

Multi-Dimensional IR Spectroscopy of Acetic Acid Dimers and Liquid Water

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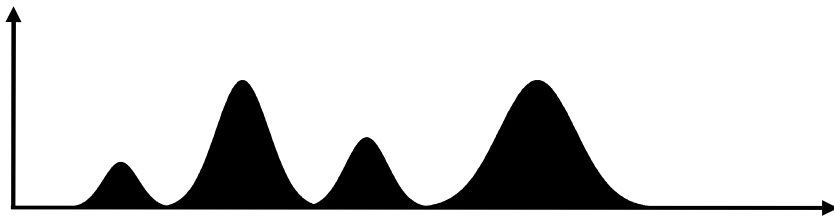


Outline

- Multi-dimensional spectroscopy
- Couplings in acetic acid dimers
- Structural dynamics in pure water

From Linear to Multi-Dimensional Spectroscopy

Linear spectroscopy



Which transitions couple to each other?

What is the broadening mechanism?

How fast are the dynamics?

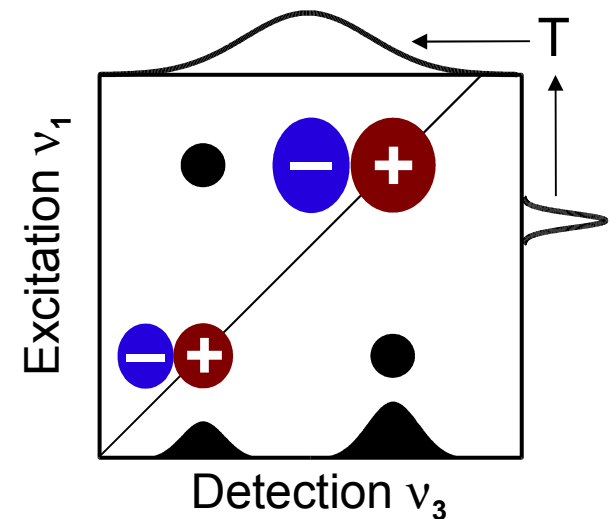
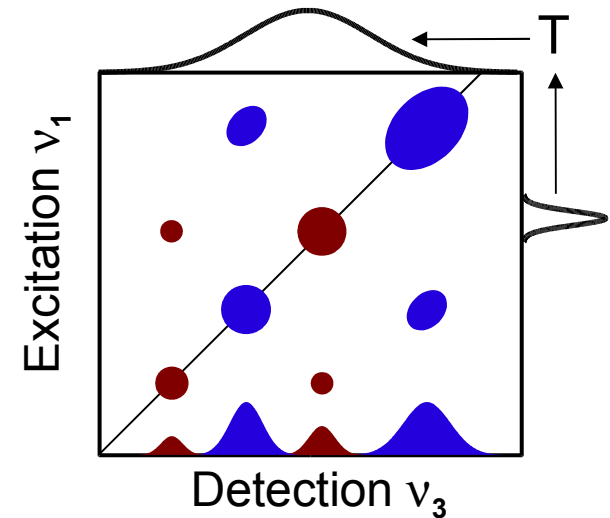
Signals of anharmonic oscillators

