

"If you want to understand function, study structure" (Francis Crick)

Structure

- X-ray crystallography
- electron microscopy
- atomic force microscopy
- electron diffraction
- X-ray absorption spectroscopy
- NMR



Dynamics



Side view of the light-harvesting complex II in chlorophyll (PDB) Water transport through an aquaporin channel in a cell membrane <u>http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/aquaporins/</u> Tajkhorshid et al. Science 296 (2002) 525-530

"If you want to understand function, study <u>time-</u> <u>dependent</u> electronic and molecular structure

Wish list for chemical and biochemical dynamics

- Element-selectivity
- Molecular structure
- Electronic structure
- Spin structure
- Energy tunability
- Polarization
- Time scales: ≥ 20 fs to ms

 Condensed phase media (liquid, interfaces, amorphous, etc.)

Protein Dynamics in Solution - From Local to Global

1 ps ... 10 ps 10 ps ... 100 ps 10 fs ... 10 ps **ps** ... μ**s** > µS Proximal histidine Dielectric response of Spin dynamics Structural dvnamics (singlet to quintet) amino-acid residues • Ligand dissociation Cooperativity Cooling and heat transfer intramolecular ET • Doming Allostery (ring to metal, metal Helix motion Cooling Signaling Conformational changes to ring) Respiration Intramolecular Correlated motions

- Role of biological water
- intermolecular ET

X-ray protein scattering

X-ray spectroscopy (XAS, XES)

vibrational

Electronic

conversion

redistribution (IVR)

relaxation: internal

Deep-UV Circular Dichroism





Transition metal complexes

- Solar energy
- Photocatalysis



- Optical materials, OLED, etc.
- Optical writing/magnetic reading (OW/MR) materials
- Biology and biomimetic devices
- Molecular electronics (molecular conductors, rectifiers, transistors, memories)





X-Ray Absorption Spectroscopy

Fe K-edge



Incident Photon Energy

Rehr and Albers, Rev. Mod. Physics (2000)

Optical pump/X-ray probe spectroscopy



Milne et al, Coord. Chem. Rev. 2014; Chergui and Collet, Chem. Rev. 2018

Energy Tunability

The 200-1000 eV region



- K-edges of low-Z elements : C, N, O, S, etc.
- $L_{2,3}$ -edges of transition metals ($2p_{\frac{1}{2},3/2}$ nd), intense p-d transitions (as compared to s-p for K-edge). d-orbitals are the ligand orbitals.
- Sharp spectral features: Γ_l=0.5 eV=ħ/t = 6.58 10⁻¹⁶/t. 3-5 times better energy resolution than corresponding K-edge
- Low-Z elements XAS requires high photon fluxes. $\alpha_{abs} \sim Z^4$.
- Observables: energies, line shapes and L3/L2 intensities
- Sensitive to molecular structure
- Spin and electronic information (Sawatzky, van der Laan, de Groot, etc..), s-d mixings, etc...
- Theory is well established (Licend fields multiplets code ch_inition etc.)

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Delivery of liquid samples into vacuum





Increasing gas flow a b Second Sheet Fourth Sheet Fifth Sheet S

Koralek et al, Nature Comm. 2018

Winter and Faubel, Chem. Rev. 2006

Ekimova et al, Struct. Dyn. 2015

Solar materials: Catalysis and energy conversion Photocatalysis Solar energy



- Charges at surfaces
- Long time trapping



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- Long range transport

Glass

- High mobility: no trapping



<u>Femtosecond X-ray absorption experiment</u> <u>at the Ti K-edge</u>

2000





Santomauro et al, Scient. Rep. (2015)

Ti reduction is instantaneous. Structural rearrangement is 3× slower

Obara et al, Struct. Dyn. (2017)

Linear dichroism of single crystals of TiO₂



Transitions governed by final-state effects:
A1 :on-site 3d-4p hybridized transition
A2: quadrupolar character
A3: dipolar and 3d-4p intersite hybridization
B: intersite, dipolar



Rossi et al, Phys. Rev. B (in press); J. Synch. Rad. (under review)



Time-resolved X-ray studies dominated by charge trapping but most photogenerated charges are free carriers

Optical domain spectroscopies: Drude response, no band specificity

At seeded XFELs: XUV Transient Grating studies tuning to the p-d transitions

Haem proteins: respiration, neurotransmission, electron transfer, etc.



F helix

Myoglobin (Mb)

Perutz et al, Annu. Rev. Biophys. Biomol. Struct. 1998



Glatzel and Bergmann, Coord. Chem. Rev. 2006

Zhang et al, Nature 2014

Femtosecond K_{β} and K_{α} emission on Myoglobin-NO at SACLA



Kinschel et al, Nature (under review)

Studies on Cytochrome c at swissFEL: Bacellar et al, Draft



Harmonium @





Extreme-UV femtosecond source:

Facility for photoelectron spectroscopy (ESCA) of liquid, gas and solid phases. Complementary to X-ray studies at the SLS and XFELs





Laser-Assisted Photoelectric Effect from Liquids Arrell et al PRL 117, 143001 (2016) Charge-transfer and impulsive electronic-tovibrational energy conversion in ferricyanide: ultrafast photoelectron and transient infrared studies† Ojeda et al Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys., 2017, 19, 17052

Photocarrier-induced band-gap renormalization and ultrafast charge dynamics in black phosphorus *Roth et al* 2D Mater. 6 (2019) 031001

Evidence of large polarons in photoemission band mapping of the

perovskite semiconductor CsPbBr₃Puppin et al, PRL (under review)

Light-induced renormalization of the Dirac quasiparticle in the nodal line semimetal ZrSiSe Gatti et al, PRL (submitted)

Transient photoelectron spectroscopy of Ferric hexacyanide (probe energy=39 eV)



Perspectives at seeded XFEL's

- High flux/high energy allows for better liquid phase PES studies (Winter et al, Bozek et al)
- •Limited tunability can be used for X-ray absorption studies with helically or circularly polarized light (J. Rouxel, B. Rösner et al, to be published. Theory by S. Mukamel and coworkers)
- •4-wave mixing experiments on materials, nanoparticles and molecules with selective excitation of specific orbitals.

Grand Technical Challenge: Tunability at seeded XFEL!

