# hRIXS@SCS Instrument of European XFEL Webinar for hRIXS user community

October 21, 2021

### Agenda:

- Status of hRIXS instrumentation (J. Schlappa)
- Report about hRIXS commissioning (B. v. Kuiken)
- Parameters for upcoming call (J. Schlappa, Z. Yin, S. Parchenko)
- Q-A Session

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# Status of hRIXS instrumentation

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# SCS Instrument & SASE3, European XFEL

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### Spectroscopy and Coherent Scattering (SCS):

- Soft x-ray beamline
- Time-resolved/ non-linear x-ray spectroscopies
- Time-resolved/ non-linear x-ray diffraction
- Forward- / small-angle scattering geometries
- Reflection- / backscattering geometries
- RIXS
- Solid samples
- Liquid-jet samples

## Heisenberg RIXS (hRIXS) user consortium spectrometer

### Aim:

Momentum-resolved & time-resolved resonant inelastic x-ray scattering (RIXS) at the transfer limit













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## Scientific Motivation for Time-Resolved RIXS





### Sample environment for Time-Resolved RIXS at SCS

#### **CHEM-setup**

Liquid-jets samples / chemical solid samples (setup by hRIXS UC)



### XRD-setup

Solid samples: UHV and cryogenic conditions (baseline SCS setup)



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New mono grating installed in January 2021
 hRIXS spectrometer OSAT in February 2021
 X-ray commissioning of static RIXS in May 2021

# Next steps:

- Commissioning of liquid-jet environment (October/November 2021)
- Commissioning of time-resolved RIXS (February/March 2022)
- Commissioning XRD setup (starting in April 2022)

# **User operation:**



Upcoming proposal call





Upcoming proposal call (run 8):

### $\rightarrow$ announcement will be send out next week

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# **Report about hRIXS Commissioning**

Ben van Kuiken SCS instrument, European XFEL

### **Commissioning Spring 2021: Overview**

Stage 1: Beamline Optimization

Characterization of a new 150 l/mm high-resolution grating for beamline monochromator

Characterization of new interaction point at SCS instrument

- hRIXS Spectrometer Commissioning
  - Instrument commissioned at Cu L-edge, Ni L-edge and O K-edge with 3000 l/mm grating
  - The Chem endstation was used together with a solid sample holder
  - Initial alignment by optical lasers and using multi-layers with strong specular signal
  - All measurements were performed at 1.1 MHz with 400 pulses/train
  - Princeton CCD detector was used in integrating mode (1 10 min acquisition)
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Beamline transmission

0,001

1E-4

### **Soft-X-ray Monochromator upgrade with higher-resolution grating:** *Resolution optimization of HRGR by aligning angle of LE premirror*

at Ne absorption lines 1s-3p (867.1 eV), 1s-4p

#### New 150 I/mm grating (HRGR)

- funded by hRIXS project
- 1yr from order, integration during winter shutdown and commissioning in 2021-I by SCS, XRO, and vacuum group
- Resolving power >7000 (Ne lines)
- resolving power > 10.000 confirmed at 530eV and 930eV using the hRIXS spectrometer (combined res.)





Transmission of SASE3 beamline in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> diffraction orders for LRGR (solid lines and circles), HRGR (dash lines and open circles)

0

Photon Energy (eV)

1000

500

#### Beamline transmission through 100 $\mu m$ exit slit

20 mrad offset mirrors

LE pre-mirror,

1st orde

n

2nd order

1500

### hRIXS Data Collection and Working Points

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#### \* not enough time to optimize

Edge	Energy (eV)	$\Delta \mathbf{E}$ (meV)	Ε/ΔΕ
Cu L <sub>3</sub>	930	106	8 700
Ni L <sub>3</sub>	853	122*	6 900*
ОК	530	49	10 400

### Cu L-edge RIXS: CuO

Elastic line at 931.5 eV Measured on NiO FWHM = 106 meV  $E/\Delta E = \sim 8700$ 





### Ni L-edge RIXS: NiO



# **O K-edge RIXS**

Elastic line at 511 eV Measured on NiO FWHM = 49 meV  $E/\Delta E = \sim 10500$ 





400

200

0+-10

-8

-6

-4

Energy Loss (eV)

-2

#### Sum of 15 10 min spectra E0 = 531.6 eV



### **Measurement Count Rates**

Cu L-edge

Incident Beam 1.3 x 1013 ph/s



### **Measurement Count Rates**

Cu L-edge





CuO spectrum measured with 100% GATT transmission (~2 mW), 400 pulses/train, and a 1 min acquisition, 80% wt. Cu

La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub> thin film spectrum measured with 10% GATT transmission (~0.2 mW), 400 pulses/train, and a 10 min acquisition, 16% wt. Cu

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### **Measurement Count Rates**

Cu L-edge



#### Incident Beam 1.3 x 10<sup>13</sup> ph/s







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### **Measurement Count Rates**

Cu L-edge

Incident Beam 1.3 x 10<sup>13</sup> ph/s



### O K-edge

Incident Beam 1.6 x 10<sup>12</sup> ph/s



### **Expected Parameters**

1000 l/mm grating will offer higher efficiency



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- O K-edge measurements of liquid water (55 M) compare similarly to metal oxide O K-edge spectra (79 and 90 M for CuO and NiO, respectively)
- A 100 mM solution of a transition metal complex (dilution factor of ~1000) with  $La_2CuO_4$

