



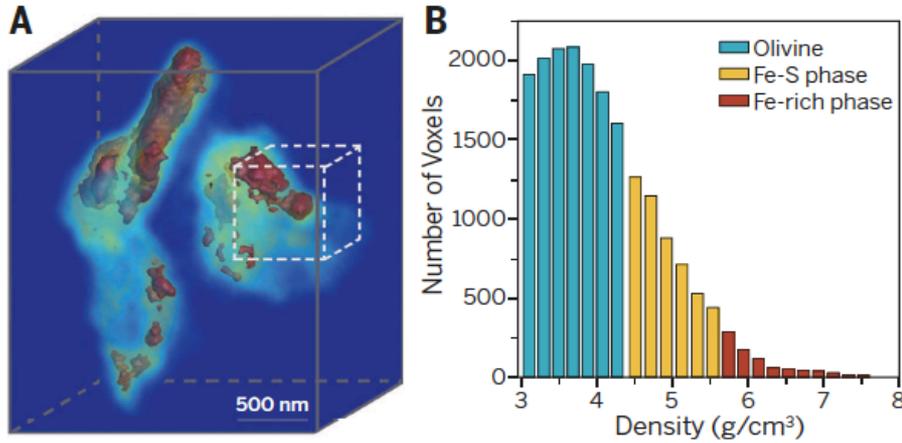
Coherent diffraction imaging at synchrotron sources

V. Chamard

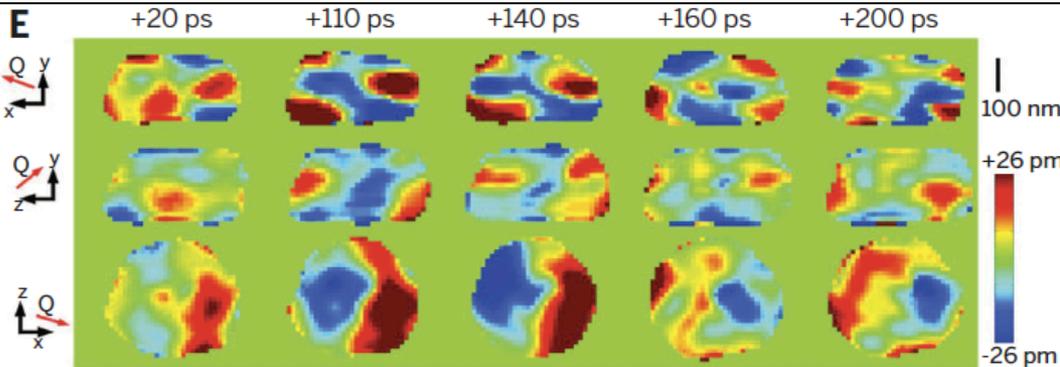
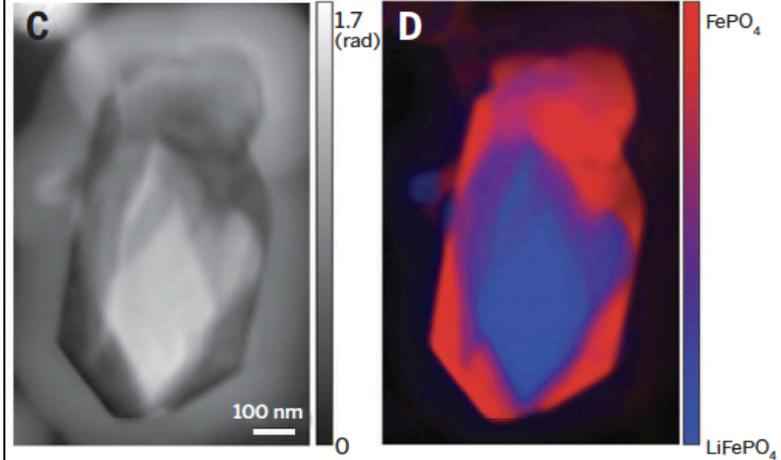
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Before we start, what are we talking about?

3D Highly-resolved chemical identification

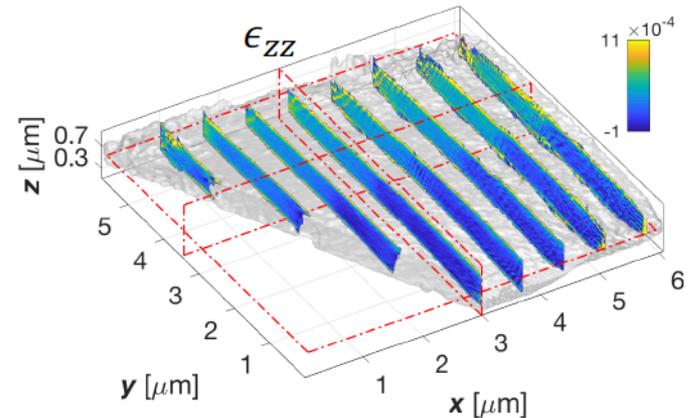


Highly-resolved spectroscopy microscopy



Crystalline lattice dynamics under external stimulus

Miao et al., Science 348 (2015)



Highly sensitive 3D strain map

Li et al., Nature Commun. (2021)

→ 3D quantitative imaging at 10-100 nm resolution

The COMiX team at Institut Fresnel

Coherent Optical Microscopy and X-rays



V. Chamard
*Coherent X-ray
microscopy*



M. Allain
Inversion problems



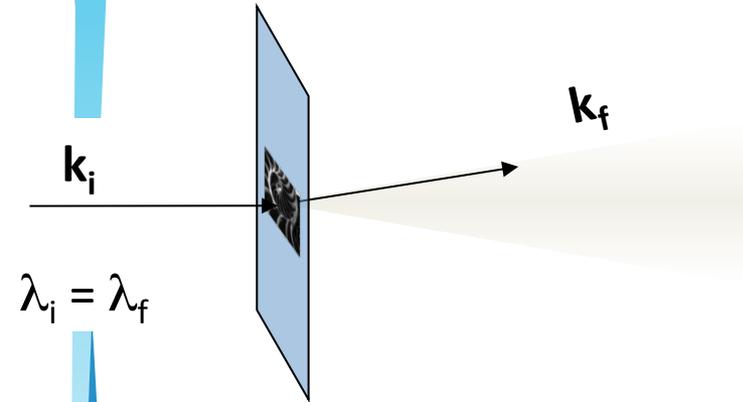
P. Ferrand
Optical



T. Grünewald
*Incoherent x-ray
microscopy*

→ Development of coherent-diffraction based microscopy methods with x-rays and optics

An ideal microscopy set-up

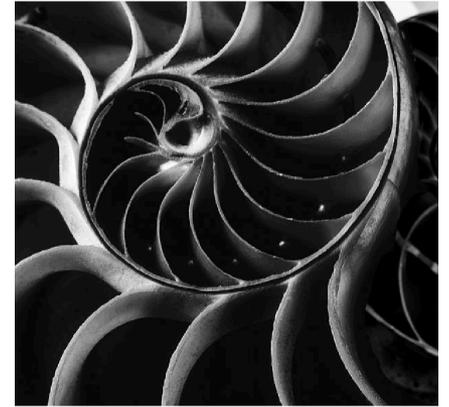


$$\text{Resolution} = \lambda / 2NA$$

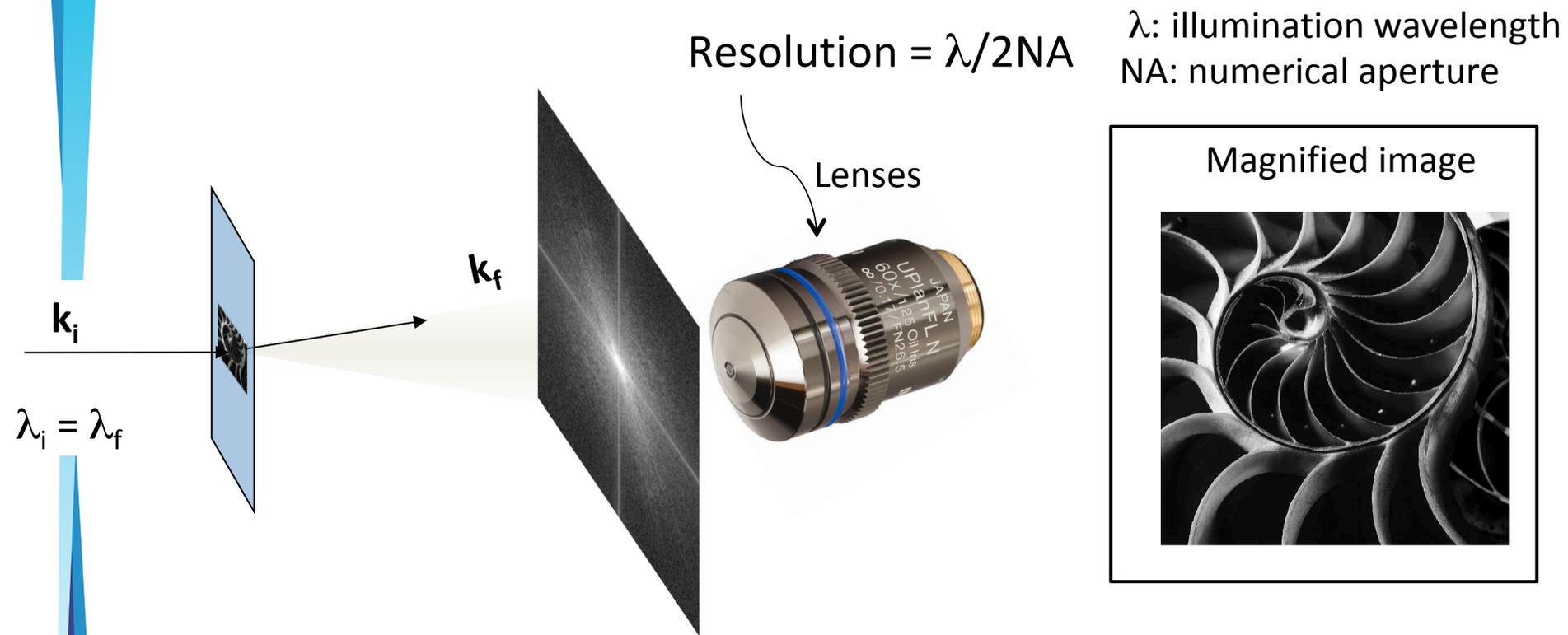


λ : illumination wavelength
NA: numerical aperture

Magnified image



An ideal microscopy set-up



How to improve the resolution?

- $NA \approx 1$
→ Optical microscopy
- Decrease λ
→ X-ray microscopy ($\lambda = 0.1 - 1 \text{ nm}$)

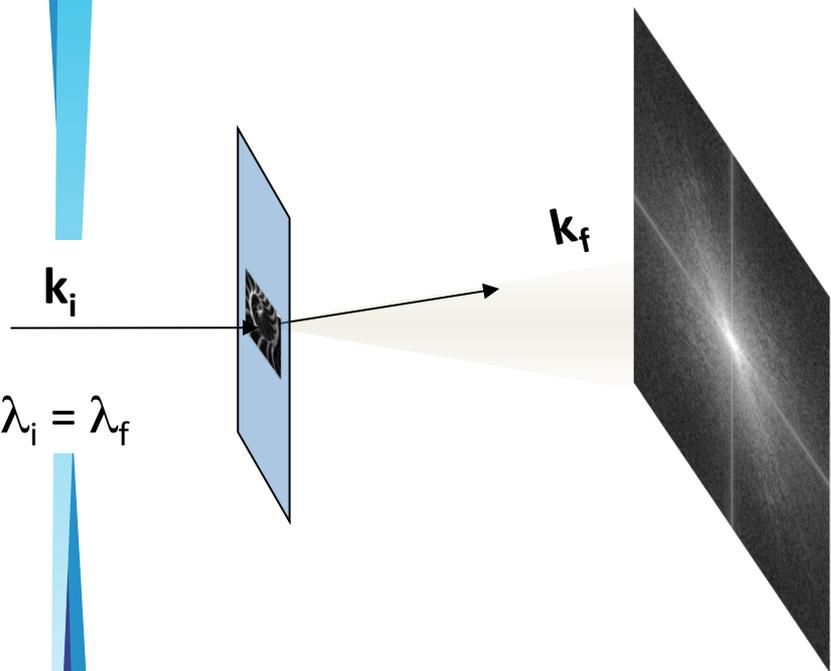
Why x-ray microscopy?

- Decrease λ
 - X-ray microscopy ($\lambda = 0.1 - 1 \text{ nm}$)
- Weak interaction with matter
 - Bulky sample
 - Complex sample environment
- Label-free chemical sensitivity

X-ray microscopy!?

$$\text{Resolution} = \lambda/2\text{NA}$$

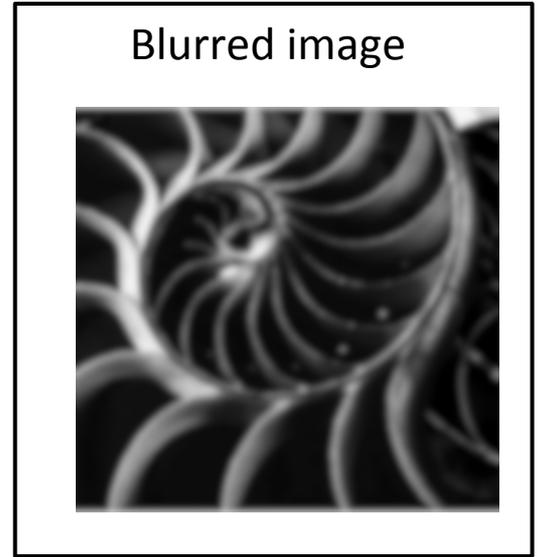
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X-ray lens



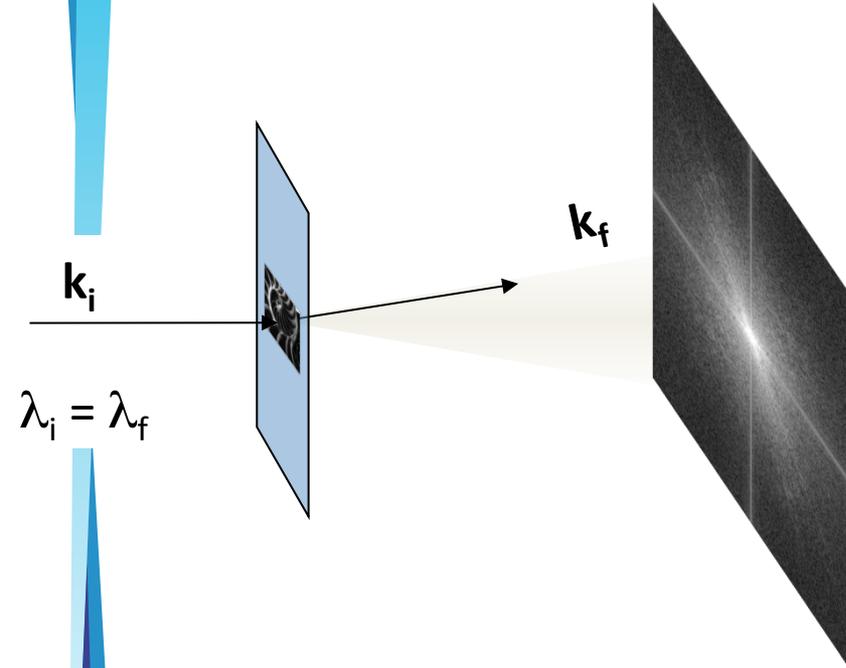
$$\text{NA} \approx 10^{-2} - 10^{-3}$$



X-ray microscopy!?

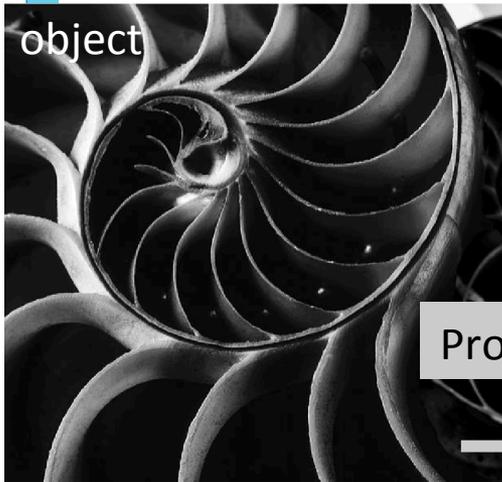
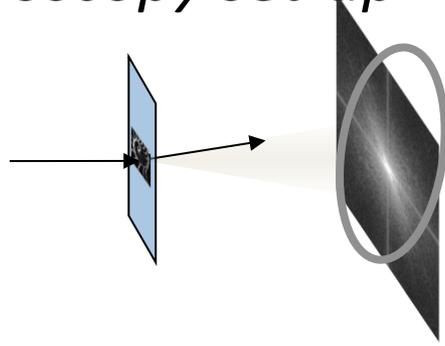
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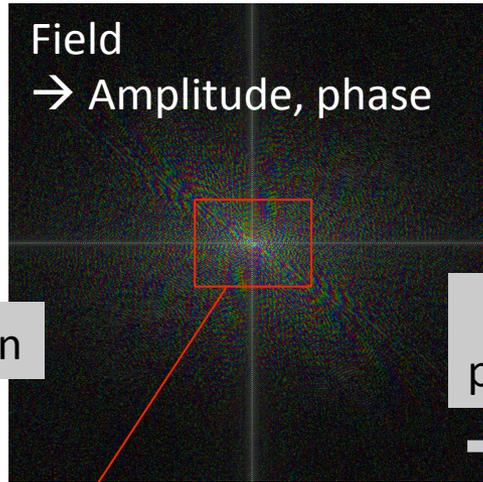


→ Can we deal with the information collected in the diffraction plane?

