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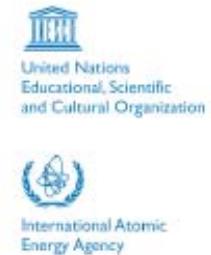


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# Upconversion spectroscopy

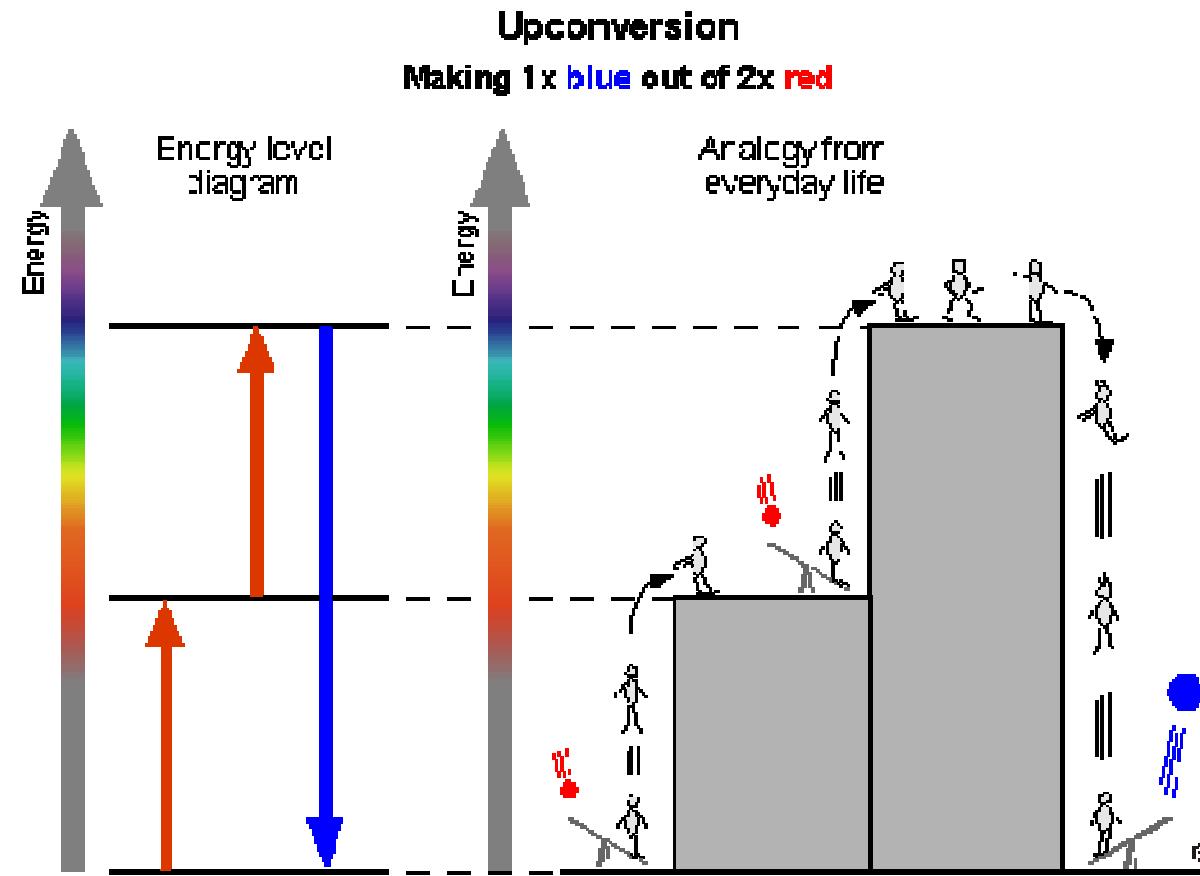
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## Upconversion and Anti-Stokes Processes with f and d Ions in Solids

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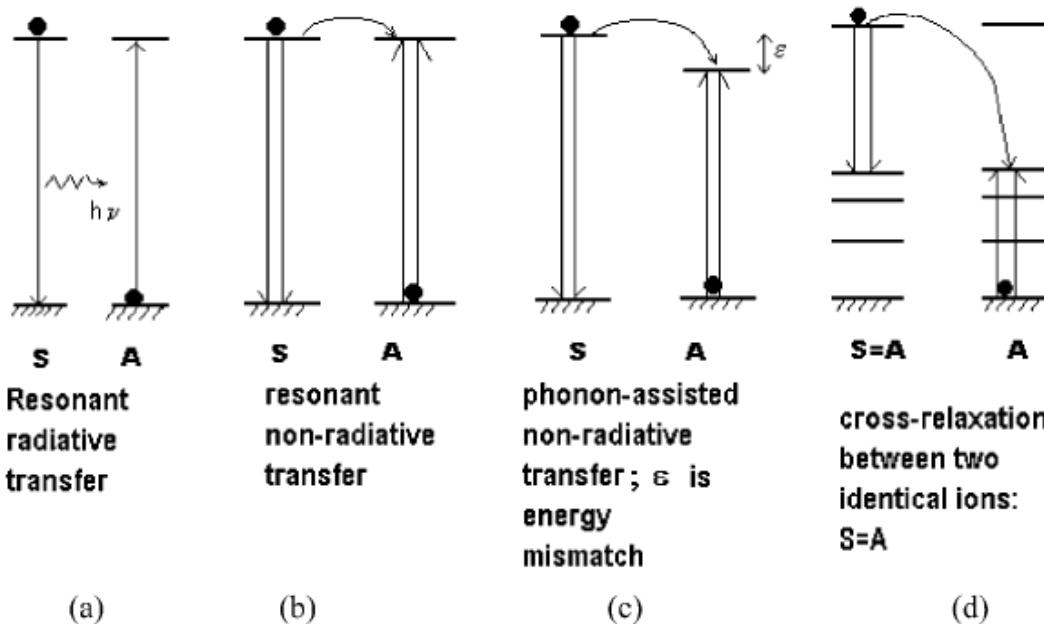
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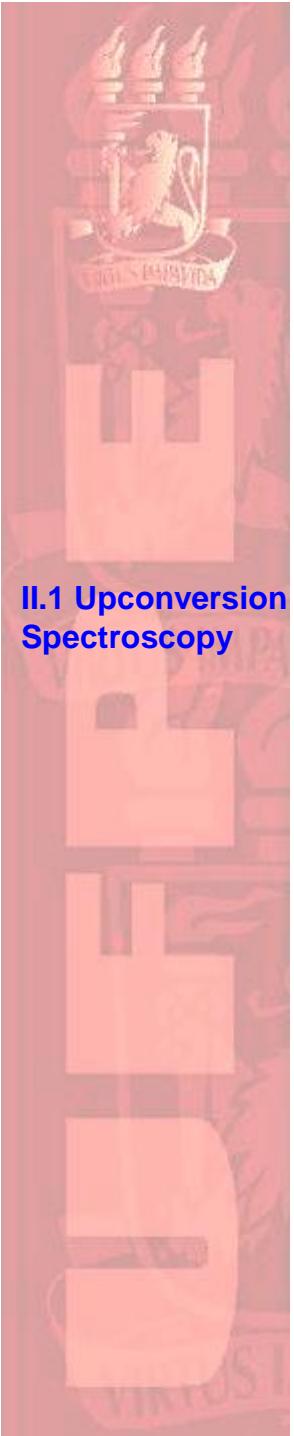


# Energy Transfer

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**Figure 1.** Various basic energy transfer processes between two ions considered before 1966: note that activator ion (A) receiving the energy from the sensitizer (S) is initially in its ground state. Cross-relaxation is the special case where S is identical to A. Doubled arrows symbolize the Coulombic interaction: (a) radiative resonant transfer; (b) resonant nonradiative transfer; (c) phonon-assisted nonradiative transfer; (d) cross-relaxation special case of nonradiative transfer.



## II.1 Upconversion Spectroscopy

Probability for such transfer between two ions at a sufficiently large distance  $R$  is found to be<sup>20</sup>

$$P_{SA}(R) = \frac{\sigma_A}{4\pi R^2 \tau_S} \int g_S(v) g_A(v) dv \quad (1)$$

$R^{-2}$  dependence allows long range energy diffusion  
→ photon trapping effects

Photon trapping increases apparent experimental lifetime!



## II.1 Upconversion Spectroscopy

Let us take as example case 1(b)

For dipole-dipole interaction, the transfer probability can be written as (Förster, 1948) :

$$P_{SA} = \frac{1}{\tau_S} \left( \frac{R_0}{R} \right)^6$$

(Dexter, 1953)

The energy transfer probability for electric multipolar interactions can be more generally written as<sup>27</sup>

$$P_{SA} = \frac{(R_0/R)^s}{\tau_S} \quad (4)$$

where  $s$  is a positive integer taking the following values:

$s = 6$  for dipole–dipole interactions,

$s = 8$  for dipole–quadrupole interactions,

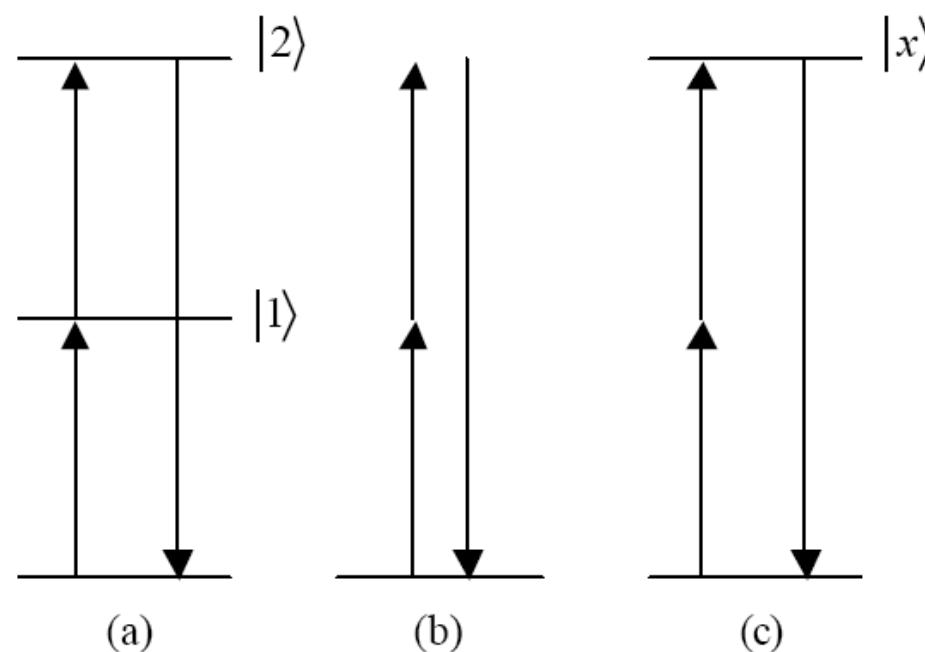
$s = 10$  for quadrupole–quadrupole interactions.



## Mechanisms for upconversion

### Single ion resonant processes

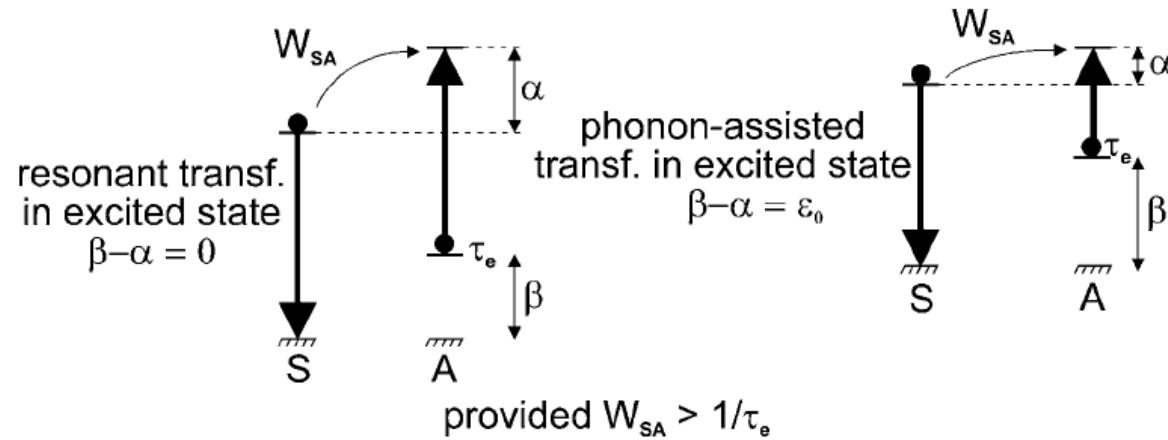
- (a) Sequential TPA (Two photon absorption) (or more!)
- (b) SHG (second harmonic generation)
- (c) TPA





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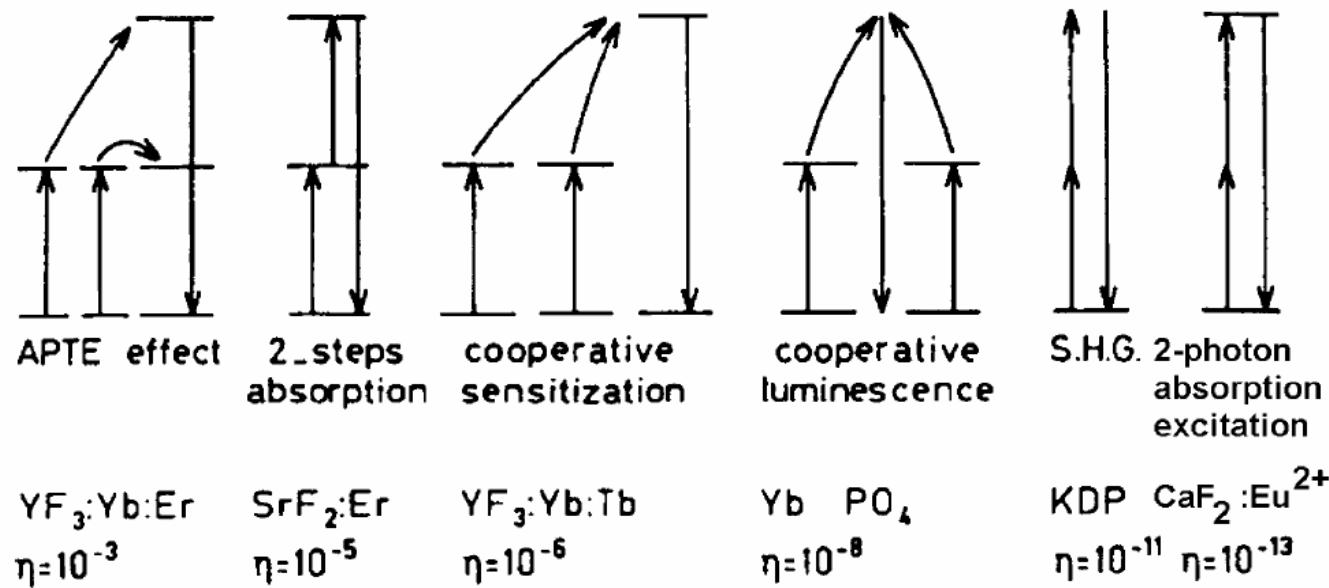
### Two ions resonant processes



**Figure 2.** APTE basic step: energy transfer toward an ion already in an excited state. Nonradiative energy transfer is either resonant or phonon-assisted with energy mismatch  $\epsilon_0 \neq 0$ .

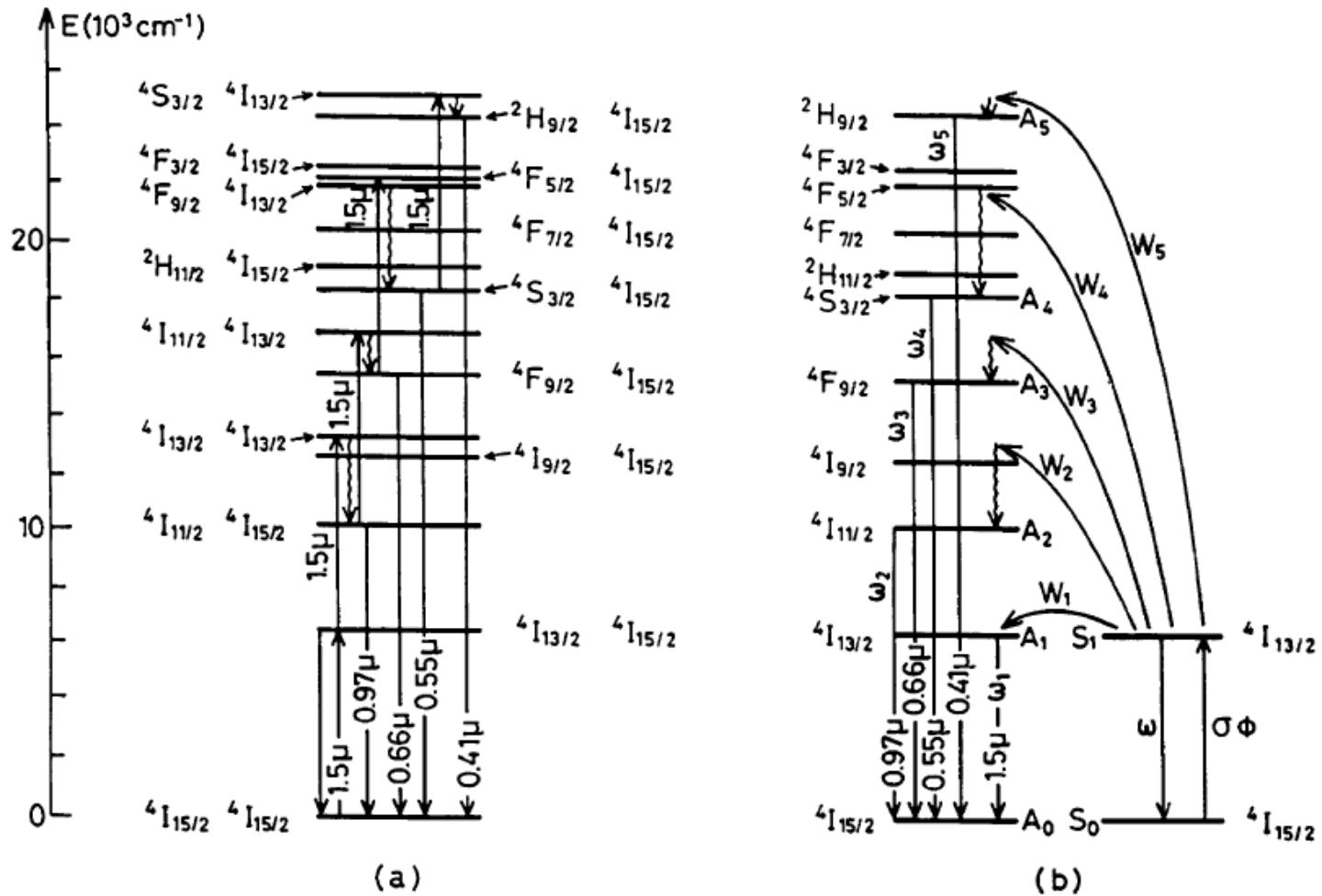


## Two photon upconversion processes efficiencies



**Figure 3.** Various two-photon upconversion processes with their relative efficiency in considered materials.

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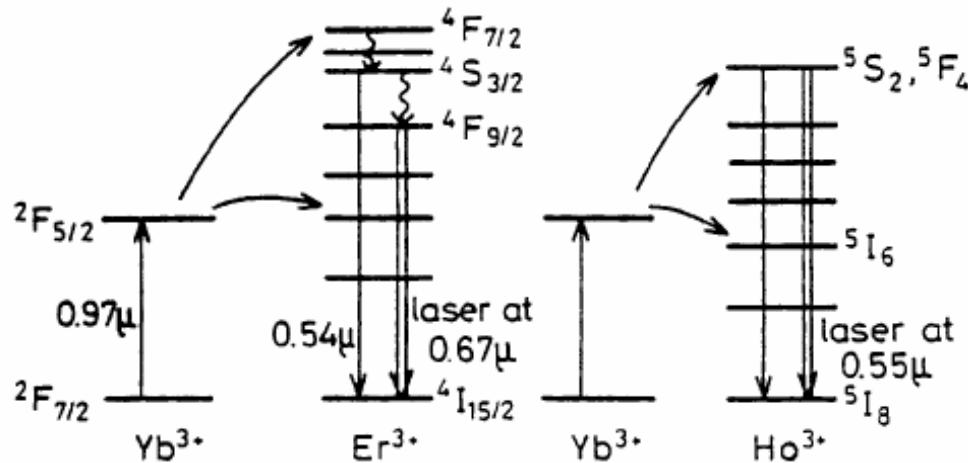


