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Autoimmune diseases are prevalent and often life-threatening syndromes, yet the pathogenic triggers
and mechanisms involved remain mostly unresolved. Protein asparagine linked- (N-) glycosylation produces glycan structures that substantially differ among the extracellular compartments of evolutionarily divergent organisms. Alpha-mannosidase-II (αM-II) deficiency diminishes complex-type N-glycan branching in vertebrates and induces an autoimmune disease in mice similar to human systemic lupus erythematosus. We found that disease pathogenesis provoking glomerulonephritis and kidney failure was nonhematopoietic in origin, independent of complement C3 and the adaptive immune system, mitigated by intravenous administration of immunoglobulin-G, and linked to chronic activation of the innate immune system. N-glycans produced in αM-II deficiency bear immune-stimulatory mannose-dependent ligands for innate immune lectin receptors, disrupting the phylogenetic basis of this glycomic recognition mechanism. Thus, mammalian N-glycan branching safeguards against the formation of an endogenous immunologic signal of nonself that can provoke a sterile inflammatory response in the pathogenesis of autoimmune disease.

Initiation of protein O glycosylation by the polypeptide GalNAcT-1 in vascular biology and humoral immunity

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Core-type protein O glycosylation is initiated by polypeptide N-acetylgalactosamine (GalNAc) transferase (ppGalNAcT) activity and produces the covalent linkage of serine and threonine residues of proteins. More than a dozen ppGalNAcTs operate within multicellular organisms, and they differ with respect to expression patterns and substrate selectivity. These distinctive features imply that each ppGalNAcT may differentially modulate regulatory processes in animal development, physiology, and perhaps disease. We found that ppGalNAcT-1 plays key roles in cell and glycoprotein selective functions that modulate the hematopoietic system. Loss of ppGalNAcT-1 activity in the mouse results in a bleeding disorder which tracks with reduced plasma levels of blood coagulation factors V, VII, VIII, IX, X, and XII. ppGalNAcT-1 further supports leukocyte trafficking and residency in normal homeostatic physiology as well as during inflammatory responses, in part by providing a scaffold for the synthesis of selectin ligands expressed by neutrophils and endothelial cells of peripheral lymph nodes. Animals lacking ppGalNAcT-1 are also markedly impaired in immunoglobulin G production, coincident with increased germinal center B-cell apoptosis and reduced levels of plasma B cells. These findings reveal that the initiation of protein O glycosylation by ppGalNAcT-1 provides a distinctive repertoire of advantageous functions that support vascular responses and humoral immunity.
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To evaluate the accessibility of webpages, it should be checked whether the pages include layout-purpose <table> tags. We propose a method for the detection that is based on machine learning. The proposed method derives a <table> tag classifier that deduces the purpose of a <table> tag: the classifier deduces whether a <table> tag is a layout-purpose one or a table-purpose one. We have developed a system that derives classification rules by ID3. Classification accuracy was evaluated by cross validation with 200 test data collected from the Web. Result of the evaluation revealed that 1) the tags can be roughly classified with attribute values of border, number of rows, number of tags that appear ahead of the <table> tag, and the nest of <table> tags (i.e., these attributes are more likely to appear in upper layers in decision trees), and 2) the accuracy rates are about 90% for the 200 test data.

Evaluation of P2P Information Recommendation Based on Collaborative Filtering

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Collaborative filtering is a social information recommendation/filtering method, and the peer-to-peer (P2P) computer network is a network on which information is distributed on the peer-to-peer basis (each peer node works as a server, a client, and even a router). This research aims to develop a model of P2P information recommendation system based on collaborative filtering and evaluate the ability of the system by computer simulations based on the model. We have developed a computer simulator and tested simulations with several parameter settings. From the results of the simulations, recommendation recall and precision are evaluated. Findings are that the agents are likely to overly recommend so that the recall score becomes high but the precision score becomes low.
Tool for Detecting Webpage Usability Problems from Mouse Click Coordinate Logs

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We propose a method that detects inconsistencies between user interaction logs of a task and desired sequences for the task based on mouse click coordinate logs. The proposed method models two successive clicks as a vector and thus a sequence of operation in a user/desired log as a sequence of vectors. A vector is from the ith clicked point to the (i+1)th clicked point in the screen. To detect inconsistencies in user interactions and desired sequences, each vector from user logs is compared with each vector from desired logs. Our tool for the method is applied to experimental usability evaluation of ten business/public organization websites. The tool contributed to find 61% of the usability problems found by a manual method in much smaller amount of time.

