Chiral Recognition in the Gas Phase investigated Using Femtosecond Photoelectron Circular Dichroism



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### Chiral recognition

#### ♠ How to describe chirality?

Lord Kelvin: " I call any geometrical figure, or group of points, chiral, and say that it has chirality if its image in a plane mirror, ideally realized, cannot be brought to coincide with itself."

Laurence D. Barron: Molecular light scattering and optical activity, Cambridge University Press



M.Pitzer et al.: Science 341, (2013)



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PECD survives averaging over different orientations of chiral molecules in space (measurement in laboratory frame possible) B. Ritchie PRA 13, 1411 (1976), I. Powis JCP, 112, 1, (2000)

Demonstrated in Böwering et al., PRL 86, 1187 (2001)



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VMI Lux et al., Angew. Chem. 51, (2012)



### Mass-tagged PECD

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- Reconstruction of 3D momentum distribution for LIN (detector plane) and CIRC possible

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## Data processing - Abel inverted (fenchone)

 $\vec{k} \rightarrow$ 

#### LCP/RCP







PAD =  $C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + ...$ Quantification: LPECD =  $\frac{1}{c_0} \left( 2c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_3 + \frac{1}{4}c_5 - \frac{5}{32}c_7 \right)$  UNIKASSEL VERSITÄT Overview

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in agreement with coincidence findings ( C. S. Lehmann et al., J. Chem. Phys., 139, 234307 (2013), M. M. Rafiee Fanood et al., J. Chem. Phys., 145, 124320 (2016) ) PECD of chiral molecules observed by resonance-enhanced multi-photon ionization
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### Sensitivity of PECD

Enantiomeric excess (e.e.)



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This Work 1R. 4S (-) 0.08 -[1S, 4R (+)] I: (HOMO) 1R. 4S (-) 0.06 -[1S, 4R (+)] 0.04 Fixed [6.2.2] Norman [6.2.2 b1<sup>[+1]</sup> 0.02 0.00 -0.02 -0.04 20 10 24 Photon Energy (eV)

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### Exp. results (work in progress) for two-colors





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Amino acids and Sugars

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LIN

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LIN

LCP



RCP

LCP

-0.5

LCP - RCP



LIN

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LIN









LCP - RCP



I CP - RCP

PECD Antisymmetric

Part



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Symmetric Part

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- wavelength dependent parent ion yield between 375-420 nm
- Excitation of B-band (3s←n, 5.95 eV) and of C-band (3p←n, 6.37 eV), energy separation 0.42 eV
- lifetime of 5.95 eV peak  $\sim$  0.8 ps (3.3 ps in TR-PECD, S. Beaulieu et al., Far. Disc., 194, (2016), A. Comby et al., JPCL, 7, (2016))

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