

Simulation of interaction of the femtosecond laser pulses with chirped mirror

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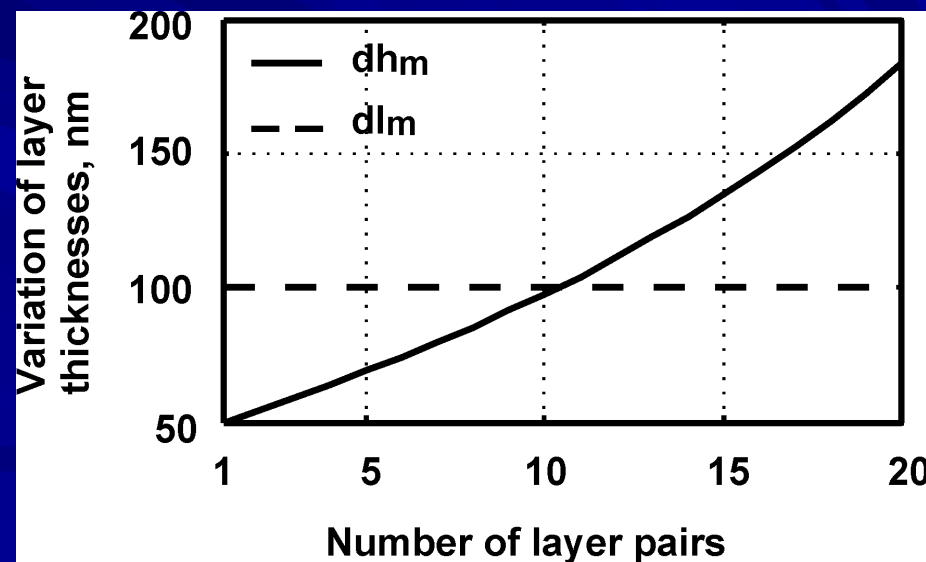
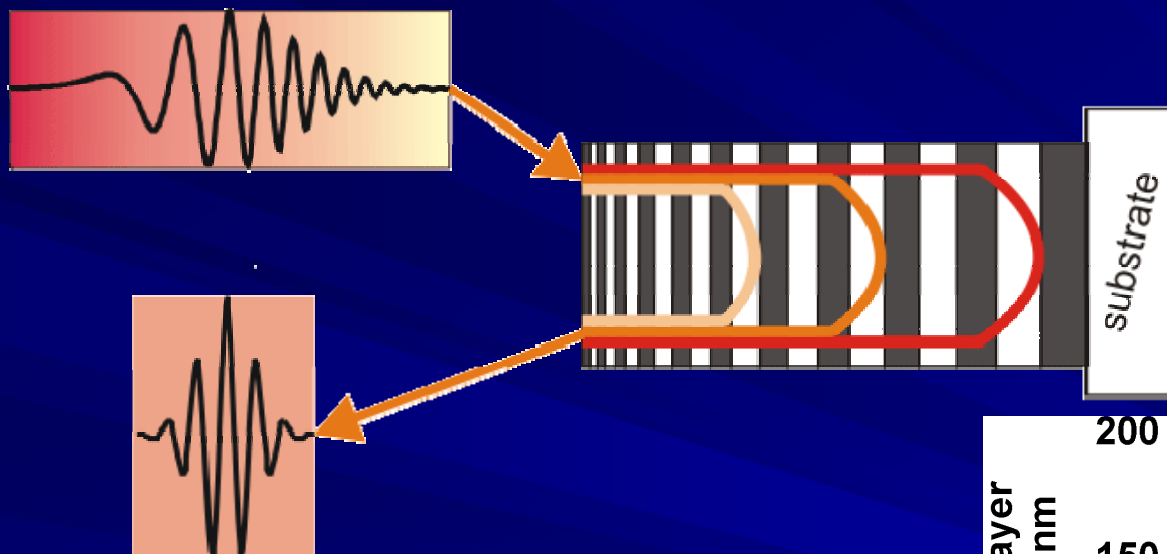
Chirped Mirrors and femtosecond generation

- Dispersion effect is one of the limiting factor of ultrafast generation
- Chirped mirrors permit to control the net intracavity dispersion
- The goal of design methods is to obtain structure for optimal dispersion compensation

