



# **Materials Science Education at KEIO University: Adopting U.S. Instruction Practices in Japan**

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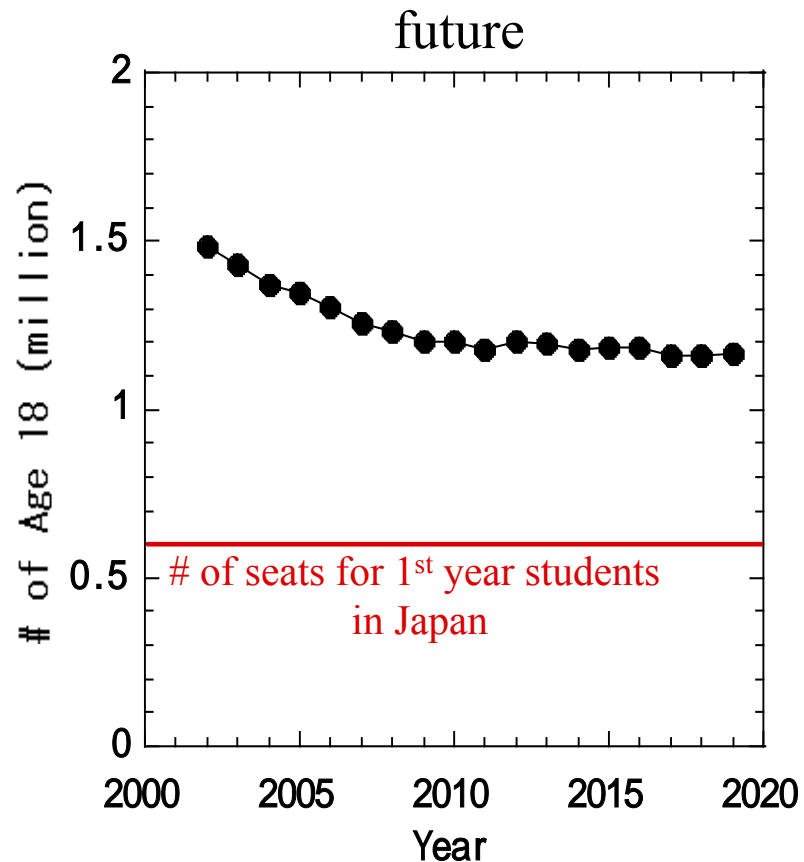
