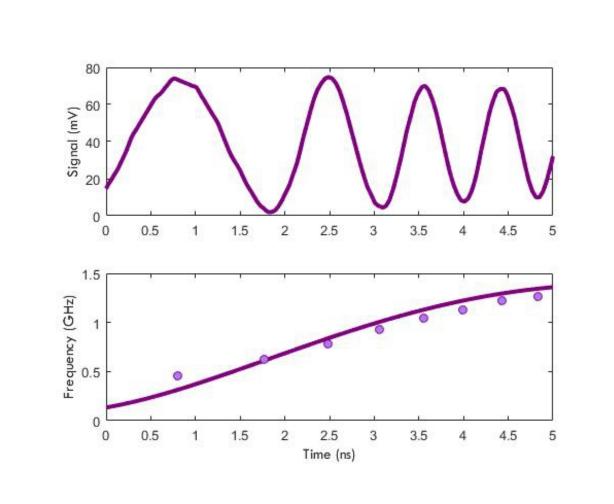


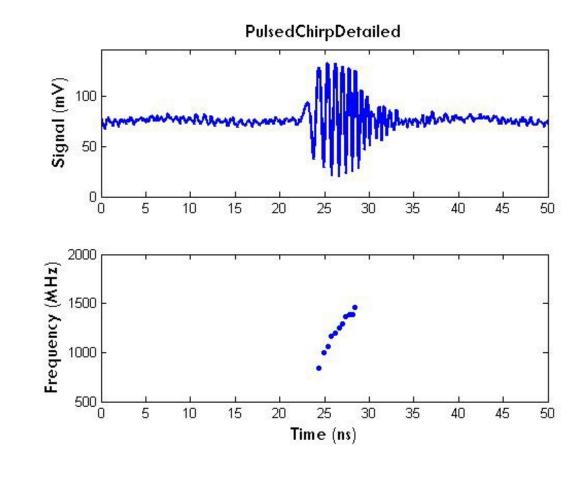
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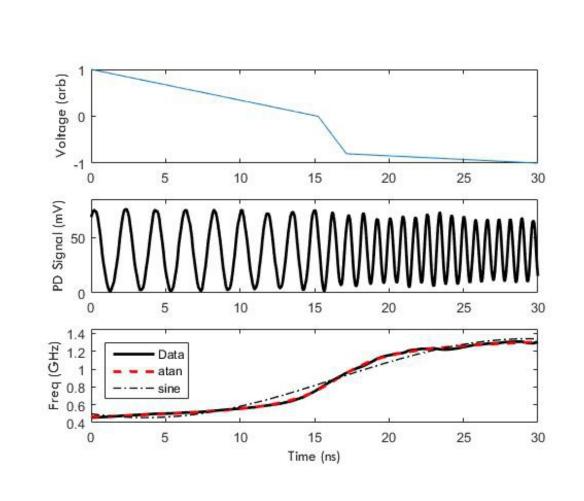
# **Optical System RF System**

# We Generate Rapid Frequency Chirped Laser Light

- We have developed a laser system which generates a frequency chirp of 1 GHz in 4 ns at a large controllable detuning
- -An electro-optical phase modulator is used to generate the chirp (amplified and filtered by injection-locking in early experiment)
- The chirp can be pulsed on and off in less than 3 ns
- We have demonstrated control of the amplitude and frequency of the pulse.
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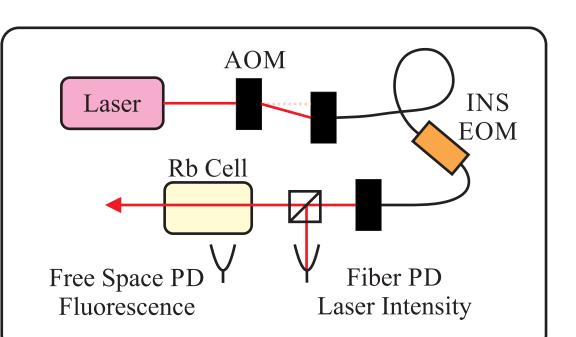
1 GHz chirp in 5 ns.

Short Pulses.

New System for Intense Modulated Laser Light

Arbitrary Shapes

## Spontaneous Emission and Quantum Beats



- We moved to simplify the generation of our pulsed frequency chirped light by removing the injection locked stage
- Many intensity modulators at 780 nm are limited to 5 mW CW power because of heating effects. This is circumvented by pulsing the probe laser [Gould, UConn 2019].
- We are able to obtain relatively high power > 15mW and short pulses  $\sim 1$  ns.

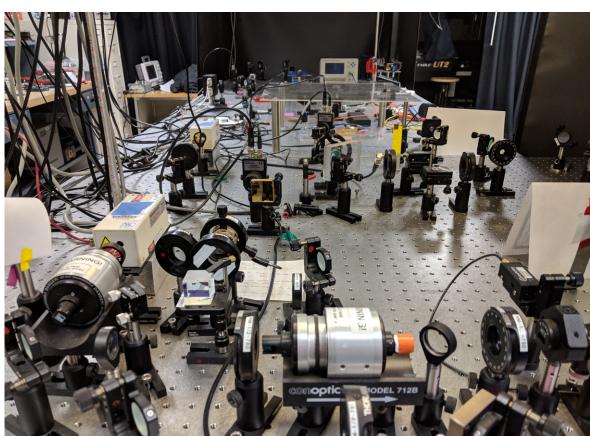


Simplest Picture

3-Level Sys.

