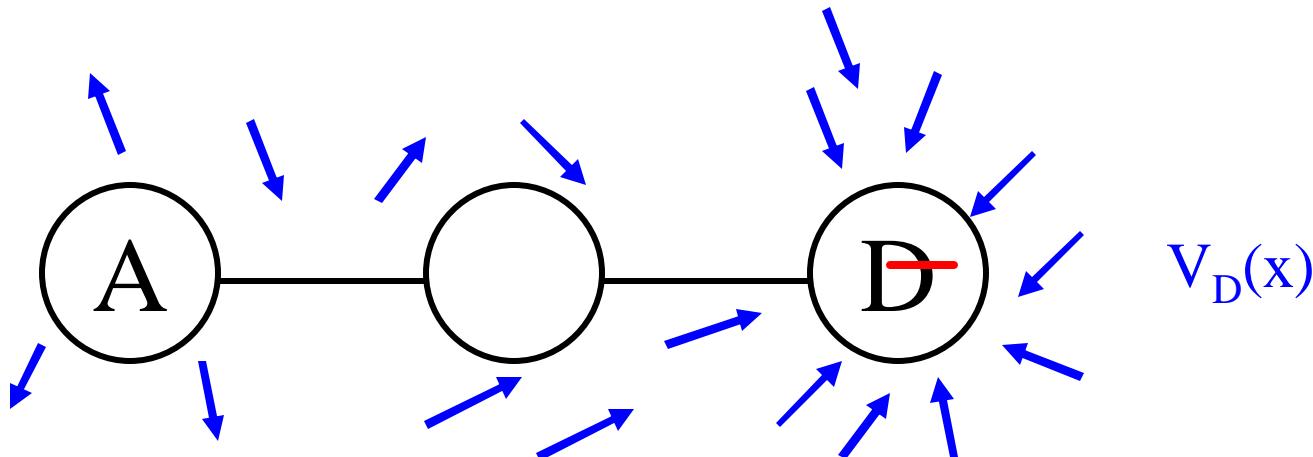


Now:

$$\begin{bmatrix} T + V_D(x) & \Delta \\ \Delta & T + V_A(x) \end{bmatrix} - \mu E_o \cos \omega_o t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_D(x,t) \\ \varphi_A(x,t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_D(x,t) \\ \varphi_A(x,t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Construction of (Diabatic) Potential Energy functions for Polar ET Systems:



A few features of classical Nonadiabatic ET Theory [Marcus, Levich-Doganadze...]

$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{T} + V_1(x) & \Delta \\ \Delta & \hat{T} + V_2(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

non-adiabatic coupling matrix element

kinetic E of nuclear coordinates

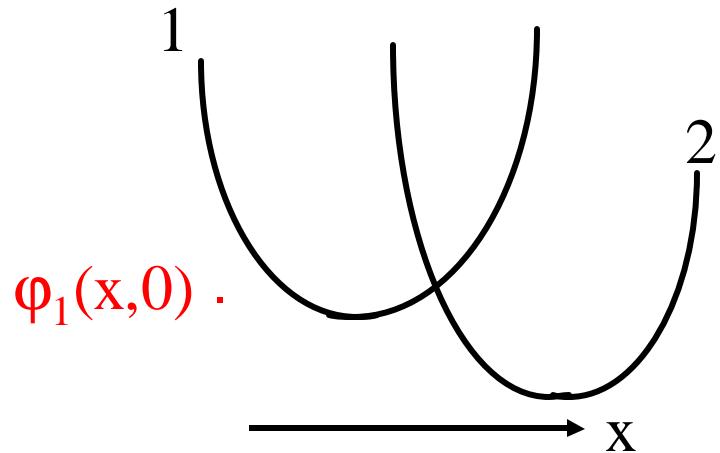
Hamiltonian

(diabatic) nuclear coord. potential for electronic state 2

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1(x,t) \\ \varphi_2(x,t) \end{bmatrix}$$

States

Given initial preparation in electronic state 1 (and assuming nuclear coordinates are equilibrated on $V_1(x)$)



Then, $P_2(t) = \text{fraction of molecules}$
 $\text{in electronic state 2}$

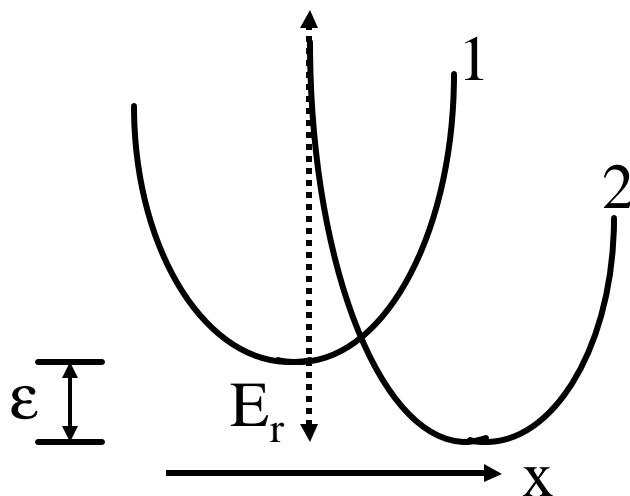
$$= \langle \phi_2(x,t) | \phi_2(x,t) \rangle \cong k_{1 \rightarrow 2} t$$

where $k_{1 \rightarrow 2}$ = (Golden Rule) rate constant

In classical Marcus (Levich-Doganadze) theory, $k_{1 \rightarrow 2}$ is determined by 3 molecular parameters: Δ, E_r, ϵ

$$k_{1 \rightarrow 2} = \Delta^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{E_r k T} \right)^{1/2} e^{-(E_r - \epsilon)^2 / 4 E_r k_B T}$$

w/ E_r = “Reorganization Energy” ; e = “Reaction Heat”



For the “backwards” Reaction: $k_{2 \rightarrow 1} = \Delta^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{E_r k T} \right)^{1/2} e^{-(E_r + \epsilon)^2 / 4 E_r k_B T}$

To obtain electronic state populations at arbitrary times, solve kinetic [“Master”] Eqns.:

$$dP_1(t)/dt = -k_{1 \rightarrow 2}P_1(t) + k_{2 \rightarrow 1}P_2(t)$$

$$dP_2(t)/dt = k_{1 \rightarrow 2}P_1(t) - k_{2 \rightarrow 1}P_2(t)$$

Note that long-time asymptotic [“Equilibrium”] distributions are then given by:

$$K_{eq} = \frac{P_2(\infty)}{P_1(\infty)} = \frac{k_{1 \rightarrow 2}}{k_{2 \rightarrow 1}} = e^{e/k_B T}$$



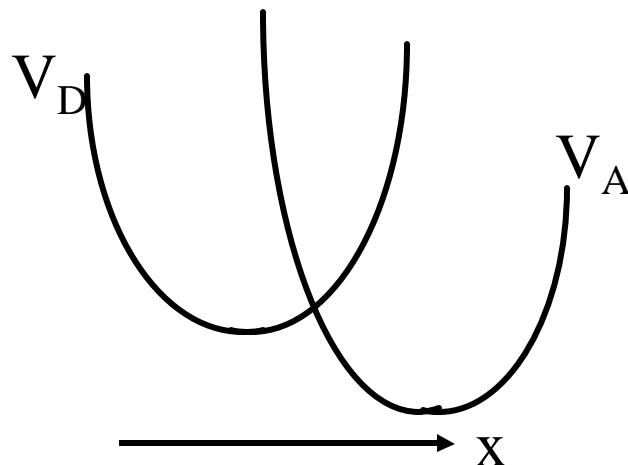
for Marcus formula rate constants

N.B. Marcus theory for nonadiabatic ET reactions works experimentally.

