

# Publications (2021.1 - 2022.4)

## Division of Condensed Matter Science

### Mori group

We have successfully developed and unveiled unprecedented functional properties for the molecular materials and systems. The major achievements in 2021 are (1) to develop the simplest model for doped PEDOT (Poly(3,4-ethylenedioxythiophene)), single-crystalline EDOT dimer radical cation salts, (2) to investigate effects of mechanical grinding on the phase behavior and anhydrous proton conductivity of imidazolium hydrogen succinate, and (3) to investigate modulation of the electronic states and magnetic properties of Nickel catecholdithiolene complex by oxidation-coupled deprotonation.

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### Osada group

Two topological thermoelectric effects were investigated in the organic Dirac fermion system: (1) The nonlinear anomalous Ettingshausen effect (AEE) was predicted as a thermoelectric analogue of the nonlinear anomalous Hall effect (AHE) in the

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current-carrying state in two-dimensional (2D) massive Dirac fermion system. The thermoelectric Berry curvature dipole was introduced instead of the Berry curvature dipole. We estimated the possible nonlinear AEE in the weak charge ordering (CO) state in an organic conductor  $\alpha$ -(BEDT-TTF)<sub>2</sub>I<sub>3</sub>, and found that it is in the observable range. (2) The quantized thermoelectric Hall effect (QTHE), which was theoretically proposed in the 2D massless Dirac fermion system at the high-magnetic-field quantum limit, was investigated in the real organic Dirac system  $\alpha$ -(BEDT-TTF)<sub>2</sub>I<sub>3</sub>. The relatively large Zeeman splitting of the  $n=0$  Landau level suppresses the QTHER causing the hump-like structure of Seebeck coefficient, which was observed in the experiment.

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7. 有機ディラック電子系における非線形トポロジカル輸送現象：長田 俊人，*キスワンディ アンディカ*，*日本物理学会誌* **77**, 233-238 (2022).

## Yamashita group

We have been studying (1) quantum criticality in heavy-fermion materials by ultralow temperature cryostat, (2) thermal-Hall conductivity of exotic excitations in frustrated magnets and (3) a new technique for the study of strongly-correlated electron systems. In this year, we have performed (1) developments of ultralow-temperature resistivity measurements of YbRh<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>, (2) thermal-Hall measurements of AFM skyrmions in MnSc<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>, (3) planar thermal Hall measurements of Kitaev candidate Na<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>TeO<sub>6</sub>, and (4) electric transports and NMR of EuIn<sub>2</sub>As<sub>2</sub>.

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## Division of Condensed Matter Theory

### Tsunetsugu group

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We have continued to study several topics of correlated electron systems and their nonequilibrium dynamics this year. One topic is the thermodynamics of a frustrated spin system, and we have studied the Kagome spin system with breathing lattice deformation. Mapping this system to an effective model of spin and chirality degrees of freedom, we have performed classical Monte Carlo simulations to investigate their thermodynamic properties. We have found a glassy behavior of chiralities, which may be understood as a nematic liquid. We have also continued a study of electric quadrupoles in the heavy fermion system. An analysis on the complex spatial structure of quadrupoles has been developed further to examine the effects of the cubic interactions characteristic to this system. As for the nonequilibrium issues, we have analyzed nonlinear optical responses of a Kitaev spin liquid and proposed their use for identifying such a liquid. We have also developed a WKB theory to study nonperturbative nonlinear optical effects. For statistical-mechanical aspects of periodically driven quantum systems, we have characterized the heating rate in isolated systems based on the Fermi golden rule. We have also developed a theory for determining nonequilibrium steady states in the systems subject to Markovian dissipation. In particular, a setup was proposed for realizing a time crystalline steady state accompanied by critical phenomena.

