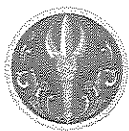
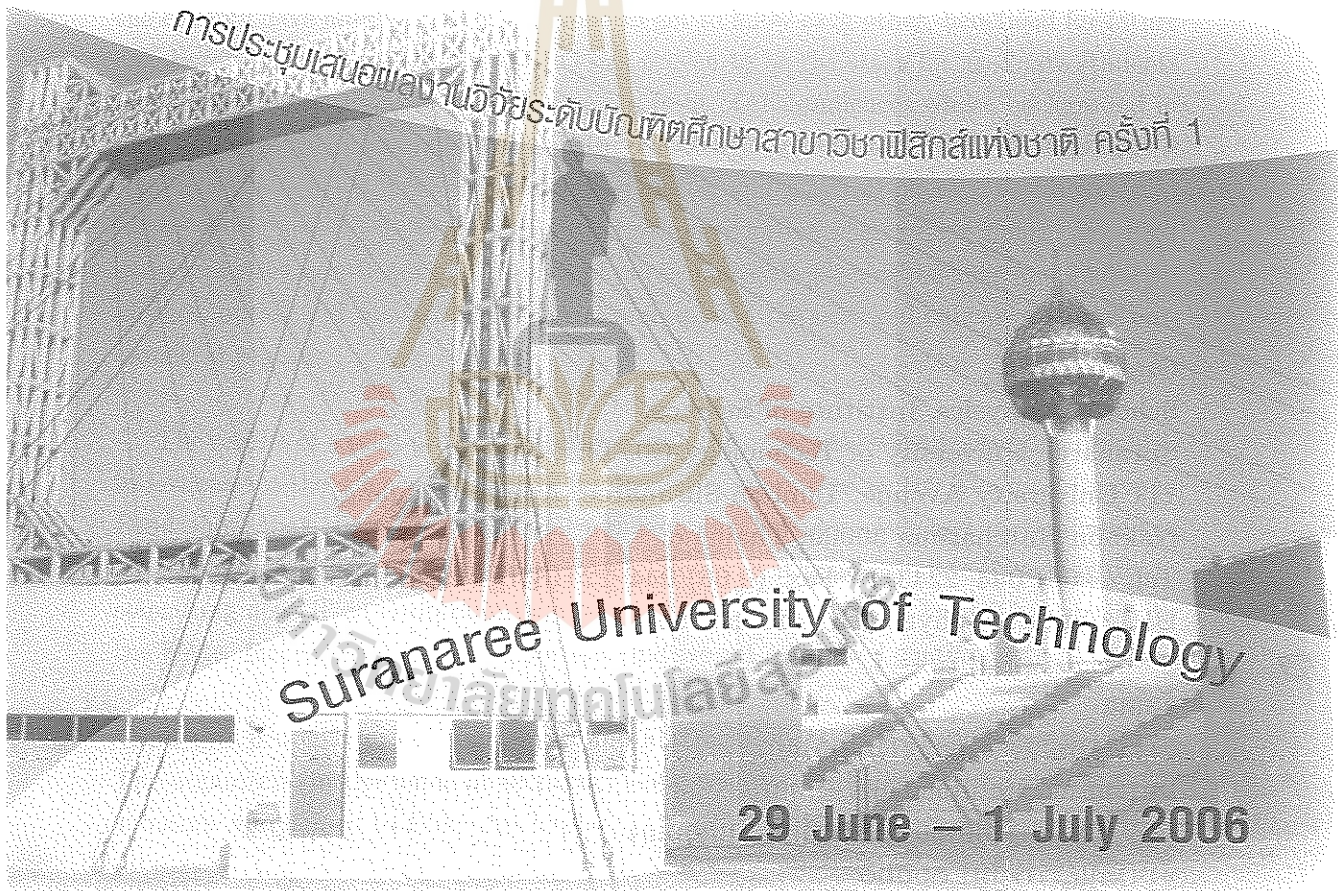




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# Preface

This is the First National Symposium on Physics Graduate Research (1<sup>st</sup> NSPG) organized by the School of Physics, Institute of Science, Suranaree University of Technology (SUT). The symposium brought together graduate students in physics from 11 universities in Thailand. Over a hundred physicists participated in this symposium including 87 students and 18 academics.

The 1<sup>st</sup> NSPG surpassed expectations. The arrangement of 20 minute presentation with two parallel sessions allowed the students to present their works in a friendly atmosphere. However, no one took it for granted. Many of the research works and presentations were excellent. Plenary sessions given by invited speakers and a special discussion in one evening on “Thai Physics: Past, Present and Future” by distinguished physicists helped to increase the academic atmosphere of the symposium. The social program in the evening gave ample time for everyone to get to know each other, beneficial for future collaborations. In addition, the NSPG has proven to be the stage for graduate students in physics to practice their presentations in front of the audiences whose background in physics are more or less in the same level, enable them to broaden their physics knowledge in various fields including, condensed matter and material physics, astronomy and astrophysics, accelerator physics and synchrotron radiation sciences, cosmology and high energy physics, ion beam and plasma physics, nanoscale physics, nuclear and radiation physics, optics and photonics, industrial and applied physics, and educational and fundamental physics.

The results of a pilot project concerning with the expected research situation on physical science of the science faculties of 8 universities supported by the Thailand Research Fund show that there are very small numbers of Thai physicists and mathematicians who have potential in carrying out research. However, it is not too late if we start to do something now. This symposium is another effort that will help to bring Thai physics to the better future. So it is very important that we get supported continually.

In this proceeding, the full papers and abstracts of the presentations are collected. The organizers, in the name of all participants, wish to express their deep thanks to all sponsors who helped to make this happen.



We wish to thank everyone for his contribution to this symposium including, firstly, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Prasart Suebka, Rector of SUT (the first physicist to become a rector in Thailand), for leading us to the success of organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> NSPG, secondly, the active students and staffs of the School of Physics, Institute of Science, SUT. Especially we want to thank Dr. Khanchai Khosonthongkee and Ms. Thunyaluck Theerapattarangoon for their leading role in organizing this symposium and also a Ph.D. candidate at the School of Physics, SUT, Mr. Supiya Siranan and Mr. Ayut Limphirat for their hard working of formatting this proceeding. Last but by no means least, we would like to thank all participants for joining the symposium.

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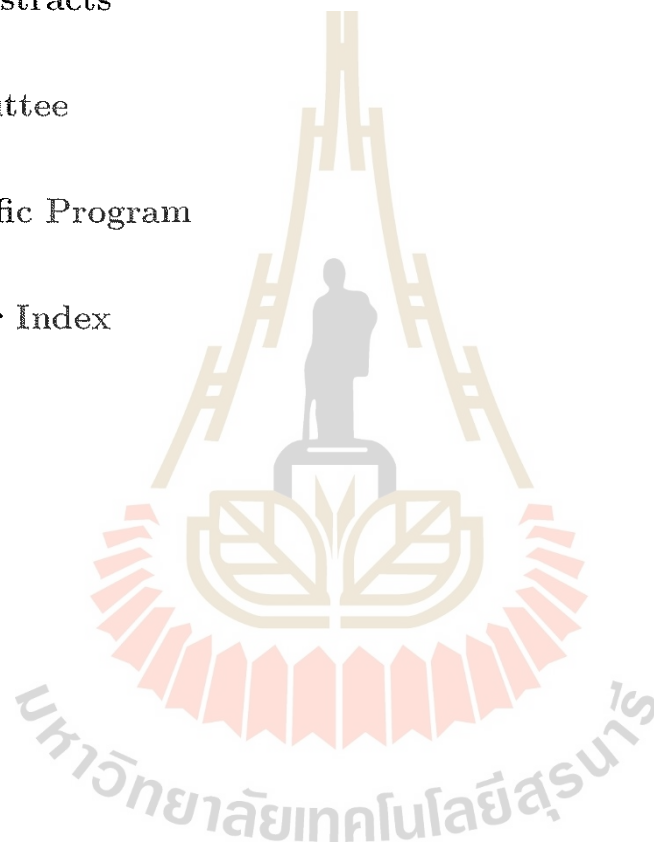


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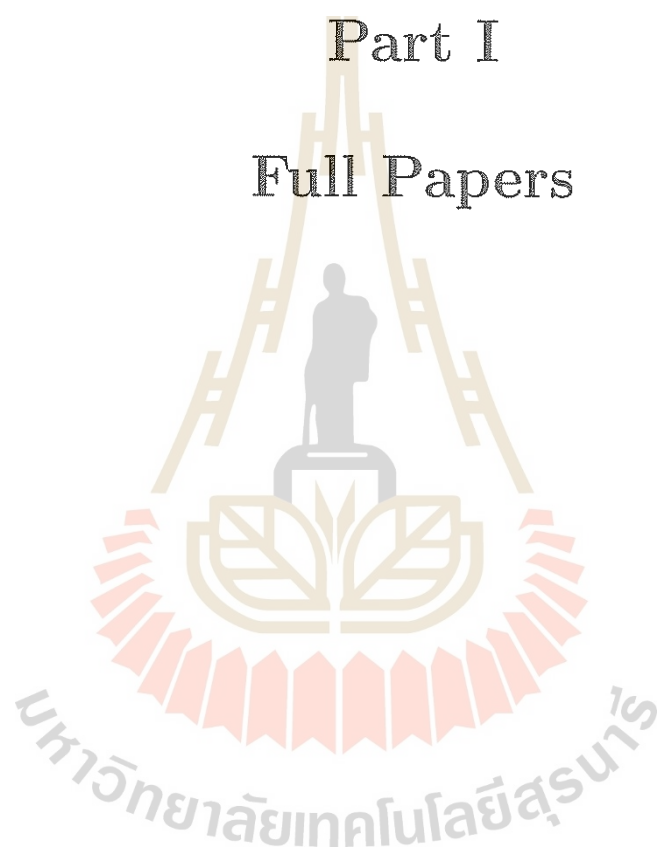
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Part I

Full Papers





## Initial Magnetic Measurements of Soft X-Ray Undulator for the Siam Photon Source

การวัดสนามแม่เหล็กเริ่มต้นของอันดูลเตอร์ผลิตแสงรังสีเอ็กซ์พลังงานต่ำ  
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Undulator is an insertion device installed in a synchrotron light source to enhance photon flux. The U60 is an undulator, having a magnetic period length of 60 mm, designed to generate intense soft x-rays for the soft x-ray beamline of the Siam Photon Source. A high precision magnetic measurement system has been constructed for magnetic field measurement of the device. Magnetic field distribution of the U60 has been measured with Hall probe scans. Measured magnetic fields are used to calculate field integrals and phase error of the undulator, in order to evaluate electron trajectories and deviation of electron path lengths in each magnetic period inside the undulator field which determine the quality of undulator light.

อันดูลเตอร์เป็นอุปกรณ์แทรกในเครื่องกำเนิดแสงซินโครตรอนเพื่อเพิ่มความเข้มแสง อุปกรณ์ U60 เป็นอันดูลเตอร์ที่มีความยาวคาบสนามแม่เหล็ก 60 มม. ออกแบบมาเพื่อเป็นแหล่งกำเนิดแสงซินโครตรอนความเข้มสูงย่านรังสีเอ็กซ์พลังงานต่ำ สำหรับระบบลำแสงรังสีเอ็กซ์พลังงานต่ำ ของเครื่องกำเนิดแสงสยาม ระบบวัดสนามแม่เหล็กความแม่นยำสูงได้ถูกสร้างขึ้น เพื่อทำการวัดสนามแม่เหล็กของอุปกรณ์ U60 โดยการวัดการกระจายค่าสนามแม่เหล็กด้วย Hall probe ค่าสนามแม่เหล็กที่วัดได้ถูกนำมาใช้คำนวณ field integral และ phase error ของอันดูลเตอร์ดังกล่าว เพื่อที่จะหาแนวการเคลื่อนที่ของลำอิเล็กตรอน และความแตกต่างของระยะทางการเคลื่อนที่ของอิเล็กตรอนในแต่ละคาบแม่เหล็กของอันดูลเตอร์ ซึ่งปริมาณดังกล่าว จะเป็นตัวกำหนดคุณภาพของแสงซินโครตรอนจากอันดูลเตอร์

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### INTRODUCTION

The Siam Photon Source (SPS) is located in the campus of Suranaree University of Technology, Nakhon Ratchasima, the North Eastern Part of Thailand. The SPS is now operating at the electron beam energy of 1.2 GeV. It has three experimental stations which consist of Photoemission spectroscopy (BL-4), X-ray Lithography (BL-6) and X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (BL-8) [1]. Synchrotron light used by all of station is generated by the bending magnets with synchrotron radiation critical energy of 1.32 keV.

However, the synchrotron light emitted by bending magnets is not intense enough for more sophisticated, high resolution research. The storage ring of SPS has been designed for 'Insertion Devices', having in four straight sections. Each of the straight section is 5.2 meters long. These devices consist of magnet blocks of alternating polarity that repetitively bend electron beam back and forth. Undulator is one type of Insertion devices. Due to the constructive interference of the radiation emitted by electron beam at the various poles, the opening angle at any given wavelength of the radiation is decreased by  $\sqrt{N}$ , where

$N$  is the number of periods, and radiation intensity per solid angle is proportional to  $N^2$  [2-6]. Therefore, the undulator radiation is emitted in narrower cone and more intense than the bending magnet radiation.

However, the intensities of synchrotron light from real undulators are lower than the theoretical calculations [7-10]. This fact arises from magnetic field errors which can be represented by first and second field integrals [9, 11], phase error [7, 8] and error storage [12]. Therefore, the undulator magnetic field distribution must be measured to obtain the first and second field integrals, phase error and error storage. The most common method of undulator magnet field distribution measurements is the point by point measurement performed by Hall probe scanning. The integrated field measurements can be performed by the long flipping coil techniques.

This report presents the undulator magnetic field measurement with Hall probe technique as well as the results field errors calculation.

## THE UNDULATOR OF THE SPS (U60)

### The general characteristic

The U60 undulator is a pure permanent magnet planar (PPM) undulator. It is designed to utilize the radiation in the photon energy range of 27-900 eV. The main parameters are shown in the table I.

### The magnetic structure

The magnetic structure of the U60 undulator is shown in the Figure 1. Figure 1a) shows the U60 undulator, having the total length of 2510 mm. Figure 1b) shows magnetic structure. It consists of 40.5 full of full size periods and added by the end a horizontally magnetized block. This special end block reduces the field integral variation with gap.

Table I: Parameters of the U60.

parameters	data
Magnet material	NdFeB
Period length	60 mm
Gap distance	26-200 mm
Number of full size periods	40.5
Number of full size poles	81
Total number of poles	83
Peak flux density (average at 26 mm gap)	0.5733 T
Transverse roll off (at 26 mm gap):	
$x = \pm 5$ mm (average)	0.072%
$x = \pm 10$ mm (average)	0.31%
Minimum photon energy (26 mm gap, 1 GeV beam)	27.1 eV

## The magnetic field simulation

Simulations of the magnetic field of the U60 are performed by using the code RADIA [10]. Figure 2a) shows the on axis ( $x = y = 0$  mm) magnetic field at the minimum gap (26 mm). Figure 2b) shows the undulator peak magnetic field as a function of undulator gap.

## FIELD DISTRIBUTION MEASUREMENTS

### Description

Figure 2a) is the simulated field distribution of the U60, the most common technique for obtaining detail information about the field distribution of an undulator is by the Hall probe scanning. A high density of points is generally used between 20 and 100 points per periods, which is sufficient for trajectory and radiation [3]. In order to minimize the measurement time, data are taken "on-the-fly" rather than "step-by-step" and speed of between 20 and 50 mm/s are commonly used. However, factors of the position accuracy of probe along the  $z$ -axis, resolution and noise of the Hall signals, and the accurate calibration of the Hall probe must to be taken into consideration [3, 11].

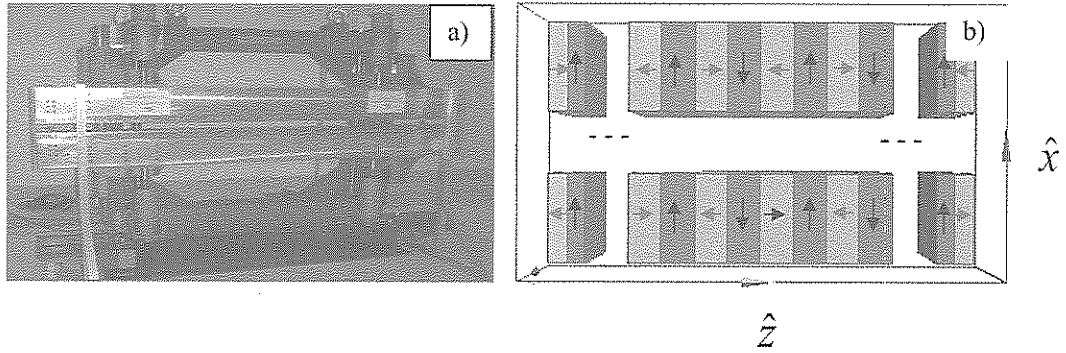


Figure 1: (color online). a) the U60 undulator and b) the magnetic structure, where arrows indicate direction of magnetization of each magnet block.

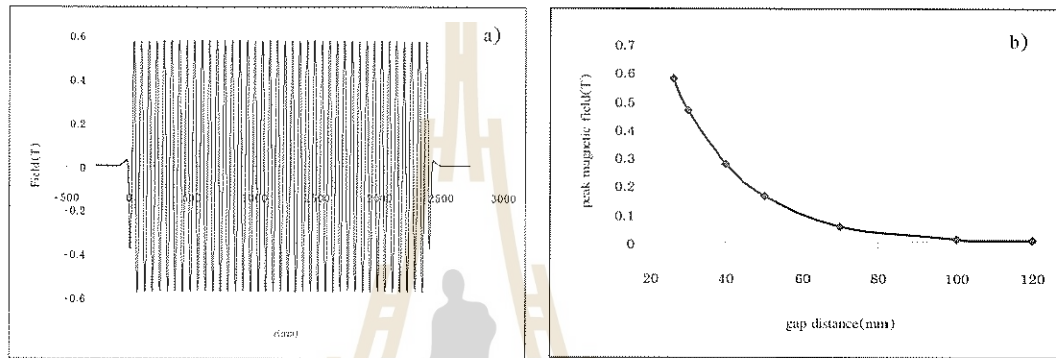


Figure 2: The simulated magnetic field of the U60 undulator (a) and undulator peak magnetic field as a function of undulator gap (b).

Measurement system of the SPS

programming on PC.

Hall probe system of the SPS was installed in 2004. Hall was held on the test bench of 3010 mm long. The test bench (shown in fig. 3a) consists of more than ten components accurately positioned by the Laser tracker during the installation (shown in fig. 3a and 3b). The Hall probe can be moved in 3-direction,  $z$  (longitudinal),  $x$  (horizontal) and  $y$  (vertical), independently. At present, it can measure only the vertical field. The movement in each direction is driven by the stepping motor and can be moved only one direction at a time. The  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  positions are measured by a linear encoder having an accuracy of  $1 \mu\text{m}$ . The lengths of travel in  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  axis are 250, 250 and 2680 mm, respectively. All motion is controlled by LabVIEW

#### Hall probe measurements

A group3 Hall probe is used at the SPS. Before measurement the probe was reset to zero by zero gauss chamber. Data collection of the field distribution was managed by the software on PC. The software controlling the movement of the Hall probe was set up for continuous scans for the optimal speed. The measured field data were saved every 1 mm and the probe position from the encoder is recorded along the longitudinal axis. The field distributions were measured at various undulator gaps.



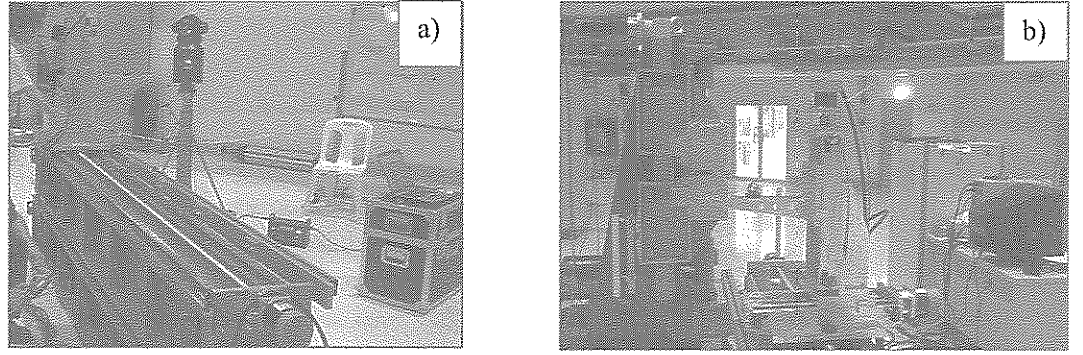


Figure 3: (color online). Show the Hall probe system and installation.

### FIELD ERROR CALCULATIONS

#### The first and second field integral

A deflection angle of a relativistic electron moving in a periodic field,  $B(z'')$ , is given by

$$x'(z) = \frac{0.3}{E(\text{GeV})} I(z) \quad (1)$$

where  $E$  is an electron energy in GeV and where the first field integral is defined as

$$I(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z B(z') dz' \quad (2)$$

where  $B$  is the magnetic field. The trajectory of a relativistic electron is found as

$$x(z) = \frac{0.3}{E(\text{GeV})} J(z) \quad (3)$$

where the second field integral is defined as

$$J(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \int_{-\infty}^{z'} B(z'') dz'' dz' . \quad (4)$$

#### Phase error (Phase shake)

The second parameter of the field error is phase error which defined as

$$\Delta\delta = \delta_{\text{real}} - \delta_{\text{ideal}} \quad (5)$$

where  $\delta_{\text{real}}$  and  $\delta_{\text{ideal}}$  are phase function in real and ideal case of an electron, respectively. They are given by

$$\delta(z) = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_s} \left( \frac{z}{2\gamma^2} + \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{x'^2}{2} dz \right) \quad (6)$$

where  $x'$  is the angular deflection,  $\lambda_s$  is the resonance condition, defined as

$$\lambda_s = \frac{\lambda_u}{2n\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} + \gamma^2\theta^2 \right)$$

where  $K$  is the wiggler strength,  $\lambda_u$  is the period length of the magnetic field,  $\gamma$  is the ratio between kinetic energy and rest energy of the electron,  $\theta$  is observing angle from the axis and  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  is integer.

Equation (5) means that the path length of an electron in each period will be deviated from an ideal case, if phase error is not zero. Nonzero phase error give rise to imperfect constructive interference of the synchrotron radiation emitted from each period of the undulator.

#### Error storage

Error storage is another method for representing the field error [12]. It is defined by the equation as

$$ES_n = \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{|L_m| - \langle L \rangle}{\langle L \rangle} \quad (7)$$

where  $L_m$  is the first field integral at the  $m^{\text{th}}$  pole and  $\langle L \rangle$  is the mean value of  $L_m$ .

Equation (7) tells how the field integral deviation is stored with an increasing pole number.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### The magnetic field

Figure 4 shows results of the measured vertical field,  $B_y(0, 0, z)$ , of the U60 by Hall probe scanning at various undulator gap. These field measurement are used to calculate the parameters to estimate the field errors of the U60.

### The field integral

The first and second field integrals are shown in Figure 5b) and 5c), respectively. Ideally, an electron is not deflected after passing through an undulator. That requires the longitudinally integrated vertical field, the first and second field integral, must vanish. In addition, an electron enter on-axis must exit on-axis (the second field integral). However, the calculated angle and trajectories show that an electron is deviated from the axis, which resulted from nonzero field integrals.

### Error storage

Figure 5d shows the error storage obtained from field distribution measurements at the different gap distance. The error storage, given equation (7), indicates that the accumulated field integral deviation is increasingly or decreasingly stored with an increasing pole number. The results in figure 5d show that the accumulated error of the U60 increases with larger pole number.

### Phase error

The results of phase error shown in Figure 5e are also calculated from field distribution measurements at the difference gap distances. The phase error, expressed in equation (5), describes the deviation of the real path length from the ideal undulator. So if the phase error is zero or small, the constructive interference of the photon radiated by an electron is excellent. The average of the RMS phases error for the first harmonic, at zero

observing angle, in figure 5e are 2.5864, 2.5481, 2.1320 and 1.8463 degrees at the wiggler strengths of 2.9542, 1.9389, 1.4916 and 0.8820, respectively.

## CONCLUSION

We have presented measurements and calculations of the U60 field characteristic. The magnetic measured field distribution using Hall probe has been used to calculate the field integrals, phase errors and error storages. The studies are carried out to predict the optical performance of the U60.

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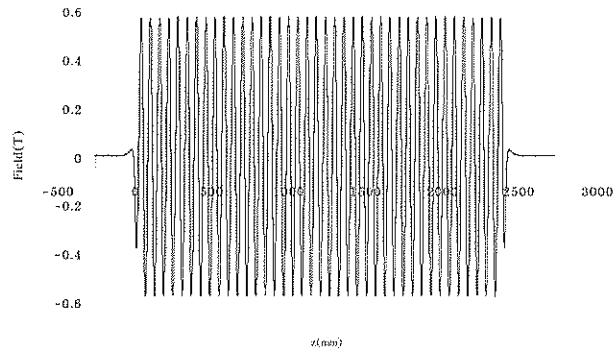


Figure 4: The measured vertical field of 0.5270 tesla peak field.

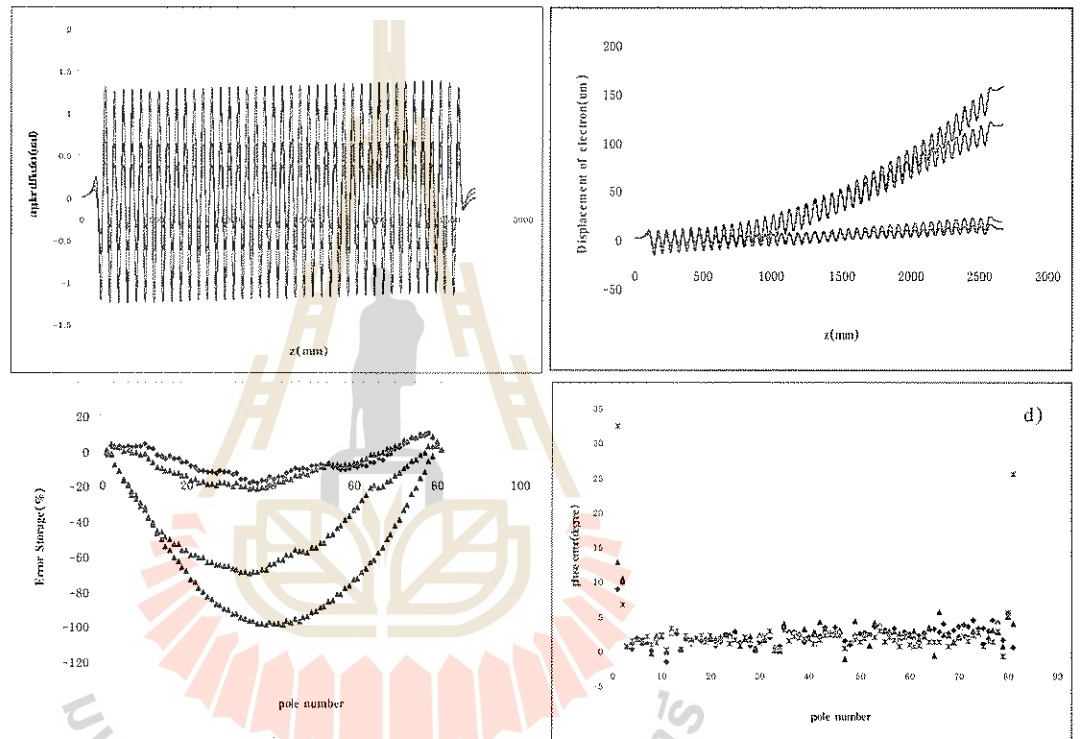


Figure 5: (color online). a) The first field integral, b) second field integral, c) Error storage and d) Phase error. The results are for the different undulator gaps, corresponding to the wiggler strength of 2.9542, 1.9389, 1.4916 and 0.8820, represented by dark blue, pink, orange and green line, respectively.

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## OH Masers Associated with Bipolar Molecular Outflows in Onsala1 Star-Forming Region\*

ไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์ที่สัมพันธ์กับการเกิดลำก๊าซพวยพุ่งของโมเลกุล ในบริเวณ ON1

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The Multi-Element Radio Linked Interferometer Network (MERLIN) polarization measurements of the OH 1665-MHz masers emission from the bipolar outflow source ON1 are studied. The OH masers are distributed over a region 3.5 arcsec a side, which is elongated in a north-west-south-east (NW-SE) direction. The distribution is interpreted in terms of a disc surrounding the source of the outflow. The main velocities of OH masers are close to the central velocity (15 kms<sup>-1</sup>). Comparing the distribution of OH masers with previous work shows close matched in positions with those determined using the Very Large Array (VLA) of National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO), plus 6 new maser features separated from the other masers. Analysis of the OH maser polarization reveals three Zeeman Pairs, with field strengths -0.97, -1.49 and -2.07 mG (directed toward us). The fields are strong enough to be important in the star formation process. Circular polarization of the OH masers in this source is very strong (~ 94%) while linear polarization is weak (~ 32%). The linear polarization vectors are predominantly either perpendicular or parallel to the HCO<sup>+</sup> outflow direction. Thus, the OH masers observed associated with bipolar molecular outflow.

การศึกษาโพลาไรเซชันของไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์ในบริเวณเกิดดาว ON1 ที่ความถี่ 1665 MHz โดยใช้ข้อมูลของ MERLIN ประเทศสหราชอาณาจักรพบว่า ไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์กระจายตัวจากทิศทางตะวันออกเฉียงเหนือไปทางตะวันตกเฉียงใต้ด้านละ 3.5 arcsec และมีรูปร่างคล้ายแผ่นดิสก์ล้อมรอบบริเวณเกิดลำก๊าซพวยพุ่ง ความเร็วของไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์ที่วัดได้ส่วนใหญ่ ให้ค่าใกล้เคียงกับความเร็วศูนย์กลางของ ON1 (15 กิโลเมตรต่อวินาที) เมื่อเปรียบเทียบข้อมูลการกระจายตัวของไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์กับผลงานที่ผู้อื่นได้ทำก่อนหน้านี้ พบว่าตำแหน่งที่ MERLIN วัดได้เกือบจะตรงกับตำแหน่งที่วัดได้โดย VLA ของ NRAO และพบไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์ที่แยกออกจากกลุ่มของเมเซอร์อีก 6 ลักษณะข้อมูล Zeeman Pairs ที่วัดได้มีจำนวน 3 คู่ ค่าสนามแม่เหล็กเป็น -0.97, -1.49 และ -2.07 mG ตามลำดับ ดังนั้นค่าสนามแม่เหล็กที่ได้นี้ เพียงพอและเป็นปัจจัยสำคัญต่อขั้นตอนการเกิดดาว ข้อมูลโพลาไรเซชันแบบวงกลมของไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์ให้ค่า ~ 94% ในขณะที่โพลาไรเซชันแบบเชิงเส้นให้ค่า ~ 32% โพลาไรเซชันแบบเชิงเส้นของไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์มีทิศทางทั้งขนานและตั้งฉากกับลำก๊าซพวยพุ่งของ HCO<sup>+</sup> ดังนั้นการเกิดลำก๊าซพวยพุ่งของโมเลกุลจึงมีความสัมพันธ์กับไฮดรอกซิลเมเซอร์

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## INTRODUCTION

Star formation process is an outstanding and largely unsolved problem in astrophysics. The role of the magnetic field is unclear but it is widely considered to be important at all stages of protostellar evolution, from cloud collapse to the ZAMS. In some hydromagnetic models, the magnetic field may help in removing angular momentum, therefore driving accretion and perhaps bipolar molecular outflows. The Zeeman splitting of components of the 18 cm OH masers lines provides a direct way of measuring the magnetic field in transverse and line-of-sight components. MERLIN at Jodrell Bank Observatory, United Kingdom has high sensitivity and resolution necessary for such spectral-line imaging (see for example [5]). Therefore, this research will concentrate on the process of star formation, in particular the physical properties of OH masers such as energy (in terms of intensity of signal), location, velocity and magnetic field using the reduced data at 1665 MHz from MERLIN. The data were reduced and mapped by Suwit Nammahachak (Ph.D. student at Department of Physics, Faculty of Science, Khon Kaen University, Thailand). Onsala 1 or ON1 which is a star-forming region is chosen for our study, having a well-defined bipolar molecular outflow [6, 7, 8].

## METHODOLOGY

Reduced and mapped data of ON1 star-forming region are obtained from MERLIN at Jodrell Bank Observatory, University of Manchester, United Kingdom. The dates of observations were 1-2 March 1996. The data which have been mapped and analysed using the Astronomical Image Processing System (AIPS) from which we can obtain intensity, location and frequency of each maser. The results from AIPS are used to study the kinematics of masers by the following procedures. The intensity is used to identify masers on the map in order to obtain their distribution in the region. The frequency is then used to calculate the velocity with respect to the average group velocity using the principle of Doppler shift effect. In or-

der to determine the strength of the magnetic field and to map the field structure, the peak signals of the left-hand and right-hand circularly polarized of the lines and splitting between them (in terms of frequency) are obtained. Such a splitting is the result of the Zeeman effect, hence the determination of the value of the magnetic field.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### OH Maser Distribution

The results of circularly polarised emission are summarized in Table 1, which show the velocity, position, position uncertainty, and peak flux density of each circularly polarised OH maser. The positions related to the zero-point at R.A.(J2000) =  $20^{\text{h}}10^{\text{m}}09^{\text{s}}.23$ , Dec.(J2000) =  $31^{\circ}31'36''.37$ . Maser emissions are detected from 28 different spectral features. Nineteen features are seen in left circular polarisation (LCP) and nine features are seen in right circular polarisation (RCP). The velocity profiles of each feature in both RCP and LCP cover the velocity range of  $22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  (from  $6 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  to  $28 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ ) which does not include another group of OH maser emissions at the velocity between  $0 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  to  $6 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  as seen in Argon *et al.* [1]. The OH masers are distributed over a region of 3.5 arcsec a side, which is elongated in a north west and south east (NW-SE) direction. The elongation is approximately orthogonal to the projected direction of the bipolar outflow seen in  $\text{HCO}^+$  [8]. The distribution is interpreted in terms of a disc surrounding the source of the outflow. Comparing the distribution of OH masers with Argon *et al.* [1] which show good match of positions with VLA of NRAO and in the southern part from 1.5 to  $-1$  arcsec in RA offset. With MERLIN resolution, six features of LCP are separated from other masers and have weak peak flux which are less than  $1 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$ . This suggests that MERLIN resolution can observe molecular positions better than the VLA while it has sensitivity less than the Very-Long-Baseline-Interferometry (VLBI).

### OH Maser Kinematics

Some velocities distributions are similar to the model of velocity distributions of the 1665 MHz OH masers by Gray *et al.* [3] where the bluest velocities appear for masers in the north of the map, while the reddest velocities appear near the centre and in the southern part of map (see Figure 1). The main velocities of OH masers are near the central velocity ( $15 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ ). Thus, the OH masers are possibly slow moving with respect to the center of ON1.

### Magnetic Field in ON1

Analysis of the OH maser polarization reveals three Zeeman Pairs, with field strengths ranging from  $-0.97$ ,  $-1.49$  and  $-2.07$  mG (directed toward us). Comparing the magnetic pressure  $B^2/2\pi$  with the kinetic energy density  $\rho V^2/2$ , for typical  $\text{H}_2$  densities of  $10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and typical velocities of  $3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  we find that the fields are strong enough to be dynamically important in the star formation process. Circular polarization of the OH masers in this source is very strong,  $\sim 94\%$  while linear polarization is weaker,  $\sim 32\%$  (see Table II).

### Relation of Masers to Molecular Outflow

The linear polarization vectors are predominantly either perpendicular or parallel to the outflow direction. The linear polarization vectors imply that the transverse magnetic field directions are either parallel or perpendicular to the outflow, therefore, supporting the hydromagnetic model proposed by Uchida and Shibata [9]. ON1 has linear polarisations, both parallel and orthogonal to the outflow direction, while its maser distribution is orthogonal to the outflow direction. From previous MERLIN observations in NGC7538 [4], the linear polarisation vectors are the most organized, both parallel and orthogonal to the outflow especially in Infrared Sources 11 (IRS 11) which the result of the percentage of polarisation are likely ON1 (see Figure 2). Moreover, full polarisation

measurements of the OH emission show systematic difference between IRS 1, IRS 9 and IRS 11 while they can trace a possible evolutionary sequence from oldest (IRS 1) to youngest (IRS 11). In this case, if compare between the polarisations of ON1 with IRS 11, ON1 will have the evolution in the young old. Thus plotting the diagram is a method to analyse the evolution sequence of star forming region. Cohen [2] suggested that the polarisation properties are age related with younger sources being more highly organized, having stronger polarisation and greater alignment with the outflow direction.

### CONCLUSION

The OH masers are distributed over a region of  $3.5$  arcsec a side, which is elongated in a north-west-south-east (NW-SE) direction. The elongation is approximately orthogonal to the projected direction of the bipolar outflow seen in  $\text{HCO}^+$ . The distribution is interpreted in terms of a disc surrounding the source of the outflow. The main velocities of OH masers are near the central velocity ( $15 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ ). Thus the OH masers are possibly slow moving with respect to the center of ON1. Comparing the distribution of OH masers with previous work shows close matched positions with those measured using the Very Large Array (VLA) of National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO). We also detected 6 maser features that are separated from the other masers. This suggests that MERLIN resolution can observe molecular positions better than the VLA while it has resolution less than that of Very-Long-Baseline-Interferometry (VLBI). Analysis of the OH maser polarization reveals three Zeeman Pairs, with field strengths ranging from  $-0.97$ ,  $-1.49$  and  $-2.07$  mG (directed toward us). Comparing the magnetic pressure  $B^2/2\pi$  with the kinetic energy density  $\rho V^2/2$ , for typical  $\text{H}_2$  densities of  $10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and typical velocities of  $3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  we find that the fields are strong enough to be dynamically important in the star formation process. Circular polarization of the OH masers in this source is very strong,  $\sim 94\%$  while linear polarization is



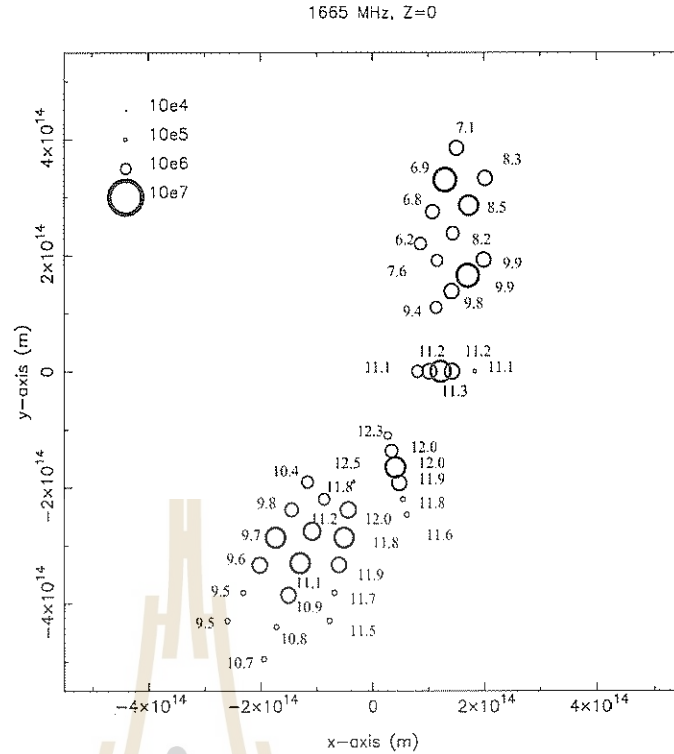


Figure 1: The distribution of model maser spots in the disc plane at 1665 MHz. Stokes  $I$  amplification factor is indicated by the size of the circles; numbers indicate the line-of-sight velocity in  $\text{km s}^{-1}$ . (Source: Figure 8 of Gray *et al.* [3])

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#### SUGGESTIONS

1. In this work the polarisation properties of the 1665 MHz OH masers have been studied. However, the polarisation study of other transitions of OH masers (e.g. 1612, 1667, and 1720 MHz) will help to confirm and complement to the result from this work.
2. Comparing the distribution of OH masers with Argon *et al.* [1] which show nearly match positions with VLA of NRAO. There

are 6 features of masers which are separated from other masers and have weak peak flux being less than  $1 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$ . This suggests that MERLIN has sensitivity more than the VLA. The observations at higher sensitivity (such as VLBI) may be able to measure the polarisations and magnetic fields of the weak masers.

3. Observations of more samples of OH masers in Star Forming Regions (SFRs) will help to confirm the method of using polarisation and ordered of to identify the age of star-forming regions.

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Table I: OH maser features in ON1. Flux weighted mean velocities and positions are given for each feature in both polarization. The positions are given related to zero-point at R.A.(J2000) =  $20^{\text{h}}10^{\text{m}}09^{\text{s}}.23$ , Dec.(J2000) =  $31^{\circ}31'36''.37$ .

Transition	Feature	Stokes <i>I</i> No.	Velocity <sup>a</sup> (km s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\Delta$ R.A. <sup>b</sup> (arcsec)	$\Delta$ Dec. <sup>b</sup> (arcsec)	$\sigma_{\text{RA}}$ <sup>c</sup> (arcsec)	$\sigma_{\text{Dec}}$ <sup>c</sup> (arcsec)	Peak flux <sup>d</sup> (Jy beam <sup>-1</sup> )	Comment
1665-LCP:									
	A	20	6.16	-2.046	-0.386	0.008	0.010	0.37	
	B	19	11.60	-1.628	-1.803	0.004	0.002	0.30	
	C1	18	11.83	-2.965	-0.722	0.003	0.002	0.70	Z <sub>1</sub> - 2.07 mG
	D	-	12.90	-1.962	-1.389	0.040	0.004	0.14	
	C2	-	12.97	-2.962	-0.729	0.011	0.011	0.27	Z <sub>1</sub>
	E1	15	13.68	-1.962	-0.862	0.013	0.007	1.90	Z <sub>2</sub> - 0.97 mG
	E2	13	13.93	-1.962	-0.865	0.011	0.011	2.75	Z <sub>2</sub>
	F1	-	14.19	-1.751	-1.915	0.002	0.005	0.60	
	G1	-	14.22	-1.850	-1.394	0.003	0.001	12.30	Z <sub>3</sub> - 1.49 mG
	H	-	14.29	-2.386	-1.180	0.004	0.004	5.77	
	F2	8	14.96	-1.737	-1.899	0.001	0.003	1.07	
	G2	7	14.97	-1.845	-1.396	0.002	0.001	18.64	Z <sub>3</sub>
	I	6	14.98	-1.716	-0.884	0.010	0.006	0.57	
	J	9	14.98	-1.165	-1.572	0.037	0.009	0.29	
	K	5	15.02	-2.411	-0.893	0.009	0.003	0.22	
	L	4	15.04	-3.307	-1.606	0.007	0.010	0.20	
	M	3	15.23	-2.835	-0.676	0.011	0.009	0.75	
	N	2	16.37	-2.123	-1.800	0.018	0.004	0.37	
	O	1	16.37	-2.233	-1.297	0.015	0.004	6.63	
1665-RCP:									
	c1	-	11.75	-2.903	-0.767	0.019	0.029	0.59	Z <sub>1</sub>
	c2	16	12.83	-2.903	-0.712	0.002	0.005	0.46	Z <sub>1</sub>
	d	17	12.86	-1.997	-1.391	0.003	0.001	17.43	
	e1	-	13.36	-1.969	-0.851	0.019	0.015	0.98	Z <sub>2</sub>
	p	14	13.63	-2.266	-1.287	0.003	0.008	3.47	
	g1	11	14.09	-1.846	-1.396	0.005	0.002	22.57	Z <sub>3</sub>
	r	12	14.10	-2.776	-0.677	0.025	0.019	0.61	
	h	10	14.19	-2.388	-1.182	0.012	0.009	8.51	
	g2	-	14.82	-1.846	-1.397	0.006	0.007	0.59	Z <sub>3</sub>

<sup>a</sup> Velocity with respect to the local standard of rest (LSR), assuming a rest frequency of 1665.402 MHz.

<sup>b</sup> R.A. and Dec. offset from zero-point at R.A.(J2000) =  $20^{\text{h}}10^{\text{m}}09^{\text{s}}.23$ , Dec.(J2000) =  $31^{\circ}31'36''.37$ .