See: Closs & Miller, Science 240, 440 (1988)

Control of Rate Constants in Polar Electronic Transfer Reactions Via an Applied cw Electric Field

The Hamiltonian is:



$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{h}_D & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{h}_A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \Delta \\ \Delta & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \mu_{12} E_0 \cos \omega_0 t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The forward rate constant is: [Y. Dakhnovskii, J. Chem. Phys.
100, 6492 (1994)]

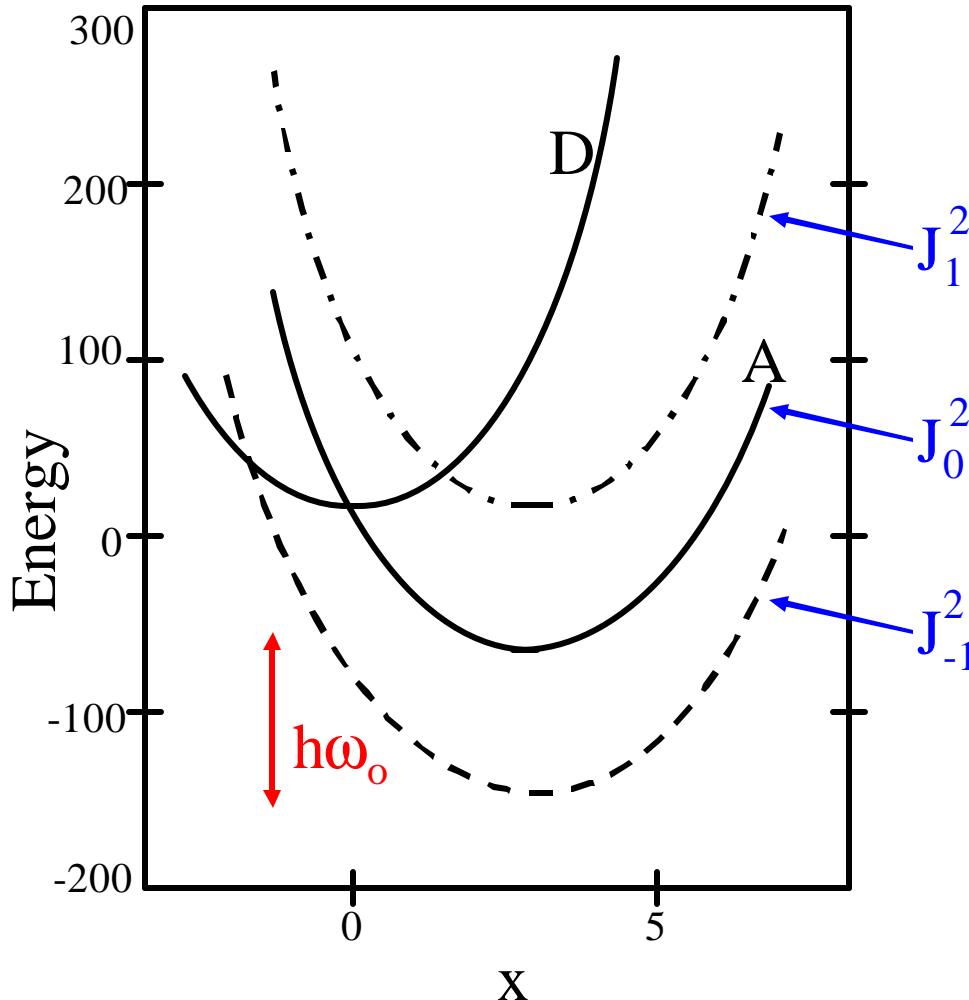
$$k_{D \rightarrow A} = \Delta^2 \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m^2(a) \cdot \frac{\text{Re}}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{i m \omega_0 t} \text{tr} \{ \hat{\rho}_{\beta}^D e^{-i \hat{h}_A t} e^{i \hat{h}_D t} \}$$

$$a = 2 \mu_{12} E_0 / \hbar \omega_0$$

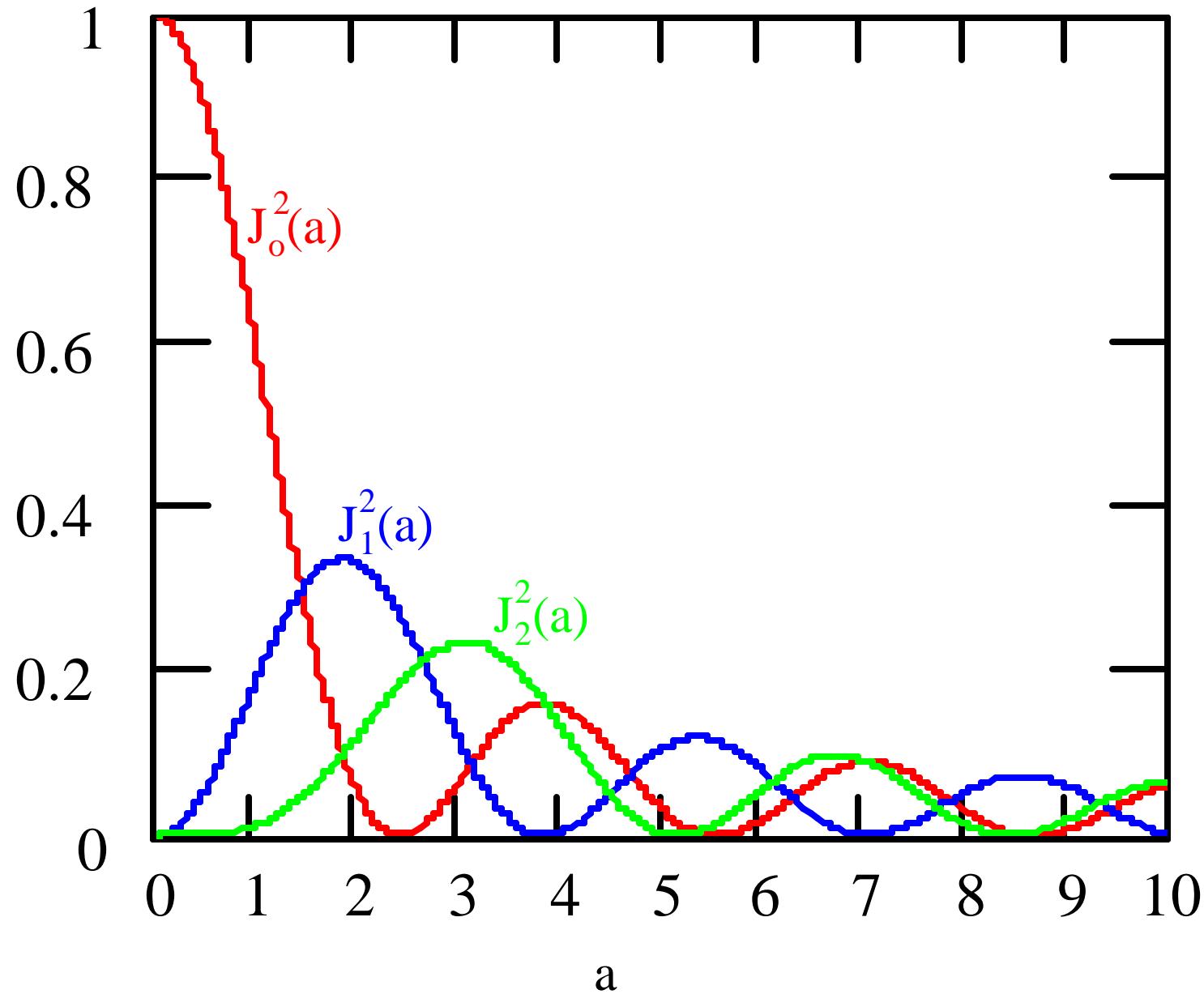
$$k_{\substack{D \rightarrow A \\ A \rightarrow D}} = \frac{\Delta^2}{4} \left(\frac{\pi}{E_r k T} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m^2 \left(\frac{2\mu_{12} E_o / h\omega_o}{E_r - \varepsilon + hm\omega_o} \right) \cdot e^{-(E_r - \varepsilon + hm\omega_o)^2 / 4E_r k_B T}$$

