

Final Presentation

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1 High Powered Pulsed Fiber Laser

2 Q-Switched Pulses

3 Mode Locked Laser

Making a
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Laser (ish)

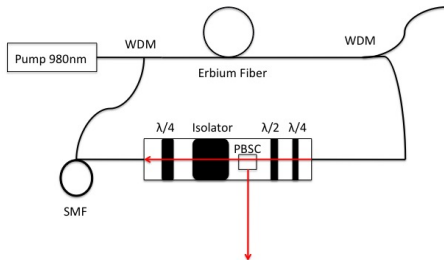
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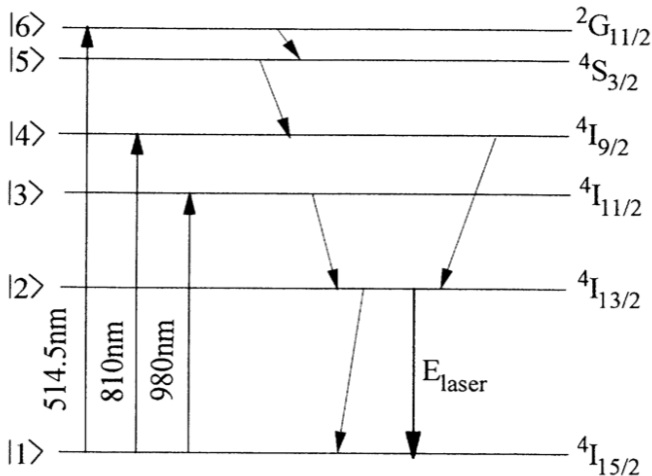
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Initial Plan



Energy Levels of Erbium



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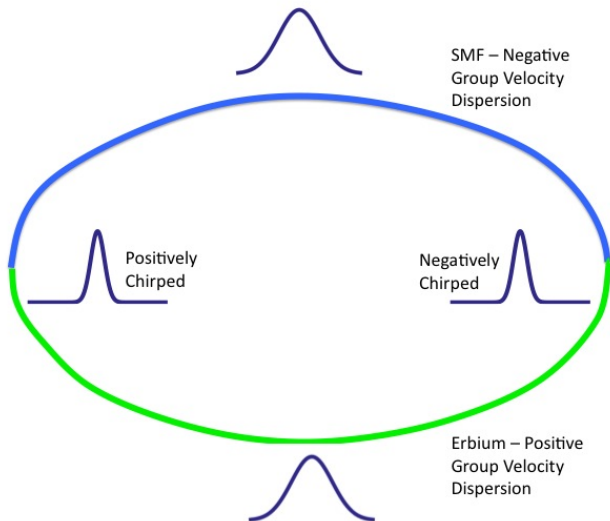
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Dispersion



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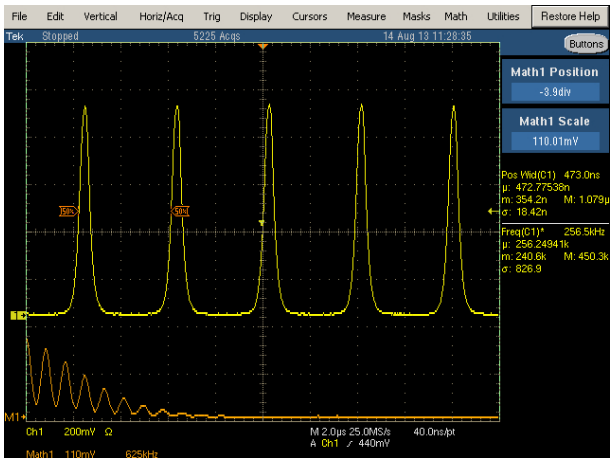
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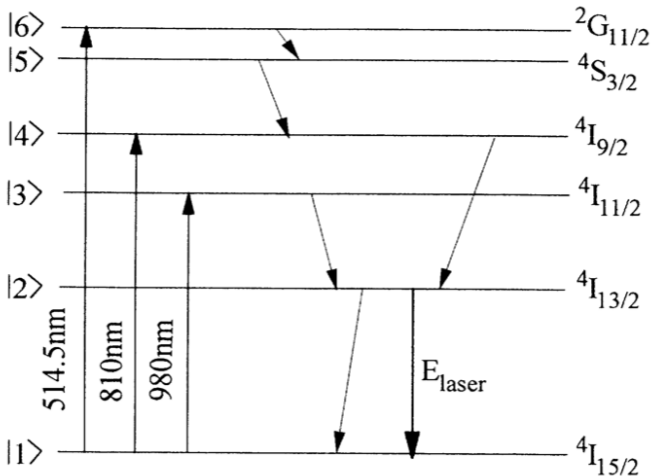
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μ s Pulses

