

# Advanced Topics on Highly Sophisticated Materials (物性制御学特論)

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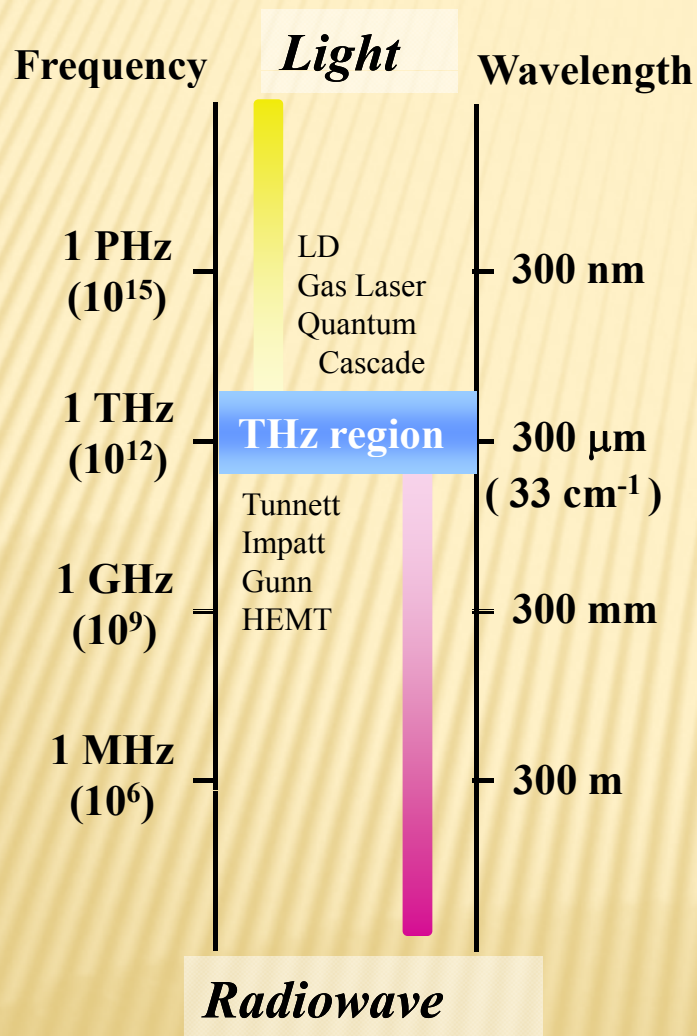
**- Coherent THz wave generation and its application for  
biomedical and structural defects -**

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# Background & Motivations



## THz region (far-infrared region)

- 0.1-10 THz, 3 mm-30  $\mu$ m
- between millimetre waves and infrared
- vibrational modes in macro-molecule

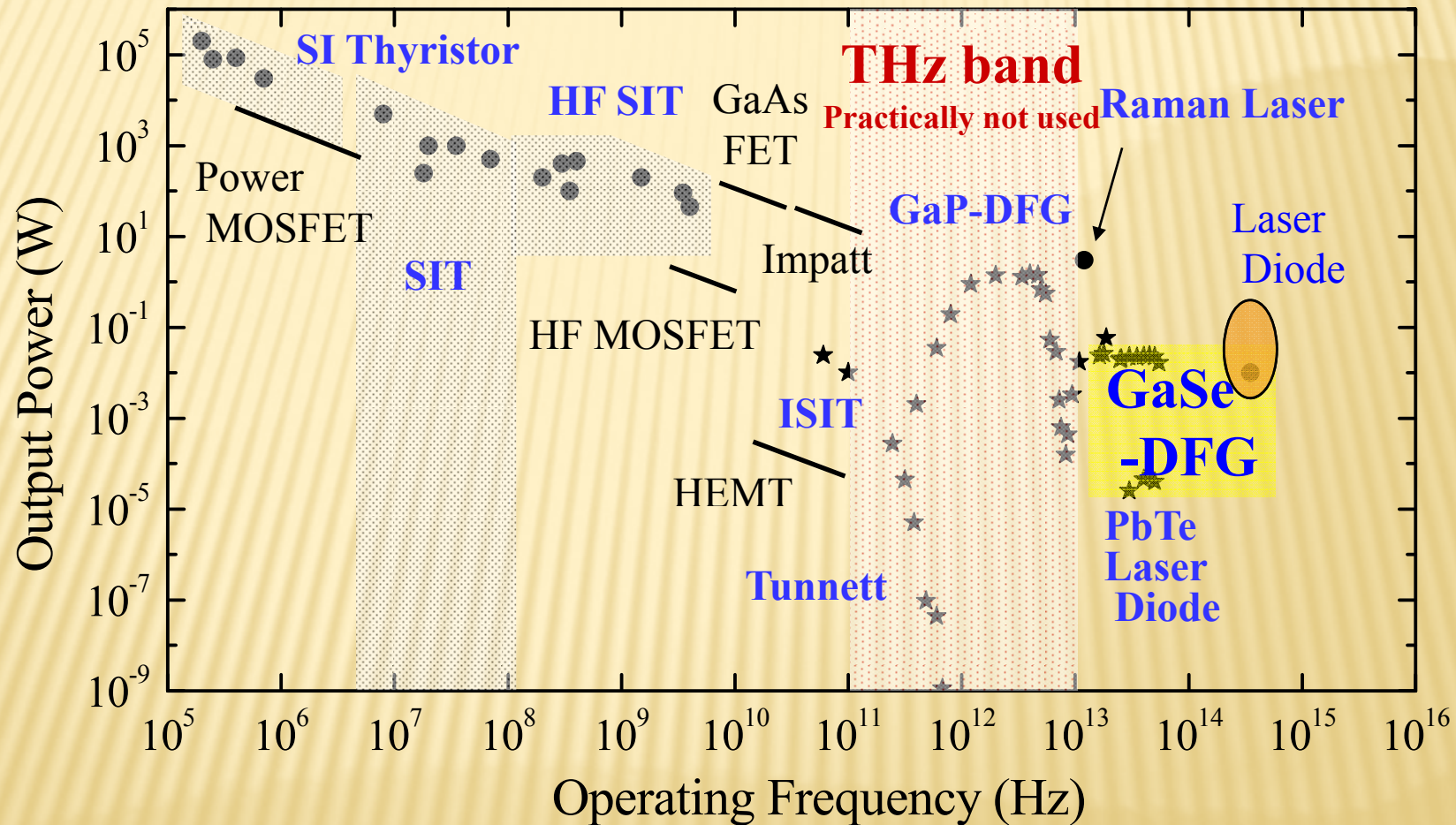
## Applications

- spectral measurement (**fingerprint**) and imaging of macro-molecules (*e.g.*, DNA)
- detection and treatment of cancer tissue (**bio medical**)
- Harmless & non destructive inspection
- Security
- etc.

**Very wide variety of important applications**

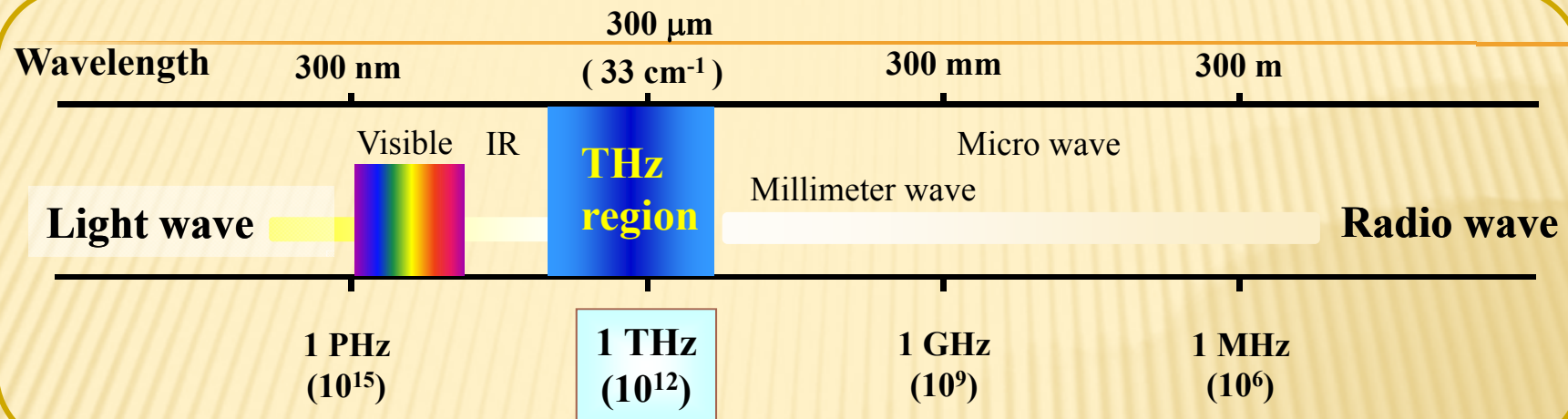
# RADIO WAVE & LIGHT SOURCES DEVELOPED

Blue: OUR LAB.




“Whole the frequency must be used for communication in future”  
 by Prof. Hidetsugu Yagi (1886-1976: Inventor of Directive Short Wave (Yagi) Antenna )  
 Tohoku, Osaka Univ.

# THz wave and its application



## *Characteristics and functions of our THz source (GaP)*

- ◆ High power  $\sim 1.5\text{W}$ (max) coherent source
- ◆ Wide frequency tunable (0.1-7THz)
- ◆ High purity /coherent source ( $\Delta f \sim 0.1\text{GHz}$ )
- ◆ Compact source (1m x 1m:  0.3m x 0.3m)
- ◆ Full automated



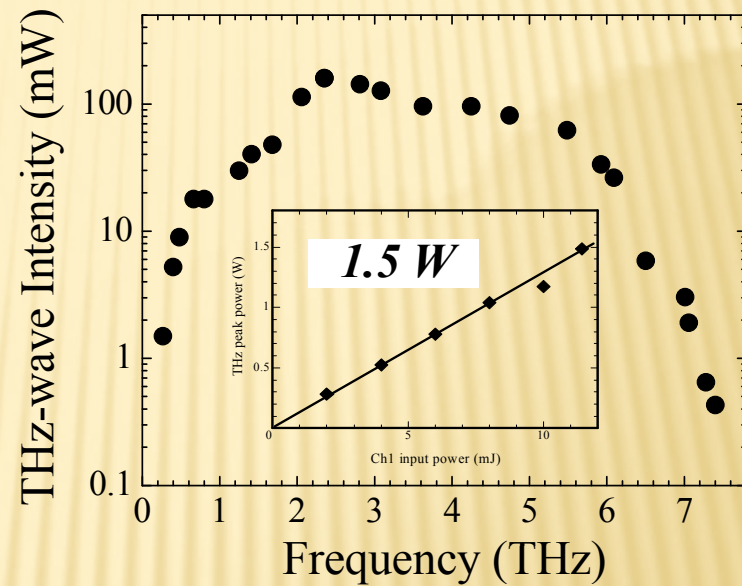
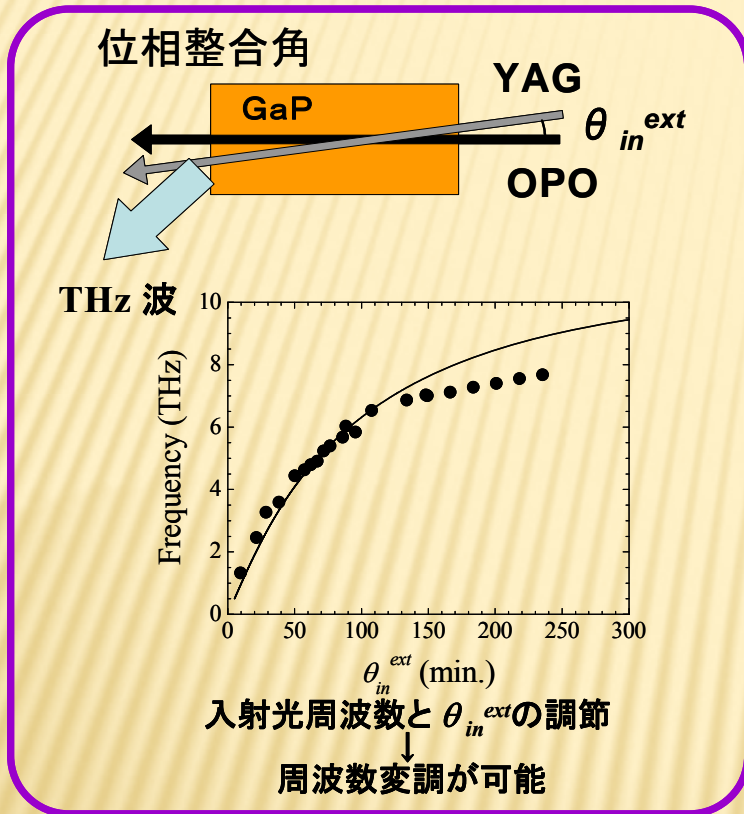
## *Application of THz wave*

- ◆ Bio-medical
- ◆ Nondestructive inspection (Harmless)
- ◆ Security
- ◆ High speed THz communication

# THz wave generation from bulk GaP

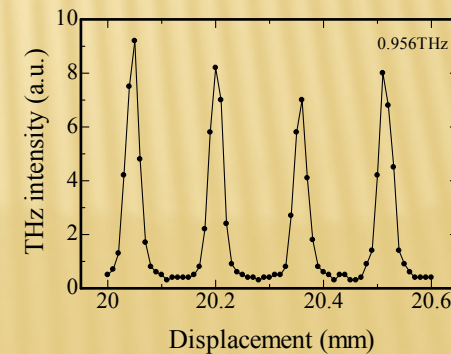
Differential Frequency Generation

Widely frequency tunable source (0.2 ~ 7.5 THz, 1.5W)



Narrow line width

500 MHz  
(0.015  $cm^{-1}$ )



# GaP DFG, FTIR and TDS (time domain spectroscopy)

**FTIR**    *white light source*

**TDS**    *white light source (femto sec. laser)*

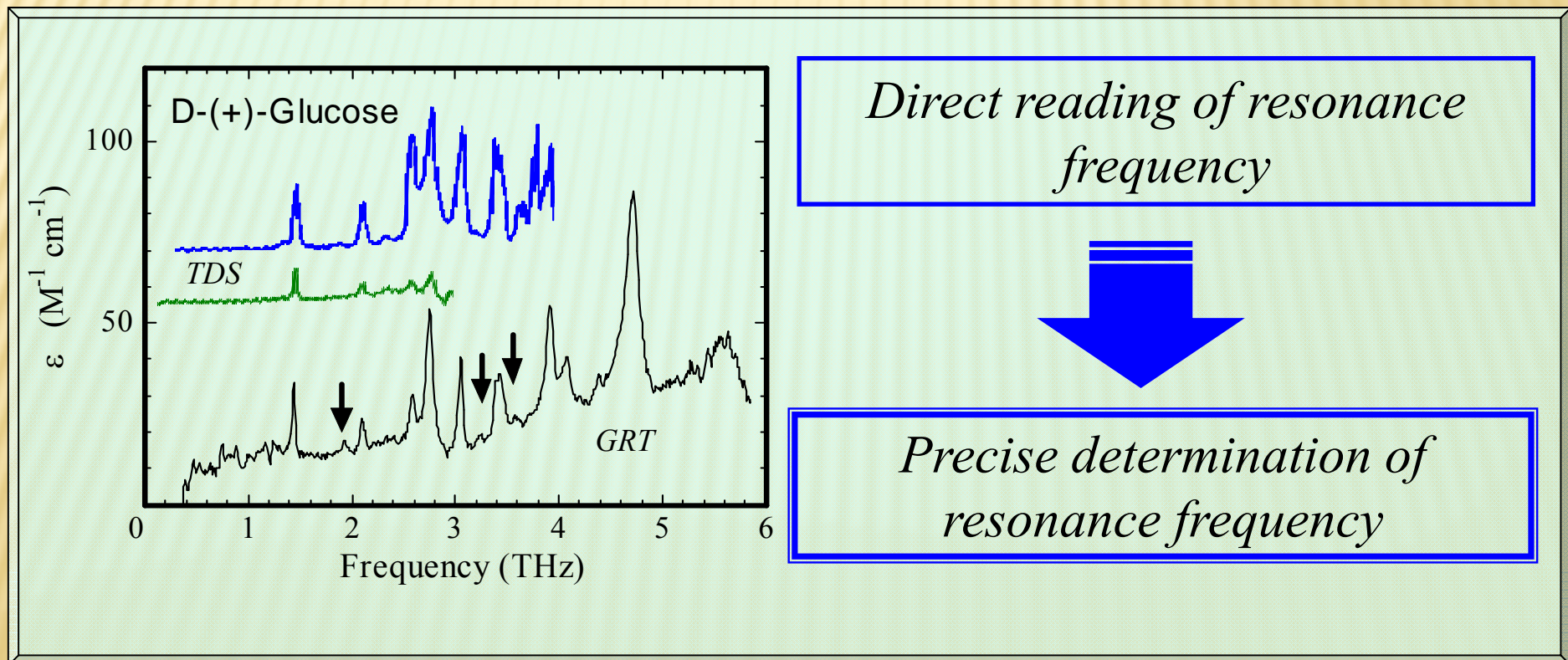


*GaP DFG = monochromatic  
frequency tunable source*



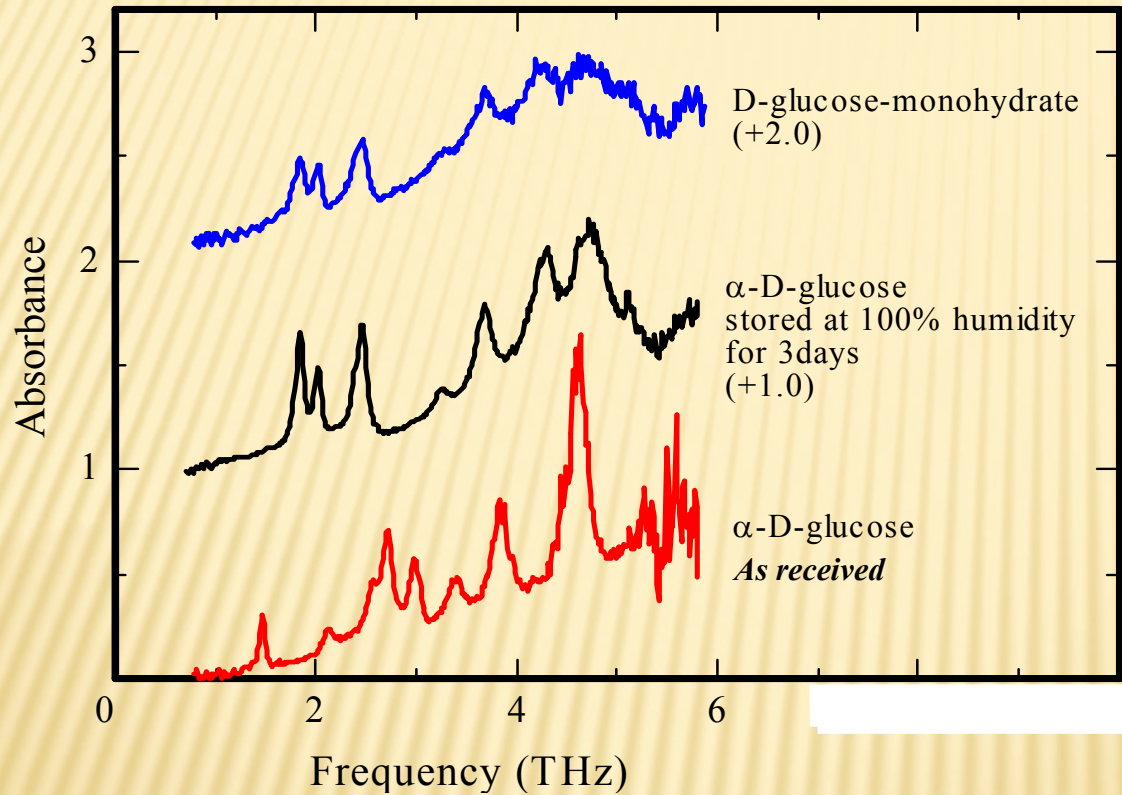
*From time domain to frequency domain*

*By Fourier transform*



# THz spectra of glucose (by Cr:F-source system)

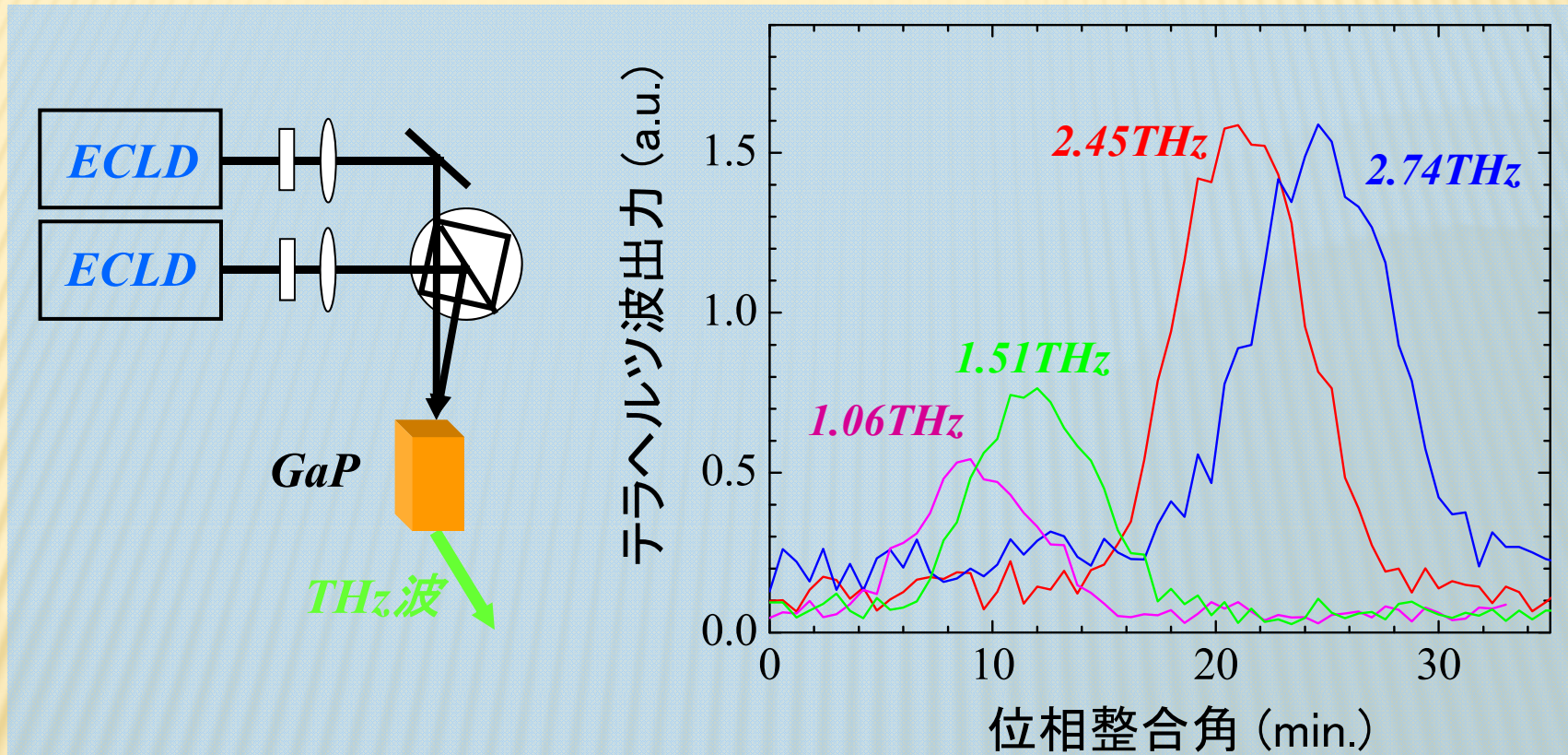
## The effects of hydration (hydrogen bonding)



α-D-glucose has changed to monohydrate stored in normal atmosphere

The reaction is reversible by drying in vacuum

# *CW THz wave generation by LD*



*LD (laser diode) excited CW THz wave*



*Ultra narrow line width THz light*



# DEVELOPMENT OF THz SOURCES

## THz wave generation

An approach from light wave

Application of phonon-plariton in semiconductor crystal

proposal 1963 J.Nishizawa

Difference-frequency generation (DFG) using near-infrared light

realized 1983 J.Nishizawa & K.Suto



GaAs crystal



GaP crystal

Semiconductor crystals for THz generation (by **NLO** crystals)

◆ GaAs

◆ GaP

◆ **GaSe**



GaSe crystal

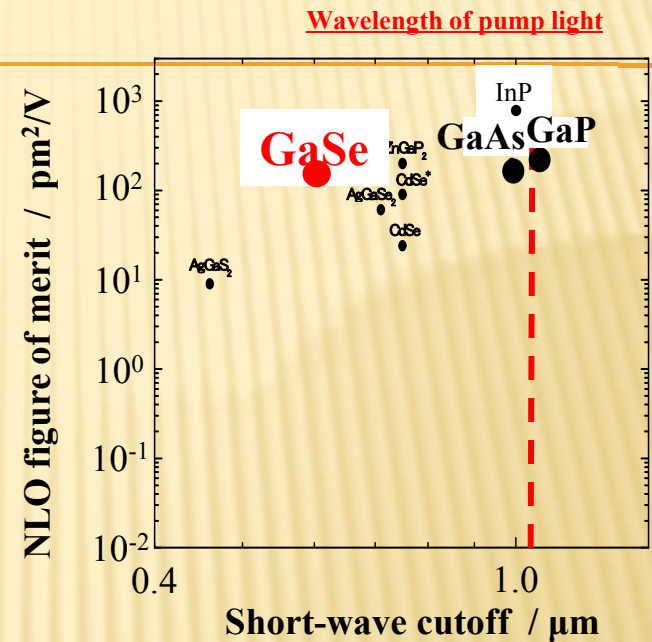
High power, coherent and wide frequency tunable THz wave generation

