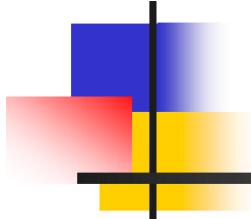


Research activities in our

Ultrafast Optical Logic Laboratory



2007-2008

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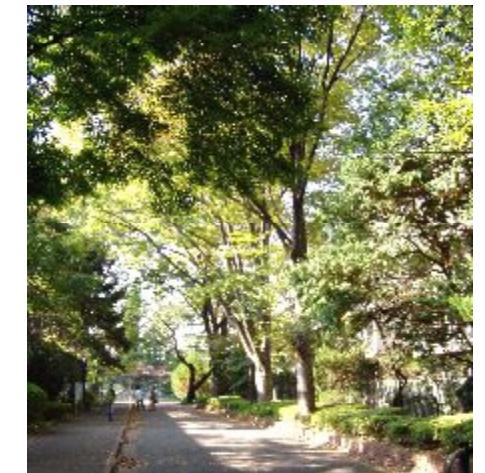
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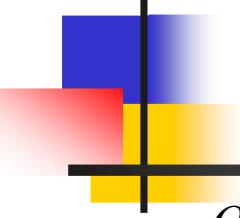
*This bi-annual report can be downloaded from
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The 21st century COE Program

Innovation in Coherent Optical Science

Ultrafast Optical Logic Lab., UEC



On-going Research Project lineup



On-going Projects that we want to run in our lab.

(depending upon the quantity and quality of grad students every two-three years!!)

(1) 200 Gb/s DISC gate experiment

high speed limit, low-energy-dissipation limit
quantum-electronical, optical-acceleration mechanism

(2) New scheme of mode-locking pulse generation

sub-picosecond high-quality pulse generation,
precise frequency-comb generation,
wide-gap materials

(3) Materials nonlinear-response characterization

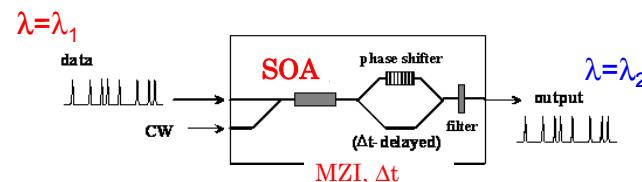
dilute quantum-dot versus bulk semiconductors, taking into account the Krammers-Kronig relation,
size reduction with pc/qd waveguides

(4) Newly exploring the 200-to-500 GHz speed region

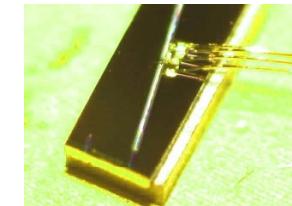
optical-spectrum-synthesis design and characterization which we have proposed (Nakamoto et al., OE 2007)
attention to: effective efficiency, i.e., dc energy consumption

COE-research: DISC-type all-optical semiconductor gate 200-Gb/s, data-driven, optically gated waveform

SMZ-DISC-type gate structure (1998)

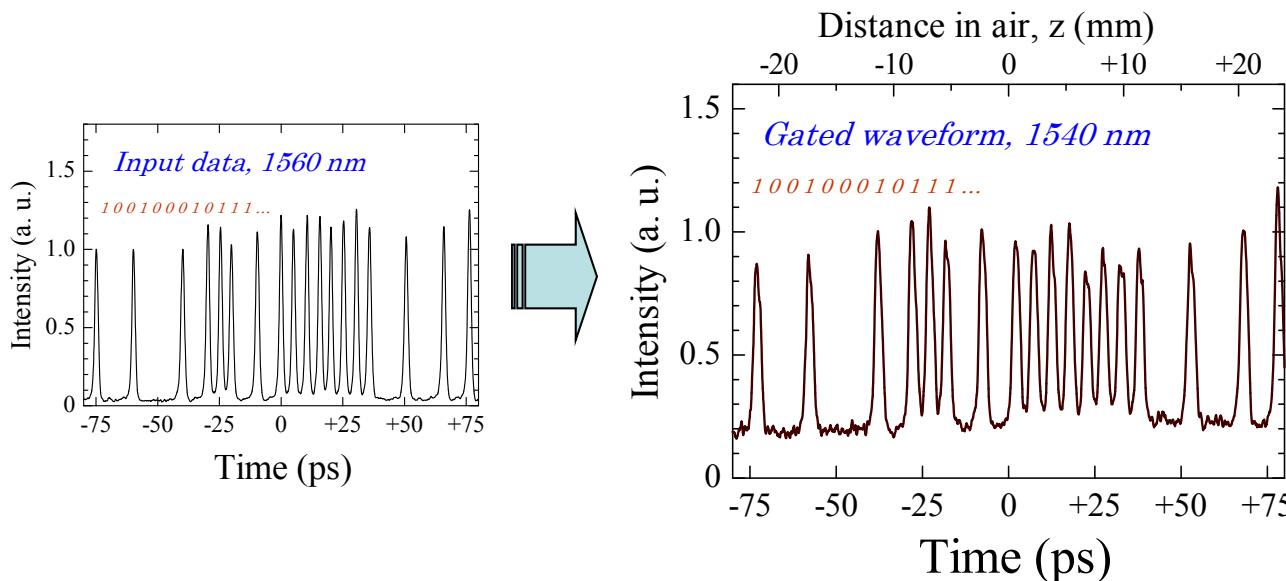


*Sakaguchi, et al., submitted to Opt. Comm., Elsevier.
UEC---Tech. Univ. Denmark collaboration, 2004-2005.*



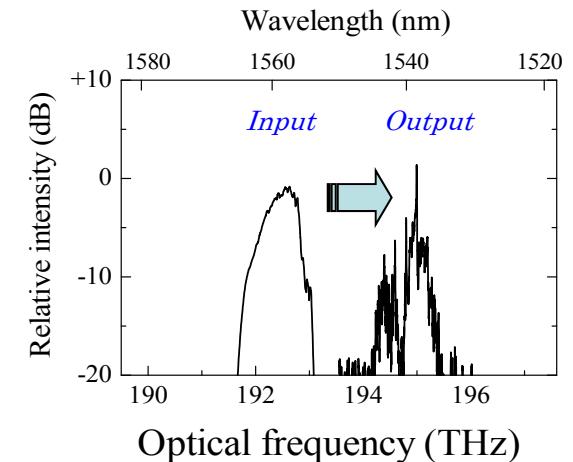
*Custom-designed
InGaAsP semiconductor optical amp.*

*200-Gb/s, 5,000-bit-long, gated waveform, May 2008,
measured with a home-made, precisely synchronized 40-MHz monitoring system.*



SOA's dc-electric-power consumption = 0.59 Watt = 3.0 pJ/bit.

