

## Frontiers of science at SACLA

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## SPring-8: 3<sup>rd</sup> gen. synchrotron facility Various research fields (nano, green, life ...) Open worldwide

User operation: 1997~ Diameter: 400 m 57 beamlines

## **Beamline map**



## **Application fields and achievements of SPring-8**

Development of fuel-Development of X-ray efficient tires using 3D microscope enabling measurement intracellular 3D imaging technique 500 nm Structural Analysis of 論切り像 Human Hair for development of Material science functional shampoo Industrial Life science applications Structural elucidation of Flucidation of anti-caries core protein complex in mechanism of chewing gum photosynthesis SPring-8 Earth-Planetary Archeology science Material investigation of Sankaku-Earth's internal environment buchi Shinjukyo (ancient mirror) reproduced by fluorescent X-ray analysis Two-layer convection in outer liquid core of earth suggested Materials identified using pieces from Analysis of microparticles old wooden surface brought from Asteroid Itokawa CT image (8 keV) by Hayabusa

## Industrial applications: Molecular Design for Energy Saving Tire



#### President Ikeda presents new energy saving tire. 1st Dec. 2011





Achieving Improvement 6%: fuel efficiency 39 %: traction performance!

#### "EnerSave" Premium Performance

## **Existing Tire**





#### Lower Energy Loss



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## SACLA

SPring-8 Angstrom Compact free electron Laser

First compact XFEL Construction: 2006~2010 User operation: March 2012~

accelerator hall (~ 400 m)



undulator hall (~ 200 m)

experimental hall (~ 60 m

#### June, 2011 First Lasing



## **XFELs in the world**



## Comparison

	European XFEL	SACLA	LCLS
Length	3.3 km	700 m	~ 2 km
Beam energy	17 GeV	8 GeV	14 GeV
Wavele ngth	0.085 nm	0.06 nm	0.12 nm
Cost	900M Euro	370 M\$	600 M\$
Operati on	2017	2011	2009
	Superconducting technology High rep rate High pulse energy	<b>First compact XFEL</b> Short wavelength (sub-Å) Short-pulse operation (~ 10 fs)	First XFEL facility using existing linac High pulse energy







## SACLA accelerator and beamlines (2017~)



#### Performance

	BL3	BL2	BL1
Photon energy	4~15 keV	4~15 keV	40 ~ 150 eV
Bandwidth( <i>△E/E</i> )	< 5x10 <sup>-3</sup>	< 5x10 <sup>-3</sup>	~ 0.01
Pulse energy	~ 500 μJ @10keV	~ 400 μJ @10keV	~ 90 µJ@ 100 eV
Photon number ( /pulse)	> 10 <sup>11</sup> @ 10 keV	> 10 <sup>11</sup> @ 10 keV	> 10 <sup>12</sup> @ 100 eV
Pulse duration	< 10 fs	< 10 fs	< 1 ps
Peak power	> 50GW	> 40GW	> 100 MW
Repetition rate	30Hz (60Hz: Single be	30Hz amline operation)	60Hz



Profile

FWHM: ~300 μm 10 keV (BL3)



#### **Spectrum**

9 keV (BL3)

Y. Inubushi, *et al.*, *PRL* **109**, 144801 (2012) *Appl. Sci.* **7**, 584 (2017)

#### **Experimental hall**



## **XFEL sciences**





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## Intense XFEL pulses has opened new sciences



# Application of intense X-ray source as a pumping source

This is a new experimental scheme, which has opened by XFEL.





#### Single-shot spectrometer with multilayer mirror



#### Pulse duration and longitudinal mode number



#### 1-µm focusing system



## ~10<sup>18</sup> W/cm<sup>2</sup>

H. Yumoto, et al., Nature Photonics 7, 43 (2013)

#### 2-stage focusing system



#### ~10<sup>20</sup> W/cm<sup>2</sup>

H. Mimura, et al., Nature Communications 5, 3539 (2014).

Pulse energy:

- Pulse duration:
- Bandwidth:
- Peak power:
- Intensity:

- 500 μJ @10keV (Throughput depends on optics)
- ~ 8 fs ~ 40 eV
- ~ 50 GW
- ~  $10^{14}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup> (300  $\mu$ m $\phi$ , raw beam)
- ~  $10^{18}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup> (1  $\mu$ m $\phi$ )
- ~ 10<sup>20</sup> W/cm<sup>2</sup> (50 nm \phi)