Rate constants in presence of cw E-field

Schematically:

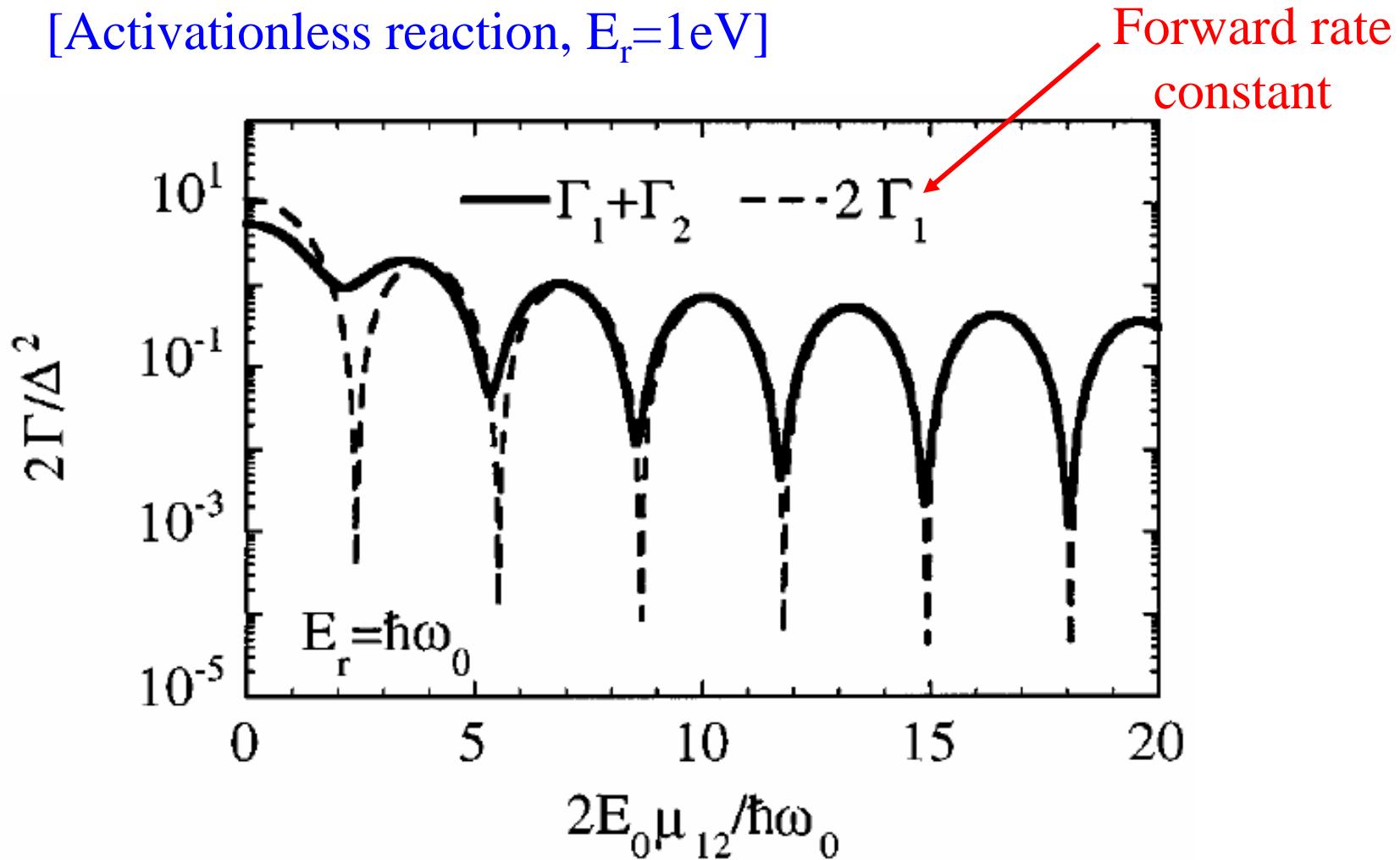


In polar electron transfer reactions, for
Reorganization Energy $E_r \equiv h\omega_o$ (the quantum of applied
laser field)

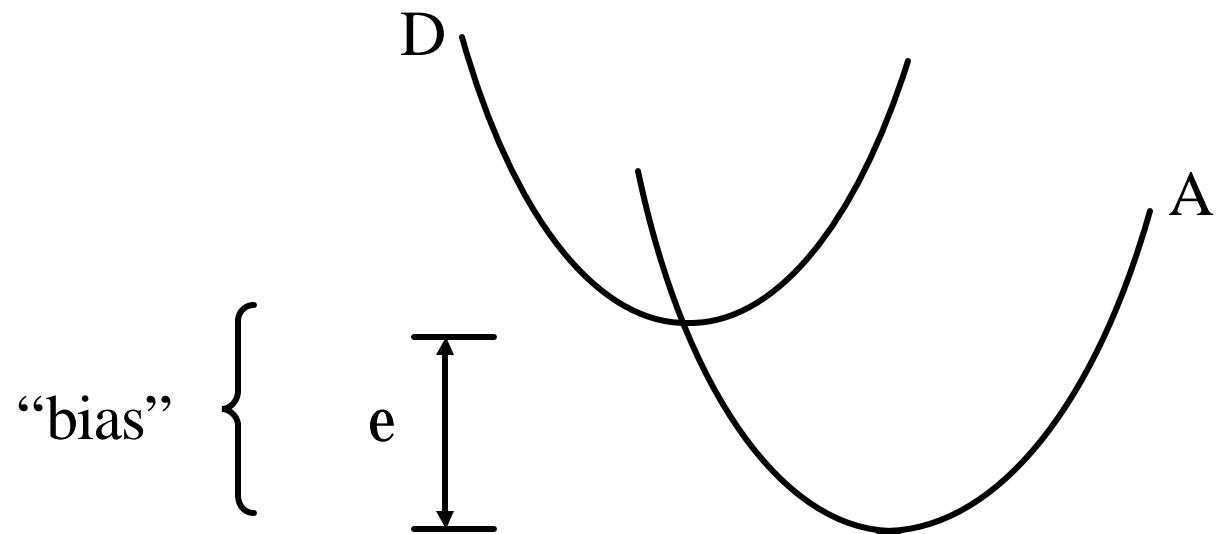


Dramatic perturbations of the “one-way” rate constants may be obtained by varying the laser field intensity:

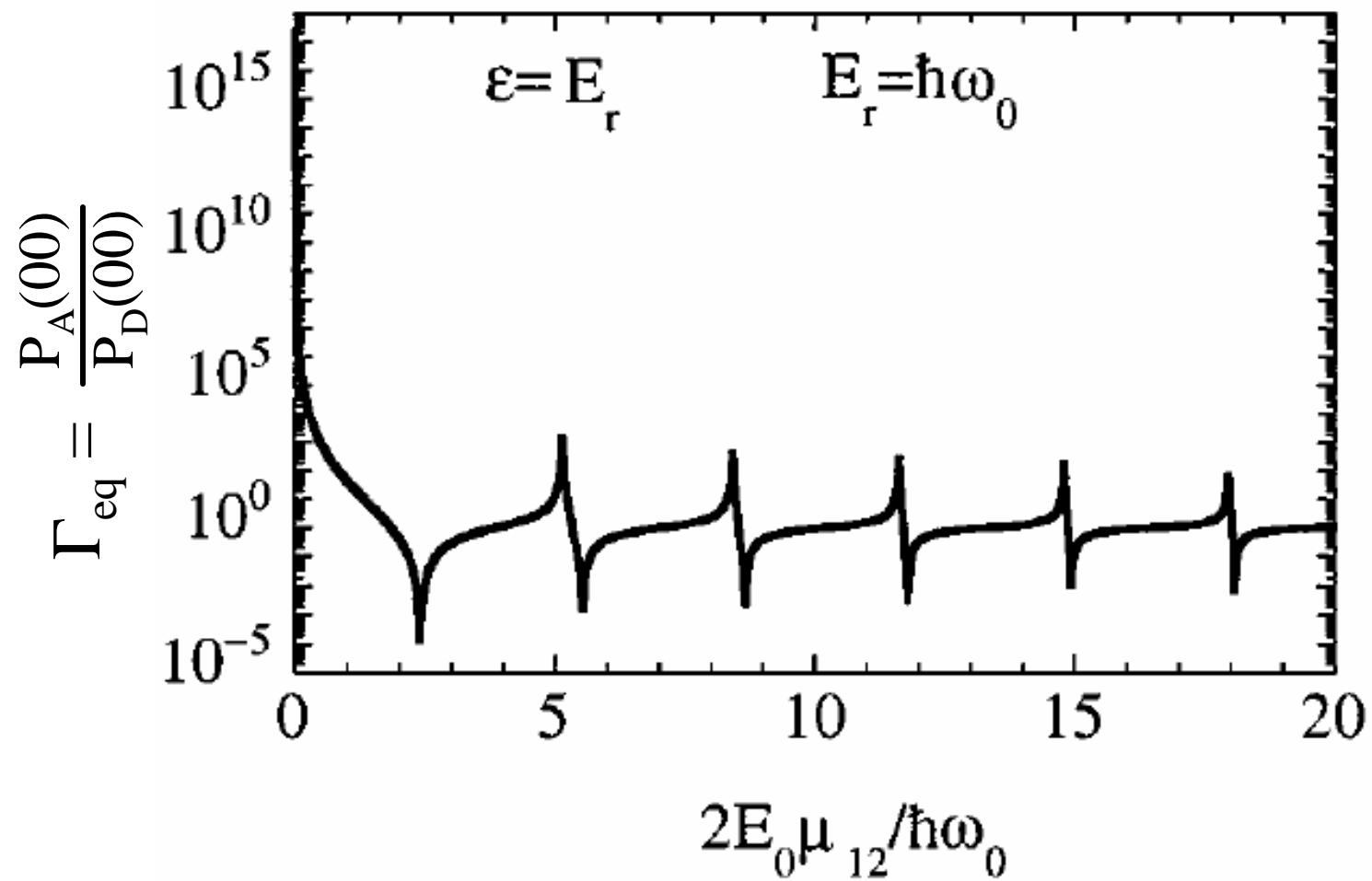
[Activationless reaction, $E_r=1\text{eV}$]



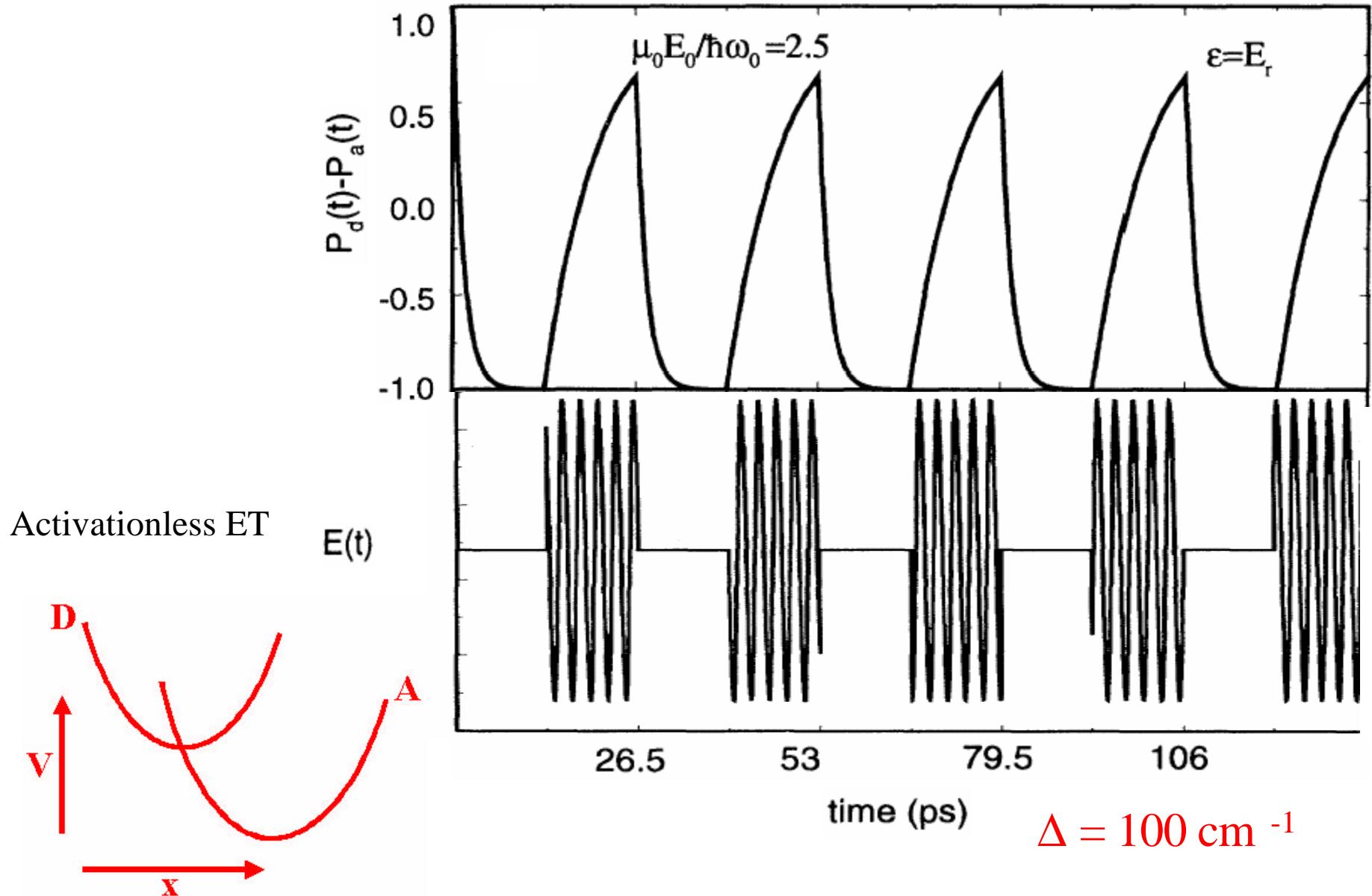
Dakhnovskii and RDC showed how this property can be used to control Equilibrium Constants with an applied cw field:



Results for activationless reaction:



Y. Dakhnovskii and RDC, J. Chem. Phys. 103, 2908 (1995)



Evans, RDC, Dakhnovskii & Kim,
PRL 75, 3649 (95)

REALITY CHECK on coherent control of mixed valence ET reactions in polar media

(1) “ $\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}$ ”



→ Orientational averaging will
reduce magnitude of desired effects

[Lock ET system in place w/ thin polymer films]

(2) Dielectric breakdown of medium?

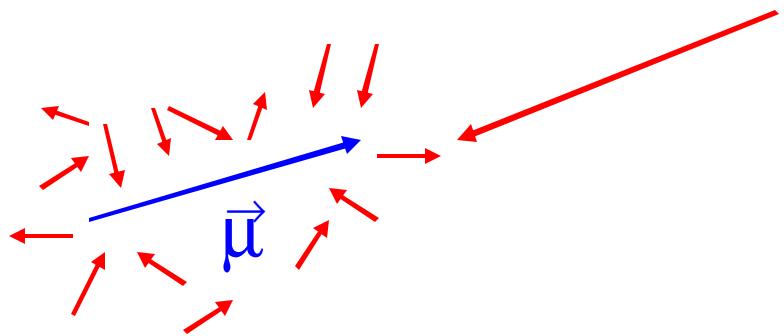
To achieve resonance effects for $\mu = 34D$

$$E_r = h\omega_0 = 1\text{eV}$$

→ Electric field $\approx 10^7 \text{ V/cm}$

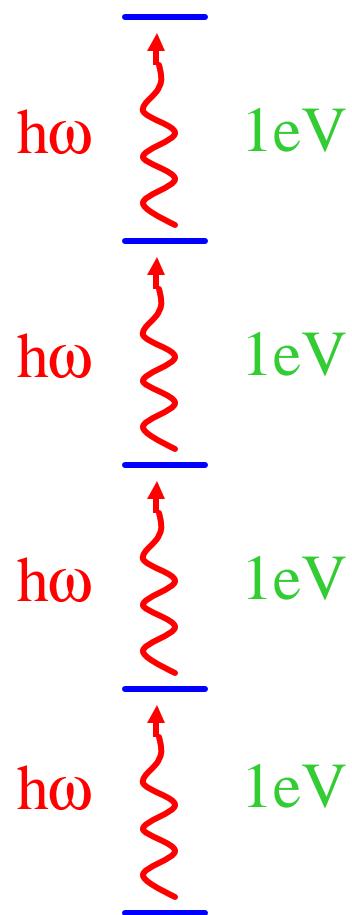
Giant dipole ET complex, solvent w/ reduced E_r ,
pulsed laser reduce likelihood of catastrophe]

(3) Direct coupling of $E(t)$ to polar solvent

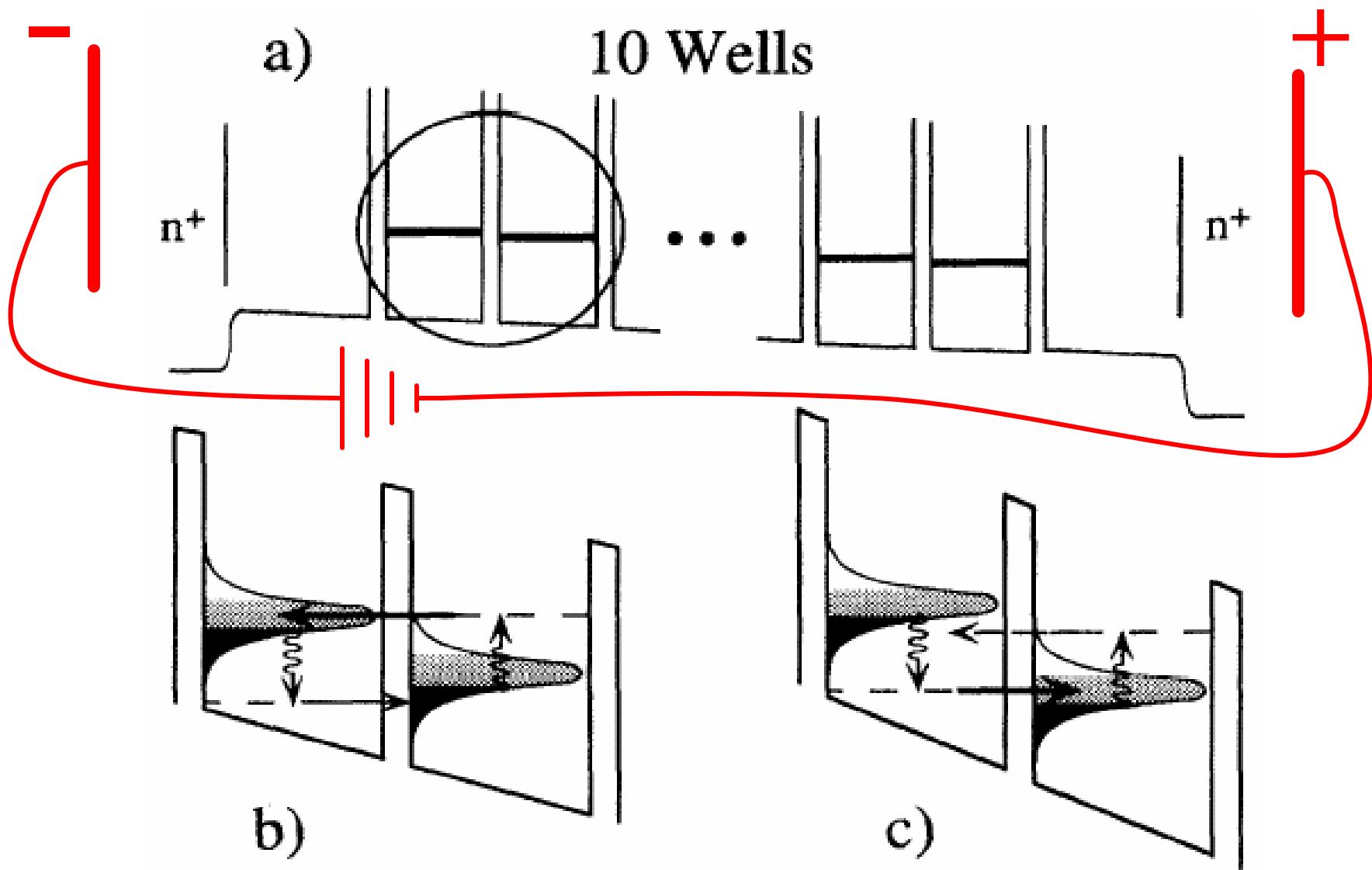


[Dipole moment of solvent molecules \ll Dipole moment
of giant ET complex]