<sup>c</sup> The positional uncertainties in each feature are calculated from the standard deviation of the position of the components in that R.A. and Dec. of each feature.

<sup>d</sup> Peak flux density in Janskys per beam.

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Table II: The Stokes parameter flux ( $I, Q, U, V$ ) and the polarization properties of OH maser features in ON1. The flux weighted mean velocities and positions are given for each feature.

No.	Vel. (km s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\Delta\alpha^{\circ}$ (arcsec)	$\Delta\delta^{\circ}$ (arcsec)	$I$ (Jy b <sup>-1</sup> )	$Q^f$ (Jy b <sup>-1</sup> )	$U^f$ (Jy b <sup>-1</sup> )	$V^f$ (Jy b <sup>-1</sup> )	$P$ (Jy b <sup>-1</sup> )	$\chi$ ( $^{\circ}$ )	$m_L$ (%)	$m_C$ (%)	$m_T$ (%)
1	16.37	-2.233	-1.297	3.339	0.007	0.330	-3.181	0.330	-	9.9	-95.3	95.8
2	16.35	-2.124	-1.797	0.154	-0.011	0.014	-0.124	0.018	-	11.5	-80.4	81.3
3	15.23	-2.836	-0.676	0.367	0.005	-0.025	-0.363	0.025	-	6.9	-98.9	99.1
4	15.06	-3.284	-1.588	0.132	-0.017	-0.002	-0.027	0.017	-	12.8	-20.3	24.0
5	15.01	-2.408	-0.891	0.119	-0.013	0.008	-0.085	0.015	-	12.7	-71.2	72.3
6	14.99	-1.707	-0.883	0.224	0.006	0.016	-0.256	0.017	-	7.5	-114.4	114.7
7	14.97	-1.846	-1.396	9.561	-0.360	3.031	-8.973	3.052	48	31.9	-93.9	99.1
8	14.97	-1.741	-1.899	0.526	0.020	0.129	-0.505	0.131	-	24.8	-96.0	99.1
9	14.95	-1.127	-1.582	0.168	-0.018	0.014	-0.088	0.023	-	13.4	-52.6	54.3
10	14.23	-2.386	-1.181	7.295	-2.722	-4.162	1.656	4.973	-62	68.2	22.7	71.9
11	14.13	-1.847	-1.395	17.411	-13.061	-5.629	6.453	14.222	-78	81.7	37.1	89.7
12	14.06	-2.791	-0.683	0.362	-0.138	-0.045	0.158	0.145	-81	40.0	43.6	59.2
13	13.86	-1.972	-0.854	1.603	-0.538	0.542	-0.590	0.764	68	47.6	-36.8	60.2
14	13.64	-2.268	-1.286	1.828	0.142	0.196	1.832	0.242	28	13.2	100.2	101.1
15	13.56	-1.965	-0.862	1.225	-0.391	0.446	-0.521	0.594	65	48.4	-42.5	64.5
16	12.88	-2.919	-0.716	0.375	-0.002	0.008	0.092	0.008	-	2.2	24.5	24.6
17	12.86	-1.996	-1.391	8.847	-0.075	-0.622	9.372	0.626	-48	7.1	105.9	106.2
18	11.81	-2.943	-0.738	0.605	0.042	-0.016	-0.038	0.045	-	7.5	-6.2	9.7
19	11.60	-1.626	-1.805	0.122	-0.007	0.009	-0.131	0.011	-	8.9	-107.0	107.4
20	6.16	-2.041	-0.392	0.179	0.005	0.000	-0.153	0.005	-	2.6	-85.2	85.2

<sup>◦</sup> Angular offsets on the sky of the maser from the zero point toward the east (R.A.) and north (Dec.).

<sup>f</sup> Peak flux intensity in Stokes  $I$  and use the position of the  $I$  peak to measure peak flux in Stokes  $Q$ ,  $U$  and  $V$  respectively.

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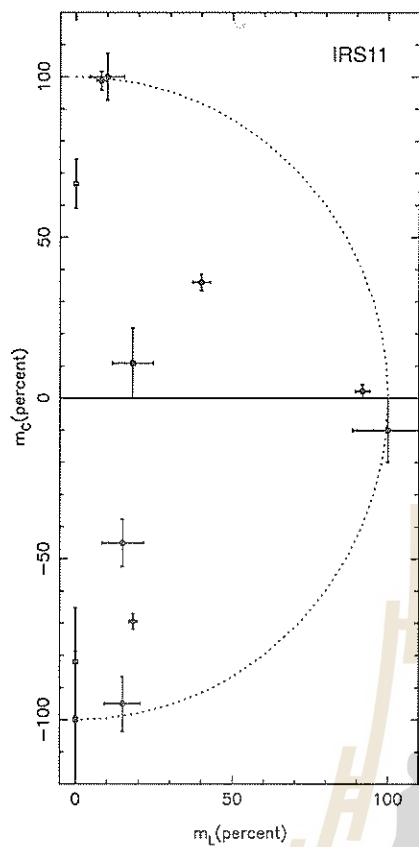


Figure 2: Percentage of linear versus circular polarization of each feature in NGC 7538. Circles, squares and triangles represent the 1665-, 1667- and 1720-MHz maser features, respectively. The degree of polarization increases from IRS 1 through IRS 9 to IRS 11. (Source: Figure 11(c) of Hutawarakorn and Cohen [4])

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## Electron Spin Resonance Study of $Gd^{3+}$ in Zircon

### การศึกษาอิเล็คตรอนสปินเรโซแนนซ์ของกาโดลิเนียมในเพทาย

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This research work, the X-band ESR spectra of the untreated zircon at room temperature with the applied magnetic field directions approximately perpendicular to the [100] and [001] directions have been studied. The ESR spectra were generated from the microwave energy absorptions due to the transitions between the spin states of gadolinium ions ( $Gd^{3+}$ ,  $S = 7/2$ ), which were the impurity ions in the natural zircon. This effect can be proved by the study of fine structure of  $Gd^{3+}$ . Angular variation of peak positions reflected that the symmetry surrounding of  $Gd^{3+}$  is  $D_{2d}$ , hence the  $Gd^{3+}$  replaced for the  $Zr^{4+}$  in the lattice.

งานวิจัยนี้ได้ศึกษาสเปกตรัมของเพทายที่ยังไม่ผ่านกระบวนการให้ความร้อนด้วยเครื่องอิเล็คตรอนสปินเรโซแนนซ์ในย่านความถี่ไมโครเวฟ ณ อุณหภูมิห้อง โดยให้ทิศทาง [100] และ [001] ของผลึกเพทายทำมุมตั้งฉากโดยประมาณกับทิศทางของสนามแม่เหล็กภายนอก จากการวิเคราะห์พบว่า สเปกตรัมที่ได้จากการดูคลื่นพลังงานคลื่นแม่เหล็กไฟฟ้าในย่านความถี่คลื่นไมโครเวฟทำให้เกิดการเปลี่ยนสถานะของสปินของกาโดลิเนียมไอออนที่เป็นไอออนมลทินในเพทายธรรมชาติ ซึ่งยืนยันได้จากจำนวนของสัญญาณที่มีความเข้มสูงอันเนื่องมาจากอิเล็คตรอนสปินของกาโดลิเนียมไอออน ( $Gd^{3+}$ ,  $S = 7/2$ ) เมื่อสังเกตตำแหน่งที่เกิดสัญญาณโดยการหมุนผลึกพบว่ากาโดลิเนียมจะมีลักษณะสมมาตรแบบ  $D_{2d}$  ดังนั้นสรุปได้ว่ากาโดลิเนียมไอออนจะไปแทนที่เซอร์โคเนียมไอออน

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### INTRODUCTION

Zircon is found in igneous rocks and sediments. It is a host mineral for radioactive elements such as uranium and thorium in the earth's crust and is a natural candidate for usage as a nuclear waste storage material. It has a wide variety of impurity ions, rare-earth ions and several other transition ions. Zircon is used as a gemstone because of its good optical quality and resistance to chemical attack [1]. It has a high refractive index (about 1.933–1.992) which responsible for its diamond-like appearance. Zircon has a specific gravity about 4.7 and a hardness of 7.5 on the Mohs' scale.

Zircon is a crystal of zirconium silicate having an empirical formula of  $ZrSiO_4$  and molecular weight of 183.28.  $ZrSiO_4$  comprises an arrangement of  $SiO_4$  tetrahedrons and  $ZrO_8$  dodec-

ahedron; two different arrangements corresponding to two distinct phases are observed depending on the pressure.  $ZrSiO_4$  has a tetragonal body-centered Bravais lattice with 12 atoms in the unit cell (Fig. 1). The space group is  $I4_1/amd$  ( $D_{4h}^{19}$ ) and the unit cell contains four  $SiO_4^{-4}$  and four  $ZrO_8^{-12}$  groups. The four groups within each set have the same geometry and different orientations. The  $SiO_4^{-4}$  groups are distorted tetrahedral elongated along a 2-fold z-axis parallel to the c crystallographic axis and their symmetry is  $D_{2d}$  [2].

### METHODOLOGY

An ESR spectrum is due to electronic transitions between electronic-spin levels which are hard to calculate from the total Hamiltonian of an atom surrounded by neighbor atoms, especially in low site symmetry. A solution of the problem lie in the



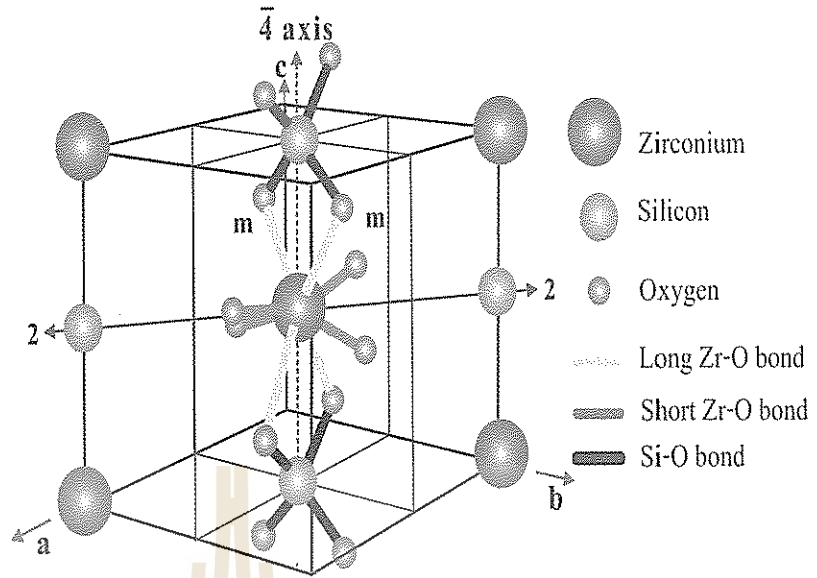


Figure 1: (color online). Portion of the zircon unit cell showing interconnection of  $\text{SiO}_4^{-4}$  tetrahedral and  $\text{ZrO}_8$  dodecahedron along the  $\bar{4}$  axis [3].

use of a phenomenological Hamiltonian called the spin Hamiltonian (SH). It is related to an effective spin  $S$  for the ground state such that the number of level is  $2S + 1$ . The require spin Hamiltonian [4] may be written as

$$H = \beta \vec{B} \cdot \mathbf{g} \cdot \vec{S} + \sum_k \sum_{q=-k}^k B_k^q O_k^q + \vec{S} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \vec{I} + \vec{I} \cdot \mathbf{P} \cdot \vec{I}. \quad (1)$$

Where the first term correspond to the Zeeman interaction due to the external applied magnetic field. The Zeeman term,  $\beta$ ,  $\vec{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$  and  $\vec{S}$  are the Bohr magneton, magnetic field, gyromagnetic tensor, the spin operators  $S_x$ ,  $S_y$  and  $S_z$  respectively.

The second term is related to the fine structure interaction and reflects the local symmetry of the crystal, this term is called zero field splitting term. The  $O_k^{\pm q}$  are Stevens's operators and  $B_k^{\pm q}$  is associated real Stevens constant. Operators with odd  $k$  value are not considered because they are not invariant with time reversal. The summation of  $\sum_k \sum_{q=-k}^k B_k^q O_k^q$  term is limited by the electronic

configuration of the transition metal ion. The required  $k$  value is equal to  $2\ell$ , where  $\ell$  is the individual electron's angular momentum number. For example, the transition metal ion in f-block ( $\ell = 3$ ) hence the highest order of  $k$  is 6. The superscript  $q$  is reflected to the symmetry, the presence of  $B_k^{\pm q}$  will be depended on the appreciable symmetry.

The third term is hyperfine interaction due to the interaction between electron spin and nuclear spin with spin  $\vec{I}$ .  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\vec{I}$  are the nuclear spin tensor and the nuclear-spin operator in the  $(2I + 1)$ -dimension space, respectively.

The last term is the nuclear quadrupole interaction, where  $\mathbf{P}$  are nuclear quadrupole tensor [5].

It has been known that crystalline electric fields interact weakly with the  $^8S_{7/2}$  ground state of  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$ . The crystal field splitting for  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  is generally smaller than that produced by the Zeeman interaction in X-band ESR experiments. The ESR spectrum consists of seven anisotropic lines described by a spin Hamiltonian incorporating both crystal field and Zeeman operators [6].

$$H = \beta \vec{S} \cdot \mathbf{g} \cdot \vec{B} + B_2^0 O_2^0 + B_4^0 O_4^0$$

$$+ B_4^4 O_4^4 + B_6^0 O_6^0 + B_6^4 O_6^4. \quad (2)$$

A chosen natural zircon sample of dimension about  $2 \times 2 \times 5 \text{ mm}^3$  was cleaned thoroughly with acid and solvent to removed stains and other impurities on its surface. The ESR spectra of the natural zircon crystal were measured at room temperature by the ESR spectrometer in the microwave range of X-band ( $\sim 9.86 \text{ GHz}$ ). The sample was mounted on a glass sample holder which could rotate about its axis. The ESR spectra were measured with the  $c$ -axis of the crystal both perpendicular and parallel to the applied magnetic field and were recorded in the range of 0 to 180 degrees for every 15 degrees of rotation angle.

### RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The rotation patterns of ESR peak positions in the ESR spectra with the different applied magnetic field directions will reflect the impurity ion site symmetry.

Since most of the ESR spectra are generally very complicated and some of them are not clearly resolved, then it is not easy to comprehend the ESR information. However at one distinctive angle of the magnetic field direction perpendicular to the [100] and [001] direction, ESR spectrum in Fig. 2 and 3 clearly exhibits seven peaks of fine structure that are symmetric relative to the central resonant field ( $B = 354.31 \text{ mT}$ ,  $333.75 \text{ mT}$ ).

The spectrum is generated only from the microwave-energy transitions between the states within the paramagnetic spin system of  $S = 7/2$  and the ESR spectra shown in Fig. 1 indicated that the applied magnetic field is more or less parallel to the principal direction. This direction is theoretically taken as an axis of quantization (or  $z$ -axis) which coincides with the  $c$ -axis of zircon lattice. Therefore, whenever the principal direction (or  $z$ -axis) of ESR system is identified, ESR spectra analysis will become more convenient to understand by using the concept of transformation (i.e. rotation). Applying an external magnetic field parallel to the principal direction will

result in the ESR spectra being symmetric with respect to the central peak and having the maximum separation between the adjacent peaks. The angular variation plot of ESR spectra as shown in Fig. 4 and 5 reflects that the crystal field symmetry of the surroundings around the paramagnetic ion is  $D_{2d}$ , i.e. the point-symmetry at the  $Zr^{4+}$  site.

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## Impurities in Natural Diamond Observed by ESR Spectroscopy

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Characterization of different types of natural diamonds with Electron Spin Resonance (ESR) spectroscopy reveals absorption spectrum. The ESR spectra exhibit the detail of impurities and point defect. In natural diamond, nitrogen is major impurity. The P1 center is one of paramagnetic center in natural type I diamonds. The ESR spectra of this center consists three strong lines. These lines, generated from a coupling between the electron spin ( $s = 1/2$ ) and the nuclear spin ( $I = 1$ ) of the nitrogen atom, exhibited the hyperfine splitting phenomena. In addition, the position of isolated substitutional nitrogen (P1 center) was at (0,0,0) of unit cell. Because the ESR spectra obtained at  $\phi = 0, 90$  and  $180$  degree were the same line shape.

ลักษณะความแตกต่างของเพชรธรรมชาติที่วัดจากเครื่อง ESR จะแสดงออกมาในรูปของสเปกตรัมการดูดกลืนสเปกตรัม ESR จะสามารถบอกรายละเอียดเกี่ยวกับธาตุมลทินและจุดบกพร่องในผลึกเพชรได้ ในเพชรธรรมชาติจะพบไนโตรเจนเป็นธาตุมลทินอยู่มากที่สุด และมีศูนย์กลางที่เรียกว่า P1 ซึ่งเป็นศูนย์กลางที่พบในการวัดด้วยเครื่อง ESR สำหรับเพชรในกลุ่มที่ I ในศูนย์กลาง P1 นี้จะให้สัญญาณ ESR ที่เห็นได้ชัดเจนทั้งหมด 3 พีก โดยพีกเหล่านี้เกิดจากการทำอันตรกิริยาระหว่าง อิเล็กตรอนสปิน ( $s = 1/2$ ) และนิวเคลียสไนโตรเจน ( $I = 1$ ) ของไนโตรเจนอะตอม ที่แสดงออกมาในรูปของไฮเปอร์ฟาย นอกจากนี้ ตำแหน่งของอะตอมไนโตรเจนเดี่ยวที่แทรกตัวอยู่ในศูนย์กลาง P1 พบว่าจะอยู่ที่ตำแหน่ง (0, 0, 0) ในยูนิตเซลล์ เนื่องจากสเปกตรัม ESR ที่มุม  $\phi = 0, 90$  และ  $180$  องศา มีลักษณะสเปกตรัมเป็นสามพีกเหมือนกัน

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## INTRODUCTION

Diamonds are specifically gems, which is very popular and highly expensive due to its scarcity, beauty, and durability. Diamond can be highly valued though it is small in size. According to these factors, diamond has been made and known as precious object for a long time. Generally, clarity, color, cut, and carat or quality indicate value or price of diamond.

The value of a diamond is determined by what are commonly referred to as the 4Cs. Color is one of four Cs and is used throughout the world to classify the rarity of diamonds. Colored diamonds contain impurities or structural defects that cause the coloration, while pure or nearly pure diamonds are transparent and colorless. Most diamond impurities replace a carbon atom in the crystal lattice. The most common impurity in diamond crystal is

nitrogen in which it causes a slight to strong yellow coloration depending upon the type and concentration of nitrogen present. The defects (i.e. substitutional impurities) can be detected by different types of spectroscopy, including ESR, photoluminescence in ultraviolet light, and absorption of infrared light. The resulting absorption spectrum can then be analyzed, identified, and used to separate natural from synthetic or enhanced diamonds. The nitrogen can comprise up to 1% of a diamond by weight. Nitrogen as a diamond impurity was first identified in 1959 by Kaiser and Bond of Bell Telephone [1]. In this work, we measured natural type I diamonds by ESR spectroscopy. This technique was employed for natural diamond crystal or powder measurement. Because the ESR technique can specify impurities position in crystal lattice [1, 2, 3].

Diamonds typically crystallize in the face-

centered cubic crystal system. The unit cell of diamond has two atom basis at  $(0,0,0)$  and  $(1/4, 1/4, 1/4)$ . But in natural diamond, the tetrahedral or octahedral are normally formed. The group symmetry of natural diamond is tetrahedral,  $T_d$ . The tetrahedral arrangement of atoms in a diamond crystal is the source of many of diamond's properties. In this research work, ESR spectra of diamond were described based on basic quantum mechanics.

### EXPERIMENTAL

The measured samples were natural type I diamonds. The samples were not cut and polished its surface. Due to the polish make to deteriorate plane of crystal samples. The good samples were cubic shape. We were cleaned thoroughly with acid and solvent to remove stains and other impurities on its surface. The ESR spectra of natural diamond crystal were measured at room temperature by ESR spectroscopy in microwave range of X-band (9.34 GHz).

Subsequently it was mounted on a sample holder with the  $c$ -axis [001] perpendicular to magnetic field direction and was inserted into a goniometer to control the orientation of the crystal axis with respect to the external applied magnetic field direction, as shown in Figure 1. From Figure 1,  $\theta$  is the angle between magnetic field direction and  $x$ -axis and  $\phi$  is the angle between projection of magnetic field on  $xy$  plane and  $x$ -axis. In this paper, the magnetic fields were along  $z$ -axis, and hence  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  are zero. The magnetic field was varied from 3440 to 3560 Gauss. Then, the ESR spectra were measured at every 90 degree of rotation  $\phi$  angle ( $\phi$ ) of diamond about  $c$ -axis from 0-180 degree.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The result of ESR spectra of one diamond sample is shown in Figure 2, when the magnetic field was applied in the direction perpendicular to  $c$ -axis. There are three strong lines. We can interpret these spectra by considering substitutional

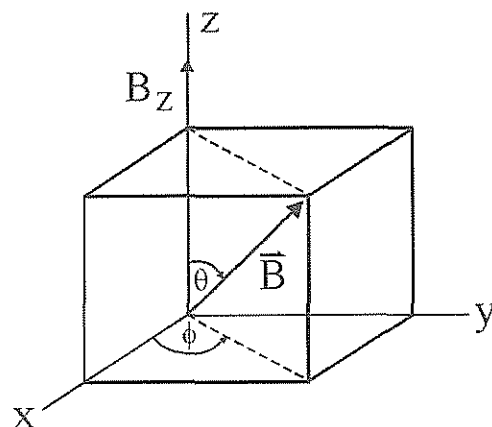


Figure 1: Direction of magnetic field.

nitrogen in diamond. Each one of nitrogen atom replaces a carbon atom to form covalent bond with carbon atom (C-N bond) and one unpaired electron was remained in C-N bond. In nature, substitutional nitrogen comprise of nearly 100%  $^{14}\text{N}$ , with nuclear spin,  $I = 1$  [2, 3, 4]. When we applied magnetic field into atom, the single unpaired electron energy level of nitrogen atom splitted into two energy levels [5], spin up ( $+1/2$ ) and spin down ( $-1/2$ ), as shown in Figure 3. The nuclear spin ( $I = 1$  for  $^{14}\text{N}$ ) is interaction with electron spin ( $s = 1/2$ ) which the energy levels were splitted six level. The energy level of electrons splitted by interaction with nuclear spin, was called the nuclear hyperfine interaction. The transition between sublevels is under selection rule ( $\Delta m_s = \pm 1$ ,  $\Delta m_I = 0$ ) as shown in Figure 3.

We rotated crystal sample about  $c$ -axis of crystal through  $\phi$  angle from 0 to 90 and 180 degree. The results of ESR spectra are shown in Figure 4. It is seen that the ESR spectra at  $\phi$  0, 90 and 180 degree are exactly the same line shapes with three strong lines, due to the symmetry of diamond crystal is tetrahedral and unit cell is faced-center cubic. Moreover, when we rotate the crystal sample every 90 degree in which the angle between position of substitutional nitrogen and direction of magnetic field is the same.

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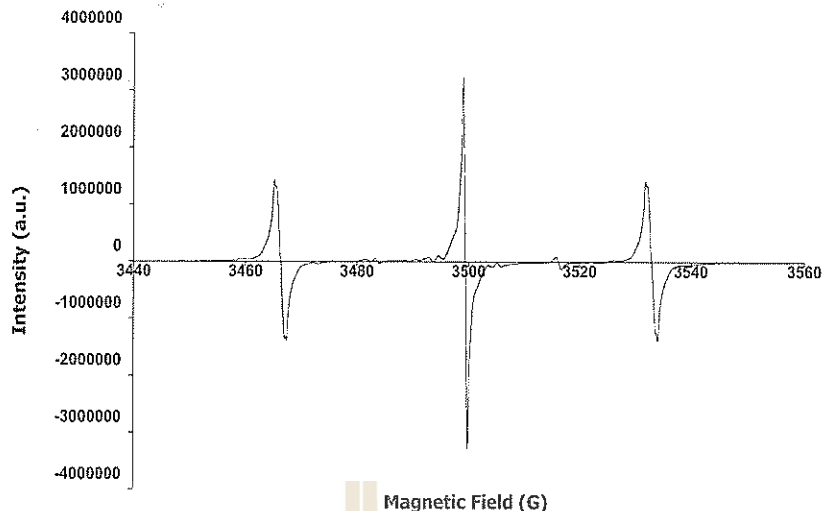


Figure 2: ESR spectra at  $\theta = 0$  and  $\phi = 0$  degree.

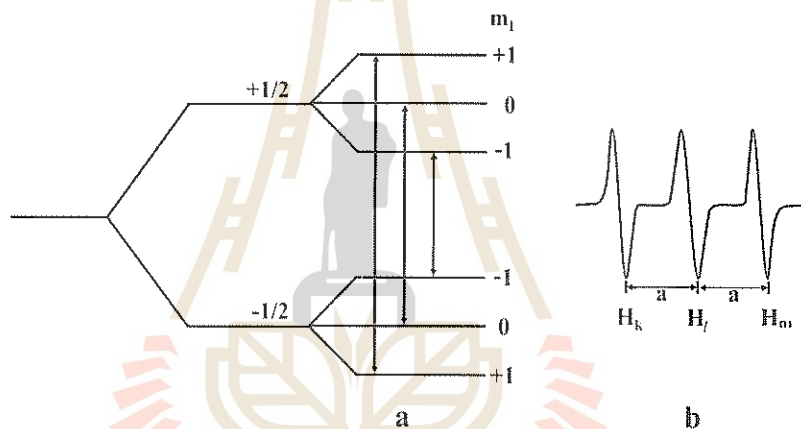


Figure 3: Hyperfine splitting for  $s = 1/2$  and  $I = 1$ .

CONCLUSION

The characterization of paramagnetic center in diamond has been studied by ESR spectroscopy. The results of ESR spectra obtained were three lines at phi angles of  $\phi = 0, 90$  and  $180$  degrees. These peaks, generated from a coupling between the electron spin ( $s = 1/2$ ) and the nuclear spin ( $I = 1$ ) of the nitrogen atom, exhibited the hyperfine splitting phenomena which prove the nitrogen impurity in the diamond of type I. Since the ESR

spectra for all phi angles is comparably similar due to the angles between substitutitional nitrogen and magnetic field were the similarity.

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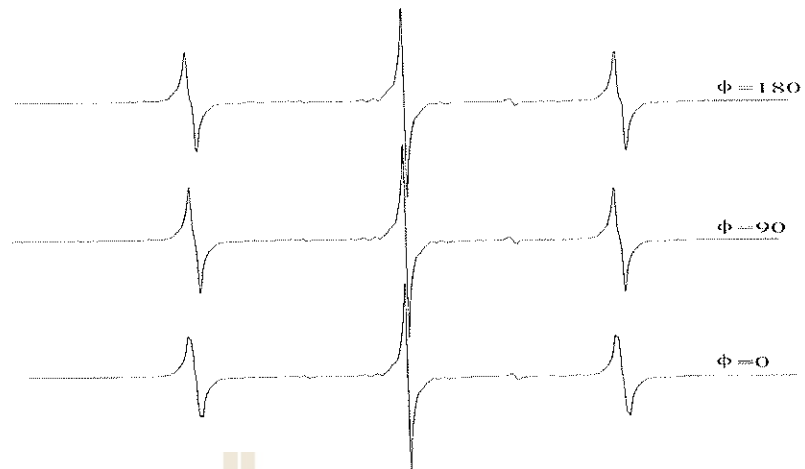


Figure 4: Comparison of ESR spectra at  $\phi = 0, 90$  and  $180$  degree.

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## Effect of Annealing Ambient on Structural, Electrical and Optical Properties of ITO Films

อิทธิพลของบรรยากาศการอบฟิล์มที่มีผลต่อสมบัติทางโครงสร้างทางไฟฟ้า และทางแสงของฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์

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Indium tin oxide (ITO) films have been deposited on glass substrate without heating by DC magnetron sputtering using an  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SnO}_2$  (90–10 wt%) target. The various oxygen gas flow rates (0–2.0 sccm) of ITO films coating changed the crystal orientation to (222) peak. The ITO films prepared, have been compared of structural, electrical and optical properties for as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum ( $2 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar) at 300 °C for 1 hour. After annealed, the ITO films increased their crystalline structure, as revealed by XRD analysis. The ITO film has a lowest resistivity of  $2.89 \times 10^{-4}$   $\Omega$  cm after annealed in vacuum, and the film has a lower transmission in NIR than the films which annealed in air, or as-deposited.

ฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์ถูกเคลือบลงบนกระจกโดยไม่มีการให้ความร้อนด้วยวิธีที่ซีแมกนีตรอนสปัตเตอร์ริง ซึ่งใช้เป่าอินเดียมออกไซด์-ทินออกไซด์ (90–10 เปอร์เซ็นต์โดยน้ำหนัก) การป้อนก๊าซออกซิเจนในช่วง 0–2.0 sccm ของการเคลือบฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์ จะส่งผลต่อการเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างการจัดเรียงตัวของผลึก โดยเฉพาะพีคที่ระนาบ (222) ฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์หลังเคลือบโดยไม่มีการอบฟิล์ม อบฟิล์มในอากาศ และอบฟิล์มในสุญญากาศ ( $2 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar) จะถูกนำมาเปรียบเทียบสมบัติทางโครงสร้าง สมบัติทางไฟฟ้า และสมบัติทางแสง หลังการอบฟิล์ม ฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์ จะมีการปรับโครงสร้างให้มีความเป็นผลึกสูงขึ้นซึ่งแสดงให้เห็นจากกราฟวิเคราะห์ด้วยการเลี้ยวเบนรังสีเอ็กซ์ ฟิล์มอินเดียมทินออกไซด์จะมีค่าสภาพต้านทานไฟฟ้าต่ำสุดเท่ากับ  $2.89 \times 10^{-4}$   $\Omega$  cm หลังการอบฟิล์มในสุญญากาศ ฟิล์มที่ได้นี้จะมีค่าการส่องผ่านในช่วงรังสีอินฟราเรดที่ต่ำกว่าฟิล์มที่อบในอากาศและฟิล์มที่ไม่ผ่านการอบ

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### INTRODUCTION

Indium tin oxide (ITO) thin films have been widely used in many applications for optoelectronic device such as gas sensors [1, 2], heterojunction solar cell [3], electrode in a dry-sensitized solar cell [4], cathode in transparent organic light-emitting diode [5], ferroelectric photoconductor storage devices [6], and some other applications for architectural and automotive glass (low-e coatings) [7]. Because ITO thin films have a good electrical conduction and high transparence in visible region, which in fact ITO is an n-type semiconductor with a wide band gap ( $E_g \approx 4$  eV) [8].

High quality ITO thin films have been prepared by various deposition methods such as sputtering [9, 10, 11, 12, 13], sol-gel [14], chemical vapor deposition (CVD) [15], and electron beam evaporation [16]. Due to a high sputtering rate and good film performance, DC-magnetron sputtering is widely used. In this work, we deposited ITO thin films on glass substrate by DC-magnetron sputtering without substrate extra heating and investigated the effect of annealing in air and in vacuum to determine the effect of changes in structural, electrical and optical properties.

## EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

The target used in this work was a 90 wt%  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$  and 10 wt%  $\text{SnO}_2$  (purity 99.99% diameter 3" and thickness 0.25"). The glass substrate was ultrasonically cleaned in acetone, rinse in deionized water and allowed to dry in air before deposition.

The sputtering was performed in a mixed Ar- $\text{O}_2$  (purity 99.99% and 99.99%) which was separately controlled by mass flow controllers. The gas flow rate of argon was fixed at 50 sccm and oxygen was varied in the range of 0-2.0 sccm. The distance between the ITO target and the glass substrate was 8.6 cm, and the DC power was kept constant at 50 W. A turbo-molecular pump coupled with a rotary pump was used to achieve a base pressure of  $6 \times 10^{-6}$  mbar before introducing gas mixtures and working pressure of about  $5 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar. The films prepared at room temperature were then annealed at 300 °C in different ambient conditions, one in air and the other in vacuum ( $2 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar) for 1 h.

The films thickness was measured with a spectroscopic ellipsometry. In this work, the measurements were performed on the films having the thickness about 230 nm. The x-ray diffractometer was used to study the crystallinity and crystal orientation of ITO thin films. The optical transmission spectra of films in UV-Vis-NIR region were recorded by a spectrophotometer. The electrical resistivity was measured by four point-probes in van der Pauw configuration.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### The effect of oxygen gas flow

Fig. 1 shows the XRD patterns of ITO films prepared at DC power of 50 W, argon gas flow 50 sccm and time coated 600 s (230 nm thick) at room temperature for various oxygen gas flow in the range of 0-2.0 sccm. It could be seen that the intensity ratio of (222)/(400) peak increased with increasing the oxygen gas flow rate. However, only the small amount of ITO films showed crystalline structure.

Fig. 2 shows transmission spectra of ITO thin

film at various oxygen gas flow rates prepared at DC power of 50 W, argon gas flow rate 50 sccm and time coated 600 s (230 nm thick) at room temperature in the range of 190 nm to 2100 nm. It could be seen that the films had high transparency in visible region (78%) and near infrared region. The transmission at ultraviolet region of ITO films rapidly decreased due to absorption at the energy band gap ( $E_g$ ).

### The effect of annealing ambient

A study of the effect of annealing ambient we prepared the ITO films at DC power of 50 W, gas flow rates of argon and oxygen were 50 and 0.5 sccm, respectively and time coated 600 s (230 nm thick) at room temperature. Fig. 3 shows the XRD patterns for specimens of as-deposited, annealed in air and annealed in vacuum at 300 °C for 1 h. It could be seen the XRD patterns of ITO films became crystalline after annealing. The dominate intensity of the four peak, (222), (400), (440) and (622), were significantly affected by annealing. The intensity ratio of (222)/(400) peak for specimen after annealing in air is higher than annealing in vacuum.

Fig. 4 show the electrical resistivity of ITO prepared at 50 W, gas flow rates of argon and oxygen were 50 and 0.5 sccm, respectively. The resistivity decreased from specimens as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum ( $\sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar), respectively. The specimens annealed both in vacuum and in air show higher crystallinity, but the one annealed in air should be oxidized to form stoichiometric oxide with high resistivity, while the one annealed in vacuum, no oxygen, should have more oxygen vacancies that provide the film with lower resistivity [17].

Fig. 5 show Transmission spectra of ITO for specimens as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum at 300 °C for 1 h. The transmission in visible range were high in both annealed cases, but the transmission in the near infrared range of the specimen annealed in vacuum was lower than annealed in air and as-deposited. Consider transmission at ultraviolet range of all films,

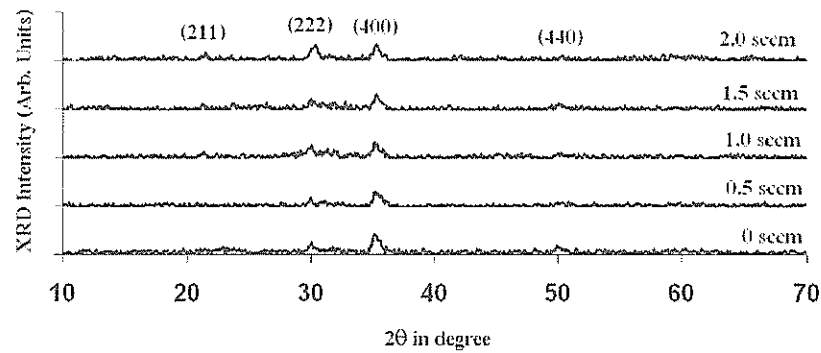


Figure 1: XRD pattern of as-deposited ITO film at various oxygen gas flow rates.

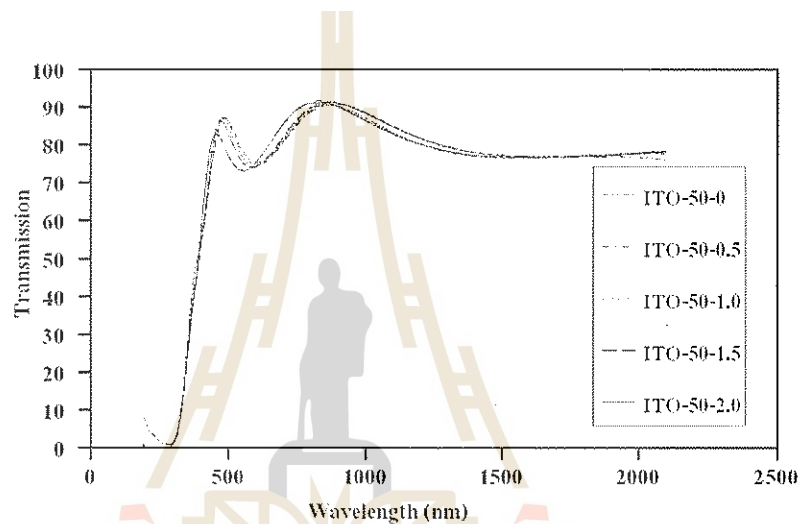


Figure 2: Transmission spectra of ITO thin film at various oxygen gas flow rates.

the edge of absorption was shift to the lower wavelength for annealed in vacuum, annealed in air and as-deposited, respectively. The change of the band gap energy of films after annealing has been reported as a Moss-Burstein shift [18].

### CONCLUSIONS

The sputtering of ITO with fixed argon flow rates of 50 sccm and varied oxygen flow rates of 0-2 sccm. The as-deposited film on glass substrate form small amount of crystalline structure with preferred orientation in (400) plane in case of no

oxygen flow rate, but the orientation changed to (222) plane when oxygen flow rate increased. The ITO film with oxygen flow rate 0.5 sccm, after annealed at 300 °C for 1 hour, both in air and in vacuum, showed that the film crystallinity increased. The one annealed in vacuum showed lower intensity ratio of (222)/(400) than annealed in air due to more oxygen vacancies and resulted in lower resistivity. This lower resistivity of vacuum annealing provided lower infrared transmission due to heat mirror effect of lower resistivity.

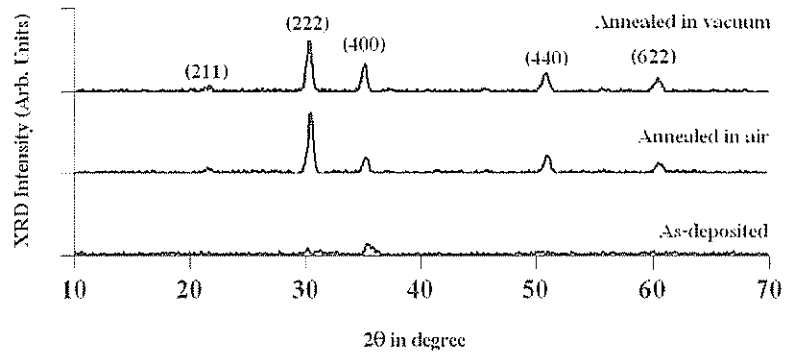


Figure 3: XRD pattern of ITO films prepared at 50 W, O<sub>2</sub> flow rate 0.5 sccm for specimens as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum at 300 °C for 1 h.

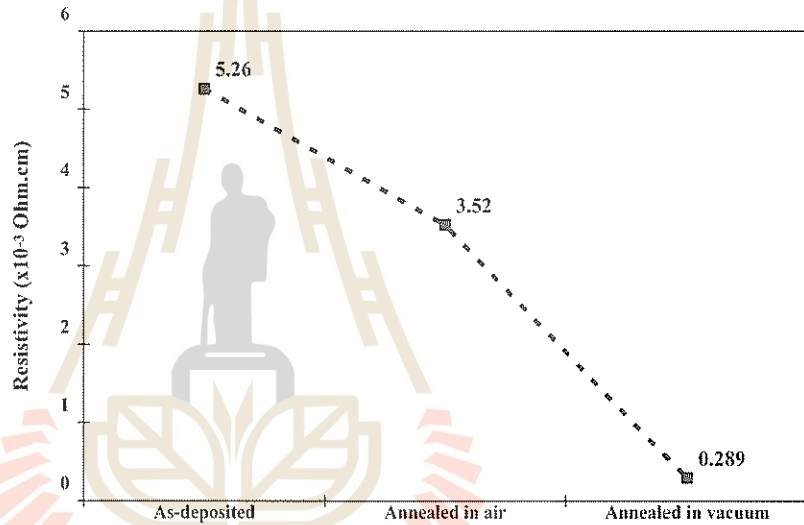


Figure 4: Electrical resistivity of ITO prepared at 50 W, O<sub>2</sub> flow rates 0.5 sccm for specimens as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum at 300 °C for 1 h.

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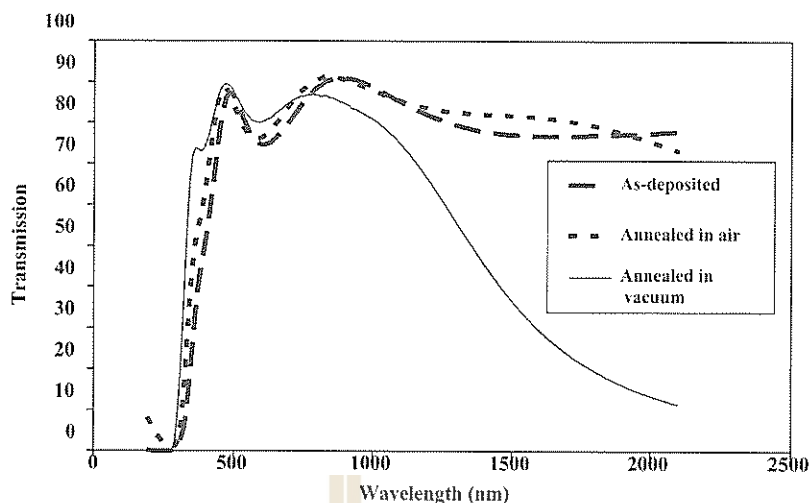


Figure 5: Transmission spectra of ITO prepared at 50 W,  $O_2$  flow rate 0.5 sccm for specimens as-deposited, annealed in air, and annealed in vacuum at 300 °C for 1 h.

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## A Spectroscopic Ellipsometry Study of TiO<sub>2</sub> Thin Films Prepared by Ion-Assisted Electron-Beam Evaporation

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Titanium dioxide has been extensively studied for optically active transmission films due to its high index of refraction and transparency across the visible range. Film characterization based on variable-angle spectroscopic ellipsometry (VASE) is desirable in order to understand physical and optical characteristics of the films. A number of thin film samples were deposited by ion-assisted electron-beam evaporation, and eventually annealed in air atmosphere. The crystalline structures of as-deposited (ASD) and annealed films were deduced by VASE, and supported by X-ray diffractometry (XRD). The optical properties of the films were examined by VASE. Several SE models, categorized by physical and optical models, were proposed based on the 'simpler-better' rule. Curve-fits were generated and compared to experimental data using regression analysis.

การศึกษาฟิล์มบางแสงโททานเนียมไดออกไซด์ได้รับความสนใจ เนื่องจากค่าดัชนีหักเหสูงและมีความใสในช่วงตามมองเห็น การวิเคราะห์โครงสร้างฟิล์มโดยวิธีอิลลิปโซเมทรี (VASE) สามารถนำไปสู่ความเข้าใจในสมบัติทางโครงสร้างและทางแสงของเนื้อฟิล์มได้ ตัวอย่างของฟิล์มถูกเตรียมขึ้นโดยวิธีการระเหยสารชนิดใช้ไอออนช่วย แล้วจึงนำไปอบในบรรยากาศ โครงสร้างผลึกของฟิล์มก่อนและหลังอบสามารถวิเคราะห์ได้ด้วย วิธี VASE และวิธี XRD สมบัติทางแสงของฟิล์มสามารถวิเคราะห์ได้ด้วยอิลลิปโซเมทรี รูปแบบการหาโมเดลถูกแบ่งเป็นสองกลุ่มคือ โมเดลทางโครงสร้างและโมเดลทางแสง

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### INTRODUCTION

Titanium dioxide thin film has been widely studied for optical applications due to its high index of refraction and transparency [1, 2]. The electron-beam evaporation is one of the preferred methods for TiO<sub>2</sub> film deposition to achieve high-quality optical thin films [1]. Limit controls of the deposition process may however yield inhomogeneous transparent films that are in need of annealing for encouraging results [1, 2].

Although TiO<sub>2</sub> is recognized of having three phases (anatase, rutile and brookite), only amorphous, anatase and rutile films have been extensively observed. Post-deposition annealing is the key factor to modify microstructure of amorphous TiO<sub>2</sub> films [2]. Therefore, film characterization by VASE is therefore appreciated in order to understand the effects of annealing to physical and op-

tical properties of the films.