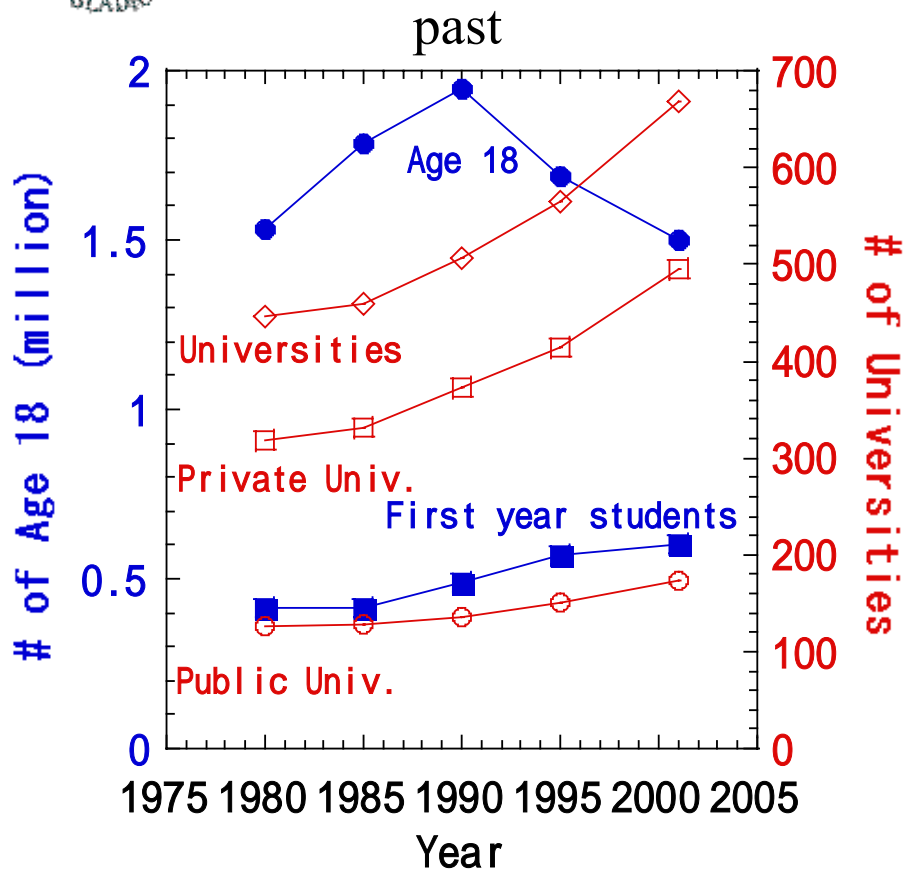
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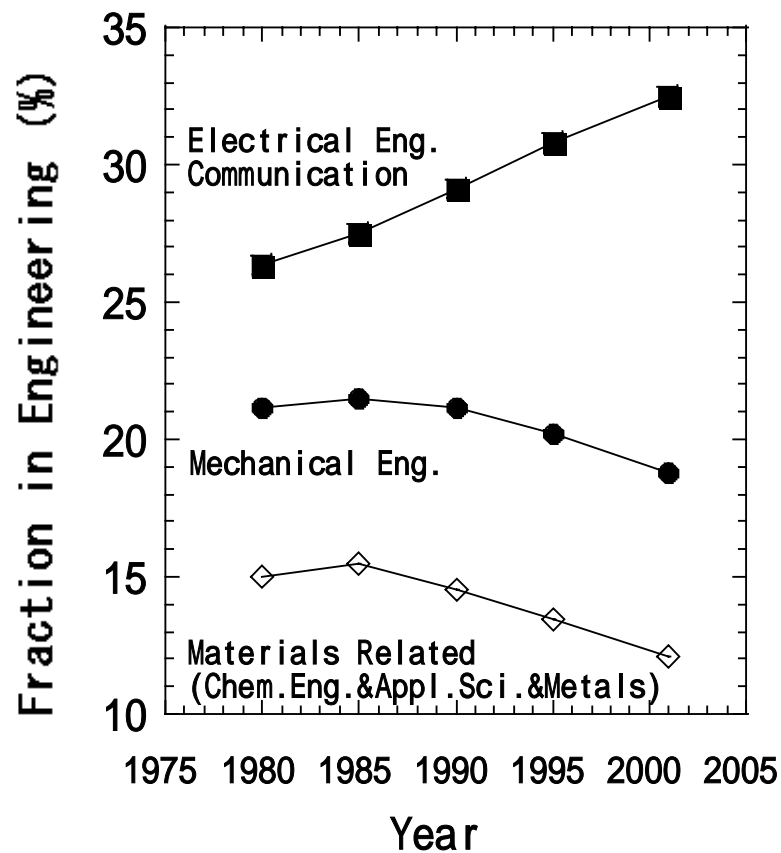
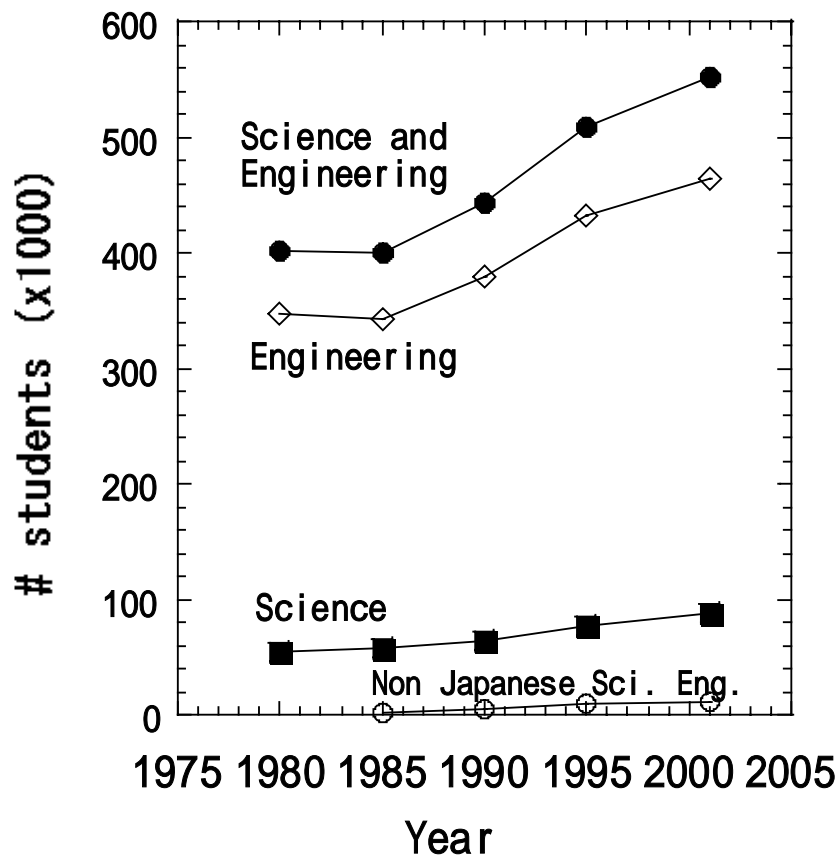