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## Kato group

The main research subject of Kato Lab. is transport properties in mesoscopic and spintronic devices. We studied (1) heat transport via small quantum systems, (2) transmission properties of Josephson junction arrays, (3) spin pumping from ferromagnetic insulator to metallic systems, (4) many-body effect in multielectron quantum dot systems, (5) high-harmonic generation in semiconductors, (6) nonequilibrium transport through Kondo quantum dots, (7) nanorotors driven by the spin-rotation coupling, and (8) the fluctuation theorem in spin-Hall magnetoresistance.

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## Division of Nanoscale Science

### Katsumoto group

A shot noise measurement system using a handmade HEMT and a preamplifier has been completed. Numerical simulation on the spin precession and division of electrons propagating on spin-resolved quantum Hall edge was carried out with the recursive Green function method. The simulation successfully reproduced the experimentally observed probability partition. Shot noise measurement was carried out on the flying spin qubit interferometer. We have found an anomalous decrease in the shot noise at higher bias, which has been explained by the approach of spin-resolved edge states.

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### Otani group

This year, we focused on the topic related to the antiferromagnetic spintronics, namely the manipulation of the cluster magnetic octupole state in  $Mn_3X$  ( $X=Mn$  or  $Sn$ ) thin films. Last year, we succeeded in the magnetic octupole state manipulation in  $Mn_3Sn$  by using spin-orbit torque. We further improved the readout voltage beyond 1 mV, a milestone for future applications for memory technology. Besides, we also demonstrated that the absence of shape anisotropy enables omnidirectional control and lifts the shape constraint in designing magnetic devices. Our international collaboration with Pohang University of Science and Technology in Korea and Peter Grünberg Institut in Germany on the novel spin-charge conversion study showed that the flow of orbital angular momentum plays a vital role in exerting nontrivial torque in ferromagnetic metal/Cu/Aluminum oxide trilayers. Another international collaboration on magnon-phonon coupling study with Huazhong University of Science and Technology demonstrated numerically that antiferromagnetic domain walls could oscillate at a relatively low frequency of the order of MHz. This finding is beneficial for antiferromagnetic devices, which require a stable antiferromagnetic domain wall velocity.

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## Hasegawa group

We studied superconductivity of Pb atomic layers formed on vicinal substrates to investigate how surface steps with an interval shorter than the coherence length affect the two-dimensional superconductivity. Transport measurements revealed reduced critical temperature and enhanced critical magnetic field. Scanning tunneling microscopy (STM) exhibited elongated vortices along the steps. The oval-shaped vortices are Abrikosov-Josephson vortices squeezed in the direction perpendicular to the steps due to the reduced coherence length, which is also responsible for the enhanced critical fields. Our work demonstrates that vicinal substrates provide a unique platform to control macroscopic properties through the precise tuning of disorder. In collaboration with Prof. Bent Weber, Nanyang Univ., Singapore, we investigated heterostructures of a quantum spin Hall candidate 1T'-WTe<sub>2</sub> grown by van der Waals epitaxy on superconductor NbSe<sub>2</sub> by STM. By analyzing the normal and superconducting density of states (DOS) by scanning probe spectroscopy across the interface, we found that strong hybridization of electronic states gives rise to a semimetallic DOS in the 2D bulk even in nominally band insulating crystals. Despite the strong hybridization, we found a measurable enhancement of the local DOS at the crystal edges in the normal state and a slight enhancement of the order parameter in the superconducting state.

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## Lippmaa group

We have worked on developing the pulsed laser deposition process. In particular, we have studied the effect of the high-energy ions in the ablation plume have on the properties of ceramic thin films. Our recent work shows that the plume energy is sufficient to cause local damage in thin films, as shown by thin film lattice parameter shifts from known bulk values. We have shown that the kinetic damage to thin films can be effectively reduced by introducing a light inert buffer gas into the process chamber. Deposition of films in the presence of high-pressure He ambient gas does not significantly reduce the deposition rate, but reduces the kinetic energy of the plume and thus enables the growth of higher-quality thin films with fewer point defects.

