

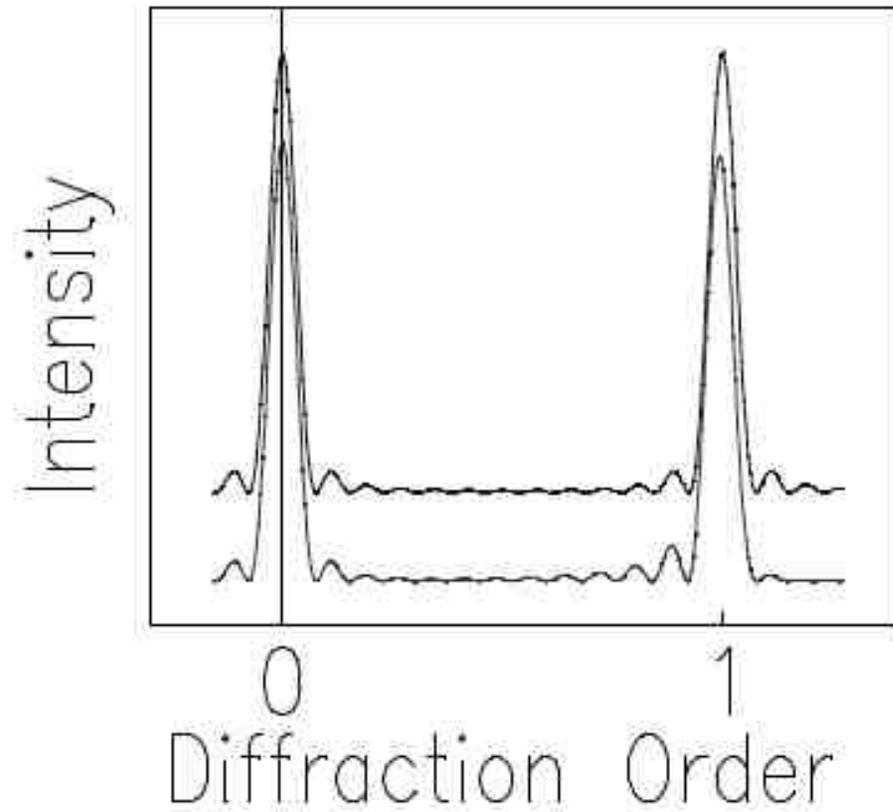
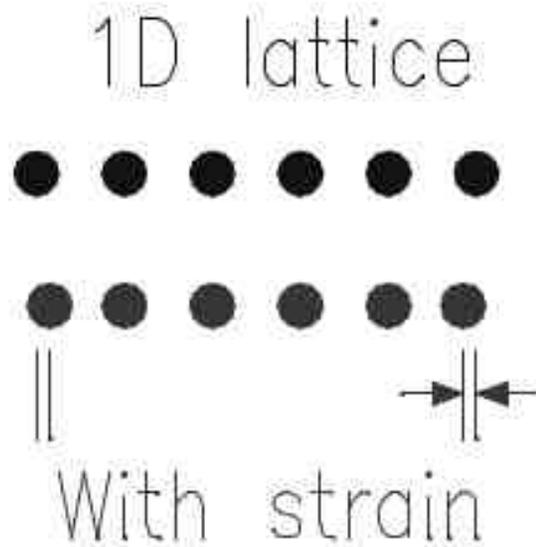
### 3. Indirect methods

- **Micro/nano-diffraction**
  - Monochromatic beam (Bragg)
  - Polychromatic (Laue, differential-aperture)
  
- **Coherent diffractive imaging**
  - Isolated sample
  - Extended sample
  
- **Holography**
  
- **Ultrafast imaging**

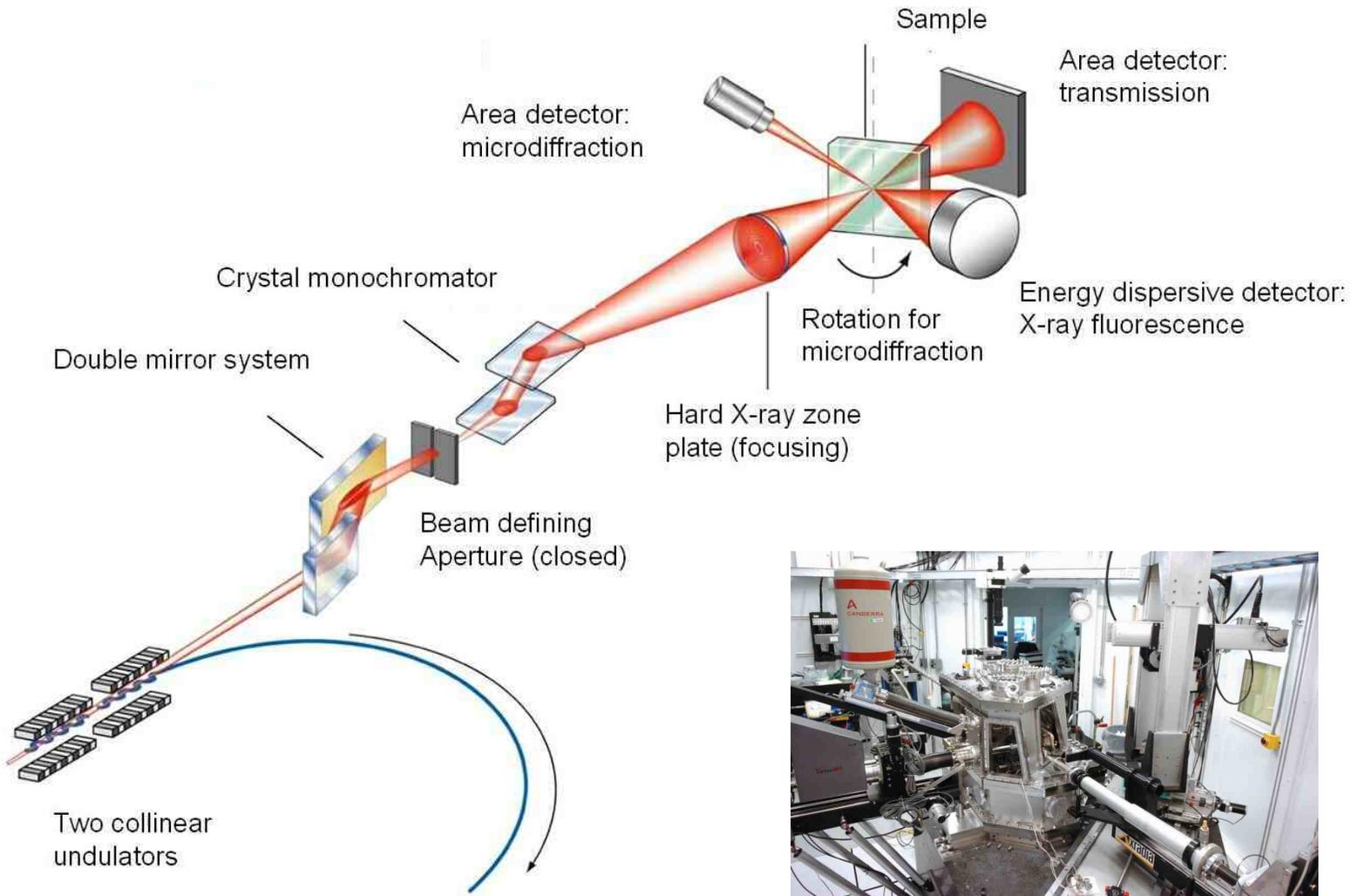
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*A change in the lattice constant introduces a shift in the Bragg spot*



# X-ray nano-diffraction



Hard X-ray Nanoprobe at APS 26-ID beamline

## Microdiffraction reveals lattice strain in SOI structures

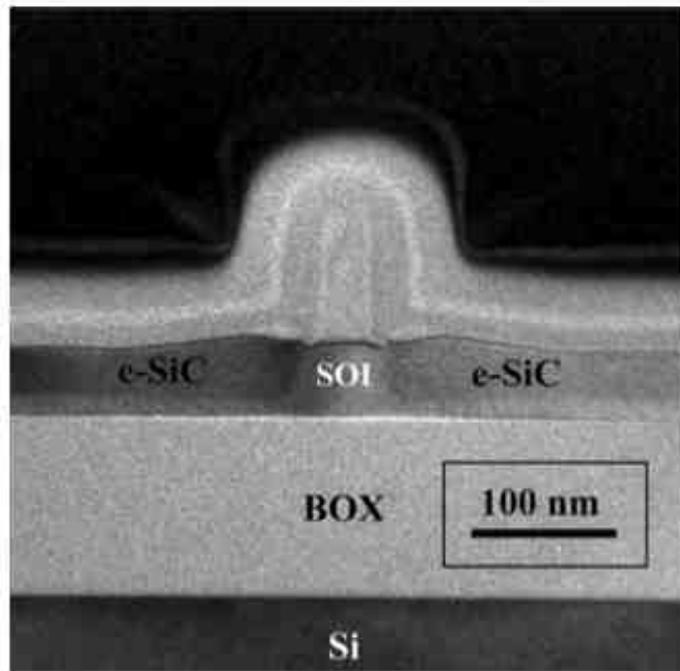


FIG. 2. Cross-sectional TEM image of e-SiC/SOI channel device.

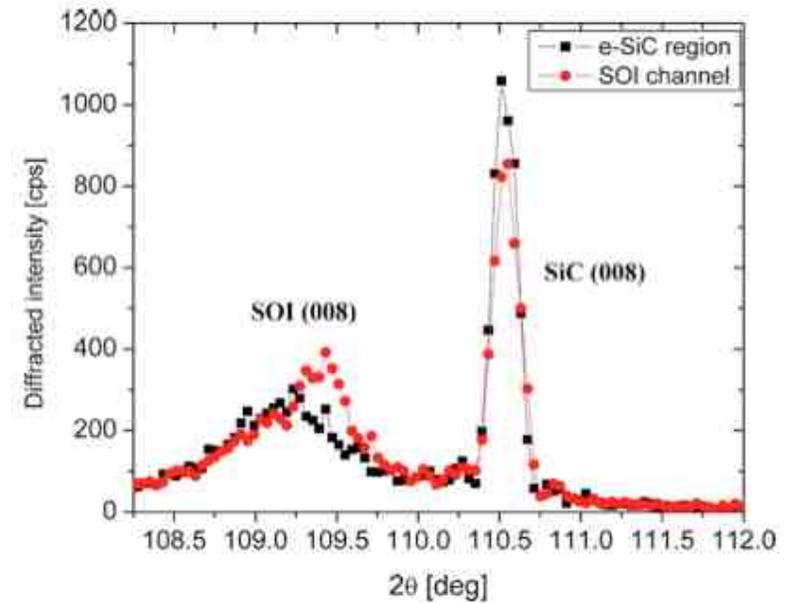
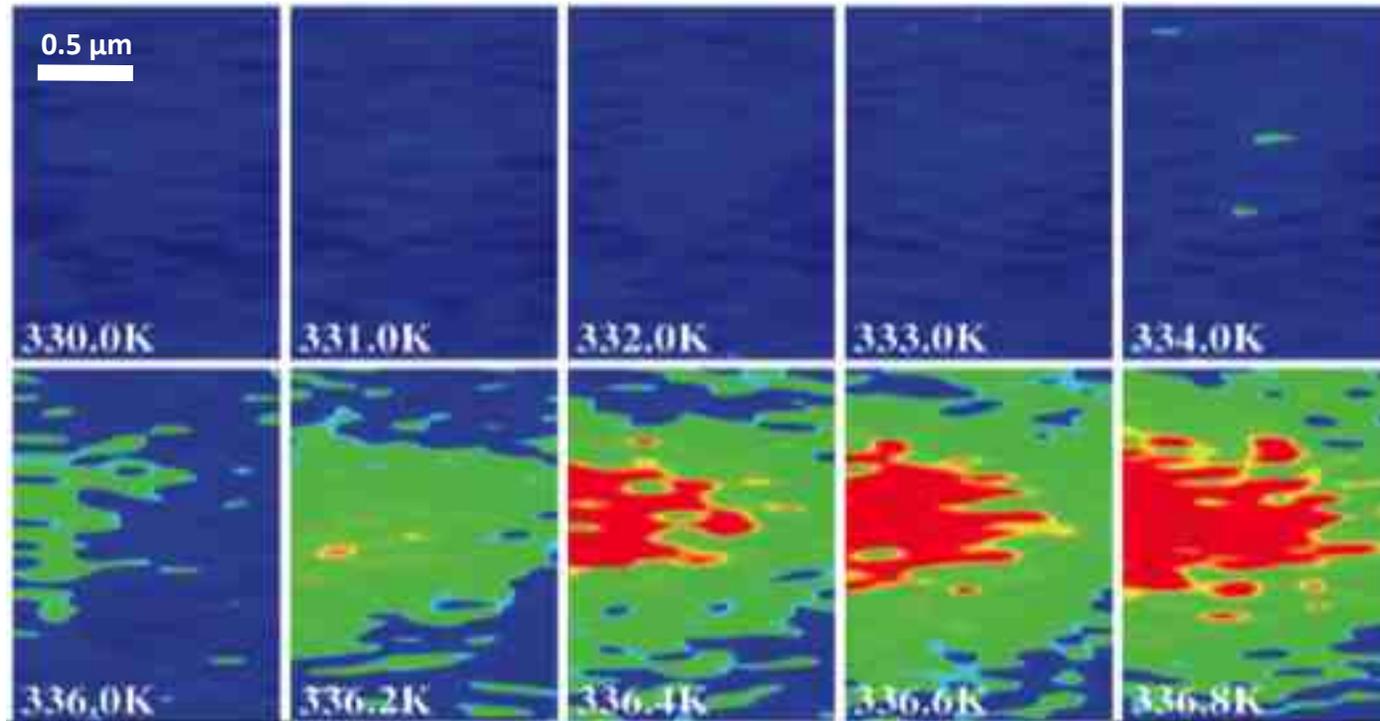


FIG. 3. (Color online) Comparison of the (008) diffraction measurements conducted at the SOI channel (red curve) and  $0.8 \mu\text{m}$  away from channel (black curve).

C. Murray, APL 94, 063502 (2009)

... and the metal-insulator transition in  $\text{VO}_2$



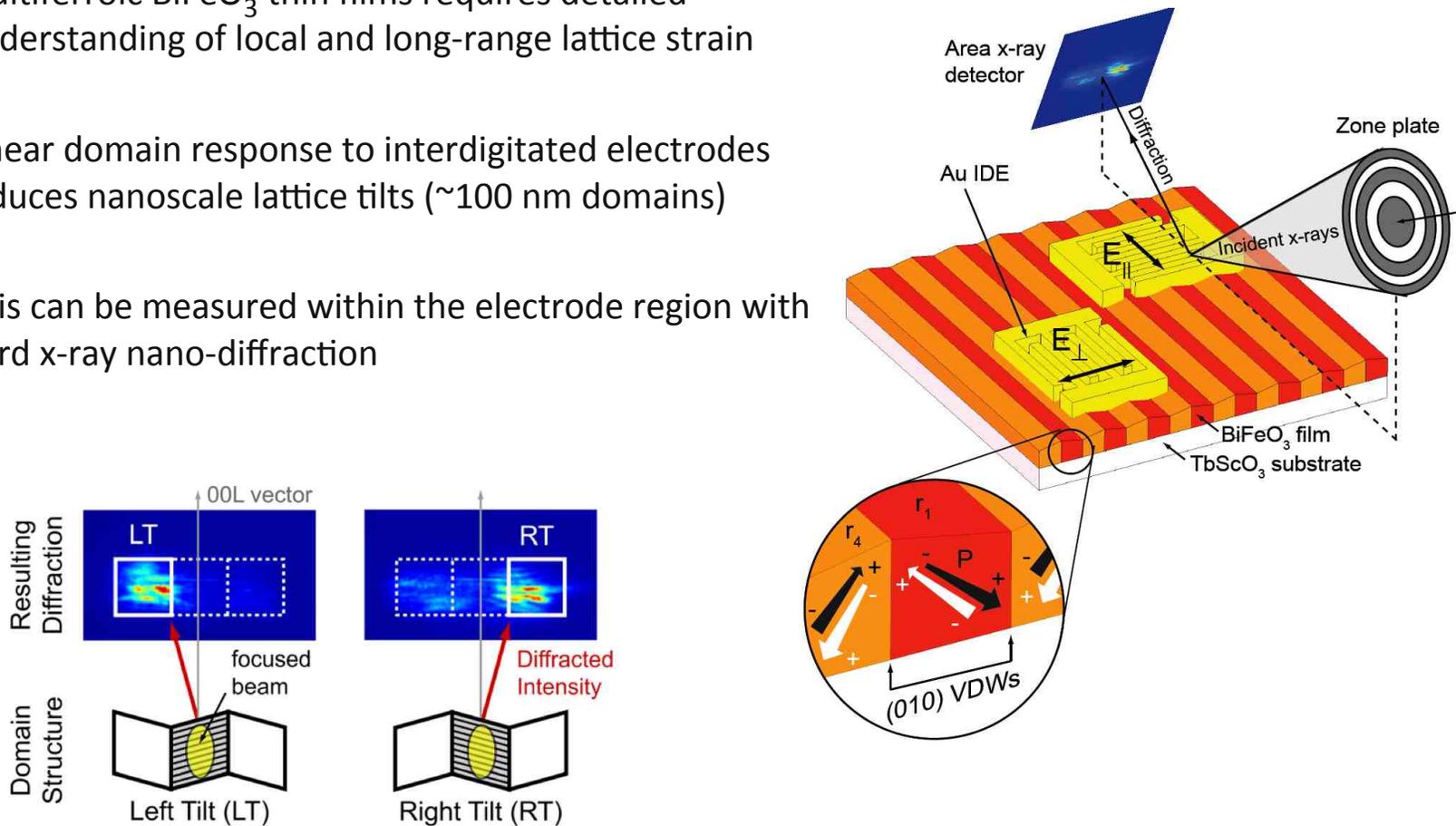
Spatial maps of the same  $1.2 \mu\text{m} \times 1.7 \mu\text{m}$  area, showing variation in the Bragg peak intensity from the M1 (monoclinic) phase of  $\text{VO}_2$  during heating. Higher intensities (dark blue) indicate presence of the M1 phase, lower intensities (red) represent the rutile phase.

Both electronic and structural transitions evolve in a percolative manner, but the lattice switches *abruptly and non-monotonically* (not seen by near-field IR).

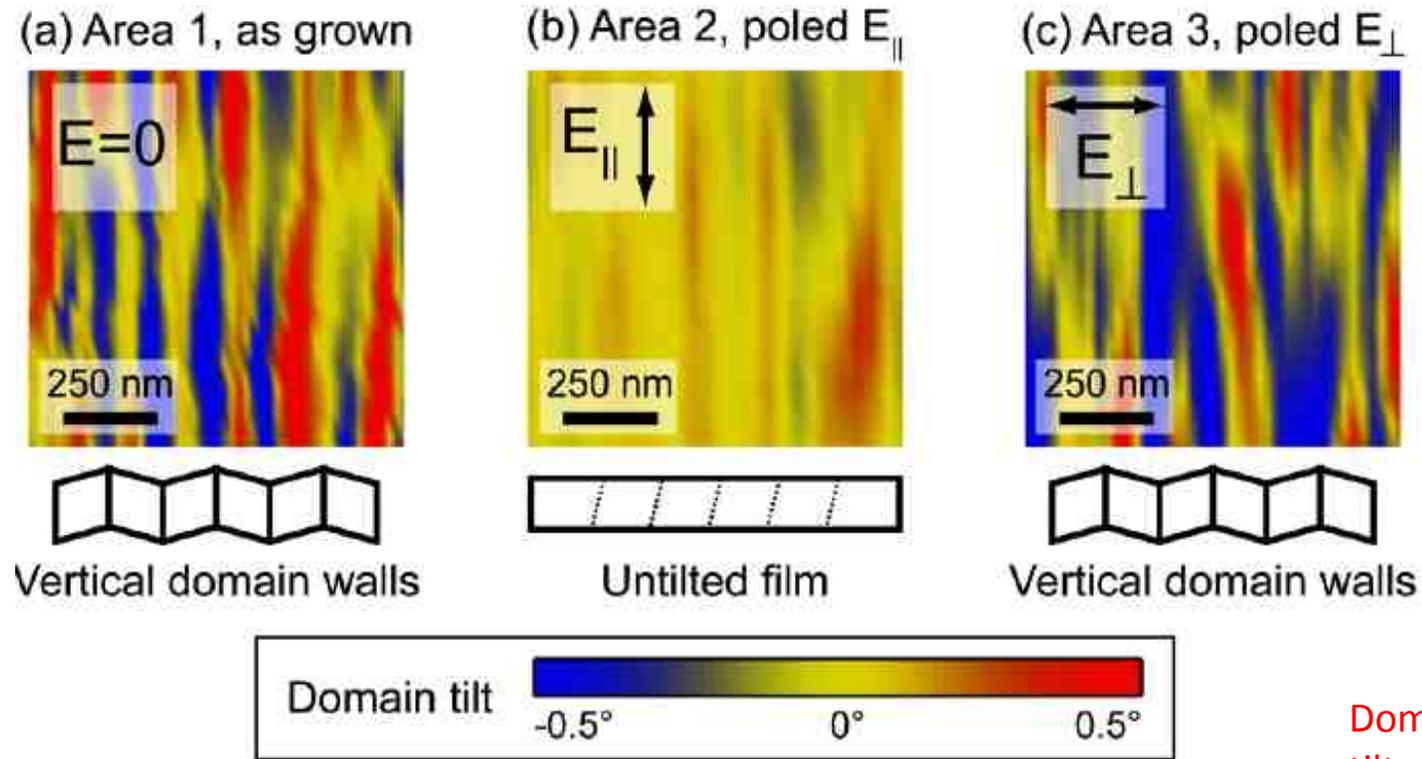
M. Qazilbash, PRB 83, 165108 (2011)

# Electric field stabilization of domain walls is important for development of ultralow power electronic devices

- Predicting the properties of domain walls in multiferroic  $\text{BiFeO}_3$  thin films requires detailed understanding of local and long-range lattice strain
- Linear domain response to interdigitated electrodes induces nanoscale lattice tilts ( $\sim 100$  nm domains)
- This can be measured within the electrode region with hard x-ray nano-diffraction



# Lattice tilt domains in $\text{BiFeO}_3$ occur on the nanometer scale



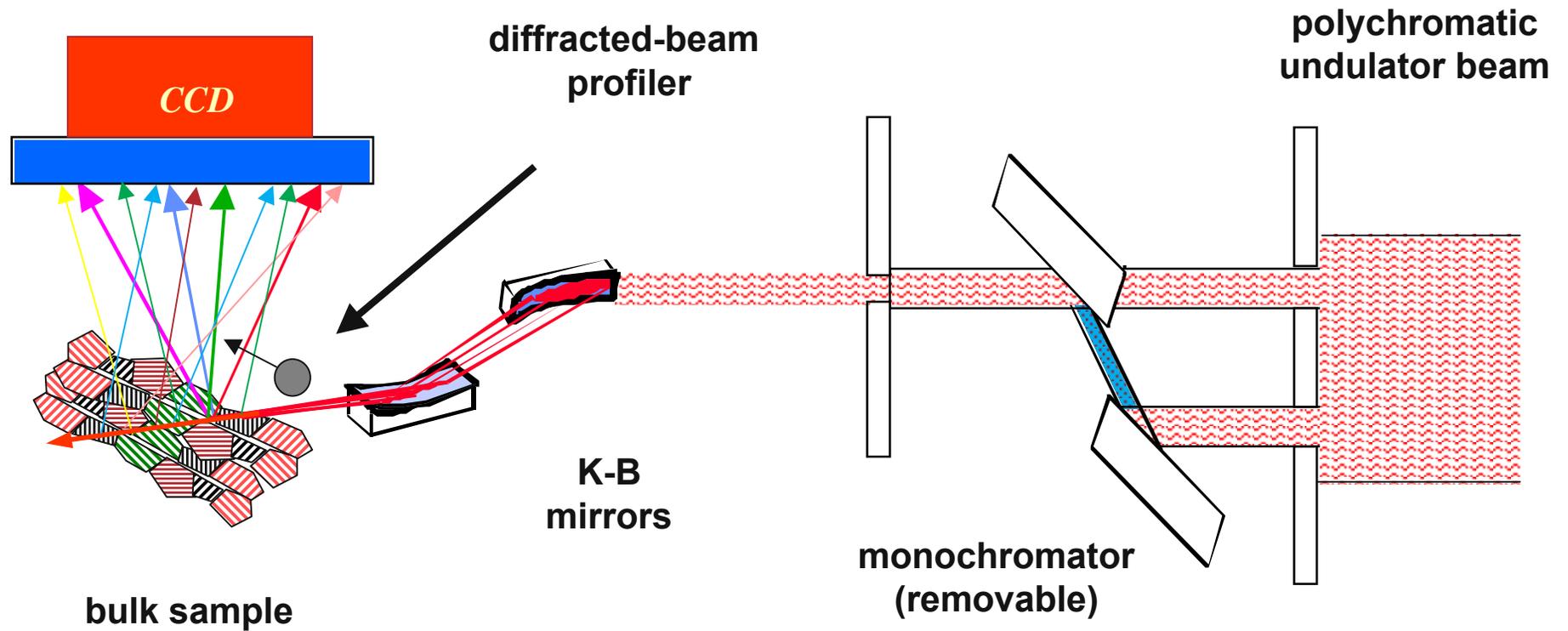
Domains switch tilts in < 20 nm !