Fundamental transition

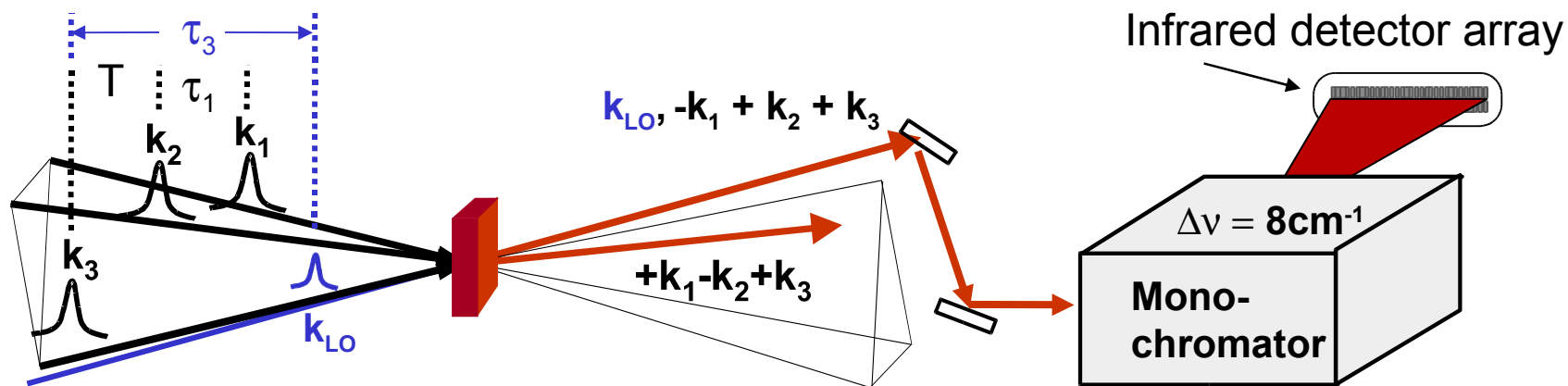
Excited state absorption

Cross peaks \rightarrow coupling

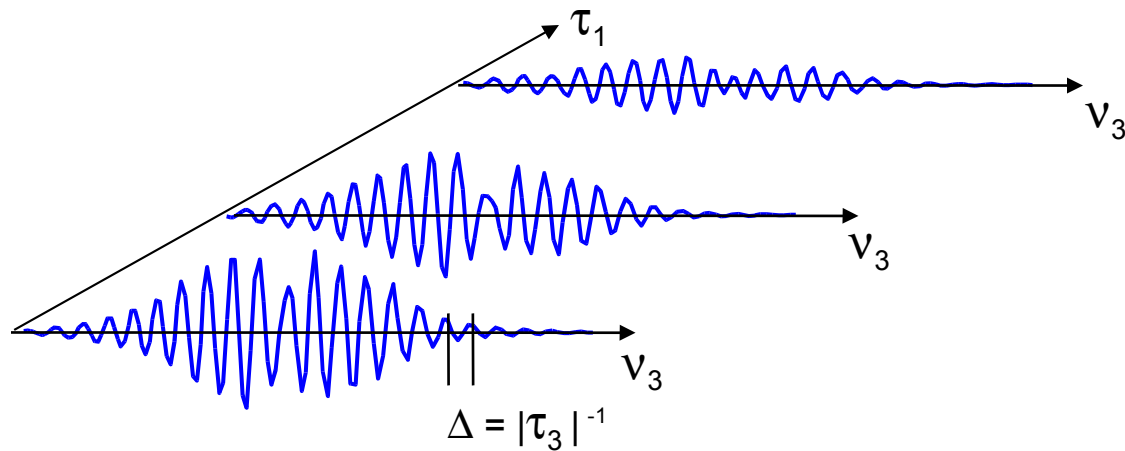
2D spectroscopy



Heterodyne Detected Photon Echoes



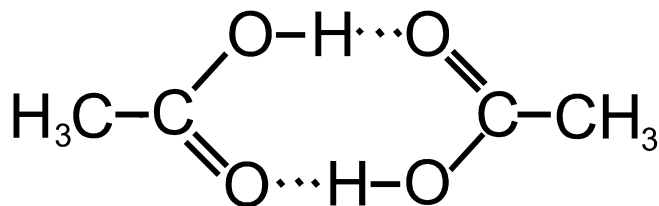
Spectrograms for different delays of τ_1



Field extraction $S(\tau_1, \nu_3)$
 \Downarrow
 $E(\tau_1, \nu_3)$
 Fourier transform \Downarrow
 $E(\nu_1, \nu_3)$