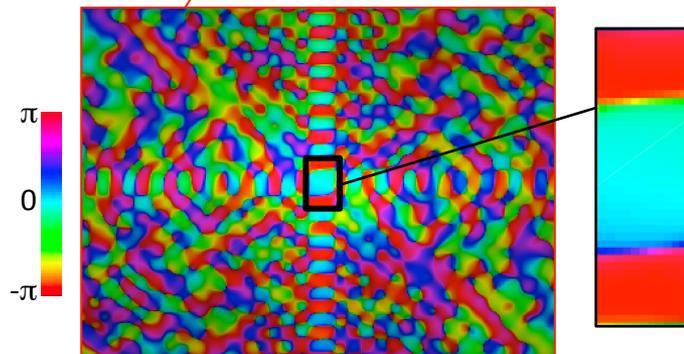
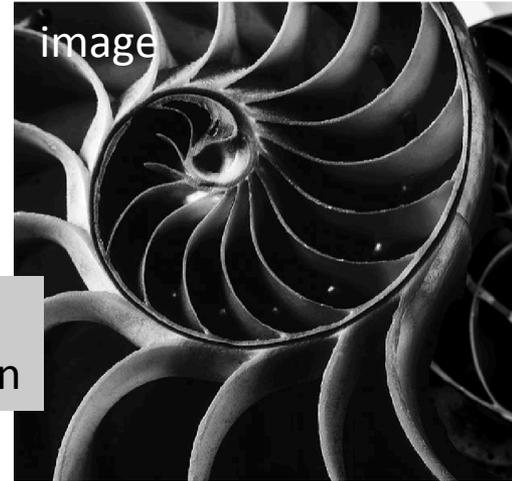
A lens-less microscopy set-up



Propagation



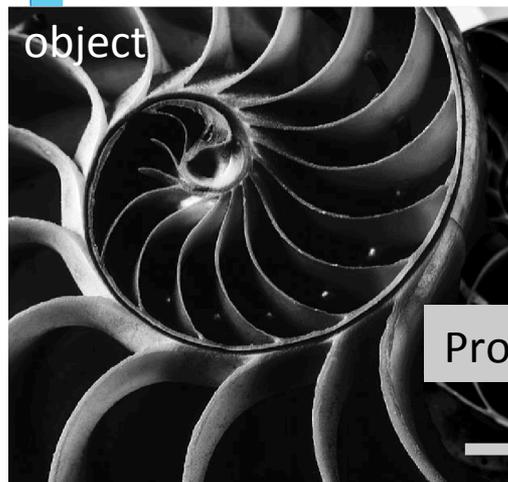
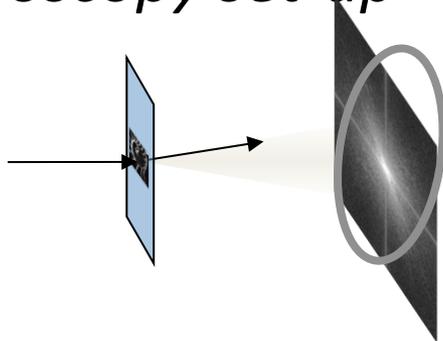
Back propagation



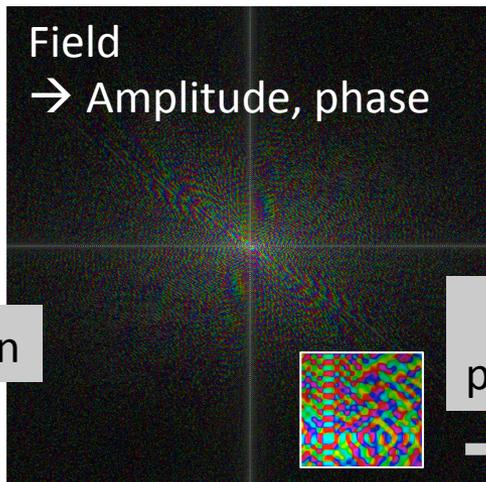
Phase: some parts of the wave field are 'delayed' → *not in phase*

Detector plane

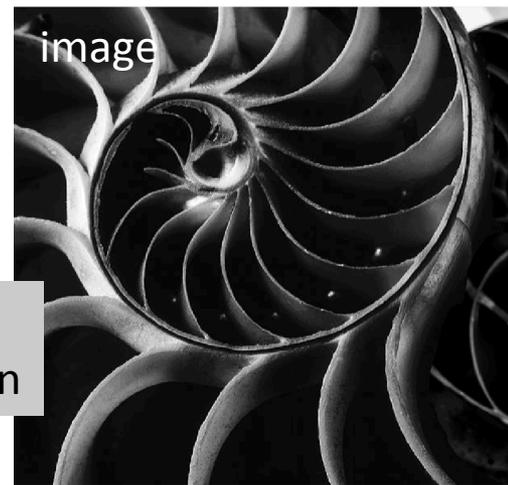
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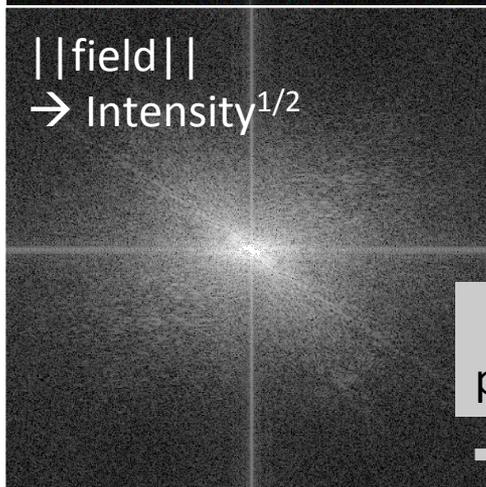
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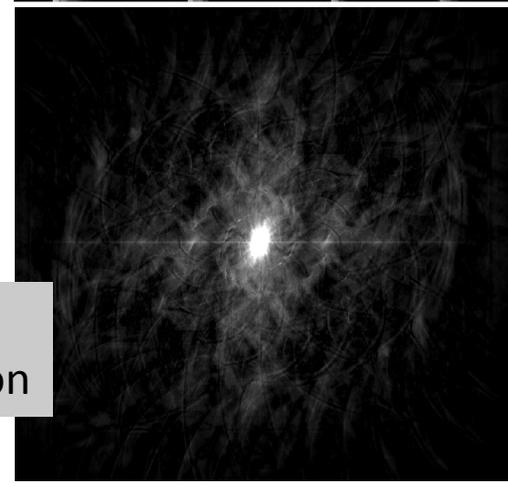
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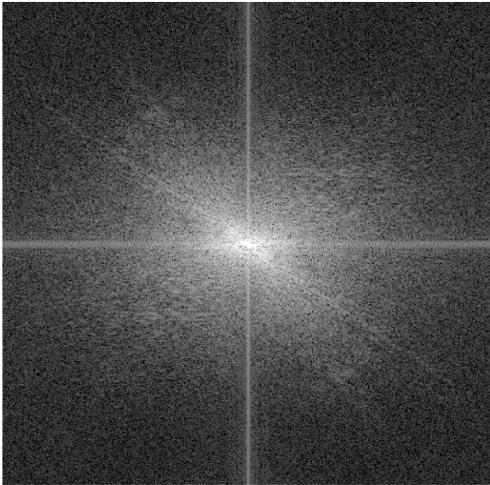
• Lost phase



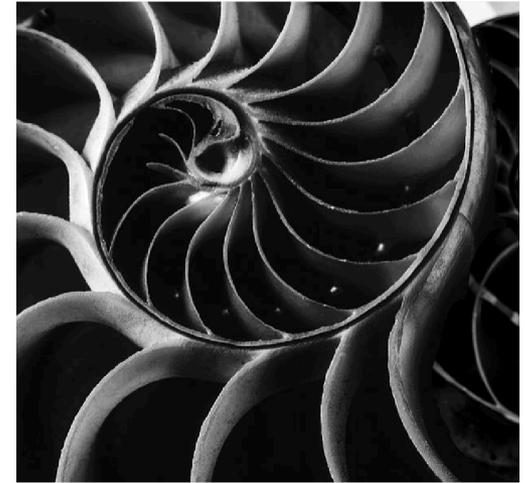
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Solving the phase problem: strategies

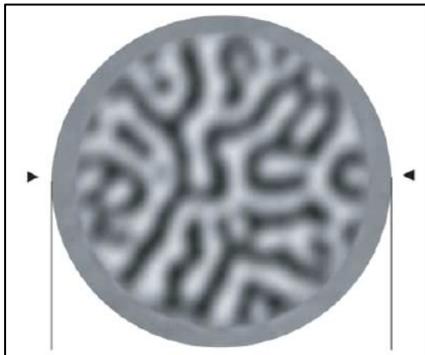


Inverse problem
→
with intensity data



Experimental set-up

- Encode phases into a **known** reference
→ Holography



Eisebitt *et al.*,
Nature (2004)

Sample information

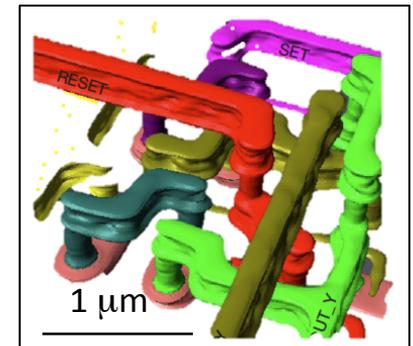
- Add **known** constraint
→ **Finite support CDI**



Chapman *et al.* (2006). J. Opt.
Soc. Am. A, **23**, 1179–1200.

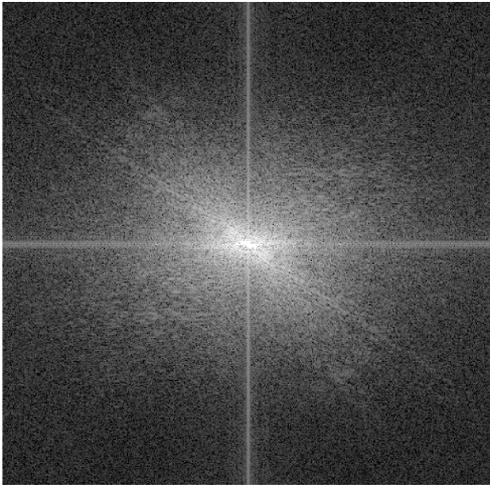
Exploit the probe

- **Divide the problem into simpler sub-problems with partial redundancy**
→ **Ptychography**

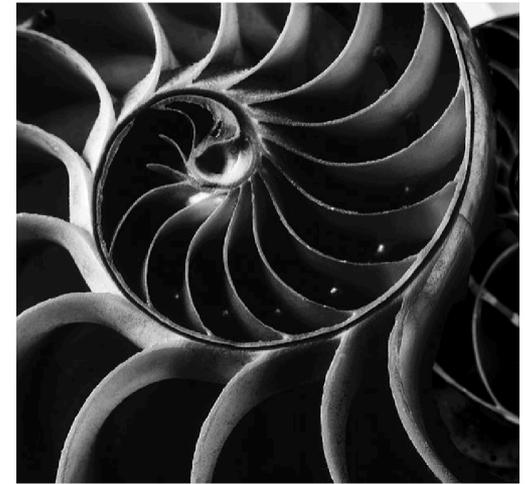


Holler *et al.*, Nature (2017)

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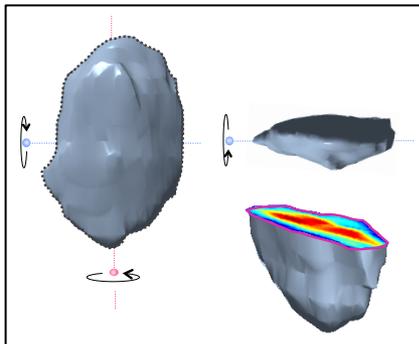


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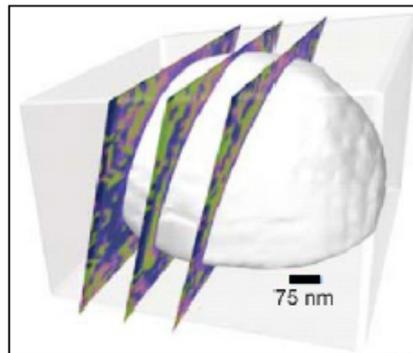
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Chamard *et al.*,
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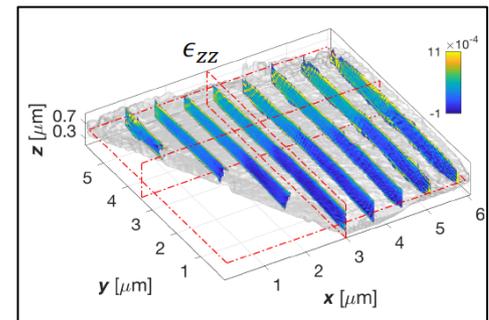
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Pfeifer *et al.* (2006).
Nature, **442**, 63–66.

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Li *et al.*, Nature Commun. (2021)

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- I – Solving the phase problem from diffraction intensity information
 - II – Coherent diffraction imaging modalities
 - III – Biomineralization & coherent diffraction imaging



I – Solving the phase problem from diffraction intensity information

Finite support coherent diffraction imaging

It all started with this article

Acta Cryst. (1952). **5**, 843

Some implications of a theorem due to Shannon. By D. SAYRE, *Johnson Foundation for Medical Physics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania, U. S. A.*

(Received 3 July 1952)

Shannon (1949), in the field of communication theory, has given the following theorem: If a function $d(x)$ is known to vanish outside the points $x = \pm a/2$, then its Fourier transform $F(X)$ is completely specified by the values which it assumes at the points $X = 0, \pm 1/a, \pm 2/a, \dots$. In fact, the continuous $F(X)$ may be filled in merely by laying down the function $\sin \pi a X / \pi a X$ at each of the above points, with weight equal to the value of $F(X)$ at that point, and adding.

Now the electron-density function $d(x)$ describing a single unit cell of a crystal vanishes outside the points $x = \pm a/2$, where a is the length of the cell. The reciprocal-lattice points are at $X = 0, \pm 1/a, \pm 2/a, \dots$, and hence the experimentally observable values of $F(X)$ would suffice, by the theorem, to determine $F(X)$ everywhere, if the phases were known. (In principle, the necessary points extend indefinitely in reciprocal space, but by using, say, Gaussian atoms both $d(x)$ and $F(X)$ can be effectively confined to the unit cell and the observable region, respectively.)

For centrosymmetrical structures, to be able to fill in the $|F|^2$ function would suffice to yield the structure, for sign changes could occur only at the points where $|F|^2$ vanishes. The structure corresponding to the $|F|^2$ function is the Patterson of a single unit cell. This has

twice the width of the unit cell, and hence to fill in the $|F|^2$ function would require knowledge of $|F|^2$ at the half-integral, as well as the integral h 's. This is equivalent to a statement made by Gay (1951).

I think the conclusions which may be stated at this point are:

1. Direct structure determination, for centrosymmetric structures, could be accomplished as well by finding the sizes of the $|F|^2$ at half-integral h as by the usual procedure of finding the signs of the F 's at integral h .

2. In work like that of Boyes-Watson, Davidson & Perutz (1947) on haemoglobin, where $|F|^2$ was observed at non-integral h , it would suffice to have only the values at half-integral h .

The extension to three dimensions is obvious.

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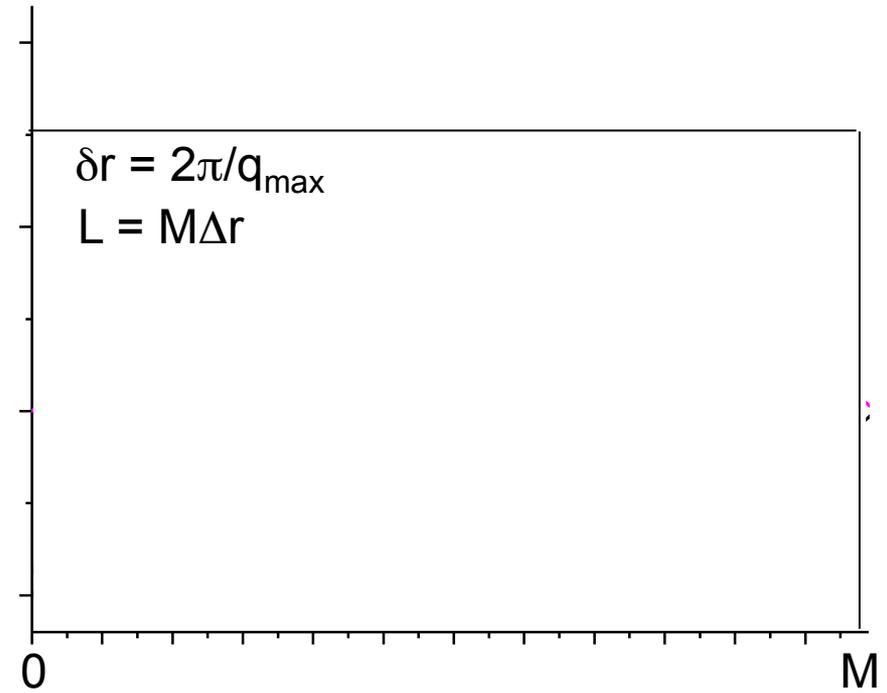
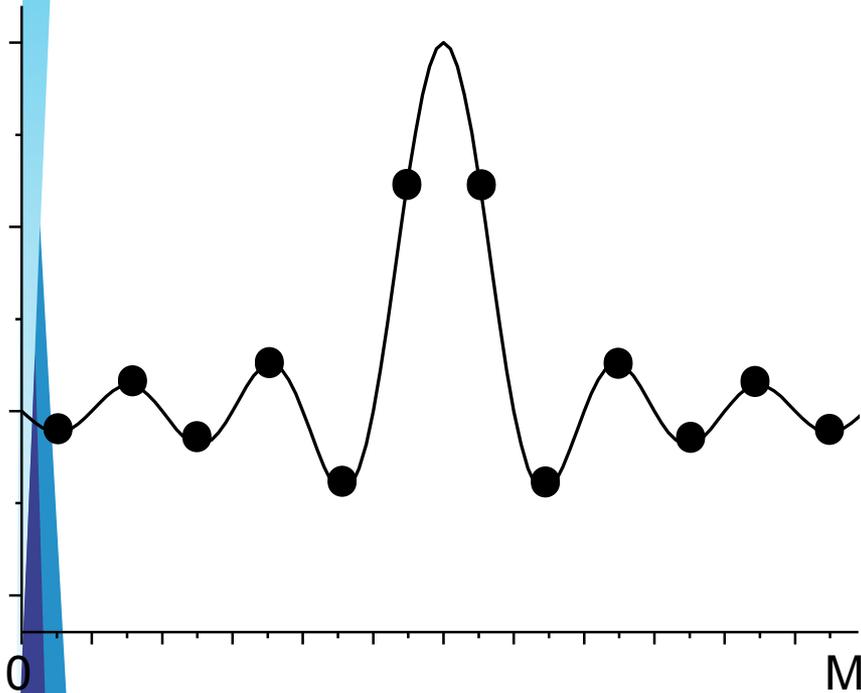
→ The solution to the phase problem!

Possibility of phase retrieval

- Shannon theorem + oversampling ($2 \times$ Nyquist frequency)