Spectra before and after the DISC gate.



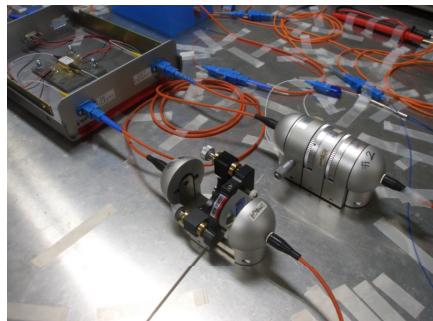
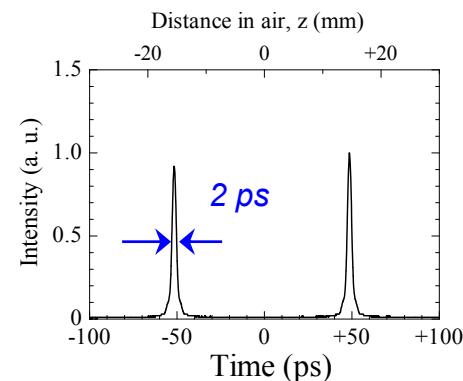
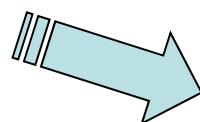
COE-research: DISC-loop-type mode-locked pulse source

Single-mode, 2-ps, 10-GHz pulse and comb generation

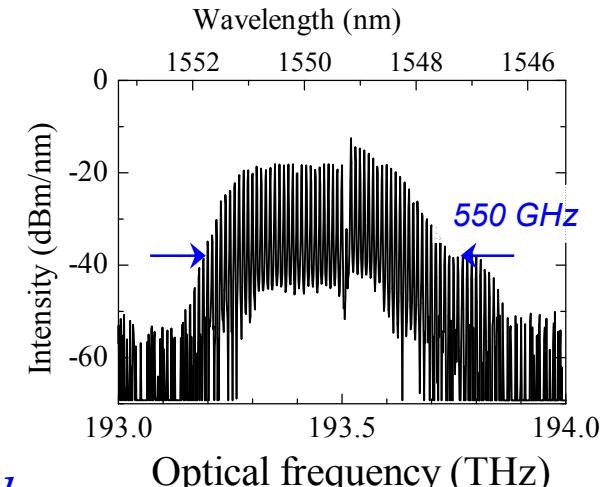
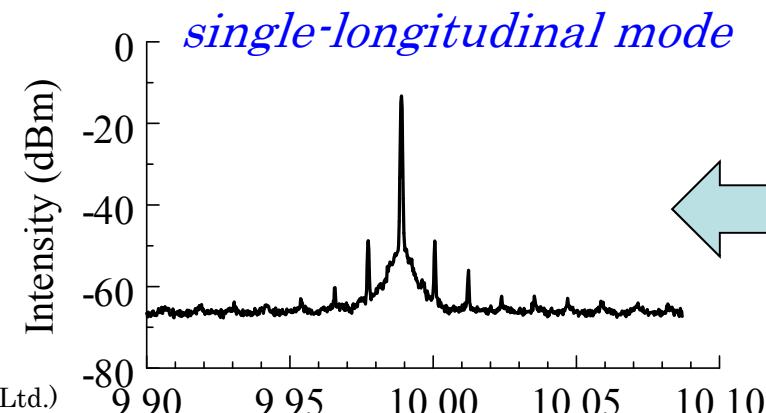
2-ps, 10-GHz pulse's optical waveform, and comb spectrum



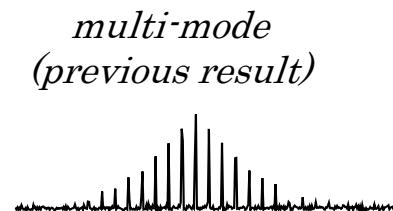
commercially-available InGaAsP SOA module.
SOA's dc-electric-power consumption
= **0.56 Watt**



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(FSR = 10 GHz, $\Delta f_{3\text{dB}} = 180 \text{ MHz}$,
Japan Aviation Electronics Industries, Ltd.)

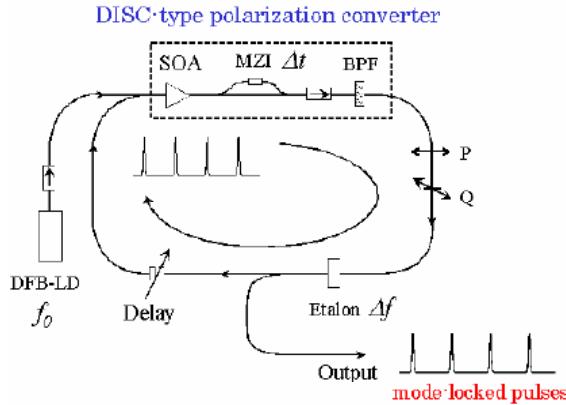


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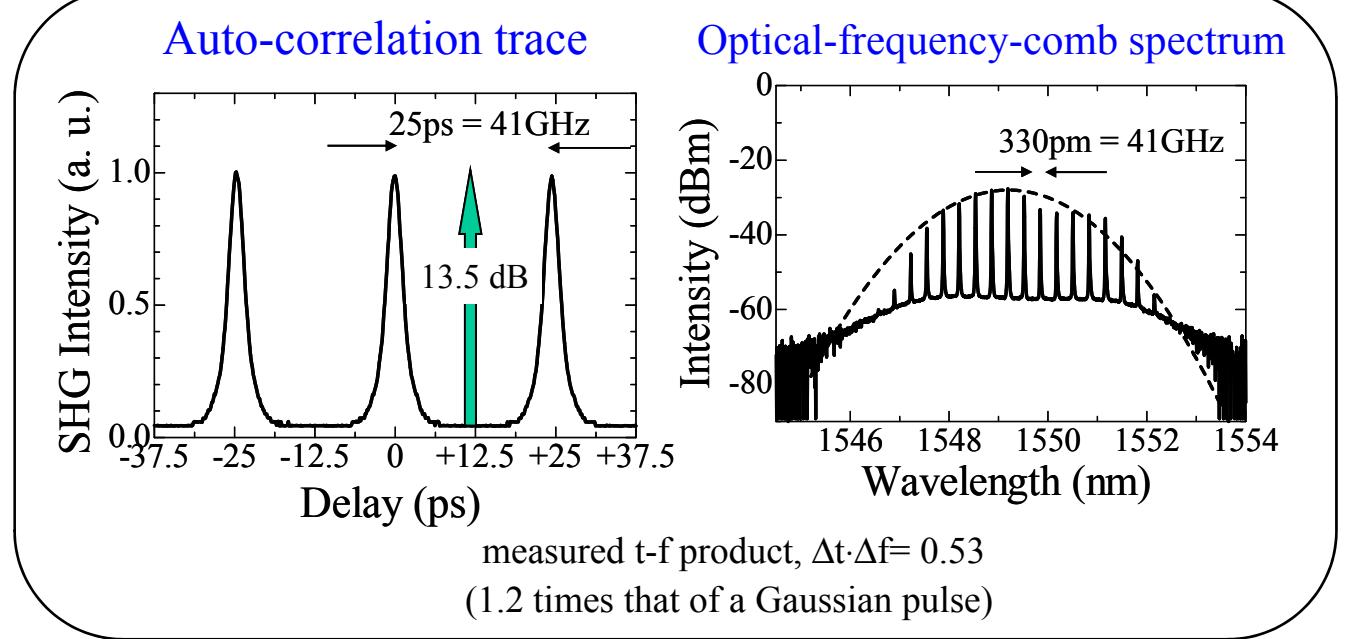
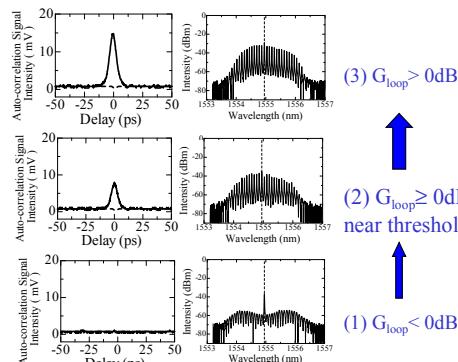