# Number of universities and population of age 18 in Japan





# Trend in Science and Engineering





# Keio University



Founder: Yukichi Fukuzawa

Established in 1858 (oldest priv. university)

Letters, Economics, Law, Medicine,  
Science&Technology, Business&Commerce  
Policy Management, Human Relation, etc.



1,500 Full-time faculty members

28,000 Full-time undergraduate students

Currently 6 (out of 22) Ministers of Japan  
are Keio graduates



# Science and Engineering at Keio

<http://www.st.keio.ac.jp/index-e.htm>

250 Full-time faculty members  
4500 Full-time undergraduate students  
1750 Full-time graduate students (MS&PhD)

## 11 Departments

Administration Engineering  
Applied Chemistry (MSE related)  
Applied Physics (MSE related)  
Biosciences and Informatics  
Chemistry (MSE related)  
Electronics and Electrical Eng. (MSE related)  
Information and Computer Science  
Mathematics  
Mechanical Eng. (MSE related)  
Physics (MSE related)  
System Design Engineering





# 1<sup>st</sup> year at Keio Sci. & Technology

## ***Course 1: Physics related***

1. Physics
2. Applied Physics
3. Electronics and Electrical Eng.
4. Mechanical Engineering

## ***Course 2: Math related***

1. Mathematics
2. Administration Engineering
3. Information and Computer Science

## ***Course 3: Chemistry related***

1. Chemistry
2. Applied Chemistry
3. Applied Physics
4. Bioscience and Informatics

## ***Course 4: Mechanics related***

1. Mechanical Engineering
2. System Design Engineering
3. Administration Engineering
4. Applied Chemistry

## ***Course 5: Information Related***

1. Information and Computer Science
2. Electronics and Electrical Eng.
3. System Design Engineering
4. Bioscience and Informatics