Chirped mirrors and pulse compression

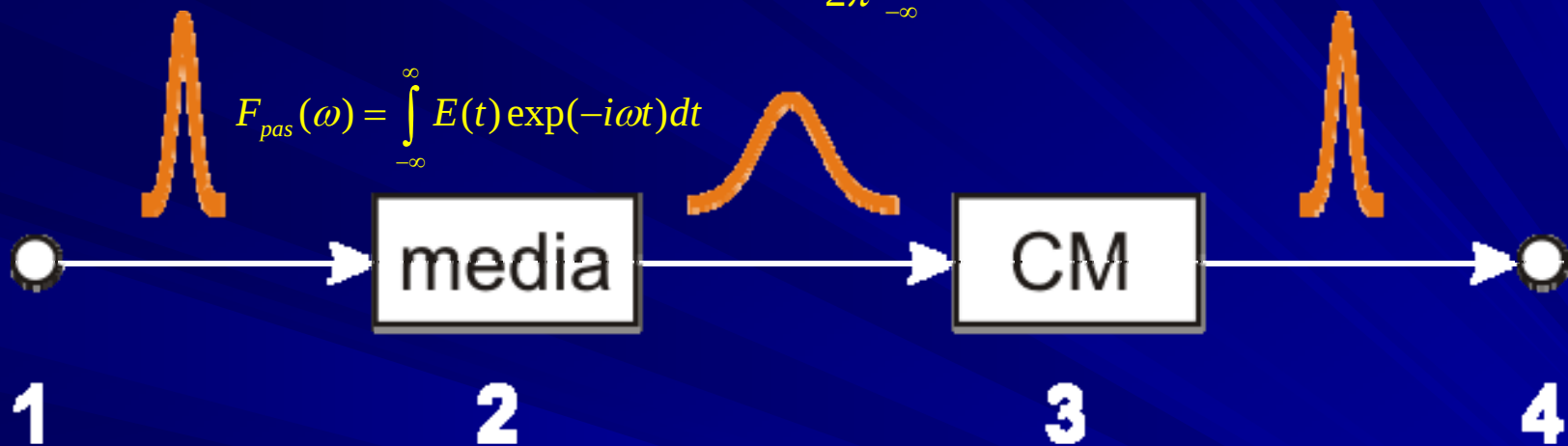
$\text{SiO}_2/\text{TiO}_2$

$$n_l = 1.5 \quad n_h = 2.5$$



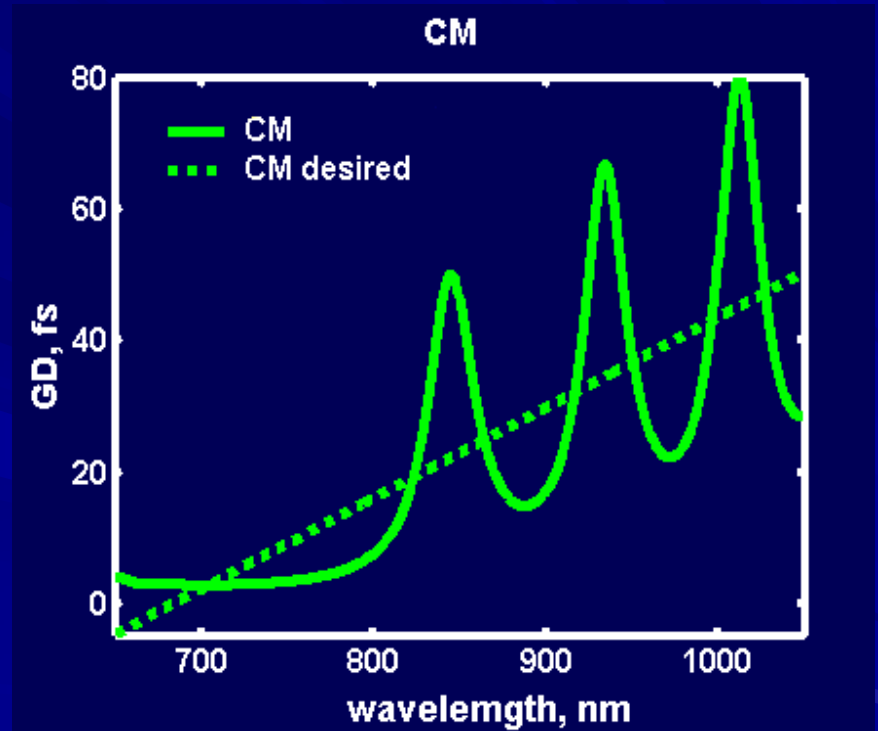
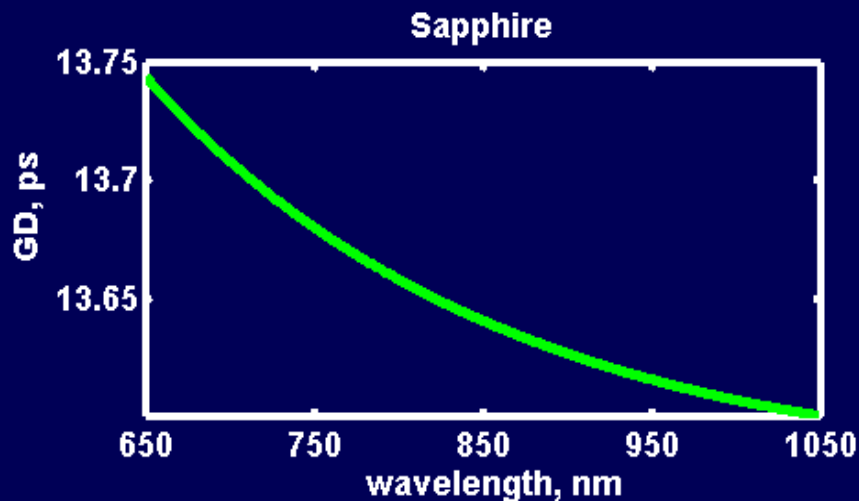
Model's description

$$E_{pas}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_{pas}(\omega) \exp(i\omega t) \exp[-i\varphi(\omega)] d\omega$$



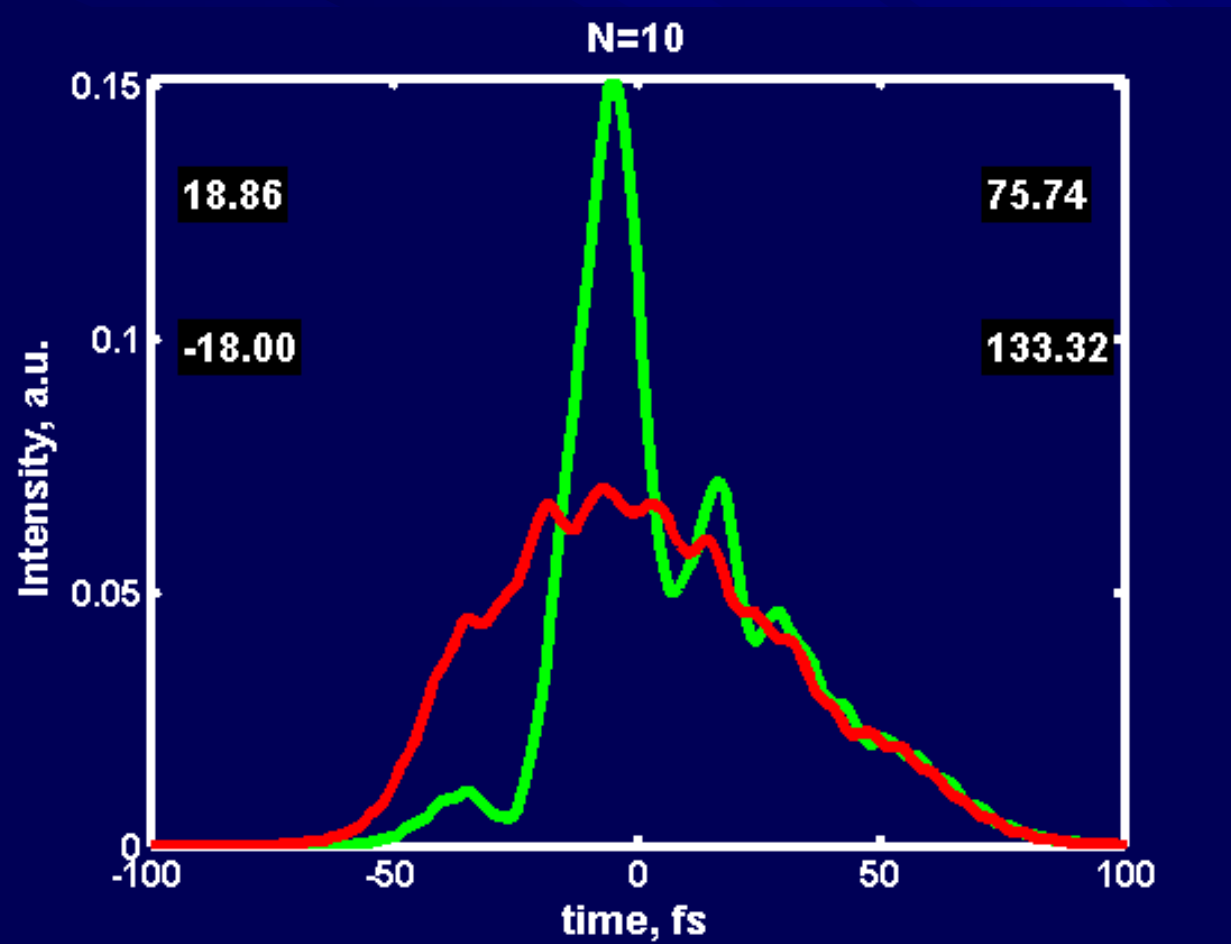
1. Input transform limited pulse $E(t) = E_0 \exp\left(-2 \ln 2 \frac{t^2}{\tau_0^2}\right) \exp(i\omega_0 t)$
2. Broadened pulse (chirp) (Sellmeier equation) $\varphi(\omega) = \frac{\omega n(\omega) L_m}{c}$
3. Chirped mirror reflectivity (Transfer matrix eq) $r_M = \sqrt{R} \exp(i\Phi)$
4. Compressed pulse after reflection $E_{ref}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_{pas}(\omega) \exp(i\omega t) \cdot r_M(\omega) d\omega$