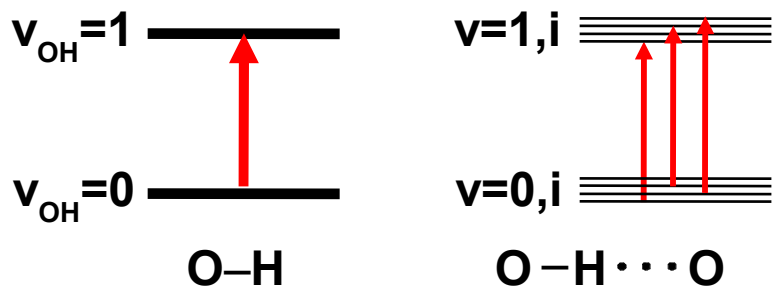
Acetic Acid Dimers

Cyclic acetic acid dimer

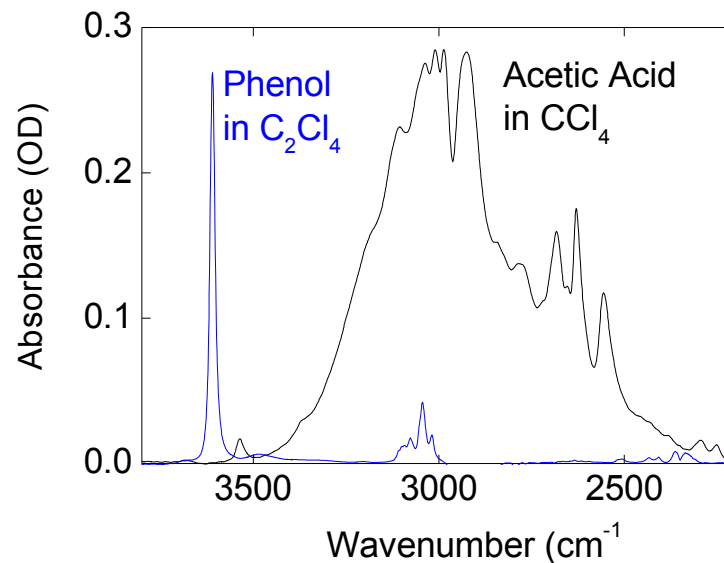


well-defined geometry

2 levels vs. multi-level structure



OH-stretching vibration

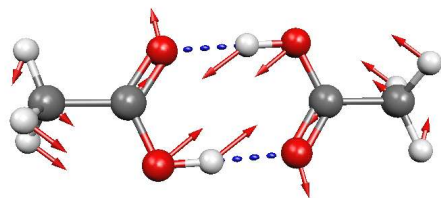


- red-shift of $\nu(\text{o-H})$
- very strong broadening
- structured bandshape

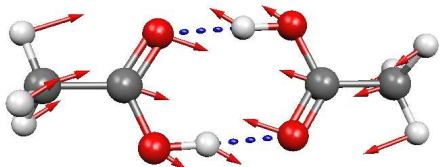
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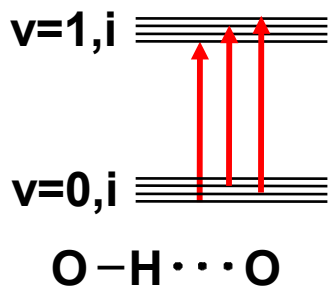
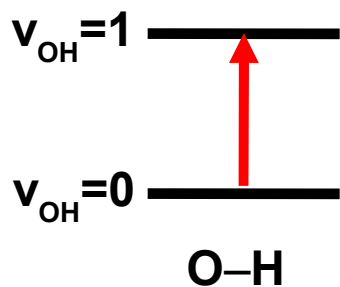
ip bending
 148 cm^{-1}



