

# **Research at the Material and Chemical Sciences Beamline (9.3.2) at the ALS**

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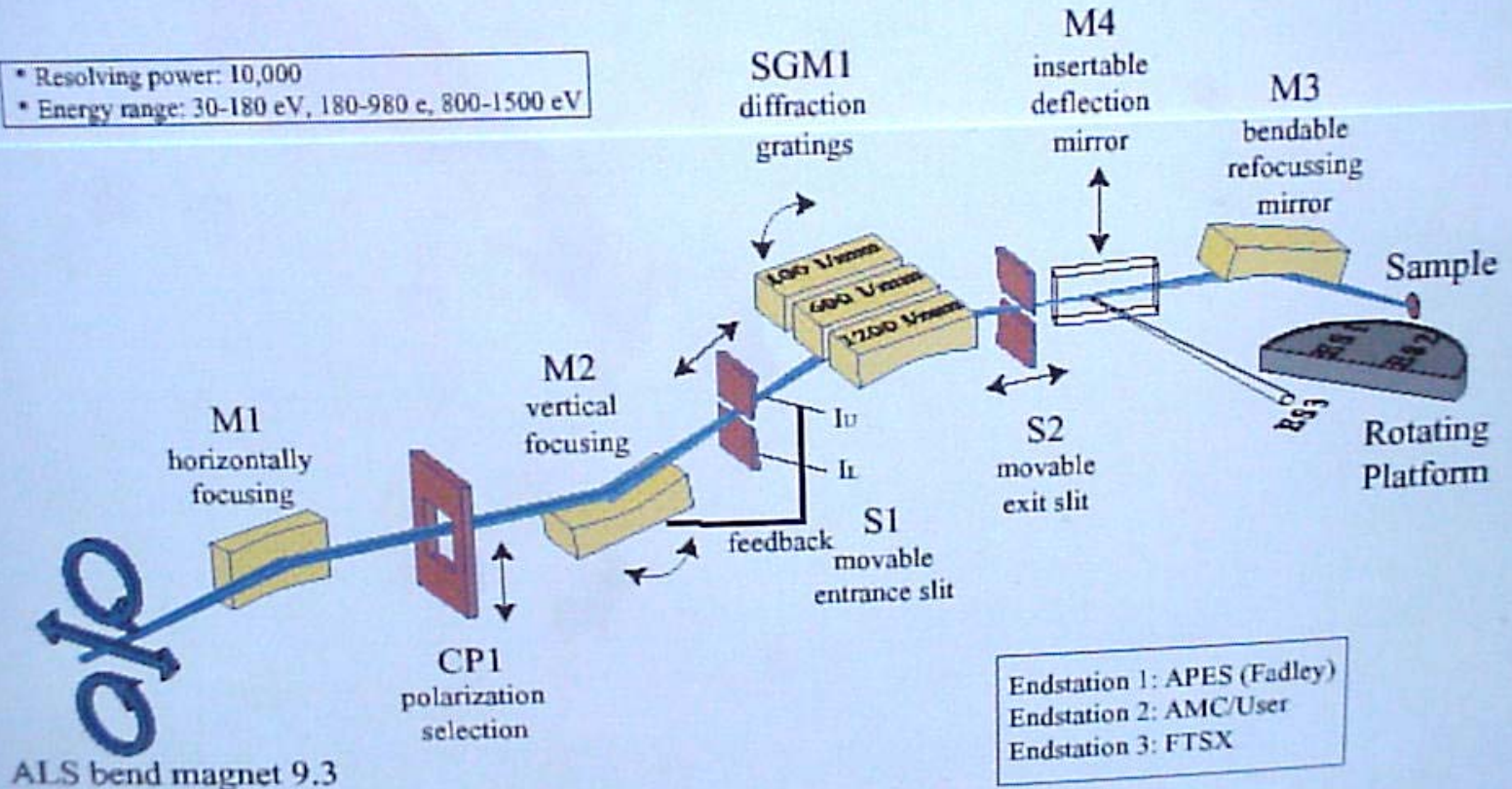
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# Talk Outline

- Introduction about the beamline and end stations.
- List of research projects performed at the beamline
- Two examples (gate oxides and high T<sub>c</sub> superconductivity)