Dispersion compensation



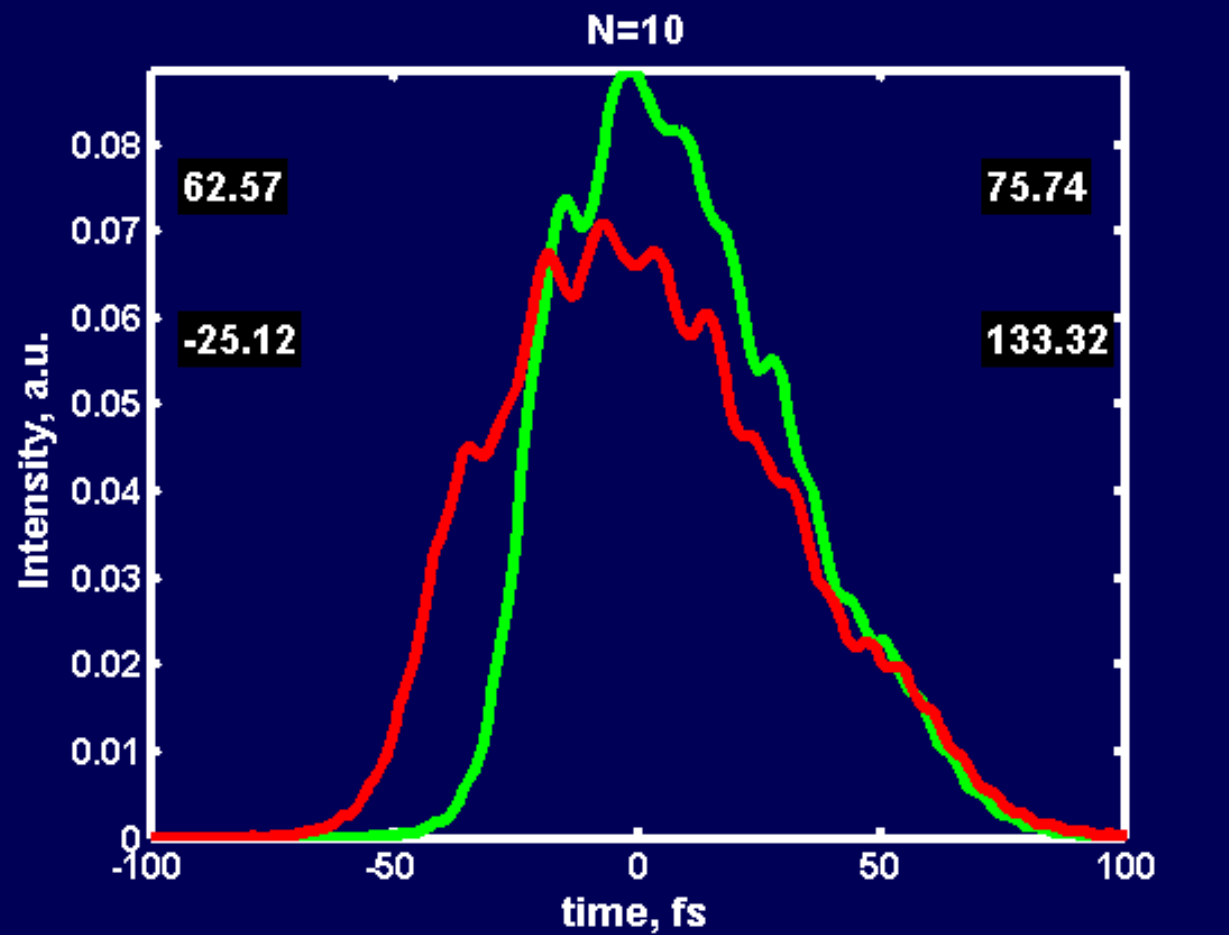
$$GD(\omega) = \frac{d\phi(\omega)}{d\omega}$$