$$\rho(r) = \text{FT}^{-1} [|A(q)| \exp^{i\varphi(q)}]$$

$$\text{experimentally} \rightarrow I(q) = |A(q)|^2$$



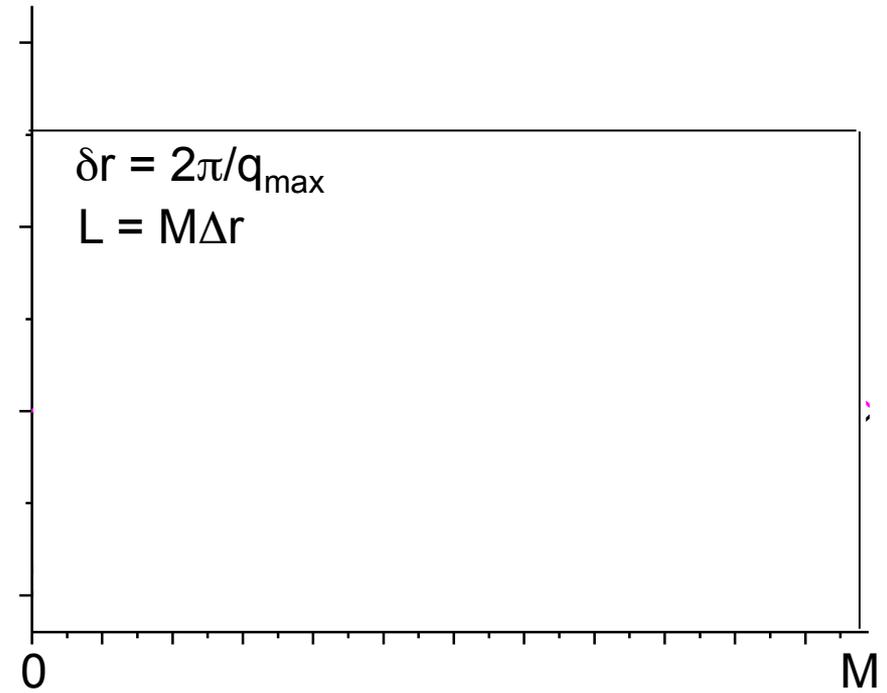
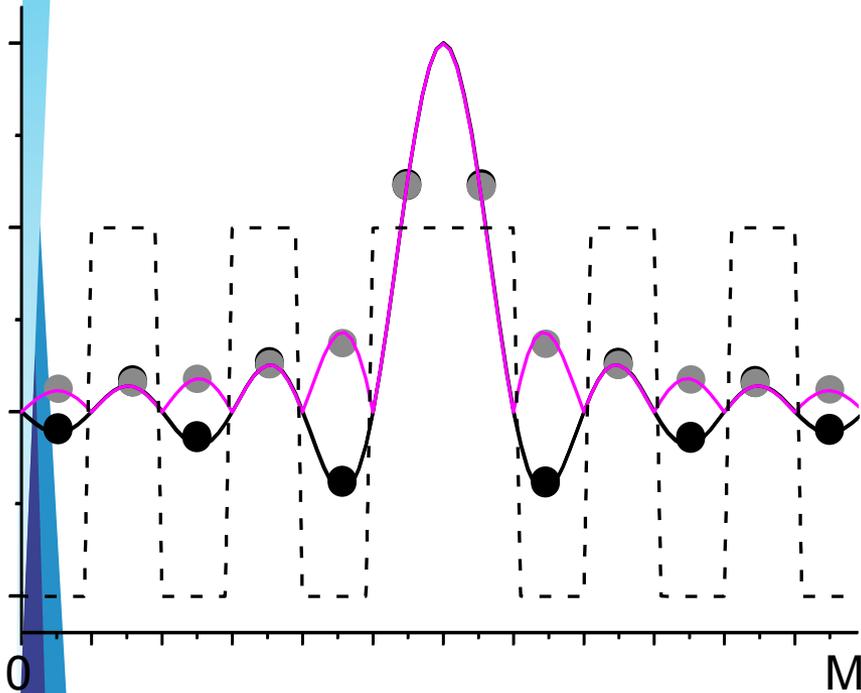
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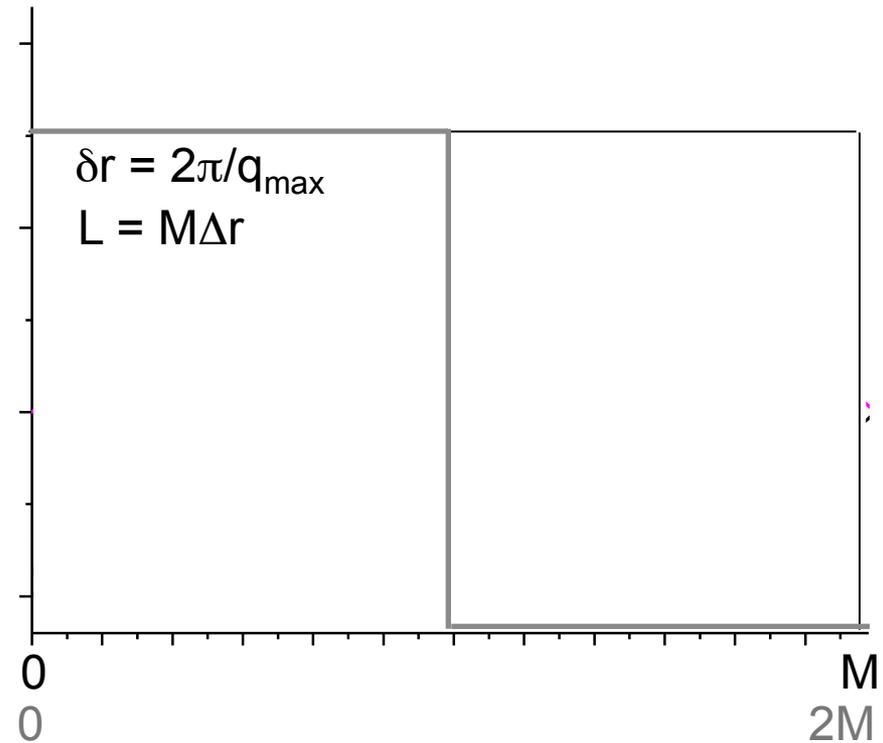
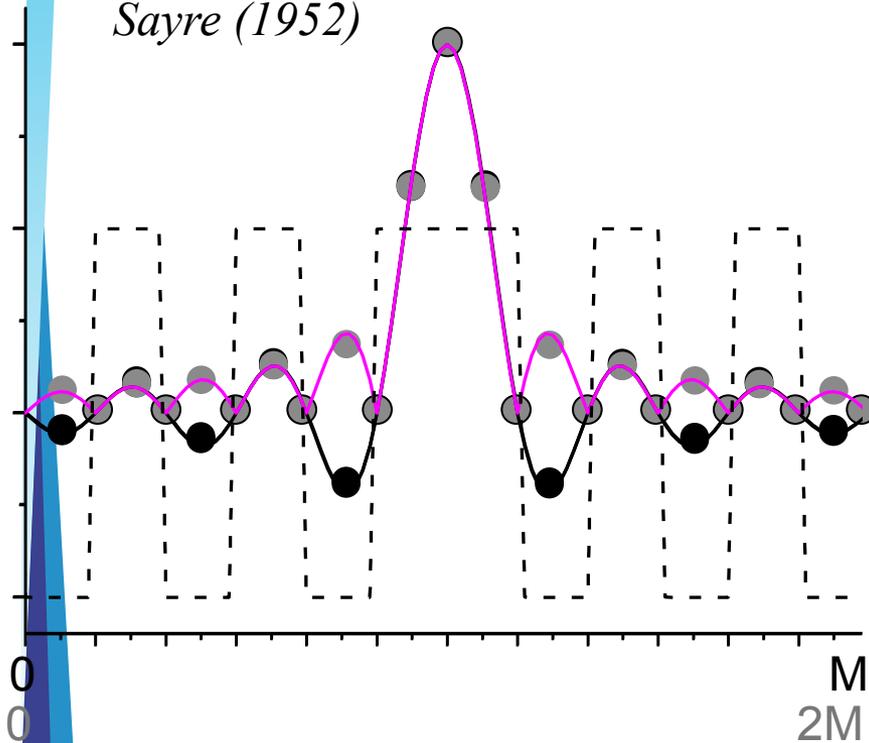
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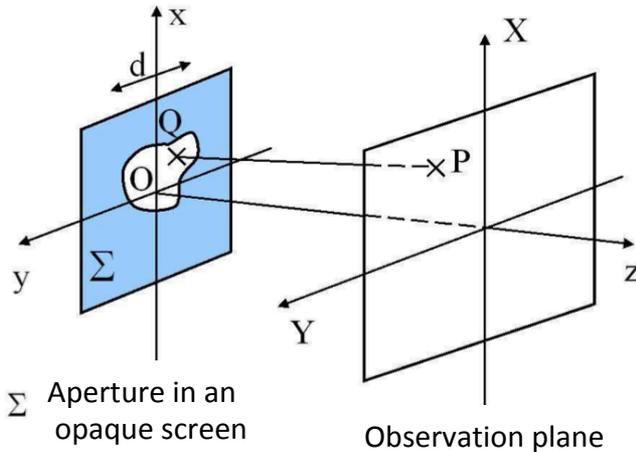
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- the phase information is lost
- + Oversampling: a solution can be found (in principle !) \rightarrow zero padding the sample
Sayre (1952)



\rightarrow Fourier transform?

The diffraction plane (Fraunhofer formalism)



Sum of spherical waves emitted by the aperture

$$\psi(P) = \int_{\Sigma} K \psi_i(Q) \frac{e^{ikQP}}{QP} dx dy$$

with the incident plane wave:

$$\psi_i(Q) \propto \exp(i\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{OQ})$$

→ Plane wave?
(coherent beam)

Paraxial approximation

$$1/QP \sim 1/z$$

$$QP = z \left[1 + \frac{(X-x)^2 + (Y-y)^2}{z^2} \right]^{1/2} \sim z + \frac{(X-x)^2 + (Y-y)^2}{2z}$$

Fraunhofer conditions

$$d^2 \ll \lambda z$$

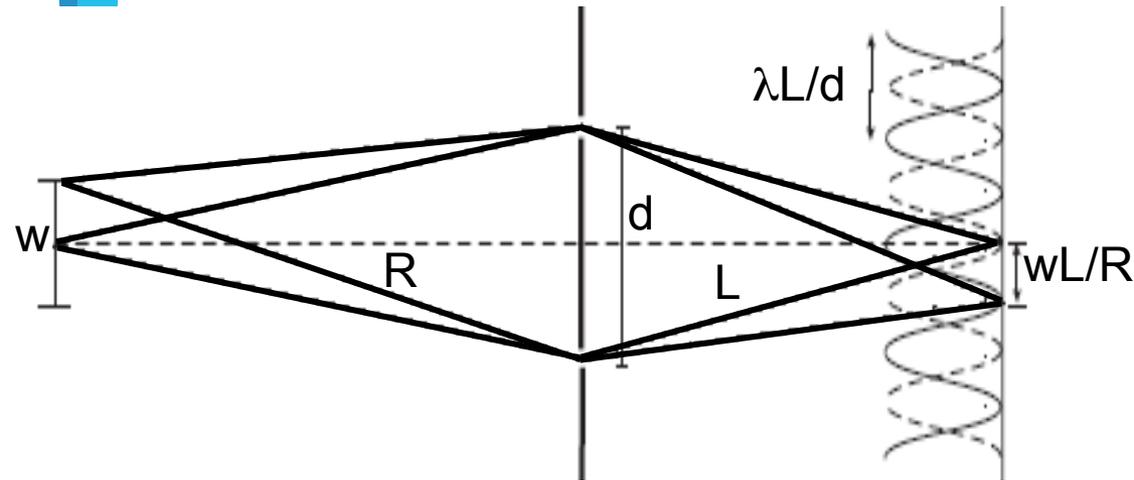
$$\psi(\vec{k}) \propto \int_{\Sigma} T(x, y) \cdot \exp(-i(\vec{k} - \vec{k}_i) \cdot \vec{OQ}) dx dy$$

→ **Fourier transform** of the aperture transmission function

Coherence volume: $\xi_{//} \xi_{\perp}^2$

See V. Jacques's talk on friday

- Transverse coherence length: the Young's slits experiment

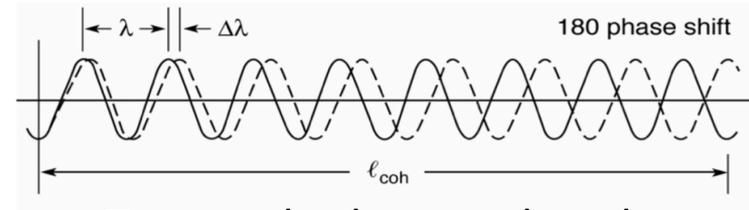
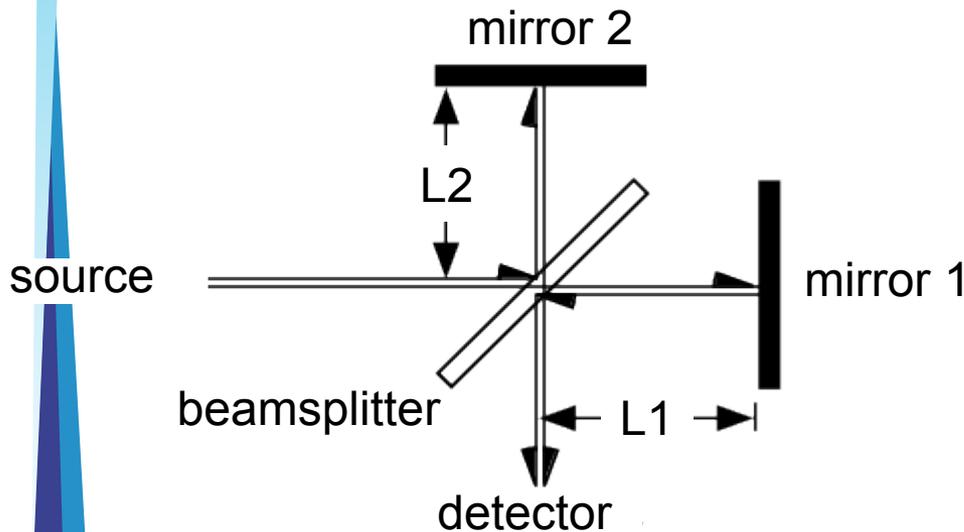


Spatial coherence length

$$\xi_{\perp} = \frac{1}{2} \lambda R/w$$

$\lambda = 1.5 \text{ \AA}, R \approx 50 \text{ m}, w = 100 \text{ \mu m}$
 $\rightarrow \xi_{\perp} \approx 40 \text{ \mu m}$

- Longitudinal coherence length: the Michelson interferometer



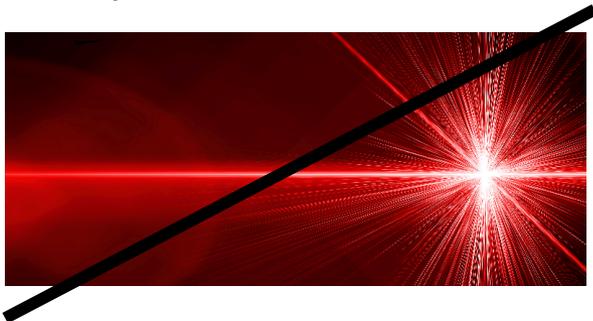
Temporal coherence length

$$\xi_{//} = \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 / \Delta\lambda$$

$\lambda = 1.5 \text{ \AA}, \Delta\lambda/\lambda \approx 10^{-4} \text{ (Si (111))}$
 $\rightarrow \xi_{//} \approx 1 \text{ \mu m}$

Producing a coherent beam from an incoherent source

Most of x-ray sources are incoherent sources



Transverse coherence length

$$\xi_{\perp} = \frac{1}{2} \lambda R/w$$

→ Decrease source size w

→ Increase distance to the source R

Longitudinal coherence length

$$\xi_{\parallel} = \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 / \Delta\lambda$$

→ Increase energy filtering $\Delta\lambda/\lambda$

→ Throwing away a lot of photons!

Flux → Brilliance (photons/s/mm²/mrad²/0.1%bw)

$$F_c = B w_h w_v \Delta\Omega \Delta\lambda/\lambda$$

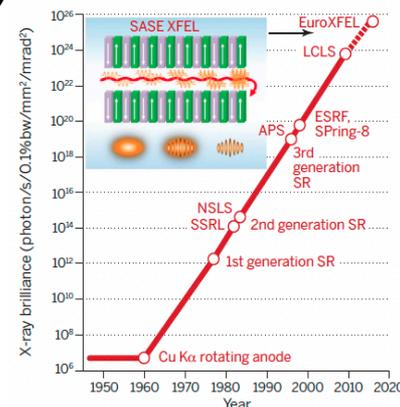
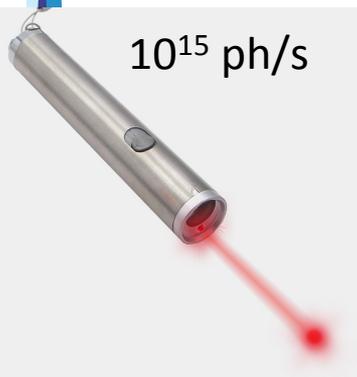
with $\Delta\Omega = \xi_h \xi_v / R^2$

$$F_c = B \lambda^2 \Delta\lambda/\lambda$$

3rd generation synchrotron

$$\Delta\lambda/\lambda = 10^{-4}, \lambda = 10^{-10} \text{ m}, B = 10^{20}$$

$$\rightarrow F_c = 10^{11} \text{ ph/s}$$



In summary

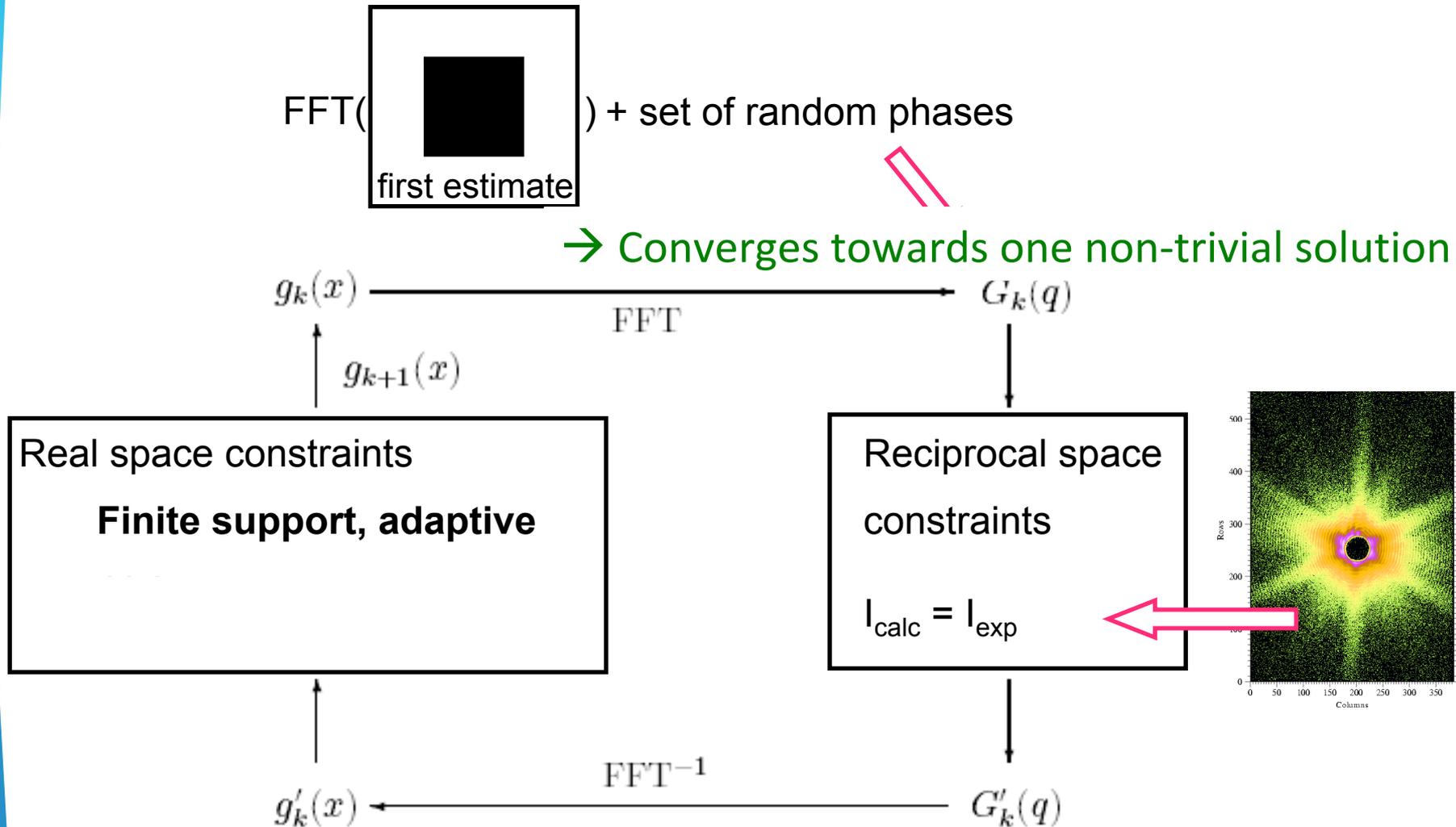
- Shannon theorem → Phase retrieval is possible from the knowledge of oversampled Fourier components (ie finite size sample)
- Fourier components → Possible in the Fraunhofer regime, but needs coherent illumination
- Highly brilliant x-ray source → Possibility to extract a coherent beam from an incoherent x-ray source
- *Solutions to the phase problem → Numerical approaches based on high power computing*



II – Coherent diffraction imaging modalities

1 - CDI - Inversion iterative algorithm for isolated particle

Inversion algorithm : weak scattering regime and far-field detection

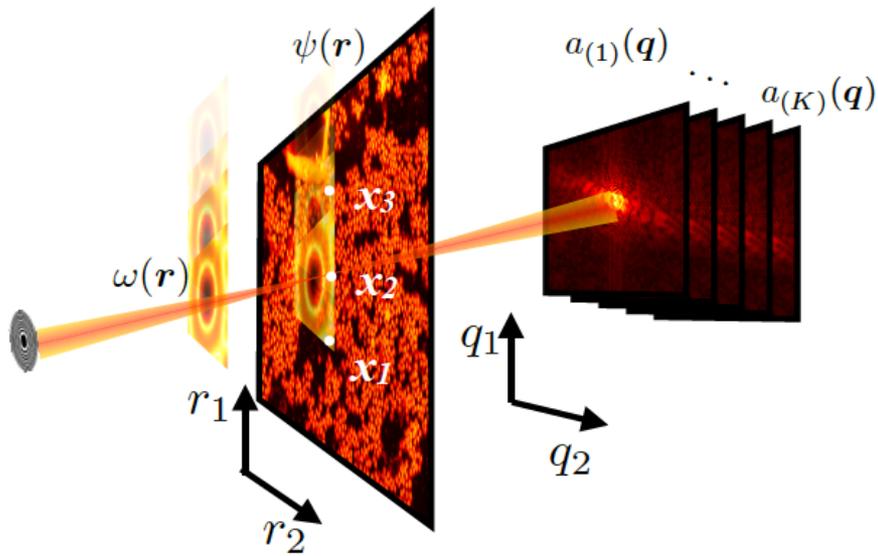


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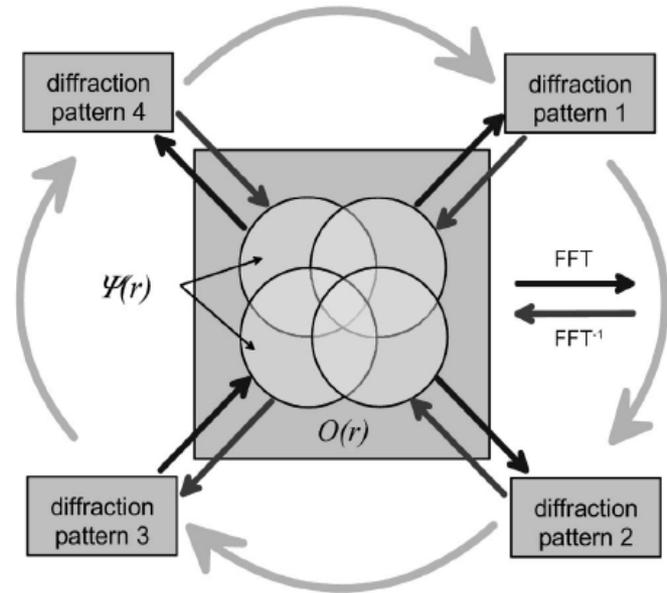
R. W. Gerchberg et al., Optik (Stuttgart) **35**, 237 (1972).