上賀茂地域の活性化を目指した賀茂季鷹の歌碑建立の取り組みに関する考察

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本論文では，1300年以上の歴史がある上賀茂地域において，古くからの住民から新しい住民までが地元である上賀茂地域に愛着と誇りを持って協調していく礎を新たに作ることが，地域の活性化に必要との考えから，江戸末期の上賀茂が輩出した歌人である賀茂季鷹の歌碑を建立することを賀茂文化研究会は上賀茂自治組合会などに提案して，実現した。その経緯と生じた問題点，その対応方法などを考察し，今後の活動のあり方を検討した。また，地域への影響と外部からの評価を考察した。

賀茂季鷹の歌碑建立の取り組みによる上賀茂地域の活性化と環境保全に関する考察

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本論文では，種々の団体があり地域としての取り組みがなかなか難しい上賀茂地域で，賀茂季鷹の歌碑建立による地域の活性化のための取り組みについての課題と結果を考察した。社家の集まりである同族会からは協力が得られなかったことと，その一部の対応について明らかにし，今後の課題を提起した。
京都市において発現した急激な気温降下の事例の解析

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1996年から2005年までの10年間において，京都では2時間に5.0°C以上の気温降下が121回観測された。1年間の発現回数は8-19回であり，年による差が大きい。月別には，最大が7月と8月の真夏である，この2か月で全体の41%を占めており，次いで8月が5月を中心とした春から初夏にかけての季節であり，したがって2つのピークが存在している。時刻別には，14-18時台の時間帯に多く，全体の82%を占めている。また，これらのうち15例は20分間に5°C以上という急激な気温降下があり，その11例は真夏の7-8月に，4例は春から初夏の4-6月に発現している。最大瞬間風速を比較すると，4-6月の場合の方が大きい，これはガストフロントが発生したためであると考えられる。

次に，春から初夏にかけて発現した4例のうち，1997年5月20日と2003年6月7日の2例について事例解析を試みた。これらは，地上気象観測記録（京都地方気象台と京都産業大学）、高層観測記録，レーダー画像および天気図を用いて，総合的な検討を行った。その結果，これらの事例における急激な気温降下は，降水セルの到達よりも前に発現していることから，発達した積乱雲の底から流出した冷気外出流によるものであり，また，気温降下直後の突風は冷気外出流の先端付近に発生したガストフロントによるものであると考えられる。

台風に起因した年最大瞬間風速の頻度の地理的分布と長期変化傾向について

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年最大瞬間風速の起因となる気象擾乱に関する調査によると，西日本における強風は，主として台風に起因しているのに対して，東日本や西日本日本海側では，台風以外の気象擾乱，すなわち，暖帯低気圧，寒帯前線などの通過のさいに観測されている。したがって，南西諸島から西日本にかけて，日本海側を除いて，強風災害の対策は台風のみを想定すれば，ほぼ目標を達することができる。一方，西日本の日本海側や東日本では，台風だけでなく，冬季から春にかけて襲う発達した暖帯低気圧，寒帯前線，季節風なども考慮する必要がある。また，10年ごとに見ると，台風起因風速が増加し，また，年最大瞬間風速が増大してきている。これは，日本を襲う強い台風が増えていることを意味しているものと考えられる。
2006年5月30日に京都市で発現した急激な気温降下の事例解析