Pulse compression in CM with GD oscillations

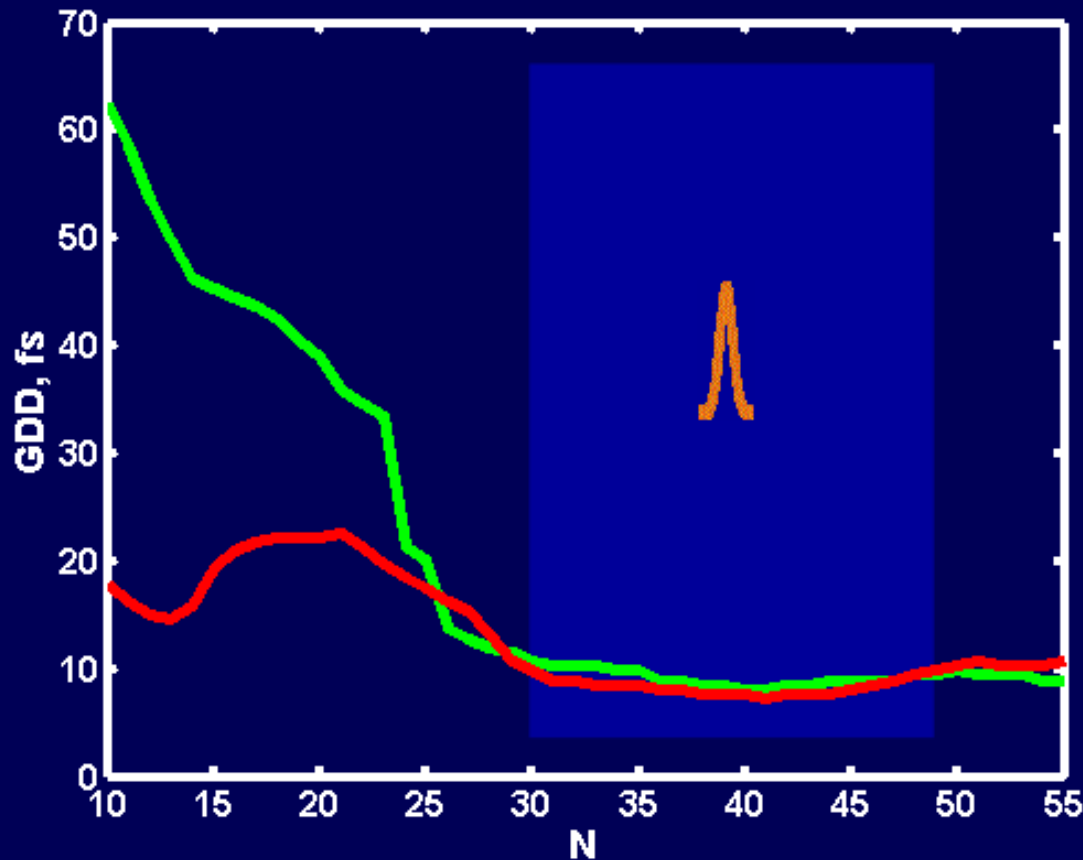


— broadened pulse
— compressed pulse