COE-research: DISC-loop-type mode-locked pulse source 2-ps, 40-GHz pulse and comb generation, 2005-2006

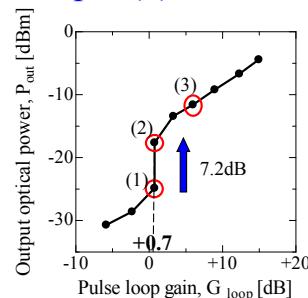
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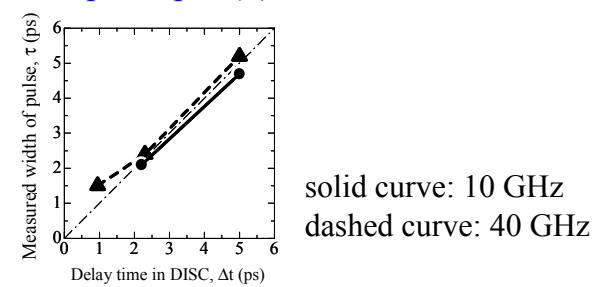
Original scheme from,
Y. Ueno, et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. Oct. 2001



Proof of principle (1), threshold behavior

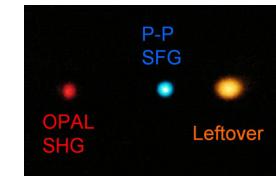
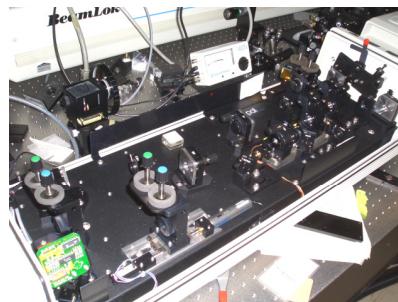


Proof of principle (2), linearly controlled pulse widths



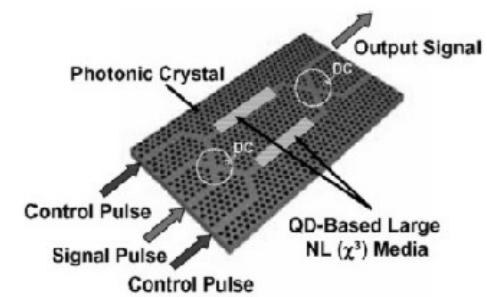
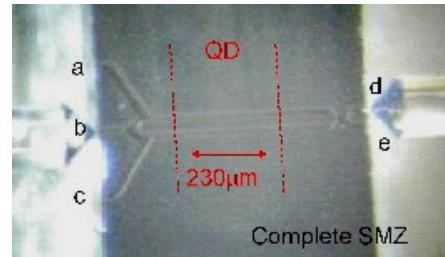
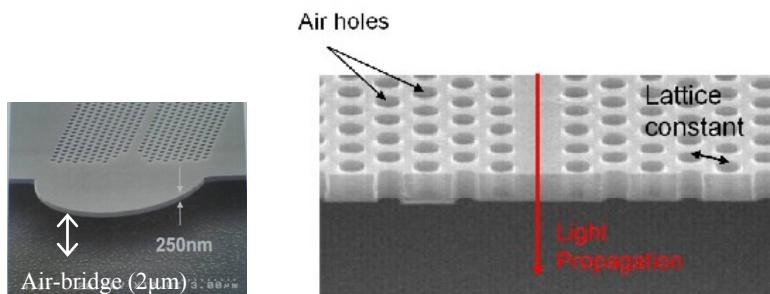
COE-research: *Ultrafast optical phase/intensity-response characterization research of PC/QD waveguides*

Collaboration project between U. Tsukuba-AIST-UEC-NEC, 2005-2007.



(by Salleras and Honma)

home-made pump-and-probe, AOM-heterodyne, system, combined with commercial Green -- Ti:S -- Parametric Osc. System (Spectra Phys.) in our lab.



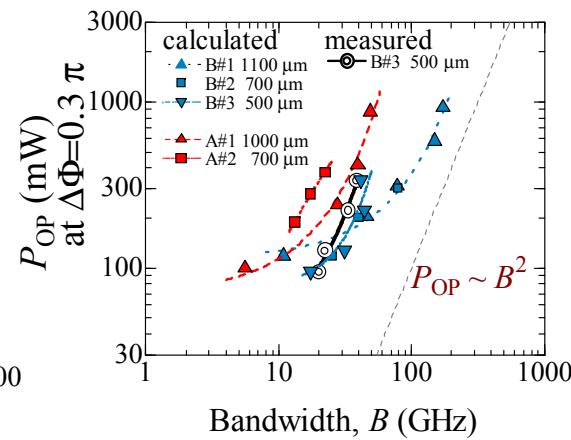
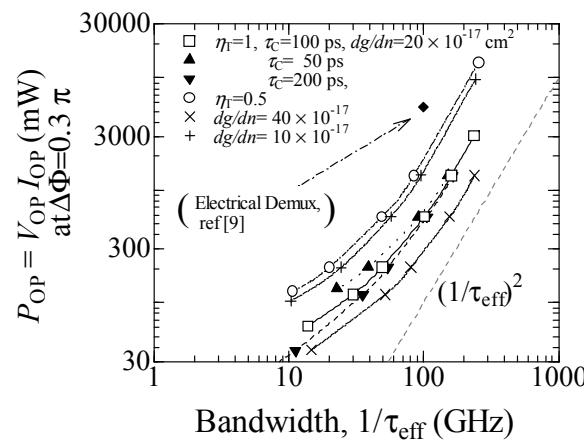
air-bridged GaAs-photonic-crystal (PC)/ InAs quantum-dot (QD) integrated waveguides, fabricated by U. Tsukuba and AIST.

ref.: K. Asakawa, et al., New J. Phys. 8 (2006) 208.