# Nonlinear optical (NLO) crystals

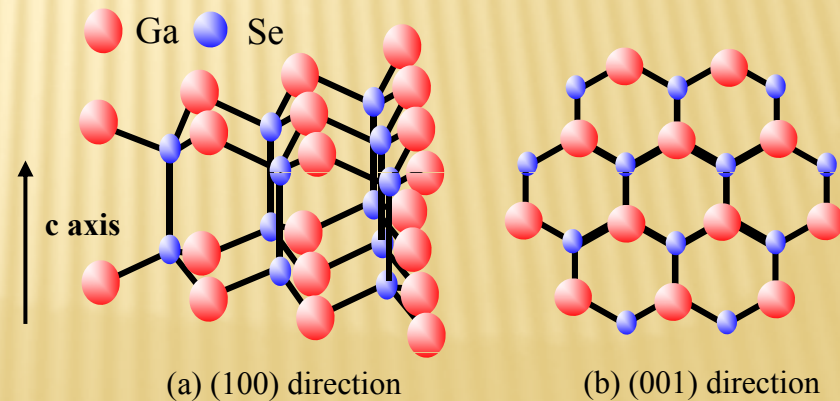
## Merit of GaSe

- ◆ Cut off wavelength(0.62 $\mu$ m)
  - ➔ Transparent in infrared and THz region
- ◆ High 2<sup>nd</sup> -order nonlinear optical coefficient
  - ➔  $d_{22}= 128\text{pm}^2/\text{V}$  at 0.62 $\mu$ m
- ◆ Layered structure in the c-axis direction
  - ➔ Collinear phase matched DFG  
Due to its birefringence
  - ➔ Construction of compact THz-wave generation system
- ◆ THz-wave generation in super wide frequency range (~110THz)

Wei Shi and Yujie J.Din  
Proceeding of Conference on Lasers and Electro-optics(CLEO : 2003)

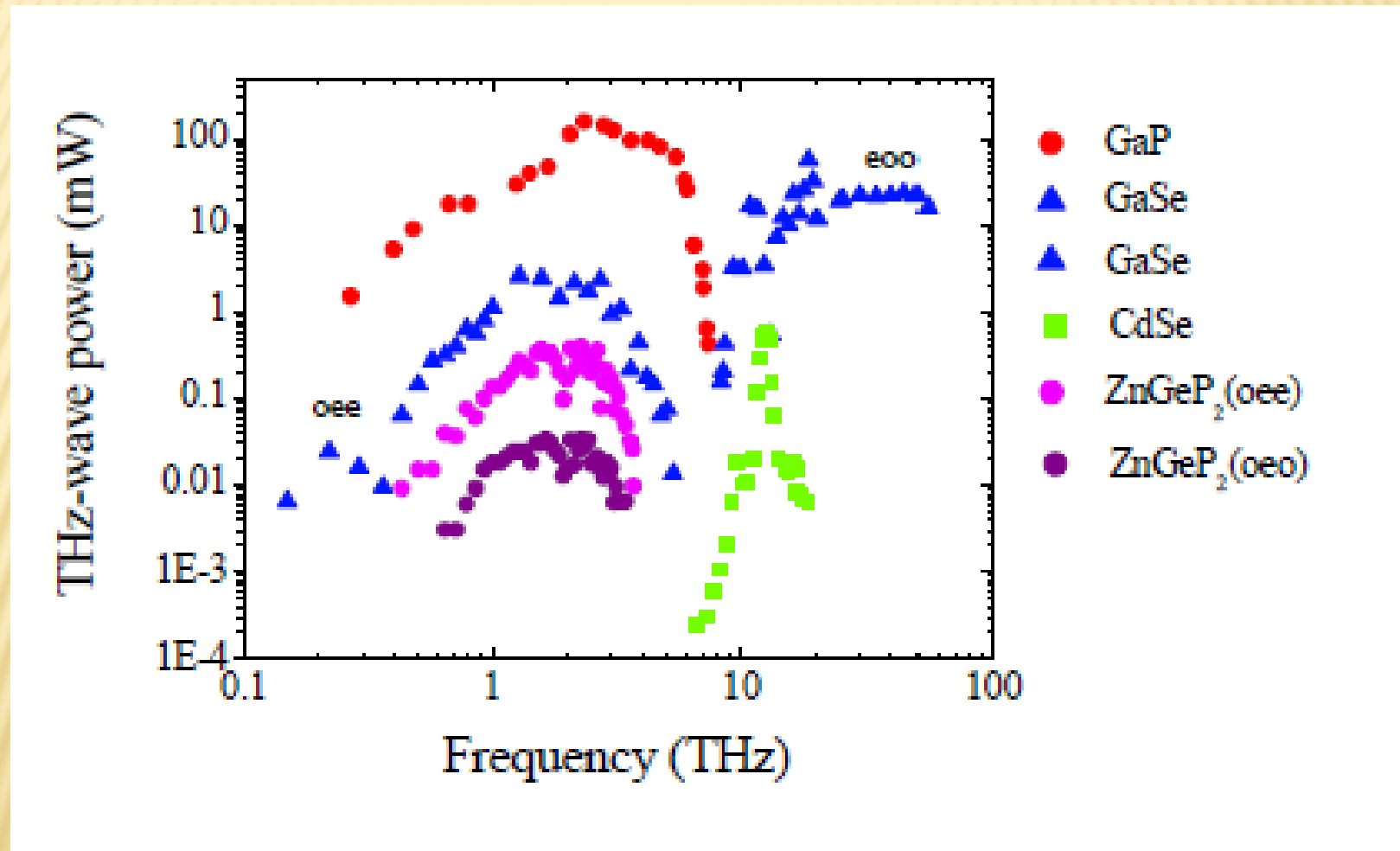


K. L. Vodopyanov  
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Unit cell of GaSe crystal

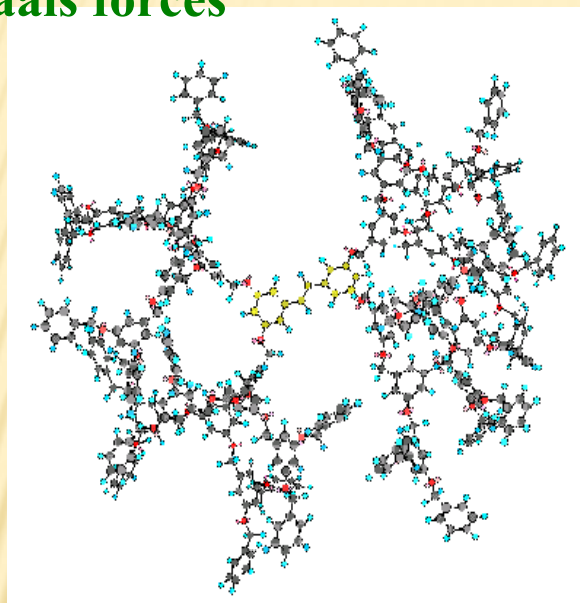
# THz generation from various semiconductor crystals



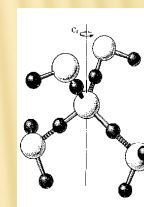
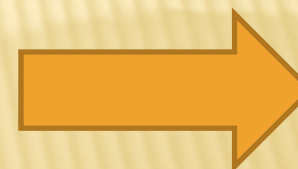
# Vibration of organic molecules

## *Inter-molecular interaction*

- hydrogen bonding
- van der Waals forces



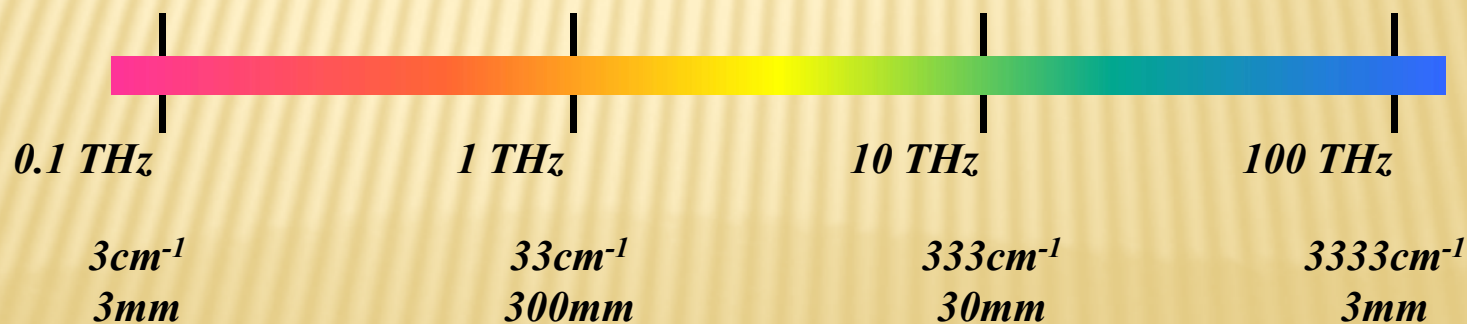
## local vibrations



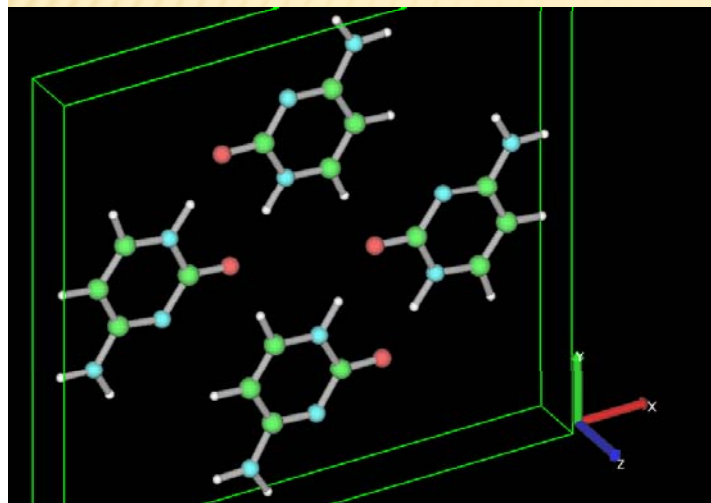
**Bio-medical  
Application**

**Non destructive  
inspection**

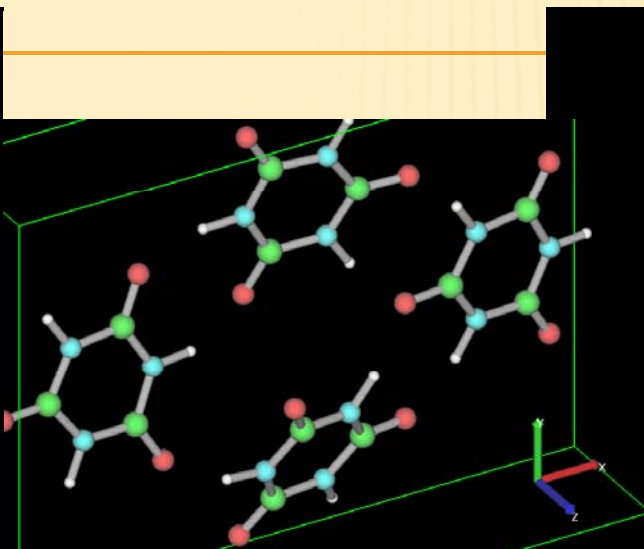
$h\nu$   
Room temp.  
Human body temp.



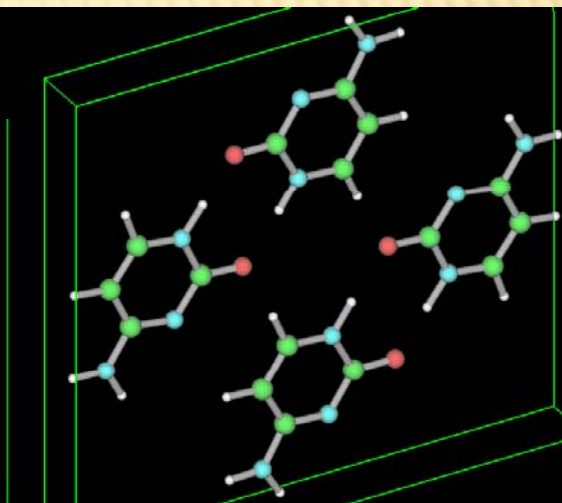
# THz vibration modes (Gaussian03)



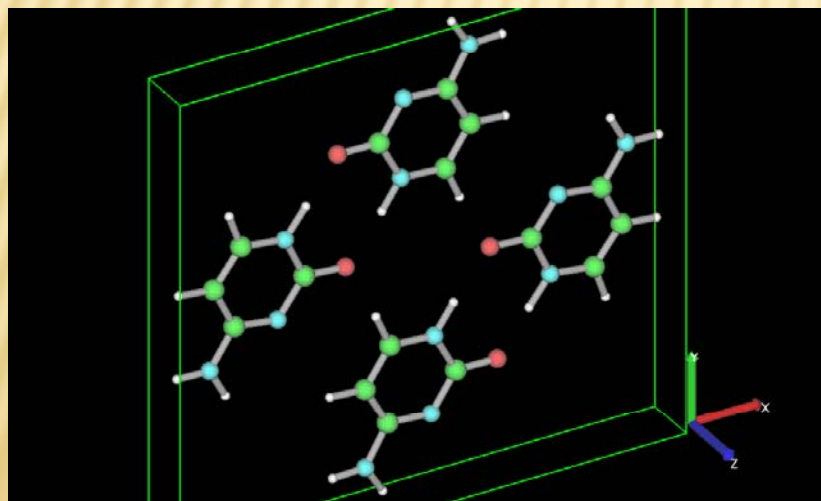
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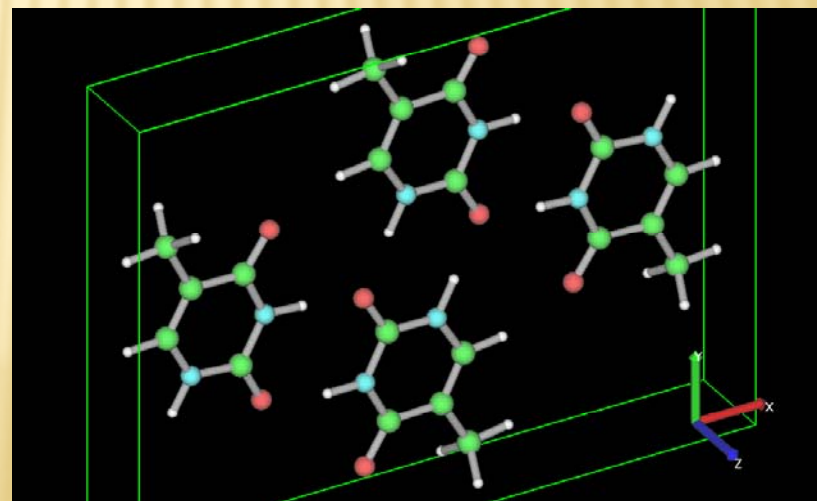
**In-plane + out of plane**



**Out of plane**

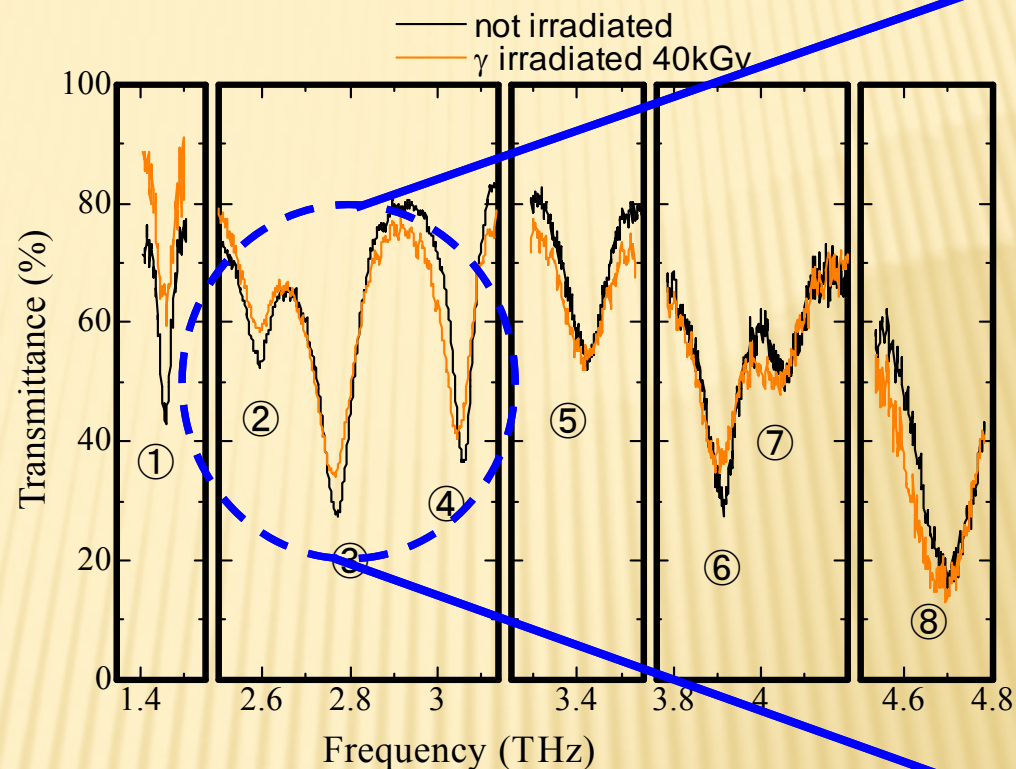
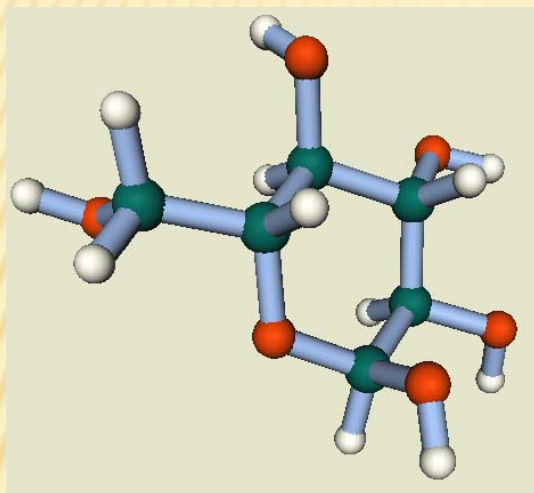


**translation**



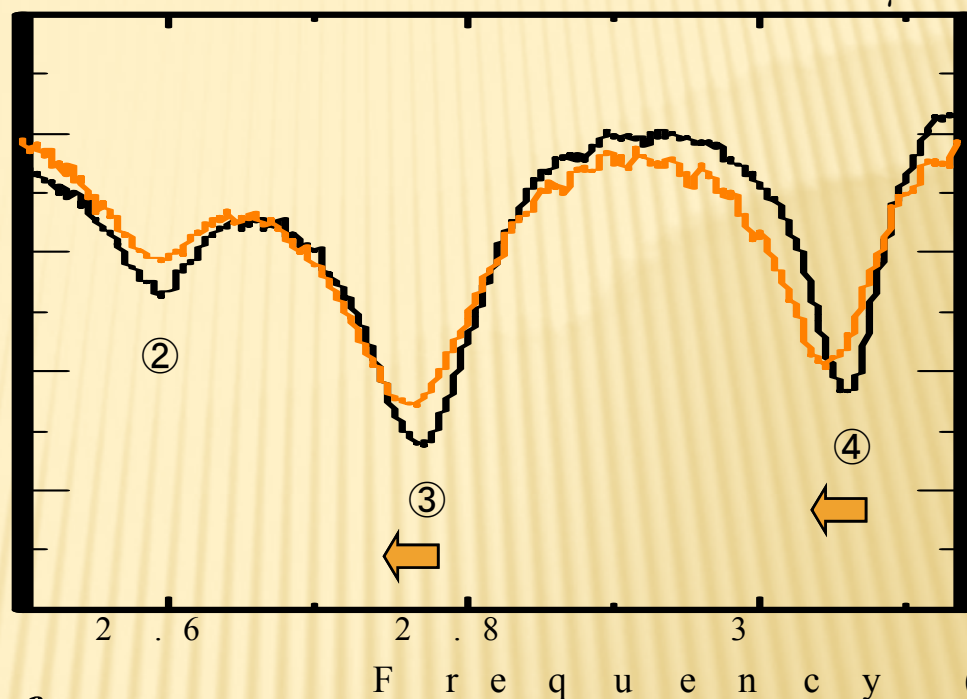
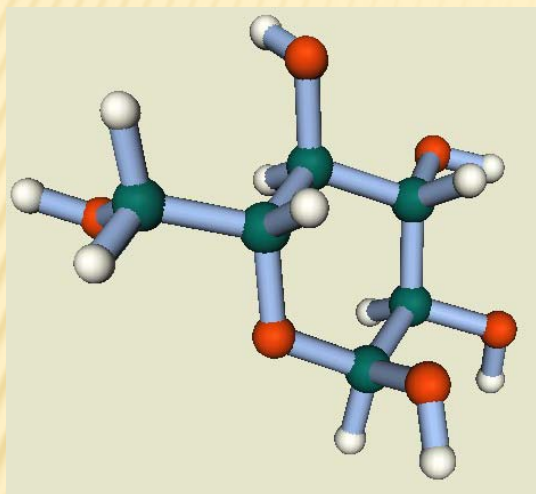
**Localized vibration**

# Defects in organics: $\gamma$ -ray induced defects in Glucose



	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	⑦	⑧
Not irradiated	1.455	2.595	2.772	3.060	3.419	3.915	4.052	4.698
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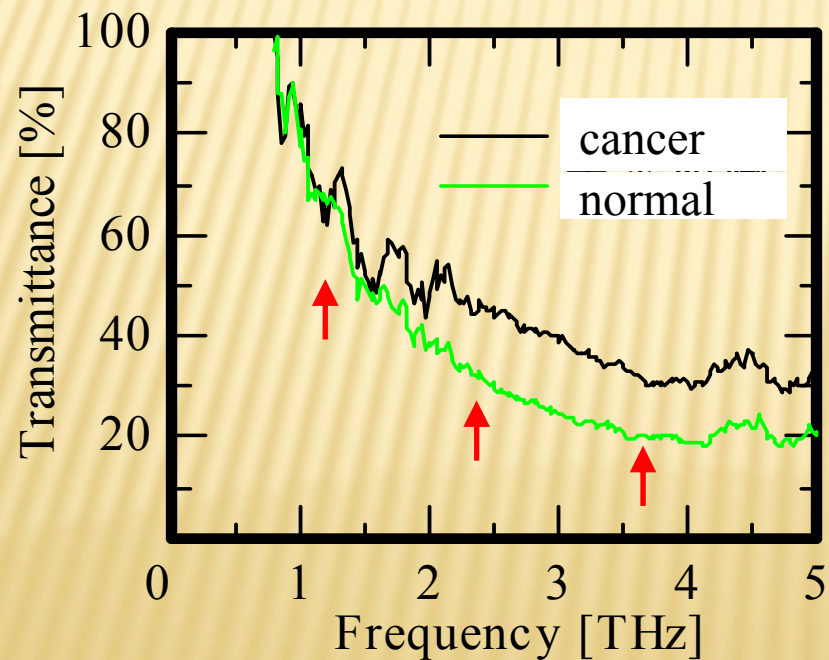
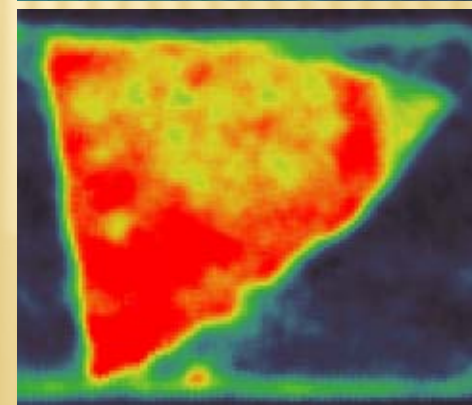
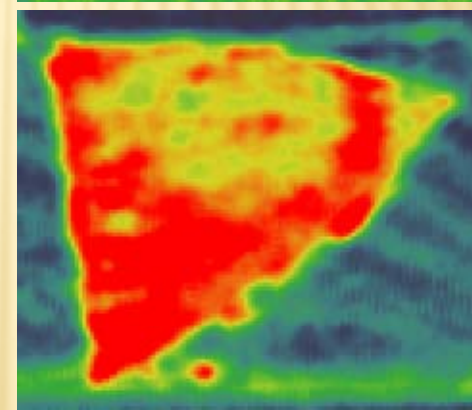
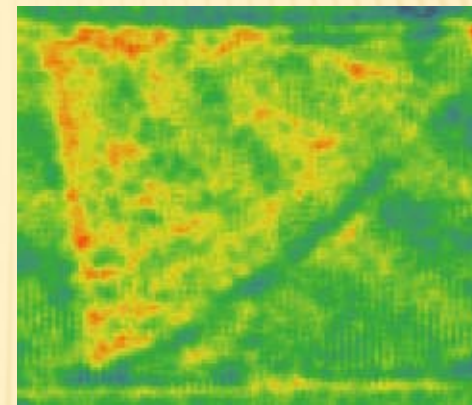
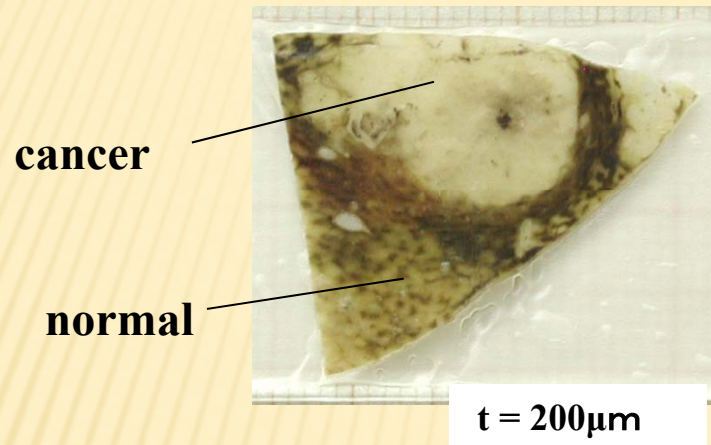


*Inter molecular defects*

*Lower resonance vibration frequency*

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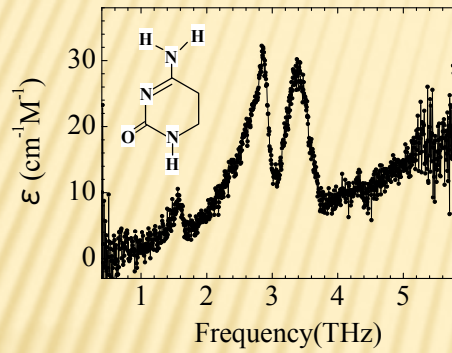
# THz spectral imaging of liver cancer tissue



