



# *Transport* and *Dispersion* of

## **Exciton-Polariton**

Arkajit Mandal and David R. Reichman

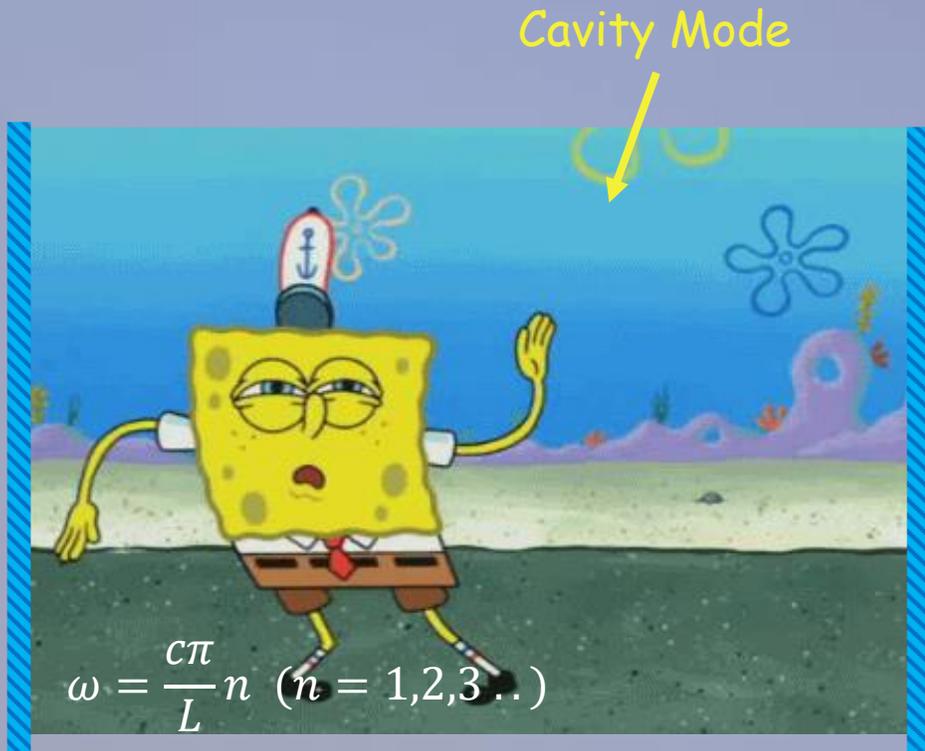
Experiment: Ding Xu and Milan Dilor

Xu† *Mandal*† Baxter Cheng Lee Su Liu Reichman\* Delor\*  
Arxiv: 2205.01176 (2022) † *Equal*

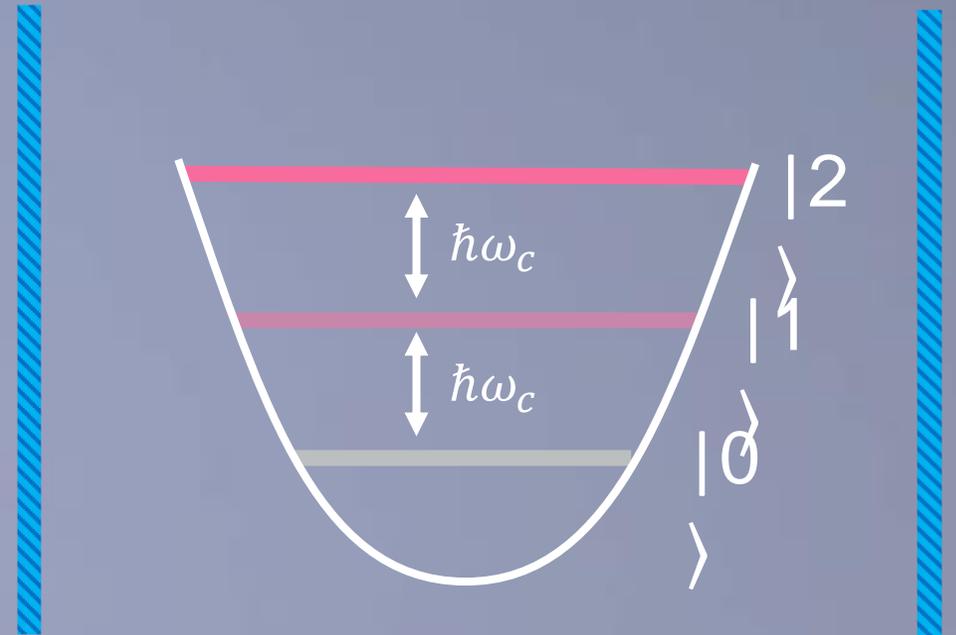
*Mandal*\* Xu Mahajan Lee Delor Reichman\*  
Nano Lett. 2023

 COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

# A Cavity

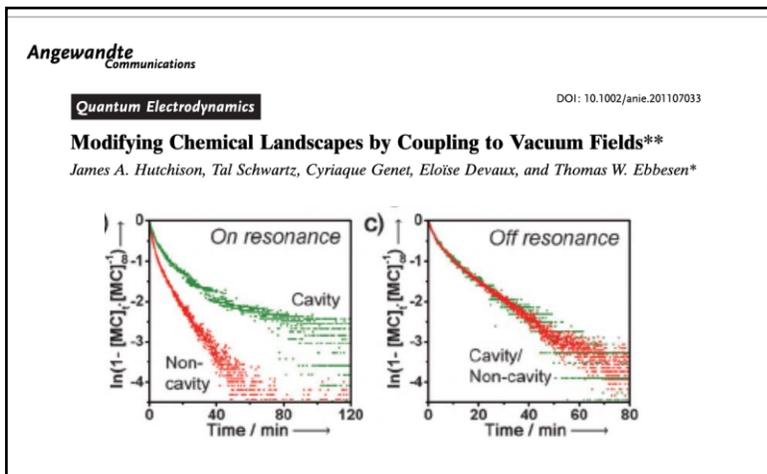


Quantization

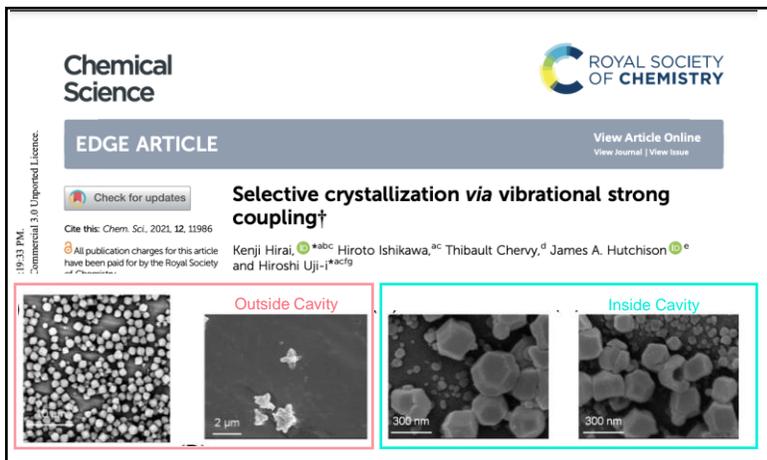


# Polaritons

Photochemistry

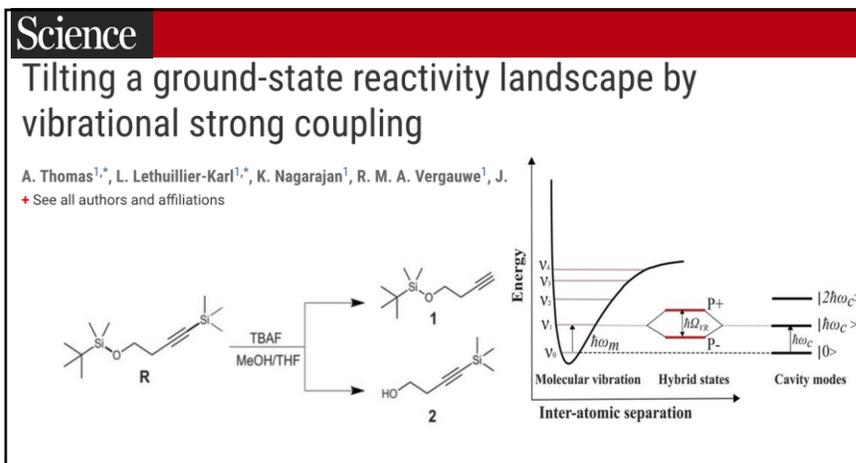


Crystallization

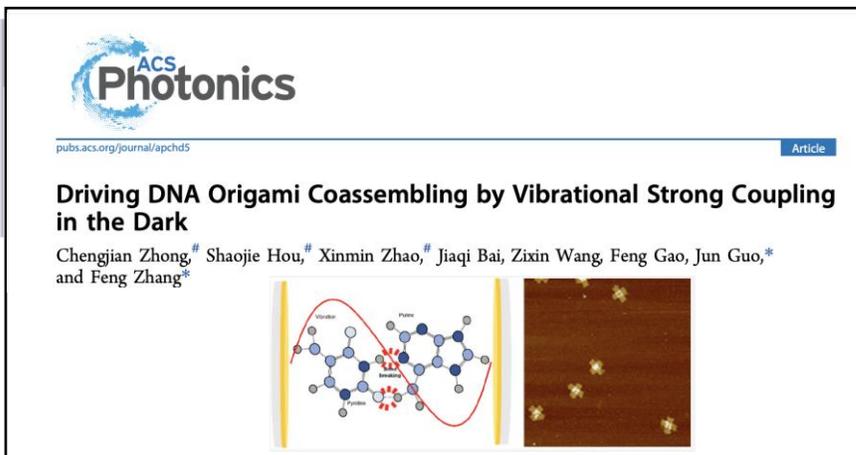


## Theoretical Advances in Polariton Chemistry

Rubio (Max Planck), Mukamel (UCI), Huo (Rochester), Yuen-Zhou (UCSD), Herrera (U. Santiago), Groenhoff (U. Jyväskylä), Narang (UCLA), Keeling (St. Andrews), Rebeiro (Emory), Subotnik (UPenn), Feist (UAM), Nitzan (UPenn), Saalfrank (U. Potsdam), Vendrell (Heidelberg), Garcia-Vidal (UAM), Cederbaum (Heidelberg), Koch (NTNU), Kowalewski (Stockholm), Deprince (FSU), Vivok (U. Debrecen), Hammes-Schiffer (Yale), Scholes (Princeton), Foley (UNCC) and many more groups



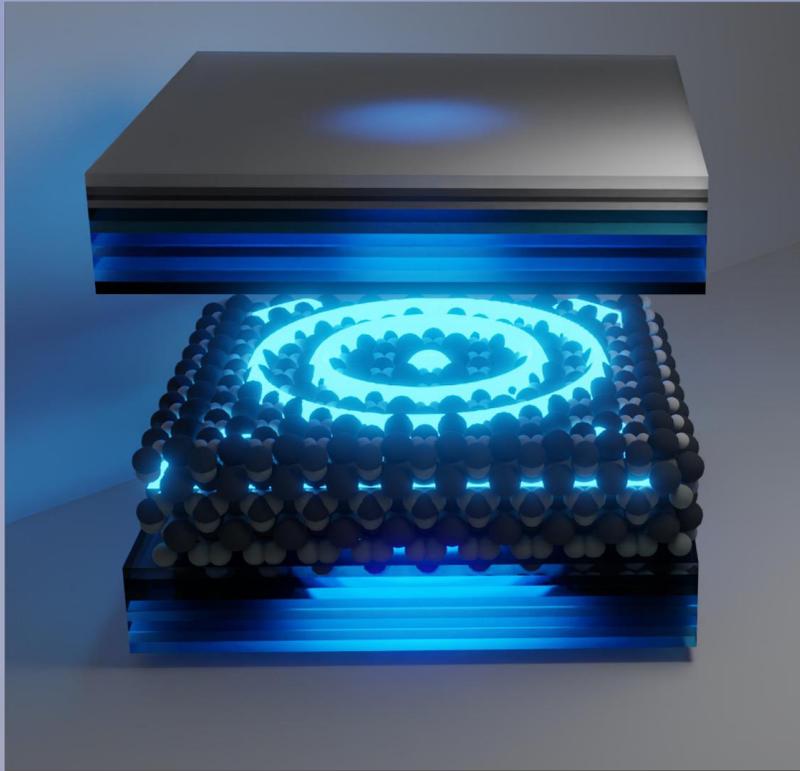
Chemical Kinetics



Biophysics

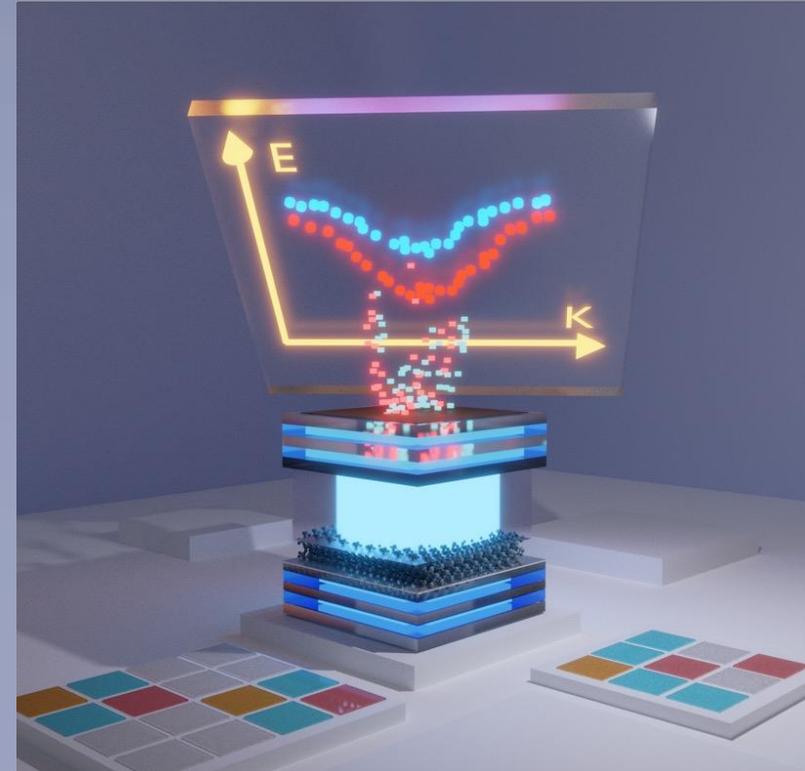
## Experiments in Polariton Chemistry/Physics

Ebbesen (Strasbourg), Xiong (UCSD), Menon (CCNY), Schwartz (Tel Aviv), Giebink (Penn), George (IISER-M), Simpkins (NRL), Baumberg (St. Andrews), Vamivakas (Rochester), Krauss (Rochester), Haran (Weizmann), Witchman (Princeton), XYZ (Columbia), Delor (Columbia), Musser (Cornell) many more group...



