

FIG. 2: Comparison of the experimental and simulation KER spectra. The red dotted line is related to the experimental results [3] for a 480 nm laser pulse with peak intensity $I=4.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ and $\sim 100 \pm 10$ fs pulse duration. The black solid, grey solid, and blue dot-dash lines show simulation results for 480 nm, $\tau_p \simeq 40$ fs laser pulses with peak intensities 4.0×10^{14} , 3.5×10^{14} , and $3.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ respectively.

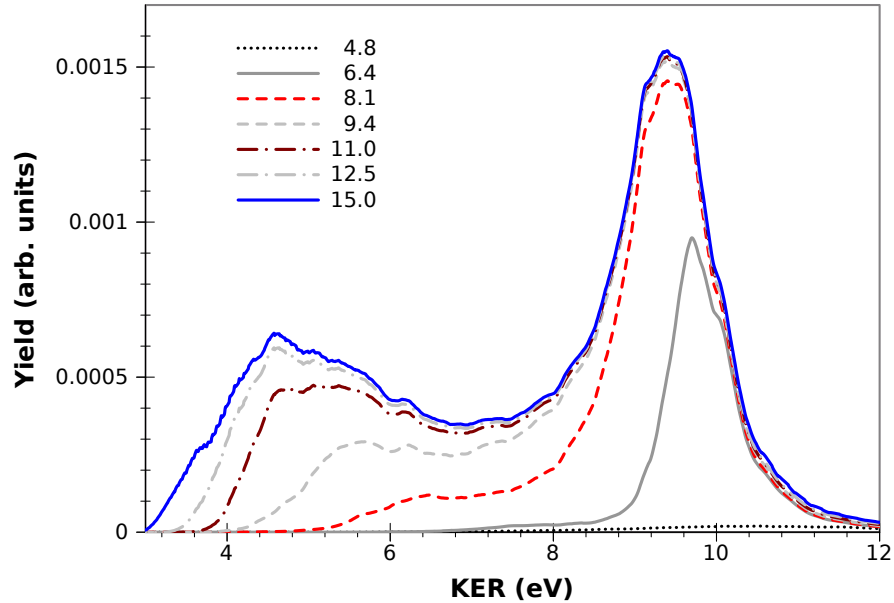


FIG. 3: Time-dependent construction of the KER Spectrum that is related to the peak intensity $4.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ shown in Fig. 2. The high-energy band of the KER Spectrum appears at first between ~ 4.8 to ~ 8 cycles of the laser pulse. After this time, the low-energy band of the KER Spectrum appears.

been used to derive the R-dependent ionization rate of D_2^+ in most previous studies [20–22]. In this figure, we also show the internuclear populations for the different time intervals shown in Fig. 3. This figure shows explicitly that the high-energy band of the KER spectrum in Fig. 3, that is constructed between ~ 4.8 –8 cycles, has a strong ionization rate about ~ 4 –5 internuclear distances and the low-energy band of the KER spectrum

(Fig. 3), that is constructed between ~ 8.1 –12.5 cycles, has a relatively strong ionization rate about ~ 6 –7 internuclear distances. After 12.5 cycles, the intensity of the laser field becomes considerably low (Fig. 1) and a significant population of D_2^+ becomes ionized as shown in Fig. 5. Therefore it is impossible to appear an enhanced ionization signal for larger internuclear distances.

In Coulomb explosion imaging [23], we want to re-