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2006年5月30日に京都産業大学において、13時20分から5分間の短時間に5.7℃の急激な気温降下、6.0mmの激しい降雨が観測された。この現象について、気象庁の各種気象観測資料を用いて解析を行った結果、10時30分ころ兵庫県中部の山地で発生し、発達しながら東進してきた降水セル群から流出した冷気外出流によるものであった。この降水セル群は、幅20km、長さ100kmの帯状に分布しており、京都産業大学から南南西に6km程度離れた京都市地方気象台では、降水セルの南端が通過しただけであり、降雨は0.0mmであった。

次に、アメダス観測点の観測値を用いて、この降水セル群の通過時に観測された20分間気温降下最大値の分布を調べたところ、京都産業大学の7.5℃が最大の気温降下であった。また、京都市付近では、大阪湾からの南西の風と琵琶湖からの東よりの風が水平方向に収束しており、接近した積乱雲をさらに発達させる状況にあった。

このときの総観場の状況によると、地上では、低気圧の後面に当たっていた。500hPa面においては日本海北部に寒冷低気圧があり、その西側で、大陸から乾燥した寒気が流入しており、対流不安定の成層状態にあった。

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気象庁管理の150観測地点で1966～2005年の40年間に観測された年最大風速と年最大瞬間風速について、発現の原因が台風か、あるいはそれ以外の気象擾乱によるのかを判別した。その結果、両風速とも、台風に起因した比率は、南西日本では、内陸や日本海側を除いて、おおよむね50%を超えており、ときに、南西諸島から九州南部まで80%を超えている。北東日本を中心とした他の地域では50%以下である。

次に、10年ごとの4つの期間（古い順に期間I、II、III、IV）に分けて調べた。
（1）発現月については、両風速とも、また全期間とも、8〜9月に一つのピークがあり、ほとんどは台風に伴って発現している。一方、2〜4月に、もう一つのピークがあり、これは台風以外の擾乱により発現している。
（2）発現したときの風向については、最大風速は南南東と西の2つのピークがあるが、最大瞬間風速は西のピークのみである。
（3）発現したときの風速については、期間IVにおいて、最大風速20m/sを超える比率が24%にまで、最大瞬間風速35m/sを超える比率が31%にまで増加する。

この研究において得られた結果は、強風災害の減少対策にとって、局地的特性を生かしたプログラムにおいて応用できるものと考えられる。
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Exact spectrum of the XXZ open spin chain from the q-Onsager algebra representation theory

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The transfer matrix of the XXZ open spin-chain with general integrable boundary conditions and generic anisotropy parameter (q is not a root of unity and |q| = 1) is diagonalized using the representation theory of the q-Onsager algebra. Similarly to the Ising and superintegrable chiral Potts models, the complete spectrum is expressed in terms of the roots of a characteristic polynomial of degree $d = 2N$. The complete family of eigenstates are derived in terms of rational functions defined on a discrete support which satisfy a system of coupled recurrence relations. In the special case of linear relations between left and right boundary parameters for which Bethe-type solutions are known to exist, our analysis provides an alternative derivation of the results of Nepomechie et al and Cao et al. In the latter case the complete family of eigenvalues and eigenstates splits into two sets, each associated with a characteristic polynomial of degree $d < 2N$. Numerical checks performed for small values of $N$ support the analysis.

Accurate numerical solutions of the time-dependent Schrödinger equation

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We present a generalization of the often-used Crank-Nicolson CN method of obtaining numerical solutions of the time-dependent Schrödinger equation. The generalization yields numerical solutions accurate to order $(\Delta x)^2r-1$ in space and $(\Delta t)^2M$ in time for any positive integers $r$ and $M$, while CN employ $r = M = 1$. We note dramatic improvement in the attainable precision circa ten or greater orders of magnitude along with several orders of magnitude reduction of computational time. The improved method is shown to lead to feasible studies of coherent-state oscillations with additional short-range interactions, wave-packet scattering, and long-time studies of decaying systems.
Transmission-reflection problem with a potential of the derivative form of the delta function