Each student belongs to one department from the 2<sup>nd</sup> year



# Introduction to Materials Science

***Freshmen in Course 1-5, 150 enrollments***

**Chapter 1: Crystal Structures&Defects**

**Chapter 2: Thermodynamics and Kinetics**

**Chapter 3: Materials Science of  
Japanese Katana (sword)**

**Chapter 4: Ceramics**

**Chapter 5: Electronic Materials**

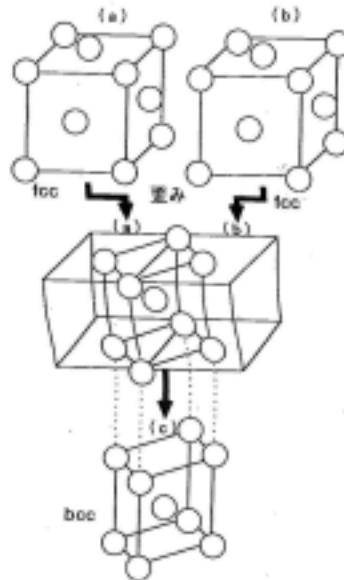
**Chapter 6: Magnetic Materials**

**Promote students' interest in Materials Science !**

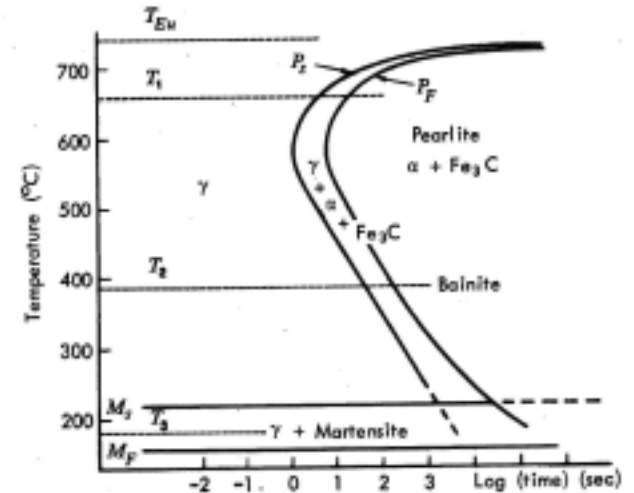




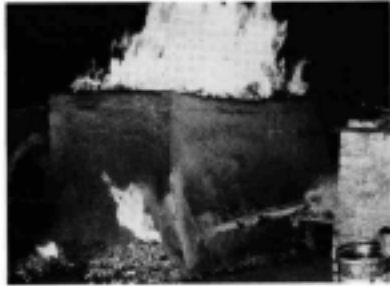
# Introduction to Materials Science



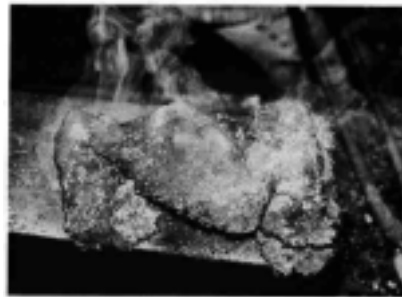
マルテンサイト変態（三島良雄編「100万人の金属学（材料編）」アグネ、1965より）



# Introduction to Materials Science



煉炭3日目の炉の状態



水戻された玉鋼



炉を削して雑炭(雑)をとりだす



チコ舎(チコ皿)を付ける



鑄出し作業



湯かされた鋼を大釜で叩く



① 割り返しのため、チガキを入れる



② 割り返される鋼



③ 割り返された鋼



④ 割り返し数回された鋼の断面

割り返し順序



(a) 横にチガキを入れる



(b) 割り返す



(c) 一枚に返す



(d) 横にチガキを入れる



(e) 割り返す



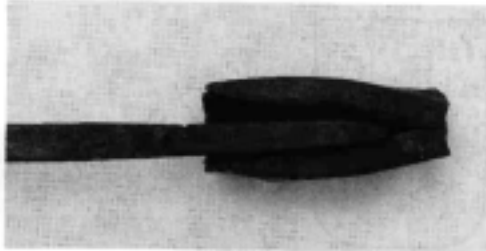
(f) 一枚に返す



(g) 横にチガキを入れる

十文字取え

# Introduction to Materials Science



心鉄を皮鉄で包む。



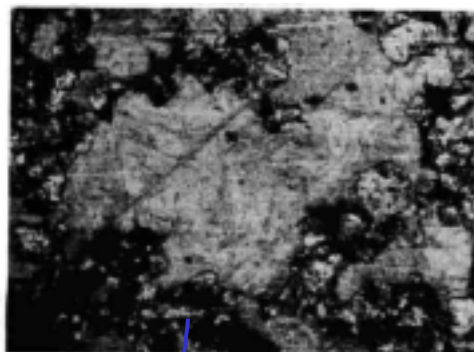
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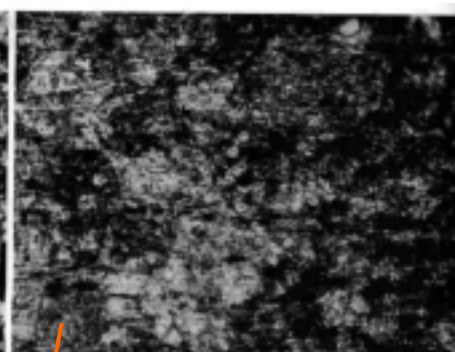
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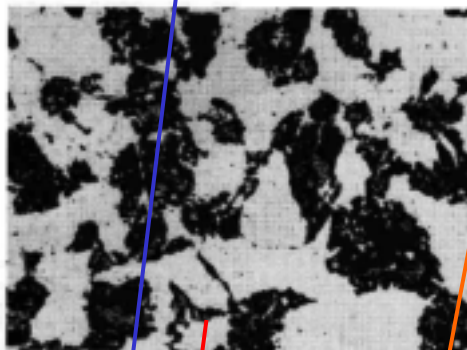
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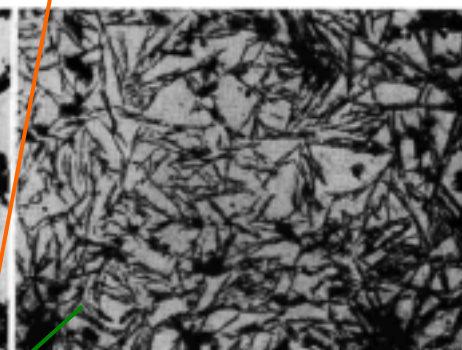
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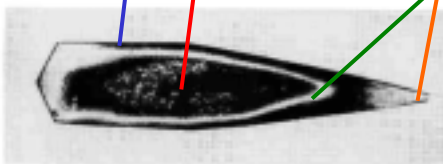
忠広の断面 (刃部の組織)。



