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## Optical Properties of Organic Semiconductors

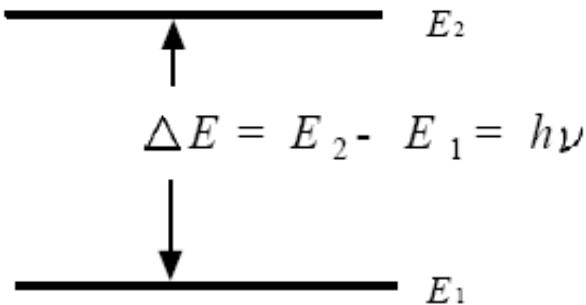
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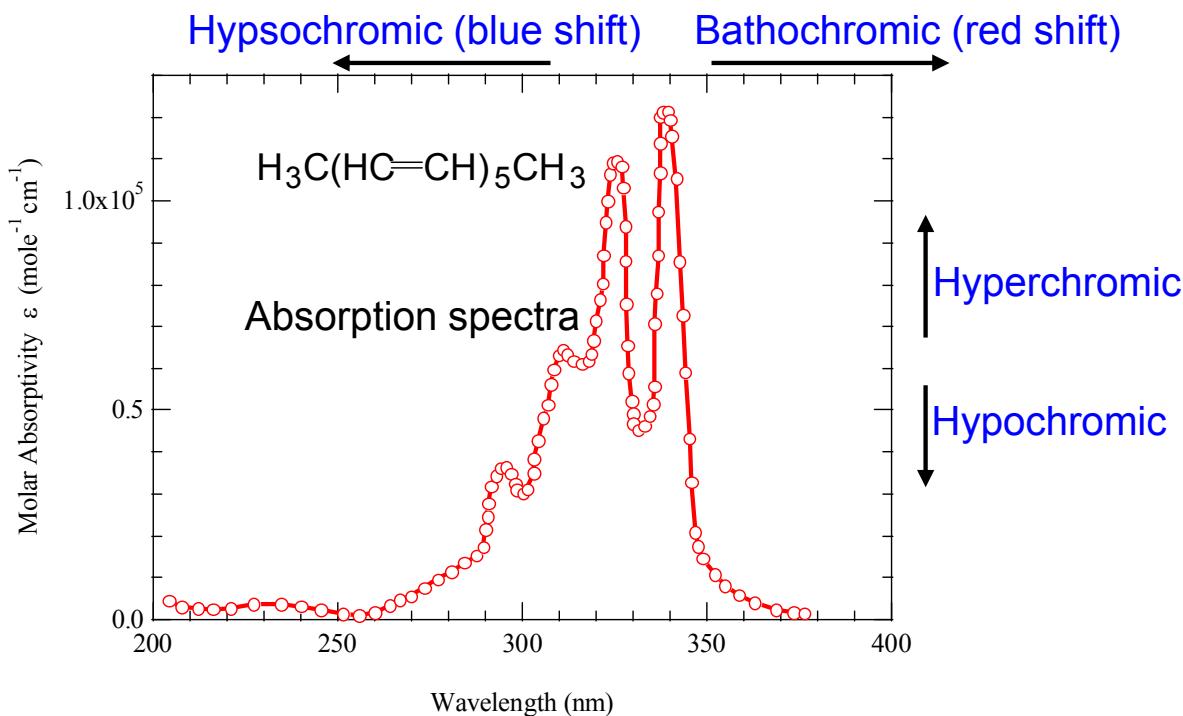
# Absorption of Light

## UV-Vis absorption



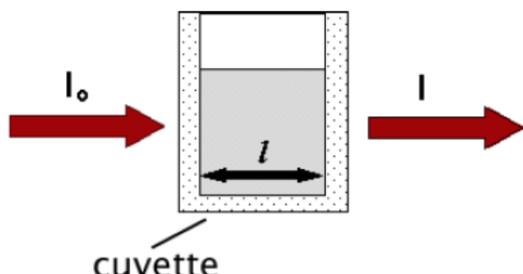
The Beer-Lambert Law:

$$\text{Absorbance} = \log\left(\frac{I_o}{I}\right) = \varepsilon cl$$



$I_o$  and  $I$  are the intensities entering and leaving the sample, respectively.  $\varepsilon$  = the molar extinction coefficient or molar absorptivity,  $c$  = sample concentration in moles/liter,  $l$  = length of light path through the sample in cm.

Molar Absorptivity,  $\varepsilon = A / c l$ , where  $A$ = absorbance (Optical Density)



$$\varepsilon \sim 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1} \rightarrow \text{solid thickness } d \sim 10^{-5} \text{ cm} = 100 \text{ nm}$$

# Selection Rules for Electronic Transition

## Fermi Golden Rule

Electric dipole transition rate from  $i$  to  $f$  state:

$$\Gamma_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{4\pi^2}{\hbar^2 c} \left| \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \langle \psi_f | \vec{d} | \psi_i \rangle \right|^2 I(\omega_{fi})$$

Oscillator strength for the transition  $f \propto \left| \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \langle \psi_f | \vec{d} | \psi_i \rangle \right|^2$

Dipole moment operator  $\vec{d} = -e \sum_j \vec{r}_j$

- For the allowed transition  $\Delta l = \pm 1, \Delta S = 0$
- Symmetry selection rule: only  $g$  (even parity)  $\leftrightarrow u$  (odd parity) transitions are allowed.

(The vibrational motions may lower the symmetry of a molecule, so that symmetry-forbidden transitions may be observed)

- Spin selection rule: no change in spin multiplicity

$$H_{SO} = \frac{Ze^2}{2m^2c^2} \frac{1}{r^3} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} \propto Z^4$$

(The spin-orbit coupling allows the mixing of singlet and triplet states)

Eg., Transition from 2p to 1s state in a H atom

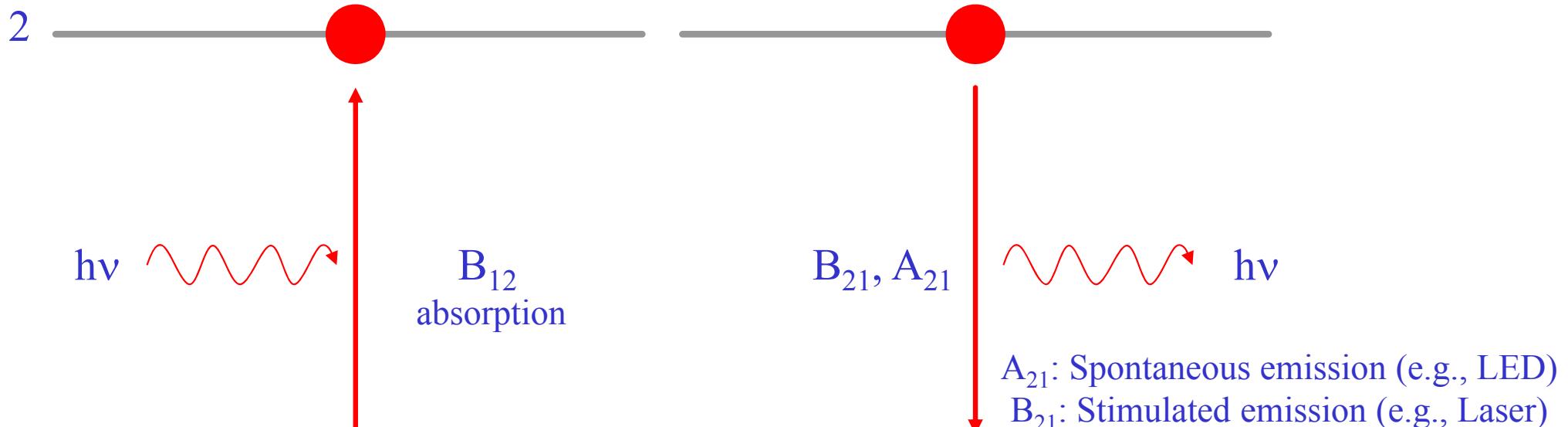
$$\Gamma_{2p \rightarrow 1s} \approx 0.6 \times 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma_{2p \rightarrow 1s}} \approx 1.6 \text{ ns}$$



# Absorption and Emission of Light

Excited state



Ground state



# Absorption and Emission of Light

Consider a molecule with two energy levels 1 and 2.

The rate of transition  $B_{12}$  induced by light of frequency  $\nu$

$$\Gamma_{1 \rightarrow 2} = B_{12} I(\omega_{fi})$$

$$B_{12} = \frac{2\pi}{3\hbar^2} \left| \langle \psi_2 | \vec{d} | \psi_1 \rangle \right|^2$$

Transition rate for  $1 \rightarrow 2$  (absorption):  $B_{12} I(\nu) N_1$

Transition rate for  $2 \rightarrow 1$  (emission):  $[B_{21} I(\nu) + A_{21}]N_2$

$N_1$  ( $N_2$ )= population of the level 1 (level 2).

$A_{21}$  = spontaneous emission from the level 1 to the level 2.

At equilibrium the rate of transition  $1 \leftrightarrow 2$  must be the same.

$$\frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{B_{21} I(\nu) + A_{21}}{B_{12} I(\nu)} = 1 + \frac{A_{21}}{B_{12} I(\nu)} \quad (1)$$

But at equilibrium,  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  in each level is given by the Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{N_1}{N_2} = \exp\left(\frac{E_2 - E_1}{kT}\right) = \exp\left(\frac{h\nu}{kT}\right) \quad (2)$$

Equation 1 and 2 must be equal. Therefore, we can obtain  $I(\nu)$ .

$$I(\nu) = \frac{A_{21} / B_{21}}{(B_{12} N_1 / B_{21} N_2) - 1} = \frac{A_{21} / B_{21}}{\frac{B_{12}}{B_{21}} e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT}} - 1} \quad (3)$$



# Absorption and Emission of Light

At equilibrium  $I(\nu)$  is the radiation density of a black body at temperature T: Planck's radiation law.

$$I(\nu) = \frac{8\pi h \nu^3}{c^3} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT}} - 1} \quad (4)$$

By comparing the like terms in equations (3) and (4), the Einstein coefficients can be obtained to give

$$B_{12} = B_{21} \quad (5)$$

The stimulated emission process occurs at the same rate as the absorption process. And we can get

$$\frac{A_{21}}{B_{21}} = \frac{8\pi h \nu^3}{c^3} = \frac{8\pi h}{\lambda^3} \quad (6)$$

The rate of spontaneous to stimulated emission increases as  $\nu^3$ .  $B_{12}$  can be measured from the absorption spectrum.

$$\tau_r = \frac{1}{A_{21}} = \frac{c^3}{8\pi h \nu^3 B_{12}} = \frac{\lambda^3}{8\pi h B_{12}}$$

The radiative lifetime:

The stronger the absorption, the shorter the radiative lifetime. And the radiative lifetime decreases with increasing frequency (or decreasing wavelength).



# Harmonic oscillator

Schrödinger equation

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left( E - \frac{1}{2} kx^2 \right) \psi = 0$$

The  $n$ -th wave function of the SHO.

$$\psi_n = \left( \frac{2mv}{\hbar} \right)^{1/4} (2^n n!)^{-1/2} H_n(y) e^{-y^2/2}$$

$H_n(y)$  : Hermite polynomial

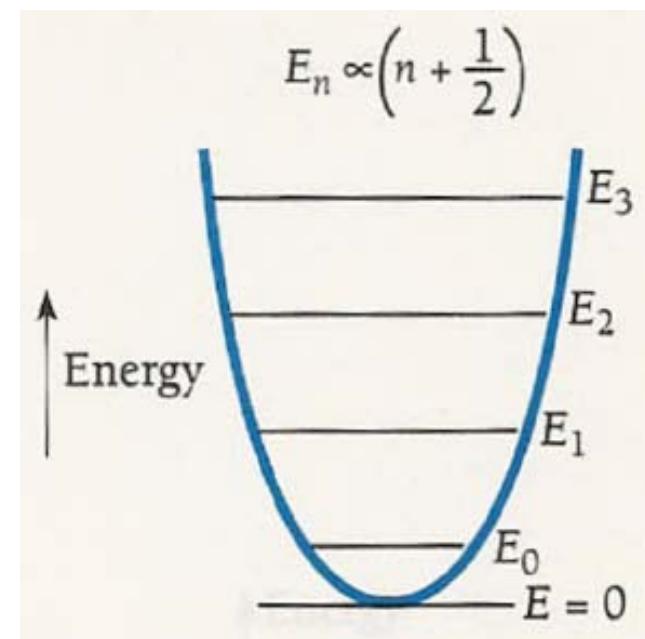
The acceptable solutions are obtained when

$$E_n = \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \hbar\omega \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

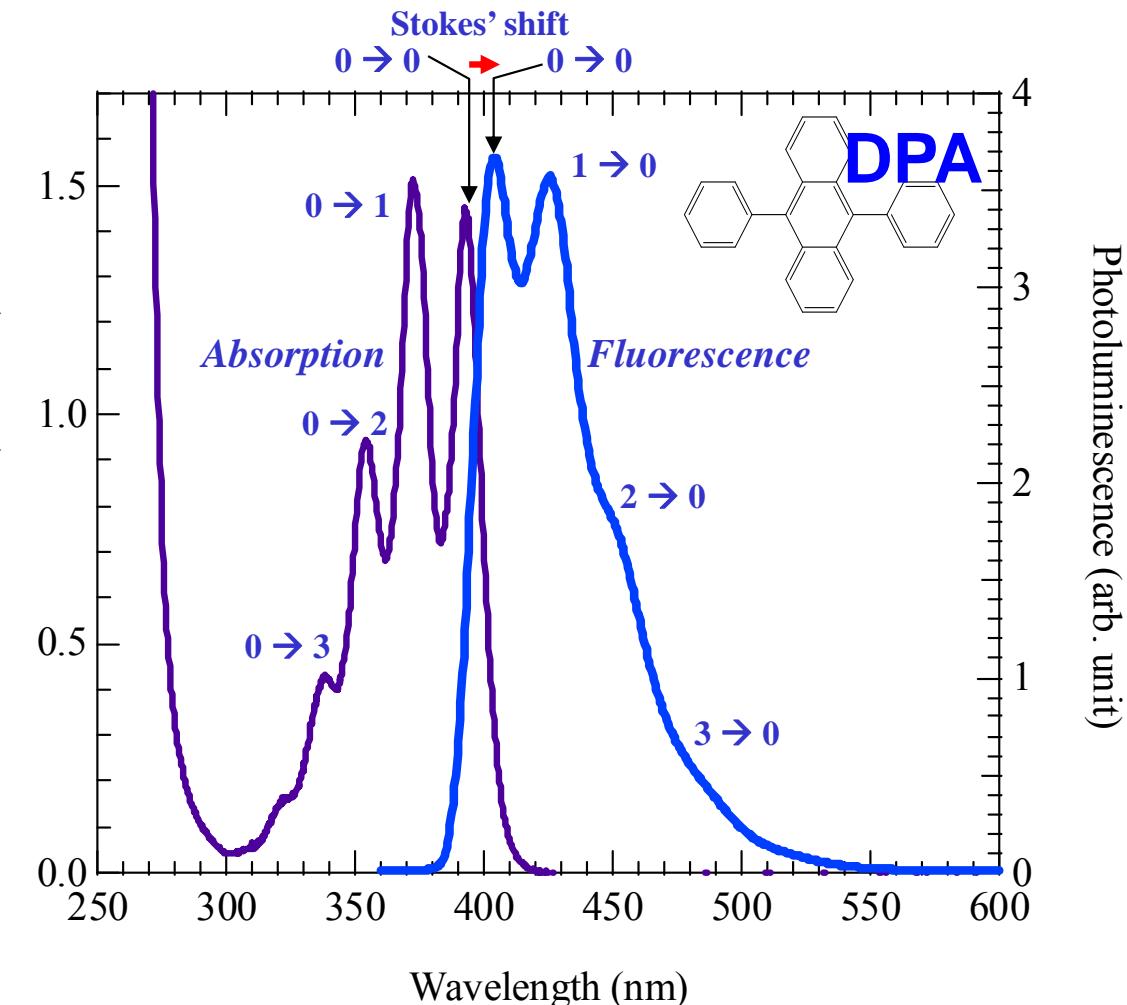
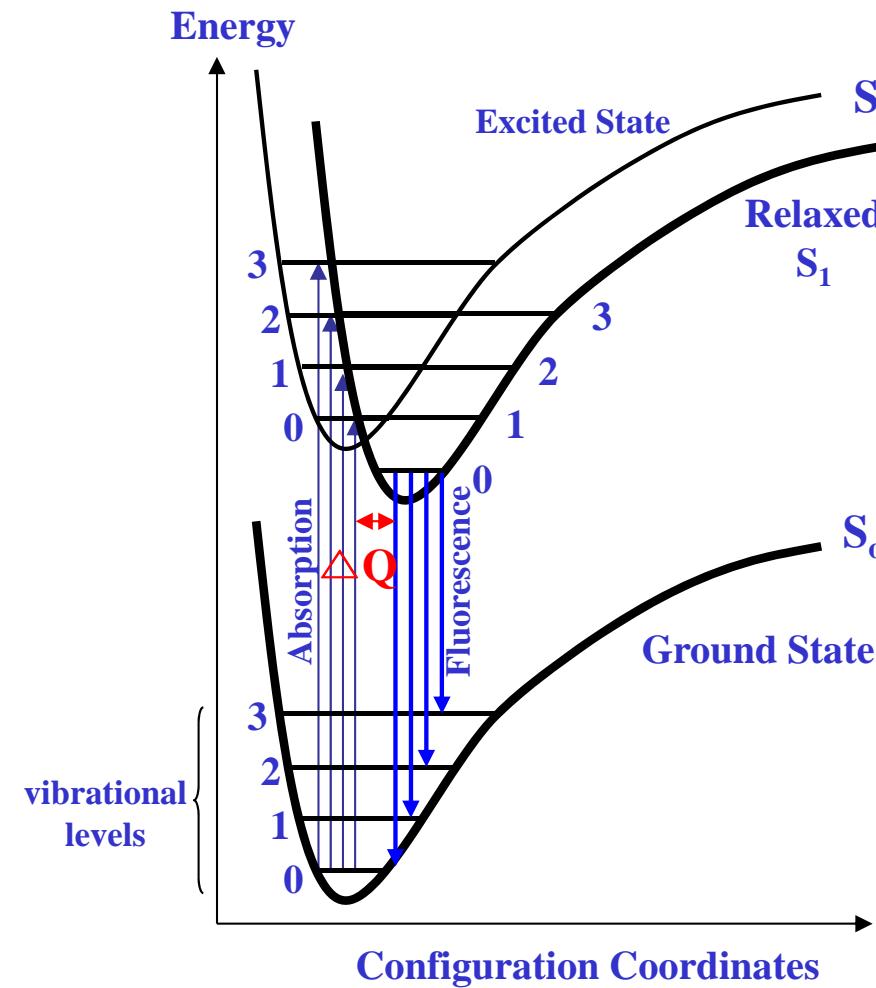
Selection rules:  $\Delta n = \pm 1$