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Regarding the quantum mechanical transmission-reflection problem in one dimension with a potential of the form of the derivative of the Dirac delta function \( \delta'(x) = d\delta(x)/dx \), Christiansen et al. recently found that, depending on how \( \delta'(x) \) is interpreted, there can be a resonance which leads to partial transmission. This is in contrast to the earlier consensus that such a potential allows no transmission. The \( \delta'(x) \) can be regarded as the narrow-width limit of a certain function \( \Delta'(x) \) of a finite range. Christiansen et al. assumed a rectangular function for \( \Delta'(x) \). We examine various other forms and how the resonance depends on the shape of \( \Delta'(x) \). We also present some general observations related to the ‘threshold anomaly’.

Simple method of eliminating blurs based on Lane and Bates algorithm

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A simple search method for finding a blur convolved in a given image is presented. The method can be easily extended to large blurs. The method has been experimentally tested with a model blurred image.

Novel scheme for blind deconvolution: Multi-point form

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In our third paper we presented a novel scheme for the Lane-Bates method for blind deconvolution. The scheme is given in the form of conditions on derivatives of zeros of the \( z \)-transform of a given image. In the present paper, we give a different version of the scheme. This time the condition is expressed in terms of zeros evaluated at multiple points.
Novel scheme for blind deconvolution: Derivative form

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When a blurred image is presented, the Lane-Bates method of blind deconvolution makes it possible to recover the original image without prior knowledge of the point-spread mechanism that caused the blurring. The method utilizes the zeros of the $z$-transform of the given image. Its implementation, however, requires highly nontrivial analysis of the zeros. We have developed a novel scheme that considerably simplifies the analysis of the zeros. The scheme is particularly powerful when the blurs have multiple structures as we illustrate. There are two versions of the scheme. In this paper we present one of them which is in the form of conditions on derivatives of a certain function that is related to the zeros of the $z$-transform.

Development of a High-resolution Fast Gamma-ray Imager for the New-generation PET III

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The disappearance of the air layer between scintillator crystals due to their sticking seems harmful. To avoid this phenomenon, an insertion of black block paper is tried and the effect was studied. The result seems positive. But we need to look for a better material which is light, thin, solid yet not sticky.

Novel Scheme for Lane-Bates’ blind deconvolution: Determinant conditions for the zeros of blurs and a simple algorithm for eliminating blurs

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The Lane-Bates method of blind deconvolution makes it possible to analytically recover the original image without prior knowledge of blurs that should be convolved in a given image. The method utilizes the zeros of the $z$-transform of the given image. Its implementation, however, requires highly nontrivial analysis of the zeros. We have developed a novel scheme that considerably simplifies the analysis of the zeros. We have developed two versions of the scheme, i.e., determinant conditions (DCs) for the zeros of blurs and a search algorithm (SA) of blur images. The DCs consist of two forms, i.e., a derivative form and
a multi-point form. The derivative form is given as a determinant form of conditions on derivatives of the zeros of assumed blurs that can be evaluated by using whole zeros of the $z$-transform of a given image. On the other hand, the multi-point form is given as a determinant form of conditions on the zeros themselves of assumed blurs that are evaluated at multiple points. The scheme is particularly powerful when the blurs have multiple structures as we illustrate. The SA is given as a form of simultaneous equations for blur elements of an assumed blur. The method is powerful when we try to find a single blur. This method is be robust for noises. These methods have been experimentally tested with model blurred images and shown to be powerful. In this paper we present them and illustrate how they are useful for the Lane-Bates blind deconvolution.

Bronchoalveolar lavage in idiopathic interstitial lung diseases.