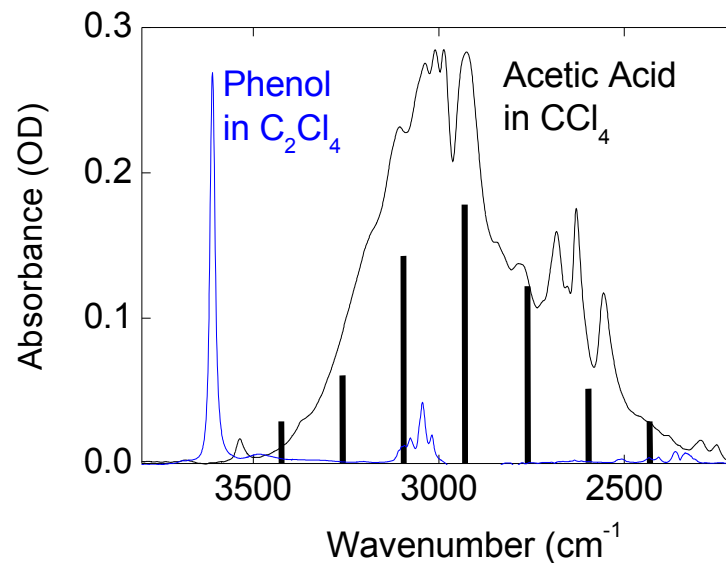
ip stretching
 -143 cm^{-1}



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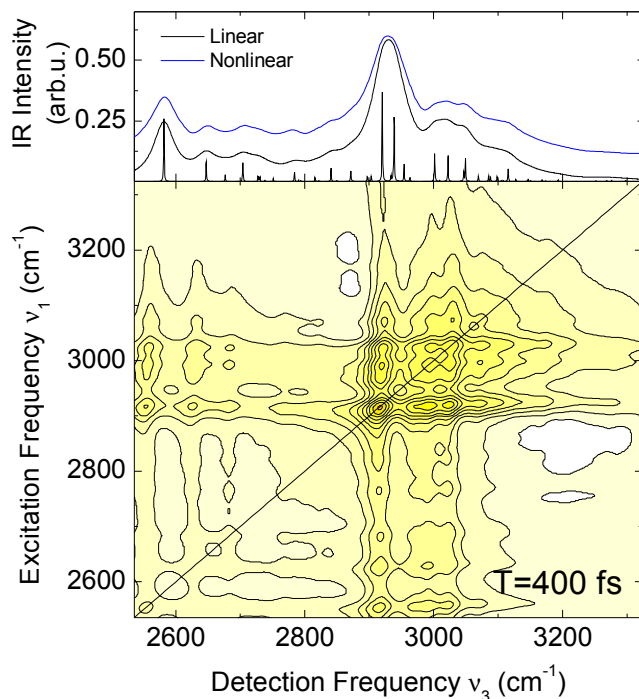


Broadening mechanism:

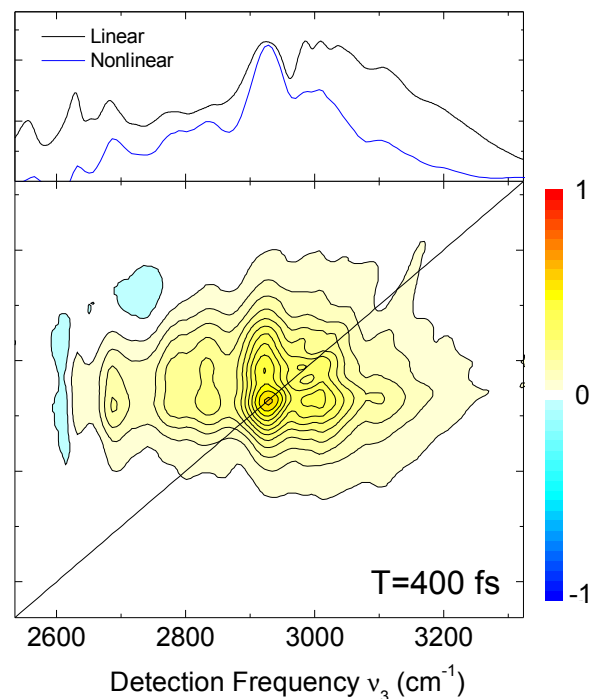
- anharmonic coupling to low-frequency modes
- Fermi resonances?