**Figure 5.** Cooperative (a) and APTE (b)

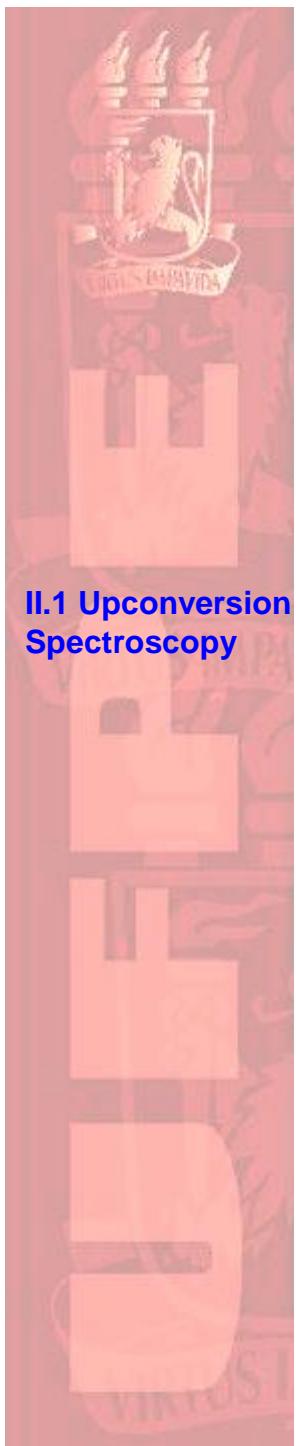
energy scheme for  $n$ -photon ( $n = 1\text{--}5$ ) upconversion in  $\text{Er}^{3+}$ -doped hosts.

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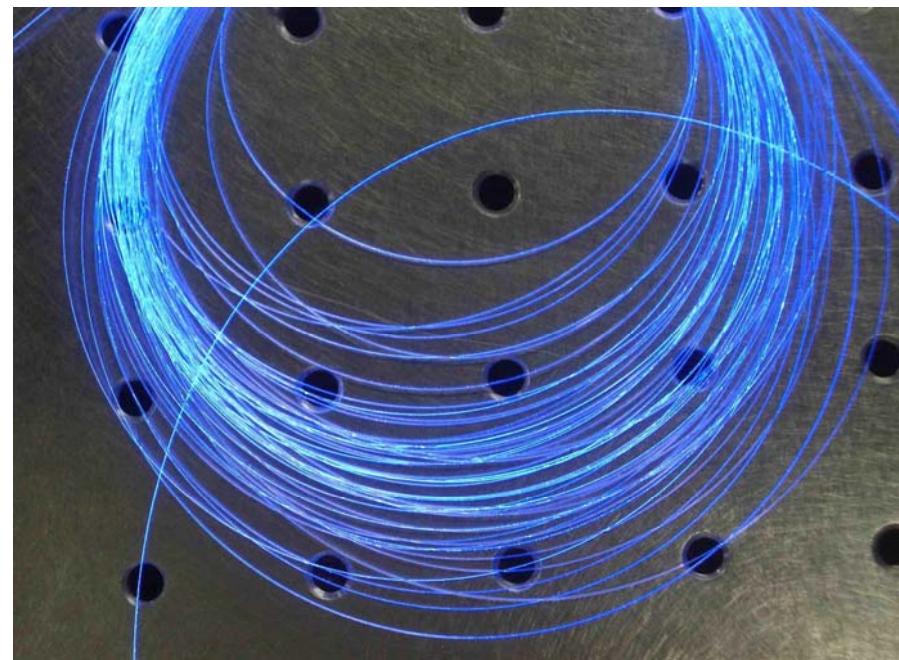
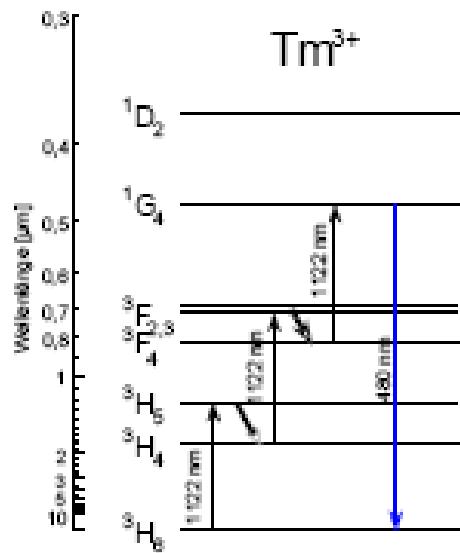
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**Figure 20.** First operating APTE upconversion pulsed laser-pumping schemes in Yb–Ho and Yb–Er couples. (Reprinted with permission from ref 218. Copyright 1971 American Institute of Physics.)

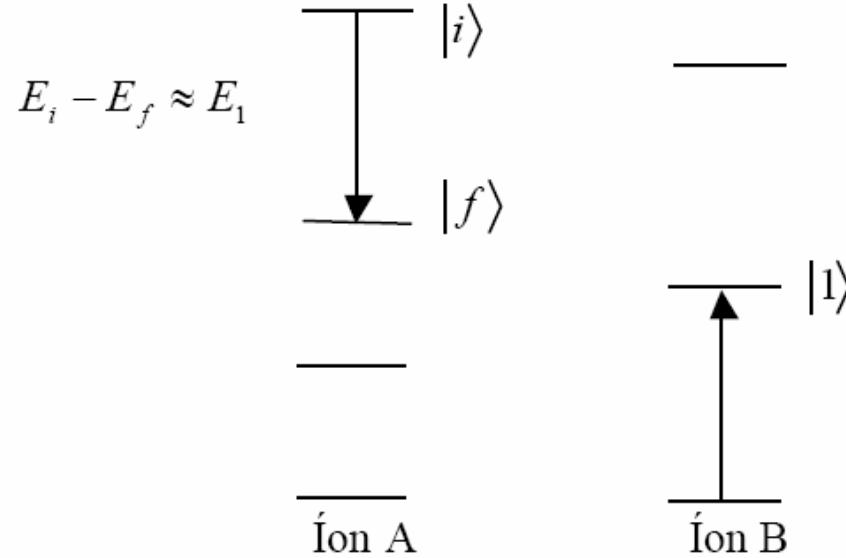


# IR pumped upconversion in thulium doped fiber





## Cross relaxation



- Leads to FLUORESCENCE QUENCHING
- Strong dependence on ions concentration

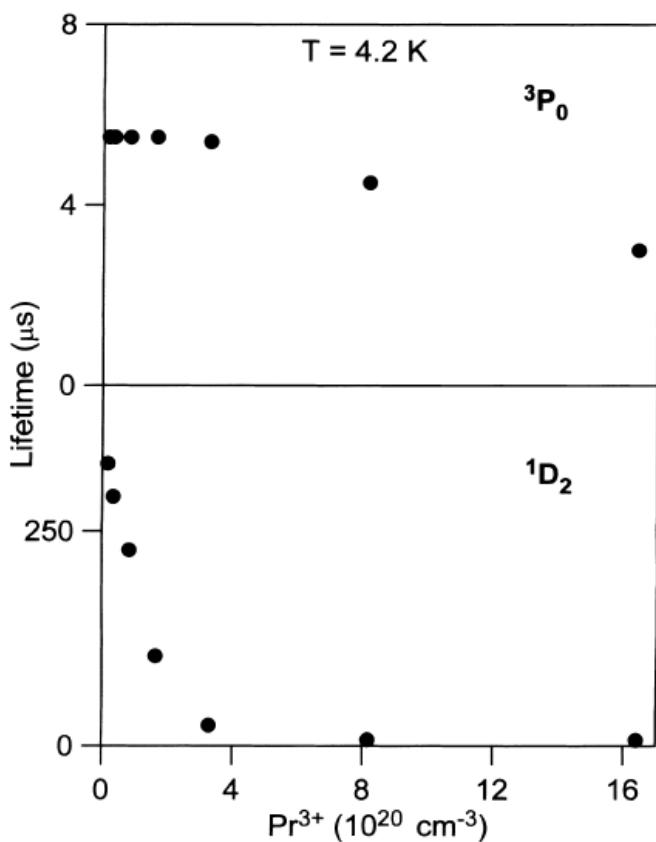


Fig. 6. Lifetime values of <sup>3</sup>P<sub>0</sub> and <sup>1</sup>D<sub>2</sub> levels as a function of concentration at 4.2 K. Lifetimes were obtained by exciting at 486 nm and collecting the luminescence at 525 and 606 nm, respectively.

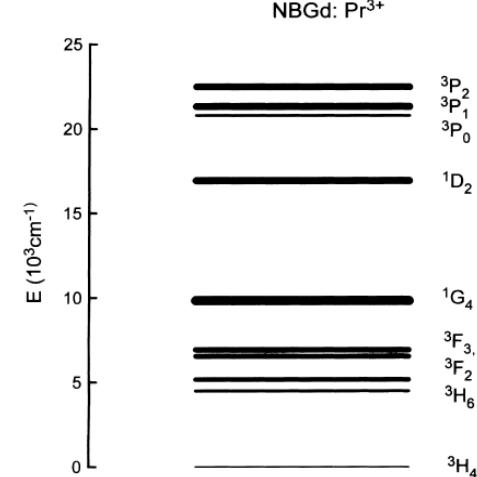


Fig. 2. Energy levels diagram of Pr<sup>3+</sup> in NBGd fluorophosphate glass (from the absorption data).

## 5. Conclusions

From the above results, the following conclusions can be reached:

1. Fluorescence quenching from the <sup>1</sup>D<sub>2</sub> state has been demonstrated to occur for Pr<sup>3+</sup> concentrations higher than 0.1 mol% even at 4.2 K. This can be attributed to a cross relaxation process.
2. The time evolution of the decays from the <sup>1</sup>D<sub>2</sub> state for concentrations higher than 0.1 mol% is consistent with a dipole-dipole energy transfer mechanism.



## II.1 Upconversion Spectroscopy

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# 1.5 μm Emission and infrared-to-visible frequency upconversion in Er<sup>3+</sup>/Yb<sup>3+</sup>-doped phosphoniobate glasses

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## Abstract

Sodium phosphoniobate glasses with the composition (mol%) 75NaPO<sub>3</sub>–25Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and containing 2 mol% Yb<sup>3+</sup> and  $x$  mol% Er<sup>3+</sup> ( $0.01 \leq x \leq 2$ ) were prepared using the conventional melting/casting process. Er<sup>3+</sup> emission at 1.5 μm and infrared-to-visible upconversion emission, upon excitation at 976 nm, are evaluated as a function of the Er<sup>3+</sup> concentration. For the lowest Er<sup>3+</sup> content, 1.5 μm emission quantum efficiency was 90%. Increasing the Er<sup>3+</sup> concentration up to 2 mol%, the emission quantum efficiency was observed to decrease to 37% due to concentration quenching. The green and red upconversion emission intensity ratio was studied as a function of Yb<sup>3+</sup> co-doping and the Er<sup>3+</sup>–Er<sup>3+</sup> energy transfer processes.

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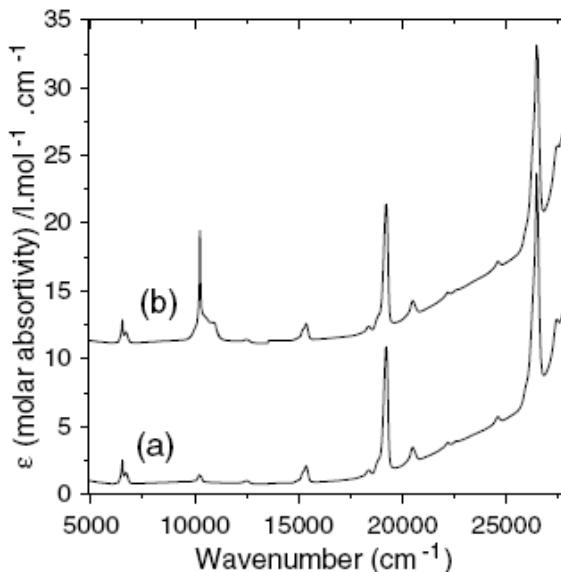


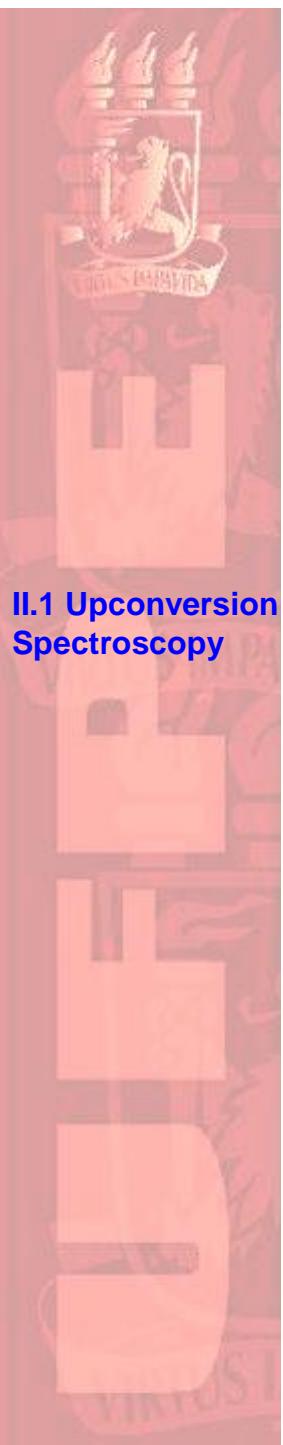
Fig. 1. Room temperature absorption spectra (a) 2.0 mol%  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  and (b) 2.0 mol%  $\text{Yb}^{3+}$  and 2.0 mol%  $\text{Er}^{3+}$ .

Table 1

Experimental ( $P_{\text{EXP}}$ ) and calculated ( $P_{\text{ED}}$ ) oscillator strengths obtained for the 2 mol%  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  glass sample, and Judd–Ofelt intensity parameters  $\Omega_2 = 7.5 \times 10^{-20} \text{ cm}^2$ ,  $\Omega_4 = 1.4 \times 10^{-20} \text{ cm}^2$  and  $\Omega_6 = 0.7 \times 10^{-20} \text{ cm}^2$

$\text{Er}^{3+}$ transition ${}^4\text{I}_{15/2} \rightarrow$	$\bar{\nu} (\text{cm}^{-1})$	$P_{\text{EXP}} (10^6)$	$P_{\text{ED}} (10^6)$
${}^4\text{G}_{11/2}$	26410	21.2	21.1
${}^2\text{H}_{9/2}$	24570	0.49	0.47
${}^4\text{F}_{5/2} + {}^4\text{F}_{3/2}$	22173	0.41	0.57
${}^4\text{F}_{7/2}$	20490	1.37	1.38
${}^2\text{H}_{11/2}$	19158	11.8	11.9
${}^4\text{S}_{3/2}$	18381	0.28	0.30
${}^4\text{F}_{9/2}$	15310	1.72	1.72
${}^4\text{I}_{9/2}$	12499	0.29	0.33
${}^4\text{I}_{11/2}$	10235	0.52	0.52
${}^4\text{I}_{13/2}$	6553	1.03 ( $P_{\text{MD}}$ excluded)	0.90

The RMS of the fitting procedure was  $9.3 \times 10^{-8}$ .



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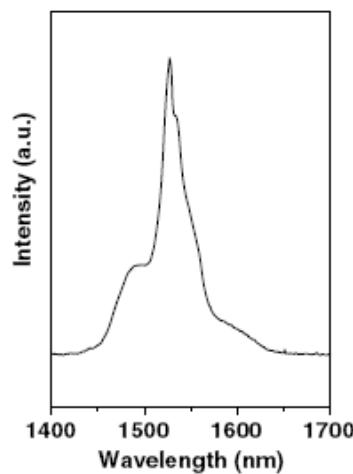


Fig. 2. Room temperature infrared emission spectrum for the 2.0 mol%  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  sample under 976 nm excitation.