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Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) is useful for diagnosing various interstitial lung diseases (ILDs) and monitoring ILD during treatment. The ability to detect specific agents or substances by using BAL is especially helpful in determining whether idiopathic ILD has a background causality. BAL in combination
with other intensive examinations may enable the definitive diagnosis of an idiopathic ILD. Among the idiopathic ILDs of concern, this article focuses on idiopathic interstitial pneumonia (IIP) and cryptogenic organizing pneumonia (COP). IIP and COP are classified together as idiopathic interstitial pneumonia (IIP), an integrated clinicoradiographic pathological disease entity. BAL has identified two points important for differentiating the disease entity: a paucity of lymphocytes appears in the BAL fluid of patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), and lymphocytosis with a decreased CD4:CD8 ratio appears in patients with COP. These findings can be useful, in combination with high-resolution computed tomographic (HRCT) data, for selecting a favorable treatment option. On the other hand, these rules cannot be applied to IP associated with collagen vascular disease (CVD). Furthermore, some IIP patients may manifest features of CVD during the clinical course after the detection of IP (interstitial pneumonia). Thus the definite role of BAL cell profiles remains to be determined.

### Origin of chromatic features in multiple quasars

—Variability, dust, or microlensing—

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Aims: In some of lensed quasars, color differences between multiple images are observed at optical/near-infrared wavelengths. There are three possible origins for the color differences: intrinsic variabilities of quasars, differential dust extinction, and quasar microlensing. We examine how these possible scenarios can reproduce the observed chromaticity.

Methods: We evaluate how much the color difference between multiple images can be reproduced by the scenarios with realistic models; (i) an empirical relation for intrinsic variabilities of quasars, (ii) empirical relations for dust extinction and theoretically predicted inhomogeneity in galaxies, or (iii) a theoretical model for quasar accretion disks and magnification patterns in the vicinity of caustics.

Results: We find that intrinsic variabilities of quasars cannot be a dominant source responsible for
observed chromatic features in multiple quasars. In contrast, either dust extinction or quasar microlensing can reproduce the observed color differences between multiple images in most of the lensed quasars. Taking into account the time interval between observations in different wavebands in our estimations, quasar microlensing is a more realistic scenario to reproduce the observed color differences than dust extinction. All the observed color differences presented in this paper can be explained by a combination of these two effects, but monitoring observations at multiple wavebands are necessary to disentangle them.

Optimization of the Marker-based Procedures for Pyramiding Genes from Multiple Donor Lines: I. Schedule of Crossing between the Donor Lines

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Recent exploitation of DNA markers of desirable trait genes facilitates construction of high-degree gene pyramided lines via assembling markers from multiple donor lines. In such a program, a plant that has all the target markers in a heterozygous state must be produced first. Efficient procedures for that are discussed. When pyramiding the genes onto the genetic background of a particular recipient line, the backcross should be performed separately for each donor prior to the crossing between the donors. The plants produced through the backcross should be crossed in a schedule with structure and disposition of the plants as symmetric as possible. When four such plants, A, B, C and D, are produced, for instance, they should be crossed in a schedule like (A × B) × (C × D) in which the number of target markers of A plus B should be as similar as possible to that of C plus D. Ideal-type schedules in the presence of four to eight donors are presented. A contrastingly different guideline applies when the donors themselves are crossed without the backcross; they should be crossed in a schedule with completely tandem structure in which donors with fewer target markers enter the schedule in earlier stages. The disposition of donors in the schedule should be modified in the presence of linked or redundant markers. Donors should be disposed in a pattern to minimize the occurrence of repulsion linkages. Formulae for the modification under a high redundancy are presented.
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For extended application of marker-based plant breeding, strategies are discussed for selecting a high-degree gene-pyramided line from among progeny of a multi-parentally produced heterozygous plant (root genotype). A strategy with combined use of haplo-diploidization and crossing between selected plants will be highly efficient; selection starts with haplo-diploidized plants raised from the root genotype, and in the absence of a plant with the objective marker genotype, two plants with the best complementary genotypes are crossed to produce a hybrid, which in turn is haplo-diploidized for the next round of selection. In this strategy, even a plant having as many as 20 target markers can be obtained at an almost perfect certainty in about three rounds of selection with a maximum of 200 tested plants per round. When haplo-diploidized plants are unavailable, a plant with the most promising marker genotype should be selected and self-fertilized in each generation, or in the absence of any promising plant, two plants with the best complementary genotypes are crossed for the next round of selection. In this strategy, the number of tested plants in the first two generations counts when the markers are codominant, whereas the rounds of selection counts when the markers are dominant. Of various supplementary measures for this strategy, backcrossing the root genotype with one of the donors could be useful when the donor has more than 70% of all targeted markers.