Table 5.2 Some Hermite Polynomials

$n$	$H_n(y)$	$\alpha_n$	$E_n$
0	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}\hbar\nu$
1	$2y$	3	$\frac{3}{2}\hbar\nu$
2	$4y^2 - 2$	5	$\frac{5}{2}\hbar\nu$
3	$8y^3 - 12y$	7	$\frac{7}{2}\hbar\nu$
4	$16y^4 - 48y^2 + 12$	9	$\frac{9}{2}\hbar\nu$
5	$32y^5 - 160y^3 + 120y$	11	$\frac{11}{2}\hbar\nu$



# Stokes' shift



<http://omlc.ogi.edu/spectra/PhotochemCAD/html/diphenyl-anthracene.html>

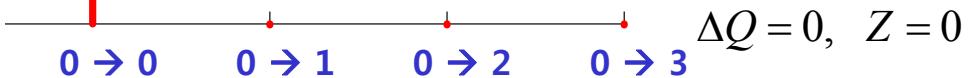
9,10-Diphenylanthracene dissolved in cyclohexane.



# Franck-Condon intensity distribution

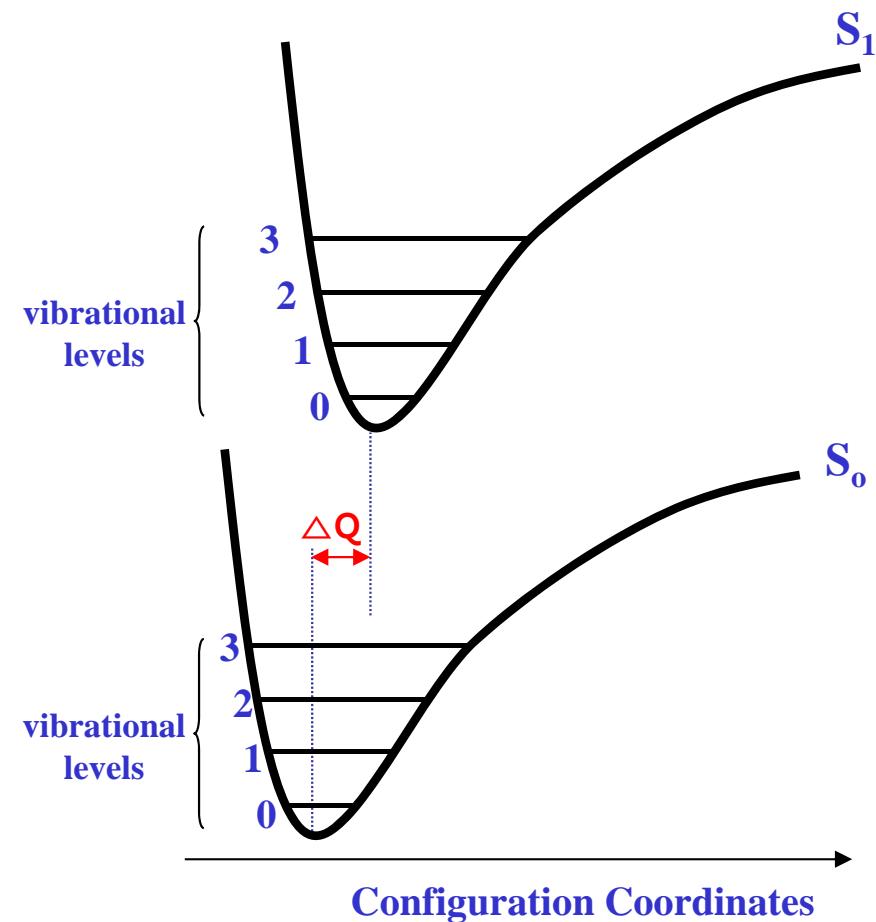
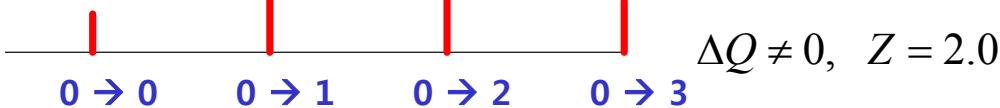
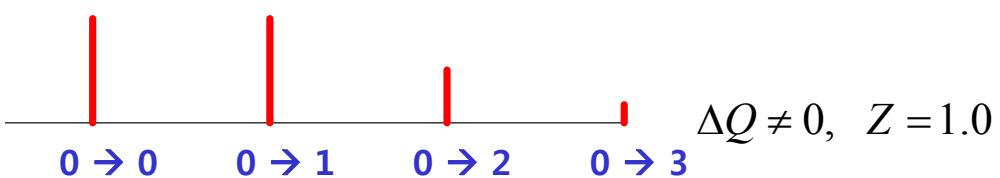
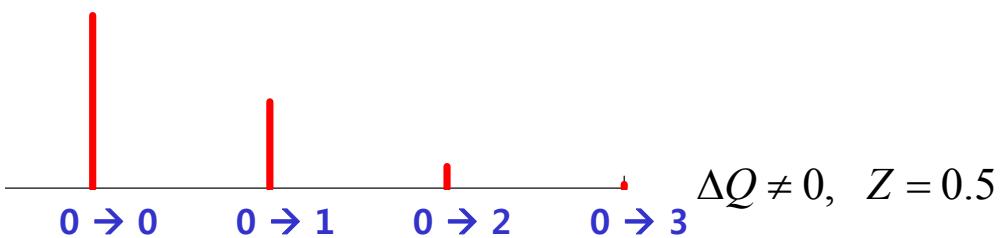
Vibronic intensity distribution :

$$I(n) = \frac{Z^n}{n!} e^{-Z} : \text{Poisson distribution}$$

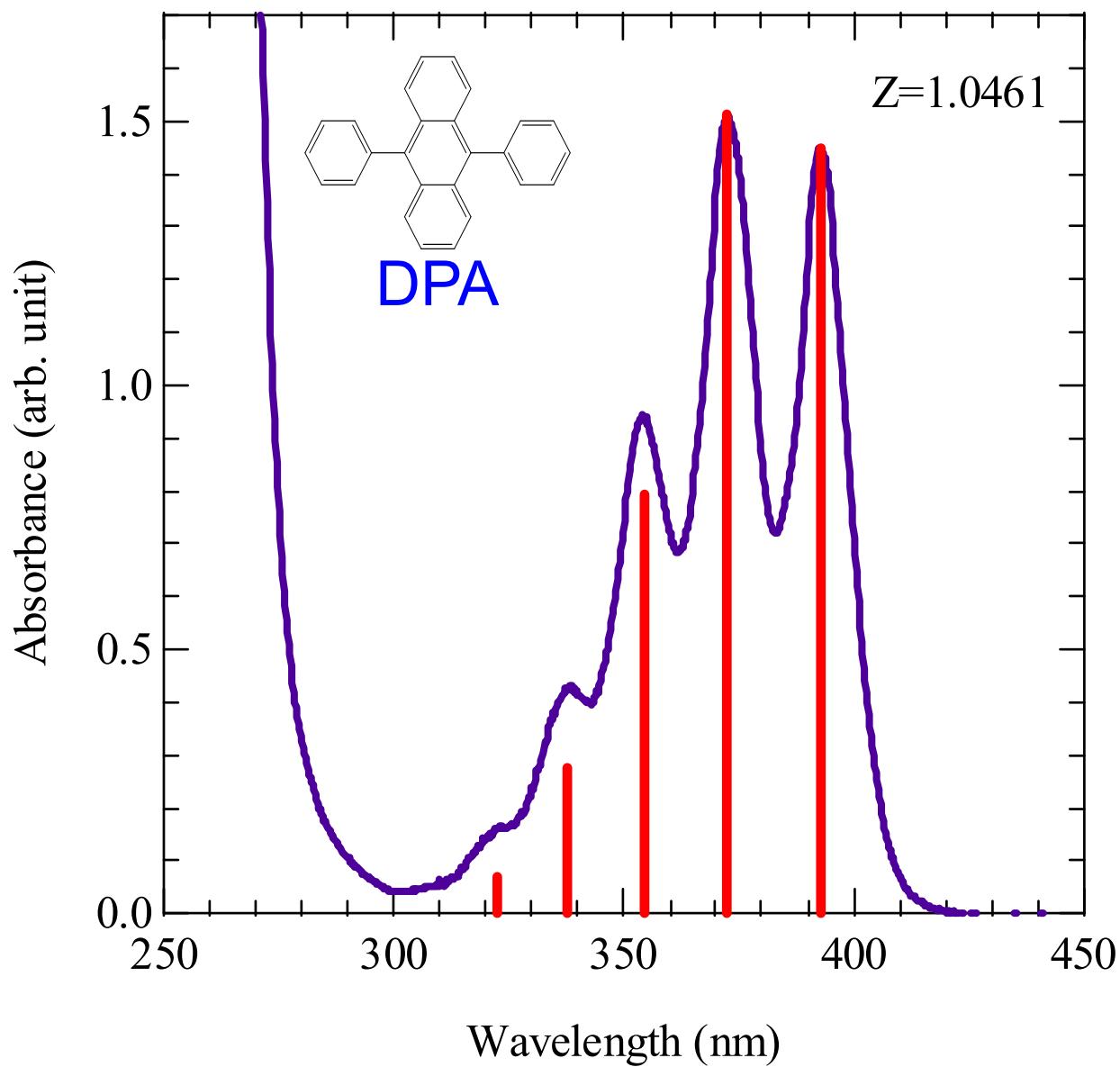


Huang-Rhys parameter :

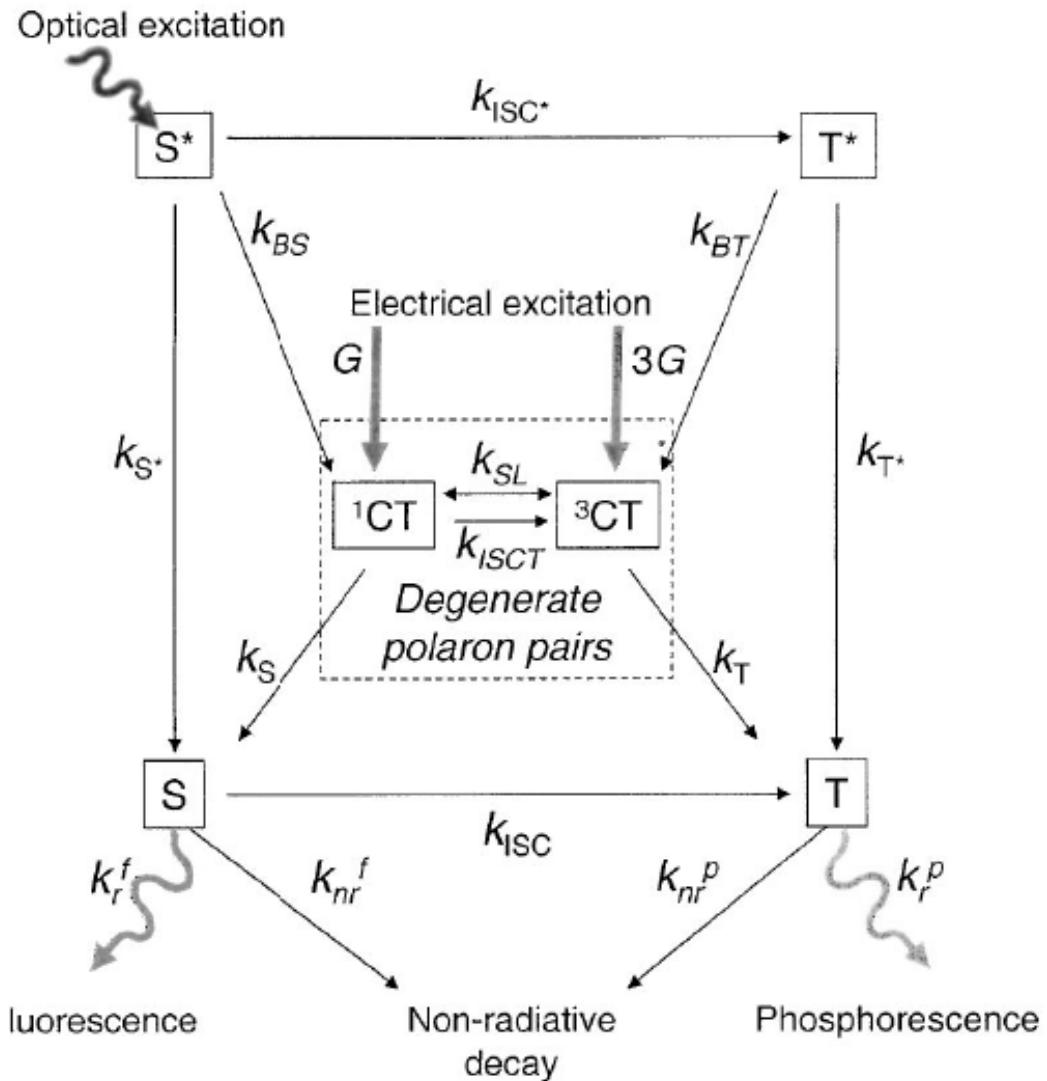
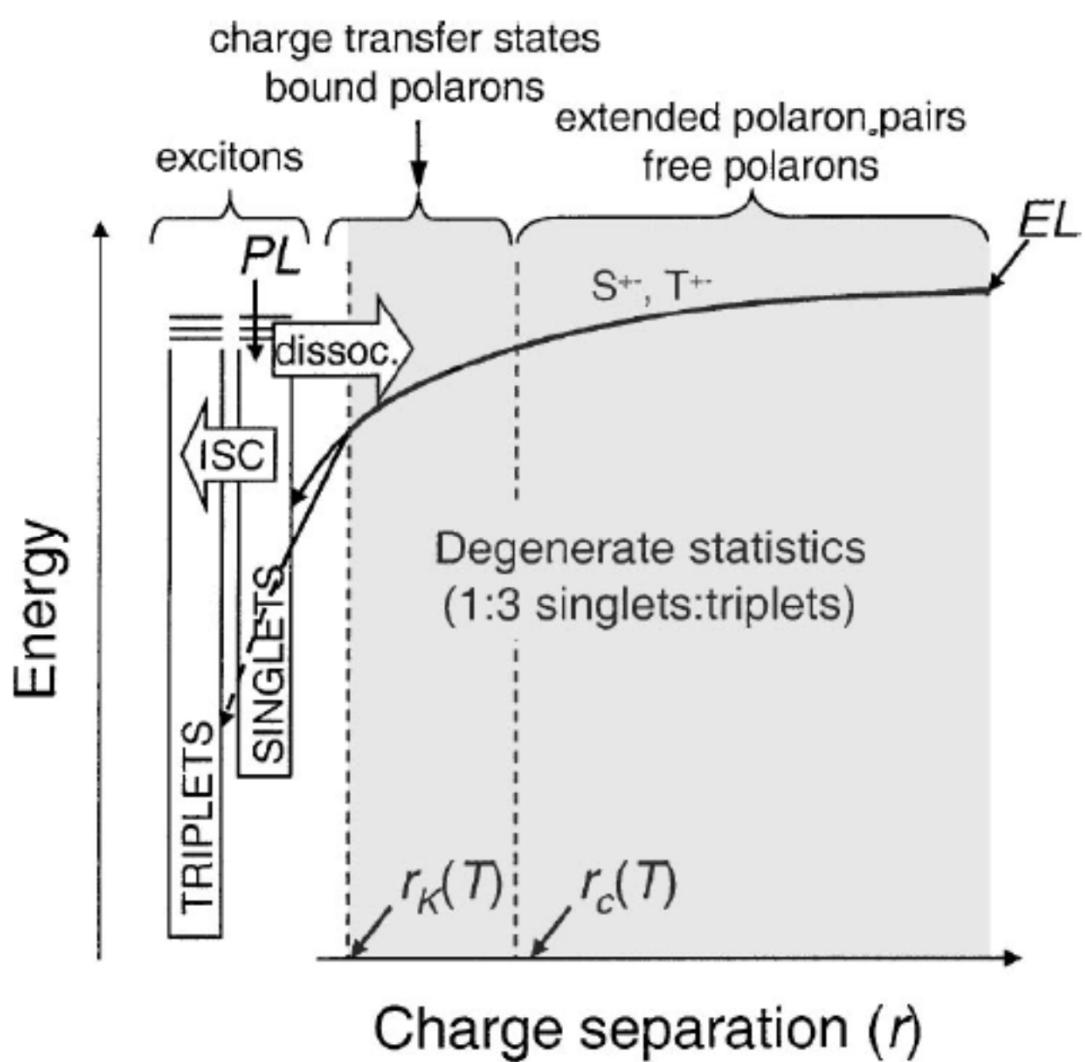
$$Z = \frac{1}{2\hbar\omega} k(\Delta Q)^2 = \frac{M\omega}{2\hbar} (\Delta Q)^2 = \frac{E_a}{\hbar\omega} = n + \frac{1}{2}$$