## Exciton-Polariton *Transport*

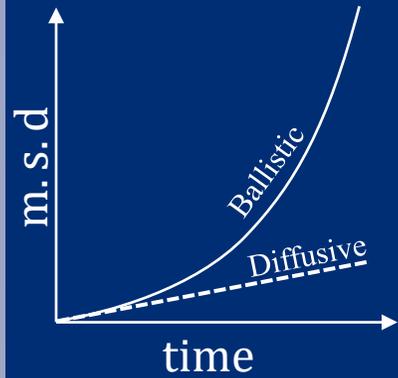
Xu<sup>†</sup> Mandal<sup>†</sup> Baxter Cheng Lee Su Liu Reichman\* Delor\*  
Arxiv: 2205.01176 (2022) <sup>†</sup> Equal



## Exciton-Polariton *Dispersion*

Mandal\* Xu Mahajan Lee Delor Reichman\*  
Nano Lett. 2023

1



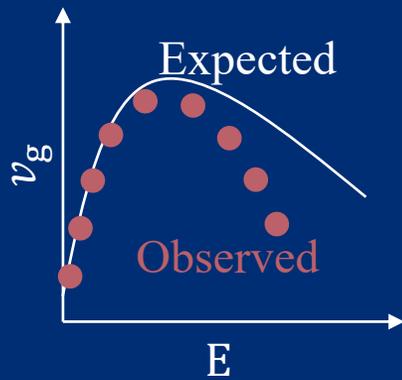
Introduce the key concepts  
Coherent and Incoherent  
Transport

2

$$\hat{c}\hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{c}^\dagger\hat{a}$$

Light-Matter  
Interactions

3

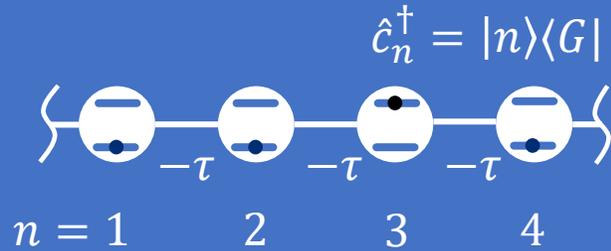


Simulation of Exciton  
Polariton Transport  
Ballistic and Diffusive  
motion of Exciton-Polariton  
Experiment + Theory

4



Microscopic theory of  
Dispersion  
Experiment + Theory



$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1})$$

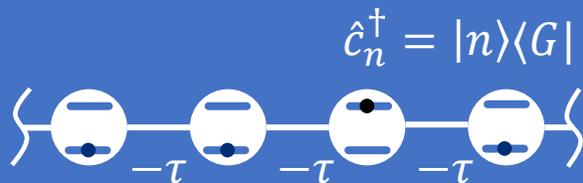
$$|k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} |n\rangle \quad \hat{c}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} \hat{c}_n$$

$$\hat{H}_{1D} |k\rangle = (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) |k\rangle$$

$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \sum_k (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k = \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k$$

A set of two level systems with nearest neighbor coupling.

# 1D Exciton (Group Velocity)

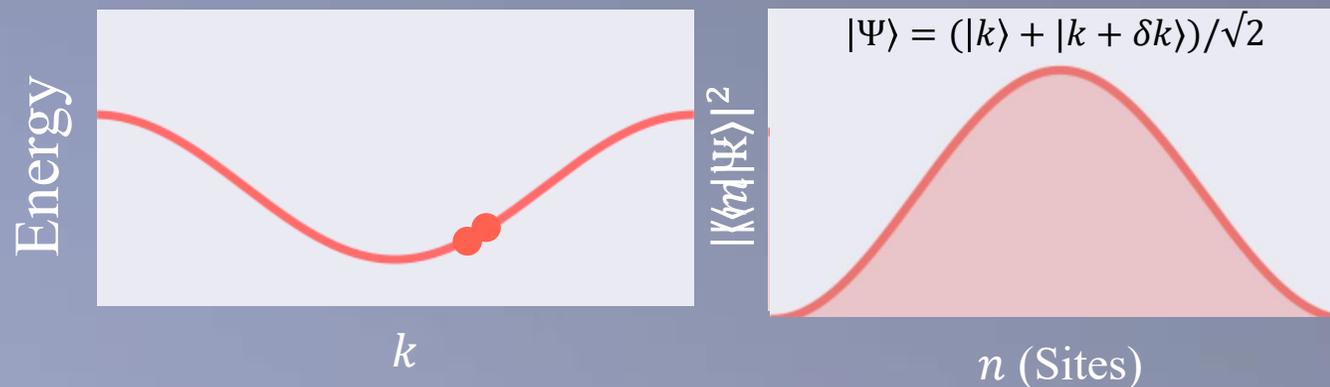


$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1})$$

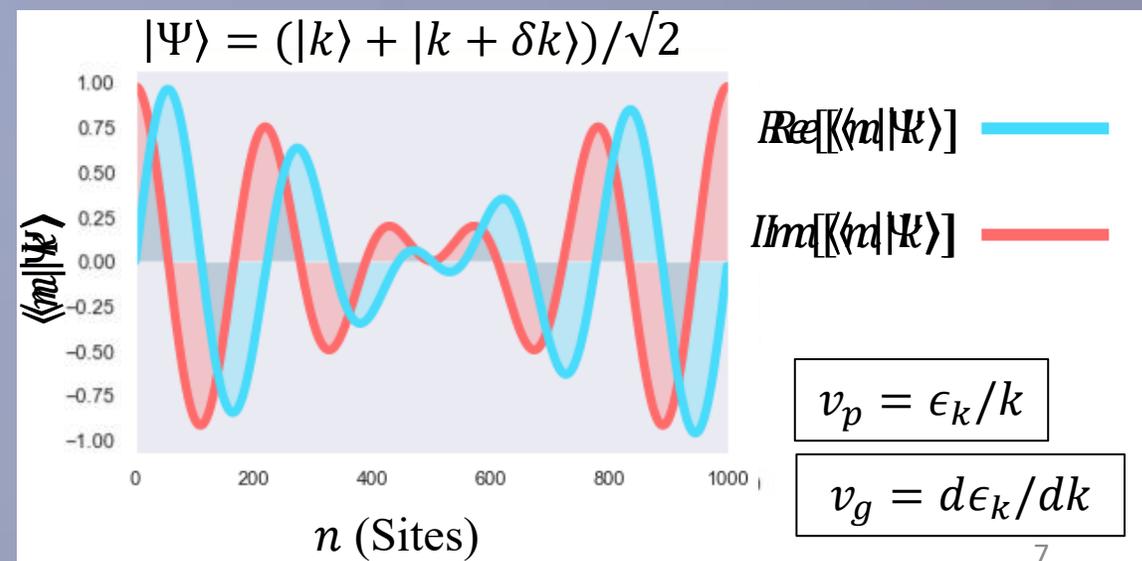
$$|k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} |n\rangle \quad \hat{c}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} \hat{c}_n$$

$$\hat{H}_{1D} |k\rangle = (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) |k\rangle$$

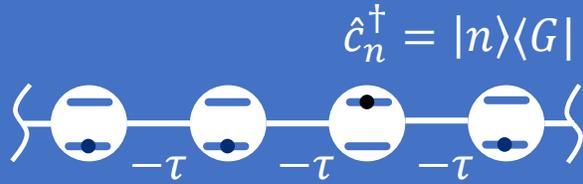
$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \sum_k (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k = \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k$$



Eigenfunctions are delocalized in site space.  
Localized in reciprocal space.



# Ballistic (Coherent) Transport

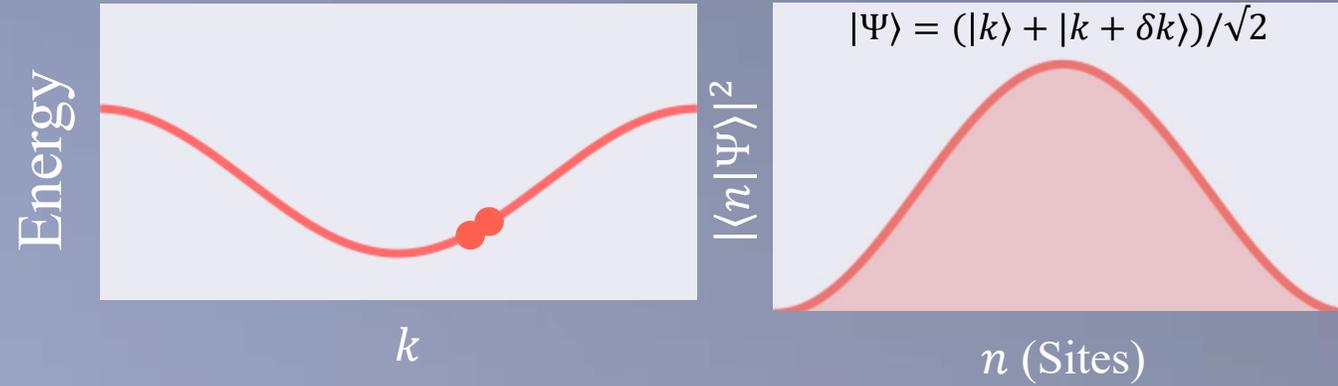


$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1})$$

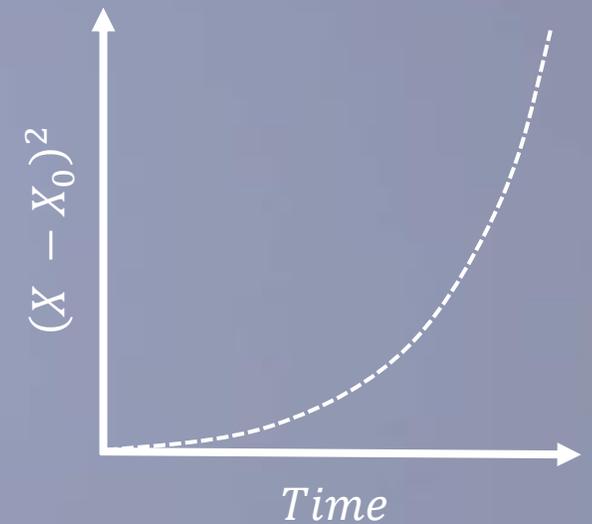
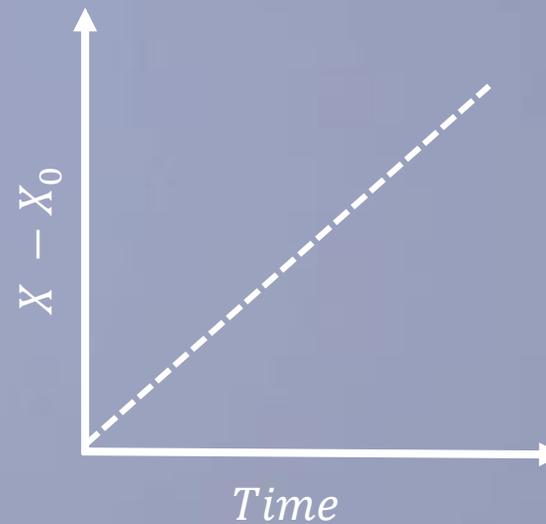
$$|k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} |n\rangle \quad \hat{c}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} \hat{c}_n$$

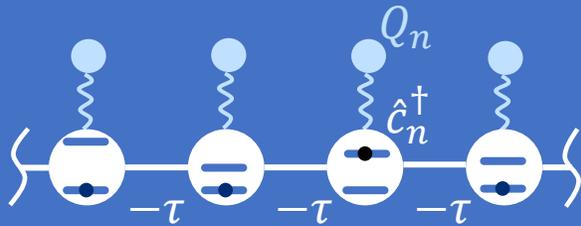
$$\hat{H}_{1D} |k\rangle = (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) |k\rangle$$

$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \sum_k (\epsilon_0 - 2\tau \cos k) \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k = \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k$$