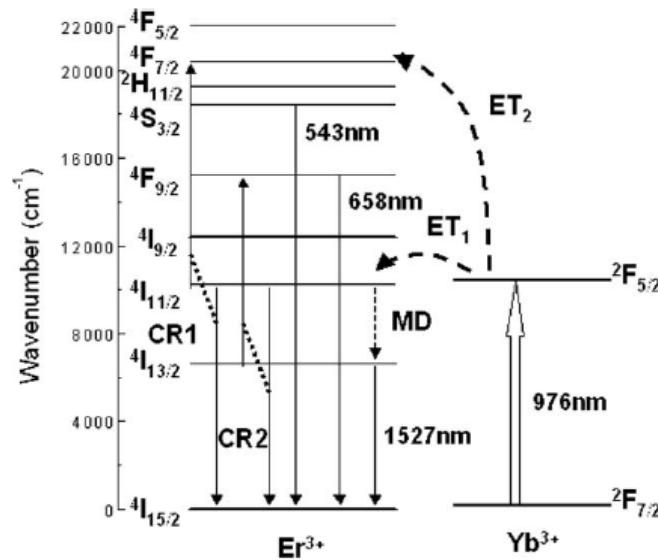


Fig. 3.  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Yb}^{3+}$  free ion energy levels. The arrows indicate the excitation and relaxation processes discussed in the text.

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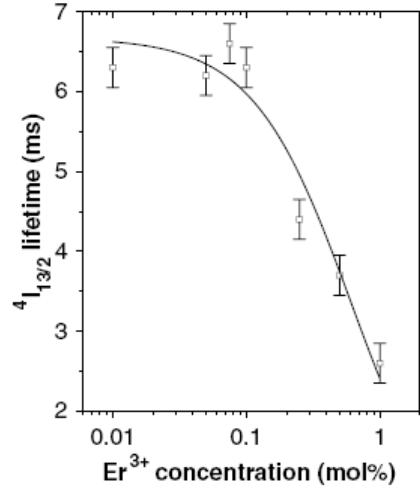


Fig. 5.  $Er^{3+} {}^4I_{13/2}$  level lifetime values as a function of  $Er^{3+}$  concentration. The line is just a guide for the reader.

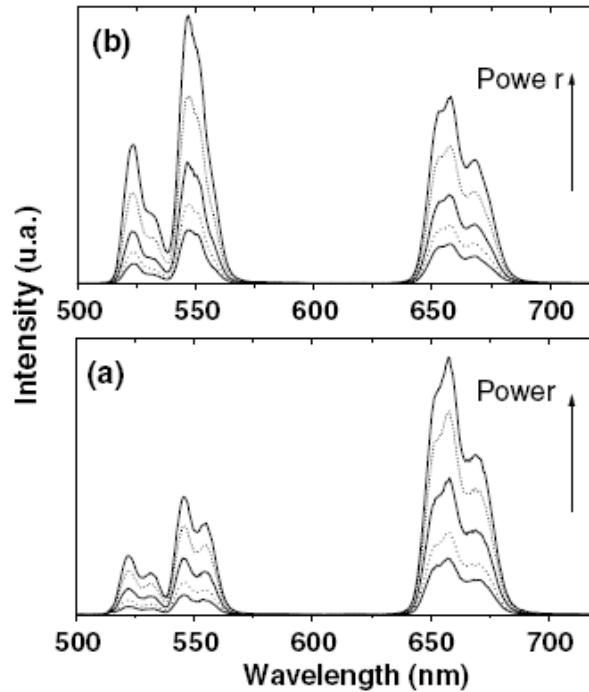


Fig. 6. Upconversion emission spectra as a function of the excitation power at 976 nm: (a)  $2 \text{ mol\% } Yb^{3+}$  and  $1.0 \text{ mol\% } Er^{3+}$  sample, (b)  $2 \text{ mol\% } Yb^{3+}$  and  $2.0 \text{ mol\% } Er^{3+}$  sample. The 976 nm pump power increase is indicated by the arrow for values of 100, 120, 150, 200, and 230 mW.



## COMMUNICATIONS

**Blue upconversion enhancement by a factor of 200 in Tm<sup>3+</sup>-doped tellurite glass by codoping with Nd<sup>3+</sup> ions**N. Rakov, G. S. Maciel,<sup>a)</sup> M. L. Sundheimer, L. de S. Menezes, and A. S. L. Gomes*Departamento de Física, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, 50670-901 Recife-PE, Brazil*

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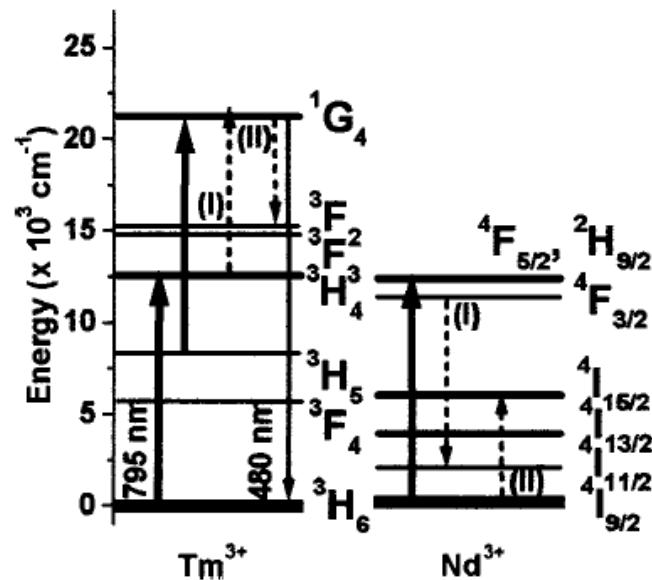
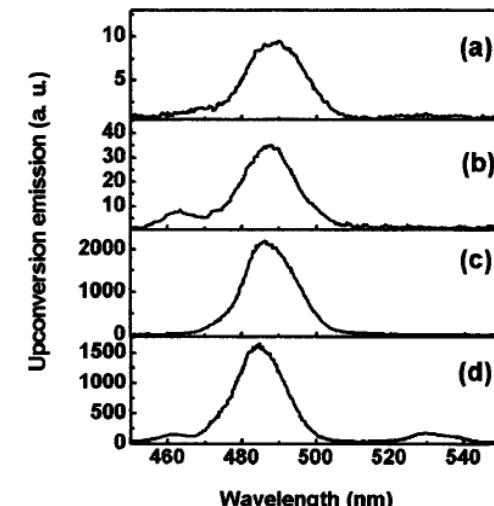
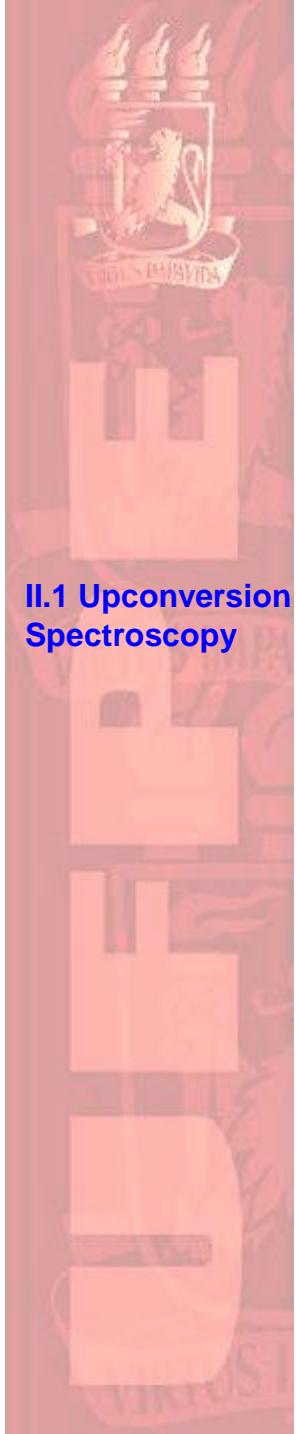
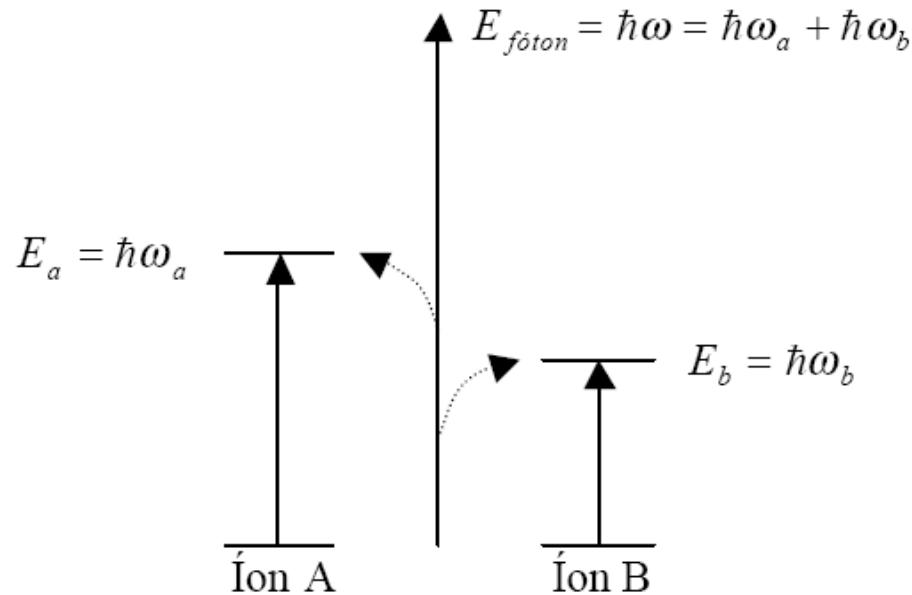
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FIG. 3. Energy level schematic and the relevant channels responsible for the blue upconversion at 480 nm.

FIG. 1. Upconverted signal for (a) tellurite glass doped with Tm<sup>3+</sup> (0.2 mol %); (b) ZBLAN glass doped with Tm<sup>3+</sup> (0.2 mol %); (c) tellurite glass codoped with Tm<sup>3+</sup> (0.2 mol %) and Nd<sup>3+</sup> (0.5 mol %); (d) ZBLAN glass codoped with Tm<sup>3+</sup> (0.2 mol %) and Nd<sup>3+</sup> (0.5 mol %); upon near-infrared (795 nm) excitation.



## Cooperative absorption

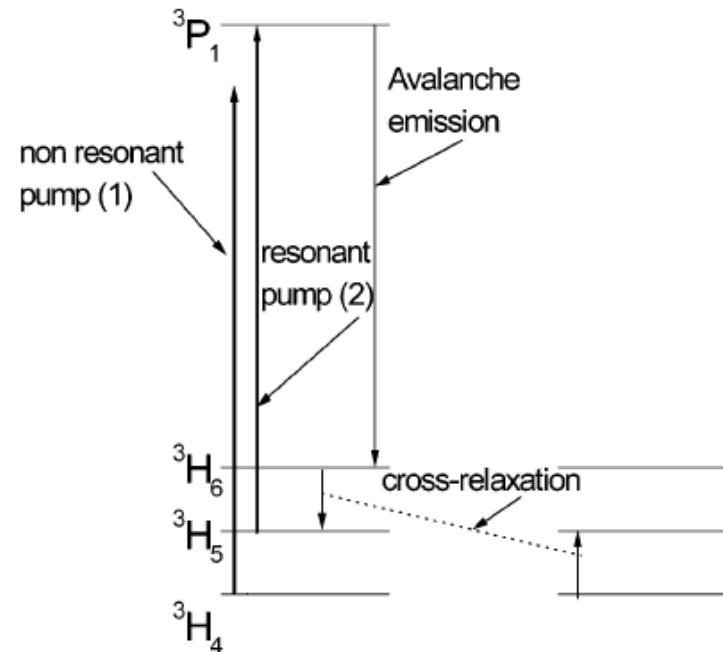
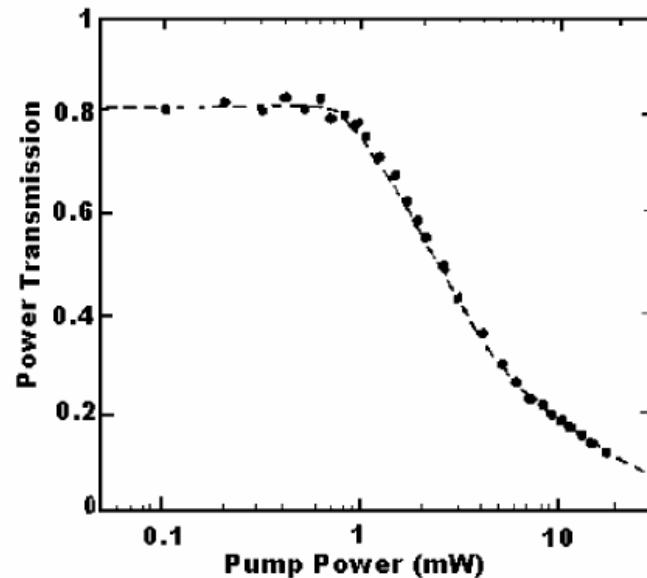


See more in Auzel's review article



# Photon avalanche

Case, W. E.; Koch, M. E.; Kueny, A. W. *J. Lumin.* **1990**, *45*, 351.



**Figure 23.** Decrease of transmission in a  $\text{Pr}^{3+}:\text{LaCl}_3$  sample under  $^3\text{H}_5 - ^3\text{P}_1$  pumping. (Reprinted with permission from ref 12. Copyright 1990 Elsevier.)



## II.1 Upconversion Spectroscopy

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# Diode pumped avalanche upconversion in Pr<sup>3+</sup>-doped fibers

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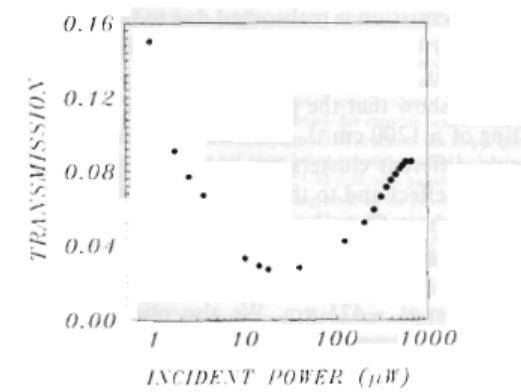
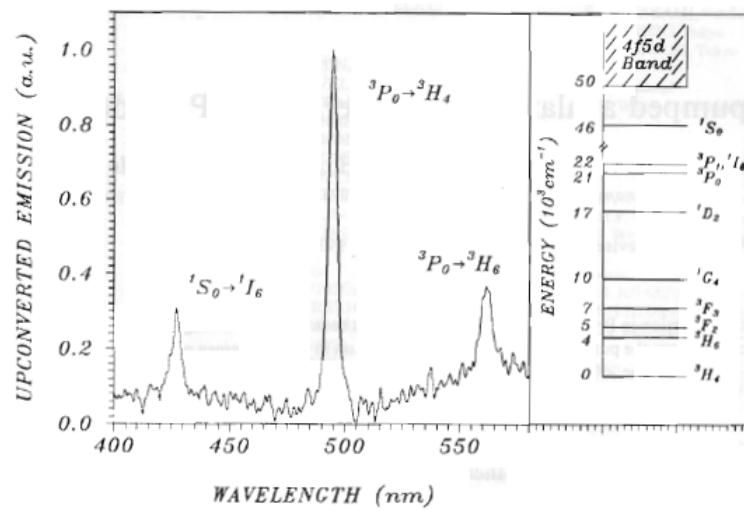
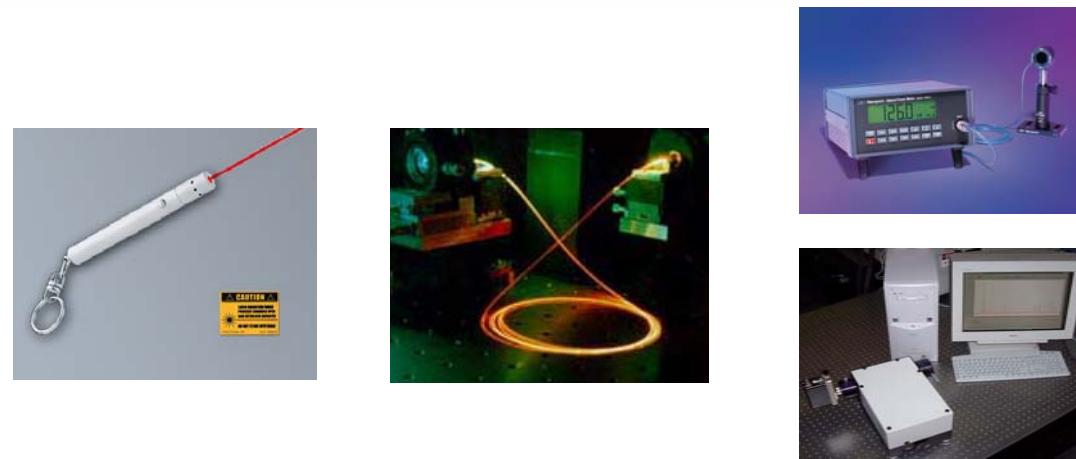


Fig. 2. Total beam transmission through a 3.5 m long SiO<sub>2</sub> based fiber doped with Pr<sup>3+</sup> as a function of the laser incident power.



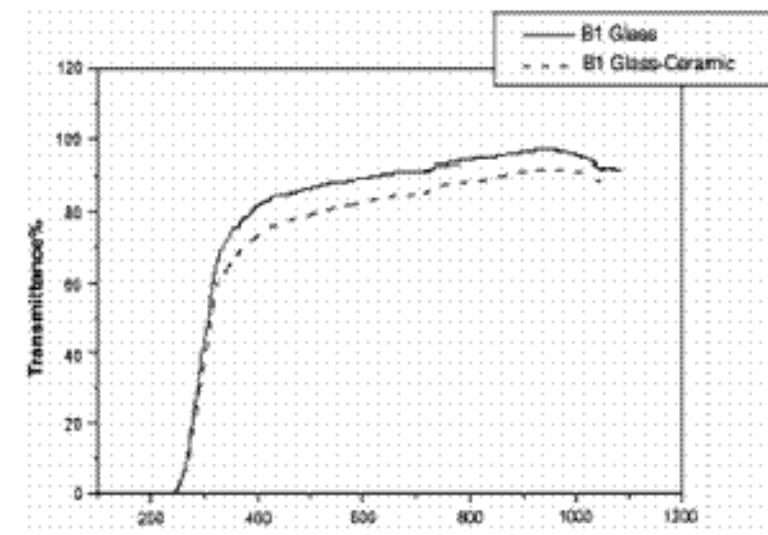
# REDG Ceramics

Several products:

Cook-top panels  
dinnerware  
electronics  
medicine  
dentistry



- Tough materials
- Zero ou negative thermal expansion
- Can be made TRANSPARENT!