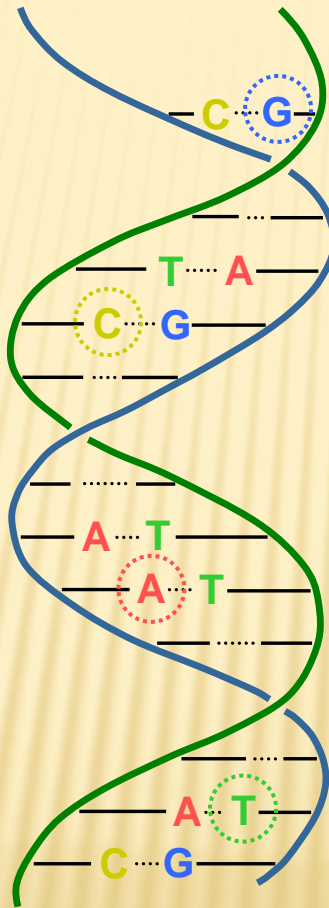
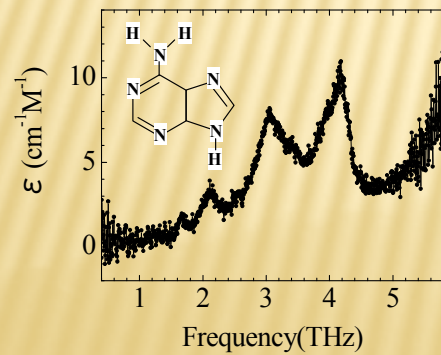


# THz spectra of DNA/RNA bases

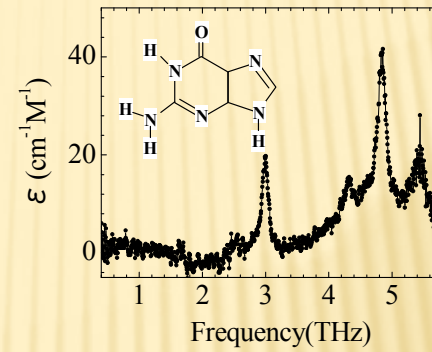
## C (cytosine)



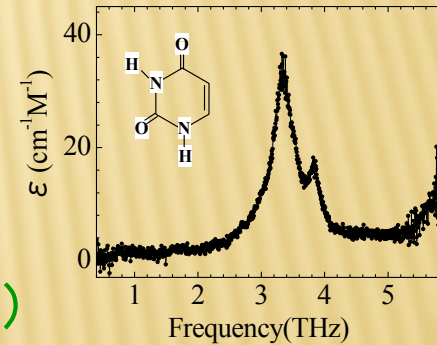
## A (adenine)



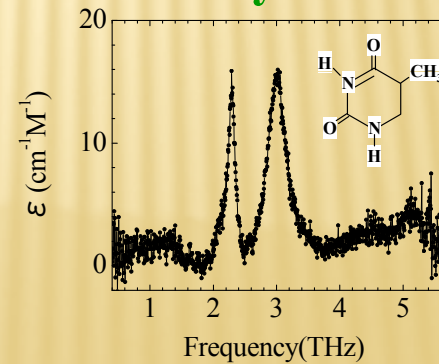
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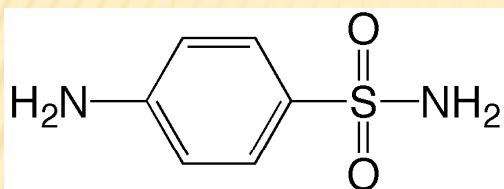
## U (uracil)



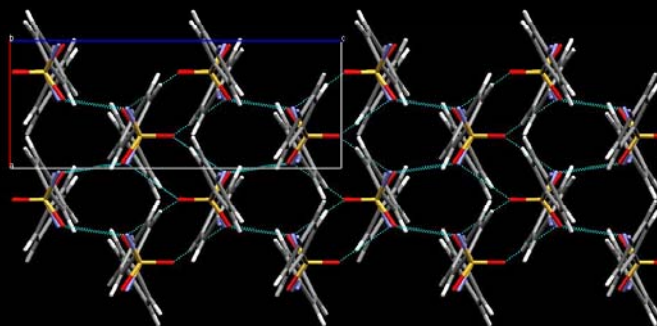
## T (thymine)



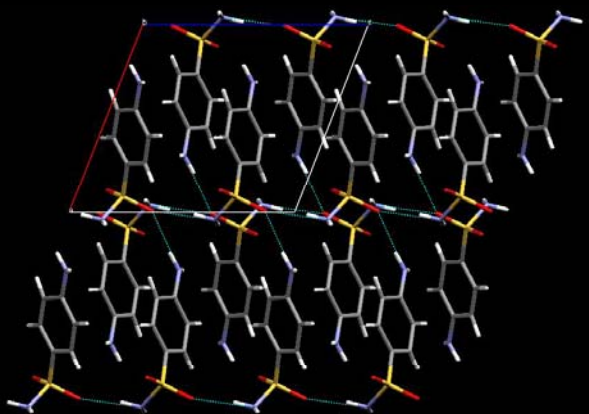
# Crystal Structures of Sulfanilamide: Views from b Axes



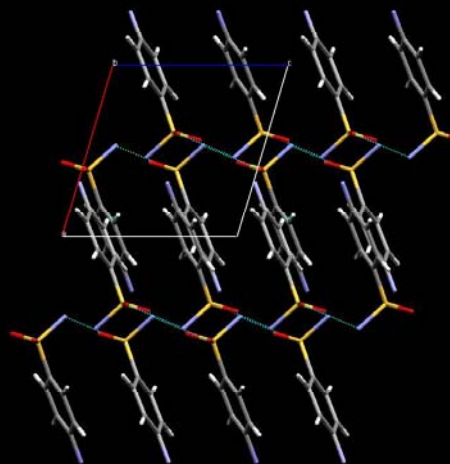
$\alpha$



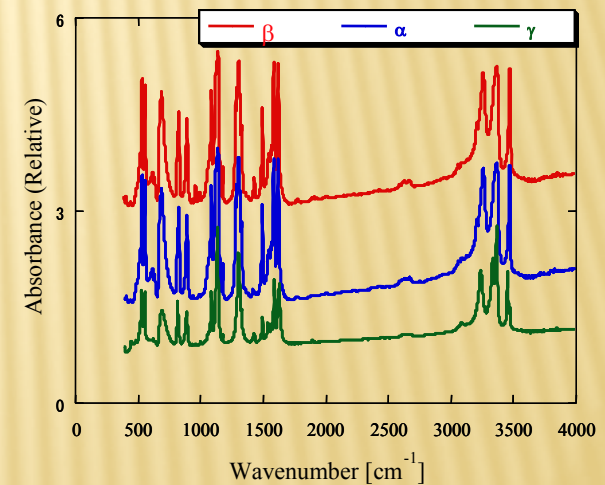
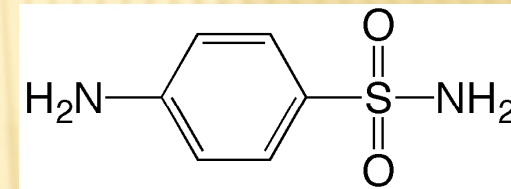
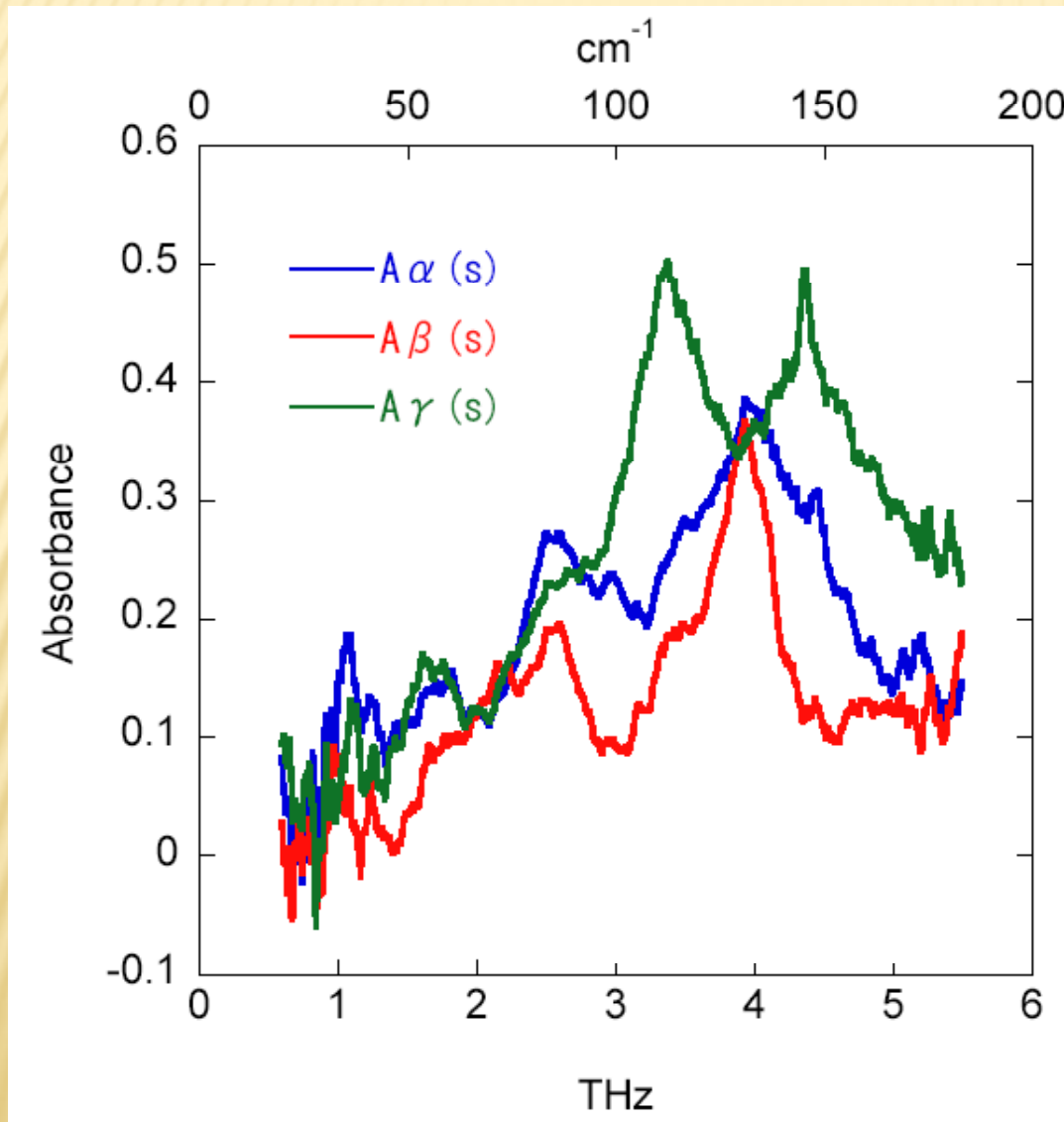
$\beta$



$\gamma$

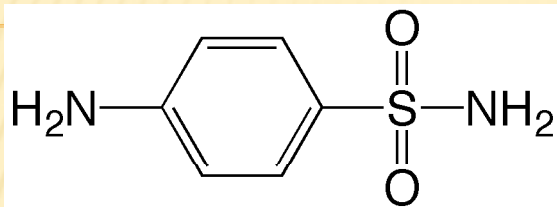


# Terahertz Absorption Spectra of Sulfanilamide: Polymorphic forms of medicines



**FTIR(Mid-IR)  
NO difference**

# The Different Polymorphic Forms of Sulfanilamide

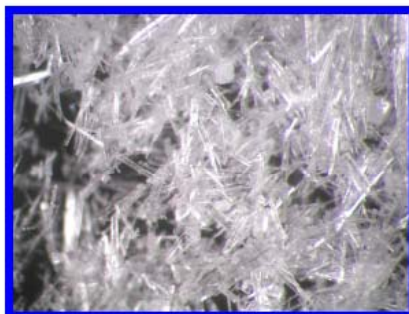


Sulfanilamide is known to exist in three polymorphic crystalline forms.

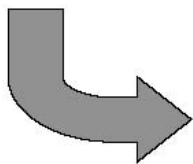
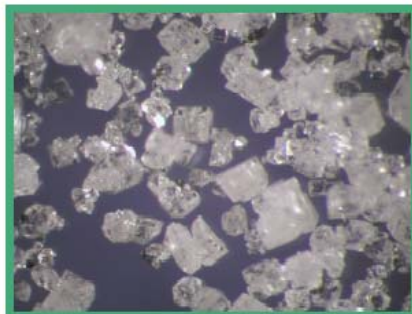
Thermodynamic Stability:  $\gamma < \alpha < \beta$

## Crystal forms of sulfanilamide

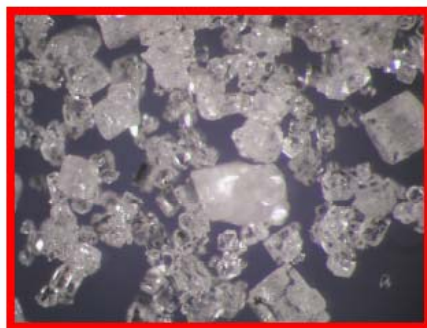
Crysatalization from water ( $\alpha$ )



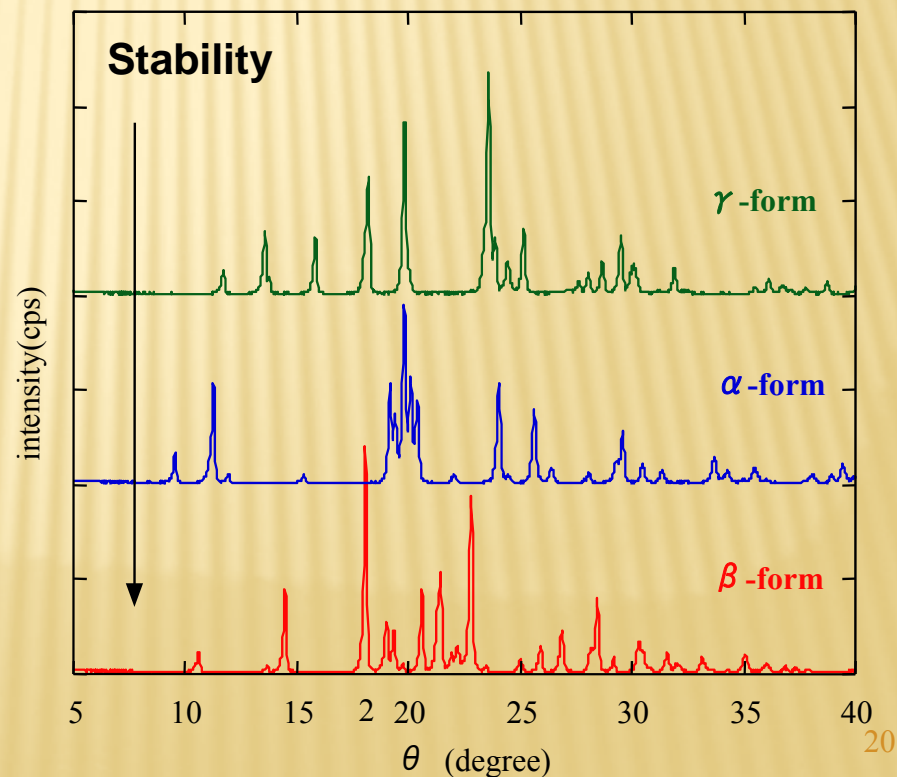
Crysatalization from butanol ( $\gamma$ )



Transition ( $\beta$ )



## XRD spectra

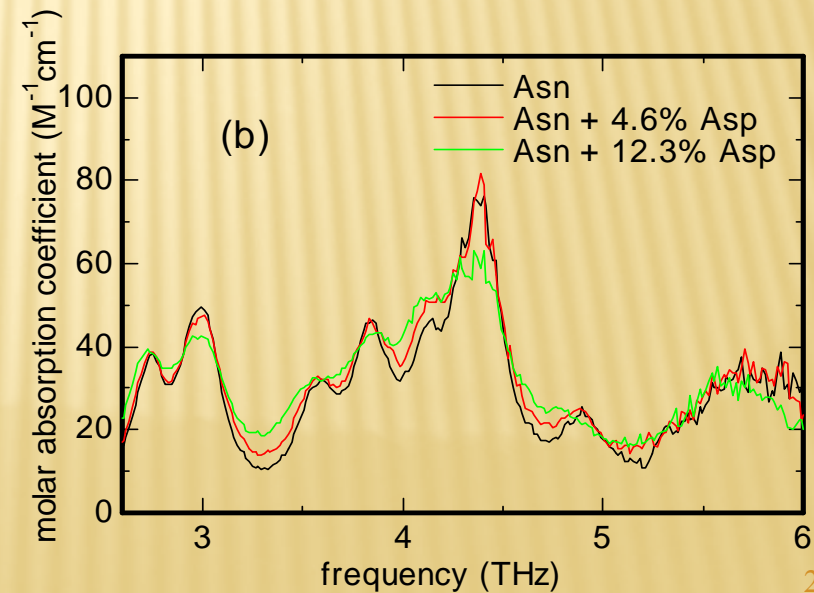
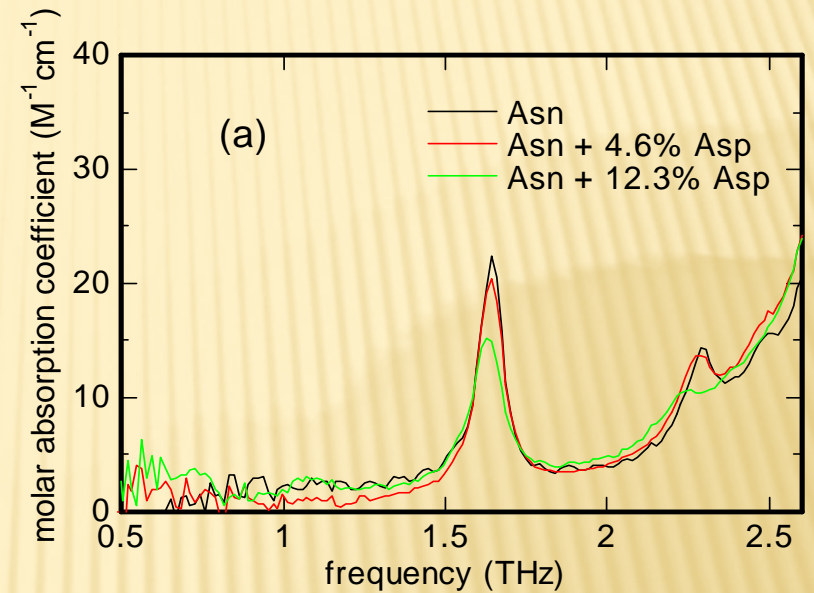
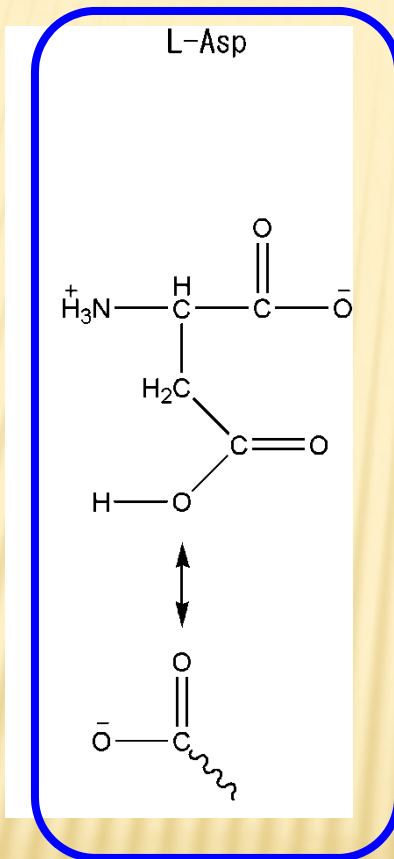
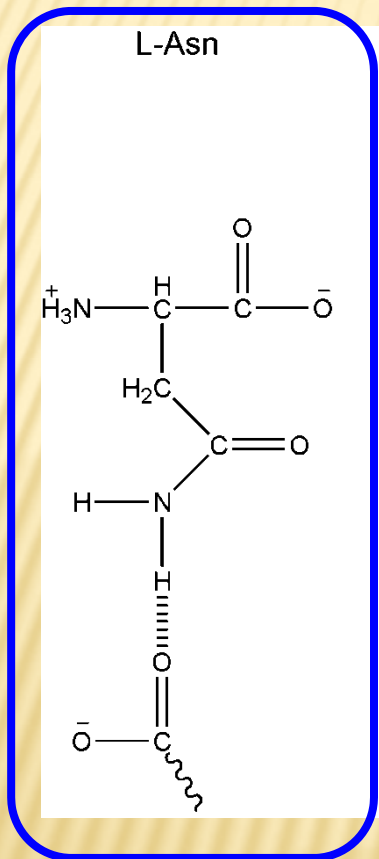


# THz spectra of L-asparagine-L-aspartic acid solid solution

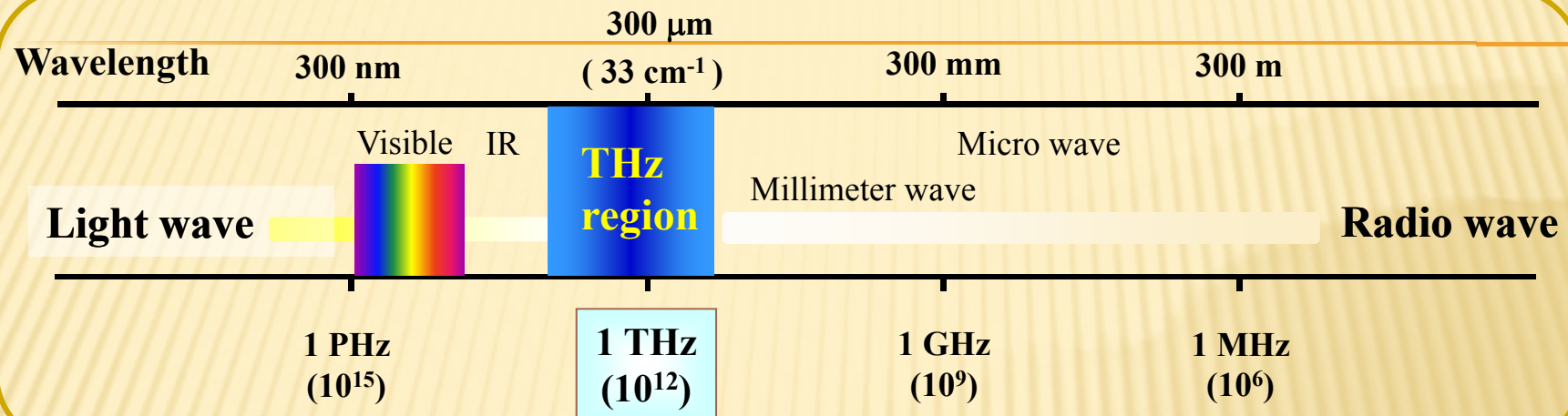
Medical application

Placebo


PAT(process analytical tool)



# THz wave and its application



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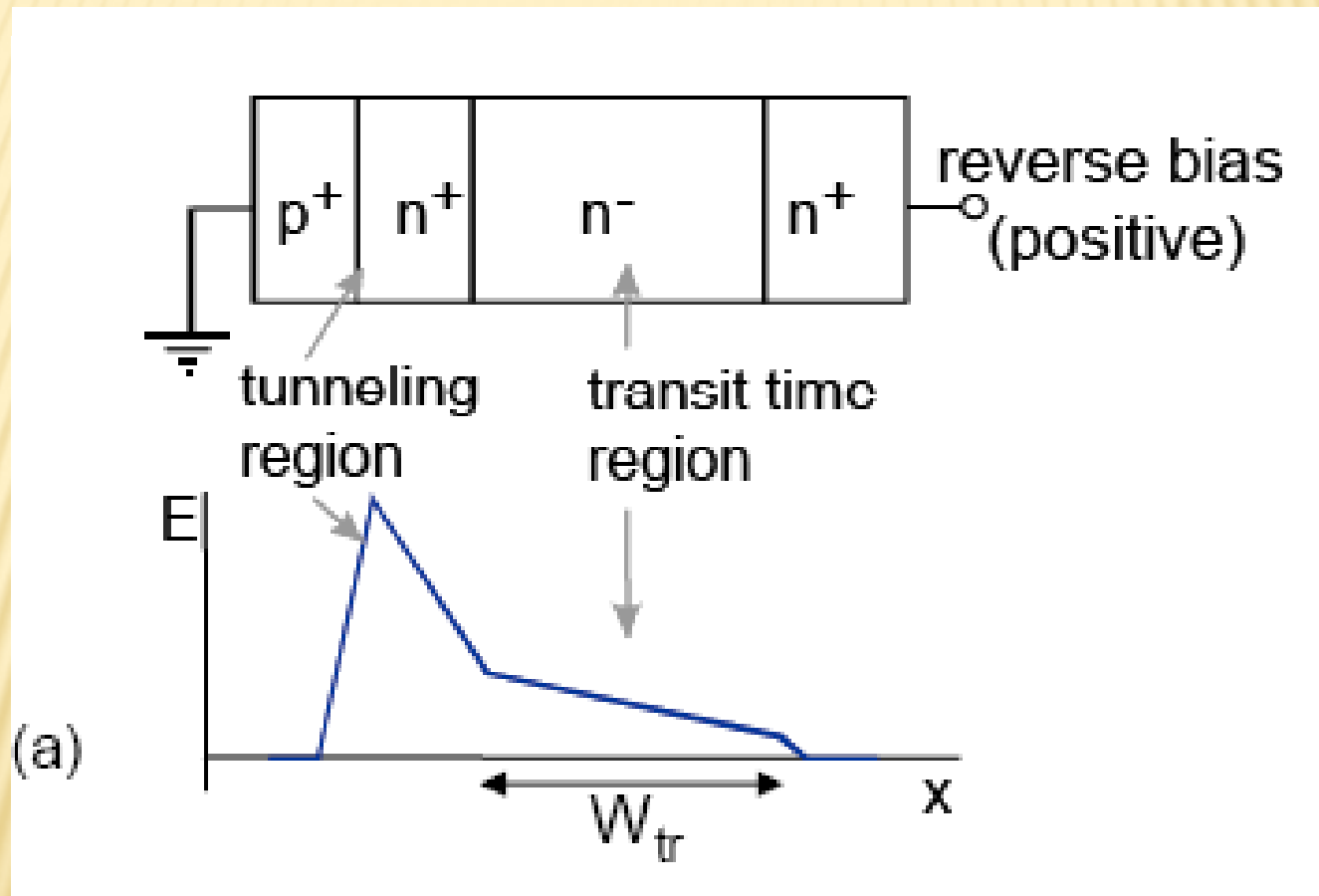
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## *Application of THz wave*

