

# MULTIDIMENSIONAL, ULTRAFAST LASER-BASED ANALYSIS OF COMPLEX, GAS PHASE MOLECULES

## Analysis technology based on:

- All molecules have a mass and signature fragmentation
- Universal ionization using intense, ultrafast laser pulses  
(tunable from intact to dissociative ionization)
- Rapid time-of-flight mass analysis (kHz rep rate)
- Bond selective dissociation via laser pulse shaping  
( $10^{40}$  distinct pulse shapes or sensors)
- Multi-Dimension Sensor and Detection Space
- Signal processing and optimization of sensor pulses

## Expected metrics:

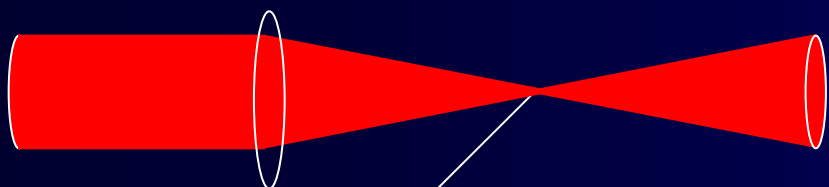
- 10 kHz sensor update rate
- Universal detector
- Sub-picomol sensitivity
- Capable of handling unknown compounds

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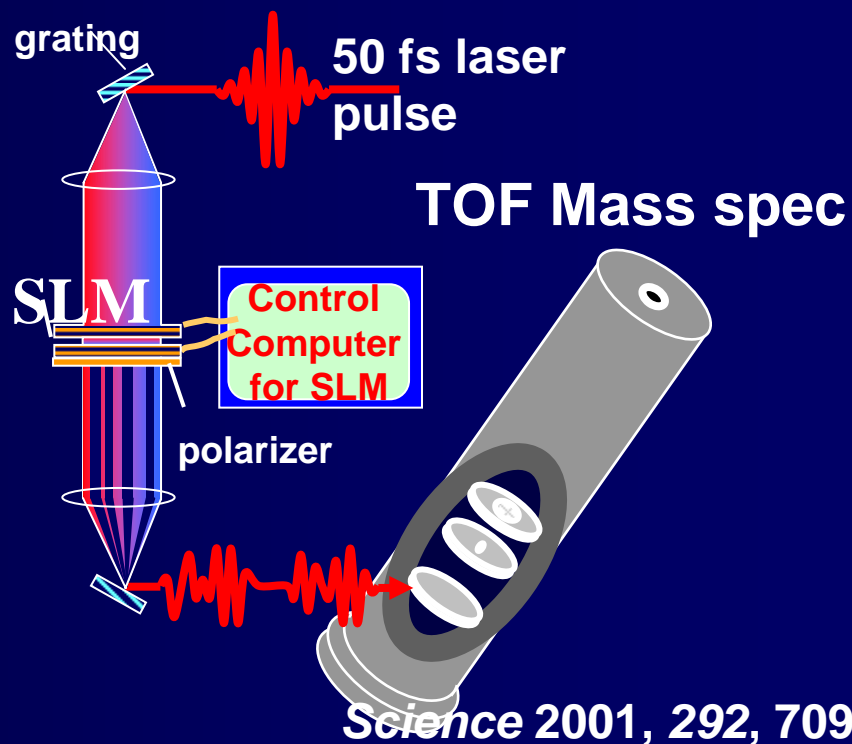
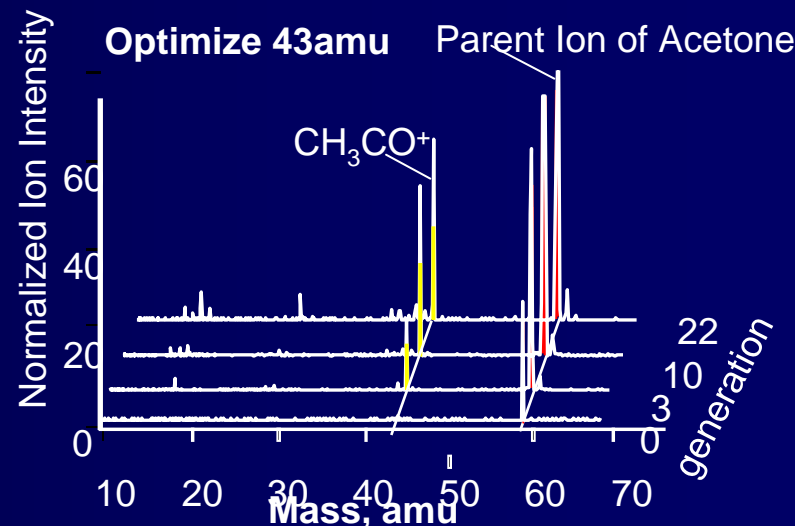
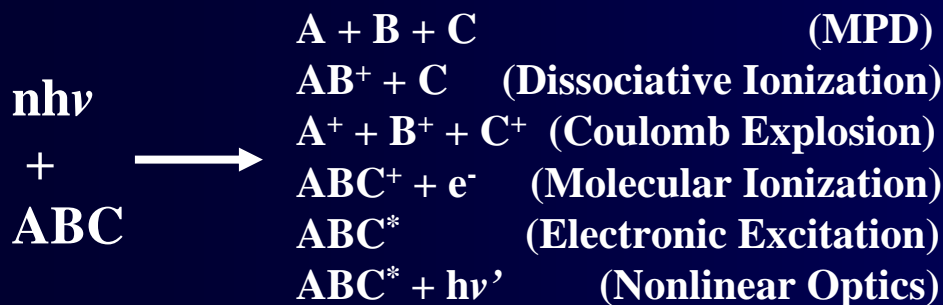
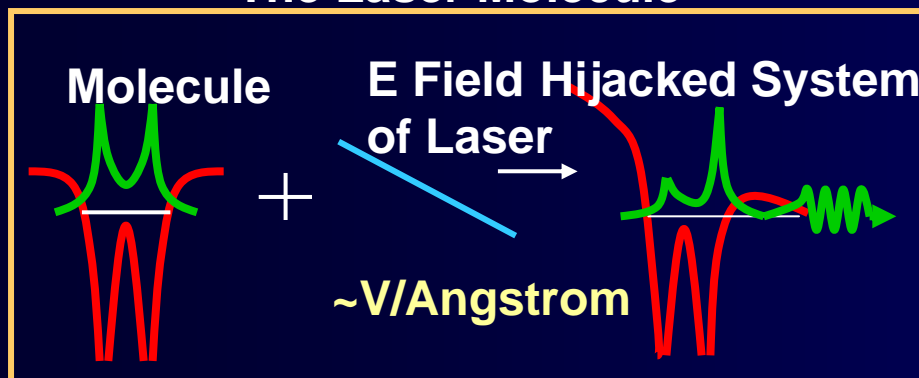