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COE research, for making-up Future Vision:

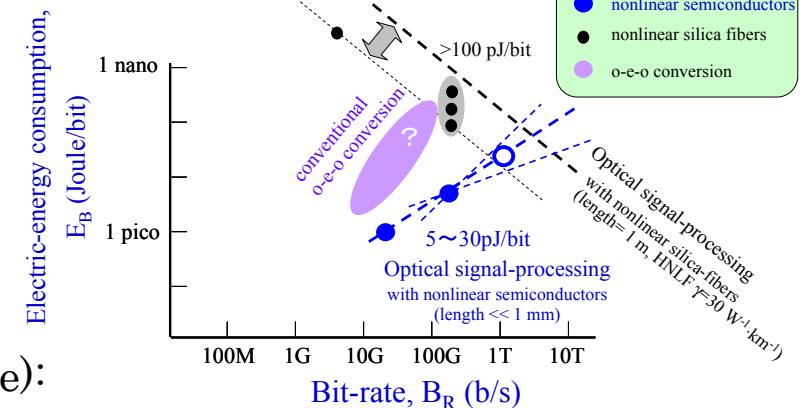
dc-electric-energy consumption model (DISC gate)



J. Sakaguchi et al., Opt. Express, Oct. 2007.

Y. Ueno et al., IEICE PN-society mtg, Dec. 2007, Tokyo.

UEC--KDDI collaboration project, 2005-2006.



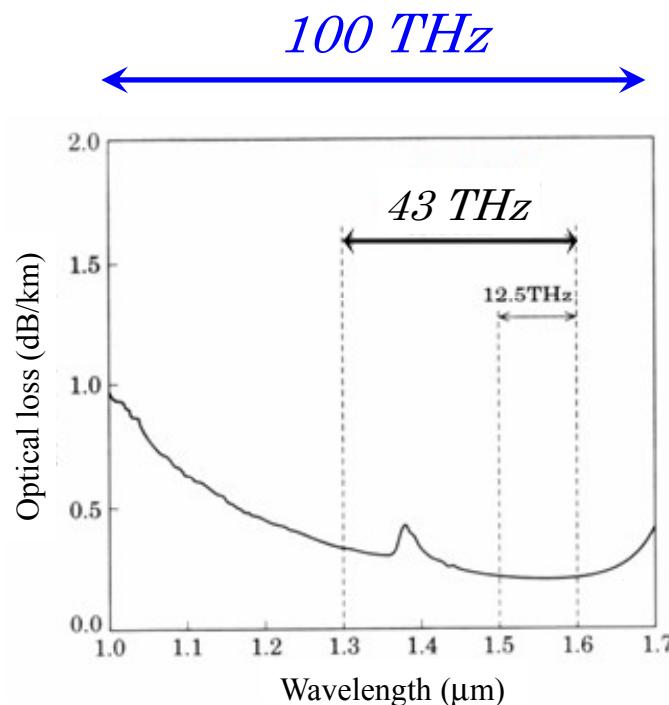
numbers from this work (very first report, to our knowledge):

- 10-20 pJ of dc energy, per one-bit all-optical signal-process
- 7×10^7 electrons, per one-bit all-optical signal-process

Our research backgrounds:

Broad bandwidth of optically wired systems

(for the Industrial Systems Market)

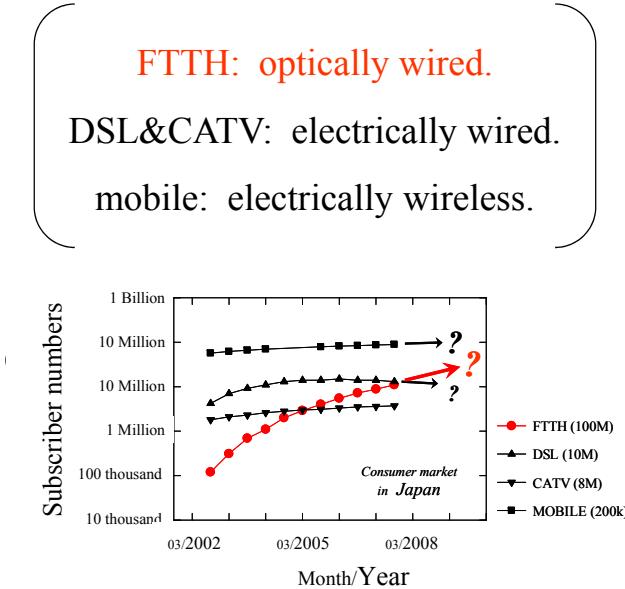
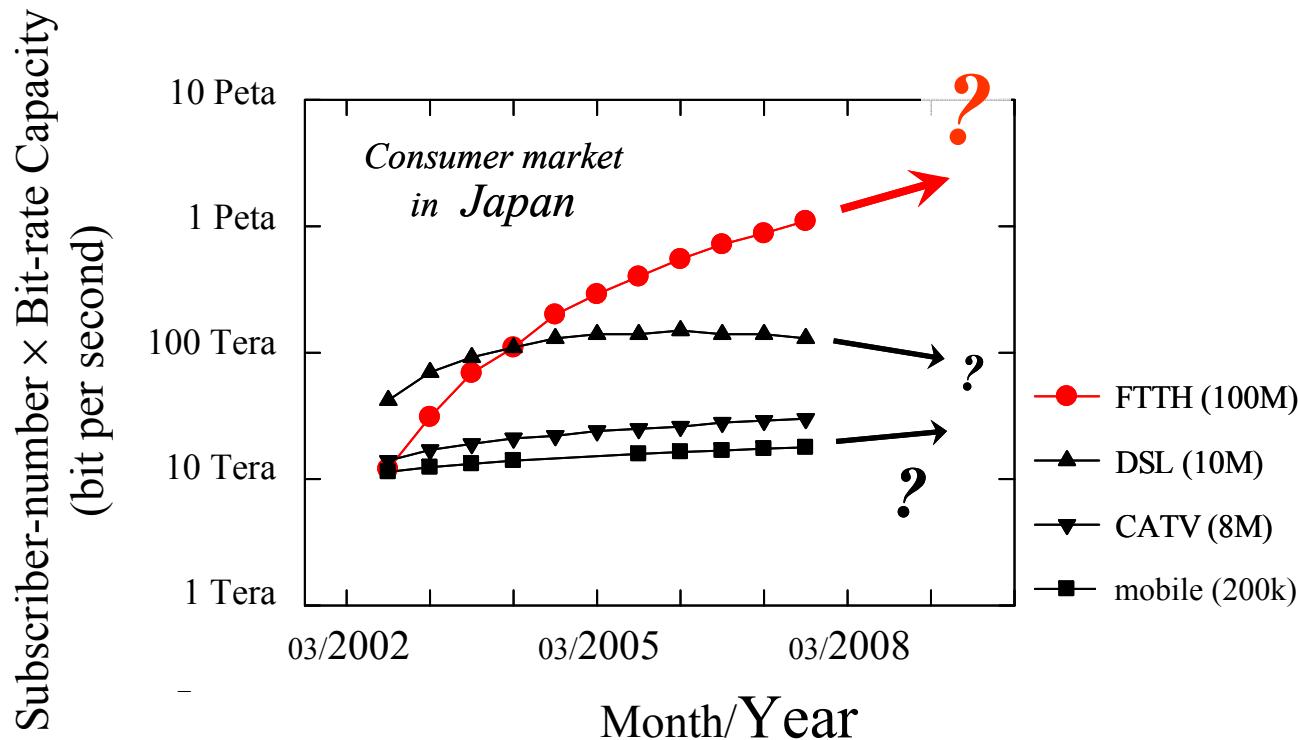