# Franck-Condon intensity distribution: an example



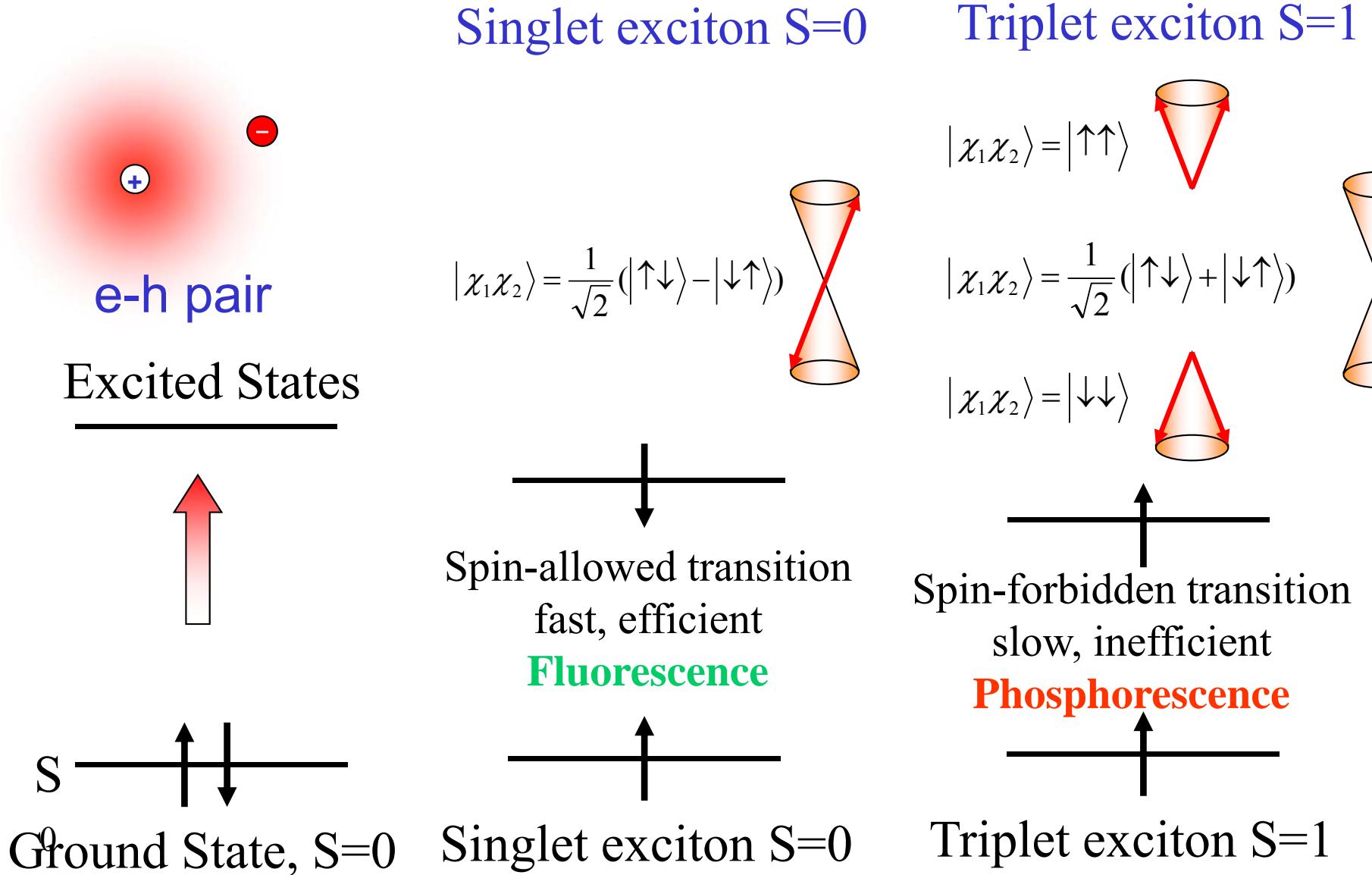
# Exciton formation



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# Singlet & Triplet Excitons

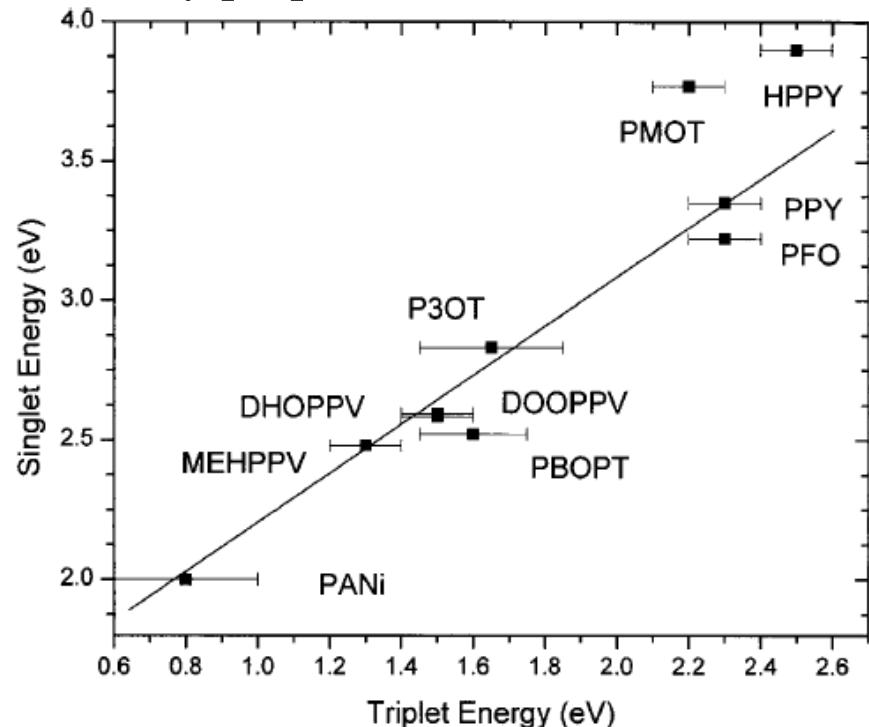


# Energy Difference between Singlet-Triplet Exciton Energy

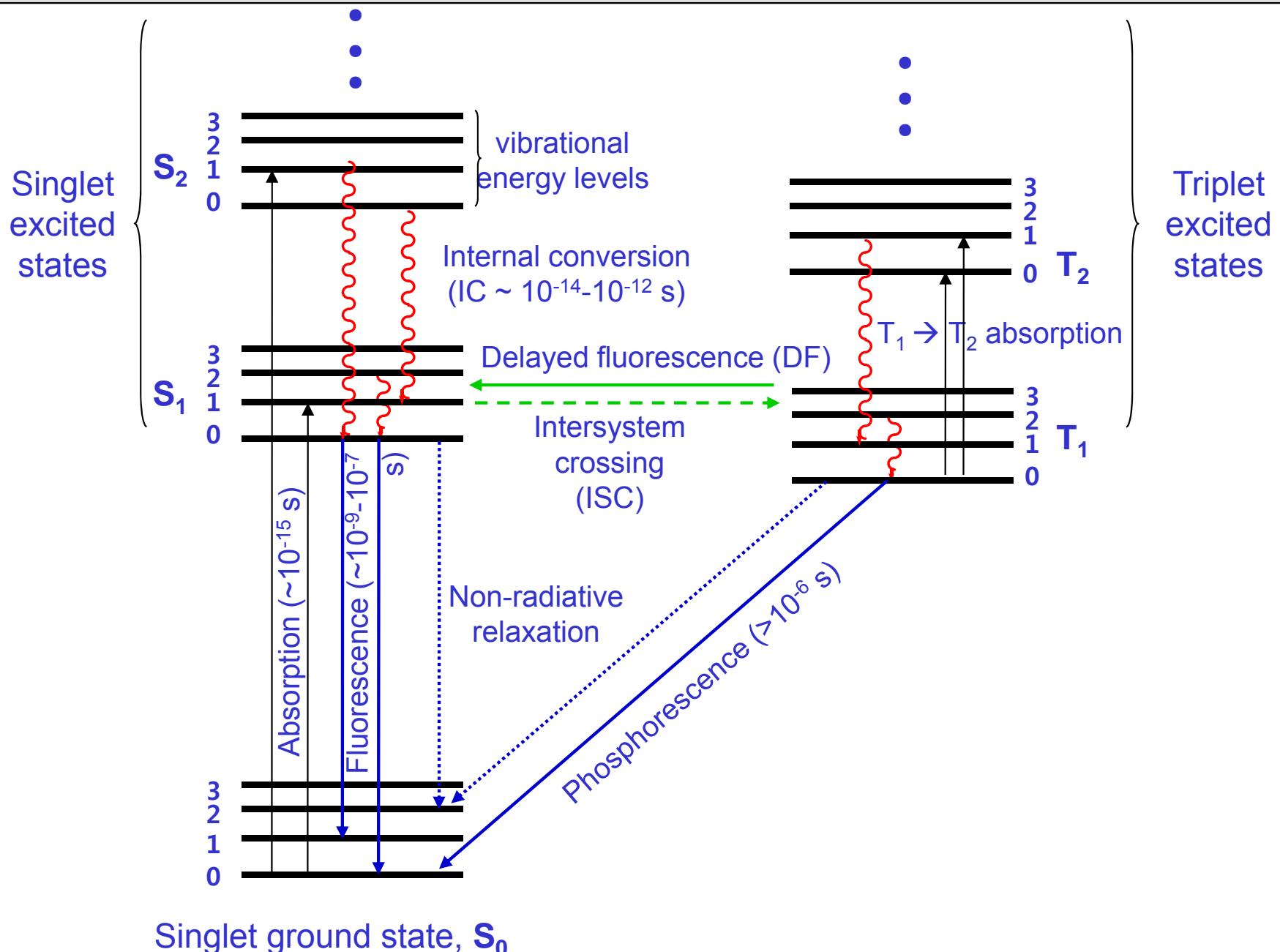
- Triplet state is at lower energy than the singlet state.
- Electrons in singlet state have the antisymmetric spins, thus can have the same position in space, resulting in a large electron-electron repulsion energy.
- Electrons in triplet state have the symmetric spins, thus cannot have the same position in space, reducing the electron-electron repulsion energy.
- The S - T splitting is proportional to orbital overlap and inversely proportional to orbital size.

anthracene:	$S_1 - T_1 = 1.5 \text{ eV}$
tetracene	1.3 eV
pentacene	1.1 eV

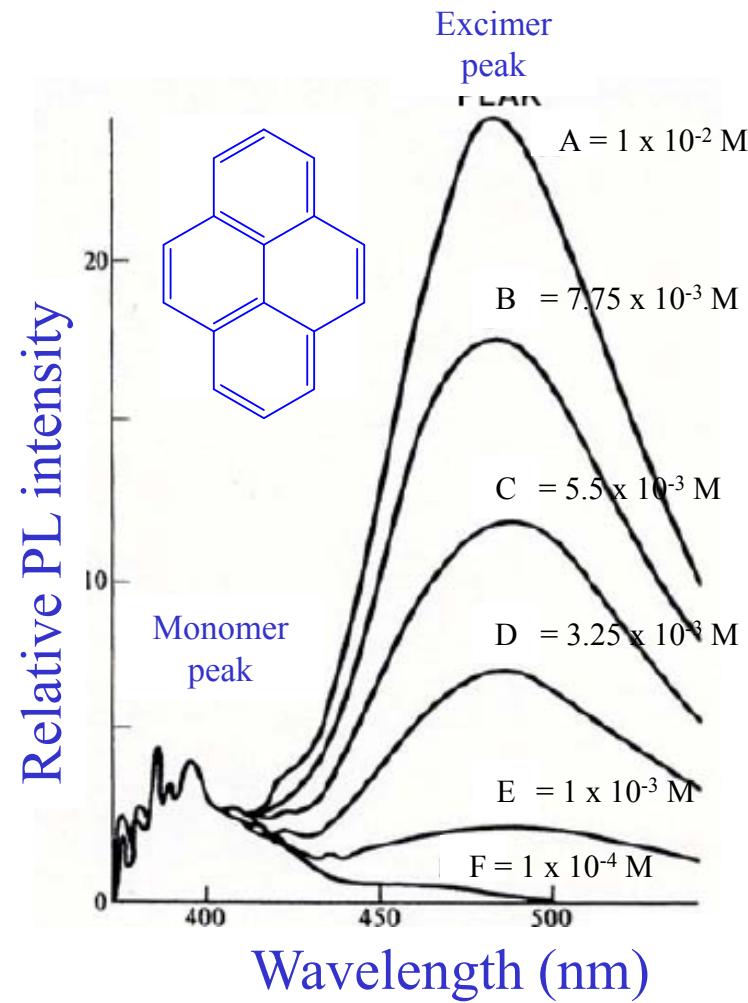
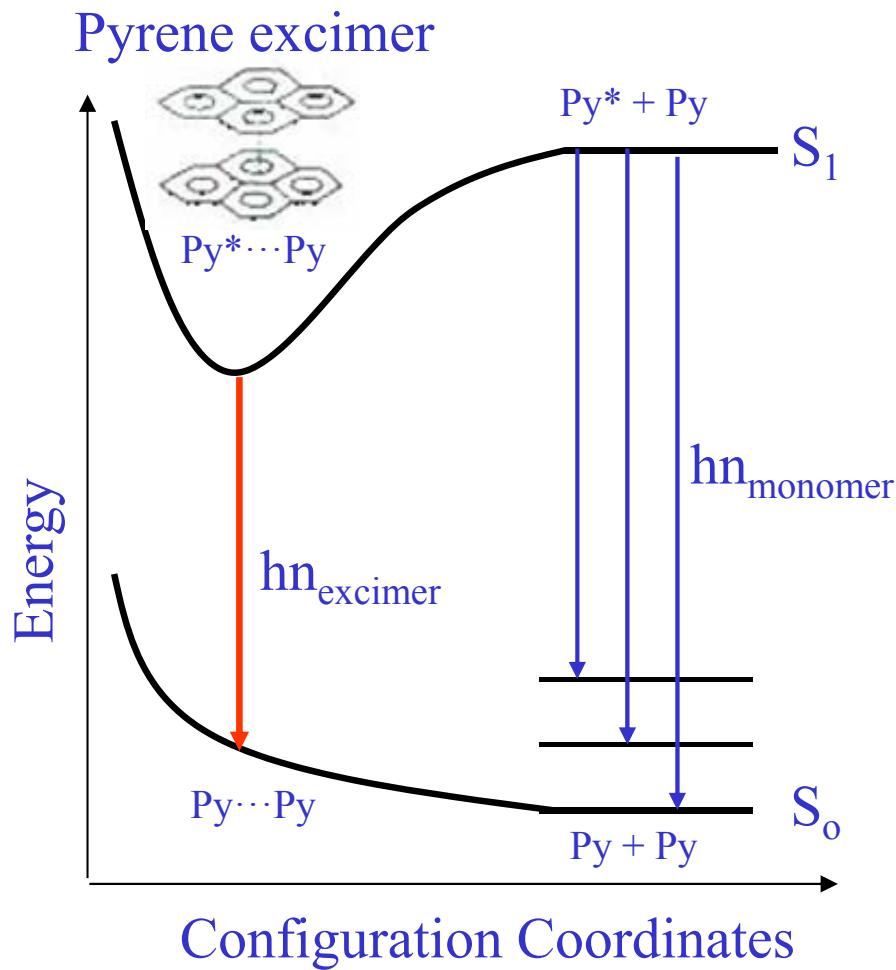
A. Monkman et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **6**, 1358 (2001)



