

**Real-time propagation of coupled Maxwell-Schrödinger systems** — ●RENE JESTÄDT<sup>1</sup>, HEIKO APPEL<sup>1</sup>ANGEL RUBIO<sup>2</sup> —  
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Since the Maxwell equations have a symplectic structure and are first order in time, it is possible to transform them, by using the Riemann-Silberstein vector [1], into a matrix spinor representation similar to the Dirac equation [2]. Such a spinor representation is advantageous for a coupled propagation of Maxwell's and Schrödinger's equations. In our present work we use unitary propagation techniques developed for the Schrödinger equation [3] in order to propagate the Riemann-Silberstein vector with perfectly matched layer boundary condition in two dimensions with arbitrary geometry and matter distributions. Using the result of the classical time evolution of the electromagnetic field, we quantize the field and consider a dipole-coupling to a single atom.

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