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## REDG Ceramics

# Rare-earth-doped transparent glass ceramics

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**Abstract –** Glass ceramics are a known class of polycrystalline ceramic materials, where, depending on the glass matrix and the particular crystalline phases, one can obtain materials with improved mechanical, thermal, electrical or optical properties. The characteristics and applications of optical glass ceramics are reviewed, with particular emphasis on rare-earth-doped transparent glass ceramics for photonics, including the search for new transparent glass ceramic compositions and the development of suitable methods to process such materials into functional devices. *To cite this article: M. Clara Gonçalves et al., C. R. Chimie 5 (2002) 845–854 © 2002 Académie des sciences / Éditions scientifiques et médicales Elsevier SAS*

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## Rare Earth doped transparent glass-ceramics

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<http://www.solgel.com/articles/Dec00/glass/envitromm.html>



# REDG Ceramics

- Crystal sizes well below incident light wavelength present negligible attenuation due to scattering! (Rayleigh-Gans theory).
  - Requires a refractive index difference  $<0.1$  between amorphous and crystalline phases.

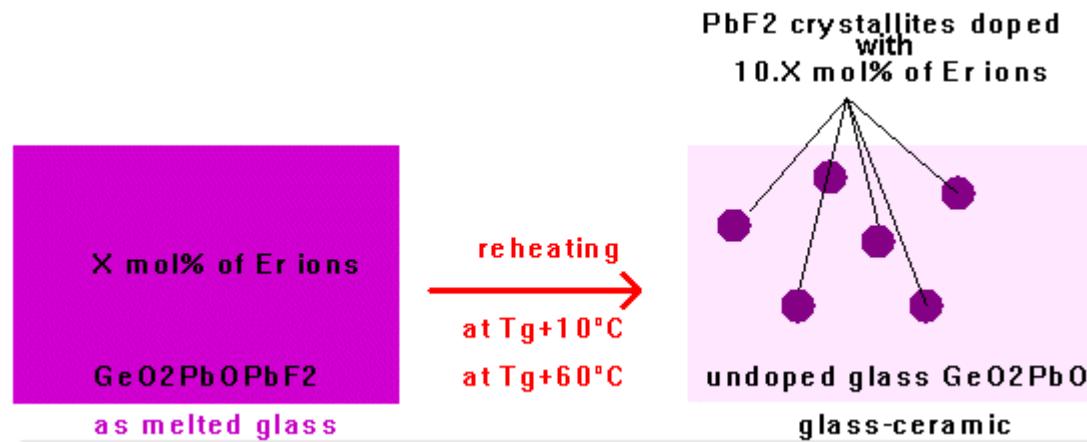
## Driving applications:

large telescope mirror blanks  
liquid crystal displays  
solar cells  
photonic devices (lasers, amplifiers,  
upconverters, etc)

## II.2 REDG Ceramics

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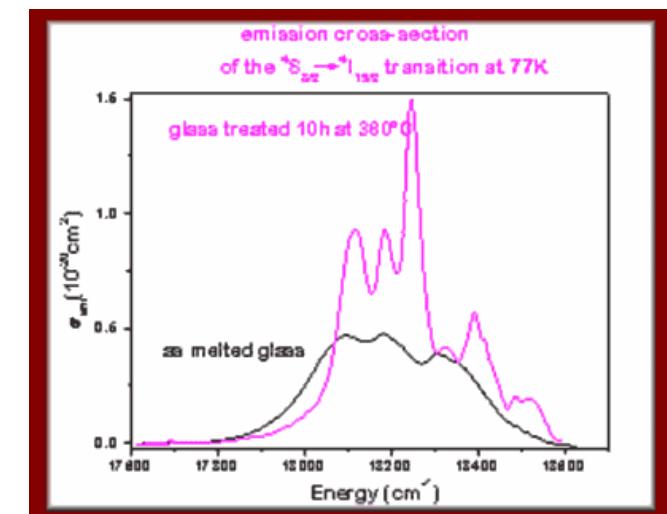
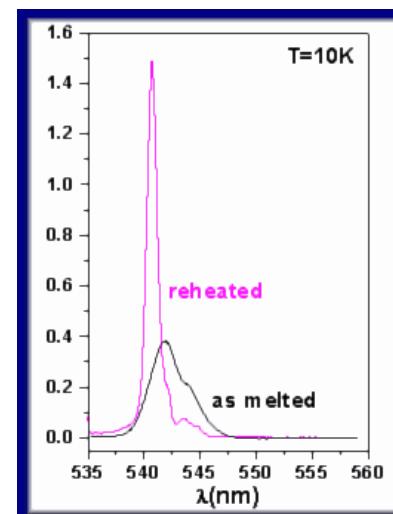
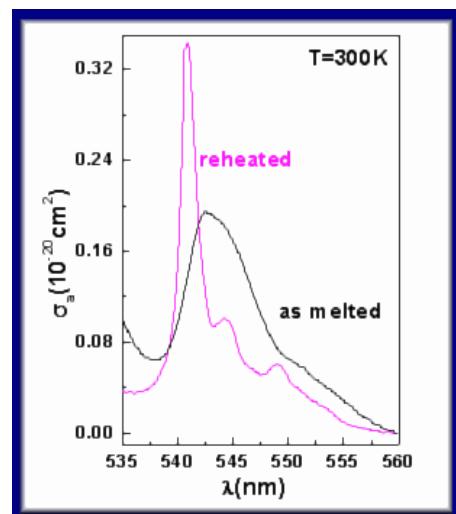
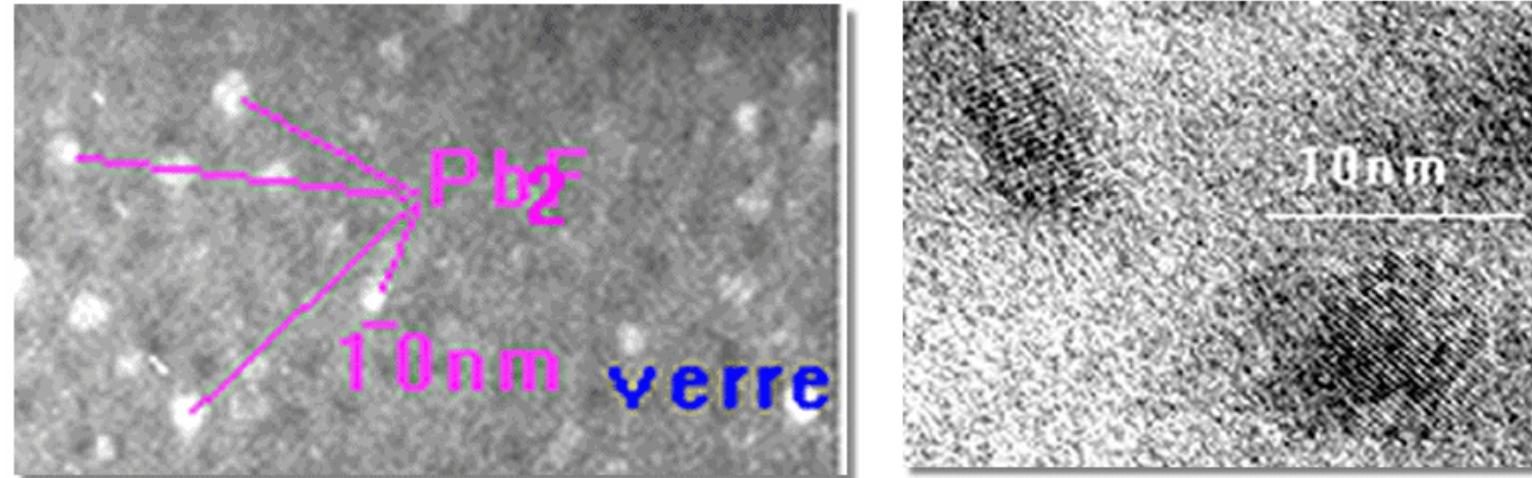
Germanate oxyfluorides glass of the family :  
 $(50\text{GeO}_250-y\text{PbO}y\text{PbF}_2+x\text{ErF}_3)$   
 $y, y=[10,20] x=[0,4]$



## II.2 REDG Ceramics

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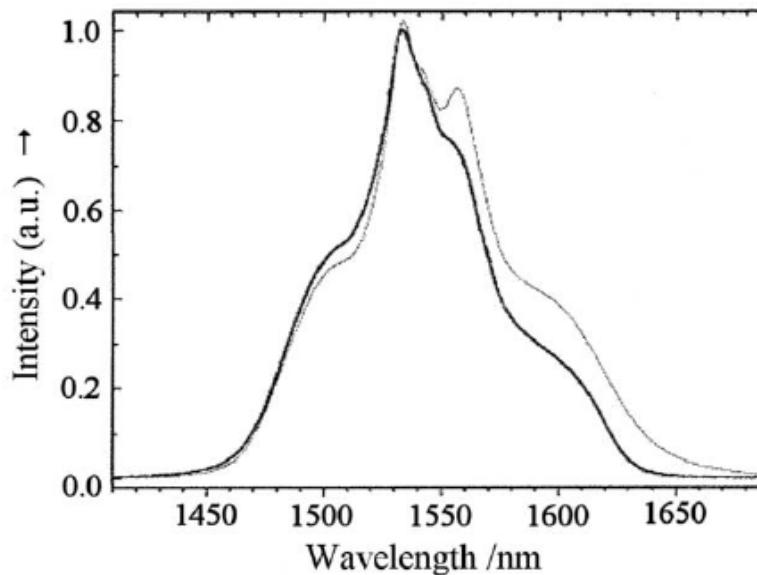


Fig. 2. Normalised photoluminescence spectra of  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  ( ${}^4\text{I}_{13/2} \rightarrow {}^4\text{I}_{15/2}$  transition) in the precursor oxyfluoride glass (thick solid line) and in a developed glass ceramic heat treated at 440 °C for 5 h (dashed line). (Adapted from ref. [38].)

Other glass ceramics:

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Tellurite oxyhalides  
and more (see M C G review).



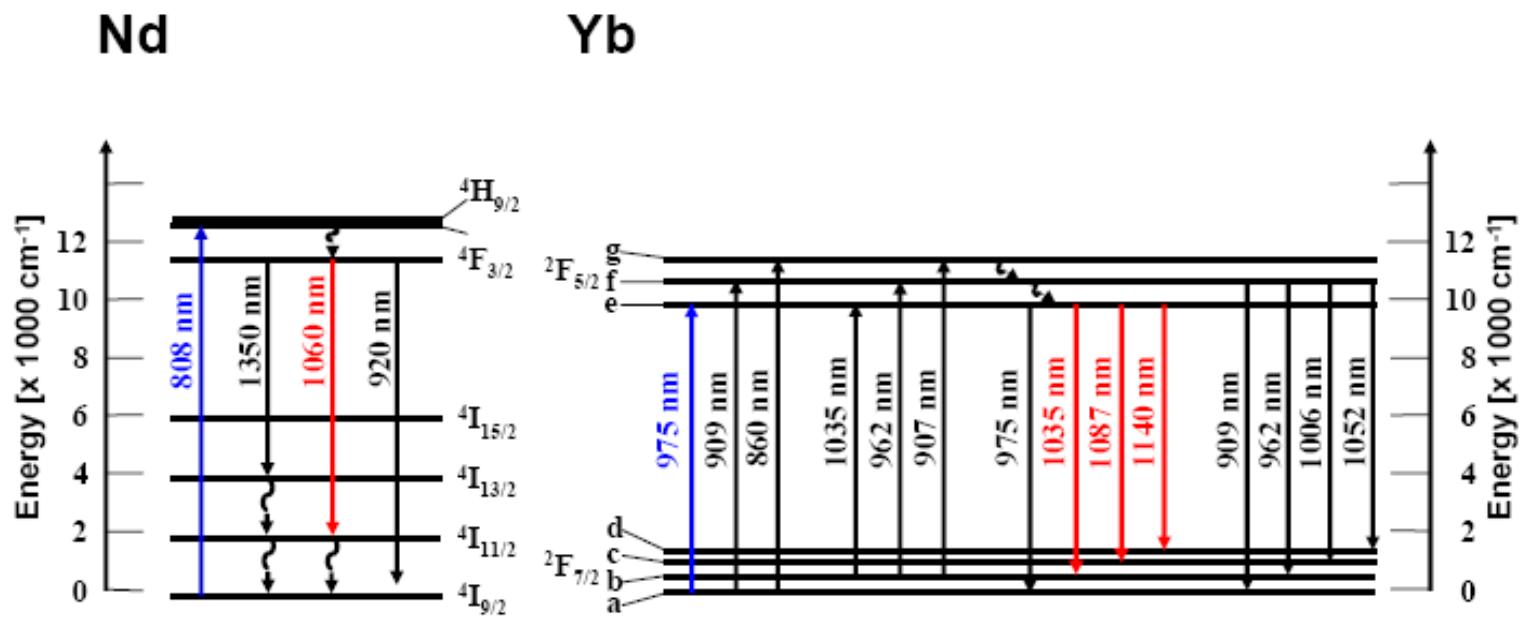
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# REDG for Lasers

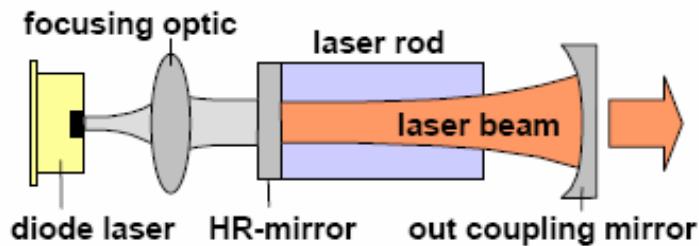
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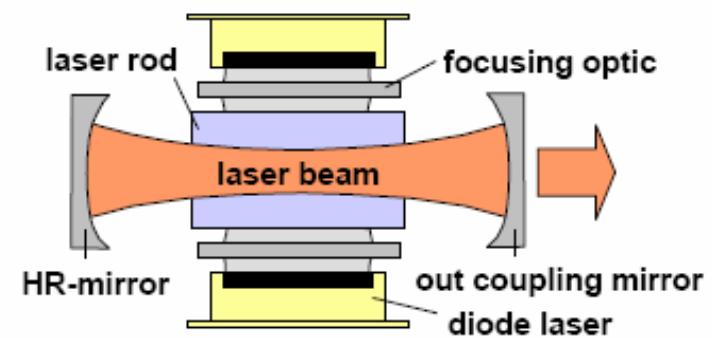
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# Typical pump geometries

end pumped laser rod



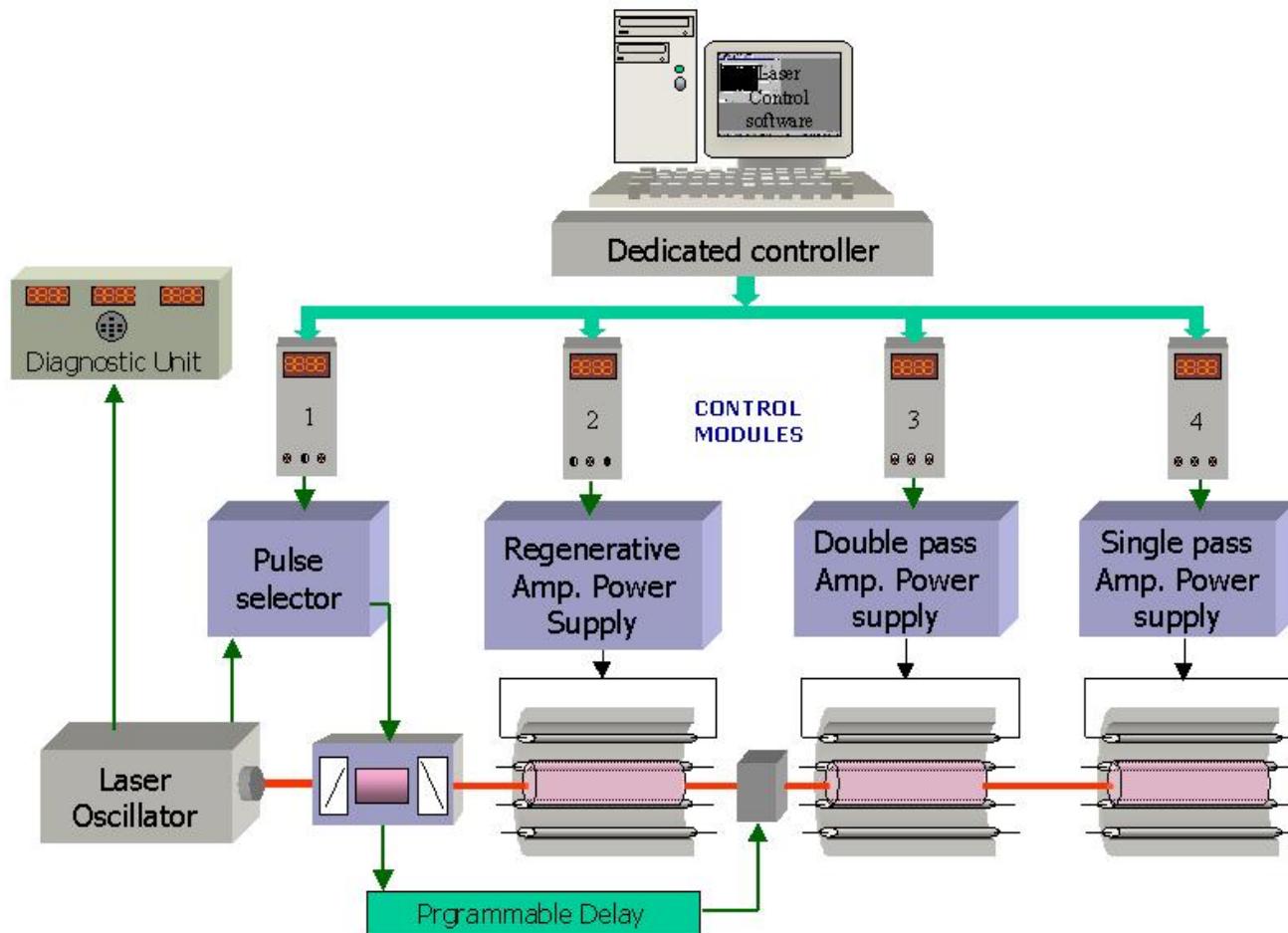
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## II.3 REDG for LASERS