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## Functional Materials Group

### Yoshinobu group

We conducted several research projects in the fiscal year 2021: (1) The surface chemistry of hydrogen, formic acid and CO<sub>2</sub> on Cu(977), Pd-Cu(111) and Pd-Cu(997) surfaces was studied by SR-PES, IRAS, HREELS and TPD. (2) The adsorption/desorption of CH<sub>4</sub> on Pt(997) was studied by TPD, IRAS and SR-XPS. (3) The dry reforming of CH<sub>4</sub> with CO<sub>2</sub> on Pt(997) was studied by AP-XPS at SPring-8. (4) The reaction dynamics of CO + O  $\rightarrow$  CO<sub>2</sub> on Pt(111) was studied by van der Waals DFT calculations. (5) The micro-beam SR-XPS and AP-XPS were applied to study the MoS<sub>2</sub> edge in vacuum and under hydrogen pressure. (6) The narrow band and broad band THz pulse generation system has been newly constructed.

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## Akiyama group

In 2021, we fabricated new series of gain-switched 1030-1060nm InGaAs laser diodes (LDs) changing various device parameters and investigated stable short seed-pulse generation conditions below 10 ps by current injection. We started study on heat-recovery (HERC) solar cells, and photo-voltaic and thermo-electric hybrid tandem cells, in collaboration with AIST team. Collaborations on four-junction solar cells with China team and on CIGC cells with Tsukuba team have been started. As for bio-and chemical-physics, we had significant progress in time-resolved Raman spectroscopy on channel rhodopsin with semiconductor-laser-based light sources (collaboration between a D3 student Shibata-kun and Inoue-group). Good progress has been made in quantitative spectroscopy on bioluminescence quantum yield of new luciferin analogs (Akalumine, Tokeoni, etc.) and on photo-cleavage/photo-bleaching quantum yields of D-luciferin and coumarin-caged-luciferins, in collaboration with Gunma-university team.

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## Sugino group

Target of Sugino group is to advance computational materials science using modern density functional theory (DFT). This was proceeded by improving the density functional through machine-learning of the many-body wave function of materials. Our machine-learning method was found to provide reasonably accurate electronic structures not only for molecules but also bulk solids, showing a promise for further improvement toward the chemical accuracy. Electron-phonon coupling is another key to the improvement. Effect of nuclear motion on the band gap was investigated using perturbative or non-perturbative method gaining insight into the material dependence. Applying DFT to various materials was intensively done for the phase problems of graphite intercalations, solid oxygen, and cuprates in addition to our continued study on electrochemical interfaces.

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## Quantum Materials Group

### Oshikawa group

We continued theoretical studies on a wide range of subjects in many-body physics. In particular, we successfully implemented the "Level Spectroscopy" based on tensor-network renormalization group on the 2-dimensional classical XY model. This model is a canonical model to exhibit the Berezinskii-Kosterlitz-Thouless (BKT) transition, which is a prototypical topological phase transition. Although it has been studied for more than half century, the logarithmic correction makes a precise determination of the transition point rather challenging. By utilizing the powerful finite-scaling of conformal field theory and the modern numerical algorithm, we have succeeded in an extremely accurate determination of the BKT transition point, as well as a visualization of the Renormalization-Group flow based on the actual numerical data.

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## Nakatsuji group

A new era in quantum materials research arises, featuring discoveries of novel topological phases of matter and emergent quasi-particle excitations behaving as elusive elementary particles. Our research activities focus on designing and synthesizing new materials with emergent quantum properties that have never been seen before, then exploring the physics behind such properties with our world-leading measurement facilities. We aim to lead the innovative quest for new quantum materials that bear a far-reaching impact not only on basic science but also on our everyday life in the future. Major research themes: 1. Solid-state analogs of relativistic particles and new quantum phenomena · Weyl fermion and chiral anomaly · Quantum spin ice, magnetic monopole, and emergent photon 2. Room-temperature quantum transport phenomena in topological magnetic materials · Weyl antiferromagnets and their application to spintronic devices · Giant thermal and optical responses driven by the Berry curvature 3. Quantum phase transition in strongly correlated systems · Non-Fermi-liquid behavior and exotic superconductivity in multipolar Kondo materials