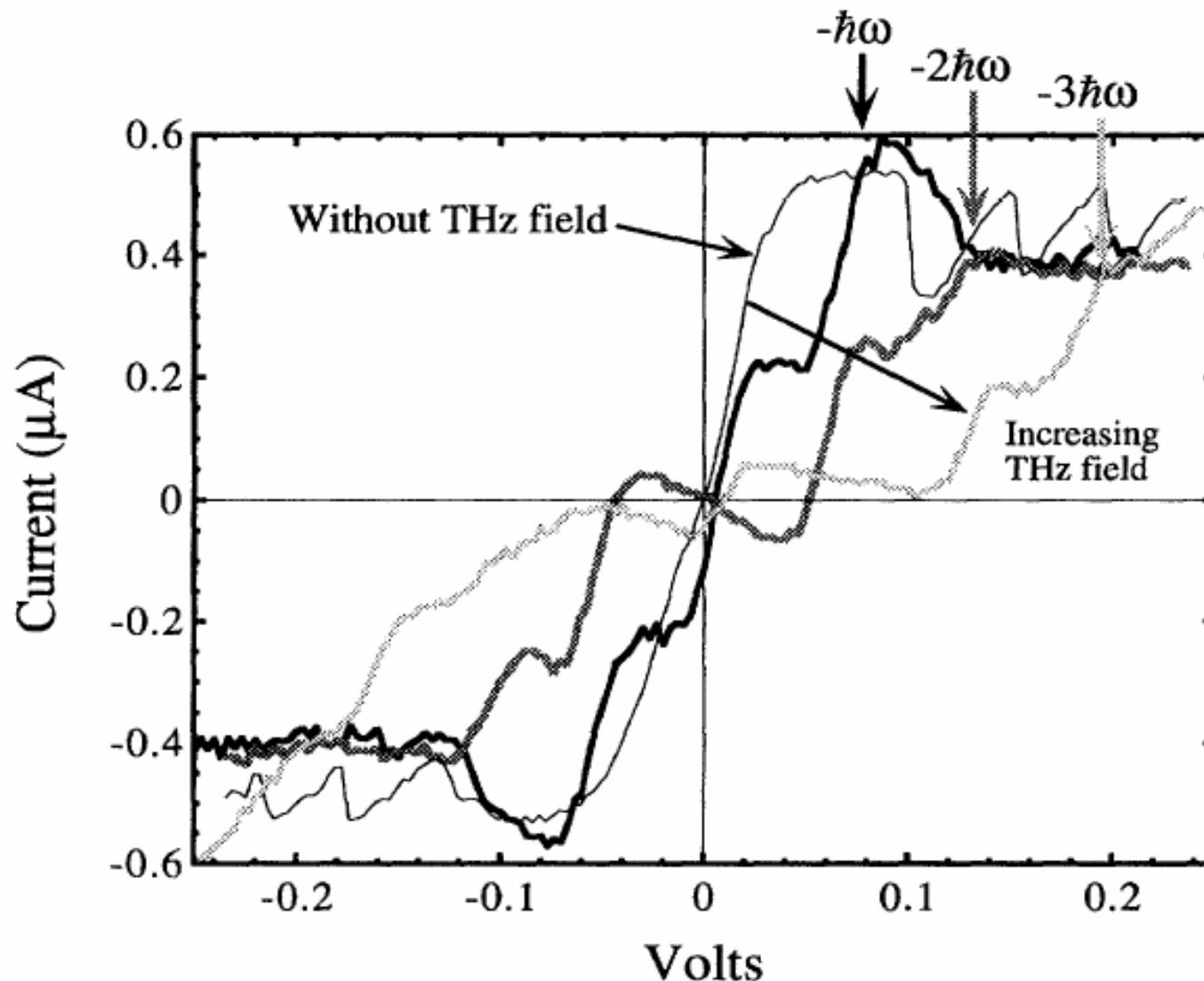
(4) $\hbar\omega_0 \approx 1\text{eV}$; intense fields \Rightarrow (multiphoton) excitation to higher energy states in the ET molecule, which are not considered in the present 2-state model.