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### UAC Q1 2022: Enabling Optical Pump – RIXS Probe at SCS for Solids and Liquids

### Pump-probe on Solid-state samples with Chem Chamber

KW6 will be used to commission laser in-coupling and diagnostics

KW8 will be dedicated to pump-probe measurements on solid samples at Cu and Ni L-edges

Pump-probe measurements on Solution Samples

- KW11 will commission the cylindrical liquid jet system at O K-edge
- KW13 will be dedicated to pump-probe at Fe L-edge

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# Parameters for upcoming call

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# SASE3 parameters for run 8<sup>th</sup>

	Pulse tr	ains @	10Hz	
	$\nearrow$	$\sim$		t
P				Max 2250 pulses @ 4.5MHz
•		500µs		t
	SASI	SASI	SASE	
	N		ω	

XFEL beam parameters	
Photon energy	0.5 keV – 3.0 keV
Bandwidth SASE3	0.5 – 1.0 %
X-ray pulse energy SASE3	5 mJ (< 1.5 keV) 2 mJ (> 1.5 keV)
X-ray pulse duration SASE3	10 – 25 fs
Train repetition rate	10 Hz (or train picker)
Repetition rate in pulse train	Up to 4.5 MHz 1.1 MHz for the use of liquid jet
Number of x-ray pulses per train	400 Assuming equal distribution per instrument at 2.25 MHz FEL operation
X-ray polarization	Linear horizontal Might become available: linear vertical and circular

Using alternate mode between SASE1 and SASE3 we can get up to 400 pulses at 1.1 MHz rate.

# Monochromator settings SCS beamline:

The use of monochromator leads to pulse stretching. Resolution has to be compromised for time resolution.

### Low-resolution grating

LR grating	
Line density	50 l/mm
Resolving power	3.000 (1 <sup>st</sup> order)
Pulse stretching	30-50 fs
X-ray pulse energy	up to 30 µJ

- → Moderate combined energy resolution
- $\rightarrow$  High temporal resolution



HR grating	
Line density	150 l/mm
Resolving power	Up to 10.000 (1 <sup>st</sup> order)
Pulse stretching	80-150 fs
X-ray pulse energy	up to 5 µJ

- $\rightarrow$  High combined energy resolution
- $\rightarrow$  Moderate temporal resolution

# hRIXS parameters for run 8<sup>th</sup>



hRIXS parameters	
Photon energy	0.5 – 1.5 keV
Combined resolving power	Up to 10.000 (mono HR) 3.000 (mono LR)
Transmission	~10 <sup>-6</sup>
Time resolution	Limited by mono: 80-150 fs (mono HR) 30-50 fs (mono LR)
Scattering angle	Fixed, angles depend on experimental station

Continuous motion will be commissioned in beginning of 2022-II and will not be offered yet

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### XRD setup (baseline SCS) in run 8<sup>th</sup>

- Time-resolved spectroscopy from solid samples:
- UHV ( $p < 10^{-9}$  mbar)
- Maximum sample size: ~ 1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- Triple-rotating flange to change scattering angle of hRIXS:
- $65 \text{ deg } \le 2\Theta \le 145 \text{ deg}$ 
  - Cryogenic temperatures





- Technical/offline commissioning starting in April 2022
- No continuous motion of hRIXS during user experiment in run 8<sup>th</sup>, fixed angle

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### **XRD** inner mechanics



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# Chemistry Chamber (by the hRIXS UC)



Objectives:

dedicated experimental chamber for hRXIS studies of chemical systems in the liquid phase

Cylindrical liquid Jet

Three differential pumping stages (DPS)

Highly flexible and motorized sample and chamber aligment

Multi purpose sample holder

Multitude of diagnostic tools for, i.e. X-ray spot size, spatial and time overlap

**XAS** in TFY

### **CHEM Chamber liquid jet system**



- Optimized Chem chamber for high resolution time resolved RIXS studies of chemical samples in the liquid phase:
  - **μ** jet with diameter ranging from 15 μm till 50 μm
  - running jet for bio-chemical relevant solvents, i.e. liquid water, ethanol, iso-propanol
  - a high spatial resolution microscope
  - Switching channel device for up to 6 samples
  - Renewable sample, up to MHz repetition rate

# **Optical laser parameters**

- \* Central wavelength: 800 nm, 2 mJ/pulse @ 113 kHz
- \* Wavelength conversion: SGH 0.56 mJ/pulse, THG 0.14 mJ/pulse
   Conversion with OPA: 380 nm 2500 nm.
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- \* Polarization: linear, circular
- \* Repetition rate: 113 kHz (default), 1.1 MHz 113 kHz (0.2 2 mJ/pulse)



Laser in-coupling geometry.



#### CHEM chamber, top view

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#### Post Doc / Instrument Scientist (f/m/d)

#### The position

- research in ultrafast spectroscopy, particularly time-resolved RIXS, in collaboration with the SCS group and the Heisenberg-RIXS user consortium
- active role in user-assisted commissioning, in-house proposals and development of hRIXS
- user support at the hRIXS spectrometer, CHEM and XRD setup, including shift-work periods (partially nights and during weekends)

#### **Reference number**

### Deadline: 02 November 2021

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# Q & A Session

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