Corticopetal Acetylcholine: A Role in Attentional State Transitions and the Genesis of Quasi-Attractors during Perception

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The Role(s) of corticopetal acetylcholine (ACh) in perception and conscious flow is largely unknown. The attention hypothesis may well be established experimentally. The aim of this talk is to give a small review, and then try to extend further the arguments, on the role of corticopetal ACh in perception from a dynamical systems standpoint, to search for its possible role in perceptual binding, and in the transient genesis of quasi-attractors through the mechanism of changing synchrony.
Corticopetal Acetylcholine: Possible Scenarios on the Role for Dynamic Organization of Quasi-Attractors

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A new hypothesis on a possible role for the corticopetal acetylcholine (ACh) is provided from a dynamical systems standpoint. The corticopetal ACh helps to transiently organize a global (inter- and intra-cortical) quasi-attractors via gamma range synchrony when it is behaviorally needed as top-down attentions and expectation.

Chaos Reality in the Brain

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We review the basic concepts of dynamical systems in the first half of this article. In particular, we deal with the origin of chaos in relation with ergodic theory in statistical mechanics. We emphasize that chaos can also appear in high-dimensional phase space. In the second half of the article, we focus on cortical transitory dynamic behaviors observed during task-related actions of animals, and provide a dynamical interpretation of such transitory behaviors in terms of chaotic itinerancy.

Bifurcations in two-dimensional Hindmarsh-Rose type model

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We analyze a two-dimensional Hindmarsh–Rose type model exhibiting properties of both Class 1 and Class 2 neurons. Although the system is two-dimensional and contains only four parameters, the obtained bifurcation diagrams show that the bifurcation structure satisfies conditions for emergence of both features with constant stimuli.
Human-Robot Interaction in the Home Ubiquitous Network Environment

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The situation recognition ability of the robot is enhanced by connecting a home ubiquitous network and conversational robots. The situation explanation ability of the robot is also enhanced by acquiring information through the network. The new development of the human robot interaction can be expected.
in total. In this paper we describe a prototype system that is developed in the experimental house based on such a concept. Then, the study of the actual proof experimental life in the house is discussed.

**Gravitational sedimentation effect of colloidal silica crystals in binary systems of titanium dioxide and silica particles**

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Colloidal crystals can be formed of silica particles while those of titania particles are not known under the normal gravitational field, because of their high specific gravity. We found by the Kikuchi-Kossel diffraction technique that, when silica particles (diameter: $D = 170$ nm; density: $\rho = 2.2$ g cm$^{-3}$) are mixed with titania particles ($D = 127$ nm; $\rho = 3.9$ g cm$^{-3}$), colloidal crystals are formed. Colloidal crystals started out with body-centered-cubic structure and changed to face-centered-cubic structures after about 60 days. Transitions began from the bottom of the container. Thus the transitions are considered to be due to gravitational sedimentation. It is significant that the crystal growth process, which has not been observed in one-component dispersions of the silica particles, was found using titania particles with a wide range of the practical applicability.

**コロイド合金結晶の構造解析と秩序形成過程**

**On p-adic families of Hilbert cusp forms of finite slope**

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Let $p$ be a prime number and $F$ a totally real field. In this article, we obtain a $p$-adic interpolation of spaces of totally definite quaternionic automorphic forms over $F$ of finite slope, and construct $p$-adic
families of automorphic forms parametrized by affinoid Hecke varieties. Further, as an application to the case where $[F:Q]$ is even, we obtain $p$-adic analytic families of Hilbert eigenforms having fixed finite slope parametrized by weights. This is an analogue of Coleman’s analytic families in [R.F. Coleman, $p$-Adic Banach spaces and families of modular forms, Invent. Math. 127 (1997) 417-479].