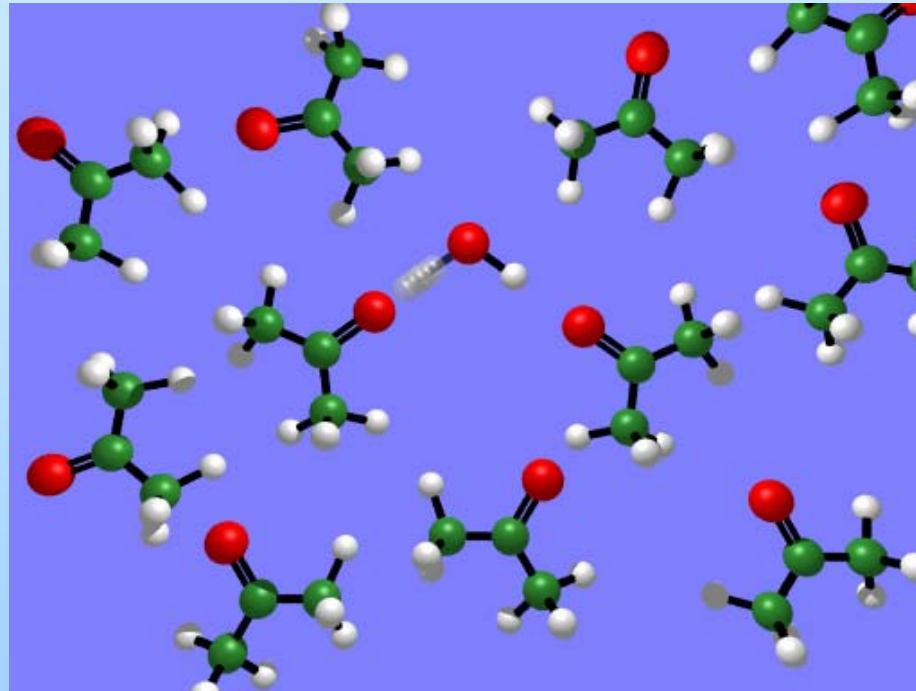


Energy transfer in single hydrogen-bonded water molecules



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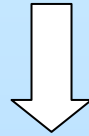
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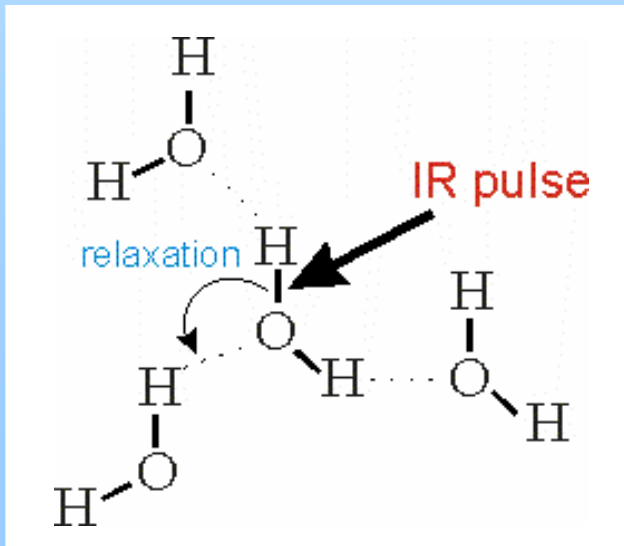
I Introduction

Linear spectral response of water gives little information on the microscopic structure and dynamics



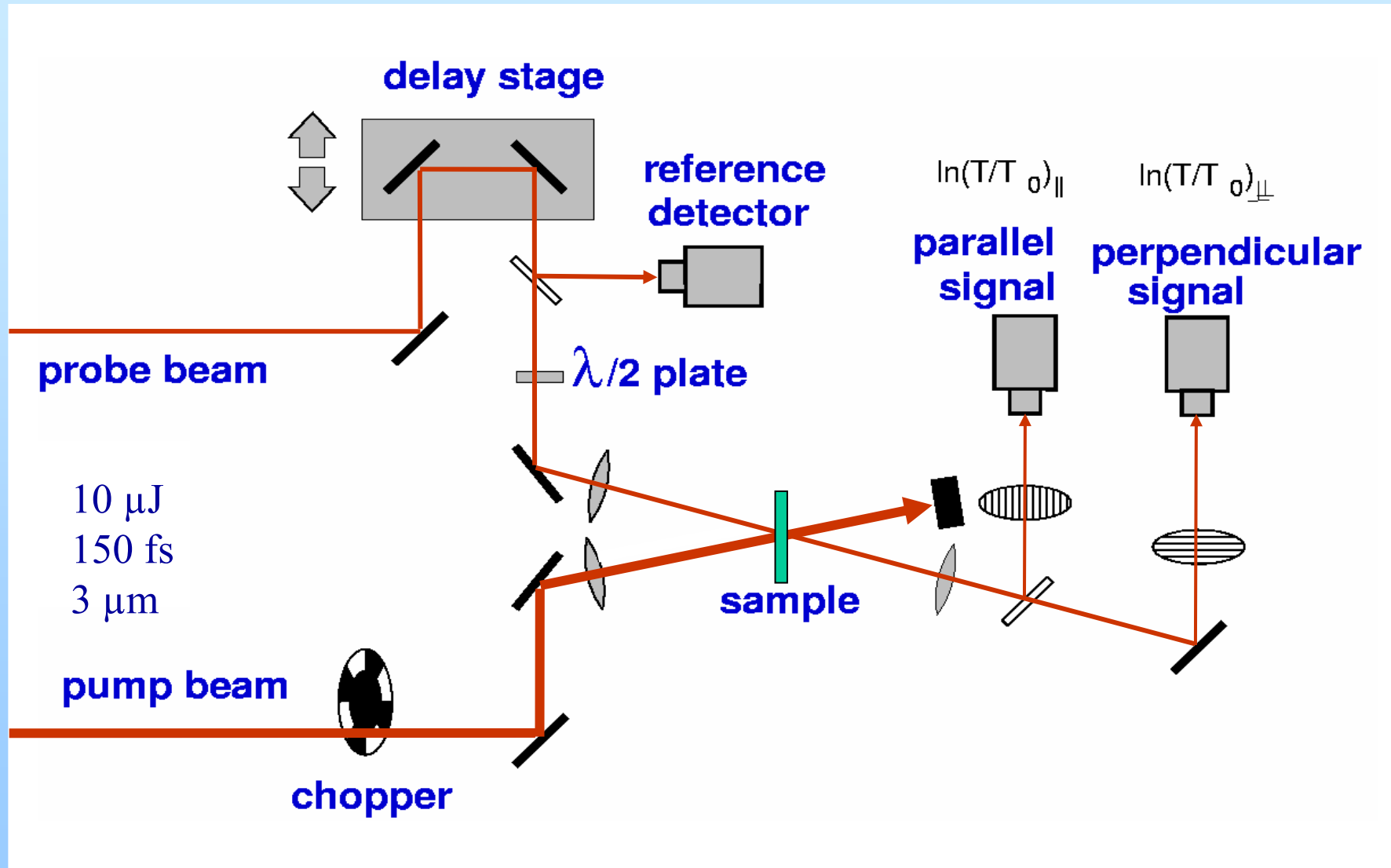
Nonlinear time-resolved mid-IR spectroscopy

H. Graener, G. Seifert, and A. Laubereau, PRL 66, 2092 (1991)

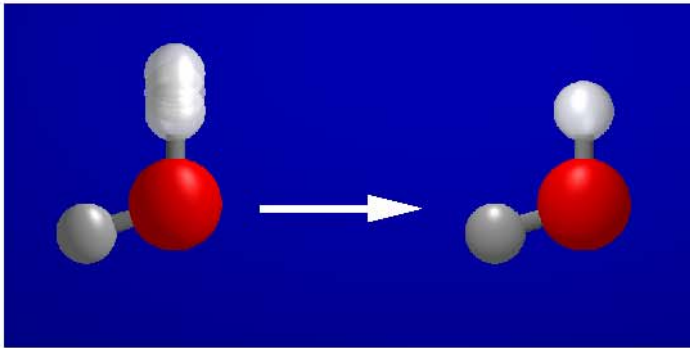


- Energy transfer and relaxation
- Motion (reorientation) of water
- Hydrogen-bond dynamics

Two-color polarization-resolved pump-probe



Vibrational relaxation
Spectral diffusion

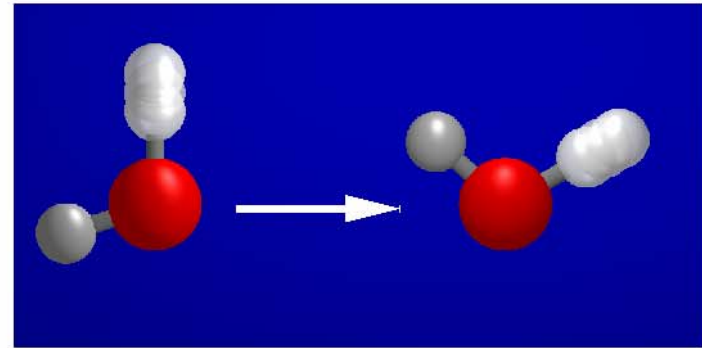


$$S = \ln(T/T_0)_{\parallel} + 2 \cdot \ln(T/T_0)_{\perp}$$

$$\propto \exp(-\tau/T_1)$$

Reorientation

Resonant energy transfer



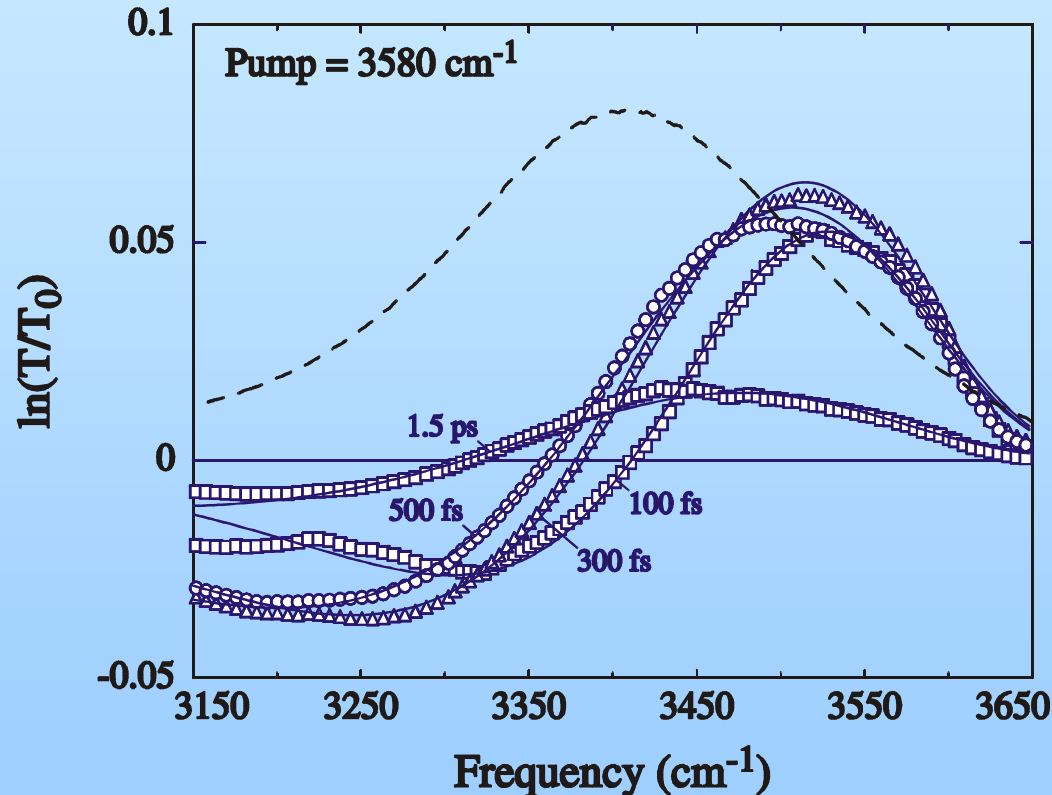
$$R = \frac{\ln(T/T_0)_{\parallel} - \ln(T/T_0)_{\perp}}{S}$$