# Jablonski Energy Diagram



# Excimer or Exciplex



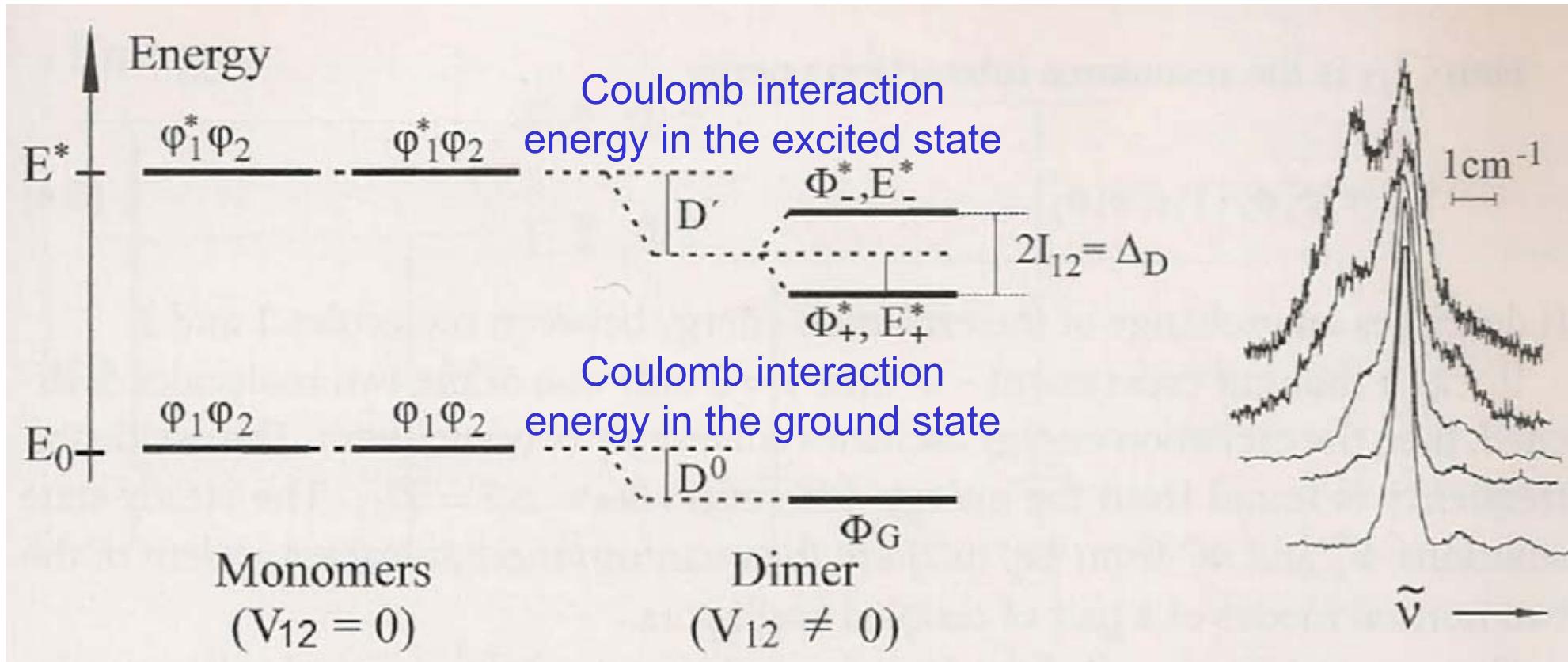
Excited state dimer; Repulsive ground state

Excimer:  $\text{M}+\text{M}^*$

Exciplex:  $\text{D}+\text{A}^*$  or  $\text{D}^*+\text{A}$

- Red shift
- Broad peak with no vibronic structure

# Davydov splitting



$$D' = \langle \phi_1^* \phi_2 | V_{12} | \phi_1^* \phi_2 \rangle = \langle \phi_1 \phi_2^* | V_{12} | \phi_1 \phi_2^* \rangle, \quad D^o = \langle \phi_1 \phi_2 | V_{12} | \phi_1 \phi_2 \rangle$$

$D = D' - D^o$  “Solvent shift” if one of the two molecules is a solvent molecule.

$$E_{\pm}^* = E^* + E_0 + D' \pm I_{12} \quad I_{12} = \langle \phi_1^* \phi_2 | V_{12} | \phi_1 \phi_2^* \rangle \text{ Resonance interaction energy}$$

$$\Delta_D = 2I_{12} \quad \text{Davydov splitting}$$

# Polarization of the optical transition in Davydov components

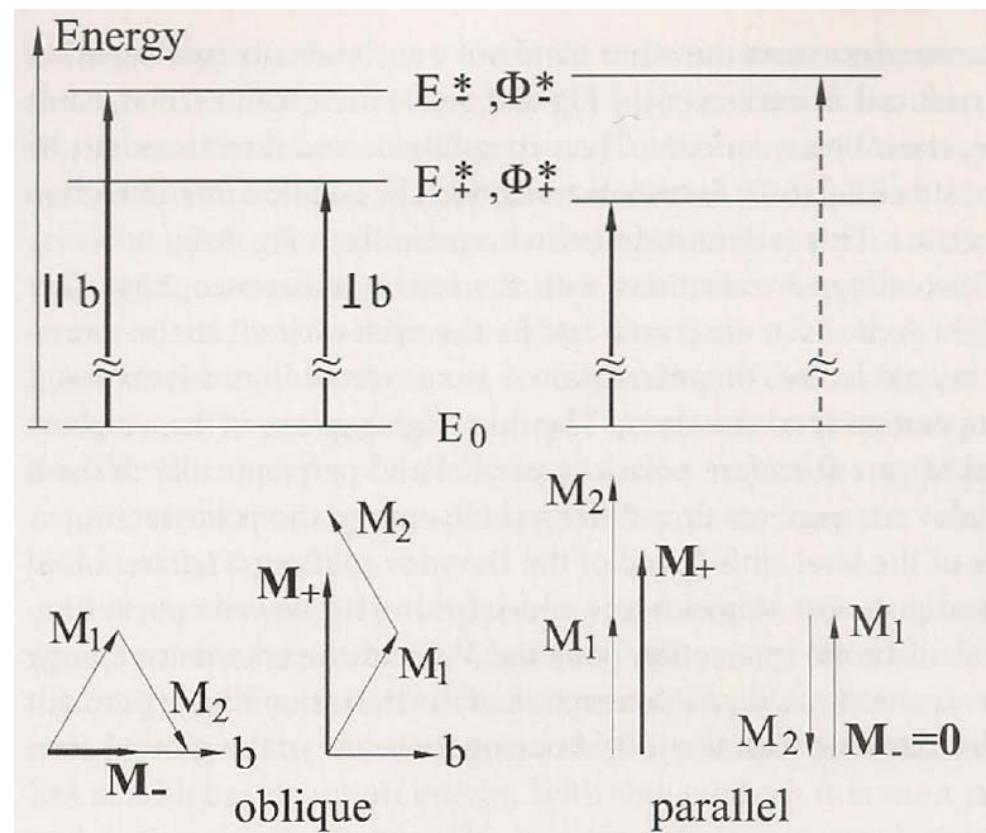
$$M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^1 = \langle \phi_1 | e\vec{r} | \phi_1^* \rangle, M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^2 = \langle \phi_2 | e\vec{r} | \phi_2^* \rangle$$

$$M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^\pm = \langle \Phi_G | e\vec{r} | \phi_\pm^* \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle \phi_1 \phi_2 | e\vec{r} | \phi_1 \phi_2^* \pm \phi_1^* \phi_2 \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\langle \phi_1 \phi_2 | e\vec{r} | \phi_1 \phi_2^* \rangle \pm \langle \phi_1 \phi_2 | e\vec{r} | \phi_1^* \phi_2 \rangle]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^2 \pm M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^1]$$



In the case of parallel orientation of two molecules, only one of the two optical transitions  $S_1 \leftarrow S_0$  of the dimer is allowed.

$$M_+^{Dimer} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} 2M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^1 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} 2M_{S_1 \leftarrow S_0}^2$$

$$M_-^{Dimer} = 0$$

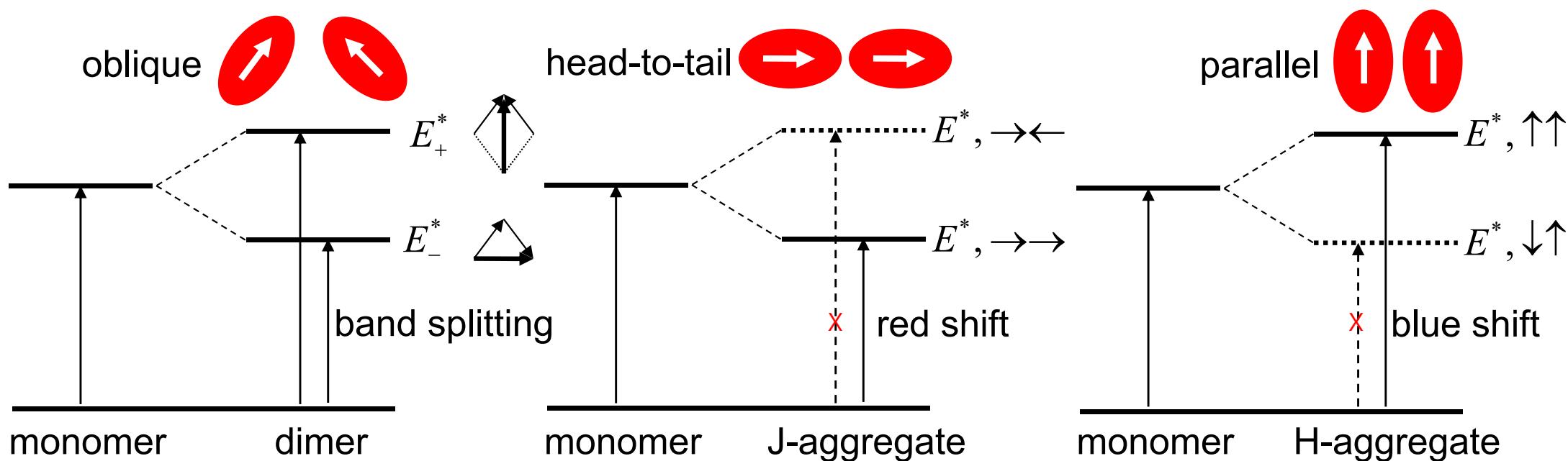
In the case of non-parallel orientation of two molecules, there are two allowed transitions.

# Self-aggregation of dye molecules

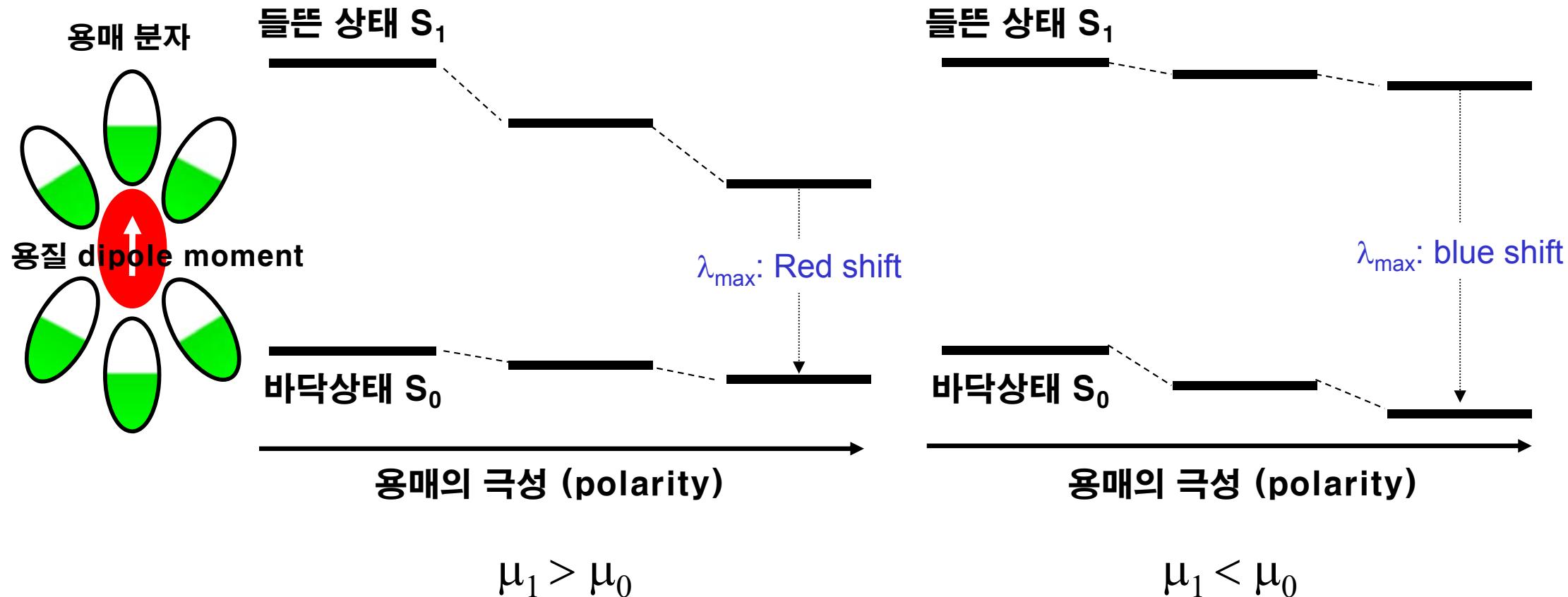
The self-association of dyes in solution or at the solid-liquid interface is a frequently encountered phenomenon owing to strong intermolecular van der Waals-like attractive forces between the molecules.

**J-aggregate** (J for Jelly, one of the first workers who investigated these shifts). Bathochromically shifted (red-shift): E. E. Jelly, *Nature* 1936, 138, 1009.

**H-aggregate** (H for hypsochromic): Hypsochromically shifted (blue-shifted). L. G. S. Brooker, F. L. White, D. W. Heseltine, G. H. Keyes, S. G. Dent, E. J. VanLare, *J. Photogr. Sci.* 1953, 1, 173.