Ab-initio Calculations

Theory



Experiment



**Ab-initio calculations:
Fermi resonances
dominate 2D spectra**

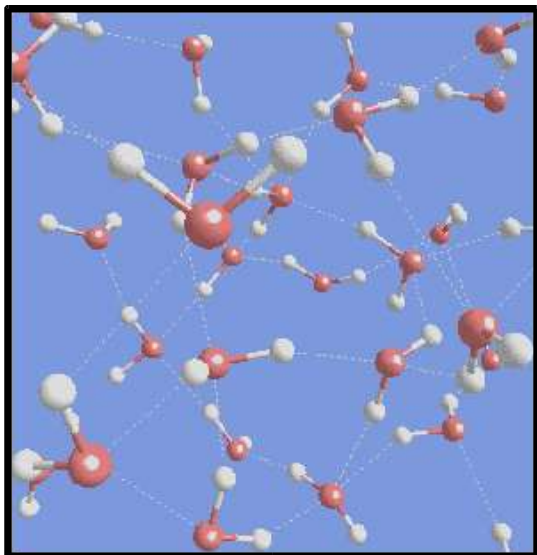
**Cubic coupling
constants with
 $i = \nu_{bu} \text{OH (cm}^{-1}\text{)}$**

| $j (a_g)$ | $k (b_u)$ | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| δOH | $\nu\text{C-O}$ | -141 |
| $\nu\text{C-O}$ | δOH | -125 |
| δOH | δOH | 98 |
| $\nu\text{C=O}$ | $\nu\text{C-O}$ | -85 |

Liquid Water

Hydrogen bonds determine the structure and other properties of water

MD simulation of water
(from Parinello group)



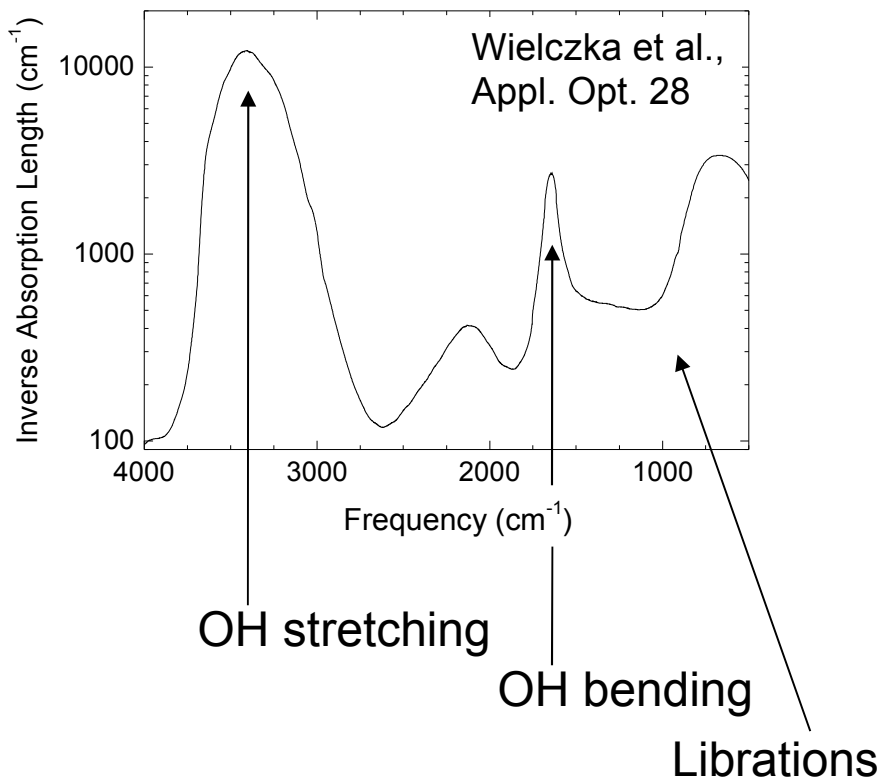
Fluctuating geometry

HOD in D₂O:

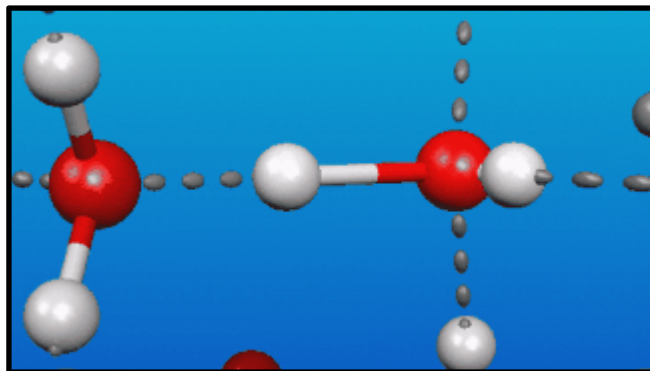
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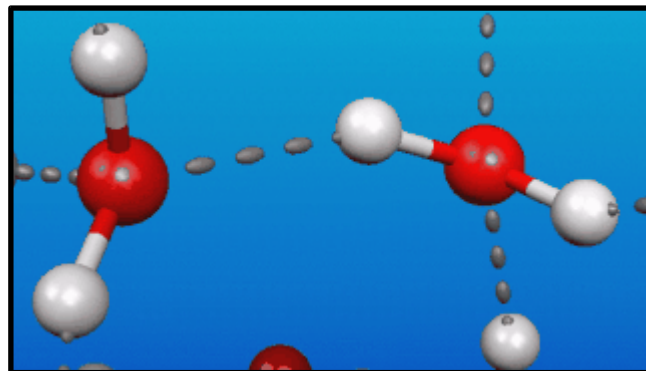
Linear absorption spectrum



Ultrafast Timescales in Liquid Water



O-H stretching vibration



Librations

O-H stretching modes (3400 cm^{-1})

$\sim 0.01\text{ ps}$

O-H bending mode (1650 cm^{-1})

$\sim 0.02\text{ ps}$

Fast librations ($\leq 1500\text{ cm}^{-1}$)