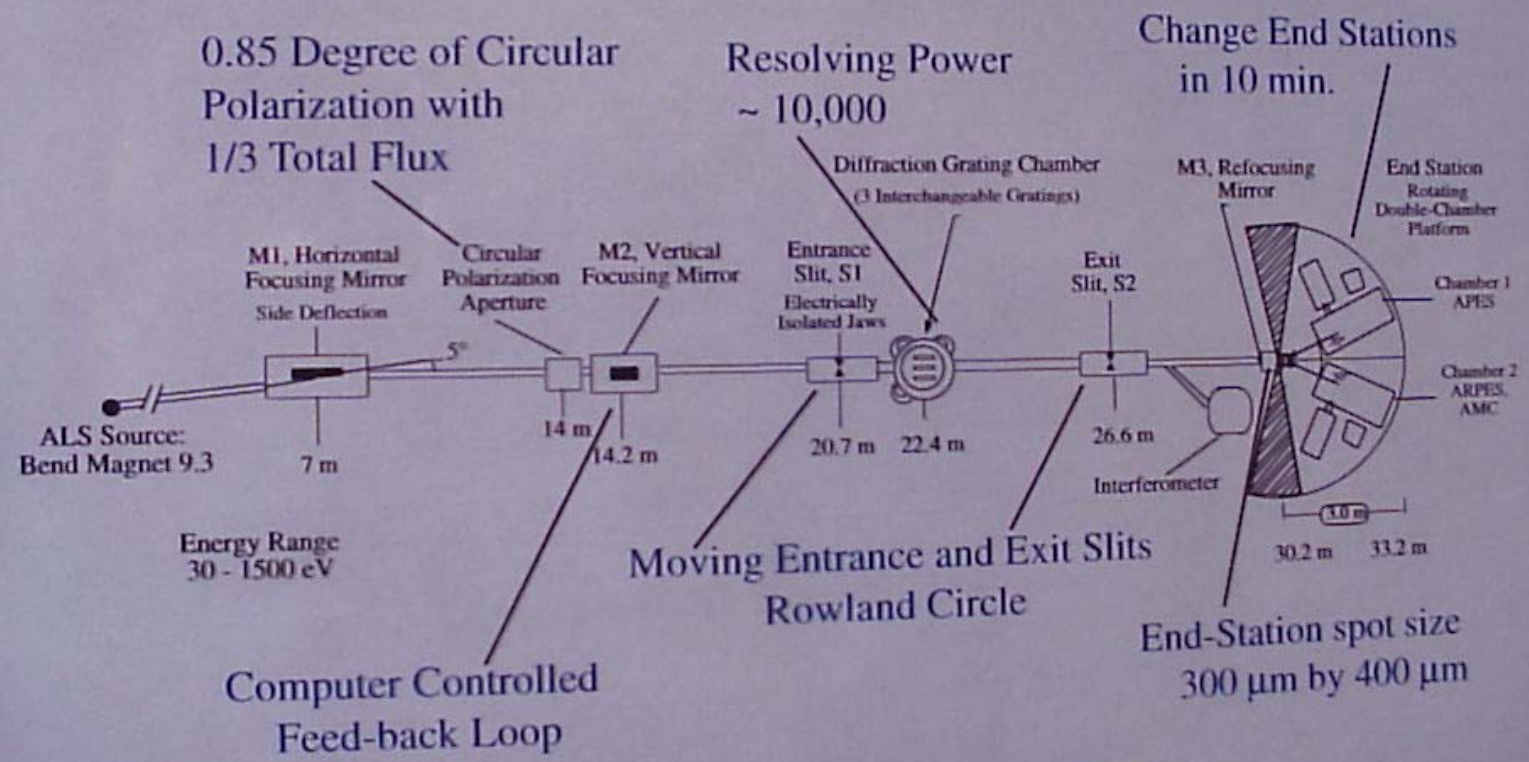
# ALS Beamline 9.3.2

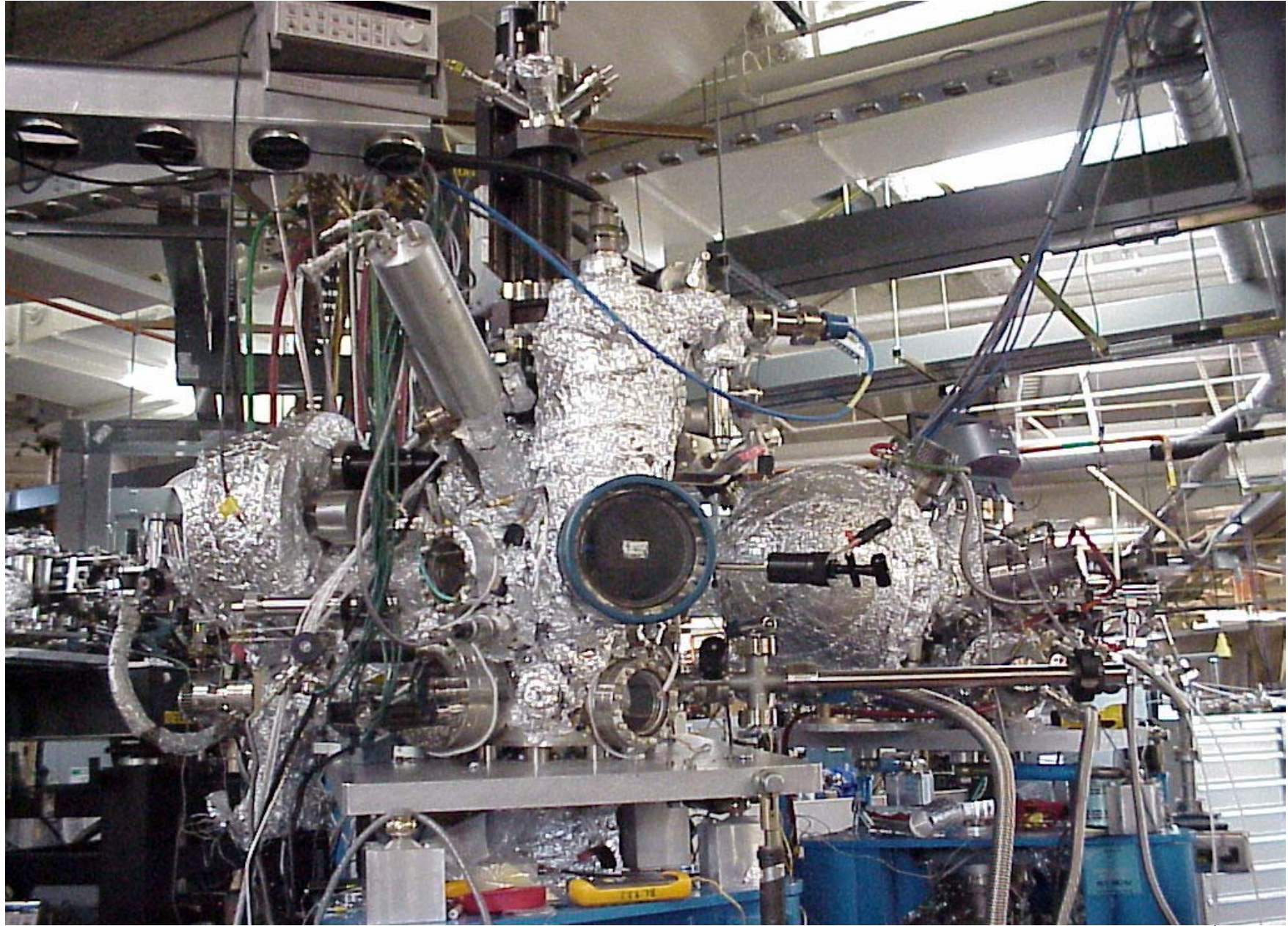
• Resolving power: 10,000  
• Energy range: 30-180 eV, 180-980 e, 800-1500 eV



# BEAMLINE 9.3.2

*hν = 30 eV — 1500 eV*





# Beamline properties

- Bend magnet, flux (1.9 GeV, 400 mA)  $\sim 10^{11}$  photons/s/0.1 BW at 400 eV)
- Energy range (30-1200) eV (could reach 1500 with low resolution), SGM, gratings; 100, 600, 1200 lines/mm)
- Linear and circular polarization
- High resolution ( $\Delta E/E \sim 5000$  typical, up to 10000)
- 3 different end station with very fast switching between end stations (less than 10 minutes)