## **2-color double-pulse XFEL**





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## **Applications of intense XFEL pulses**



#### Interaction of intense XFEL pulses with matter

- Low ponderomotive force ( $\propto \sqrt{\hbar^2}$ ) due to short wavelength Penetration to matters (Cut-off density: ~10<sup>29</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>) Ionization and excitation of inner-shell electrons due to high photon energy 18 XFEL photon energy 2 He 4~15keV С в Ν Be 0 Ne 12 20 24 25 26 28 29 30 31 32 33 corresponding to transition Sc Ge Ca Cu Zn Ga energy of inner-shell electrons 48 49 50 51 52 Rh Pd Ag Cd Мо Тс Ru Rb Sr Zr Nb In Sn Sb Те Xe



## XFEL photon density(10keV, Cu sample)



XFEL beam size	Intensity(W/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Absorbed photon density (cm <sup>-3</sup> )
Un-focus(300μmφ)	~ <b>10</b> <sup>14</sup>	~10 <sup>17</sup> ( << <i>n</i> <sub>Cu</sub> )
1-μ <mark>m focus</mark>	~10 <sup>18</sup>	~10 <sup>22</sup> ( < <i>n</i> <sub>Cu</sub> )
100-nm focus	~10 <sup>20</sup>	$\sim 10^{23}$ (> $n_{\rm Cu}$ )
Cross section of K-shell >> Lshell Almost all atoms become "core-hole at		of K-shell >> Lshell ms become "core-hole atoms".

# LETTER

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# Atomic inner-shell laser at 1.5-ångström wavelength pumped by an X-ray free-electron laser

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#### Weak X rays



#### Intense XFEL

#### Incidence of X rays

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#### Creation of core-hole atoms

⇒ Population inversion

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Intense XFEL



 $\label{eq:Kalaser} \textbf{K} \alpha \text{ laser} \\ \textbf{via stimulated emission process} \\$ 





First hard x-ray laser using atomic level

## Seeding in hard x-ray region

#### Pump creation of core-hole atoms (9keV)





#### Seed

Same photon energy of  $K\alpha(8keV)$ 

#### **Incidence of two-color XFEL**

#### **Amplification of seed pulse**

#### Hard x-ray seeding using 2-color XFEL



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#### First hard x-ray seeding

#### **Photon-Photon scattering**



Exploring unknown field by measurement of photon-photon scattering

#### Verification of Quantum electrodynamics (QED)

T. Inada, et al., Phys. Lett. B, 732, 356-359 (2014).

#### **Experimental setup**



#### Result



Although the signal could not be detected, the new point could be plotted.

But, the point is still 20 order far from the QED theory.



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## HEDS (High Energy Density Science) experimental station at SACLA





#### SACLA Experimental Hall

#### SACLA - SPring-8 Experimental Facility



	40 TW Laser	500 TW Laser x2	Long Pulse Laser
Status	Operational	Under Commissioning	Operational
Pulse Energy	~1 J	~10 J	~ 10 J (to be upgraded)
Pulse Duration	~25 fs	~25 fs	~4 ns
Max. Rep. Rate	10 Hz	1 Hz	0.1 Hz
SACLA EH	EH5	EH6	EH5

TERMES

In collaboration with Harima Center for Photon Sciences, Osaka Univ. (Prof. R. Kodama)

# Dynamic behavior of matter under high pressure is one of hot topics in HEDS



Above experiments were carried out with ~1 J, sub-ns laser. (up to a few tens of GPa)

→ Long pulse laser (~10 J, ns) has been installed.

## Development of 500-TW laser experimental system(EH6)



## **Current status of 500 TW laser**

#### Laser parameters

- ✓ Pulse energy: 12.5 J
- Peak power: 500 TW
- ✓ Wavelength: 800 nm

Duration: 25 fs

Beam size:  $\phi$ 120 mm with Top Hat

✓ Contrast: 10<sup>-10</sup>@−100 ps, 10<sup>-8</sup>@−30 ps

Now, only 1 beam is available.

#### Timing jitter between XFEL and 500 TW laser



## **Experimental chamber and diagnostics**





- Stable user operation of SACLA produced exciting results in wide scientific fields.
- Intense XFEL pulses, which is one of features of SACLA, has opened new scientific field.
- User operation of combination of high power laser (500 TW laser) and XFEL will start in June. This experimental scheme is expected to produce many interesting results.

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