$$\propto \exp(-\tau/\tau_{or})$$

III Dynamics of bulk liquid water

Spectral hole burning of HDO:D₂O

R. Laenen et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 2622 (1998); G. Gale et al. PRL **82**, 1068 (1999);
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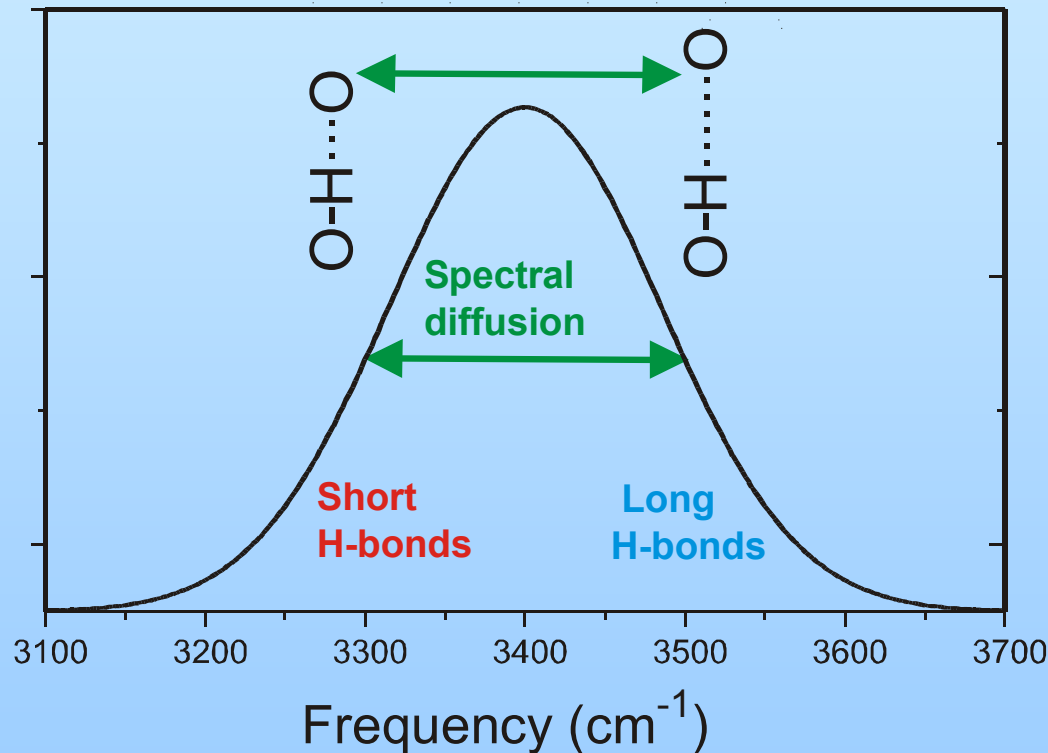
(Heterodyne) photon echo spectroscopy of HDO:D₂O

J. Stenger et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **87**, 027401 (2001); J. Stenger et al. J. Phys. Chem. A **106**, 2341 (2002);
C.J. Fecko et al. Science **301**, 1698 (2003); S. Yermenko et al. Chem. Phys. Lett. **369**, 107 (2003)

Spectral diffusion:

Fast component: $\tau_c \sim 100$ fs (librations, H-bonds)

Slow component: $\tau_c \sim 700$ fs (H-Bonds)



Suggests that hydrogen bond oscillation would be overdamped.

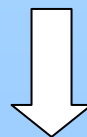
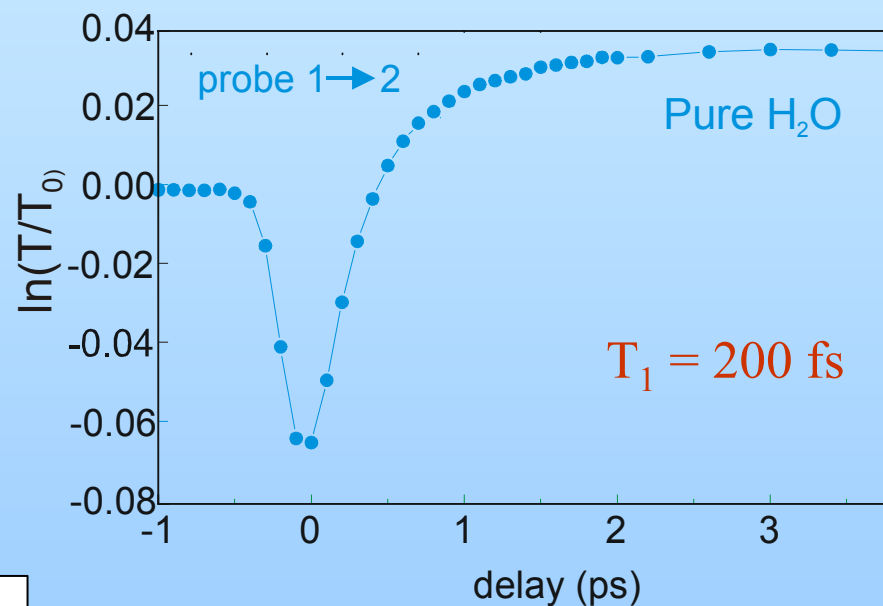
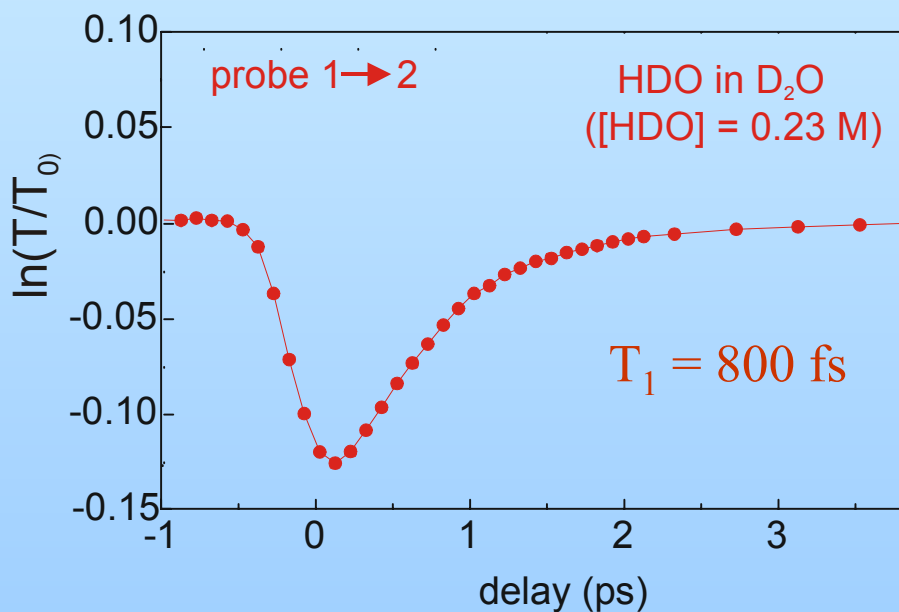
However: hydrogen is strongly damped, but not overdamped!

R. Rey et al. JPCA **106**, 11993 (2002), C.P. Lawrence and J.L. Skinner, JCP **118**, 264 (2003)

C.J. Fecko et al. Science **301**, 1698 (2003)

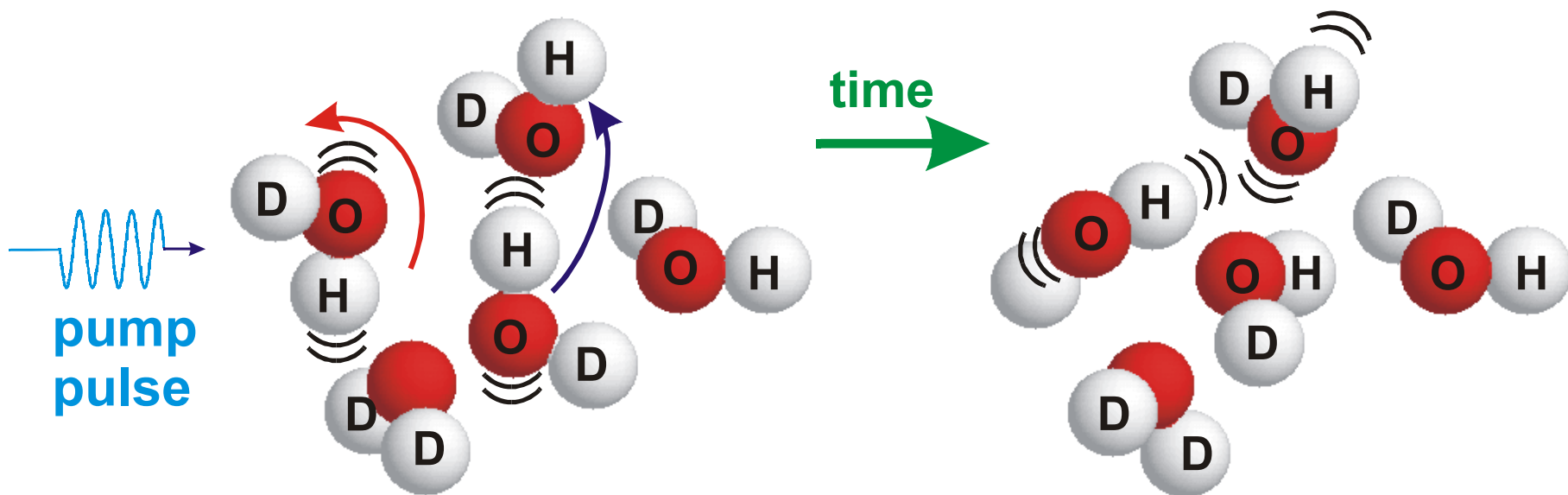
Vibrational relaxation of pure liquid H₂O

HDO:D₂O good model system for the hydrogen-bond dynamics of H₂O, but:



not for the vibrational relaxation of H₂O!