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### Fukushima group

This year, we have developed a fundamental simulation code for investigating the material properties of permanent magnets and spintronic materials. The automatic exhaustive calculations, which are based on the all-electron full-potential (Korringa-Kohn-Rostoker) KKR Green's function method (FPKKR), have been performed. Since the potential is anisotropic rather than spherically symmetric, it is possible to calculate not only the magnetization and Curie temperature but also the magneto-crystalline anisotropy energy constant with high accuracy. The KKR Green's function method can be conveniently combined with the coherent potential approximation (CPA). It is free from using supercells, resulting in reduced computational costs drastically. Therefore, our code can perform efficient calculations for a huge number of compositions of disordered alloys, compared to the other simulation code. We have applied this code to several magnetic materials, such as YCo<sub>5</sub> alloys, SmCo<sub>5</sub> alloys, and Sm<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub> alloys. We have also systematically investigated the electronic structure, intrinsic defect formation, and transport properties of Cu<sub>2</sub>S by first-principles calculations, using a theoretical model called an acanthite-like structure. The transport properties of Cu<sub>2</sub>S system have been successfully reproduced using an electron-phonon scattering method, highlighting the important role of relaxation time prediction in conductivity estimation instead of regarding it as a constant.

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## Materials Design and Characterization Laboratory

### Hiroi group

The high-pressure synthesis, crystal structure, and magnetic properties of four novel transition-metal oxyhydrides—Ba<sub>2</sub>NaVO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub>, Ba<sub>2</sub>NaVO<sub>2.4</sub>H<sub>3.6</sub>, Ba<sub>2</sub>NaCrO<sub>2.2</sub>H<sub>3.8</sub>, and Ba<sub>2</sub>NaTiO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub>—crystallizing in the double-perovskite structure were reported. We studied the pyrochlore oxide Hg<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> through thermodynamic measurements, muon spin rotation ( $\mu$ SR) spectroscopy and neutron diffraction experiments. A magnetic transition, probably to an AIAO-type order, was observed at 88 K, while the resistivity showed a decrease at the transition and remained metallic down to 2 K. Thus, the ground state of Hg<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> is most likely an AIAO semimetal, which is analogous to the intermediate-temperature state of Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>. Hg<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> exists on the verge of the metal–insulator boundary on the metal side and provides an excellent platform for studying the electronic instability of 5d electrons with moderate electron correlations and strong spin–orbit interactions. Substitution effects of Os for Ru in  $\alpha$ -RuCl<sub>3</sub> are investigated in a wide composition range of  $0 \leq x \leq 0.67$  in Ru<sub>1-x</sub>Os<sub>x</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub> by X-ray and electron diffraction, magnetic susceptibility, heat capacity, and Raman spectroscopy measurements. Apart from the Kitaev physics with antiferromagnetic interactions increasing with x, a rich phase diagram is obtained, which includes an antiferromagnetic long-range order below 12 K for  $x \leq 0.15$ , a dome-shaped spin-singlet dimer phase below 130 K for  $0.15 \leq x \leq 0.40$ , and a magnetic short-range order for  $x > 0.40$ . NaAlSi is an sp electron superconductor crystallizing in a layered structure of the anti-PbFCl type with a relatively high transition temperature T<sub>c</sub> of  $\sim 7$  K. We successfully prepared single crystals of NaAlSi by a Na–Ga flux method and characterized their superconducting and normal-state properties through electrical resistivity, magnetization, and heat capacity measurements. A sharp superconducting transition with a T<sub>c</sub> of 6.8 K is clearly observed, and heat capacity data suggest an anisotropic superconducting gap. Surprisingly, despite the sp electron system, the normal state is governed by the electron correlations, which is indicated by a T<sup>2</sup> resistivity and a Wilson ratio of 2.0. The origin of the electron correlation may be related to the orthogonal saddle-shaped Fermi surfaces derived from the Si p<sub>x</sub> and p<sub>y</sub> states, which intersect with the light Al s bands to form the nodal lines near the Fermi level.