Ballistic (Coherent) Motion



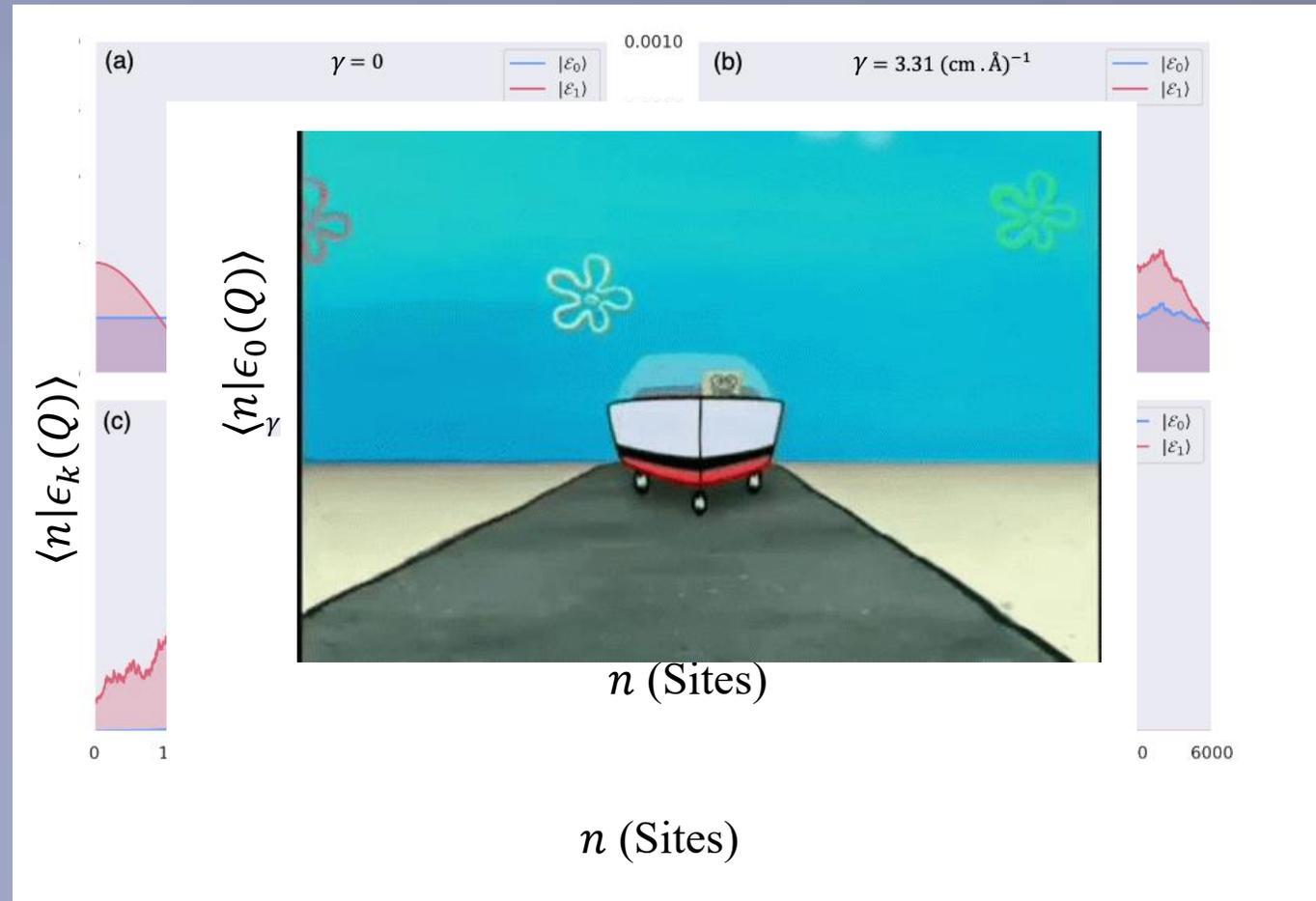


$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1}) + \gamma \sum_n Q_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (P_n^2 + \omega_p^2 Q_n^2)$$

## Electronic Hamiltonian

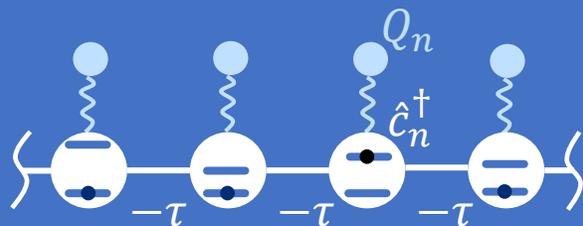
$$\hat{H}_{el} = \hat{H}_{1D} - \sum_n \frac{P_n^2}{2}$$

$$\hat{H}_{el} |\epsilon_k(Q)\rangle = \epsilon_k(Q) |\epsilon_k(Q)\rangle$$



Phonon fluctuation leads to energetic disorder which leads to localization of eigenstates

This disorder is dynamic, i.e. time-dependent



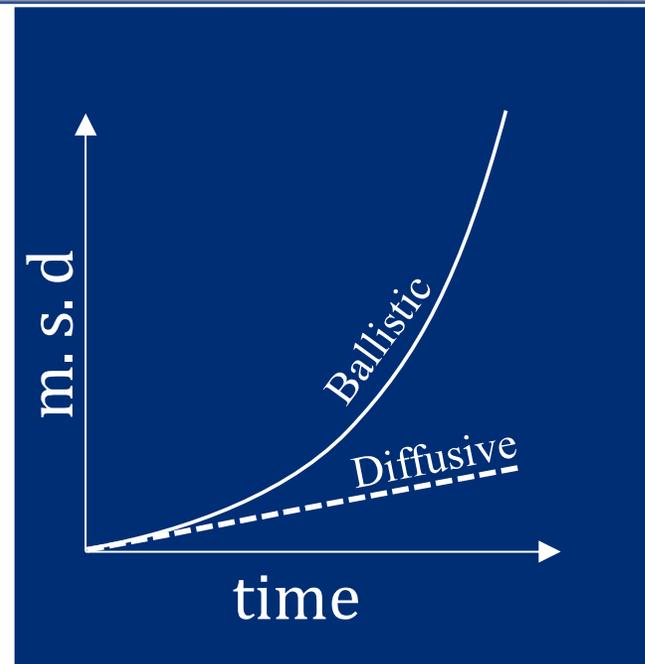
$$\hat{H}_{1D} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1})$$

$$+ \gamma \sum_n Q_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (P_n^2 + \omega_p^2 Q_n^2)$$

Electronic Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{el} = \hat{H}_{1D} - \sum_n \frac{P_n^2}{2}$$

$$\hat{H}_{el} |\epsilon_k(Q)\rangle = \epsilon_k(Q) |\epsilon_k(Q)\rangle$$



THE JOURNAL OF CHEMICAL PHYSICS 134, 244116 (2011)

## Mixed quantum-classical simulations of charge transport in organic materials: Numerical benchmark of the Su-Schrieffer-Heeger model

Linjun Wang,<sup>1</sup> David Beljonne,<sup>1,a)</sup> Liping Chen,<sup>2</sup> and Qiang Shi<sup>2,b)</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Laboratory for Chemistry of Novel Materials, University of Mons, Place du Parc 20, B-7000 Mons, Belgium

<sup>2</sup>State Key Laboratory for Structural Chemistry of Unstable and Stable Species, Beijing National Laboratory for Molecular Sciences (BNLMS), Institute of Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Zhongguancun, 100190 Beijing, People's Republic of China

(Received 6 April 2011; accepted 7 June 2011; published online 29 June 2011)

PRL 96, 086601 (2006)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

week ending  
3 MARCH 2006

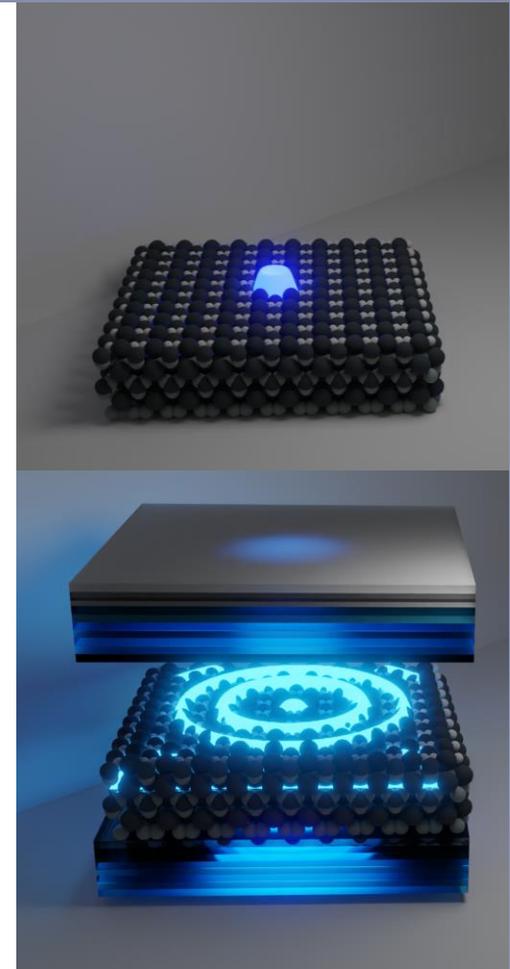
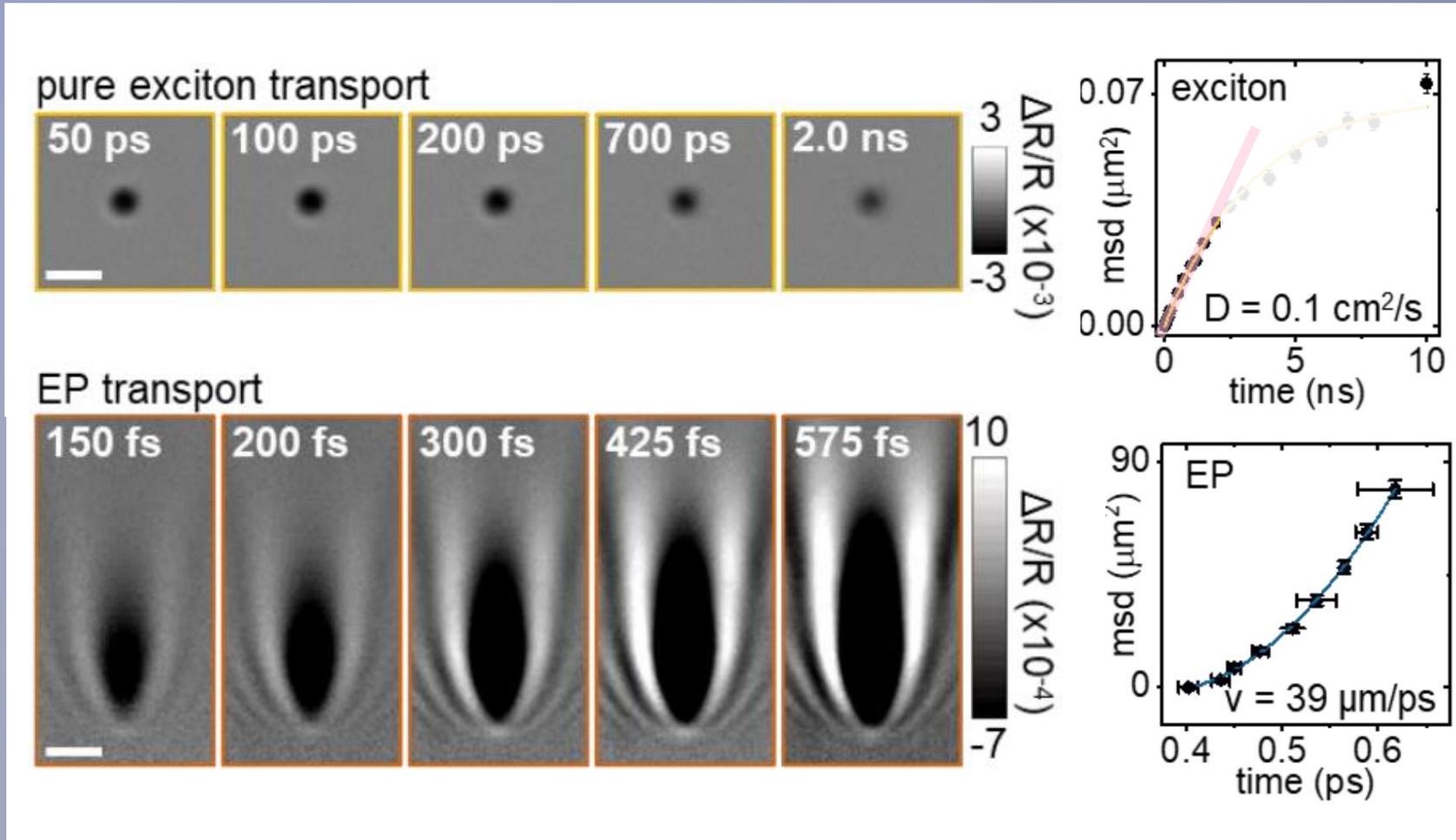
## Charge-Transport Regime of Crystalline Organic Semiconductors: Diffusion Limited by Thermal Off-Diagonal Electronic Disorder

Alessandro Troisi<sup>1</sup> and Giorgio Orlandi<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Department of Chemistry, University of Warwick, CV4 7AL Coventry, United Kingdom

<sup>2</sup>Dipartimento di Chimica "G. Ciamician," Università di Bologna, via F. Selmi 2, 40126 Bologna, Italy  
(Received 23 November 2005; published 3 March 2006)

# Exciton-Polariton Transport



Also see:

Pandya et. Al. Adv. Sci. 9, 2105569 (2022)

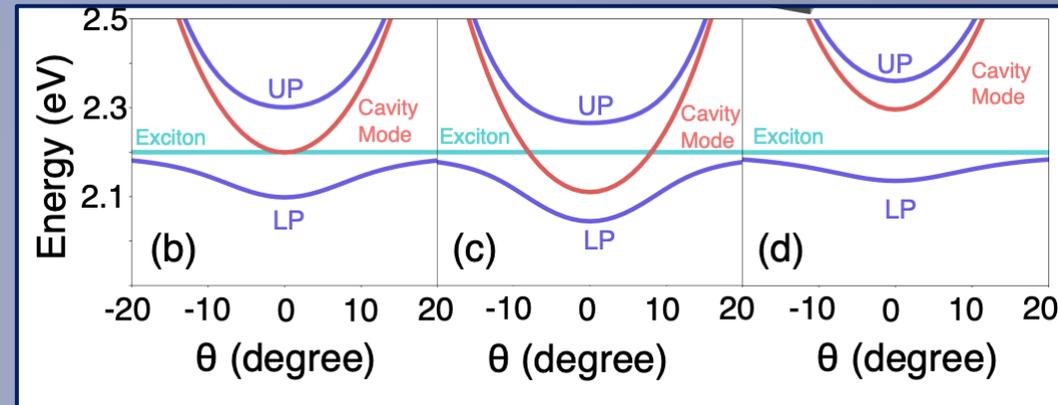
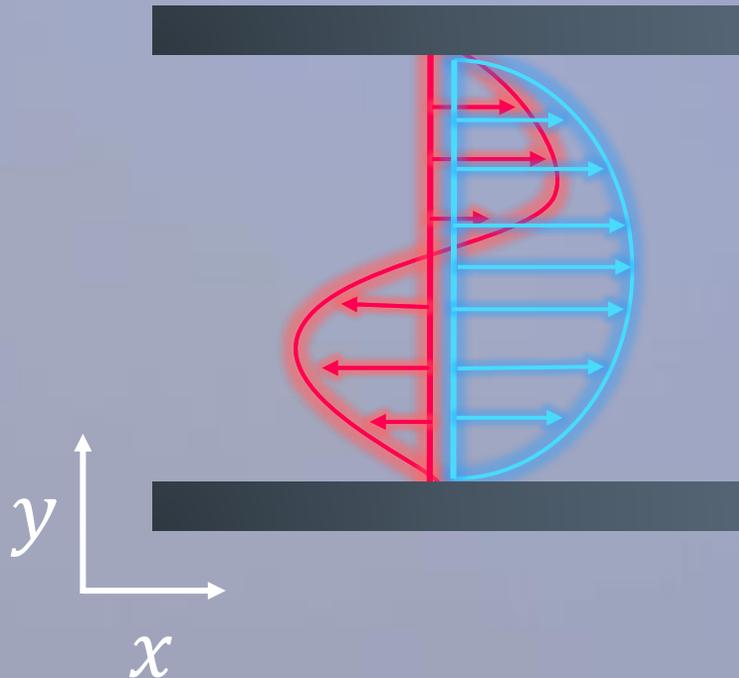
Balasubrahmaniyam et. al. Nat. Matter (2023)

Xu<sup>†</sup>, Mandal<sup>†</sup>, ..., Milan, Reichman (arXiv: 2205.01176) 2022

$$\hat{H}_{\text{LM}} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1}) + \gamma \sum_n Q_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (P_n^2 + \omega_p^2 Q_n^2)$$

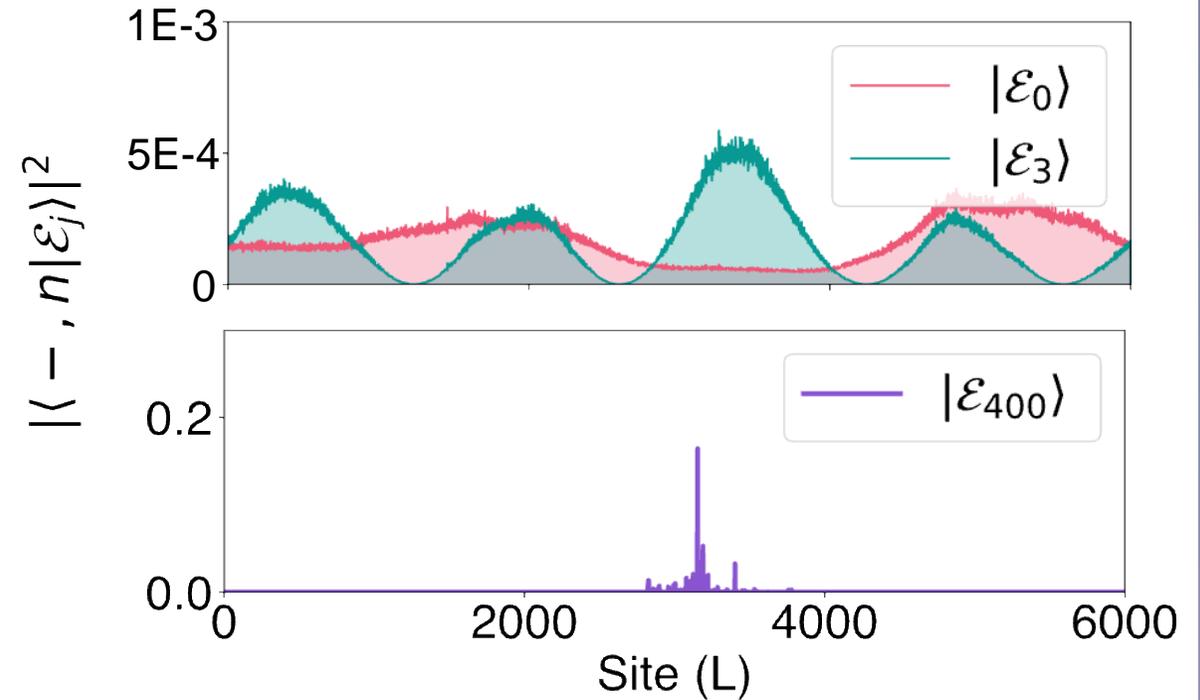
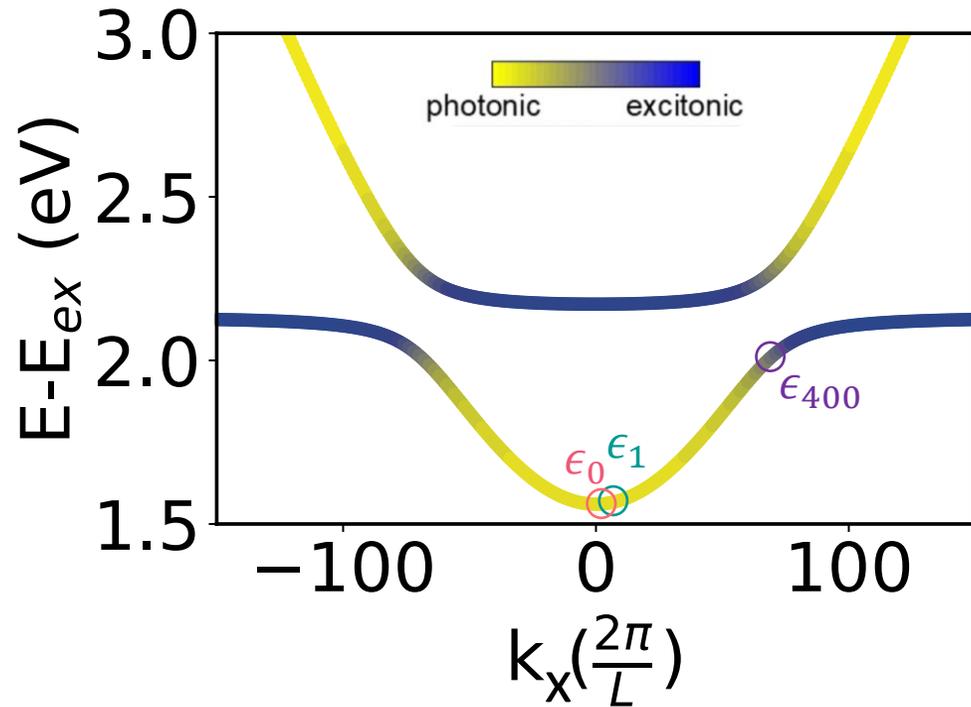
$$+ \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} + g_c \sum_{n,\mathbf{k}} (\hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} e^{ik_x \cdot \mathbf{R}_n} + \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{c}_n e^{-ik_x \cdot \mathbf{R}_n}) \sin(k_y \cdot \mathbf{R}_n)$$

## Photon Modes



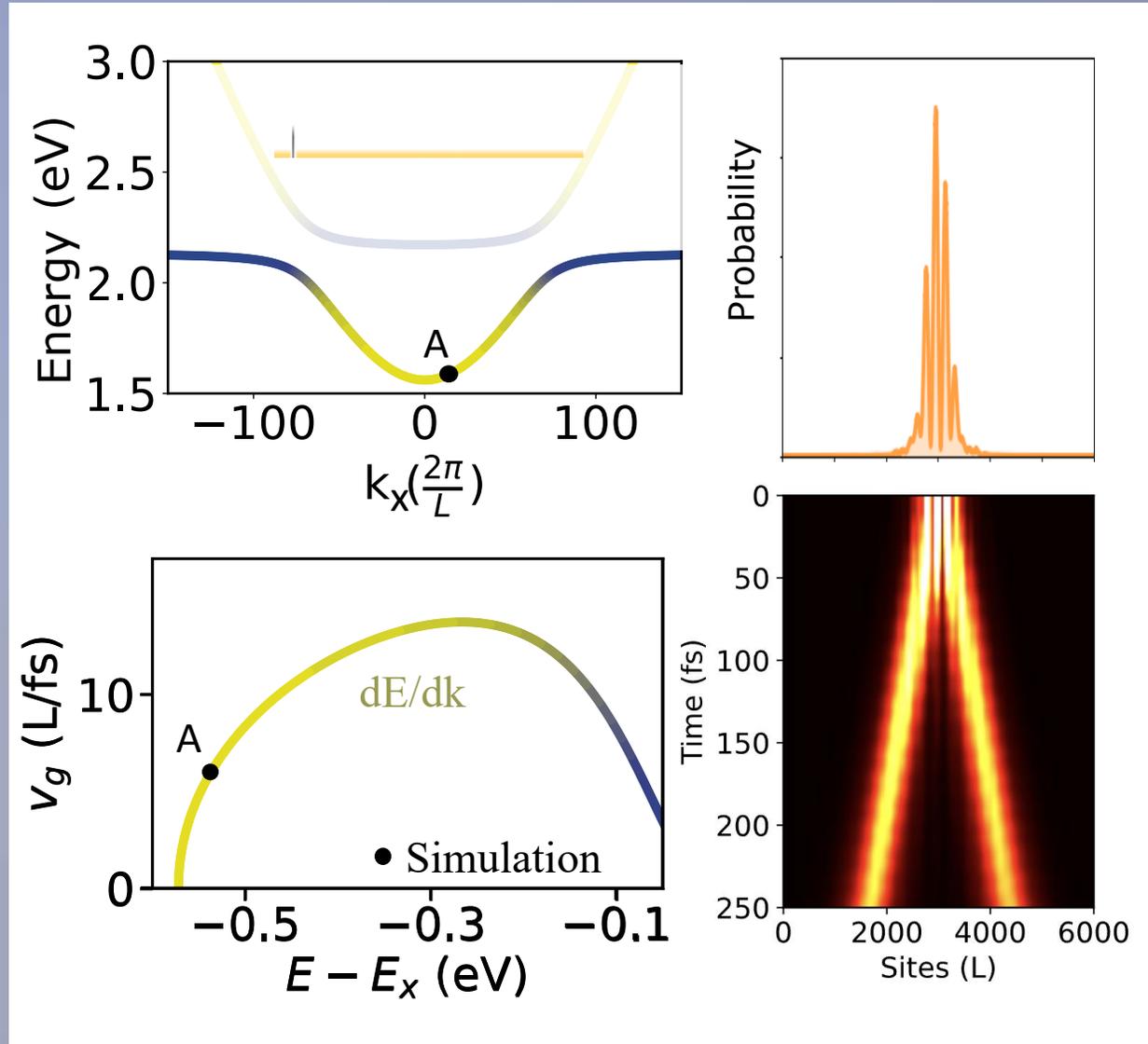
Cavity operators do not couple to phonons. Photon frequency is off-resonant to phonon frequency.

Polaritons, which are **partially** excitonic, have **effectively smaller** coupling to phonons.



Higher Exciton character  $\rightarrow$  Higher Phonon Coupling  $\rightarrow$  Higher Localization

# Group Velocity



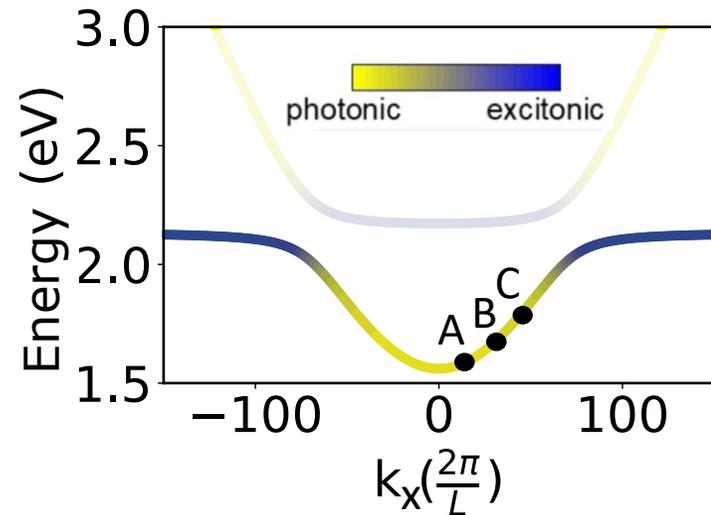
At low exciton character (at large detuning) the exciton-polariton wavepacket **propagates ballistically.**

The wavefront velocity matches the expected group velocity.