Response of ferroelastic domains to E-field, poling parallel and perpendicular to as-grown state

S. Hruszkewycz, APL 99, 232903 (2011)

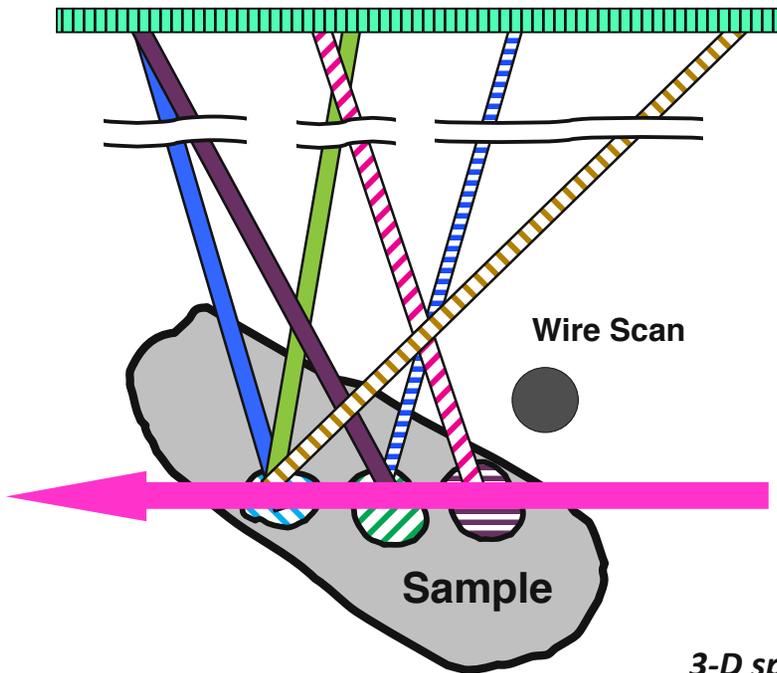
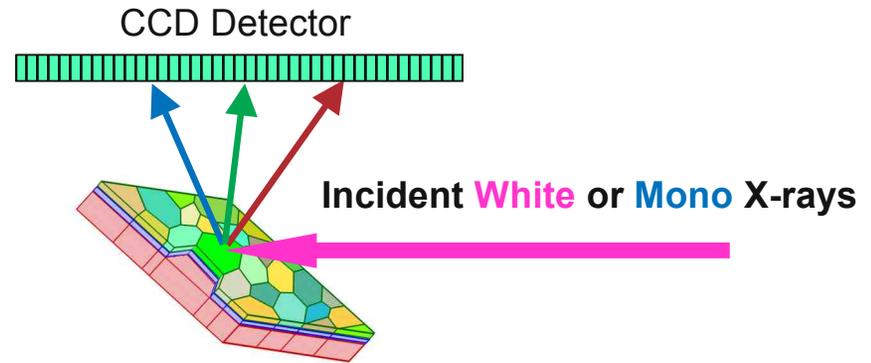
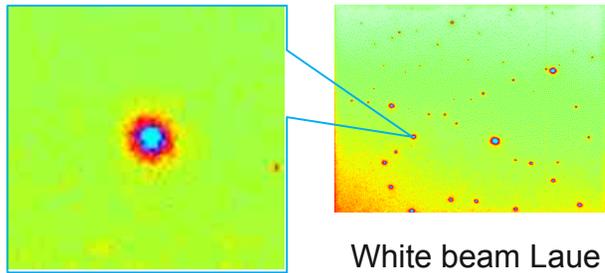
# Differential-aperture x-ray microscopy

3D depth-resolved, white-beam Laue diffraction technique

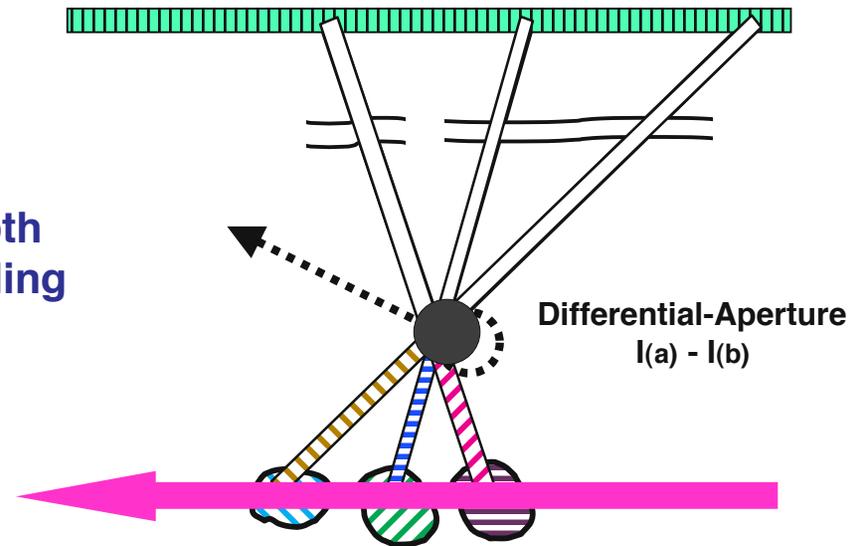


B. Larson, *Nature* 415, 887 (2002)

# 3D diffraction microscopy: how does it work?



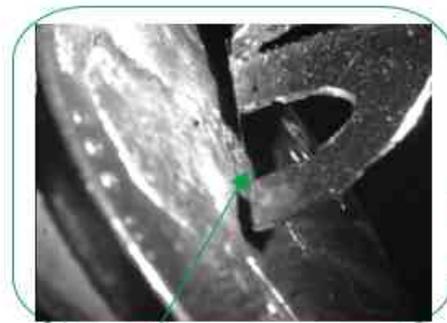
Depth profiling



3-D spatial resolution:  $\sim 0.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.7 \mu\text{m}^3$

Angular resolution:  $\Delta\theta \sim 0.01^\circ$  (orientation);  $\Delta d/d \sim 10^{-4}$  (strain)

## 3D diffraction microscope at APS beamline 34-ID-E

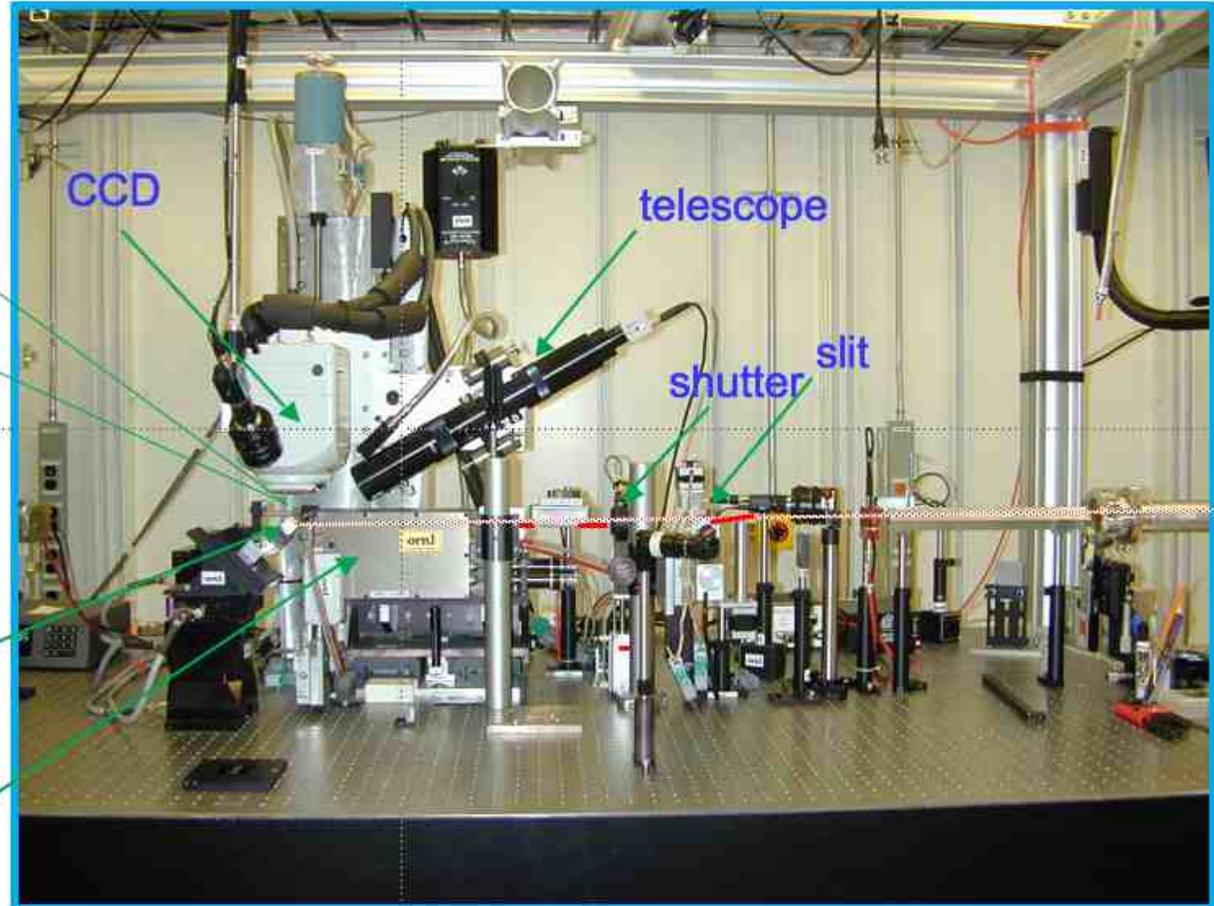


Differential aperture

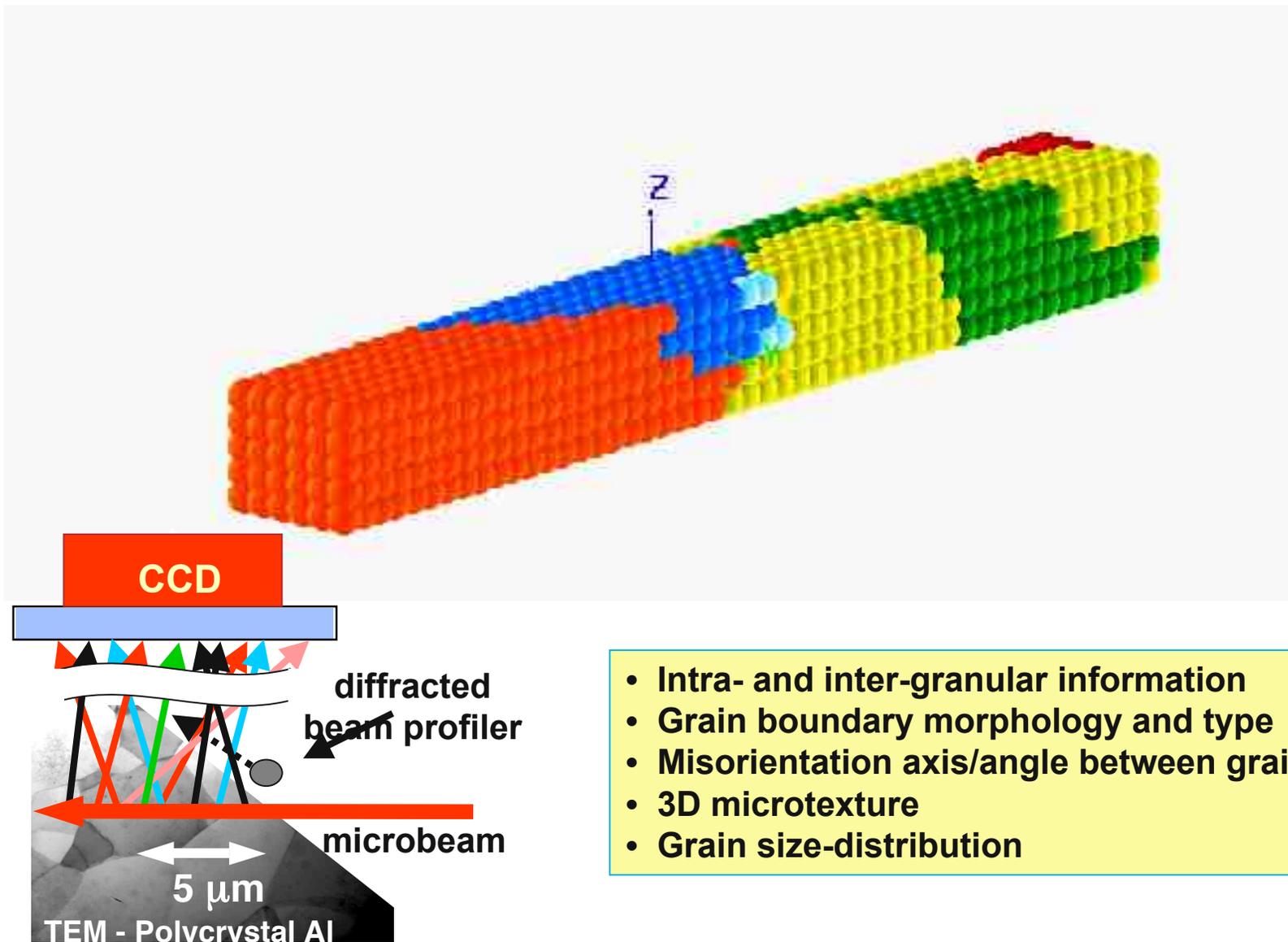
(wire scan, ~ 200 mm  
above sample surface )

Sample stage

K-B focusing  
mirrors



## DAXM illuminates the 3D structure of aluminum

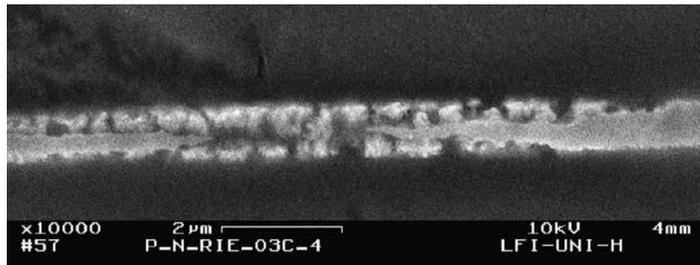


- Intra- and inter-granular information
- Grain boundary morphology and type
- Misorientation axis/angle between grains
- 3D microtexture
- Grain size-distribution

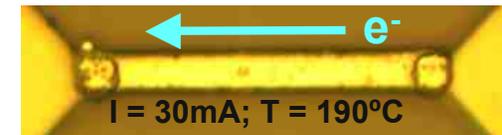
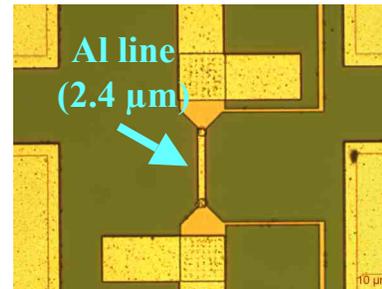
W. Yang, *Micron* 35, 431 (2004)

# Electromigration induces strain in polycrystalline conductors

- EM results in stresses and strains in conductors that can lead to voids, cracks, passivation, increased resistance ...
- Bamboo-like grain structure (grain boundaries perpendicular to electron flow) is desirable for resistance to EM

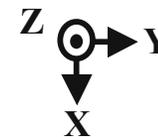
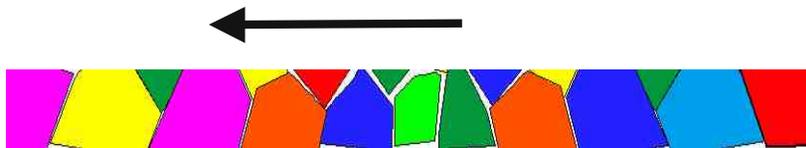


SEM image of a EM failure in an interconnect



Current density:  $1.54 \times 10^6 \text{ A/cm}^2$

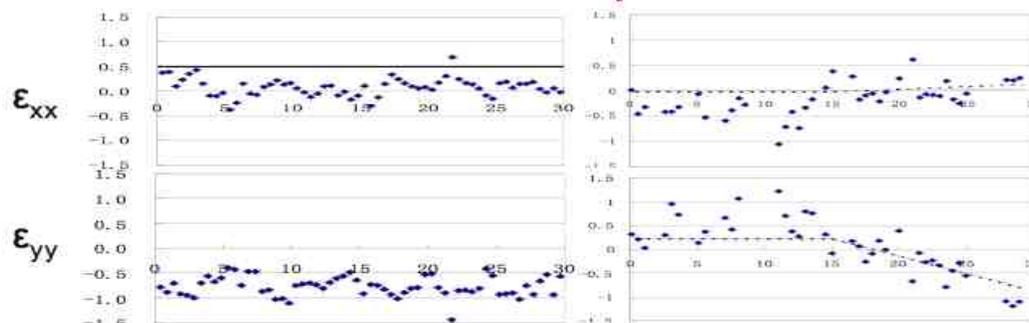
Before EM, elastic strain along the Al line was nearly uniform. During 18 hrs of EM, elastic strain gradients were formed along the line without significant resistance change.



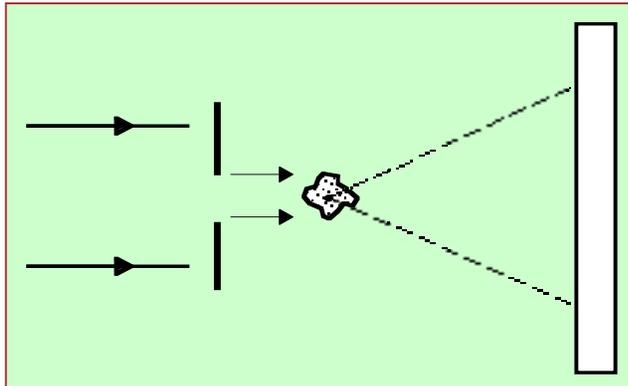
**Before EM**

**EM for 18 hrs**

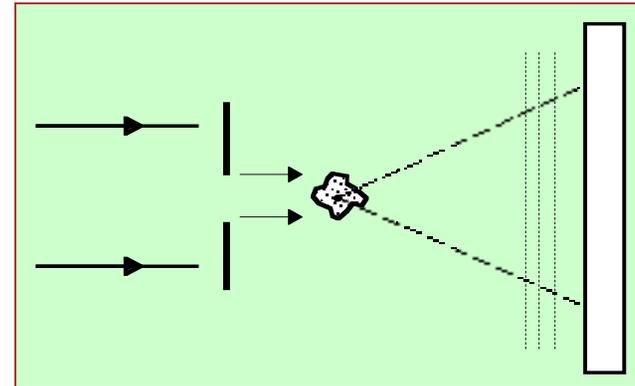
Deviatoric strains by white beam Laue



# Coherent diffraction and holography: "Lensless" imaging



Coherent Diffraction

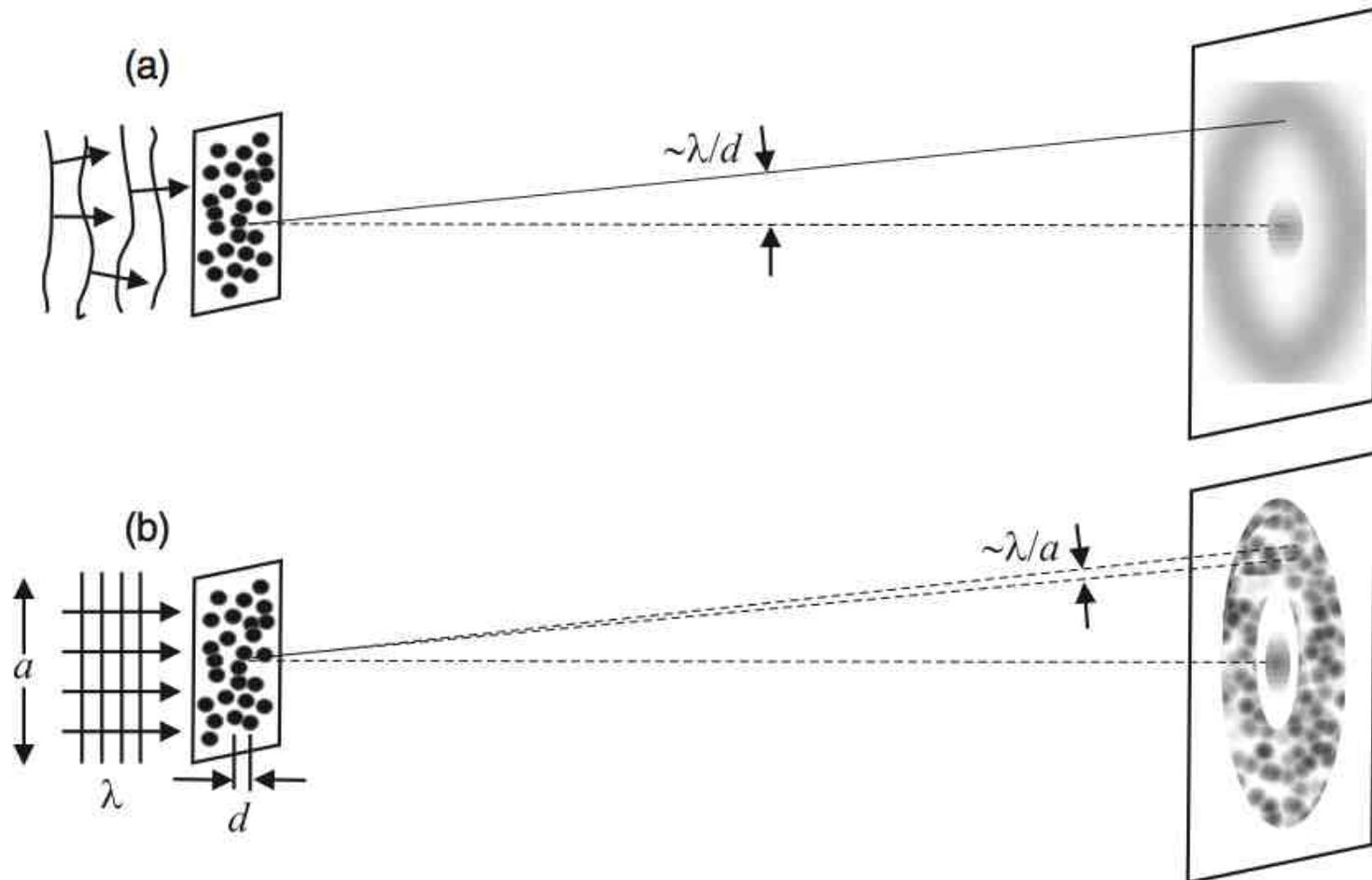


Holography

- Object wave (diffraction) is detected directly
- Diffraction intensity corresponds to autocorrelation of object
- Coherent reference wave interferes with object wave to form hologram
- Hologram intensity corresponds to convolution of object and reference

<b>Resolution:</b>	transverse	$\sim \lambda/NA$
	longitudinal	$\sim \lambda/(NA)^2$
<b>Contrast:</b>		$\propto  f_1^2 + f_2^2 $

## X-ray scattering from a disordered sample



X-ray diffraction from a disordered medium with particle distance  $d$  and object size  $a$ .

(a) **Incoherent scattering**, giving rise to a continuous diffraction ring.