100-THz transmittance bandwidth
of a standard, high-quality, silica-based single-mode-fiber cable.

Our research background:

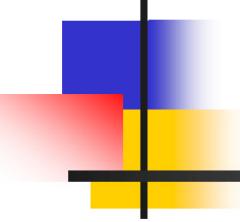
Increasing FTTH capacity in Japan, Year 2002-2008

(in the Consumers Market)

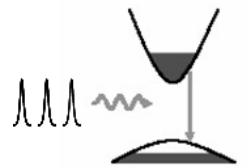


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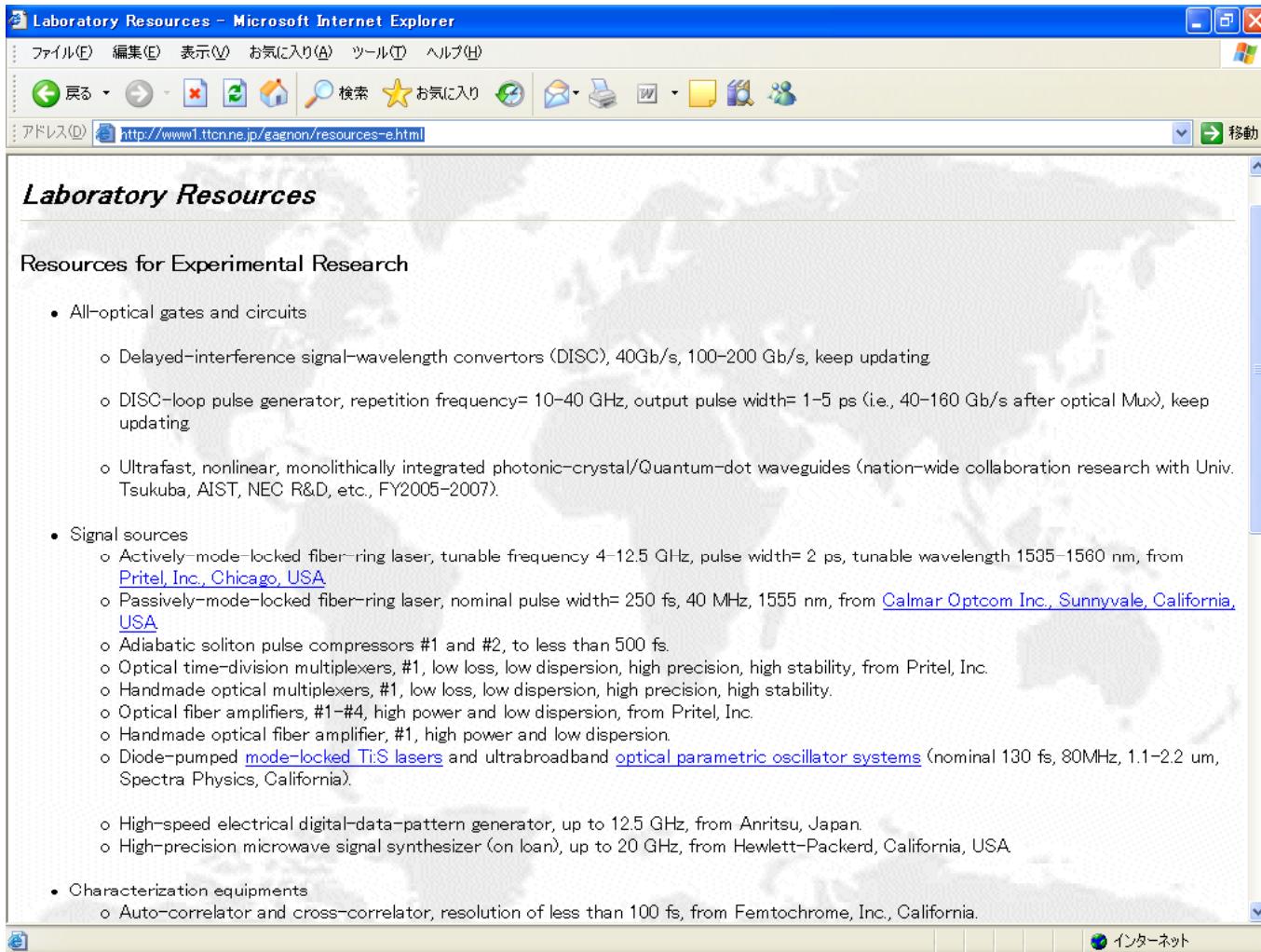
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examples of Experimental resources, --2008 present



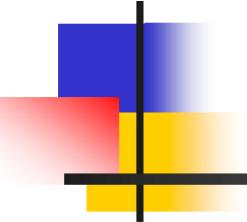
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Laboratory Resources