Depolarization



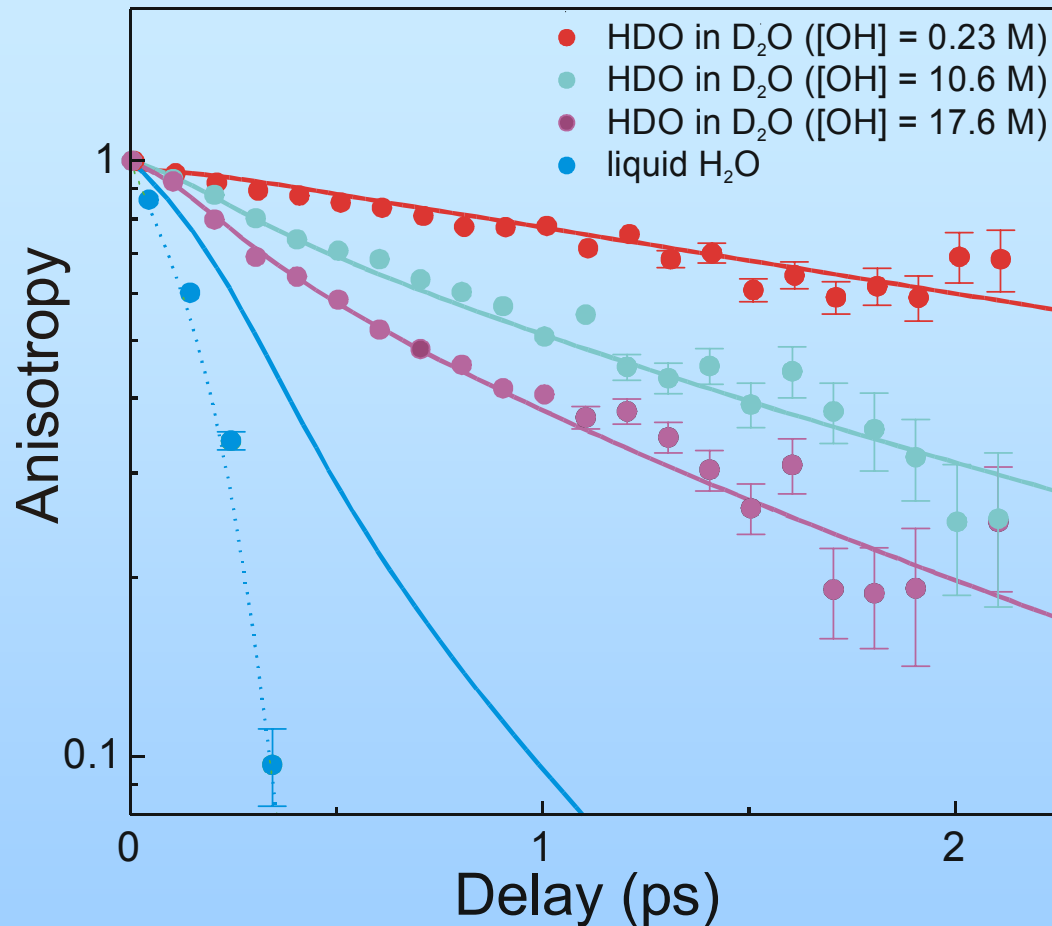
parallel > perpendicular

parallel = perpendicular

⇒ decay of anisotropy reflects

orientational diffusion and **energy transfer**

Depolarization of HDO:D₂O and H₂O



Low concentration OH: **orientational diffusion** ($\tau_{or} = 2.6$ ps)

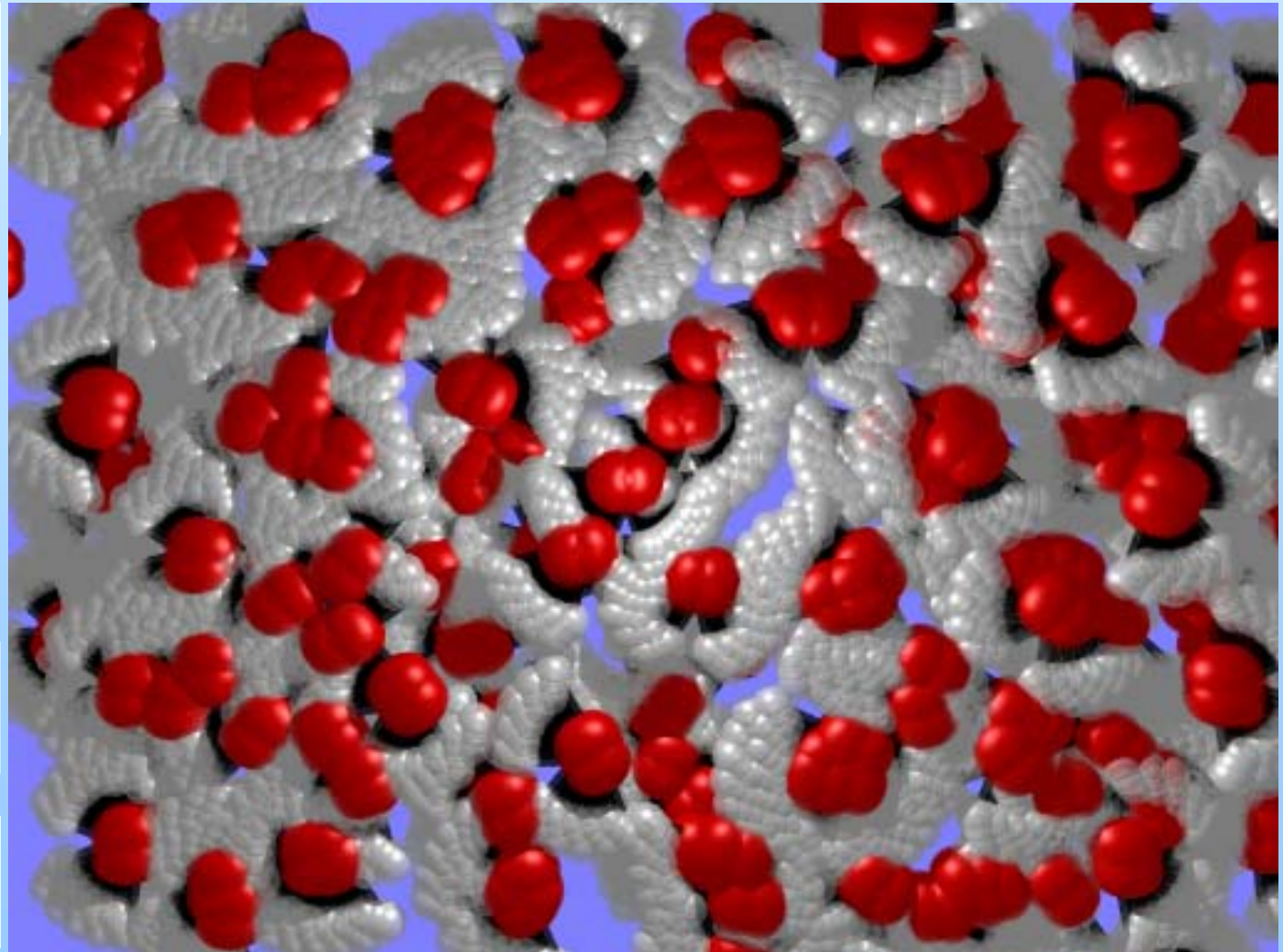
High concentration OH: **orientational diffusion** + **energy transfer**

For **pure H₂O**: depolarization faster than 50 fs!

Dynamics of bulk liquid water

Pictures with shutter time τ

τ



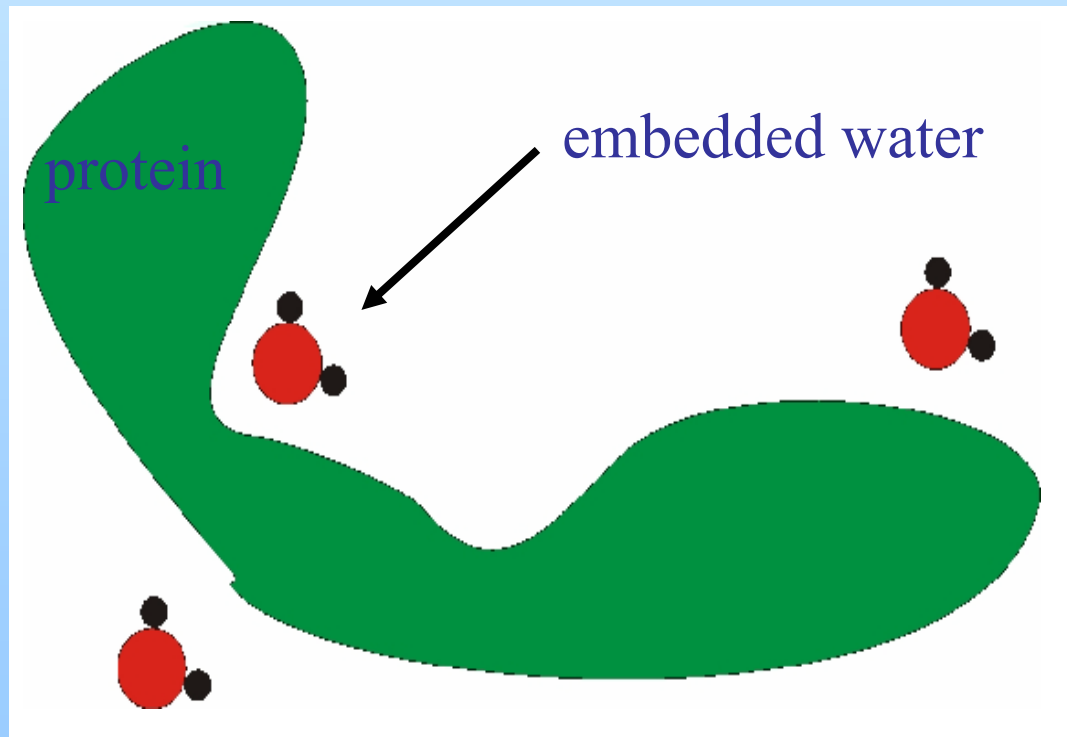
$$\tau_c = 100/700 \text{ fs}$$

τ

S

IV Vibrational dynamics of **embedded H₂O** molecules

- Water is important in biochemical reactions:
 - (1) determines structure and energetics by solvation interactions
 - (2) as a reactant (proton donor/acceptor)
- Role of water is often played by a small number of **embedded molecules**
- Behavior of **isolated (embedded) water molecules** may differ from **bulk**



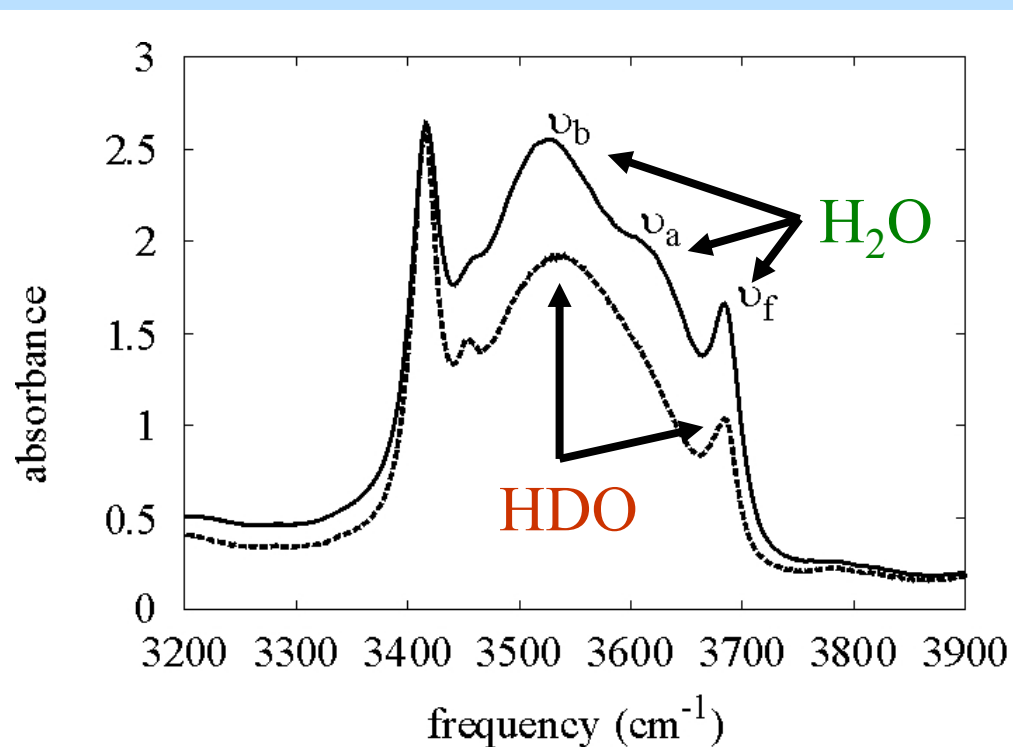
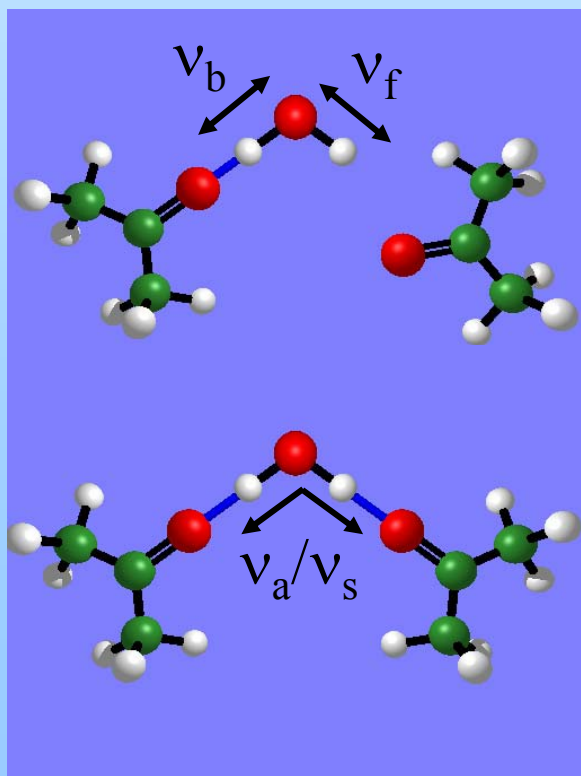
Study of single H₂O molecules embedded by acetone