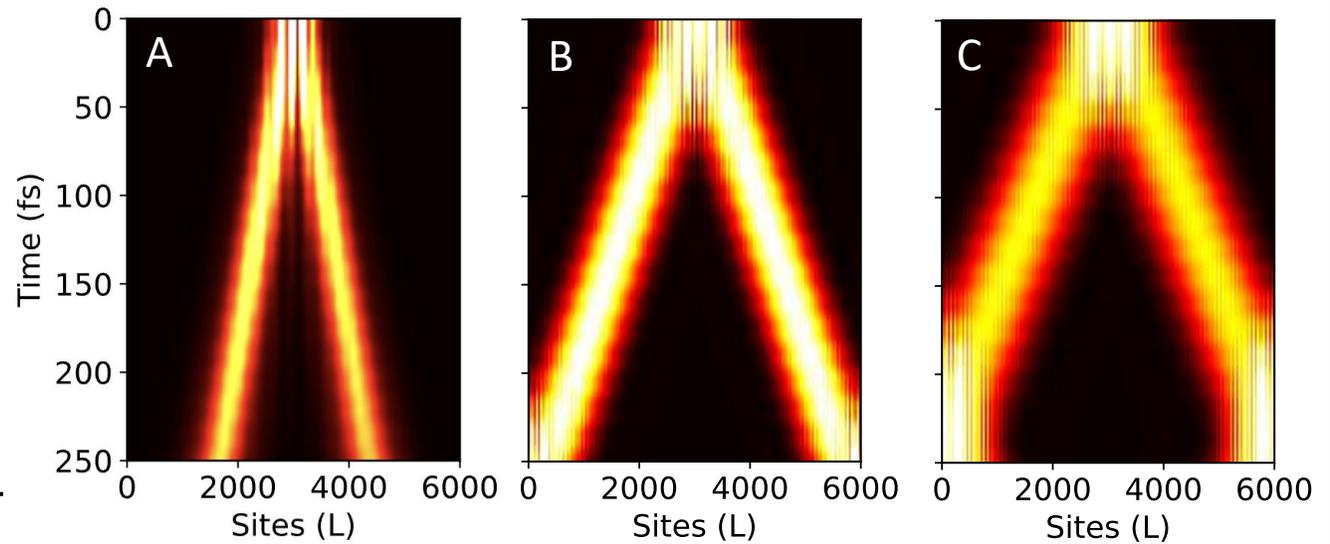
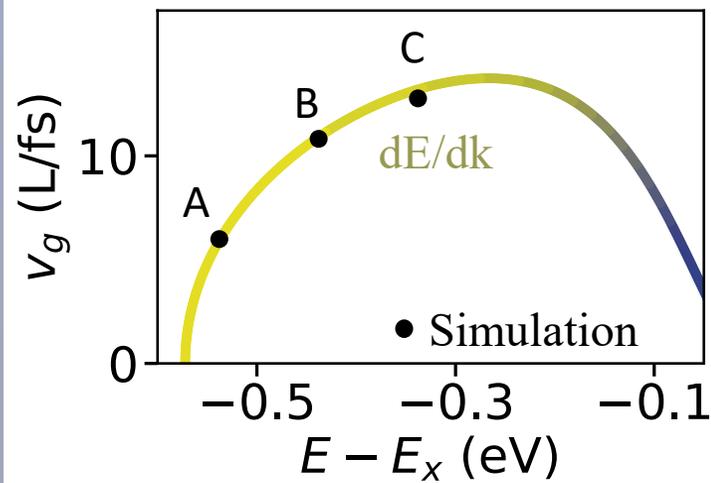
Also see: Berghuis et. Al. ACS photonics 9 (7), 2263-2272

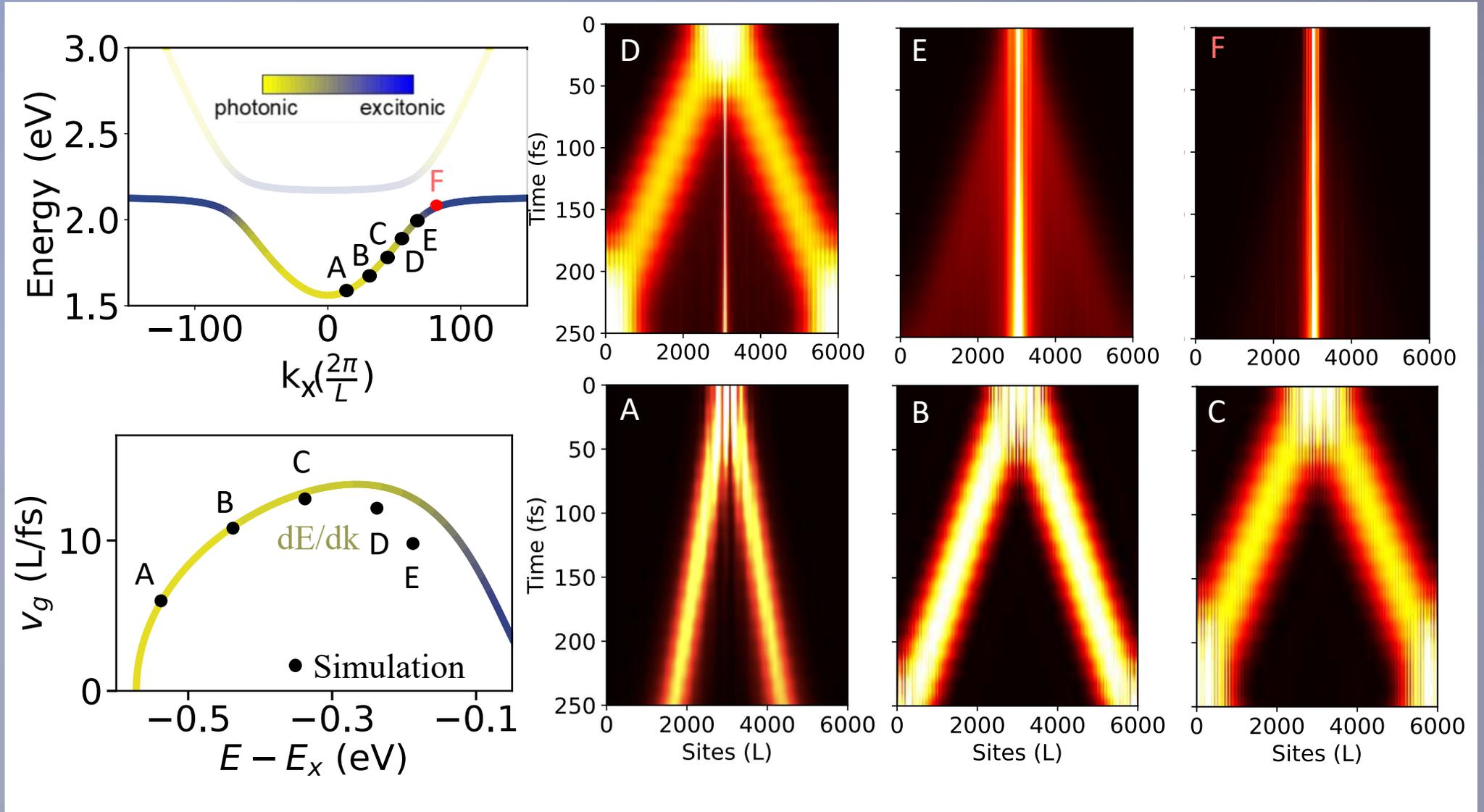
Sokolovskii et. Al. arXiv:2209.07309

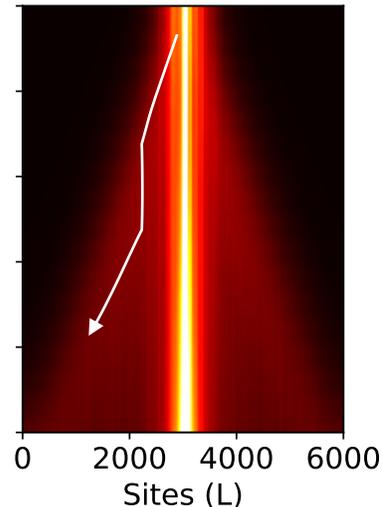
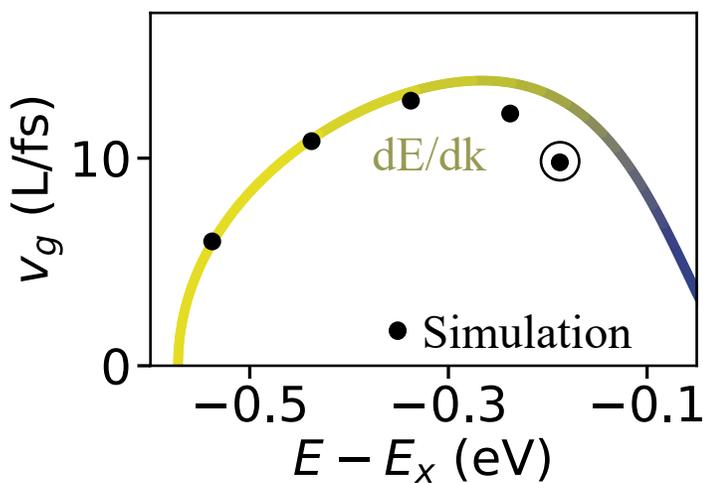
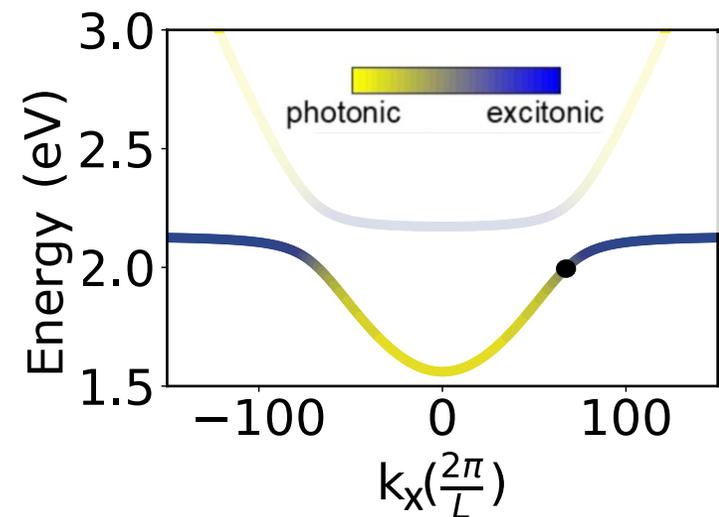
**Xu<sup>†</sup>, Mandal<sup>†</sup>, Milan, Reichman (arXiv: 2205.01176) 2022**



The wavefront velocity matches the expected group velocity for exciton character  $< 15\%$ .