忠広の断面 (深部の組織)。



忠広の断面 (心部刃文部寄りの組織)。



忠広の断面組織

刃文部マイクロ組織：マルテンサイト  
 + トルースタイト

刃部マイクロ組織：微細マルテンサイト

心部マイクロ組織：ソルバイト + フェ



# Materials Science Program at Dept. Applied Physics and Physico-Informatics

## Double major in Electrical Engineering and Physics (120/class)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> year: **Electricity and Magnetism, Engineering Math, Electronic Circuits, Programming, Logic Circuits, Quantum Physics, Thermal Physics, Labs**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year: **Control Engineering, Advanced Electronic Circuits, Signal Processing, Sensing Engineering, Math, Advanced Quantum Mechanics, Statistical Physics, Materials Science, Solid-State Physics, Photonics, Semiconductor Devices, Magnetics, Optical Fibers, Inorganic Electronics, Labs**
- 4<sup>th</sup> year: **Senior Research**

**Requirements in Red**



# Challenges

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## Japanese University Traditions

**Strict control of the Ministry of Education**

**Once a week lecture for every course**

**No teaching evaluation by students**

**Very little homework, same exams**

**Strong seniority system**

**No office hours**

**Little support for teaching assistants (TA)**



# Solid-State Physics for 3<sup>rd</sup> year

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## US teaching style

**Requirement – Every student must take it**

**Once a week lecture plus a discussion session by TA for 13 weeks**

**Homework every week for 10 weeks**

**Take home mid term exams**

**Final exams**

**Office hours, teaching evaluation**

**Mechanical grading (30% HW, 20% ME, 50% FE)**





# Evaluation by students (after UC Berkeley)

## GENERAL RATINGS

Please rank from one (1) to seven (7)

1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the **overall teaching effectiveness** of this instructor?
2. Focusing now on the course content, how **worthwhile was this course** in comparison to others you have taken in this department?

## CLASSROOM PRESENTATION

Please rank from one (1) to five (5)

1. Gives lectures that are well organized.
2. Is enthusiastic about the subject matter.
3. Identifies what he/she considers important.
4. Has an interesting style of presentation.
5. Uses visual aids and blackboards effectively.

## INTERACTION WITH STUDENTS

Please rank from one (1) to five (5)

1. Encourages questions from students,
2. Is careful and precise in answering questions.
3. Relates to students as individuals.
4. Is accessible to students outside of class.
5. Is friendly and helpful to students during office hours.

## ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMS

Please rank from one (1) to five (5)

1. Gives interesting and stimulating assignments.
2. Gives exams that permit students to show their understanding.
3. Uses a grading system that is clearly defined and equitable.

## COURSE

Please rank from one (1) to five (5)

1. Required course material is sufficiently covered in lecture.
2. Pace of the course is too fast.
3. The required text/notes are beneficial.
4. Workload is heavier than for courses of comparable credit.



# Reaction to the US style

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**1/2 love it, 1/4 think OK, 1/4 hate it.**

## **Students who like it**

- have learned a lot (regardless of final grades)**
- have found Materials Science very interesting**
- have started graduate studies in the US**

## **Students who think OK**

- have found the work overwhelming**
- have stronger interests in other fields (subjects)**