### FILM CHARACTERIZATION

The TiO<sub>2</sub> thin films were prepared by ion-assisted electron-beam evaporation with operating pressure of  $\sim 5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  Torr in oxygen atmosphere. The 99.99% pure TiO<sub>2</sub> tablets were used as a source, while pure oxygen was being supplied into the chamber via a cold-cathode ion source. The substrates were polished Si wafers (100) and micro slides, maintained at 250 °C. The nominal film thickness was configured at 200 nm at 2.0 Å/s deposition rate. After deposition, the cooled-down film samples were annealed and allowed to cool overnight and stored in air atmosphere.

The physical structure and optical constants of the films were determined by J. A. Woolam

variable-angle spectroscopic ellipsometer. The proposed physical model corresponding to each film sample was generated based on appropriate generalized oscillator for the optical dispersion,

and eventually curve-fitted with the experimental data. The goal is, by a regression algorithm for the ellipsometry equation, to minimize the mean square error function:

$$\text{MSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N - M} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \left( \frac{\Psi_i^{\text{mod}} - \Psi_i^{\text{exp}}}{\sigma_{\Psi,i}^{\text{exp}}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Delta_i^{\text{mod}} - \Delta_i^{\text{exp}}}{\sigma_{\Delta,i}^{\text{exp}}} \right)^2 \right]} \quad (1)$$

where  $N$  is the number of measured  $\Psi$  and  $\Delta$  pairs,  $M$  is the total number of variable parameters and  $\sigma$  is the standard deviations. The 'mod' means the theoretical calculation, and the 'exp' means the experimentally measured data.

The film crystalline structures were also examined by a Bruker X-ray diffractometer operating with  $\text{Cu-K}\alpha_1$ . The XRD results were to be analyzed in comparison with the VASE results.

#### Physical Modeling

A physical model was constructed in order to describe physically possible  $\text{TiO}_2$  films. The films, assumed to be ideally homogeneous, were first described by a single-layer model (Figure 1a). The second proposal was a double-layer film with a dense  $\text{TiO}_2$  layer and a surface roughness atop (Figure 1b), based on the island film formation. Generally, inhomogeneity was particularly considered for the island film growth which optically represented a mixture of dense material and void [3]. Therefore, the third proposal was to include a heterogeneous mixture layer of  $\text{TiO}_2$  and excessive material (Figure 1c). The additional mixture would be identified as a voided layer, using the Bruggeman effective medium approximation (BEMA) for the estimated percentage of the mixture.

These three proposed physical models were then curve-fitted in comparison with experimental data (Figure 2). Even though the single-layer and double-layer models offered reasonable curve-fits

in low photon energy range, they failed to describe the fits in high photon energy range. Obviously, the triple-layer physical model proposed the best curve-fits.

#### Optical Modeling

The Cauchy (CH) dispersion is a simple formulation to describe the refractive index and the Urbach absorption formulation was introduced for the extinction coefficient. The Cauchy dispersion is therefore represented by [4]:

$$n(\lambda) = A_n + \frac{B_n}{\lambda^2} + \frac{C_n}{\lambda^4}, \quad (2a)$$

$$k(E) = \frac{a}{E} \exp\left(\frac{E - E_g}{E_1}\right), \quad (2b)$$

$$E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}, \quad (2c)$$

where  $A_n$ ,  $B_n$ ,  $C_n$ ,  $E_g$  and  $E_1$  are the Cauchy parameters. This optical model is generally suitable in visible and infrared regions. However, it cannot well describe optical dispersion in the UV region, for which it is a model of choice for insulator and dielectrics.

The Lorentz oscillator was considered in an attempt to describe the optical constants for semiconductor, by using a classical spring-mass system of dipole oscillation. Recalling that the Lorentzian dielectric function:  $\tilde{\epsilon} = (n - ik)^2 = \epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2$ , the refractive index can be ideally obtained as [5]:

$$n(E) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left[ (\epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2)^2 + \epsilon_1 \right]}, \quad (3a)$$

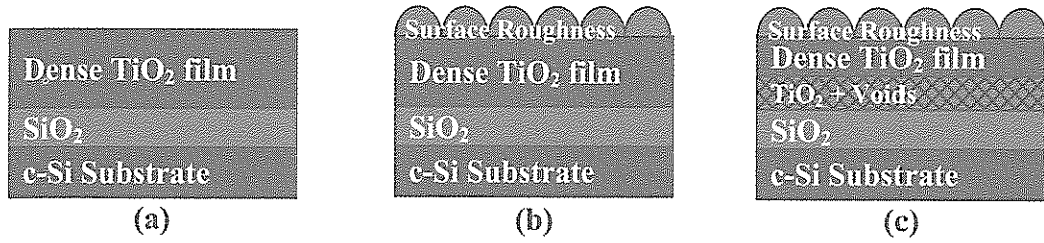


Figure 1: (color online). Schematic representation of the proposed (a) single-layer, (b) double-layer and (c) triple-layer physical models for the SE-modeling procedure.

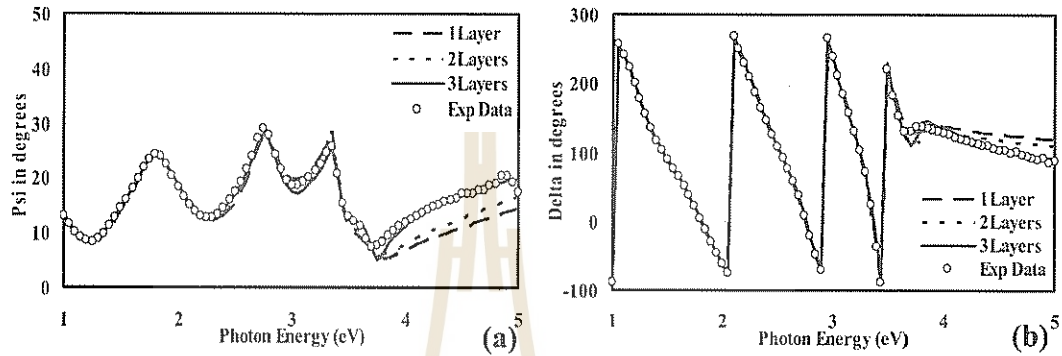


Figure 2: (color online). Illustration of generated and experimental data, curve-fitted with three physical models: (a) fittings on  $\Psi$ , (b) fittings on  $\Delta$  at 70° incident angle.

$$k(E) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} [(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_2^2)^2 - \varepsilon_1]} \quad (3b)$$

The Lorentz oscillator is an ideal formulation to classically describe dipole oscillation in an atom. For semiconductor TiO<sub>2</sub>, quantum-size effect and

band gaps are essentially important. Therefore, the Tauc-Lorentz (TL) dispersion has been proposed by combining the Tauc band edge with the classical Lorentz broadening function:

$$\varepsilon_2(E) = \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{AE_0C(E - E_g)^2}{(E^2 - E_0^2)^2 + C^2E^2} \right] \frac{1}{E}, & E > E_g, \\ 0, & E \leq E_g, \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where  $A$  is the amplitude,  $E_0$  is the peak transition energy,  $C$  is the broadening constant, and  $E_g$  is the band gap. Applying the Kramers-Kronig relations, then  $\varepsilon_1$  can be derived:

$$\varepsilon_1(E) = \varepsilon_1(\infty) + \frac{2}{\pi} P \int_{E_g}^{\infty} \frac{\xi \varepsilon_2(\xi)}{\xi^2 - E^2} d\xi. \quad (5)$$

The TL optical model, however, has explicit restriction of  $\varepsilon_2$  to be zero for energies less than the band gap. The Cody-Lorentz (CL) dispersion was proposed to offer a contribution above the band edge, by parameterizing transition energy in the transparent and interband transition regions. This



gives [6, 7]:

$$\varepsilon_2(E) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{E_1}{E}\right) \exp\left(\frac{E - E_t}{E_\mu}\right), & 0 < E \leq E_t, \\ G(E) \left[ \frac{AE_0\Gamma E}{(E^2 - E_0^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 E^2} \right], & E > E_t, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

where  $E_t$  is a transition energy between the Urbach tail and band-to-band transitions,  $E_\mu$  represents the extent of broadening,  $G(E)$  represents the joint density-of-states, and  $E_p$  is a transition energy for the absorption onset.

Examples of illustrations of the generated and experimental data are shown in Figure 3 for the optical model comparison, where the CL optical model offered the best curve-fits.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Based on the film characterization, the ASD film was initially represented by a double-layer model, whose its refractive index was close to that of anatase. After annealing at 300 °C, the film could only be represented by a triple-layer model, with a significant drop of the refractive index. That is, the ASD film was actually a metallic sub-oxide  $\text{TiO}_x$  film. Annealing in air atmosphere, however, resulted in oxygen diffusion into the dense film layer, possibly at interstitial vacancy. During annealing, oxygen molecules may have incorporated with the material to form an amorphous  $\text{TiO}_2$  structure.

Further increase in annealing temperatures up to 500 °C resulted in a slight decrease in the BEMA layer, and a slight increase in the dense film layer (Figure 4). The increase in the refractive index means that the amorphous-to-anatase phase transition has been detected. From Figure 5b, the 500 °C annealed-film demonstrated an index increase very close to that of anatase, corresponding to several reports [8].

Annealing treatment at 600 °C and 700 °C resulted in yet again a decrease in the refractive index, while the film's physical model continued to have an increasing BEMA layer thickness and a decreasing dense  $\text{TiO}_2$  layer thickness (Figure 4). The film began to deteriorate and became apparently swollen. The peeled-off film layer logically resulted in decrease in the refractive index. Altogether, this leads to increasing total film thickness, in which it corresponds to previous work [8].

From Figure 4b, the XRD patterns showed phase variation from annealing. The ASD film was supposedly amorphous, whereas annealed film at 300 °C–400 °C illustrated a slight increase in anatase phase. Annealing temperature at 500 °C, however, caused phase transitions from amorphous or anatase to rutile phase. At 700 °C,  $R(101)$  was considered the preferred orientation, while  $R(110)$  has a comparable intensity. Annealing at 500 °C–600 °C is possibly the critical phase-transition temperature for anatase-to-rutile structure.

Evidently, the XRD measurements on the film support the film characterization from VASE analysis. The ASD film, with amorphous phase and high refractive index, is said to be a metallic  $\text{TiO}_x$  film, possibly caused by less chemical reaction between  $\text{TiO}_2$  evaporants and reactive oxygen ions.

## CONCLUSION

The ASD  $\text{TiO}_2$  films were found to be an inhomogeneous, double-layer, sub-oxide film. The film characterization demonstrated that the double-layer film became the triple-layer film immedi-



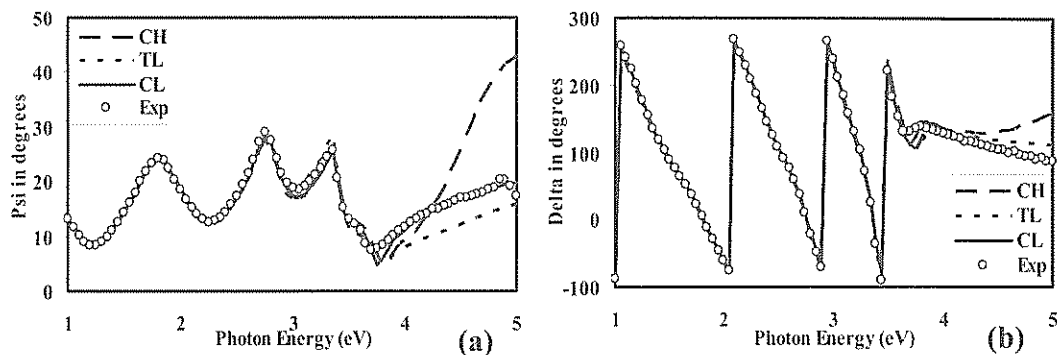


Figure 3: (color online). Illustration of generated and experimental data fitted with three optical-models: fittings on (a)  $\Psi$ , and (b)  $\Delta$  at 70° incident angle.

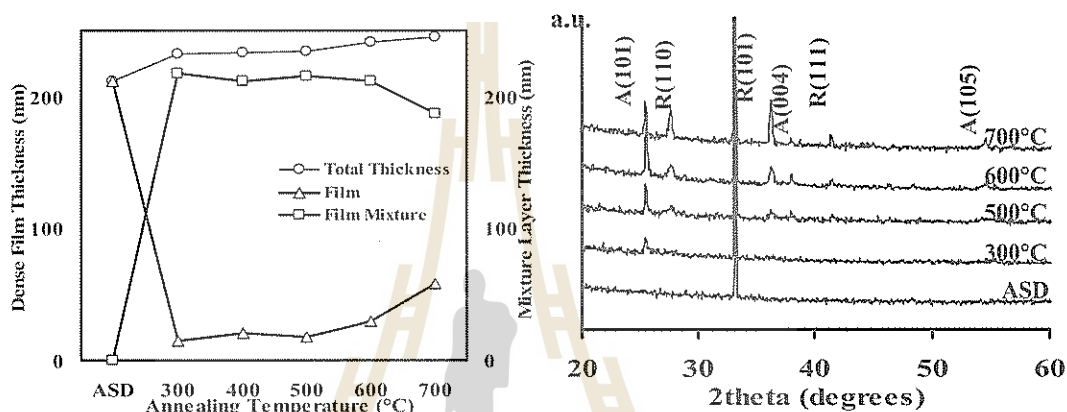


Figure 4: (color online). (a) Illustrations of sub-layer thickness evolution and (b) X-ray diffraction patterns of the TiO<sub>2</sub> film sample, prior and after annealing.

ately after annealing. The mixture of TiO<sub>2</sub> and voids became significant. Furthermore, annealing temperatures caused an increase in the dense film layer, and a decrease in the voided layer. The total film thickness increased with increasing annealing temperatures and resulted in the swelling. At 700 °C, the films suffered from deformity and failed to maintain their optical characteristics.

All in all, the VASE measurements, integrating with the XRD measurements, can extensively characterize the films' physical and optical properties, whereas the VASE analysis is more practical and informative. The developed SE-modeling procedure is supposedly capable of characterizing TiO<sub>2</sub> thin films prepared by either sputtering or evaporation processes. Ideally, SE analysis can

also characterize other metal-oxide thin films, using similar physical model approaches and optical model considerations.

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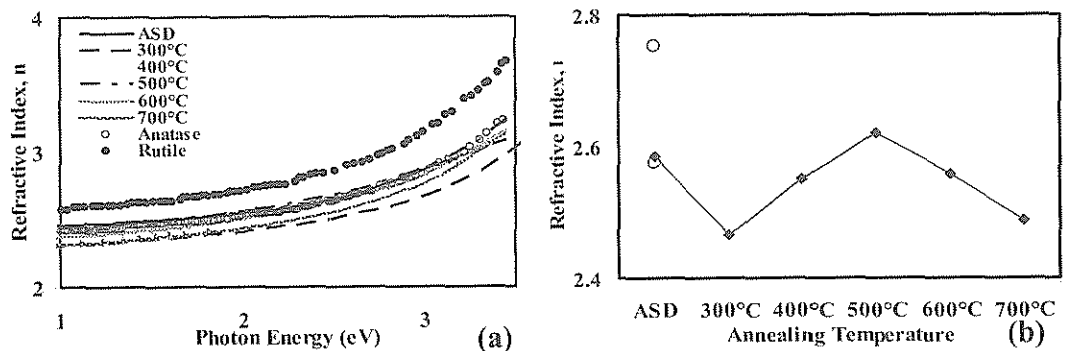


Figure 5: (color online). (a) Variation of the refractive index as a function of photon energy and (b) the effective refractive index,  $n_{550}$ , from the film sample prior and after annealing.

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# Pentaquark Production in Neutron–Proton Collisions

## การเกิดเพนตะควาร์กในการชนของนิวตรอนและโปรตอน

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The production of the pentaquark  $\Theta^+$  in the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 n K^+$  reaction is simulated in the UrQMD model. A narrow peak around 1540 MeV is found in the  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectrum. Our study leads to positive results towards the existence of the pentaquark  $\Theta^+$ .

กระบวนการเกิดเพนตะควาร์ก  $\Theta^+$  ในปฏิกิริยา  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 n K^+$  ได้ถูกจำลองโดยใช้แบบจำลอง UrQMD พบว่ามีพีกแคบๆ รอบมวล 1540 MeV ในสเปกตรัมมวลอินแวเรียนของ  $nK^+$  การศึกษานี้เป็นหลักฐานยืนยันการเกิดเพนตะควาร์ก  $\Theta^+$

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### INTRODUCTION

Normal hadrons are classified into two groups, that are, mesons, quark–antiquark pairs ( $q\bar{q}$ ) and baryons, three quarks system ( $qqq$ ). A large number of such particles have been confirmed in experiments. As presently understood, QCD does not forbid the existence of multiquark states other than quark–antiquark and three-quark systems as long as they form color singlets. Multiquark states other than quark–antiquark and three-quark systems are called exotic hadrons, exotic mesons (i.e.  $q\bar{q}q$ ,  $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ ) and exotic baryons (i.e.  $qqqq\bar{q}$ ).

The exotic baryon known as “pentaquark” ( $qqqq\bar{q}$ ) has attracted strong interests both in theoretical and experimental sectors. The first prediction is suggested in 1997 by Diakonov, Petrov and Polyakov using the chiral quark soliton model. It was predicted that the exotic baryon possesses spin 1/2, isospin 0, strangeness +1 and has a relative low mass of about 1530 MeV with total width less than 15 MeV [1]. The LEPS Collaboration at SPring-8 reported in 2003 [2] the first evidence of the lightest pentaquark, called  $\Theta^+$ , in  $\gamma n \rightarrow K^- K^+ n$  reaction. The existence of the pentaquark  $\Theta^+$  was later confirmed by the CLAS, SAPHIR, DIANA and HERMES Collaborations.  $\Theta^+$  is considered to be an  $uudd\bar{s}$  state with strangeness ( $S = +1$ ), baryon number

( $B = +1$ ), charge ( $Q = +1$ ) and mass of around 1540 MeV [3–6].

In experiments, the  $\Theta^+$  is observed as a narrow peak in  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectrum. The definition of invariant mass is

$$M(nK^+) = \sqrt{(E_n + E_{K^+})^2 - (\vec{p}_n + \vec{p}_{K^+})^2} \quad (1)$$

where  $M(nK^+)$ ,  $E$  and  $\vec{p}$  are the mass of  $\Theta^+$ , energy and momentum respectively. Shown in Fig. 1 is the diagram of the reaction  $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ K^- pn$  in the CLAS experiment [3], where the collision between the photon,  $\gamma$ , and the neutron,  $n$ , in the deuteron target produces  $K^-$  and  $\Theta^+$  which decays to  $nK^+$ . Displayed in Fig. 2 is the final  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectrum,  $M(nK^+)$ , of CLAS experiment.

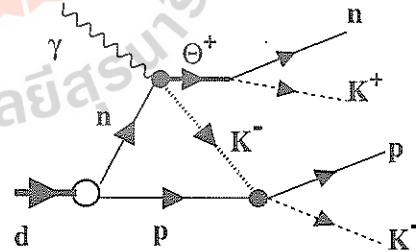


Figure 1: Diagram of the reaction  $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ K^- pn$  at CLAS experiment [3] and the decay of the pentaquark  $\Theta^+$  to  $nK^+$ .

The first round of observations of pentaquark

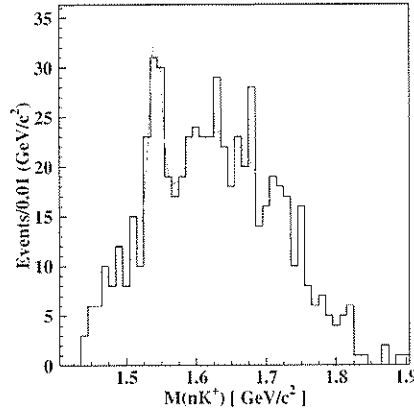


Figure 2: Invariant mass of the  $nK^+$  spectrum shows a sharp peak at the mass of 1542 MeV [3].

candidates looked on the one hand very promising, but on the other hand all suffered from the low statistical significance. Moreover, there is a list of experiments which did not find any narrow structure in the region of interest. These results come from either electron-positron collisions [7] or high energy reactions using a hadron beam [8, 9]. Very recently a series of high statistic experiments and refined analysis have been started to clarify the situation. The actual result is still confusing.

The pentaquark  $\Theta^+$  may be produced in non-strange particle reactions [10] such as  $\gamma N$ ,  $NN$  and  $\pi N$  collisions. However, up to now, most experiments have studied only the  $\gamma N$  reaction. It is interesting to study the existence of the  $\Theta^+$  in the  $NN$  reaction. Because of theoretical calculation [11] shows that the maximum cross sec-

tion  $\sigma$  for the  $NN$  collision is around the center of mass energy of 3.0 GeV. In this work, the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reactions are simulated by using the Ultra-relativistic Quantum Molecular Dynamics model (UrQMD) to check the existence of  $nK^+$  resonances system.

## THE UrQMD MODEL

The Ultra-relativistic Quantum Molecular Dynamics (UrQMD) model has been developed over ten years by hundreds of physicists since it was initiated by Frankfurt Heavy-Ion Group, Institute for Theoretical Physics, Frankfurt University. The main goals are to gain understandings, within a single transport model, of the following physical phenomena such as: creation of dense hadronic matter at high temperatures; properties of nuclear matter, delta and resonance matter; creation of mesonic matter and of anti-matter; creation and transport of rare particles in hadronic matter; creation, modification and destruction of strangeness in matter; emission of electromagnetic probes. The model describe the relativistic heavy ion collisions in the energy range from AGS (Alternating Gradient Synchrotron, Brookhaven) up to SPS (Super Proton Synchrotron, CERN) and RHIC (Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider, Brookhaven).

In the UrQMD model [12, 13], the projectile and target baryon are expressed in terms of Gaussian shaped density distributions,

$$\varphi_j(\vec{x}_j, t) = \left(\frac{2\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{3/4} \exp\left\{-\alpha [\vec{x}_j - \vec{r}_j(t)]^2 + \frac{i}{\hbar} \vec{p}_j(t) \cdot \vec{x}_j\right\}. \quad (2)$$

The wave function of projectile and target are just the product of wave function from each single baryon Gaussian,

$$\Phi = \prod_j \varphi_j(\vec{x}_j, \vec{p}_j, t). \quad (3)$$

The interactions employed are Skyrme potential, Yukawa potential, Pauli potential and Coulomb potential. The UrQMD Hamiltonian take the form

$$H_{UrQMD} = \sum_{j=1}^N E_j^{\text{kin}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^N (E_{jk}^{\text{Sk2}} + E_{jk}^{\text{Yukawa}} + E_{jk}^{\text{Coulomb}} + E_{jk}^{\text{Pauli}}) + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{l=1}^N E_{jkl}^{\text{Sk3}} \quad (4)$$

where  $E_j^{\text{kin}}$ ,  $E_{jk}^{\text{Sk2}}$ ,  $E_{jk}^{\text{Yukawa}}$ ,  $E_{jk}^{\text{Coulomb}}$ ,  $E_{jk}^{\text{Pauli}}$  and  $E_{jkl}^{\text{Sk3}}$  are kinetic energy, two body Skyrme, Yukawa, Coulomb, Pauli and three body Skyrme potential energy respectively.

In heavy ion collisions, a large number of particles are produced. The UrQMD model has capability to identify 55 different baryon species (including nucleon, delta, hyperon and their resonances) and 32 different meson species (including strange meson and its resonances). Their anti-particles and isospin-projected states can also be determined.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reactions are simulated in the UrQMD model. The first step work is the simulations of  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reactions for 1 million events at each center-of-mass-energy  $\sqrt{s}$  which varies from 2.7 GeV to 3.2 GeV with a step 0.1 GeV. The invariant masses of  $nK^+$  system are calculated by using Eq. (1). The number of events with  $\Lambda^0 nK^+$  in final state are counted as frequency count with the corresponding invariant mass range of 20 MeV.

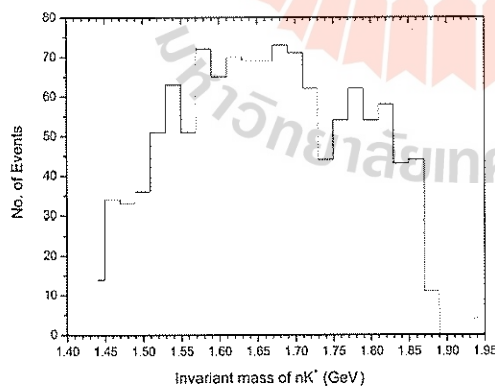


Figure 3:  $nK^+$  invariant mass in the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV for 1 million events.

Presented in Fig. 3 is the  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectrum in the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV for 1 million events, which clearly shows a narrow peak around 1540 MeV while the others center-of-mass-energy are not found.

One may argue that the resonance peak may be the pentaquark  $\Theta^+$ . To confirm the evidence of  $\Theta^+$  in  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV, we have also simulated the reaction  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  for 2, 3 and 4 millions events. Fig. 4, 5 and 6 show the  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectra in the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction for 2, 3 and 4 million events, respectively.

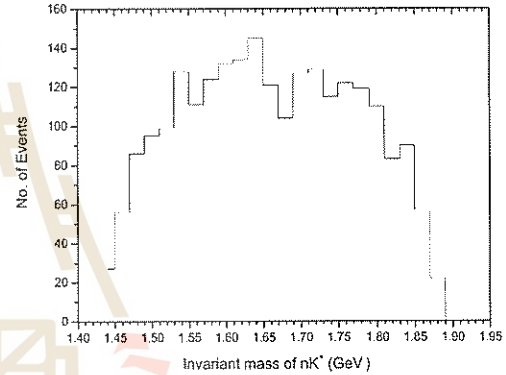


Figure 4:  $nK^+$  invariant mass in the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV for 2 million events.

It is found that with higher statistics the narrow peak around 1540 MeV in the  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectrum is still seen clearly.

## CONCLUSION

The simulation of the  $np \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reactions using the UrQMD model at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV for 1 to 4 million events shows that there exists a narrow peak around 1540 MeV in the  $nK^+$  invariant mass spectra. The narrow peak may be interpreted as the pentaquark  $\Theta^+(1540)$  with the quark configuration  $uudd\bar{s}$ .



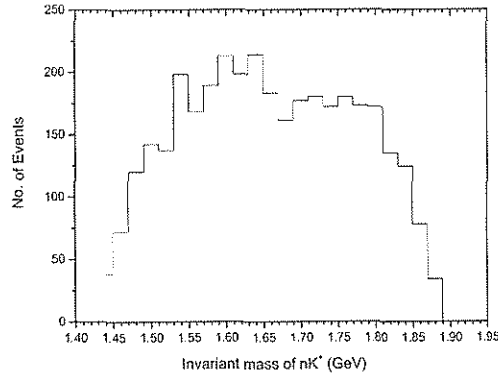


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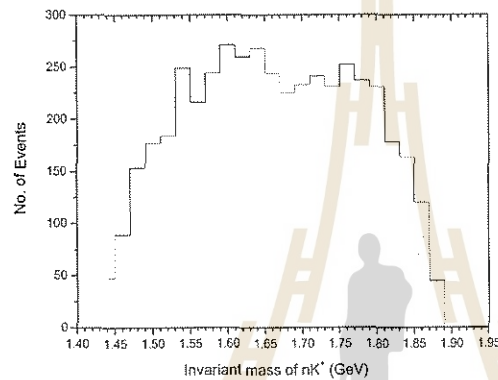


Figure 6:  $nK^+$  invariant mass in the  $up \rightarrow \Lambda^0 nK^+$  reaction at  $\sqrt{s} = 3.0$  GeV for 4 million events.

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## Israel Junction Conditions on Hypersurface from Variational Principle Approach

เงื่อนไขการเชื่อมต่ออิสราเอลบนพื้นผิวมิติเกินจากการใช้หลักการแปรผัน

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Einstein's field equation can be derived using variational with boundary term that vanishes at infinity. In case of bounded spacetime, we can include boundary terms into gravitational action. The result is Israel junction conditions on a hypersurface. The method has been widely applied to braneworld gravity and braneworld cosmology.

สมการสนามของไอน์สไตน์เป็นกฎที่สำคัญข้อหนึ่งในทฤษฎีสัมพัทธภาพทั่วไป สามารถถูกหาได้โดยใช้วิธีการแปรผัน โดยเลือกให้พจน์ที่ขอบเขตเป็นศูนย์ที่อนันต์ ในรายงานนี้ ถอดทฤษฎีของเรามาจากขอบเขต เราสามารถเพิ่มพจน์ที่ขอบเขตให้กับแอคชันความโน้มถ่วงได้ อันนำมาซึ่งเงื่อนไขการเชื่อมต่ออิสราเอลบนพื้นผิวมิติเกิน วิธีการนี้ถูกประยุกต์ใช้อย่างแพร่หลายในทฤษฎีความโน้มถ่วงแบบกพแผ่นและจักรวาลวิทยาแบบกพแผ่น

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### INTRODUCTION

Among several variational principles used in general relativity, the most common one is to use the Einstein–Hilbert action which an integral over the invariant four-volume to the Ricci scalar (curvature scalar). The structure of the variation can be split into two parts: one yields Einstein's field equation in vacuum (excluding matter term), and another, with a four-divergence form resulting a surface term known as the Gibbons–Hawking boundary term. In general, surface terms are neglected in derivation of field equation from an action. But in this case, our manifold (spacetime) is bounded. An action considered here is the Einstein–Hilbert action with surface term. When our manifold is bounded, it automatically splits into two parts. They are called a bulk and a hypersurface. Variation of surface terms is done with respect to an induced metric on hypersurface, not the metric on the manifold. The result leads to the Israel junction conditions, if matter action is included on hypersurface.

### METHODOLOGY

We start by reviewing the standard derivation of Einstein's field equation from the Einstein–Hilbert action.

$$S_{EH} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} R d^4x, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  denotes the manifold,  $g$  is a determinant of the metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$  which has a signature of  $(-, +, +, +)$  in our convention,  $R$  is the Ricci scalar and  $\kappa = 8\pi G$ . Varying this action with respect to the metric, we get

$$\delta S_{EH} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} G_{\mu\nu} \delta g^{\mu\nu} d^4x + \delta S_S, \quad (2)$$

where  $G_{\mu\nu}$  is the Einstein tensor and  $\delta S_S$  is a surface term. It has the following form

$$S_S = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \int_{\Sigma} \sqrt{-h} K d^3x. \quad (3)$$

$\Sigma$  denotes the hypersurface or our boundary of the manifold,  $h$  is the determinant of the induced metric on  $\Sigma$  and  $K$  is the trace of the extrinsic curvature of that boundary. We can define the energy–momentum tensor in the usual way,

$$T_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g^{\mu\nu}},$$

where  $S_M$  denotes the matter action. The full action is  $S = S_{EH} + S_M$ , which does not lead to the Einstein's field equation since our manifold is assumed to be a restrictive spacetime. The surface term therefore cannot be set to zero. In the derivation of gravitational action, the metric and induced metric do not vary on the boundary such that  $\delta g_{\mu\nu} = 0$  and  $\delta h_{ab} = 0$ . (Here we use Greek indices  $(\mu, \nu, \dots)$  which run from 0 to 3 to denote coordinates on the manifold, and Latin indices  $(a, b, \dots)$  which run from 1 to 3 to denote coordinates on  $\Sigma$ .) We generalize the equation (2)

by naming the first term as the variation of gravitational action, and get the result

$$S_{\text{Gravity}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} R d^4x + 2 \int_{\Sigma} \sqrt{-h} K d^3x \right]. \quad (4)$$

This action is used to derive of Israel condition. Hereafter, we will not fix the metric and the induced metric on  $\Sigma$  for this derivation. The variation then gives three terms as follows,

$$\delta S_{\text{Gravity}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} G_{\mu\nu} \delta g^{\mu\nu} d^4x + 2 \int_{\Sigma} \sqrt{-h} (K_{ab} - h_{ab}K) \delta h^{ab} d^3x + \int_{\Sigma} \sqrt{-h} D_b (h^b_a \delta n^a) d^3x \right]. \quad (5)$$

$D_b$  in the last term denotes a covariant derivative associated with the hypersurface  $\Sigma$ , and  $n^a$  is the normal unit vector to  $\Sigma$ , whose normalization condition is  $n_a n^a = -1$  for  $\Sigma$  is spacelike [3]. The last

term in the equation (5) is a divergence term. It vanishes by using Stoke's theorem with a boundary on  $\Sigma$  at infinity. Finally, the variation of gravitational action is

$$\delta S_{\text{Gravity}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} G_{\mu\nu} \delta g^{\mu\nu} d^4x + \int_{\Sigma} \sqrt{-h} (K_{ab} - h_{ab}K) \delta h^{ab} d^3x \right]. \quad (6)$$

The energy-momentum tensor,

$$t_{ab} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-h}} \frac{\delta S_{\text{Mat}}}{\delta h^{ab}},$$

is included on  $\Sigma$  by adding an action for matter,  $S_{\text{Mat}}$ , in the gravitational action. The Einstein tensor,  $G_{\mu\nu}$  in the bulk vanishes because  $t_{ab}$  is only included on  $\Sigma$ . Therefore, the total action,  $S_{\text{Gravity}} = S_{\text{EH}} + S_{\text{S}} + S_{\text{Mat}}$  gives the *Israel junction conditions*

$$K_{ab} - h_{ab}K = -8\pi G t_{ab}. \quad (7)$$

The energy-momentum tensor on a hypersurface does not necessarily conserve because energy can

flow from the hypersurface to the bulk. This can be seen by taking the divergence of the Israel junction conditions:

$$D_a t^{ab} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G} \left[ D_a K^{ab} - D_a (h^{ab}K) \right]. \quad (8)$$

The right side can be evaluated using Gauss-Codacci relations [2], giving

$$\begin{aligned} D_a t^{ab} &= -\frac{1}{8\pi G} R_{cd} n^c h^{db} \\ &= -T_{cd} n^c h^{db}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where  $T_{cd}$  is the bulk energy-momentum tensor. This equation describes conservation of energy when  $T_{cd}$  moves from the bulk to the boundary.

## CONCLUSION

Usually, in deriving the Einstein's field equation using the variational principle, we use a boundary term that vanishes at infinity. But because of an attempt to explain bounded manifolds or space-times, e.g. black holes, a boundary term cannot be set zero. By varying this term, the Israel junction condition on a hypersurface is obtained. It acts as a connection between the events inside and on the boundary. There is wide application of the Israel junction condition to cosmology, and to the idea of Braneworld gravity and Braneworld cosmology.

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## Cosmological Dynamics from Modified $f(R)$ Gravity in Einstein Frame\*

พลวัตเชิงจักรวาลวิทยาจากการปรับแต่งความโน้มถ่วงแบบ  $f(R)$  ในกรอบไอน์สไตน์

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In this paper, we investigate and analyze the cosmological dynamics of the universe which is an effect of modified  $f(R)$  gravity emerging at cosmological scale. We choose Einstein frame as a physical frame. We consider phase portraits at present and late time of the universe from modified  $f(R)$  model gravity. This result yields an acceleration phase of the universe without existence of dark energy.

งานวิจัยชิ้นนี้ เราได้สำรวจและวิเคราะห์พลวัตเชิงจักรวาลวิทยาของเอกภพ โดยที่ผลของการปรับแต่งความโน้มถ่วงแบบ  $f(R)$  จะปรากฏขึ้นที่ระดับระยะทางเชิงจักรวาลวิทยา เราเลือกกรอบของ ไอน์สไตน์ เป็นกรอบทางกายภาพ และพิจารณาเฟสของแผนภาพที่ช่วงปัจจุบัน และช่วงปลายของเอกภพจากแบบจำลองการปรับแต่งความโน้มถ่วงแบบ  $f(R)$  ผลที่ได้คือเอกภพมีช่วงการขยายตัวออกแบบเร่งโดยไม่จำเป็นต้องอาศัยพลังงานมืด

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### INTRODUCTION

The alternative explanation to solve Dark Energy problem is modification of Einstein gravity theory to be source of acceleration universe. Carroll *et al.* [1] purposed of modified model of gravity by adding inverse power of Ricci scalar into Einstein-Hilbert action giving deviation from general relativity at small curvature and causing acceleration at large scale. This happens either with de Sitter and anti de Sitter solutions in vacuum case which provides purely gravitation driven accelerating universe and good agreement for testing in current cosmological observation data. The modified  $f(R)$  gravity model is very interesting because it was shown it can be derived from string/M-theory [3]. Many works on various aspects and extends this model. We will consider cosmological dynamics of modified gravity like [1, 2], but we use metric variation formalisms in

Einstein frame phase portraits diagrams. We consider this scenario in Einstein frame as the physical frame and this frame gives us to self gravity of scalar field effective potential  $V(\phi)$  [4, 5, 6].

### METHODOLOGY

In this section we review the conformal transformation method follow [4, 5, 6]. The action for  $f(R)$  gravity of Jordan frame without matter field can be written in form,

$$S_J = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int f(R) \sqrt{-g} d^4x \quad (1)$$

where  $\kappa^2 = 8\pi G$ . The field equation from (1) in Jordan frame gives us the fourth order and very complicate to solve [1, 2]. We choose Einstein frame as physical frame for it is simplicity. We define the conformal transformation between Jordan and Einstein frame as [13]

$${}^E g_{ab} = e^\phi g_{ab}. \quad (2)$$

where  $\phi \equiv \ln f'(R)$ . We obtain action in Einstein frame by use conformal transformation in (2) i.e.

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$g_{ab} \rightarrow e^\phi g_{ab}$  [3, 4, 5, 6]

$$S_E = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int \left[ \mathbb{E}R - \frac{3}{2} \nabla_a \phi \nabla^a \phi - V(\phi) \right] \sqrt{-\mathbb{E}g} d^4x \quad (3)$$

where  $V(\phi)$  is effective potential which depends on choice of  $f(R)$  models determined by  $V = [Rf'(R) - f(R)]/[f'(R)]^2$  where  $f'(R) \equiv df(R)/dR$ . We vary action (3) with respect to  $\mathbb{E}g^{ab}$ , we get

$$\mathbb{E}R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}g_{ab} \mathbb{E}R = 3 \nabla_a \phi \nabla_b \phi - \mathbb{E}g_{ab} \left[ \frac{3}{2} g^{cd} \nabla_c \phi \nabla_d \phi + V(\phi) \right] \quad (4)$$

and when varying respect to  $\phi$ , we get the Klein-Gordon equation

$$\nabla_a \nabla^a \phi + \frac{V_\phi}{3} = 0 \quad (5)$$

where  $V_\phi \equiv dV/d\phi$ . Now we consider present universe based on FRW metric which is spatially flat,

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) [dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2]. \quad (6)$$

where  $a(t)$  is scale factor of universe.

Now we calculate the modified Friedman equation in Einstein frame from line element (6), the (0,0) component of field equation (4) the Friedman equation and the Klein-Gordon equation become

$$H^2 = \frac{1}{4} \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{V(\phi)}{6} \quad (7)$$

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{V_\phi}{3} = 0. \quad (8)$$

where  $H \equiv \dot{a}/a$  is Hubble parameter and  $\dot{a} \equiv da/dt$ . We also obtain the time derivative of Hubble parameter by using (7) and (8)

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{3}{4} \dot{\phi}^2. \quad (9)$$

Next section we will consider cosmological dynamics in phase portrait in some particular types of  $f(R)$  gravity model.

We consider scalar field dominate the late universe. The acceleration can happen when the field at late time moves very slow. Therefore we can use the slow-roll approximation in this phase [8] i.e.  $\ddot{\phi} \approx 0$  and  $\dot{\phi}^2 \ll V$ . Using the slow-roll approximation condition directly to the Friedman equation in equation of motion of scalar field (8), we

get the late time trajectory of scalar field evolving to approach an asymptotic attractor solution in phase space as [14]

$$\dot{\phi} \simeq -\frac{V_\phi}{9H}. \quad (10)$$

We define a new variables as

$$X = \phi, \quad Y = \dot{\phi}, \quad Z = V(\phi). \quad (11)$$

Using new variables in (11) substitute into (8) and (9) we obtain autonomous system,

$$\dot{Y} = \dot{\phi} \quad (12)$$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{3}{4} Y \quad (13)$$

$$\dot{Y} = -3HY - \frac{1}{3} \frac{dZ}{dX}. \quad (14)$$

Next we will investigate and analyze the phase space portraits for some types of the effective potential  $V(\phi)$  which depends on choices of  $f(R)$  models of gravity. By using autonomous system of equations in (12), (13) and (14).

## RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

1. The  $f(R) = R - \mu^{2(n+1)}/R^n$  model was proposed by [1, 2] (for  $n = 1$ ). In this model the effective potential (at the late time,  $R$  is very small) in Einstein frame is [7]

$$V(\phi) \simeq \frac{2}{\mu^2} e^{-(3/2)\phi}. \quad (15)$$

This potential in our approximation look like the power law inflation, which gives scale factor increase proportion to  $a \sim t^{4/3}$ . We note that potential increases when curvature is minimum and

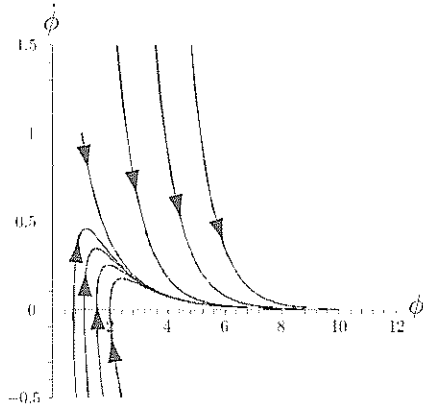


Figure 1: The phase portrait of  $\dot{\phi}$  vs  $\phi$  in the modified  $1/R$  gravity model, when  $\mu = 1$ .

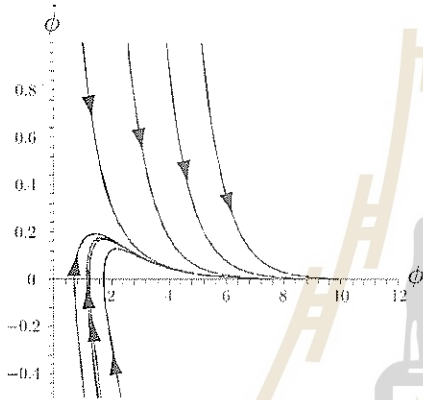


Figure 2: The phase portrait of  $\dot{\phi}$  vs  $\phi$  in the modified  $\ln R$  gravity model, when  $\alpha = 1$ .

therefore the universe begins to have the power law expansion. We also consider phase space portrait of scalar fields of modified  $1/R$  gravity model, which presents attractor in phase plane as Figure 1.

2. The  $f(R) = R + \alpha \ln(R/\gamma^2)$  model was proposed by [9]. The effective potential in (at the late time,  $R$  is very small) Einstein frame is [9]

$$V(\phi) \simeq \alpha e^{-2\phi}. \quad (16)$$

We note that when the curvature rolls slow down until reaching local minimum ( $R \neq 0$ ) the curvature stay here. This may correspond to the present accelerating universe [9]. This potential can be

shown to have  $w \rightarrow -1$  (where  $w$  is the equation of state) by fine-tuning parameters. We also consider phase space portrait of scalar fields of modified  $\ln R$  gravity model, which has attractor in phase plane as Figure 2.

Let us discuss from above phase space portraits both  $1/R$  and  $\ln R$  gravity model, both models give late time attractor. These results mean our universe is in accelerating expansion. The evolution when scalar field is at some given point on the potential has to be independent of any initial conditions. It is surprised our analysis in Einstein frame gives similar result as in [11, 12] which chooses Jordan frame as physical frame. They were shown that  $1/R$  model gravity has late time attractor on phase space portrait. Both Jordan and Einstein frame are analyzed similarly  $1/R$  gravity model. We still can not tell which one is physical frame. This work is still ongoing.

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## Sigma Meson Production in Heavy Ion Collisions at Intermediate Energies

การเกิดอนุภาคซิกมาเมซอนในการชนของไอออนหนักที่พลังงานปานกลาง

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The production of the sigma meson is investigated in the Quantum Molecular Dynamics (QMD) transport model for the  $p + A$  reactions with the nuclei  $A$  being ( $^{12}\text{C}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ ) at the incident proton energies  $T_p = 0.85$  and  $1.50$  GeV. The QMD simulation results indicates a distinctive  $A$  dependence of the sigma production, that is, the increase of  $A$  is followed by an increase of the production cross sections. It is also found that the  $\sigma$  meson production in heavy-ion collisions is strongly medium-dependent, and the produced  $\sigma$  mesons decaying in a denser medium experience a stronger mass shift towards lower masses. This mass shift is an experimentally accessible observable in the final state pion pairs which did not suffer reabsorption and rescattering by the surrounding nucleons. It may be pointed out that the ratio of measured sigma mesons from various reactions opens the possibility to address experimentally the mass shift of the  $\sigma$  in a dense nucleus environment.