Absolute Negative Conductance in Semiconductor Superlattice

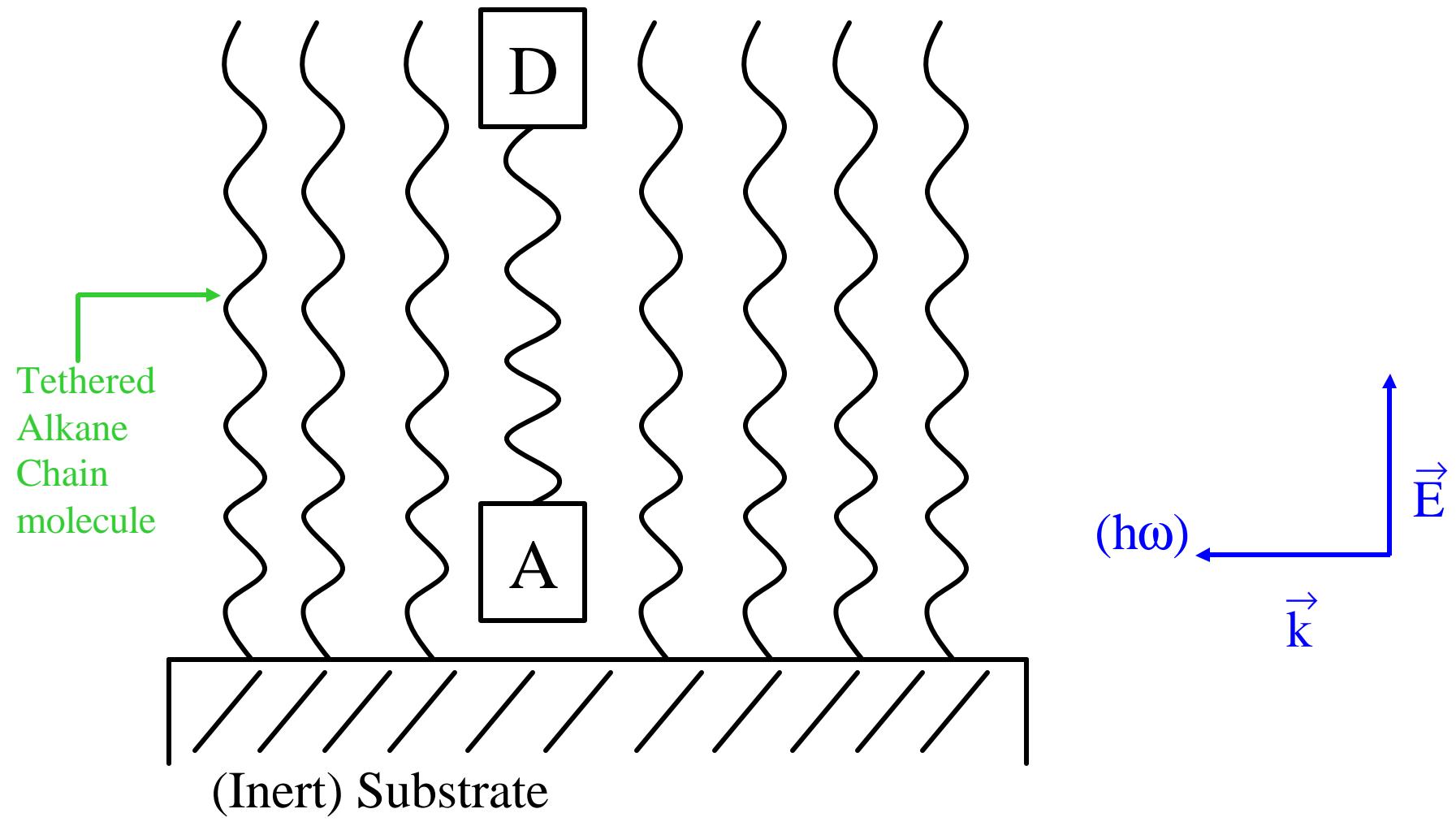


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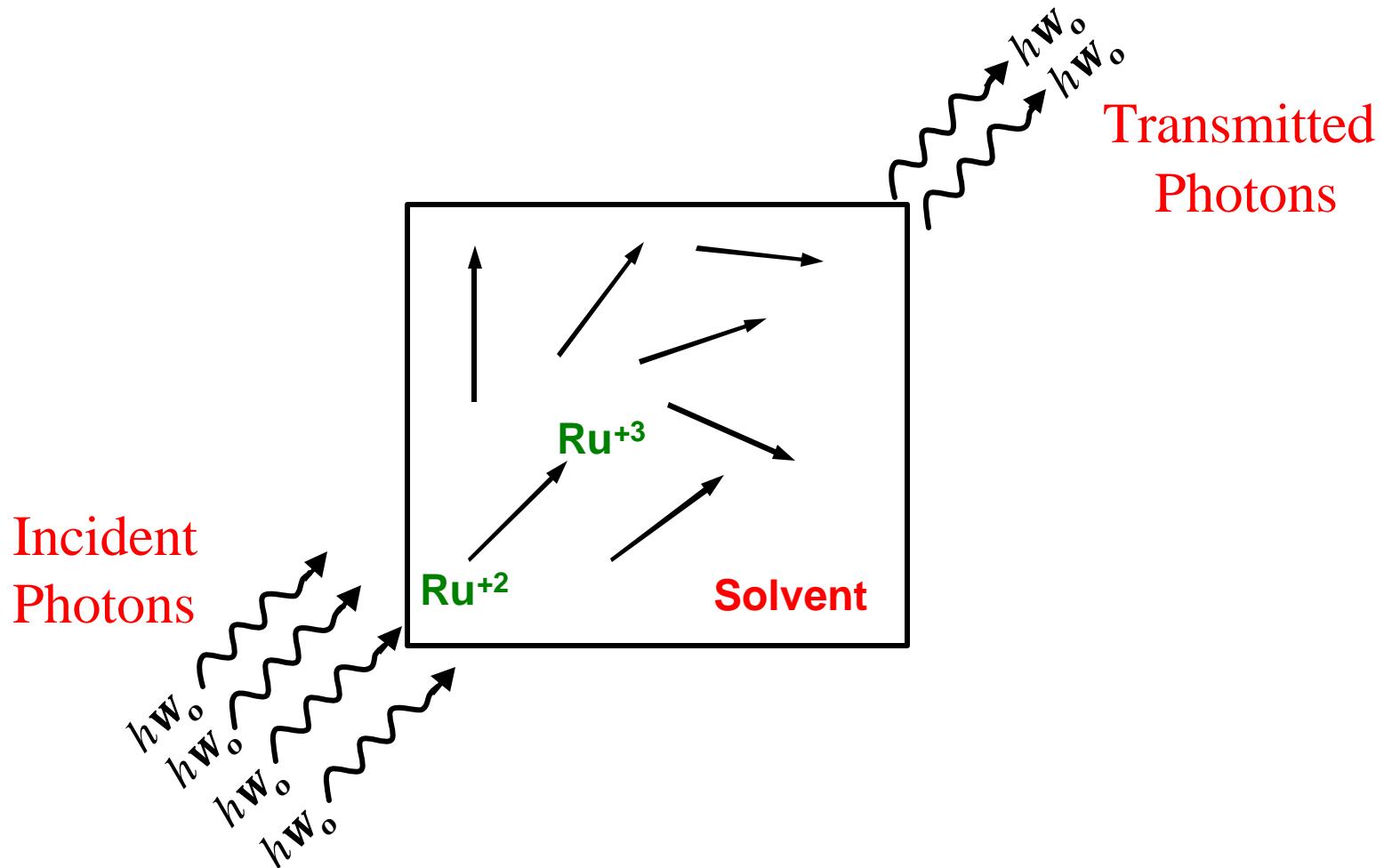


-Keay et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 75, 4102 (1995)

Immobilized long-range Intramolecular Electron Transfer Complex:



Light Absorption by Mixed Valence ET Complexes in Polar Solvents:



Absorption cross section $K_{\text{abs}}(w_o) = \frac{\# \text{ Absorbed Photons}}{\# \text{ Incident Photons}}$

Absorption Cross Section Formula:

$$k_{abs} = \frac{1}{E_o^2} \frac{d\overline{E(a, w_o)}}{dt} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d\overline{E(a, w_o)}}{dt} = n_1^{(eq)} \cdot \frac{\partial U_1}{\partial t} + n_2^{(eq)} \cdot \frac{\partial U_2}{\partial t} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial U_{1,2}}{\partial t} &= \frac{\hbar\Delta^2}{4} \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}}{E_r k_B T} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \hbar \mathbf{w}_o J_m^2(a) \times \\ &\left[\exp\left(-\frac{(E_r \pm \mathbf{e} - m \hbar \mathbf{w}_o)^2}{4 E_r k_B T}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{(E_r \pm \mathbf{e} + m \hbar \mathbf{w}_o)^2}{4 E_r k_B T}\right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$a = 2 \mathbf{m}_o E_o / \hbar \mathbf{w}_o$$

$$\text{Hush Absorption Spectrum} \equiv s(w_L) = \frac{\# \text{ Absorbed Photons}}{\# \text{ Incident Photons}}$$