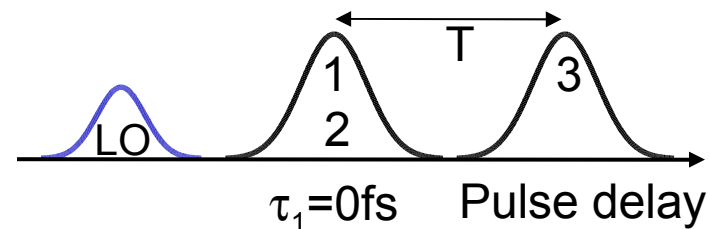
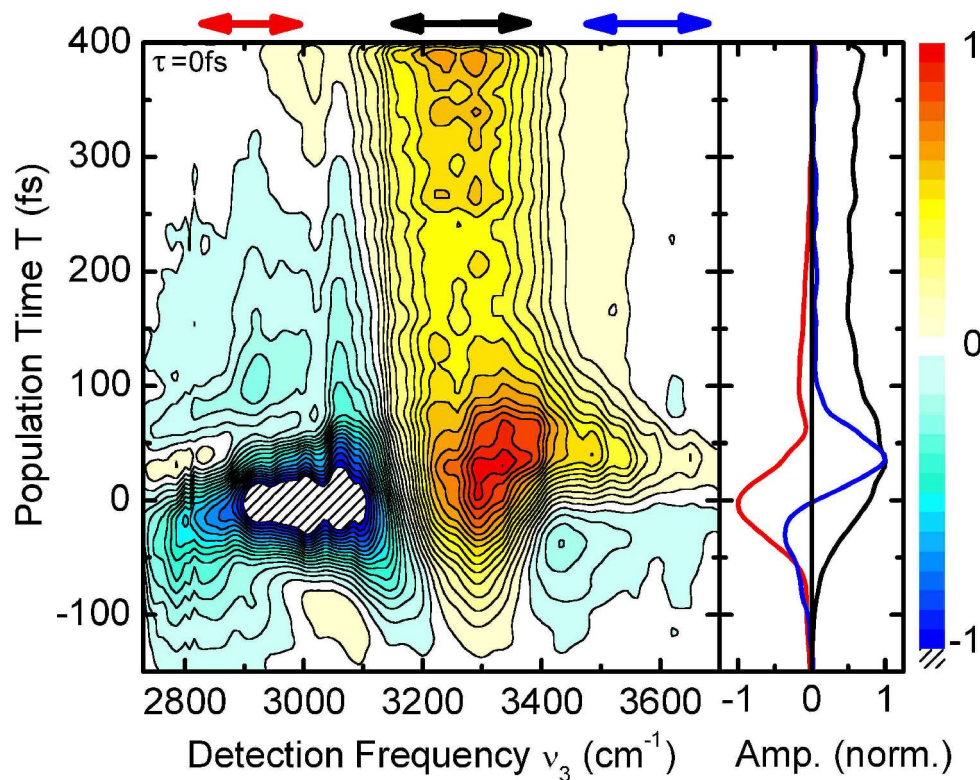
$\sim 0.03\text{ to }0.1\text{ ps}$

Vibrational lifetimes

$\sim 0.2\text{ ps}$

Microscopic dynamics of hydrogen bonds is ultrafast.

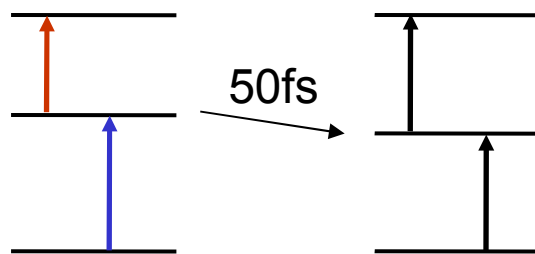
Frequency-Resolved Transient Grating



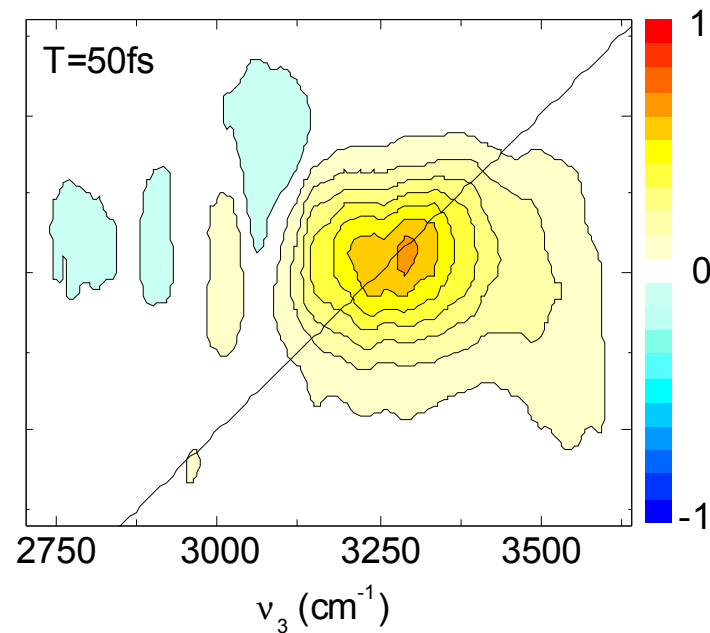
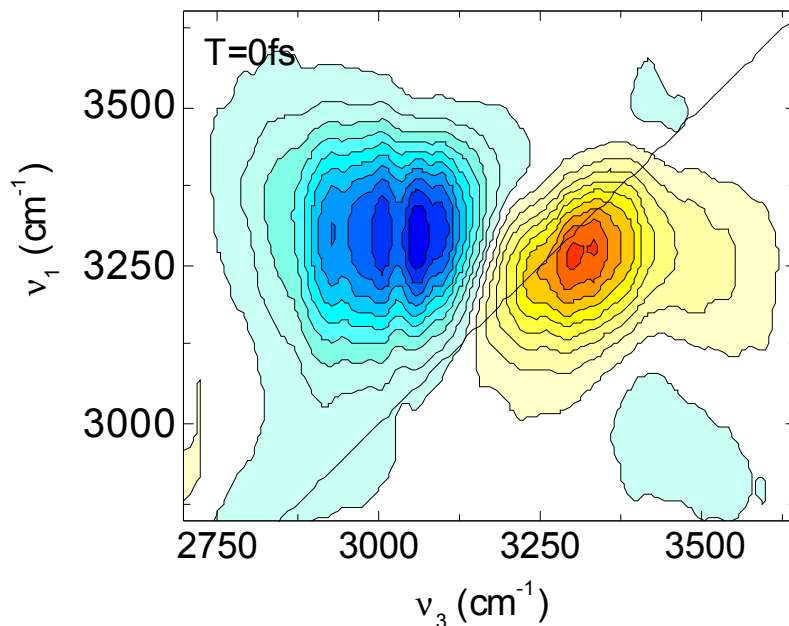
Spectral diffusion
signal decay at the
edges within 50 fs