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To discover novel materials having unknown structures, we performed high-throughput calculations for structural exploration based on computational methods such as density functional theory (DFT) in two directions. One is to find densest binary and ternary sphere packing structures (DBSPs, DTSPs). The other is to find two dimensional compounds consisting of AB<sub>2</sub> composition. As the first issue, we addressed the DBSPs and DTSPs under periodic boundary conditions and present phase diagrams, including newly found 12 and 59 putative densest structures, respectively. To efficiently explore the DBSPs and DTSPs, we developed an unbiased random search approach based on both the piling-up method to generate initial structures in an unbiased way and the iterative balance method to optimize the volume of a unit cell while keeping the overlap of hard spheres minimized. It turned out that many of DBSPs and DTSPs correspond to real crystals, suggesting that the diverse structures of DBSPs and DTSPs can be effectively used as structural prototypes for searching ternary and quaternary crystal structures. As the second issue, we constructed a structure map for AB<sub>2</sub> type monolayers of 3844 compounds which are all the combinations of 62 elements selected from the periodic table. The structure map and its web version (<http://www.openmx-square.org/2d-ab2/>), which are obtained by symmetry-unconstrained geometry optimizations starting from ferromagnetic 1T, 1H and planar structures as the initial states, provide comprehensive structural trends of the 3844 compounds in two dimensional (2D) structures and correctly predict the structures of most of the existing 2D compounds such as transition metal dichalcogenides and MXenes having 1T or 1H type structures. Our structure map and database will promote efforts towards the synthesis of undiscovered 2D materials experimentally and investigating the properties of new structures theoretically.

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## Neutron Science Laboratory

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Our laboratory is studying chemical physics of complex condensed matters by using neutron scattering, X-ray diffraction, calorimetric, dielectric, and viscoelastic techniques. Our target materials are glasses, liquids, and various disordered systems. Following the vapor-deposited (VD) CS<sub>2</sub> and CCl<sub>4</sub> glasses, which were measured in 2018 and 2020, the inelastic neutron scattering (INS) experiment of VD H<sub>2</sub>O glass (amorphous ice) was performed using AMATERAS in J-PARC MLF. By combining these three INS data, we have found a general relation between the low-energy excitations and local structures of glasses. The boson peak appears independently of the local structure, while the dispersive phonon excitations adjacent to the boson peak strongly depends on quasi-network structures of glasses (network formation degree: H<sub>2</sub>O > CCl<sub>4</sub> > CS<sub>2</sub>). The neutron diffraction (ND) of a novel hydrogen-cluster material Li<sub>5</sub>MoD<sub>11</sub> was measured on NOVA in J-PARC MLF. The Rietveld and pair distribution function (PDF) analyses revealed that the MoD<sub>9</sub> cluster is orientationally disordered down to 10 K, being consistent with the previous quasielastic neutron scattering (QENS) experiments. A ND work on amorphous D<sub>2</sub> deuterate was conducted on NOVA. The corresponding QENS work on amorphous H<sub>2</sub> hydrate was also performed using DNA and AGNES in JRR-3 which was restarted in 2021 after the long shutdown due to the Great East-Japan Earthquake in 2011. Other than these neutron works, the synchrotron-radiation X-ray diffraction works of toluene and glycerol liquids were carried out at high pressure up to 4 GPa and room temperature using a Paris-Edinburgh cell and BL37XU at SPring-8. At higher pressures, we found drastic development in intermolecular correlation for toluene and more compact intramolecular structure keeping hydrogen bonds for glycerol.

