

Opportunities for Energy Science with Soft X-rays from the ALS

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Outline

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Shirley Group Synchrotron Radiation Research:

- Science and Instrumentation
 - Time of flight Angle-Resolved Parabolic Mirror Analyzer for studying Photoelectron Diffraction
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 - Tender x-rays beamline (1keV-5keV): Jumbo
- Instrumentation @ALS (inspired by early research by Shirley):
 - Time-of-Flight spin-ARPES & Imaging ARPES
 - Use Inspired Energy Science with ARPES and Ambient Pressure XPS

Understanding complex phenomena require sharper and sharper tools

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Early Days (1980-82) of Photoemission

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research

Volume 195, Issues 1-2, 1 April 1982, Pages 115-131

Performance and application of a double crystal monochromator in the energy region 800 < hv < 4500 eV (JUMbO)

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PHYSICAL REVIEW B

VOLUME 25, NUMBER 2

15 JANUARY 1982

A METHODS IN PHYSICS RESEARCH

Angle-resolved photoemission study of the valence bands of W(011) in the photon energy range 1100-1250 eV: Observation of strong direct transitions and phonon effects

Z. Hussain, E. Umbach,* J. J. Barton, J. G. Tobin, and D. A. Shirley Materials and Molecular Research Division, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, and Department of Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, California 94720 (Received 3 August 1981)



ARPES of Valence Band





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ALS Ambient Pressures XPS Systems



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by the slow rate of O_2 reduction (ORR) at Cathode, ~5 orders of magnitude slower than H_2 oxidation at Anode

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80% of All Important Chemical Reactions Take Place on Interfaces









CHEMISTRY

Science 315 Jan 2007

Platinum in Fuel Cells Gets a Helping Hand

The discovery of a unique *platinum-nickel alloy* represents a breakthrough in catalyst research: it is <u>90 times more active</u> than state-of-the-art platinum catalysts currently used.



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Top: In standard Pt catalysts absorption of oxygen on the surface is hindered by the binding of other molecules, such as OH.

Bottom: In the new material The nickel atoms change the surface properties such that OH cannot bind as well, leaving room for oxygen.

Research team includes: Argonne and Berkeley National Labs (Phil Ross et al), U. South Carolina.

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Reaction-Driven Restructuring of Bimetallic Nanoparticle Catalysts



Restructuring of Rh_{0.5}Pd_{0.5} nanoparticles

Right top: Evolution of Rh (Rh⁰ + Rh^{2y+}) and Pd (Pd⁰ + Pd^{2y+}) atomic fractions in the Rh_{0.5}Pd_{0.5} at 300 °C under oxidizing conditions (100 mtorr NO or O₂) and catalytic conditions (100 mtorr NO and 100 mtorr CO).

Right bottom: Evolution of the fraction of the oxidized Rh (left y axis) and Pd atoms (right y axis) under the same reaction conditions.

F. Tao and Gabor Somorjai et al., Science 322, 932 (2008).

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Solid Oxide Fuel Cells



Current ALS Research/Operando



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Ambient pressure XPS:

- reveals the behavior of mixed ionic-electronic conducting electrode materials
- crucial for high-performance SOFCs
- Width of the electrochemically active region has been directly mapped *operando* for the first time
- combined surface potential and surface chemistry sensitive measurements

Development of a new class of low-temp high-efficiency SOFC requires:

- spectro-nanoscopy imaging of interfaces and ultrafast probing
- fsec fundamental oxidation chemistry at electrodes
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ nsec to msec evolution of material properties during operation

C. Zhang, H. Bluhm, Z. Liu, Z. Hussain et al. Nature Materials (2010).

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- 1. Model cells (Science), tools (Spectroscopists), and photon energy (eV) (Facility) are intertwined.
- 2. More challenging when the electrolyte layer is thicker than 30nm.

Beamline 9.3.1, 2.5 KeV - 5.0 KeV Scienta HiPP 2 Analyzer , up to 7 KeV and 250 Torr

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Time of Flight Parabolic Mirror Analyzer Shirley Group: early 80's Paraboloididal Sample reflector 180 deg **Position sensitive** In-vacuum rotation **Detector:** 100 mm diameter

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The spin-TOF spectrometer

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Spin resolution & efficiency

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Spin-ARPES: Dispersive Analyzer vs TOF

Rashba-split Au (111) SS



50 minutes (2012) Xingjiang Zhou, Inst. of Phys., CAS

Energy resolution =10 meV

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Spin-resolution + laser source

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Time-Resolved Photoemission Comparison of the Hemispherical Analyzer and the TOF Analyzer

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TOF 3D nano_ARPES Analyzer PEEM + ARPES





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Thickness controlled band gap engineering: MoSe₂ In-Situ Sample Synthesis and ARPES



Direct band gap

Indirect band gap

- Distinct direct-indirect band gap transition from monolayer to 2+ layer
- Direct band gap semiconductor favorable for optoelectric & photonic applications
 - ultrasensitive photodetector
 - more efficient, flexible photovoltaic device
- MBE growth *and* in-situ ARPES @ BL 10.0.1

Y. Zhang, S.-K. Mo, Z. Hussain, A. Bansil, Z.-X. Shen et al., Nature Nanotechnology, 2014

Happy 80th Dave Thanks for creation of the ALS and much more

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Spectroscopy and the Structure of Matter Symposium held in honor of David A. Shirley on the occasion of his 65th birthday March 29, 1999



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