Resources for Experimental Research

- All-optical gates and circuits
 - Delayed-interference signal-wavelength convertors (DISC), 40Gb/s, 100–200 Gb/s, keep updating
 - DISC-loop pulse generator, repetition frequency= 10–40 GHz, output pulse width= 1–5 ps (i.e., 40–160 Gb/s after optical Mux), keep updating
 - Ultrafast, nonlinear, monolithically integrated photonic-crystal/Quantum-dot waveguides (nation-wide collaboration research with Univ. Tsukuba, AIST, NEC R&D, etc., FY2005–2007).
- Signal sources
 - Actively-mode-locked fiber-ring laser, tunable frequency 4–12.5 GHz, pulse width= 2 ps, tunable wavelength 1535–1560 nm, from [Pritel Inc., Chicago, USA](#)
 - Passively-mode-locked fiber-ring laser, nominal pulse width= 250 fs, 40 MHz, 1555 nm, from [Calmar Optcom Inc., Sunnyvale, California, USA](#)
 - Adiabatic soliton pulse compressors #1 and #2, to less than 500 fs.
 - Optical time-division multiplexers, #1, low loss, low dispersion, high precision, high stability, from Pritel, Inc.
 - Handmade optical multiplexers, #1, low loss, low dispersion, high precision, high stability.
 - Optical fiber amplifiers, #1–#4, high power and low dispersion, from Pritel, Inc.
 - Handmade optical fiber amplifier, #1, high power and low dispersion.
 - Diode-pumped [mode-locked Ti:S lasers](#) and ultrabroadband [optical parametric oscillator systems](#) (nominal 130 fs, 80MHz, 1.1–2.2 um, Spectra Physics, California).
 - High-speed electrical digital-data-pattern generator, up to 12.5 GHz, from Anritsu, Japan.
 - High-precision microwave signal synthesizer (on loan), up to 20 GHz, from Hewlett-Packard, California, USA.
- Characterization equipments
 - Auto-correlator and cross-correlator, resolution of less than 100 fs, from Femtochrome, Inc., California.



examples of *Experimental resources, --2008 present*

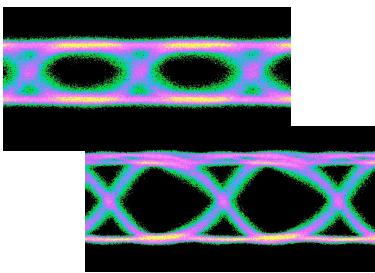


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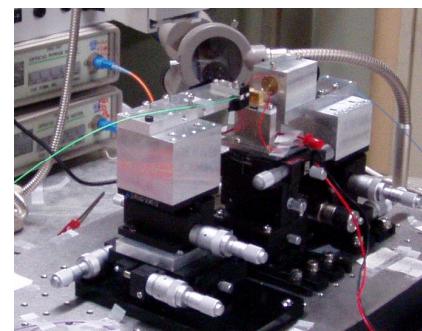
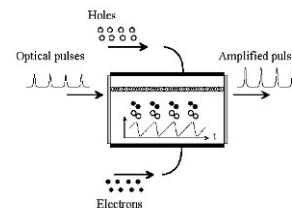


200-Gb/s data-signal source, and,
high-resolution monitor system (2008)

(commercial mode-locked pulse sources,
data-pattern modulators,
homemade optical MUX's, optical amps, etc.,)



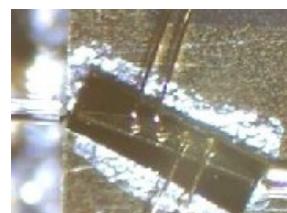
Eye patterns of
12.5-Gb/s NRZ signals
(by Sakaguchi and Nishida)



Custom SOA chips

reliably coupled to
lensed-optical-fiber cables

for studying their physical high-speed limits!



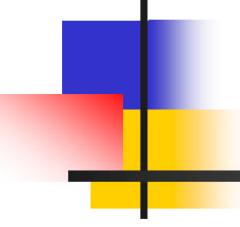
Proto-type disc-loop
mode-locked pulse laser (G1, 2005)



Commercial optical MUX's, optical amps,
optical cross-correlator,
high-precision electronic spectrum analyzer

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Ultrafast Optical Logic Lab., UEC



Collaboration research activities

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Our lab – NEC R&D Center (Dr. Tajima), 2003

Our lab – MIC/NICT project members, 2003-2005

Our lab – UEC-COE-program members, 2003-2007

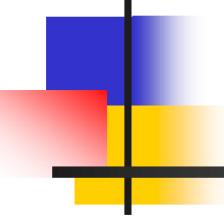
Our lab – Technical Univ. Denmark (Dr. Nielsen, Prof. Mork), 2004-2005

Our lab – KDDI R&D Center (Dr. Nishimura), 2004-2005

Our lab – Univ. Tsukuba and AIST (METI/NEDO project), 2005-2007

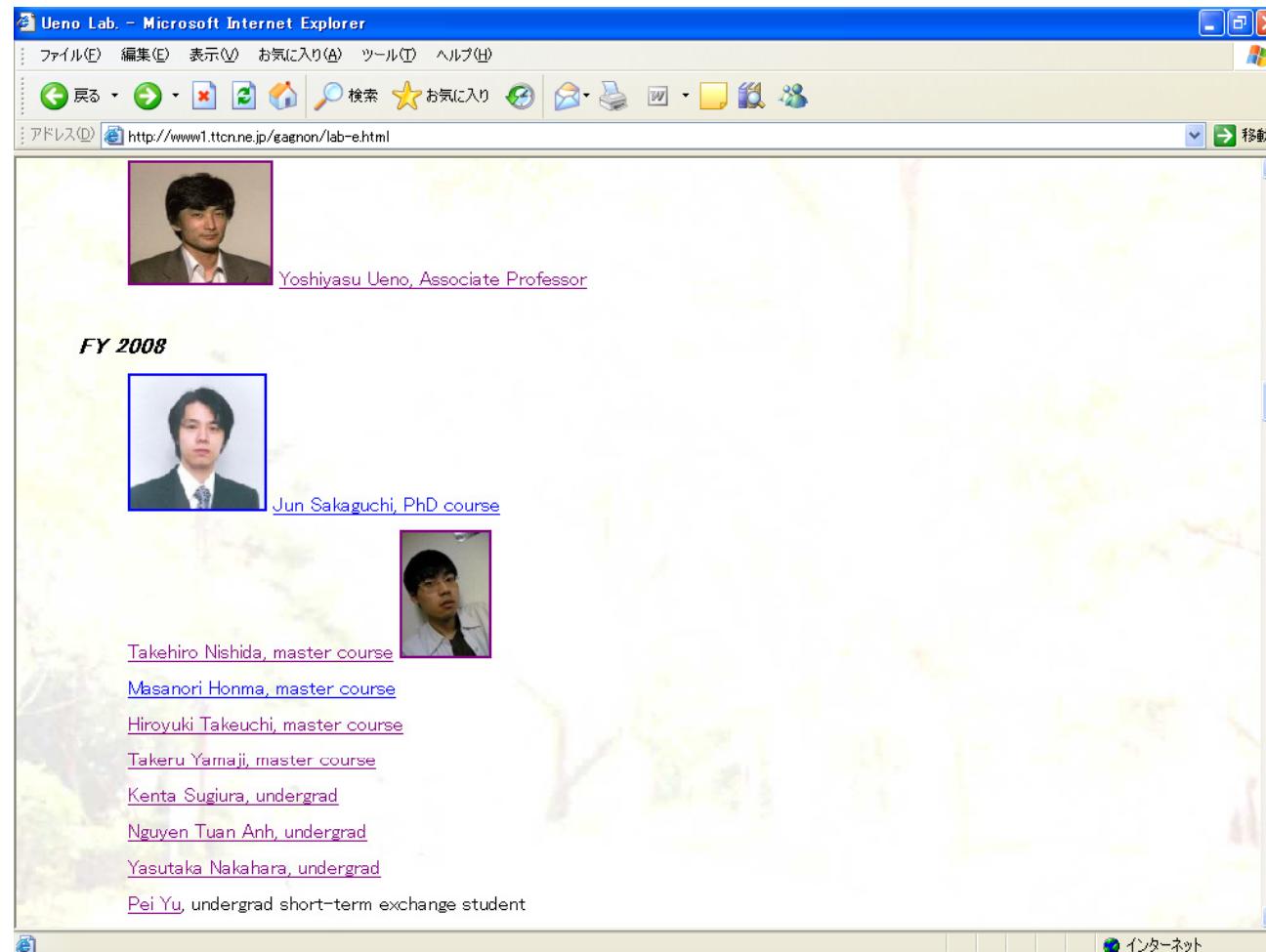
Our lab – Japan Aviation Electronics Industries, Ltd., 2006-2007