# Niche application

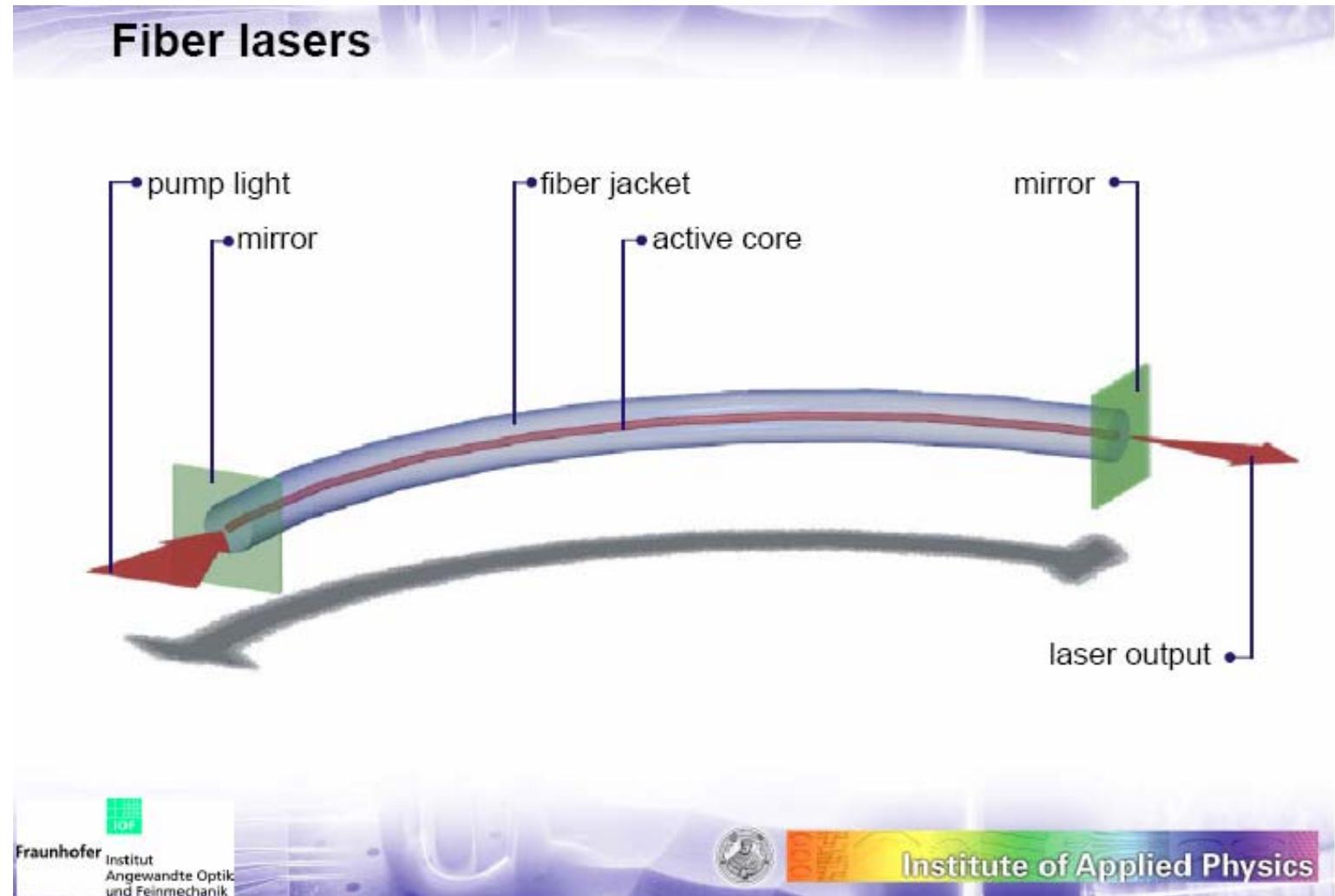
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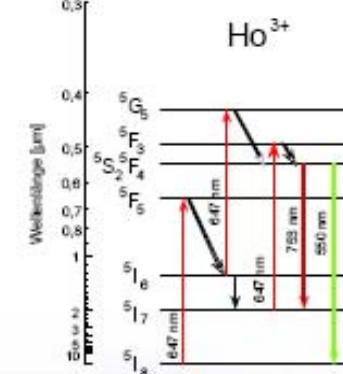
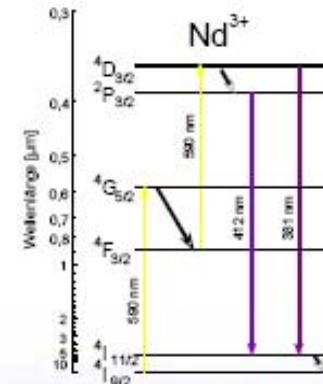
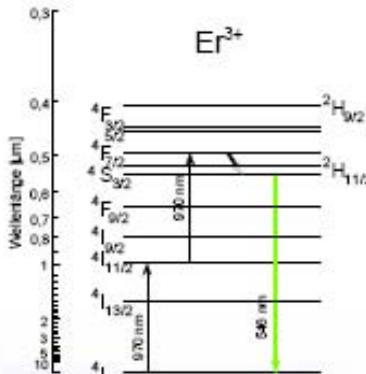
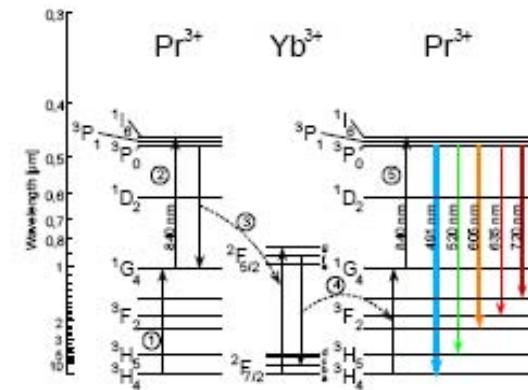
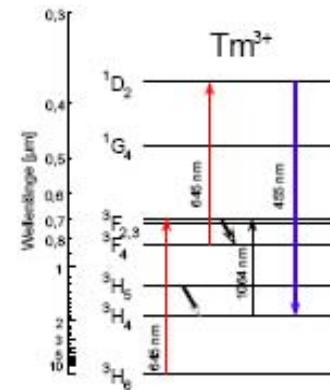
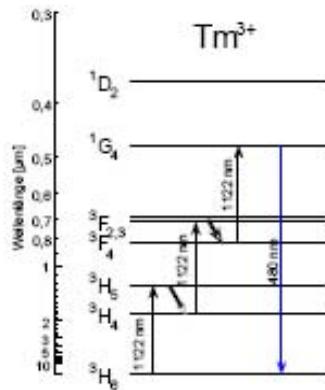




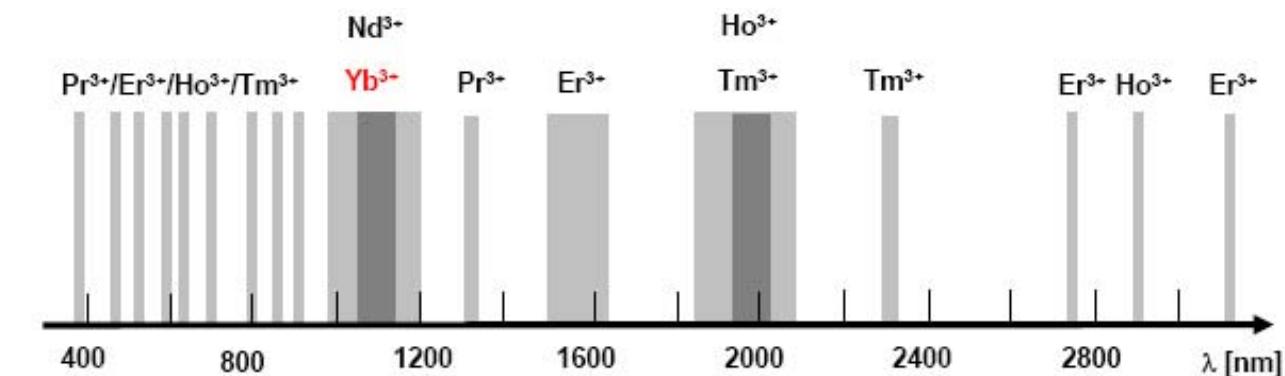
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## Laser transitions in rare-earth-doped fluoride glass fibers



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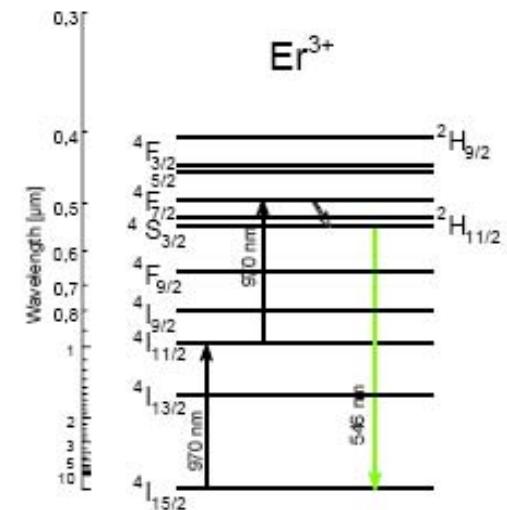
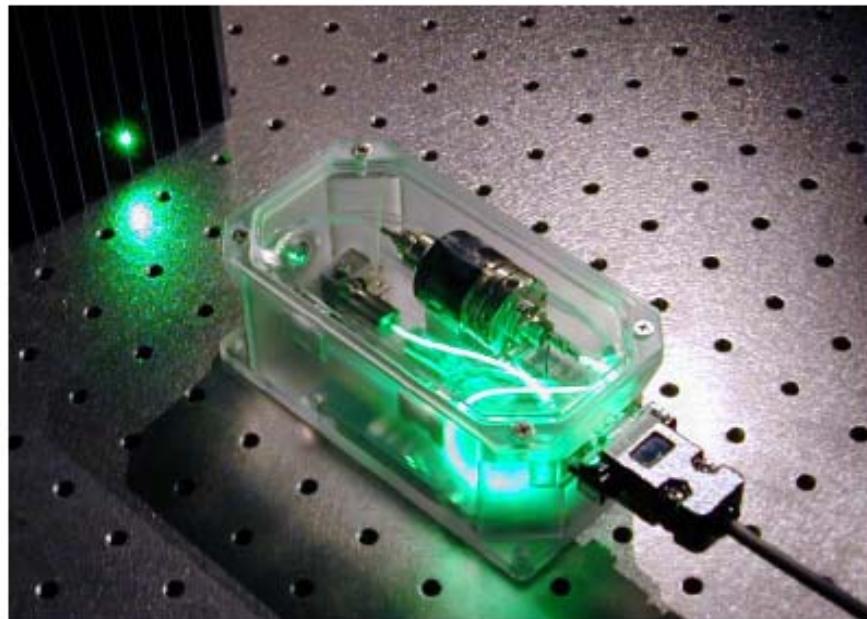


first demonstration of a fiber laser: in the early sixties !

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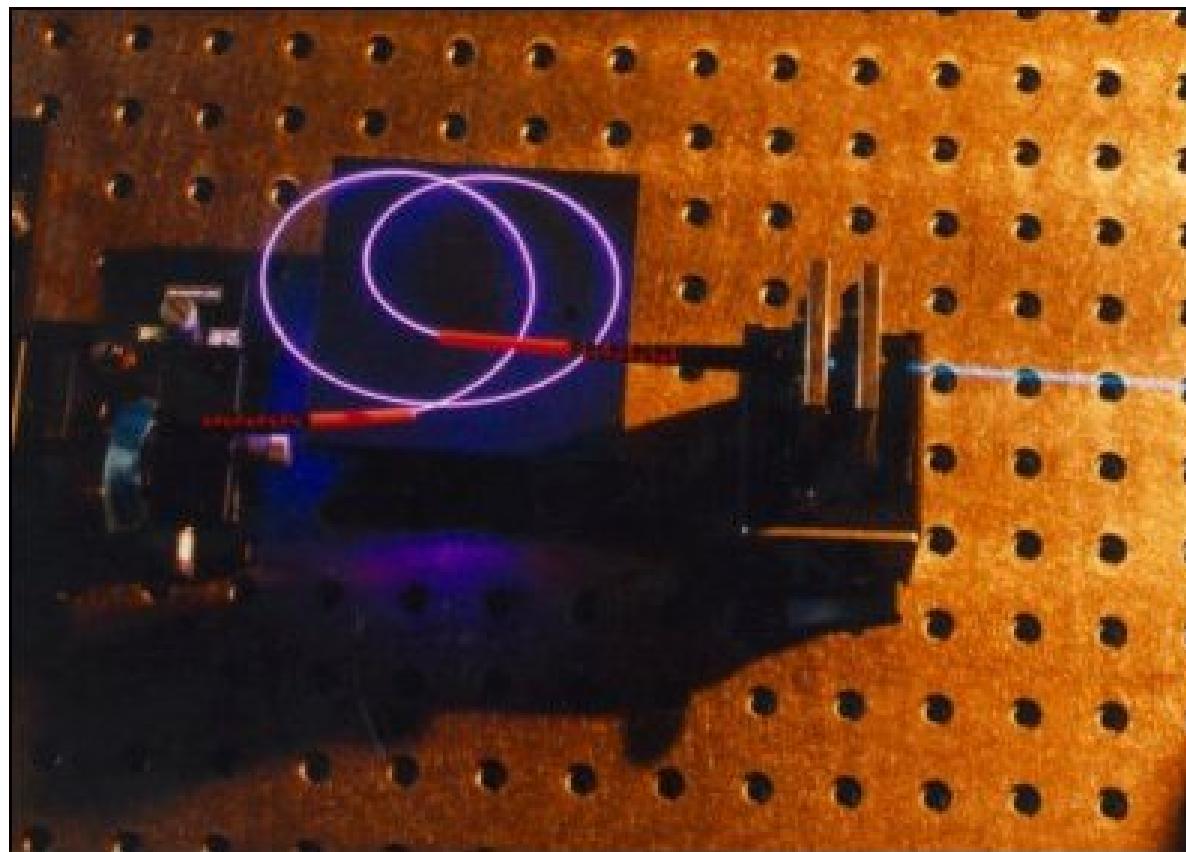
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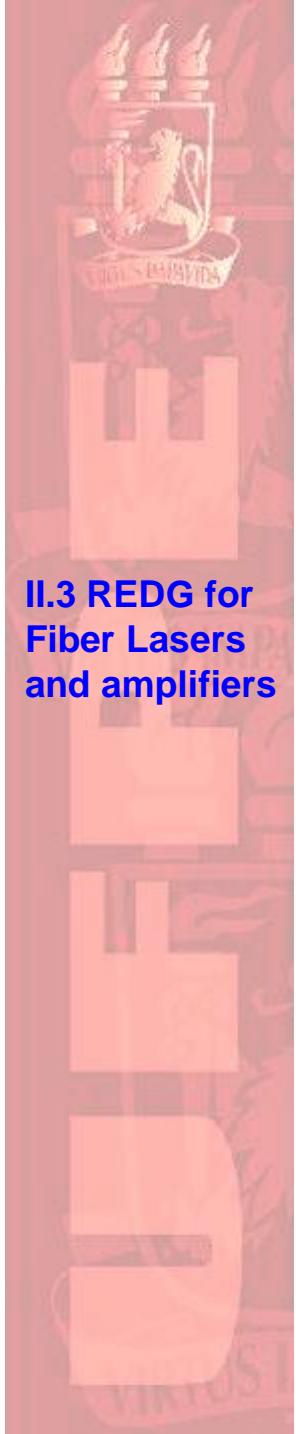
### Er: upconversion fiber laser





## Thulium doped upconversion fiber laser





# Fiber Amplifiers

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## Rare-earth-doped glasses for fiber amplifiers in broadband telecommunication

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### Material Design for Rare Earth Laser Host

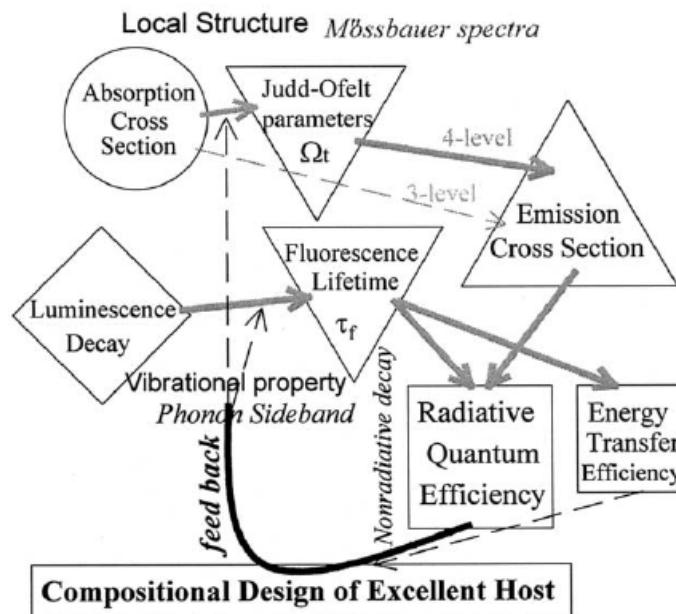


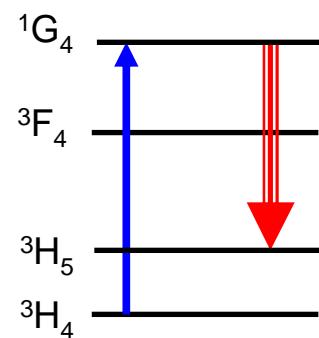
Fig. 2. Research scheme for efficient laser materials.