# End Stations

<b>Advance Material Chamber (AMC)</b>	<b>High pressure Spectrometer</b>	<b>Fourier Transform Spectrometer FTSX</b>
<p>Atomic and electronic structure of surfaces, UHV comp. Solids up to 15 mm diameter</p> <p>Scienta SES 100 analyzer</p>	<p>Photoemission at P up to 10 Torr.</p> <p>PHI analyzer, 16 element multichannel detector with differentially pumped electron-transfer-lens system</p>	<p>R~ 1,000,000 at 60eV to resolve the double-ionizing series in helium.</p>
<p>Sputtering, evaporation, quartz crystal oscillator, LEED, XPS, NEXAFS, MCD, sample transfer, sample manipulator, heating, cooling,</p>		

B.L. 9.3.2 is a Strong SESAME  
promoter

Visits of Scientists from the Middle East

- **Tabet** (Algeria), **Jalil** (Palestine) , **Faiz** (Sri-Lanka), ( All from KFUPM, Saudi Arabia).
- **Hallak** (Betlehem University, Palestine).
- **Suzer** (Bilkent University, Turkey)
- **Abdelrahim**, (Kuwait).
- **Salim** (Pakistan, Canada).



# Achieved and on going projects

- **High resolution NEXAFS investigations of High Tc superconductors:** Several HTSC systems were investigated to study the hole concentration in the  $\text{CuO}_2$  planes.
  - $\gamma$ -irradiated BSCCO 2223 : Hamdan (AUS, ALS) Faiz,(KFUPM), Hussain (ALS)
  - Fluorinated Pb-doped Hg-1223 (Hamdan and Hussain)
  - Ce substitution in Tl-1223 and Tl-1212 (Hamdan, Salim (KFUPM) and Hussain)
  - Oxygen stoichiometry in Tl-1234 (Hamdan, Faiz, Hasan (AUS), Salim and Hussain.)

# Projects continued

- High resolution XPS study of oxide layers grown on Ge substrates, (Tabet, Faiz, Hamdan and Hussain).
- **"RESONANT PHOTOEMISSION OF Mn AT THE L2 and L3 EDGES IN THE PEROVSKITE  $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Sr}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ "**  
Christine Richter, Karol Hricovini and Vita Ilakovac, (University of Cergy-Pontoise, LPMS, France), N.M. Hamdan (ALS) C. Fadley, (UC Davis)

# HIGH RESOLUTION XANES AND XPS INVESTIGATION ON CATALYSIS

P. Jalil, M. Faiz, N. Tabet, N.M. Hamdan, J. Diaz, Z. Hussain

- Tungestophosphoric acid ( $\text{H}_3\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ ).
- Industrial catalysts:

Micro (*Zeolite Y, ZSM-5*)

Mesoporous Aluminosilicate catalyst,  
(*Al-MCM-41*).

# Projects-continued

- **Photoemission Study of Purpose-Built Nano-structured RuO<sub>2</sub>/Ru thin films on Plastic substrates for Electrocatalysis Application** (Hamdan, and *Jinghua Guo*, (ALS) *L. Vayssieres*, *A. Hagfeldt*, *S-E. Lindquist*, University of Uppsala, Sweden.)
- **Studies of self assembled monolayers and Langmuir-Blodgett films using NEXAFS and XPS** (A. Johnson, U. Nevada Las Vegas, N.M. Hamdan)
- **Assessment of nanoscale surficial and Interfacial films on Ceramic** (Cannon, LBNL, *Yoshiya* Japan, Hamdan) two articles are under preparation.

# Projects continued

- **VALENCE BAND PHOTEMISSION FROM PURE AND Sr DIFFUSED SINGLE CRYSTAL ANATASE TiO<sub>2</sub>(001) SURFACES.** S. Thevuthasan, V. Shutthanandan, M.A. Henderson, G.S. Herman\*, and S.A. Chambers, (PNL) S. Mun, N.M. Hamdan, D.K. Shuh, and C.S. Fadley,
- **X-RAY MAGNETIC CIRCULAR DICROISM EXPERIMENTS IN AMORPHOUS IRON SILICIDE and COBALT SILICIDE FILMS,** j. Diaz, (Universidad de Oviedo Spain), Hamdan and Hussain (ALS)
- Study of amorphous carbon structure, Diamond and graphite using NEXAFS and EXAFS, Diaz, Hamdan and Hussain

- Soft X-ray Photoemission Studies of Hf Oxidation, Sefik Suzer (Turkey), Hussain and Hamdan.

# Examples

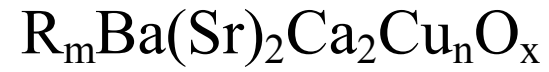
1- NEXAFS of HTSC  
(Investigation of Hole doping)