Energy transfer
anisotropy decay in
less than 100 fs

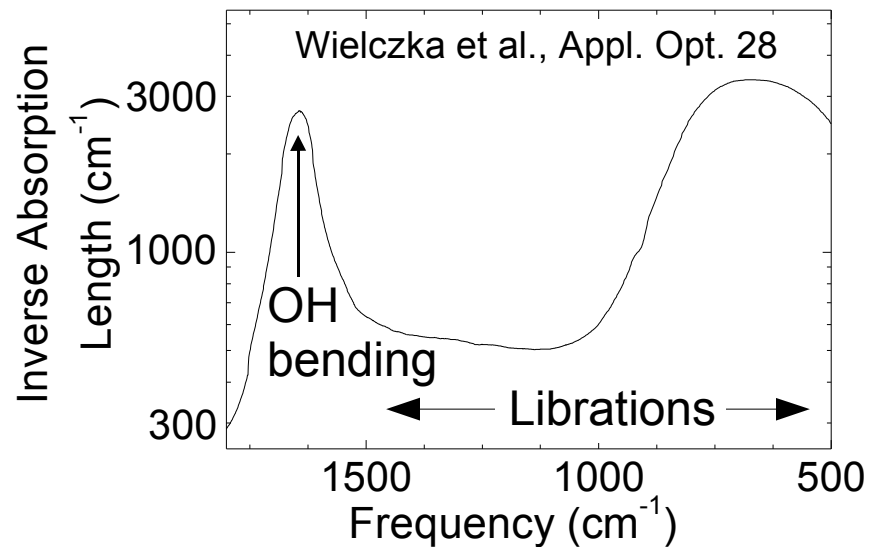
Population relaxation
OH stretch lifetime = 190 fs



Correlation Spectra of Pure Water



Microscopic origin:
librational modes
with $\omega > \omega(\text{O}\dots\text{O})$



Conclusions

Heterodyne photon echo spectroscopy delivers full information on couplings and line broadening mechanism

Fermi resonances dominate 2D spectra of acetic acid although cubic coupling constants are similar for coupling to low-frequency modes
(Huse et al., submitted)

Loss of inhomogeneity in liquid water within 50 fs due to librational modes of the hydrogen bond network, $T_1 \approx 200$ fs
(Cowan et al., Nature 434 (2005), 199)