Our lab – MIC/NICT (Dr. Wada), 2007--



Grad- and undergrad-student members, FY2008

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FY 2008

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[Takehiro Nishida, master course](#)

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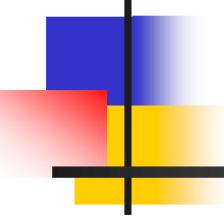
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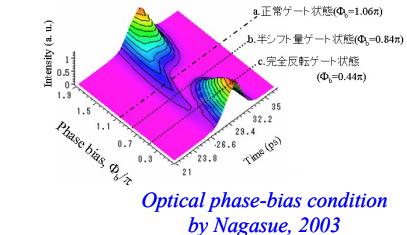
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*opening our laboratory
to anybody inside and outside campus*

*Graduated students
from our master- and doctor-courses*

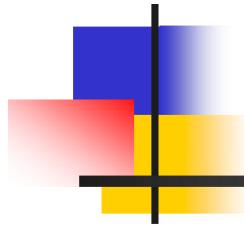


*Optical phase-bias condition
by Nagasue, 2003*

*we're walking step-by-step towards
our future life ...*

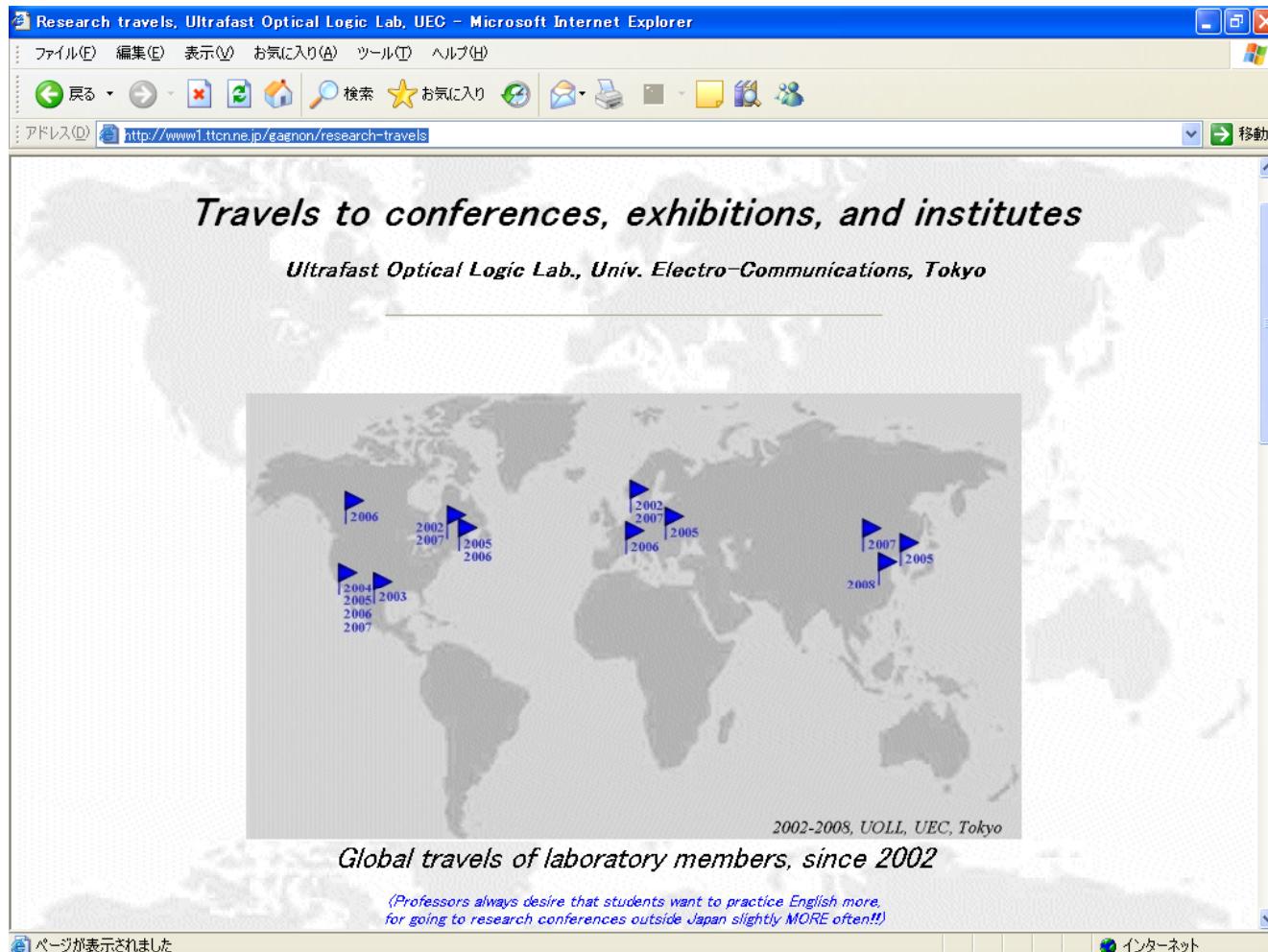


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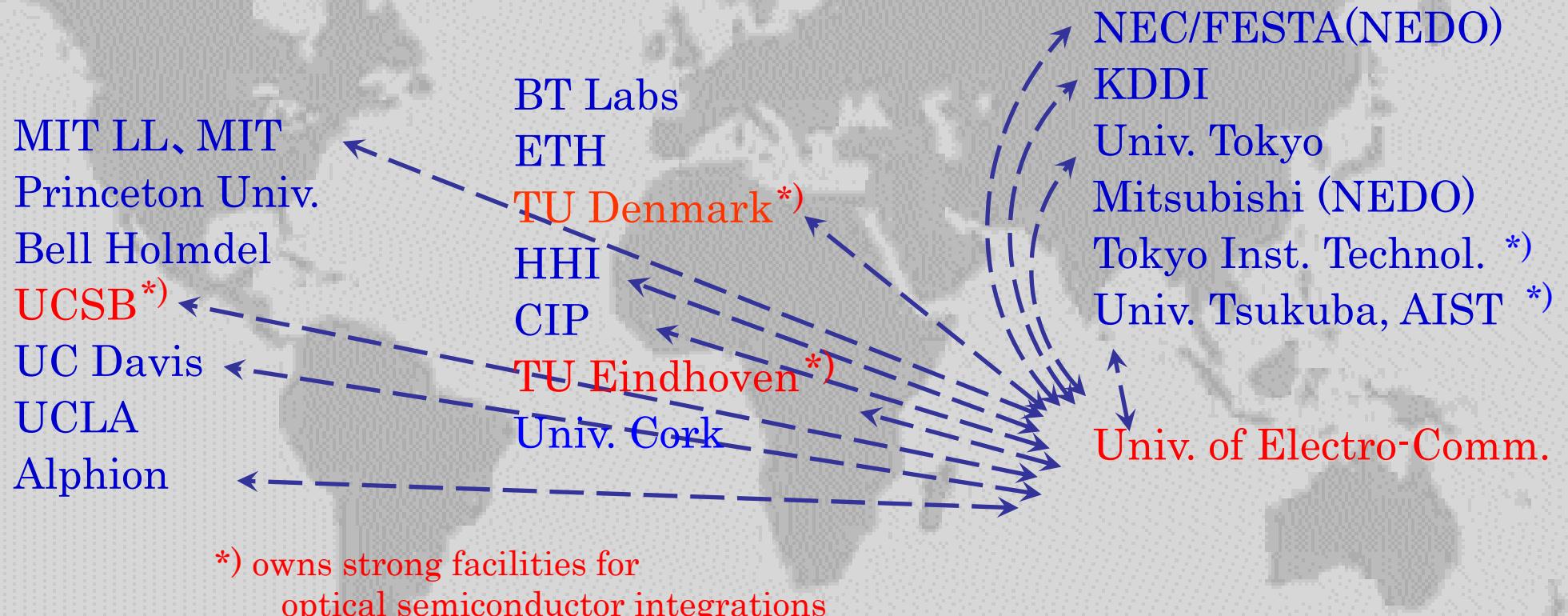
Travels to conferences

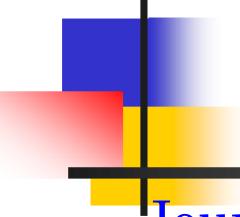
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Global spreads and collaborations (SMZ-DISC-related gate research)

*societies from IEEE LEOS, OSA, JSAP, IEICE
(OFC, ECOC, CLEO, IPRM)*



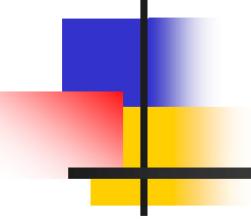


Selected publications, 2005-present

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- Y. Ueno, R. Nakamoto, J. Sakaguchi, and R. Suzuki, 'Optical-spectrum-synthesizer design within an all-optical semiconductor gate to reduce waveform distortion induced by carrier-cooling relaxation at sub-Terahertz frequencies,' *Optics Express* vol. 14, no. 26, pp. 12655-12664, Dec 25, 2006.
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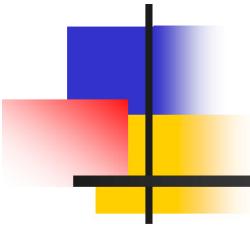


Selected publications, 2005-present

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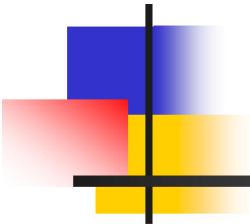
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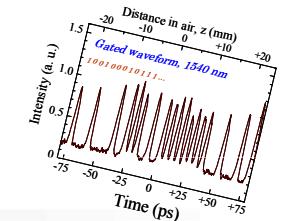
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- Hitachi Cable, Ltd.
