## **Supplemental Information**

This section contains (i) a graphical description of the multiple-LED set-up in Amsterdam, (ii) the SVD results of all experiments presented in the main text and (iii) the results obtained after analysis based upon our method for WT *Synechocystis* and the  $\Delta$ PSI and  $\Delta$ PSII mutants thereof both non-treated and in the presence of DCMU.



Figure S 1 A) Schematic representation of the multiple-LED set-up in the LaserLab, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. B) Spectra of the LEDs available. Key: *Gray:* White LED; *Blue:* 460 nm; *Orange:* 590 nm; *Red:* 640 nm; *Dark red solid:* White LED with a 695 nm filter; *Dark red thick:* White LED with a 715 nm filter; *Dark red dashed:* White LED with a 725 nm filter



Figure S 2 SVD of the time resolved spectrum of the WT *Synechocystis* cells during a saturation flash. a) first two left singular vectors  $u_1$ (black) and  $u_2$  (red). b) first two right singular vectors  $v_1$ (black) and  $v_2$  (red). c) scree plot



Figure S 3 SVD of the time resolved spectrum of the  $\Delta$ PSII mutant cells. a) first two left singular vectors u<sub>1</sub>(black) and u<sub>2</sub> (red). b) first two right singular vectors v<sub>1</sub>(black) and v<sub>2</sub> (red). c) scree plot.



Figure S 4 SVD of the time resolved spectrum of the  $\Delta$ PSI mutant cells. a) first two left singular vectors u<sub>1</sub>(black) and u<sub>2</sub> (red). b) first two right singular vectors v<sub>1</sub>(black) and v<sub>2</sub> (red). c) scree plot.



Figure S 5 SVD of the time resolved spectrum of the WT cells. a) first two left singular vectors  $u_1$ (black) and  $u_2$  (red). b) first two right singular vectors  $v_1$ (black) and  $v_2$  (red). c) scree plot.



Figure S 6 Full analysis of the time resolved fluorescence spectrum of **ΔPSII mutant** cells: non-treated (above), DCMU-treated (below); **A**: Estimated SAS<sub>1,ΔPSII</sub> (black) and SAS<sub>2,ΔPSII</sub> (red). **B**: the concentration profiles  $c_1$  (black) and  $c_2$  (red), the spikes are due to the saturation flashes; **C**: zoom into a region of **B**; **D**: the normalized difference spectrum between black and red SAS; **E**: sum of the concentrations **c**<sub>total</sub>; **F**: zoom into a region of **E**. See the main text for a detailed explanation of the non-treated panels. Transformation coefficients: non-treated:  $a_{12}$ = 0.026,  $a_{21}$ = 0.3 and  $a_{22}$ = - 0.16 ; DCMU:  $a_{12}$ = 0.026,  $a_{21}$ = 0.3 and  $a_{22}$ = - 0.16



Figure S 7 Full analysis of the time resolved fluorescence spectrum of **APSI mutant** cells: non-treated (above), DCMU-treated (below); **A**: Estimated SAS<sub>1,ΔPSI</sub> (black) and SAS<sub>2,ΔPSI</sub> (red); **B**: the concentration profiles  $c_1$  (black) and  $c_2$  (red); **C**: zoom into a region of **B**; **D**: the normalized difference spectrum between black and red; **E**: sum of the concentrations  $c_{total}$ ; **F**: zoom into a region of **E**. See the main text for a detailed explanation of the non-treated panels. Transformation coefficients: non-treated:  $a_{12}$ = 0.055,  $a_{21}$ = 0.32 and  $a_{22}$ = - 0.45; DCMU:  $a_{12}$ = 0.05,  $a_{21}$ = 0.32 and  $a_{22}$ = - 0.42



Figure S 8 Full analysis of the time resolved fluorescence spectrum of **WT cells**: non-treated (above), DCMU-treated (below); **A**: Estimated SAS<sub>1,WT</sub> (black) and SAS<sub>2,WT</sub> (red); **B**: the concentration profiles  $c_1$  (black) and  $c_2$  (red), where,  $c_1$  has been pulled to the front for better visibility of the first/last pulses; **C**: zoom into a region of **B**; **D**: the normalized difference spectrum between black and red; **E**: sum of the concentrations **c**<sub>total</sub>; **F**: zoom into a region of **E**. See the main text for a detailed explanation of the non-treated panels. Transformation coefficients: non-treated:  $a_{12}$ = 0.16,  $a_{21}$ = 0.51 and  $a_{22}$ = -0.15; DCMU:  $a_{12}$ = -0.02,  $a_{21}$ = 0.51 and  $a_{22}$ = 0.33