การเกิดอนุภาคซิกมาเมซอน ได้ถูกศึกษาในทางทฤษฎี โดยใช้แบบจำลองพลศาสตร์โมเลกุลควอนตัม (QMD) ของปฏิกิริยาโปรตอนชนนิวเคลียส โดยพิจารณาปฏิกิริยานิวเคลียสของ คาร์บอน-12 , แคลเซียม-40, และตะกั่ว-208 โดยที่โปรตอนมีพลังงานเข้าชน 0.85 และ 1.5 จิกะอิเล็กตรอนโวลท์ ผลการศึกษา QMD พบว่าการเกิดซิกมา มีลักษณะเฉพาะขึ้นอยู่กับนิวเคลียส ถ้านิวเคลียสเพิ่มขึ้น ค่าภาคตัดขวางมีค่าเพิ่มขึ้น และพบว่าการเกิดซิกมาในการชนของไอออนหนักขึ้นอยู่กับตัวกลางอย่างมาก และการสลายตัวในตัวกลางที่หนาแน่นกว่าจะมีการเปลี่ยนมวลไปในทางที่ต่ำลง ค่ามวลเปลี่ยนสังเกตได้ในสถานะสุดท้ายของคูไพออน ซึ่งไม่ถูกดูดกลืนครั้งที่สอง และไม่ถูกกระเจิงครั้งที่ 2 โดยนิวเคลียสที่อยู่รอบ อัตราส่วนของซิกมาเมซอนที่วัดได้จากหลายปฏิกิริยาเป็นสิ่งที่นำไปสู่การทดลองมวลเปลี่ยนของซิกมาในสิ่งแวดล้อมของนิวเคลียสที่หนาแน่น

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### INTRODUCTION

The experimental situation for the  $\sigma$  meson, which is responsible for the mid-range nucleon-nucleon attraction [1] and plays an important role in the Quantum Hadrodynamics (QHD) [2, 3] and the nonlinear sigma model [4], is not so clear. What we know well is that the  $\sigma$  meson is a broad scalar resonance and that it mainly decays into two pions in free space. The pole mass of the  $\sigma$  meson has not been precisely determined so far. Therefore, the  $\sigma$  meson is very difficult to identify from

the experimental side. The  $\sigma$  meson production has not yet been measured in heavy ion reactions.

Recently theoretical studies show that the  $\sigma$  mass ( $m_\sigma$ ) and width ( $\Gamma_\sigma$ ) decrease dramatically with increasing of the nuclear density ( $\rho$ ) [5]. This means that the sigma meson may exist in a dense nuclear environment. There are also number of experimental efforts to explore the existence of the sigma meson by pion and photon induced reactions on nuclei [6–12].

The sigma meson can not be detected directly in an experimental setup, but there are indications

towards its existence through the information collected from two pions that are measured in coincidence. In the Quantum Molecular Dynamics (QMD) simulations every sigma and pion that are created are stored in some arrays and their evolutions are followed through the end of the reaction. So we are able to get the whole number of  $\sigma$  meson and  $\pi\pi$  pairs that are a direct product of the sigma decay. The primary interest is directed to the study of the  $\sigma$  meson dynamics in nuclear matter. The simulations are examined on nuclei in order to determine the effects of medium modifications on the  $\pi\pi$ -system. The total  $\sigma$  meson distributions span the total energy interval available to the  $(p, \pi\pi)$  reaction, which ranges from  $2m_\pi \leq M_{\pi\pi} \leq 0.70$  GeV. The properties of the sigma meson are highlighted by means of invariant mass, density, decay time, cross section, etc.

The results of the QMD model for the description of the sigma meson production in  $p + A$  reactions with  $A$  being nuclei  $^{12}\text{C}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  at incident proton energies  $E_p = 1.50$  GeV seem to

confirm the importance of the  $2\pi$  final state interaction in the scalar-isoscalar  $\sigma$  channel.

### QUANTUM MOLECULAR DYNAMICS MODEL

It is known that the classical molecular dynamics is a  $N$ -body theory, all information about the system is contained in the solution of the  $N$  body Liouville equation [13]. Important quantum features are included in the QMD approach [14–19]: collisions among nucleons are Pauli blocked when the scattered nucleons would enter already occupied or partially occupied phase space regions. Furthermore, the scattering amplitude does not relate the scattering angle with the impact parameter in an unique way: the square of the scattering amplitude is identified as a probability distribution.

In the QMD model each nucleon is represented by a coherent state of the form (we set  $\hbar, c = 1$ )

$$\psi(\vec{r}, \vec{p}_0, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi L)^{3/4}} \exp[i\vec{p}_0 \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)] \exp\left[-\frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)^2}{4L}\right] \quad (1)$$

where  $\vec{r}_0$  is the time dependent center of the Gaussian wave packet in coordinate space. The width  $L$  is kept constant, which means that one does not allow the spreading of the wave function. Otherwise, the whole nucleus would spread in coordinate space as a function of time.  $L$  is set to be  $L = 1.08 \text{ fm}^2$  corresponding to a root mean

square radius of the nucleons of 1.8 fm. To keep the formulation as close as possible to the classical transport theory, one uses Wigner density instead of working with wave function.

The Wigner transformation of the coherent states is Gaussians in momentum and coordinate space. Then, the Wigner density reads

$$\begin{aligned} f(\vec{r}, \vec{p}, t) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}_{12}} \psi\left(\frac{\vec{r} + \vec{r}_{12}}{2}, t\right) \psi^*\left(\frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{12}}{2}, t\right) d^3\vec{r}_{12} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^3} \exp\left\{-\left[\frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)^2}{2L} - (\vec{p} - \vec{p}_0)^2 \cdot 2L\right]\right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The  $N$  body Wigner density is the direct product of the Wigner densities of  $N$  coherent states

$$f^N(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N; \vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_N; t) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\pi^3} \exp\left\{-\left[\frac{(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_{i0})^2}{2L} - (\vec{p}_i - \vec{p}_{i0})^2 \cdot 2L\right]\right\}. \quad (3)$$



The Wigner representation of our Gaussian wave packets obeys the uncertainty relation  $\Delta r_x \Delta p_x = \hbar/2$ . The density in coordinate space is given by the momentum integral over the Wigner density,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\vec{r}, t) &= \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i) \int f^N(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N; \vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_N; t) d^3\vec{p}_1 \dots d^3\vec{p}_N d^3\vec{r}_1 \dots d^3\vec{r}_N \\ &= \sum_i^N \frac{1}{(2\pi L)^{3/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{i0})^2}{2L}\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

To initialize the ground state of nucleus  $A$ , one first determine the position of the nucleons in a sphere of the radius  $r = 1.12A^{1/3}$  by drawing random numbers but rejecting those which would position the centers of two nucleons closer than  $r_{\min} = 1.5$  fm. The next step is to determine the local potential  $U(r)$  generated by all the other nucleons at the centers of the Gaussians. The local Fermi momentum is determined by the relation  $p_F(r_{i0}) = \sqrt{2mU(r_{i0})}$ , where  $U(r_{i0})$  is the potential energy of particle  $i$ . Finally the momenta of all particles are chosen randomly between zero and the local Fermi momentum. We then reject all random numbers which yield two particles closer in phase space than  $(r_i - r_j)^2(p_i - p_j)^2 = d_{\min}$ .

Nuclei which have been successfully initialized are then boosted towards each other with the proper center of mass velocity using relativistic kinematics. Because we keep the width of the Gaussians fixed, the time evolution of the  $N$ -body distribution is determined by the motion of the centroids of the Gaussians  $(\vec{r}_{i0}, \vec{p}_{i0})$ , which are propagated by the Poisson brackets

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_{i0} = \{\vec{r}_{i0}, H\} \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\vec{p}}_{i0} = \{\vec{p}_{i0}, H\}. \quad (5)$$

$H$  is the nuclear Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \sum_i \sqrt{\vec{p}_{i0}^2 + m_i^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (U_{ij}^{\text{str}} + U_{ij}^{\text{cou}}). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Here  $U_{ij}^{\text{cou}}$  is the Coulomb interaction.  $U_{ij}^{\text{str}}$  the nuclear mean field.

The sigma meson is produced via the decay of nucleon resonances  $N^*$  ( $N^* \rightarrow N\sigma$ ). The  $N^*$ 's can be created via  $NB_1 \rightarrow B_2N^*$  ( $B_i$  stands  $N$  or  $\Delta$ ) and  $\pi N \rightarrow N^*$ . In the  $N^* \rightarrow N\pi\pi$  decay the

pion pair can occur in an isospin singlet  $s$ -wave state  $(\pi\pi)_{s\text{-wave}}^{I=0}$  with corresponding branching ratio. This state has the same quantum numbers as the  $\sigma$ -meson and is therefore identified with the  $\sigma$ -meson. The  $\sigma$ -mass is randomly chosen according to the Breit-Wigner distribution

$$dW_\sigma(\mu) = \alpha \frac{\mu \Gamma_\sigma^2 d\mu}{(\mu - m_\sigma)^2 + \mu \Gamma_\sigma}, \quad (7)$$

where  $m_\sigma$  is the pole mass and  $\mu$  the running mass of the  $\sigma$ -meson,  $\Gamma_\sigma$  is the  $\sigma$ -width. The normalization constant  $\alpha$  is determined by the available phase space, i.e. the mass of the decaying  $N^*$  resonance:

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} = \int_{2m_\pi}^{m_R - m_N} dW_\sigma(\mu), \quad (8)$$

where  $m_R$  is the resonance mass and  $m_N$  is the nucleon mass. Here one can see that the  $\sigma$ -meson can be assigned a value between the two-pion-threshold and the resonance minus nucleon mass. The resonance decays according to the formula:

$$N(t) = N(0) e^{-\Delta t \Gamma / \gamma}. \quad (9)$$

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

For the elementary  $(p, \pi\pi)$  reaction which couple pions to the sigma meson, we take nucleons and resonances  $\Delta(1232)$ ,  $N^*(1440)$ ,  $N^*(1520)$ ,  $N^*(1650)$  and  $N^*(1680)$  into account. The  $\sigma$  meson is a very broad resonance, its life time is very small. The sigma meson creates during the collision, propagates inside the nucleus and decays after a short time inside the nucleus. The sigma meson can not be detected directly in an experimental setup, but there are indications towards its existence through the information collected from

two pions that are measured in coincidence. In the QMD simulations every sigma and pion that are created are stored in some arrays and their evolutions are followed through the end of the reaction. So we are able to get the whole number of  $\sigma$  meson and  $\pi\pi$  that are a direct product of the sigma decay.

The solid curves and dot-dashed curves in the top of Fig. 1 are the produced sigma mesons in  $^{12}\text{C}$  without and with medium modifications, respectively. We can see the results of the invariant mass distribution of sigma meson production. There is an appreciable shift of strength to the low invariant mass region due to the medium modifications. The density dependence of the  $\sigma$  mass shifts the curve to the lower mass region when medium effect is taken into account. The dashed curves and dot curves in the figure are the measured sigma mesons without and with medium modifications, respectively. We can also see the same results for the shift of strength to the lower invariant mass region due to the medium modifications. In the second and third rows of Fig. 1 one shows the same results for  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ , respectively. The data points display a distinctive  $A$  dependence: the increase of  $A$  is followed by increase of the production cross sections.

Shown in Fig. 2 are the ratios of the sigma cross sections in various reactions. It is found from the larger values of the sigma production ratios  $\sigma(p + \text{Pb})/\sigma(p + \text{Ca})$  and  $\sigma(p + \text{Pb})/\sigma(p + \text{C})$  that the  $\sigma$  meson production in  $p + A$  collisions is strongly medium-dependent. Without additional medium effects the ratio is almost constant as a function of the invariant  $\sigma$ -mass when the shift of the  $\sigma$  mass is taken into account.

The ratios for the measured sigma show a significant enhancement at low invariant masses if the medium modification is considered. It indicates that the produced  $\sigma$  mesons decaying in a denser medium experience a stronger mass shift towards lower masses since the medium is more dense in a heavier nucleus. It should be stressed that this mass shift is an experimentally accessible observable in the final state pion pairs which did not suffer reabsorption and rescattering by the surround-

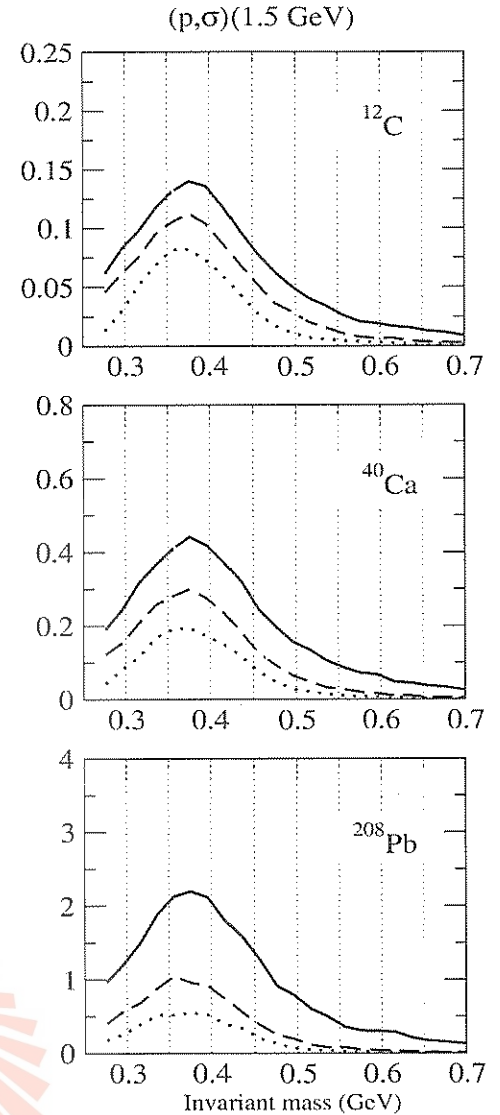


Figure 1: (color online). The invariant-mass distribution of the sigma mesons produced in the  $p + A$  reactions with  $A$  being nuclei ( $^{12}\text{C}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ ) at the incident energies 1.5 GeV. Solid lines: produced  $\sigma$  without medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; dashed lines: measured  $\sigma$  without medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; dot and dashed lines: produced  $\sigma$  with medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; and dot lines: measured  $\sigma$  with medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson.

ing nucleons. The ratio of measured sigma mesons from various reactions opens the possibility to address experimentally the mass shift of the  $\sigma$  in a

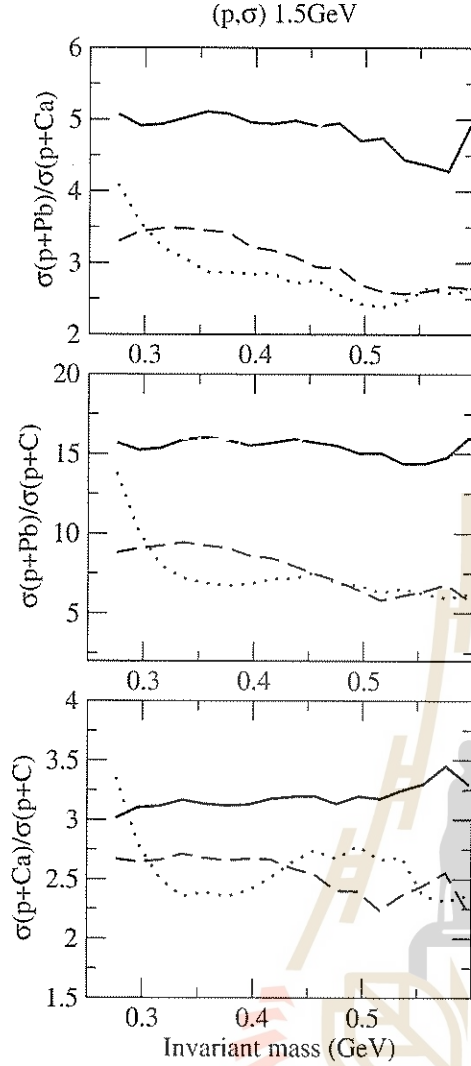


Figure 2: (color online). Ratios of the sigma cross sections in various collisions. Solid lines: produced  $\sigma$  without medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; dashed lines: measured  $\sigma$  without medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; dot and dashed lines: produced  $\sigma$  with medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson; dot lines: measured  $\sigma$  with medium modifications of the  $\sigma$  meson.

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# Schwinger's Quantum Dynamical Principle and Quantization Problem of Gauge Theories

หลักการวัดเชิงควอนตัมของทวิงเงอร์และปัญหาการควอนไทซ์ทฤษฎีเกจ

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Schwinger's quantum dynamical principle is used to derive, by an entirely algebraic approach, gauge transformations of the full vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude (generating functional) from the celebrated Coulomb gauge to arbitrary covariant gauges for the Abelian gauge theory (quantum electrodynamics) without recourse to Feynman path-integral method.

หลักการวัดเชิงควอนตัมของทวิงเงอร์ ได้ถูกนำมาใช้คำนวณ การแปลงเกจของแอมพลิจูดการเปลี่ยนสถานะ สุญญากาศไปสู่สุญญากาศ (เจเนอเรตติงฟังก์ชันนัล) แบบพรีซคัลลัน จากเกจแบบคูลอมบ์ไปสู่เกจแบบโควาเรียนท์อื่น ๆ สำหรับทฤษฎีเกจแบบอาบีเลียน (พลศาสตร์ไฟฟ้าควอนตัม) โดยไม่ต้องอาศัยวิธีปริพันธ์เชิงวิถีของไฟน์แมน

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## INTRODUCTION

When the quantum state  $|b, t_i\rangle$  at time  $t_i$  evolves to another quantum state  $|a, t_f\rangle$  at time  $t_f$  ( $t_f > t_i$ ), the transition amplitude is  $\langle a, t_f | b, t_i \rangle$ . We are interested in studying the variations of  $\langle a, t_f | b, t_i \rangle$  with respect to some parameter  $\lambda$  such as masses, coupling constants, external sources and so on.

Schwinger's quantum dynamical principle is

$$\delta \langle a, t_f | b, t_i \rangle = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \langle a, t_f | \delta H | b, t_i \rangle \quad (1)$$

where  $H = H(q(t), p(t), t; \lambda)$  is the Hamiltonian in the Heisenberg representation [1].  $\delta H$  in (1) refers to the change of  $H(q(t), p(t), t; \lambda)$ , with respect to the parameter  $\lambda$ , when  $q$ ,  $p$  and  $t$  are fixed.

For some variations, we may replace the Hamiltonian by minus Lagrangian,  $H \rightarrow -L$ ,

$$\delta \langle a, t_f | b, t_i \rangle = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle a, t_f | \delta S | b, t_i \rangle. \quad (2)$$

Also known as quantum action principle or Schwinger's action principle [2, 3].

The aim of this paper is to derived the expression for the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude (or vacuum persistence amplitude) in quantum electrodynamics (QED)

$$\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle = \lim_{\substack{t_i \rightarrow -\infty \\ t_f \rightarrow +\infty}} \langle \text{vac}, t_f | \text{vac}, t_i \rangle \quad (3)$$

and solved the quantization problem of gauge theories. The simplicity and the power of this method is evident and it is expected to be applicable to non-Abelian gauge theories as well as to supersymmetric gauge theories.

## DERIVATION

### QED in Coulomb Gauge

The Lagrangian density for QED with external (c-number) sources is

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \psi - m_0 \bar{\psi} \psi + \mathcal{L}_I + \mathcal{L}_S \quad (4)$$

where  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$  [8],

$$\mathcal{L}_I = e_0 \bar{\psi} \gamma^\alpha \psi A_\alpha \quad (5)$$

is the interaction Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L}_S = \bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta + A_\mu J^\mu \quad (6)$$

is the external source terms, and  $J^\mu$  is an external source for the Maxwell (gauge) field  $A^\mu$ , while  $\eta$  and  $\bar{\eta}$  are the Grassmannian external sources for Dirac (matter) fields  $\psi$  and  $\bar{\psi}$  respectively.



To obtain the expression for the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude  $\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle$ , as the generator of all the propagators (Green functions) of the theory in the presence of the external sources, we work explicitly in the celebrated Coulomb gauge (as a physical gauge, where the physical components are clear at the outset) by imposing the constraint

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \partial_k A^k = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, 3. \quad (7)$$

This constraint allows us to solve  $A^3$  in terms of  $A^1$  and  $A^2$  [4]:

$$A^3 = -(\partial_3)^{-1} \partial_a A^a, \quad a = 1, 2, \quad (8)$$

or

$$A^k = \left( \delta^{ka} - \delta^{k3} \frac{\partial_a}{\partial_3} \right) A^a, \quad (9)$$

and treat  $A^0$ ,  $A^1$ ,  $A^2$  (not  $A^3$ ), and  $\psi$  as dynamical variables (later we will see that  $A^0$  is a dependent field). The field equations are

$$\left[ \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{\partial_\mu}{i} - e_0 A_\mu \right) + m_0 \right] \psi = \eta, \quad (10a)$$

From (10c), we obtain

$$-\square A^\mu = \left( g^{\mu\alpha} - g^{\alpha i} \frac{\partial_i \partial^\mu}{\nabla^2} \right) g_{\alpha\beta} \left( g^{\beta\sigma} - g^{\beta k} \frac{\partial_k \partial^\sigma}{\nabla^2} \right) (e_0 \bar{\psi} \gamma_\sigma \psi + J_\sigma) \quad (12a)$$

or

$$-\square F^{\mu\nu} = \left( g^{\nu\alpha} \partial^\mu - g^{\mu\alpha} \partial^\nu \right) g_{\alpha\beta} \left( g^{\beta\sigma} - g^{\beta k} \frac{\partial_k \partial^\sigma}{\nabla^2} \right) (e_0 \bar{\psi} \gamma_\sigma \psi + J_\sigma). \quad (12b)$$

Schwinger's quantum dynamical principle reads

$$\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \frac{\overleftarrow{\delta}}{i\delta\eta(x)} = -\frac{\delta}{i\delta\eta(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle = \langle 0_+ | \bar{\psi}(x) | 0_- \rangle \quad (13a)$$

and

$$\frac{\delta}{i\delta\bar{\eta}(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle = -\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \frac{\overleftarrow{\delta}}{i\delta\bar{\eta}(x)} = \langle 0_+ | \psi(x) | 0_- \rangle, \quad (13b)$$

while for non-Grassmannian source, variations of the components of  $J^\mu$  may be carried out independently, we have

$$\frac{\delta}{i\delta J^\mu(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle = \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \frac{\overleftarrow{\delta}}{i\delta J^\mu(x)} = \langle 0_+ | A_\mu(x) | 0_- \rangle \quad (13c)$$

$$\bar{\psi} \left[ -\gamma^\mu \left( \frac{\partial_\mu}{i} - e_0 A_\mu \right) + m_0 \right] = \bar{\eta} \quad (10b)$$

and

$$-\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \left( g^{\nu\alpha} - g^{\nu i} \frac{\partial_i \partial^\alpha}{\nabla^2} \right) (e_0 \bar{\psi} \gamma_\alpha \psi + J_\alpha). \quad (10c)$$

It should be noted that equations (10a) and (10b) lead to

$$\partial_\mu (\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi) = i (\bar{\psi} \eta - \bar{\eta} \psi) \quad (11)$$

and the Dirac current is conserved in the absence of the Grassmannian external sources  $\eta$  and  $\bar{\eta}$ , while  $J_\alpha$  need not be conserved because  $\partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = 0$  is automatically satisfied for all  $J_\alpha$  [4]. No restriction is set on  $J_\alpha$  (such as  $\partial^\alpha J_\alpha = 0$ ), until the entire analysis is completed, we may vary the components of  $J_\alpha$  independently to generate the full photon propagator if we know the expression of the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude (generating functional) [5].

and

$$\begin{aligned} -i \frac{\partial}{\partial e_0} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle &= \int_{\sigma_i}^{\sigma_f} (dx) \left\langle 0_+ \left| \left( \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^\alpha \psi(x) A_\alpha(x) \right)_+ \right| 0_- \right\rangle \\ &= \int_{\sigma_i}^{\sigma_f} (dx) \frac{\delta}{i \delta \eta(x)} \gamma^\alpha \frac{\delta}{i \delta \bar{\eta}(x)} \frac{\delta}{i \delta J^\alpha(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (13d)$$

where  $(\dots)_+$  denotes the time-ordered product. Although  $A^0$  and  $A^3$  are dependent fields, but  $\psi$  and  $\bar{\psi}$  are not dependent fields, equations (13c) and (13d) hold true [6] since the functional derivatives in (13c) and (13d) is defined with the independent fields and their conjugate momenta fixed.

Let  $\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0$  denotes the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude in the presence of the external sources with  $e_0$  set equal to zero,  $\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 = \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \Big|_{e_0=0}$ , and satisfies

$$\left[ \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial_\mu}{i} + m_0 \right] \frac{\delta}{i \delta \bar{\eta}(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 = \eta(x) \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 \quad (14a)$$

$$\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 \frac{\delta}{i \delta \eta(x)} \left[ -\gamma^\mu \frac{\partial_\mu}{i} + m_0 \right] = \bar{\eta}(x) \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 \quad (14b)$$

and

$$-\partial_\mu \left[ \frac{\partial^\mu}{i \delta J_\nu(x)} \frac{\delta}{i \delta J_\nu(x)} - \partial^\nu \frac{\delta}{i \delta J_\mu(x)} \right] \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 = \left( g^{\nu\alpha} - g^{\nu i} \frac{\partial_i \partial^\alpha}{\nabla^2} \right) J_\alpha(x) \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 \quad (14c)$$

or

$$-\square \frac{\delta}{i \delta J_\mu(x)} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 = \left( g^{\mu\alpha} - g^{\alpha i} \frac{\partial_i \partial^\mu}{\nabla^2} \right) g_{\alpha\beta} \left( g^{\beta\sigma} - g^{\beta k} \frac{\partial_k \partial^\sigma}{\nabla^2} \right) J_\sigma(x) \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0. \quad (14d)$$

From (14a)–(14d), together with the normalization  $\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle \Big|_{\eta=\bar{\eta}=J=0} = 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 &= \exp \left[ i \int (dx)(dx') \bar{\eta}(x) S_+(x, x') \eta(x') \right] \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[ \frac{i}{2} \int (dy)(dy') J_\mu(y) D_{C^+}^{\mu\nu}(y, y') J_\nu(y') \right] \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where

$$S_+(x, x') = \int \frac{(dp)}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ip(x-x')} \frac{-\gamma p + m_0}{p^2 + m_0^2 - i\epsilon} \quad (16a)$$

and

$$D_{C^+}^{\mu\nu}(y, y') = \int \frac{(dq)}{(2\pi)^4} e^{iq(y-y')} \left( g^{\mu\alpha} - g^{\alpha i} \frac{q_i q^\mu}{\vec{q}^2} \right) g_{\alpha\beta} \left( g^{\beta\nu} - g^{\beta k} \frac{q_k q^\nu}{\vec{q}^2} \right) \frac{1}{q^2 - i\epsilon} \quad (16b)$$

are the free electron propagator and the free photon propagator in the Coulomb gauge, respectively.

Equation (13d) may be integrated to give

$$\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle = \exp \left[ i e_0 \int (dz) \frac{\delta}{i \delta \eta(z)} \gamma^\alpha \frac{\delta}{i \delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{\delta}{i \delta J^\alpha(z)} \right] \langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle_0 \equiv Z_C[\eta, \bar{\eta}, J]. \quad (17)$$

The full electron propagator  $S(x, x'; J)$  and the full Coulomb-gauge photon propagator  $D_C^{\mu\nu}(y, y'; J)$ , in the absence of external Grassmannian sources  $\eta, \bar{\eta}$ , may be easily generated by taking functional differentiations [5]:

$$S(x, x'; J) = i \left[ \frac{1}{Z_C[\eta, \bar{\eta}, J]} \frac{\delta}{i \delta \eta(x')} \frac{\delta}{i \delta \bar{\eta}(x)} Z_C[\eta, \bar{\eta}, J] \right]_{\eta=\bar{\eta}=0} \quad (18a)$$

and

$$D_C^{\mu\nu}(y, y'; J) = i \left[ \frac{\delta}{i\delta J_\mu(y)} \frac{\delta}{i\delta J_\nu(y')} \ln Z_C[\eta, \bar{\eta}, J] \right]_{\eta=\bar{\eta}=0}. \quad (18b)$$

### Quantization Problems of Gauge Field in QED

For gauge theories, the dependent fields  $A^3$  and  $A^0$  have no canonical momenta ( $\Pi^3 = 0$  and  $\Pi^0 = 0$ ) and hence we cannot quantize gauge field  $A^\mu$  by using the naïve (equal-time) commutation relation:

$$[A^\mu(x), \Pi^\nu(x')] \Big|_{x^0=x'^0} \stackrel{?}{=} i g^{\mu\nu} \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}'). \quad (19)$$

We have to quantize only independent fields  $A^1$

and  $A^2$ , the (equal-time) commutation relation for the physical degree of freedom  $A^1$  and  $A^2$  is

$$[A^a(x), \Pi^b(x')] \Big|_{x^0=x'^0} = i \delta^{ab} \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}'), \quad (20)$$

$a, b = 1, 2$ , where  $\Pi^\mu(x)$  is the canonical conjugate momenta to  $A^\mu(x)$  defined by

$$\Pi^\mu(x) \equiv \frac{\delta S}{\delta \dot{A}_\mu(x)} = -F^{0\mu}(x) + g^{\mu k} \frac{\partial_k}{\partial_3} F^{03}(x). \quad (21)$$

It is easily to show that the correct (equal-time) commutation relation is

$$[A^\mu(x), \Pi^\nu(x')] \Big|_{x^0=x'^0} = i g^{\mu i} g^{\nu k} \left( \delta^{ik} - \delta^{i3} \frac{\partial_k}{\partial_3} \right) \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}'), \quad (22)$$

not (19).

From (10c) and (21) we may also write:

$$\begin{aligned} F^{\mu\nu}(x) = & (g^{\mu 0} g^{\nu\sigma} - g^{\nu 0} g^{\mu\sigma}) g_{\sigma\beta} \left( g^{\beta\alpha} - g^{\beta k} \frac{\partial_k \partial^\alpha}{\nabla^2} \right) \Pi_\alpha(x) \\ & - (g^{\mu 0} g^{\nu k} - g^{\nu 0} g^{\mu k}) \frac{\partial_k}{\nabla^2} \left[ e_0 \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^0 \psi(x) + J^0(x) \right] \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\delta^\mu_k \delta^{\nu l} - \delta^\nu_k \delta^{\mu l}) F^{kl}(x), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

which then leads to the (equal-time) commutation relations

$$[A^\mu(x), F^{\alpha\beta}(x')] \Big|_{x^0=x'^0} = i g^{\mu i} (g^{\alpha 0} g^{\beta k} - g^{\beta 0} g^{\alpha k}) \delta_\perp^{ik}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \quad (24)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [F^{\mu\nu}(x), F^{\alpha\beta}(x')] \Big|_{x^0=x'^0} = & i \left[ (g^{\alpha 0} g^{\beta k} - g^{\beta 0} g^{\alpha k}) (g^{\nu i} \partial^\mu - g^{\mu i} \partial^\nu) \right. \\ & \left. - (g^{\mu 0} g^{\nu k} - g^{\nu 0} g^{\mu k}) (g^{\beta i} \partial^\alpha - g^{\alpha i} \partial^\beta) \right] \delta_\perp^{ik}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

in terms of the transverse delta function

### Gauge Transformations

$$\delta_\perp^{ik}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \equiv \left( \delta^{ik} - \frac{\partial^i \partial^k}{\nabla^2} \right) \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}'). \quad (26)$$

We note that the Lagrangian density  $\mathcal{L}$  in (4), without the external source terms  $\mathcal{L}_S$  is invariant

under simultaneous local gauge transformations:

$$\psi(x) \longrightarrow \psi'(x) \equiv e^{ie_0\lambda(x)} \psi(x) \quad (27a)$$

$$\bar{\psi}(x) \longrightarrow \bar{\psi}'(x) \equiv \bar{\psi}(x) e^{-ie_0\lambda(x)} \quad (27b)$$

and

$$A^\mu(x) \longrightarrow A'^\mu(x) \equiv A^\mu(x) + \partial^\mu\lambda(x). \quad (27c)$$

We introduce the generating functional in arbitrary covariant gauges

$$\begin{aligned} Z[\rho, \bar{\rho}, K; G] = & \exp \left[ ie_0 \int (dz) \frac{\delta}{i\delta\rho(z)} \gamma^\alpha \frac{\delta}{i\delta\bar{\rho}(z)} \frac{\delta}{i\delta K^\alpha(z)} \right] \\ & \exp \left[ i \int (dx)(dx') \bar{\rho}(x) S_+(x-x') \rho(x') \right] \\ & \times \exp \left[ \frac{i}{2} \int (dy)(dy') K_\mu(y) D_{G+}^{\mu\nu}(y-y') K_\nu(y') \right] \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where the free photon propagator in arbitrary covariant gauges is

$$D_{G+}^{\mu\nu}(y-y') = \int \frac{(dq)}{(2\pi)^4} e^{iq(y-y')} \left[ \left( g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right) \frac{1}{q^2 - i\epsilon} + q^\mu q^\nu G(q^2) \right] \quad (29)$$

and  $G(q^2)$  is arbitrary.

Manoukian and Siranan [7] show that

$$Z_C[\eta, \bar{\eta}, J] = \left[ e^{i\widehat{W}'} Z[\rho, \bar{\rho}, K; G] \right]_{\rho=0, \bar{\rho}=0, K=0} \quad (30)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{W}' = & \int (dx) \left\{ \bar{\eta}(x) \exp \left[ -ic_0 \widehat{a}^\xi \frac{\delta}{i\delta K^\xi(x)} \right] \frac{\delta}{i\delta\bar{\rho}(x)} + \frac{\delta}{i\delta\rho(x)} \exp \left[ ie_0 \widehat{a}^\xi \frac{\delta}{i\delta K^\xi(x)} \right] \eta(x) \right. \\ & \left. + \left[ (g^{\xi\sigma} - \widehat{a}^\xi \partial^\sigma) J_\sigma(x) \right] \frac{\delta}{i\delta K^\xi(x)} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

and

## CONCLUDING REMARKS

Schwinger's quantum dynamical principle leads systematically to the expression for the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude  $\langle 0_+ | 0_- \rangle$  and solves the quantization problem of gauge fields with no much effort, without the recourse to Feynman's path integrals. Of course, the path integrals may be formally derived from the quantum dynamical principle (cf. [1, 3, 6]).

The extensions to non-Abelian gauge theory and supersymmetric gauge theories will be attempted in a forthcoming report.

relating the Coulomb gauge to arbitrary covariant gauges. Gauge transformations of all the propagators (Green functions) may be explicitly carried out from (30)–(31) and this expression is consistent with earlier derivations [5] by different methods.

$$\widehat{a}^\xi = g^{\xi k} \frac{\partial_k}{\nabla^2} \quad (32)$$

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## The Conceptual Understanding of Light Refraction of Thai Science Students and High School Physics Teachers

การสำรวจความเข้าใจเรื่องการหักเหของแสงของนักศึกษาคณะวิทยาศาสตร์  
มหาวิทยาลัยเชียงใหม่ และครูฟิสิกส์ระดับมัธยมศึกษา

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This research shows the results of an investigation in conceptual understanding of light refraction of 37 science students and 63 high school physics teachers. This is done by using the conceptual test which comprises of a series of open-ended questions. The results from the investigation show that the tendency of students misunderstandings in light reflection are the same as that of high school physics teachers. Moreover, some of them can not apply the refraction principle for light phenomena. The results of this research are useful for the improvement of science teaching, especially in physics. They can be used as a guide to design the apparatus and the appropriate learning process of refraction of light.

งานวิจัยนี้แสดงผลการสำรวจความเข้าใจของนักศึกษาคณะวิทยาศาสตร์ ระดับปริญญาตรีชั้นปีที่หนึ่ง จำนวน 37 คน และครูฟิสิกส์ระดับมัธยมศึกษาจำนวน 63 คน เกี่ยวกับเรื่องการหักเหของแสง โดยใช้แบบทดสอบที่มีชุดคำถามเป็นแบบปลายเปิด ซึ่งแต่ละชุดคำถามสามารถที่จะบอกได้ว่า นักศึกษามีความเข้าใจหรือไม่เข้าใจในความรู้พื้นฐานใดในเรื่องการหักเหของแสง จากผลการวิจัยพบว่า นักศึกษาและครูสอนฟิสิกส์ มีความเข้าใจที่ผิดในหลักการของการหักเหของแสง อยู่ในแนวโน้มที่ใกล้เคียงกัน นอกจากนั้น จากการสำรวจยังทำให้พบว่า นักศึกษาและครูฟิสิกส์บางส่วน ยังไม่สามารถนำความรู้ และหลักการของการหักเหของแสง มาประยุกต์ใช้ในการอธิบายปรากฏการณ์ธรรมชาติของแสงได้ แต่อย่างไรก็ตามผลของงานวิจัยนี้เป็นสิ่งที่แสดงให้เห็นว่า ทั้งนักศึกษาและครูฟิสิกส์ ยังมีสิ่งที่เข้าใจผิดในเนื้อหา และหลักการของการหักเหของแสงอยู่ ดังนั้น ผลการทดลองนี้จึงมีความสำคัญในการช่วยพัฒนาการสอนวิทยาศาสตร์อย่างยิ่ง ผลของงานวิจัยนี้สามารถทำให้ผู้วิจัยตระหนักและพบหนทางที่จะออกแบบอุปกรณ์ และกระบวนการเรียนการสอนที่เหมาะสม ในการเรียนการสอนฟิสิกส์ เพื่อให้ให้นักศึกษา มีความเข้าใจที่ถูกต้องในเรื่องการหักเหของแสงต่อไป

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### INTRODUCTION

About 30 years ago, physics lecturers found that their students had misunderstanding in some physics principles; therefore they try to help their students to have better understanding by using new methods. Light was one of physics topics which many students had confusion. They were many researches that investigated light misconception of students such as “Children observation, ideas, and the development of classroom theories about light (Brick house , N.W.1994)”, “Student Difficulties in understanding Image Formation by plane mirror (McDermott,1986)”. All of researches found that college students can not connect physics principle to science phenomena. This paper is the beginning of research which helps Thai students to improve their thinking skills in light refraction concepts. The first step of this research is to probe understanding in light refraction concepts of students and teachers in order to find out the

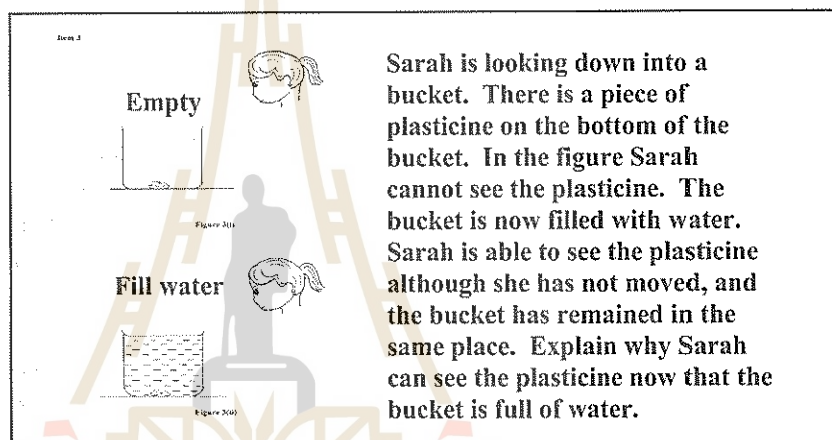
appropriate methods for change misconceptions.

Light conceptual test is used for probe an understanding of students in light concepts. They were many researchers who used this test before. This research uses some conceptual questions about refraction from some researches and constructs some questions from teaching experience to test 63 Thai physics teacher and 37 the first year science student.

## METHODOLOGY

The first step of this research is to investigate the works that have done before. Beside, I use some wrong student ideas about refraction to design the question series. They are 3 questions for refraction conceptual test.

**The first question** is about studies students' idea of refraction and how students perceive water as a medium for refraction. This question is chosen from "*Malaysian School Children Misconceptions of Light*" by Siti Hendon Binti Sheikh Abdullah and Khaliyah Binti Mohd Salleh [1].

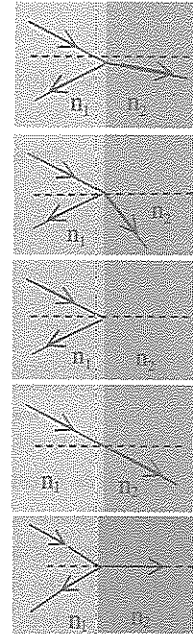


**The second question** is about refraction index concepts. This question probe students' idea of relation between refraction index and the angle of light beams when they pass through the different medium. It is chosen from "*Action Research and the Light and Optics Conceptual Evaluation*" that developed by David Sokoloff [2].

Questions 2.1–2.5 refer to a very narrow beam of light (for example, a laser beam) that can be represented by a single ray. The light is initially traveling from left to right in a transparent medium of index of refraction  $n_1$ , and incident on a second transparent medium of index of refraction  $n_2$ . The reflected and refracted rays are as shown in the diagrams below. (If either is missing, it means there is no reflected or no refracted ray.) Answer each of the questions below with one of the following choices, A through F.

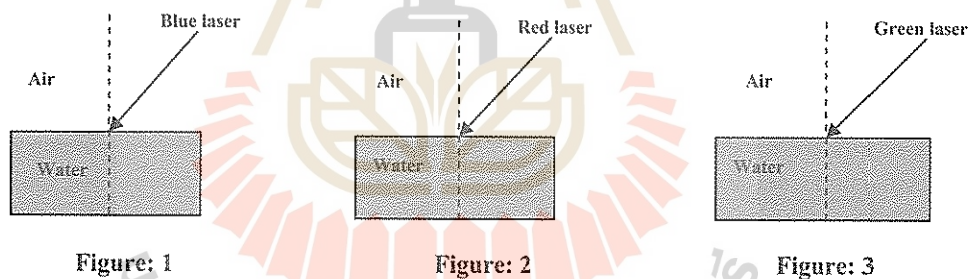
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| A. Only if $n_2 > n_1$ , | D. Can happen with A or C.  |
| B. Only if $n_2 = n_1$ , | E. Never possible.  |
| C. Only if $n_2 < n_1$ , | F. Always possible regardless of the relative sizes of the indexes of refraction. |

- 2.1 For which condition A through F could the rays be as shown in the figure?
- 2.2 For which condition A through F could the rays be as shown in the figure?
- 2.3 For which condition A through F could the rays be as shown in the figure?
- 2.4 For which condition A through F could the rays be as shown in the figure?
- 2.5 For which condition A through F could the rays be as shown in the figure?



**The third question** is about refraction index and refraction angle of different light wavelengths. This question comes from my physics teaching experience. My student believe that refraction index in any mediums have only one value. In fact, it depends on a light wave length.

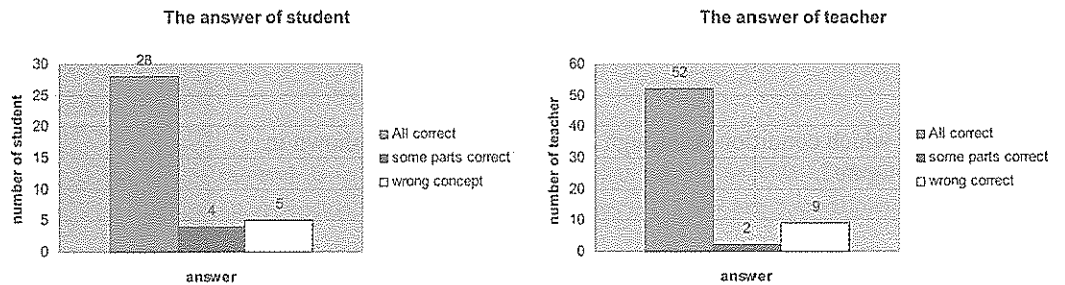
Questions 3.1-3.2 are the experiments that used laser beam to pass through air and water at the same angle. The figure 1 use blue laser, figure 2 use red laser and figure 3 use green laser. All of experiments, the medium (water) and vessel are the same.