2 - Ptychography - Inversion algorithm for extended sample

An alternative to the finite support approach
→ using a scanned 'structured' illumination



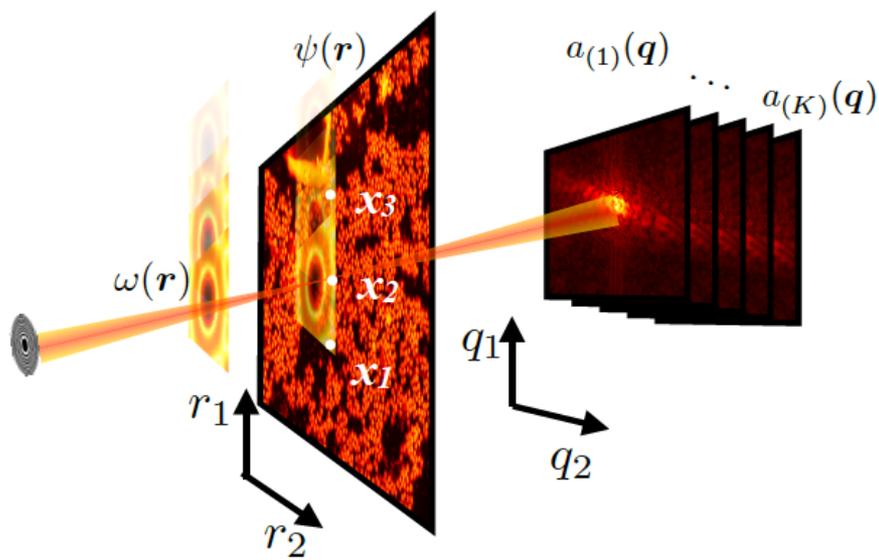
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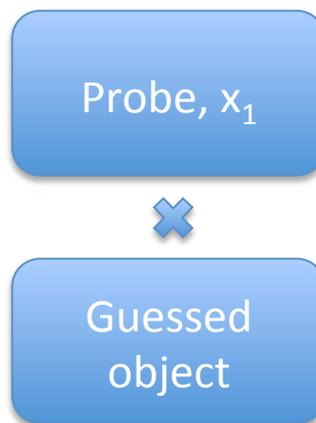
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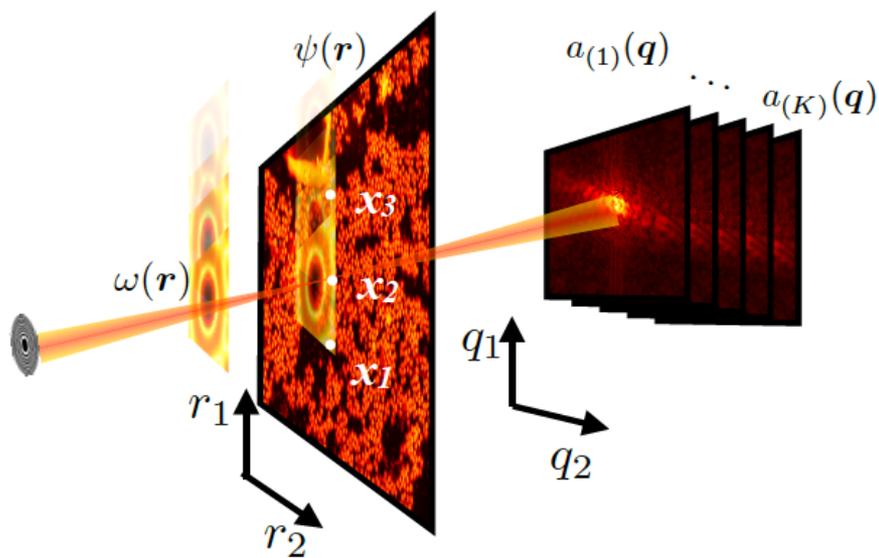


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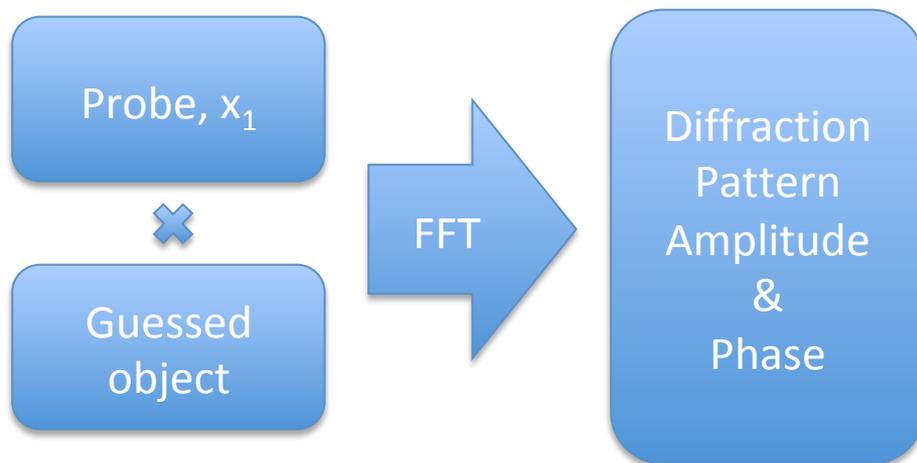


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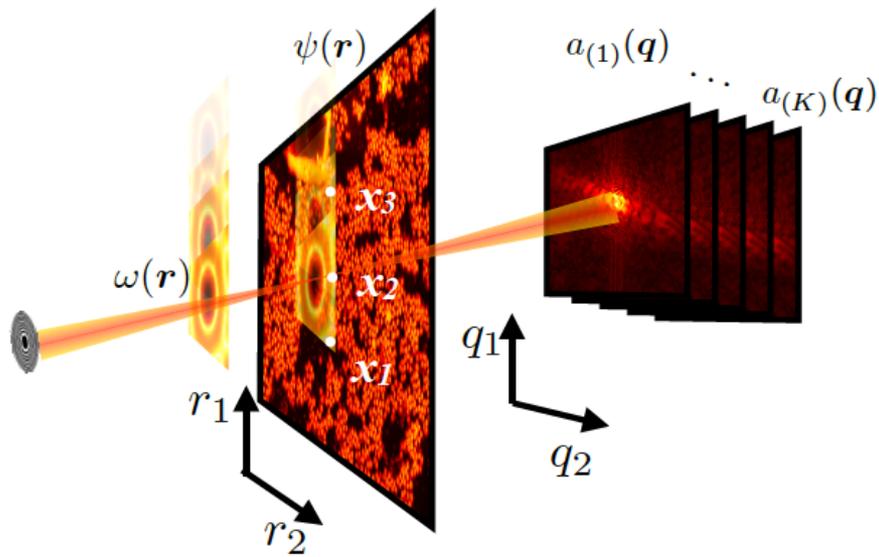


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Probe, x_1

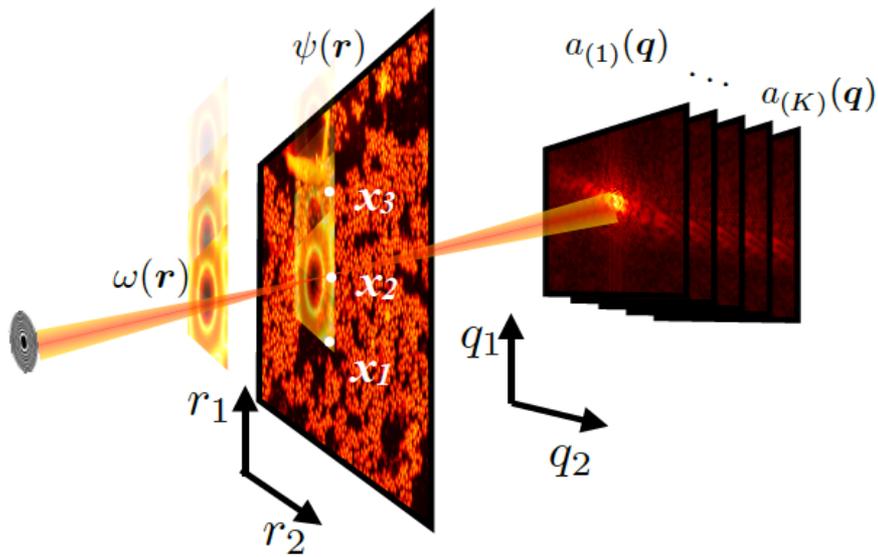


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object

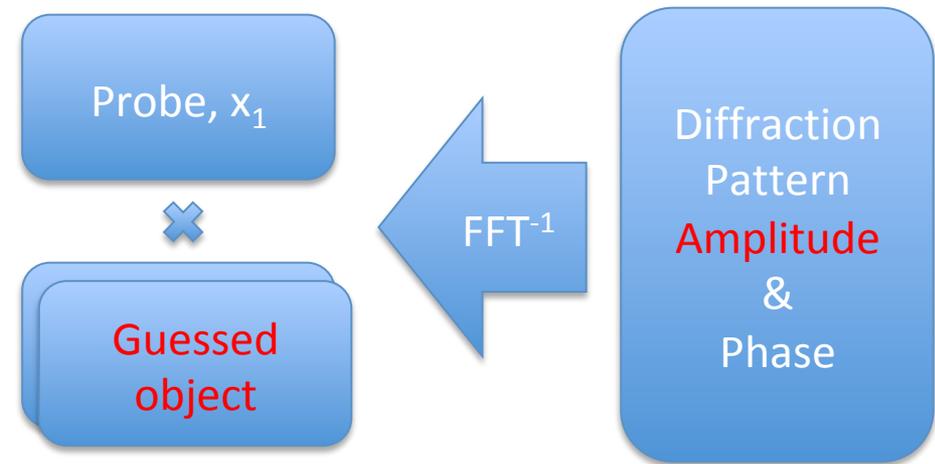
Diffraction
Pattern
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Phase

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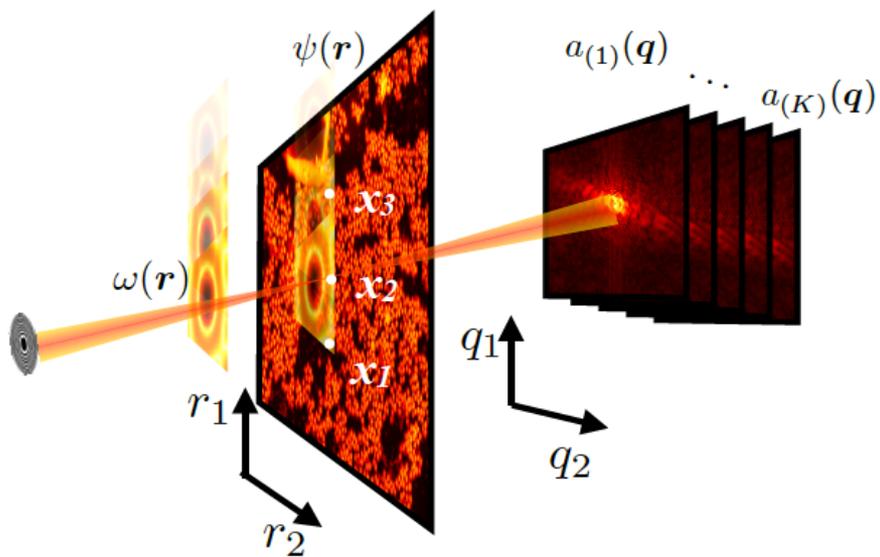
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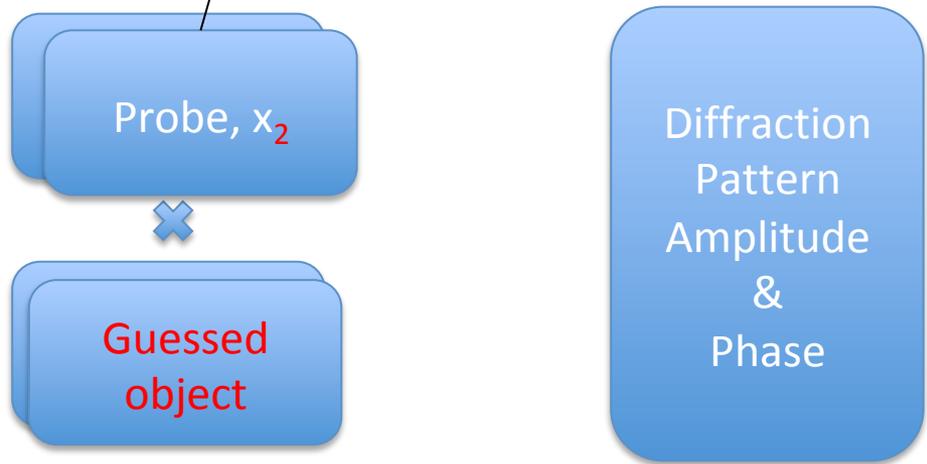
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A small amount of unknowns is introduced at x_2



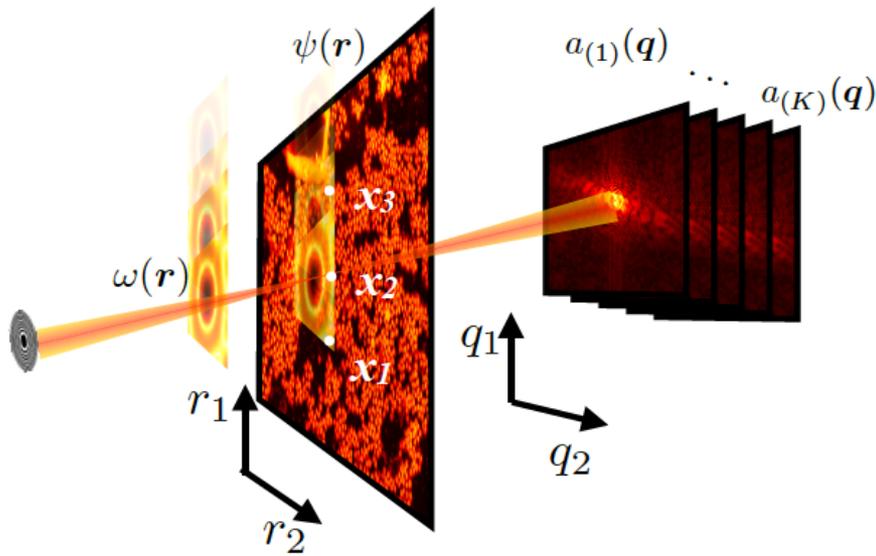
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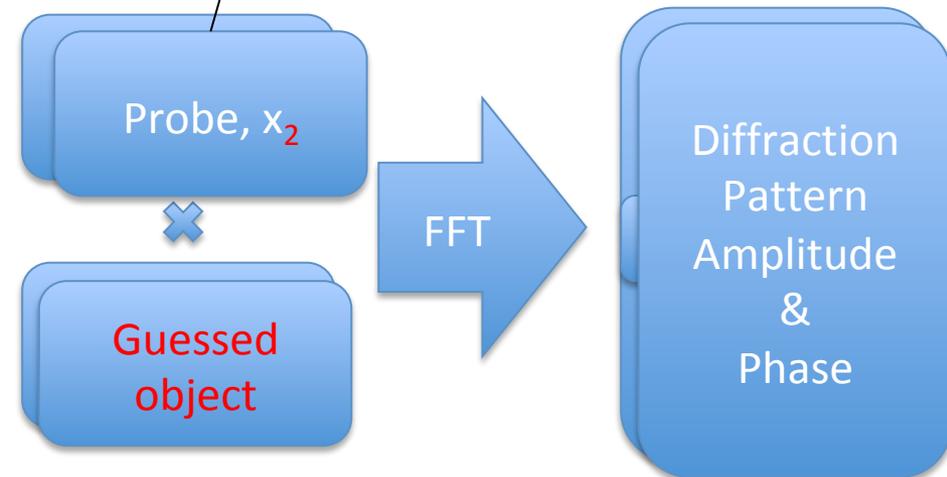
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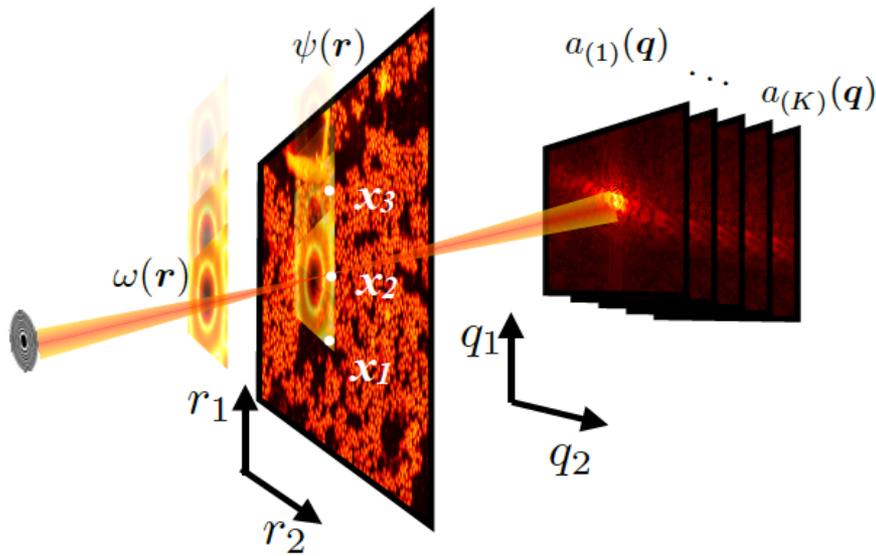
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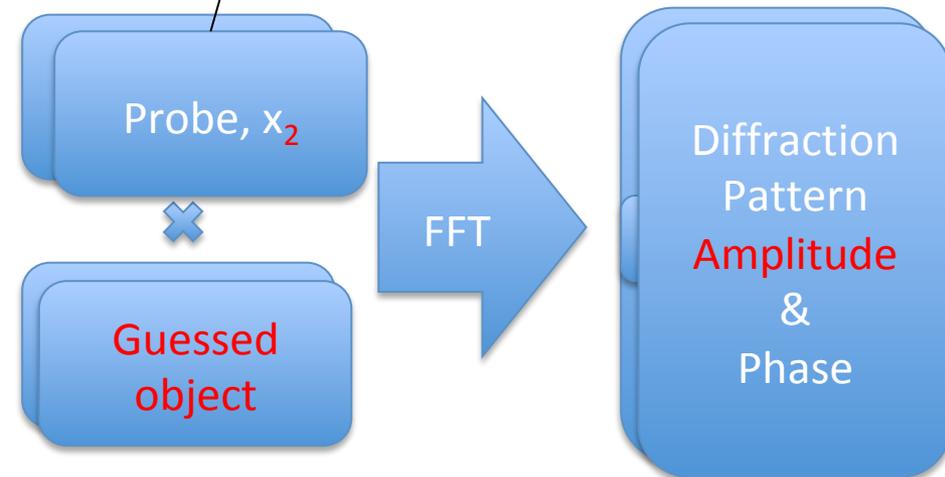
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2 - Ptychography - Inversion algorithm for extended sample

