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Detecting materials for HEP applications: future of inorganic scintillators

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What is the role of the ionizing radiation detectors in the progress of this century?

Three lasting tasks:

- **Future compacting, storage and extraction of the energy; Chemical-Nuclear-?**
- **Signature for the industrial progress; Ruler-Microscope-?**
- A frontier between living and non-living.

Downfall-Ordering-Chaos-?

Outline

- **Scintillation & Scintillators;**
- Modern trend in development;
- Engineering of the properties;
- **Toward fast timing;**
- On the radiation tolerance of the materials;
- Toward the photo-sensor free detecting **technologies;**
- **Implementations;**

What is a scintillation?

Сцинтилляция- люминесценция, возникающая в прозрачной среде при взаимодействии с ионизирующим излучением.

- В случае фотонов и частиц, взаимодействующих с ядрами среды, необходимым условием возникновения сцинтилляций является прохождение через среду.
- В случае заряженных частиц условием возникновения сцинтилляций является прохождение через среду либо вблизи среды.
- Сцинтилляция-слабый оптический сигнал, поэтому требуются чувствительные фотоприемники либо фотоприемники с значительным усилением.

Lead tungstate crystalline material is the most widely applied scintillator at experiments at colliders

density: 8,28gcm³; decay time constant-10 ns; Light Yield 200 ph/MeV

Development of scintillation in a dielectric material

Interaction of neutrons with nuclei of some elements

Interaction of gamma-quanta with matter

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Parameters of scintillation

Scintillation yield:

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Y = \frac{E_{\gamma}}{\beta E_{g}} SQ
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(In a case of gamma-quanta)

Kinetics of scintillations: The kinetics of scintillation *I* (*t*) is defined as the law of time variation of the scintillation light intensity, and its magnitude $I = \int I(t) dt$ is proportional to *Y*.

Radio-luminescence spectrum: This is the wavelength (or frequency/energy) distribution of the scintillation light when the medium is excited by ionizing radiation.

Photo-luminescence spectrum: This is the wavelength (or frequency/energy) distribution of the scintillation light when the medium is excited by photons of energy below the ionization energy of the atoms.

Classification of the luminescence mechanisms

Mechanisms of the luminescence creation.

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e+h \rightarrow h \vee,
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e+h \rightarrow ex \rightarrow h \vee,
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A \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow A + h \vee,
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e+h+A \rightarrow ex+A \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow A + h \vee,
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e+h+A \rightarrow A^{1+}+e \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow A + h \vee,
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e+h+A \rightarrow (A^{1-})^*+h \rightarrow A + h \vee.
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Classification of the scintillation materials

More details in: P. Lecoq, A. Gektin, M. Korzhik, Inorganic Scintillators for Detector Systems, Springer 2017, P.408

The story of the scintillation materials

Major trends and results. New Eu doped alkali halides

Pulse height spectra of $CsBa₂I₅:Eu$ scintillators (137 Cs source)

Pulse height spectra of BaBrI:Eu scintillators (137 Cs source)

Overlapping of absorption and luminescence spectra of $Eu2+$ in alcali halides

Mixed crystals

Scintillation parameters of main elpasolites for neutron detection

First GYAGG ceramics, obtained in NRC "Kurchatov Institute"

First GAGG crystal, was grown in Russia

Toward the multicomponent materials for scintillators!

Toward the best time resolution. Binary crystalline systems versus mixed crystals

Engineering of scintillation materials

Valence band

Binary crystal

Flat bottom of the conduction band. Fast migration of excitations.

Mixed crystal with band gap fluctuations

Modulated due to disordering bottom of the conduction band. Slower migration of excitations.

Engineering of electronic excitations transfer process

Energy-level diagram for GAGG crystal doped with Ce and codoped with Mg (a) and for LYSO doped with Ce and codoped with Ca (b)

Control of scintillation rise time

Ce3+ luminescence rise in GAGG solely doped with Ce and codoped with Mg

The initial part of photoluminescence response to a short excitation pulse at 343 nm in GAGG:Ce without (green) and with Mg codoping (blue). **Instrumental response function is also presented**

M. Korzhik, G.Tamulaitis et al. Excitation transfer engineering in Ce-doped oxide crystalline scintillators by codoping with alkali-earth ions, phys. stat. solidi (a), 1700798 (2018)

Probing of the nonequlibrium carriers absorption in dielectrics

Dynamics of the populating of radiating level of Ce3+ in GAGG crystal

 1.0 DA signal (arb. u.) 0.8 0.6 0.4 Sample Сe 10 ppm Mg pump@3.63eV 0.2 25 ppm Mg $probe@1.4 eV$ 50 ppm Mg 0.0 -10123 $10¹$ 100 1000 Probe delay (ps)

> Differential absorption kinetics at 1.4 eV of GAGG samples with different level of codoping pumped at 3.63 eV

Differential absorption of Ce-doped (a) and Ce, Mg-codoped (b) GAGG as a function of probe photon energy and delay between pump and probe pulses at pump photon energy of 3.63 eV. Note the scale change from linear to logarithmic at 1 ps.