## **Students who hate it**

- have not been prepared for so much work**
- have found it unfair**



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Labs

Once a week, 5 hours, for 24 weeks

Power Amplifier

Statistical data processing

Brownian motion

Hall effect

Liquid crystal

Light emitting diodes

Logic circuits

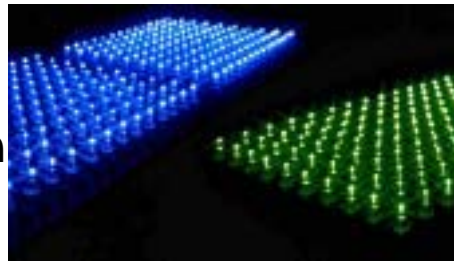
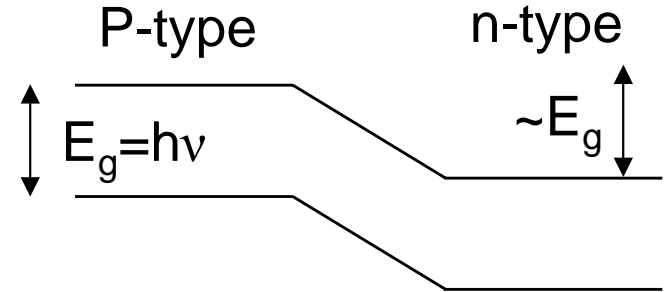
Analog computing

Simulation and modeling

Dielectrics and Phase transition

Optical fibers , etc. etc.

Example: Light emitting diodes (LED)  
Measure I-V and C-V of  
Green, Blue, Orange, and Red LEDs

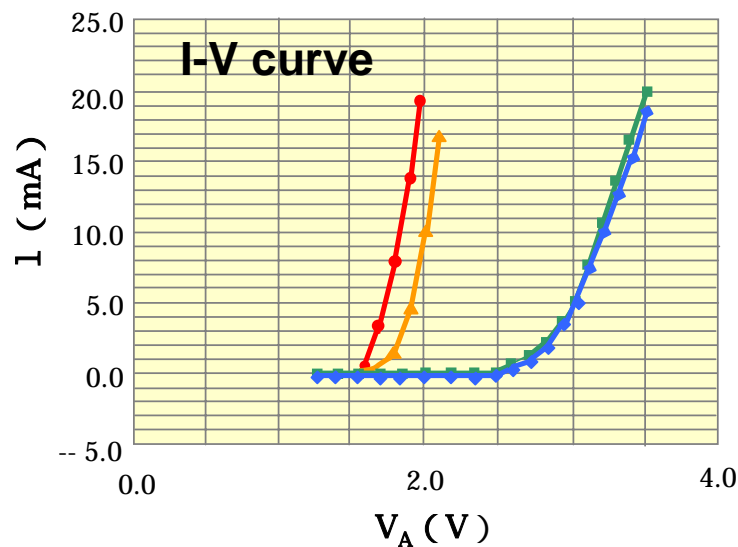


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Orange	~2.1 eV
Green	~2.5 eV
Blue	~2.8 eV

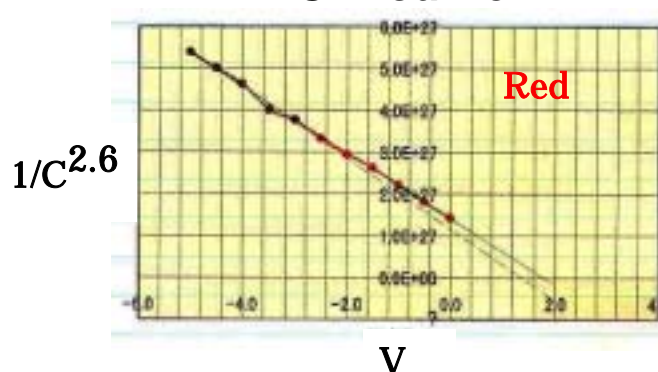
# 3<sup>rd</sup> Year LED Experiment



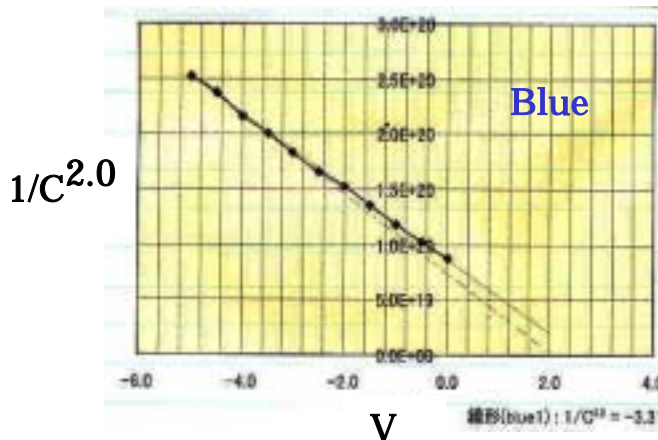
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**C-V curve**