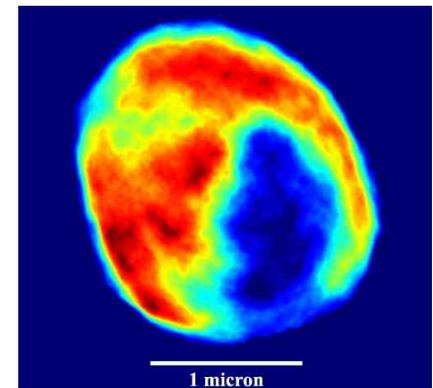
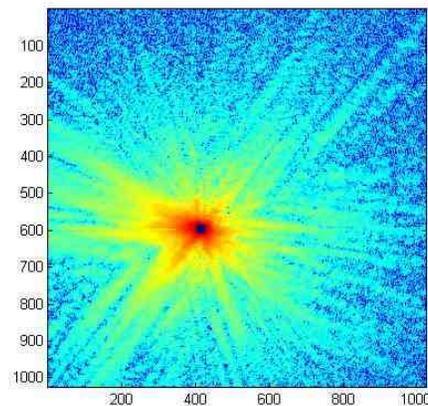
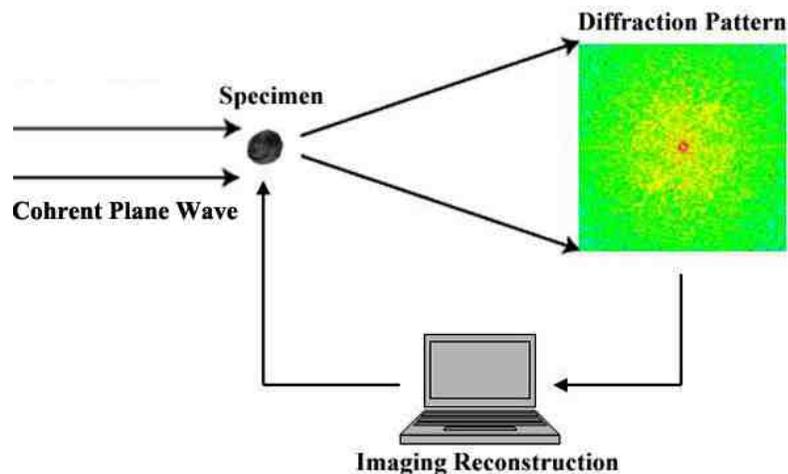
(b) **Coherent scattering**, resulting in a speckled diffraction ring.

F. van der Veen and F. Pfeiffer, *J. Phys. Cond. Mater.* 16, 5003 (2004)

# Coherent diffractive imaging

*Lensless* method - resolution limited only by wavelength, signal

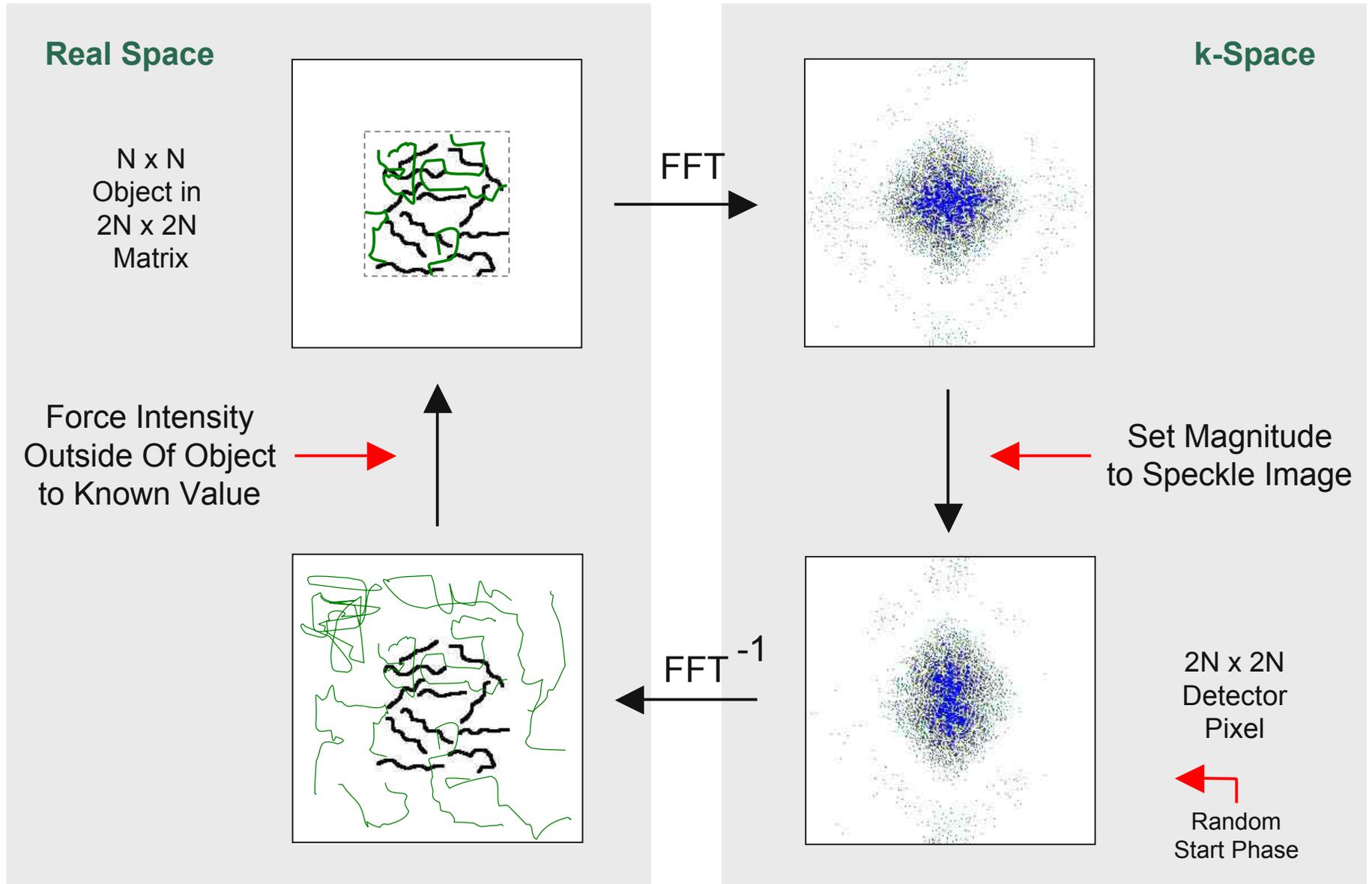
- Two-step process: record coherent diffraction pattern, recover object structure numerically (iterative phase retrieval)
- Sensitive to phase as well as absorption of the specimen
- Get 3D by tomographic methods; no depth of field limit
- But: must assume some *a priori* information to recover phase, e.g. known object extent or illumination profile



resolution  $\sim \lambda / \text{angular size}$

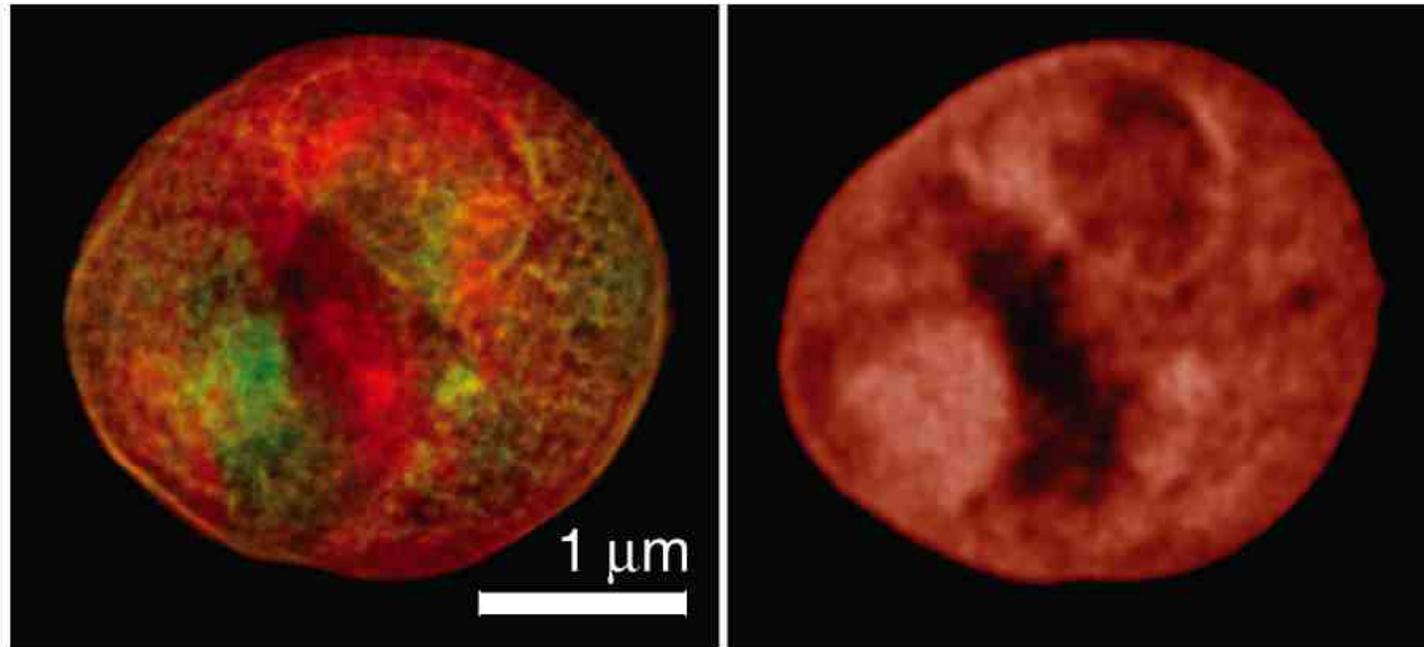
J. Miao, Nature 400, 342 (1999)

# Iterative phase retrieval



R. Gerchberg and W. Saxton, *Optik* 35, 237 (1972); J.R. Fienup, *Appl. Opt.* 21, 2758 (1982)

## Freeze dried yeast cell imaged by coherent x-ray diffraction



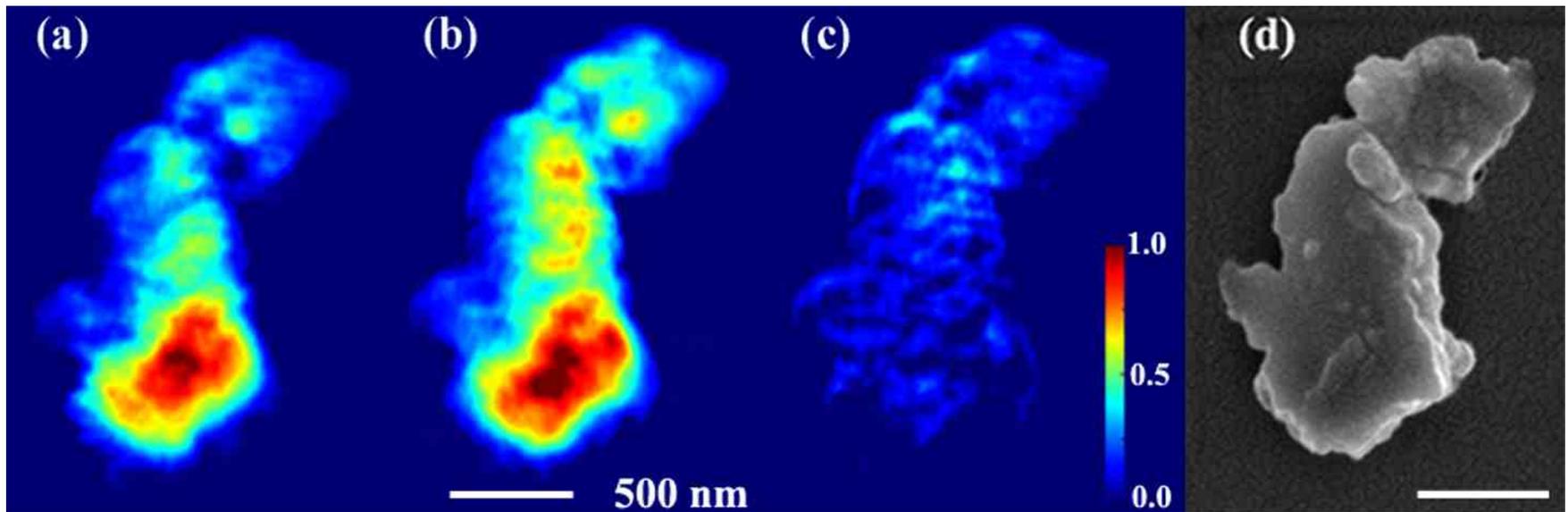
Diffraction reconstruction (data taken at 750 eV; absorption as brightness, phase as hue).

Stony Brook/NSLS STXM image with 45 nm Rayleigh resolution zone plate at 520 eV (absorption as brightness)

D. Shapiro, *PNAS* 102, 15343 (2005)

## Buried structures can be probed with element specificity

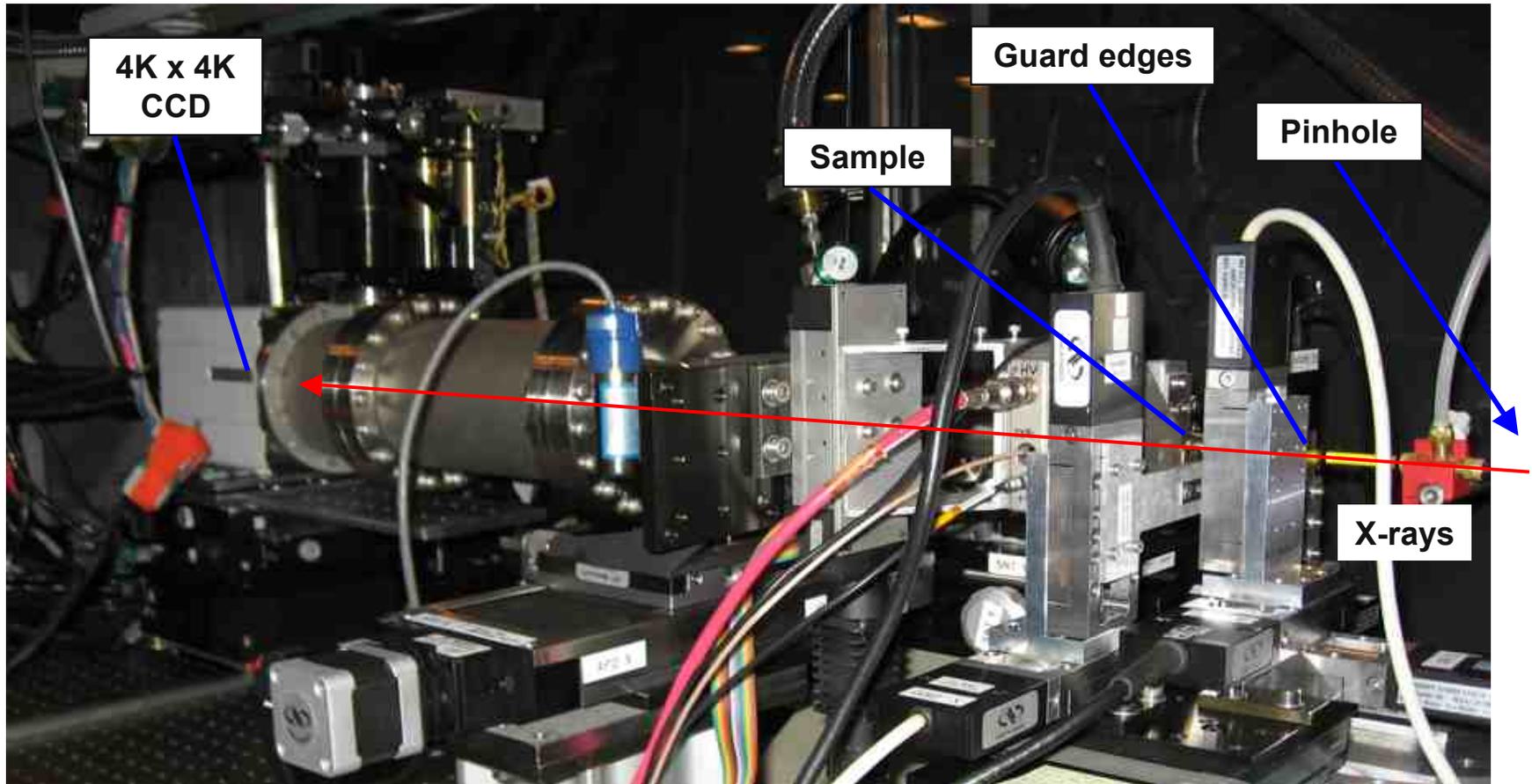
In contrast to weak segregation theory, Bi is locally concentrated in Bi-doped Si crystals



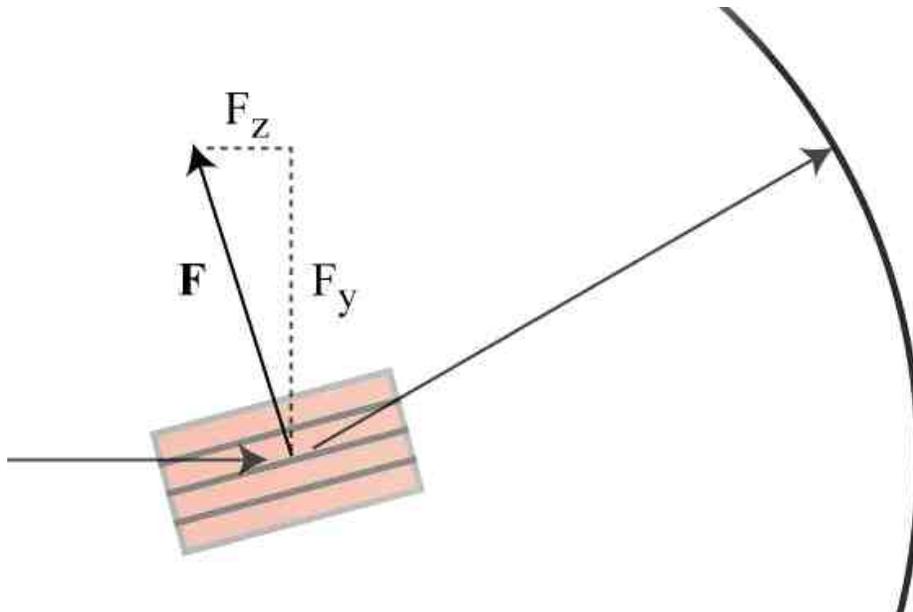
- (a) Image below Bi M5 edge (2550 eV)
- (b) Image above the Bi M5 edge (2595 eV)
- (c) Difference
- (d) SEM image

C. Song, PRL 100, 025504 (2008)

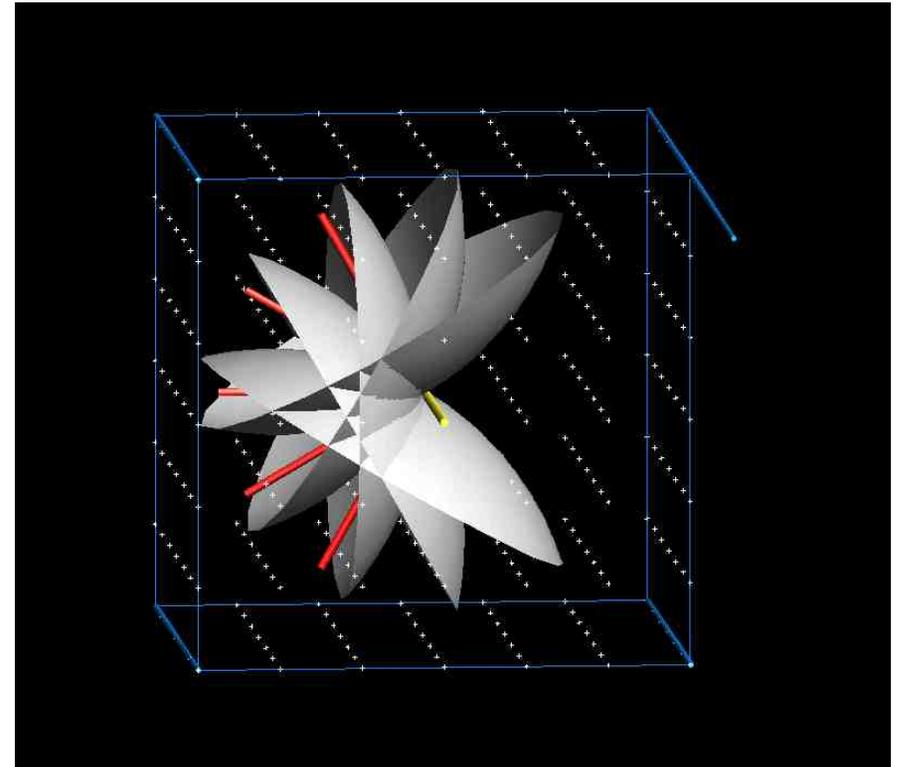
## CDI setup at APS beamline 2-ID-B (1-4 keV)



## *Diffraction microscopy in 3D*

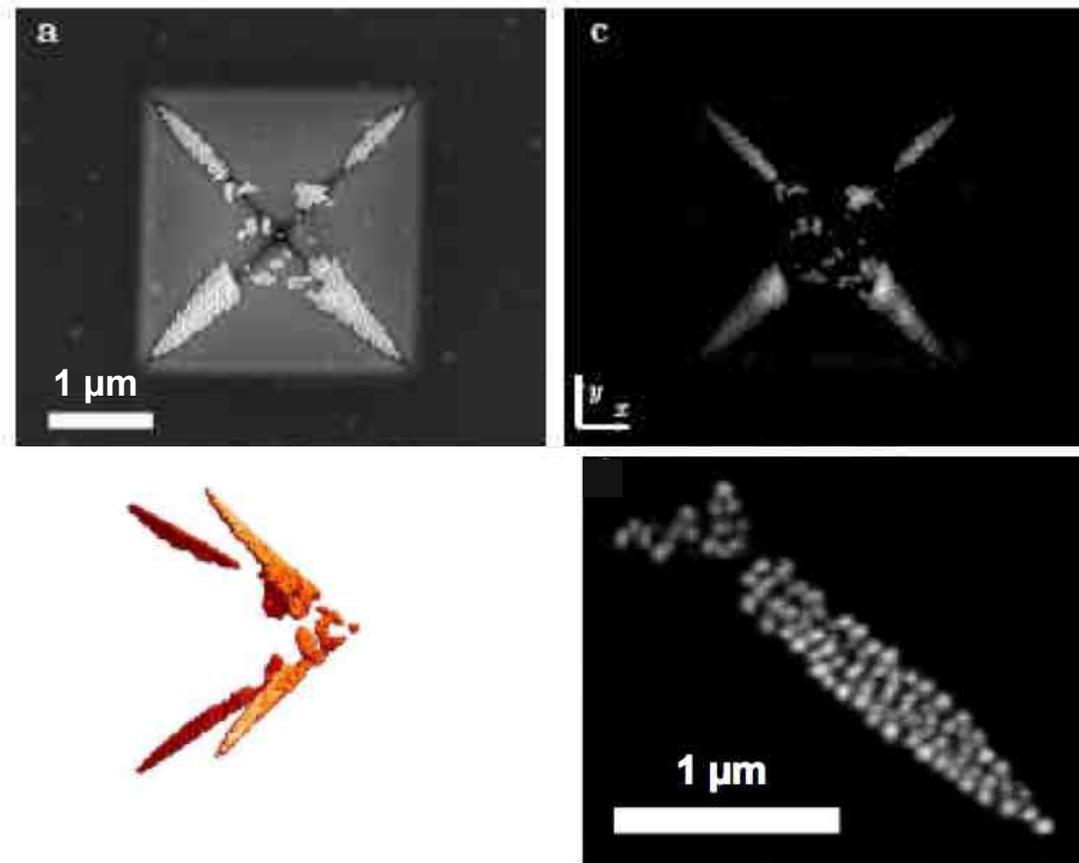


Bragg gratings that diffract to a certain angle represent a specific transverse and longitudinal periodicity (Ewald sphere)



Data collection over a series of rotations about an axis fills in 3D Fourier space for phasing

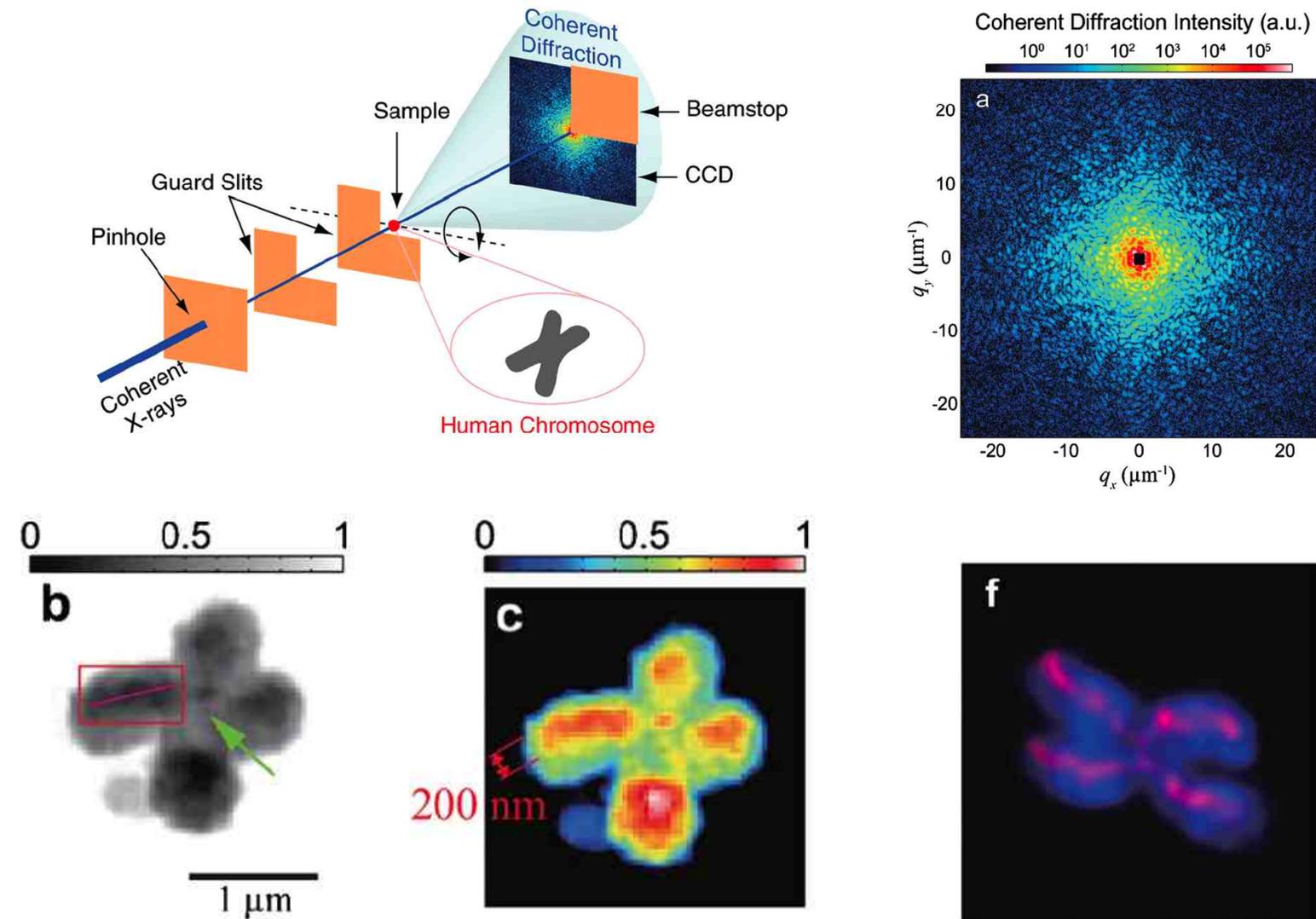
## 3D coherent diffraction imaging



(a) SEM of pyramidal indentation in a 100-nm  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  membrane lined with 50-nm Au spheres. (b) 3D image reconstructed from 123 diffraction projections spanning  $-57^\circ$  to  $+66^\circ$ , using reality and positivity constraints. (c) Large DOF projection. (d) Enlarged region of (c).