H₂O in C₃H₆O and CCl₄

Two conformations

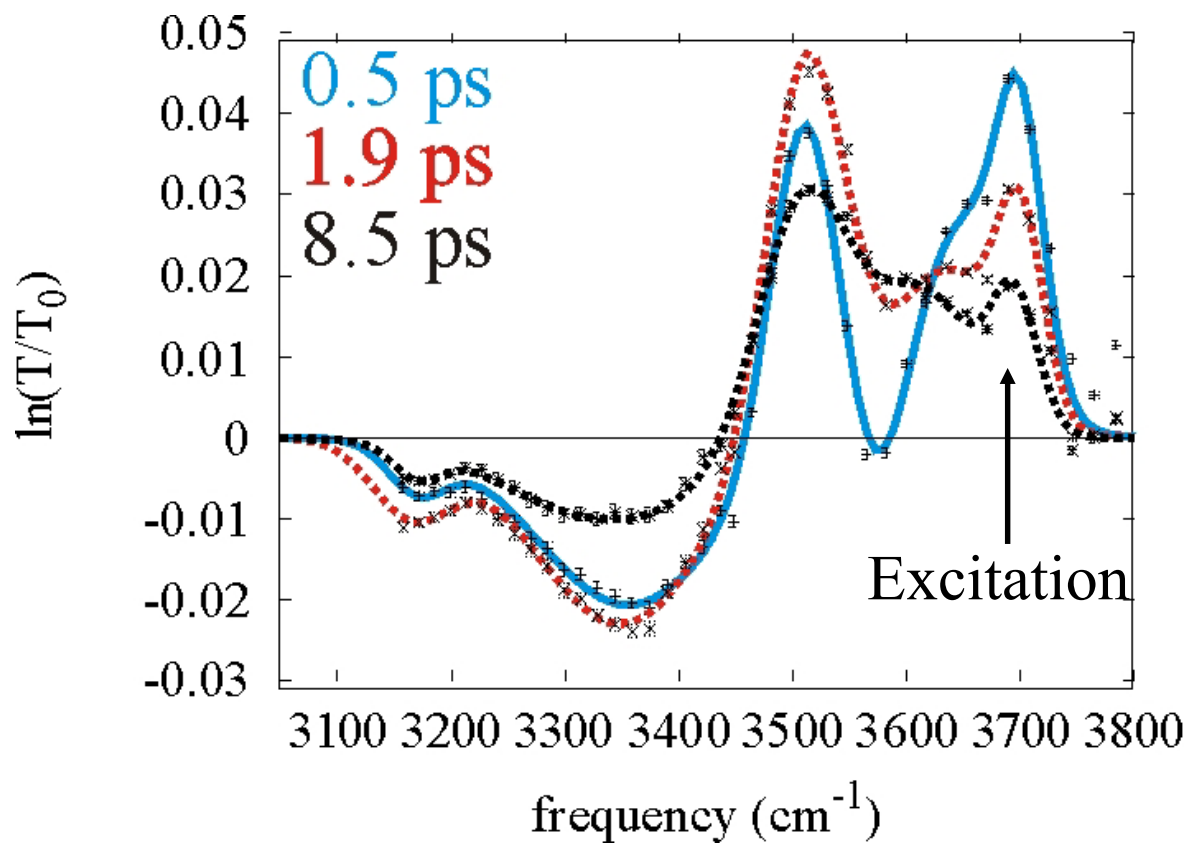
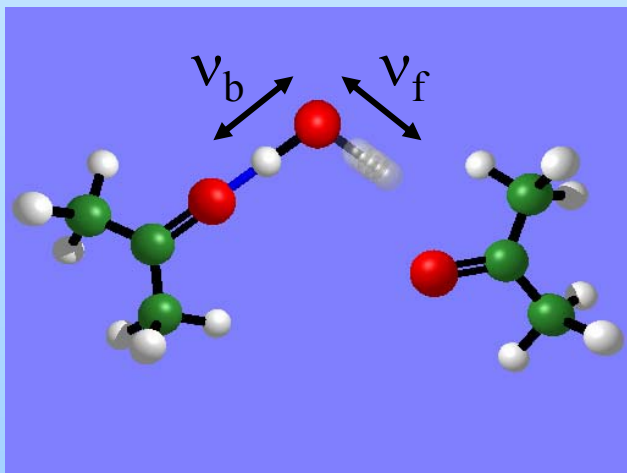
1. Singly bonded
2. Doubly bonded

- bonded: $\nu_b = 3530 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- free: $\nu_f = 3690 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- anti-symmetric: $\nu_a = 3625 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- symmetric: $\nu_s = \pm 3500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



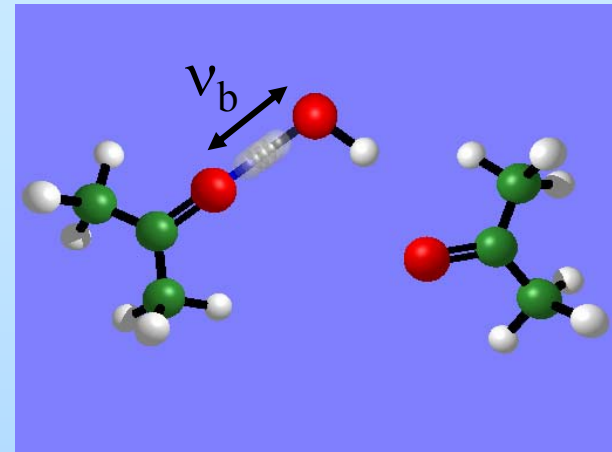
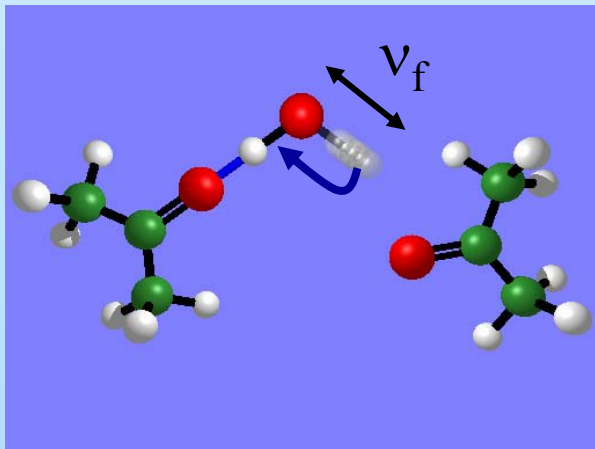
Transient spectra after pumping of ν_f

Transfer $\nu_f \Rightarrow \nu_b$

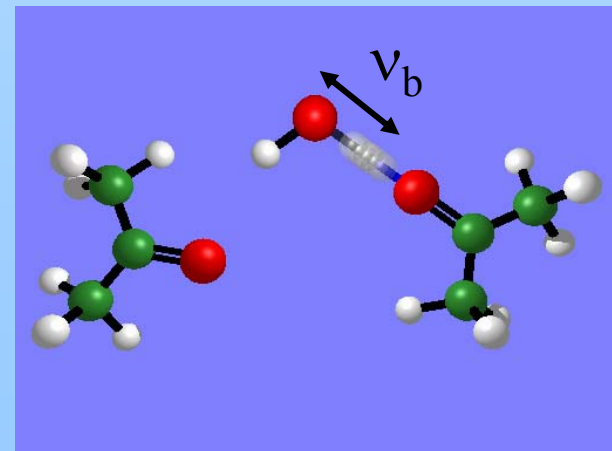
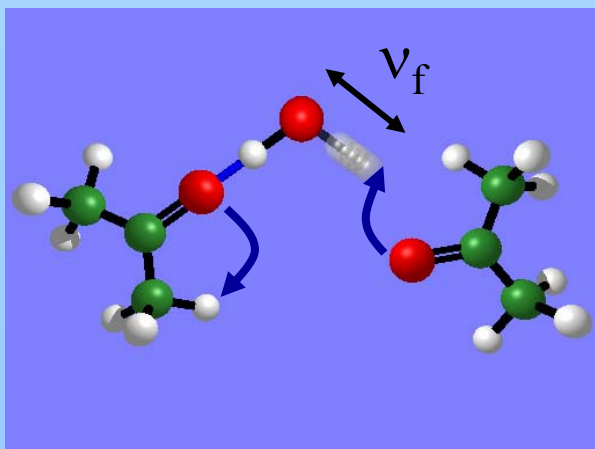


Two possible mechanisms for transfer $\nu_f \Rightarrow \nu_b$

1) Intramolecular energy transfer



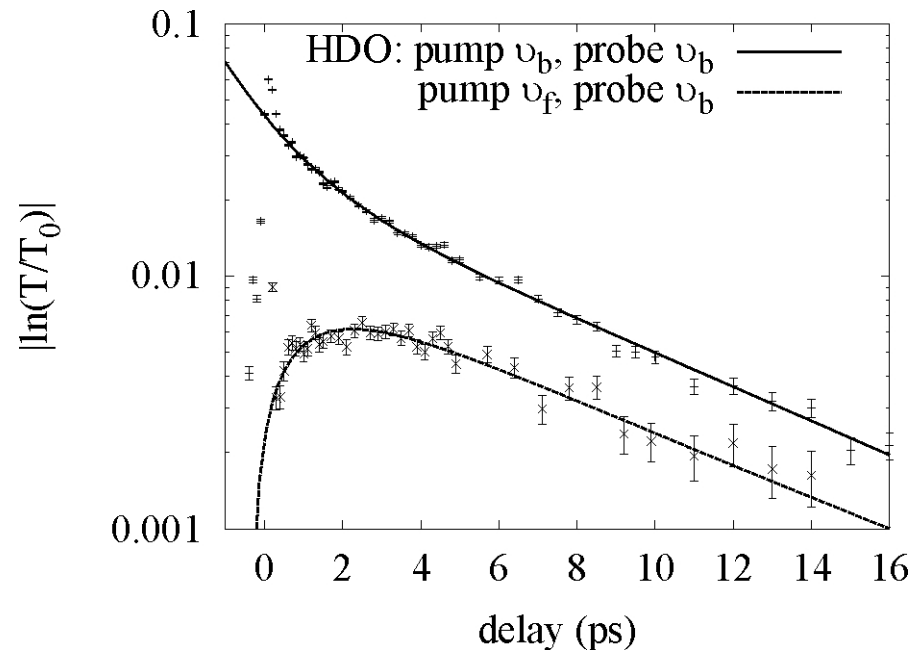
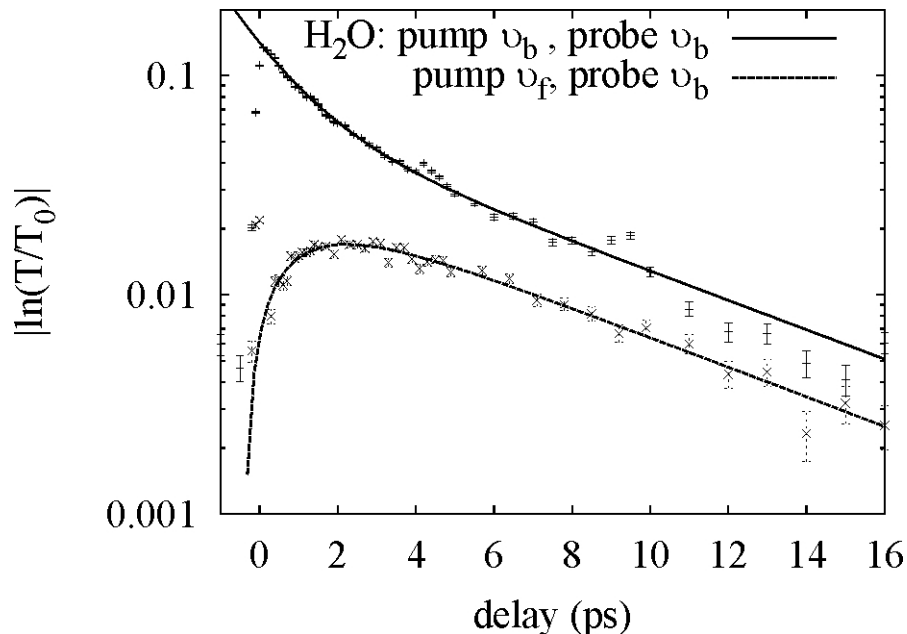
2) Hydrogen-bond dynamics