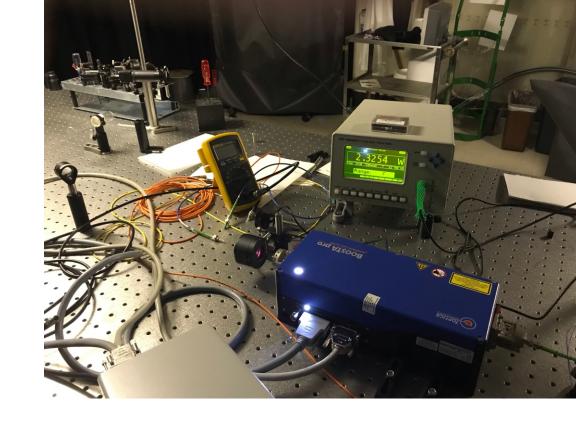
Beating Occurs

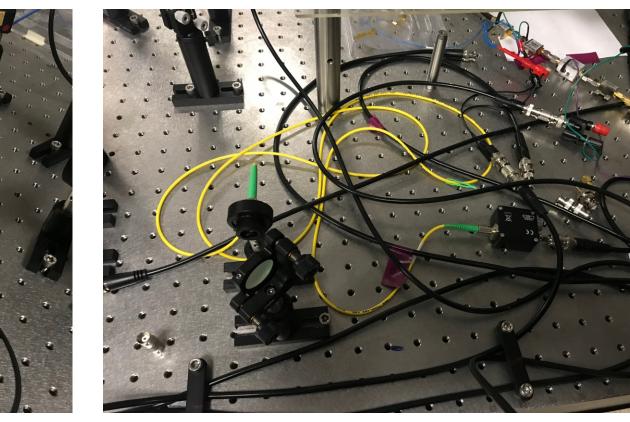


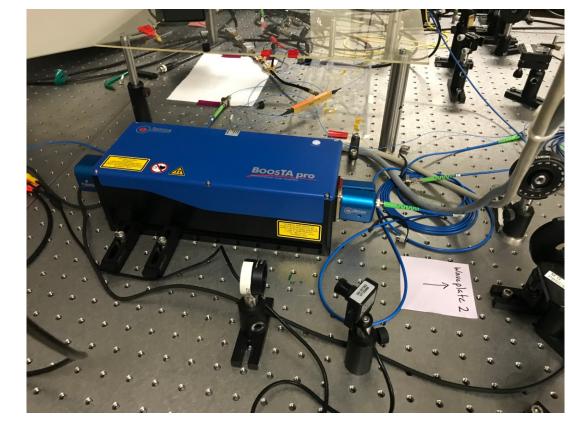


Data from

Short Pulse







- We are in the process of transiting to the new system.

- Tapered Amplier has a high gain.
- -Allows us to generate intense frequency chirped light in the side bands of the laser >> 1 GHz in 5 ns.
- We can create arbitrarily shaped pulses in frequency and intensity.
- By scrambling the phase of the light we have an usual way of generating white light

Yellow - Intensity of laser Green - AOM Blue - Intensity Modulator



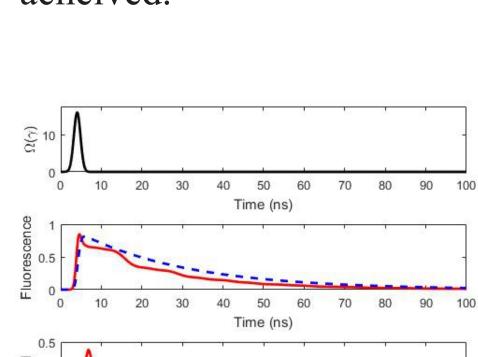
AOM is pulsed to prevent heating in intensity modulator

2-Level Sys.

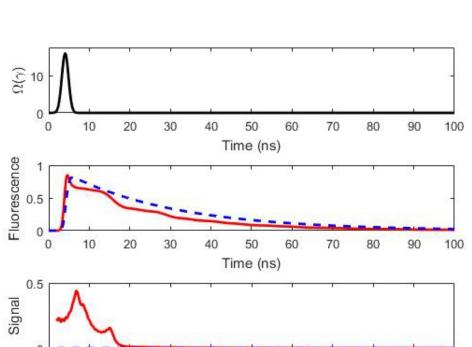
No Beating

EOM is pulsed for short bursts. Phase Locked to AOM.

Rb Atom



When phases are aligned a short pulse is acheived.



Frequency (MHz)

We detect quantum beating in atomic decays.

Only present in 5-level simulations (red) not in the 2-level system (blue)

### Next Steps

- Explore excitation with white light.
- Exploring ARP Force in Multilevel systems
- Coherent Control of Ultracold Collisions
- Developing time dependent tutorials in STIRAP, etc





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