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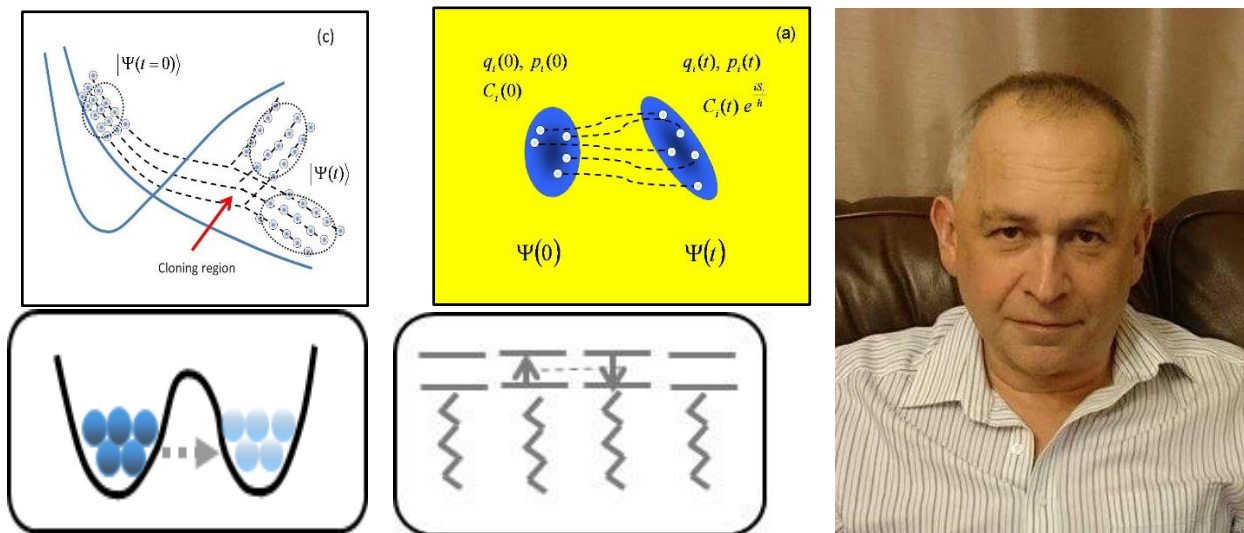
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A brief overview of trajectory guided Coherent State basis sets methods of quantum dynamics with examples of applications in Photochemistry and in Physics.

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An overview of existing methods which use trajectory guided grids of Coherent States will be given and the technical details of Multiconfigurational Ehrenfest approach will be discussed. Single trajectory semiclassical Ehrenfest methods often are not very accurate, but Ehrenfest trajectories work very well to guide quantum basis sets. In chemistry the trajectory guided random grids of Gaussian Coherent States are routinely used to simulate quantum dynamics in ultrafast photochemistry in a manner similar to classical molecular dynamics, but with the difference that an ensemble of trajectories is used instead of a single trajectory¹. With the right sampling techniques they can yield well converged results for molecules with tens of vibrations, treating all nuclear degrees of freedom on a fully quantum level². Similar methods based on Gaussian Coherent States can be used in physics to simulate the dynamics of ensembles of Bose particles described by second quantisation Hamiltonians³. Other types of Coherent States, such as Coherent States of two level systems can be used to describe fermions⁴ and to obtain Born-Oppenheimer electronic energies and coupled qubits.

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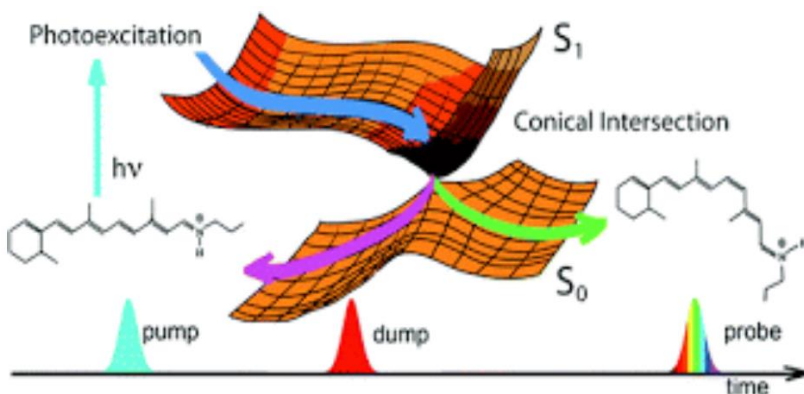
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Wavepacket dynamics at conical intersection and its spectroscopic manifestation

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In the past decades we have seen impressive progresses on the computational study of the ultrafast nonadiabatic dynamics at conical intersections. Yet, the molecular wavepacket dynamics at conical intersection has not been directly characterized and monitored via femtosecond nonlinear spectroscopy. We have combined the hierarchy equation of motion, the multiple Davydov ansatz, the Multiconfigurational Ehrenfest dynamics, and the trajectory surface hopping method with the nonlinear response function formalism to simulate four-wave-mixing (4WM) signals for a set of conical intersection systems. Our results show that the signals indeed visualize evolutions of the wave packet at conical intersections, and these evolutions reveal key features of the photoinduced dynamics, such as electronic/nuclear populations, electronic/nuclear coherences, and electronic/nuclear energy transfer processes.

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