2-XPS and ARPES Study on  
Gate Oxides, an Industrial  
Application

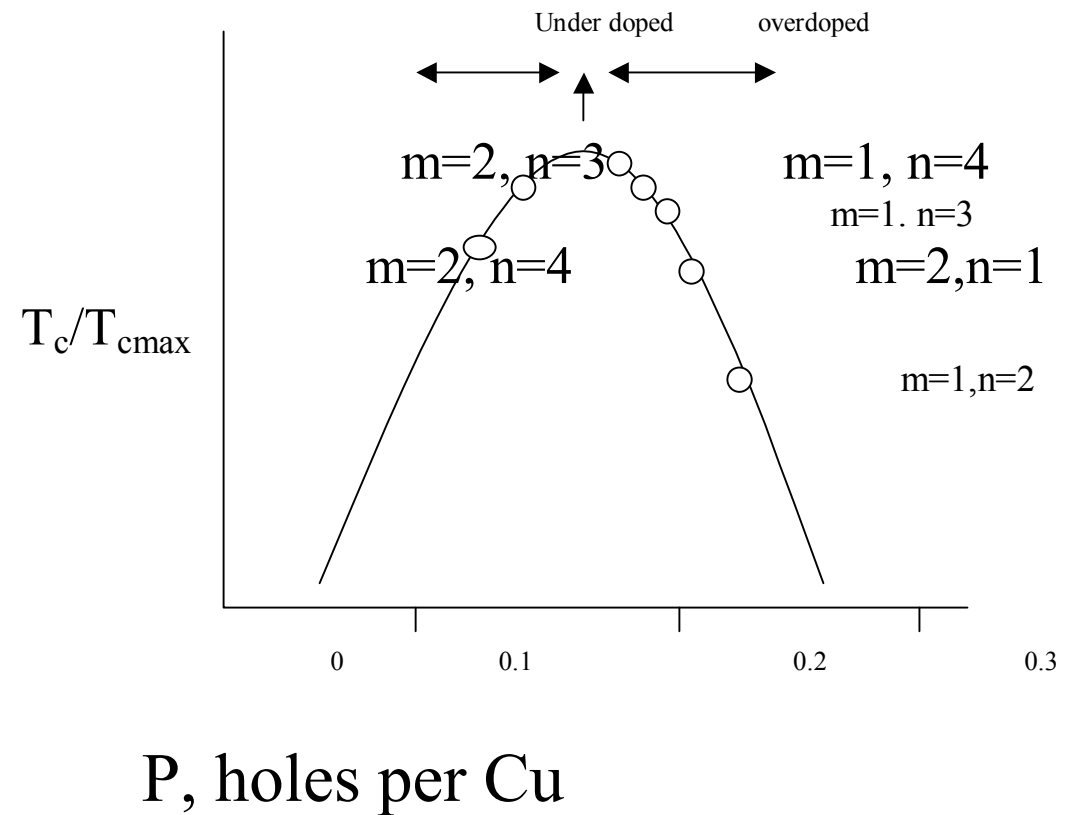
# Near Edge X-ray Absorption Fine Structure Spectroscopy in HTSC

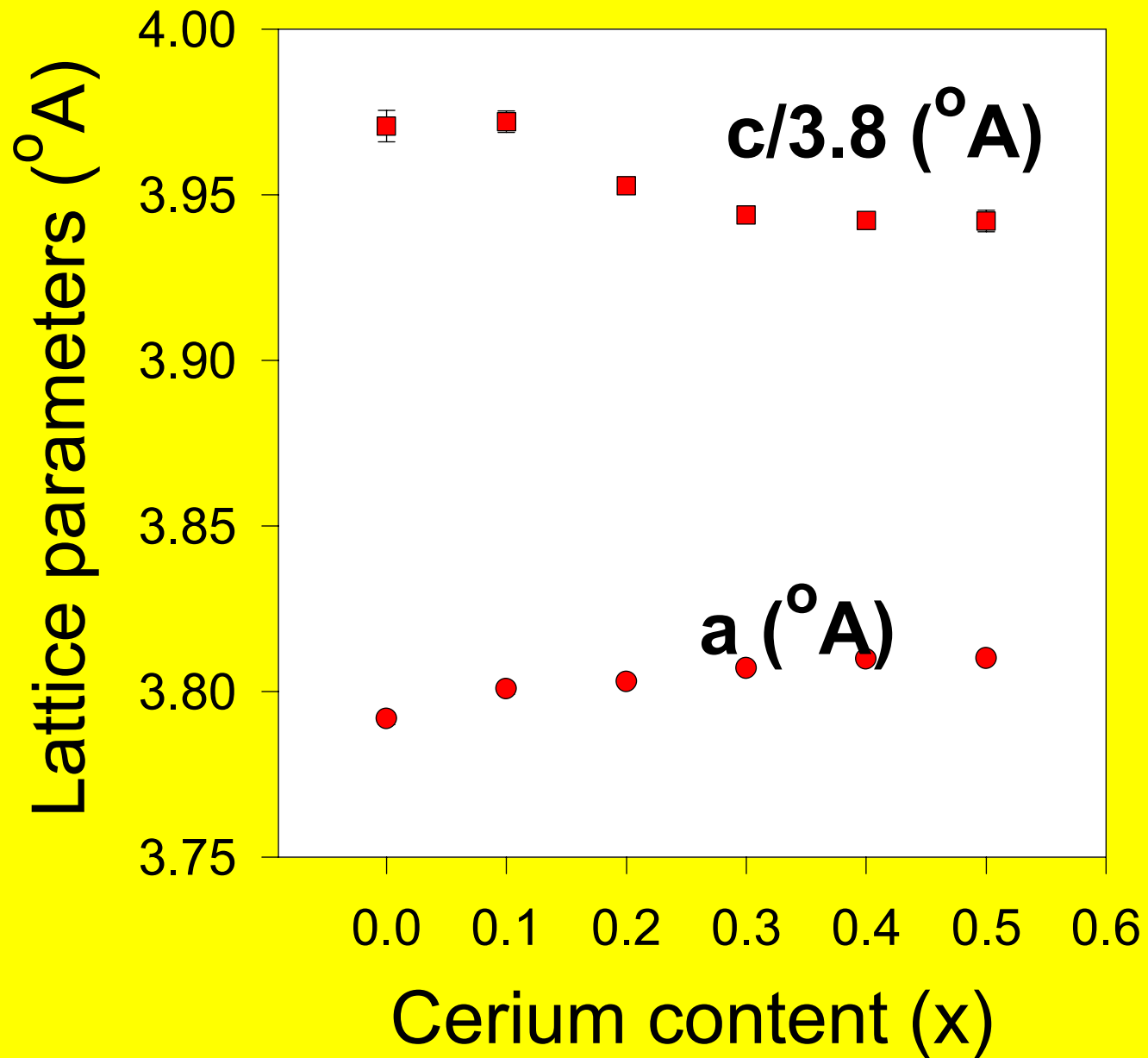
- $\text{Tl}_1\text{Ba}_2\text{Ca}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{10}$  is overdoped
- To optimize the hole doping through
  - Oxygen non-stoichiometry
  - Anion Substitution **F<sup>-</sup> for O<sup>=</sup>**
  - Cation substitution
    - $\text{Y}^{+3}$  for  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$
    - $\text{Pb}^{+4}$  for  $\text{Tl}^{+3}$
    - **$\text{Ce}^{+3,4}$  for  $\text{Sr}^{+2}$**