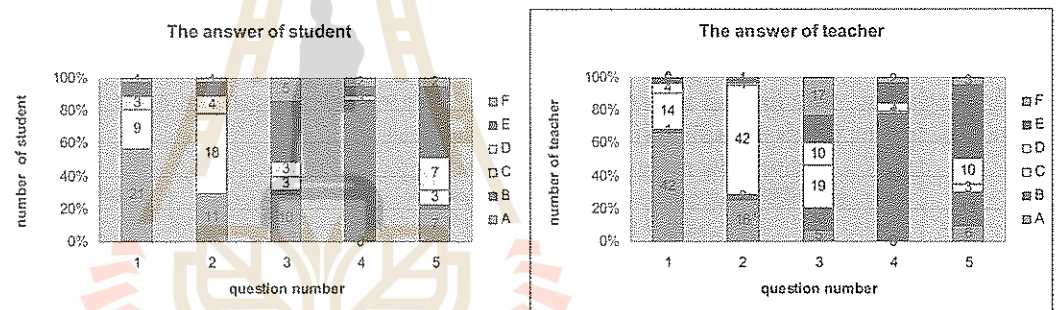
- 3.1) Order the refraction angle of each experiments from large to small.
- 3.2) Are the refraction index of each experiments the same? Give the reason.

All questions are used to test the refraction concepts of 37 the first year science students at Chaingmai University and 63 high school physics teacher of Thailand for 15 minutes. The data of each group is analyzed and compared the tendency.

## RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The first question:

Although this question is very basic but it still has wrong answer. The students who had correct answer are 76% and 83% for teacher. Both student and teacher who had wrong answer are closely, 13% and 14% respectively. Some students confuse between refraction and reflection concepts. They try to explain that “the light rays reflect back and forth in the vessel then refract to eyes”. Beside, some students and teachers try to explain by drawing light rays but they were wrong direction.

The second question:

People	Question number	Correct answer				
		2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5
student		56%	48%	35%	86%	40%
teacher		67%	67%	30%	78%	44%

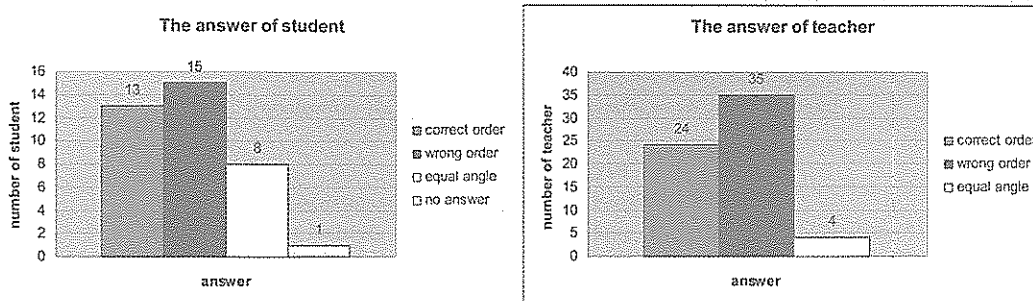
The concepts that use to imply in this part are complicate than the first question. The question numbers which make both of them confused (lower 50%) are 2.3 and 2.5. In 2.3 is a total refraction phenomenon, it occurs when a refractive index of the first medium more than the second medium. For 2.5, it is impossible to occur in this phenomenon because when light rays pass the first medium, an identical angle and a refracted angle will correspond to Snell's law. Noticed that the question number 2.2 still make students confuse more than teacher.



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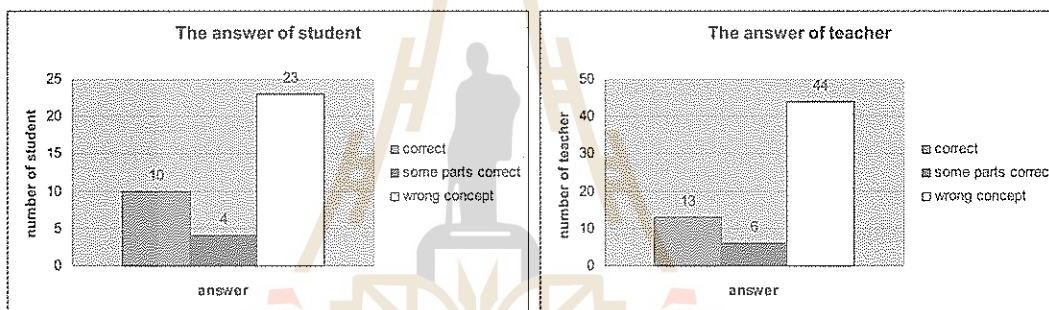
The third question:

## 3.1)



This question uses the concepts that different light wavelengths have different velocity when they pass through a medium so, if they pass through the same medium and the same identical angle, each wave length has different refracted angle. The numbers of student and teacher who had a correct answer are 35% and 38% respectively. Most of them can not order a refraction angle. It is very surprise for me for some both of them who answered that each light has an equal refractive angle.

## 3.2)



This question uses the concepts that different light wavelengths have different velocity in a medium when they pass through the same medium. So, each wave length has different refraction index. Most of them imply that "Water has only one refractive index".

All of results show that Thai students and Thai physics teacher have misunderstanding concepts in refraction, especially in refractive index topics. It is a big problem in physics teaching of Thailand. This results are data for my next research which help Thai student and physics teachers to understand better in refraction concepts.

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## Device for Measuring Total Harmonic Distortion of AC Voltage

## เครื่องวัดผลรวมความเพี้ยนฮาร์มอนิกของแรงดันไฟฟ้ากระแสสลับ

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A device used for measuring total harmonic distortion (THD) of AC voltage has been designed and built. The device consists of two microcontroller boards: 1) the 8-bit MCU for signal capturing and 2) the 16-bit MCU for Fast Fourier Transform computing. The AC voltage signal was captured by a 12-bit analog-to-digital converter. The embedded firmware running on 16-bit board computes 128-point FFT. The THD was calculated up to 64-order of harmonic components. We have recorded the sample measurements of THD for residential and academic building.

ได้ออกแบบและสร้างเครื่องวัดผลรวมความเพี้ยนฮาร์มอนิกของแรงดันไฟฟ้ากระแสสลับ เครื่องวัดประกอบด้วยบอร์ดไมโครคอนโทรลเลอร์สองส่วน ส่วนแรกเป็นบอร์ดไมโครคอนโทรลเลอร์ขนาด 8 บิต ทำหน้าที่เก็บสัญญาณ และบอร์ดไมโครคอนโทรลเลอร์ ขนาด 16 บิต ทำหน้าที่คำนวณค่าสัมพัทธ์ฟูเรียร์ทรานส์ฟอร์ม สัญญาณแรงดันไฟฟ้ากระแสสลับจะถูกแปลงด้วยตัวแปลงอนาล็อกเป็นดิจิตอลความละเอียด 12 บิต โปรแกรมที่บรรจุบนบอร์ด 16 บิต จะคำนวณค่าสัมพัทธ์ฟูเรียร์ทรานส์ฟอร์ม 128 จุด ค่าผลรวมความเพี้ยนฮาร์มอนิกคำนวณได้ถึง 64 ลำดับ ได้ทดลองเก็บข้อมูลตัวอย่างการวัด THD ที่บ้านพักอาศัยและอาคารเรียนในมหาวิทยาลัย

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## INTRODUCTION

Quality of the AC electrical supply plays an important role of economic development. One of the quality parameters is the waveshape of AC voltage waveform. Since the power grid provides nearly perfect sinusoidal voltage source output. The waveshape of low voltage distribution lines however when connected to customer's loads will be distorted by nonlinear loads. Such load, e.g. the rectifying circuit built by diode-capacitor, which is commonly used by input circuit of switching power supply, has the AC current drawn only near the peak voltage. When a number of them are connected to a given voltage feeder, it will flatten the peak of voltage waveform, resulting 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic appeared. The other loads that tie in parallel to the nonlinear load will then be supplying with such distorted voltage. To measure the waveshape distortion of fundamental frequency, Fourier analysis

is used to determine the amplitude of harmonic components. The total harmonic distortion of AC voltage was defined [1] as the ratio of the sum of the RMS voltages of all harmonic components to the RMS voltage of the fundamental frequency by the equation

$$\text{THD} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{(V_1)^2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (V_n)^2} \times 100\% \quad (1)$$

Where THD is total harmonic distortion in percent,  $V$  is the amplitude of RMS voltage,  $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$  is harmonic component.

The standard limit of THD [2] for low voltage distribution lines (< 69 kV) that recommended by IEEE 512-1992 is 5%. This research developed a low-cost microcontroller based device that uses Fast Fourier Transformation for computing the amplitude of harmonic components of voltage waveform and computes THD. The device can record THD with time, printing the result and up-

loading data to PC.

### HARDWARE DESCRIPTION

The hardware block diagram is shown in Fig. 1. The instrument consists of two microcontroller boards. The first board was built with MCS51 as the front-end circuit and the second board is FFT machine built with Intel 16-bit microprocessor, 80C186EB. The AC voltage input is sampled and converted to digital data by the LTC1298 SPI interface 12-bit ADC. The number of sample is 128 points. The time domain data stream is sent to the 16-bit MCU board through RS485 port. The 16-bit board receives the data and transforms to frequency domain by FFT algorithm and computes THD. The THD is then sent back to the MCS51 for data logging. The spectrum data can be sent to the terminal for data graphing. The RTC circuit on MCS51 board provides real-time clock for time stamping when recording THD to RAM. The LCD display is used to show THD.

### SOFTWARE DESCRIPTION

The firmware running on MCS51 was developed with c language. The program was compiled by Keil compiler. The real-time clock interrupts CPU every 5 min. The CPU reads date and time, then triggers the ADC to convert analog input. The converted data is saved to RAM first, and sent to the 16-bit board. The MCS51 wait for THD calculation by 16-bit board. When calculation is completed, the value THD will be received and saved with time stamp. The firmware on 16-bit board is mainly FFT program developed with c language and compiled by Pacific compiler. The FFT algorithm [3] is well known and available as the open source. We modify by adding function that communicates with MCS51 through RS485 port.

Table I: %THD between 256 and 128 points FFT.

Harmonic number	256 points	128 points
1	128.000	64.000
2	0.000	0.000
3	64.000	32.000
4	0.000	0.000
5	31.999	16.000
6	0.000	0.000
7	0.000037	0.000051
8	0.000	0.000
9	0.000001	0.000002
10	0.000	0.000
11	0.000006	0.000005
%THD	55.901714590	55.901734220

### EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### Number of Sample Point Testing

The FFT algorithm running on 16-bit MCU board was tested by HP-VEE V5.01 software. The test is to find appropriate number of sample for FFT calculation between 256 and 128 points. The superimposed waveform by three-frequency sine waves, i.e. 50 Hz, 150 Hz and 250 Hz was produced by HP-VEE with 256 and 128 points. Fig. 2 and Fig. 5 show the pure sine wave of three frequencies. The superposition waveforms are shown in Fig. 3 and Fig. 6. Fig. 4 and Fig. 7 show harmonic spectrum. We found that the spectrum of three frequencies is shown clearly separated. Table I shows the result of THD calculation. We found THD computed by 128 and 256 points has shown no significant difference. Thus to reduce calculation time, we chose 128 sample points for FFT calculation. With the clock frequency of 16 MHz on 16-bit board, calculation time for 128 points takes approx. 28 seconds.

#### Test with Square Wave Signal

The square wave signal is used to input to the harmonic meter, HP-VEE and manual calculation. Fig. 8 shows the square wave signal produced by

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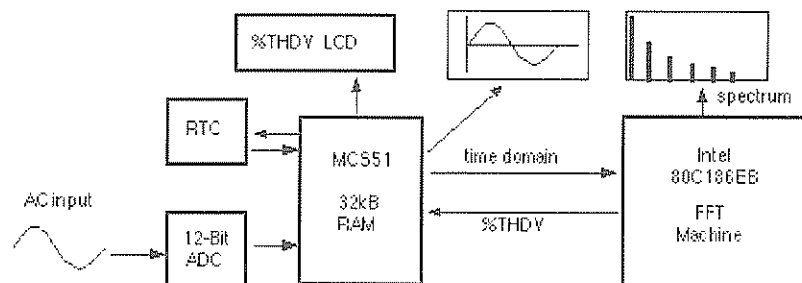


Figure 1: Hardware block diagram.

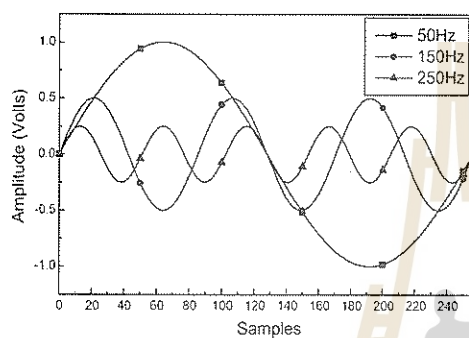


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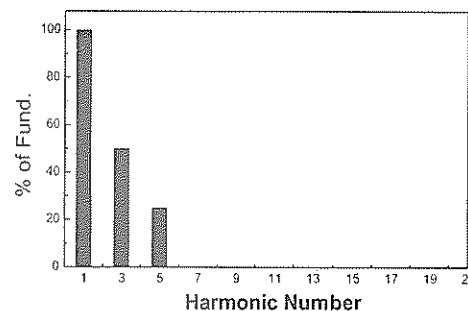


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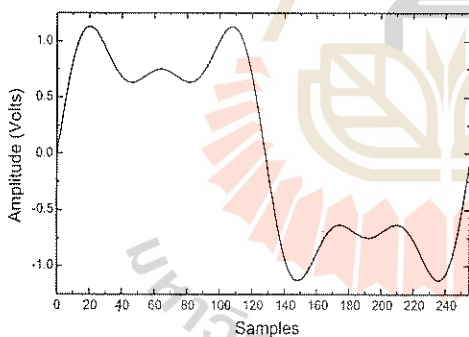


Figure 3: Superposition waveform [256 points].

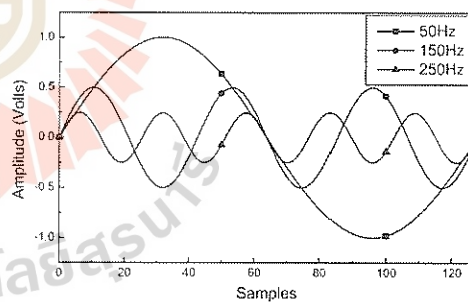


Figure 5: Three-frequency sine waves [128 points].

HP-VEE software. The harmonic spectrum plotted by harmonic meter, HP-VEE and manual calculation are shown in Fig. 9, 10 and 11. Table II shows result of THD calculation by three methods. The value by harmonic meter and HP-VEE are shown nearly the same, 48.3%. By manual calcu-

lation is shown less than 0.8%. This test confirmed the accuracy of algorithm for FFT calculation.

Table II: %THD by three methods.

Harmonic number	Harmonic Meter	HP-VEE FFT	Manual Calculation
1	81.500	81.502	81.496
2	0.008	0.011	0.000
3	27.190	27.182	27.165
4	0.002	0.008	0.000
5	16.338	16.326	16.299
6	0.006	0.011	0.000
7	11.692	11.693	11.643
8	0.006	0.003	0.000
9	9.129	9.126	9.055
10	0.008	0.006	0.000
11	7.501	7.498	7.409
%THD	48.318 258 260	48.300 150 070	47.527 748 280

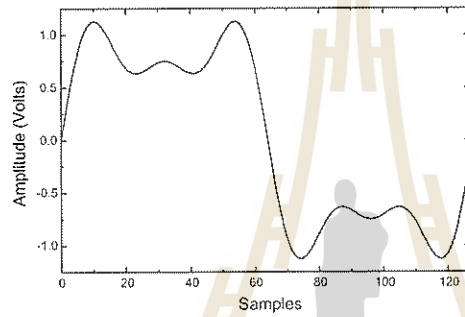


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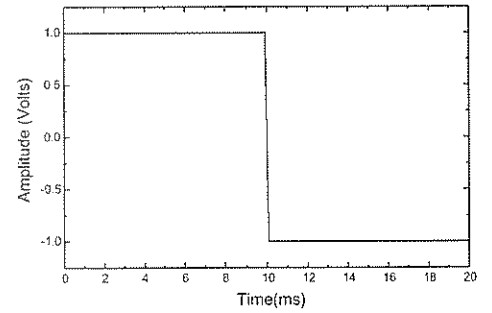


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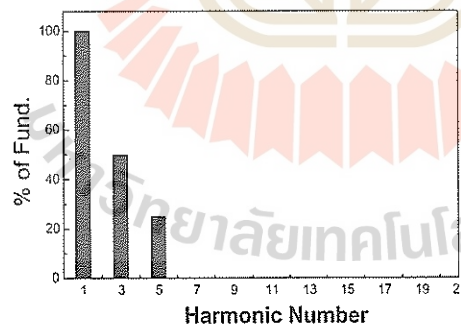


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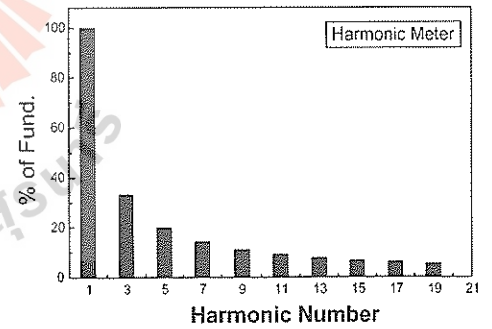


Figure 9: Harmonic spectrum by harmonic Meter, THD = 48.3%.

## Device for Measuring Total Harmonic Distortion of AC Voltage

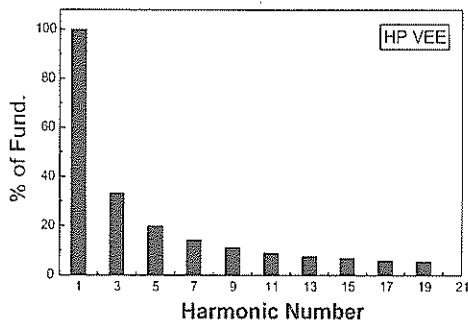


Figure 10: Harmonic spectrum by HP-VEE, THD = 48.3%.

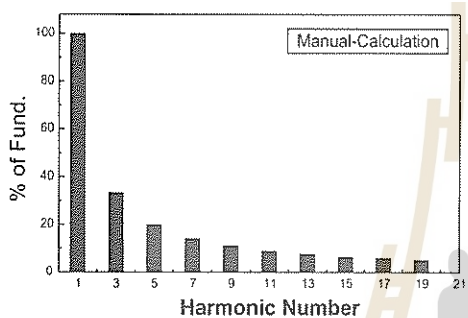


Figure 11: Harmonic spectrum by manual calculation. THD = 47.5%.

#### Test with Nonlinear Load

The nonlinear load shown in Fig. 12 was built with diode-capacitor rectifying circuit. The circuit is commonly used in most desktop PC switching power supply. Our harmonic meter was configured to 128 samples FFT. When the load is connected to the AC supply, the consequent flatten-top voltage waveform is shown in Fig. 13. Fig. 14 shows harmonic spectrum, we found the amplitude of 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic is 16% of the fundamental frequency. The THD is 16.4%.

#### Sample of THD Measurement

We have recorded THD with time for two locations, i.e. residential and academic building. The AC supply at the point of common coupling (PCC)

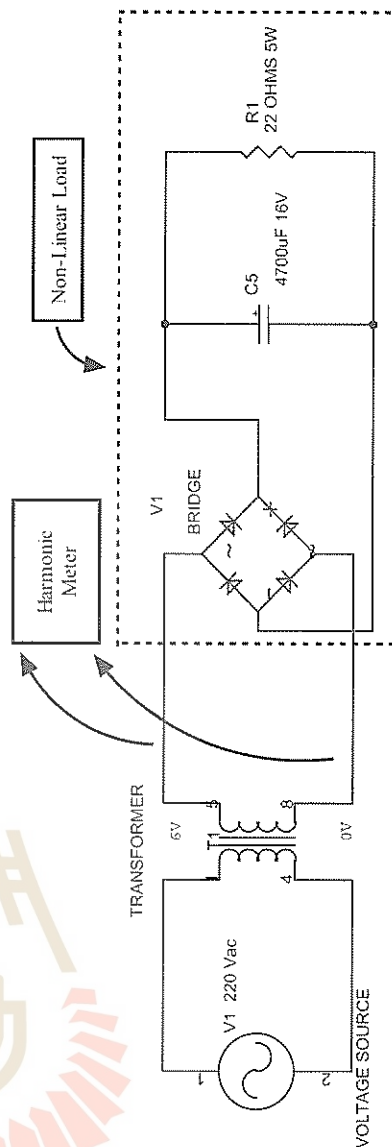


Figure 12: Nonlinear load: rectifying circuit built by diode-capacitor.

is used to measure. Fig. 15 shows result of data logging for 24 hours at residential. Each record was sampled every 5 minutes. We found that THD has changed with time and the value was not larger than 3%. Fig. 16 shows the result for academic building. We found THD is changed with time from approx. 1.5% to 3% then fall down to 1.5%. The peak is quite broad during daytime.



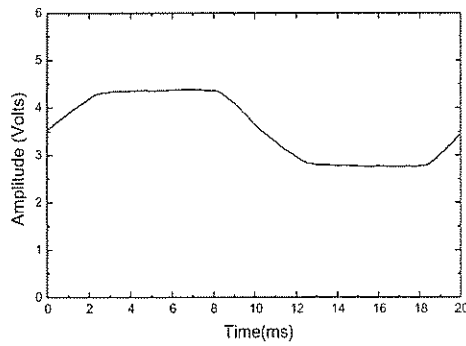


Figure 13: Flatten-top voltage waveform developed across diode-capacitor circuit.

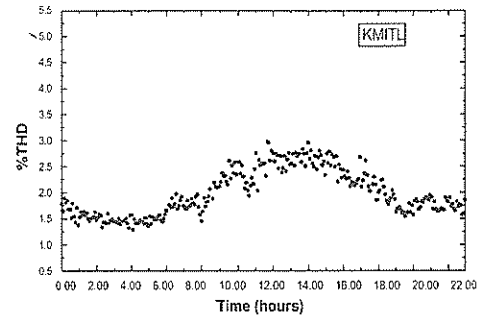


Figure 16: Sample plot of %THD with time for academic building.

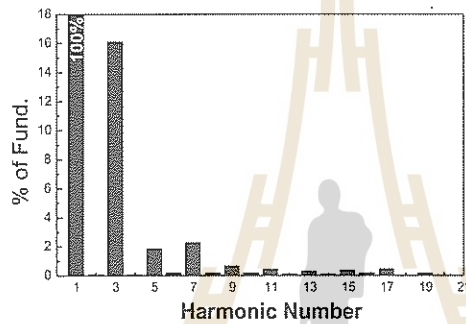


Figure 14: Harmonic spectrum of diode-capacitor load, 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic appeared THD = 16.4%.

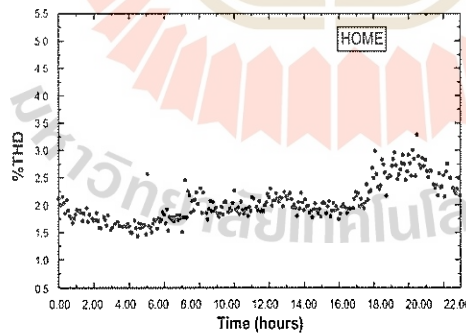


Figure 15: Sample plot of %THD with time for residential.

### CONCLUSION

We have developed a low-cost device for measuring total harmonic distortion of AC voltage. The device is tested with HP-VEE and real signal. The device can be used for measuring the 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic appeared in electrical power system.

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## Homemade Quartz Crystal Microbalance Systems for Alcohol Sensor

### ระบบตรวจจับผลึกที่สร้างขึ้นสำหรับทดสอบแอลกอฮอล์

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Quartz crystal microbalance systems were developed in-house for detecting the various alcohol odors. Quartz crystal at frequency of 2.000 MHz for oscillator circuit was extracted from the metal case and copper and zinc phthalocyanine as sensing layer were coated on quartz surface by thermal vacuum evaporation. This quartz was placed into two chambers with the volume of 11.200 and 2.665 liters which have the connection to the solenoid valve and electric fan in order to remove the odor vapor after the measurement cycle. The constructed oscillator circuit was also place in the chamber and the CMOS logic signal is connected to frequency counter circuit outside. The Visual Basic and LabVIEW were employed to control the homemade and commercial 32-bit counters and both counter circuits exhibit about the same levels of noise. Several alcohol types including acetone, propane, ethanol, tetra-hydrofuran, methanol, nail washing, 100 pipers whisky and masterblend whisky were used and the odor concentration dependence was studied by varying the alcohol amount of 0.5, 1.0 and 5.0 ml.

ระบบตรวจจับผลึกที่ได้ออกมาขึ้น สามารถใช้ทดสอบกลิ่นของแอลกอฮอล์ชนิดต่าง ๆ ได้นำผลึกควอทซ์ที่มีความถี่ 2.000 MHz ออกจากกระป๋องโลหะ และเคลือบด้วยพทาโล-ซยาไนน์ที่มีโลหะประกอบเป็นทองแดงและสังกะสี มาใช้เป็นชั้นตรวจวัดบนผิวหน้าของควอทซ์ ด้วยการระเหยสารในสุญญากาศ นำควอทซ์ที่เคลือบสารแล้วไปบรรจุไว้ในโถแก้ว ที่มีปริมาตร 11.200 และ 2.665 ลิตร โดยเชื่อมต่อกับโซลินอยด์วาล์วและพัดลมเพื่อใช้ในการระบายกลิ่นหลังจากทำการวัด วงจรออสซิลเลเตอร์ที่สร้างขึ้นจะบรรจุอยู่ในโถแก้วนี้ และสัญญาณความถี่ CMOS จะเชื่อมต่ออยู่กับวงจรมัลติไมเตอร์ 32 บิตที่สร้างขึ้นและแบบสำเร็จ ซึ่งถูกควบคุมโดยคอมพิวเตอร์โดยเขียนด้วย Visual Basic และ LabVIEW ตามลำดับ แอลกอฮอล์ที่นำมาทดสอบได้แก่ อะซีโตน, โพรเพน, เอทานอล, เตตระไฮโดรฟูแรน, เมทานอล, น้ำยาล้างเล็บ, สุรายี่ห้อ 100 pipers และ masterblend โดยได้ศึกษาเปรียบเทียบผลที่ปริมาณแอลกอฮอล์เป็น 0.5, 1.0 และ 5.0 มิลลิลิตร

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### INTRODUCTION

Quartz Crystal Microbalance (QCM) is well-known tool for the determination of film thickness during the thermal evaporation. A piezoelectric quartz crystal resonator is a precisely cut

slab from a natural or synthetic crystal of quartz. The QCM consists of a piezoelectric AT-cut quartz sandwiched by a pair of electrodes. When the electrodes are connected to an oscillator, the quartz crystal starts to oscillate at its resonance frequency due to the piezoelectric effect.

When thin film was deposited on the crystal surface, the resonant frequency decreases in proportion to the mass of the film. A resonant oscillation is achieved by including the crystal into an oscillation circuit where the electric and the mechanical oscillation are near to the fundamental frequency of the crystal. The fundamental frequency depends on the thickness of the film. Some parameters are influenced the resonant frequency including the thickness, the density and the shear modulus. The resonant frequency decreases proportionally to the mass of the adsorbed layer according to the Sauerbrey's equation [5]

$$\Delta f = \frac{[2f_0^2 + \Delta m]}{[A \times (\rho_q \mu_q)]} \quad (1)$$

where  $\Delta f$  is measured frequency shift,  $f_0$  is resonant frequency of the fundamental mode,  $\Delta m$  is mass change per unit area,  $A$  is piezoelectrically active area,  $\rho_q$  is density of quartz,  $\mu_q$  is shear modulus of quartz.

Basic application of QCM is a mass sensing device with the ability to measure very small mass changes on a quartz crystal resonator in real time. The sensitivity of the QCM is approximately 100 times higher than an electronic fine balance with a sensitivity of 0.1  $\mu\text{g}$ . It means that the QCM is capable of measuring mass changes as small as a fraction of a single-layer of atoms. The high sensitivity and the real time monitoring of mass changes on the surface of QCM make it very attractive technique for a large range of applications. In this paper the construction of QCM is described to make a sensor to detect various alcohol in vapor phase.

#### METHODOLOGY

Two QCM systems was constructed consisting of a large chamber with the volume of 11.20 l and a small chamber with the volume of 2.665 l, the quartz crystal at frequency 2.00 MHz for using oscillator circuit was extracted. Then deposited thin film of copper or zinc phthalocyanine as a sensing layer by thermal vacuum evaporation. This quartz was connected to the oscillator circuit and placed

into the chambers as shown in Fig. 1.

The first system is a large chamber with two port, the top port is connected to solenoid valve 1 and syringe to inject an alcohol and the side port is connected to the solenoid valve 2 and fan. The oscillator circuit was placed inside the chamber and connected to homemade 32-bit counter which controlled by ET-RS8255 interface card. The ET-RS8255 interface card is also used to three relays connected to fan and two valves. This interface card is connected to computer via RS-232 control and collect the data by developed program written by Visual Basic. The second system is a small chamber with only one port of the top so valve, fan and syringe are connected to this port. The 32-bit counter circuit is commercial National Instrument (NI) model PCI-6023E which can be used to control relay for solenoid valve and fan, the LabVIEW was used to develop the software program to control and collect the data.

The based line for measure frequency was set for a half hours, the alcohol with the various concentration of 0.5, 1 and 5 ml was drop onto the filter paper for 3 hours to measure frequency change. After the setting time relay coil is switched on to open valve and turn on the fan an in order to remove alcohol vapor. Alcohol used in this experiment were acetone, propane, ethanol, tetrahydrofuran, methanol, nail remover, 100 pipers whisky and masterblend whisky.

#### RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Both home-made QCM systems were able to excite phthalocyanine coated quartz to oscillate and measure the frequency shift in alcohol vapor with a desire range. Measuring cycle consists of evaluating the stable fundamental frequency for half hour and three hours after dropping alcohol then recovery period by opening the solenoid valve and fan for a half hour.

There are counter signal errors occurring in both systems as indicated in Fig. 2. This may be due to the digital signal error at some bits and at some short time. However this error can be removed eas-

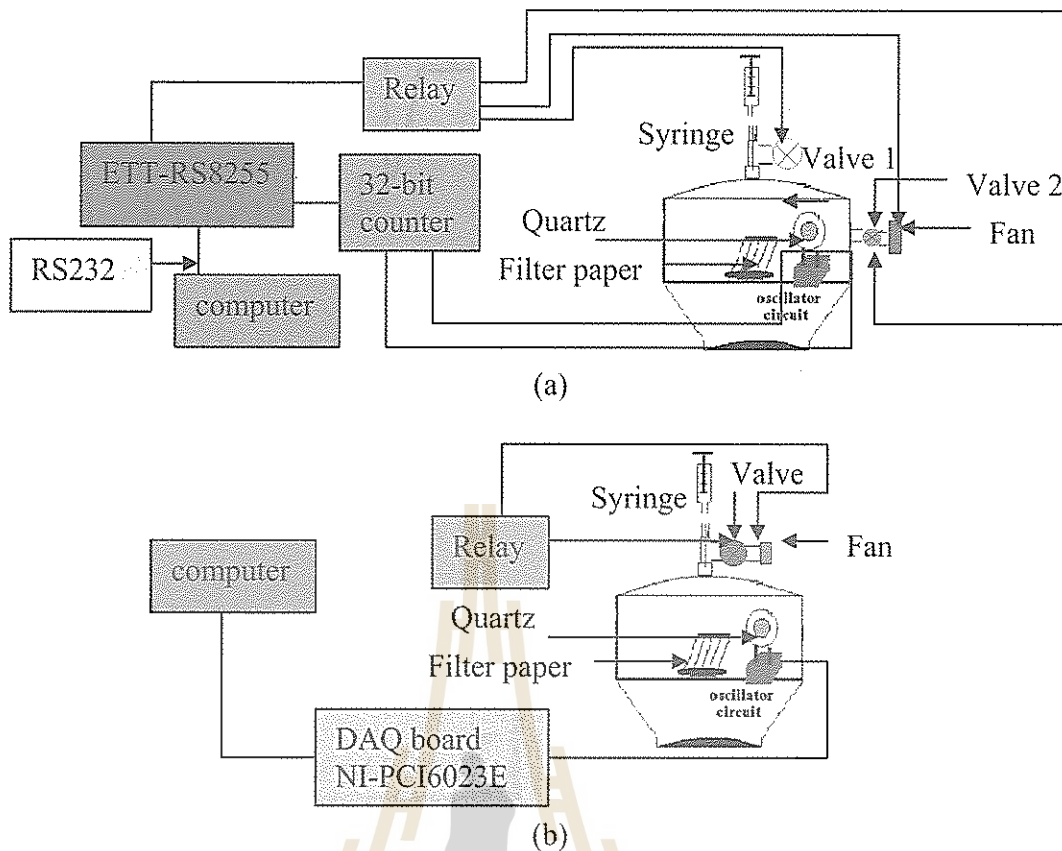


Figure 1: (color online). Schematic for constructed QCM systems. (a) the first and, (b) the second system.

ily since it is a jump process. Actually the homemade frequency counter can perform as good as the commercial NI counter card even the data bus for the NI card is directly connected to the PCI computer board.

Normally the base frequency is stable after the QCM system is on for a while and this frequency is set to be zero therefore the frequency at this region remain constant about zero in this region. The several types of alcohol were dropped and normally the frequency is dramatically decreased and slightly decreased after dropping one hour. Until reach three hours once the solenoid valve and fan turn on the frequency is suddenly increased back to the base frequency. This illustrates that the alcohol vapor is physically attach to the phthalocyanine film and detach the film when the fan remove the vapor out of the chamber.

The significant different features of response frequency shifts can be observed for various types of alcohol including masterblend whisky, hundred pipers whisky, nail remover, methanol, acetone, ethanol, propane, and tetrahydrofuran. From Fig. 3, four groups of vapor characteristic can be categorized. The frequencies of two whisky vapors are slowly decrease for the whole period while the other alcohol vapors exhibit the frequency increases at the beginning and then decrease. Vapors of methanol and nail remover have short increasing time and saturate at about two hours while the vapors of acetone and tetrahydrofuran display the saturate early at only half hour after dropping. Vapors of ethanol and propane exhibit the long decreasing time.

In order to investigate the selectivity of each metal complex in the phthalocyanine film, the

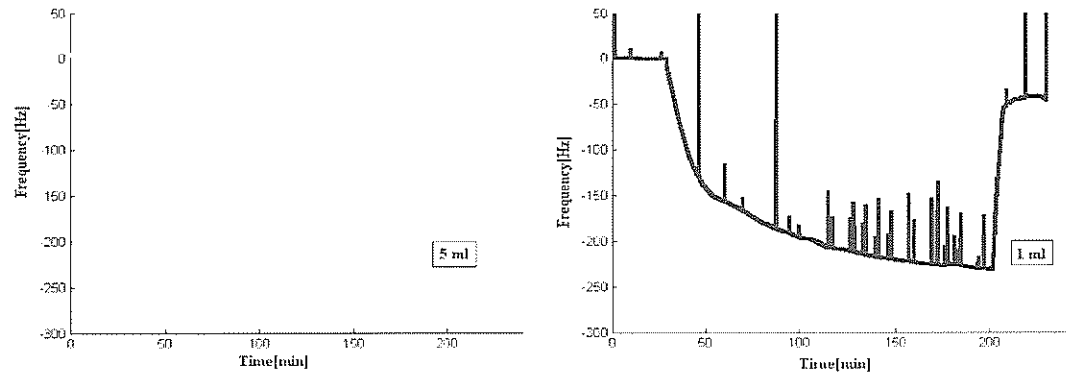


Figure 2: (color online). Frequency shift as a function of measuring time for CuPc coated quartz with masterblend whisky vapor of (left) home-made frequency counter system I at 450 ppm vapor and (right) commercial NI counter card system II at 375 ppm. The spike shape is probably originated from digital noise which occurring in both counter systems.

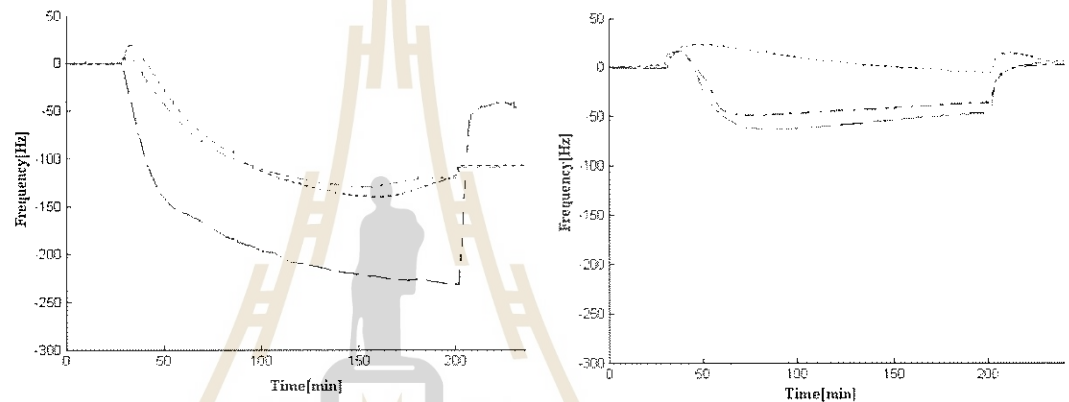


Figure 3: (color online). Frequency shift as a function of measuring time of various alcohol vapors at concentration of 375 ppm including (left) masterblend whisky, hundred pipers whisky, nail remover, methanol and (right) acetone, ethanol, propane, and tetrahydrofuran represented by dashed line, solid line, dotted line, dashed and dotted line respectively.

quartz coated with Cu phthalocyanine and Zn phthalocyanine were examined the QCM performance at the same type of alcohol. The typical example for hundred pipers whisky was demonstrated in Fig. 4. This indicates the same feature with slightly higher sensitivity for Cu phthalocyanine film.

Two home-made QCM systems were constructed for detecting the various type of alcohol with phthalocyanine coated quartz. The home-built 32 bit counter demonstrates the error level as much as that in commercial counter PC card. The

frequency changes occurs in Cu phthalocyanine and Zn phthalocyanine films have the same feature for the various types of alcohol. From the feature of frequency change the four groups of alcohol vapor can be classified including I) masterblend whisky and hundred pipers whisky, II) nail remover and methanol III) acetone and tetrahydrofuran IV) ethanol and propanic. This feature can be used to further to identify alcohol vapor type.



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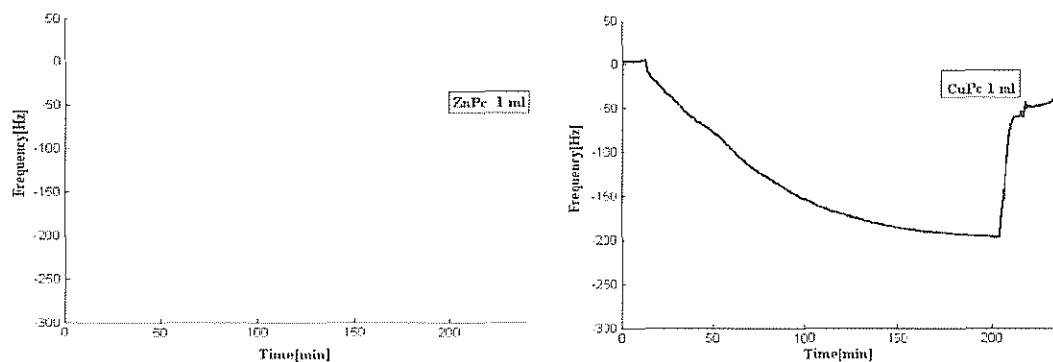


Figure 4: (color online). Frequency shift as a function of measuring time for CuPc coated quartz with hundred piper whisky vapor for quartz coated by (left) Zn phthalocyanine and (right) Cu phthalocyanine films.

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## Fabric and Fiber Modification Using Radio Frequency Plasma Process

การดัดแปรสิ่งทอและเส้นใยโดยกระบวนการพลาสมาความถี่วิทยุ

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We have studied the hydrophobicity improvement of fabrics using radio-frequency (RF) inductively coupled SF<sub>6</sub> plasma. The plasma was generated in the pressure of 0.005–1 torr and with the RF power of 25–75 watts. A set of fabrics including polyethylene terephthalate (PET), mixed Thai silk, Thai silk and cotton are treated under different operating conditions. Treated fabrics were characterized by scanning electron microscopy, water contact angle and absorption time measurement as a function of storage time after treatment. The atomic species in SF<sub>6</sub> plasma were measured by optical emission spectroscopy (OES). The results show spectrum line of F I in SF<sub>6</sub> plasma which is believed to increase the hydrophobicity of fabrics. Compared with untreated fabrics, treated fabrics improve the absorption time from 0–30 mins to about 200 mins depending on the types of fabrics, and the contact angles significantly increase about two times. The suitable operating conditions were at pressure of 0.5 torr and RF power of 50 watts.

ผู้วิจัยได้ศึกษาเกี่ยวกับการปรับปรุงสมบัติการไม่ซึมน้ำของผ้าโดยใช้ พลาสมาของแก๊สซัลเฟอร์เฮกซะฟลูออไรด์ พลาสมาถูกสร้างขึ้นโดยใช้หลักการเหนี่ยวนำกำลังไฟฟ้าด้วยคลื่นความถี่วิทยุ ที่ช่วงความดัน 0.005–1 ทอรร และ ช่วงกำลังคลื่นความถี่วิทยุ 25–75 วัตต์ ผ้าที่ใช้ศึกษาซึ่งประกอบด้วย โพลีเอทิลีนเทเรฟธอลเลต ผ้าไหมผสม ผ้าไหมแท้ และผ้าฝ้าย จะถูกปรับปรุงสมบัติการไม่ซึมน้ำภายใต้เงื่อนไขการเกิดพลาสมาที่แตกต่างกัน ผ้าที่ผ่านการปรับปรุงสมบัติแล้วจะถูกระบุด้วยกล้องจุลทรรศน์อิเล็กตรอนแบบส่องกราด การวัดค่ามุมสัมผัสของน้ำ การจับเวลาที่ผ้าใช้ในการดูดซับน้ำ ตลอดจนความสามารถในการดูดซับน้ำเมื่อเวลาผ่านไป นอกจากนี้แล้ว ได้ใช้เทคนิคออปติคอลลิมิซชันสเปกโทรสโกปี เพื่อวิเคราะห์ชนิดของอะตอมในพลาสมา ผลการทดลองพบว่า พลาสมาของแก๊สซัลเฟอร์เฮกซะฟลูออไรด์มีประสิทธิภาพในการปรับปรุงสมบัติการไม่ซึมน้ำของผ้าทุกชนิด ผ้าที่ผ่านการปรับปรุงแล้วจะใช้เวลาในการดูดซับน้ำเพิ่มขึ้นจาก 0–30 นาที เป็น 200 นาทีขึ้นอยู่กับชนิดของผ้า และค่ามุมสัมผัสของน้ำมีค่าเพิ่มขึ้นประมาณสองเท่าด้วยเช่นกัน ส่วนผลการวัดออปติคอลลิมิซชันสเปกโทรสโกปี พบว่ามีส่วนประกอบของฟลูออรีนในพลาสมา ซึ่งเชื่อว่าเป็นตัวการสำคัญ ในการช่วยเพิ่มสมบัติการไม่ซึมน้ำของผ้า เงื่อนไขพลาสมาที่เหมาะสมในงานวิจัยนี้อยู่ที่ความดัน 0.5 ทอรร และกำลังคลื่นวิทยุ 50 วัตต์

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### INTRODUCTION

At present, the finishing of textiles by plasma processes have advantageously replaced many wet chemical applications. This is due to the minimal contamination and the high acquiring speed of the plasma processes. Moreover, most plasma process only produces minimal gases exhaust, hence, more environmentally friendly. There are several possible activations during the plasma treatment i.e. surface deposition, polymerization, grafting, and etching. These activations can modify surface properties of the material while leave the bulk

characteristic unaffected. The improvement in hydrophobic property can be imparted to the fabrics through low temperature plasma treatment employing fluorine-base gas. In this work, SF<sub>6</sub> is used as plasma gas media and source of fluorine atoms producing fluorination on the sample surface. The main aim of this study is to optimize plasma conditions for textile treatments and to improve the hydrophobicity of the fabrics.