# Host – Dopant Interaction

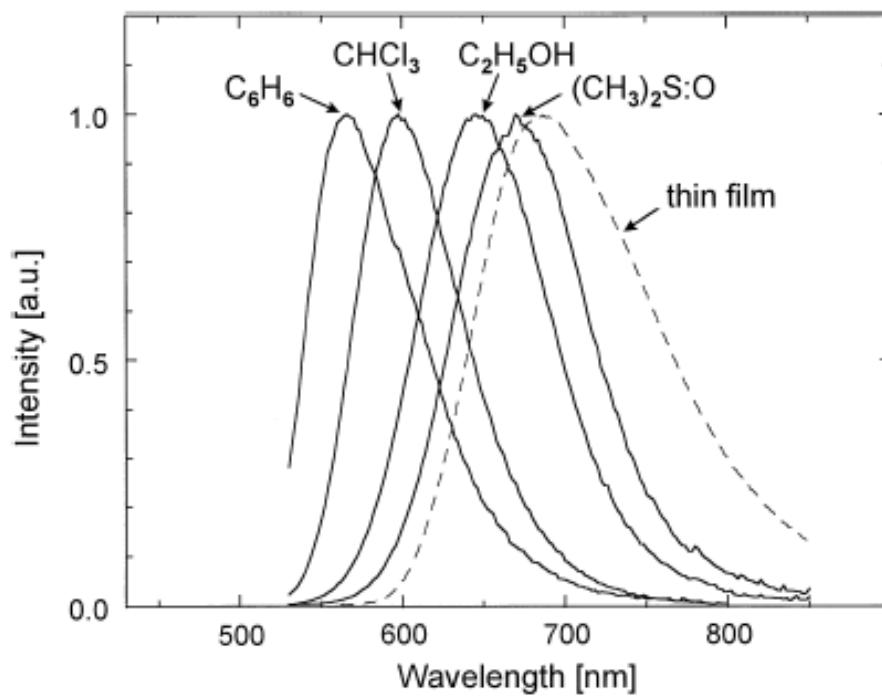
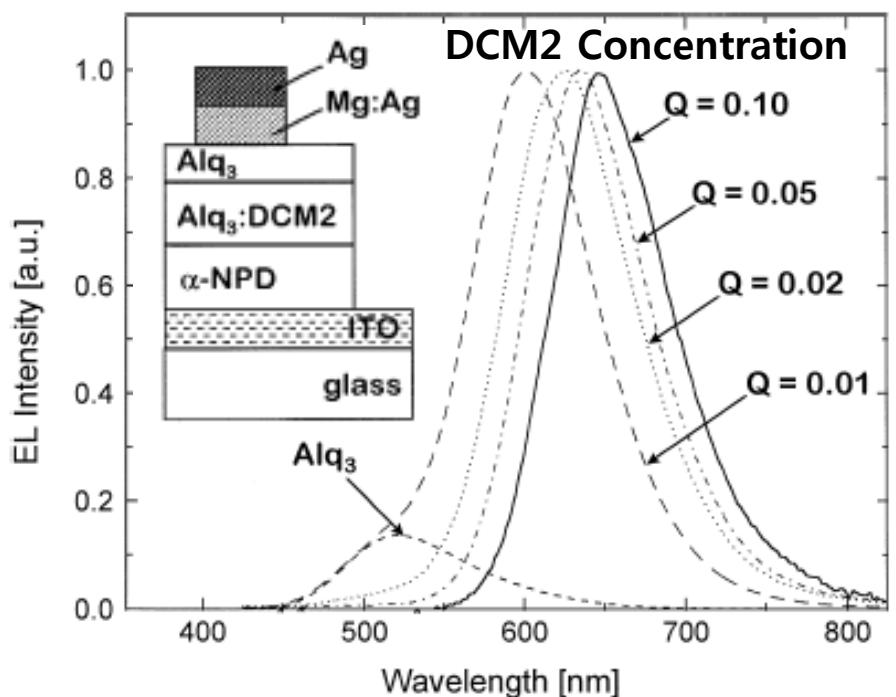
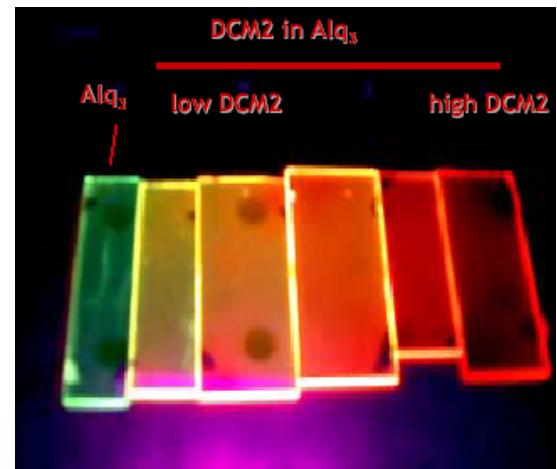
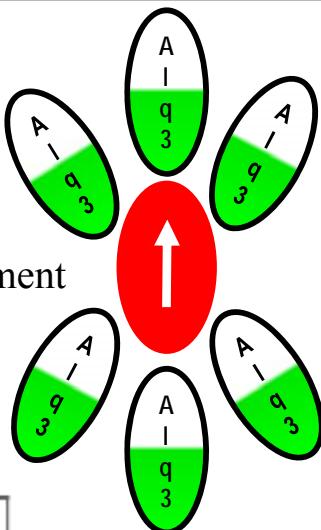


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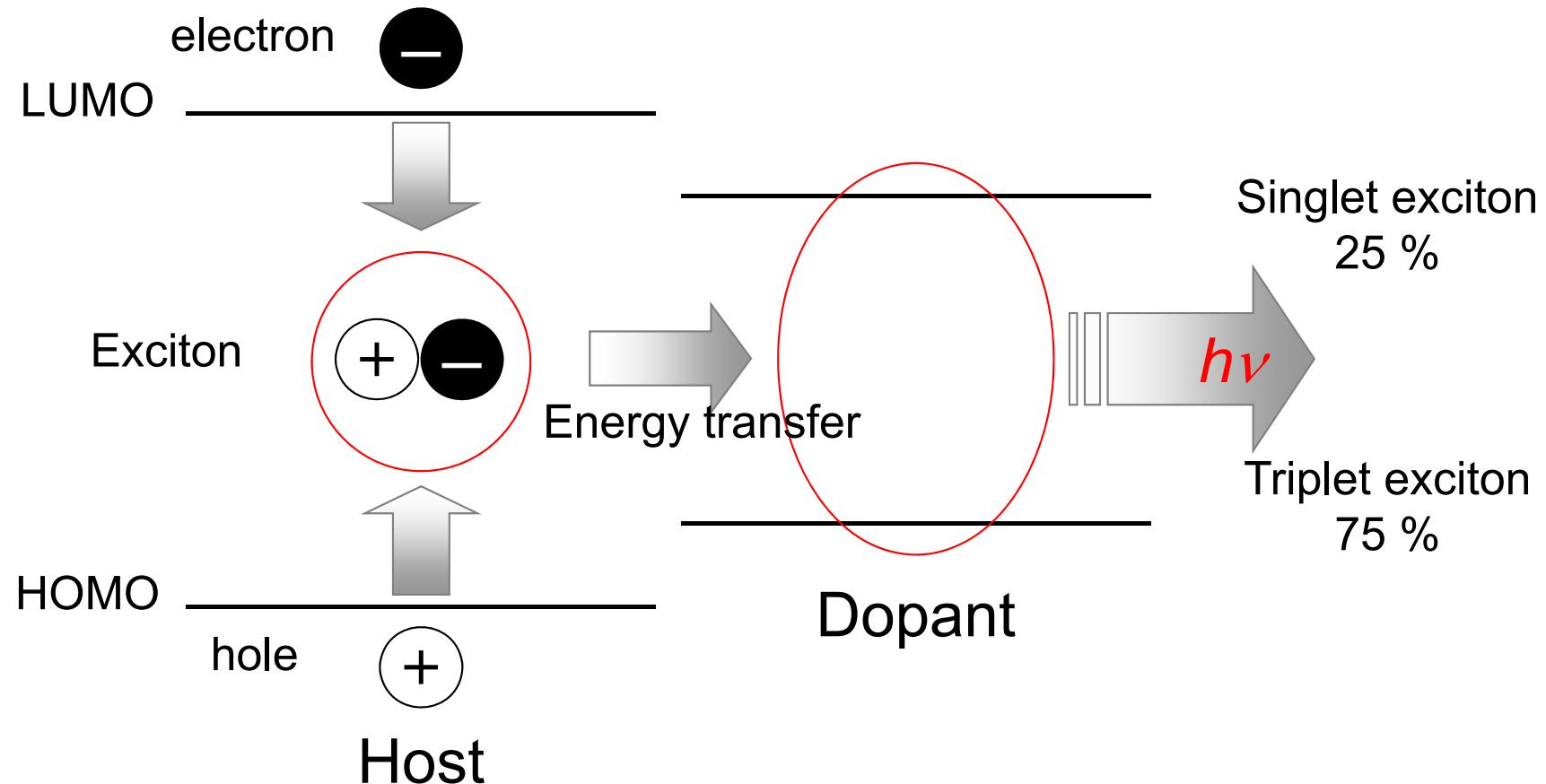
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## Solid state solvation effect



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# Exciton Energy transfer



# Exciton Energy transfer

Förster Transfer Process

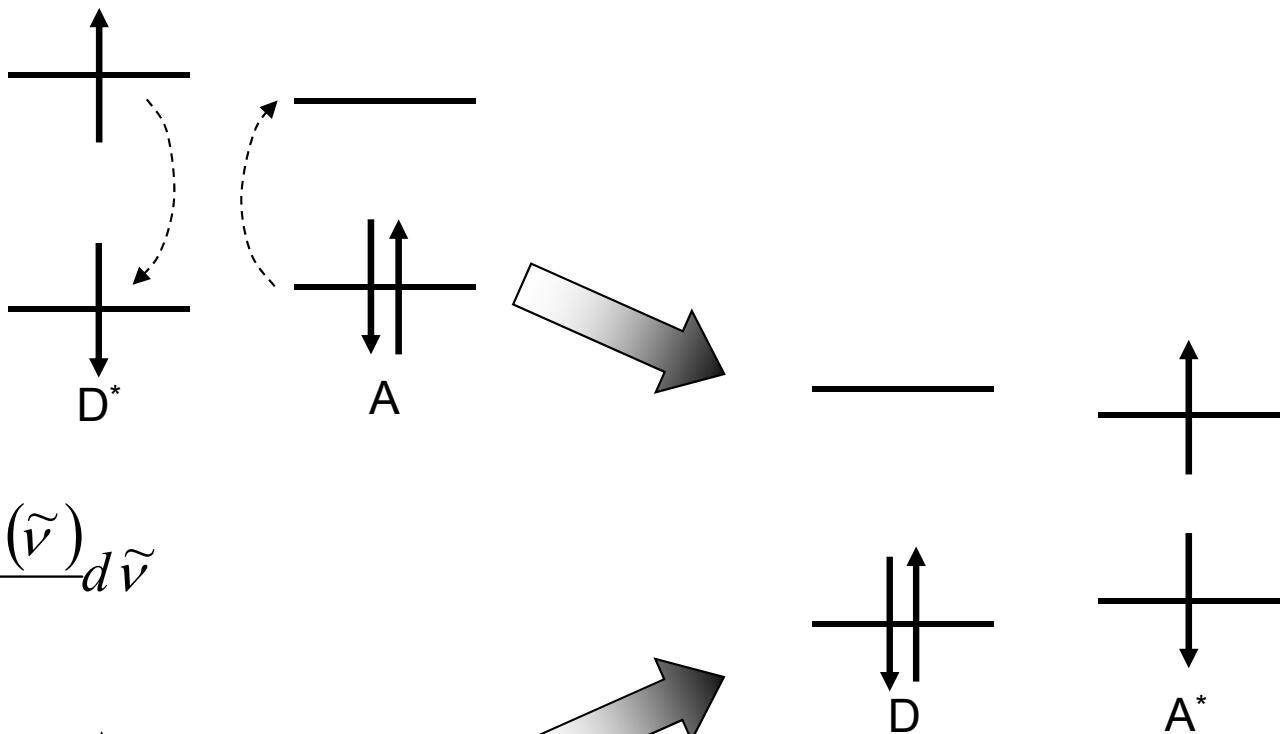
Dipole-dipole interaction

(overlap of PL and Abs spectra)

long range  $\sim 30\text{-}100 \text{ \AA}$

$$k_{D \rightarrow A} = \frac{K^2 J 8.8 \times 10^{-28} \text{ mol}}{n^4 \tau_o r^6}$$

Overlap integral :  $J = \int \frac{\epsilon_A(\tilde{\nu}) \cdot F_D(\tilde{\nu})}{\tilde{\nu}^4} d\tilde{\nu}$



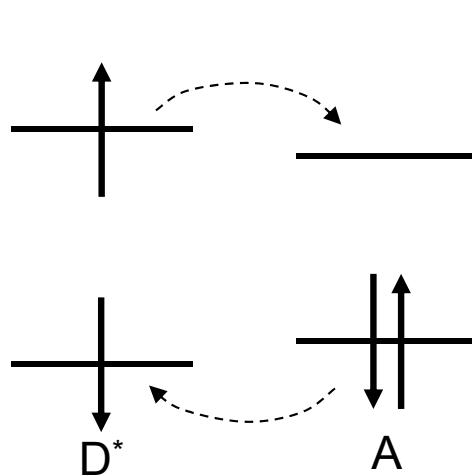
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Electron exchange

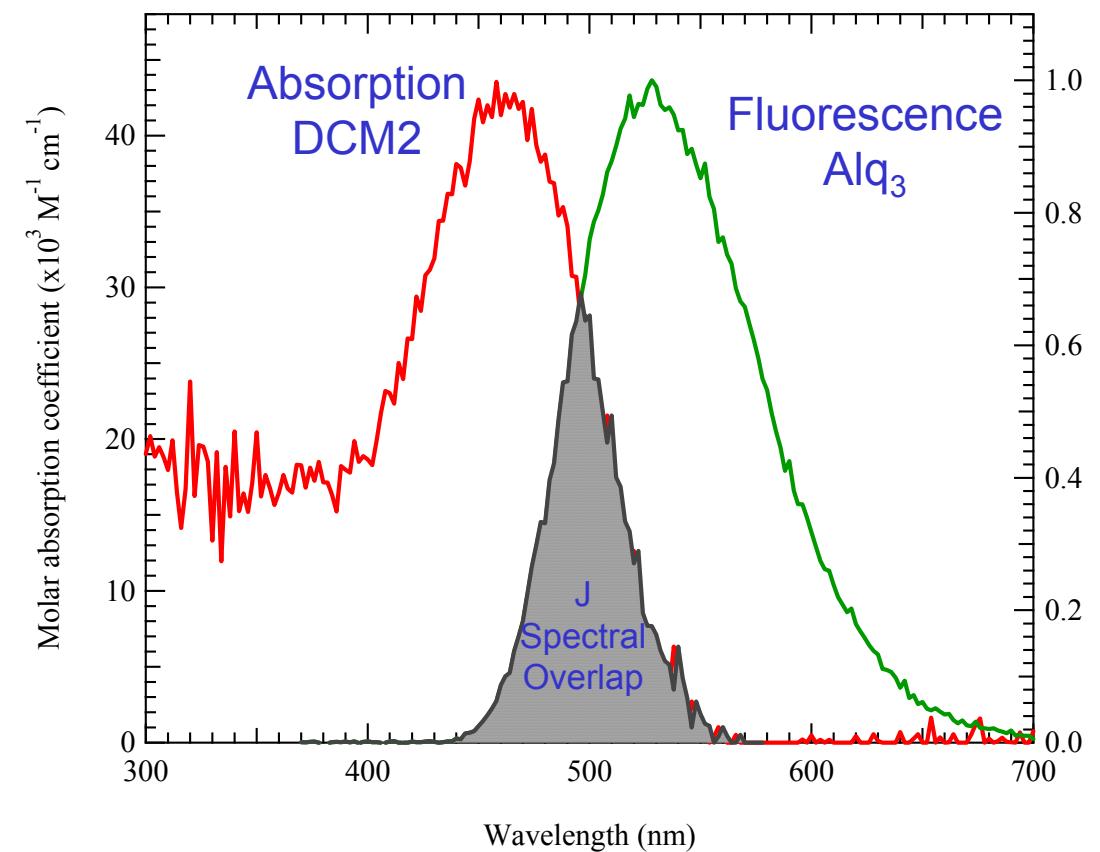
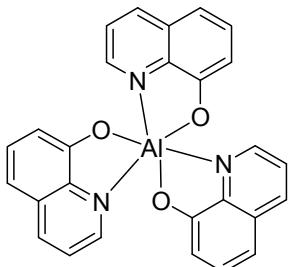
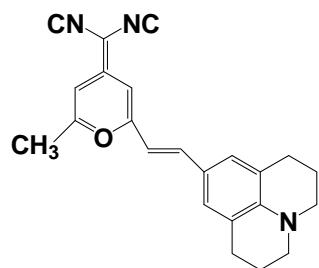
(overlap of wavefunctions)

short range  $\sim 5\text{-}20 \text{ \AA}$

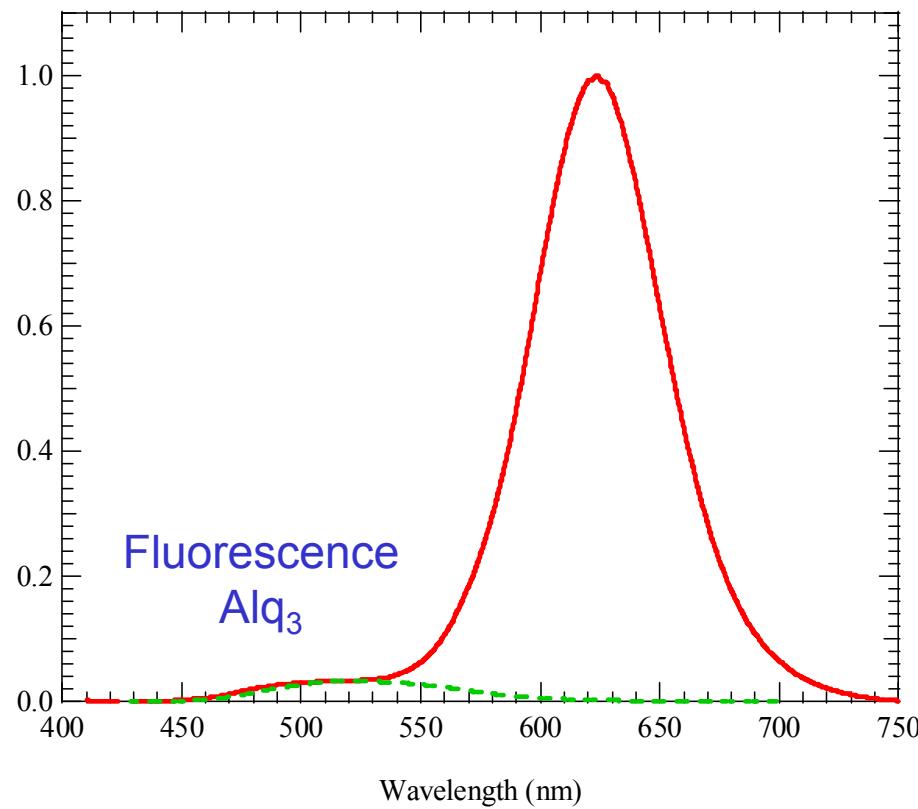
$$k_{ET} \propto \frac{h}{2\pi} P^2 J \exp(-2r/L)$$



# Forster Exciton Energy transfer



Normalized PL (arb. unit)



Fluorescence  
DCM2

Fluorescence  
Alq<sub>3</sub>

# Experimental results of Forster energy transfer

TABLE I. Characteristics of OSLs.