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The goal of our research is to discover a new quantum phenomenon and to reveal the mechanism of it. In this fiscal year we studied the following topics; Nontrivial temperature dependence of magnetic anisotropy in multiferroic Ba<sub>2</sub>MnGe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>, magnetic diffuse scattering of YBaCo<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> and LuBaCo<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> on Kagome and triangular lattices, crystalline electric field level scheme of non-centrosymmetric CeRhSi<sub>3</sub> and CeIrSi<sub>3</sub>, etc.

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Nakajima group has been studying magnetic materials showing cross-correlated phenomena related to topologically-nontrivial magnetic structures by means of neutron and X-ray scattering techniques. We are also responsible for a polarized-neutron triple-axis neutron spectrometer PONTA in the research reactor JRR-3 in Tokai. In this year, JRR-3 restarted its operation after the long shutdown since the east Japan great earthquake in 2011. We have updated components of the spectrometer and have supported the users who applied the joint-use user program of ISSP-NSL. One of the successful studies with the external users is the identification of complex magnetic orders in a centrosymmetric skyrmion host  $\text{EuAl}_4$ . Polarized neutron scattering at PONTA contributed to reveal successive magnetic phase transitions in this system at low temperatures in zero magnetic field. We are also collaborating with Kohama group in the international mega gauss laboratory in ISSP. By combining a long-pulse magnet developed by Kohama group with a pulsed neutron beam in J-PARC, we successfully performed time-of-flight neutron Laue diffraction measurements in long-pulse magnetic fields up to 14 T. We are planning to extend the limit of the magnetic field to 20-30 T in the future.

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The global pandemics of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) continued in 2021. We carried out research and user-supports with care at the beamline, SPring-8 BL07LSU. Since a project of the next-generation synchrotron radiation facility was launched, we participated devotedly in the construction and started technical developments, such as nano-focusing and scanning measurements. In the laboratory, we have succeeded in updating the soft X-ray non-linear optical effect into a spectroscopic method for materials science at X-ray free electron laser facility at SACLA.

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Advancements in soft x-ray attosecond spectroscopy and attosecond beamlines were also continued. First, quantum mechanical simulation revealed that the  $2\omega$  oscillations observed in a triatomic molecule (N<sub>2</sub>O) arise from tunnel ionization of core-excited states, leading to a new understanding of transient absorption spectroscopy using soft x-ray attosecond pulses. Second, a water flat-jet system was developed for transient soft X-ray spectroscopy of liquids and solvents. High-order harmonics coupled with molecular vibrations were observed upon irradiation of intense mid-infrared pulses. Further experiments are now underway to elucidate molecular dynamics. Third, high-field electron scattering experiments were performed, and the cutoff behavior was successfully discussed in terms of quantum theory. Finally, a new infrared parametric light source using a Yb-based solid-state laser was developed, and phase-stable sub-30 fs pulses were obtained at repetition rates of 10 kHz and 100 kHz. In addition, a Yb-based solid-state laser was used to generate 6-eV pulses for angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy.

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We have investigated light-matter interactions and light-induced nonequilibrium phenomena in solids by utilizing terahertz (THz) pulse. By using a Yb-based laser system and the multiplate broadening scheme, we realized phase-stable broadband multiterahertz pulses (10-45 THz, 40-180 meV, or 7-30 μm) with the pulse width of 28 fs. By using the multiterahertz pulse for time-resolved detection of complex response functions, we have investigated ultrafast dynamics of the photoexcited electrons in a 3D Dirac semimetal Cd<sub>3</sub>As<sub>2</sub>. We also demonstrate that a large reduction of the refractive index by 80% dominates the nonequilibrium infrared response of the Dirac semimetal, which can be utilized for designing ultrafast switches in active optoelectronics.

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