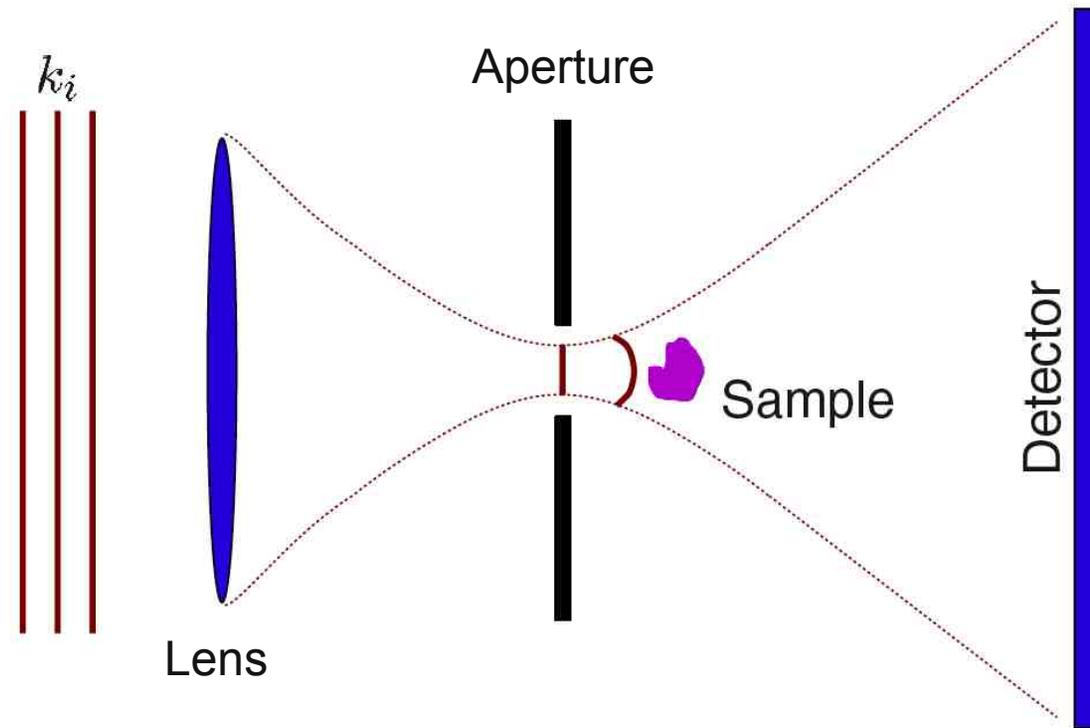
H. Chapman, JOSA A23, 1179 (2006)

# 3D experiments are beginning to yield fruit ...



Y. Nishino, PRL 102, 018101 (2009)

## Curved object illumination aids unique phase recovery

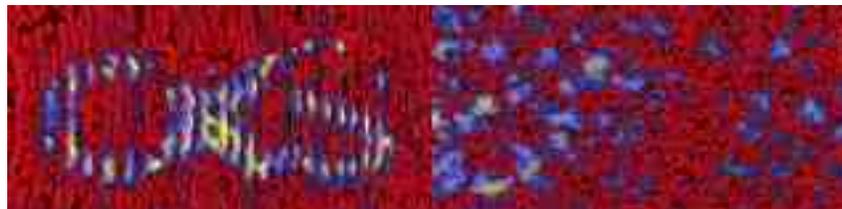


- Lens illuminates object with curved wavefront, defines field of view
- Object illumination is reconstructed by back-propagation, used to retrieve phase of object wave by iterative methods

K. Nugent, PRL 91, 203902 (2003)

*... and converges faster*

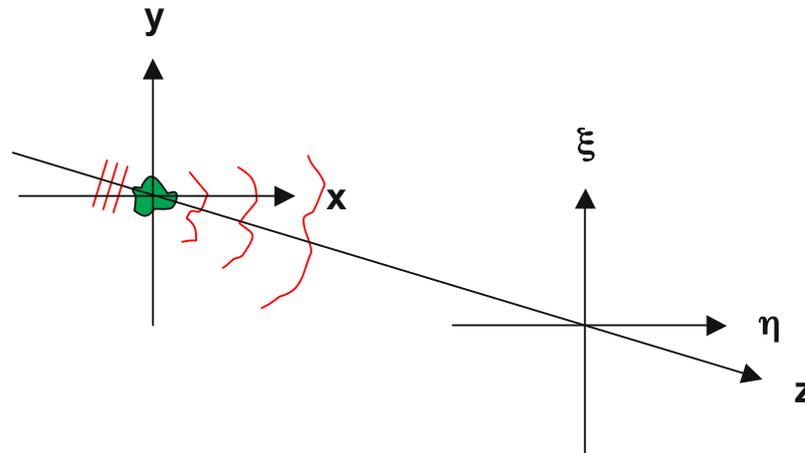
Original



**curved beam  
illumination**

**plane wave  
illumination**

# Fresnel diffraction

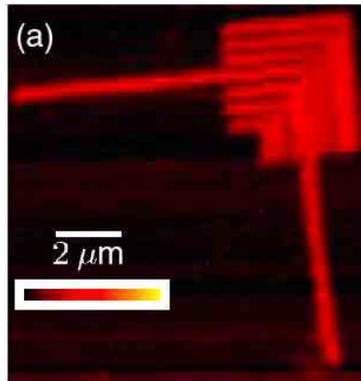


"object wave"

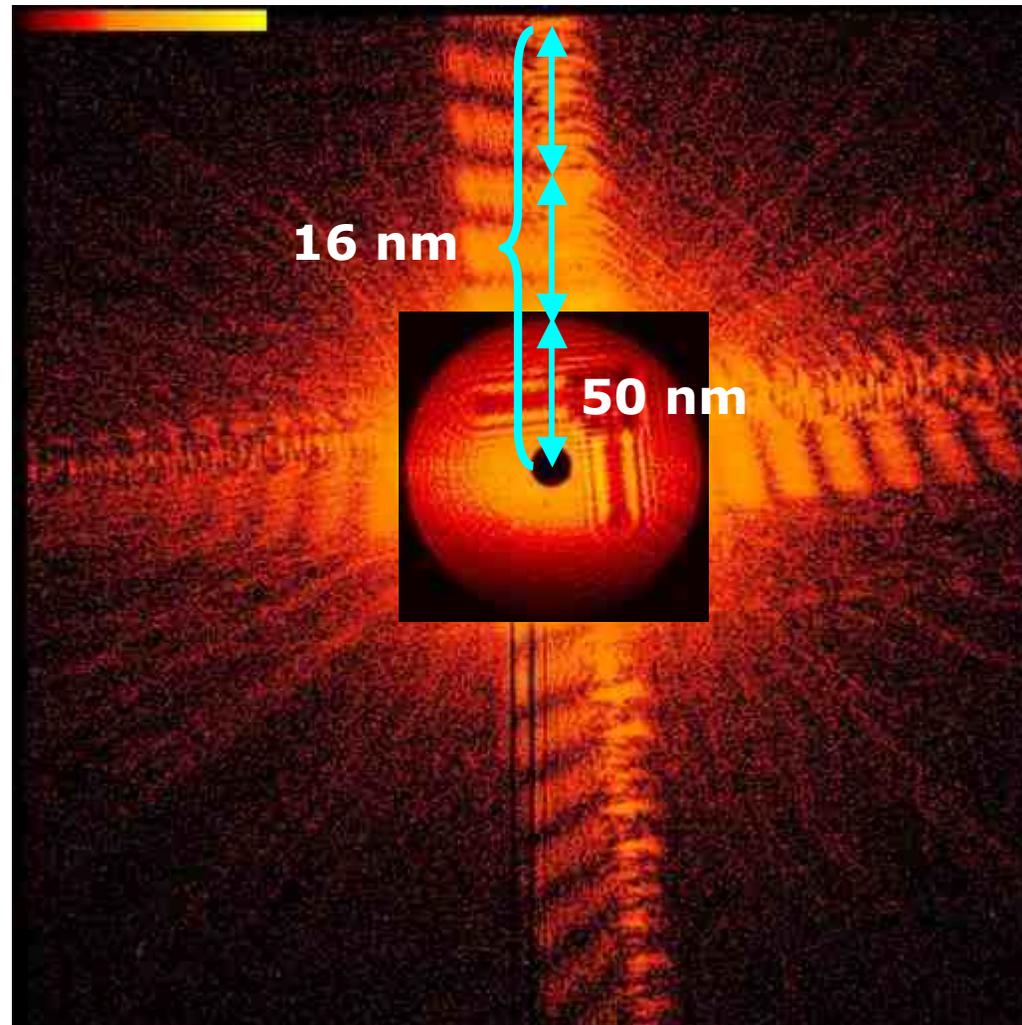
$$a(\xi, \eta) = \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} \iint a(x, y) e^{\frac{ik}{2z} \left( (x - \xi)^2 + (y - \eta)^2 \right)} dx dy$$

$$= \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} e^{\frac{ik}{2z} (\xi^2 + \eta^2)} \text{FT} \left\{ e^{\frac{ik}{2z} (x^2 + y^2)} a(x, y) \right\}$$

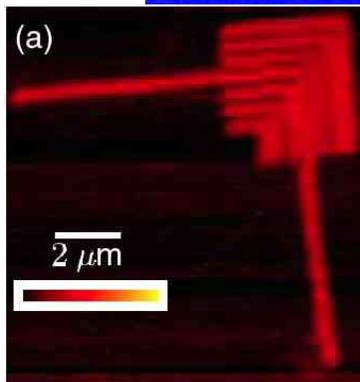
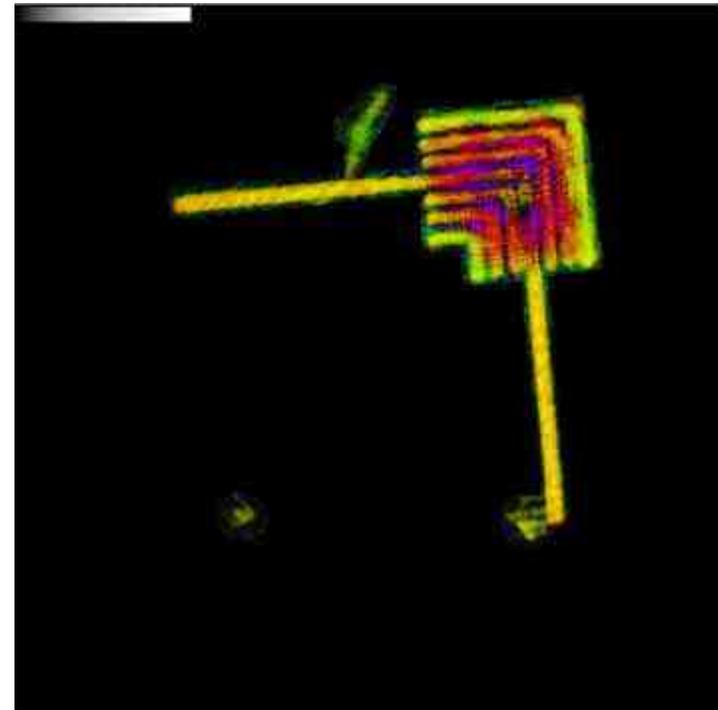
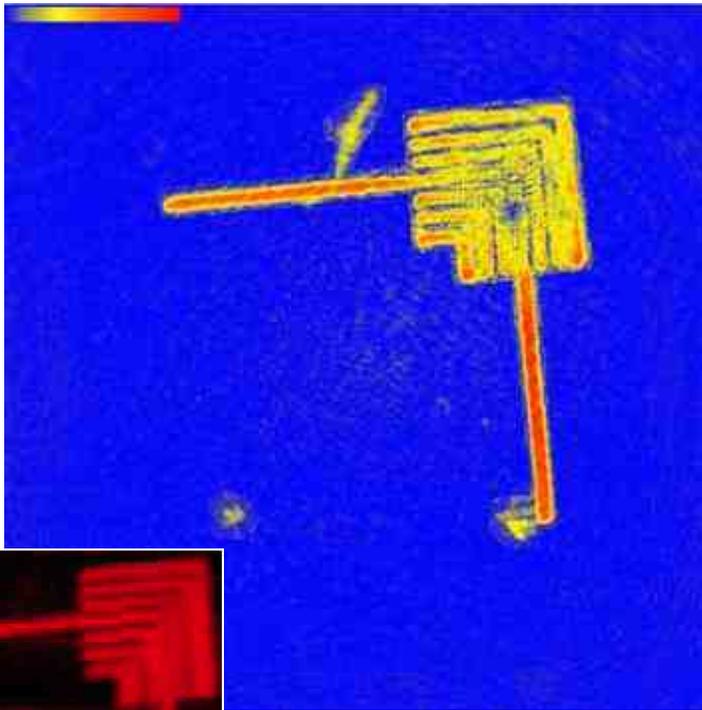
# *Fresnel coherent diffraction imaging of a gold test pattern*



STXM image (1.8 keV)



# Images reconstructed by FCDI



STXM image (1.8 keV)

Phase

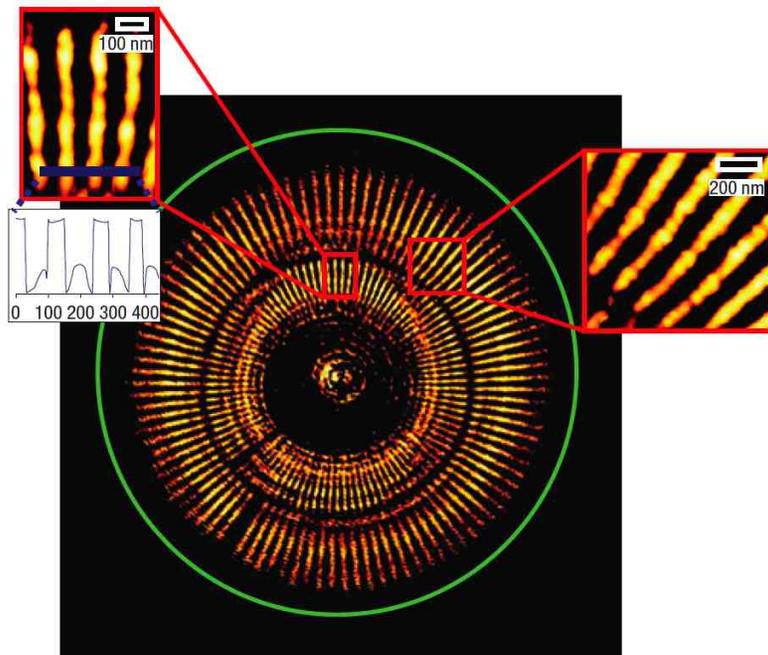
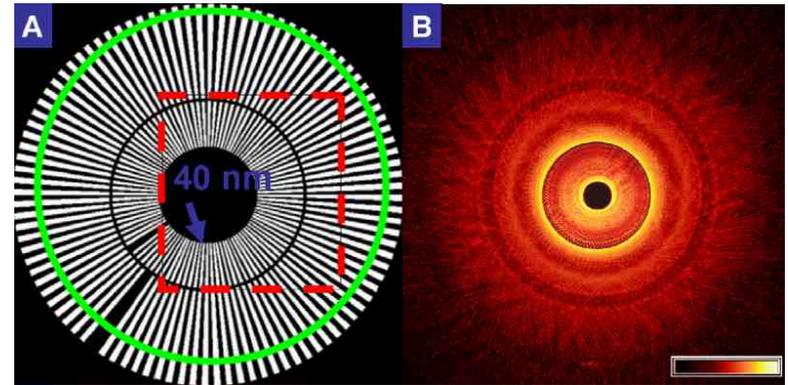
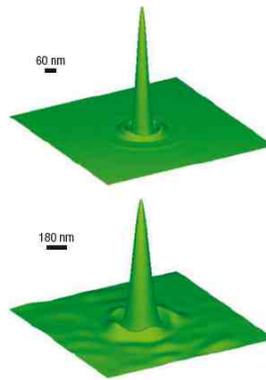
Magnitude with  
color-encoded phase

G. Williams, PRL 97, 022506 (2006)

# "Keyhole" FCDI

Use reconstructed illumination profile to determine support in extended sample

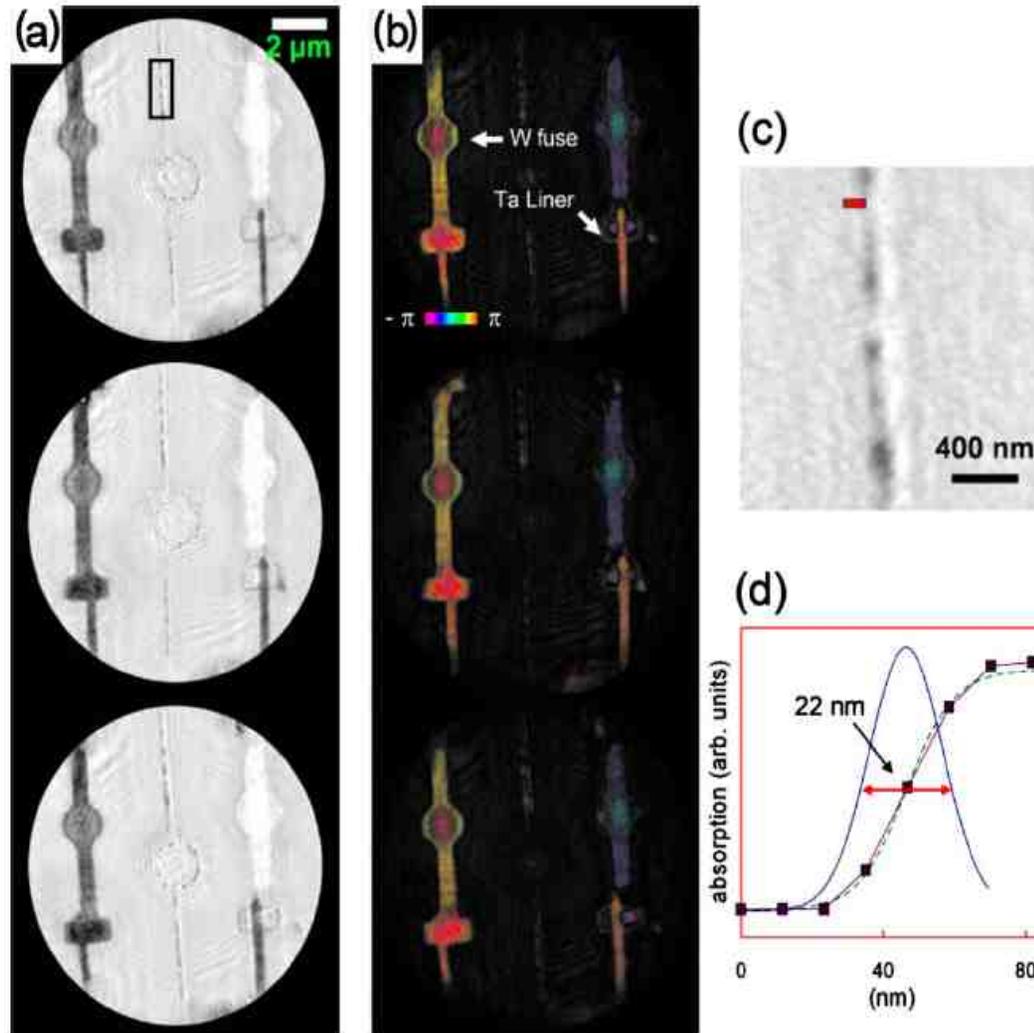
H. Quiney,  
Nature Physics 2, 101 (2006)



**Ability to study extended samples is essential for many real-world problems!**

B. Abbey, Nature Physics 4, 394 (2008)

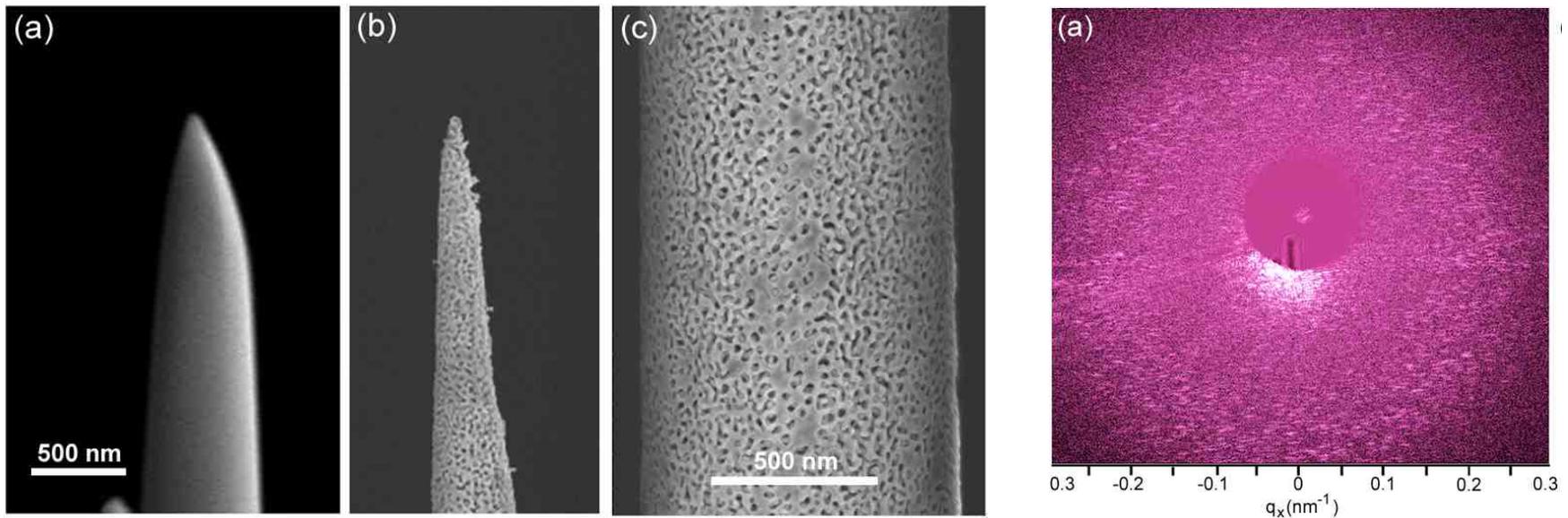
# "Fuse bay" structure



B. Abbey, APL 93, 214101 (2008)

## CDI accesses earliest stages of dealloying (Ag-Au alloy)

- Pores and ligaments begin to form at the  $\sim 5$  nm scale
- Further dealloying (but not annealing) results in 10 - 50 nm pores