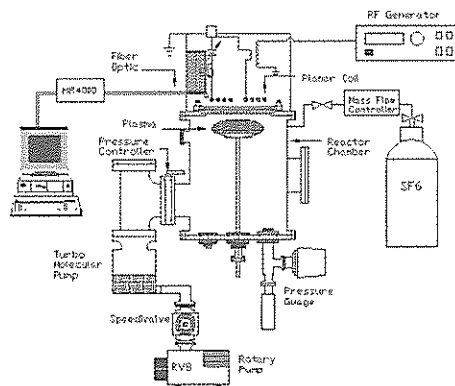


Figure 1: Schematic diagram of the RF-ICP system.

## EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

### Plasma reactor

The schematic diagram of radio-frequency inductively coupled plasma (RF-ICP) is shown in Fig. 1. The system consists of three main parts; a) vacuum chamber made from stainless steel in a cylindrical form, b) power coupling module consists of an RF generator, an impedance matching network and a planar coil, and c) plasma diagnostic system (OES). Base pressure of the chamber,  $2 \times 10^{-5}$  torr, can be achieved utilizing a turbo molecular pump backed by a rotary pump. After the base pressure is reached, the SF<sub>6</sub> enters the chamber via mass flow controller, and the pressure during the process is monitored by a Pirani gauge. The operating conditions are set at the pressure of 0.005, 0.05, 0.5 and 1 torr with RF power of 25, 50 and 75 watts. The treatment times is fixed at 1 minutes. It is observed that at RF power higher than 75 watts, the plasma is unstable while at pressure higher than 1 torr, the fabrics are usually damaged. The sample fabric is fixed at center of discharge, 4 cm. below the quartz plate.

### Characterization of the treated samples

The simple method to measure the wettability of which opposed to the ability to repel water, is the measurement of water contact angle, a tangent

angle (pointing into the body of liquid) measured between surface of sample and the liquid droplet at the contact point. In this work, the water droplets contact angles are measured by Tanta CAM-PLUS contact angle meter. Furthermore, the contact angle also relate to the work of adhesion  $W_a$ , defined as work required to separate unit area of interface between liquid and solid. Higher contact angle represents lower work of adhesion, in other words, more ability to repel water. Due to large deviation in contact angle measurement, resulting from the roughness and irregularity of surfaces, another method to measure the hydrophobicity known as the absorption time measurement is implemented to correlate with the plasma parameters. The water droplets (40  $\mu$ l in volume) are dripped on the sample surface using a micropipet at three random positions of each sample fabrics. The data of the absorption time are obtained by averaging the time used of these three droplets. The absorption time is restricted to a maximum of 210 minutes. After this, the water volume lost is considered mostly due to evaporation.

## RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The contact angle results in Table I show a dramatic increase of hydrophobicity in all PET, cotton and mixed Thai silk samples. Prior to the treatment by plasma process, the water droplet on these fabrics is rapidly absorbed into the fabric surface, while after treatment, the water droplet can be observed on the surface with contact an-

Table I: Contact angle of water on PET, mixed Thai silk, Thai silk and cotton fabrics before and after SF<sub>6</sub> plasma treatment.

Type of fabrics	Contact angle (degree)	
	Before treatment	After treatment
PET	—	139 $\pm$ 1
Mixed Thai silk	—	142 $\pm$ 3
Thai silk	101 $\pm$ 5	144 $\pm$ 3
Cotton	—	140 $\pm$ 1

Fabric absorbed water rapidly.

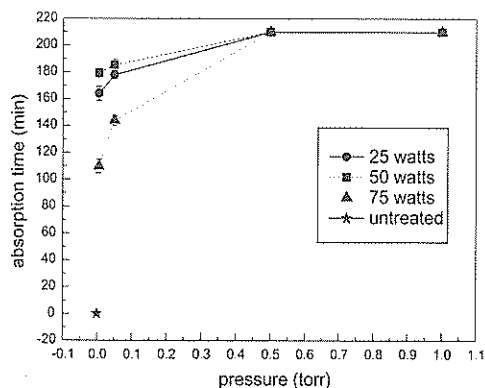


Figure 2: Water droplet absorption time on cotton which were treated for 1 min at different pressures and RF powers. Untreated cotton absorbed water rapidly.

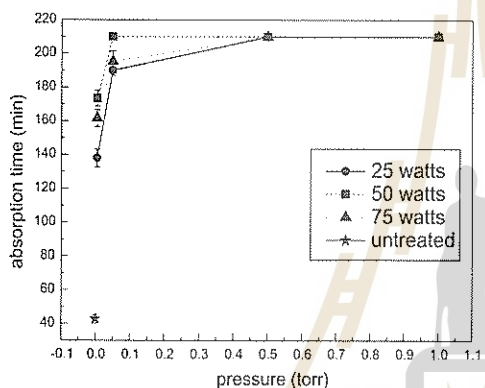


Figure 3: Water droplet absorption time on Thai silk which were treated for 1 min at different pressures and RF powers.

gles between  $135^{\circ}$ – $145^{\circ}$ . In case of Thai silk, a contact angle after treatment increase from  $101^{\circ}$  to  $144^{\circ}$ . Our study show that these improvement in hydrophobicity does not depend on operating condition or the types of fabrics. As a result, any clear trend of the hydrophobicity as a function of the plasma conditions is not obtained.

All treated fabrics demonstrate increasing of hydrophobicity. Fig. 2 and 3 show the results of absorption time measurement as a function of pressure at different RF power of cotton and Thai silk respectively. The measurement was performed instantly after 1 minute treatment of  $SF_6$  plasma.

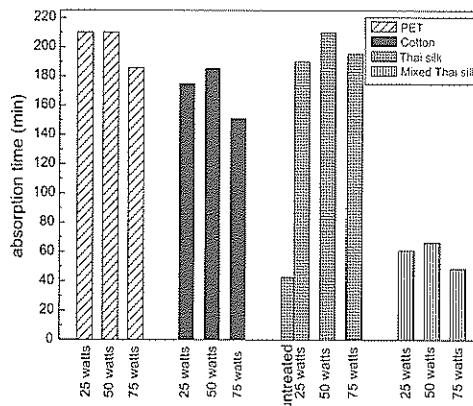


Figure 4: (color online). Absorption time of PET, cotton, Thai silk and mixed Thai silk as function of RF power. Plasma pressure and treatment time are 0.05 torr and 1 min, respectively.

In both fabrics, best improvement in absorption time was obtained at the RF power of 50 watts. At a fixed RF power and treatment time, the data shows that treatment at pressure higher 0.5 torr will maximize the absorption time for cotton. Similar result was also found for Thai silk, but rapid improvement would be obtained at the operating pressure higher than 0.05 torr. As can be seen from Fig. 2 and 3, the suitable condition is at the pressure of 0.5 torr and RF power of 50 watts.

Fig. 4 shows a comparison of absorption time on PET, cotton, Thai silk, mixed Thai silk as a function of RF power at pressure of 0.05 torr and treatment time of 1 min. Again, due to the rapid absorption of water droplet on untreated PET, cotton and mixed Thai silk, the absorption time on these samples could not be measured. The result of untreated Thai silk absorption time is about 40 min. The best hydrophobic property improvement is obtained in PET samples.

We have measured the storage time effect on hydrophobic property of all fabrics, as shown in Fig. 5. The results indicate that hydrophobicity stability after the exposure of  $SF_6$  plasma depend on the type of fabrics. The best hydrophobicity stability was obtained in PET samples in which the maximum limit of absorption time (210 min) still obtained after 14 days. On the contrary, in

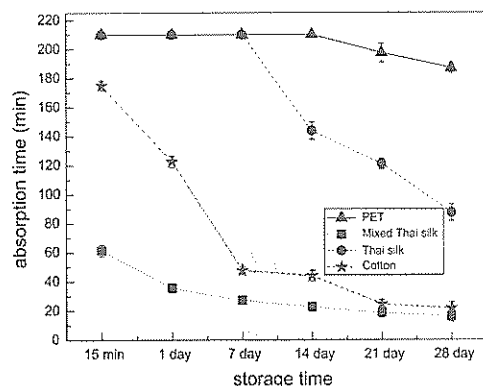


Figure 5: (color online). Absorption time of PET, cotton, Thai silk and mixed Thai silk, treated for 1 min at pressure of 0.05 torr and RF power of 25 watts, measured at different times after treatment.

case of cotton, the hydrophobicity gradually decrease to a minimum at 21 days.

The OES spectrum of SF<sub>6</sub> plasma as illustrated in Fig. 6 presents spectra lines of F I (excited fluorine) which is believed to be the source of hydrogen abstracting and attached with carbon composite in the fiber lead to C-F bonds which increase the hydrophobicity of the fabrics. The work of C. W. Kan *et al.* [9] shows that the hydrophobic properties are not observed when the fabric is treated by nitrogen or oxygen plasma. Fig. 7 shows SEM image of Thai silk sample. It can be seen that the surface of treated samples (b) is roughen by SF<sub>6</sub> plasma compared with untreated sample (a). Primarily, we expect that the change of sample surface is resulted from both etching and deposition of C-F residue.

## CONCLUSION

The improvement in hydrophobicity of PET, mixed Thai silk, Thai silk and cotton were observed with the utilization of SF<sub>6</sub> plasma treatments. The suitable operating condition in our RF-ICP system is obtained at pressure of 0.5 torr and RF power of 50 watts.

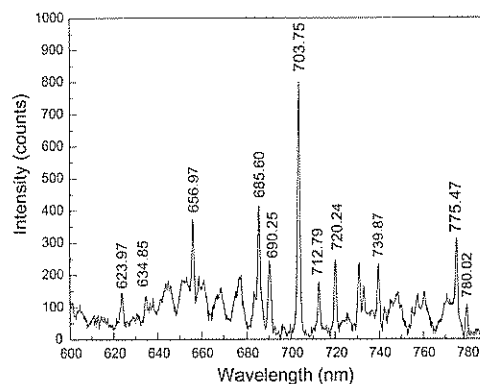


Figure 6: OES spectrum of SF<sub>6</sub> plasma at pressure of 0.05 torr and RF power of 25 watts was identified by using NIST atomic wavelength table. The F I (excited fluorine) peaks are presented range 600–800 nm.

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## Fabric and Fiber Modification Using Radio Frequency Plasma Process

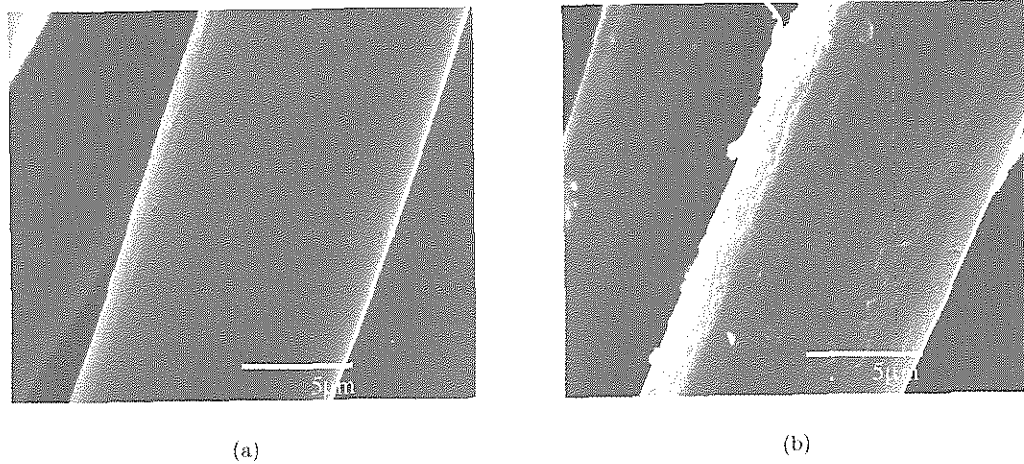
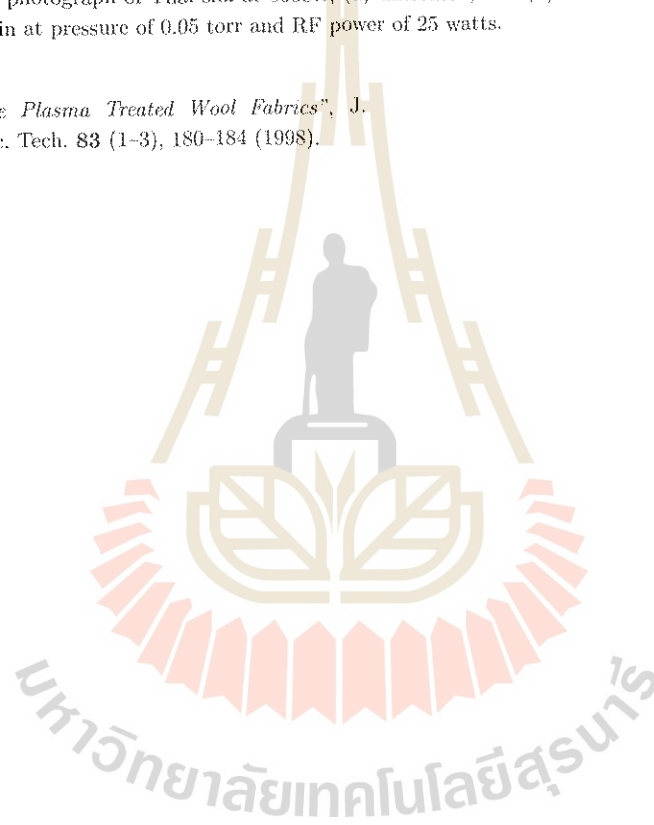


Figure 7: SEM photograph of Thai silk at 5000 $\times$ : (a) untreated, and (b) treated sample after exposure to SF<sub>6</sub> plasma for 1 min at pressure of 0.05 torr and RF power of 25 watts.

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## Growth and Characterization of NiFeN Thin Film by Reactive Gas Timing RF Magnetron Sputtering

การปลูกฟิล์มบางนิเกิลเหล็กไนโตรเจน โดยอาร์เอฟแมกนีตรอนสเป็คเตอรिंग  
แบบควบคุมเวลาก๊าซไวปฏิกิริยาและคุณลักษณะของฟิล์ม

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Growth of NiFeN thin films on glass substrate at room temperature by reactive gas timing rf magnetron sputtering, with condition on rf power, time period and flow rate of argon and nitrogen gas, respectively. The crystal structure of thin films was investigated by XRD show fcc structure of Ni<sub>3</sub>FeN (200) plane. The lattice constants of thin films increased with increasing of flow rate and time period of nitrogen gas. The surface morphologies of thin films was investigated by AFM show grain size range of 30–150 nm.

การปลูกฟิล์มบางนิเกิลเหล็กไนโตรเจนบนฐานรองรับกระจกที่อุณหภูมิห้องด้วยระบบอาร์เอฟแมกนีตรอนสเป็คเตอรึง แบบควบคุมเวลาก๊าซไวปฏิกิริยา ด้วยเงื่อนไขเปลี่ยนแปลงคาบเวลาก๊าซอาร์กอนและก๊าซไนโตรเจน, เปลี่ยนแปลงอัตราการไหลของก๊าซไนโตรเจน และเปลี่ยนแปลงค่ากำลังคลื่นอาร์เอฟ ตามลำดับ จากการศึกษาโครงสร้างด้วยการเลี้ยวของรังสีเอ็กซ์ แสดงให้เห็นว่า ผลึกเรียงตัวแบบ fcc ในระนาบ (200) และค่าคงที่แลตทิซเพิ่มขึ้นตามการเพิ่มของอัตราการไหล และคาบเวลาของก๊าซไนโตรเจน และจากกล้องจุลทรรศน์แรงอะตอมพบว่า ขนาดของเม็ดผลึกมีค่าประมาณ 30 ถึง 150 นาโนเมตร

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### INTRODUCTION

There are many methods in growth of NiFeN thin films such as rf magnetron sputtering [1, 2, 5], rf diode sputtering [6], d.c. magnetron sputtering [3], dual ion beam sputtering [5] and dc and rf toroidal discharge [8], etc. The most researches emphasize on a growth of NiFeN thin films on glass substrate and silicon base using Ar + N<sub>2</sub> gas mixture rf magnetron sputtering [2, 4, 5, 8]. When nitrogen partial pressure increased, the diffraction peak is slightly shifted a lower side. The lattice constant is also decreased [2] and increased proportional to the rf power [1].

This work is a growth of NiFeN thin film using reactive gas timing rf magnetron sputtering on glass substrate at room temperature. The thin

film structures and surfaces were analyzed using XRD and AFM, respectively.

### EXPERIMENTAL METHOD

NiFeN thin films were prepared by reactive gas timing rf magnetron sputtering on glass substrate at room temperature. Base pressure of the order of  $2 \times 10^{-6}$  mbar was obtained. The pressure when releasing Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas into chamber is about  $(3.2-4.0) \times 10^{-6}$  mbar and  $(1.5-2.5) \times 10^{-2}$  mbar, respectively depends upon the growth conditions. The distance between target to substrate is 5 cm and rf power is 300 watt. The thin film structures and surfaces were then analyzed using XRD and AFM respectively. The first condition is no gas timing control. The second condition is chang-

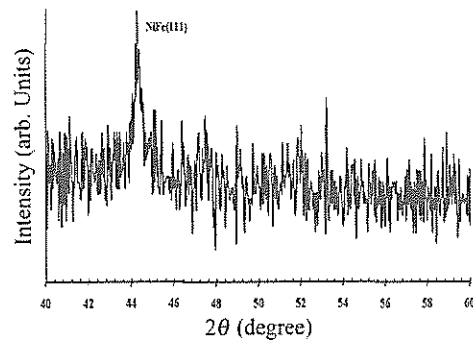


Figure 1: (color online). XRD peak of NiFe films prepared with no gas timing.

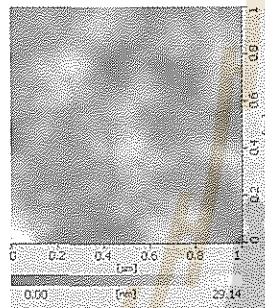


Figure 2: (color online). AFM image of NiFe film prepared with no gas timing.

ing a time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas to 25:2, 30:2 and 40:2 seconds. The third condition is changing the flow rate of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> to 11:4.5, 11:5.0 and 11:5.5 sccm. The last condition is changing the rf power to 200, 300 and 400 watt.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Structure and surface of thin film with no gas timing control.

Fig. 1 show XRD pattern of NiFe in (111) plane [1, 6, 7]. The lattice constant calculated from the (111) peak, is about 3.5602 *angstrom*. Fig. 2 show AFM image of NiFe film, the grain size is about 70–120 nm

Table I: Effect of the condition varied a time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas (rf power is 300 W, flow rate of Ar:N<sub>2</sub> gas is 12:5.5 sccm).

Time period of Ar and N <sub>2</sub> gas (second)	2θ (°)	Lattice const (Å)	Grain size (nm)
20:2	48.32	3.7626	40–60
30:1	49	3.7136	30–40
30:2	48.80	3.7279	50–60
40:2	49.20	3.6994	30–40

Table II: Effect of the condition varied flow rate of N<sub>2</sub> gas (rf power is 300 W, time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas is 30:2 second).

Flow rate of Ar and N <sub>2</sub> gas (sccm)	2θ (°)	Lattice const (Å)	Grain size (nm)
11:4.5	49.24	3.6966	50–60
11:5.0	49.12	3.7051	80–150
11:5.5	49	3.7136	40–50

### Structure and surface of thin film with Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas timing control.

The effect of changing a time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas are shown in Table I. When a time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas changed, the lattice constant and gain size of thin films changed since the N<sub>2</sub> content of film changed [2, 4, 5, 8]. The XRD pattern of the films are given in Fig. 3. All the films had fcc (200) plane. The lattice constant calculated from the (200) peak, are also shown in Table I. In Fig. 3, it can be seen that the intensity of fcc (200) peak decreased and the diffraction peak position is slightly shifted a lower side, the lattice constant is increased with the time period of N<sub>2</sub> gas is increased [2]. When a time period of Ar increased, the diffraction peak position is slightly shifted a higher side so the lattice constant is decreased. That peak was broader, which means the grain size was smaller, which correspond with Fig. 4. It shows the AFM image of NiFeN films, the grain size is about 30–60 nm.

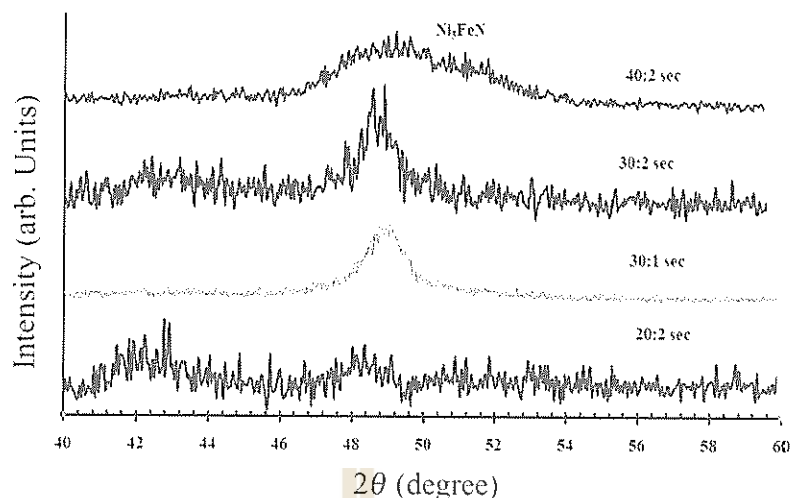


Figure 3: (color online). XRD pattern of NiFeN films prepared with different time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas.

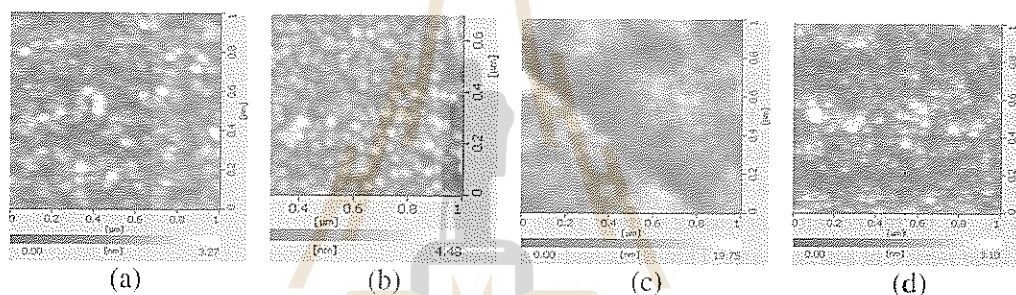


Figure 4: (color online). AFM image of NiFeN films prepared with different time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas. (a) 20:2, (b) 30:1, (c) 30:2 and (d) 40:2 second.

Table III: Effect of the condition varied rf power (flow rate of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> is 12:5.5 sccm, time period of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas is 30:2 second).

RF Power (watt)	2θ (°)	Lattice const (Å)	Grain size (nm)
200	48.92	3.7193	70-100
300	49.08	3.7079	50-60
400	48.6	3.7423	40-50

#### Structure and surface of thin film with Ar:N<sub>2</sub> gas flow rate control.

The effect of changing the flow rate of Ar and N<sub>2</sub> gas are shown in Table II. When flow rate of N<sub>2</sub> gas is increased, the lattice is also increased since the probability of occupation of nitrogen atom at the interstitial site between Ni and Fe atom increased cause a distortion and expansion of the unit cell [2]. The XRD pattern of the films are given in Fig. 5. The lattice constant of films calculated from the (200) peak, are also in Table II. The diffraction peak position is slightly shifted a



lower side, the lattice constant is increased. Fig. 6 shows the AFM image of NiFeN films, the grain size is about 40–150 nm.

#### Structure and surface of thin film with rf power control.

The effects of the changing the rf power are shown in Table III. Fig. 7 XRD pattern, when rf power increased from 200 to 300 watt, the lattice constant decreased since Ni increased [4]. But power increased from 300 to 400 W, the lattice constant increased since Ni decreased [1], and  $N_2$  occupy interstitial sites increased [4]. Fig. 8 shows the AFM image of NiFeN films, the grain size is about 40–100 nm.

### CONCLUSIONS

The influence of sputtering conditions on structure and surface morphologies of NiFeN films was investigated. NiFe film had fcc in (111) plane and NiFeN films had fcc structure of  $Ni_2FeN$  (200) plane. The lattice constants was about  $3.7136 \pm 0.02$  Å. It increased with increasing of flow rate and time period of nitrogen gas. Thin films had a grain size was about 30 to 150 nm.

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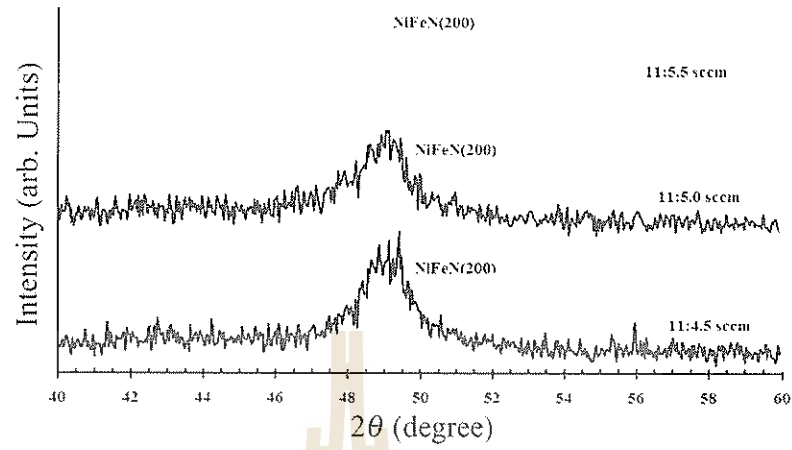


Figure 5: (color online). XRD pattern of NiFeN films prepared with different Ar:N<sub>2</sub> gas flow rate.

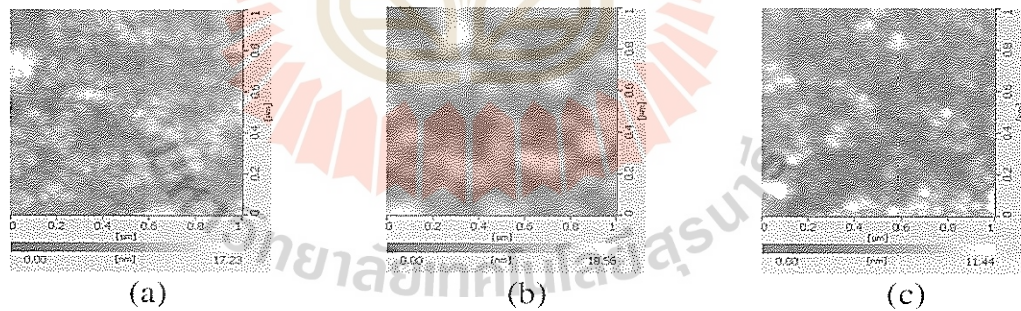


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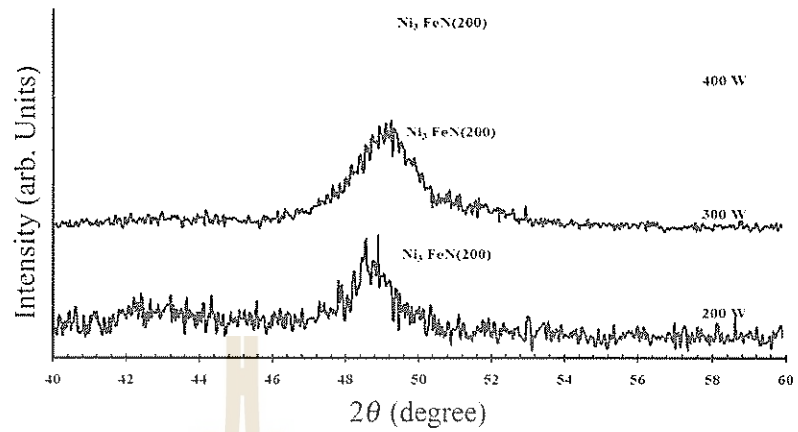


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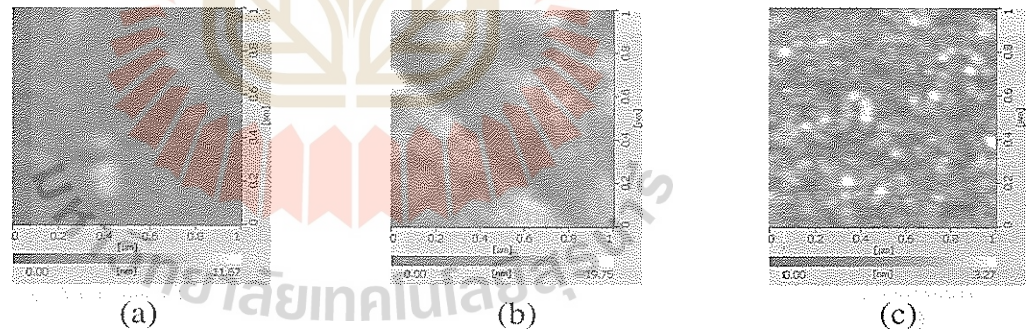


Figure 8: (color online). AFM image of NiFeN films prepared with different rf power. (a) 200, (b) 300 and (c) 400 W.

## The Expansion of the Nd:YAG Slab and The Thermal Lens Effect in 3 W Single Side Pump Nd:YAG Laser

การขยายตัวของผลึกนีโอดีเมียมแซ็กซิดสแลบและการเกิดเทอร์มัลเลนส์  
ในระบบเลเซอร์แบบซิงเกิลไซด์ปั๊มที่มีกำลัง 3 วัตต์

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In the diode side pumped Nd:YAG laser, the laser diode array is used as a pump source. The diode array does not produce only energy for lasing process but it also produces heat to the laser medium. This heat is the main factor that causes the expansion of laser medium, which results in the phenomenon called thermal lens effects. In this research the thermal lens effects are studied in the continuous pumping condition. During the pumping process the Nd:YAG slab behaves like a convex lens. The experiments is divided into two parts: 1) The measurement of the focal length of the thermal lens and 2) The study of the expansion of the Nd:YAG crystal.

ในระบบนีโอดีเมียมแซ็กซิดสแลบเลเซอร์ที่ใช้เลเซอร์ไดโอดเป็นแหล่งกระตุ้นนั้น เลเซอร์ไดโอดไม่ได้ปล่อยพลังงานให้กับตัวกลางเลเซอร์ เฉพาะความยาวคลื่นที่ใช้ในการเปลี่ยนระดับพลังงานที่ทำให้เกิดเลเซอร์เท่านั้น แต่ยังคงปล่อยพลังงานให้กับตัวกลางเลเซอร์ในรูปของความร้อนอีกด้วย ความร้อนนี้ทำให้เกิดการขยายตัวของผลึกเลเซอร์ และยังทำให้เกิดปรากฏการณ์ที่เรียกว่าเทอร์มัลเลนส์ ในการศึกษาทดลองครั้งนี้เราสนใจเฉพาะเทอร์มัลเลนส์ในกรณีในตัวกลางเลเซอร์ถูกกระตุ้นแบบต่อเนื่อง สำหรับ เทอร์มัลเลนส์ในตัวกลางเลเซอร์นีโอดีเมียมแซ็กซิดสแลบ จะมีลักษณะคล้ายเลนส์นูน โดยในที่นี้จะแบ่งการทดลองเป็นสองขั้นตอนใหญ่ๆ คือ การทดลองเพื่อวัดความยาวโฟกัสของเทอร์มัลเลนส์และการทดลองเพื่อดูการขยายตัวของผลึกเลเซอร์

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### INTRODUCTION

The study of the thermal lens effects began in 1964 when Gordon *et al.* observed the changing of the transient power and beam divergence of the output of a helium-neon laser after placing transparent samples in the laser cavity [1]. In 1984, Eggleston *et al.* [2] presented the mathematical model of the thermal effects in both rod and slab laser medium. For the slab model the cooler plates are placed at the top and the bottom of the slab. Energy is pumped at the top face of the slab. The temperature gradient is only in the vertical axis of the slab. The stress can be calculated from the temperature gradient. The index of refraction is in the same form as lens-like medium. Finally the focal length of thermal lens can be calculated by ray optics. In 2003, Ermolaev *et al.* [3] published the paper that discussed how the focal power of the

thermal lens, that appears in the active element of a Nd:YAG laser with transverse pumping by thirty linear laser-diode arrays having a total optical power of up to 600 W, depends on the pump power and the temperature of the laser diodes. The optimum working temperature as a function of the diode current is determined. The power balance during diode pumping is considered, and the contributions of various mechanisms to the thermal processes in the crystal of the active element are determined. A practical technique is described for calculating thermal lenses in solid-state lasers with transverse diode pumping.

According to our works, we set the single diode side pump Nd:YAG laser whose laser medium is in slab geometry. We tried to compare the measured focal length of the thermal lens in our experiment with the calculated one [2]. Finally, we studied the expansion of the laser medium. We wanted



to know it had a uniform expansion or not. After that the result would be compared with the mathematical model.

### METHODOLOGY

The Nd:YAG laser in the experiment is set in sided-pump configuration. The slab is placed between the coolant plates as shown in Figure 1. The laser diode (model ARR31C040W080803A11B80, Northrop Grumman Space Technology) is used as a pump source and is placed at the side of the slab. The curve mirror which has the radius of curvature of 1.50 m is used as the back mirror. The flat mirror which has the reflection 95% is used as the front mirror. The cavity length is 12.5 cm. The relation between the diode current ( $I$ ) of the laser diode and the output power of Nd:YAG (1064 nm) when the coolant temperature ( $T_c$ ) is set at 22 °C is measured. Then the laser resonators are removed. The experiment for the measurement of the thermal lens is set as shown in Figure 2. HeNe laser is used as a probe beam and is passed through the laser medium while laser diode is on. The focal point is found and the focal length of the thermal lens is calculated. Finally, we tried to see the expansion of the slab then the experiment is set as shown in Figure 3. The HeNe laser was passed into Mach-Zehnder interferometer that Nd:YAG slab is placed at one arm [4]. The parallel beam of HeNe laser is passed through the slab while it is heated by laser diode. When the diode current was changed the interference pattern would be changed

### RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

According to the Nd:YAG laser configuration set up, the relation between the input current of the laser diode and the output power of Nd:YAG (1064 nm) when the coolant temperature is set at 22 °C is shown in Figure 4. The threshold current is about 25 A. The maximum output power of laser is about 3.2 W.

Using the concept of heat transfer, the stress



Figure 1: (color online). Diode-sided pump Nd:YAG laser in the experiment.



Figure 2: (color online). The experiment for measure the focal length of the thermal lens.



Figure 3: (color online). The experiment for studying the expansion of the slab.

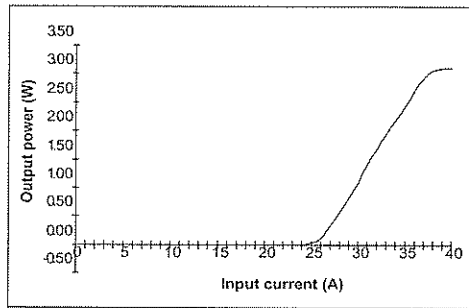


Figure 4: Graph between diode current and the output power of Nd:YAG laser when the coolant temperature is set at 22 °C.

and strain, the indexes of refraction and the ray matrix, the focal length of the thermal lens can be calculated by [5];

$$f_x = \frac{1}{n_x^0 l \alpha_x} \quad \text{and} \quad f_y = \frac{1}{n_y^0 l \alpha_y} \quad (1)$$

Where

$$n_x^0 = n_0 + \frac{dn}{dT} \left( \frac{Qd^2}{24k} \right) - \frac{Qd^2}{24M_s} (B_{\perp} + B_{\parallel}), \quad (2a)$$

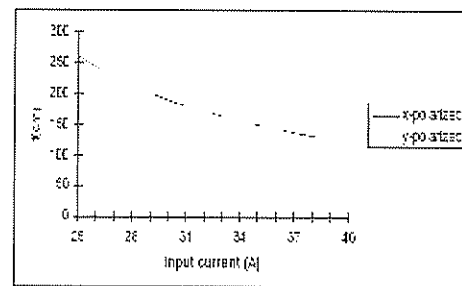
$$\alpha_x = \frac{2}{n_x^0} \left[ \frac{dn}{dT} \left( \frac{Q}{2k} \right) - \frac{Q}{2M_s} (B_{\perp} + B_{\parallel}) \right], \quad (2b)$$

$$n_y^0 = n_0 + \frac{dn}{dT} \left( \frac{Qd^2}{24k} \right) - \frac{Qd^2}{12M_s} B_{\perp}, \quad (2c)$$

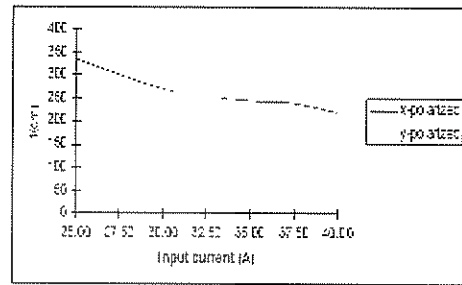
$$\alpha_y = \frac{2}{n_y^0} \left[ \frac{dn}{dT} \left( \frac{Q}{2k} \right) - \frac{Q}{M_s} B_{\perp} \right] \quad (2d)$$

where  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are the focal length of the slab for  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively,  $d$  is the height of the slab,  $l$  is the length of the slab,  $k$  is the thermal conductivity ( $\text{W cm}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ ),  $Q$  is heat generated per unit volume ( $\text{W cm}^{-3}$ ),  $B_{\parallel}$  and  $B_{\perp}$  are stress optic coefficient which give the change in the optical index for stress applied parallel and perpendicular to the polarization axis, respectively,  $M_s = \frac{(1-\nu)k}{\alpha E}$ ,  $E$  is Young's modulus,  $\nu$  is the Poisson's ratio and  $\alpha$  is the thermal expansion coefficient.

At  $T_c = 22$  °C, the relationship between the input current of laser diode and the calculated value of the focal length of the thermal lens as shown in equation (1) are shown in Figure 5 a) and the relationship between the input current of laser diode



a)



b)

Figure 5: (color online). a) Theoretical relationship between the focal length of the thermal lens in the Nd:YAG slab and the input current. b) Graph between the measured focal length of the thermal lens and the input current.

and the measured value of the focal length of the thermal lens is shown in Figure 5 b). When comparing the focal length of the thermal lens from the theory to one from the experiments we find that the theoretical focal lengths are shorter than that from the experiment. This implies that the heat generated in the slab is removed faster so that the temperature of the slab is not high as in the theory. The stress is reduced as temperature. The index of refraction of slab is not changed much as that expected from the theory. Thus the focal lengths of the thermal lens in the slab are longer than in the calculations.

When the input current is greater than 35 A, the tendency of the slope of the graph is changed. This implies that when the input current is a high value, the heat generated in the slab increases. The cooler can not remove heat as the same rate as when operated with lower input current. There-



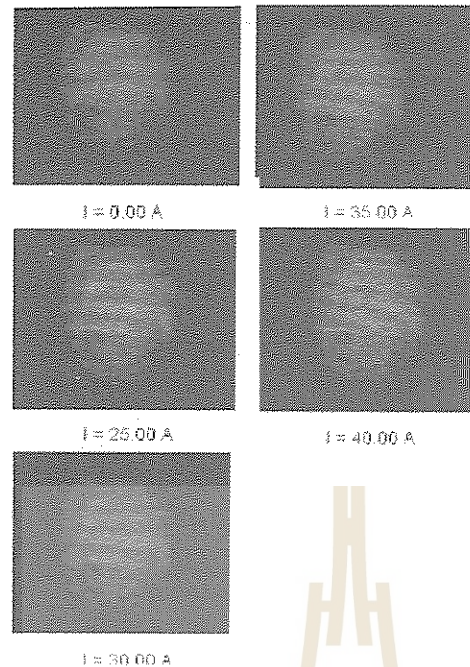


Figure 6: (color online). Interference pattern from the Mach-Zehnder interferometer corresponding to diode current = 0, 25, 30, 35 and 40 A.

fore the slab contains more heat leading to the shorten of the focal length of the thermal lens.

According to the experiment for studying the expansion of the Nd:YAG crystal. The interference patterns of HeNe laser from the experiments when input current is set at 0, 25, 30, 35, and 40 A are shown in Figure 6. When  $I = 0.00$  A the fringes in interference pattern are quite straight. This means that the refractive index of the slab is uniform. After increasing the input current of the laser diode, fringes in the interference pattern are not uniform which implies that the refractive index of the slab is not uniform leading to the distortion of the wave front of the HeNe beam which pass through the slab. The right side of the interference pattern fringes is wider than the left side. Analyzing from the laser system the HeNe laser beam which produces the wider fringes at the right zone passes through the slab at the region near the laser diode. This means that the expansion of the

slab and the thermal lens effects give a strong effect at the region which is in contact to the laser diode. It can be concluded that the temperature in plane  $xz$  of the slab is actually not uniform and the heat is transferred in two dimensions. When heat is not transferred only in  $y$  direction of slab, the thermal lens effects in  $y$  direction will be less than the effects when the heat is transferred in only  $y$  direction. Thus the focal length of the thermal lens will be longer.

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## Particle Sizing by Using Absolute Values of the Wavelet Transform of the Particle Holograms

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การแปลงเวฟเลตจากฮอโลแกรมของอนุภาค

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A new method for sizing particles from in-line Fraunhofer holograms by using wavelet transform is proposed. The amplitude transmittance of the holograms is a modulation of a chirp signal with an envelope function whose minima is proportionally equal to the product of the particle size and the spatial frequency of the chirp function. By wavelet transforming the hologram and taking an absolute value of its resultant transformation, the spatial frequency at the minima positions can be obtained. The particle size which is merely a function of this frequency can then be calculated. Feasibility study of the proposed method is done by conducting simulation and experimental verifications for line object.

ผู้วิจัยได้นำเสนอวิธีการใหม่ ในการหาขนาดของอนุภาคจากฮอโลแกรม แบบอินไลน์ฟรานโฮเฟอร์ ด้วยวิธีการแปลงเวฟเลต แอมพลิจูดทรานสมิตแทนซ์ของฮอโลแกรมเป็นการคลั่งกักระหว่าง สัญญาณแบบเชิร์พและเอ็นเวโลปฟังก์ชัน ซึ่งมีตำแหน่งของมินิมัมแปรผันกับผลคูณระหว่าง ขนาดของอนุภาค และความถี่เชิงตำแหน่งของสัญญาณเชิร์พ เมื่อทำการแปลงเวฟเลตและหาค่าสัมบูรณ์ของผลที่ได้ เราจะได้ความถี่เชิงตำแหน่ง ณ จุดมินิมัม จากนั้นจึงสามารถคำนวณหาขนาดของอนุภาคซึ่งเป็นฟังก์ชันของความถี่นี้ได้ ได้มีการศึกษาเพื่อยืนยันความสามารถนำไปใช้งานจริงได้ของวิธีการนี้ โดยการจำลองสถานการณ์ ด้วยคอมพิวเตอร์และการทดลองจริงกับวัตถุที่มีลักษณะเป็นเส้น

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### INTRODUCTION

Particle size measurement from in-line particle holograms by using absolute value of the wavelet transform (WT) is proposed in order to improve accuracy of our previously proposed method [1]. By illuminating opaque or semi-transparent particles with a collimated coherent light, a hologram which is an interference pattern between light waves diffracted from particles and a directly transmitted light wave is generated. In a conventional reconstruction process, the hologram is il-

luminated with the same coherent light. The information about the particle size can be obtained by analyzing a reconstructed image of the particle. However, in real applications, we may deal with a huge number of particles. As a consequence, the conventional reconstruction process is very tedious and time consuming.

An amplitude transmittance of the in-line Fraunhofer hologram of a small line object with a radius of  $a$  can be mathematically expressed as [2]

$$I(x) = 1 - \frac{4a}{\sqrt{\lambda z}} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{\lambda z} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \left[ \frac{\sin(2\pi ax/\lambda z)}{2\pi ax/\lambda z} \right] + \frac{4a^2}{\lambda z} \left[ \frac{\sin(2\pi ax/\lambda z)}{2\pi ax/\lambda z} \right]^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $z$  are the wavelength of the illuminating light and the distance between the particle

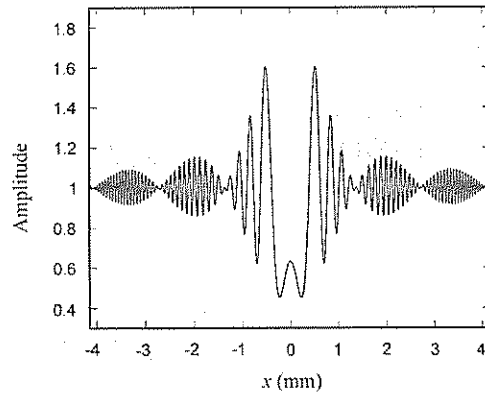


Figure 1: Simulated in-line hologram of a line object.

and the recording plane, respectively. The first term of Eq. (1) corresponds to the directly transmitted light. The second term corresponds to a modulation between a chirp signal and a sinc function. The particle size information is encoded into the zero-crossing positions of the sinc function. These positions are referred as the minima positions of the interference pattern. The third term is a square of the sinc function whose amplitude is much smaller than the other terms. Figure 1 shows a computer plot of Eq. (1), from which the above properties of three terms can be obviously observed.