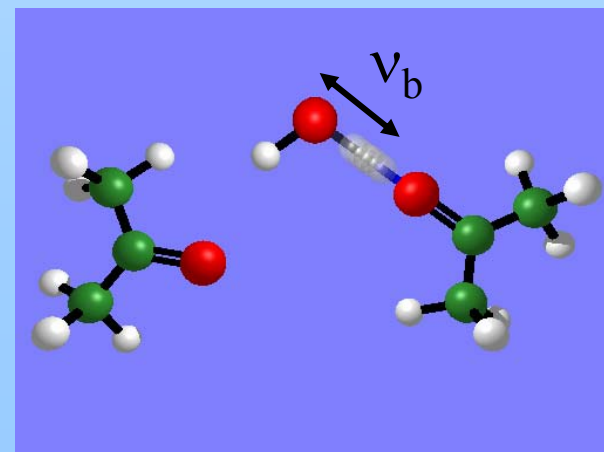
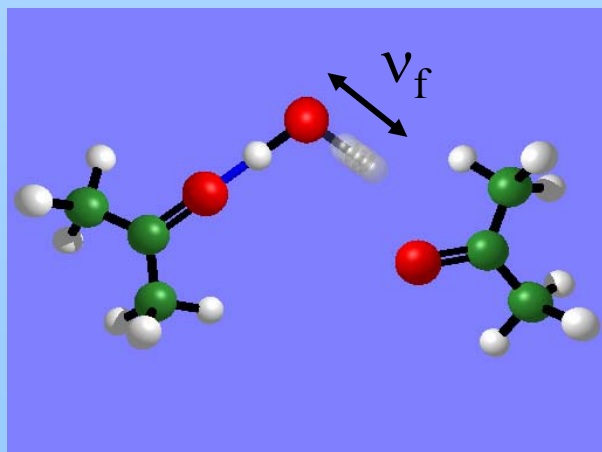
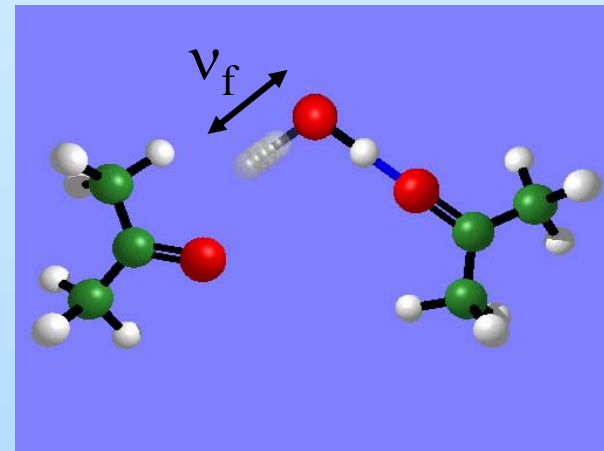
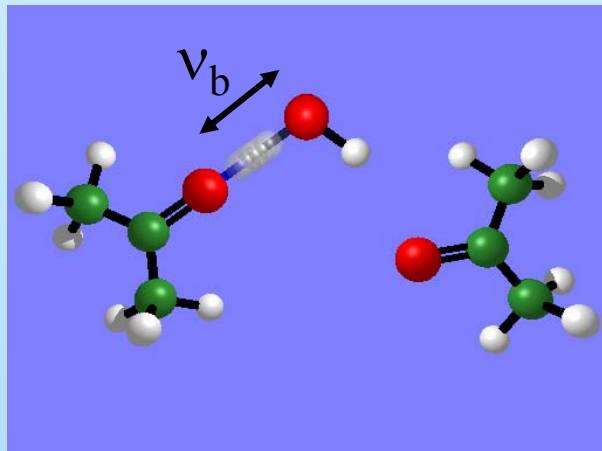
Comparison of the dynamics of H_2O with HDO

The 4 delay scans have the same time scales
of $6.3 (\pm 0.5)$ ps and $1.3 (\pm 0.3)$ ps

Resemblance between H_2O and HDO indicates
that transfer $\nu_f \Rightarrow \nu_b$ is governed by **hydrogen-bond dynamics**



Model (1)



Comparison of anisotropy dynamics

HDO

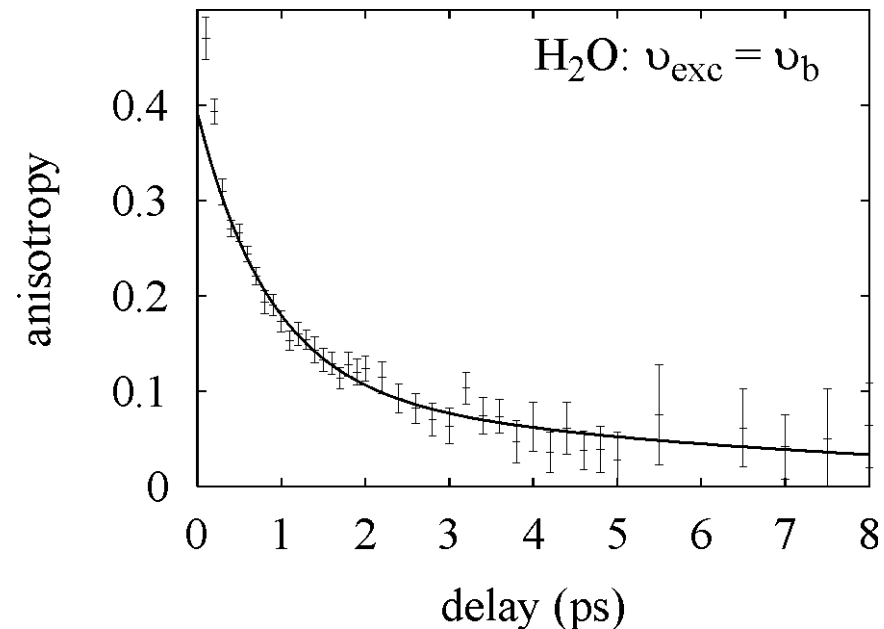
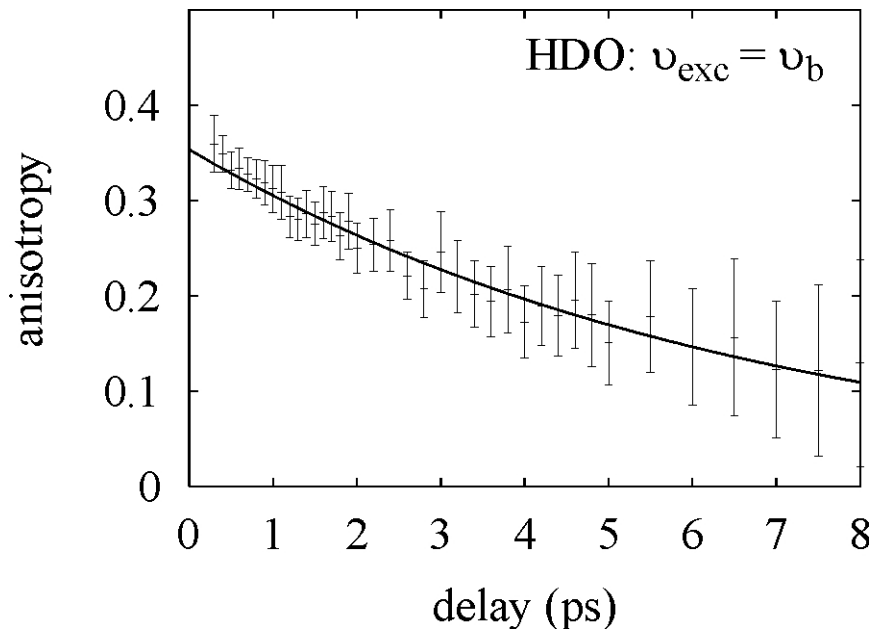
Mono-exponential decay

- molecular reorientation $6 (\pm 1)$ ps

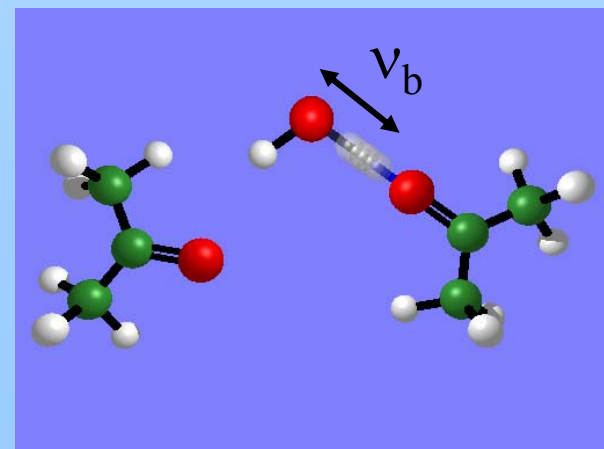
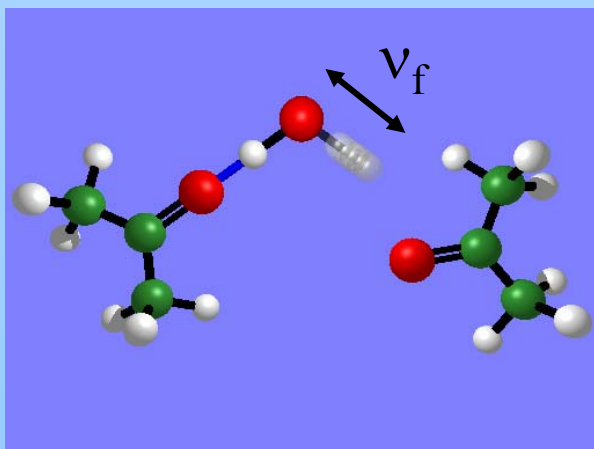
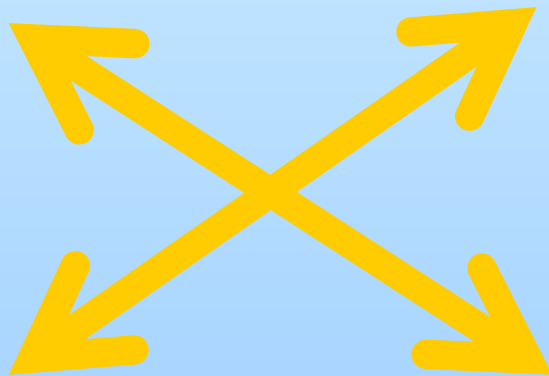
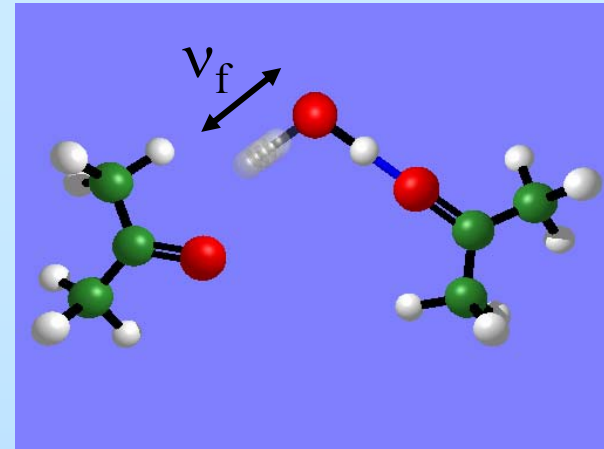
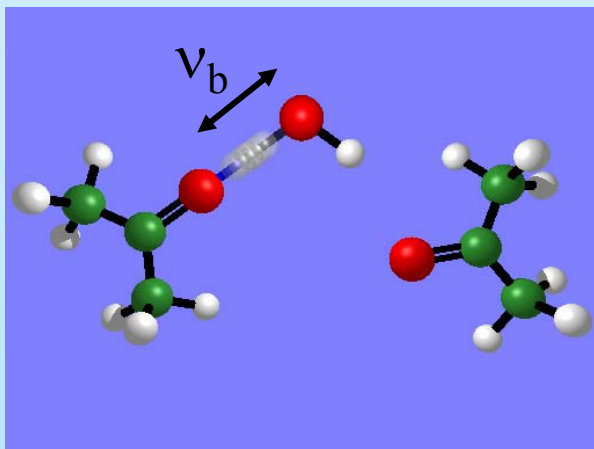
H₂O

