

## **SPEAKER**

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# Introduction of XAFS and its applications

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Abstract: X-ray absorption fine structure (XAFS) is a unique tool to detect local structural and chemical properties of a selected species in compound materials. XAFS includes X-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) and extended XAFS (EXAFS). XANES can detect the chemical valance states and local density of states of selected ions in a material, meanwhile EAFS can describe local structural properties including bond lengths, bond length disorders, coordination numbers, and species of neighboring atoms around a probing atom. XAFS can be applied to a solid, liquid, and even gas with no mater of its crystallinity. XAFS is useful particularly in the determination of structural properties of



nanostructures. Including nanoparticles, nanorods, and thin films. X-ray diffraction (XRD) is a canonical tool to determine the crystalline structural properties. XRD is not very useful in analyzing nanoparticles because they do not have sufficient scattering sources. XAFS analysis require neither a crystalline structure nor a large number of scattering sources. Furthermore, in-situ measurements of XAFS would provide considerably useful information, particularly, for catalysts, batteries, chemical reactions, and others. In the seminar, I will introduce the XAFS technique and its applications to nanoparticles, ZnO nanorods, Pt nanoparticles, and  $VO_2$  films.

# Short Biography:

#### **Education**

B.S. in Physics, Kyungpook National University, Daegu, Korea (Graduation in Feb., 1989) Ph.D. in Physics, University of Missouri-Columbia (Graduation in Dec., 1999)

## **Academic Experiences**

1994. June – 1999. Dec., Research Assistant in Department of Physics at University of Missouri-Columbia,

1999. Dec. – 2001. Dec., Research associate in Department of Physics at University of Washington

2002. Jan. – 2003. Aug., Postdoctoral physicist in Chemical Science Division at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

2011. Feb. – 2012. Feb., Visiting scholar at X-ray Science Division of APS

2013. July – 2013. Dec., Visiting scholar at X-ray Science Division of APS

2003. Aug. - Current, professor in Department of Physics Education, Jeonbuk National University

### **Position Careers**

- 2014 Current, Chair of the Korean XAFS Society
- 2012 Current, Director, Institute of Fusion Science, Jeonbuk National University
- 2015 Current, Chair, Division of Science Education, Jeonbuk National University
- 2014 Current, Vice-chair, Korea Proton Acceleration Users Association
- 2015 Current, Lead guest editor, Journal of Nanomaterials
- 2012 Current, Director of Institute of Fusion Science in Jeonbuk National University
- 2012 Current, A board member of Korean Synchrotron Radiation User Association
- 2006 2006, Guest editor, International Journal of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology
- 2008 2013, Representative of XAFS division in Korean Synchrotron Radiation User Association

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