Partial redundancy:
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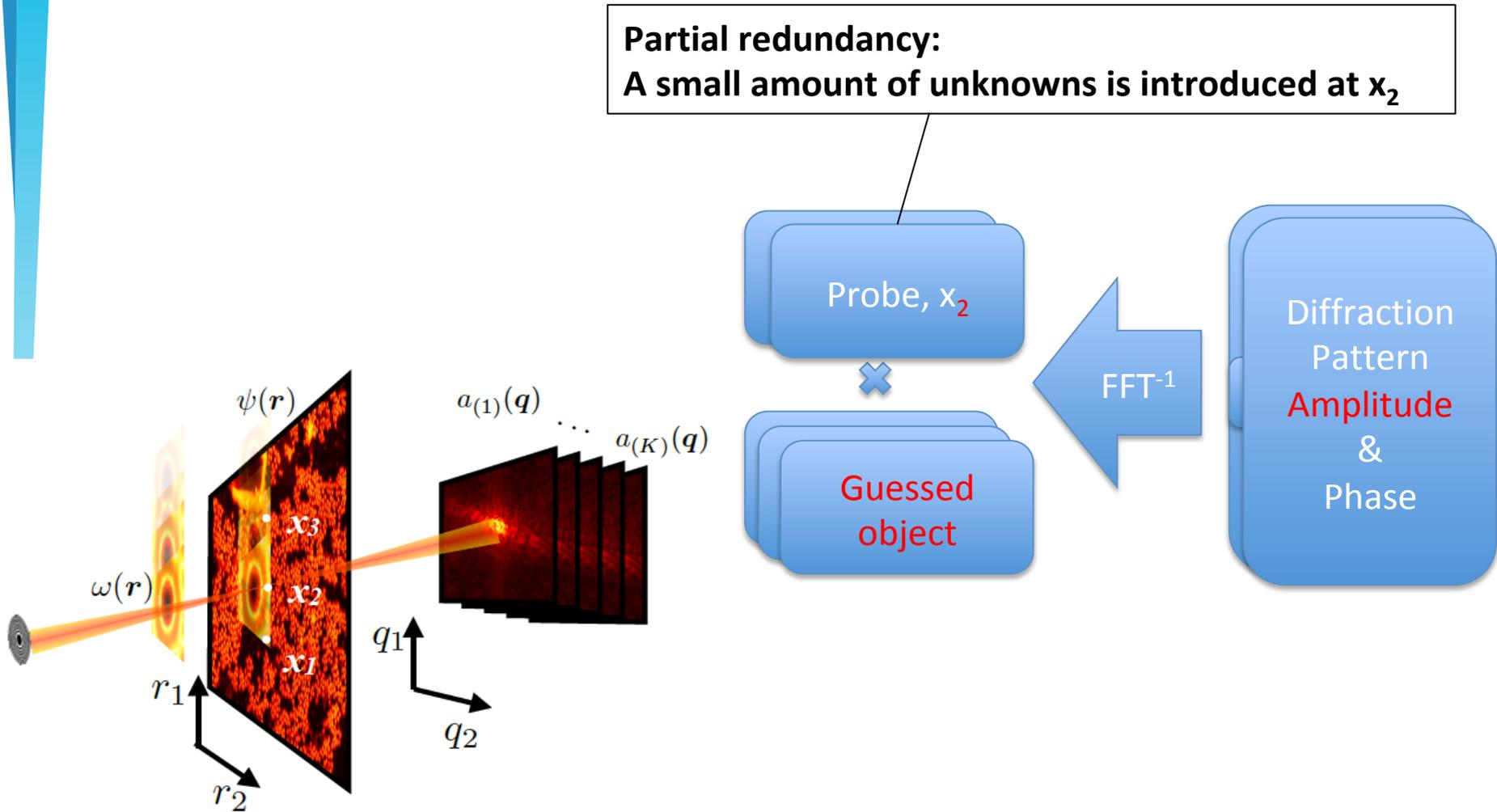


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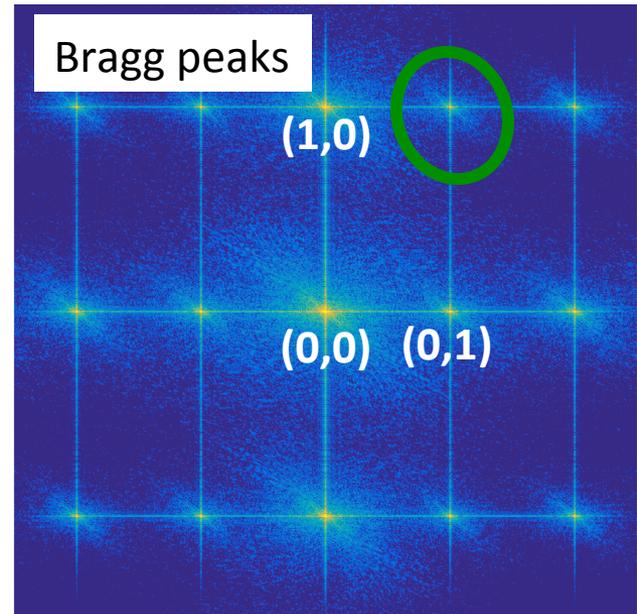
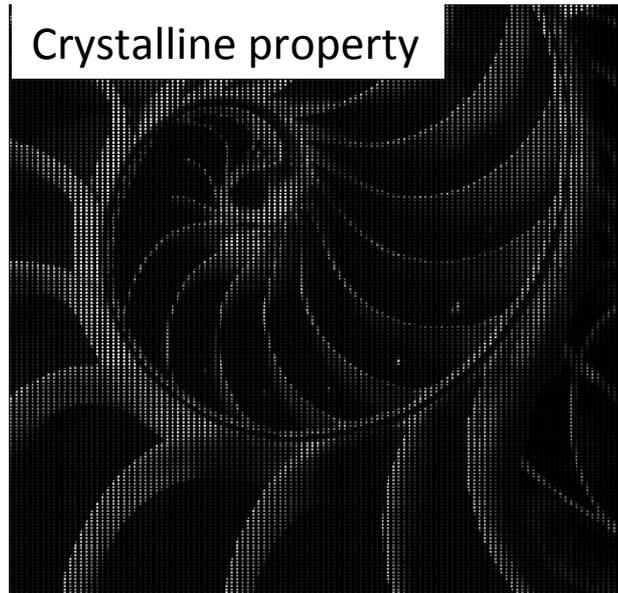
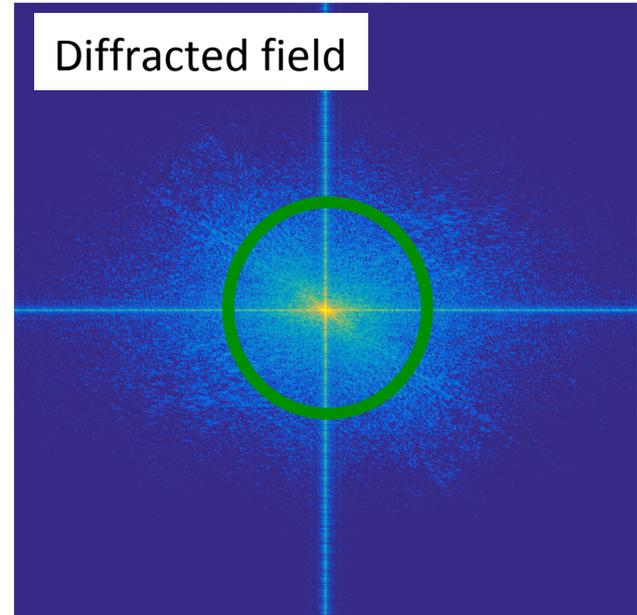
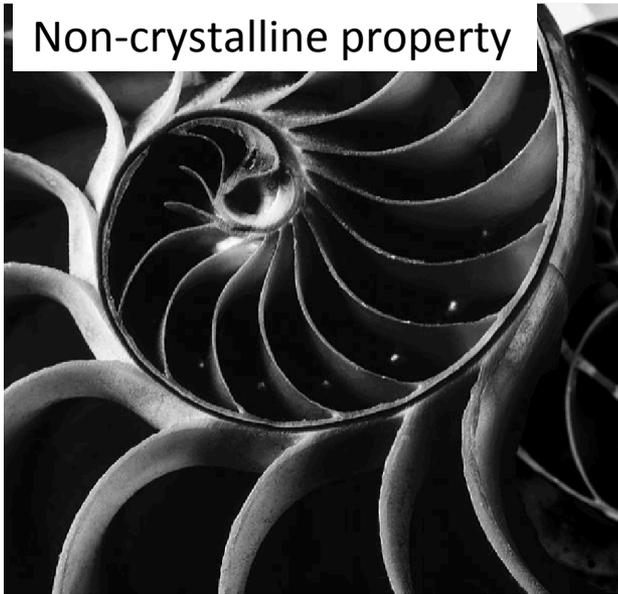
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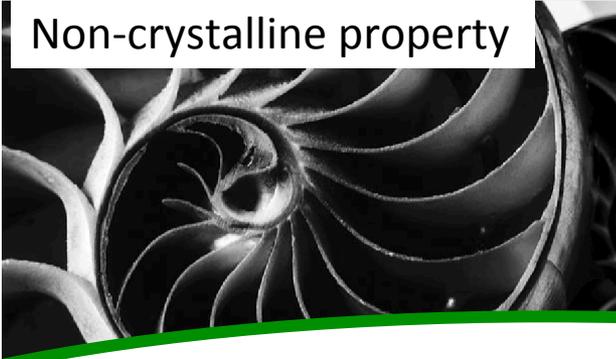
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From non-crystalline to crystalline microscopy

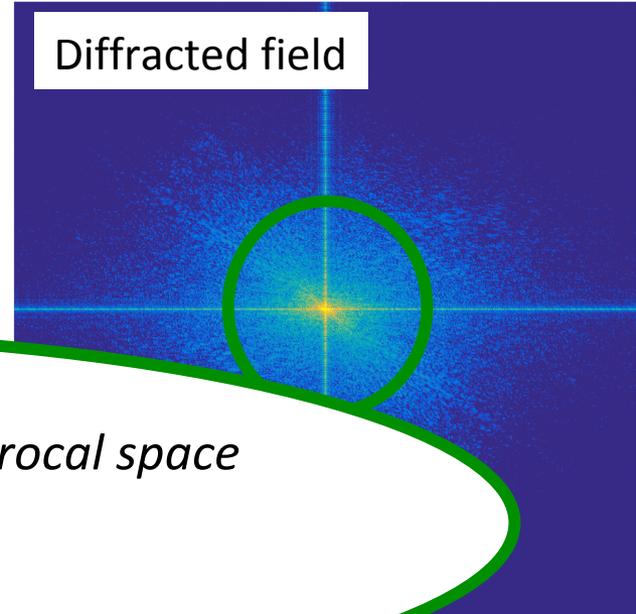


From non-crystalline to crystalline microscopy

Non-crystalline property



Diffracted field



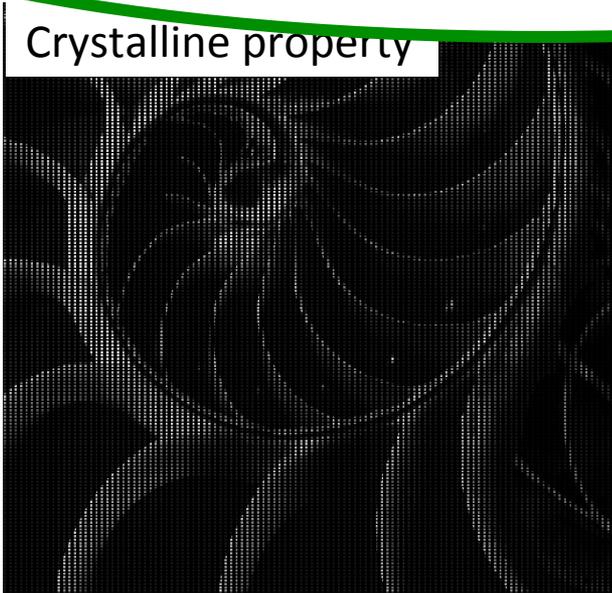
In the vicinity of the origin of the reciprocal space

→ Non crystalline information

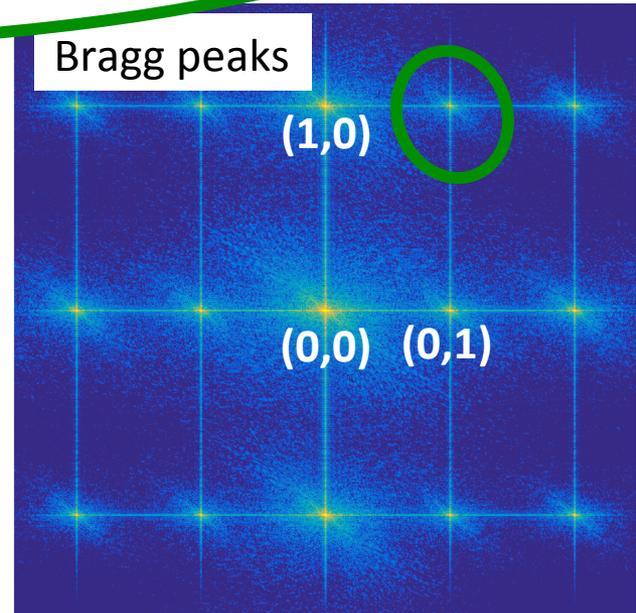
In the vicinity of a Bragg peak

→ Crystalline information

Crystalline property



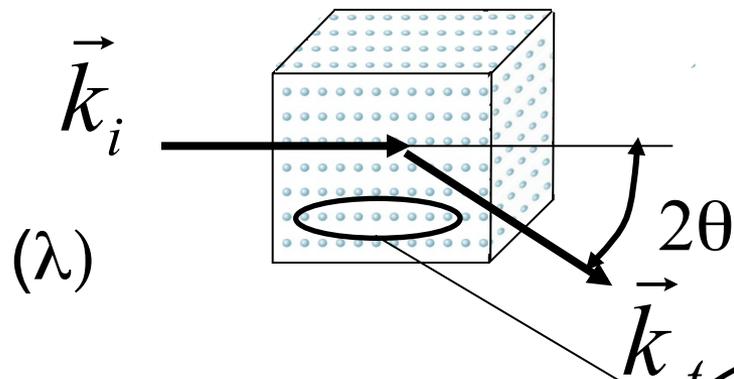
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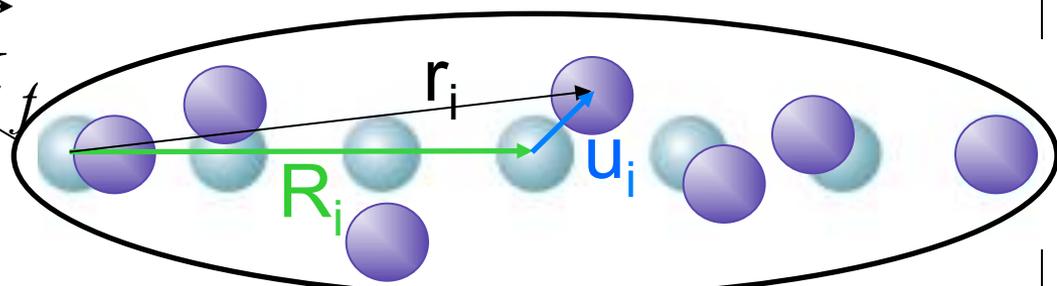
(1,0)

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Mathematical model introducing the displacement field



$$\vec{q} = \vec{k}_f - \vec{k}_i \quad \text{In the vicinity of the Bragg vector } \vec{G}$$



$$I(\vec{q}) \propto |F(\vec{q})|^2$$

$$F(\vec{q}) = \int \rho(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} d\vec{r}$$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{R} + \vec{u}(\vec{R})$$

\vec{r} : strained solid

\vec{R} : unstrained solid

$\vec{u}(\vec{R})$: displacement field

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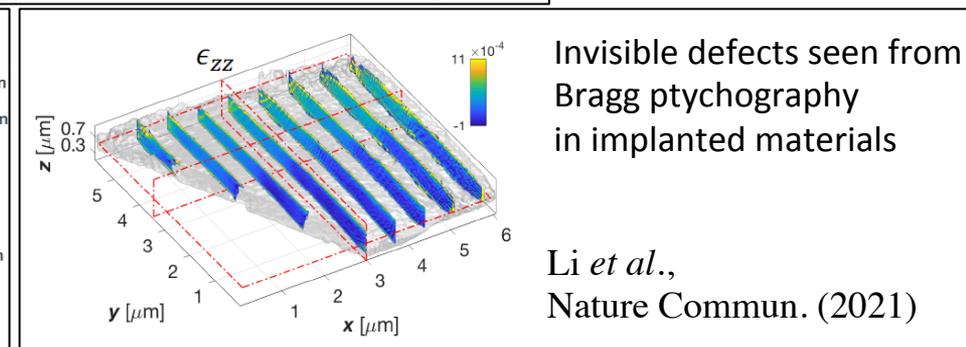
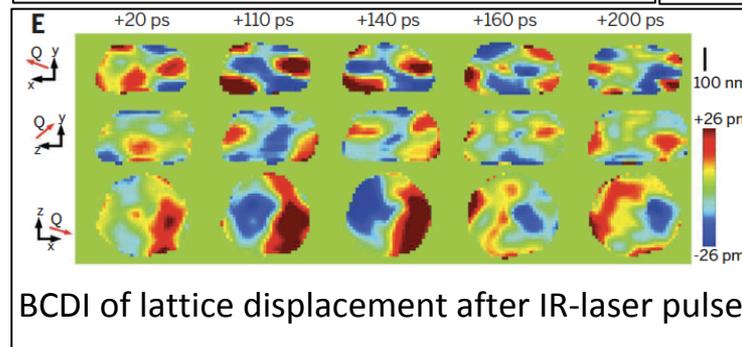
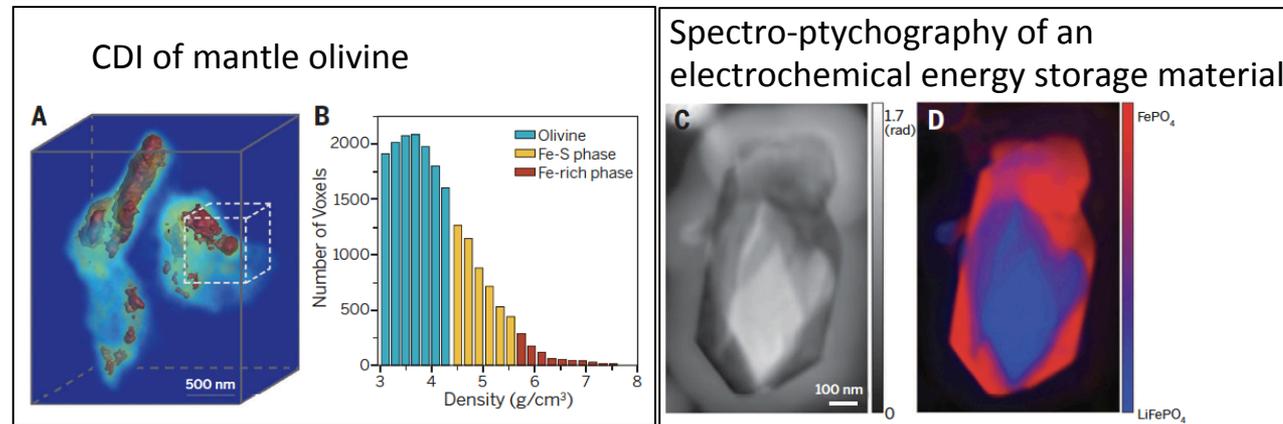
complex-valued electron density

From the spatial derivatives of $\vec{G} \cdot \vec{u}(\vec{R})$, strain and orientation fields are extracted

Main coherent x-ray microscopy modalities

	Density information	Crystalline properties
Finite-size sample	Coherent Diffraction Imaging (CDI)	Bragg-Coherent Diffraction Imaging (BCDI)
Extended sample	Ptychography	Bragg ptychography