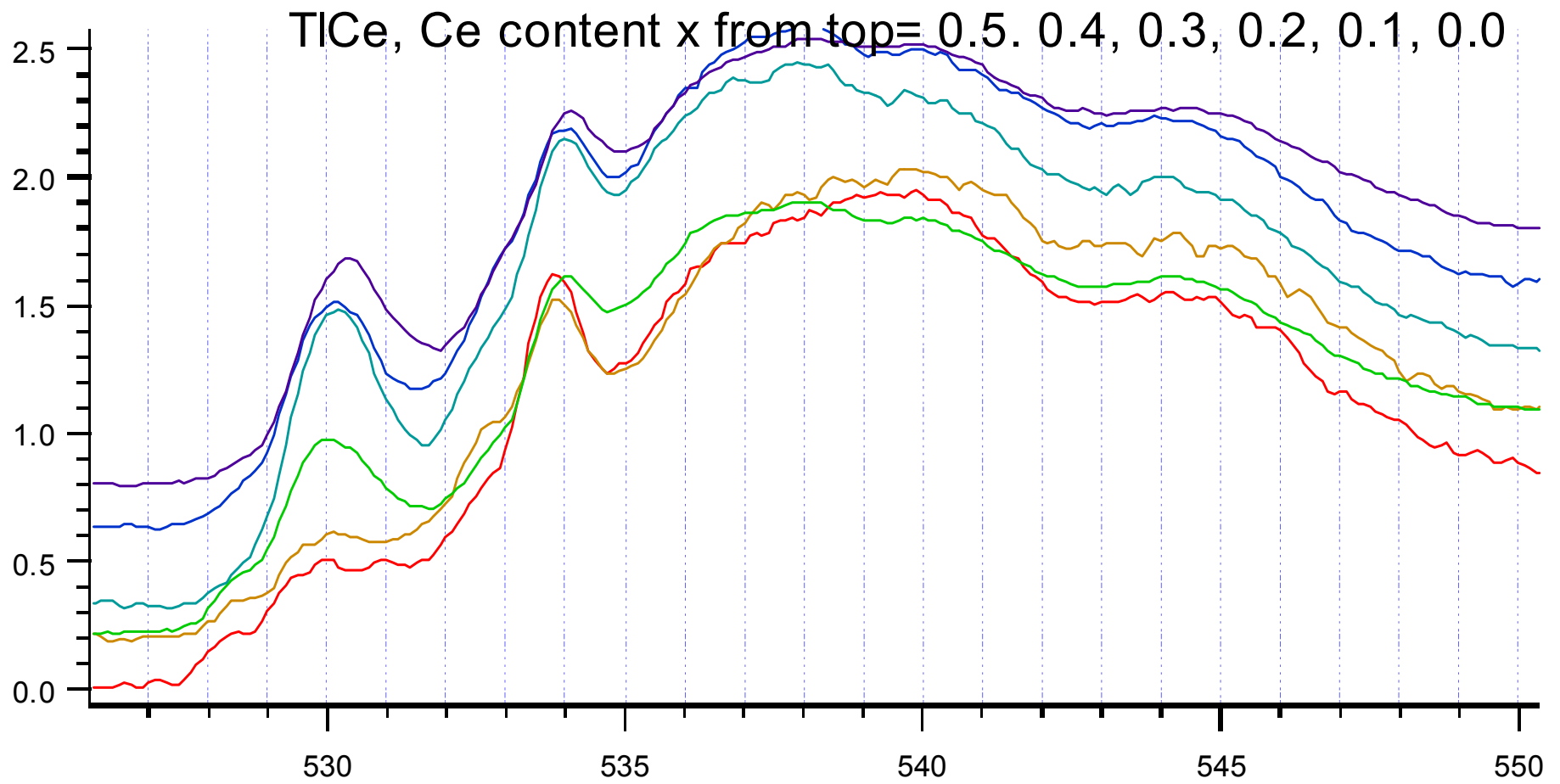


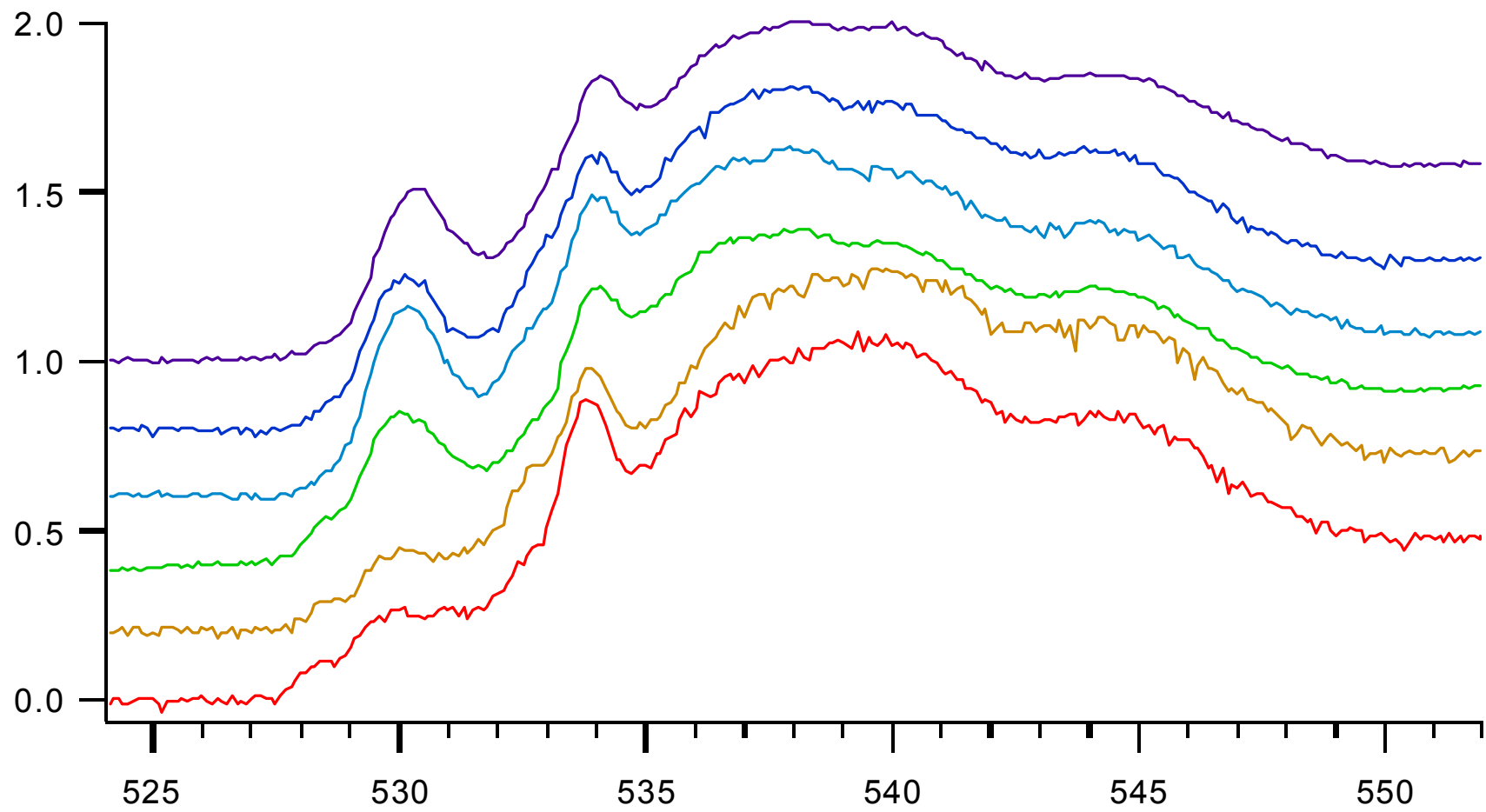
R= Hg, Tl











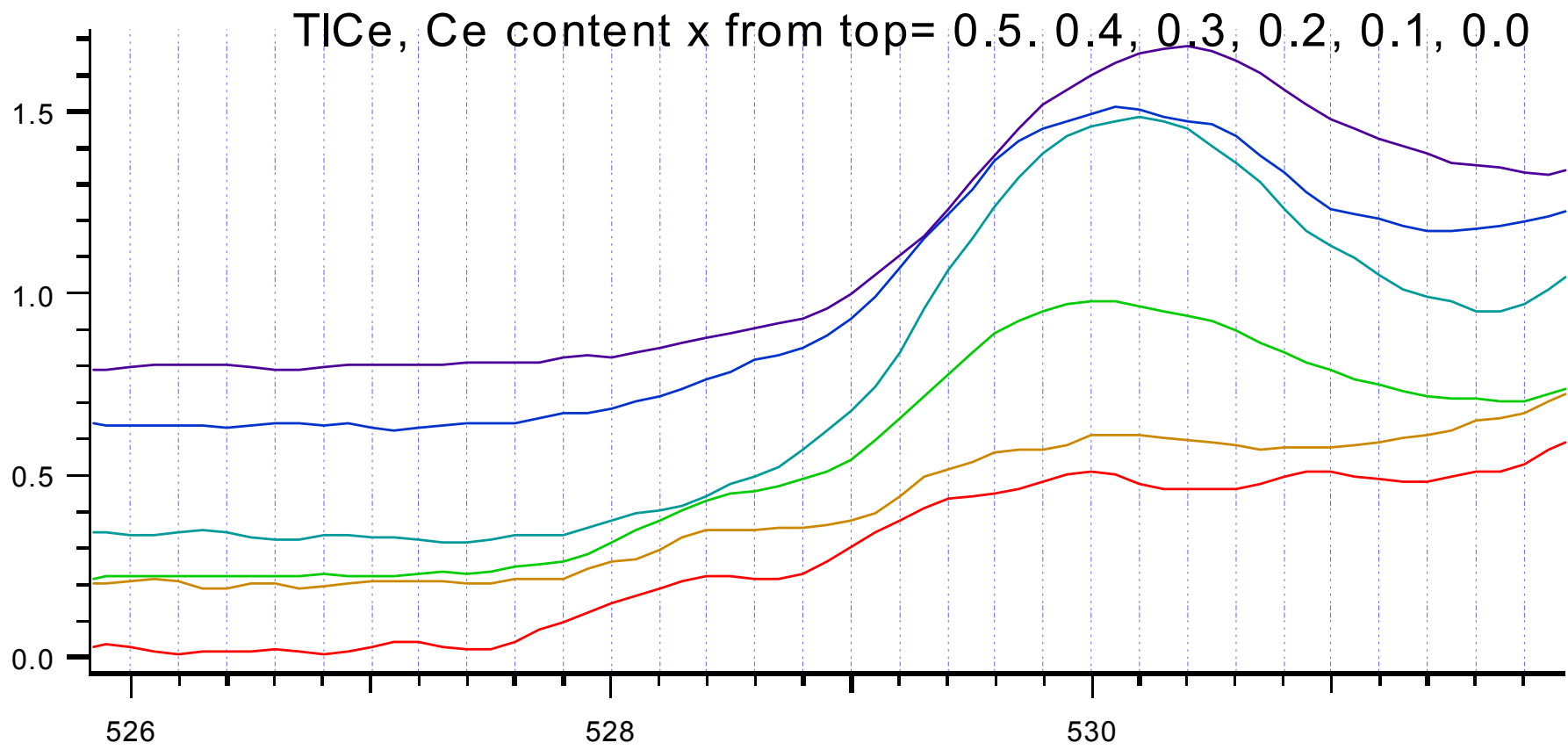
## O K-edge

- Pre-edge region First peak 528.3 eV is transition from O 1s core state to O 2p holes in the CuO<sub>2</sub> planes. It is directly proportional to the number of holes in CuO<sub>2</sub> planes.
- This assignment agrees with band structure calculations and polarized XAS measurements in single crystal HTSC.
- Intensity of this peak decreases systematically as Ce was replacing Sr, and hence decreasing the hole concentration in the CuO<sub>2</sub> planes near the Fermi level, and reduces the effective valence of Cu.

- The peak at  $\sim 530$  eV is ascribed to core level excitations of O 1s electrons to empty states with mainly 2p character located in the Sr and Tl-O planes.
- That explains the drastic increase in the intensity of this peak as Ce content was increased because of the higher Ce valency.
- Another possible final state that is responsible for this peak is the upper –Hubbard band of Cu 3d states hybridized with the O 2p states.

- The high energy range above the edge is mainly due to continuum absorption to Tl 6p, Sr 5d and Ba 4f empty states hybridized with O 2p.