$1/C^3$  for linearly-graded junction



$1/C^2$  for step junctions



# 4<sup>rd</sup> Year Senior Research

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**Every student chooses an advisor and performs research**

**Students take less than 3 courses in their 4<sup>th</sup> year**

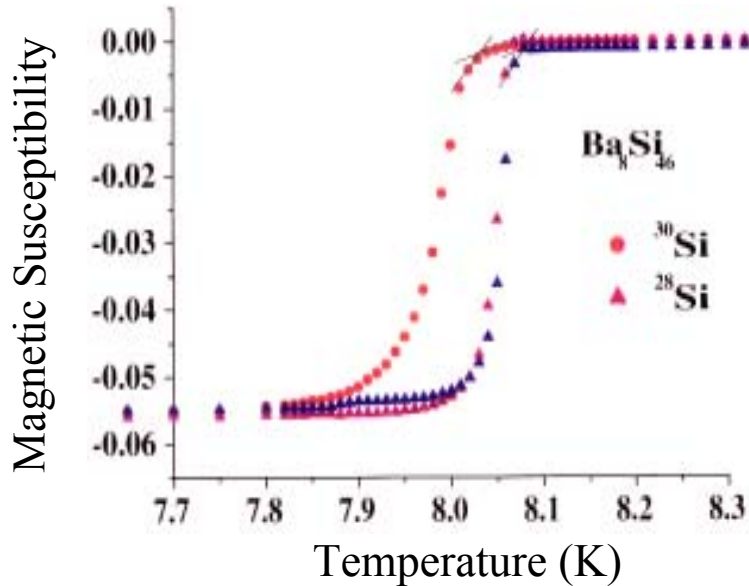
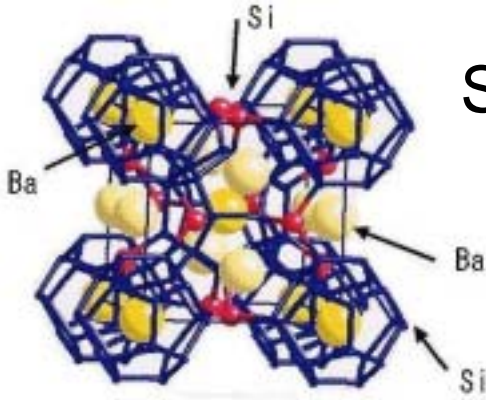
**Each research group establishes study group**

**Unique opportunity to experience what is like to be  
scientists and engineers**

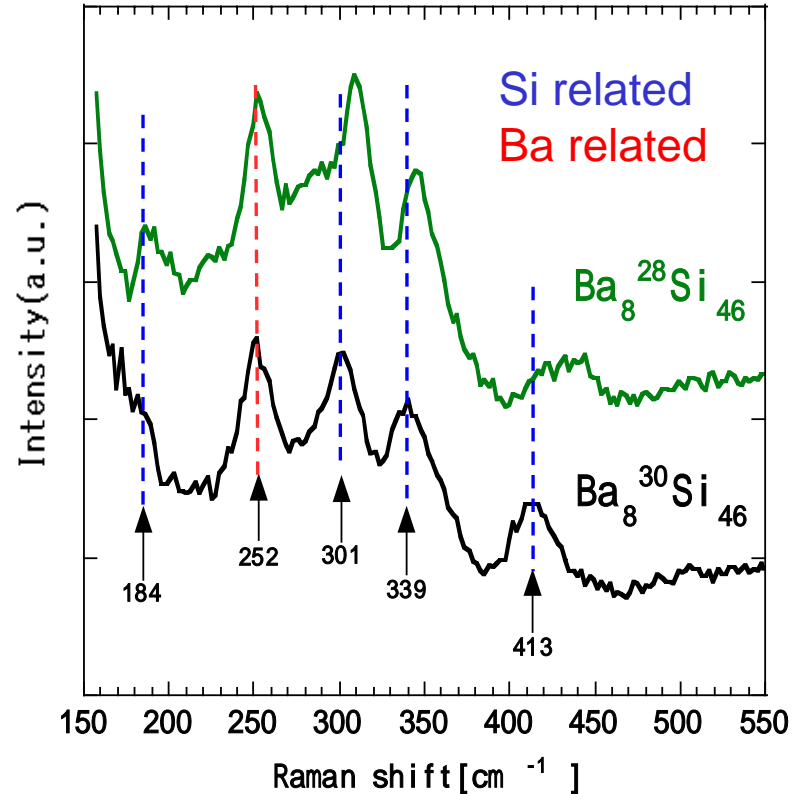
**Experience research proposals, thesis writing,  
presentation, and possibly publishing journal papers.**

