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テラヘルツ時間領域分光法と 基礎科学への応用

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Advanced Terahertz Technologies adapted for Optical Communication





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Exploitation of Organic Electronic Materials of Potential Dynamic Switches for Nonequilibrium Condensed Matter Sciences

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Importance of terahertz frequency region



Absorption of Liquid Water



THz-Imaging







Much of current THz research revolves around spectral specificity and transmission properties. The THz frequency



B. B. Hu and M. C. Nuss, Opt. Lett. 20, 1716 (1995)

Kawase (Nagoya/Riken), Nikon 5

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THz-TDSの進展 - フェムト秒レーザーの進歩



THz-detection



THz-wave generation with second-order non-linear optical process



Phase matching condition



THz-wave detection





 P_{THz} = 100 pJ/pulse, 10 nJ/cm², 10 kW/ cm², $|E_{THz}|$ ~1kV/cm=100kV/m

Typically, for the non-linear spectroscopy in visible region, we need a MW/cm² class laser.

Time-domain spectroscopy (TDS) is a powerful tool in THz region



✓ Pulse measurements ⇒ High sensitivity. cf. FTIR ✓ Electric field measurements ⇒ Complex dielectric constants. $E(\omega), \phi(\omega)$





Terahertz Time-Domain Spectroscopy (THz-TDS)



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Compact THz-ATR spectrometer



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Mode-softening in KTaO₃ crystal

Ichikawa, Tanaka et al.: Physical Review B 71(2005) 086509.



Dielectric function in KTaO₃



Static dielectric constant



Ichikawa et al.: Physical Review B 71(2005) 086509.

アミノ酸結晶の吸収



isolated bases \rightarrow DNA: first step



Evanescent wave in ATR



exponentially decaying away from the interface waves

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Surface plasmon in semiconductor with THz-ATR

H. Hirori, M. Nagai, and K. Tanaka, Optics Express, 13, (26), 10801-10814 (2005).



Dielectric constant in doped semiconductor



H. Hirori, M. Nagai, and K. Tanaka, Optics Express, 13, (26), 10801-10814 (2005).



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Pump and probe spectroscopy

"How many-particle interactions develop after ultrafast excitation of electron-hole plasma"

R. Huber, F. Tauser, A. Brodschelm, M. Bichler, G. Abstrelter and A. Leitenstorfer



Nature. Vol.414 (2001) 286

Kyoto University 2004

Superconducting gap

"Far-infrared optical conductivity gap in superconducting MgB₂ films"

R. A. Kaindl, M. A. Carnahan, J. Orestein, D. S. Chemla, H. M. Christen, H. Y. Zhai, M. Paranthaman and D. H. Lowndes

Phys. Rev. Lett. 88 (2002) 027003



100nm MgB₂薄膜における透過波形 6K(実線)と40K(破線) Insetは100nm MgB₂薄膜(□)と200nm MgB₂薄膜(●)の抵抗の温度変化



40Kの値で規格化した透過率

(b)膜厚100nm MgB₂

6K(●), 20K(〇) 27K(◆), 30K(◇), 33K(■) (c)膜厚200nm MgB₂(6K, 20K 25K, 30K, 36K) 6K(●), 20K(〇) 25K(◆), 30K(◇), 36K(■)

TD-ATR spectroscopy in water



Dielectric Constants in Water



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State of the art of the THz pulse power using fs laser

	Pump power		THz power		
Ti: Al ₂ O ₃ laser		/pulse	average	/pulse	Electric field (V/cm)
Amplifier@1KHz	650 mW	650 µJ	0.1µW	125 pJ	1 KV/cm
Oscillator with magnetic field (Sarukura 1.7T, @80MHz)	1500 mW 650 mW	18.75 nJ 8.125 nJ	650 μW 110 μW	8.125pJ 1.375pJ	0.25 KV/cm 0.1 KV/cm



 Basic idea of <u>velocity matching</u> by pulse front using Cherenkov effect with non-linear crystal

A. G. Stepanov, J. Hebling and J. Kuhl et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. 83, 3000 (2003).



FIG. 2. Experimental setup used for the THz generation by femtosecond laser pulses with tilted pulse fronts.

FIG. 1. Schematic illustration of the THz generation by tightly focused (a) and front tilted (b) femtosecond laser pulses propagating in an electrooptical crystal. Black ellipses and gray areas depict laser and generated THz pulses, respectively, at three different instants of time $(t_1 \le t_2 \le t_3)$.

 High power single cycle THz generation using tilted femtosecond light sources

J. Hebling and J. Kuhl et al., Appl. Phys. B 78, 593-599 (2004).



 High power single cycle THz generation using tilted femtosecond light sources : Recent status

A. G. Stepanov and J. Heebling et al., Optics Express 13 5762 (2005).



Fig. 1. Measured energy of THz pulses generated by the tilted pulse front (red circles) and line focusing (open blue squares) set-ups versus the energy of the 780 nm pump laser pulses (upper left part). Energy conversion efficiency versus the pump energy for the tilted pulse front set-up (lower right part).

 P_{THz} = 100 nJ/pulse, 10 nJ/cm², 10 MW/ cm², $|E_{THz}|$ \sim 30kV/cm=3MV/m