Bi-exponential decay

- energy transfer: $1.3 (\pm 0.3)$ ps
- molecular reorientation: $6 (\pm 1)$ ps

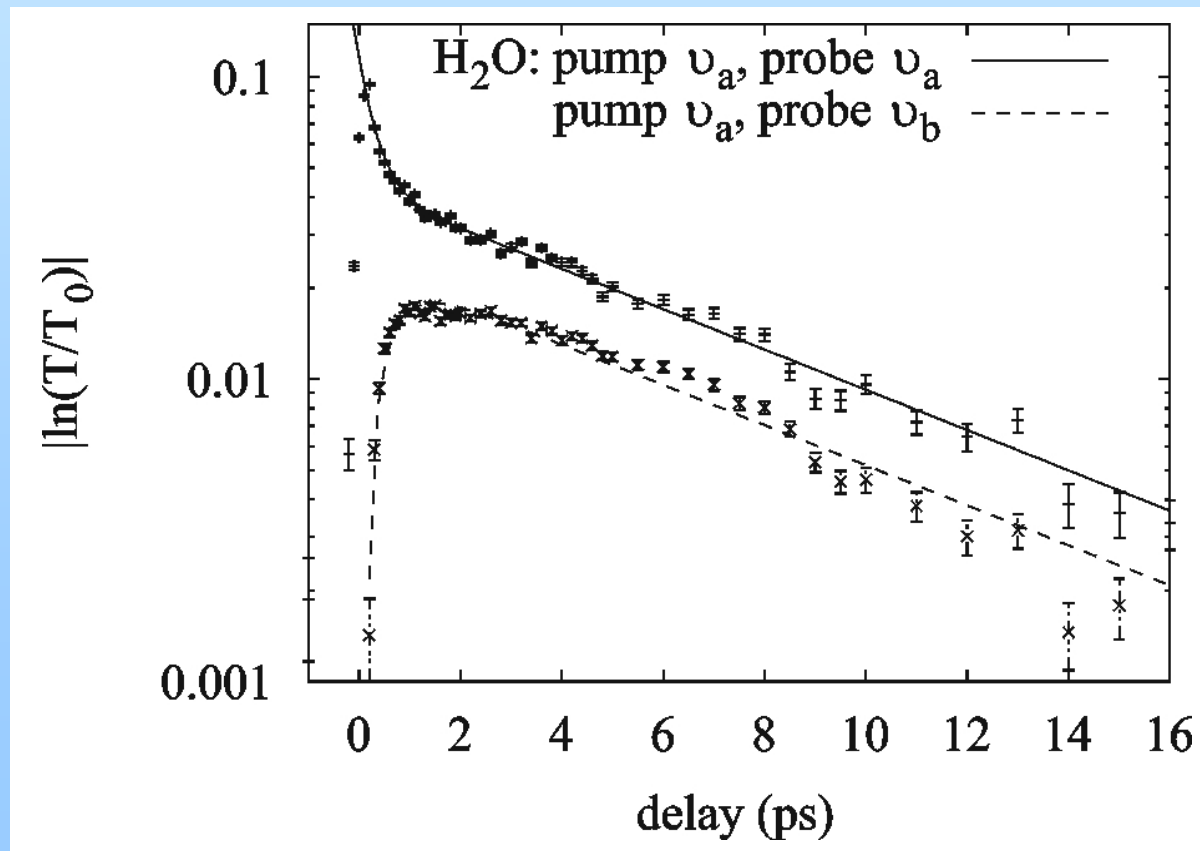
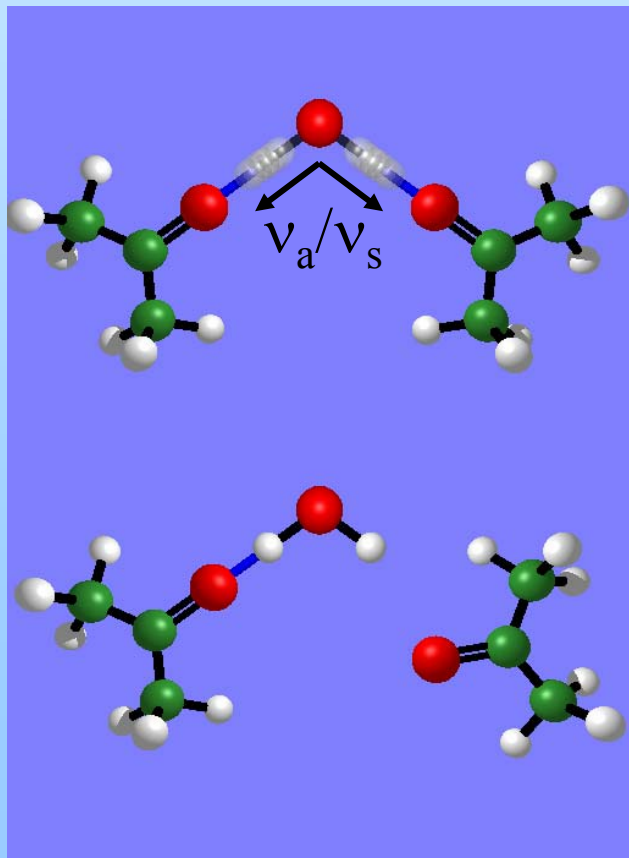


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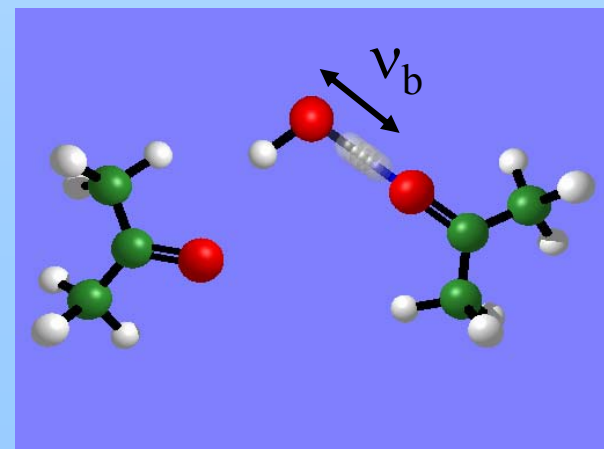
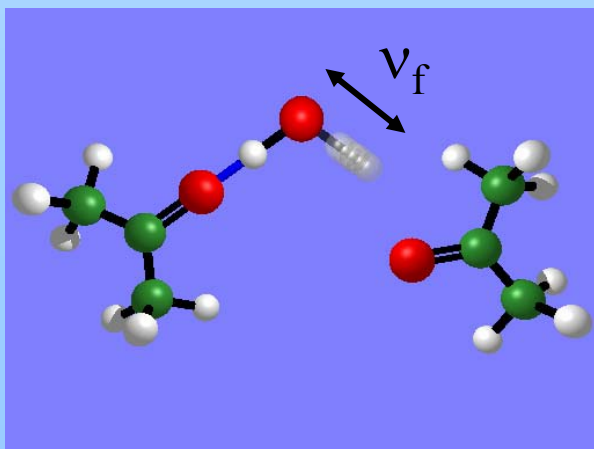
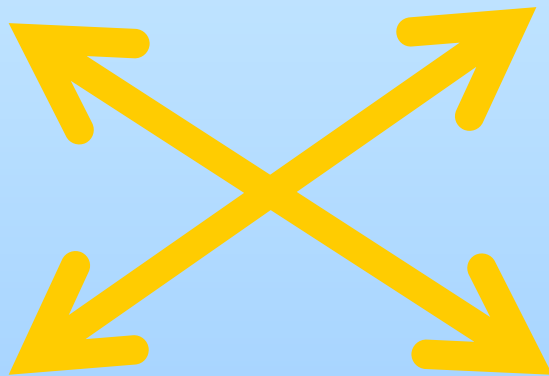
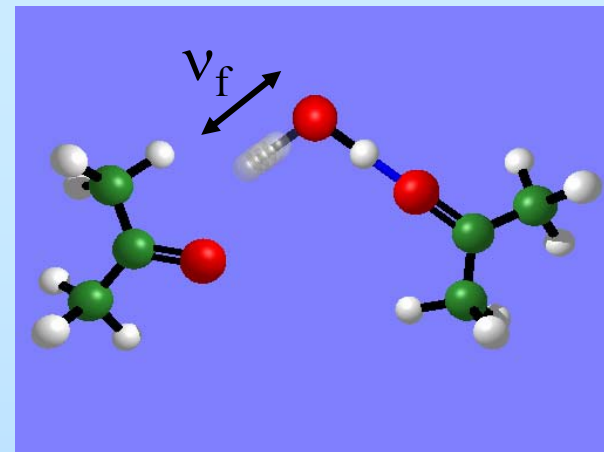
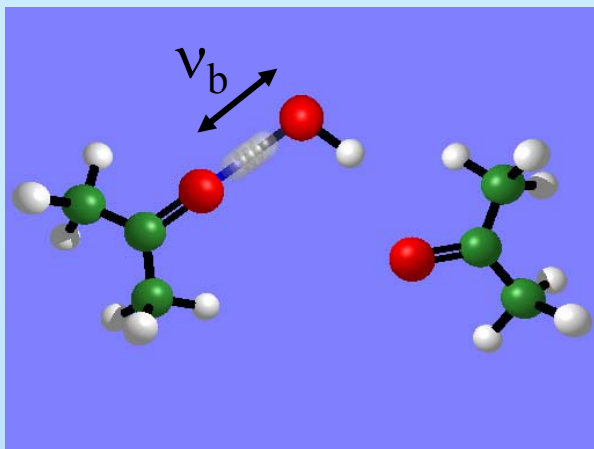


Pumping of the ν_a mode (specific for H_2O)