Laser material	Förster radius (Å)	Lasing wavelength (nm)	Lasing threshold <sup>a</sup> (μJ/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Operating lifetime at $P = 500 \mu\text{J}/\text{cm}^2$ (No. of pump laser pulses)	Differential quantum efficiency <sup>b</sup> (%)
Alq <sub>3</sub> :DCM	32	615–660	3	$> 10^6$	30%
Alq <sub>3</sub> :DCM2	39	655–700	2.5	$> 10^5$	30%
Alq <sub>3</sub> :rhodamine 6G	41	610–625	35	$10^3$	— <sup>c</sup>
Alq <sub>3</sub> :pyromethane 546	38	560	15	$> 10^5$	5%
CBP:perylene	28	485	5	$> 10^5$	15%
CBP:coumarin 47	30	460	15	$10^3$	— <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Lasing thresholds are for 5 mm long slab waveguide OSLs.

<sup>b</sup>Differential quantum efficiencies are for 1 mm long slab waveguide OSls.

<sup>c</sup>Not measured due to rapid degradation.

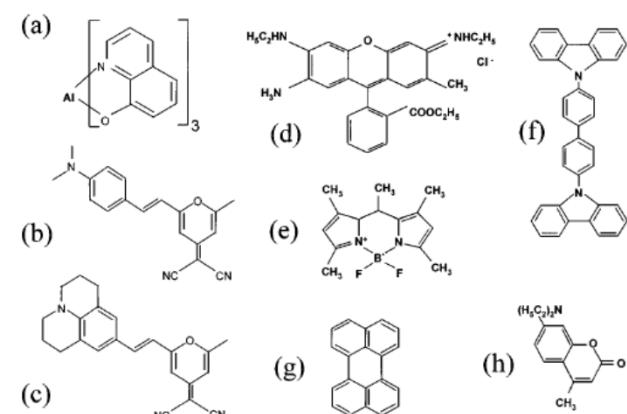
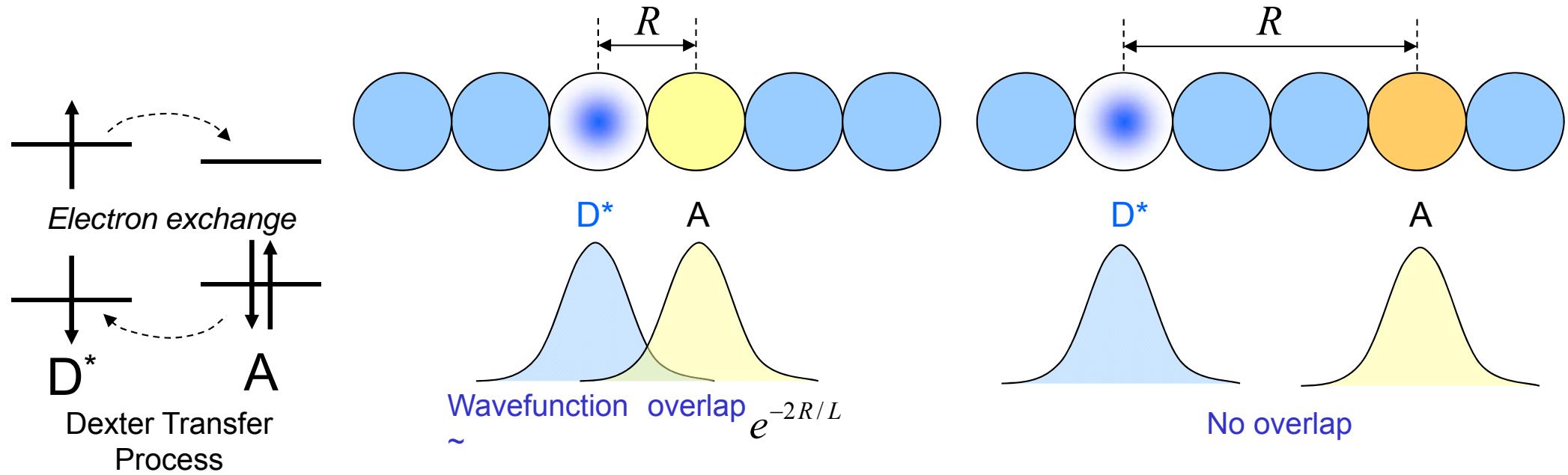


FIG. 1. Chemical structure formulas of (a) Alc., (b) DCM, (c) DCM2, (d) shadamine-6G, (e) curramethane, (f) CRB, (g) naphthalene, (h) coumarin-47.

V. G. Kozlov, V. Bulovic, P. E. Burrows, M. Baldo, V. B. Khalfin, G. Parthasarathy, S. R. Forrest, Y. You and M. E. Thompson, *J. Appl. Phys.* **84** (8), 4096 (1998)

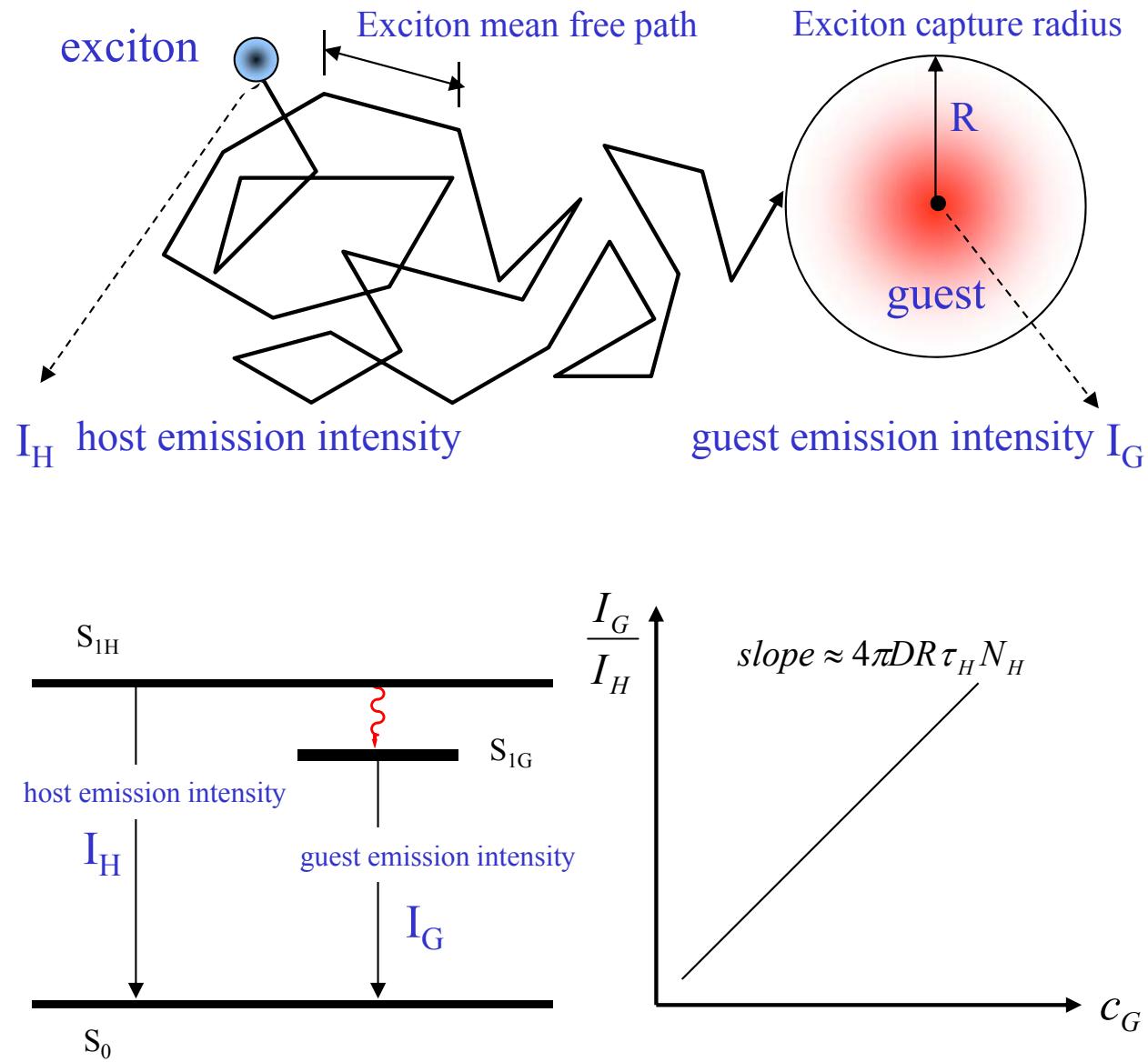
# Dexter Exciton Energy transfer



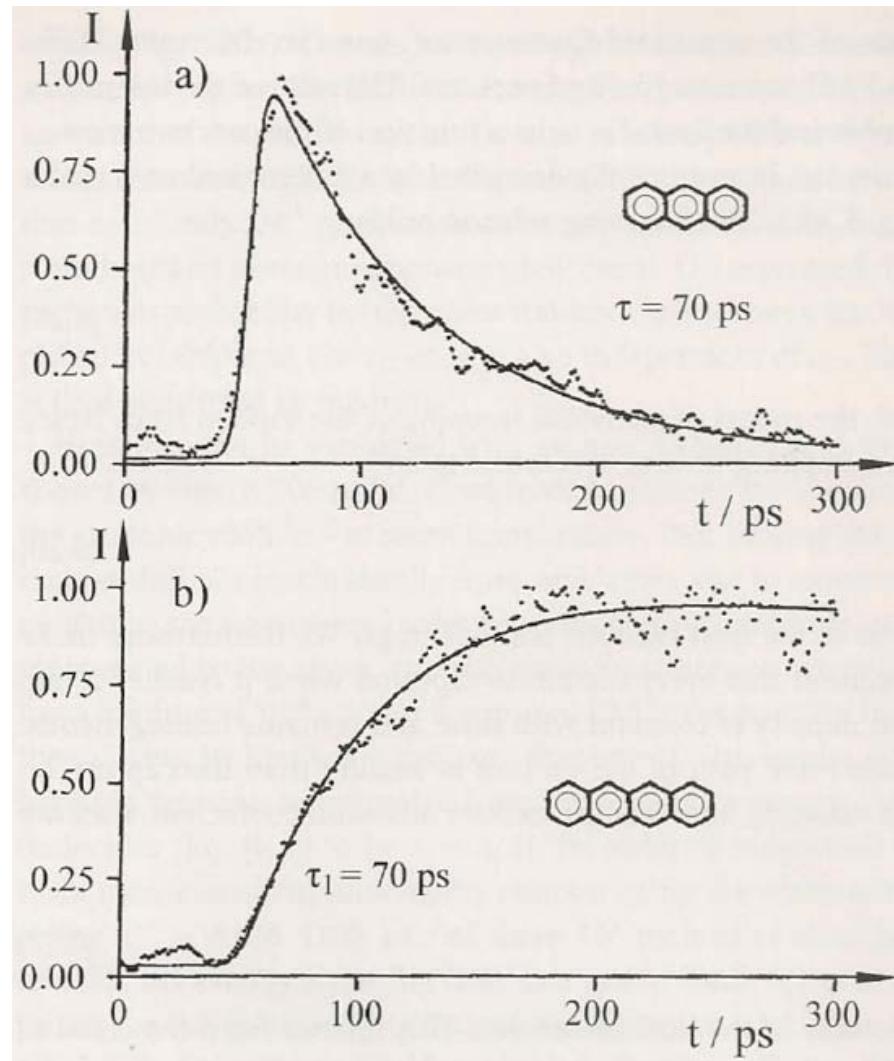
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# Exciton diffusion length



## Sensitized fluorescence



# Exciton diffusion lengths of organic semiconductor thin films

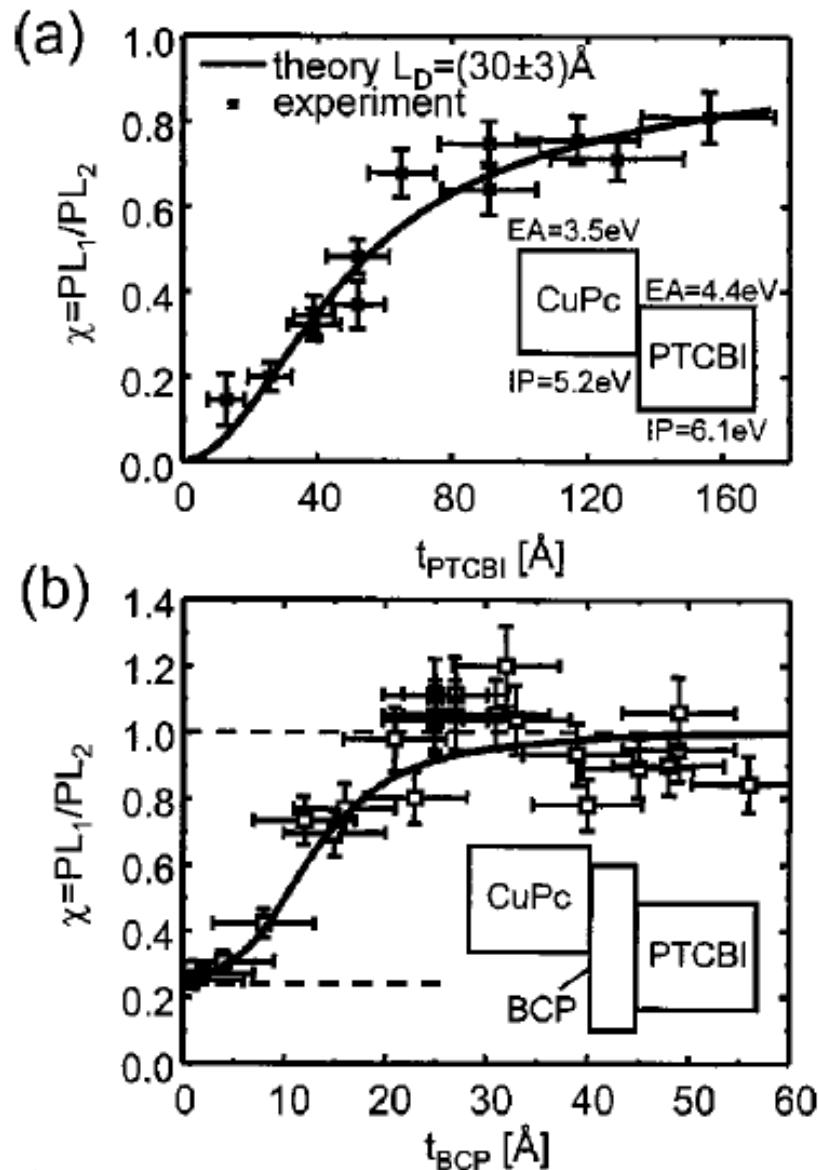


TABLE II. Reported exciton diffusion lengths.