Review: see *Miao et al., Science 348 (2015)*



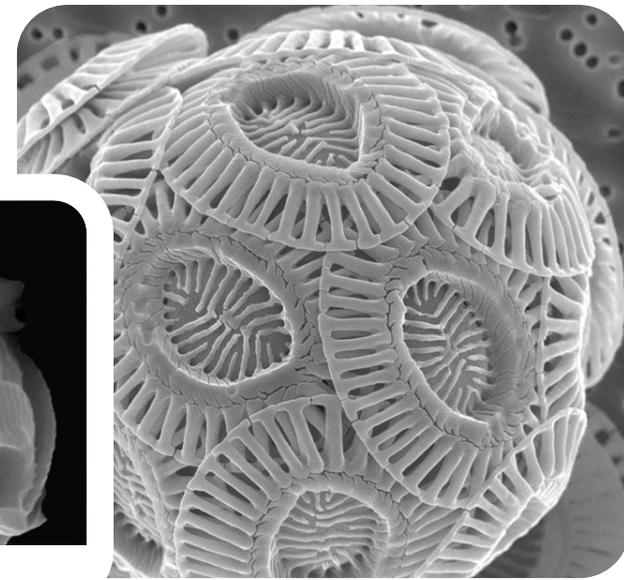
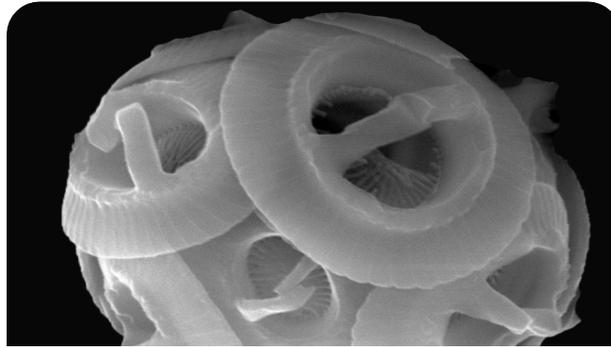
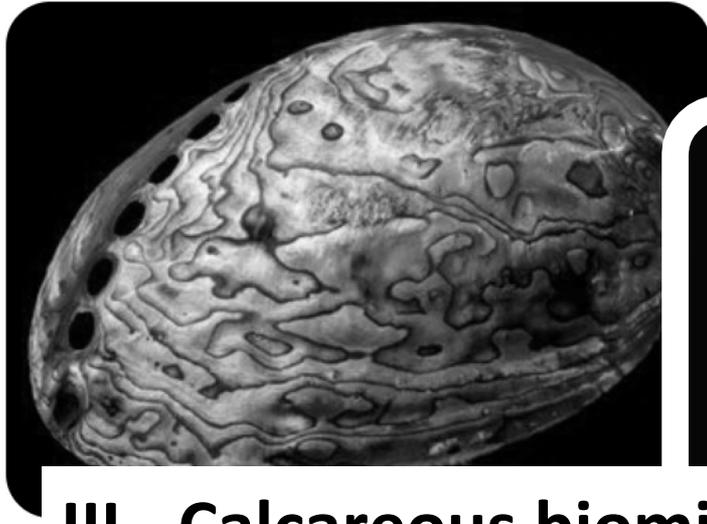
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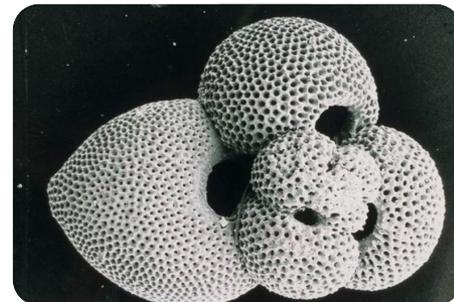
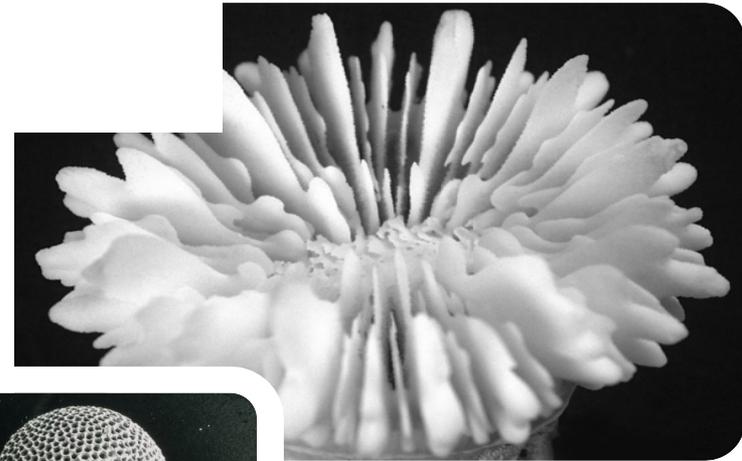
- **3D field of view**
 - CDI: 0.1 – 4 μm
 - BCDI: 0.1 – 2 μm
 - Ptychography: 2 - 30 μm
 - Bragg ptychography: extended x 2 μm
- **Sensitivity**
 - CDI, ptychography: 1-2%
 - BCDI – Strain, lattice rotation: 10^{-4} - a few 10^{-3} , 0.005 – 0.01°
 - Bragg ptychography – Strain, lattice rotation: up to 10^{-2} , up to 1°
- **Spatial resolution**
 - 3D, down to 7 nm, but contrast-dependent, anisotropic
- **Total acquisition time**
 - From a few hours to 10 min
- **Inversion time**
 - From a few hours to a few min



III – Applications of coherent diffraction imaging

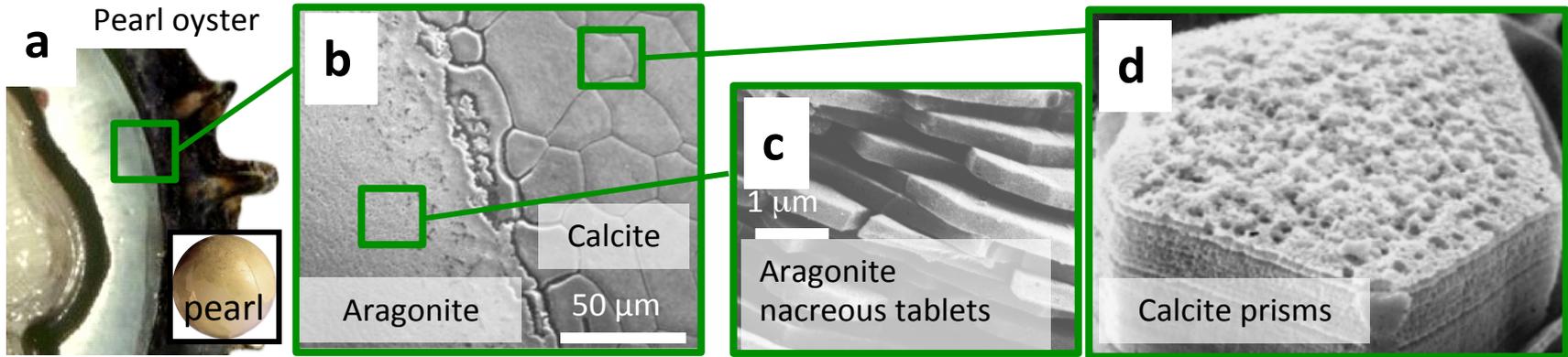


III - Calcareous biomineralisation & coherent diffraction imaging



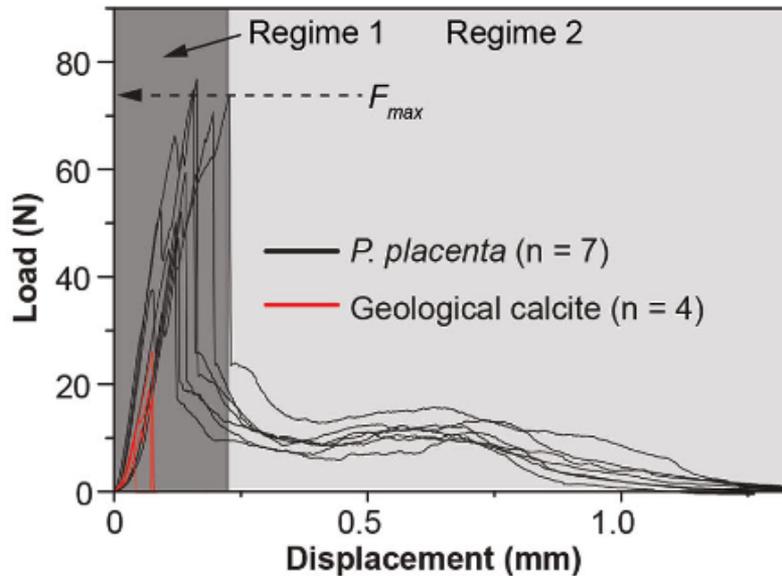
Biomaterials in material science

Highly regulated and complex hierarchical organo-mineral structures



J.-P. Cuif, Y. Dauphin and E. Sorauf, Cambridge Univ. Press (2011)

- Damage resistance

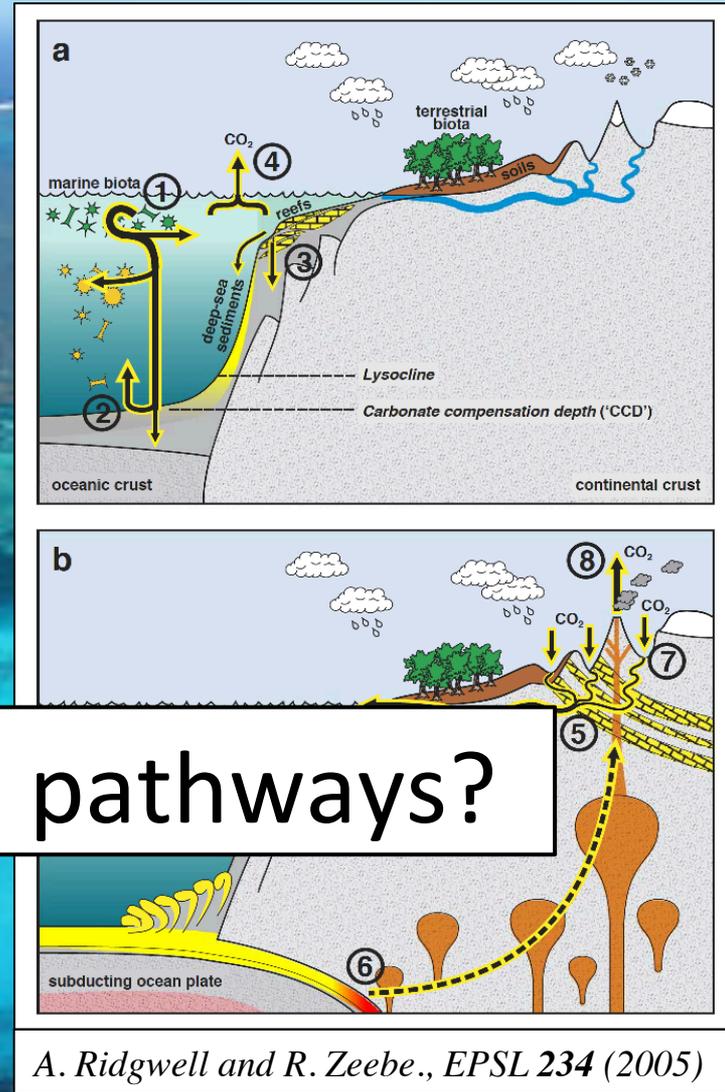
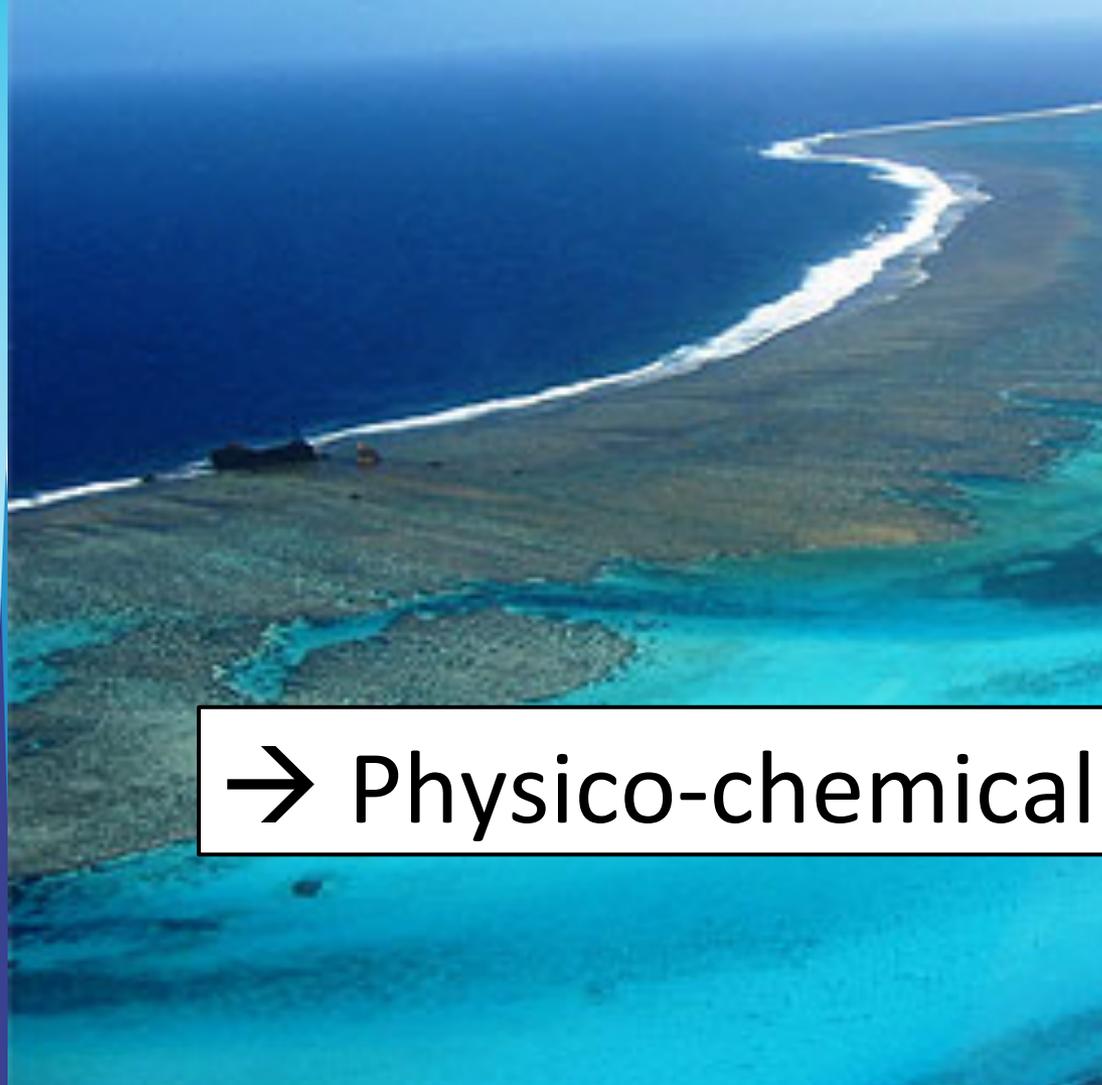


→ Biomimetism?

L. Li and C. Ortiz, Adv. Funct. Mater. 25 (2015)

Biominerals and environmental science

CaCO_3 , one of most prominent minerals in Earth's crust

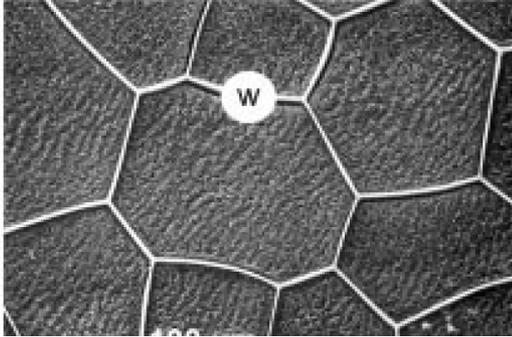


→ Physico-chemical pathways?

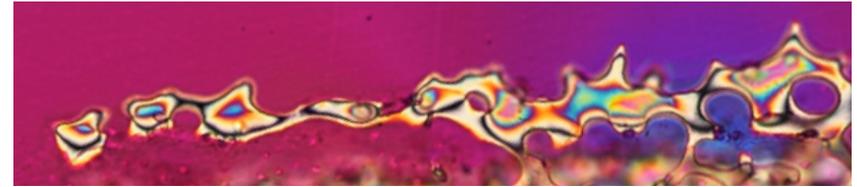
Calcareous biomineralisation

Generic features

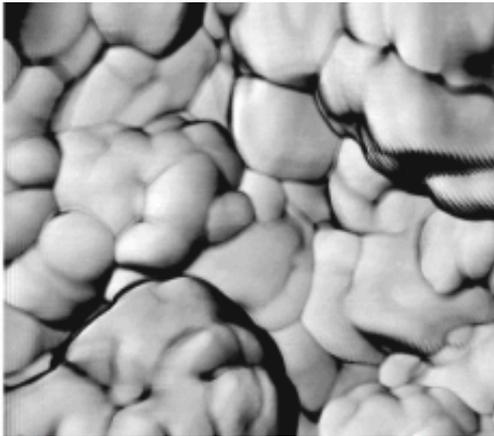
- Mineral/organics materials



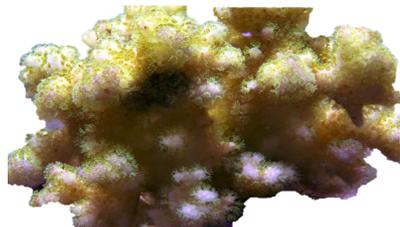
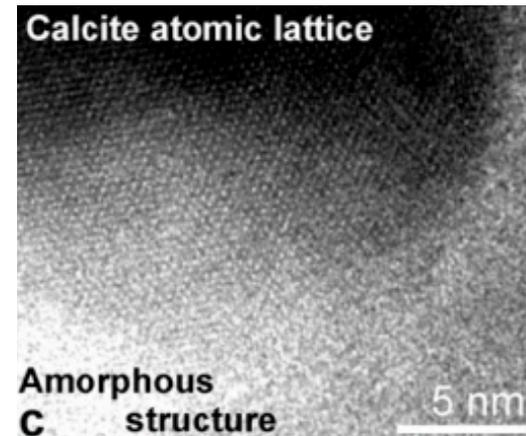
- Single crystalline at the macro-scale (no facet)



- Granular structure at the nano-scale



- Amorphous precursor(s)

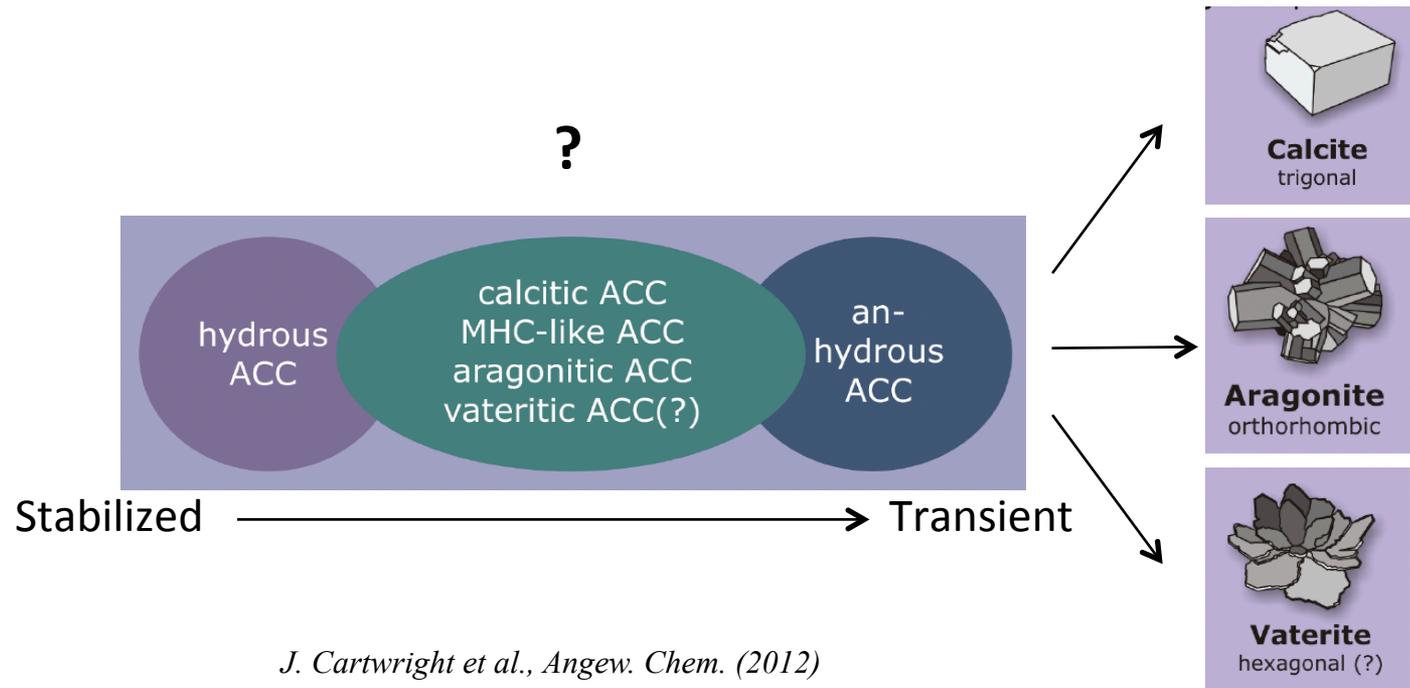


Biocrystallisation related questions

From the amorphous to the crystalline final phase

What are the different transient metastable phases?

What are the nucleation and phase transition mechanisms?

