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Nano-Molecular Spectroscopy and Dynamics













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Bright, isolated harmonics





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One Color Linear Driver



One-Color Circular Driver



Two-Color Counter-Rotating





















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Chiral Control Independent of CPHHG Bandwidth





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Simple Interpretation of Elliptical Control in CPHHG: Perturbative-esk Photon "Absorption"

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$$I_q \propto P(\Omega) \propto \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p_1^{|n_1^i|} p_2^{|n_2^i|}$$

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$$I_{\omega} = \frac{I_{\omega}}{I_{\omega} + I_{2\omega}} = \frac{1}{1 + I_{ratio}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mbox{Channel} & H_{19, \ RCP} \left(7 \omega_1 + 6 \omega_2 \right) \\ \hline (n, s) & \mbox{Total Photons} & \mbox{Statistical Scaling} \\ \hline (6, 0) & 7 \omega_1 + 6 \omega_2 & p_{1 \omega} \\ \hline (6, 1) & 7 \omega_1 + 8 \omega_2 & p_{2 \omega} \\ \hline (6, 2) & 9 \omega_1 + 10 \omega_2 & p_{2 \omega} \\ \hline (6, 3) & 11 \omega_1 + 12 \omega_2 & p_{2 \omega} \\ \hline \end{array}$$



 $p_{2\omega}$

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 $= \frac{I_{200}}{I_{00} + I_{200}} = \frac{I_{10} + \frac{1}{I_{ratio}}}{1 + \frac{1}{I_{ratio}}}$



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