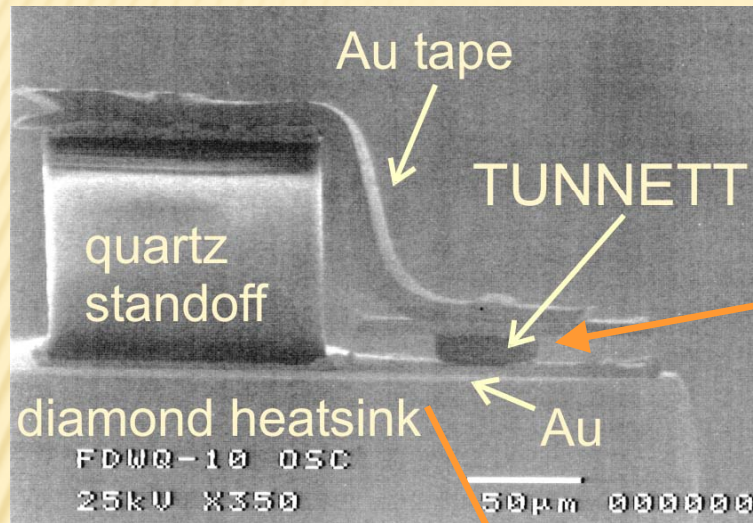
- ◆ Bio-medical
- ◆ Nondestructive inspection (Harmless)
- ◆ Security
- ◆ High speed THz communication

# OPERATION PRINCIPLE OF MM-WAVE TUNNETT



*Invented by Prof. J-I Nishizawa*

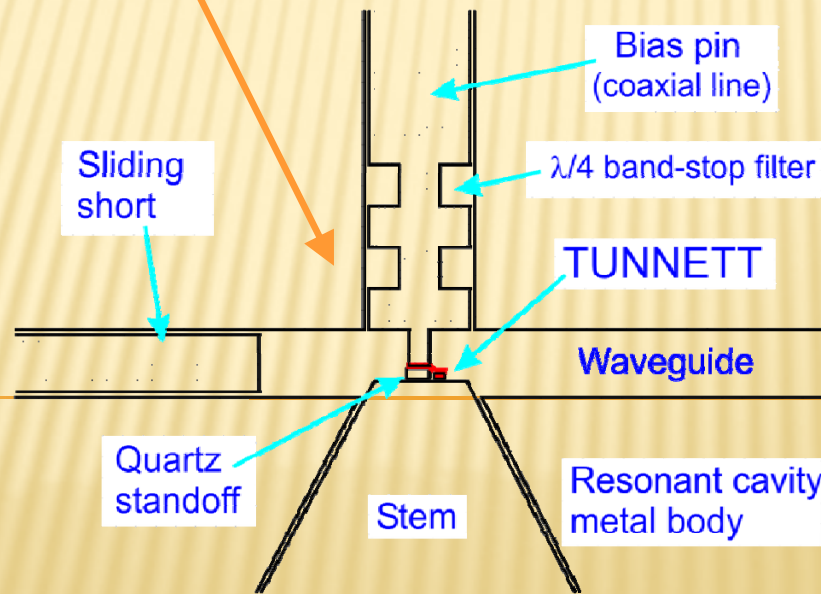
# Device assembly of TUNNETT oscillator



Resonant cavity

$n^+$ substrate
$n^-$ epi 100 nm
$n^{++}$ epi 10 nm
$p^{++}$ epi 100 nm

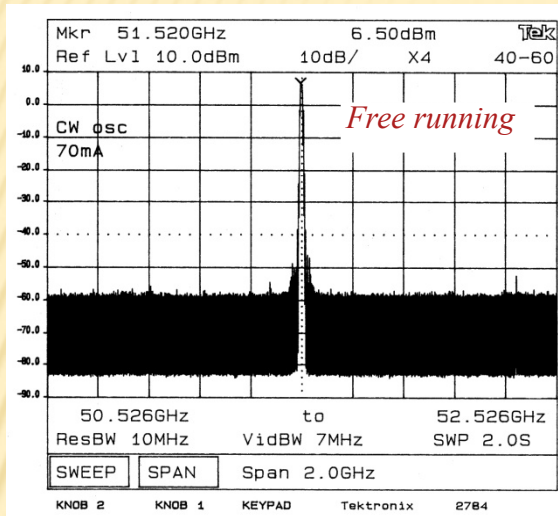
Layered structure of TUNNETT chip



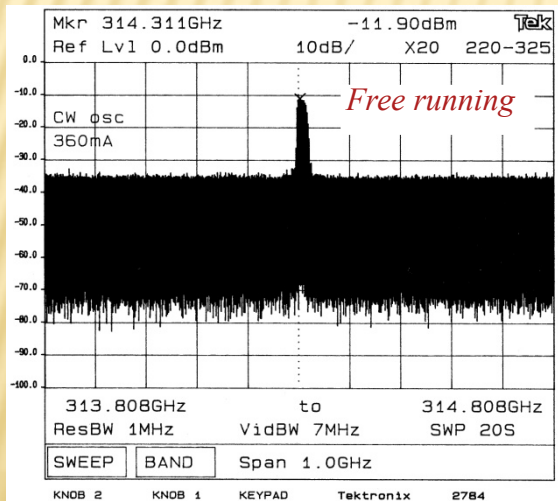
Cavity structure



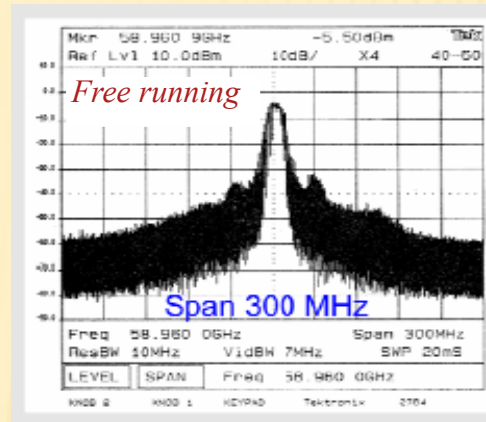
# Oscillation characteristics of TUNNETT (spectrum analyzer)



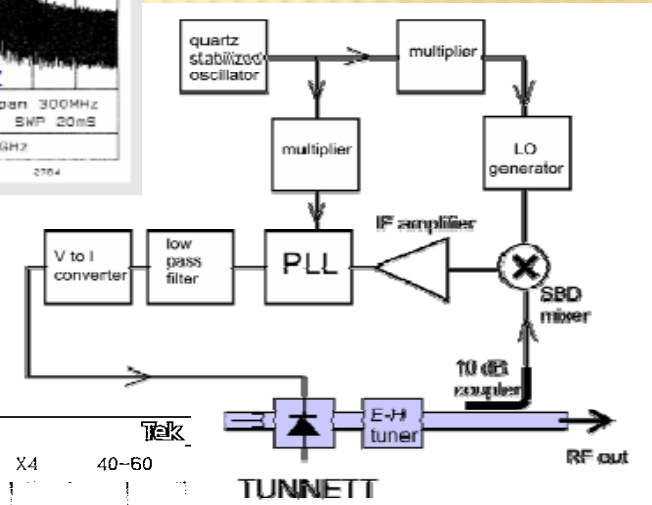
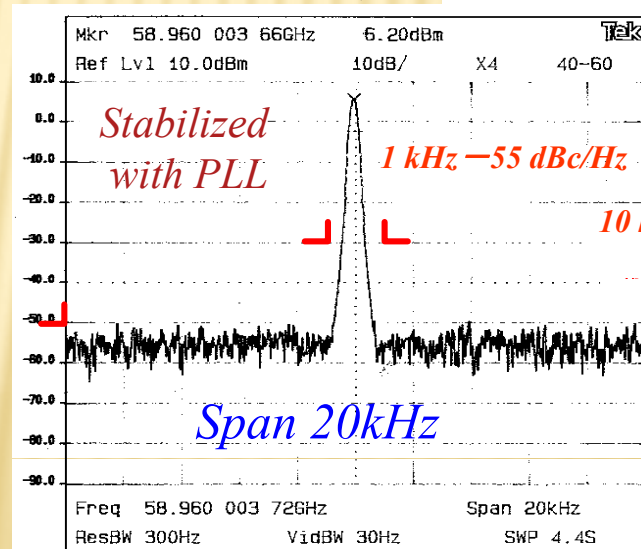
LPE(TDM-CVP)grown TUNNETT  
Cavity: WR-15(V-band), 50-75 GHz



MLE grown TUNNETT  
Cavity: WR-03(J-band), 174-325 GHz

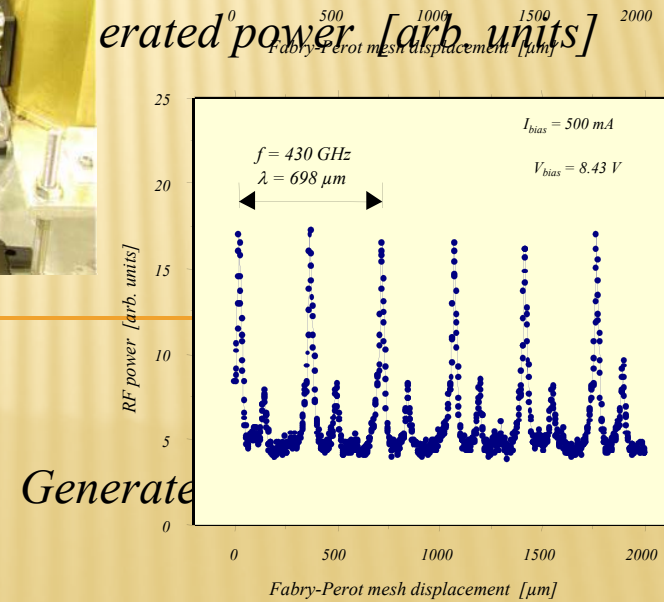
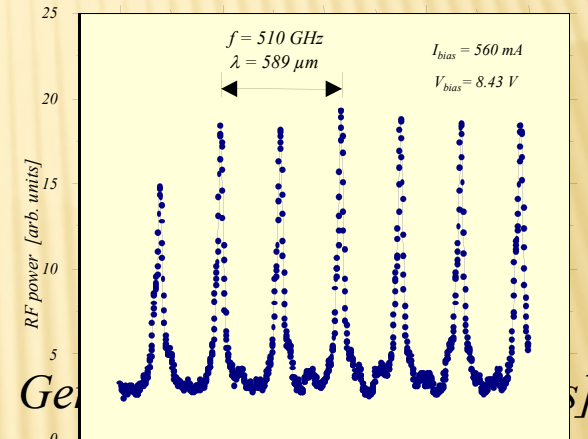
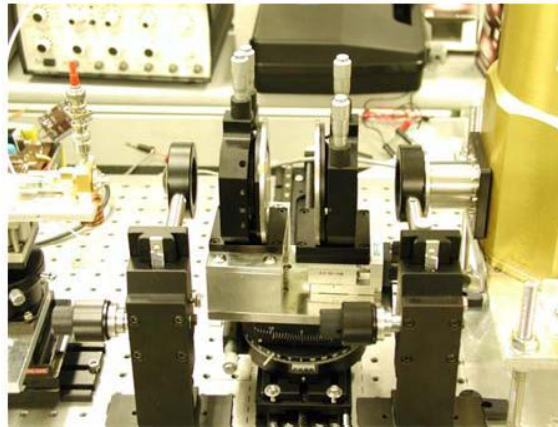
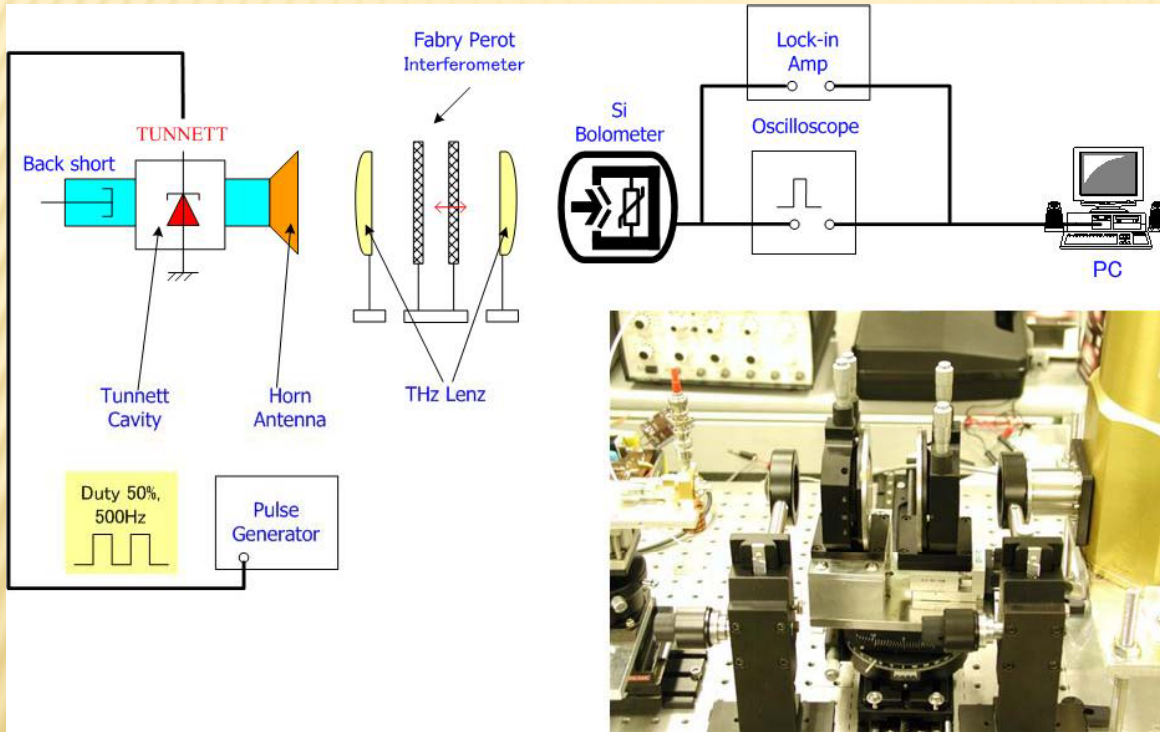


PLL  
Phase locked loop

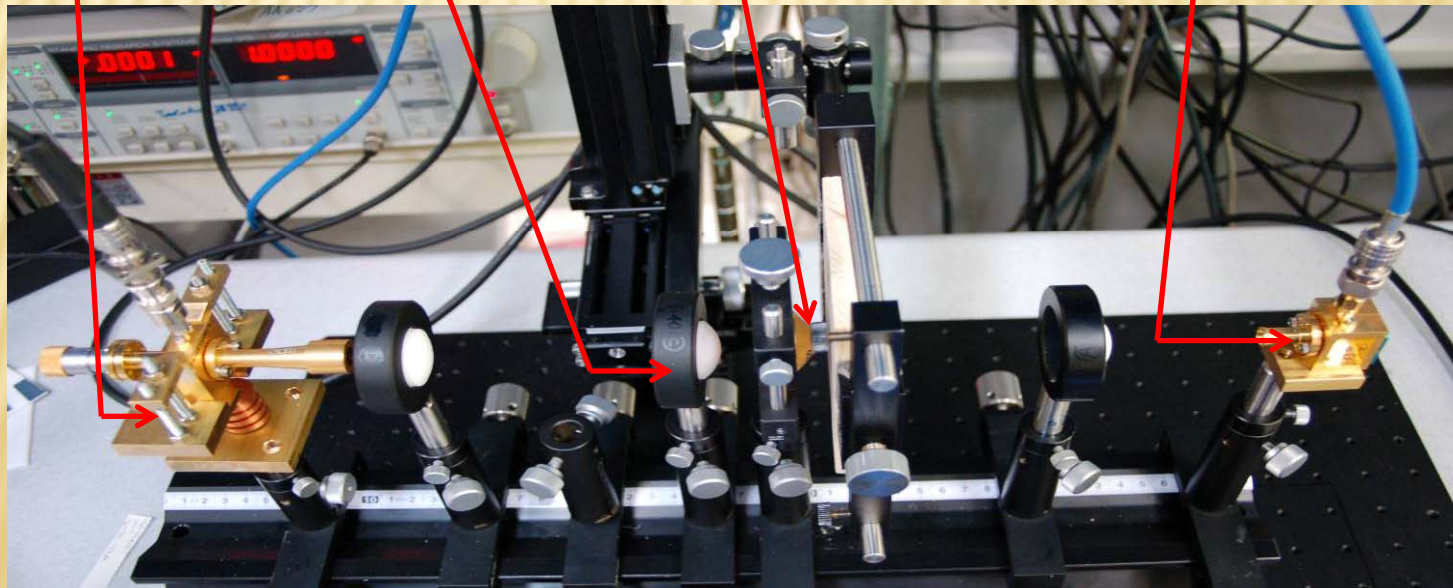
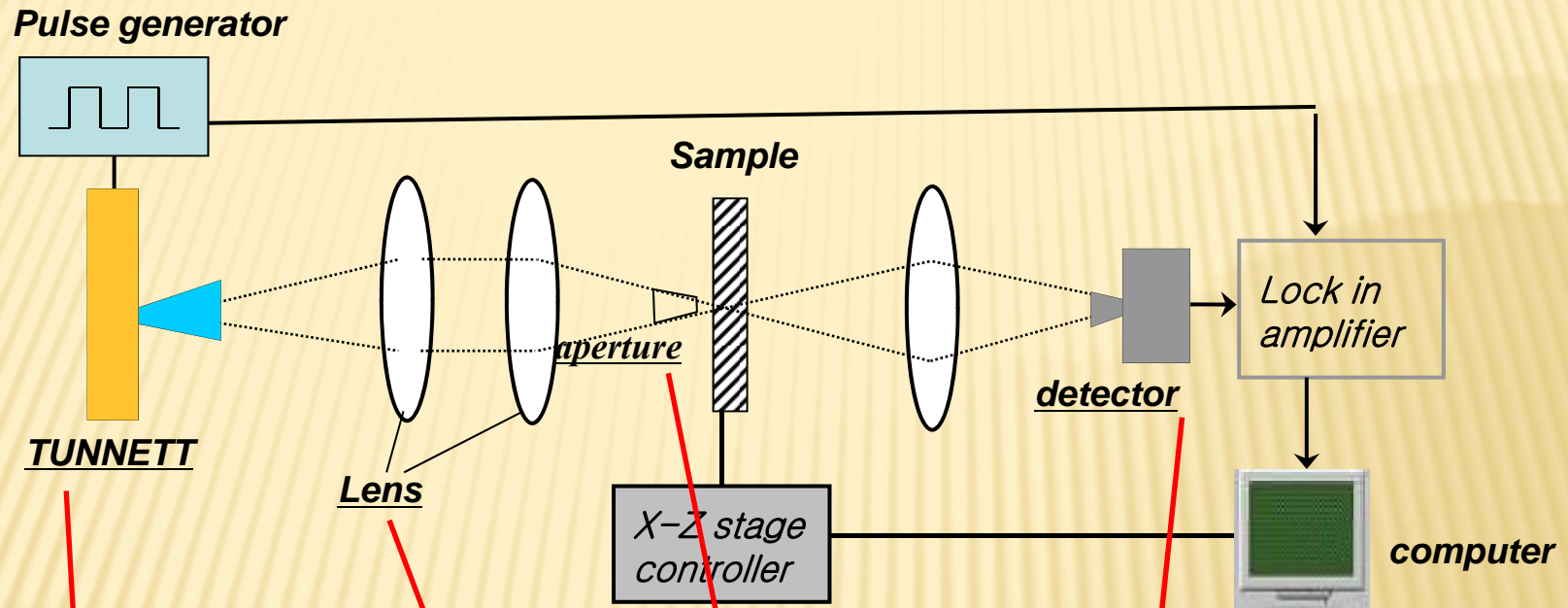


# Oscillation characteristics of TUNNETT (Fabry-Perot)

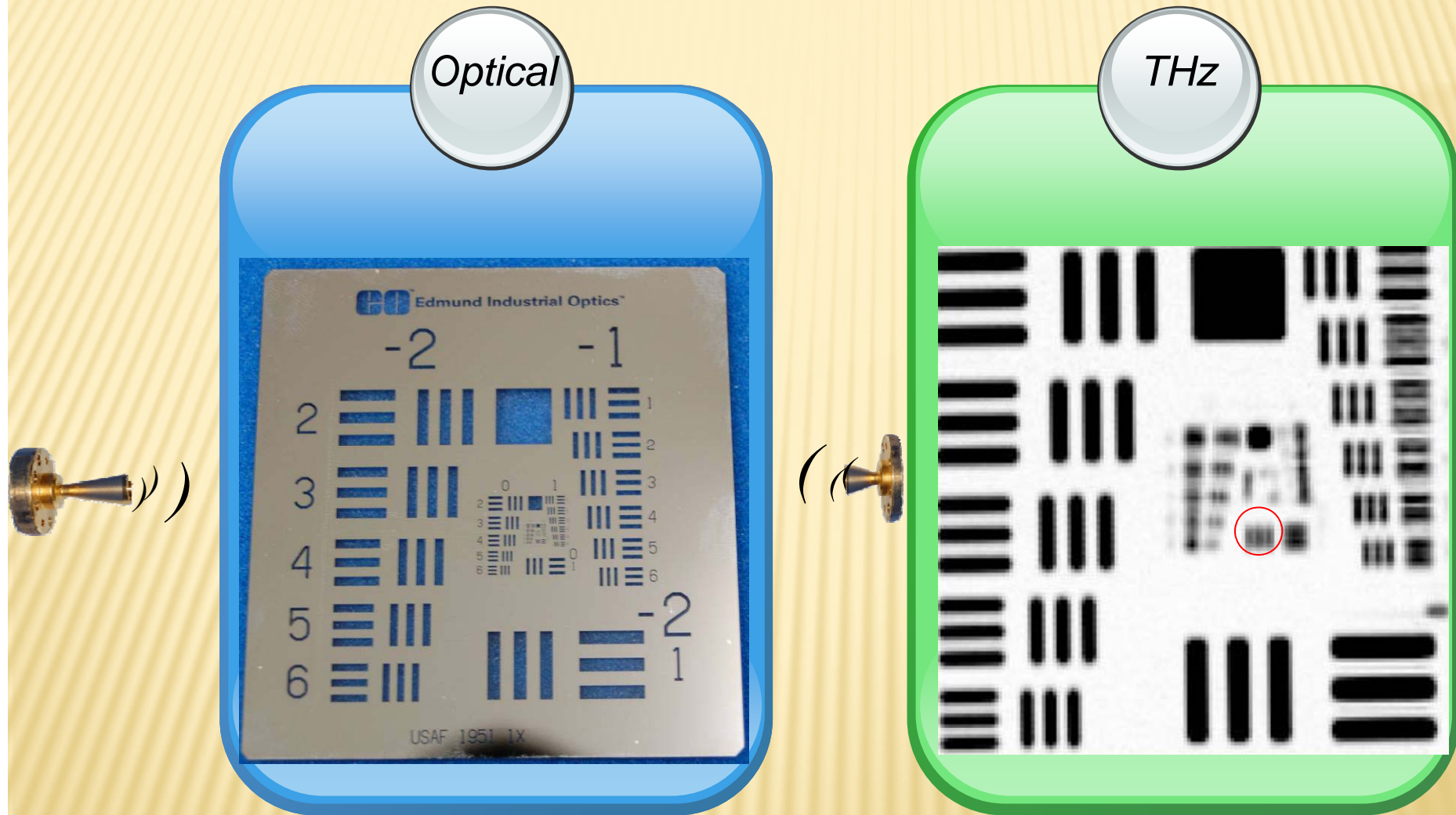
430 - 510 GHz CW, fundamental mode  
WR-1.5 cavity (0.381 × 0.191 mm)



# TUNNETT IMAGING SYSTEM

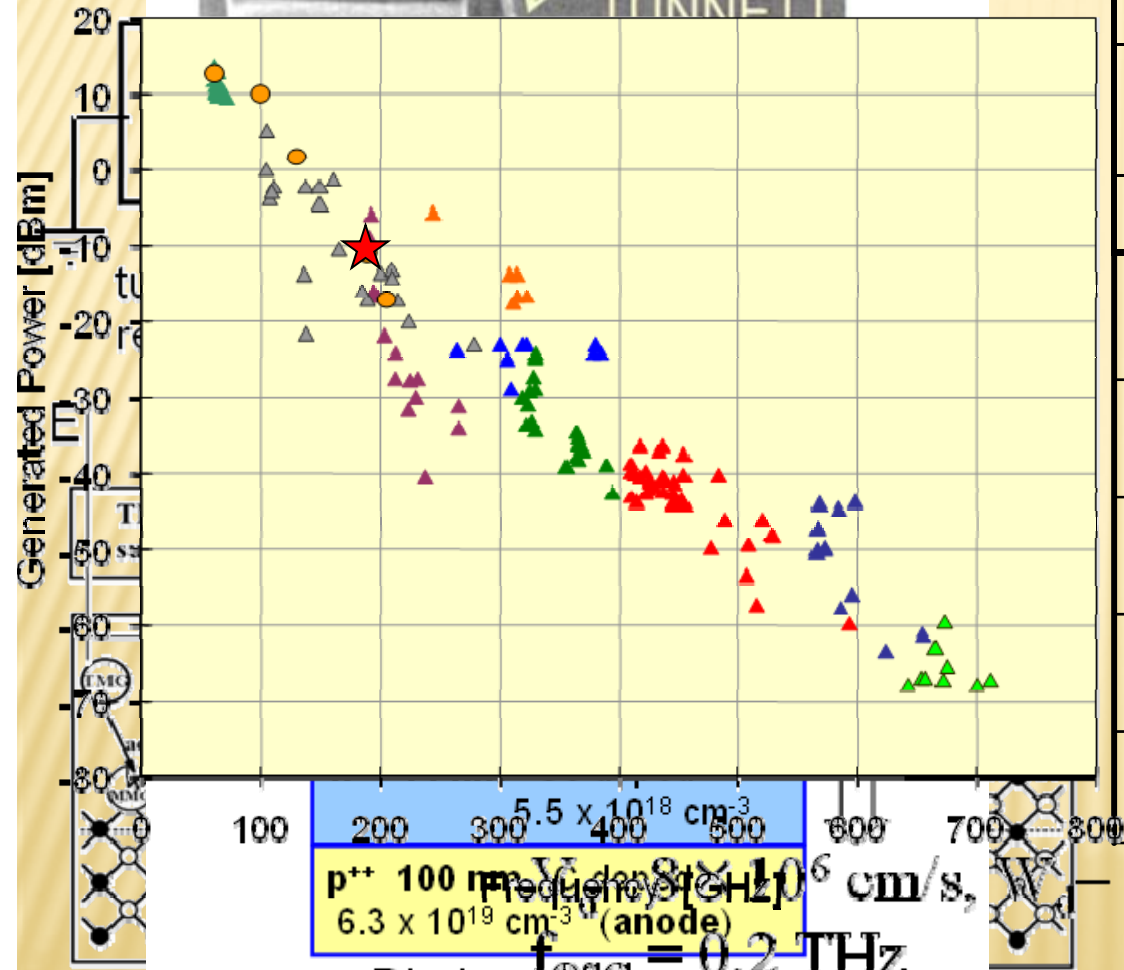


## Resolution Demonstration



*With a  $\Phi 1.5\text{mm}$  aperture the highest resolution  $\sim 1\text{mm}$   
(wavelength  $\sim 1.5\text{mm}$ )*

