fs-laser-driven dynamics of CO on Ru(0001) a computational study using electronic friction (MDEF) and the generalized Langevin oscillator (GLO)

Robert Scholz

Institut für Chemie Universität Potsdam

30. November 2016

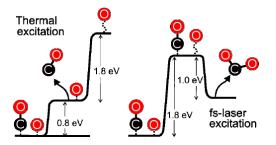
Gliederung

- Introduction
 - Motivation

General motivation

Why investigate fs-laser-driven surface dynamics?

- gain fundamental understanding of adsorbate bonding
- possible direct application in catalysis: "femtochemistry"
 - ⇒ new reaction pathways opened up by fs-lasers



CO/O-coadsorbate @ Ru(0001)

M. Bonn et al., SCIENCE (1999)



Specific motivation for the CO/Ru-System

Recent Experiments partly contradict theory

- Ultrafast time-resolved X-Ray-sepctroscopy hints to physisorbed precursor state
- Recent full 6D PES does not feature physisorption well

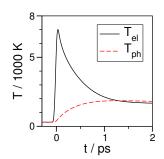
Open questions for theory

- Do dynamics reproduce other observables correctly? (e. g. desorption yield)
- Can the X-Ray-spectra also be explained without physisorption?

Details of the experiment

Two-Temperature Model

$$C_{\rm el} \frac{\partial T_{\rm el}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial z} T_{\rm el} - g(T_{\rm el} - T_{\rm ph}) + S(z, t),$$
$$C_{\rm ph} \frac{\partial T_{\rm ph}}{\partial t} = g(T_{\rm el} - T_{\rm ph}).$$



Laser-Driven Diffusion