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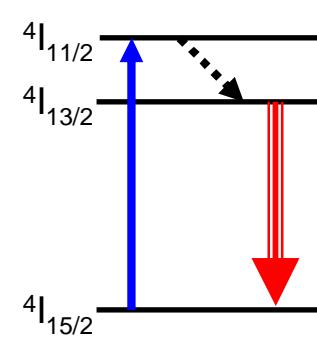
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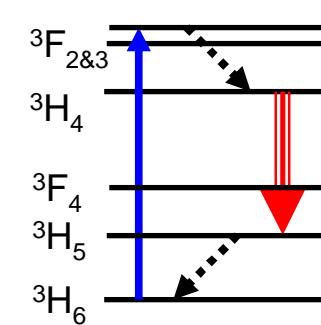
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EDFA

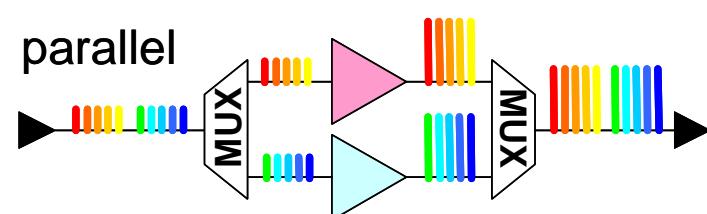


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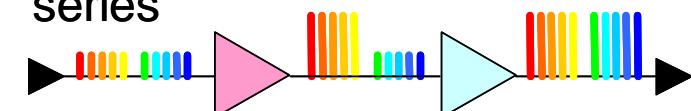


HYBRIDS

parallel



series





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# Importance of the host glass

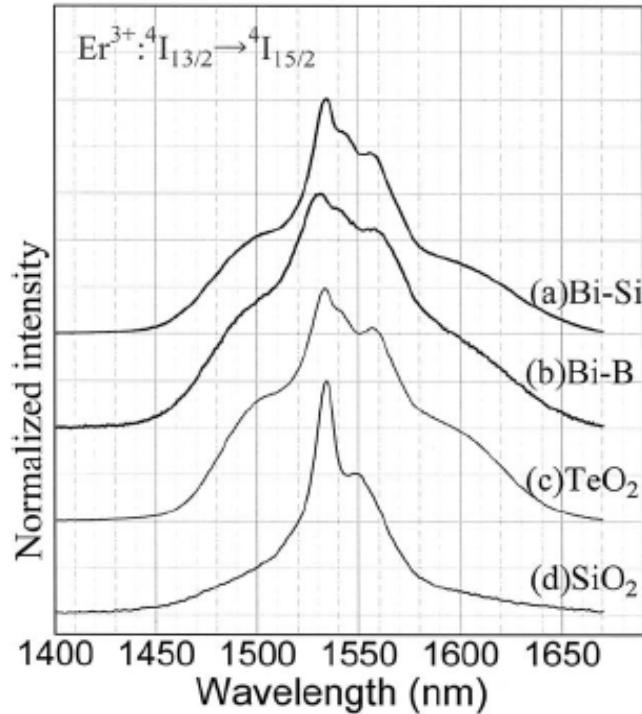
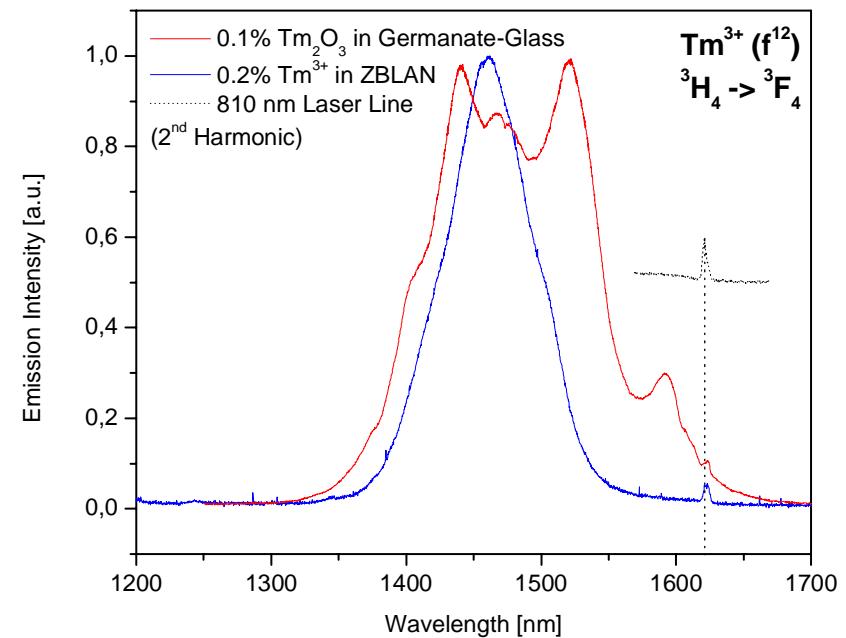


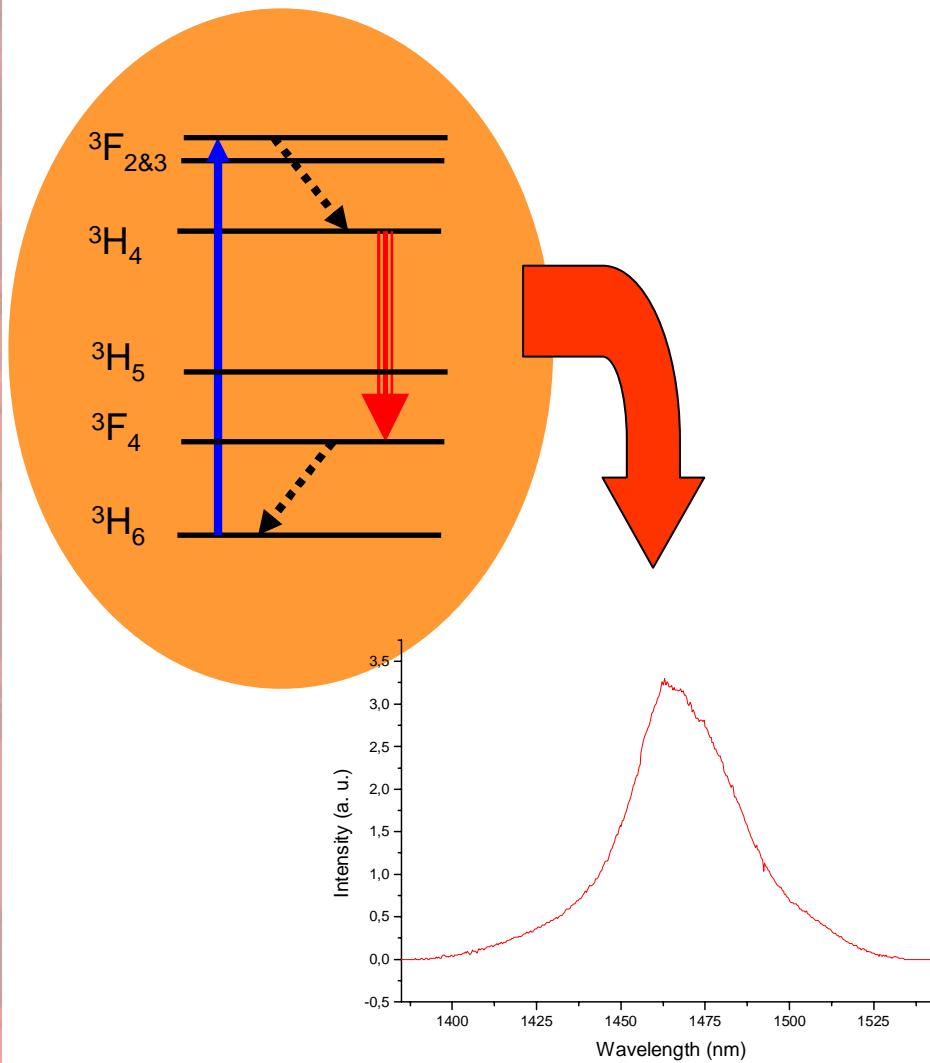
Fig. 3. Fluorescence spectra of  $\text{Er}^{3+}$ -doped glasses; (a) Bi-silicate, (b) Bi-borate, (c) Tellurite and (d) Al-silica.





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## Importance of understanding REE S-band (1450nm-1510nm) TDFA



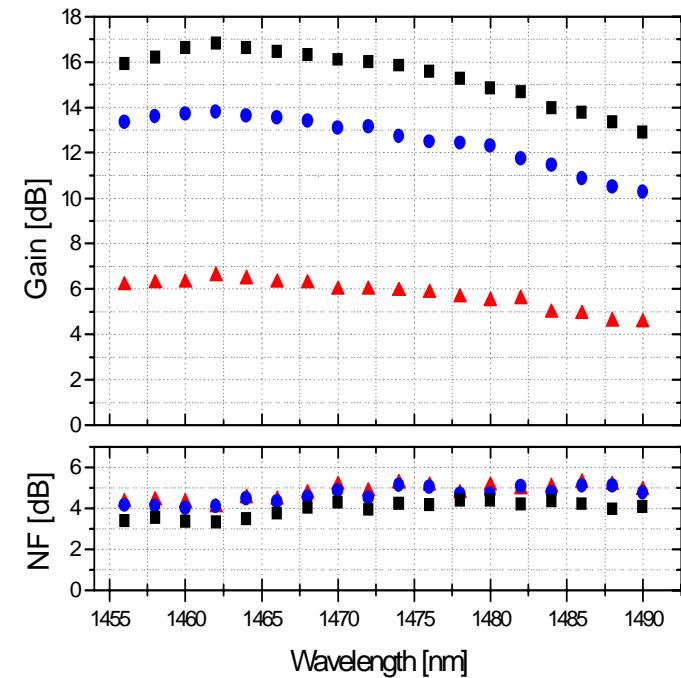
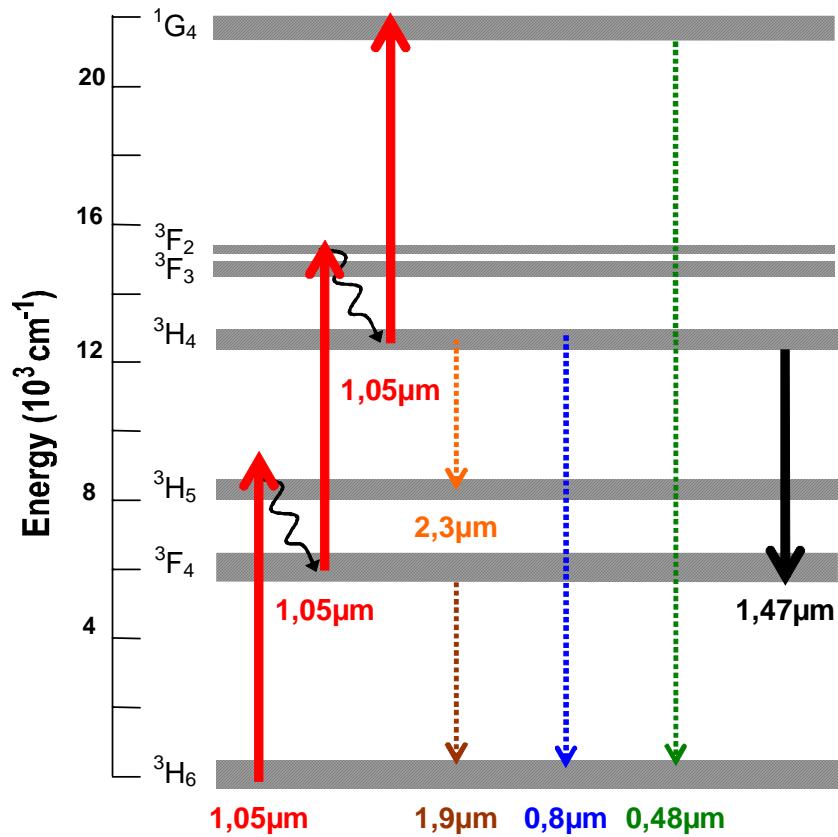
- + S-band emission:  $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3F_4$
- + Conversion efficiency
- + Low loss in non-operation
- + Diode pump sources
- Multi-phonon relaxation
- Material reliability
- Lifetime bottleneck
- Complex pump schemes



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# T DFA – Pumping Schemes

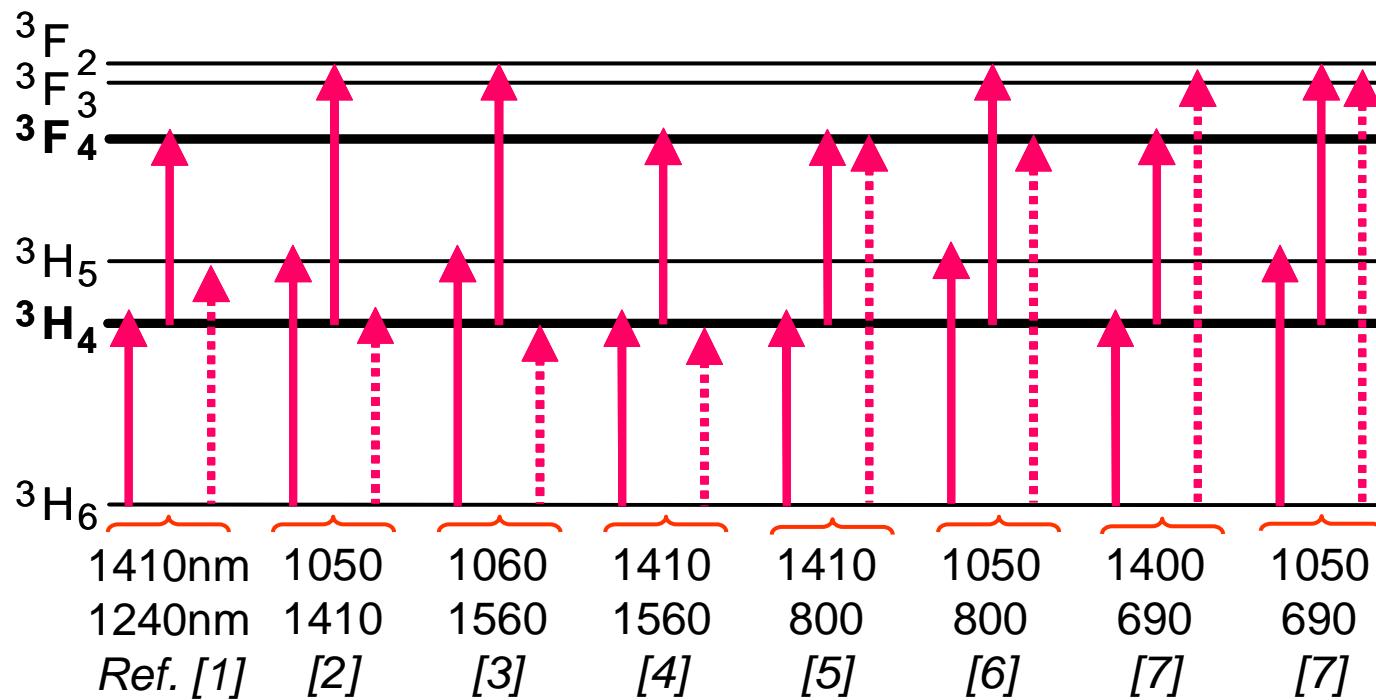
## Single wavelength pump



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### Dual-wavelength pump schemes (preferred, more efficient)



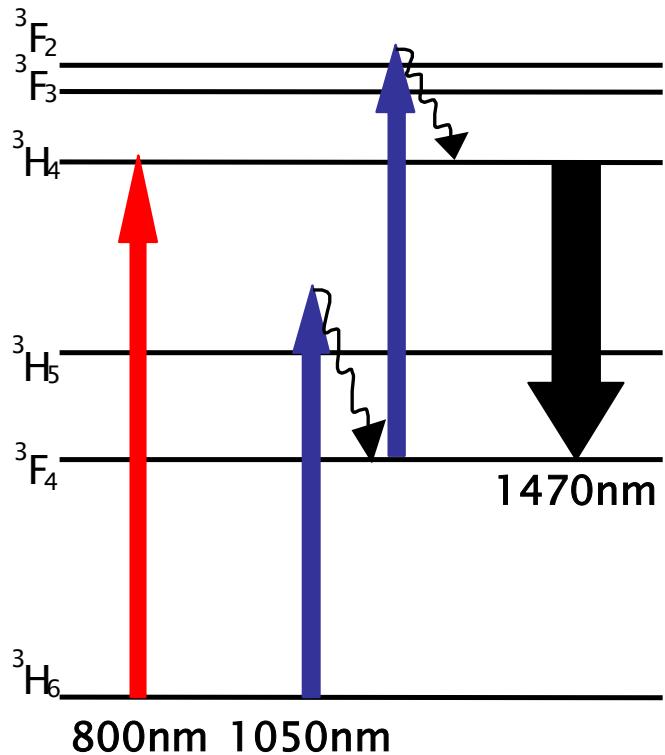
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## 800nm+1050nm Pump Scheme for TDFA



800nm

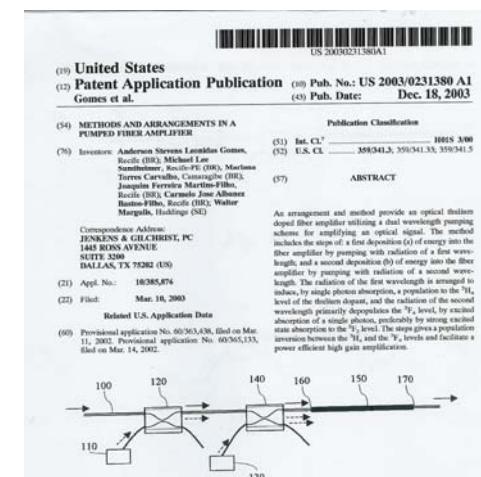
GSA – Populates directly the higher amplifying level

