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High Magnetic Field Time-resolved Optical Study of Manganites. PAULA SAHANGGAMU, SANHITA GHOSH, STEPHEN MCGILL, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, Florida State University, HAIDONG ZHOU, BEN CONNER, CHRISTOPHER WIEBE, Department of Physics and NHMFL, Florida State University — We study the effects of applied electric fields and large magnetic fields on the optical properties of  $La_{(1-x)}Ca_xMnO_3$  $(x\sim0.18)$  (LCMO) and  $Pr_{(1-x)}Ca_xMnO_3$   $(x\sim0.5)$  (PCMO) using time-resolved techniques. Our measurements are performed from 4 K to room temperature and in dc magnetic fields up to 31 T. The conductivity of the low-temperature ferromagnetic state in LCMO is altered by the application of an electric field and these electricallyinduced changes are further modified in the presence of an applied magnetic field. We demonstrate that time-resolved optical methods are capable of capturing these mixed electronic and magnetic effects. In addition, we performed time-resolved Kerr effect measurements in PCMO in an attempt to gain further insight into the loss of strong charge/orbital ordering in the presence of large applied magnetic fields.

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