Hydrothermal method grown ZnO crystal as a fast EUV scintillator and EUV laser imaging device

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Gekko XII laser for laser fusion





Target chamber

Amplifier chain 12 beams, 30 kJ (w)

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Outline

- 1. ZnO as EUV scintillator
- 2. focal image of EUV laser

3. XFEL timing measurements with response time improved ZnO

Motivation

100 W EUV light source should have some other applications?

Even 1 W EUV would be nice for spectroscopy of wide-gap material

EUV material science

Hydrothermal method grown ZnO crystal

Short fluorescence decay time of ~1 ns. Useful emission wavelength (Transparent for glass). Large sized single crystal of up to 3 inch-diameter can be grown.



ZnO Crystal grown by hydrothermal method



E. Ohshima, et.al. J. Crystal Growth 260 (2004) 166

ZnO crystal



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Photograph of Experimental Setup (X-ray laser, JAEA)



Ni-like Ag x-ray laser



The 13.9 nm x-ray laser is generated with transient collisional excitation scheme.

Experimental setup of UV excitation



Comparison of EUV and UV excitations



Double exponential decay $\tau_A = 1 \text{ ns}, \tau_B = 3 \text{ ns}$

The fluorescence behavior is similar in both cases.



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ZnO as EUV scintillator

3-inch single crystal wafer is available

Sufficiently fast response time

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Next step; EUV-visible image converter



Experimental set-up for imaging



Spatial resolution -experimental setup-



between Schwartzchild mirror and ZnO sample



EUV laser focal image



(FWHM/ e⁻¹) Horizontal : 23 / 26 mm Vertical : 42 / 50 mm # 3-inch single crystal wafer is available

Sub-micron spatial resolution demonstration is on going.

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SCSS (SPring-8 Compact SASE Source) test accelerator





A high-quality electron beam is launched from a CeB6 electron gun.

The C-band accelerator swiftly increases the electron energy. The in-vacuum undulator generates strong XFEL radiation.

from the pamphlet of XFEL at SPring-8 (2008)

Experimental set up FEL at SP8 site



Why fast scintillator is needed for XFEL facilities?

High accuracy temporal overlap with optical pulse is required for the pump and probe experiment

EUV and optical pulse should be synchronized within 0.1 psec accuracy.

XFEL scintillation experiment at SP8 site



Experimental set up

FEI

Sample chamber

YAG laser for alignment

Streak camera

Streak image Resolution of wavelength = 3nm



50000shot

Dependence of excitation wavelength



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Dependence of excitation wavelength



Measurement of rise time





Single shot experiment

→rise time < 7ps limit of slit width

Time variation of the jitter



Response time is controlled by intentional doing

Rise time of the FL is less than 10-psec

Timing observation beyond the jitter of electronics for XFEL was demonstrated

Summary

Demonstrated the excellent properties of ZnO as a scintillation material for the EUV region (13.9 nm)

High spatial resolution imaging is under going

ZnO improved response time was demonstrated using XFEL

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Response time improved ZnO demonstrated XFEL at SP8 site



Peak position vs. Temperature



Peak position linearly depends on temperature

This peak shift is similar to the work on bandgap shift of ZnO [Houschild et al. phys.stat.sol. 3,976(2006).]

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Two decay constants



Two exponential decay

- fast decay time (τ₁)
 free exciton emission
- slow decay time (τ_2) - trapped carriers

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Optical property in high energy excitation case (Ce:LiCAF)



In the case of e-beam excitation of Ce:LiCAF, fluorescence lifetime became longer. For a scantillator, fluorescence property is required to be identical in different excitation condition.



One of the indispensable devices for EUV lithographic applications

→ An efficient imaging device for 13.5 nm with sufficient size

EUV source for lithography

Pumping laser for EUV source : YAG, CO₂, etc.



nanosecond resolution is required