Material <sup>a</sup>	$L_D$ (Å)	Technique	Ref.
Small molecule systems			
PTCBI	$30 \pm 3$	PL quenching	This work
PTCDA	$880 \pm 60$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	30
PPEI	$\sim 700$	PL quenching <sup>b</sup>	91
CuPc	$100 \pm 30$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	This work
ZnPc	$680 \pm 200$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	92
$C_60$	$300 \pm 100$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	93
$Alq_3$	$400 \pm 50$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	This work
	141	from $\eta_{EQE}$	26
	200		94
	$\sim 200$		95
Polymer systems			
PPV	$70 \pm 10$	from $\eta_{EQE}$	31
PEOPT	$120 \pm 30$	from $\eta_{EQE}$ <sup>c</sup>	92
	47	from $\eta_{EQE}$	26
	50	PL quenching	96

<sup>a</sup>PPEI=perylene bis(phenethylimide),  $Alq_3$ =tris(8-hydroxyquinoline) aluminum. Other abbreviations are defined in Table I.

<sup>b</sup>Using the result for the  $SnO_2$  quenching surface and assuming infinite surface recombination velocity. The results leading to  $L_D^{PPEI} = 2.5 \pm 0.5 \mu m$  are likely influenced by quencher diffusion and morphological changes during solvent vapor assisted annealing.

<sup>c</sup>Optical interference effects not considered.

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# Exciton diffusion lengths of organic semiconductor thin films

TABLE I. Calculated quenching layer Förster radii ( $R_Q$ ) and diffusion lengths ( $L_D$ ) for singlet (S) and triplet (T) excitons of crystalline (C.) and amorphous (Amorph.) films.

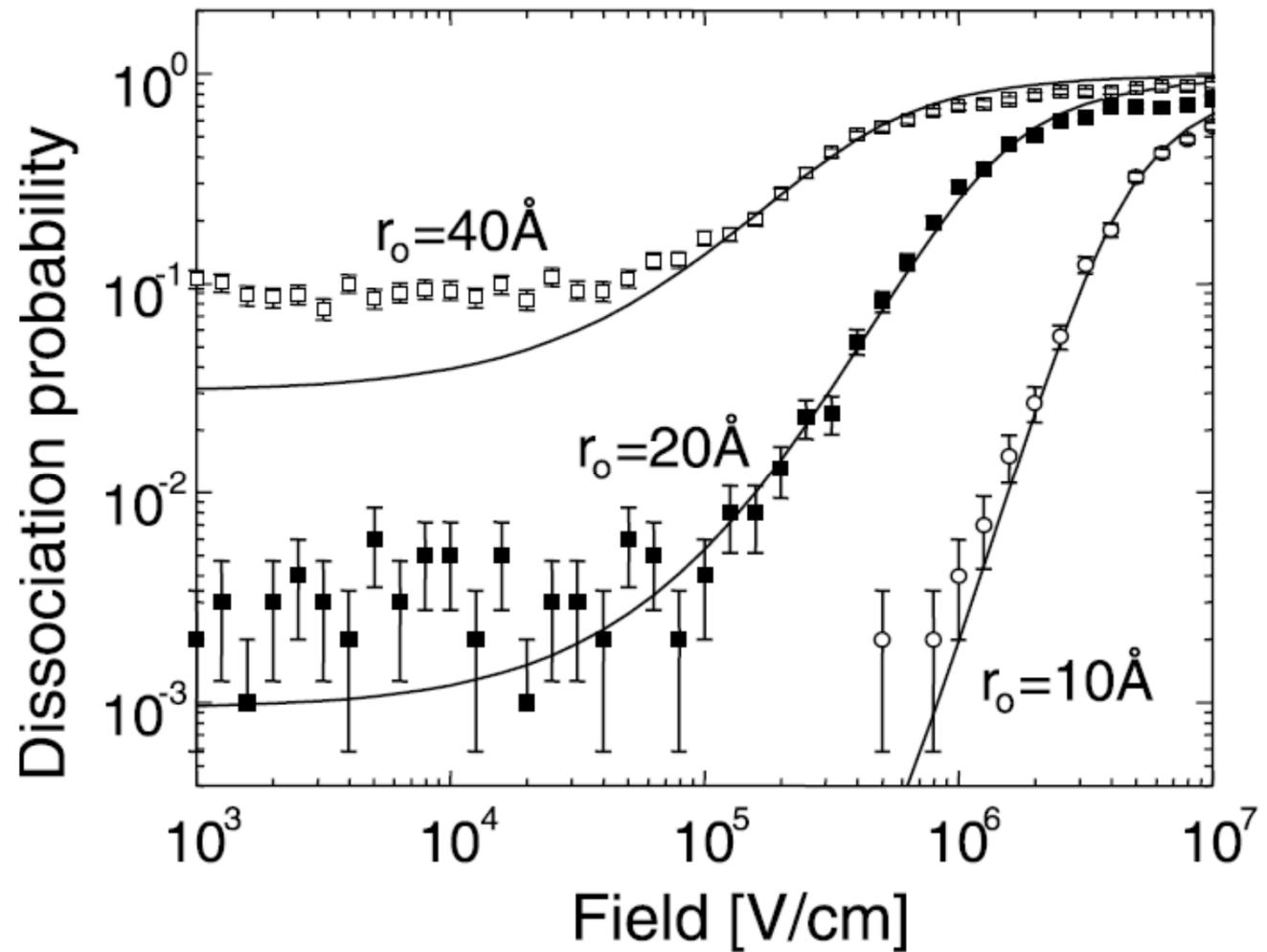
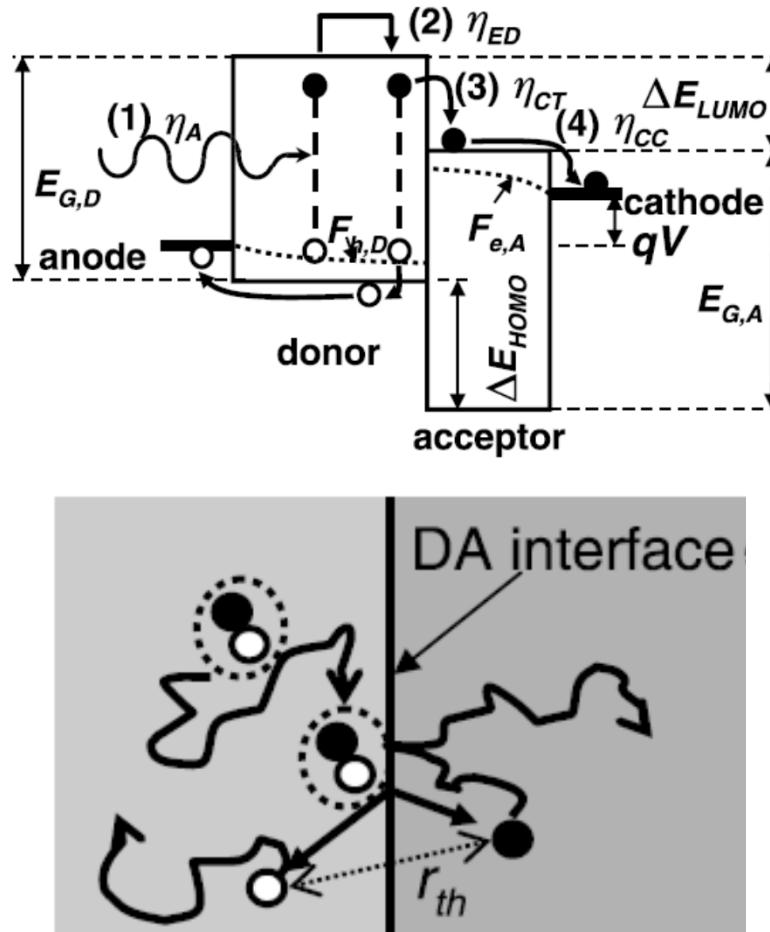
Material	Exciton	Crystallinity (Orientation)	Quenching/Blocking Layers	$R_Q$ with C <sub>60</sub> (nm)	$L_D$ (nm)
NPD	S	Amorph.	C <sub>60</sub> /BCP	2.4	5.1 ( $\pm 1.0$ ) <sup>a</sup>
CBP	S	Amorph.	C <sub>60</sub> (or NTCDA)/Bare	2.7	16.8 ( $\pm 0.8$ ) <sup>a</sup>
SubPc	S	Amorph.	C <sub>60</sub> /Bare	1.1	8.0 ( $\pm 0.3$ )
PTCDA	S	C.-55 nm (flat)	C <sub>60</sub> (or NPD)/NTCDA	0.9	10.4 ( $\pm 1.0$ )
DIP	S	C.->150 nm (upright)	C <sub>60</sub> /Bare	1.2	16.5 ( $\pm 0.4$ )
DIP	S	C.-30 nm (flat)	C <sub>60</sub> /Bare	1.2	21.8 ( $\pm 0.6$ )
PtOEP	T-Mon.	C.->150 nm (upright)	C <sub>60</sub> /BCP	0.6	18.0 ( $\pm 0.6$ )
PtOEP	T-Dim.	C.->150 nm (upright)	C <sub>60</sub> /BCP	0.6	13.1 ( $\pm 0.5$ )

<sup>a</sup>Corrected for energy transfer to the quenching layer.

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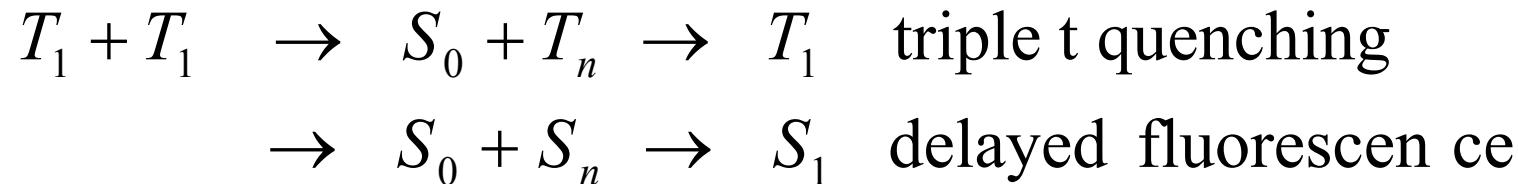
# Probability of exciton dissociation at D/A heterojunction



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# Delayed fluorescence by triplet excitons

Annihilation of two triplet excitons



Strong excitation

$$I_P \propto \sqrt{\alpha I_E}$$

$$I_{DF} \propto \alpha I_E$$

Weak excitation

$$I_P \propto \alpha I_E$$

$$I_{DF} \propto (\alpha I_E)^2$$

Intensity of the delayed fluorescence:  $I_{DF} = k_r [S_1] = \Phi_F \frac{1}{2} f \gamma_{tot} [T_1]^2$

where  $k_r$  is the rate constant for the radiative decay of the singlet states,  $[S_1]$  is the density of the  $S_1$  states,  $\Phi_F$  is the quantum efficiency of the fluorescence,  $f$  is the fraction of the triplet-triplet annihilations that leads to a singlet exciton,  $\gamma_{tot}$  is the total bimolecular annihilation (fusion) rate constant, and the factor of 1/2 occurs since the disappearance of the two triplets results in only one singlet.

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# Delayed fluorescence by triplet excitons

The time evolution of the concentration of the triplet state  $[T_1]$  after the excitation light was turned off ( $t=0$ ) is given by

$$\frac{d[T_1]}{dt} = -k_T [T_1] - \gamma_{tot} [T_1]^2$$

At very high triplet concentrations,

$$\frac{d[T_1]}{dt} \approx -\gamma_{tot} [T_1]^2 \Rightarrow [T_1]^{-1} \approx \gamma_{tot} t. \quad \therefore I_{DF}(t) \propto [T_1]^2 \propto \frac{1}{t^2}.$$

After some time or by using a less-intense excitation light, the second term can be neglected due to the small triplet concentration ( $k_T [T_1] \gg \gamma_{tot} [T_1]^2$ ). The decay time of the DF intensity is half of the correlated triplet lifetime  $\tau_T$ .

$$\frac{d[T_1]}{dt} \approx -k_T [T_1] \Rightarrow [T_1] \approx e^{-k_T t} = e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_T}}$$

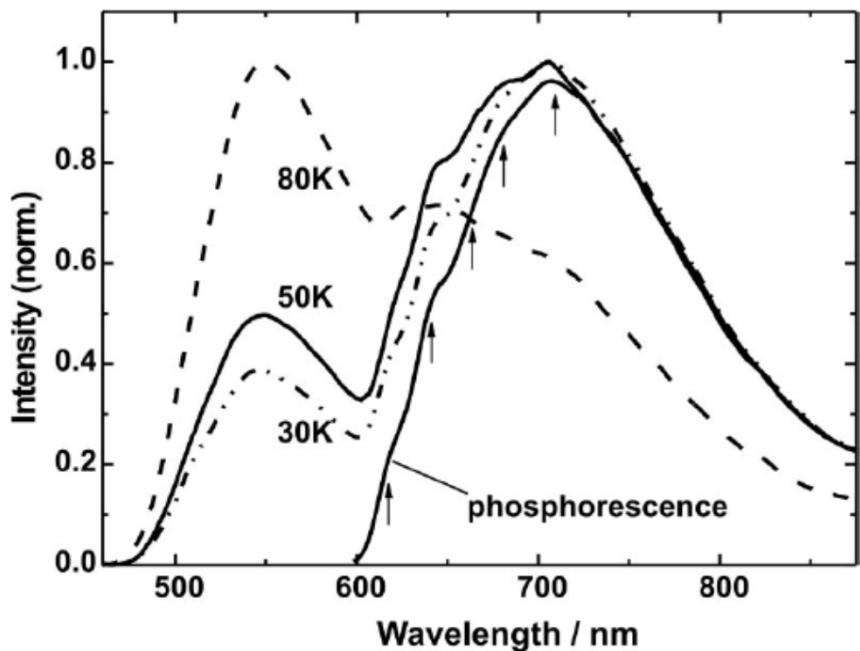
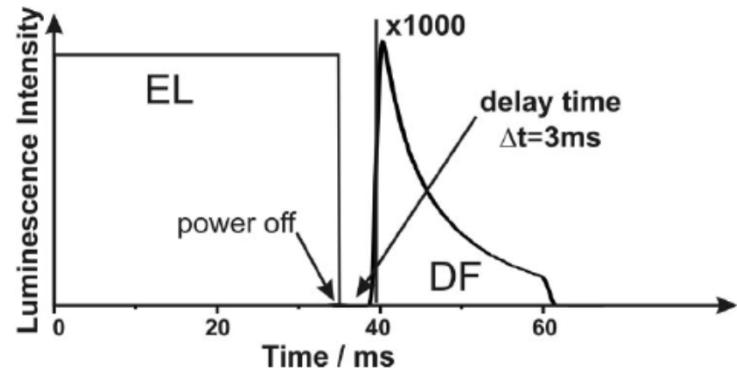
$$\therefore I_{DF}(t) \propto [T_1]^2 \propto e^{-\frac{2t}{\tau_T}} = e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{DF}}}.$$

$$\boxed{\tau_{DF} = \frac{\tau_T}{2}}$$

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# Delayed Fluorescence in Alq<sub>3</sub>

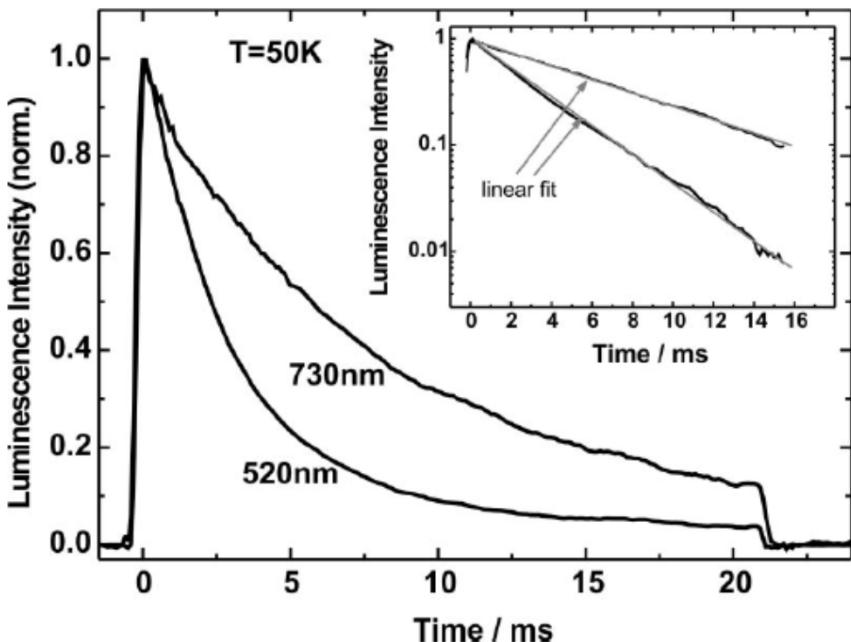


Delayed EL spectra of Alq<sub>3</sub> taken after the end of the voltage pulse ( $Dt=3\text{ ms}$ ) at 30, 50, and 80 K.