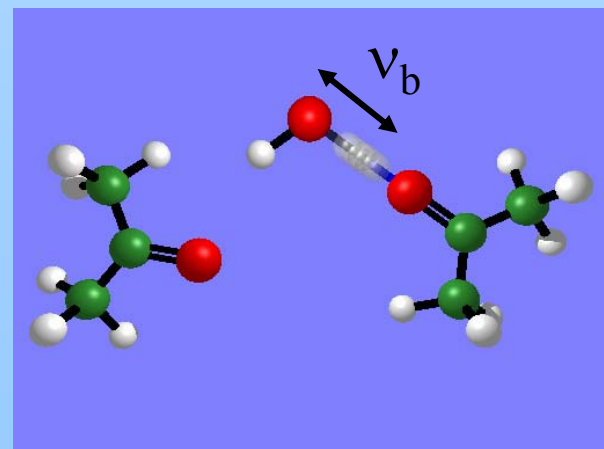
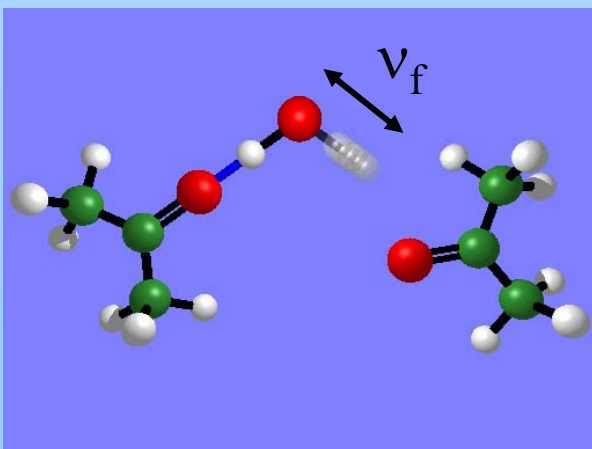
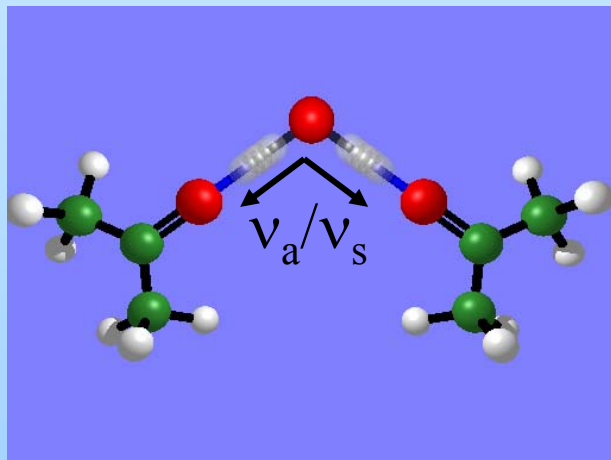
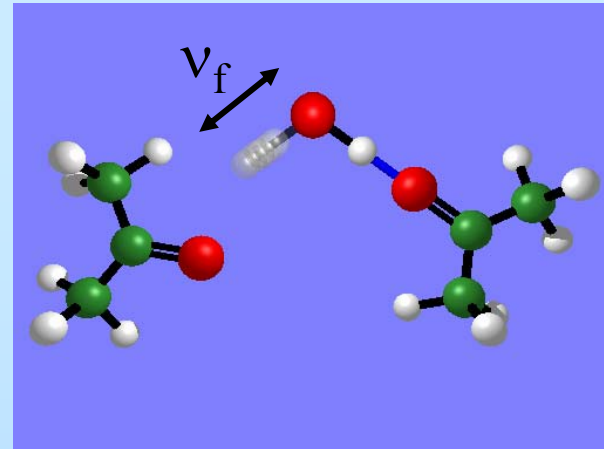
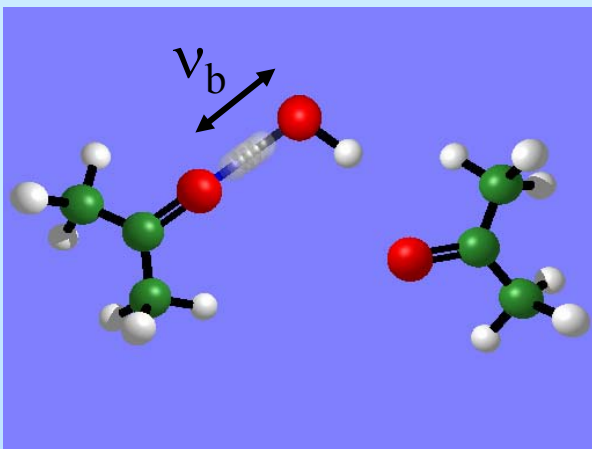
Energy Transfer $\nu_a \Rightarrow \nu_b$ in 500 fs



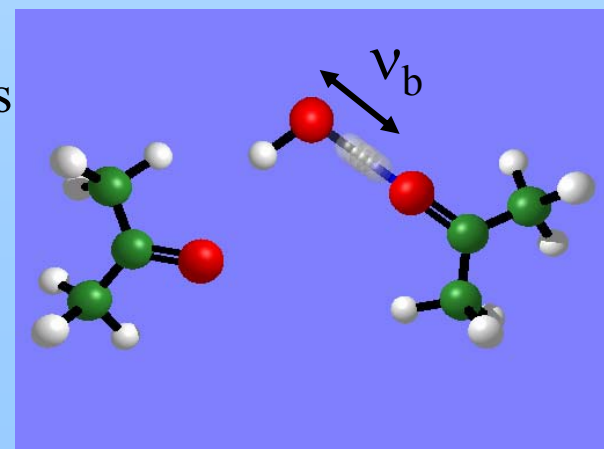
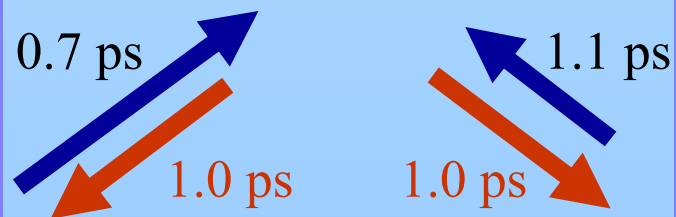
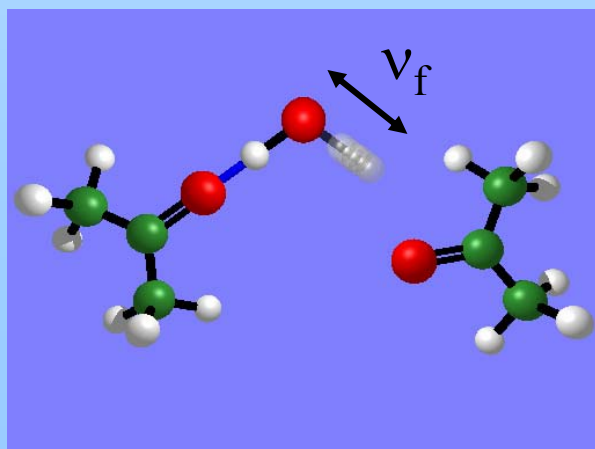
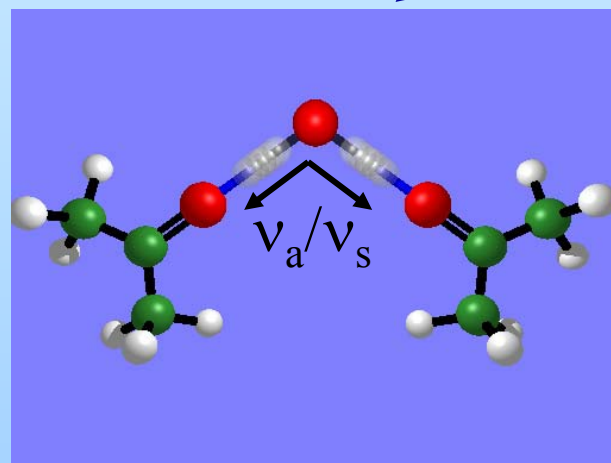
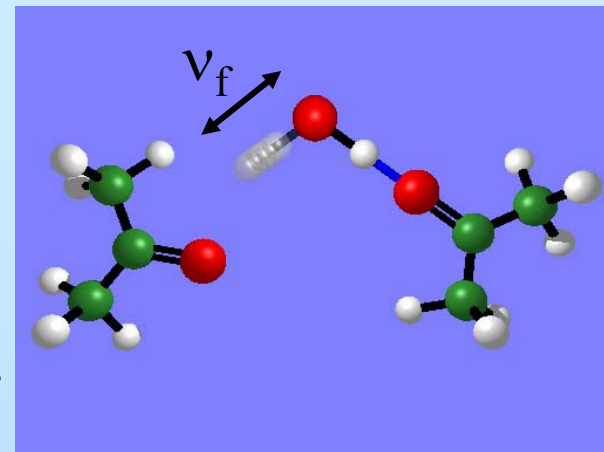
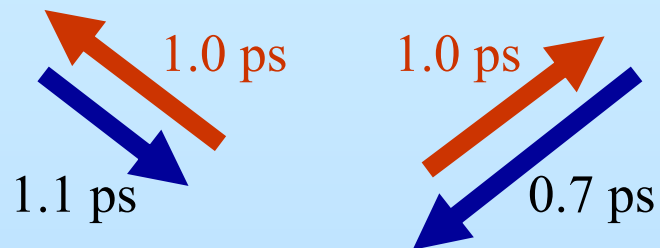
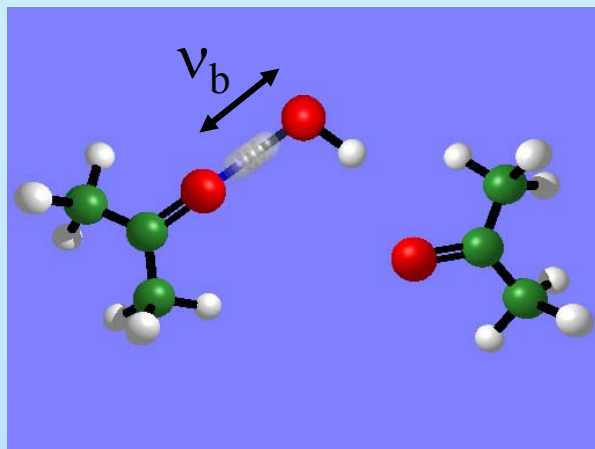
Model (3)?



Model (3)!