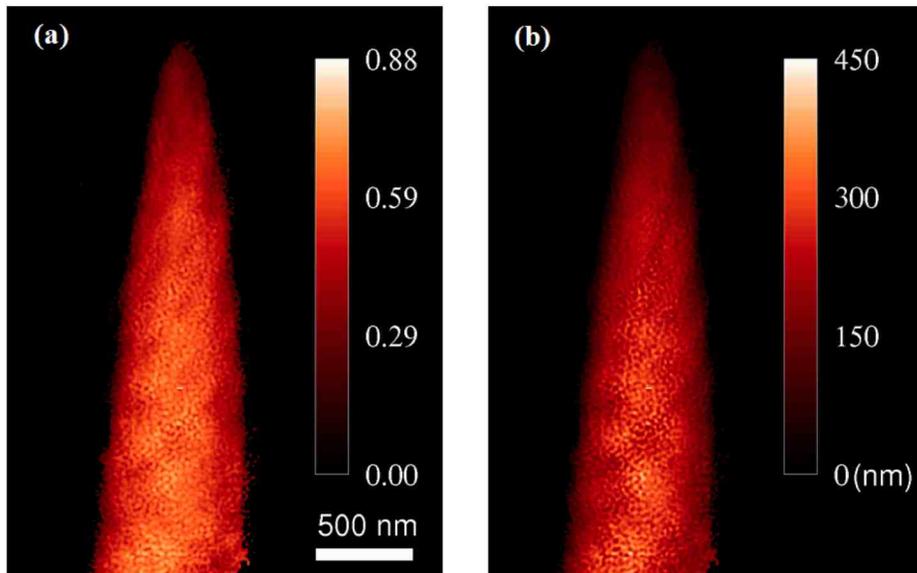
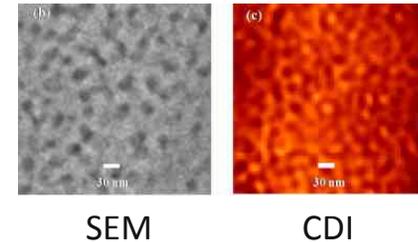


Scanning electron micrographs of (a) np-Au specimen before dealloying and (b,c) another specimen after dealloying

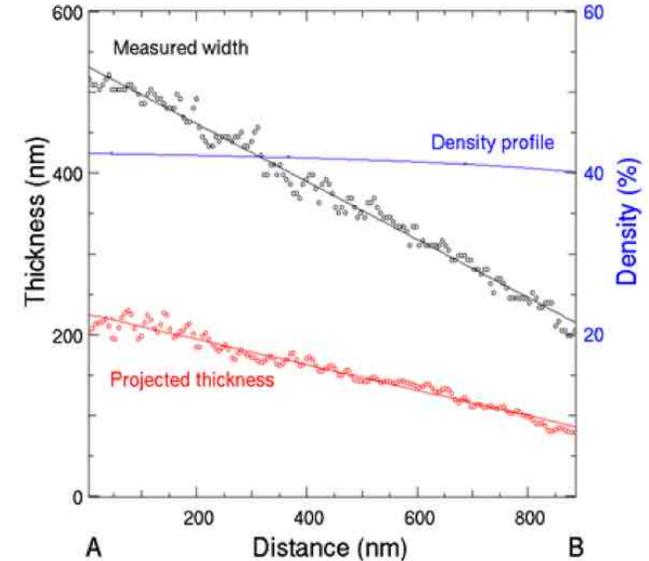
Fresnel coherent diffraction pattern from dealloyed sample (2.185 keV)

# X-ray phase gives quantitative thickness, density

- Goal: extract pore radii of curvature, local density, and ductility; correlate with SEM (surface) data
- Full 3D dataset was recorded, reconstruction is underway



Reconstructed absorption coefficient and projected thickness obtained from reconstructed phase of the exit surface wave

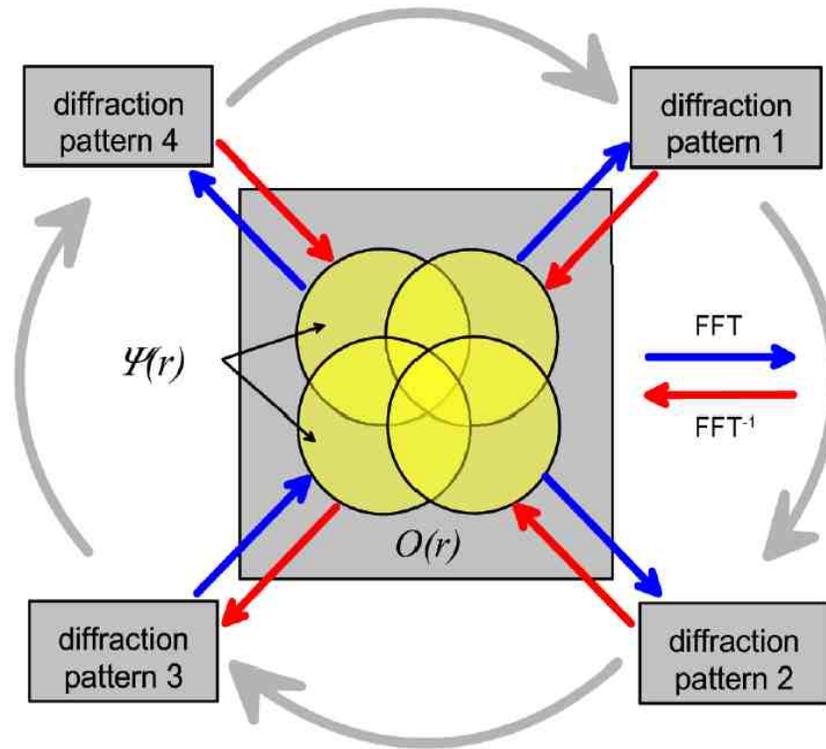
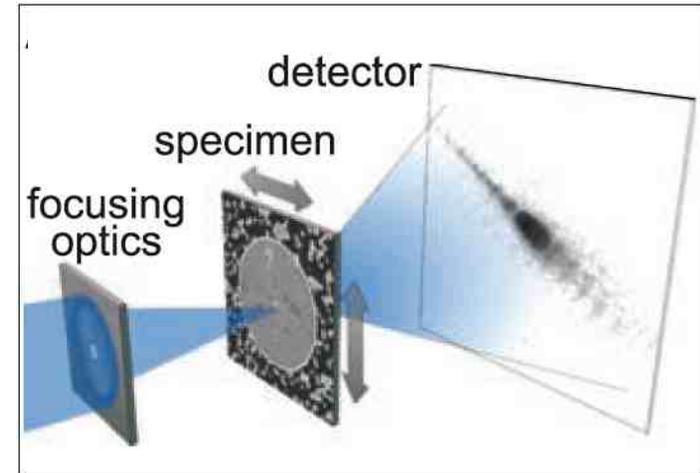


Measured width (0° view), projected thickness (90° view), and density as a function of position within sample

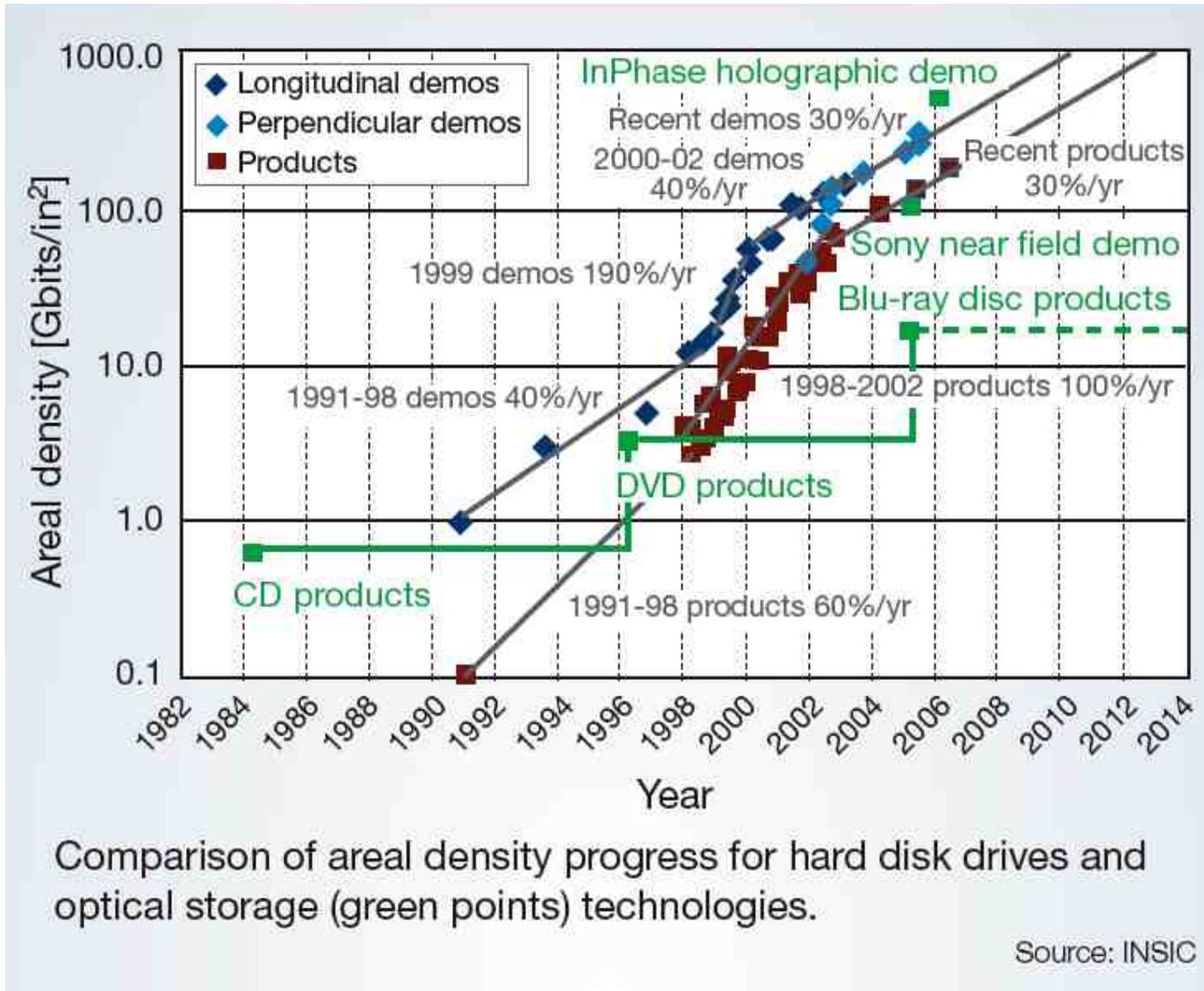
S. Kim (SACLA), et al., in preparation

# Alternative approach: ptychography

- R. Hegerl et al., Phys. Chemie 74, 1148 (1970)
- H. Faulkner and J. Rodenburg, PRL 93, 023903 (2004)
- J. Rodenburg et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 034801 (2007)
- P. Thibault et al., Science 321, 379 (2008)

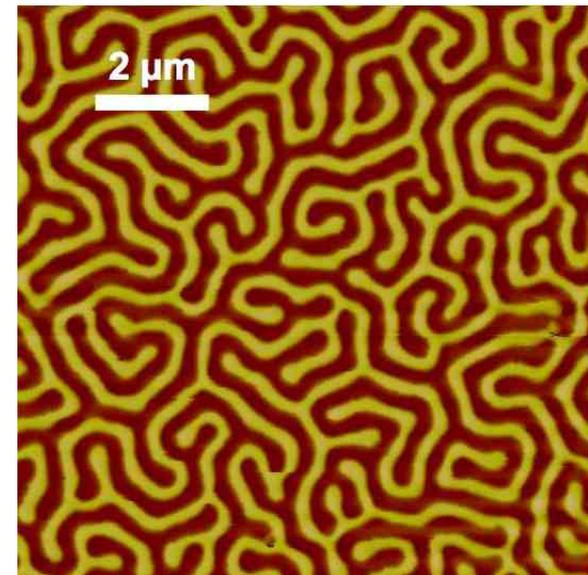
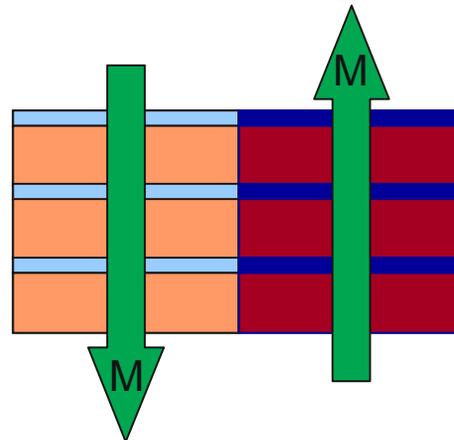
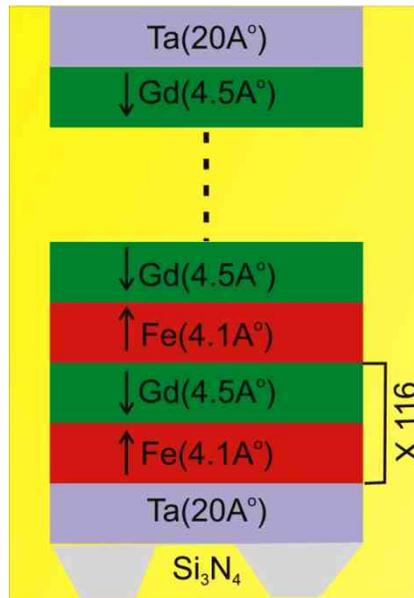


# Does your iPad hold enough?



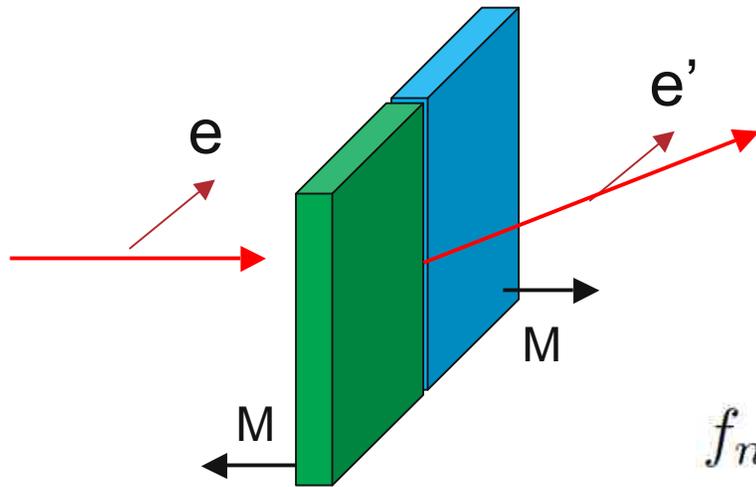
## GdFe multilayers: a model system

- Fabricated by sputtering; can be nano-patterned lithographically
- Perpendicular anisotropy spontaneously forms "worm" domains with antiparallel out-of-plane magnetization
- Artificial ferrimagnets with strong coupling at domain interfaces



Magnetic force micrograph of 200 nm thick GdFe multilayer (courtesy E. Fullerton, UCSD)

# Resonant x-ray scattering



$$f_n \approx f_{nonres}^0 + f_{nonres}^{magn} + f' + if''$$

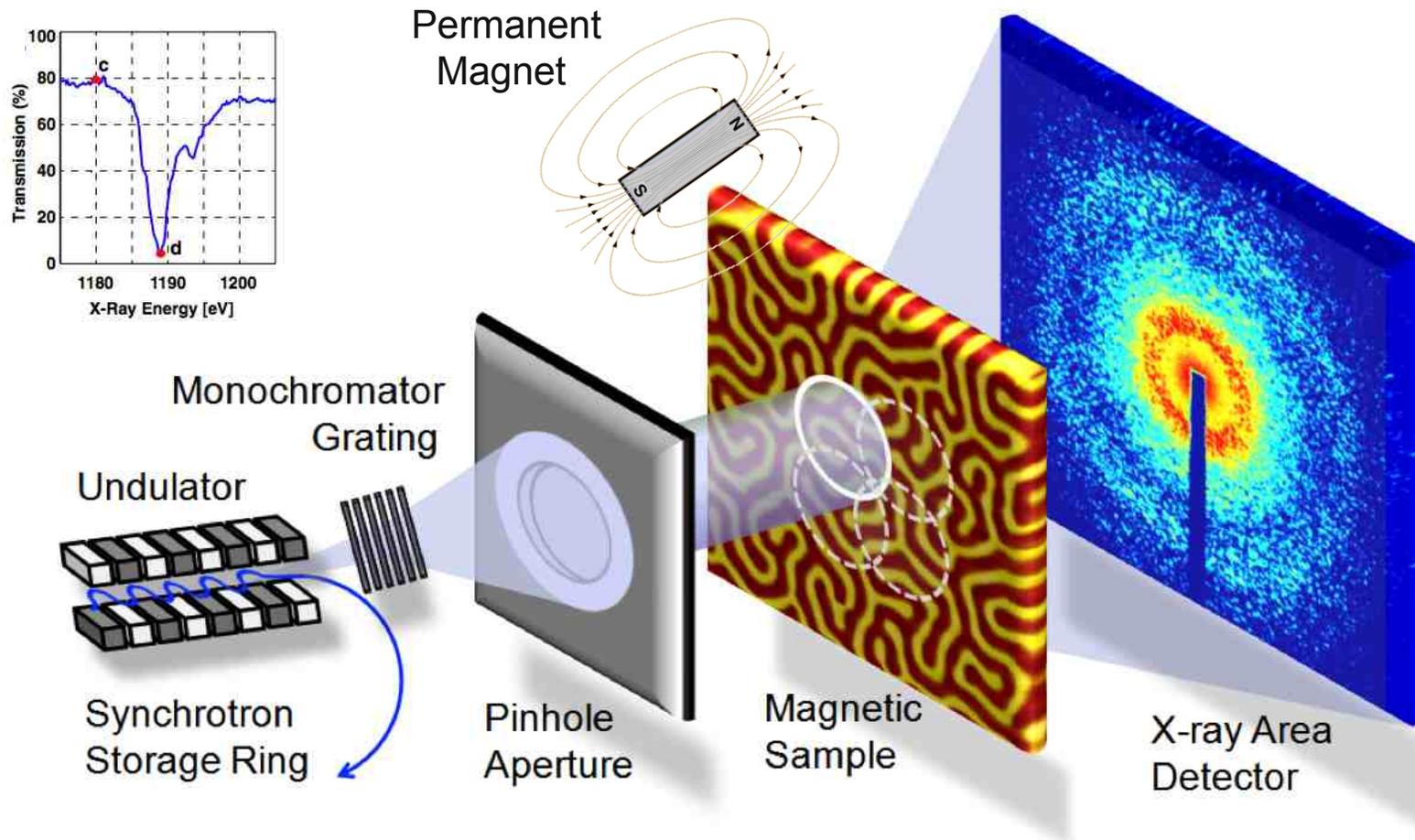
~0 in this geometry

charge	magnetic circular	magnetic linear
$f_{res} = \mathbf{e}' \cdot \mathbf{e} F_n^c - i (\mathbf{e}' \times \mathbf{e}) \cdot \mathbf{M}_n F_n^{m1} + (\mathbf{e}' \cdot \mathbf{M}_n)(\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{M}_n) F_n^{m2}$		

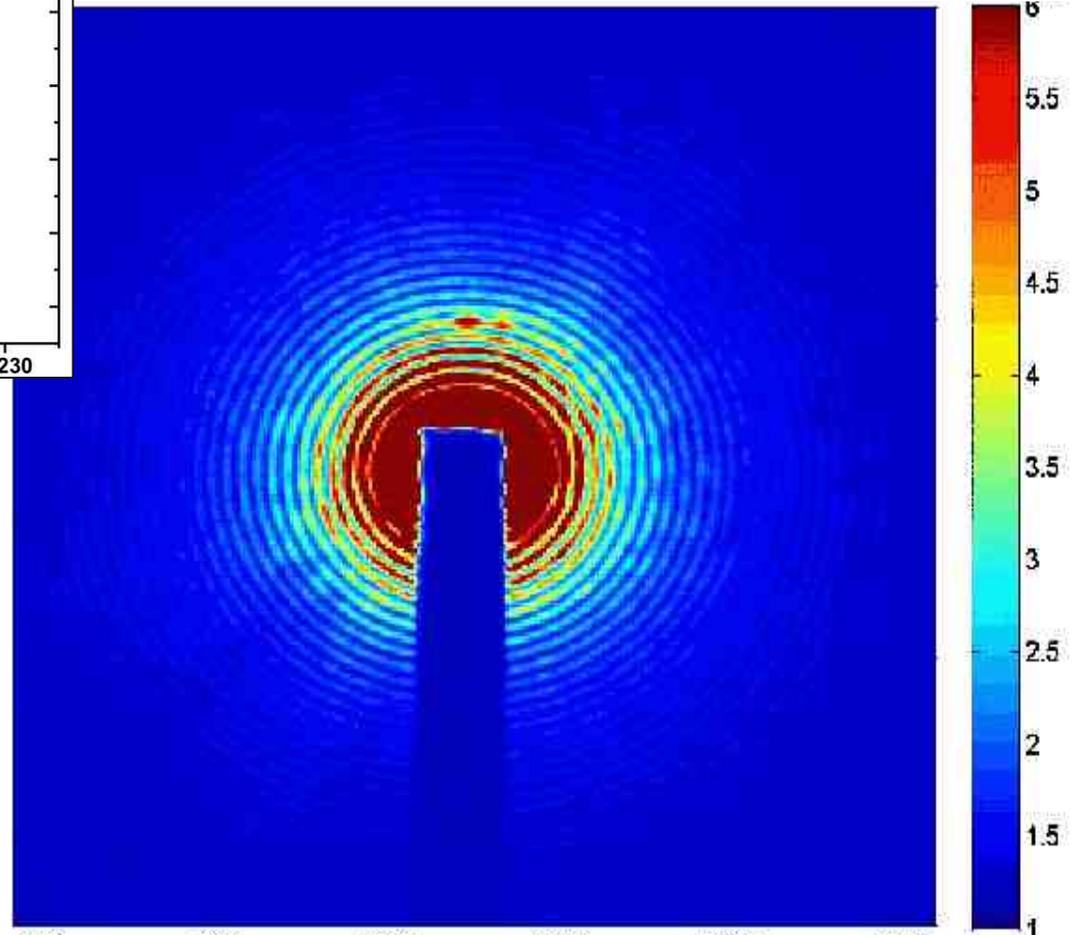
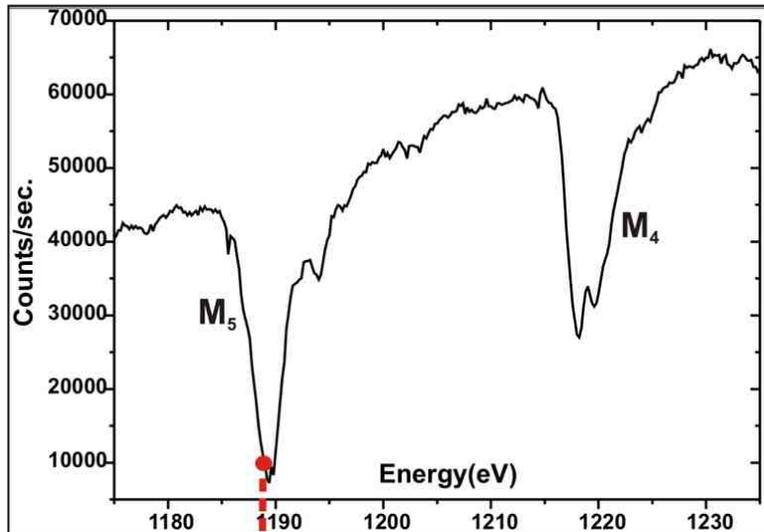
$$I \propto \left| \sum_n \exp(i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n) f_n \right|^2$$

J.P. Hannon, PRL 61, 1245 (1988)