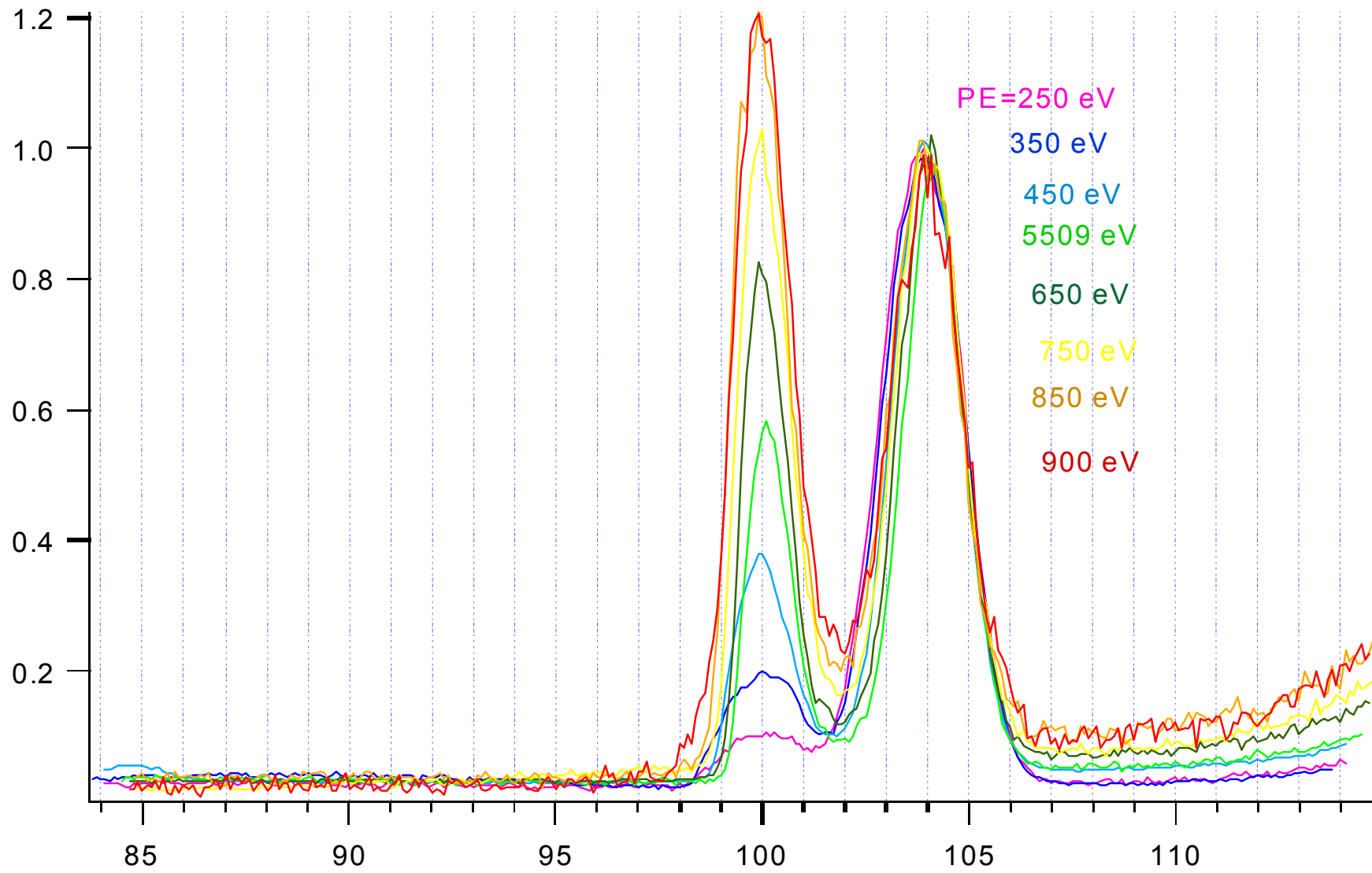


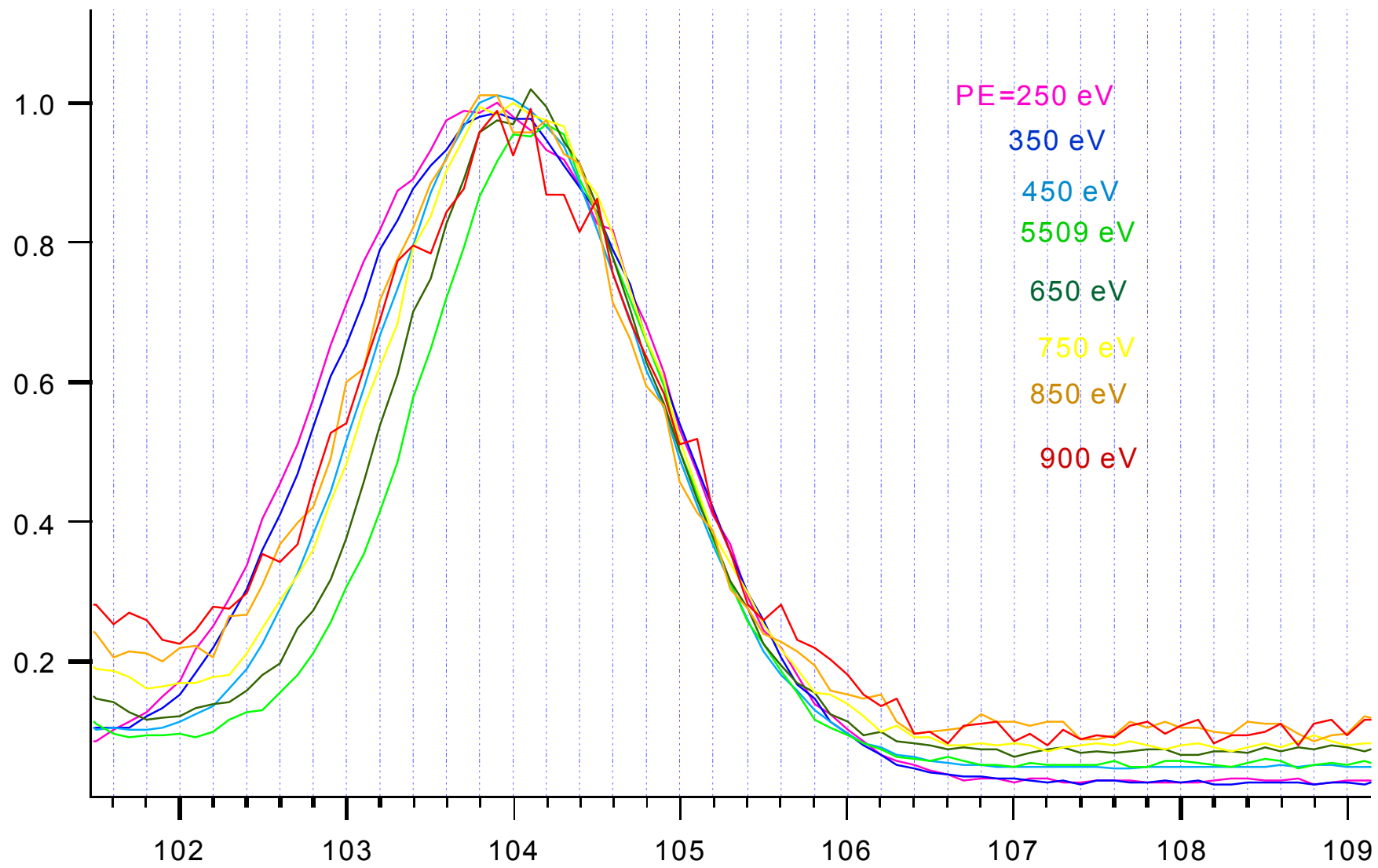


# Core level photoemission and structure in N doped Si/SiO<sub>2</sub> gate oxides

<b>ALS</b>	<b>Applied Materials</b>	<b>UC-Davis and LBNL</b>
Nasser Hamdan Zahid Hussein	CR Brundle Edward Principe	Charles Fadley

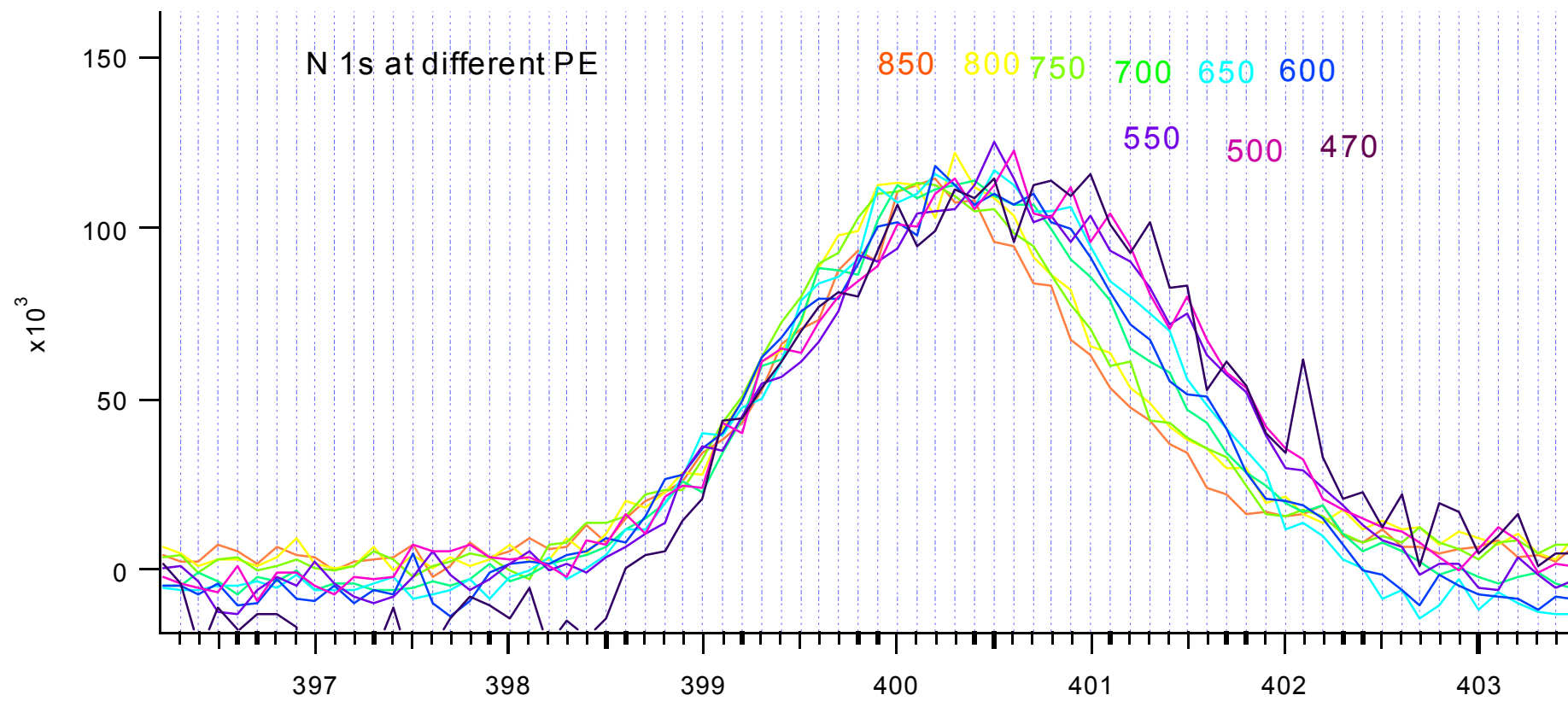
- Ultra thin films of N-SiO<sub>2</sub> on Si wafers (Pentium IV and V processors): AMD & Intel
- Real problems in manufacturing the wafers because of variations in the electrical properties of MOSFET gates.
- N increase    K value





# Si-ep

- Interested in  $\text{SiO}_2$  peak.
- Si sub-oxide:  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{SiO}_x\text{N}_y$ , Si



# N 1 s spectra

- Lower BE peak is due to  $\text{N} \equiv \text{Si}_3$  bond
- The attribution of the weaker peak due to non-stoichiometric silicon nitride. BE of  $\text{SiN}_x$  varies by  $\sim 1.2$  eV depending on  $x$ . ( $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$ ). N-O bonding is excluded as the BE of  $\text{NO}_x$  is much higher.