# TUNEETT Performance

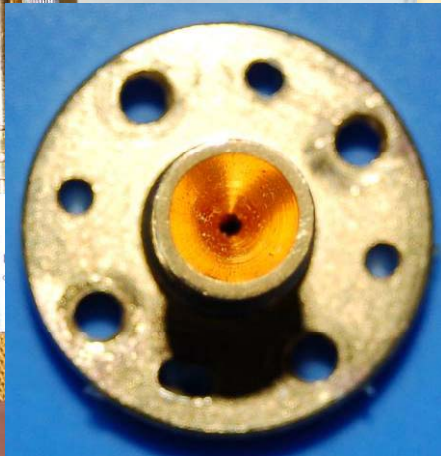


$p^{++} 100 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$   
 $6.3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  (anode)  
 $f_{osc} = 0.2 \text{ THz}$   
 Diode chip grown by molecular layer epitaxy

<b>TUNNETT</b>	<i>tunnel injection transit time diode</i>
<b>Technics</b>	<i>Molecular Layer Epitaxy</i>
<b>Construction</b>	
<b>THz wave form</b>	<i>CW (RT) Pulse (RT)</i>
<b>Frequency</b>	<i>~200GHz (667<math>m^{-1}</math>)</i>
<b>Line width</b>	<i>10MHz</i>
<b>output</b>	<i>~-10dbm (0.1mW)</i>
<b>power stability</b>	<i>&lt;0.1%/hr</i>

$5.5 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
 $10^6 \text{ cm/s}$   
 300 nm

# TUNEETT Oscillator



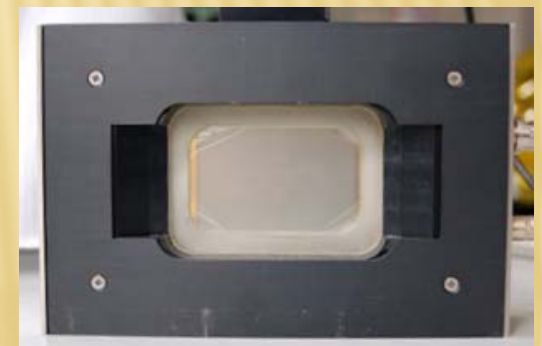
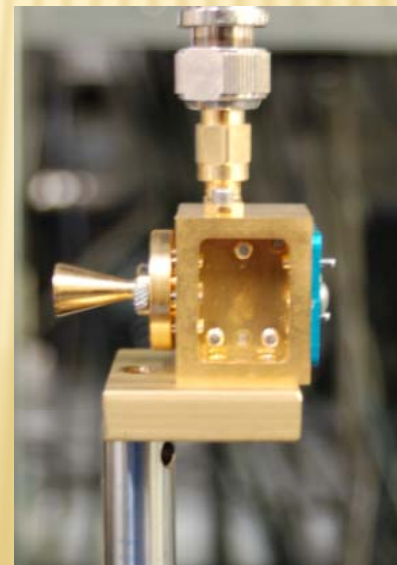
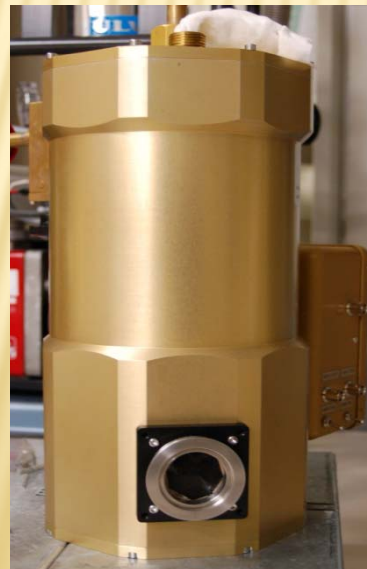
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Size	115 × 30 × 60mm
Waveguide Resonators	WR-2.2:0.559 × 0.279 mm (rectangular)
Polarization	Linear (rectangular waveguide)



## *THz Detector in Imaging System*

<i>Detector</i>	<i>Si-Bolometer</i>	<i>SBD detector</i>	<i>Thermometer</i>
<i>Sensitive</i>	<i>High</i> <i>(&gt;10 times higher than SBD)</i>	<i>Medium</i> <i>(10 times higher than thermometer)</i>	<i>Low</i>
<i>Advantage</i>	<i>High sensitive</i> <i>none-polarized</i>	<i>Compact</i> <i>Polarization changeable</i>	<i>Large receiving area</i>
<i>Disadvantage</i>	<i>Need cooling</i> <i>(4K Helium)</i>		<i>Low sensitive</i>



# Non destructive Inspection of Defects in Woods

## Bamboo Joints

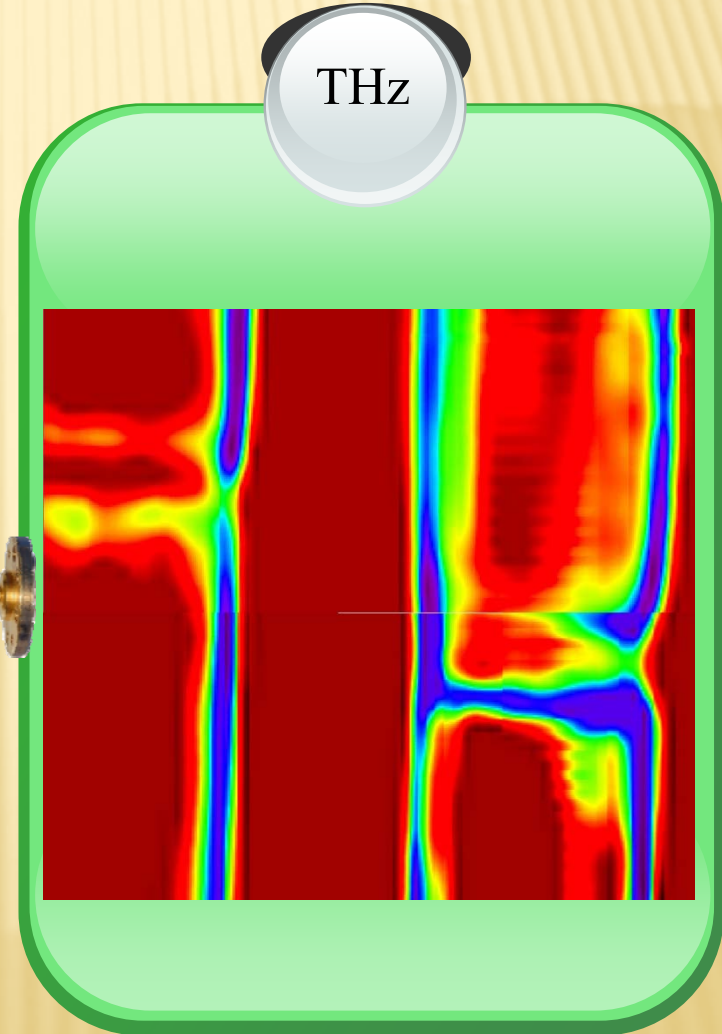
Front



Back



6mm

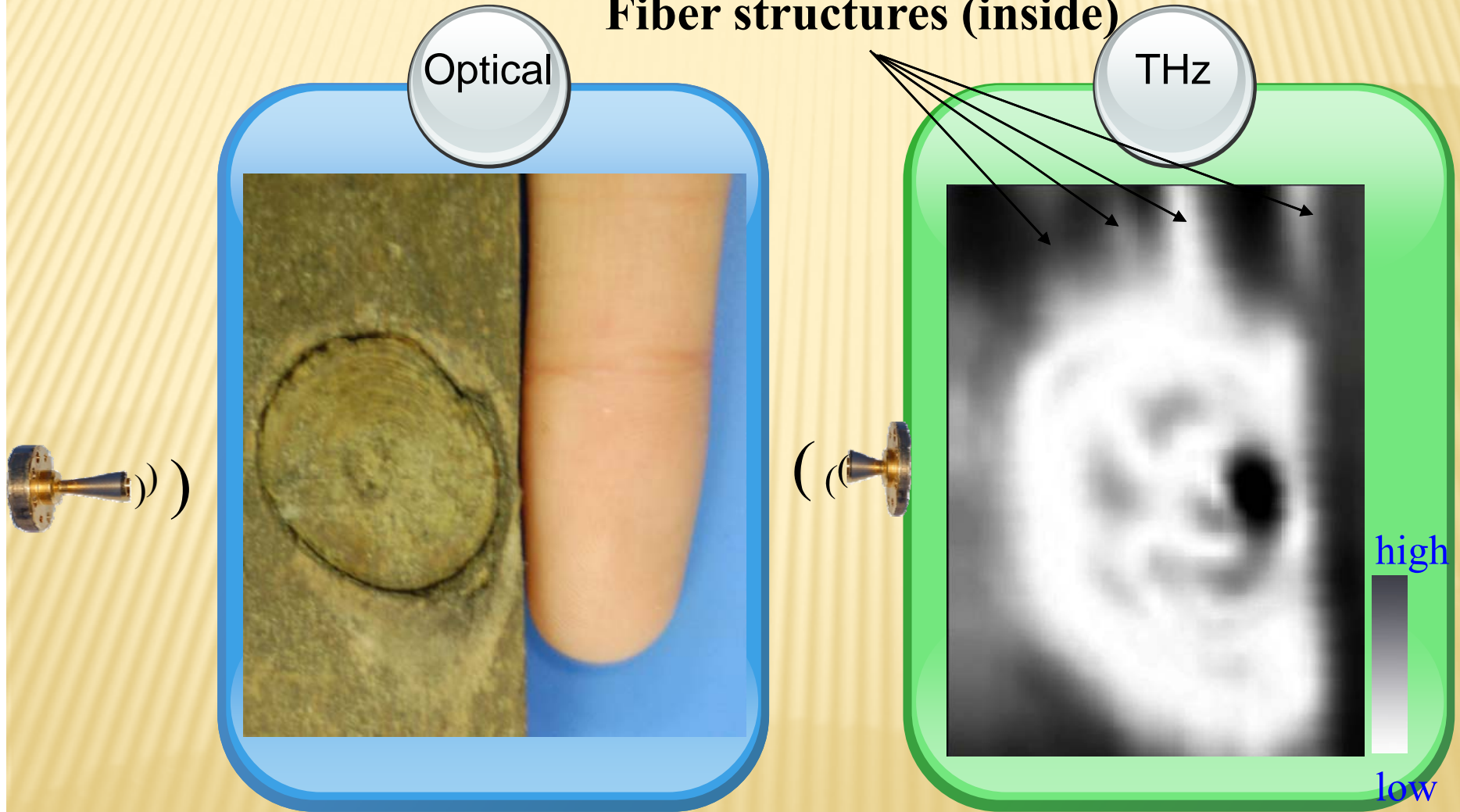




# Images Demonstration: defect structure inside wood (not only surface)

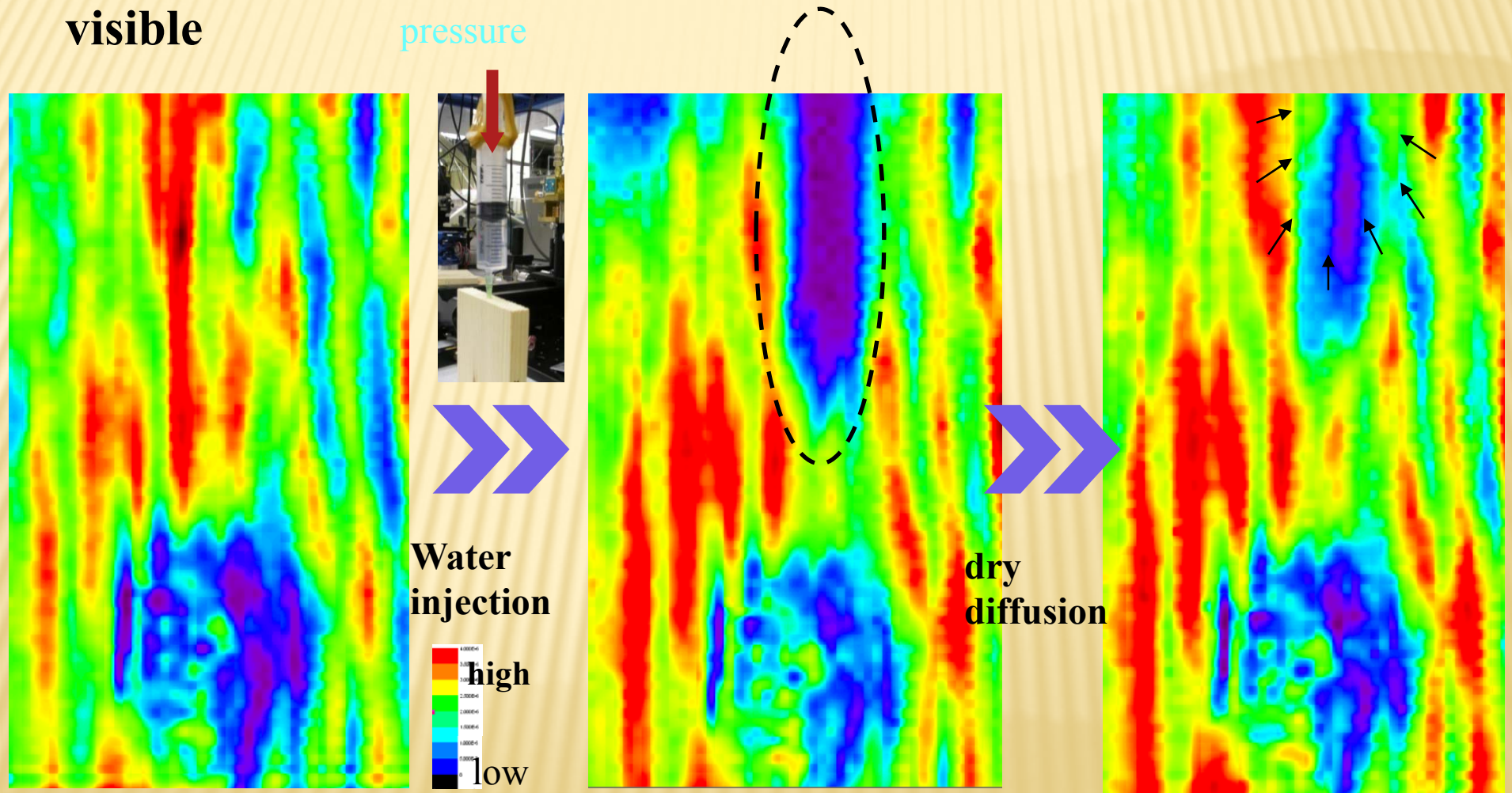
## A wood knot of sugi

### Fiber structures (inside)



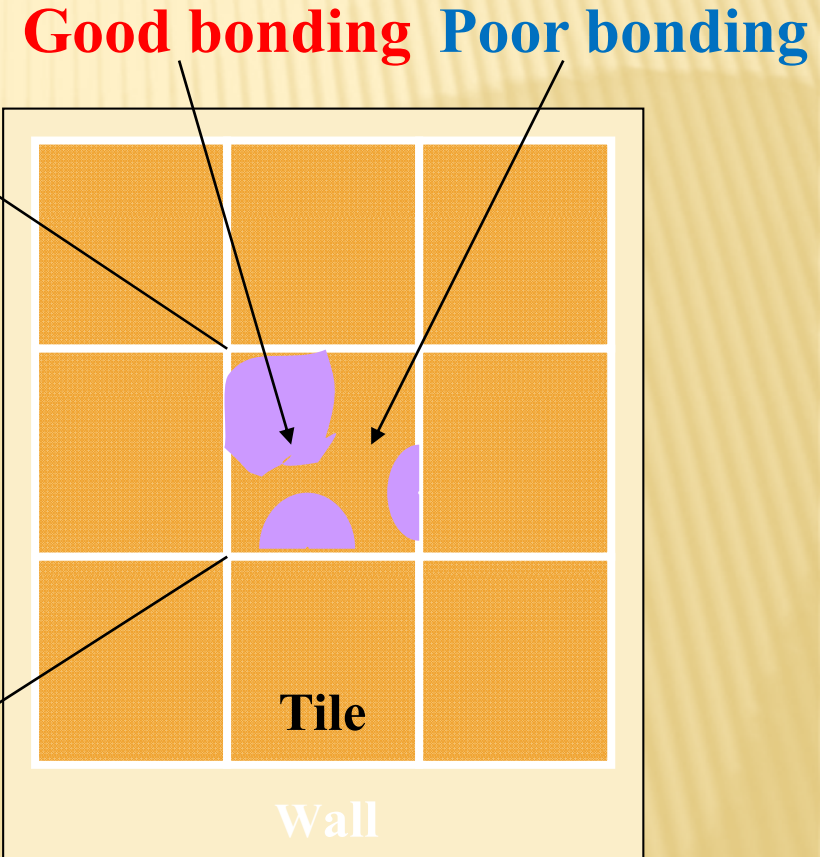
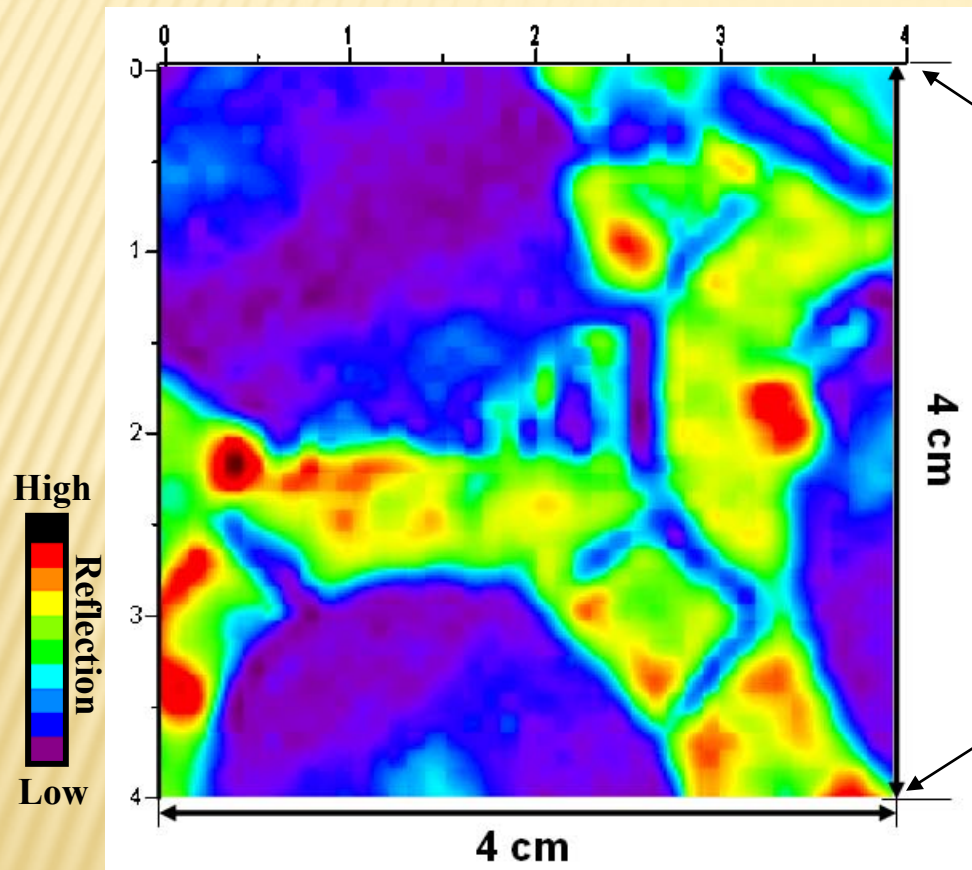
# Images Demonstration

So not only special structure (fiber structure, knot )can be seen, but also **WATER DISTRIBUTION in WOOD** is visible

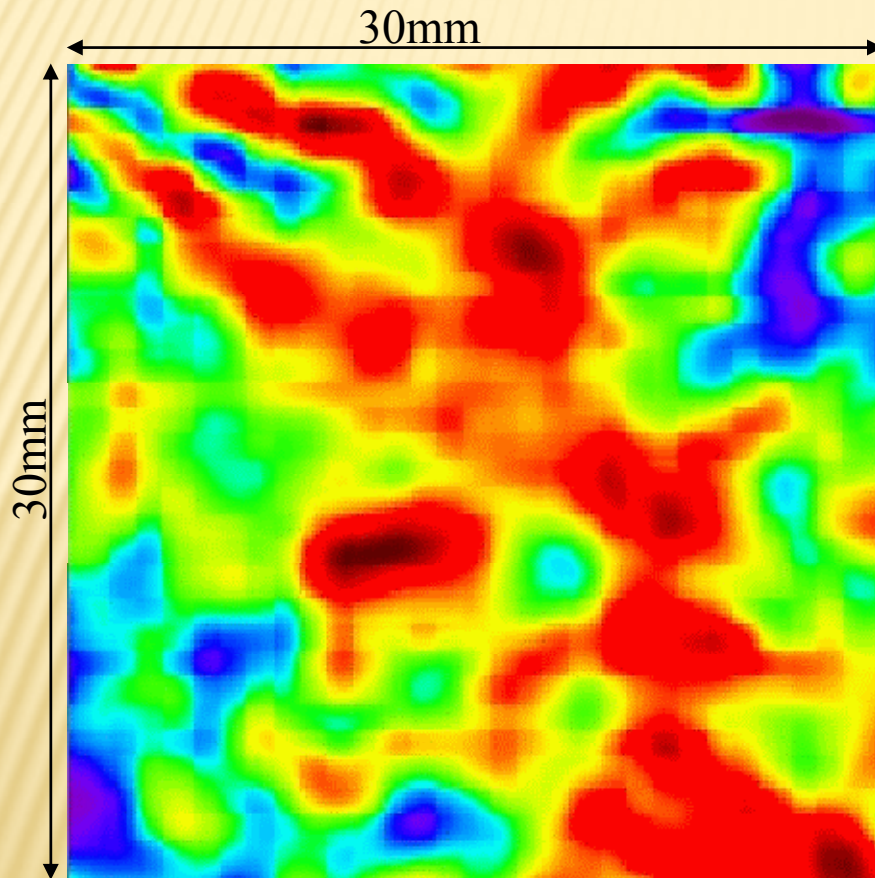


# Result

## Adhesive defect imaging between ceramic tile and wall



# Water diffusion into concrete



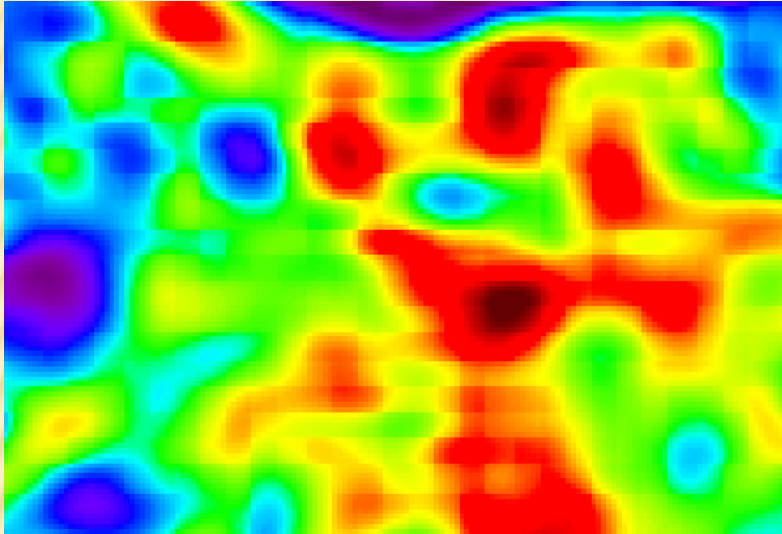
**Colorful animation of water diffusion in 1 hour**  
**Concrete thickness= 10mm**