Materials of interest: scintillators on a base of Ce-doped inorganic crystalline oxides

Most of the oxides are multifunctional materials:

- have applications in medical imaging and industry;
- technology is well developed, a few suppliers are available for each crystal
- technology is well developed, no additional investment is required;
- **easy handled and radiation tolerant**

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MIP detection

lonization losses per 1 mm of the media for 10GeV e⁻ and 50Gev π⁻

Light output per MIP (10GeV e⁻⁾ per 1 mm in different scintillation materials

Time and energy resolution at 511keV

Light yield at different temperatures. LSO gated light yield at different T

Time gate, ns

LSO: Ce light yield measured within different time gates in the temperature **range from +20 to -45 °C. Sample size 10x10x1 mm3**

LSO:Ce light yield normalized to that at 20^oC, **measured within different time gates** in the temperature range from +20 to -45^oC. **Sample size 10x10x1 mm3**

Light Yield at different temperatures. GAGG:e, Mg, Ti gated light yield at different T

GAGG light yield measured within different **time gates in the temperature range from** $+20$ to -45 ^oC. **Sample size 10x10x1 mm3**

GAGG light yield normalized to that at **20°C, measured in different time gates in the temperature range** from $+20$ to -45 ^oC. **Sample size 10x10x1 mm3**

V.Korjik, V.Alenkov, et.al.,NIM A 871(2017)42-46

Toward an increase the luminosity of LHC

Global trend in modern collider experiments: to replace plastic scintillators by more radiation hard materials

Essential problems of the plastic matrix:

-damage under irradiation by hadrons and the products of nuclear reactions; -low energy deposit by MIPs

V.Dormenev, K.T.Brinkmann, M.Korjik et al., Journal of Physics: Conference Series 928 (1), 012035 M.Korzhik, Grodno, APMP, 13.08.2018

IRRADIATION WITH FAST NEUTRONS

Essential difference from the damage under protons - induced light scattering come up!

EJ200 Plastic Scintillator at 780 nm

Impact of radiation damage effects from different components of ionizing radiation on energy resolution of ECAL detecting module

Damage under ionizing radiation

List of the scintillation materials studied

ϒ-quanta 60Co(1.22MeV), absorbed doses 10-2000Gy **PWO, PWO-II** LSO:Ce(LYSO:Ce) LuAG:Ce BSO $PbF₂$ $BaF₂$ GSO:Ce YSO:Ce YAG:Ce(Pr) YAP:Ce (Pr) DSB:Ce(glass and glassceramics) Y_2O_3 (micro-ceramics) LiF

24 GeV & 150 MeV protons **PWO, PWO-II** LSO:Ce(LYSO:Ce) LuAG:Ce BSO $PbF₂$ $BaF₂$ GSO:Ce YSO:Ce YAG:Ce(Pr) YAP:Ce (Pr) DSB:Ce(glass and glass ceramics) Y_2O_3 (micro-ceramics) LiF

reactor neutrons

PWO, PWO-I

There is not too much of available Information up to now

May be also interesting for:

- (1) well logging tools;
- (2) Detectors at spallation sources.

Damage of the optical transmission of PWO crystals under gamma-irradiation and high energy protons

Change of the longitudinal transmission of 22 cm long PWO crystals after irradiation with ϒ-quanta (60Co, 1000Gy) and 24GeV protons with fluence 3,6 ⋅ **1013 p/cm2.**

Recoverable and unrecoverable damage of the optical transmission of PbWO₄ crystals under irradiation with 24GeV protons

Comparison of damage of inorganic crystalline, glass and glass ceramic materials doped with Ce after irradiation with 150MeV protons and Y- irradiation

Induced absorption in several Ce doped inorganic scintillation materials:

- after Y- irradiation (60Co, 1,2 MeV, 100Gy),
- in 3 months after 150 MeV proton irradiation
- repeated Y- irradiation

Garnet crystals doped with Ce³⁺- are the most tolerant to irradiation **scintillation materials**

Transmission spectra of YAG:Ce 1 cm thick sample measured **before irradiation and in one month after irradiation with 24 GeV** protons with fluence $1*10^{14}$ and $5*10^{14}$ p/cm².