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- Tokyo Institute of Technology (Titech)
- Mie Bank., Ltd.
- Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. (J-Power)
- eAccess, Ltd.
- Hitachi Communication Technologies, Ltd.
- Innotech Corporation
- NEC Corporation (System device research laboratories, Ohtsu city)
- Hitachi Kokusai Electric, Inc.
- Fujitsu Access, Limited
- NEC Corporation (computer division, Fuchu city)
- Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd. (Yokohama city)
- Nara Institute of Science and Technology, Research Associate
- Bookham, Inc. (Zurich plant, Switzerland)

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Location: Chofu city, Tokyo (border between metropolitan and suburb areas), Japan

Number of faculty members: 350

Number of bachelor students: 4,400 (120 from outside japan)

Number of grad students: 1,400 (180 from outside japan)

number of foreign students: 300 (more than half from China)

Number of affiliated international universities: about 20 (China, Australia, Thai, Estonia, etc.)

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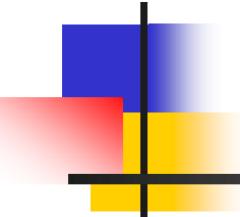
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CEP-locked frequency-comb, bose-einstein-condensation, atomic optics, etc.

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number of original member professors: 22

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- 1987-1994: [AlGaInP crystal growth and 680-nm red lasers](#), Opto-Electronics Research Labs. , NEC Corp.
- 1995-1996: visiting researcher in CREOL/UCF, USA.
- 1998: received PhD degree of Applied Physics, Univ. of Tokyo.
- 1996-2002: [Ultrafast all-optical semiconductor gates](#), Opto-Electronics Research Labs. , NEC Corp.
- 2002-present: [National University of Electro-Communications, Tokyo](#).

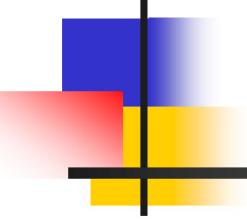
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