# Optimal Control of Chemical Reactions

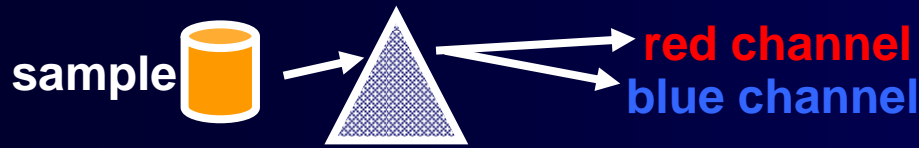


Given 1mJ, 60fs focused to 100 micron diameter:  
 photon density  $\sim 10^9$  photons/cubic wavelength  
 electric field strength  $\sim 6$  Volts per Angstrom.

## The Laser Molecule

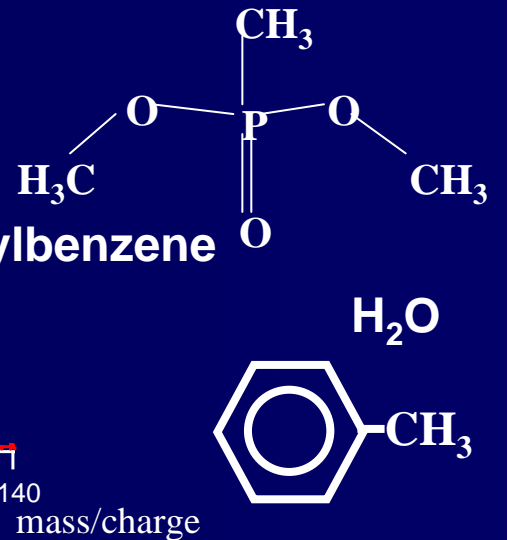
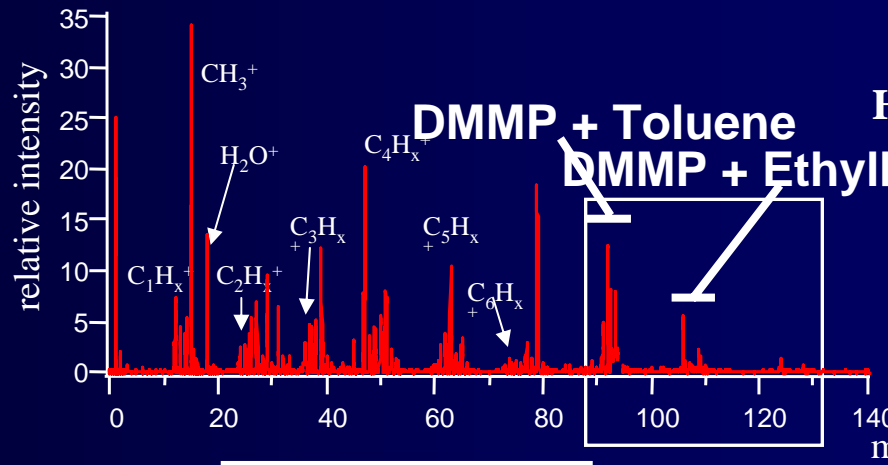
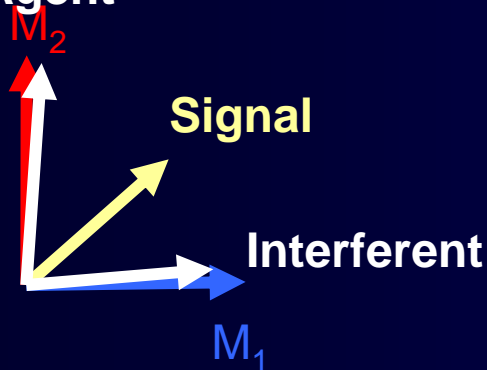


# The PACT Challenge: Discriminating Multiple Targets in Interferent Background



Demonstration of Vector Rotation for Complex Interferent Problem: DMMP in Fuel/Water

Ideal Situation:  
Orthogonal Detection States  
Agent



Less than Optimal:  
Ill-Resolved Detection States