Proton-irradiation-induced absorption spectrum of a YAG:Ce sample, fluence 5:10¹⁴ p/cm2

Radiation damage. GAGG:Ce+codopings induced absorption after proton irradiation

Spectrum of induced absorption in GAGG:Ce,Mg,Ti after 24 GeV proton irradiation at fluence of 3.10¹⁵ p/cm². (Courtesy of LHCb Collaboration)

Lightweight of the material brings less radio-isotopes after **irradiation with hadrons**

Lightweight of the material does not mean tolerance to radiation

wavelength, nm

Comparison of induced absorption in LiF crystal after irradiation with 150MeV protons (green) and Y- irradiation (red)

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From single crystals to composites

Key points- Proper choice of the dimensions of the grains; **Proper packing and gluing of particles.**

Change of the 1mm thick polymerized glue transmission at Irradiation wit gammas *Courtesy of A.Gektin and A.Boyarintsev)

N29-12 Single Crystalline and Composite Scintillators for Hadron Calorimetry at High Luminosity LHC M. Lucchini¹, E. Auffray¹, A. Fedorov², J. Houžvicka³, M. Korjik², D. Kozlov², V. Mechinsky², M. Nikl⁴, S. Ochesanu³ ¹CERN, Switzerland; ²RINP, Belarus; ³CRYTUR, Czech Republic; ⁴Institute of Physics, Czech Republic

YAG:Ce scintillator versus YAG:Ce/quartz composite

- \triangleright Uniformity study performed using a \sim 3 mm thick Aluminum collimator to irradiate separately the center and corner of the scintillator volume.
- Single crystal show good uniformity of light output to 59 keV γ -rays from ²⁴¹Am source and variation of response is within \sim 1%.

- \triangleright Uniformity study performed using a \sim 3 mm thick Aluminum collimator to irradiate separately the center and the corner of the scintillator volume.
- \triangleright Composite scintillator shows a a small decrease of light output, about 10%, when excitation is close to the corner.

\blacktriangleright Irradiation with 24 GeV protons

performed at CERN PS to a fluence of 7×10^{13} cm⁻². Both single crystal and

composite were placed after a 15 cm PWO

Crystal due to surface energy deposition

combined with a strong bulk attenuation. composite were placed after a 15 cm PWO
crystal to emulate effect of secondary

in radioactivity of the sample (background).

- Before irradiation, response of composite to alpha particles is smaller than single
- After proton irradiation composite particles due to absorber in real calorimeter. ▶ A drop of about 7% in light output is about 30% most likely due to a darkening of observed for single crystal and small increase the optical glue due to interactions of protons with light elements (H,C).

On the way to prevent damage of photo-sensors. Two-photon absorption probing of the radiation excited media

Elastic polarization of the dielectric due to the local lattice distortion caused by the displacements of electrons and holes generated by the ionization.

Fragment of track of the ionizing particle Spatial separation of holes and electrons leads to creation of electric field which distortscrystal lattice.

> This local distortion in the lattice results in redistribution of the density of states (DOS) of electron in the conduction band in close vicinity of the hole.

The key feature of the elastic polarization: short response time

- **One-photon absorption** is not convenient to explore changes in the DOS due to strong absorption of single photons via electronic transitions between valence and conduction bands.
- **Two-photon absorption** becomes preferable due to change of the selection rules for interband transitions

Two–photon absorption in PWO

Two photon(2,97+3.16eV) absorption in 1 cm thick PWO.

Spectra of differential optical transmittance in PWO induced by 500 mJ/cm2 pump at 395 nm

Pump polarized along the crystal axis **b** (blue lines) and polarized at 75[°] to the crystal axis **b** (red lines) under (dashed lines) and without (solid lines) gamma irradiation. Delays of probe pulse are indicated.

E. Auffray, O. Buganov, M. Korjik, A. Fedorov, S. Nargelas, G. Tamulaitis, S. Tikhomirov, A. Vaitkevicius, Application of two-photon absorption in PWO scintillator for fast timing of interaction with ionizing radiation, **Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A, 2015.**

The second harmonic of their radiation can be used to produce the light in the **wavelength range of 500-530 nm, which is optimal for PWO.**

- **1.** Fibers can have different **refraction index to control light speed**
- **2.** Fibers can be also **scintillating**
- **3.** Registration can be **managed in a regime of standing or travelling wave**

The light propagating along the scintillation crystal and reflected from the front face of the crystal could be used to observe the two-photon absorption.

LHC EXPERIMENTS

Barrel time layer at CMS

Courtesy of CMS BTL group

CRYSTAL CLEAR COLLABORATION (RD18) at CERN: Scintillation materials development

SCINT2003 - Valencia ISMART2004(JINR) SCINT2007 - Wake Forest ISMART2008(Kharkov) SCINT2009 - Jegu Island ISMART2010(Kharkov) SCINT2013 - Shanghaï ISMART 2014 (Minsk) SCINT2015 - Berkeley ISMART 2016 (Minsk)

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Physics of Fast Processes in Scintillators

Physical Principles and Crystal Engineering

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