1050nm

ESA – Depopulates the lower level + populate the higher level

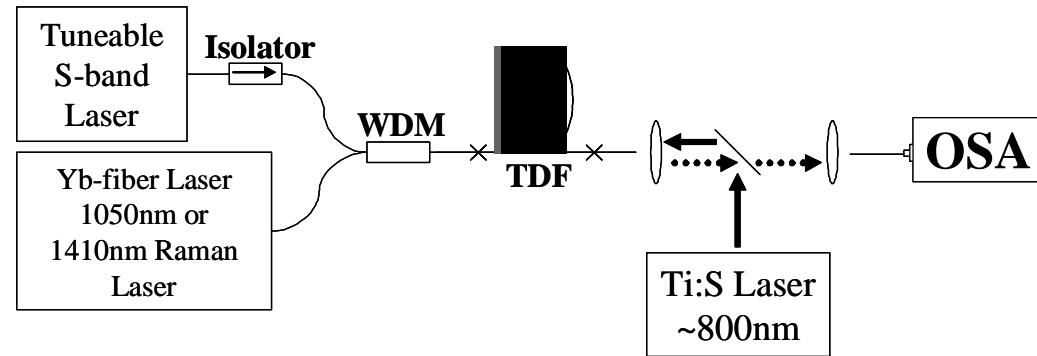
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**Novel dual wavelength (1050 nm + 800 nm) pumping scheme for thulium doped fiber amplifiers**  
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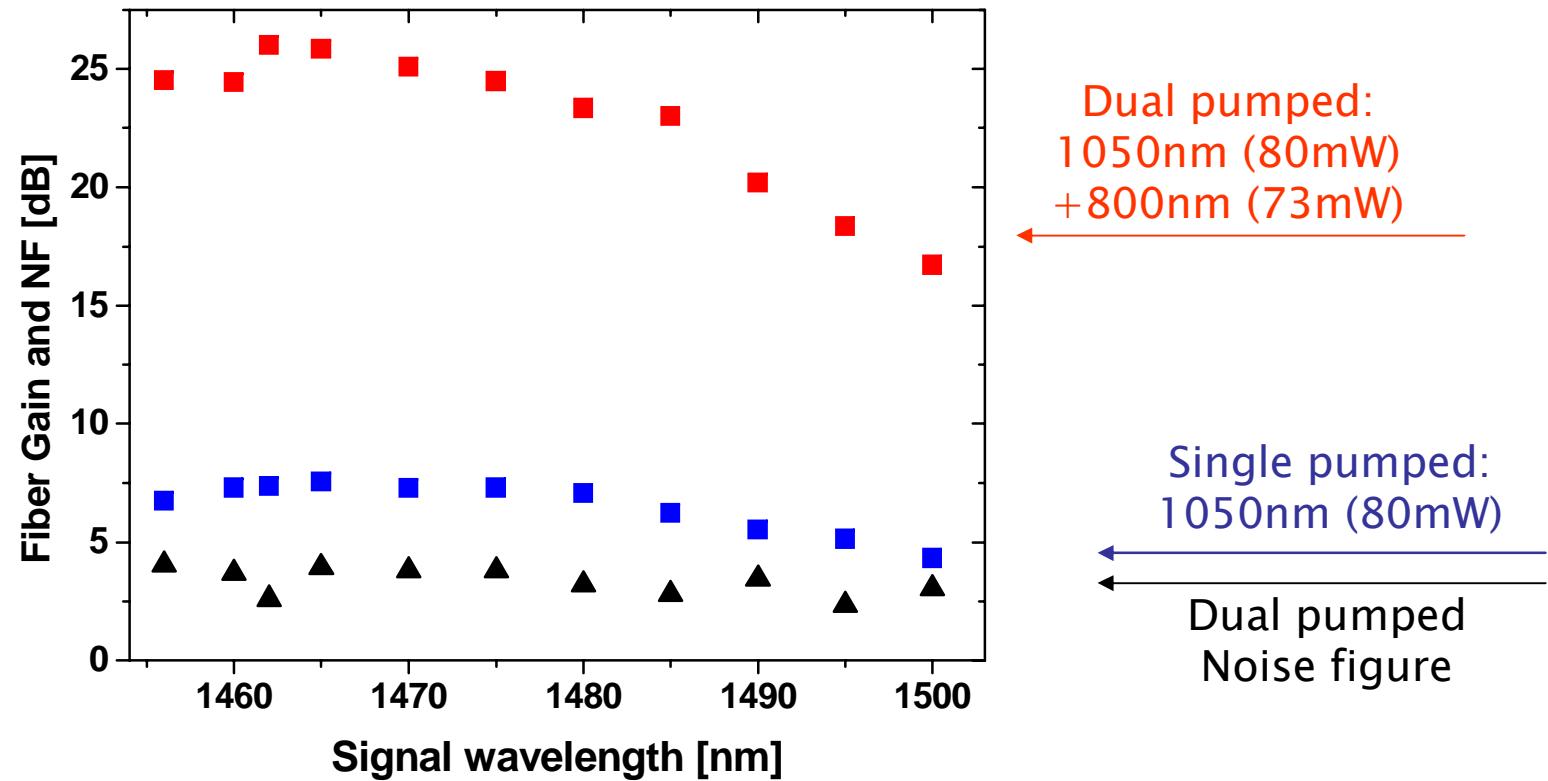




# Results for the 800+1050nm pumping scheme



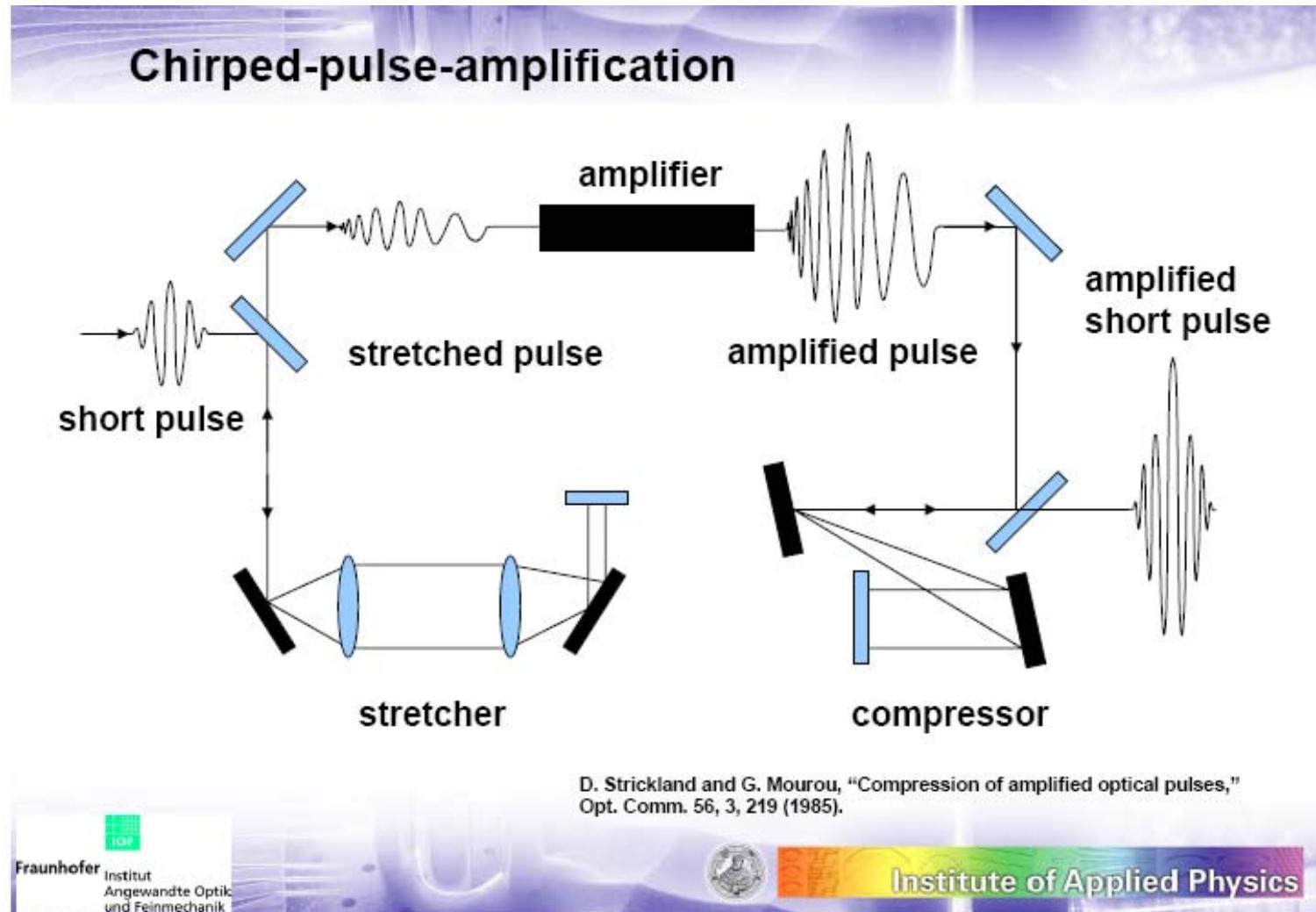
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$L = 18\text{m}$ , 2000ppm ZBLAN,  $P_s = -27\text{dBm}$



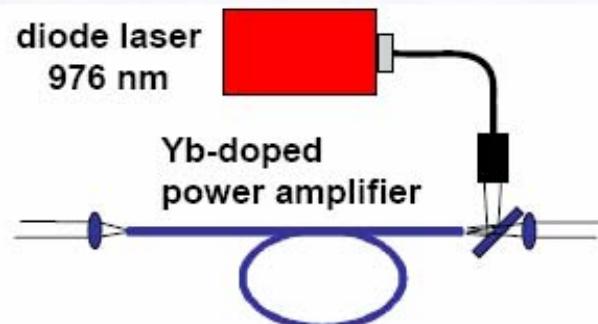
# Fiber Amplifiers



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# Fiber Amplifiers

## CPA-fiber amplifier – power amplifier



Yb-doped large-mode-area fiber

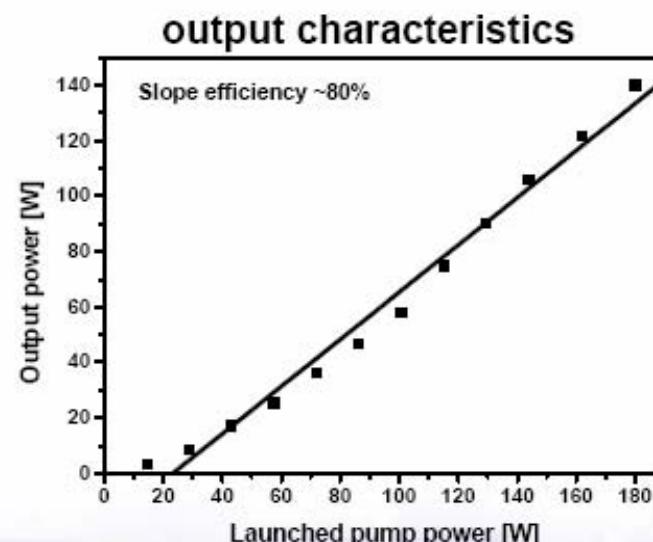
length: 13.5 m

core:  $\varnothing = 28.5 \mu\text{m}$ , NA = 0.06, MFD = 23  $\mu\text{m}$

inner clad.:  $\varnothing = 400 \mu\text{m}$ , NA = 0.38, D

doping: 700 ppm (mol) Yb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

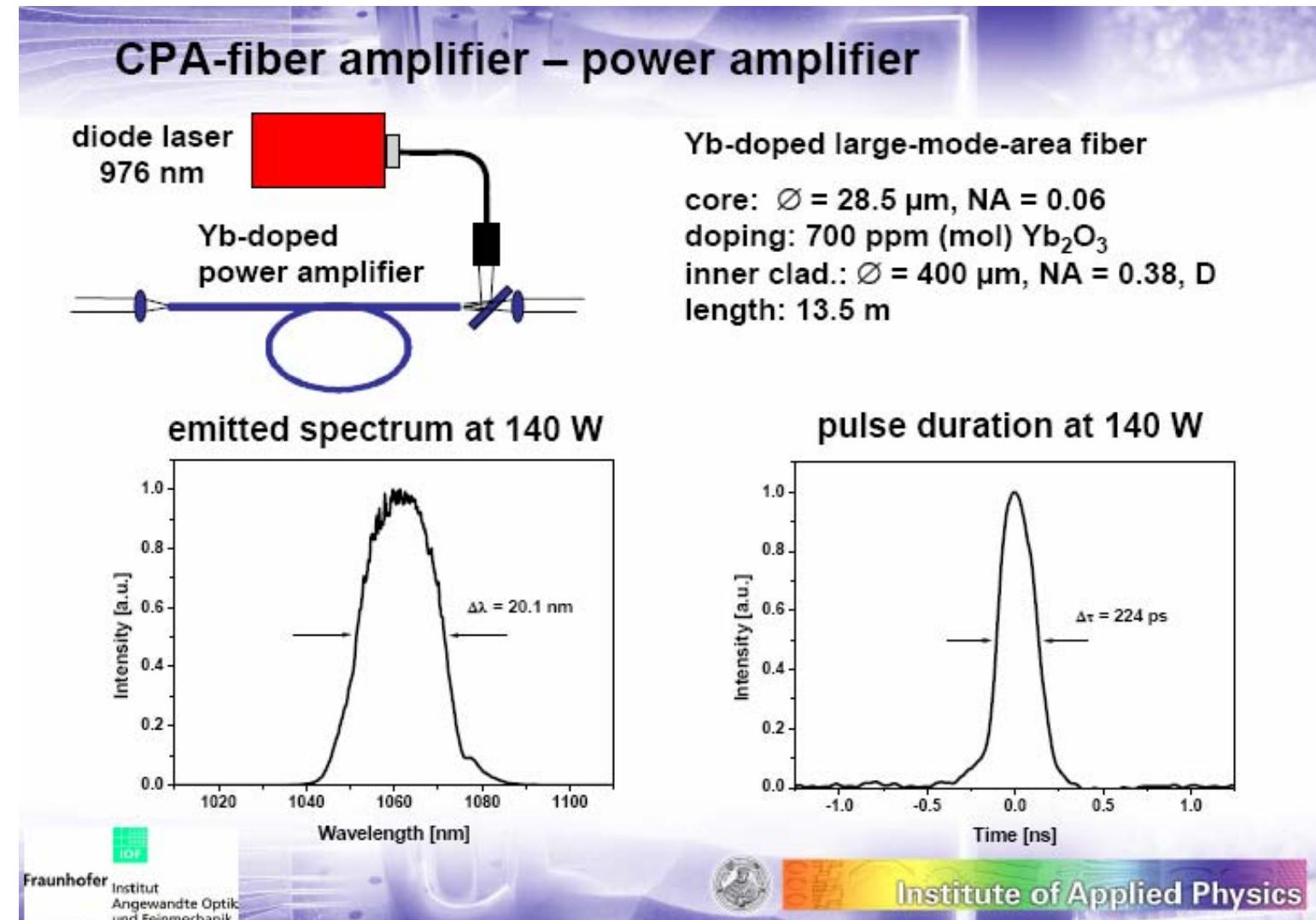
beam quality:  
diffraction-limited ( $M^2 = 1.1$ )  
degree of polarization:  
~ 50% (3 to 1)





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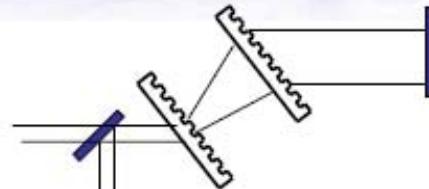




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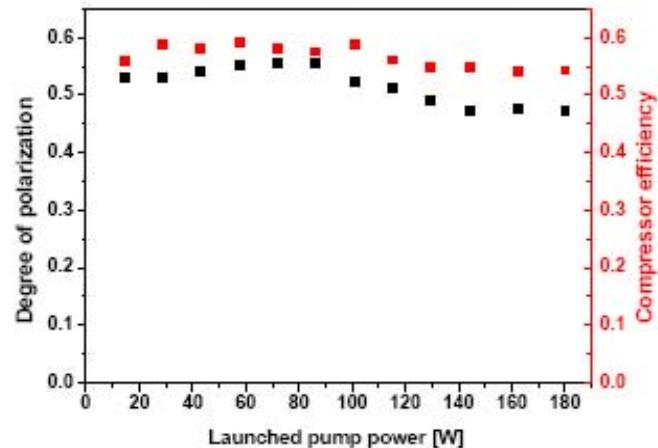
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## CPA-fiber amplifier – compressor stage



Output

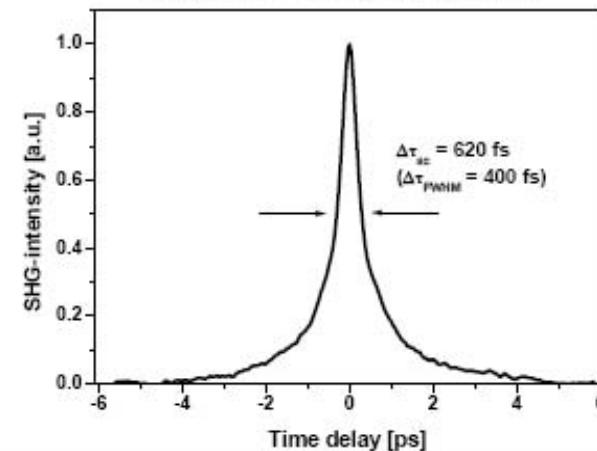
compressor efficiency



transmission gratings in fused silica  
fabricated by electron beam lithography

grating separation: 61 cm  
diffraction angle: 44.5° (3° off Littrow)

autocorrelation trace



→ 80 W average power of 400 fs pulses

## II.4 REDG planar and channel waveguides

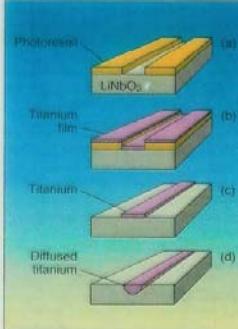
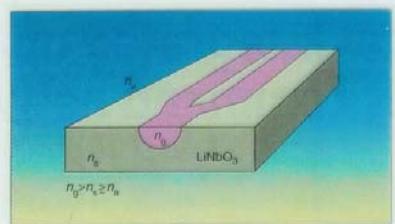
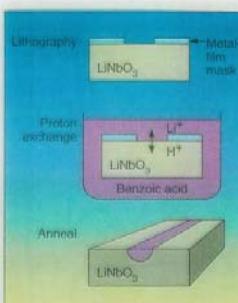
# REDG Planar and Channel Waveguides

### PLANAR WAVEGUIDE FABRICATION FACILITIES DEPARTAMENTO DE FÍSICA - UFPE

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(mask alignment, photolithography, etc)

Preparation methods employed:

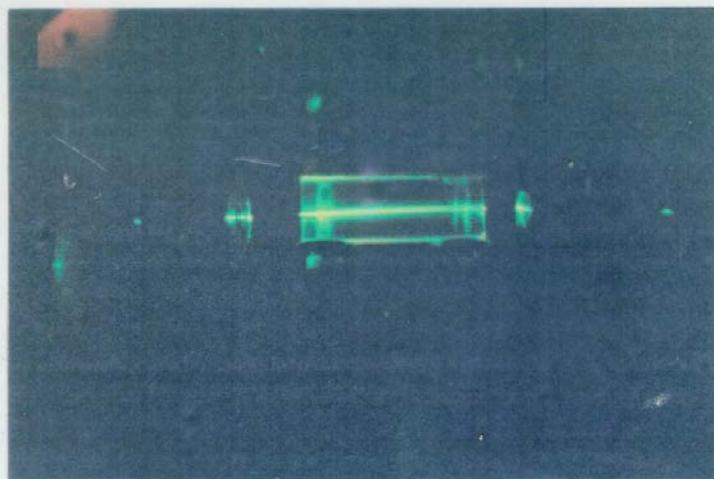
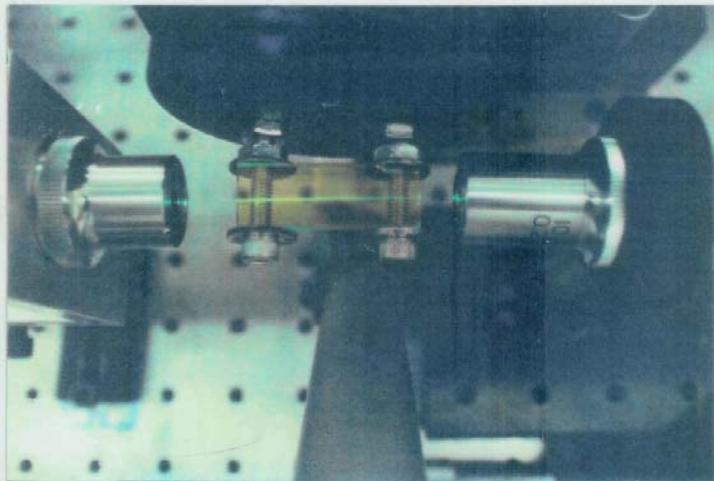
- Proton exchange and Ti-indifusion for  $\text{LiNbO}_3$
- Ion Exchange for silicate glasses
- Nonmetallic indifusion for fluoroindate glasses



### Characterization & Applications

LINEAR (losses, modes,  $\Delta n$ , etc)

NONLINEAR (e-o modulators,  
all-optical switches, lasers,  
amplifiers, etc)



End Fire Coupling Into Waveguides



## II.4 REDG planar and channel waveguides

# All-optical switching in rare-earth doped channel waveguide

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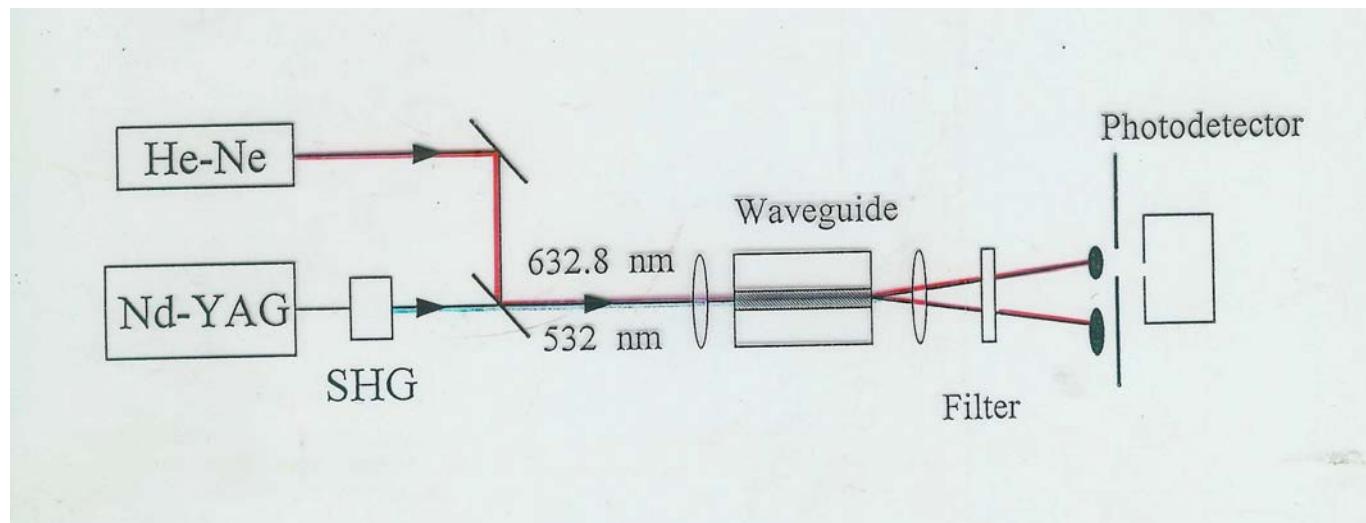
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The operation of an all-optical switch in a rare-earth doped channel waveguide is described. The switching mechanism is based on an optically induced intramodal energy exchange, driven by a resonantly enhanced nonlinearity of a  $\text{Nd}^{3+}$  ion. Switching times around  $410 \mu\text{s}$  at a repetition rate of 1 kHz was demonstrated. © 1995 American Institute of Physics.

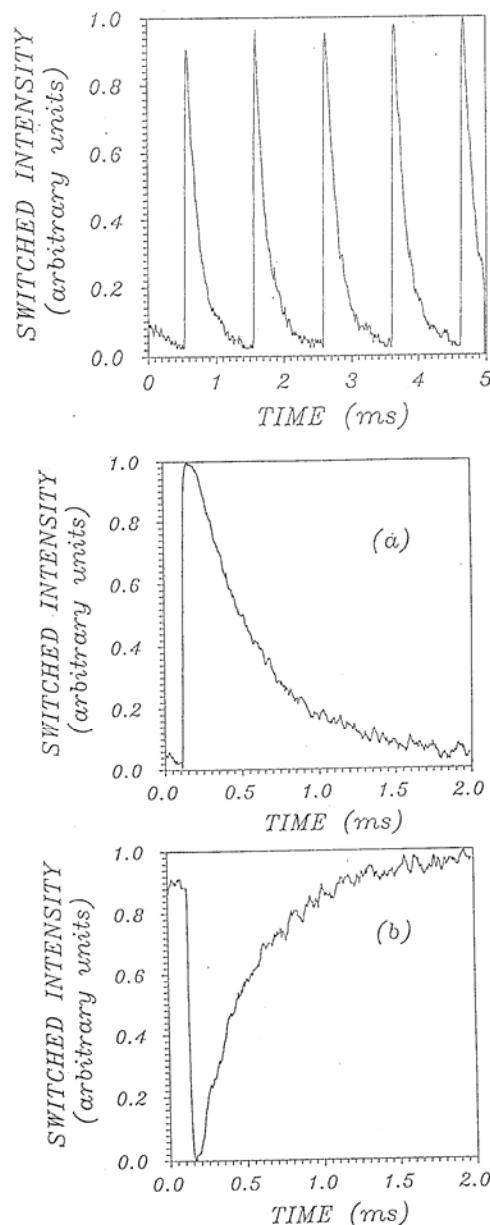
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Ion exchange, 8mm long,  $2-10\mu\text{m}$  width,  $\Delta n = 8.7 \times 10^{-3}$

Silicate glass, 16% $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ , 2% $\text{Nd}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{K}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{Na}^+$

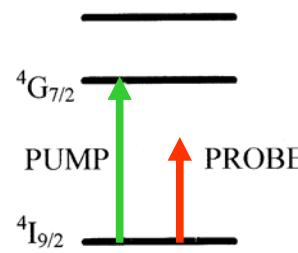
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### PHYSICAL MECHANISM FOR ALL-OPTICAL SWITCHING IN Nd-DOPED WAVEGUIDE

Energy exchange between two-lobes of a high order propagating mode.

First observed in RED optical fibres (Pantell et al. OL 92; Sadowski et al. OL 93). Fibre lengths of ~1m were employed.



The pump beam resonantly induces a differential phase shift in the two spatial components of the signal beam.

As a consequence, a change in intensity occurs from one lobe to the other.

#### MAIN FEATURES:

The nature of the optical nonlinearity is electronic in origin.

Repetition rate limited by pump level lifetime ( $410\mu\text{s}$ ).

Pump Power dependence: Linear

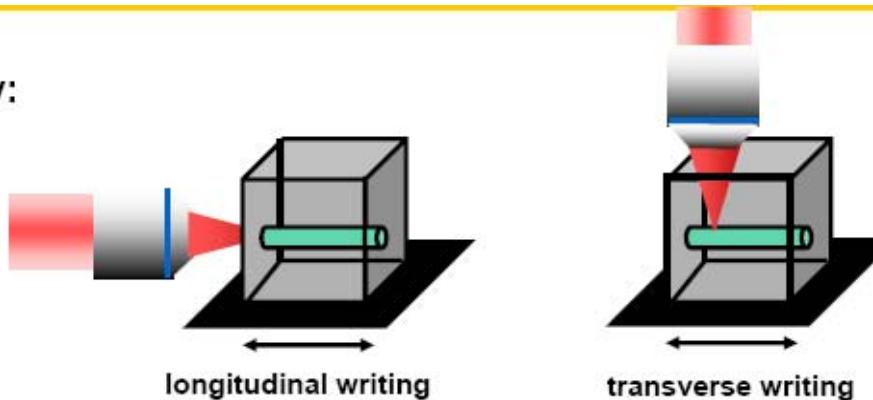
Estimated  $n_2 \sim 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^2/\text{W}$



# Fabrication and Characterization of Photonic Devices Directly Written in Glass Using Femtosecond Laser Pulses

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## ➤ writing geometry:



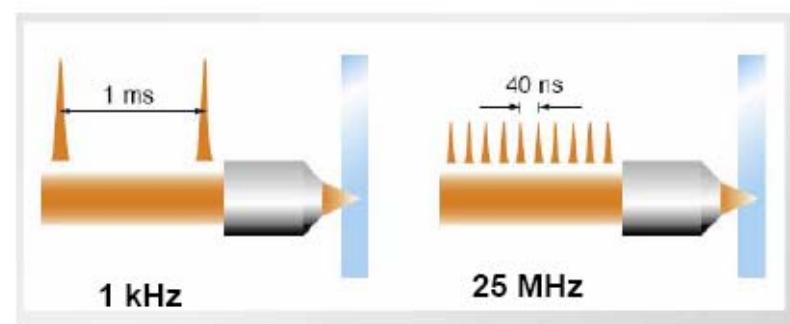
longitudinal writing

transverse writing

➤ pulse energy: 0.1-10  $\mu$ J;

➤ laser wavelength: 800 nm

➤ pulse repetition rate





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# C-band waveguide amplifier produced by femtosecond laser writing

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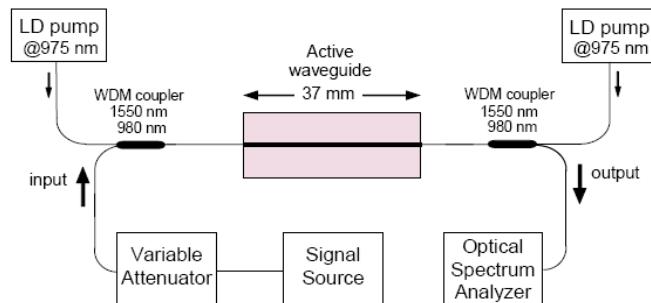


Fig. 1. Optical waveguide amplifier configuration and characterization set-up.

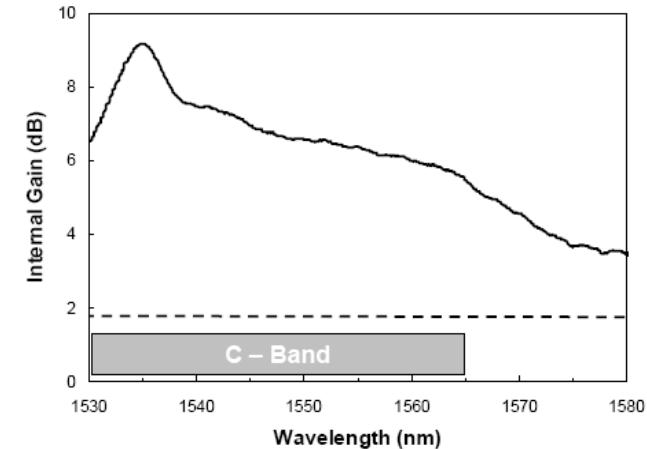


Fig. 2. Measured internal gain spectrum obtained with an incident pump power of 460 mW in bi-directional pumping configuration. The dashed line indicates the total insertion losses.



# Rare earth-doped glass microbarcodes

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- Employs  $\mu\text{m}$  size glass barcodes
- UV excited fluorescences
- APPLICATION: Bioessays

## Advantages of REDG

- High quantum efficiencies
- Noninterference with common fluorescence labels
- Inertness to most organics and aqueous solvents

$> 10^6$  distinguishable possibilities



## II.5 REDG microbarcodes

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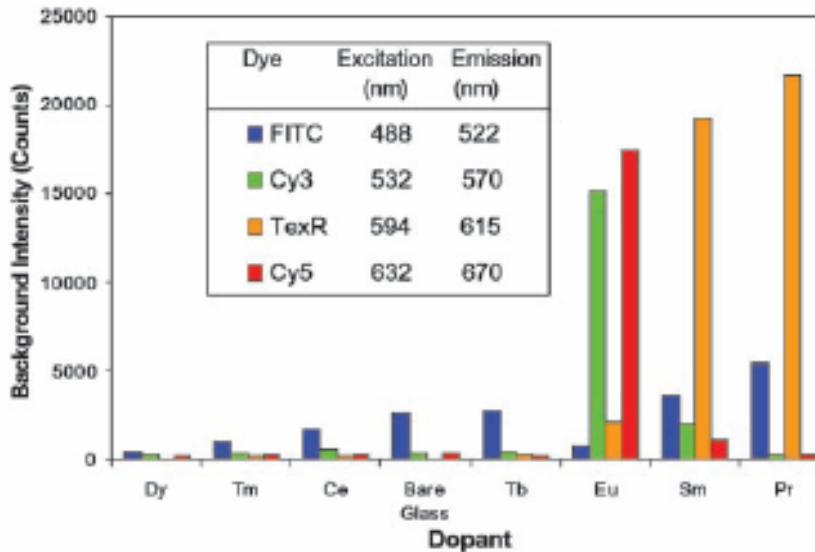


Fig. 2. Background fluorescence of RE-doped glasses relative to a bare microscope slide.

**Fabrication of Barcodes.** Conventional optical fiber draw methods were used to fabricate the encoded fiber ribbons. First, the optimized glasses were melted and cast into 25 × 25 mm square bars and annealed for 1 h at 750°C. These bars were drawn into lengths of square (3.5-mm sides) canes and stacked in a predetermined order to define a barcode pattern. The assembly was then fused in a graphite press in a furnace at 900°C under N<sub>2</sub>. The fused preform was drawn at 1,200°C into a ribbon fiber (20 μm thick, 100 μm wide). The ribbon fiber was scribed every 20 μm at a rate of 5 mm/s with 800-nm femtosecond laser pulses (100 mW average power) by using a computer-controlled stage. The scribed ribbon fiber was then sonicated for 60 s in water to break the ribbon along the scribes into individual barcodes.

## II.5 REDG microbarcodes

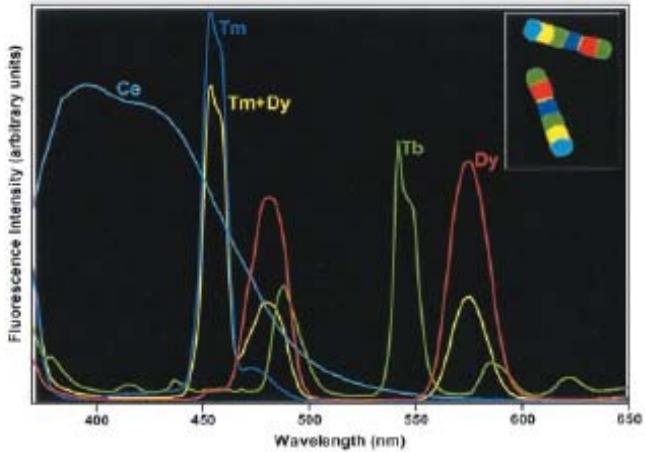


Fig. 3. False-color image of two  $100 \times 20 \mu\text{m}$  barcodes (Inset) and corresponding fluorescence spectrum barcode elements. The same color scheme is used for the spectra and the image [e.g., the yellow band in the barcode corresponds to the yellow (combination Tm+Dy) line spectrum].

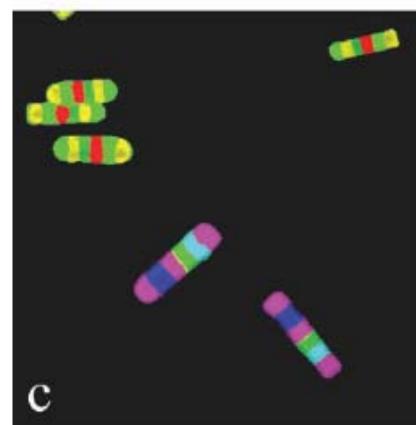
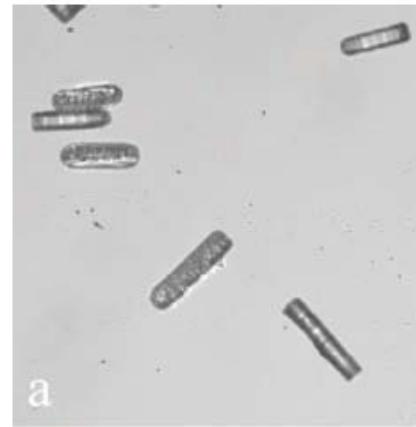


Fig. 4. Fluorescence false-color images of barcode particles A and B used in aDNA hybridization assay using Cy3-labeled DNA. (a) "White light" image. (b) Cy3 channel image. (c) RE images obtained by using a 420-nm long-pass filter.

A wide-angle photograph of a tropical beach. In the foreground, dark, mossy rocks are scattered across a wet, sandy shore. The ocean waves are a vibrant turquoise color, crashing onto the rocks. In the middle ground, a dense line of palm trees stands behind a sandy beach. Several small, colorful beach umbrellas and chairs are visible on the sand. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

*Break time!!!!!!*