**Sample picture**

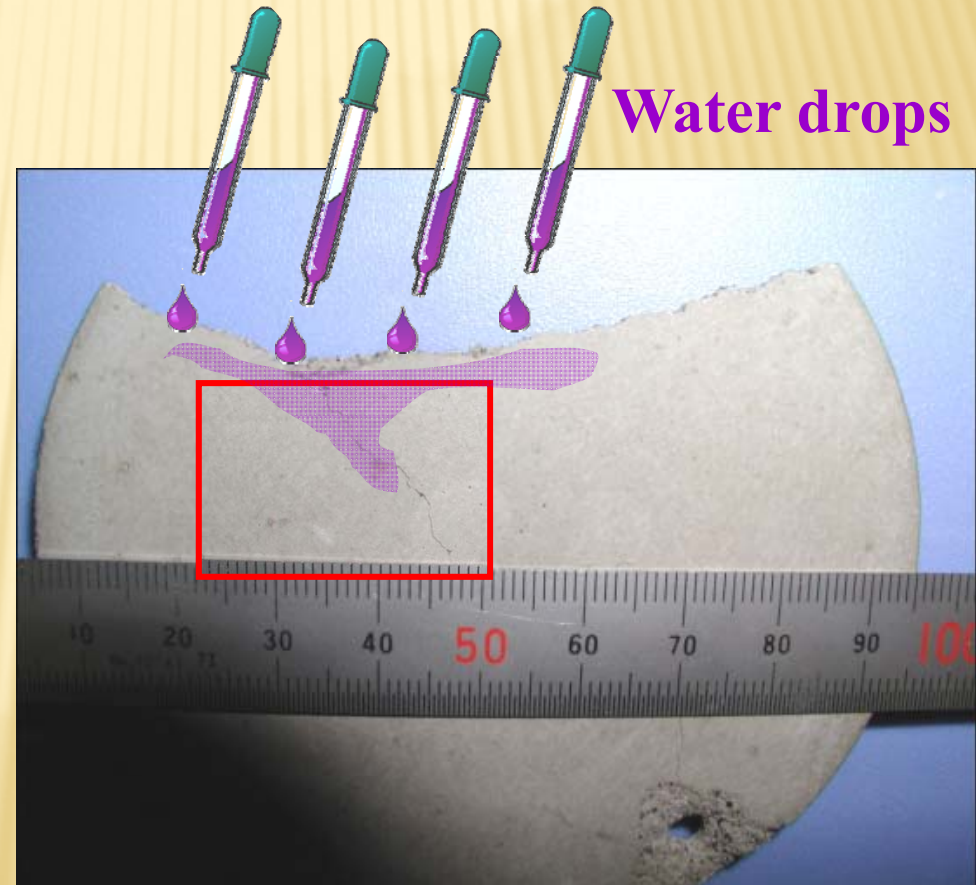
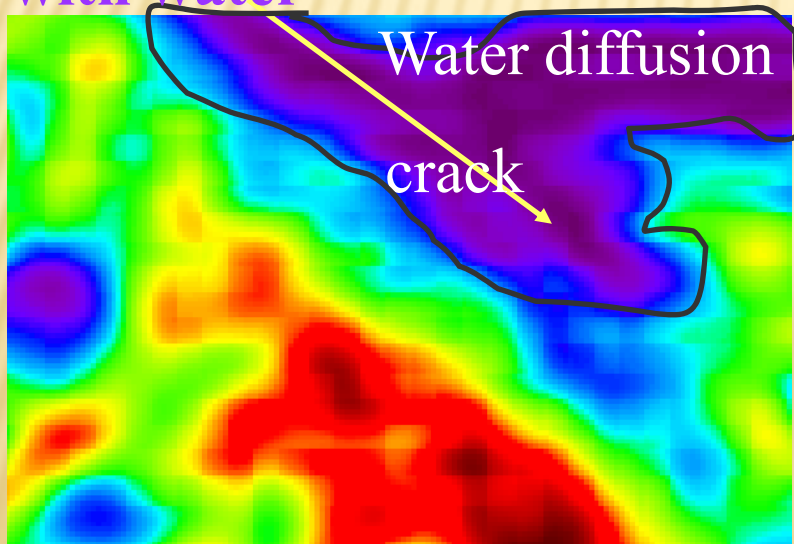
# Water diffusion in concrete crack

no water

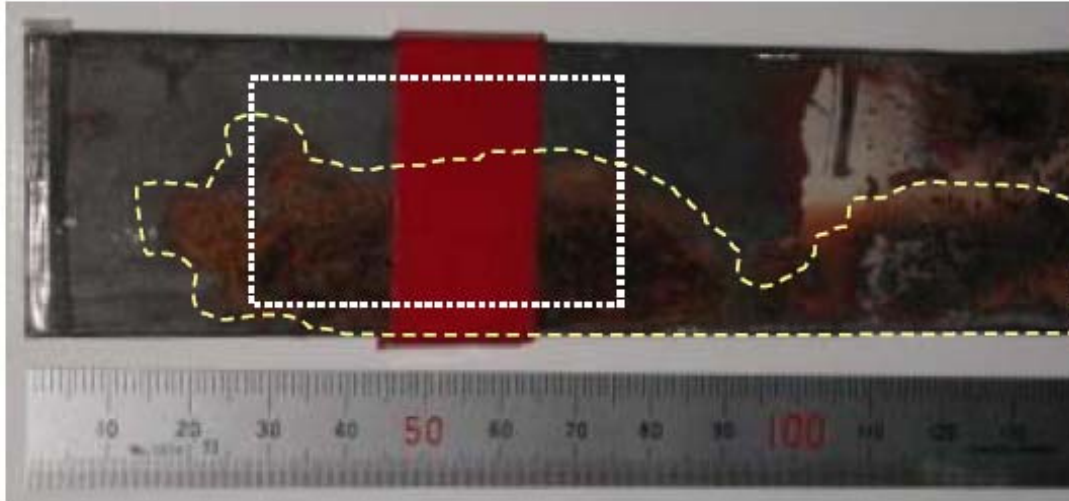


Water diffuses faster in crack than ordinary,  
This can be used in crack inspection  
Water can be served as “enhancer” for  
crack inspection

with water



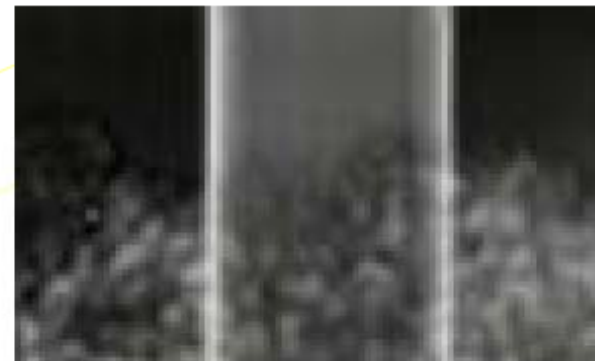
# Stain distribution imaging under coating of coated steel (reflection imaging)



**visible**



**Plastic coating thickness  
0.2mm**



**Plastic coating thickness  
1.0mm**

**THz  
imaging**

# Outline

*Analysis of GaSe growth mechanism*

*GaSe solution growth  
by temperature difference method  
Under controlled vapor pressure*

*Evaluation of optical aspects  
PL, NIR & THz spectroscopy*

*Evaluation of defects  
and dislocations  
XRD*



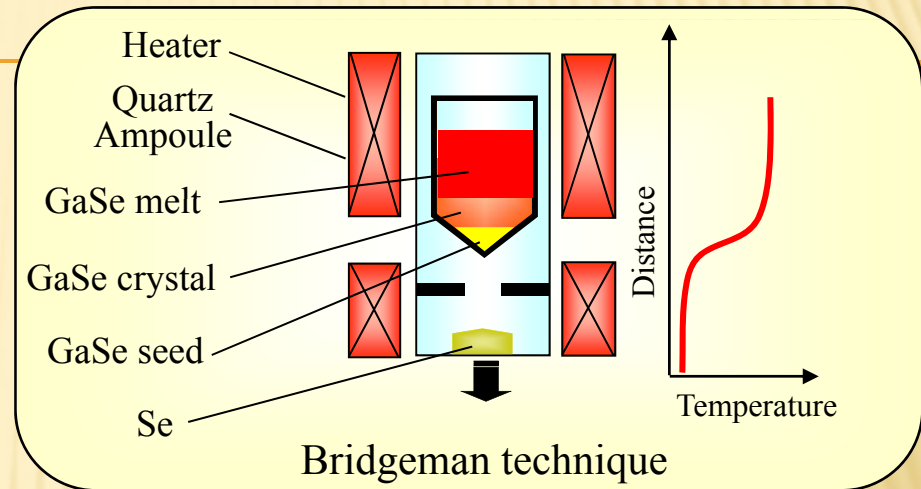
*Application for THz wave generation  
DFG via collinear phase matching*

# Crystal Growth of GaSe (conventional)

GaSe crystal using THz-wave generation



Growth by Bridgeman technique



## ~Problems of Bridgeman technique ~

- ◆ Mechanical disturbance during crystal growth
- ◆ Introduction of defects and dislocations by thermal stress
- ◆ High Se vapor pressure (15atm) at melting point (938°C)
- ◆ High temperature growth: Point defect density is high



Reduction of THz-wave power



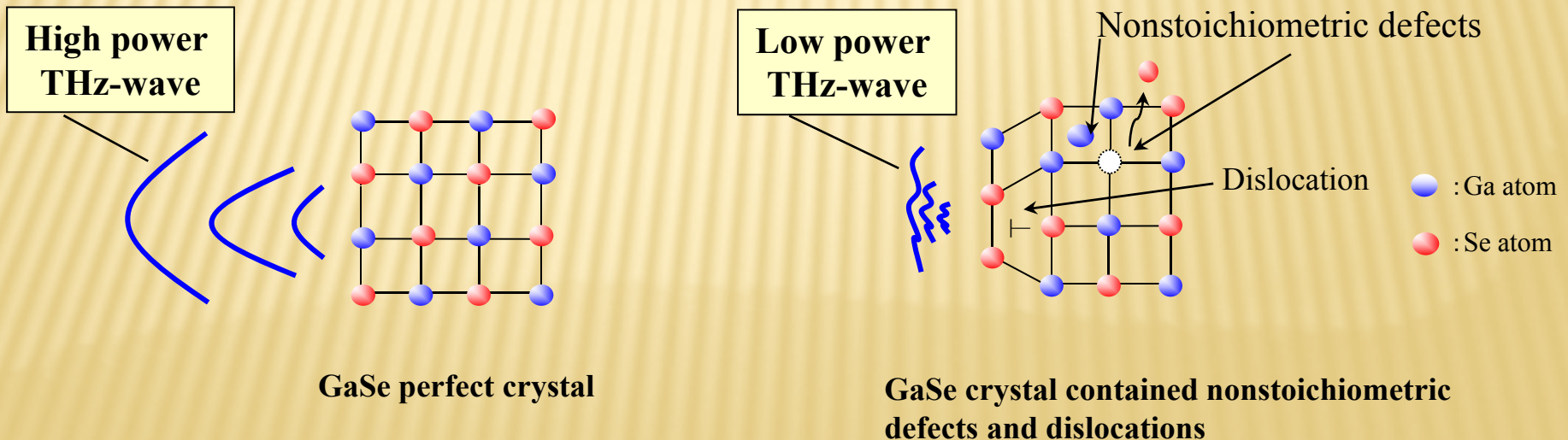
# *Perfect crystal growth technique is required for THz generation*

## For higher output power of THz-wave

- ◆ Stoichiometry controlled crystal growth technique
- ◆ Reduction of nonstoichiometric defects in GaSe crystal



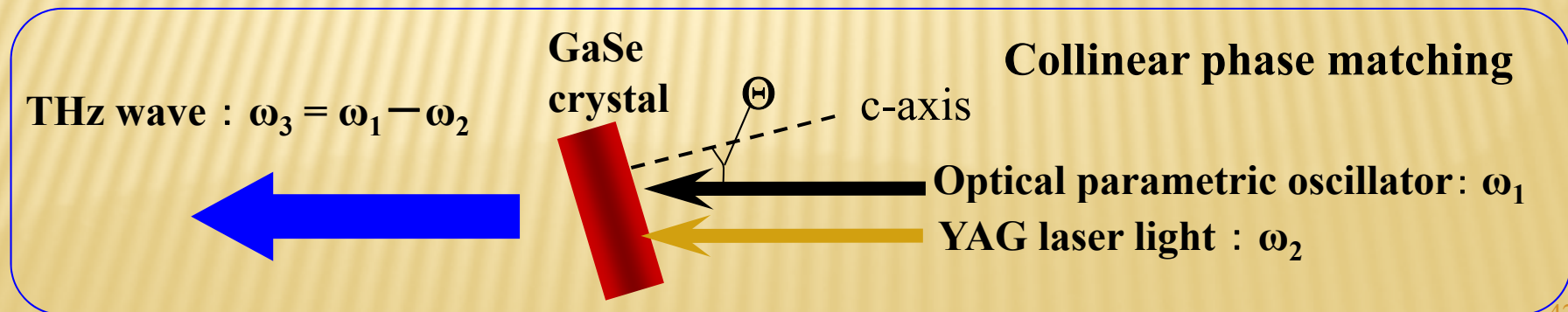
## Temperature difference method under controlled vapor pressure (TDM-CVP)



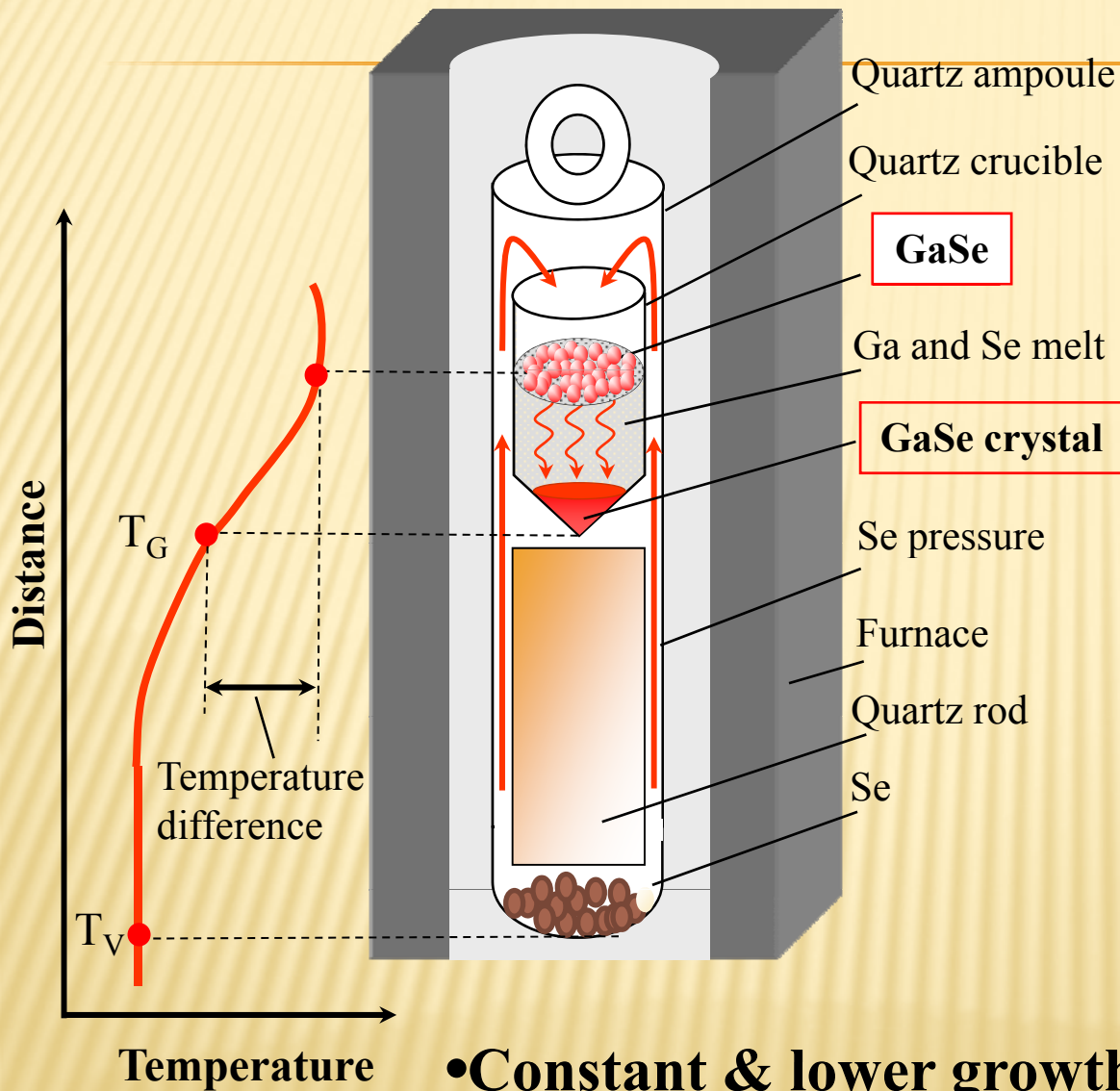
# *Mission*

## Improved quality of GaSe crystal

- GaSe crystal growth by TDM-CVP
- Improved transmission characteristics in near-infrared (NIR) and THz-frequency region



# Temperature difference method under controlled vapor pressure



Width of Se vapor path  
 $<$  Mean free path of Se molecule



$$P_{Se} = P_v \sqrt{\frac{T_G}{T_v}}$$

$P_{Se}$ : Applied Se pressure  
 $T_G$ : Growth temperature  
 $T_v$ : Low temperature portion  
 $P_v$ : Se pressure at  $T_v$

- Constant & lower growth temperature
- Se vapor pressure control (stoichiometry control)

# *Experimental procedure*

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## ■ Growth conditions

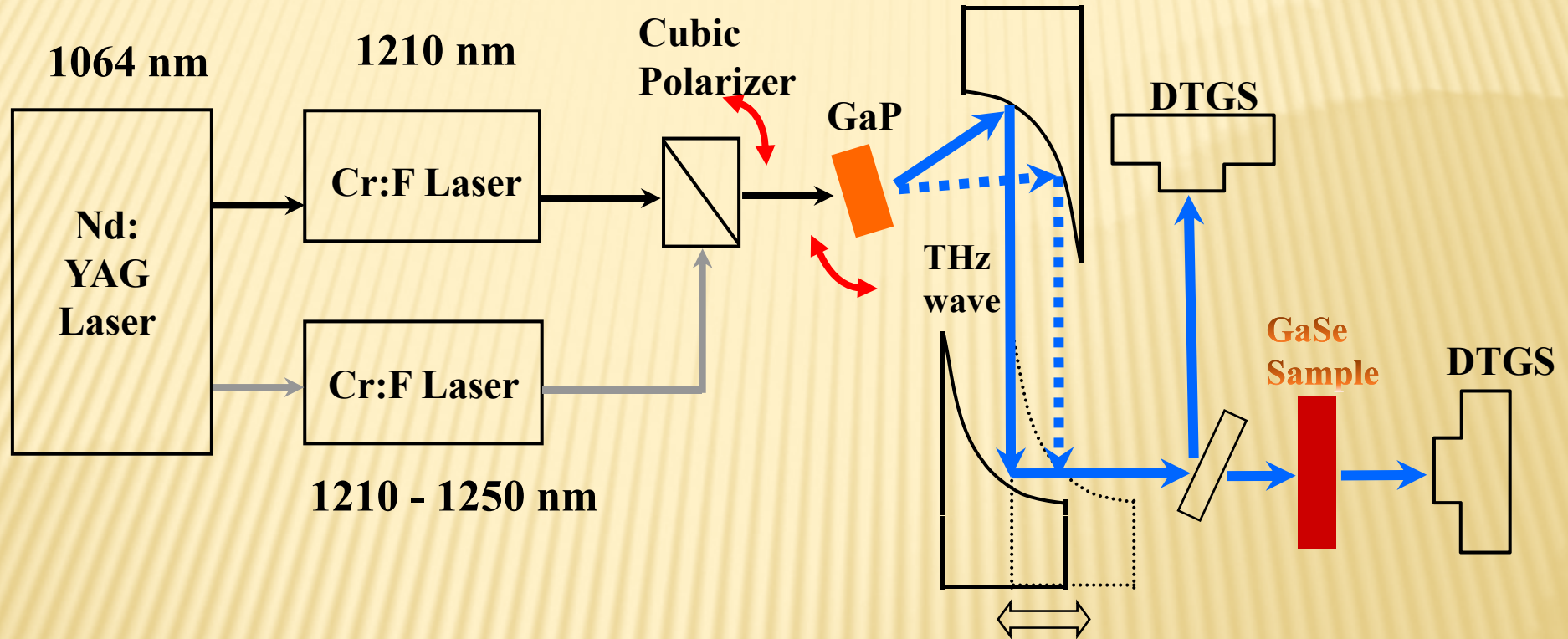
- ◆ Growth temperature : 530~590°C
- ◆ Temperature gradient : 15 ~ 26 °C/cm
- ◆ Applied Se vapor pressure :  $7.74 \times 10^{-7}$ , 0.00104, 7.75 Torr
- ◆ Growth time : 7 ~ 32 days

## ■ Evaluation

- ◆ Surface morphology by optical microscope
- ◆ X-ray diffraction analysis
- ◆ Photoluminescence (PL) excitation : Ar<sup>+</sup> laser
- ◆ Absorption spectra in NIR and THz-frequency region
  
- ◆ THz generation via DFG (collinear phase matching)

# *GaP THz spectrometer (double beam configuration)*

## *For THz absorption spectroscopy*



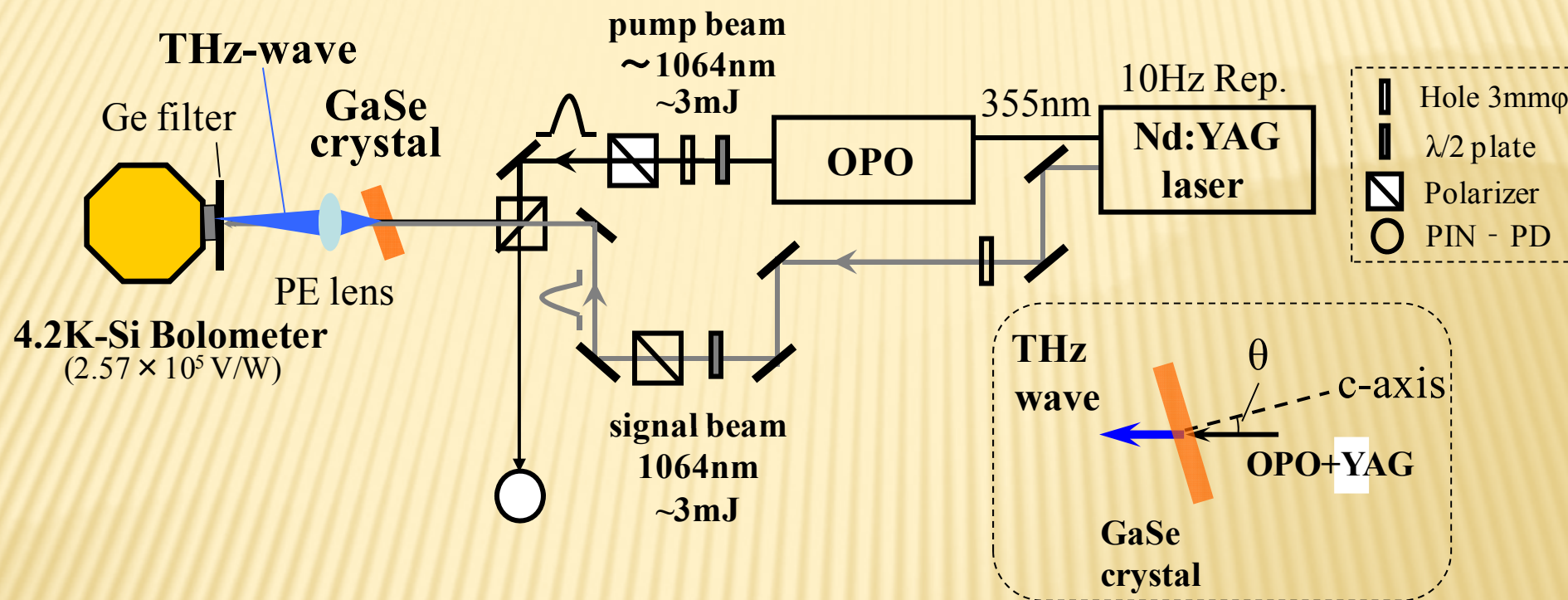
**Incident light** : Cr:forsterite lasers (wavelength : 1210nm, 1210~1250nm)

**Detector** : DTGS detector (RT operation)

**Coherent THz wave:** 0.1~7THz (maximum power ~1.5W)

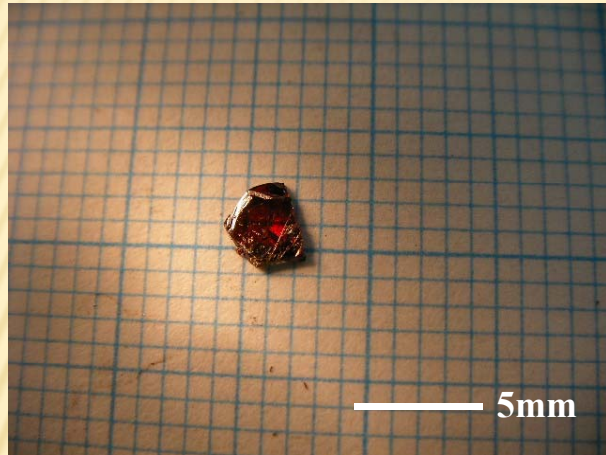
with  $\Delta f \sim 100\text{MHz}$

# Experimental setup for THz generation

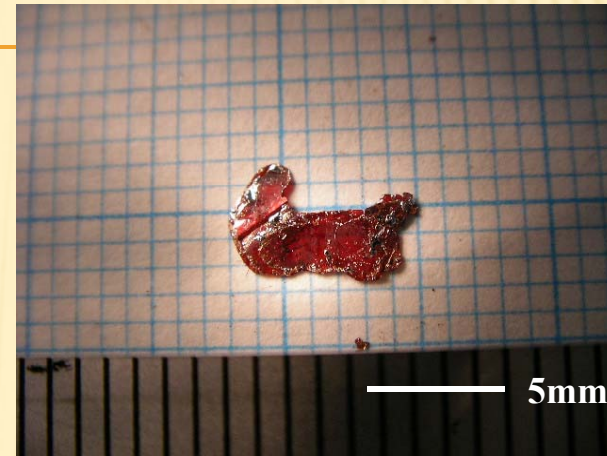


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- detector: liquid-helium-cooled Si bolometer

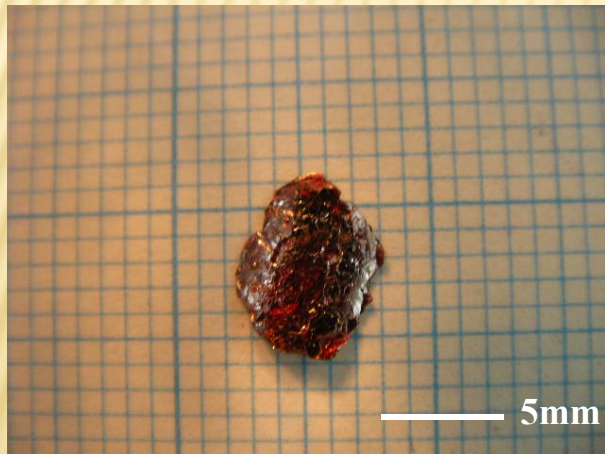
# Grown crystals



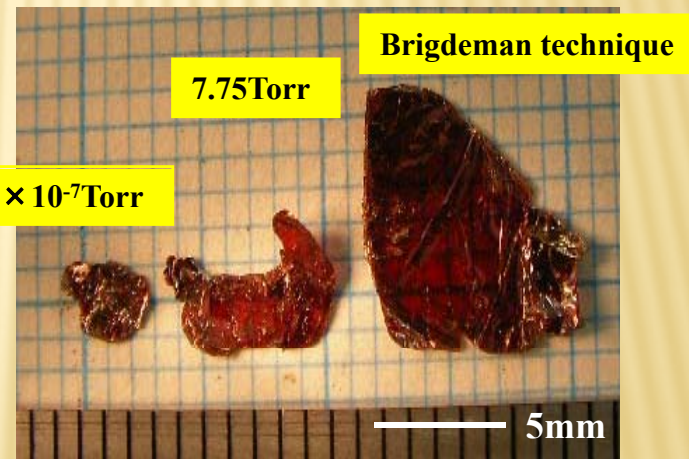
(a)  $P_{se} = 7.75\text{Torr}$  (Thickness :  $313\mu\text{m}$ )