$$\propto w_L \Delta_{12}^2 [FCF]$$

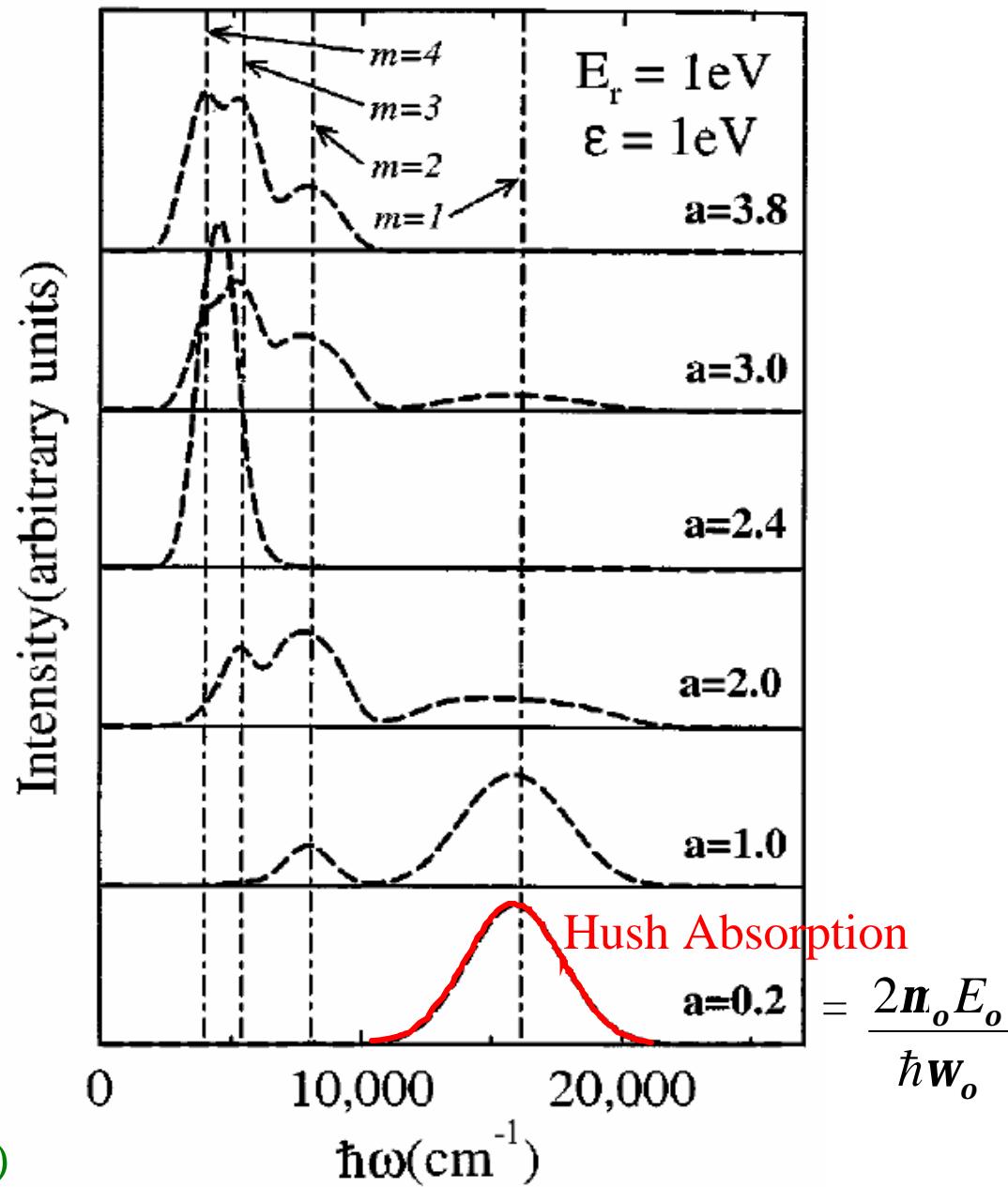
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Gaussian

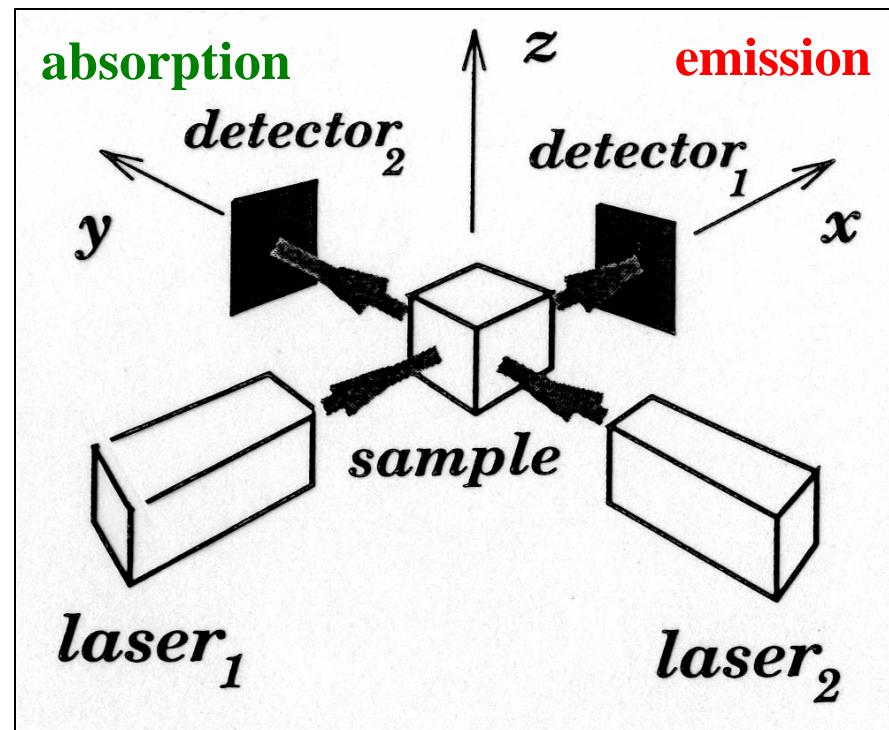
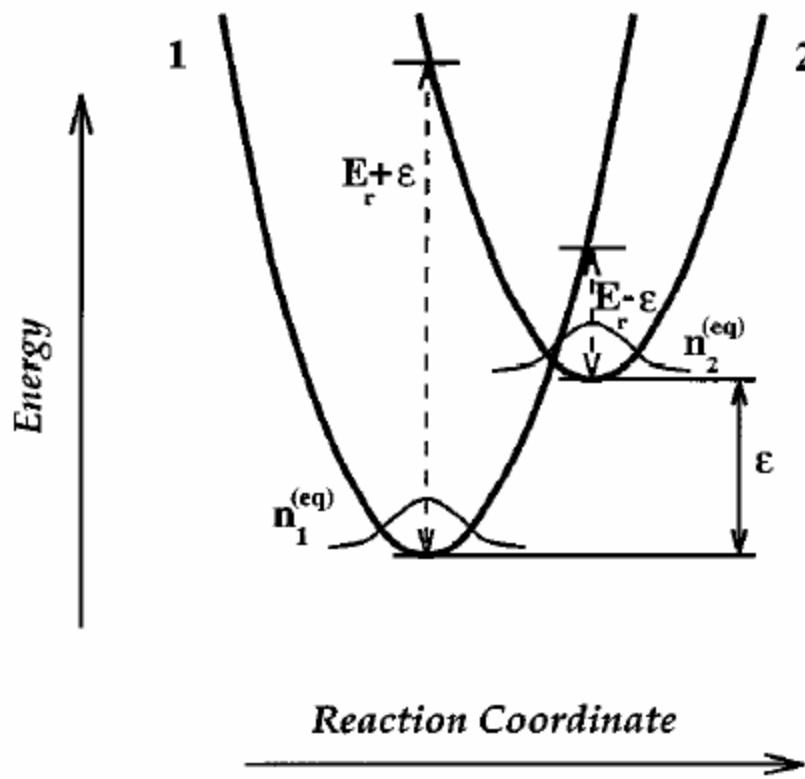
w/ Δ_{12} = effective "transition dipole moment" = $\mathbf{m} \cdot \frac{?}{\hbar w_{\text{res}}} \ll \mathbf{m}$



permanent
dipole moment
difference

Barrierless





Stimulated Emission using two incoherent lasers