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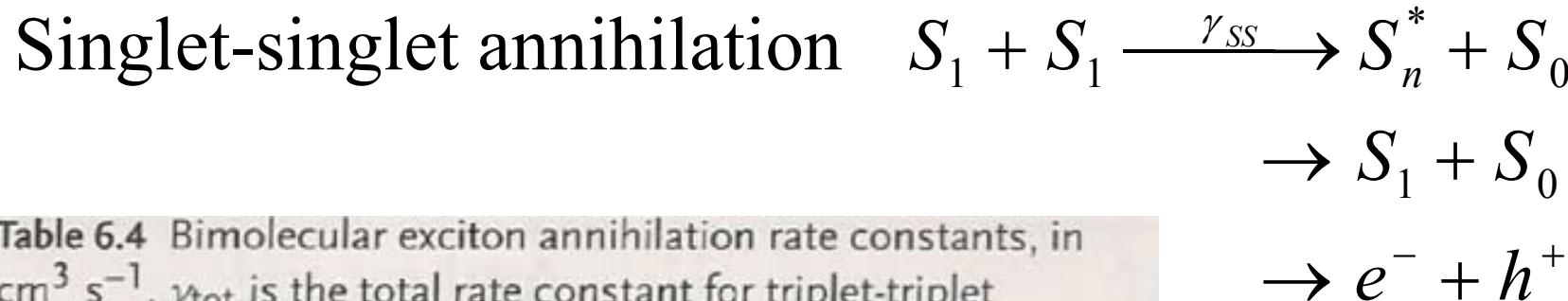
	$\tau_{DF}$	$\tau_0 (=2\tau_{DF})$	$\tau_{700}$	$\rho_{700}/\tau_{DF}$
$\alpha$ -Alq <sub>3</sub>	$6.6 \pm 0.5$	$13.2 \pm 1$	$13.6 \pm 0.5$	2.05
Yellowish-green	$7.8 \pm 0.5$	$15.6 \pm 1$	$16.2 \pm 0.5$	2.08
$\delta$ -Alq <sub>3</sub>	$6.2 \pm 0.5$	$12.4 \pm 1$	$13.2 \pm 0.5$	2.13
Film	$4.33 \pm 0.5$	$8.66 \pm 1$	$9.3 \pm 0.5$	2.15

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Transient intensity of the delayed luminescence detected at 520 and 730 nm, measured at a temperature of 50 K.

# Singlet-triplet and singlet-singlet annihilation

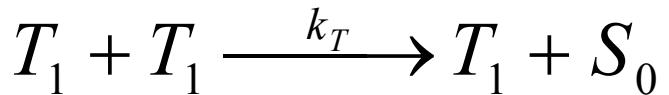


**Table 6.4** Bimolecular exciton annihilation rate constants, in  $\text{cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .  $\gamma_{\text{tot}}$  is the total rate constant for triplet-triplet annihilation,  $\gamma_{\text{ST}}$  the rate constant for quenching of the  $S_1$  emission through singlet-triplet reactions, and  $\gamma_{\text{SS}}$  is the rate of singlet-singlet annihilation. From [M1] and [M4]. Further references can be found there.

	$\gamma_{\text{tot}}$	$\gamma_{\text{ST}}$	$\gamma_{\text{SS}}$
Anthracene	$2 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-8}$
Naphthalene	$3 \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-10}$



# Triplet – Triplet (T – T) Annihilation



Rate equation for the triplet-triplet annihilation

$$\frac{dn_T}{dt} = -\frac{n_T}{\tau} - k_T n_T^2 + \frac{J}{qd}$$

1) transient  $t > 0, J(t) = 0$

trial solution  $n_T(t) = \frac{1}{Ae^{\frac{t}{\tau}} + B}$

$$\frac{-\frac{A}{\tau}e^{\frac{t}{\tau}}}{(Ae^{\frac{t}{\tau}} + B)^2} = -\frac{\frac{1}{\tau}}{(Ae^{\frac{t}{\tau}} + B)} - \frac{k_T}{(Ae^{\frac{t}{\tau}} + B)^2}$$

$$-\frac{A}{\tau}e^{\frac{t}{\tau}} = -\frac{1}{\tau}(Ae^{\frac{t}{\tau}} + B) - k_T \quad \therefore B = -k_T \tau$$

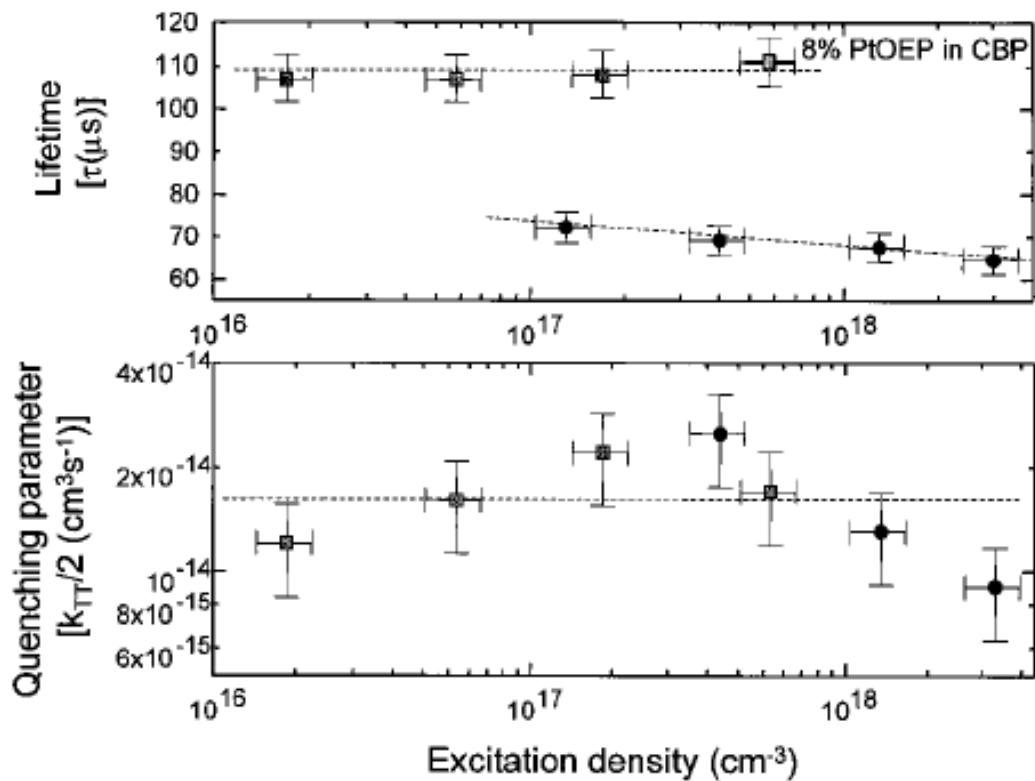
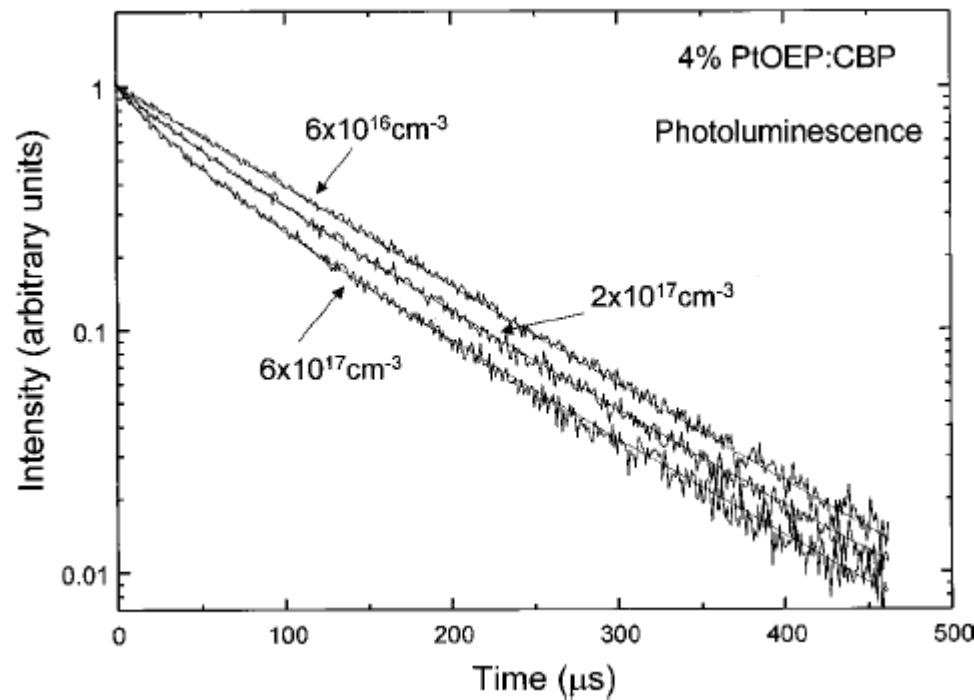
$$t = 0 ; n_T(0) = \frac{1}{A + B} \quad \therefore A = \frac{1}{n_T(0)} - B = \frac{1}{n_T(0)} + k_T \tau$$

$$\therefore n_T(t) = \frac{n_T(0)}{[1 + k_T \tau n_T(0)]e^{\frac{t}{\tau}} - k_T \tau n_T(0)}$$



# T – T Annihilation: Transient Solution

Light emission intensity  $L(t) = \frac{n_T(t)}{\tau} = \frac{L(0)}{(1 + K\tau)e^{\frac{t}{\tau}} - K\tau}$  (let  $k_T n_T(0) = K$ )



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# T – T Annihilation: Steady-state solution

$$\frac{dn_T}{dt} = 0 \quad k_T n_T^2 + \frac{n_T}{\tau} - \frac{J}{gd} = 0$$

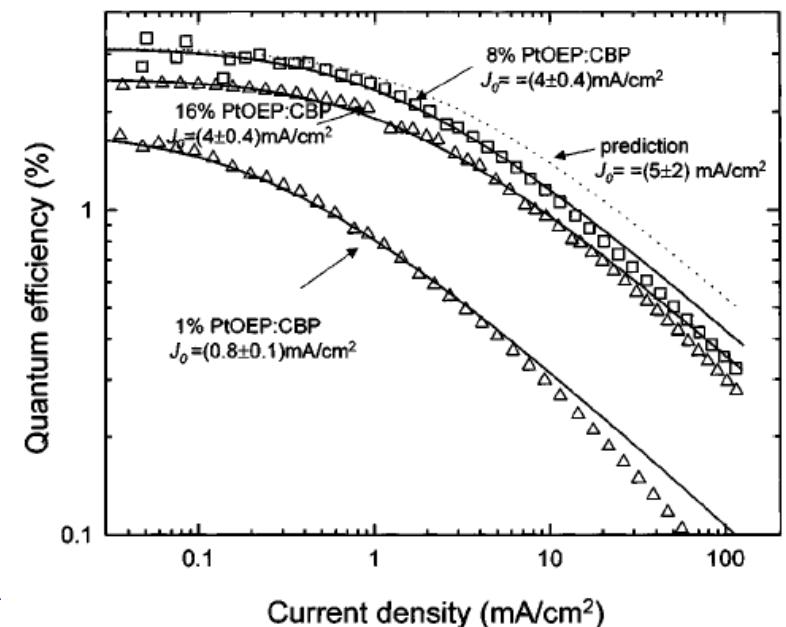
$$n_T = \frac{-\frac{1}{\tau} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)^2 + \frac{4Jk_T}{qd}}}{2k_T} = \frac{1}{2k_T\tau} \left[ -1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4Jk_T\tau^2}{qd}} \right] = \frac{1}{2k_T\tau} \left[ -1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{8J}{J_T}} \right] \quad (\because \frac{k_T\tau^2}{2qd} = J_T^{-1})$$

Light emission intensity  $L = \frac{n_T}{\tau}$       QE :  $\eta = \frac{L}{J} = \frac{n_T}{J\tau}$

$\eta_0$  :  $k_T = 0$  (without T-T annihilation)       $\frac{n_T}{\tau} = \frac{J}{gd}$

$$\therefore \eta_0 = \frac{L}{J} = \frac{\frac{n_T}{\tau}}{J} = \frac{1}{qd}$$

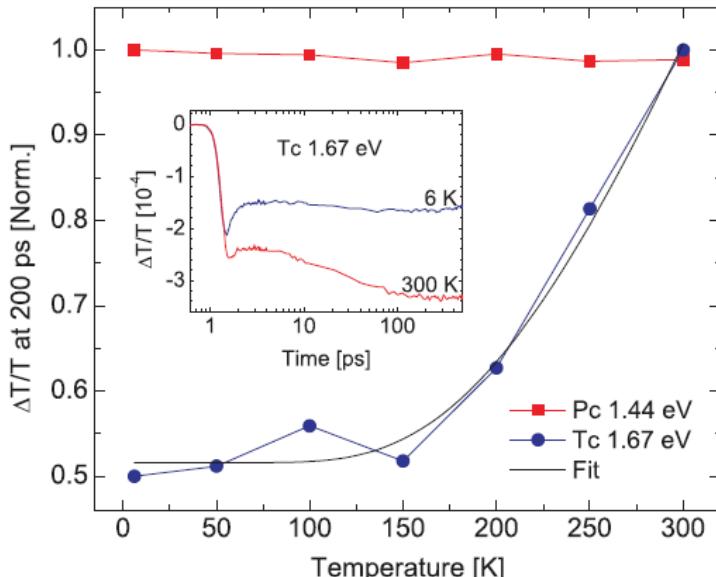
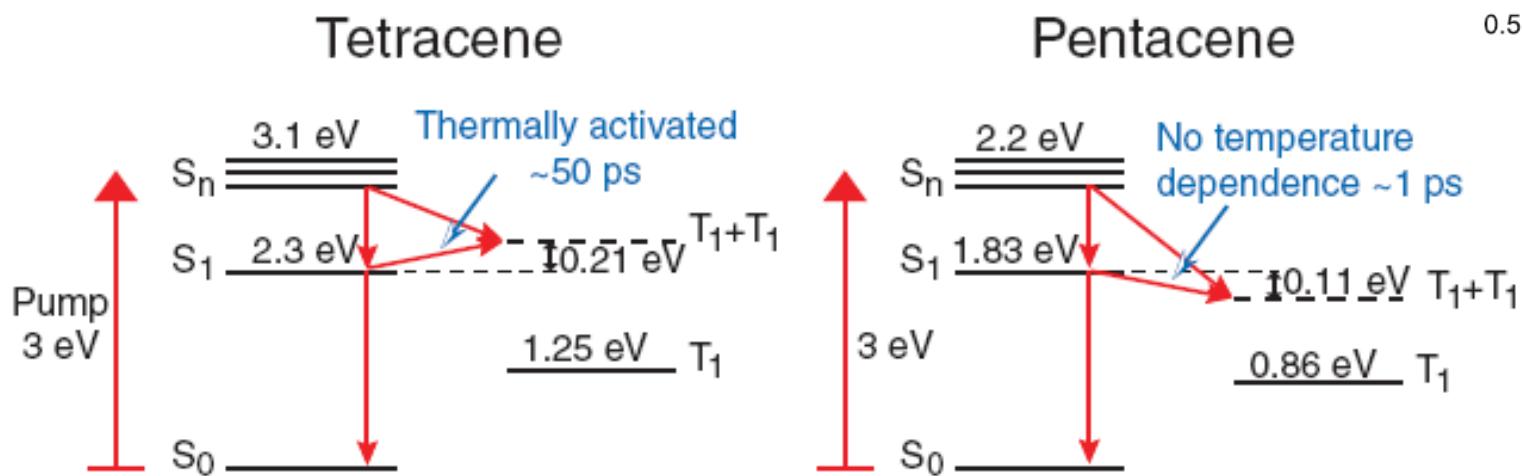
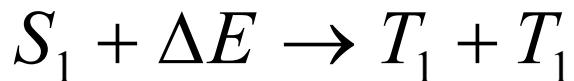
$$\frac{\eta}{\eta_0} = \frac{qd}{2k_T\tau^2 J} \left[ -1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{8J}{J_T}} \right] = \frac{J_T}{4J} \left[ -1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{8J}{J_T}} \right]$$



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# Exciton fission



In the polyacene series of organic crystals, the energy level of the lowest triplet exciton  $E(T_1)$  decreases faster than the lowest singlet-exciton energy  $E(S_1)$  with increasing molecular size. The energy difference  $E(S_1) - 2 E(T_1)$  is -1.3 eV in naphthalene (Nph), -0.55 eV in anthracene (Ac), -0.21 eV in Tc, and 0.11 eV in Pc [C. Jundt et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. 241, 84 (1995)]. In Pc, the excitonic fission process from the lowest singlet exciton to a pair of the lowest triplet excitons  $S \rightarrow 2T_1$  is energetically allowed, while in Tc this same process is only possible by thermal activation. This process is strongly suppressed in Nph and Ac.

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