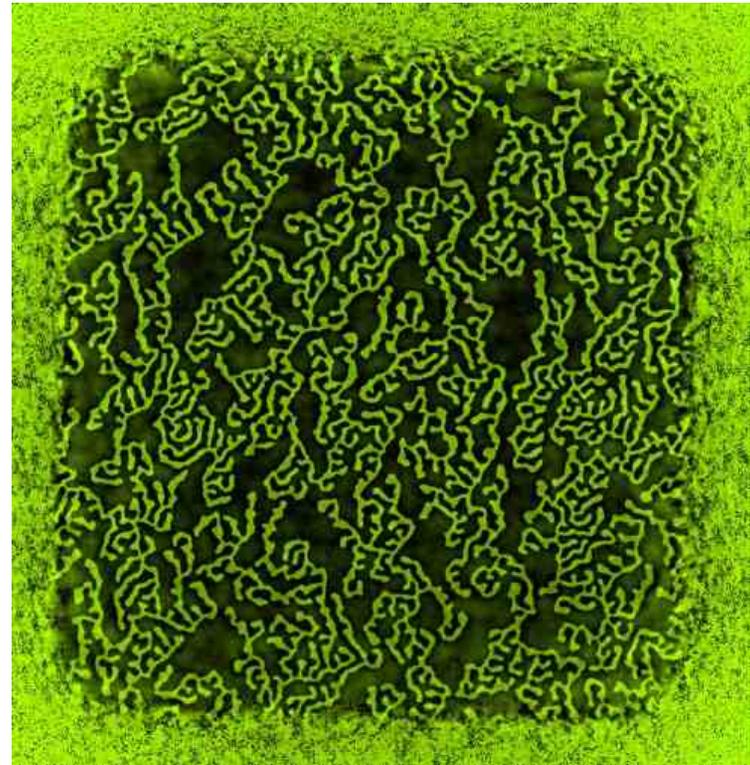
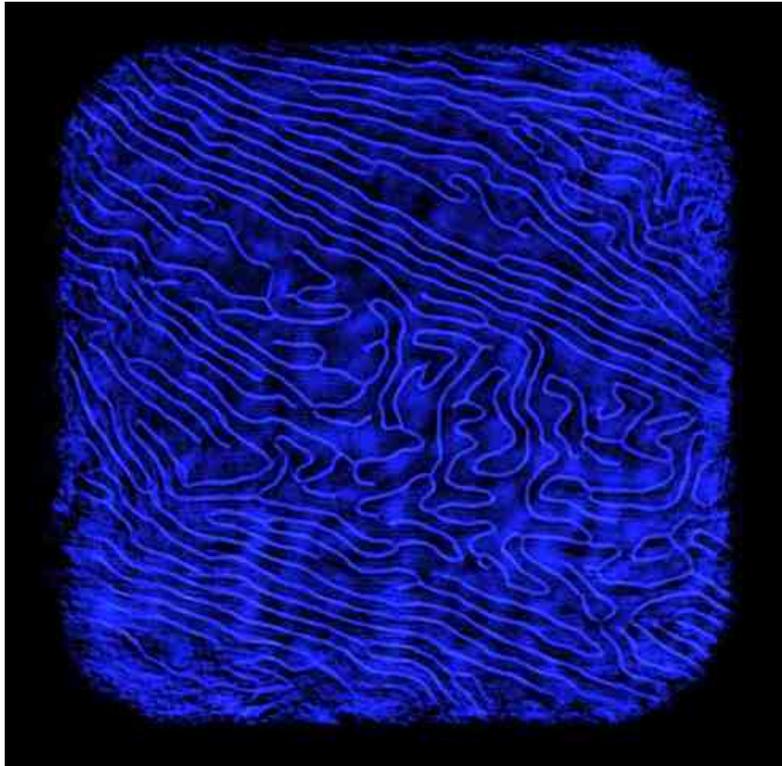
# *Magnetic domain structure can be visualized in-situ with resonant x-ray coherent diffraction*



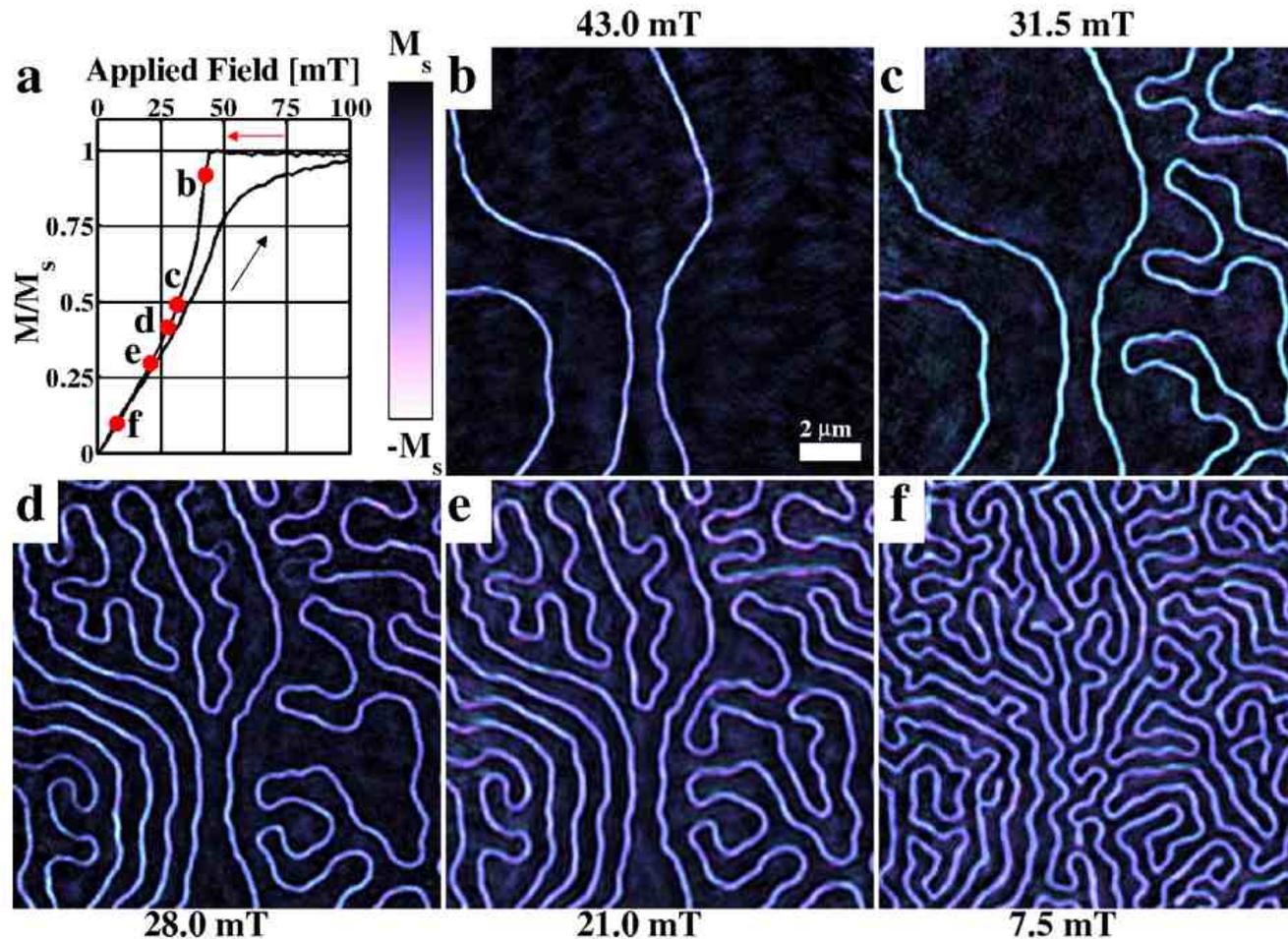
# Resonant scattering vs. photon energy



*Many domain configurations are possible, depending on the magnetic history of the system*



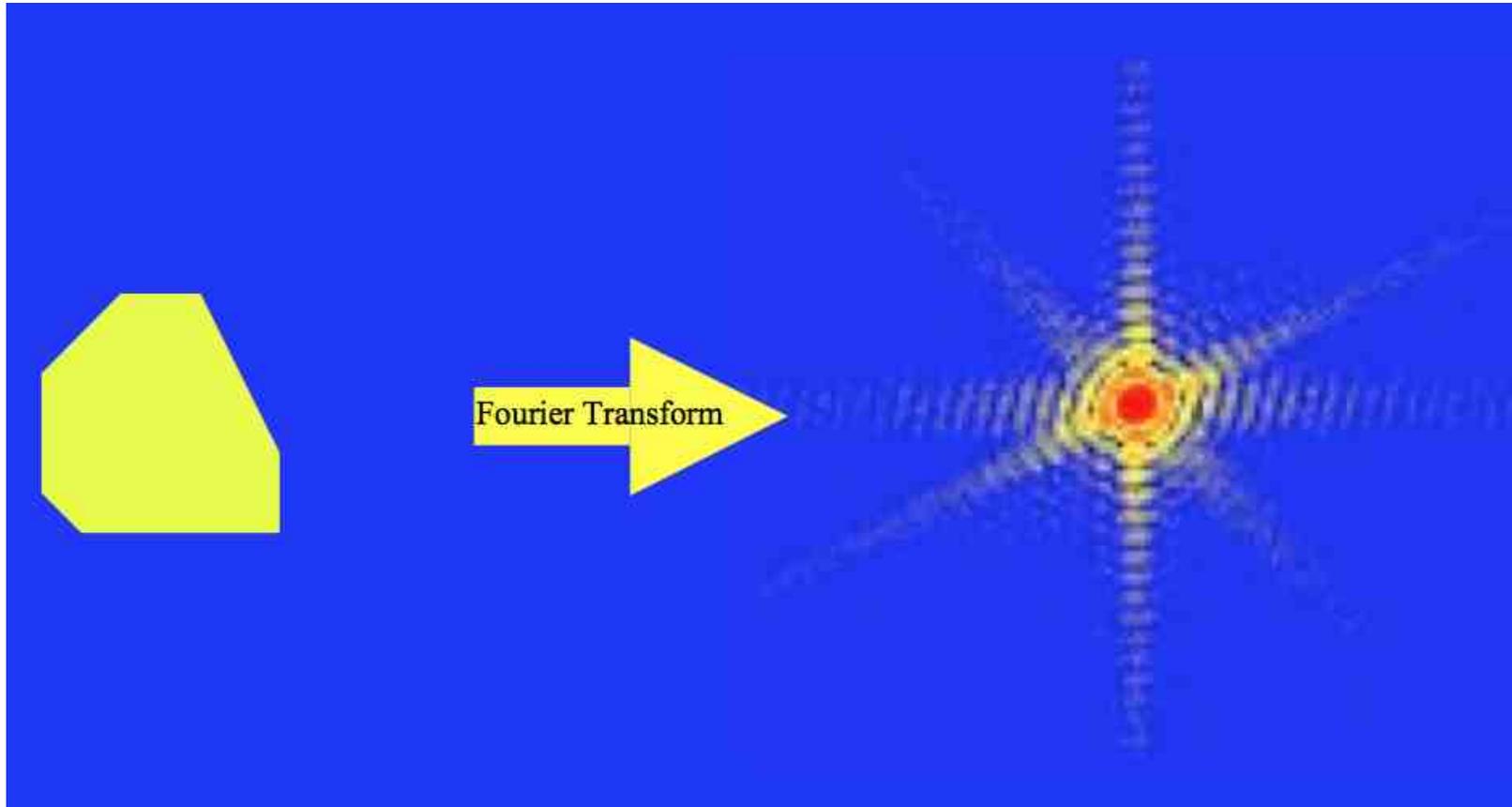
## Decreasing field



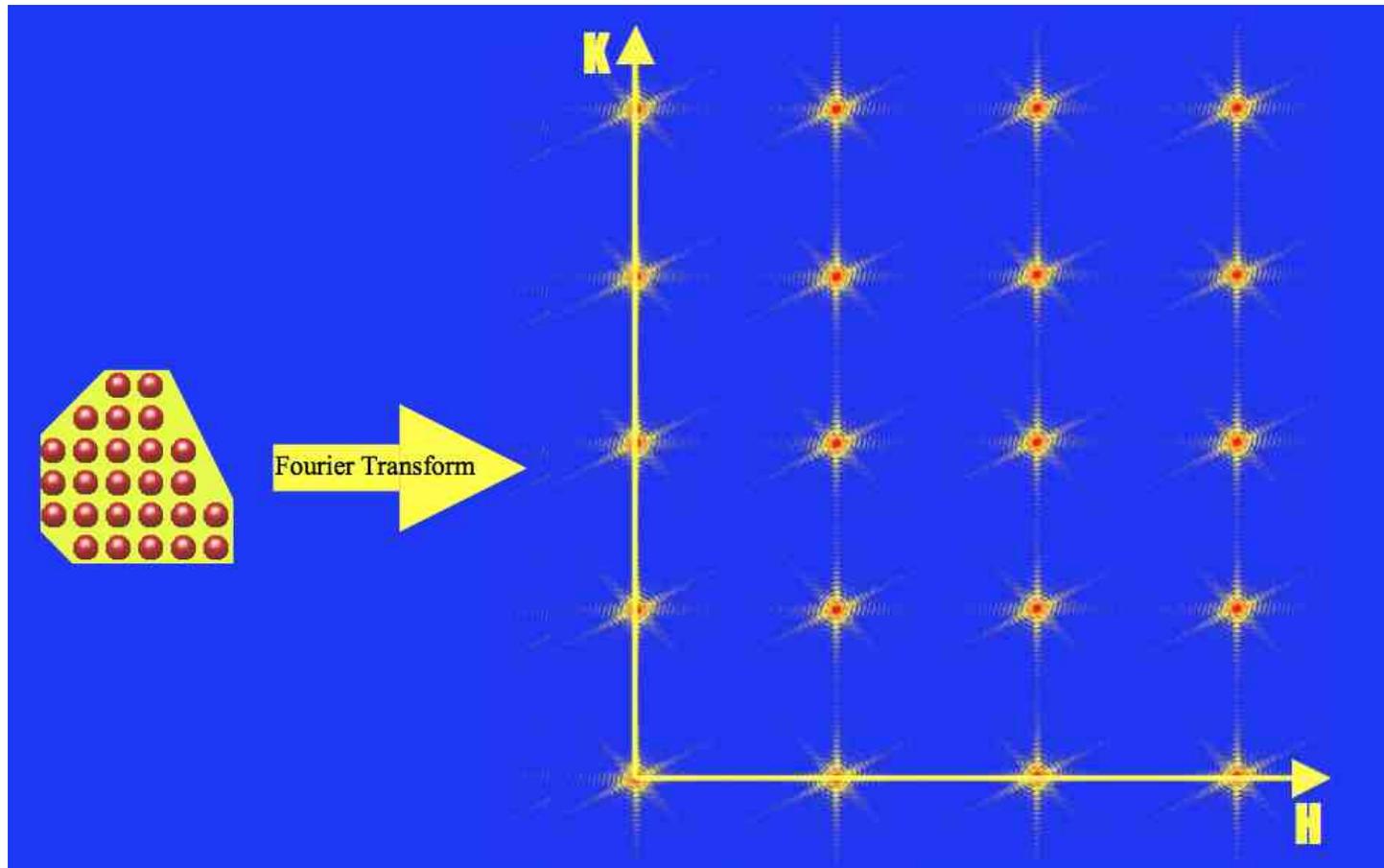
Domain evolution as the magnetic field was *decreased* from saturation towards zero. (a) Sample hysteresis loop as a function of applied field; (b-f) reconstructions from series of scanned diffraction patterns taken at various points in (a).

A. Tripathi, PNAS 108, 13393 (2011)

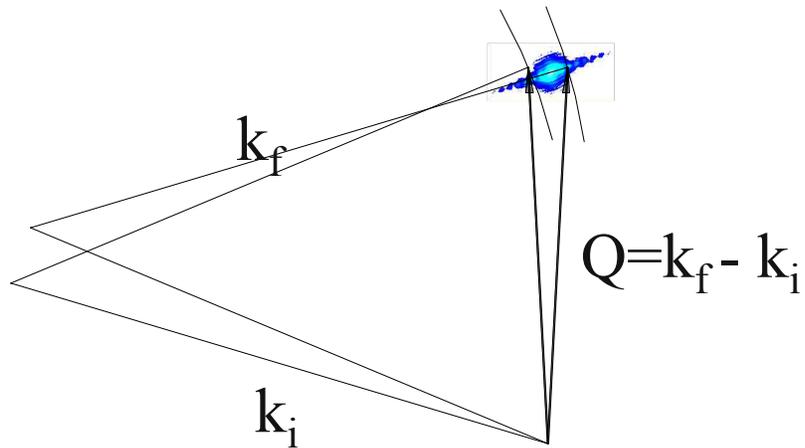
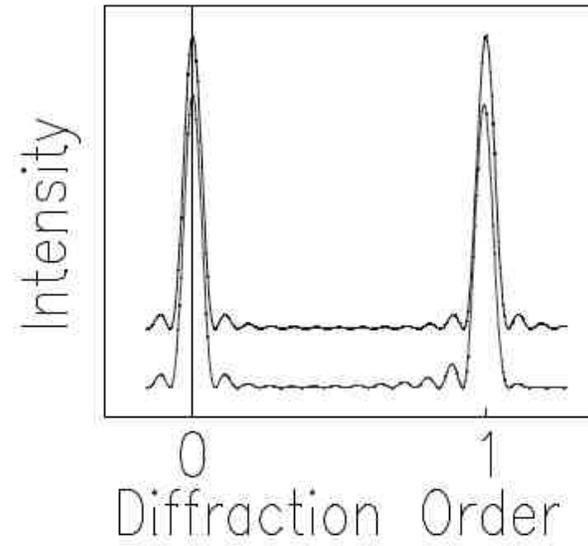
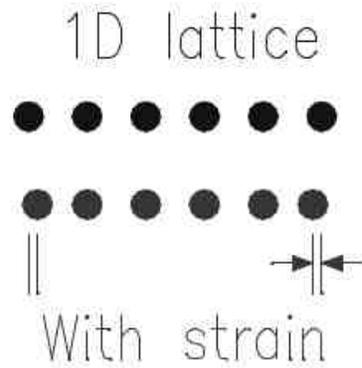
## Coherent diffraction from crystals



# Coherent diffraction from crystals



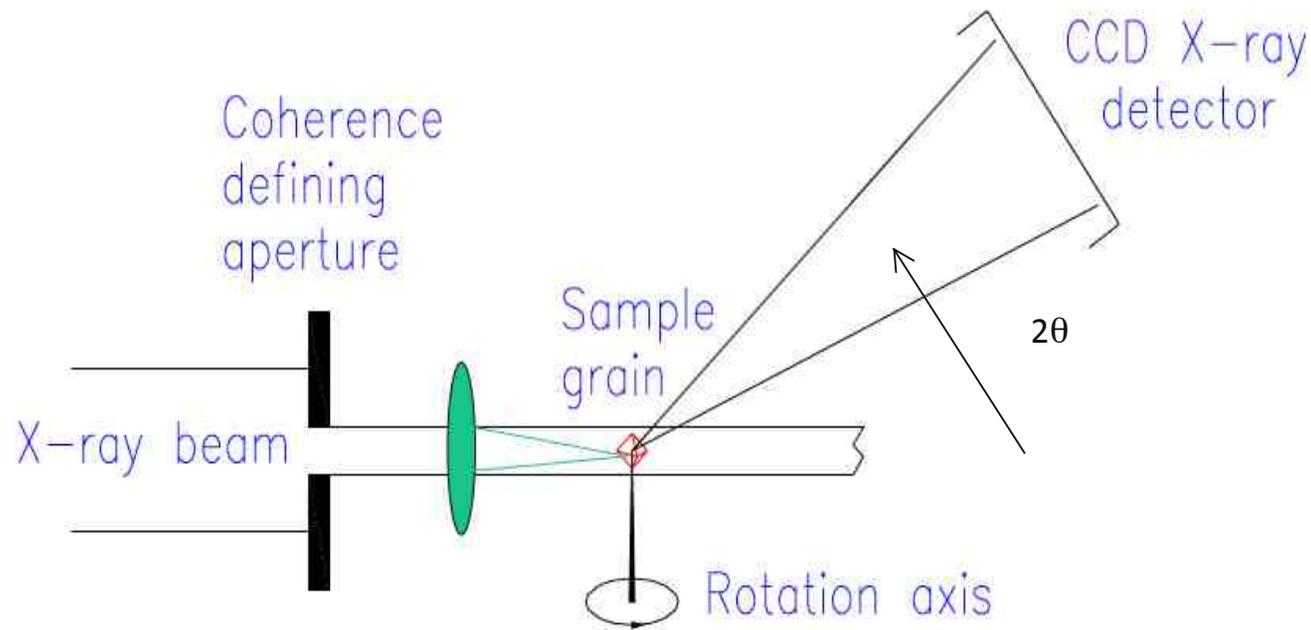
# Asymmetries in the Bragg spots arise from lattice strain



I. Robinson and R. Harder, *Nature Mater.* 8, 291 (2009)

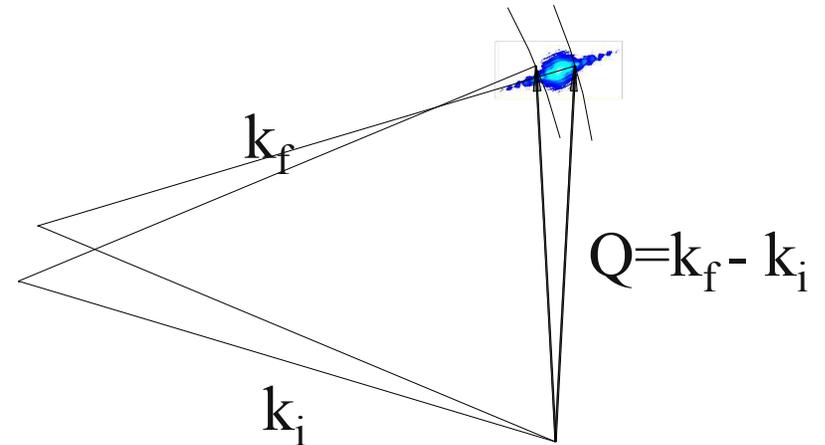
## Coherent x-ray diffraction in the Bragg geometry

- Coherent diffractive imaging (CDI) gives full complex amplitude from sample at a spatial resolution limited only by the detected scattered signal
- *Bragg CDI* is uniquely sensitive to crystalline order and lattice strain.