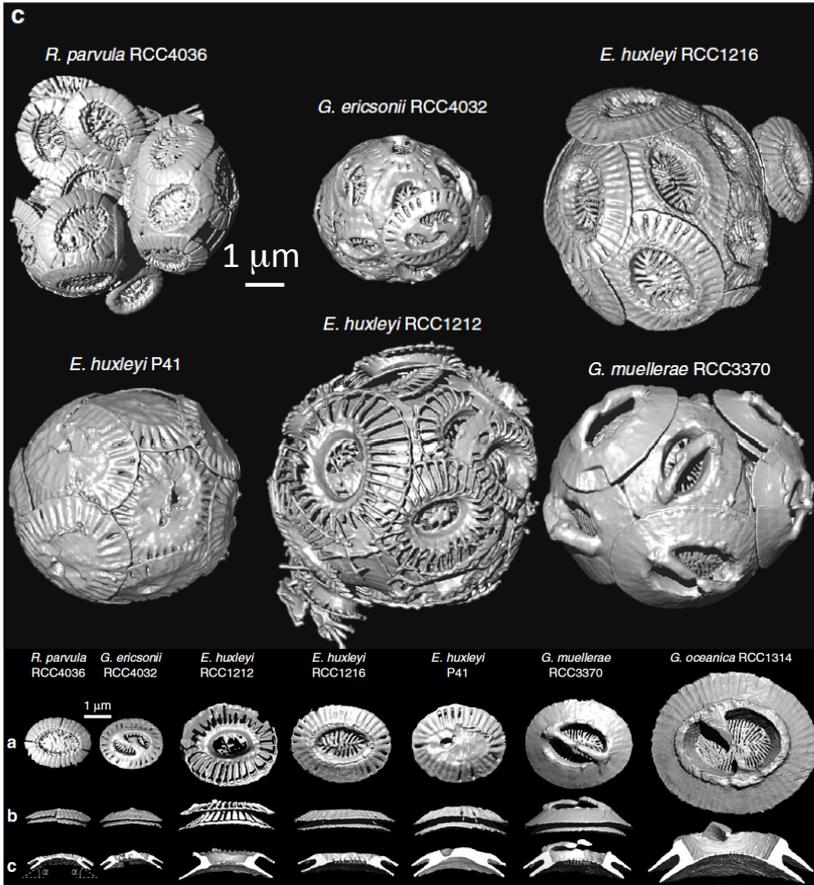


J. Cartwright et al., Angew. Chem. (2012)

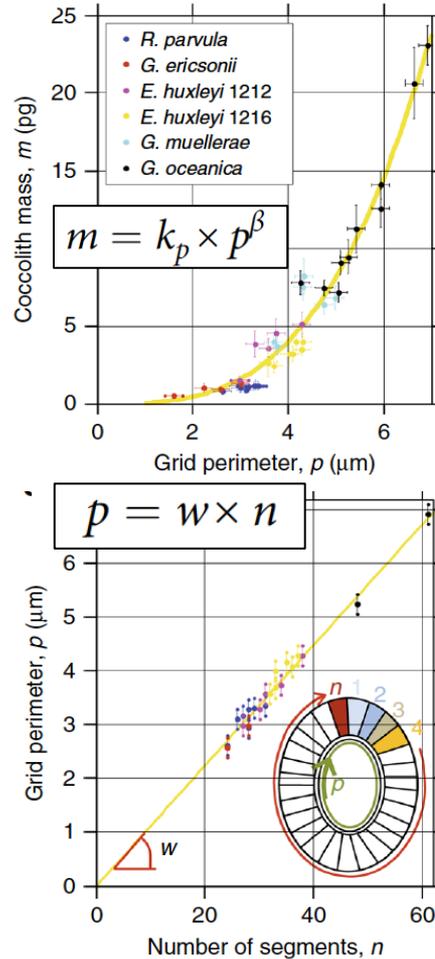
CDI – Coccolithophores formation

Unicellular marine planktonic algae producing calcareous exoskeleton made of CaCO_3 scales

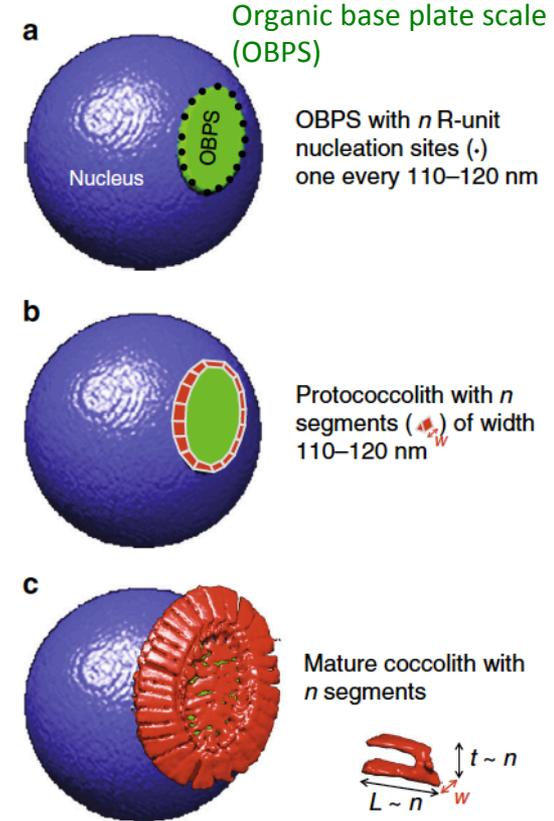
3D electron density of several species



Universal laws



Nucleation mechanism



Beuvier et al., Nature Commun. 2019

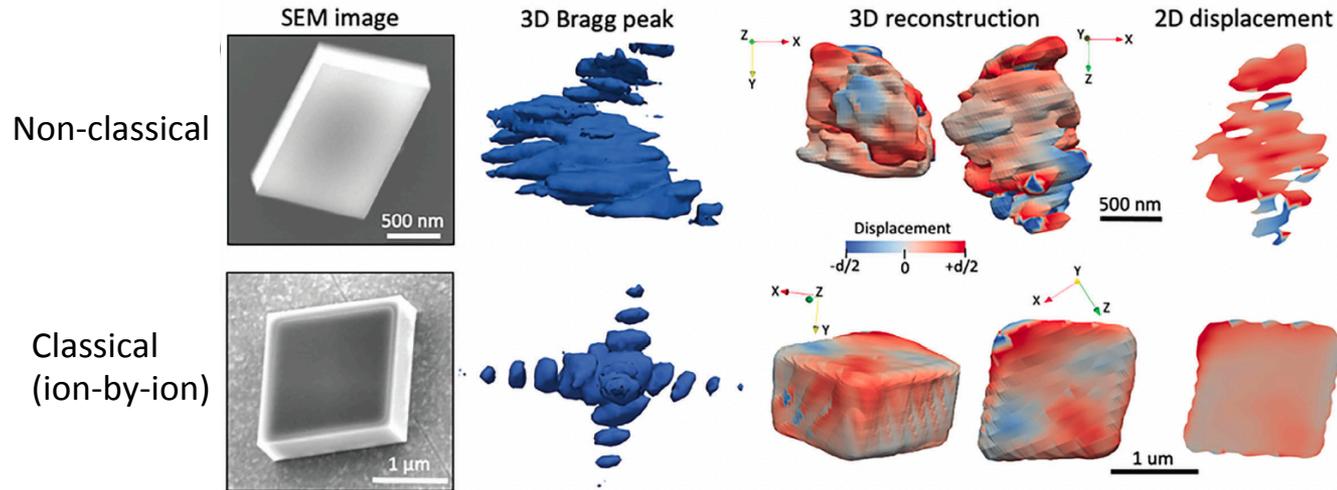
- Unique distance between nucleation sites
- Mass directly related to perimeter

BCDI – Crystallisation pathways from a synthetic model

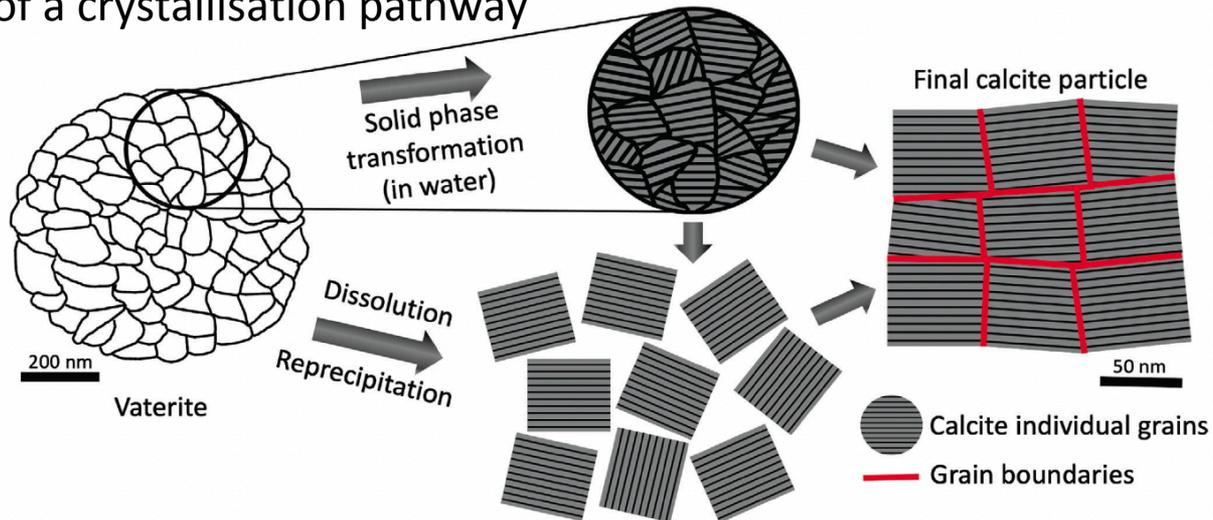
Crystal growth

Classical vs non classical crystallisation of calcite

Suzana et al., Adv. Mat. 2024



→ Proposition of a crystallisation pathway



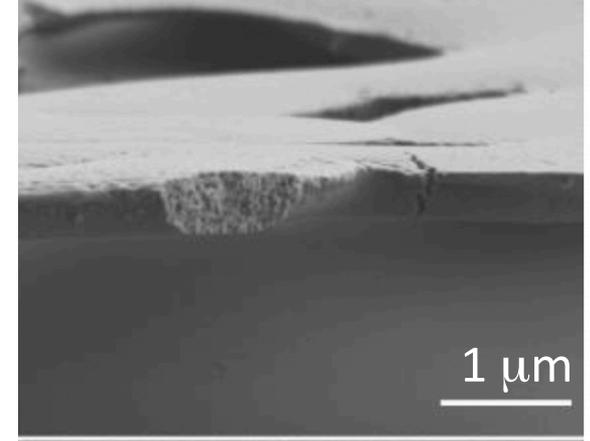
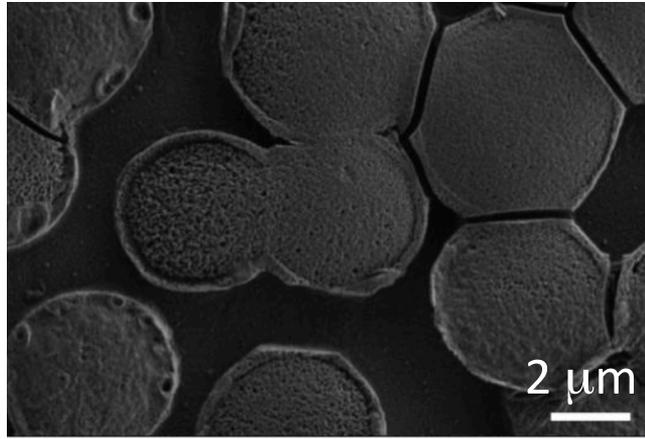
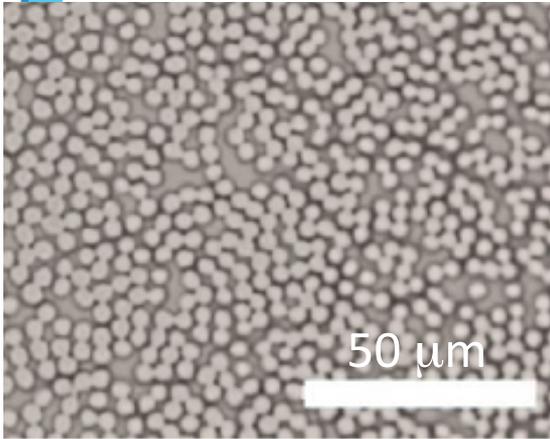
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Biomimetic calcareous systems

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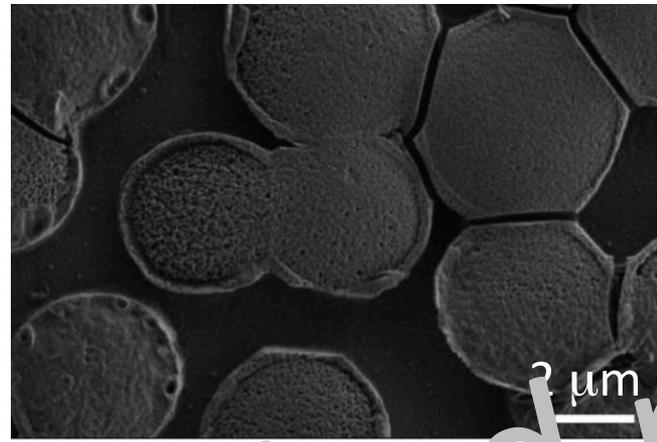
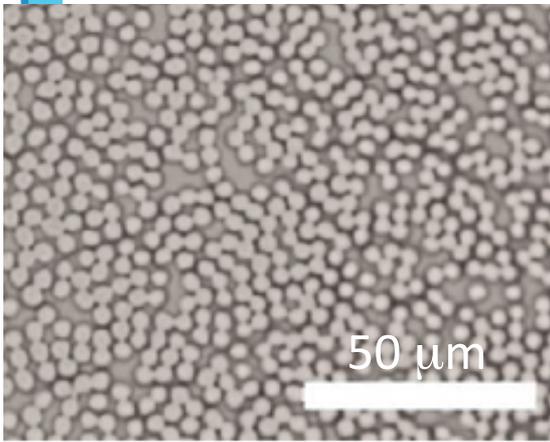


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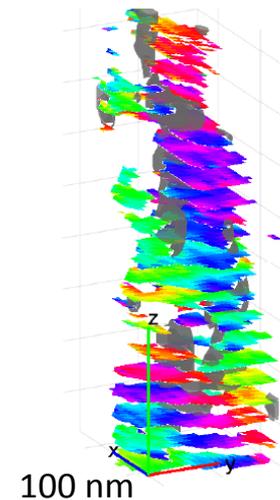
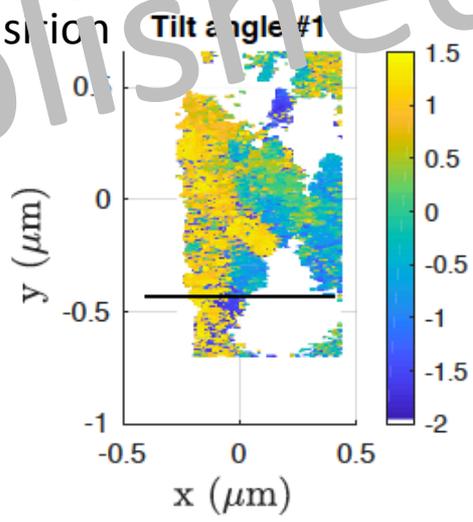
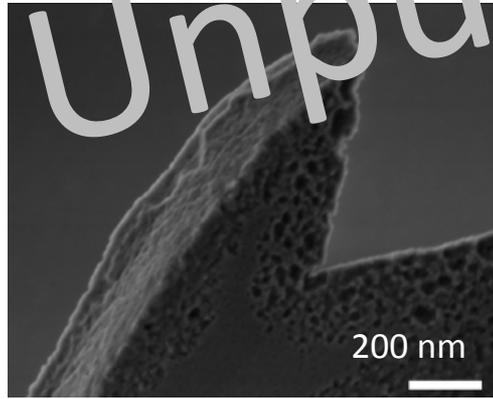
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Heat activated crystalline transition
→ Solid/solid transition



Limited coherence length
(50 x 200 nm²)

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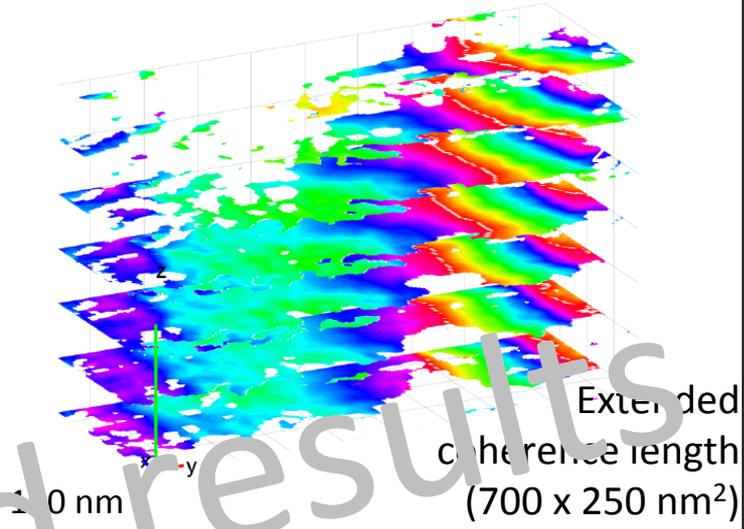
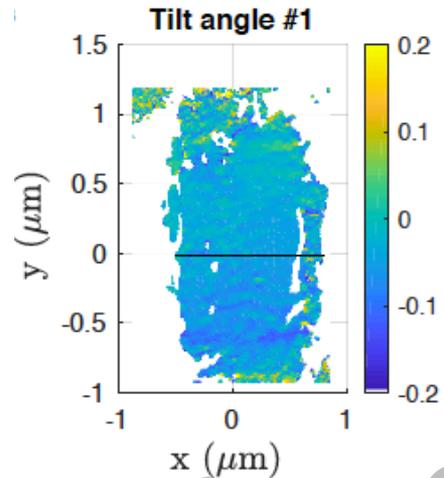
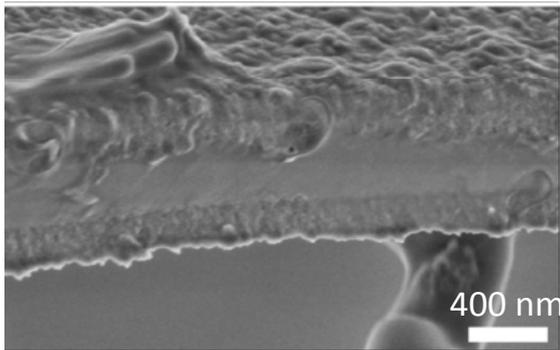
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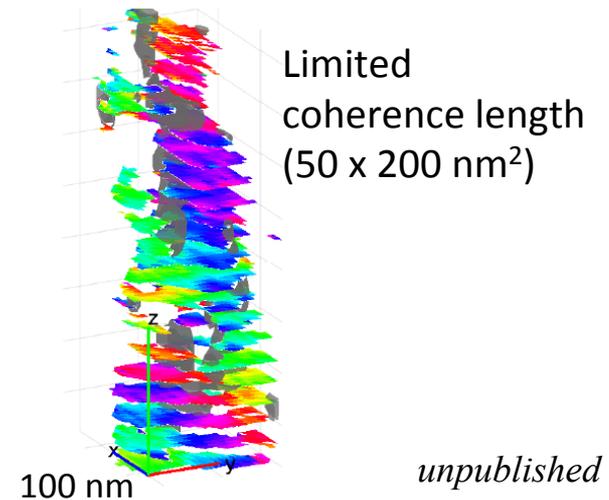
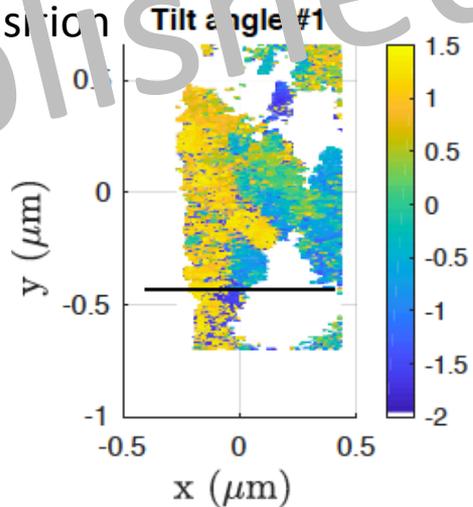
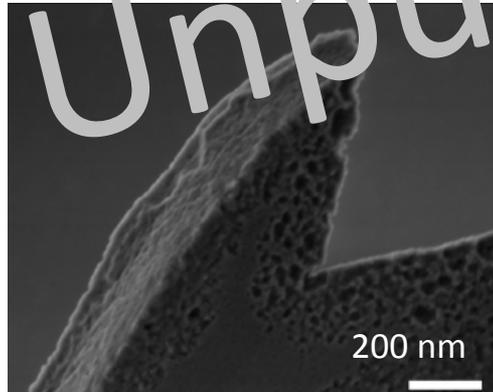
Humidity activated crystalline transition

→ Localized dissolution/
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Heat activated crystalline transition