**Opportunity for faculty members to evaluate students'  
ability to perform research**

# Superconductivity in $\text{Ba}_8^{28}\text{Si}_{46}$ and $\text{Ba}_8^{30}\text{Si}_{46}$



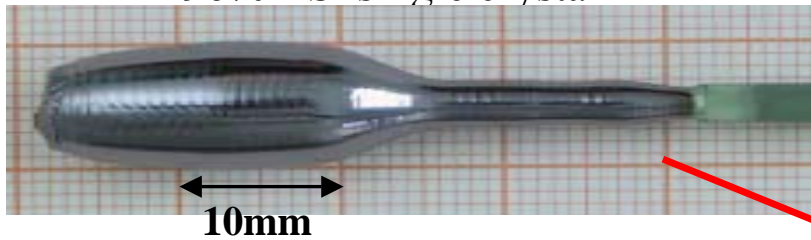
## Vibrational spectroscopy by Raman



# Senior Research Topics at Itoh Group

**Molecular Beam Epitaxial (MBE)  
growth of isotopically engineered  
low-dimensional silicon structures**

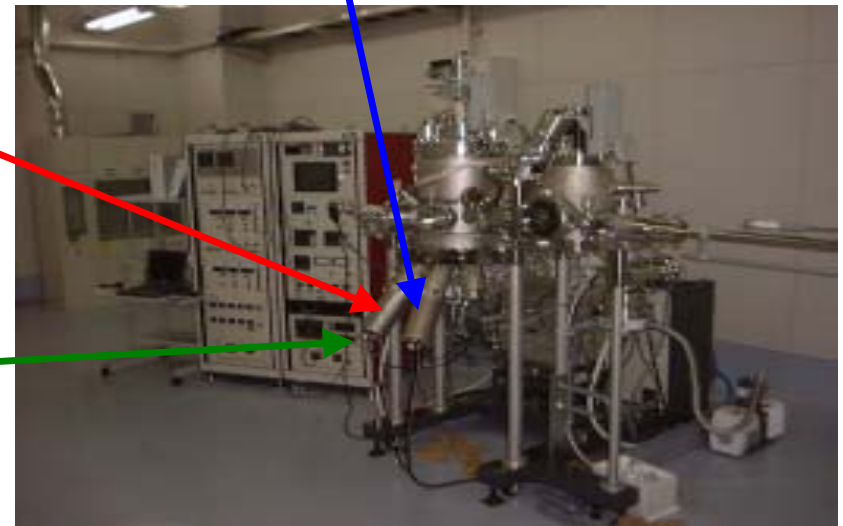
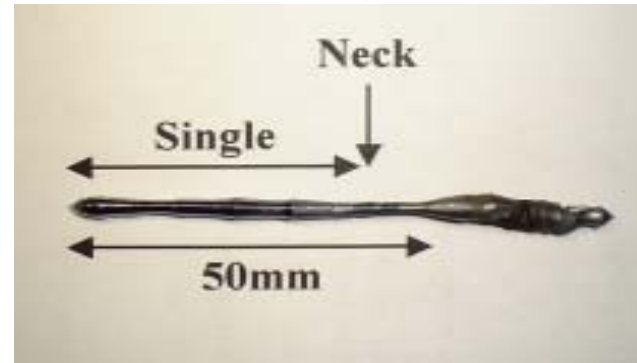
96%  $^{29}\text{Si}$  single crystal



99.3%  $^{30}\text{Si}$  single crystal



99.92%  $^{28}\text{Si}$  single crystal





# Summary

**Interest in Engineering is going up but in Materials Science is going down in Japan**

**1<sup>st</sup> year general Materials Science course is important**

**US teaching style has been well received**

**Strong emphasis on undergraduate lab courses**

**Senior research has been successful**

**English-based graduate programs on Nanoscience is starting on Fall 2003.**

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