Pulse compression in CM with desired GD

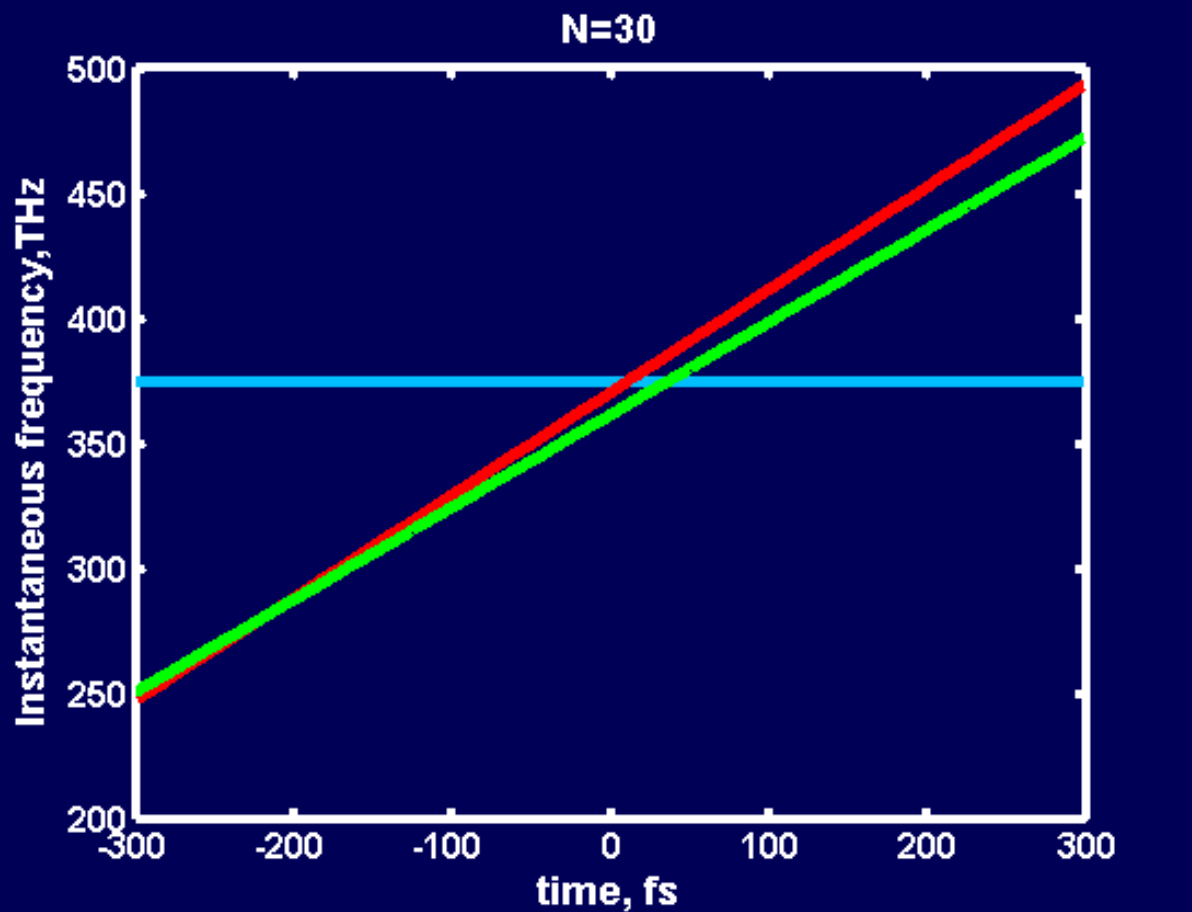


Pulse compression stages