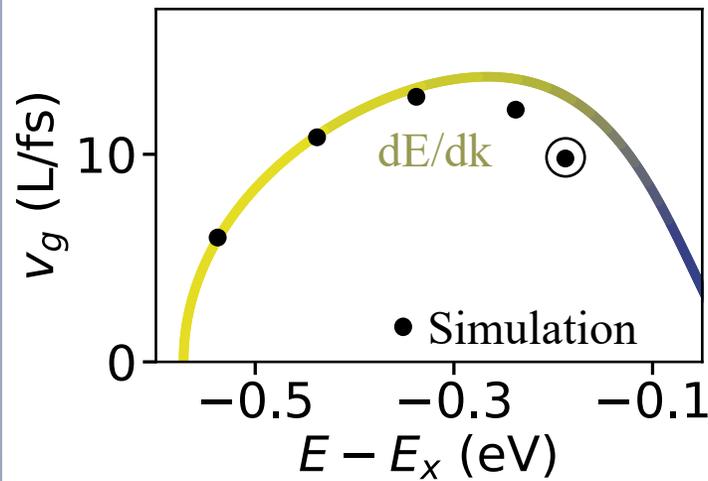
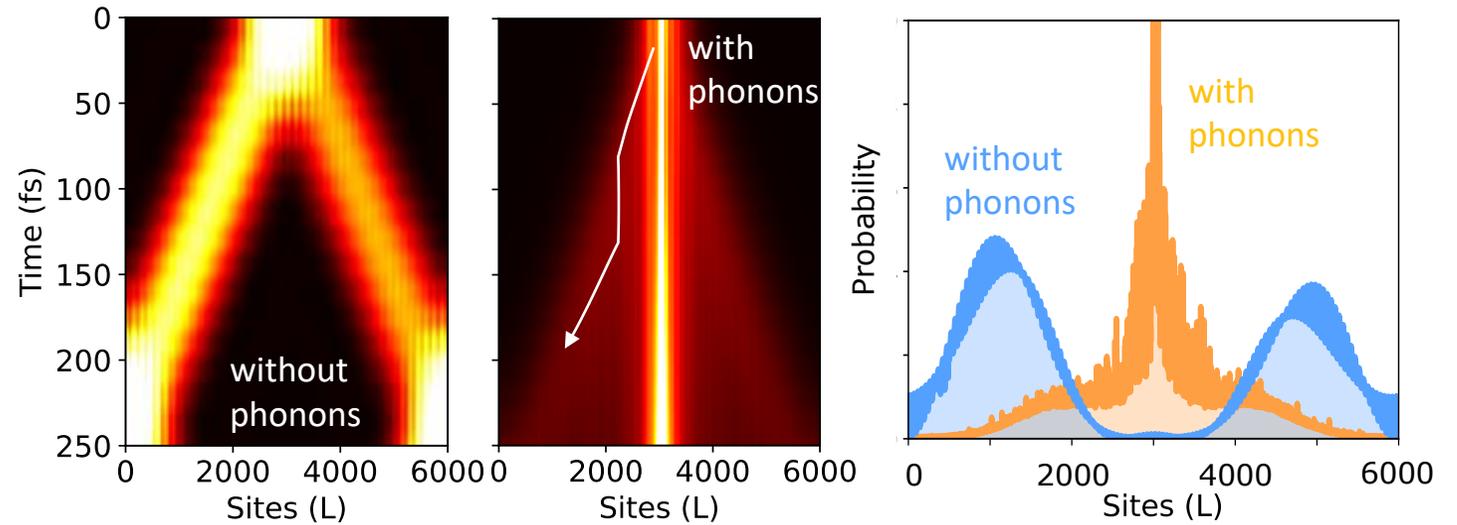
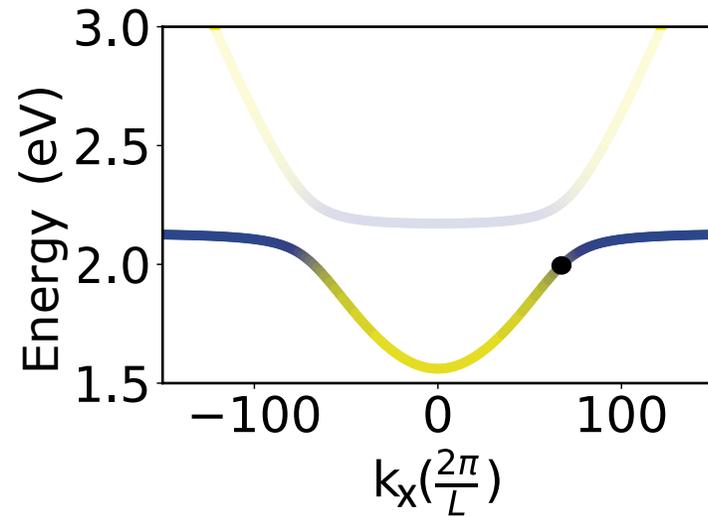




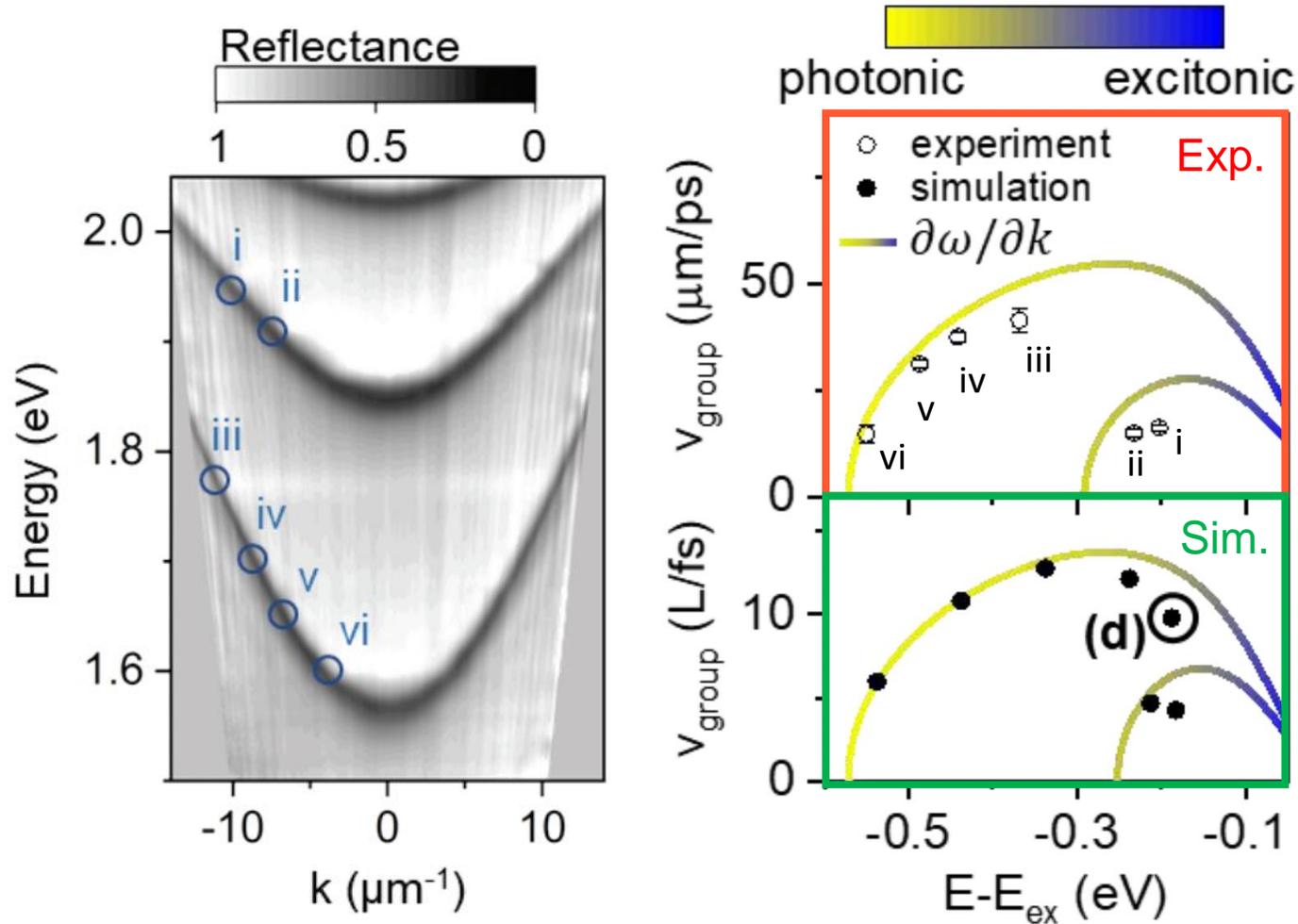


At exciton character 25-40% → Phonons **renormalizes** polariton group velocity

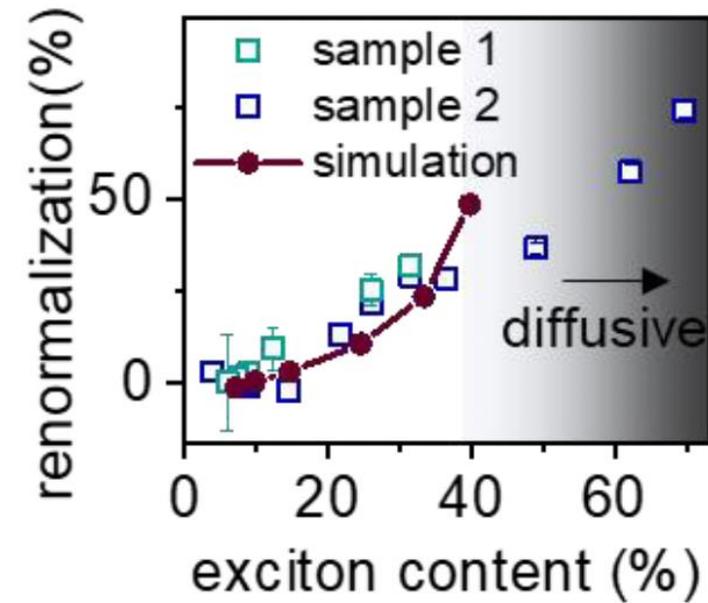
Phonon induced transient localization leads to reduced velocity



We can confirm the renormalization by comparing with a case without phonons.



We experimentally observe the same phenomena.



Aim: Simulate a matter system with  $\sim 10^4$  sites and  $10^2$  cavity modes ( $\sim 10000$  states)

$N^5$



$N^4$



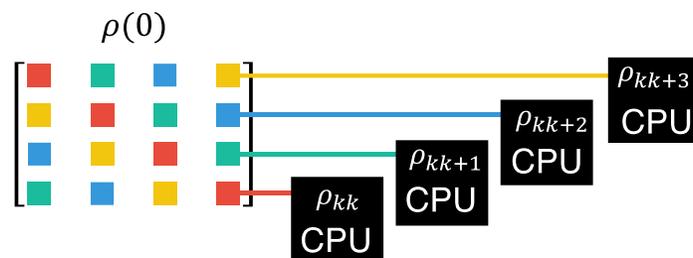
$N^3$



$N^2$

$$\dot{\rho}_{k,k+\delta k}(t) = \int_0^t d\tau K_{k,k+\delta k,p,p+\delta k}(t-\tau)\rho_{p,p+\delta k}(t)$$

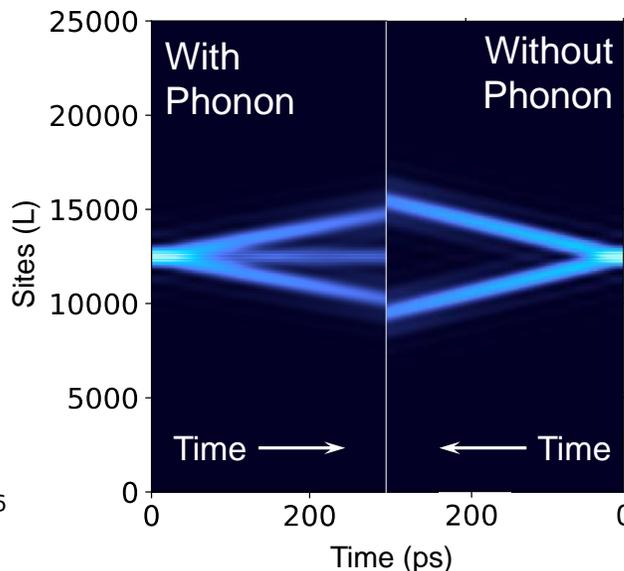
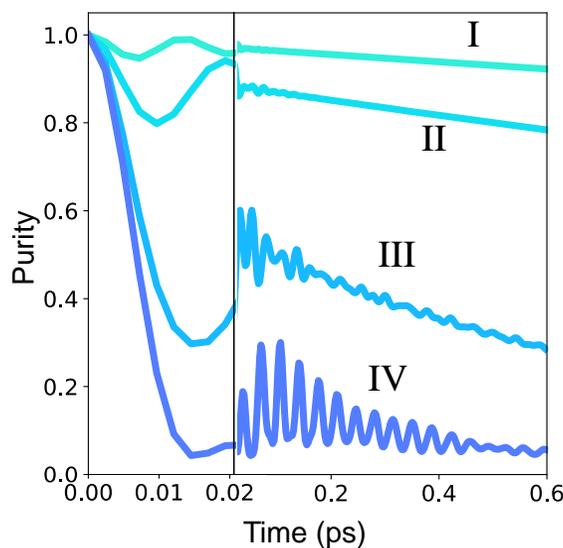
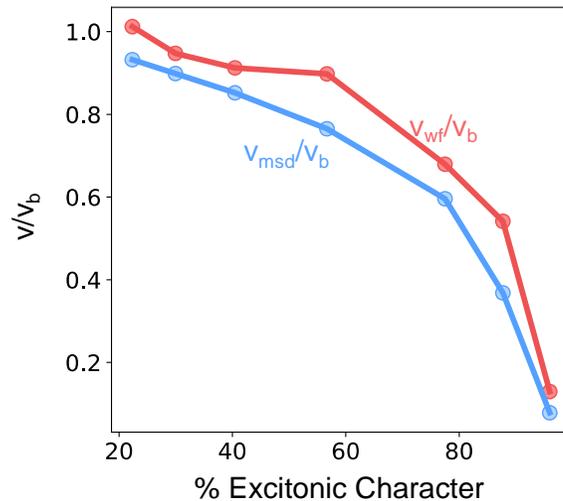
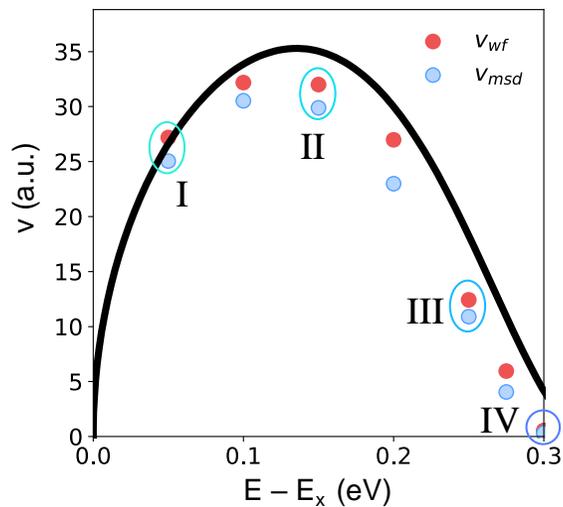
$$K_{k,k',p,p'} = K_{k,k',p,p+(k'-k)}$$