#### METHODOLOGY

According to Eq. (1) the frequency of the chirp signal is  $x/\lambda z$ , while the minima positions of the interference pattern appear at  $2ax/\lambda z = n$  where  $n$  is 1, 2, 3, ... Thus, the frequencies of the chirp signal at the minima positions are found to be  $n/2a$ . By taking this into consideration, the size of particles can be calculated, provided that the spatial frequencies of the chirp signal at the minimum positions are known. In the proposed method, the digitized holograms captured by a charge-coupled

device sensor are analyzed by computing the absolute value of its wavelet transformation. The WT of a signal pattern  $s(x)$  is defined as [3]

$$W(t, d) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^* \left( \frac{x-t}{d} \right) s(x) dx, \quad (2)$$

where  $d$  and  $t$  are the dilation and the translation parameters, respectively. Equation (2) can be considered as a cross correlation between the signal  $s(x)$  and the dilated wavelet  $g(x/d)$ . When the frequency content  $f$  of the signal  $s(x)$  in the region subtended by  $g^*((x-t)/d)$  matches the center frequency of the dilated wavelet  $g(x/d)$ , a correlation peak is generated along the dilation  $d$  at the position  $t$  where the frequency  $f$  occurs. This peak is found to be proportional to the amplitude of the signal  $s(x)$ .

In the general case of signals that  $s(x)$  is an amplitude modulated signal, the amplitudes of the resultant correlation peaks are determined by the amplitude of the modulating function. Therefore, besides its excellent ability of providing the time-frequency simultaneously, the WT extracts the modulating information of the signals being analyzed. A further insight into this property may be gained by analyzing mathematically the modulated signal on the use of the WT.

For the sake of simplicity, we consider that a modulated signal is given by

$$s(x) = \cos(2\pi f_1 x) \cos(2\pi f_0 x) \quad (3)$$

where the first cosine term corresponds to the carrier signal while the second one is the modulating signal. Here, the carrier frequency  $f_1$  is greater than the modulating frequency  $f_0$ . By using a Morlet wavelet of the form

$$g(x) = \exp(i2\pi f_g x) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \quad (4)$$

as an analyzing wavelet, the absolute value of the WT of the signal  $s(x)$  is found to be

$$\begin{aligned}
|W(t, d)| = \sqrt{\frac{\pi d}{8}} \left\{ \exp \left[ -4\pi^2(f_0 - f_1)^2 \left( d - \frac{f_g}{f_1 - f_0} \right)^2 \right] \right. \\
+ \exp \left[ -4\pi^2(f_0 + f_1)^2 \left( d - \frac{f_g}{f_1 + f_0} \right)^2 \right] \\
+ 2 \cos(4\pi f_0 t) \exp \left[ -2\pi^2(f_0 - f_1)^2 \left( d - \frac{f_g}{f_1 - f_0} \right)^2 \right. \\
\left. \left. - 2\pi^2(f_0 + f_1)^2 \left( d - \frac{f_g}{f_1 + f_0} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^{1/2} \quad (5)
\end{aligned}$$

Equation (5) consists of the summation and multiplication of two Gaussian functions which produced a Gaussian-like function whose maximum peak appears at  $d = f_g/f_1$ . This position is regarded as the one where the frequency of the dilated wavelet  $f_g/d$  matches the frequency of the

modulating signal  $f_1$ . Therefore, the cosine function in the third term of Eq. (5) is confined by the Gaussian-like function centered at the dilation  $d = f_g/f_1$ . When the dilation  $d = f_g/f_1$  is achieved, Eq. (5) reduces to

$$|W(t, d)|_{d=f_g/f_1} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi f_g}{2f_1}} \exp \left( -\frac{2\pi^2 f_g^2 f_0^2}{f_1^2} \right) |\cos(2\pi f_0 t)| \quad (6)$$

Equation (6) confirms that the absolute value of the WT gives the information about the modulating signal with its absolute value  $|\cos(2\pi f_0 t)|$ . As a function of dilation  $2a/d$ , Fig. 2 illustrate a 3-D plot for the absolute value of the WT of the Fig. 1 which is cut along the dilation  $d = f_g/f_1$ . Evidently, the minima of the absolute value of the WT output appear at the correct zero-crossing points of the sine function. By determining the frequencies of the chirp function at these minima, the object size can then be calculated.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

In a preliminary verification, the in-line hologram of an optical fiber with the diameter of  $125\mu\text{m}$  was experimentally generated under illumination of the coherent light operating at the wavelength of  $543.5\text{nm}$ . The hologram was recorded by

using a CCD camera HAMAMATSU C5948 with the resolution of  $640 \times 480$  pixels in the area of  $8.3 \times 6.3\text{mm}$ . Figure 3 shows a comparison of the errors in measurements of the diameter of the optical fiber, where the circle and cross signs correspond to the previously proposed envelope reconstruction method and the absolute value of the WT, respectively. It is obvious from the figure that the errors in measurements using the proposed method are significantly reduced. The reason of this reduction is that the proposed method employs only the frequency of the chirp signal at the minimum position of the envelope function for evaluating the object size. Since the information of the recording distance is not required as in the envelope reconstruction method, its measurement errors do not affect the measurements in the size of the object.



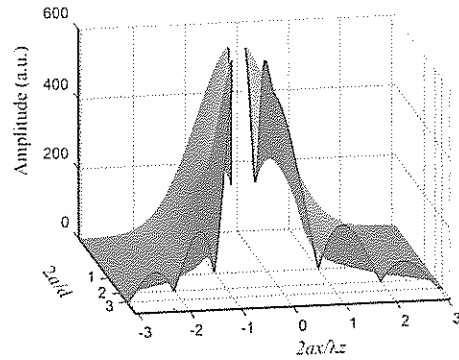


Figure 2: The 3-D plot of the absolute value of the WT of Fig. 1 which is cut along the dilation  $d = f_0/f_1$ .

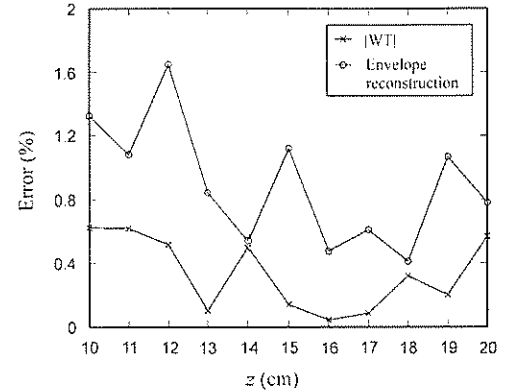


Figure 3: Errors in measurements of the fiber size from the experimentally generated holograms by using the envelope reconstruction method and the absolute value of the WT.

## CONCLUSION

We have proposed and verified experimentally a novel method for sizing the particles from the in-line holograms by using the absolute value of the WT. The proposed method takes an advantage of the property of the WT whose absolute value could extract the positions of the minima of the envelope function. Since the resultant extracted minima are functions of the dilation of the wavelet, the frequencies of the fringes at the minima of the envelope function are measured. The size of the particles can be finally calculated from the relationship between the frequencies with the positions of the minima. Unlike the previous method, the information of the recording distance is not used for determining the object size and, therefore, the errors in measurements do not affect the accuracy of the proposed method.

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## Decoherence in Josephson Junction Phase Qubit

## ตีโธเร็นสึนรอยต่อโจเซฟสันเฟสคิวบิต

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Josephson junction is a one of promising devices to be used as a quantum bit or known as qubit in a quantum computer. The dynamics of a current-bias Josephson junction can be described by using the Resistively and Capacitively Shunted Junction (RCSJ) model, which is analogous to the classical motion of a particle in a tilted washboard potential. In this work, quantum theory and approximation methods are used to calculate and explain quantum properties of the Josephson junction. We can see that the energy levels in the washboard potential can be quantum mechanically quantized, and thus used as a qubit in quantum computation. The wave functions of the states in the potential well are relatively similar to that of the harmonic oscillator due to the shape of the washboard potential. The tunneling rate from the  $n^{\text{th}}$  energy level exponentially increases with bias current and the first excited state is three orders of magnitude more than the ground state. The decoherence time in a Josephson junction can be found by considering the Rabi's oscillation in the presence of current noise in the junction. The decoherence time depends on the magnitude of the current noise. This result can be used to determine the feasibility of using Josephson junction as a qubit.

รอยต่อโจเซฟสันเป็นอุปกรณ์ที่คาดหวังว่าจะนำมาใช้เป็นควอนตัมบิตหรือเรียกอีกอย่างหนึ่งว่าคิวบิตในควอนตัมคอมพิวเตอร์พหุคูณทางไฟฟ้าของรอยต่อโจเซฟสันสามารถอธิบายได้ด้วยแบบจำลอง RCSJ ซึ่งจะคล้ายกับการเคลื่อนที่ของอนุภาคในบ่อพลังงานศักย์แบบกระดานซีกค้ำเอียง ในงานนี้เราศึกษาถึงคุณสมบัติทางควอนตัมของรอยต่อโจเซฟสันโดยใช้ทฤษฎีควอนตัมและการประมาณทางควอนตัมในการคำนวณและอธิบายผลที่เกิดขึ้น ซึ่งเราพบว่าระดับพลังงานในบ่อศักย์ สามารถที่จะถูกควอนไทซ์และนำไปใช้เป็นคิวบิตสำหรับควอนตัมคอมพิวเตอร์ได้โดยฟังก์ชันคลื่นของสถานะต่าง ๆ ในบ่อศักย์มีลักษณะคล้ายกับฟังก์ชันคลื่นของการสั่นแบบฮาร์โมนิก ทั้งนี้เนื่องจากรูปร่างของบ่อศักย์มีความคล้ายคลึงกัน โดยที่อัตราการทำผ่านกำแพงศักย์ของระดับพลังงานหนึ่ง ๆ มีค่าเพิ่มขึ้นแบบเอกซโพเนนเชียล เมื่อค่ากระแสที่ไบแอสมีค่าสูงขึ้น โดยสถานะกระตุ้นที่หนึ่งมีอัตราการทะลุผ่านมากกว่าสถานะพื้นอยู่ประมาณ  $10^3$  เท่า และช่วงเวลาตีโธเร็นสึนรอยต่อโจเซฟสันสามารถคำนวณได้จากผลการพิจารณา Rabi's oscillation เมื่อมีสัญญาณรบกวนในกระแสที่ไบแอส เราพบว่าช่วงเวลาตีโธเร็นสึนอยู่กับขนาดของค่ากระแสรบกวน ซึ่งผลในส่วนนี้สามารถบอกถึงความเป็นไปได้ในการนำรอยต่อโจเซฟสันมาใช้เป็นคิวบิต

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## INTRODUCTION

Quantum computers are promising to solve certain difficult problems in computer science, such as factoring prime number, searching algorithms and running simulations of quantum mechanical system faster than classical ones. Quantum computers use a quantum system instead of a classical system, storing information as well as operating computation under the principle of quantum mechanics. Today, there are many proposed quan-

tum systems such as Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), Optical, Solid State, and Superconducting that are used to build quantum computers [1]. Josephson junction is one of the promising devices to be used as a quantum bit (qubit) in a quantum computer. Josephson junction is a superconducting device, which consists of two superconductors separated by a thin insulating barrier such as Nb/AlO<sub>x</sub>/Nb and Al/AlO<sub>x</sub>/Al. The behavior of Josephson junction is described by the Josephson relations,  $I_s = I_c \sin \gamma$  and  $V = (\hbar/2e)d\gamma/dt$  where

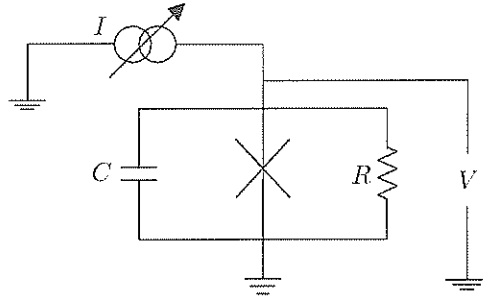


Figure 1: The equivalent circuit diagram of Josephson junction.

$I_s$  is the tunneling current,  $I_c$  is the critical current of the junction.  $\gamma$  is the phase different of the superconducting order parameter, and  $V$  is the voltage across the junction. The Josephson junction can be considered by using the equivalent circuit diagram known as the RCSJ (Resistively and Capacitively Shunted Junction) model as shown in Fig. 1; [2]. The system is analogous to the classical motion of a fictitious particle moving in a tilted washboard potential

$$U(\gamma) = \left(\frac{\hbar}{2e}\right) I_c \left(\cos \gamma + \frac{I_{dc}}{I_c} \gamma\right), \quad (1)$$

where  $U(\gamma)$  is the potential energy and  $I_{dc}$  is the total applied current through the junction. This potential is the key to study the quantum properties of the Josephson junction such as energy levels in the potential well (the information states  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  can be stored in the ground state  $|0\rangle$  and the first excited state  $|1\rangle$  of the junction, respectively), state wave functions of the qubit, the tunneling rates of the states, and the decoherence times of the states. These are basic knowledge necessary for the experimental work in quantum computation.

## METHODOLOGY

In the calculation, the washboard potential can be approximated by a cubic parabola potential when the applied bias current is close to the criti-

cal current. The potential can be rewritten as

$$U(q) = 3U_0 \left(\frac{q}{q_0}\right)^2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{2q}{3q_0}\right)\right], \quad (2)$$

where  $q = \gamma - \sin^{-1}(I_{dc}/I_c)$ ,  $U_0$  is the barrier height and  $q_0$  is the position of the maximum as shown in Fig. 2. The energy levels and the wave functions of the cubic parabola potential can be found by solving the time independent Schrödinger equation numerically. According to the one dimensional Schrödinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_n}{\partial x^2} + U(x)\psi_n = E_n \psi_n, \quad (3)$$

the approximation wave function  $w_j^{(n)}$  is considered in an interval  $(a, b)$  under the three conditions

1.  $x_j = hj$ ;  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N - 1$
2.  $w_j^{(n)} = \psi_n(x_j)$
3.  $w_0^{(n)} = w_N^{(n)} = 0$  (boundary condition), where  $x_0 = a$ ,  $x_N = b$  and  $h$  is the step size defined by  $h = (b - a)/N$ .

The interval of the wave function is divided to  $N$  points and the wave function  $\psi_n(x_j)$  at any point  $x_j$  is approximated by wave function  $w_j^{(n)}$ , as well as using the boundary condition at the ends of the interval. Following the derivative approximations

$$\psi_n''(x_j) \approx \frac{1}{h^2} [w_{j-1}^{(n)} - 2w_j^{(n)} + w_{j+1}^{(n)}], \quad (4)$$

$$\psi_n'(x_j) \approx \frac{1}{2h} [w_{j+1}^{(n)} - w_{j-1}^{(n)}], \quad (5)$$

the approximated wave function can be inserted into the Schrödinger equation, and a system of equations for solving the eigenvalue problem can be obtained. A large number of energy eigenvalues and eigenfunctions can be found but only the eigenvalues and the eigenfunctions inside the well ( $E < U_0$ ) are used to study the quantum mechanical behavior of the junction.

The tunneling rates at each energy level of the Josephson junction can be calculated using the semiclassical method. According to the WKB formula, the tunneling rate from the  $n^{\text{th}}$  energy level is

$$\Gamma_n = \frac{1}{T(E_n)} \exp \left[ -\frac{2}{\hbar} \int_{x_2}^{x_1} |p(x)| dx \right] \quad (6)$$

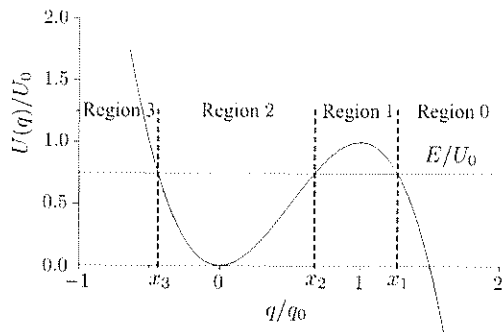


Figure 2: The cubic parabola potential.

$$p(x) = \sqrt{2m[E - U(x)]} \quad (7)$$

where  $T(E_n)$  is the period of the classical motion at energy  $E_n$ . This quantum effect is a problem in quantum computation because a particle prepared in a state inside the well can leave the system.

Finally, the decoherence times of the Josephson junction in the presence of current noise can be ob-

served by considering the Rabi's oscillations. We first current bias the Josephson junction and keep only the two-state system of the qubit and add two external current sources, a microwave current  $I_{\text{mw}}(t)$  and noise current  $I_n(t)$  as perturbations. The microwave current is the ac current with angular frequency  $\omega_{10}$  equivalent to the energy spacing between the ground state and the first excited state. The noise current is chosen in a form of Gaussian random noise. According to the Hamiltonian in the interaction picture,  $H = H^0 + H'(t)$ , the unperturbed Hamiltonian can be written in a matrix notation as

$$H^0 = \begin{pmatrix} E_0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

and the perturbed Hamiltonian in a matrix notation is

$$H' = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{I_n(t)}{2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{10}}{\partial I_{\text{dc}}} \right) & I_{\text{mw}} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2C\omega_{10}}} e^{i\omega_{10}t} \\ I_{\text{mw}} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2C\omega_{10}}} e^{i\omega_{10}t} & -\frac{I_n(t)}{2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{10}}{\partial I_{\text{dc}}} \right) \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

where  $E_{10}$  is energy spacing between ground state and first excited state. The state of two-level sys-

tem can be written in a superposition of the basis states  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$ , given by

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iE_0 t/\hbar} c_0(t) |0\rangle + e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} c_1(t) |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-iE_0 t/\hbar} c_0(t) \\ e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} c_1(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (10)$$

where  $c_0(t)$  and  $c_1(t)$  are the probability amplitudes of finding the system in the state  $|0\rangle$  and state  $|1\rangle$  at time  $t$ , respectively. We insert the Hamiltonian and the state of qubit into the Schrödinger equation  $i\hbar d|\psi(t)\rangle/dt = H|\psi(t)\rangle$ ,

and solve the ordinary differential equations numerically by using the 2<sup>nd</sup> order Runge-Kutta method, i.e. midpoint method.

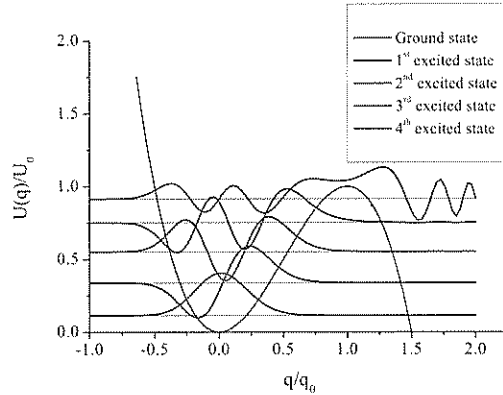


Figure 3: (color online). The five state wave function in the cubic parabola potential.

### RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The energy eigenvalues and the numerical wave functions of the first five states are shown in Fig. 3.

$$T(E_n) = \oint \frac{\partial p}{\partial E} dx = 2q_0 \sqrt{\frac{m}{U_0}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_1 - x_3}} \text{EllipticK}\left(\sqrt{\frac{x_{12}}{x_{13}}}\right), \quad (11)$$

where EllipticK is the complete elliptic integral of the first kind. The Euclidean action across the

$$\int_{x_2}^{x_1} |p(x)| dx = S_f = 2q_0 \sqrt{mU_0} \frac{\pi}{8} x_{12}^2 \sqrt{x_{23}} {}_2F_1\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 3, -\frac{x_{12}}{x_{23}}\right), \quad (12)$$

where  ${}_2F_1(\nu, \lambda, \lambda + \mu, \beta)$  is the Gaussian hypergeometric function. The tunneling rates of the ground state and the first excited state are shown in Fig. 4. It can be seen that the tunneling rates of the first excited state are about 3 orders of magnitude more than these of the ground state.

For the Josephson junction, noise current is one of the cause of decoherence in the qubit. The Rabi's oscillations of the two-state system under

It can be seen that they are somewhat similar to the wave functions of the harmonic oscillator because the shape of cubic parabola potential is almost similar to the parabola potential. The energy levels inside the well depend on the junction parameters such as the critical current ( $I_c$ ) and the capacitance ( $C$ ) as well as the applied bias current ( $I_{dc}$ ). When the bias current is raised, the potential well becomes shallow, thus decreasing the number of energy levels. The energy level spacing between the ground state and the first excited state is in the range of microwave frequency (GHz). A microwave current can be applied as a perturbation to observe the transition between the two lowest lying states.

The tunneling rate describing the transmission of the particle through the potential barrier is exponentially decayed with the action per period of time. The period of classical motion is

classically forbidden region (region 1) is

the influence of the noise current are used to observe a decay of the probability of the states. We found that the probability of  $|c_0(t)|^2$  and  $|c_1(t)|^2$  oscillate and exponentially decay with time in range of nanoseconds as shown in Fig. 5. The microwave current causes the oscillation of probability  $|c_0(t)|^2$  and  $|c_1(t)|^2$  and a period of the oscillation depends on the amplitude of microwave current. The noise current causes the decay of the

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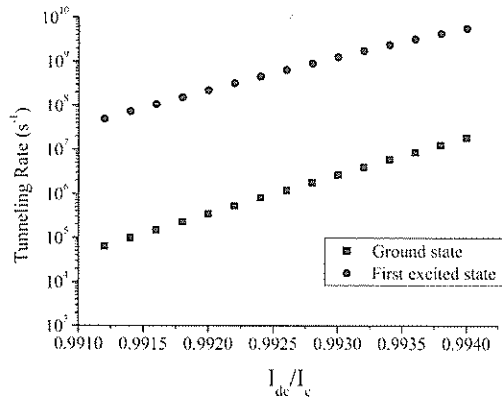


Figure 4: (color online). The tunneling rates of the ground state and the first excited state.

Table I: Decoherence time in Josephson junction with noise current for a junction parameter  $I_c = 14.12 \mu\text{A}$  and  $C = 4 \text{ pF}$ .

Noise current (nA)	Decoherence time (ns)
1	21
5	4.2
10	2.0
15	1.4
20	1.0

ods used here yield the results that are agree with the previous result by P. Kopietz *et al.* [4] and show that the Josephson junction phase qubit can be a good candidate for a quantum computer.

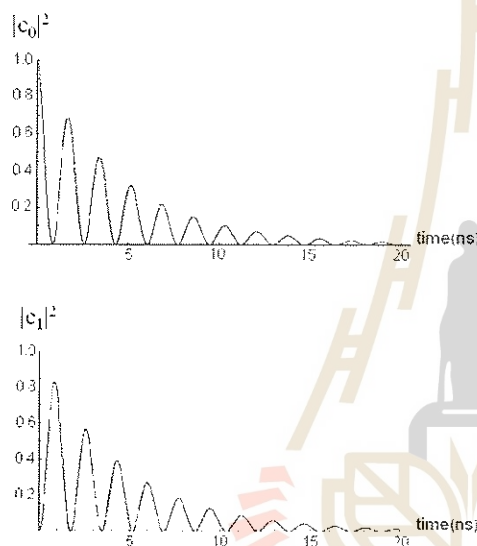


Figure 5: The Rabi's oscillation with current noise amplitude 10 nA.

oscillations. We are interested in the amplitudes of the noise current that cause the decay of the Rabi's oscillation. If we increase the noise current amplitude, the probability of finding the state will decay faster and the decoherence time becomes shorter as shown in Table. 1. This result is in a good agreement with the experimental results [3].

The quantum properties of Josephson junction that have been studied are necessary for using the Josephson junction as a quantum bit. The meth-

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## Part II

### Abstracts



## APSR01

X-Ray Absorption Study of  $\text{TiO}_2$  and  $\text{TiS}_2$  at the Siam Photon Laboratory

การศึกษาการดูดกลืนรังสีเอกซ์ของ  $\text{TiO}_2$  และ  $\text{TiS}_2$  ณ ห้องปฏิบัติการแสงสยาม

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X-ray absorption spectroscopy using synchrotron radiation light source is a powerful technique to identify local structure around the interested atomic specie. At present, the titanium-based compounds have got a lot of attention from many research groups for using in several applications. In this study, we used the Siam Photon Source's x-ray absorption facility (BL-8), to study the local structure around Ti atoms in titanium dioxide ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) and titanium disulfide ( $\text{TiS}_2$ ). The two systems have a similar chemical formula but different crystal structures. The x-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) spectra and the extended x-ray absorption fine structure (EXAFS) spectra around Ti-K edge for  $\text{TiO}_2$  and  $\text{TiS}_2$  powders were collected and compared, using Ti-foil as a standard. The experimental data was analyzed using FEFF code. The results from theoretical analysis agreed well with the known crystal data. Moreover, it this found that the calculated electron partial density of states related nicely to the XANES spectra.

การวัดสเปกตรัมการดูดกลืนรังสีเอกซ์โดยใช้แหล่งกำเนิดแสงซินโครตรอนนั้นเป็นเทคนิคที่สามารถบ่งชี้ถึงโครงสร้างรอบๆ อะตอมที่เราสนใจได้อย่างมีประสิทธิภาพ ในปัจจุบัน สารประกอบไทเทเนียมได้รับความสนใจจากกลุ่มการวิจัยหลายแห่งในการนำไปประยุกต์ใช้ได้หลายๆ ด้าน สำหรับงานวิจัยครั้งนี้ เราได้ทำทดลองที่สถานีลำเลียงแสง ณ ห้องปฏิบัติการแสงสยาม (BL-8) เพื่อศึกษาการเรียงตัวของอะตอมในผลึกรอบๆ อะตอมไทเทเนียมของสารไทเทเนียมไดออกไซด์ ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) และไทเทเนียมไดซัลไฟด์ ( $\text{TiS}_2$ ) ซึ่งสารตัวอย่างทั้งสองชนิดนี้มีสูตรทางเคมีที่คล้ายคลึงกัน แต่มีโครงสร้างผลึกแตกต่างกัน เราได้ทำการทดลองเพื่อวัดและเปรียบเทียบสเปกตรัมในย่าน x-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) และ extended x-ray absorption fine structure (EXAFS) โดยใช้สเปกตรัมจากแผ่นไทเทเนียมบริสุทธิ์เป็นมาตรฐานในการวัด จากนั้นทำการวิเคราะห์ผลการทดลองโดยใช้โปรแกรม FEFF ซึ่งพบว่า ผลคำนวณตามทฤษฎีสอดคล้องกับข้อมูลโครงสร้างผลึกที่เคยมีการศึกษาไว้ นอกจากนี้ ยังพบว่า ผลการคำนวณความหนาแน่นสถานะย่อยของอิเล็กตรอนสอดคล้องเป็นอย่างดีกับสเปกตรัม XANES ที่ได้จากการวัด

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APSR02

**Suppression of Higher-Order Light from VLSPG  
Monochromator of BL4 beamline at SPL**

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This report provides the results obtained from the evaluations of the varied line-spacing plane grating monochromator of the BL4 beamline at the Siam Photon Laboratory. The evaluations were performed by using photoionization measurement technique. The monochromator was design and constructed to meet the demand for the resolving power,  $E/\Delta E$ , of 5000 with sufficient photon flux for angle resolved photoemission experiments ( $\sim 10^9$ – $10^{10}$  photons/s). Photoionization spectra taken from the  $2,0_1$  resonance of doubly excited helium reveal a resolving power  $\sim 5000$ . However, photon flux at this high resolving power is very low and is lower than calculation. The effects of the width of the aperture located between the entrance slit and the focusing mirror, the alignment and position of the exit slit on the performance of the monochromator are discussed.

งานนี้ ได้นำเสนอผลของการหาค่าพารามิเตอร์ที่เหมาะสมเพื่อหาประสิทธิภาพของ โมโนโครเมเตอร์ ณ สถานีทดลอง BL4 ห้องปฏิบัติการแสงสยาม ซึ่งเป็นแบบ varied line-spacing plane grating monochromator โดยใช้เทคนิคการวัดสเปกตรัมที่ได้จากโฟโตไอออไนเซชัน โมโนโครเมเตอร์ที่ออกแบบมาในเบื้องต้นเพื่อให้ได้ค่ากำลังการแยกแยะเท่ากับ 5000 โดยมีค่าฟลักซ์ของโฟตอนสำหรับการทดลองที่เกี่ยวข้องกับ Angle resolved photoemission ประมาณ  $\sim 10^9$ – $10^{10}$  โฟตอน/วินาที และสเปกตรัมจากโฟโตไอออไนเซชัน ที่ได้จากการวัด ณ ตำแหน่งพีค  $2,0_1$  ซึ่งเกิดจากรีโซแนนซ์ของ doubly excited ของอะตอมของก๊าซฮีเลียมโดยผลจากการแปรค่าพารามิเตอร์ต่างๆ เช่น ความกว้างของสลิต ณ ตำแหน่งขาเข้า หรือขาออกได้นำมาหาค่าประสิทธิภาพของโมโนโครเมเตอร์

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## APSR03

## Progress on Electron Beam Profile Measurement at the Siam Photon Source

สถานะของระบบวัดลักษณะของลำอิเล็กตรอน ณ เครื่องกำเนิดแสงสยาม

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Beam profile is one of the important parameters used in the evaluation of the light source's performance. An electron beam profile measurement system is under construction at the Siam Photon Laboratory. The system is designed to work either in visible or x-ray regions. In the visible range, the electron beam profile would be obtained using projection lens and a CCD camera. The electron beam size will be obtained from light interferometers. In the x-ray range, a pin hole will be used to project x-ray image on a YAG crystal and the beam size will be deduced from the profile. The system will be installed at the beam port of bending magnet no. 2 and named "beam-line 2" for the moment. At present, we have constructed the beam-line chambers and mask using ultra high vacuum technology developed in the laboratory. The vacuum test is finished and the vacuum level as good as  $1 \times 10^{-10}$  Torr is achieved for the NSRC-made beam-line 2's chambers. The recent test results and near-future plan will be discussed in this report.

ขนาดของลำอิเล็กตรอนเป็นหนึ่งในข้อมูลเริ่มต้นที่สำคัญ ในการประเมินประสิทธิภาพของเครื่องกำเนิดแสงซินโครตรอน ระบบวัดลักษณะของลำอิเล็กตรอนที่อยู่ในระหว่างการสร้างโดยห้องปฏิบัติการแสงสยาม ได้ถูกออกแบบให้ใช้งานกับแสงซินโครตรอนทั้งในย่านแสงปกติและย่านรังสีเอ็กซ์ ในย่านแสงปกติ ภาพของลำอิเล็กตรอนจะถูกสร้างจากเลนส์ไปเกิดภาพบนกล้อง CCD ซึ่งขนาดของลำอิเล็กตรอนจะวัดได้โดยใช้มาตรแทรกสอดในย่านรังสีเอ็กซ์ กล้องรูเข็มจะสร้างภาพรังสีเอ็กซ์บนผลึก YAG และขนาดของลำอิเล็กตรอนจะถูกวัดจากภาพถ่ายรังสีเอ็กซ์ที่ได้ ระบบดังกล่าวนี้จะติดตั้งที่ช่องเปิดลำแสง ณ แม่เหล็กเลี้ยวเบนที่ 2 เรียกชื่อเป็น "แนวลำแสงที่ 2" ปัจจุบันเราได้สร้างห้องสุญญากาศสำหรับแนวลำแสงที่ 2 และฉากบังแสงโดยใช้เทคโนโลยีสุญญากาศระดับสูงมากที่ได้พัฒนาขึ้นในห้องปฏิบัติการแสงสยาม และหลังจากทำการทดสอบ ได้ระดับสุญญากาศอยู่ในระดับที่ดีกว่า  $1 \times 10^{-10}$  Torr ซึ่งในการนี้จะได้เสนอข้อมูล ผลทดสอบล่าสุด รวมทั้งแผนดำเนินการพัฒนาระบบในอนาคตอันใกล้

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## APSR04

**Study of Si(100)  $2 \times 1$  Surface by Electron Diffraction and Photoemission Using Synchrotron Radiation**

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A  $c(4 \times 4)$  reconstruction can be formed on the clean Si(100) surface by special surface treatment techniques. We have studied the surface reconstruction of this metastable phase, which is prepared by thermal annealing, using low energy electron diffraction (LEED) and Auger electron spectroscopy (AES). The surface structure transition between  $(2 \times 1)$  and  $c(4 \times 4)$  reconstruction has been observed at annealing temperature range of 450–575 °C.

ในการเกิดการจัดเรียงตัวใหม่ของพื้นผิวของซิลิกอนระนาบ (100) รูปแบบ  $c(4 \times 4)$  นั้น สามารถจะทำการเตรียมได้โดยอาศัยเทคนิคทางพื้นผิว เราได้ทำการศึกษาการเกิดการจัดเรียงตัวใหม่ของรูปแบบนี้ซึ่งทำการเตรียมโดยวิธี แอนนัล และวิเคราะห์ผลการทดลองโดย ลีด และออเจอร์ อิเล็กตรอน ดิฟแฟรกชันได้ทำการสังเกตการเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างพื้นผิวระหว่างรูปแบบ  $(2 \times 1)$  และ  $c(4 \times 4)$  ที่อุณหภูมิอยู่ในช่วง 450–575 องศาเซลเซียส

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## CMMP01

First Principles Study of Mn Impurity Location of  $\text{PbTiO}_3$ การศึกษาตำแหน่งของสารเจือ Mn ในสาร  $\text{PbTiO}_3$ 

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A first principles simulation of Mn dopants in  $\text{PbTiO}_3$  has been done to determine the location, charge state, and electronic structure of the Mn impurity. We find that it is energetically favorable for the Mn ion to substitute for Ti (as opposed to substituting for Pb, O or interstitial positions) under all thermal equilibrium crystal growth conditions. The charge of the Mn impurity is determined to be neutral when the Fermi level is near the middle of the bandgap.

งานวิจัยนี้เน้นศึกษาตำแหน่ง, ประจุ และโครงสร้างทางอิเล็กทรอนิกส์ของสารเจือแมงกานีสในสารประกอบ  $\text{PbTiO}_3$  โดยใช้วิธีคำนวณแบบเฟิร์สพริ้นซิเพิล ผลของการคำนวณอธิบายได้ว่า สารเจือ Mn มีโอกาสแทนที่ในตำแหน่งอะตอม Ti (มากกว่าตำแหน่งอะตอม Pb, ตำแหน่งอะตอม O หรือแทรกในที่ตำแหน่งที่ว่าง) ทุกสถานะการปลูกผลึกที่เป็นไปได้ ที่ระดับเฟอร์มี บริเวณกึ่งกลางช่องว่างระดับพลังงานประจุของสารเจือ Mn เป็นศูนย์

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## CMMP05

## Wurtzite to Graphite-like Phase Transformation in ZnO: First Principle Calculations

การเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างของซิงค์ออกไซด์จากโครงสร้างแบบเวิร์ทไซต์ไปเป็นโครงสร้างที่คล้ายแกรไฟท์: การศึกษาแบบเฟิร์สพริ้นซิเปิล

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The transformation of ZnO from the wurtzite structure to the ZnO structure with a graphite-like structure is studied using a first principle calculations. The calculations show that this structure is the results of a phase transformation this structure is the results of a phase transformation from from the wurtzite structure under uniaxial tensile loading of  $[01\bar{1}0]$ . The calculated transformation barrier between 2 structures is shown by the enthalpy surface and the transformation has a low enthalpy barrier of  $\sim 0.06$  eV.

การคำนวณแบบเฟิร์สพริ้นซิเปิล ถูกใช้เพื่อศึกษาการเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างของซิงค์ออกไซด์จากโครงสร้างแบบเวิร์ทไซต์ไปเป็นโครงสร้างที่คล้ายแกรไฟท์ ในการศึกษาพบว่า การเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างลักษณะนี้เป็นผลจากแรงดึงในทิศทางเดียวคือ ในทิศทาง  $[01\bar{1}0]$  เอนทัลปีของการเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างระหว่าง 2 โครงสร้าง ถูกแสดงโดยการพล็อตพื้นผิวเอนทัลปี และเอนทัลปีแบริเออร์ของการเปลี่ยนโครงสร้างมีค่าประมาณ 0.06 อิเล็กตรอนโวลต์

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## CMMP06

Effect of Sintering Behavior on Piezoelectric Properties of  
PZT and PZT doped with  $\text{Pr}_6\text{O}_{11}$ ผลของการซินเทอไรต์ต่อสมบัติเพียโซอิเล็กทริกของ PZT และ PZT  
ที่โดพด้วย  $\text{Pr}_6\text{O}_{11}$ 

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Effect of sintering behavior on physical and piezoelectric properties of two different types of lead zirconate titanate (PZT) ceramics was investigated. Pure PZT and doped PZT with praseodymium oxide 3 mol% (PPZT) were sintered at 1200, 1250 and 1300 °C for 1 h. It was observed that the electrical properties of each system were largely controlled by sintering temperature; the relative permittivity ( $\epsilon_r$ ) and dissipation factor ( $\tan \delta$ ) of PPZT were improved significantly by increasing sintering temperature. A resonance and anti-resonance indentation technique was employed to determine the coupling factor ( $k$ ) of the ceramics. It was found that planar coupling factor ( $k_p$ ) and piezoelectric coefficient ( $d_{33}$ ) of PZT were improved with  $\text{Pr}_6\text{O}_{11}$  additive. The  $k_p$  and  $d_{33}$  of PPZT were between 57.8–61.5% and 470–504 pF, respectively.

การศึกษามลของอุณหภูมิซินเทอไรต์ที่อุณหภูมิ 1200, 1250 และ 1300 °C เป็นเวลา 1 ชั่วโมง ต่อสมบัติทางกายภาพและสมบัติเพียโซอิเล็กทริกของเซรามิกเลดเซอร์โคเนตไตแทนต (PZT) และ PZT ที่โดพด้วยฟลักซิไอต์เมียมออกไซด์ ( $\text{Pr}_6\text{O}_{11}$ ) 3 mol% (PPZT) พบว่าสมบัติทางไฟฟ้าของเซรามิกแต่ละระบบขึ้นอยู่กับอุณหภูมิซินเทอไรต์ สภาพยอมสัมพัทธ์ ( $\epsilon_r$ ) และค่าสูญเสียไดอิเล็กทริกของ PPZT ดีขึ้นตามอุณหภูมิซินเทอไรต์ที่เพิ่มขึ้น เมื่อใช้เทคนิคเรโซแนนซ์และแอนติเรโซแนนซ์หาค่าคัพปลิงแฟกเตอร์ของเซรามิก พบว่าค่าคัพปลิงแฟกเตอร์ตามแนวระนาบ ( $k_p$ ) และ ค่าสัมประสิทธิ์เพียโซอิเล็กทริก ( $d_{33}$ ) ของ PPZT มีค่ามากกว่าของ PZT โดยค่า  $k_p$  และ  $d_{33}$  ของ PPZT อยู่ในช่วง 57.8–61.5% และ 470–504 pF ตามลำดับ

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## CMMP07

**Thermal Properties of Degradable High Density  
Polyethylene Plastic Film**

สมบัติทางความร้อนของแผ่นฟิล์มพลาสติกพอลิเอทิลีนความหนาแน่นสูง  
ที่เจือสารย่อยสลาย

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Thermal properties and degradability of high density polyethylene (HDPE) blended with  $\text{CaCO}_3$  were studied by Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC). Four different heating and cooling rates 5, 10, 15 and 20 °C/min under nitrogen environment were performed. In endothermic process, the phase transition peak shifted to lower temperature with the heating rate ascending. In exothermic process, the results showed similar evolution of crystallinity temperature and the corresponding enthalpy as the endothermic process. The nonisothermal crystallization kinetics were investigated by Ozawa method derived from Avrami analysis. The addition of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  increased Ozawa exponents  $m$ , but decreased logarithm of crystallization rate constant  $\ln Z(T)$  of pure HDPE-film. Crystallization activation energy of pure HDPE film calculated from Kissinger equation was increased as the higher content of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ .

การศึกษาสมบัติทางความร้อน ของพอลิเอทิลีนความหนาแน่นสูงที่เจือ  $\text{CaCO}_3$  ในปริมาณที่แตกต่างกัน ด้วยเครื่องแคลอริเมตรีแบบส่องกราดอนุพันธ์ โดยอัตราการเพิ่ม และลดอุณหภูมิคงตัว 4 อัตราคือ 5, 10, 15, และ 20 °C/min ภายใต้ก๊าซไนโตรเจนพบว่า ในกระบวนการดูดกลืนความร้อน เมื่ออัตราการเพิ่มอุณหภูมิมากขึ้น อุณหภูมิหลอมเหลวจะเลื่อนไปทางอุณหภูมิต่ำกว่า และในกระบวนการคายความร้อน เมื่ออัตราการลดอุณหภูมิมักขึ้น อุณหภูมิการเกิดผลึก จะเลื่อนไปทางอุณหภูมิต่ำกว่าและมีค่าเอนทัลปีมากขึ้น ซึ่งมีลักษณะคล้ายคลึงกับกระบวนการดูดกลืนความร้อน ค่าพารามิเตอร์จลน์ของกระบวนการตกผลึกที่คำนวณโดยวิธี Ozawa ซึ่งประยุกต์มาจากทฤษฎี Avrami พบว่าเมื่อปริมาณ  $\text{CaCO}_3$  เพิ่มขึ้น ค่าเอกซ์โพเนนต์ Ozawa มีค่าเพิ่มขึ้น แต่ลอการิทึมของค่าคงตัวอัตราการตกผลึก  $\ln Z(T)$  มีค่าลดลง พลังงานก่อกัมมันต์ของแผ่นฟิล์ม HDPE ที่คำนวณจากทฤษฎี Kissinger มีค่าเพิ่มขึ้นตามปริมาณ  $\text{CaCO}_3$  ที่เพิ่มขึ้น

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## CMMP08

## A Nitrogen-Carbon Molecule in GaAs: A First Principles Study

โมเลกุล ไนโตรเจน-คาร์บอนในแกเลียมอาร์เซไนด์: การศึกษาแบบเฟิสต์พริ้นซิเพิล

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First-principles calculation shows that NC molecule prefers to occupy the anion (As or P) site over the interstitial site in GaAs. Both CN molecules occupying the anion site and the interstitial site maintain their molecular characteristics rather well. The C-N bond distances and vibration frequencies are comparable to those of a free molecule. The calculated vibration frequencies of the CN molecules occupying the anion sites in GaAs are in a good agreement (within a computational error bar) with the recent infrared spectroscopy measurement [W. Ulrici and B. Clerjoud, Phys. Rev. B 72, 045203 (2005)].

การศึกษาแบบเฟิสต์-พริ้นซิเพิล แสดงให้เห็นว่าโมเลกุลไนโตรเจน-คาร์บอนมักจะไปอยู่แทนที่ตำแหน่งของแอนไอออน มากกว่าตำแหน่งของช่องว่างในผลึกแกเลียมอาร์เซไนด์ ในทั้งสองตำแหน่งโมเลกุลไนโตรเจน-คาร์บอนยังคงรักษาคูณสมบัติของโมเลกุลไว้ ความยาวพันธะและความถี่ของการสั่นยังอยู่ในช่วงที่เปรียบเทียบกับโมเลกุลอิสระได้ ความถี่ในการสั่นที่คำนวณได้ของโมเลกุลไนโตรเจน-คาร์บอนที่ไปแทนที่ตำแหน่งแอนไอออนในผลึกแกเลียมอาร์เซไนด์สอดคล้องกับผลการทดลองการวัดอินฟราเรด-สเปกโตรสโคปีเมื่อเร็ว ๆ นี้ [W. Ulrici and B. Clerjoud, Phys. Rev. B 72, 045203 (2005).]

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## CMMP10

Effect of the Geometry of Metal–Insulator–Superconductor  
Junction on Its Tunneling Spectroscopyรูปทรงของรอยต่อของ โลหะ–ฉนวน–ตัวนำยวดยิ่ง  
ที่มีผลกระทบต่อการใช้ทะลุผ่านในรอยต่อ

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The width of each layer of a metal–insulator–superconductor junction gives rise to features in the conductance spectrum of the junction. Tomasch oscillations in the conductance spectrum are due to the finite superconducting layer in the junction. The period of oscillations depends on the superconducting gap, the Fermi velocity and the thickness of the superconductor. The finite layer of metal causes another type of oscillations called McMillan–Rowell oscillations. Similarly, the period of the oscillations depends on the Fermi velocity and the thickness of the metal.