(b)  $P_{se} = 7.75\text{Torr}$  (Thickness :  $160\mu\text{m}$ )



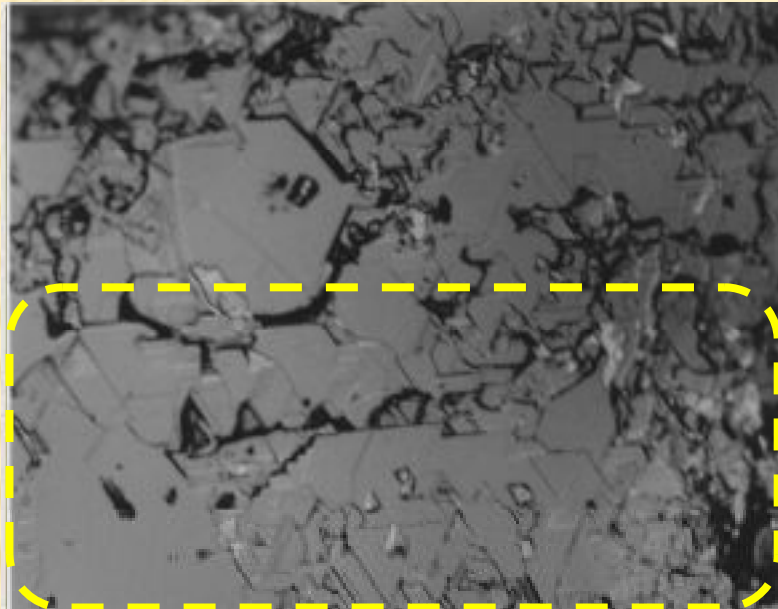
(c)  $P_{se} = 0.0104\text{Torr}$  (Thickness :  $356\mu\text{m}$ )



(d) Comparison between TDM-CVP and Bridgeman technique

➔ Growth of transparent GaSe crystals by TDM-CVP

# Surface morphology



100 $\mu$ m

(a) Triangular islands on GaSe surface



Observed triangular islands on GaSe surface



100 $\mu$ m

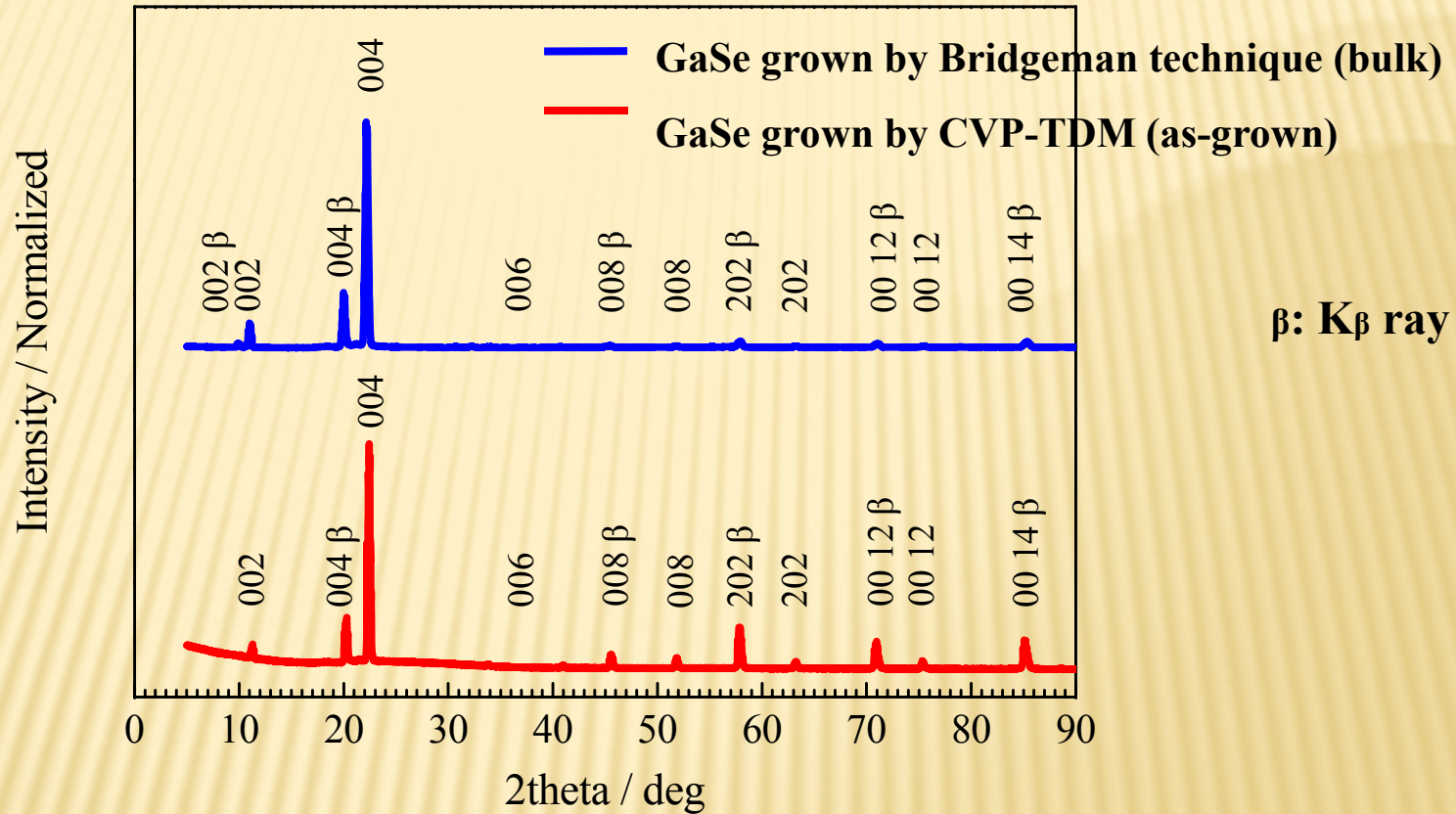
(b) Surface of GaSe grown under Se vapor pressure (7.75Torr)



Flat surface of GaSe grown under Se vapor



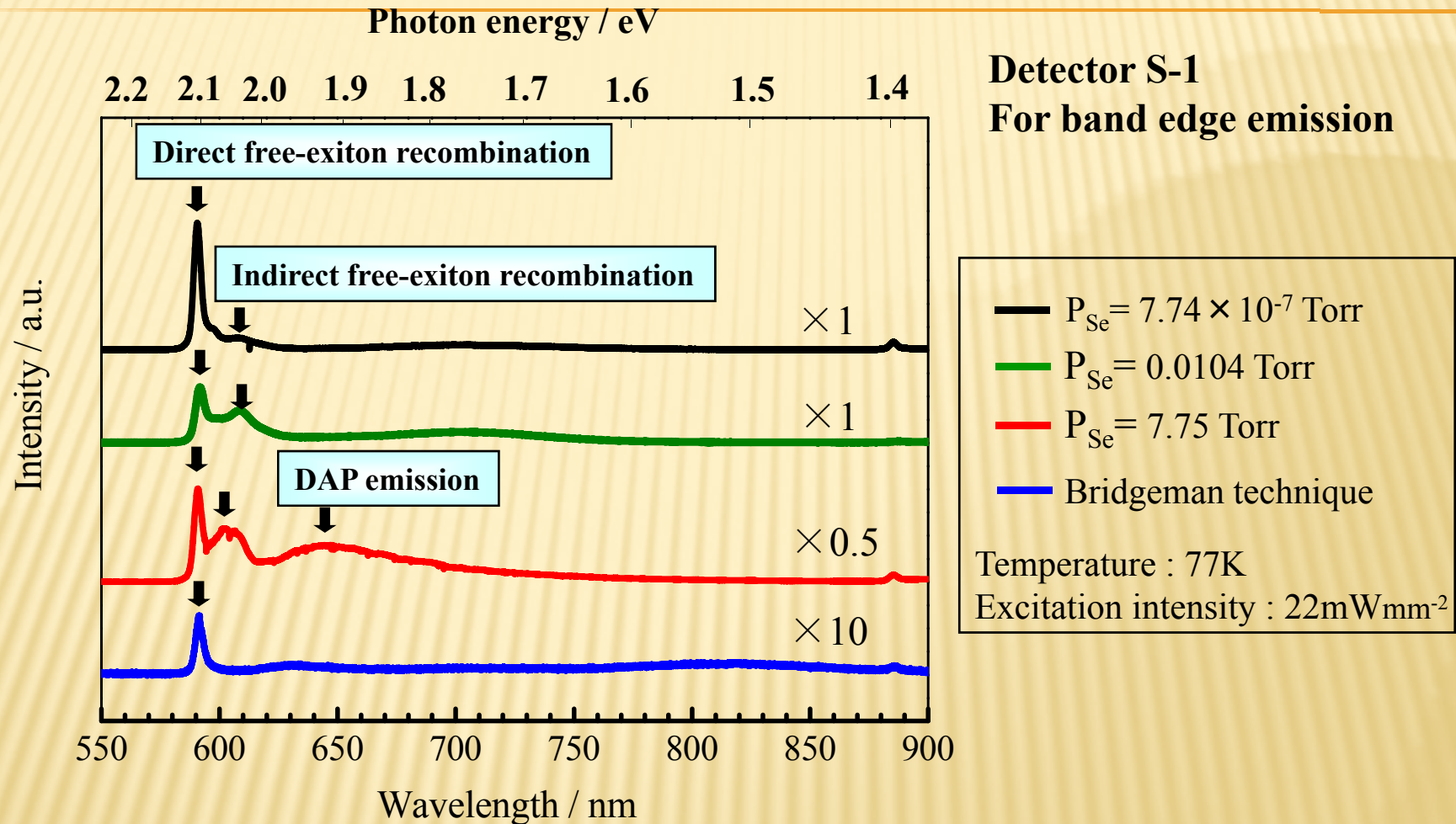
# X-ray diffraction pattern



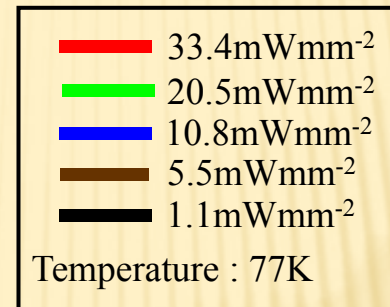
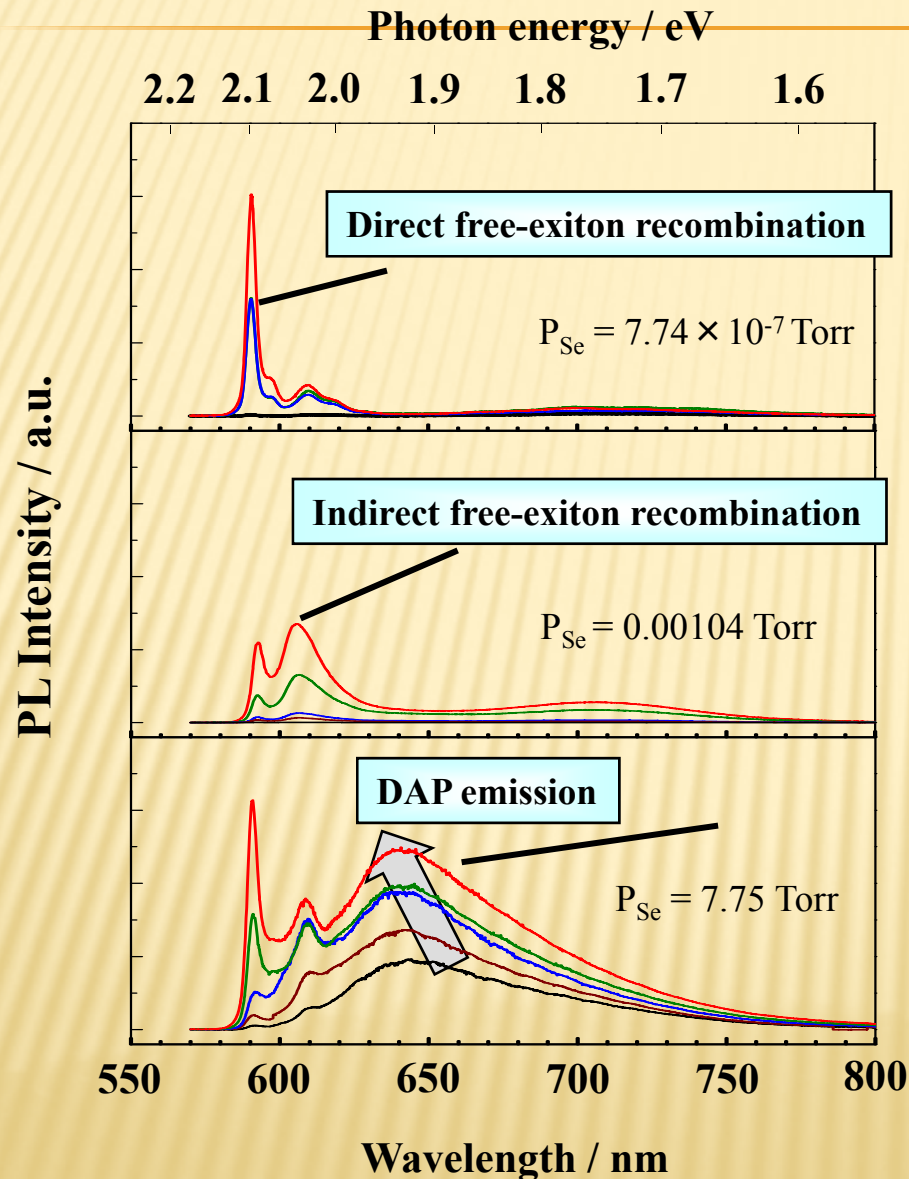
Crystal phase and polytype  $\rightarrow$  Hexagonal  $\epsilon$  type

Dominant diffraction peak of c plane  $\rightarrow$  Growth of GaSe single crystal phase with (001) plane

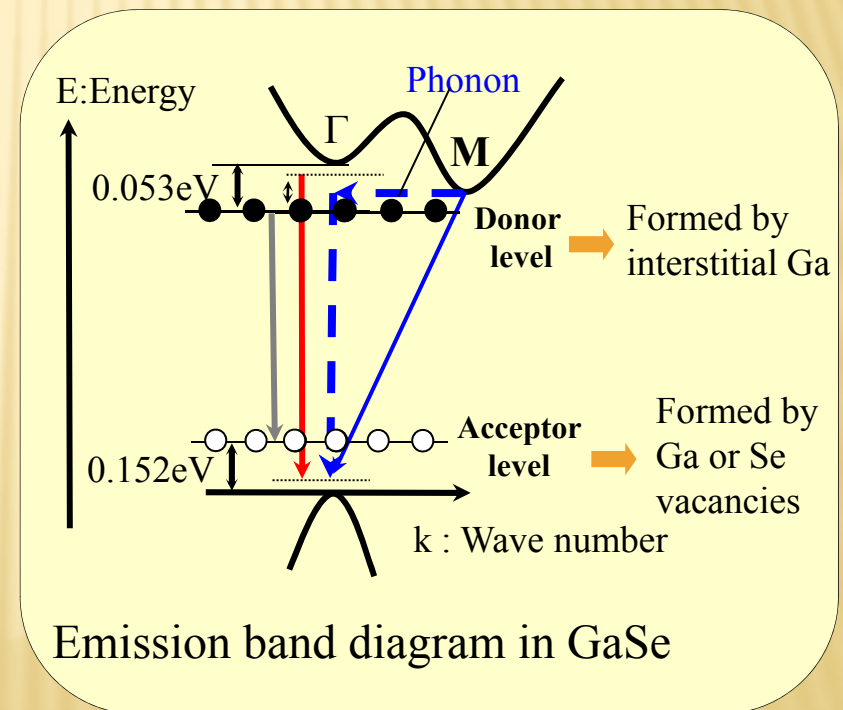
# 77K-PL spectra of GaSe samples grown under different Se pressures



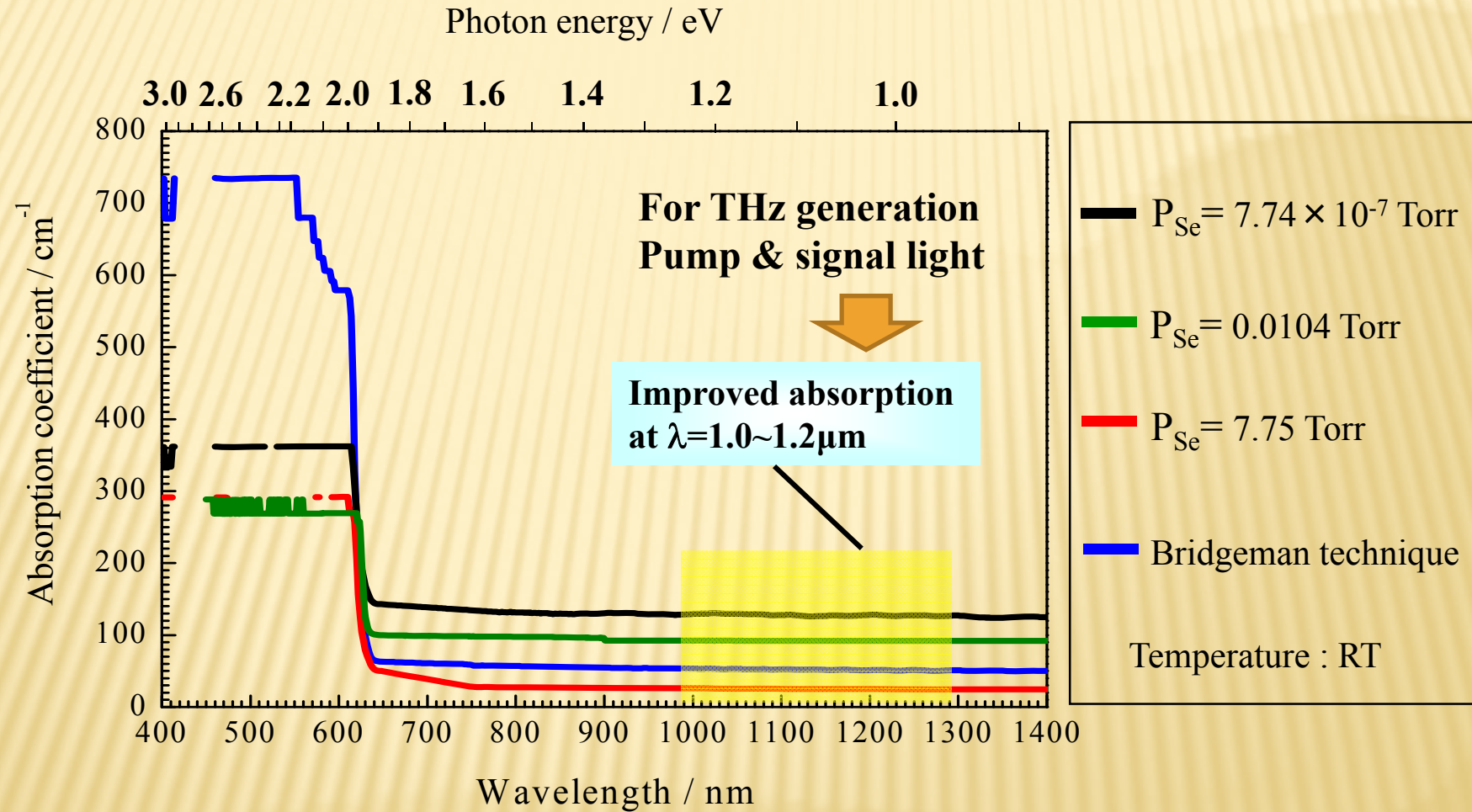
# Excitation intensity dependence of 77K-PL spectra



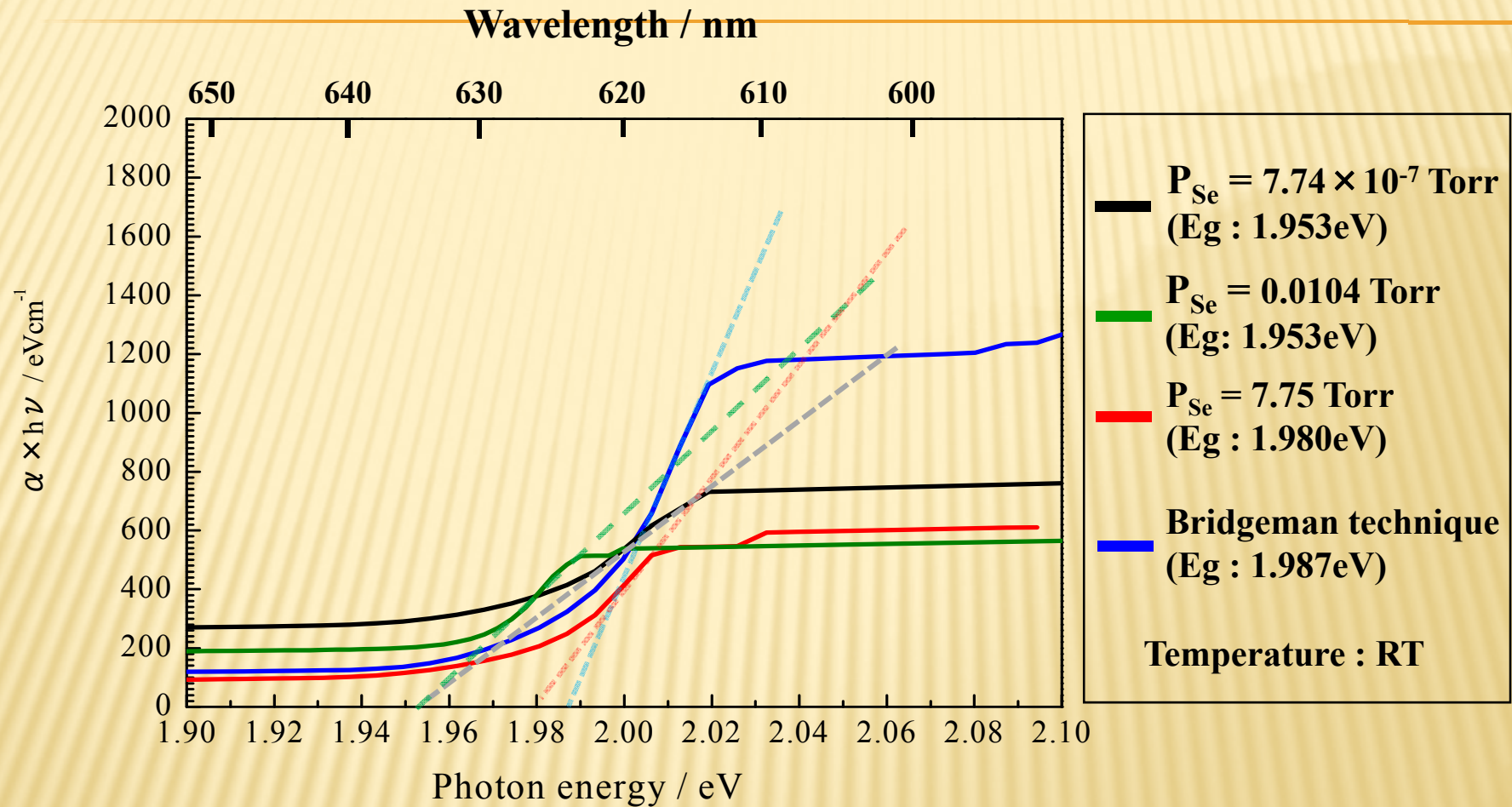
**Detector: cooled Ge**  
**For deep level emission**



# NIR Absorption spectra



# Optical Band gap energy of TDM-CVP grown crystals



Band gap of TDM-CVP growth samples

➔  $\epsilon$ -GaSe band gap at RT (2.004eV)