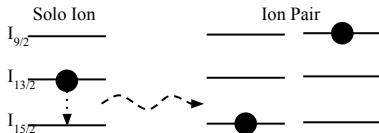
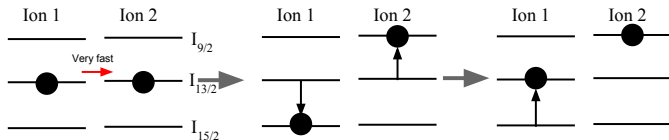


Er 80 Length (cm)	Pulse Frequency (kHz)	Pulse Power (nJ)	Peak Power (mW)
75	223	34	71
40	154	27.4	26.6

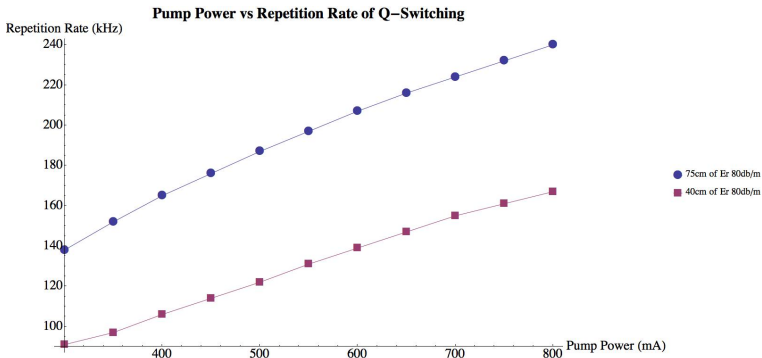
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Erbium Clusters



Saturable Absorber



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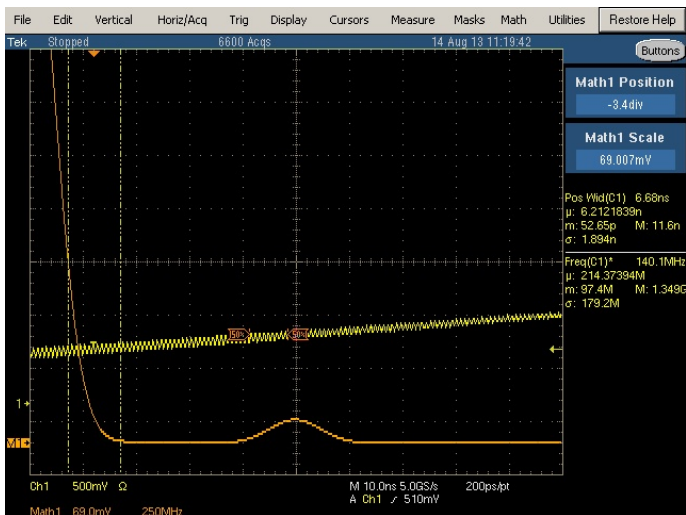
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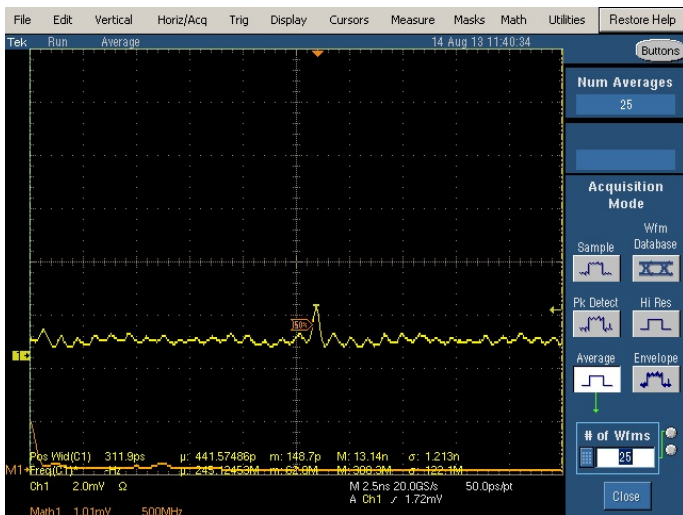
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The End

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