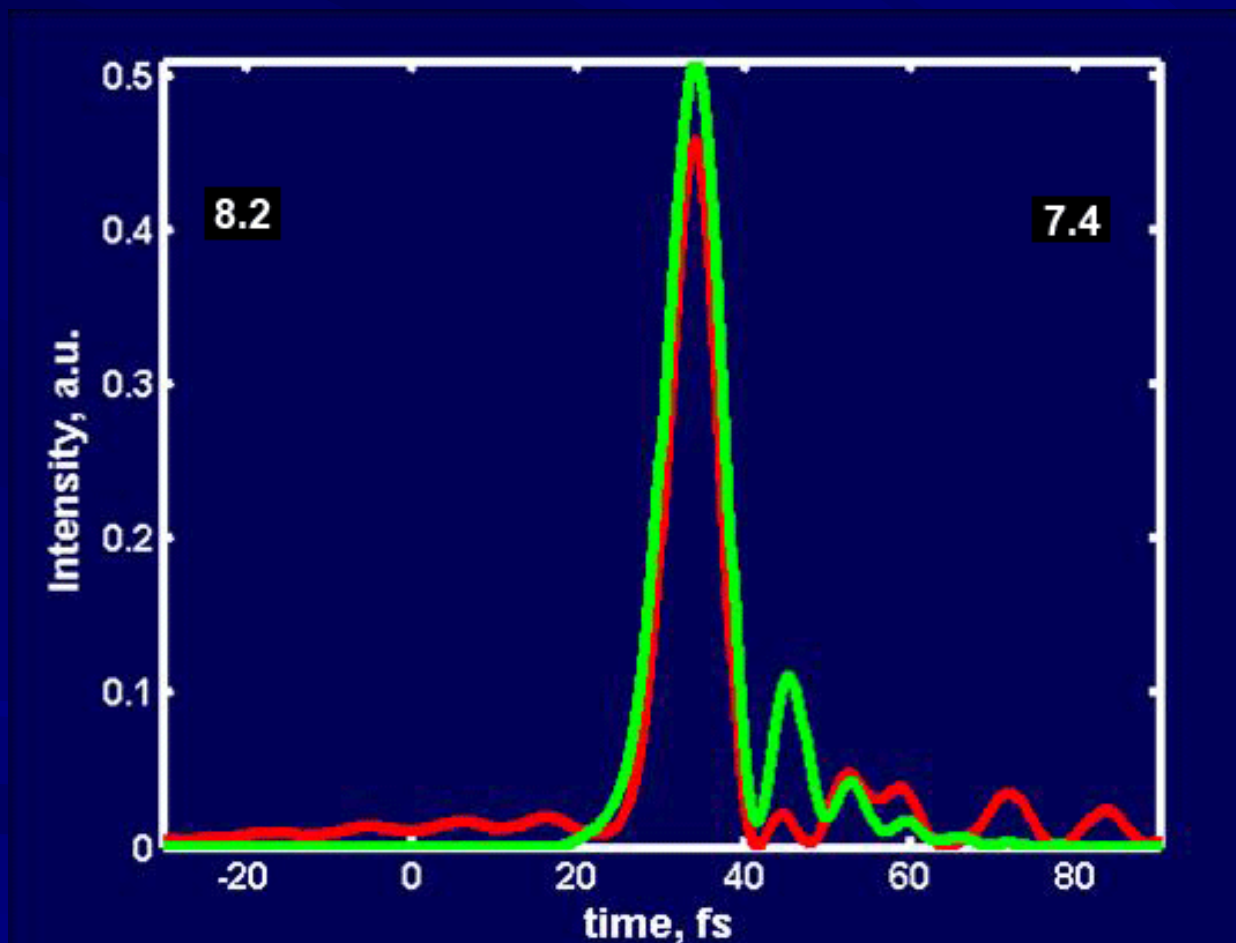
- compression in CM with GD oscillatons
- compression in CM with desired GD