Momentum Conservation makes  $K$  a 3-dimensional tensor instead of 4-dimensional

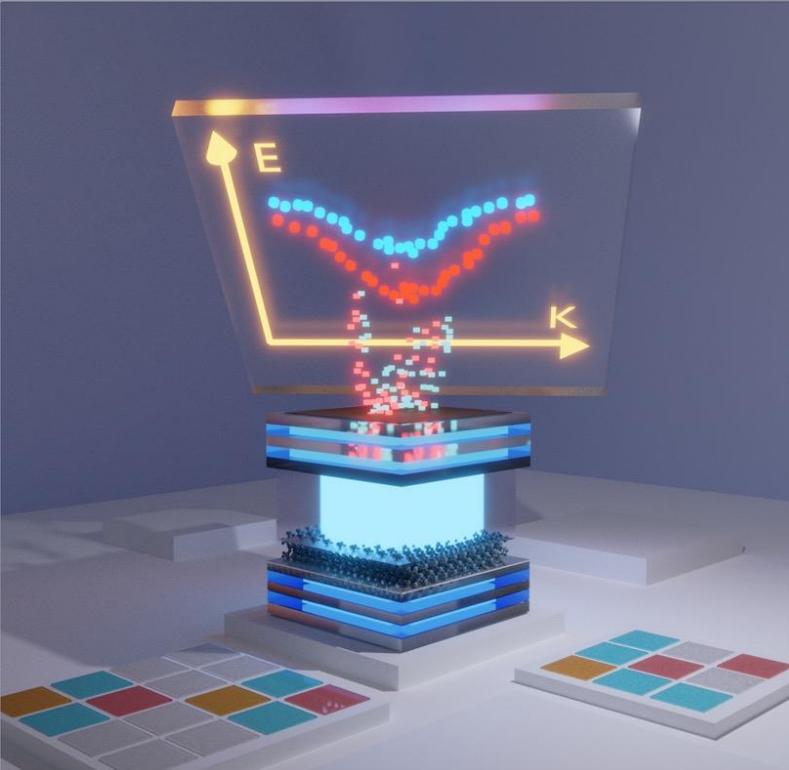
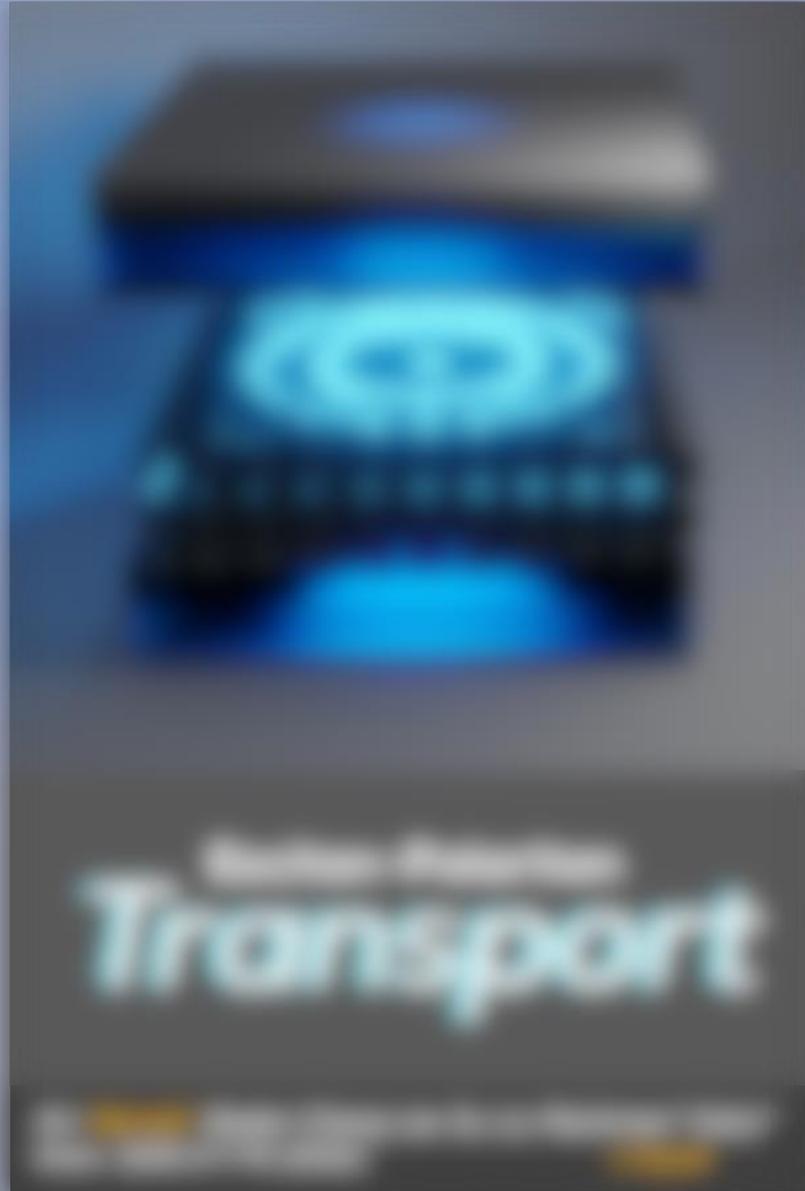
decoupled diagonals of density matrix in the reciprocal space – parallelized simulation

Prony decomposition of memory kernel + Coarse Graining Density Matrix.



Higher purity ==  
Coherent.

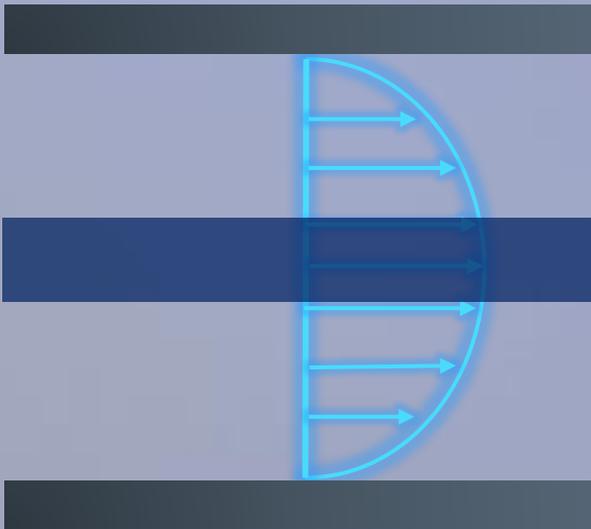
We perform  
Non-Markovian  
Master Equation  
simulation with  
25000 states!



Exciton-Polariton  
***Dispersion***

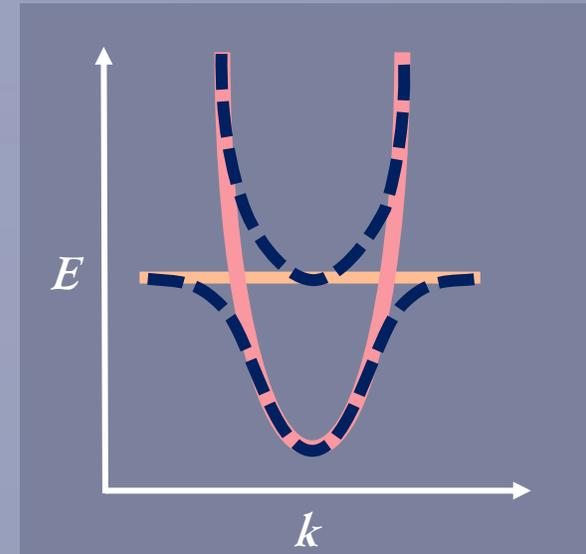
Mandal\* Xu Mahajan Lee Delor Reichman\*  
Nano Lett. 2023

$$\hat{H}_{\text{LM}} = \epsilon_0 \sum_n \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_n - \tau \sum_n (\hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n + \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1}) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} + g_c \sum_{n,\mathbf{k}} (\hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \cdot \mathbf{R}_n} + \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{c}_n e^{-i\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \cdot \mathbf{R}_n}) \sin(\mathbf{k}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{R}_n)$$

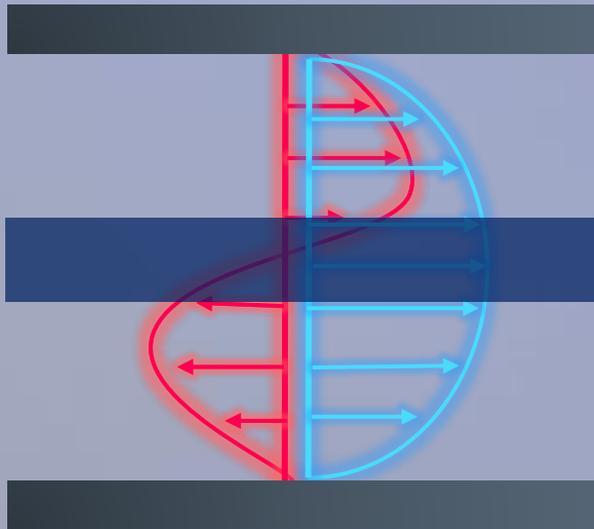


$$\hat{H}_{\text{LM}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} + \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} - g(\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}} + \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}) = \sum H_{\mathbf{k}}$$

$\epsilon$	$\Omega_1$
$\Omega_1$	$\omega_{C_1}$



**Expectation:** Exciton-Polariton Band Structure is obtained by a (N+1)x(N+1) Matrix.  
N = number of cavity mode branches.



$$\hat{H}_{LM} = \sum_k \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k \epsilon_k + \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{a}_k \omega_k - g(\hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k + \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{a}_k) = \sum H_k$$

	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_3$
$\Omega_1$	$c_1$	0	0
$\Omega_2$	0	$c_2$	0
$\Omega_3$	0	0	$c_3$

# Problem with N+1 Hamiltonian

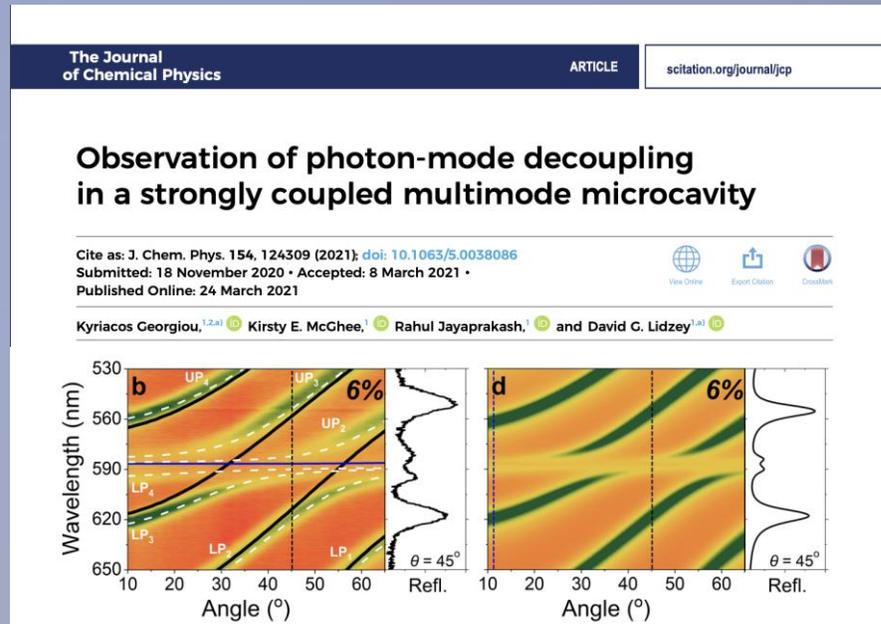
(N+1)x(N+1) model do not reproduce exciton polariton dispersion  
2N x 2N model reproduce exciton polariton dispersion

**N+1 Hamiltonian  
(cannot be used)**

	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_3$
$\Omega_1$	$c_1$	0	0
$\Omega_2$	0	$c_2$	0
$\Omega_3$	0	0	$c_3$

**2N Hamiltonian**

	$\Omega_1$	0	0	0	0
$\Omega_1$	$c_1$	0	0	0	0
0	0	$\Omega_2$	0	0	0
0	0	$\Omega_2$	$c_2$	0	0
0	0	0	0	$\Omega_3$	0
0	0	0	0	$\Omega_3$	$c_3$



GDCh

Forschungsartikel

Angewandte Chemie

**Polaritons**

Zitierweise: *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2021, 60, 16661–16667  
Internationale Ausgabe: doi.org/10.1002/anie.202105442  
Deutsche Ausgabe: doi.org/10.1002/ange.202105442

### Ultralong-Range Polariton-Assisted Energy Transfer in Organic Microcavities

Kyriacos Georgiou,\* Rahul Jayaprakash, Andreas Othonos and David G. Lidzey\*

Theory

APPLIED PHYSICS LETTERS 107, 231104 (2015)

### Maxwell consideration of polaritonic quasi-particle Hamiltonians in multi-level systems

Steffen Richter, Tom Michalsky, Lennart Fricke, Chris Sturm, Helena Franke, Marius Grundmann, and Rüdiger Schmidt-Grund  
Institut für Experimentelle Physik II, Universität Leipzig, Linnéstr. 5, 04103 Leipzig, Germany  
(Received 15 October 2015; accepted 27 November 2015; published online 9 December 2015)

PHYSICAL REVIEW B 103, L241407 (2021)