## Three-dimensional Bragg method

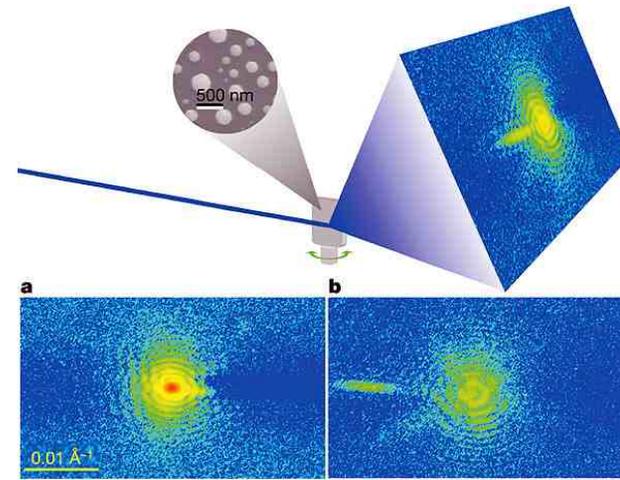
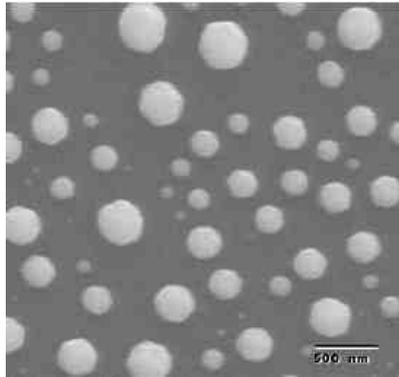
- Select coherent part of hard x-ray beam with double crystal monochromator and precision slits
- Locate sample in beam and Bragg peaks (ideally, 3 to get complete strain tensor)
- Rock sample around Bragg peaks to record diffraction vs. angle
- Assemble 3D XYq data set, align to central peak
- Reconstruct via iterative phase retrieval, using constraint applied in pixel coordinates



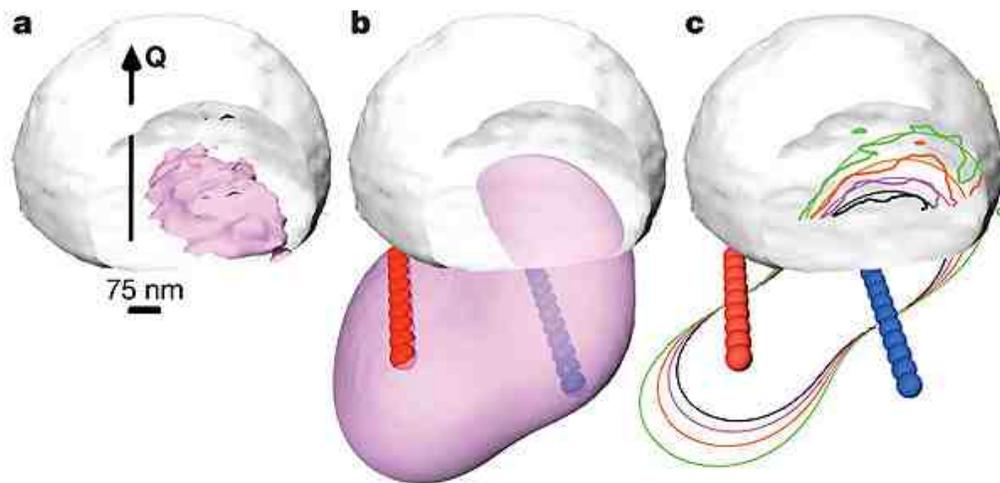
Setup at APS 34-ID-C beamline

# Mapping crystal strain in 3D by CDI

0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  Pb crystal grown on  $\text{SiO}_2$  substrate



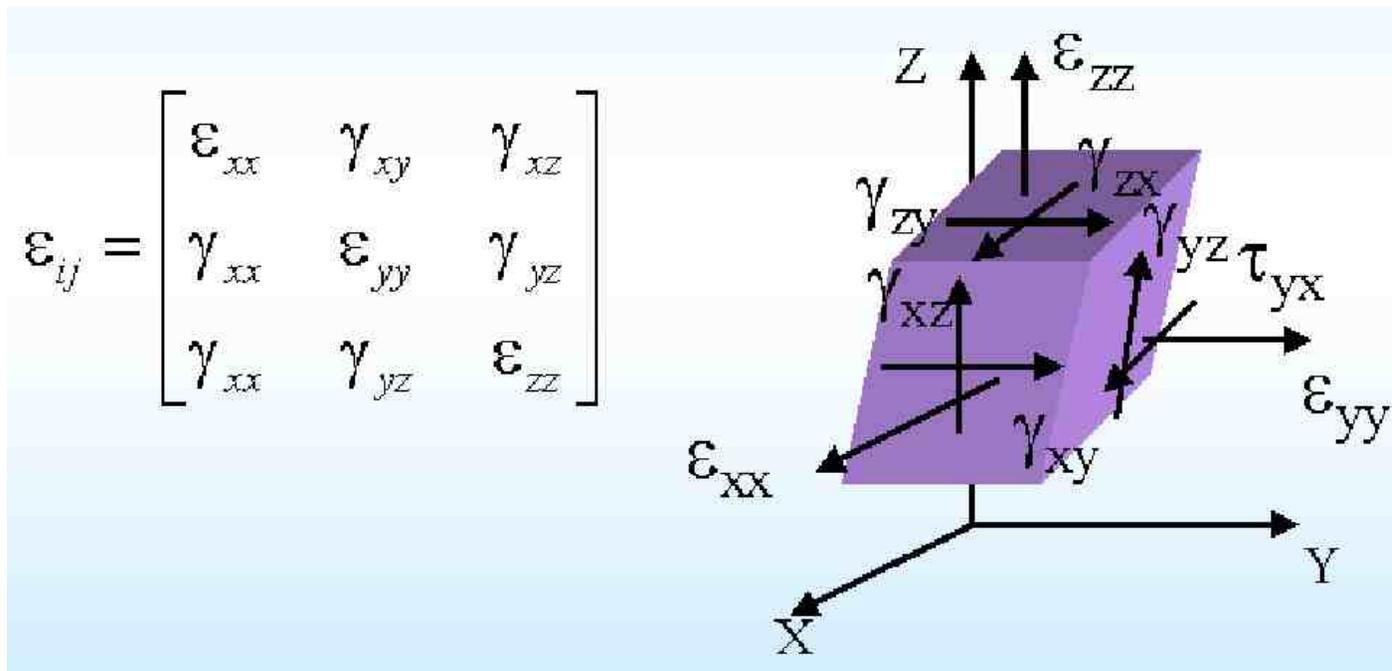
Map series of diffraction patterns about (111) Bragg peak



Reconstructed diffraction data

v.l. Pfeifer, Nature 442, 63 (2006)

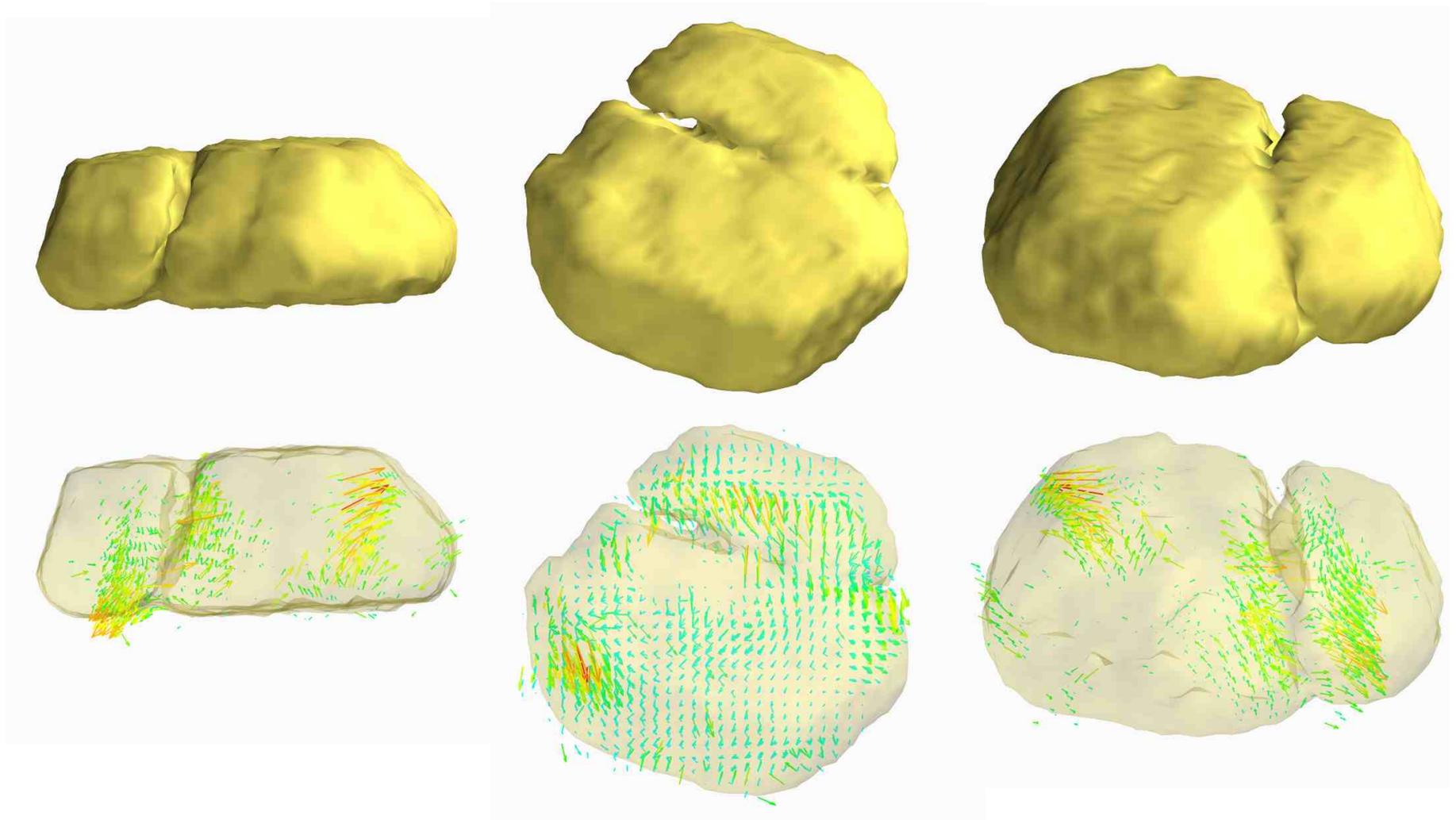
## 3D strain is expressed as a tensor



$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} \quad \epsilon_y = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \quad , \quad \epsilon_z = \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\gamma_{yz} = \gamma_{zy} = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y} \quad , \quad \gamma_{zx} = \gamma_{xz} = \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial z}$$

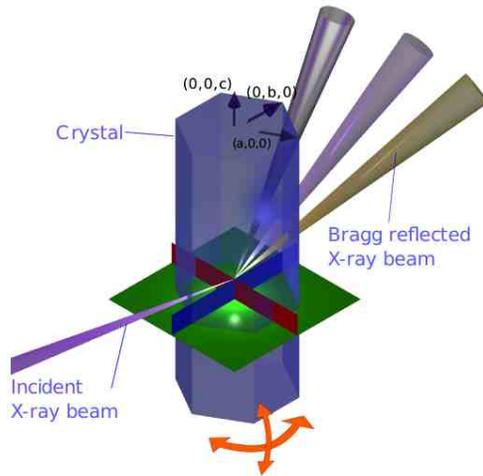
## Vector displacement field around a lattice defect (Au crystal)



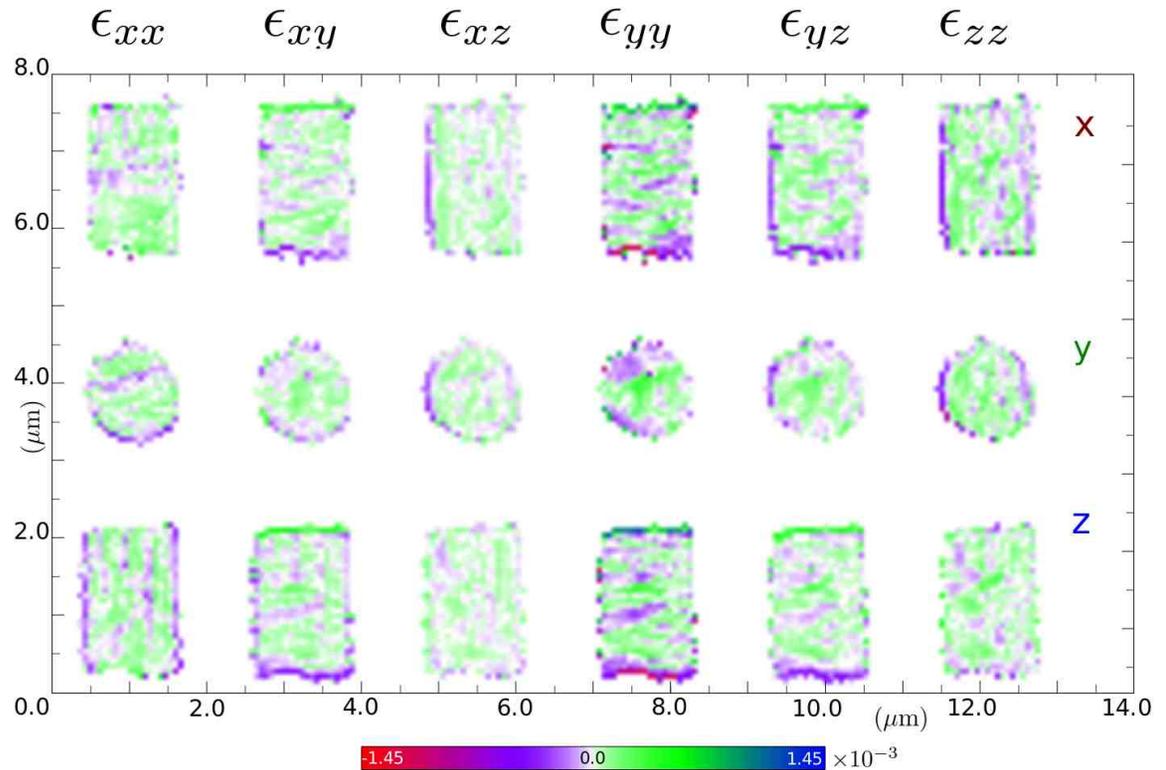
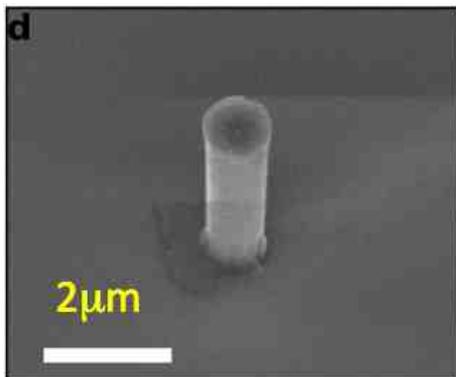
Produced by combining reconstructions from (11-1), (020), and (-111) reflections

# 3D strain map in ZnO nanorods

Nanoscale structures can be highly strained because of confinement effects, resulting in dramatically different electronic, magnetic and optical properties

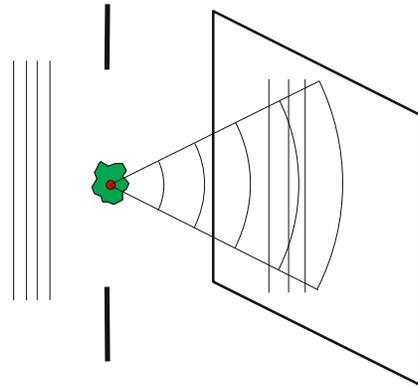


$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right), \quad \tau_{ij} = \left( \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

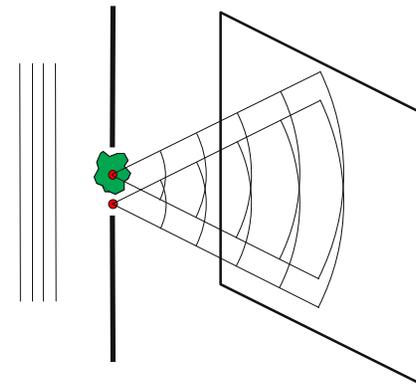


M. Newton, Nature Mater. 9, 120 (2010)

# Holography



**Gabor**



**Fourier transform**

**Record hologram**

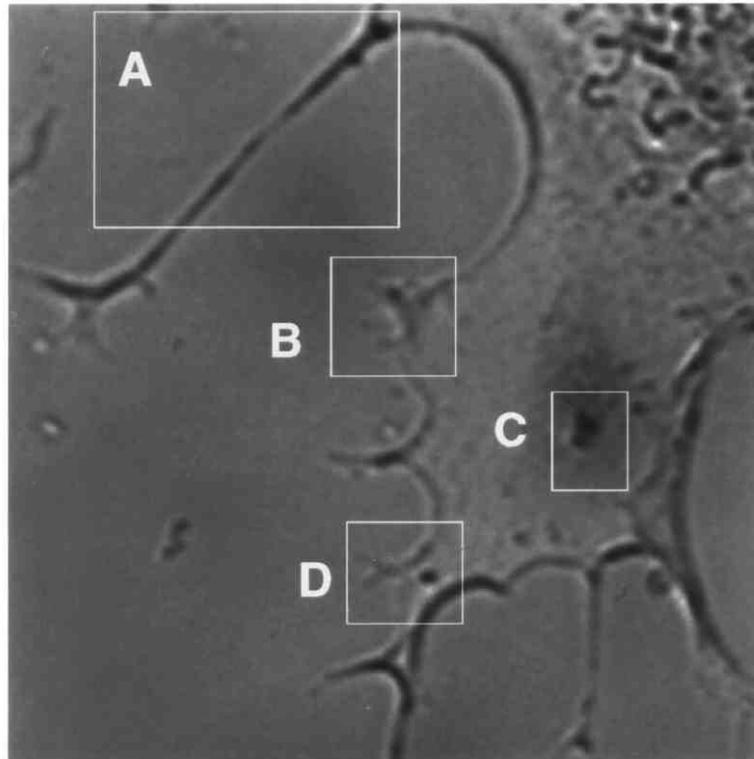
$$I = |a+b|^2 = |a|^2 + |b|^2 + a^*b + ab^*$$

**Reconstruct**

$$\begin{aligned} bI &= b|a|^2 + b|b|^2 + a^*bb + abb^* \\ &= aI_b + b(I_a + I_b) + \text{background} \end{aligned}$$

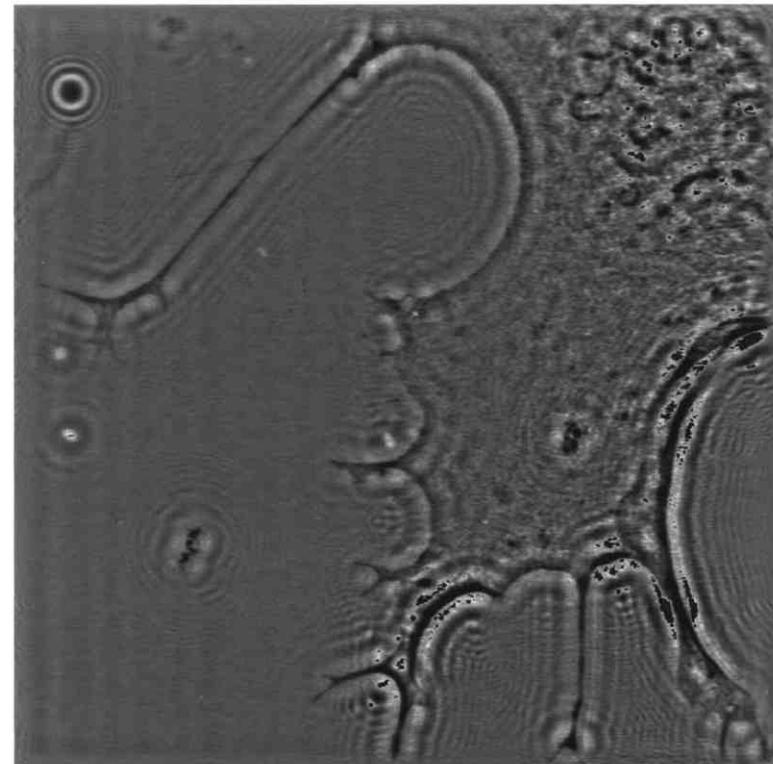
- Reference wave encodes magnitude and phase of object wave
- Reconstruct object wave by "re-illuminating" hologram with reference wave (or its C.C.)

## Gabor holography



6.0  $\mu\text{m}$

Visible light



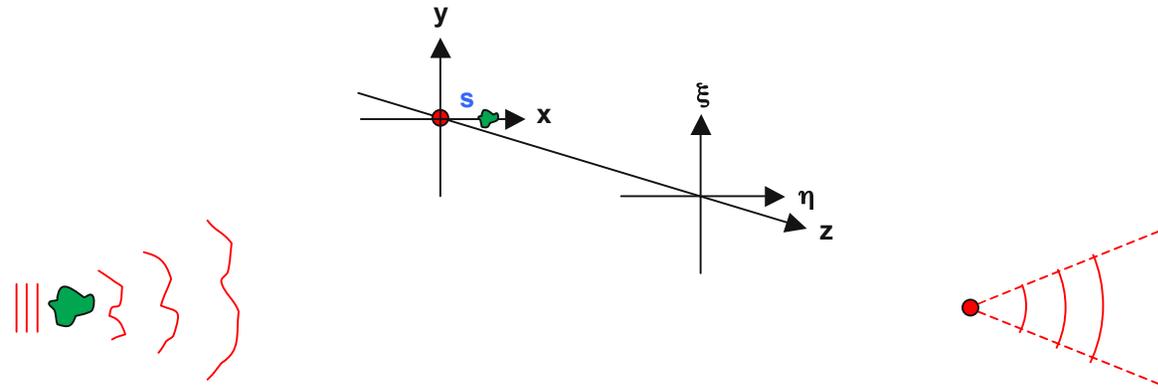
6.0  $\mu\text{m}$

X-ray

**Reconstructed hologram (right) of a NIL8 hamster neural fibroblast recorded with 656 eV x-rays. Estimated dose was  $7.5 \times 10^5$  Gy**

[S. Lindaas, JOSA A13, 1788 \(1996\)](#)

# FT hologram formation



$$a(\xi, \eta) = \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} \iint a(x-s, y) e^{\frac{ik}{2z}((x-\xi)^2 + (y-\eta)^2)} dx dy$$

**object wave**

$$b(\xi, \eta) = \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} b_0 e^{\frac{ik}{2z}(\xi^2 + \eta^2)}$$

**reference wave**

$$I = |a+b|^2 = |a|^2 + |b|^2 + a^*b + ab^*$$

**hologram intensity**

## Reconstruction

- Numerically take FT of hologram intensity to reconstruct
- Spatially separated primary, conjugate object waves result
- Weak curvature  $f(x,y)$  on object wave can be ignored

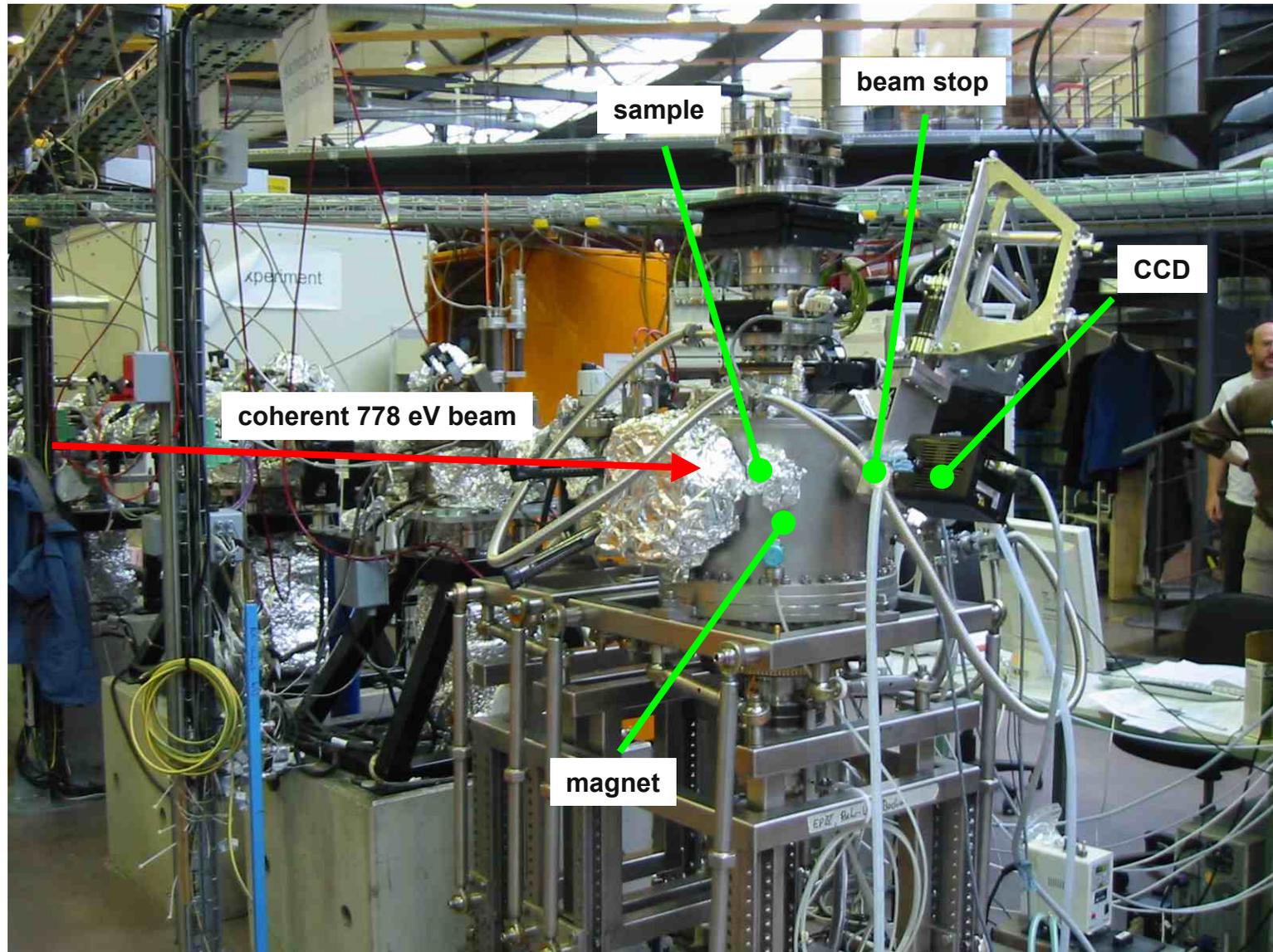
Image terms:  $a^*b + ab^* = \varphi(s\xi)F(\xi,\eta) + \varphi(s\xi)^* F(\xi,\eta)^*$

where:  $F(\xi,\eta) = \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} f(\xi,\eta) \iint a(x,y) f(x,y) e^{-\frac{ik}{z}(x\xi + y\eta)} dx dy$  ,