# THz Absorption spectra

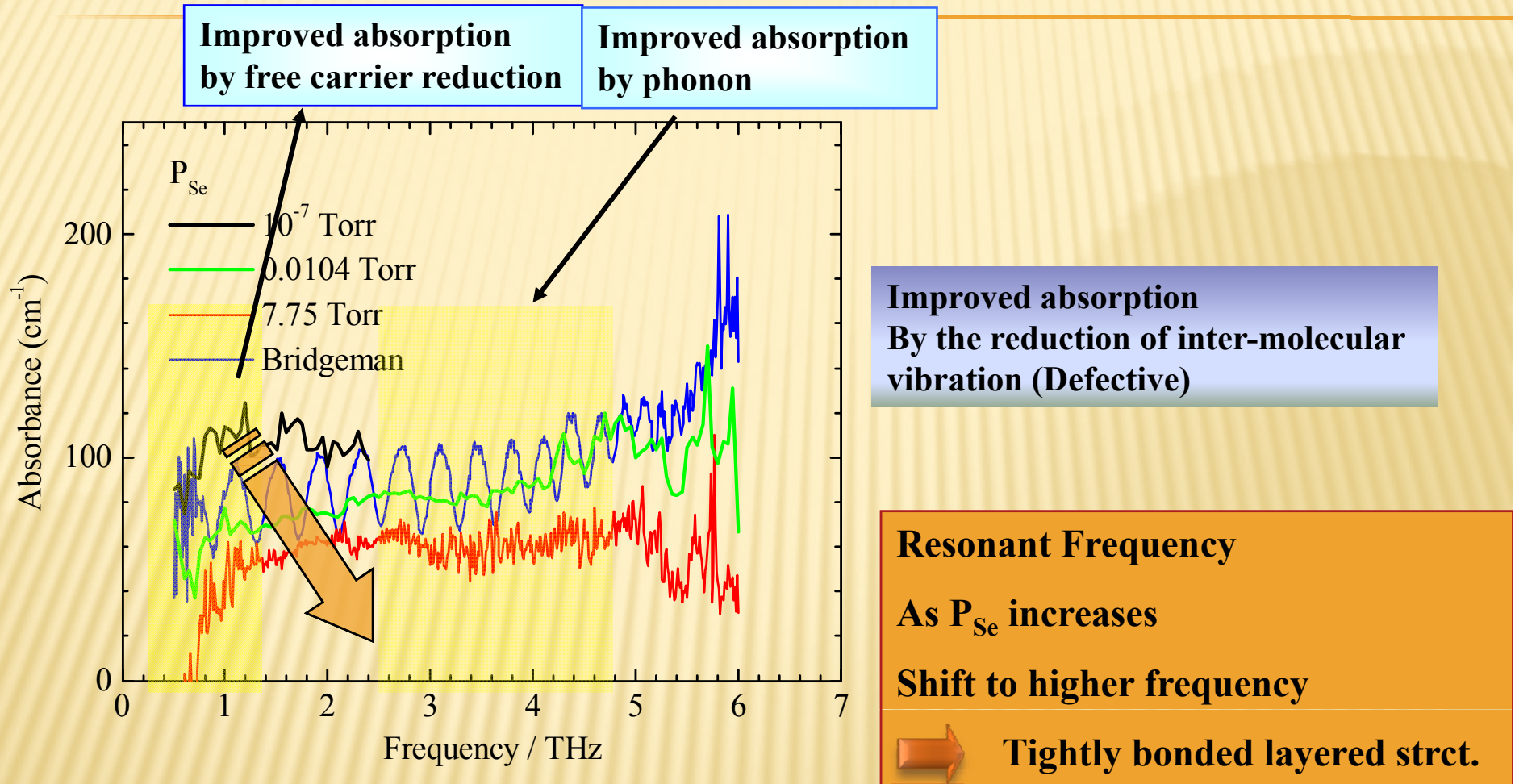
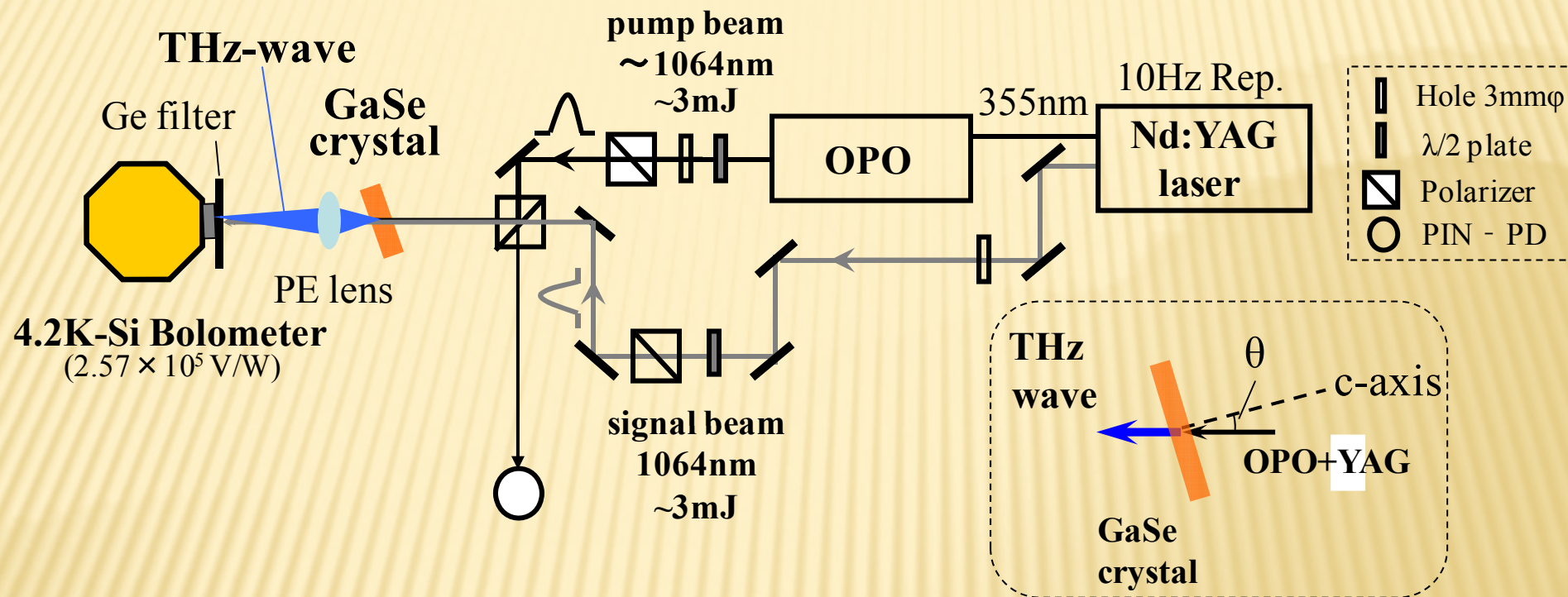


Figure 6 THz absorption spectra of the grown crystals. That of Bridgeman grown sample is also shown as a reference

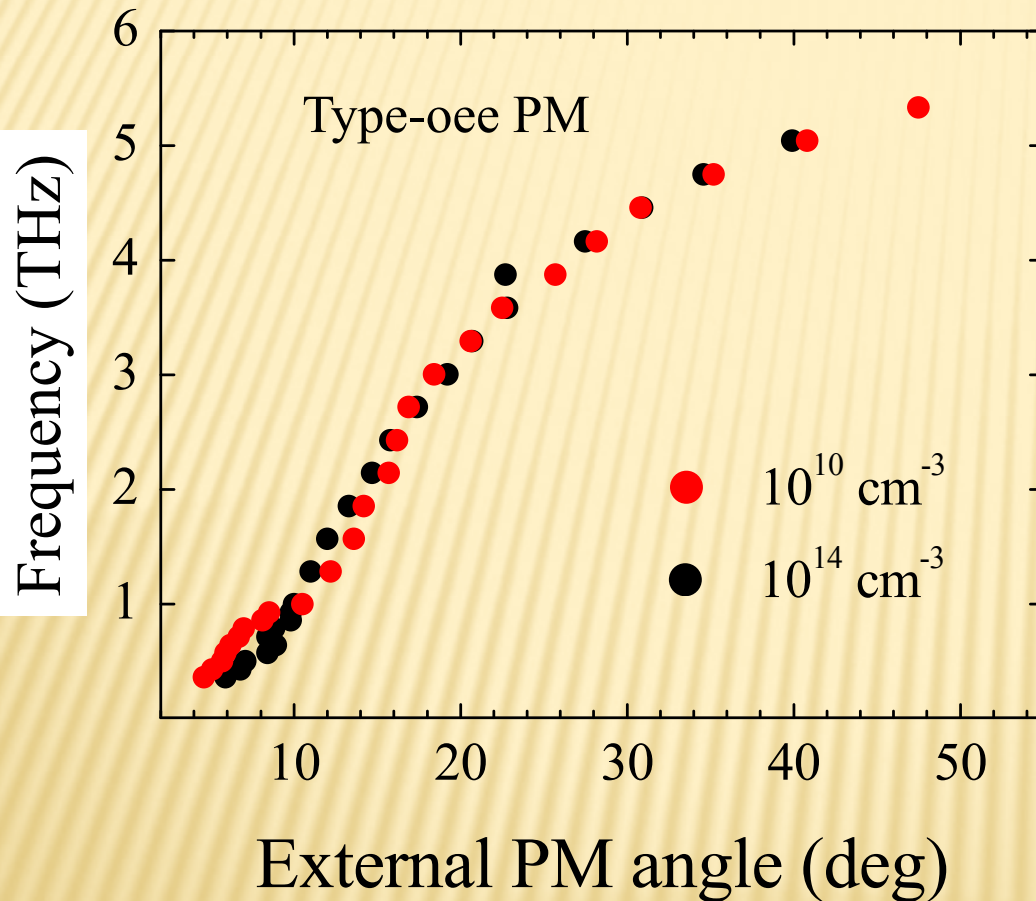
**GaSe crystal grown by CVP-TDM** → **Improved absorption coefficient in THz frequency region**

# Experimental setup for THz generation

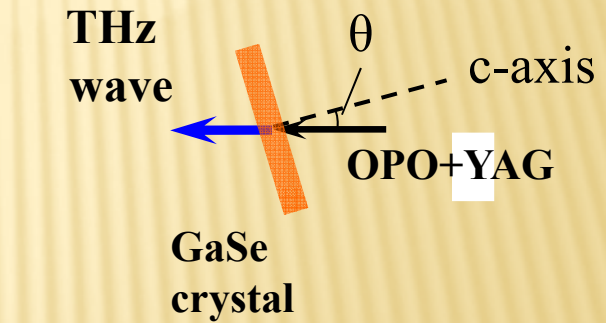


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- detector: 4K-Si bolometer

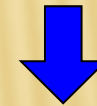
# Phase matching condition



The PM angle is difference from each other at the frequency range below 2 THz.



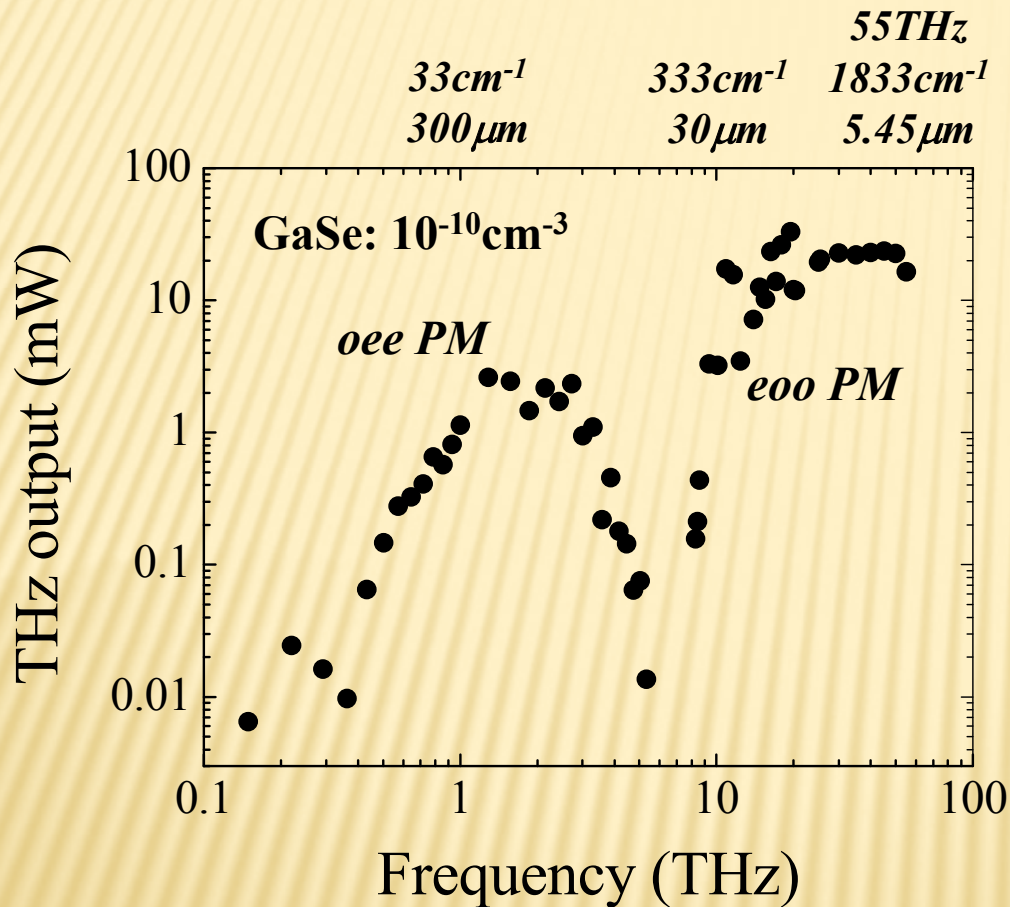
small angle tuning  
of two incident beams



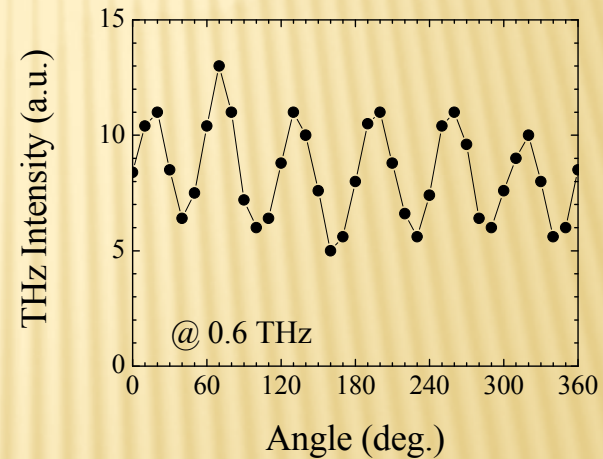
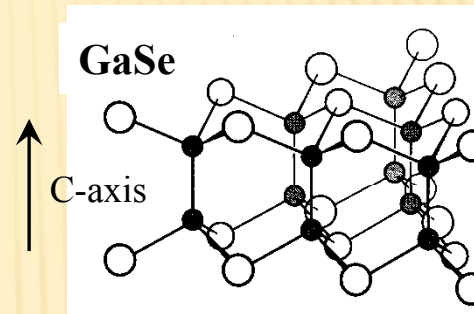
*frequency-tunable THz-wave  
generation*



# THz-generation: wave output power



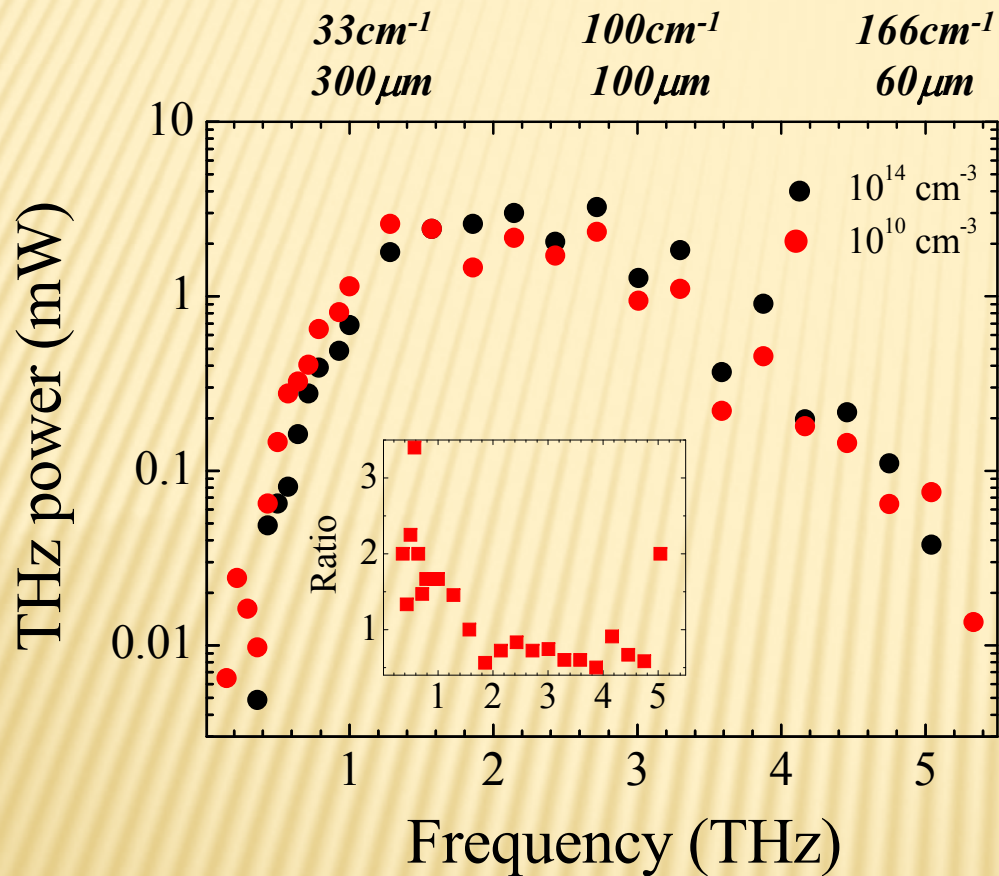
the azimuthal angle satisfied  $|\cos 3\varphi| = 1$



For type-*oeo* collinear phase-matched DFG, the effective nonlinear optical efficiency depends on the PM ( $\theta$ ) and azimuthal ( $\varphi$ ) angles as  $d_{\text{eff}} = d_{22} \cos^2 \theta \cos 3\varphi$

*o* and *e* are the ordinary and extraordinary polarization of the beams inside the crystal.

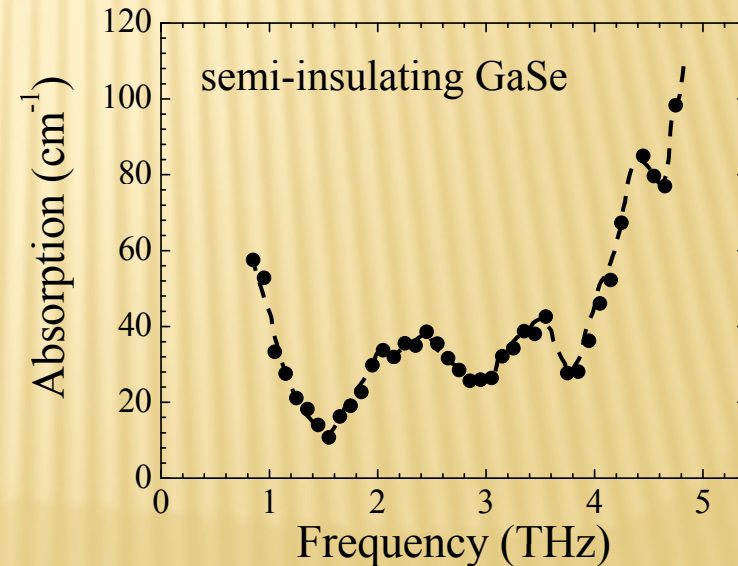
# THz-wave output power in THz region



At the frequency below 1.3 THz, the pulsed THz-wave output power from the lower carrier density ( $10^{10}\text{cm}^{-3}$ ) GaSe crystal was higher than that from the higher carrier density ( $10^{14}\text{cm}^{-3}$ ) crystal.



The reason for the THz-wave power decrease due to free carrier absorption

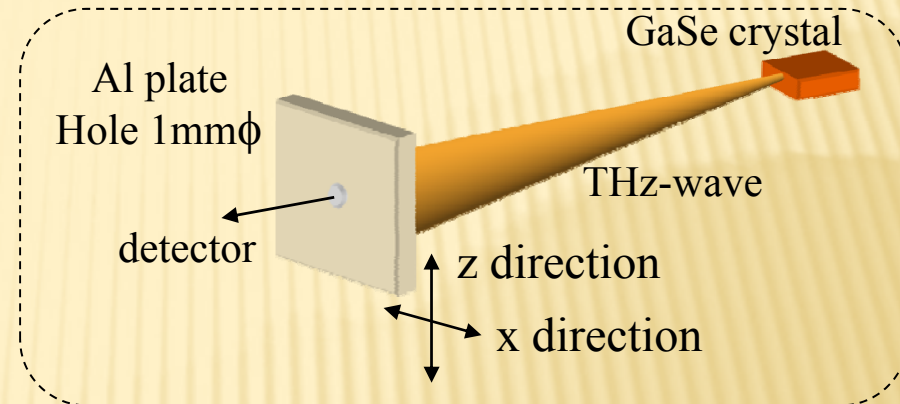


In the frequency below 1 THz, the absorption coefficient increased steeply, this may be due to free carrier absorption.\*

# Characteristics of generated THz-waves

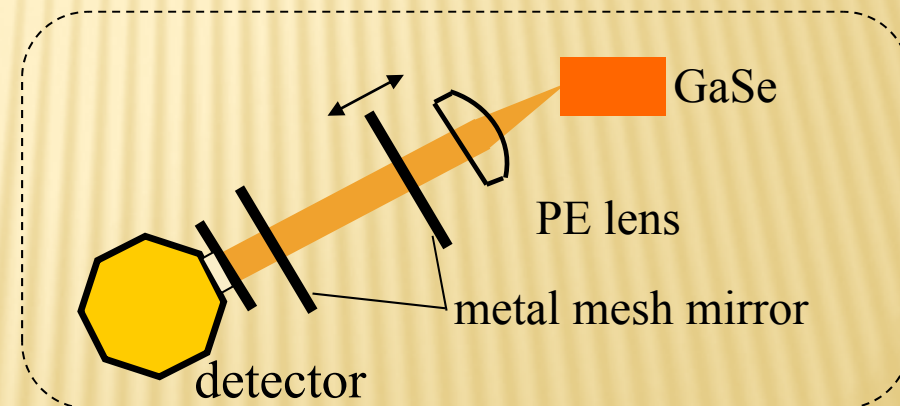
## ■ Spatial distribution of THz-waves

Shifting the detector with  $\phi 2$  mm  
resolution: 0.25 mm  
distance: 28 cm、58 cm

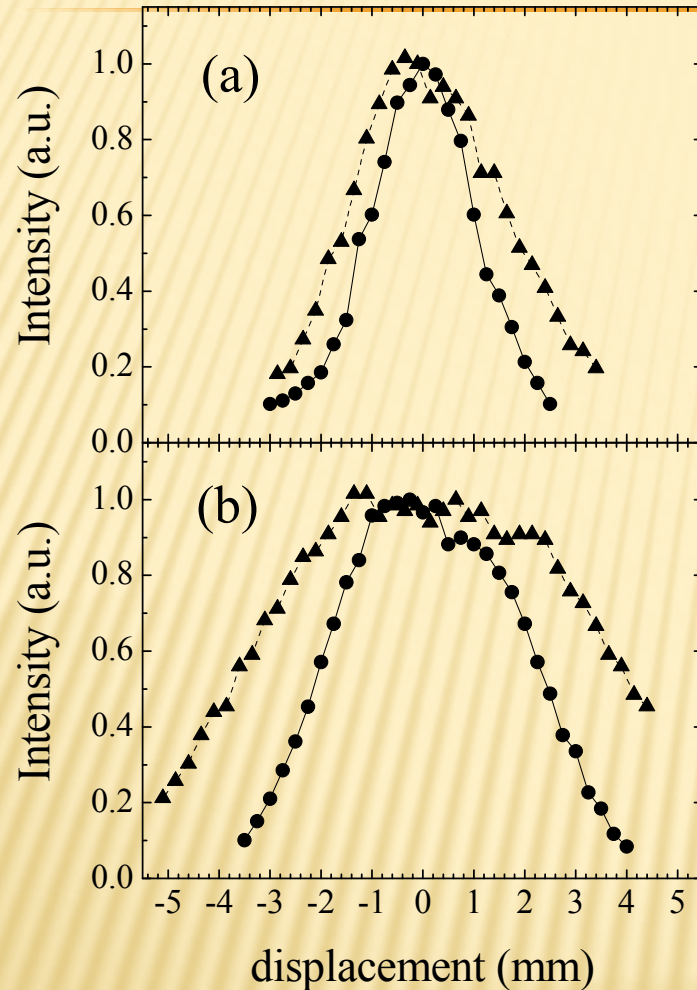


## ■ The-wave linewidth measurement

(measured frequency: 1.765 THz)  
Fabry-Perot interferometer  
high reflection metal mesh mirror  
R=97% (at 1THz)



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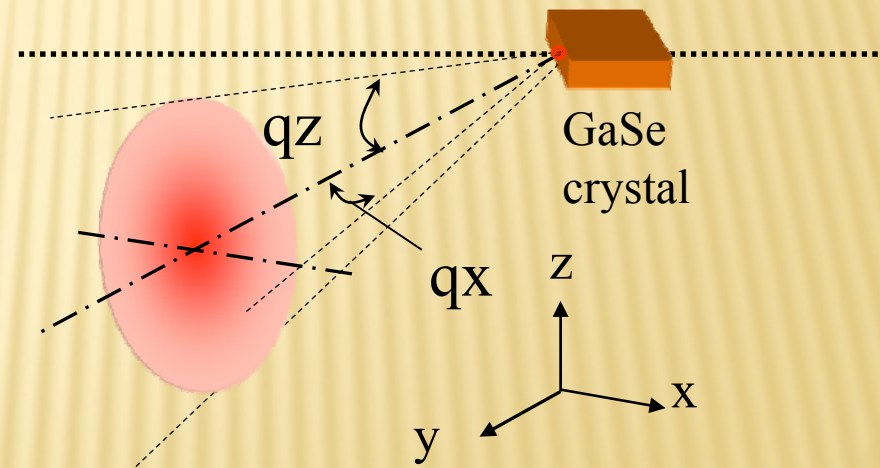


● : X-direction、▲ : Y-direction

The distance between the GaSe crystal is 28 cm (a) and 58 cm (b).

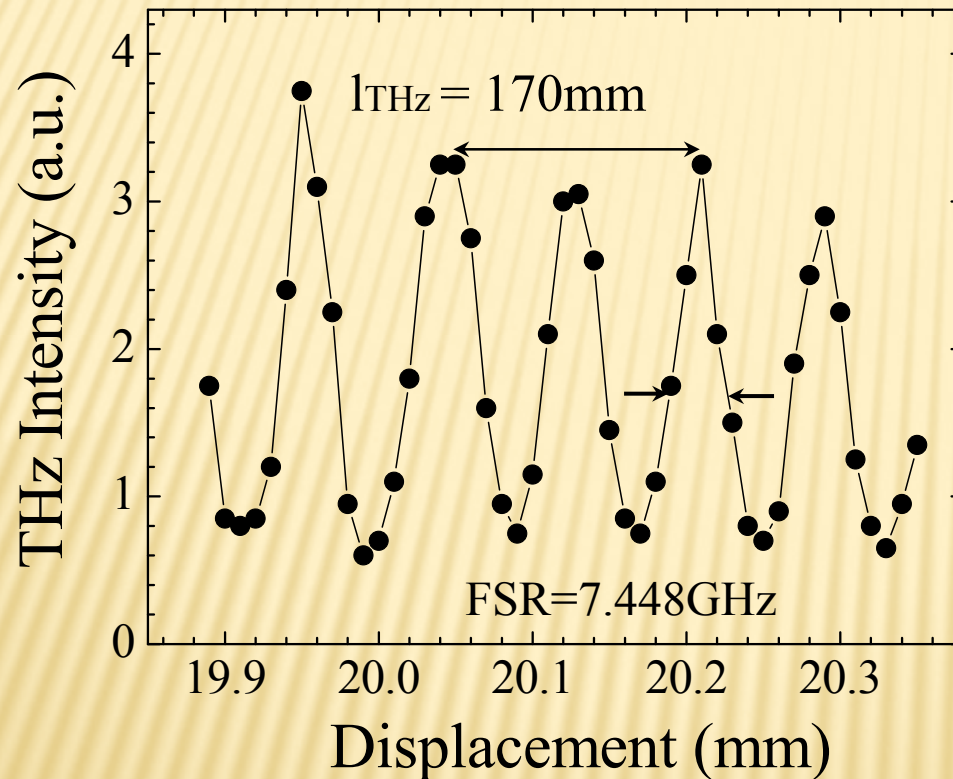
THz-wave elliptically propagates from the GaSe

$$q_x = 2.1^\circ$$
$$q_z = 3.7^\circ$$



# Frequency and Linewidth

## Fabry-Perot interferometer



**linewidth of THz-wave**

**3.5 GHz(0.12 cm<sup>-1</sup>)**



suitable for source on spectral measurement with high resolution

## CONCLUSION

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