Letter

### Coupling and decoupling of polaritonic states in multimode cavities

M. Balasubrahmaniyam,<sup>1</sup> Cyriaque Genot,<sup>2</sup> and Tal Schwartz<sup>1,\*</sup>

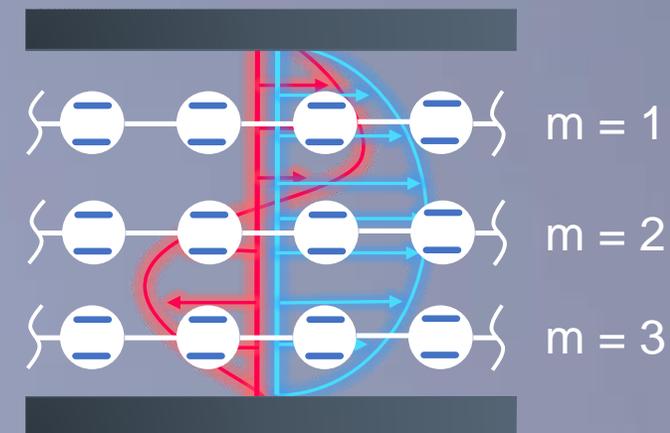
<sup>1</sup>School of Chemistry, Raymond and Beverly Sackler Faculty of Exact Sciences and Tel Aviv University Center for Light-Matter Interaction, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv 6997801, Israel  
<sup>2</sup>Université de Strasbourg, CNRS, Institut de Science et d'Ingénierie Supramoléculaires, UMR 7006, 67000 Strasbourg, France

We have a simple microscopic understanding of this phenomena

$$\hat{H}_{\text{LM}} = \sum_k \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \hat{c}_{k_x, m} \epsilon_k + \hat{a}_{k_x k_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{k_x k_y} \omega_k + g \left( \hat{a}_{k_x k_y}^\dagger \hat{c}_{k_x, m} + \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \hat{a}_{k_x k_y} \right) \sin k_y Y_m$$

$$= \sum_k \hat{H}_{k_x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_{k_x, 1}^\dagger & \dots & \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \end{bmatrix} Q \times R \begin{bmatrix} \hat{a}_{k_x, 1} \\ \vdots \\ \hat{a}_{k_x, m} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\hat{H}_{\text{LM}} = \sum_k \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \hat{c}_{k_x, m} \epsilon_k + \hat{a}_{k_x k_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{k_x k_y} \omega_k + g \left( \hat{a}_{k_x k_y}^\dagger \hat{c}_{k_x, m} + \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \hat{a}_{k_x k_y} \right) \sin k_y Y_m$$

$$= \sum_k \hat{H}_{k_x}$$

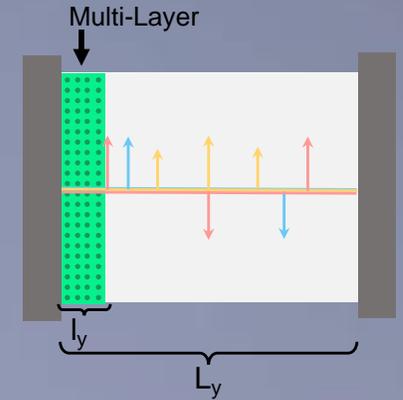
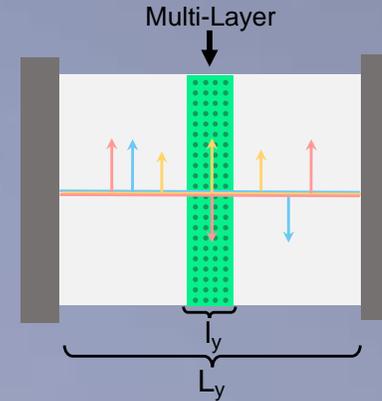
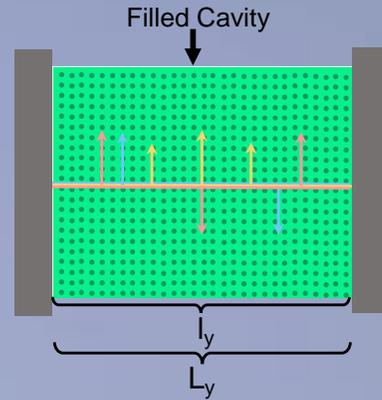
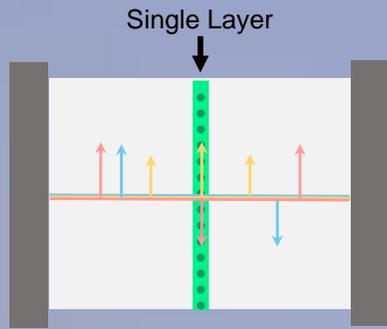
$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_{k_x, 1}^\dagger & \dots & \hat{c}_{k_x, m}^\dagger \end{bmatrix} Q \times R \begin{bmatrix} \hat{a}_{k_x, 1} \\ \vdots \\ \hat{a}_{k_x, m} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_{k_x, \kappa_1}^\dagger & \dots & \hat{c}_{k_x, \kappa_{N_e}}^\dagger \end{bmatrix}$$

For filled cavities  $\hat{c}_{k_x, k_y}^\dagger$  operator only couple to  $\hat{a}_{k_x k_y}$

# Simple Matrix Models



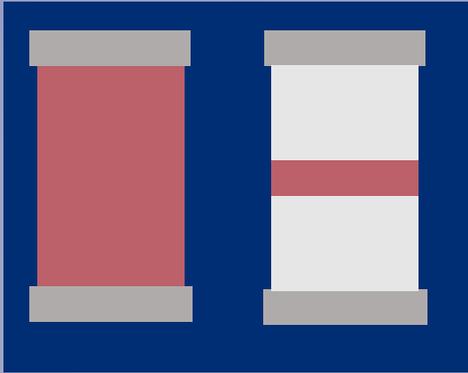
$\epsilon$	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_3$	$\Omega_4$	$\Omega_5$
$\Omega_1$	$\omega_{C1}$	0	0	0	0
$\Omega_2$	0	$\omega_{C2}$	0	0	0
$\Omega_3$	0	0	$\omega_{C3}$	0	0
$\Omega_4$	0	0	0	$\omega_{C4}$	0
$\Omega_5$	0	0	0	0	$\omega_{C5}$

$\epsilon$	$\Omega_1$	0	0	0	0
$\Omega_1$	$\omega_{C1}$	0	0	0	0
0	0	$\epsilon$	$\Omega_2$	0	0
0	0	$\Omega_2$	$\omega_{C2}$	0	0
0	0	0	0	$\epsilon$	$\Omega_3$
0	0	0	0	$\Omega_3$	$\omega_{C3}$

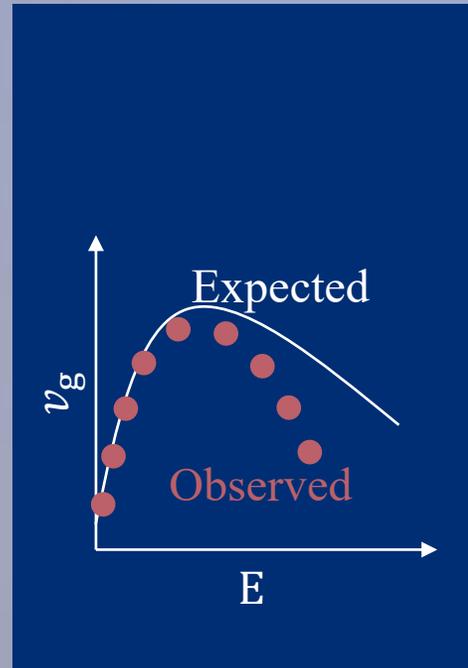
$\epsilon$	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_3$	0	0	0
$\Omega_1$	$\omega_{C1}$	0	0	0	0
$\Omega_3$	0	$\omega_{C3}$	0	0	0
0	0	0	$\epsilon$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_4$
0	0	0	$\Omega_2$	$\omega_{C2}$	0
0	0	0	$\Omega_4$	0	$\omega_{C4}$

$\epsilon$	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_3$	$\Omega_4$	$\Omega_5$
$\Omega_1$	$\omega_{C1}$	0	0	0	0
$\Omega_2$	0	$\omega_{C2}$	0	0	0
$\Omega_3$	0	0	$\omega_{C3}$	0	0
$\Omega_4$	0	0	0	$\omega_{C4}$	0
$\Omega_5$	0	0	0	0	$\omega_{C5}$



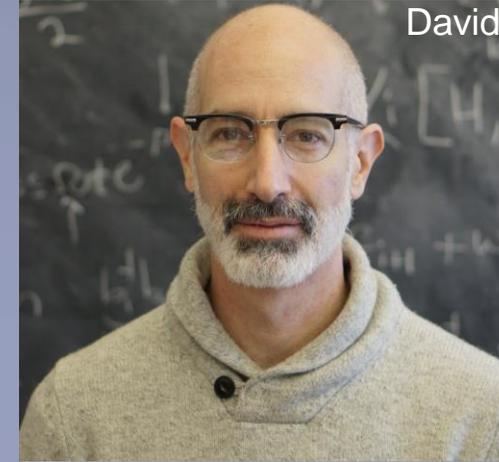
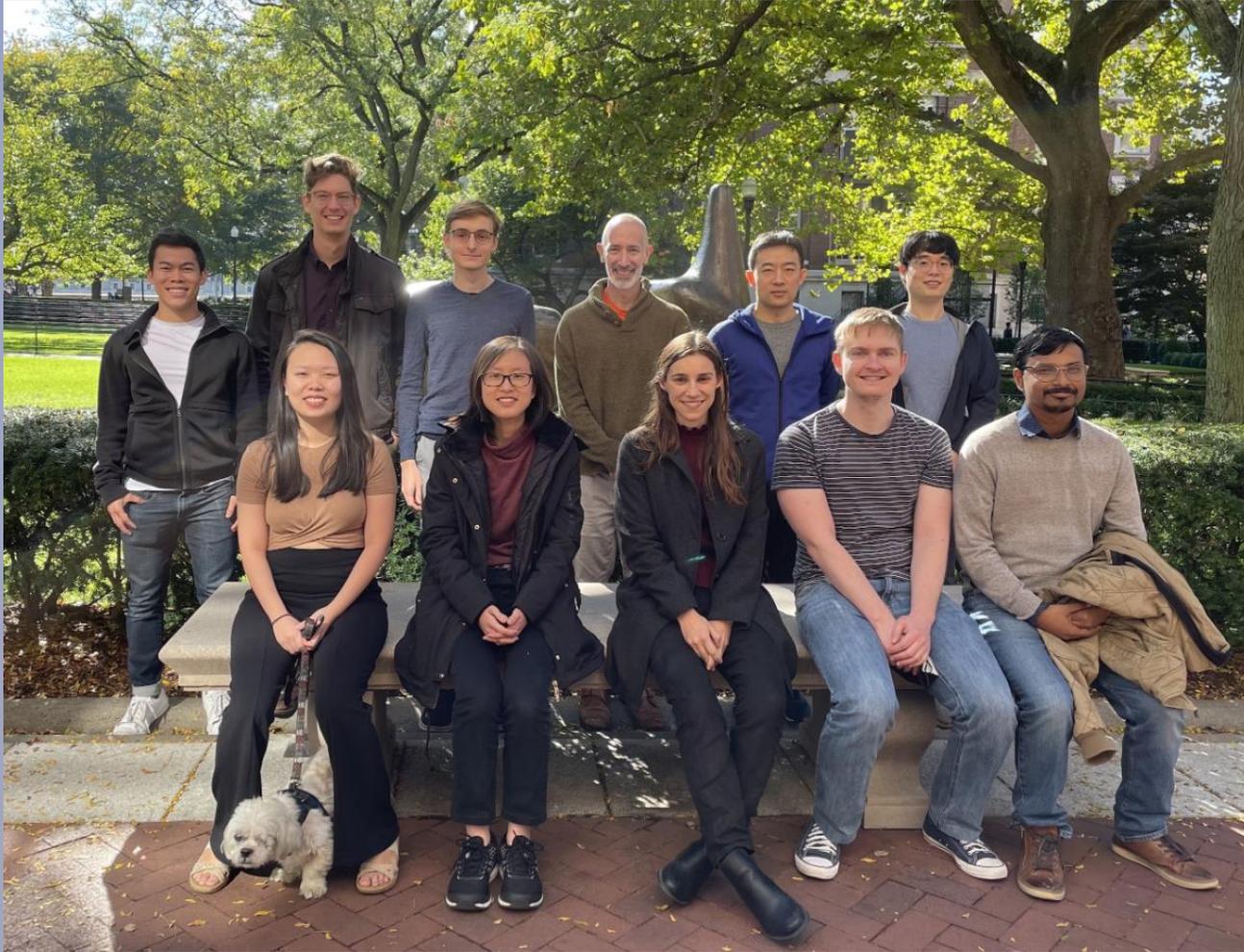


- For extended materials:  $2N$  Hamiltonian ( $N$  = number of cavity mode branch) should be used.
- For arbitrary setup :  $N+N_e$  Hamiltonian ( $N$  = number of cavity mode branch,  $N_e < N$ ) should be used.



- We simulated exciton-polariton transport with Semi-classical approach.
- We find ballistic (Coherent) motion when exciton character is low. ( $< 40\%$ )
- We find phonons can **rescale** group velocity through a transient localization mechanism.
- Coherence is long-lived ( $\sim$  ps) for low exciton character.

# Acknowledgements



David



Milan



Ding



Open Science Grid