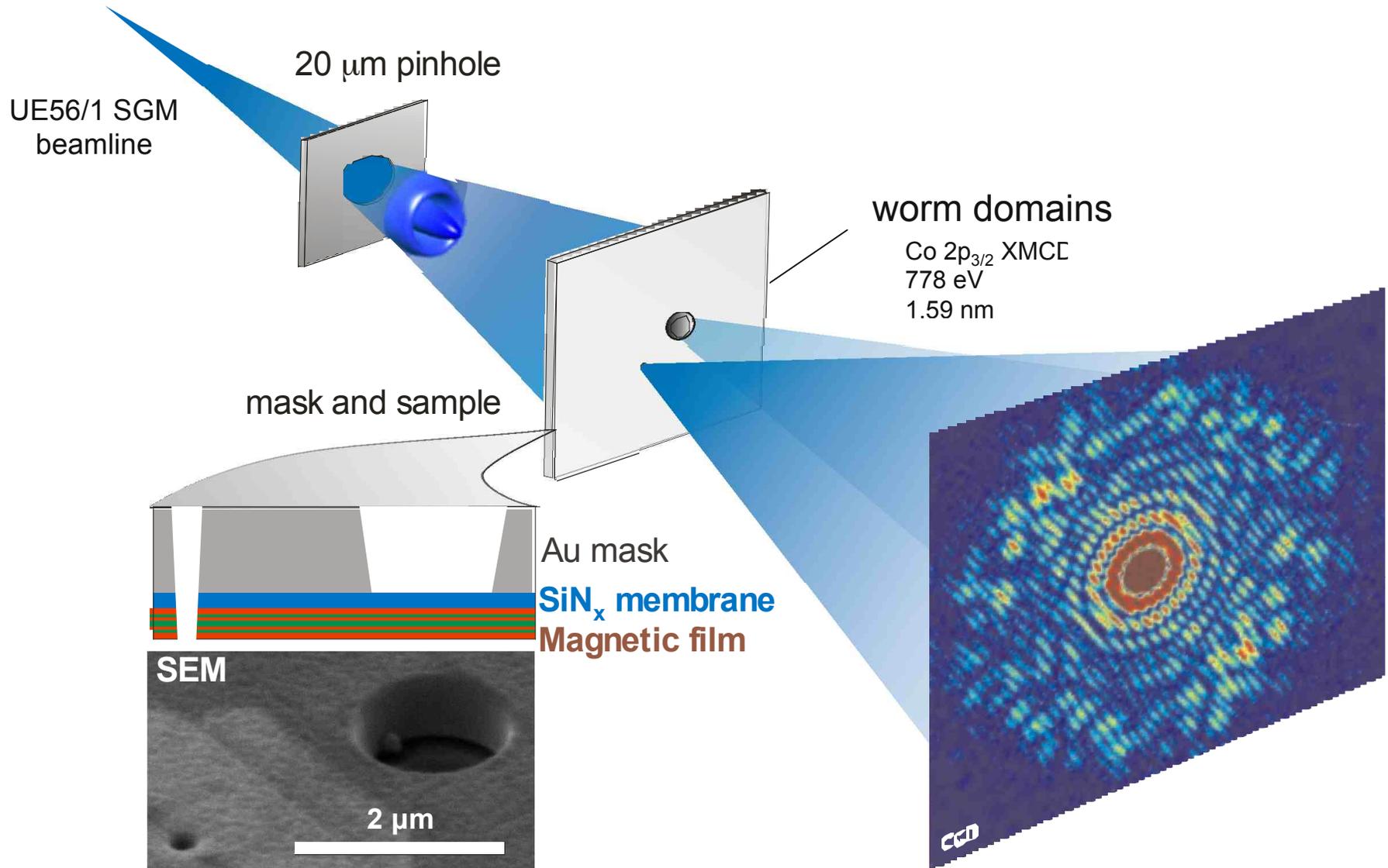
$\varphi(s,\xi) = e^{-\frac{ik}{z}s\xi}$  and  $f(\xi,\eta) = e^{\frac{ik}{2z}(\xi^2 + \eta^2)}$

$$FT^{-1}\{a^*b + ab^*\} = f(x-s,y) a(x-s,y) + f(-(x-s),-y)^* a(-(x-s),-y)^*$$

## UE56-SGM beamline and ALICE

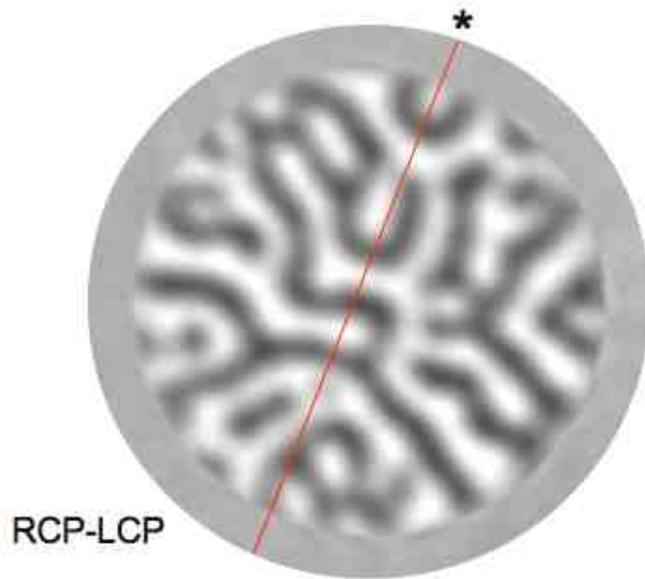


# Fourier transform holography with a pinhole mask



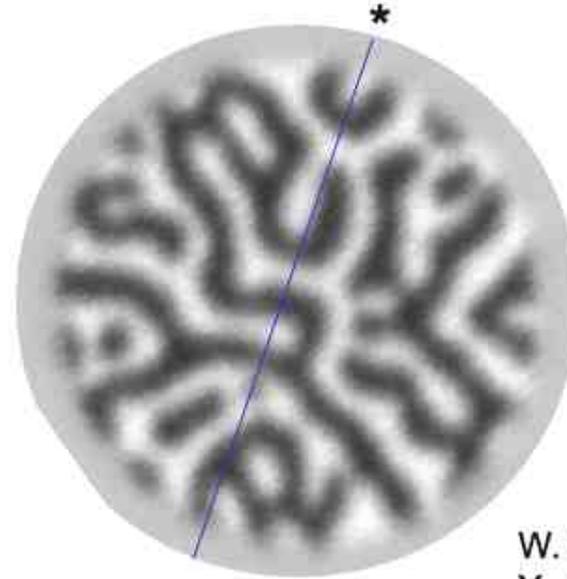
FTH

STXM



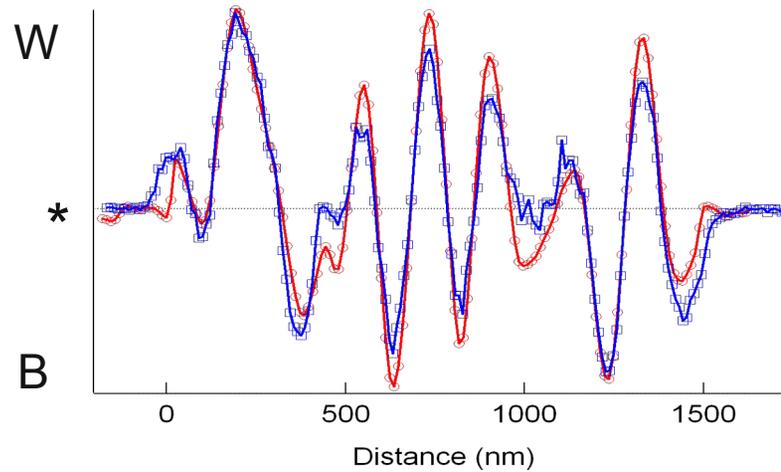
Ø 1.5 µm

100 nm



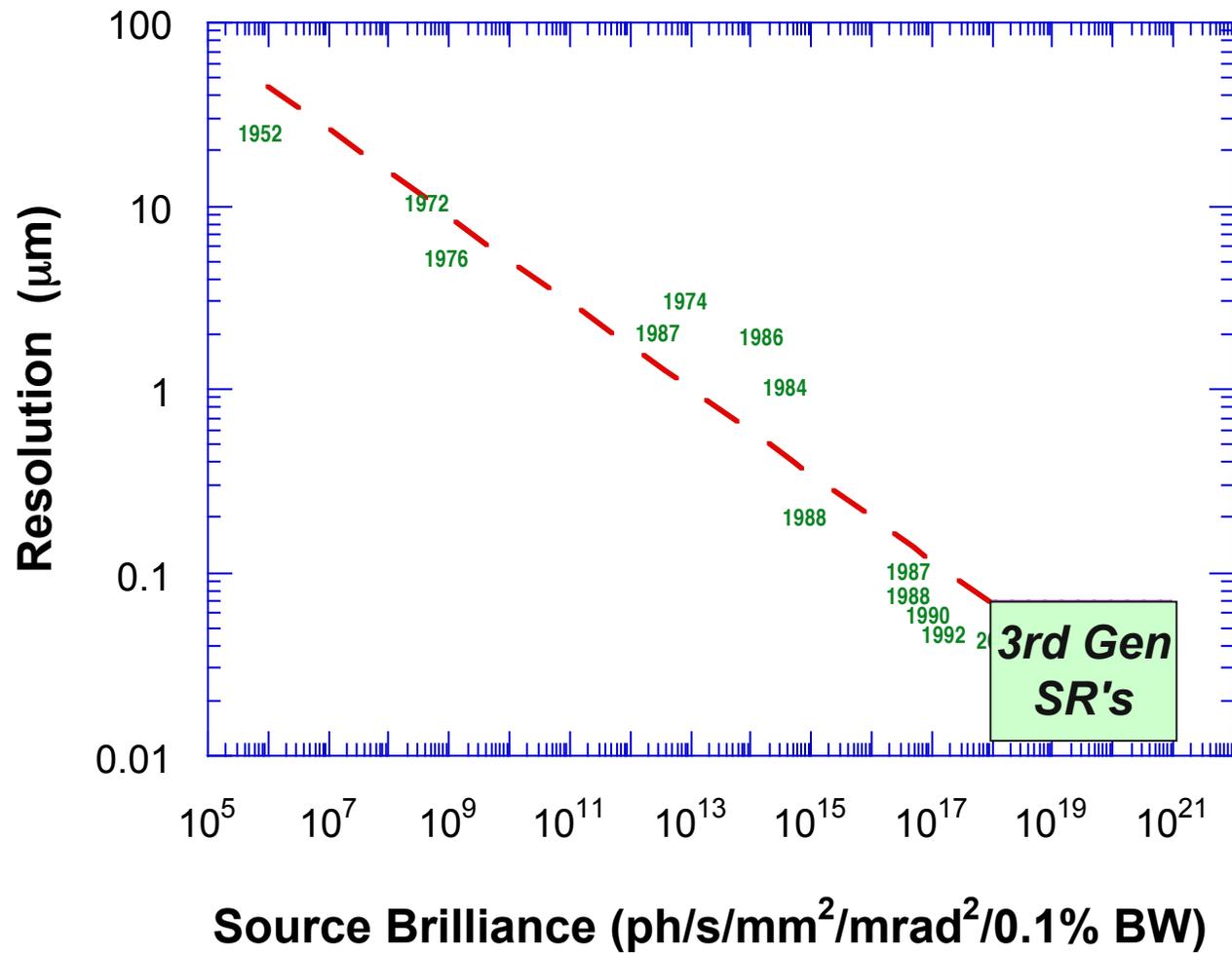
Reconstructed  
resolution ~50 nm

Resolution  
~35 nm

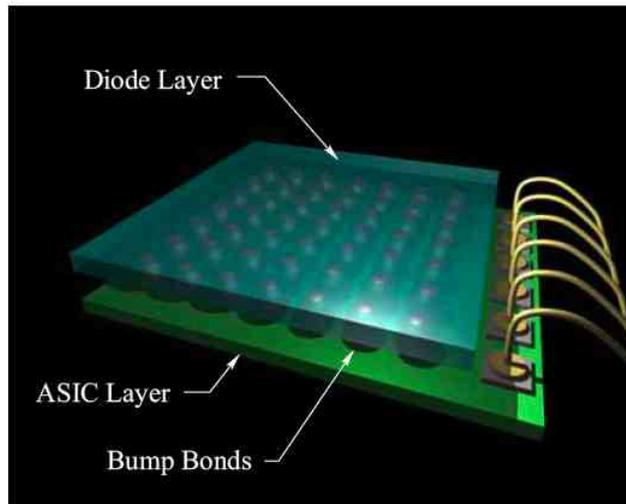


S. Eisebitt,  
Nature 432, 885 (2004)

# Imaging resolution by x-ray holography



# Pixel array detectors: a revolution in coherent imaging



D. Schuette, S. Gruner (Cornell)

## A Three Layer Hybrid Device

- Diode layer → converts x-rays to photocurrent.
- ASIC layer → custom signal processing electronics.
- A layer of metallic interconnects (bump bonds) between corresponding pixels on the diode and ASIC layers.

Pilatus 6M detector  
(PSI/Dectris)

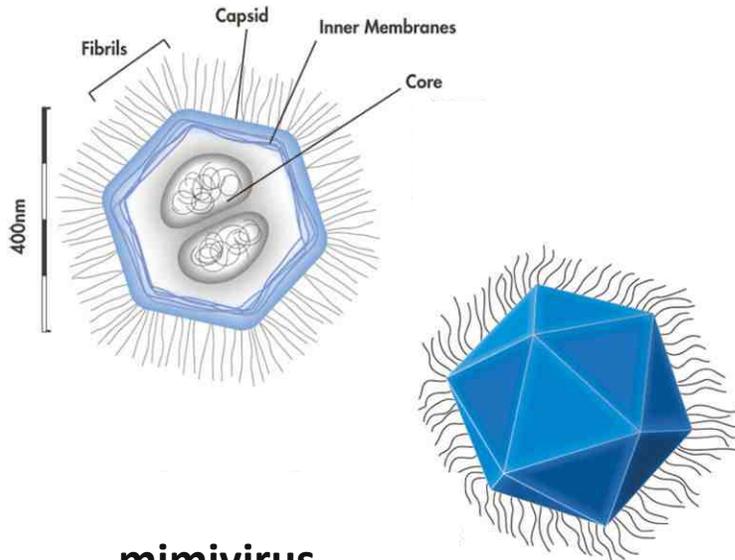


**PADs can be read out in ~1 ms  
(CCDs take seconds!)**

**PAD pixels are currently ~150  $\mu\text{m}$ .  
~75  $\mu\text{m}$  will be available next year**

# First ultrafast CDI of a virus with an x-ray laser

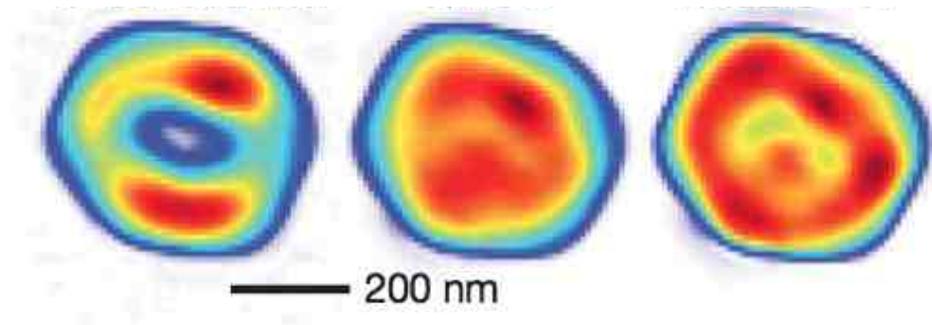
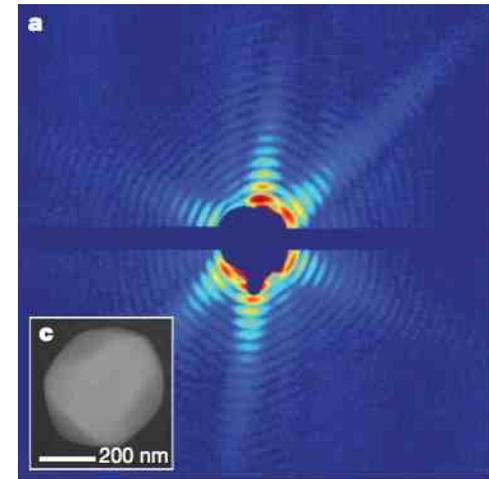
Linac Coherent Light Source  
at Stanford University, CA



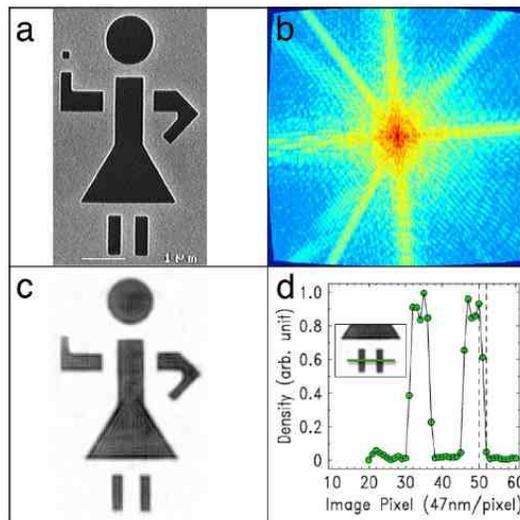
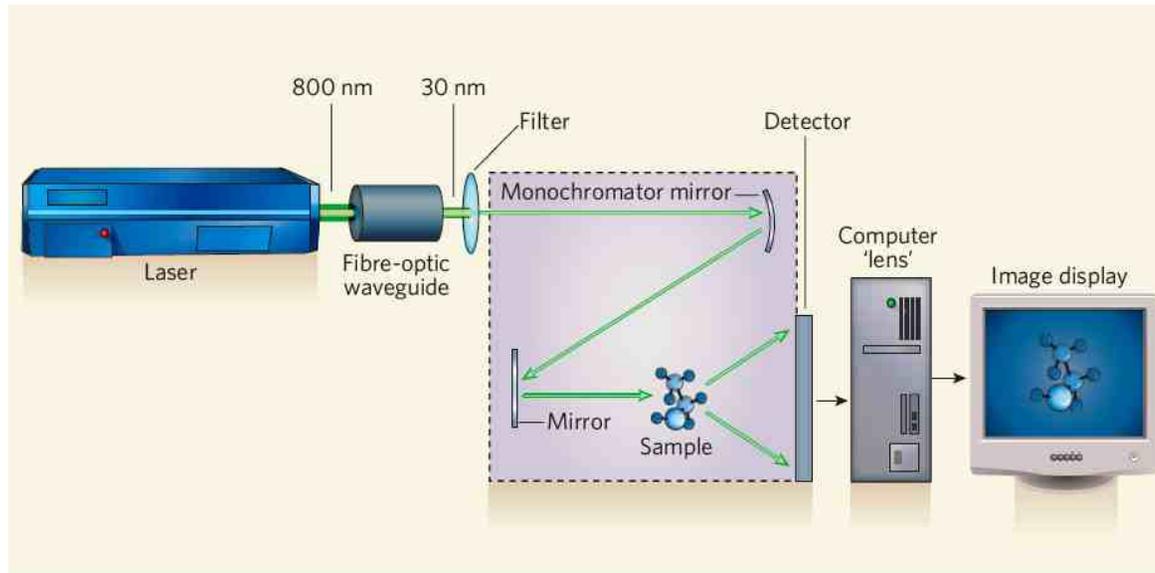
**mimivirus**

M. Seibert, Nature 470, 78 (2011)

1.8 keV x-rays,  
70 fs exposure !

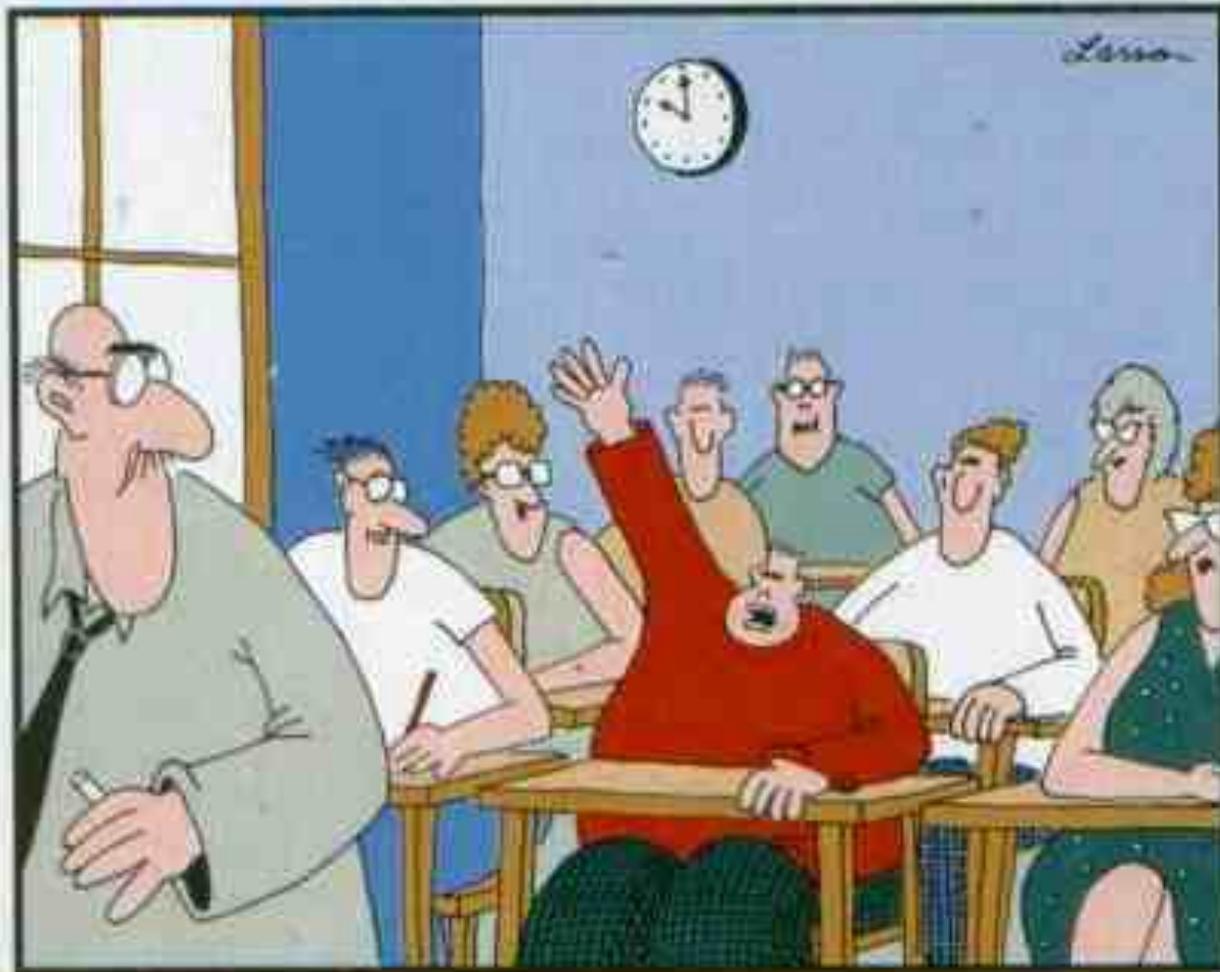


# CDI can be done on a tabletop!



R. Sandberg, PRL 99, 098103 (2007)

R. Sandberg, PNAS 105, 24 (2008)



**"Mr. Osborne, may I be excused?  
My brain is full."**

# *Summary*

- **Resolution, contrast, sources, and optics for x-ray imaging**
- **Direct methods: projection, full-field, and scanning**
- **Indirect methods: microdiffraction, coherent diffraction, holography**

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# Problems

- 1 Suppose you have a crystal with a c-axis lattice constant equal to  $1 \text{ \AA}$ . What is the angle for the (001) Bragg reflection using 10 keV x-rays, and by how much is it shifted if the crystal is strained by that is strained by 0.5% ? What is the angle and shift for the (003) Bragg reflection?
- 2 Why would you use a Kirkpatrick-Baez mirror pair instead of a zone plate lens to focus a "white" (polychromatic) x-ray beam for a Laue diffraction experiment? Why not?
- 3 A coherent x-ray beam of 8 keV energy and  $2 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$  diameter is incident on a disordered sample composed of 100 nm latex plastic spheres. The resulting x-ray speckle pattern is measured by a CCD x-ray camera at a distance of 3 m from the sample. What is the characteristic speckle size, and what is the radius of the first ring in the speckle pattern?
- 4 Suppose the sample in problem #3 is now a single, perfect crystal 100 nm in diameter. What is the characteristic size of the resulting Bragg reflections?
- 5 Do you expect sharp Bragg spots to be present in the coherent x-ray diffraction pattern from a biological cell that has been flash-frozen into a vitreous ice state? Why or why not?
- 6 Suppose you want to image ferromagnetic domains in a thin film of Fe using a transmission x-ray microscope. The x-ray beam is circularly polarized and the energy tuned to the L3 edge of Fe at 707 eV. How will the magnetic contrast measured using left-circular polarized x-rays differ from that using right-circular polarized x-rays? Now suppose you measure the coherent diffraction pattern from this sample. How will the diffraction patterns differ using left and right-circular polarized x-rays?