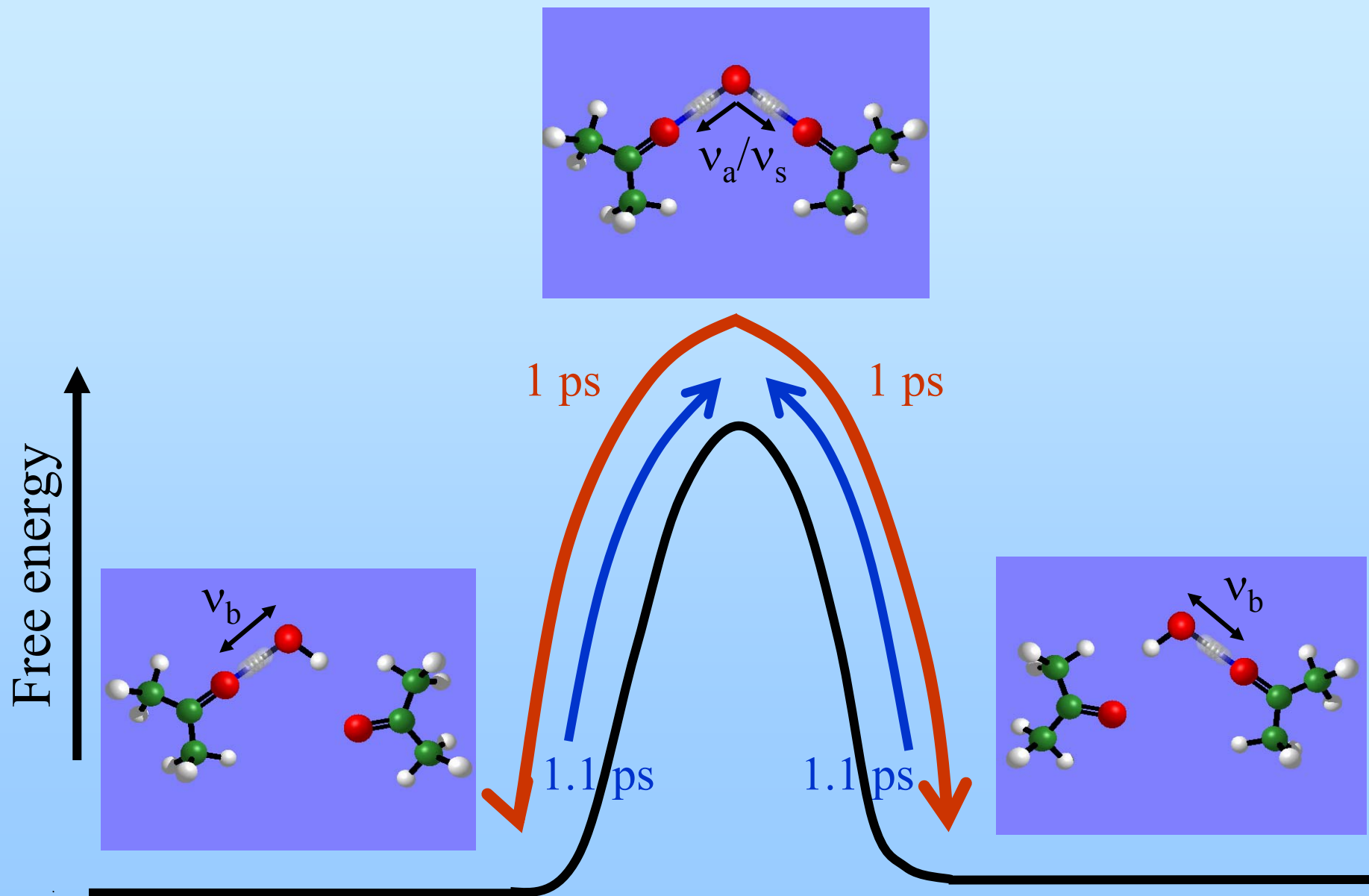


Model (3)



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Energy landscape



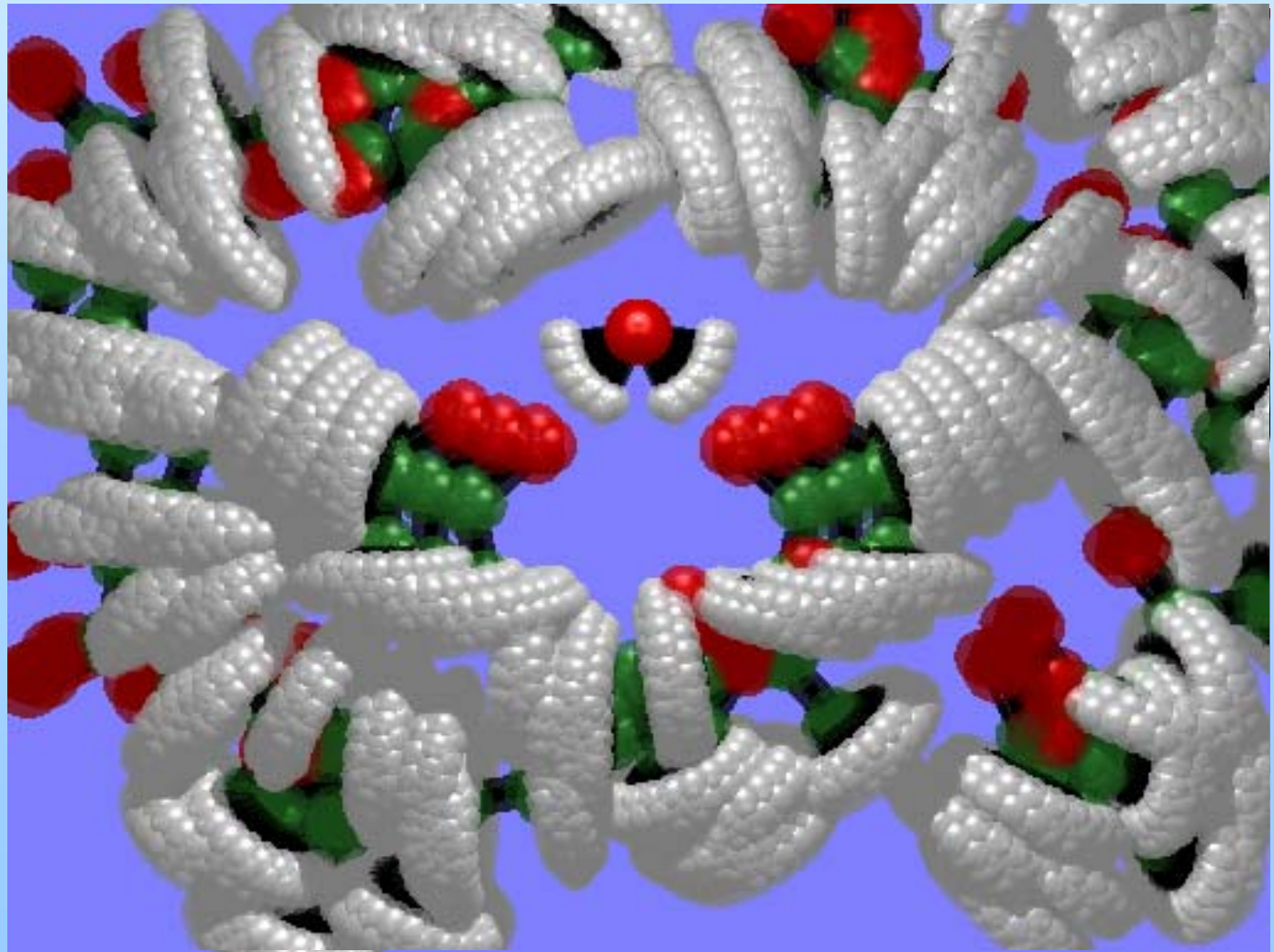
Dynamics of a **single water molecule** in acetone

Pictures after delay τ with shutter time τ

τ

$$\tau_{\text{or}} = 6 \text{ ps}$$

$$T_1 = 6.3 \text{ ps}$$



V Conclusions

- The dynamics of **embedded H₂O** strongly differ from **bulk H₂O**:

	H₂O (bulk)	H₂O:C₃H₆O
τ_{ET}	<50 fs	1.3 ps
τ_{c}	100/700 fs	~1 ps
τ_{or}	2.6 ps	6 ps
T_1	200 fs	6.3 ps

⇒ For **embedded water** the energy transfer and energy relaxation are 20 times slower than for **bulk water**.

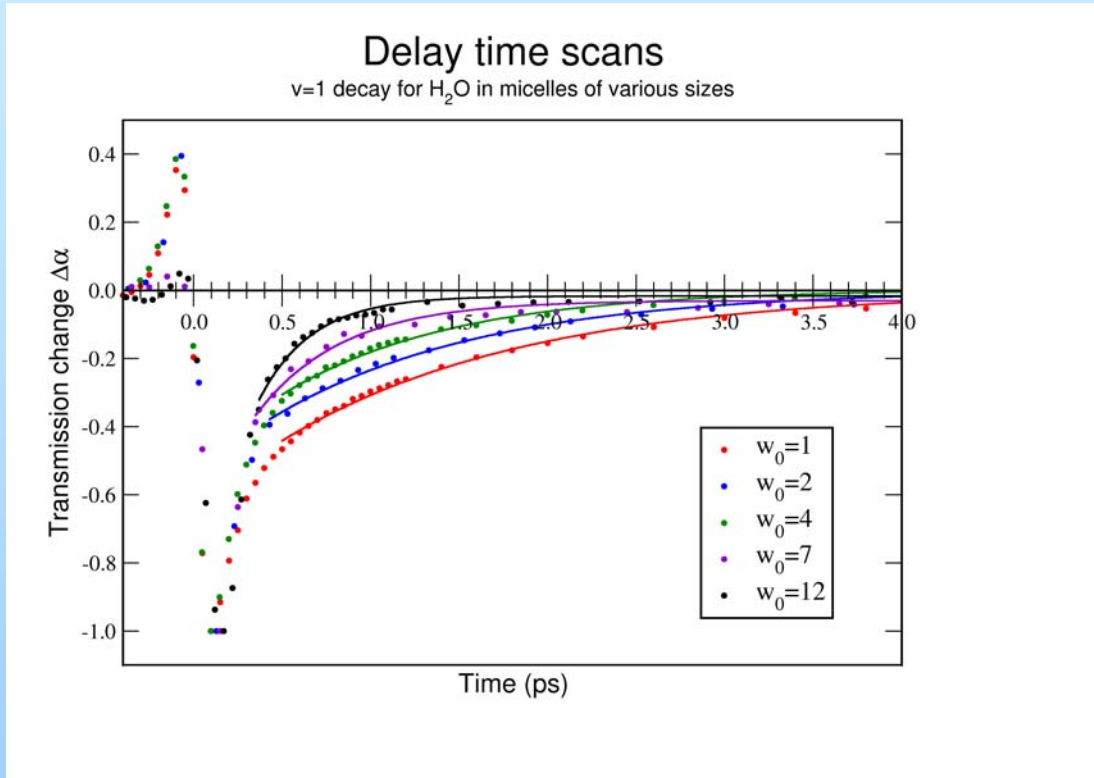
⇒ For **embedded water** the H-bond and orientational dynamics are 3 times slower, although the hydrogen bonds are weaker than in the **bulk liquid**!

- The energy transfer of **embedded water** molecules is completely mediated by hydrogen bond breaking and formation dynamics.

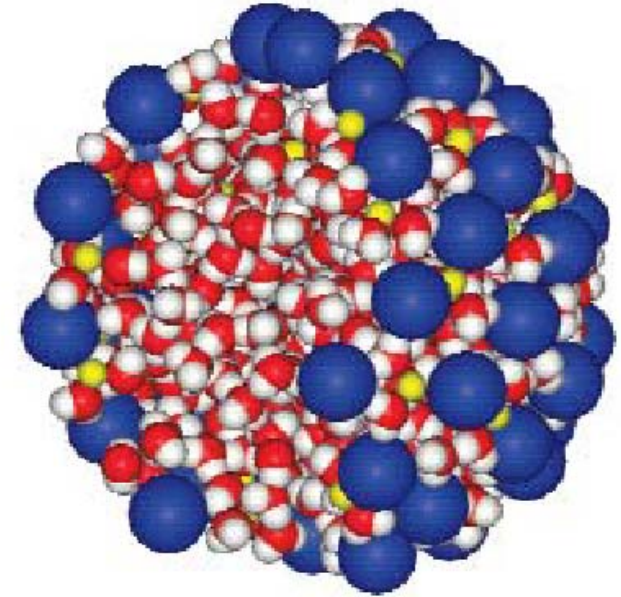
VI Outlook

Study of water intermediate between bulk and single water molecules:

Reverse micelles (water + AOT in octane)



w_0 ($[\text{H}_2\text{O}]/[\text{AOT}]$)	1	2	4	7	12
$N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$	5	20	80	400	2000
T_1 (ps)	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3



Model confinement. Modeled reverse micelle ($w_0 = 7.5$), showing the surfactant head groups and a slice of the interior. The micelle contains 70 AOT surfactant molecules, 70 Na^+ counterions, and 525 water molecules.