ความกว้างในแต่ละชั้นของรอยต่อ โลหะ–ฉนวน–ตัวนำยวดยิ่ง ให้ลักษณะเฉพาะของเส้นสเปกตรัมของสภาพการนำไฟฟ้าของรอยต่อ และการที่ชั้นของตัวนำยวดยิ่งมีค่าไม่เป็นอนันต์ มีผลทำให้เส้นสเปกตรัมมีการเปลี่ยนแปลงขึ้นลง ซึ่งเรียกการว่า การสั่นของ Tomasch oscillations โดยระยะระหว่างจุดต่ำสุด 2 จุดที่อยู่ติดกันมีค่าขึ้นกับ ค่าช่องว่างพลังงานของตัวนำยวดยิ่ง ความเร็วเฟอร์มี และค่าความหนาของชั้นตัวนำยวดยิ่ง การที่ชั้นของโลหะมีค่าไม่เป็นอนันต์ จะทำให้เส้นสเปกตรัมของสภาพการนำไฟฟ้ามีการเปลี่ยนแปลงขึ้นลงเรียกว่า McMillan–Rowell oscillations โดยระยะระหว่างจุดต่ำสุด 2 จุดที่อยู่ติดกัน มีค่าขึ้นกับ ความเร็วเฟอร์มี และ ความหนาของชั้นโลหะ

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## CMMP11

First Principles Study of Native Defects in Anatase TiO<sub>2</sub>

การศึกษาความบกพร่องของอนาเทส-ไทเทเนียมไดออกไซด์  
โดยการศึกษาเฟิร์สพริ้นซิเพิล

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Native point defects in anatase TiO<sub>2</sub> are investigated using first-principles pseudopotential calculations based on density-functional theory. We found that antisite defects, namely Ti-antisite (Ti<sub>O</sub>) and O-antisite (O<sub>Ti</sub>), have high formation energy and are not stable. Titanium interstitial (Ti<sub>i</sub>) is a quadruple donor defect with the lowest formation energy under p-type conditions. On the other hand, Ti vacancy (V<sub>Ti</sub>) is a quadruple acceptor defect with the lowest formation energy under n-type conditions. Oxygen interstitial (O<sub>i</sub>) spontaneously moves to bond strongly with a lattice O, leading to a neutral O<sub>2</sub> dimer substituting on an O site. Interestingly, our calculations show that all four fundamental native defects (Ti<sub>i</sub>, O<sub>i</sub>, V<sub>Ti</sub>, and V<sub>O</sub>) do not introduce any defect level inside the band gap.

การศึกษาความบกพร่องของผลึกอนาเทส-ไทเทเนียมไดออกไซด์ โดยการศึกษาเฟิร์สพริ้นซิเพิลซึ่งอาศัยทฤษฎี  
เดนซิตีฟังก์ชันนัล พบว่าแอนไทไซต์ซึ่งประกอบด้วย ไทเทเนียม-แอนไทไซต์ (Ti<sub>O</sub>) และ ออกซิเจน-แอนไท  
ไซต์ (O<sub>Ti</sub>) มีค่าพลังงานการเกิดสูง และไม่เสถียร ส่วนความบกพร่องที่เกิดจากการมีอะตอมไทเทเนียมเกินมาใน  
ช่องว่างผลึก (Ti<sub>i</sub>) จะแสดงคุณสมบัติเป็นควอดดรูเปิลดอนเนอร์ ด้วยค่าพลังงานการเกิดต่ำที่สุดภายใต้เงื่อนไข-ไทป์  
ส่วนความบกพร่องที่เกิดจากการขาดอะตอมไทเทเนียม (V<sub>Ti</sub>) จะแสดงคุณสมบัติเป็นควอดดรูเปิลแอกเซปเตอร์  
ด้วยค่าพลังงานการเกิดต่ำที่สุดภายใต้เงื่อนไข-ไทป์ ความบกพร่องที่เกิดจากการมีอะตอมออกซิเจนเกินมาใน  
ช่องว่างผลึก (O<sub>i</sub>) จะเคลื่อนที่ไปสร้างพันธะกับออกซิเจนหนึ่งอะตอมในผลึกเกิดเป็นออกซิเจนไดเมอร์แทนที่อะตอม  
ออกซิเจนในแลตทิซนั้นด้วยประจุนุญได้เองโดยธรรมชาติ น่าสนใจเป็นอย่างยิ่งว่าไม่มีความบกพร่องของผลึกชนิด  
ใดเลยที่สร้างชั้นพลังงานที่เกิดจากความบกพร่องของผลึกหรือดีเฟกต์เฟลวในแถบช่องว่างของพลังงาน

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$\bar{p}D$  Atom in Paris Potential

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The  $\bar{p}D$  atomic state problem is studied in the latest version of the Paris  $\bar{N}N$  potential. The small energy shifts and decay widths resulting from the short range strong interaction of the  $\bar{p}D$  atomic state are accurately derived by solving the dynamical equation of the system in a suitable numerical approach based on the Sturmian function, which is able to account for both short range nuclear potential (for both the local and nonlocal) and the long range Coulomb force and to provide directly the wave function of the  $\bar{p}D$  atoms with complex eigenvalue  $E = E_R + i(\Gamma/2)$ .

เราศึกษาปัญหาของอะตอมของปฏิโปรตอน–ดิวเทอรอนในศักย์ปารีส ซึ่งเป็นศักย์แบบปฏินิวคลีออน–นิวคลีออนล่าสุด พร้อมทั้งคำนวณเส้นสเปกตรัมของพลังงานที่เลื่อนออกจากเส้นสเปกตรัมของอะตอมดิวเทอรอนปกติ และคำนวณความกว้างของเส้นสเปกตรัมดังกล่าวซึ่งเป็นผลมาจากแรงนิวเคลียร์แบบเข้มซึ่งเกิดจากอันตรกิริยาระหว่างอะตอมของปฏิโปรตอน–ดิวเทอรอนโดยใช้วิธีการเชิงตัวเลขซึ่งมีพื้นฐานมาจากฟังก์ชันของสเตอเมียน ซึ่งเป็นวิธีการที่สามารถใช้แก้ปัญหาได้ทั้งในกรณีศักย์ที่เกิดจากแรงนิวเคลียร์ซึ่งเป็นแรงพิสัยใกล้ (สำหรับทั้งในกรณีที่ศักย์ขึ้นกับตำแหน่งและในกรณีที่ศักย์ไม่ขึ้นกับตำแหน่ง) และในกรณีที่เกิดจากแรงคูลอมบ์ซึ่งเป็นแรงพิสัยไกล และได้คำนวณฟังก์ชันคลื่นของอะตอมของปฏิโปรตอน–ดิวเทอรอน ซึ่งพบว่าค่าไอเกนของพลังงานของระบบที่ได้เป็นค่าเชิงซ้อนโดยมีค่าเป็น  $E = E_R + i(\Gamma/2)$

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## CHEP05

Calculation of  $\rho^0$  Decay in Two-Step Process of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ การคำนวณการสลายตัวของ  $\rho^0$  ในกระบวนการสองขั้นของ  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ 

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It is found that the reactions of electron-positron to hadron-antihadron pair is dominated by the multi-step process, in which the electron-positron pair annihilates into a virtual photon, then the virtual photon decays into a quark-antiquark pair, then the primary quark-antiquark pair forms a vector meson, and finally the vector meson decays into a hadron pair. We would show, in this work, the evaluation of the reaction of  $\rho^0$  to  $\pi^+\pi^-$  in the 3P0 quark model which has been proved the most successful non-relativistic quark model. The work forms one part of the further study of the reactions electron-positron to hadron-antihadron.

ในปฏิกิริยาการชนกันของโพสิตรอนและอิเล็กตรอนและให้กำเนิดคู่อฮาดรอนและปฏิฮาดรอนนั้น พบว่ามีกระบวนการที่มีหลายขั้นตอนเกิดขึ้น โดยเริ่มจากการชนกันของอิเล็กตรอนและโพสิตรอนให้กำเนิดโฟตอนเสมือน ต่อจากนั้นโฟตอนเสมือนสลายไปเป็นคู่ของควาร์กและปฏิควาร์ก หลังจากนั้นคู่ของควาร์กและปฏิควาร์กสร้างอนุภาคที่เรียกว่า เวกเตอร์เมซอน และในขั้นตอนสุดท้าย เวกเตอร์เมซอนสลายตัวไปเป็นคู่อฮาดรอน ในงานชิ้นนี้ได้แสดงให้เห็นกระบวนการการเปลี่ยนแปลงของ  $\rho^0$  ไปเป็น  $\pi^+\pi^-$  ในแบบจำลองควาร์ก 3P0 ที่ซึ่งประสบความสำเร็จมากที่สุดในการบรรดาแบบจำลองควาร์ก และผลงานชิ้นนี้เป็นส่วนหนึ่งในการศึกษาปฏิกิริยาของโพสิตรอนและอิเล็กตรอนที่ซึ่งเปลี่ยนแปลงเป็นคู่อฮาดรอนและปฏิฮาดรอน

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## CHEP06

## Particles Correlations in Quantum Field Theory

## สหสัมพันธ์ของอนุภาคในทฤษฎีสถานควอนตัม

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Explicit computations are carried out of polarization correlations of simultaneous measurements of spin of two particles produced in fundamental processes directly from quantum field theory. The expression of these polarization correlations, following from these dynamical computations are non-speculation involving no arbitrary input assumptions, are seen to depend on speed. It is remarkable that these expressions for the polarization correlations show clear violation of Bell's test.

ได้แสดงการหาสมการสำหรับคำนวณค่าสหสัมพันธ์โพลาไรเซชันของสปินของอนุภาค 2 ตัว ที่วัดได้พร้อมกัน และเกิดขึ้นในกระบวนการต่างๆ ที่อธิบายได้ในทฤษฎีสถานควอนตัม สมการของสหสัมพันธ์โพลาไรเซชันเหล่านี้ ได้มาจากการคำนวณเชิงพลวัตโดยไม่มีการคาดการณและไม่มีการใช้สมมุติฐาน พบว่าสมการที่ได้ขึ้นอยู่กับอัตราเร็ว สมการสหสัมพันธ์โพลาไรเซชันที่ได้ แสดงให้เห็นความขัดแย้งอย่างชัดเจนเมื่อทดสอบตามวิธีการทดสอบของเบลล์

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## CHEP08

## Closed-Time Path in Quantum Field Theory

## วิถีปิดของเวลาในทฤษฎีสถานควอนตัม

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The quantum dynamical principle pioneered by Schwinger has proved to be a most valuable tool in describing the dynamics of elementary particles and in carrying out endless computations in high-energy physics. The quantum dynamical principle allows one to obtain directly the vacuum-to-vacuum transition amplitude, e.g., in positive sense of time, in field theory or the transformation function in quantum physics. I will show some calculation of the closed-time path in the quantum field theory by using the Schwinger dynamical principle in describing the dynamics of spin-0 charged and uncharged particles.

หลักพลวัตควอนตัมซึ่งเสนอโดยชวิงเงอร์ได้พิสูจน์ว่าเป็นเครื่องมือหนึ่งที่มีประโยชน์มากสำหรับการบรรยายพลศาสตร์ของอนุภาคมูลฐาน รวมถึงการคำนวณทางฟิสิกส์ที่พลังงานสูงด้วย นอกจากนี้หลักพลวัตควอนตัมยังอนุญาตให้สามารถคำนวณค่าของแอมพลิจูดการเปลี่ยนสถานะสุญญากาศไปสุญญากาศได้โดยตรง ซึ่งวิถีของเวลาเป็นไปในทางบวก ในทฤษฎีสถานหรือการแปลงสถานะของฟังก์ชันในฟิสิกส์ควอนตัม โดยในการบรรยายนี้จะมีการนำเสนอตัวอย่างการคำนวณของวิถีปิดของเวลาในทฤษฎีสถานควอนตัม โดยการใช้หลักพลวัตของชวิงเงอร์ในการบรรยายพลศาสตร์ของอนุภาคที่มีสปินศูนย์ ที่มีประจุและไม่มีประจุ

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## EFP01

## Conceptual Surveying on Mechanical Wave

การสำรวจความเข้าใจของนักเรียนในวิชาฟิสิกส์เรื่อง คลื่นกล

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This study is about surveying students' concepts on mechanical wave by using Wave Diagnostic Test (WDT). The test was developed by Micheal C. Wittmann at University of Maryland. It is composed of ten items separated into two parts. The first part is eight free response questions (FR). The second consists of two-multiple choice multiple response questions. These two questions are the same as the first test to ask students for the second time in multiple-choice, multiple-response (MCMR) format. There are two main concepts within the test, propagation and superposition of waves. The sample is Thai physics education students and high school students. From the results of the study, we found that most students have misconceptions in wave concepts for example wave propagation, speed of waves and superposition of waves. When we compared our results with the results from Wittmann, we found that both results are almost identical.

งานวิจัยนี้เป็นการสำรวจความเข้าใจของนักเรียนในเรื่องคลื่นกล โดยใช้แบบทดสอบความเข้าใจเรื่องคลื่น (Wave diagnostic test: WDT) ที่พัฒนาโดย Micheal C. Wittmann ที่ University of Maryland แบบทดสอบประกอบด้วยคำถามจำนวนสิบข้อ โดยแบ่งออกเป็นสองตอน ตอนแรกเป็นคำถามปลายเปิด (Free response version: FR) จำนวนแปดข้อ ตอนที่สองเป็นคำถามแบบตัวเลือก (Multiple choice, Multiple response format: MCMR) จำนวนสองข้อที่เหมือนกันกับตอนแรกซึ่งนักเรียนต้องทำในตอนที่สอง แบบทดสอบนี้วัดความเข้าใจในเรื่องคลื่นอยู่สองหัวข้อหลักคือ การแพร่กระจายของคลื่นและการซ้อนทับของคลื่น กลุ่มวิจัยเป็นนักศึกษาระดับบัณฑิตศึกษาศาखाฟิสิกส์ศึกษา และนักเรียนระดับมัธยมศึกษาตอนปลาย ผลการสำรวจพบว่า นักเรียนมีความเข้าใจที่คลาดเคลื่อนในหลักการของคลื่นอยู่มาก เช่น การแพร่กระจายของคลื่น อัตราเร็วคลื่น และการซ้อนทับของคลื่น ผู้วิจัยได้เปรียบเทียบผลการสำรวจกับผลการวิจัยของ Wittmann พบว่าผลการสำรวจแทบไม่แตกต่างกัน

**Keywords:** Mechanical Wave, Wave propagation, Wave Superposition

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## EFP03

## Investigation of Students' Misconception in Direct Current

การศึกษาคำเข้าใจที่คลาดเคลื่อนของนักเรียนในเรื่อง ไฟฟ้ากระแสตรง

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In this research, we will present the results of the study of misconception of direct current by using the Electric Circuits Concept Evaluation (ECCE) with the first year student of Rajamankala University of Technology Bangkok. The ECCE standardized test, developed by Ron Thornton and David Sokoloff at Oregon University was used to test students' understanding in the concept of direct current. The translated version of the ECCE was used with Thai first year civil engineering and industrial education students at Rajamankala University of Technology Bangkok.

The standardized test was used before and after the traditional teaching on the topic of direct current. The results show that many students have misconception in fundamental topics such as brightness of bulbs in parallel circuit, potential difference across the bulb in series circuit, and current through bulbs in complex circuit.

The analyzed results from the test show poor student performance. This indicates the need for new teaching method in the topic of currents to make student gain better understanding in the topics of the direct current.

งานวิจัยนี้เป็นการศึกษาเกี่ยวกับความเข้าใจที่คลาดเคลื่อนของนักศึกษาในเรื่องไฟฟ้ากระแสตรง โดยการใช้แบบทดสอบการวัดความเข้าใจเรื่องวงจรไฟฟ้า The Electric Circuits Concept Evaluation (ECCE) ซึ่งเป็นแบบทดสอบที่พัฒนาโดย Ron Thornton และ David Sokoloff ที่มหาวิทยาลัยโอเรกอน กับนักศึกษาวิศวกรรมโยธาและ วิศวกรรมอุตสาหการ ชั้นปีที่ 1 ที่มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีราชมงคลกรุงเทพ

โดยแบบทดสอบจะใช้ก่อนและหลังการเรียนในเรื่องไฟฟ้ากระแสตรง ซึ่งผลปรากฏว่านักศึกษามีความไม่เข้าใจที่คลาดเคลื่อนเกี่ยวกับพื้นฐานของไฟฟ้ากระแสตรง เช่น ความสว่างของหลอดไฟเมื่อต่อหลอดไฟแบบขนาน ความต่างศักย์ที่คร่อมหลอดไฟเมื่อต่อหลอดไฟแบบอนุกรม และ ขนาดของกระแสไฟฟ้าที่ไหลผ่าน หลอดไฟในวงจรไฟฟ้าแบบผสม

จากผลการวิเคราะห์แสดงให้เห็นว่า นักศึกษามีความเข้าใจที่คลาดเคลื่อนในหลายเรื่องของ ไฟฟ้ากระแสตรง ดังนั้นจากการวิจัยแสดงให้เห็นว่า ควรจะมีวิธีทางด้านการเรียนการสอนแบบใหม่ที่ช่วยให้นักศึกษามีความเข้าใจที่ถูกต้องในเรื่องไฟฟ้ากระแสตรงให้มากขึ้น

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## EFP04

## The Use of Interactive Lecture Demonstrations in Force and Motion to Teach High School-Level Physics

การใช้รูปแบบการสอนสาธิตเชิงปฏิสัมพันธ์ในเรื่องแรงและการเคลื่อนที่  
สำหรับชั้นมัธยมศึกษาตอนปลาย

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This paper presents the results of an experiment using interactive lecture demonstrations (ILDs) in force and motion to teach high-school students. The microcomputer-base ILDs were employed with 152 students at Wutsutti High School, Bangkok, in the second semester of academic year 2005. The ILDs, developed by Thornton and Sokoloff consist of a sequence of simple physics experiments on various types of motion. To evaluate this teaching-learning method, the Force and Motion Conceptual Evaluation (FMCE) test, translated into Thai language, was given to the students once before the beginning of the course and once after finishing the ILDs.

After using the ILDs it was found that, in overall, there was a 0.3 normalized gain in student's performance. There were very high gains in acceleration and Newton's third law of motion. These results suggest that ILDs can indeed help develop high-school students' conceptual understanding in force and motion.

งานวิจัยนี้เป็นการแสดงผลการใช้วิธีการสอนแบบบรรยายประกอบการสาธิตเชิงปฏิสัมพันธ์ (ILDs) ในเรื่องแรงและการเคลื่อนที่ของนักเรียนระดับมัธยมศึกษาตอนปลาย โดยการนำเอาคอมพิวเตอร์มาช่วยในการแสดงผลประกอบการสาธิต กลุ่มตัวอย่างในการศึกษาเป็นนักเรียนโรงเรียนวัดสุทธิวราราม กรุงเทพฯ จำนวน 152 คนในภาคเรียนการ ศึกษาที่ 2 ประจำปีการศึกษา 2547 ILDs ได้รับการพัฒนาขึ้นโดย Thornton และ Sokoloff (1998) ซึ่งเป็นรูปแบบการสอนที่ประกอบด้วยการทดลองทางฟิสิกส์ที่เกี่ยวข้องกับการเคลื่อนที่ที่หลากหลาย การประเมินประสิทธิภาพการสอนในรูปแบบนี้ ใช้แบบทดสอบแนวคิดเชิงวิทยาศาสตร์มาตรฐานในเรื่องแรงและการเคลื่อนที่ (FMCE) ฉบับภาษาไทยซึ่งได้มีการแปลขึ้นใช้ในคณะวิทยาศาสตร์มหาวิทยาลัยมหิดล โดยมีการทดสอบก่อนและหลังการเรียนการสอน

ภายหลังการสอนแบบ ILDs พบว่า normalized gain เท่ากับ 0.3 ซึ่งมีค่าสูงกว่าการสอนแบบเดิม (การบรรยาย) ในปี 2546 พบว่า normalized gain เท่ากับ 0.1 นอกจากนี้ยังพบว่า normalized gain จะสูงมากในกลุ่มเรื่องความเร่งและกฎข้อที่ 3 นิวตัน ผลการศึกษาชี้ให้เห็นว่า ILDs เป็นวิธีหนึ่งที่จะช่วยให้นักเรียนมีความเข้าใจในเรื่องแรงและการเคลื่อนที่ ได้ดีขึ้นกว่าเดิม

**Keywords:** ILDs, FMCE, normalized gain

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NP02

## Co-Synthesis of Gold Nanoparticles and Singlewalled Carbon Nanotubes on Quartz Substrates

การสังเคราะห์ร่วมของอนุภาคนาโนทองและท่อนาโนคาร์บอนชนิดผนังชั้นเดียว บนแผ่นรองรับควอตซ์

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Gold nanoparticles and single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) were co-synthesized on quartz substrates by alcohol catalytic chemical vapor deposition. The substrates were first deposited with gold thin films and were then coated with Co catalyst by conventional DC sputtering and dip-coat methods, respectively. The synthesis were carried out at 750 °C for 30 min under a pressure of 10 Torr. Characterizations of the as-grown product were performed by scanning electron microscopy and Raman spectroscopy. The results show that gold nanoparticles are distributed over SWNT bundles and have a diameter in the range of 20 to 100 nm, whereas the diameter of SWNTs are in the range of 0.9 to 1.5 nm. It is clearly seen that the SWNT yield decreases with the presence of the gold thin films and the mean size of the gold nanoparticles increases with increasing the gold film thickness.

งานวิจัยนี้ได้สังเคราะห์ร่วมอนุภาคนาโนทองและท่อนาโนคาร์บอนชนิดผนังชั้นเดียว โดยวิธีตกสะสมไอเคมี จากไอของเอธานอลซึ่งใช้เป็นแหล่งกำเนิดคาร์บอน แผ่นรองรับควอตซ์ถูกนำไปเคลือบด้วยทองคำก่อนนำไปเคลือบ โคบอลต์อะตอมด้วยใช้เทคนิคแบบสปัตเตอร์ด้วยไฟฟ้ากระแสตรงและวิธีจุ่มเคลือบตามลำดับ ทดลองสังเคราะห์ ที่อุณหภูมิ 750 °C นาน 30 นาที ภายใต้ความดัน 10 Torr ผลการวิเคราะห์โดยจุลทรรศน์ศาสตร์อิเล็กตรอนแบบส่องกราดและรามานสเปกโทรสโคปี พบว่าผลิตภัณฑ์ที่ได้เป็นอนุภาคนาโนทองกระจายตัวอยู่บนมัดของท่อนาโนคาร์บอนชนิดผนังชั้นเดียวและมีขนาดเส้นผ่านศูนย์กลางอยู่ในช่วง 20 ถึง 100 นาโนเมตร ในขณะที่พบว่าท่อนาโนคาร์บอนมีขนาดเส้นผ่านศูนย์กลางอยู่ในช่วง 0.9 ถึง 1.5 นาโนเมตร เป็นที่แน่ชัดว่าปริมาณของท่อนาโนคาร์บอนชนิดผนังชั้นเดียวลดลงเมื่อมีฟิล์มบางของทองและขนาดโดยเฉลี่ยของอนุภาคนาโนทองเพิ่มขึ้นเมื่อความหนาของฟิล์มของทองมากขึ้น

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## NRP01

## Optimization of the $^{252}\text{Cf}$ -Based Explosive Detection System by Monte Carlo Simulation

การหาระบบตรวจวัดวัตถุระเบิดที่ใช้แหล่งกำเนิดนิวตรอนชนิด  $^{252}\text{Cf}$  ที่เหมาะสม  
จากการจำลองด้วยวิธีมอนติคาร์โล

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The optimization of the  $^{252}\text{Cf}$ -based Explosive Detection System (EDS) is performed by using Monte Carlo computer code. The EDS geometry has the rectangular shape with the inspection cavity surrounded by multi-layer of moderator, neutron and gamma-ray shielding materials. The dimensions of three moderators, namely, heavy water, light water and polyethylene were used in the optimization. The maximum thermal neutron flux in the inspection cavity for each moderator was simulated.  $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$  and Pb were used as neutron and gamma-ray shielding materials, respectively. Their thicknesses were optimized to obtain the minimum total dose at the outer surfaces of the EDS walls. The sensitivity and the minimum total dose of the EDS were estimated.

การหาระบบตรวจวัดวัตถุระเบิดที่ใช้แหล่งกำเนิดนิวตรอนชนิด  $^{252}\text{Cf}$  ที่เหมาะสมจากการจำลองด้วยวิธีมอนติคาร์โลในการจำลองนี้ใช้รูปทรงที่เป็นทรงเหลี่ยมโดยมีตัวหยุดยั้งรังสีที่เป็นพื้นผิวหลายชั้นโดยมีชั้นป้องกันนิวตรอนชั้นป้องกันรังสีแกมมาโดยชั้นหยุดยั้งรังสีที่ทำการจำลองมีวัตถุตัวอย่างคือ น้ำมวลหนัก น้ำมวลเบา และโพลีเอธิลีน ค่าเทอร์มอลนิวตรอนฟลักซ์สูงสุดที่ได้ในอุโมงค์ตรวจวัดเป็นตัวกำหนดค่าที่เหมาะสมอย่างหนึ่ง ลิเทียมคาร์บอเนต และตะกั่วใช้เพื่อกำบังนิวตรอนและรังสีแกมมา ความหนาของผนังแต่ละชนิดที่ทำให้ระบบมีความปลอดภัยต่อผู้ปฏิบัติงานและปริมาณเทอร์มอลนิวตรอนสูงสุดที่ได้จากการจำลองจะใช้ในการสร้างเครื่องตรวจวัดในห้องปฏิบัติการต่อไป

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O02

## Development of a Waveguide-Based Near-Field Microwave Microscope

การพัฒนากล้องจุลทรรศน์สนามไมโครเวฟระยะใกล้ระบบท่อนำคลื่น

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A near-field x-band microwave microscope using a probe in the form of open-end rectangular waveguide capped by metallic diaphragm with  $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$  rectangular slot was developed. Images of various flat metallic samples are obtained by measuring the reflected wave signal corresponded to each 1 mm position as the probe is 2 dimensions automatically scanned over them. For 1 mm separation between the probe end and the sample surface, the image resolution in the direction perpendicular to the slot was 5 mm.

บทความนี้ นำเสนอการวิจัยพัฒนาสร้างระบบกล้องจุลทรรศน์สนามไมโครเวฟระยะใกล้ ที่ใช้หัวโพรบย่านความถี่แถบเอกซ์ มีลักษณะเป็นช่องเปิดสี่เหลี่ยมที่มีขนาดกว้าง 2 มิลลิเมตร ยาว 20 มิลลิเมตร ตรงด้านปลายท่อนำคลื่นสี่เหลี่ยม การสร้างภาพของวัตถุโลหะแบน กระทำโดยการตรวจวัดสัญญาณการสะท้อนของคลื่น ที่ตำแหน่งต่างๆ ในแนวราบ 2 มิติของการเลื่อนวัตถุอย่างอัตโนมัติเทียบกับหัวโพรบ ทุกๆ ระยะ 1 มิลลิเมตร ผลการทดสอบระบบที่มีระยะห่างจากหัวโพรบกับผิวชิ้นงาน 1 มิลลิเมตร ได้ความละเอียดการแยกแยะภาพในระดับ 0.5 มิลลิเมตร ในทิศทางฉากกับแนวยาวของช่องเปิด

**Keywords:** Near-field microwave microscope, Probe

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หัวหน้าสาขาวิชาฟิสิกส์	ประธานอนุกรรมการ
คณาจารย์สาขาวิชาฟิสิกส์	อนุกรรมการ
คณาจารย์สาขาวิชาเทคโนโลยีเลเซอร์และโฟตอนิกส์	อนุกรรมการ
อ. ดร. ขรรค์ชัย โกลสทองกี	อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ

## 3. คณะอนุกรรมการฝ่ายวิชาการ:

นายสุภปิยะ สิรินันท์	ประธานอนุกรรมการ
นายเสกสรร สุขะเสนา	อนุกรรมการ
นายอายุทธ ลิ้มพิรัตน์	อนุกรรมการ
นายนครินทร์ พัฒนบุญมี	อนุกรรมการ

- นางสาวพรรณรัตน์ ศรีสวัสดิ์ อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ
4. คณะอนุกรรมการฝ่ายวิชาการ:
- อ. ดร. ขรรค์ชัย โกศลทองกี ประธานอนุกรรมการ  
 นายมรกต พุทธกาล อนุกรรมการ  
 นายธัญชัย ดาศรี อนุกรรมการ  
 นายยุทธพงษ์ อินทร์กง อนุกรรมการ  
 นายเสกสรร สุขะเสนา อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวพรรณรัตน์ ศรีสวัสดิ์ อนุกรรมการ  
 นายไทยปัญญา จันปุม อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวกาญจนา ทิมบุญส่ง อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวสุทัศนมา ณ พัทลุง อนุกรรมการ  
 นายอุทกธิ์ เจริญอินทร์ อนุกรรมการ  
 นายกฤษกร ปาสาใน อนุกรรมการ  
 นายอายุทธ ถิมพิรัตน์ อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ
5. คณะอนุกรรมการฝ่ายเทคโนโลยีสารสนเทศ:
- นายชลัมภ์ อุ่นอารีย์ ประธานอนุกรรมการ  
 นายศุภปิยะ สิริระนันท์ อนุกรรมการ  
 นายนครินทร์ พัฒนบุญมี อนุกรรมการ  
 นายภาควงภูมิ เรือนจันทร์ อนุกรรมการ  
 นายอดิศักดิ์ บุญชื่น อนุกรรมการ  
 นายกฤษดา กิตติมานะพันธ์ อนุกรรมการ  
 นายอนันท์ สัจจา อนุกรรมการ  
 นายวันเฉลิม พูลสวัสดิ์ อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ
6. คณะอนุกรรมการฝ่ายจัดการรายได้ ต้อนรับและลงทะเบียน:
- นางสาวธัญลักษณ์ วีรภัทรางกูร ประธานอนุกรรมการ  
 นางชุตินา วัฒนชุมพล อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวภัทราวรรณ สุนทราศรี อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวธิดารัตน์ รวยพิมาย อนุกรรมการ  
 นางสาวสุกัญญา จารุศิริวัฒนา อนุกรรมการ  
 นายอนุสรณ์ ทองอ่อน อนุกรรมการ  
 นายสมชาย ชุมพลกุลวงศ์ อนุกรรมการ

นายมาโนชญ์ เสงวิวัฒนะ	อนุกรรมการ
นายธนัญชัย คาศรี	อนุกรรมการ
นายพนพล ดีแท้	อนุกรรมการ
นายอุฤทธิ์ เจริญอินทร์	อนุกรรมการ
นายกฤษกร ปาสาโน	อนุกรรมการ
นางสาวกนกนันท์ สารสมัคร	อนุกรรมการ
นายจิรโรจน์ ต. เทียนประเสริฐ	อนุกรรมการ
นางสาวอารีรัตน์ คางศา	อนุกรรมการ
นางสาวรัชฎาภรณ์ ทรัพย์เรืองเนตร	อนุกรรมการ
นางคาริน อ่อนขาว	อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ

#### 7. คณะอนุกรรมการฝ่ายสวัสดิการ:

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นายสมพงษ์ ปุ่กานนท์	อนุกรรมการ
นายฐิติ สุทธิวงศ์	อนุกรรมการ
นายสุระ สุคนนท์	อนุกรรมการ
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นางปัญญา เพียรปรุ	อนุกรรมการ
นางชุตินา วัฒนชุมพล	อนุกรรมการ
นางสาวปรารักษ์ขาว ปรุเขตต์	อนุกรรมการ
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นายชาคริต นวลนิมพิตี	อนุกรรมการ
นายสมหมาย ช่างเขียน	อนุกรรมการ
นายรามย์ พิณเจริญพันธ์	อนุกรรมการ
นายวันเฉลิม พูลสวัสดิ์	อนุกรรมการ
นายอนันท์ สัจจา	อนุกรรมการและเลขานุการ



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29 มิถุนายน 2549

- 11.00 – 12.00 น. ลงทะเบียน  
 12.00 – 13.00 น. รับประทานอาหารกลางวัน  
 13.00 – 14.00 น. พิธีเปิด

### Plenary Session A

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Prapan Manyum (SUT)

- 14.00 – 14.30 น. ปาฐกถาเรื่อง บทบาทฟิสิกส์ไทยในเวทีโลก  
 โดย ศ.ดร.ถิรพัฒน์ วิสัยทอง นายกสมาคมฟิสิกส์ไทย

### Plenary Session B

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Prapan Manyum (SUT)

- 14.30 – 15.15 น. บรรยายหัวข้อ การประยุกต์ใช้แสงซินโครตรอน  
 โดย รศ.ดร.วีระพงษ์ แพสุวรรณ ผู้อำนวยการศูนย์ปฏิบัติการวิจัยเครื่อง  
 กำเนิดแสงซินโครตรอนแห่งชาติ  
 15.15 – 16.00 น. ถ่ายภาพหมู่และอาหารว่าง

### Parallel Session C1 Condensed Matter and Material Physics

Chair: Dr.Paradorn Pakdeevanich (PSU)

- 16.00 – 16.20 น. CMMP01 Adisak Boonchun (SUT)  
 First Principles Study of Mn Impurity Location of Pb TiO<sub>3</sub>  
 16.20 – 16.40 น. CMMP05 Kanoknan Sarasamak (SUT)  
 First Principles Study of the Wurtzite-to-Graphite-Like Phase  
 Transformation in ZnO  
 16.40 – 17.00 น. CMMP08 Pakpoom Ruanchan (SUT)  
 A Nitrogen-Carbon Molecule in GaAs: A First Principles Study  
 17.00 – 17.20 น. CMMP11 Sutassana Na Phattalung (SUT)  
 First Principles Study of Native Defects in Anatase TiO<sub>2</sub>  
 17.20 – 17.40 น. CMMP10 Rarm Phinjaroenphan (SUT)  
 Effect of the Geometry of Metal-Insulator-Superconductor Junction on Its  
 Tunneling Spectroscopy

Parallel Session C2 Accelerator Physics and Synchrotron Radiation Sciences

Chair: Dr. Burin Gumjudpai (NU)

- 16.00 – 16.20 น. APSRS01 Darin Onkaw (SUT)  
X-Ray Absorption Study of TiO<sub>2</sub> and TiS<sub>2</sub> at the Siam Photon Laboratory
- 16.20 – 16.40 น. APSRS02 Moragote Buddhakala (SUT)  
Evaluation of the Monochromator of the BL4 Beamline at the Siam Photon Laboratory
- 16.40 – 17.00 น. APSRS03 Noppadon Deethae (SUT)  
Progress on Electron Beam Profile Measurement at the Siam Photon Source
- 17.00 – 17.20 น. APSRS04 Ratchadaporn Supruangnet (SUT)  
LEED Study of the c(4×4) Reconstruction of Si(100)
- 17.20 – 17.40 น. APSRS05 Tananchai Dasri (SUT)  
Initial Magnetic Measurements of Soft X-Ray Undulator for the Siam Photon Source
- 17.40 – 18.30 น. พั๊กผ่อน
- 18.30 – 20.00 น. รับประทานอาหารเย็น

Plenary Session D

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Prasart Suebka (SUT)

- 20.00 – 21.30 น. เสวนาหัวข้อ ฟิสิกส์ไทย จากอดีตสู่อนาคต  
โดย ศ.ดร.ถิรพัฒน์ วัลย์ทอง (นายกสมาคมฟิสิกส์ไทย)  
รศ.ดร.ประสาธ สืบคำ (อธิการบดี มทส.)  
รศ.ดร.วีระพงษ์ แพสุวรรณ (ผู้อำนวยการ ศซ.)  
ผศ.ดร.สดชื่น วิบูลยเสนา  
และรศ.ดร.บัญชา พนเจริญสวัสดิ์

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**30 มิถุนายน 2549**

- 07.00 – 08.00 น. รับประทานอาหารเช้า

Plenary Session E

Chair: Dr. Khanchai Khosonthongkee (SUT)

08.00 – 08.40 น. บรรยายเรื่อง การวิจัยเอกภพวิทยายุคใหม่ในประเทศไทย  
โดย ดร.บุรินทร์ กำจัดภัย นักวิจัยรุ่นใหม่ดีเด่น สกว.-สกอ. ประจำปี พ.ศ.  
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Parallel Session F1 Condensed Matter and Material Physics

Chair: Dr. Sukanya Tatchatraiphop (SUT)

- 08.50 – 09.10 น. CMMP04 Kamon Aiempanakit (KMUTT)  
Effect of Annealing Ambienton Structural, Electrical and Optical  
Properties of ITO Films
- 09.10 – 09.30 น. CMMP06 Krit Koyvanitch (KU)  
Effect of Sintering Behavior on Piezoelectric Properties of PZT and PZT  
doped with  $\text{Pr}_6\text{O}_{11}$
- 09.30 – 09.50 น. CMMP07 Nattha Thaweegan (KU)  
Thermal Properties of Degradable High Density Polyethylene Plastic Film
- 09.50 – 10.10 น. CMMP09 Pitak Eiamchai (KMUTT)  
A Spectroscopic Ellipsometry Study of  $\text{TiO}_2$  Thin Films Prepared by Ion-  
Assisted Electron-Beam Evaporation

Parallel Session F2 Astronomy and Astrophysics, Nuclear and Radiation Physics, Cosmology  
and High Energy Physics

Chair: Dr. Burin Gumjudpai (NU)

- 08.50 – 09.10 น. AA01 Kitiyanee Asanok (KKU)  
OH Masers Associated with Bipolar Molecular Outflows in Onsalal Star-  
Forming Region
- 09.10 – 09.30 น. NRP01 Sommai Changkian (SUT)  
Optimization of the  $^{252}\text{Cf}$ -Based Explosive Detection System by Monte  
Carlo Simulation
- 09.30 – 09.50 น. CHEP06 Nattapong Yongram (SUT)  
Particles Correlations in Quantum Field Theory
- 09.50 – 10.10 น. CHEP08 Seckson Sukkhasena (SUT)  
Closed-Time Path in Quantum Field Theory
- 10.10 – 10.30 น. อาหารว่าง



- Electron Spin Resonance Study of  $Gd^{3+}$  in Zircon
- 14.40 – 15.00 น. CMMP03 Chittra Kedkeaw (KMUTT)  
Impurities in Natural Diamond Observed by ESR Spectroscopy
- 15.00 – 15.20 น. O01 Rachsak Sakdanuphab (CU)  
Decoherence in Josephson Junction Phase Qubit
- 15.20 – 15.40 น. O02 Salisa Wangtong (KMITL)  
Development of a Waveguide-Based Near-Field Microwave Microscope

Parallel Session I2

Industrial and Applied Physics, Optics and Photonics

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Wicham Techitdheera (KMITL)

- 14.20 – 14.40 น. IAP01 Rungroj Maolanon (Nanotec)  
Device for Measuring Total Harmonic Distortion of AC Voltage
- 14.40 – 15.00 น. IAP02 Wiriya Suwannet (MU)  
Homemade Quartz Crystal Microbalance Systems for Alcohol Sensor
- 15.00 – 15.20 น. OP01 Jintawat Tanamatayarat (MU)  
The Expansion of the Nd:YAG Slab and The Thermal Lens Effect in 3 W Single Side Pump Nd:YAG Laser
- 15.20 – 15.40 น. OP02 Siritwat Soontaranon (SUT)  
Particle Sizing by Using Absolute Values of the Wavelet Transform of the Particle Holograms
- 15.40 – 16.00 น. อาหารว่าง

Parallel Session J1

Cosmology and High Energy Physics

Chair: Dr. Buncha Thanaboonsombut (MTEC)

- 16.00 – 16.20 น. CHEP02 Chakkrit Kaeonikhom (NU)  
Israel Junction Conditions on Hypersurface from Variational Principle Approach
- 16.20 – 16.40 น. CHEP04 Daris Samart (NU)  
Cosmological Dynamics from Modified  $f(R)$  Gravity in Einstein Frame
- 16.40 – 17.00 น. CHEP09 Suppiya Siranan (SUT)  
Schwinger's Quantum Dynamical Principle and Quantization Problem of Gauge Theories



Parallel Session J2      Nanoscale Physics, Ion Beam and Plasma Physics

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bancha Panacharoensawad (KU)

- 16.00 – 16.20 น.      NP01      Chewa Thassana (KMITL)  
Growth and Characterization of NiFeN Thin Film by Reactive Gas Timing  
RF Magnetron Sputtering
- 16.20 – 16.40 น.      NP02      Naratip Songmee (CMU)  
Co-Synthesis of Gold Nanoparticles and Singlewalled Carbon Nanotubes  
on Quartz Substrates
- 16.40 – 17.00 น.      IBPP01      Thidarat Supasai (CU)  
Fabric and Fiber Modification Using Radio Frequency Plasma Process
- 17.00 – 18.30 น.      พั๊กผ่อน
- 18.30 น.      งานเลี้ยงรับรอง
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**1 กรกฎาคม 2549**

07.00 – 09.00 น.      รับประทานอาหารเช้า

Plenary Session K

09.00 – 10.00 น.      แนะนำงานวิจัยของแต่ละสถาบัน

1. มหาวิทยาลัยขอนแก่น โดย ผศ.ดร.วิทยา อมรกิจบำรุง
2. มหาวิทยาลัยนครสวรรค์ โดย ดร.บุรินทร์ กำจัดภัย
3. สถาบันเทคโนโลยีพระจอมเกล้าเจ้าคุณทหารลาดกระบัง  
โดย รศ.วิชาญ เดชดิธีระ
4. มหาวิทยาลัยสงขลานครินทร์ โดย ดร.ภราดร ภัคดีวานิช
5. มหาวิทยาลัยเกษตรศาสตร์ โดย รศ.ดร.บัญชา พนเจริญสวัสดิ์

10.00 – 10.20 น.      อาหารว่าง

10.20 – 11.00 น.      แนะนำโครงการจัดตั้ง Thai Physics Data Base และ อภิปรายสรุปงาน

1. แนะนำโครงการจัดตั้ง Thai Physics DataBase  
โดย คุณเสกสรร สุชะเสนา และคุณศุภปิยะ สิริระนันท์
2. ความรู้สึกจากครูสังเกตการณ์  
โดยครูศักดิ์ สุวรรณฉาย จากโรงเรียนแก่นนครวิทยาลัย จังหวัดขอนแก่น
3. วิดีทัศน์ ประมวลภาพงาน

11.00 – 12.00 น.

มอบเกียรติบัตรและพิธีปิด

รางวัลผู้เสนอผลงานดีเด่นจำนวน 5 รางวัล ได้แก่

- (1) นายอภิสิทธิ์ ชงไชย มหาวิทยาลัยมหิดล
- (2) นายศิริวัช สุนทรานนท์ มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีสุรนารี
- (3) นายพิทักษ์ เอี่ยมชัย มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีพระจอมเกล้าธนบุรี
- (4) นายจันทวัฒน์ ตันอมตยรัตน์ มหาวิทยาลัยมหิดล
- (5) นายภาคภูมิ เรือนจันทร์ มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีสุรนารี

เกียรติบัตรแก่ผู้เข้าร่วมประชุมและเสนอผลงานทั้ง 12 สถาบัน

- (1) จุฬาลงกรณ์มหาวิทยาลัย
- (2) มหาวิทยาลัยเกษตรศาสตร์
- (3) มหาวิทยาลัยขอนแก่น
- (4) มหาวิทยาลัยเชียงใหม่
- (5) มหาวิทยาลัยมหิดล
- (6) มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีพระจอมเกล้าธนบุรี
- (7) สถาบันเทคโนโลยีพระจอมเกล้าเจ้าคุณทหารลาดกระบัง
- (8) มหาวิทยาลัยราชภัฏสมเด็จพระเจ้าพระยา
- (9) มหาวิทยาลัยสงขลานครินทร์
- (10) มหาวิทยาลัยศรีนครินทรวิโรฒ
- (11) มหาวิทยาลัยนเรศวร
- (12) มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีสุรนารี

12.00 – 13.00 น.

รับประทานอาหารกลางวัน

13.30 น.

เดินทางกลับโดยสวัสดิภาพ



มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีสุรนารี

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