Chirp compression



- transform-limited pulse
- broadened pulse
- compressed pulse

GD oscillations distort pulse profile

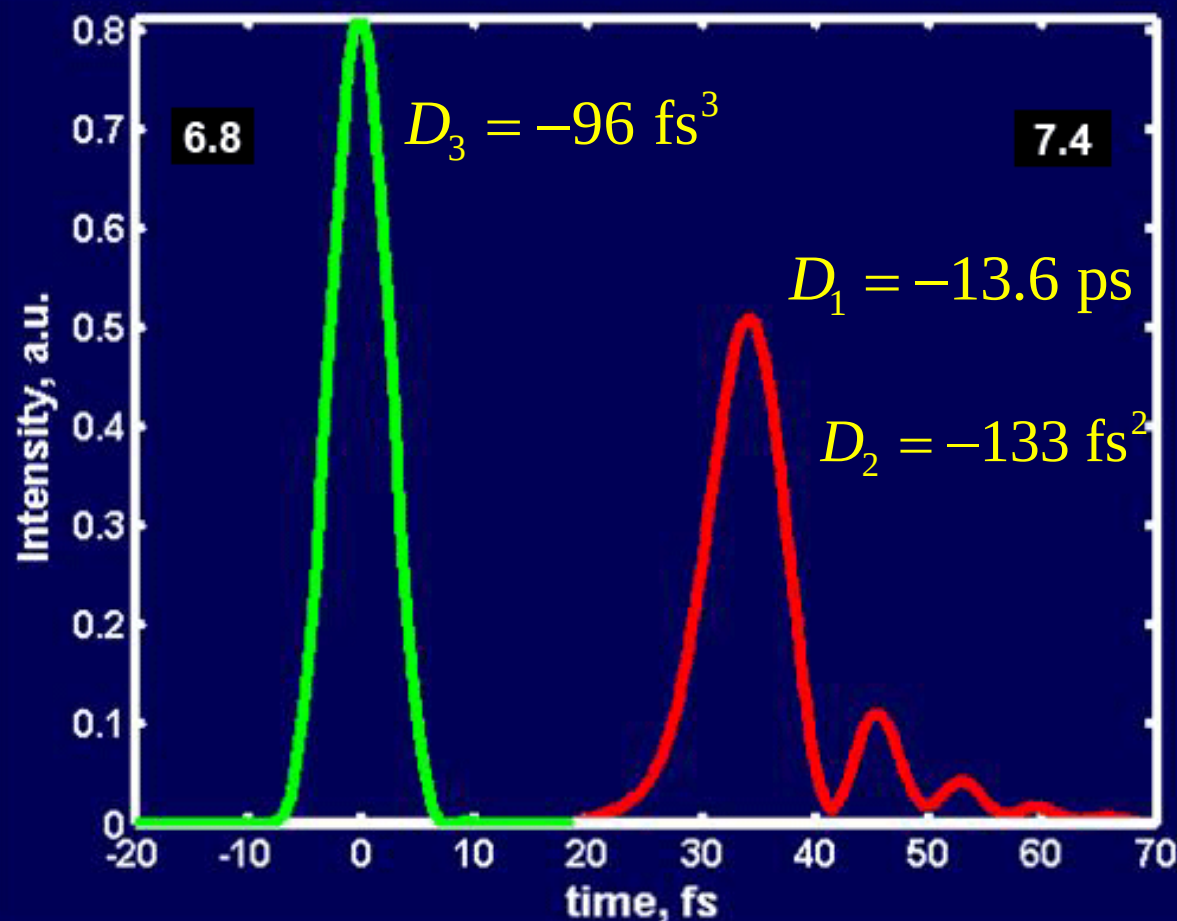


- compressed pulse in CM with GD oscillations
- compressed pulse in CM with desired GD

TOD compensation

Phase shift

$$\phi(\omega) = \phi(\omega_0) + D_1 \cdot (\omega - \omega_0) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} D_n (\omega - \omega_0)^n$$



- compressed pulse in CM with desired GD
- compressed pulse with compensated TOD

Conclusions

- The model of interaction of femtosecond laser pulses with chirped mirror is developed
- Developed model allows improving chirped mirror design with purpose of obtaining better reflected pulse quality.
- It was revealed the reflected pulse profile drawbacks caused by chirped mirror design imperfection and the way to eliminate it.