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Tender X-Ray RIXS at PETRA-III

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Resonant inelastic x-ray scattering (RIXS) [1] is a momentum resolved x-ray spectroscopy technique that requires high energy resolution around specific atomic absorption edges. This usually means the L_{2,3}-edges of the transition metals (3d, 4d, and 5d TMs) and a resolution on the order of $\Delta E \sim 50$ meV, making it possible to measure spin-waves and atomic multiplets in d-electron systems. However, the L_{2,3}-edges of the 4d TMs compounds –located in the tender x-ray regime (2-4 keV) –are not easily accessible or compatible with operating soft and hard x-ray RIXS instruments. In light of this problem, the Max-Planck Institute in Stuttgart and beamline P01 at Petra III DESY constructed in 2017 a new RIXS instrument dedicated solely to tender x-rays [2]. The instrument, dubbed IRIXS (intermediate x-ray energy RIXS), was originally intended for the Ru L₃-edge (2840 eV) [3,4] but has since then been expanded to other 4d edges, including Rh L_{2,3}-edge (3004 and 3146 eV) and Ag L_{2,3}-edge (3351 and 3523 eV), as well as edges beyond the TMs such as U M_{4,5}-edge (3550 and 3725 eV) [5] and S K-edge (2470 eV). Here I will argue that all of this is now possible thanks to our renewed interest in developing and making spherically bent and diced x-ray analysers (quartz [6] and LiNbO₃), a work that has been partially carried out in collaboration with the Advanced Photon Source at Argonne [7]. Finally, I will present the IRIXS Spectrograph [8], a concept based on a flat silicon crystal analyser, and show how such a detection scheme can profit from the PETRA-IV project.

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I plan to submit also conference proceedings

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