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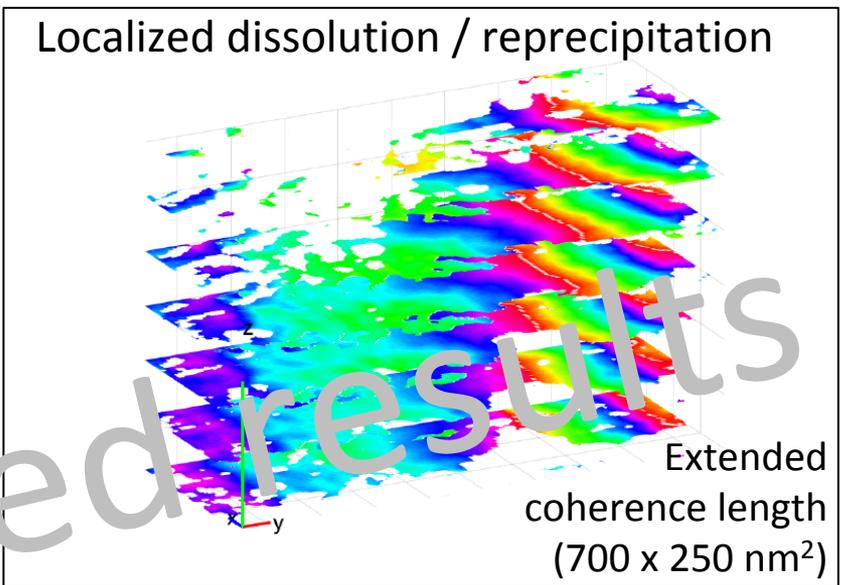
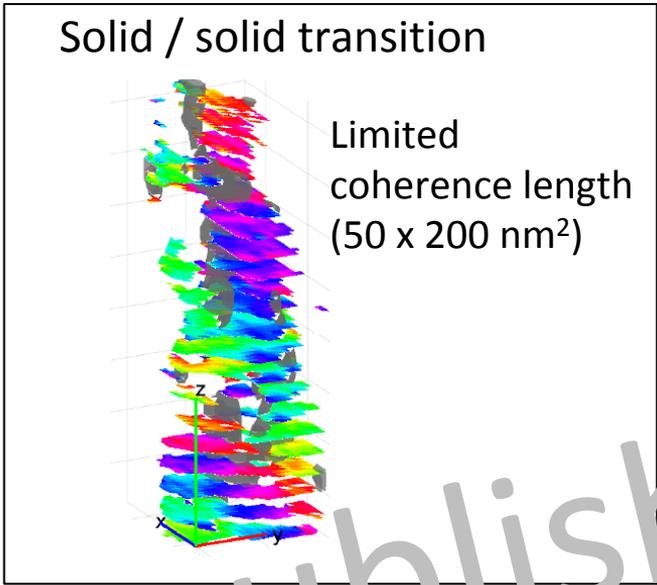


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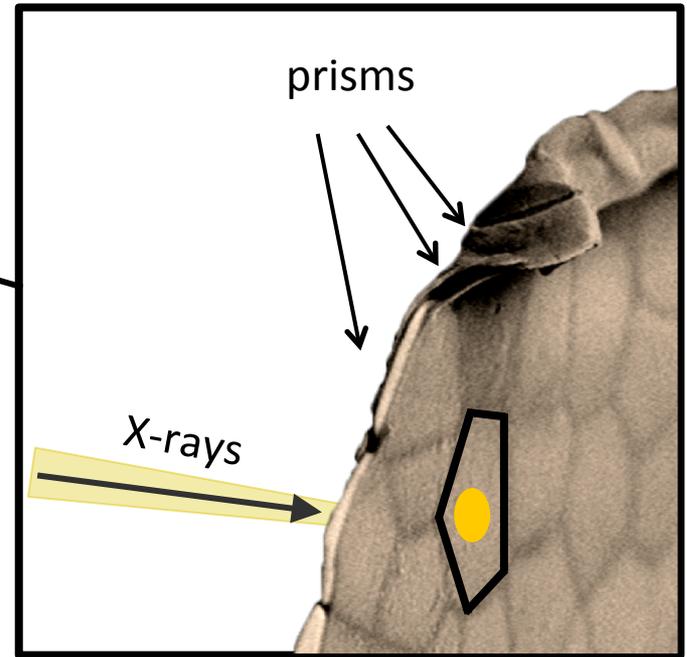
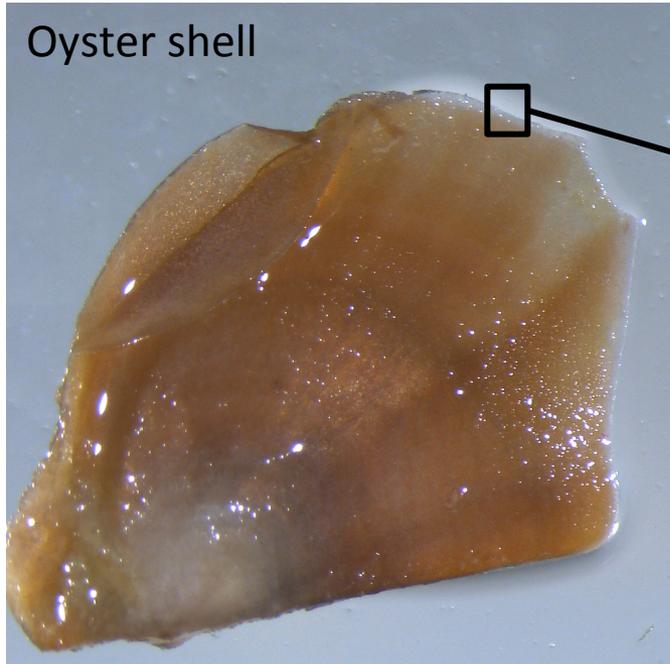
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→ Different crystallisation pathways present different BP fingerprints



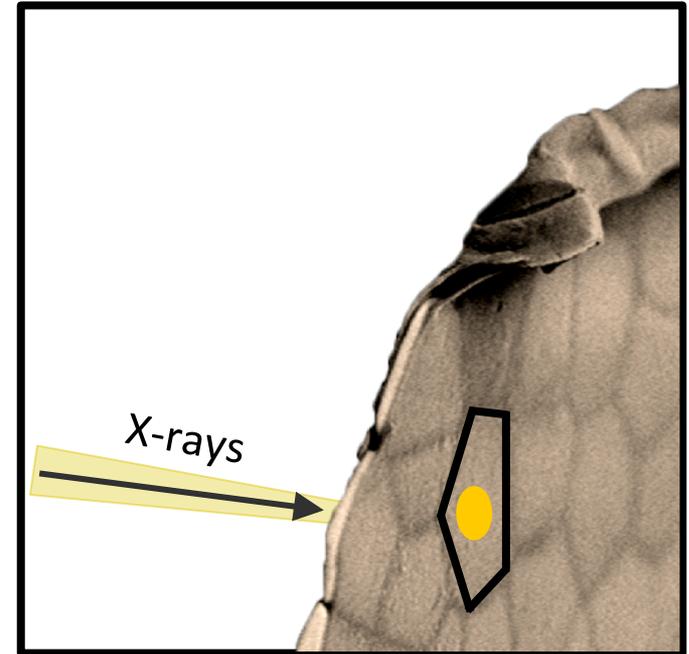
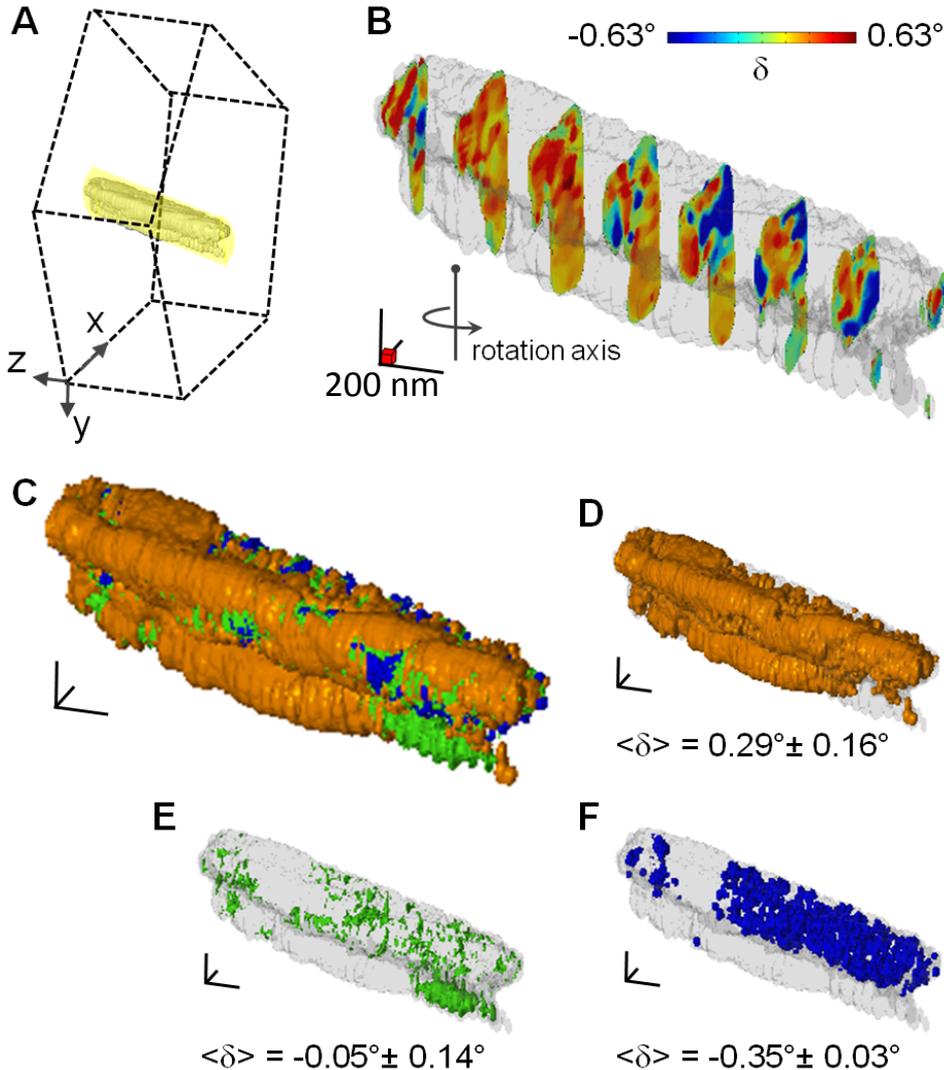
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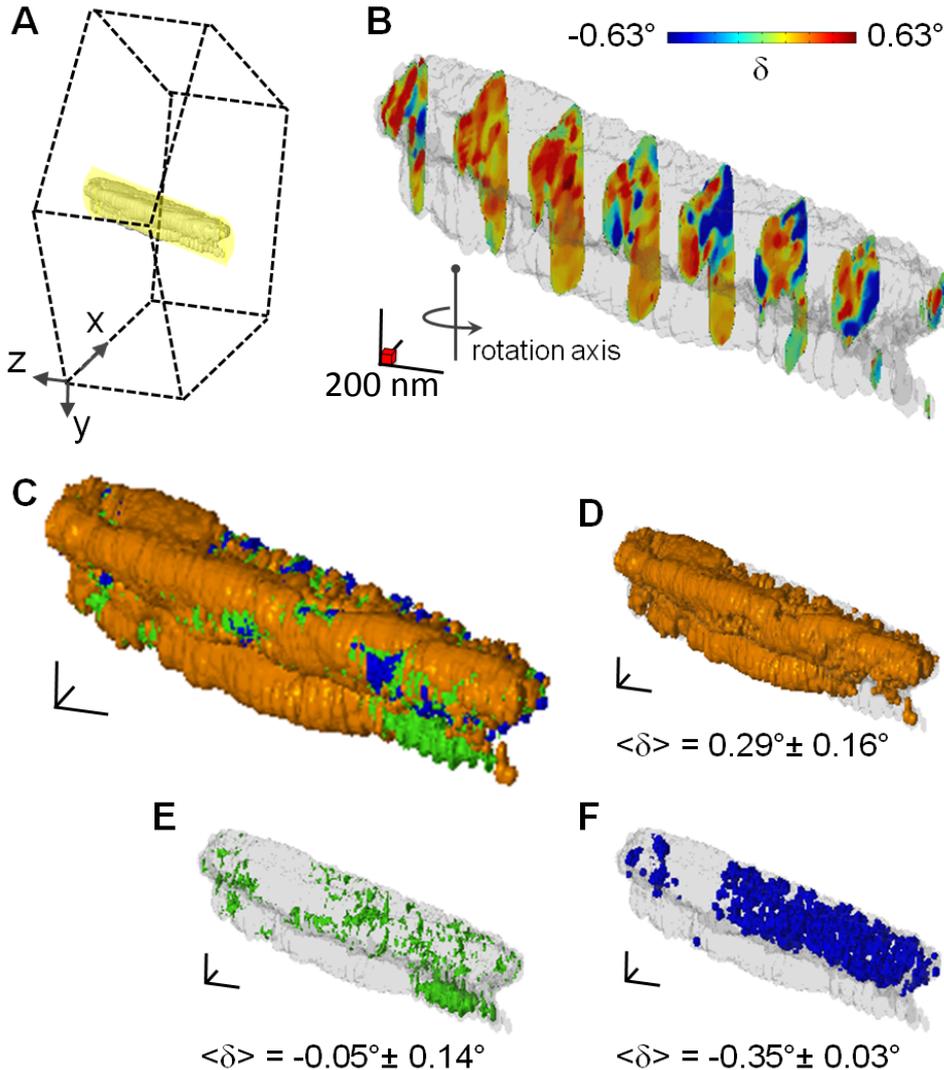
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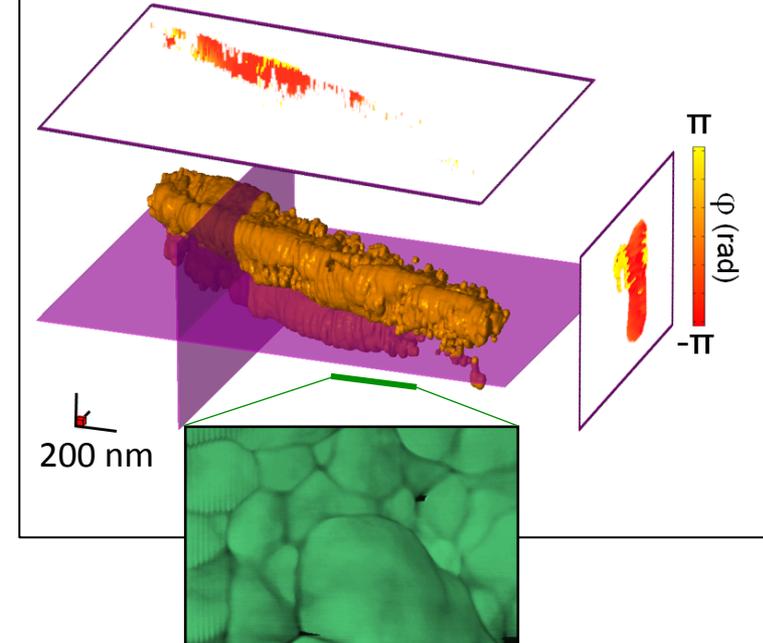
Limit of the single-crystal description is reached
→ The prism is composed of several slightly mis-orientated crystalline domains

Biomaterial mesoscale structure: biogenic calcite

Tilts of 110 crystal planes



Crystalline coherence



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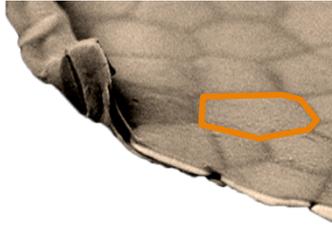
→ The prism is composed of several slightly mis-orientated crystalline domains

→ Each iso-oriented domain contains several coherent crystals larger than a granule

Nature Materials (2017)

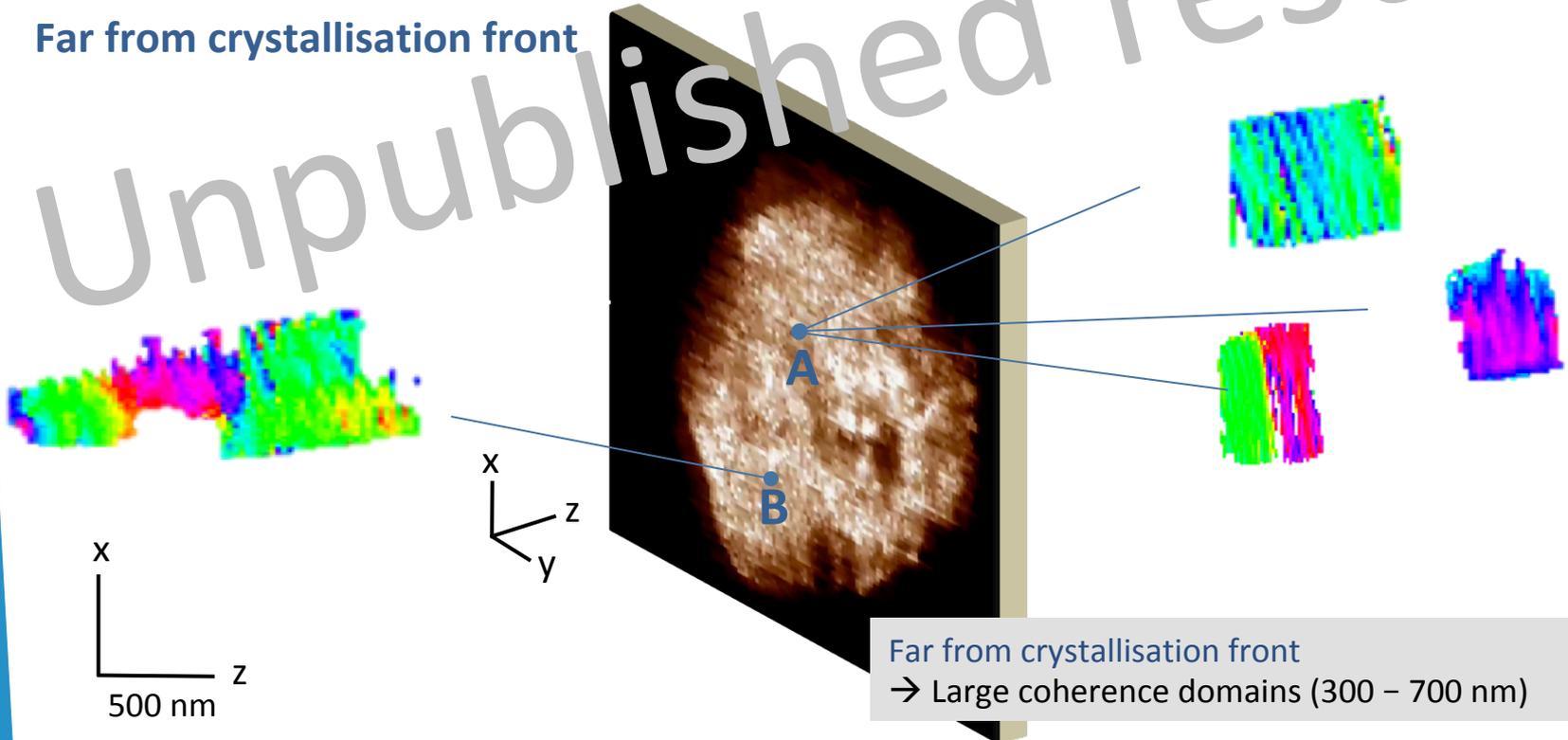
A closer look to the crystalline coherence

Comparison of different crystalline regions within a prism

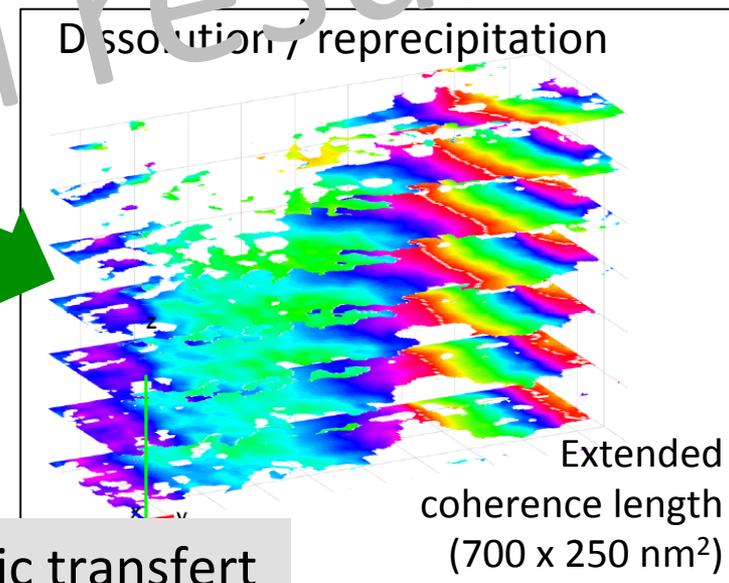
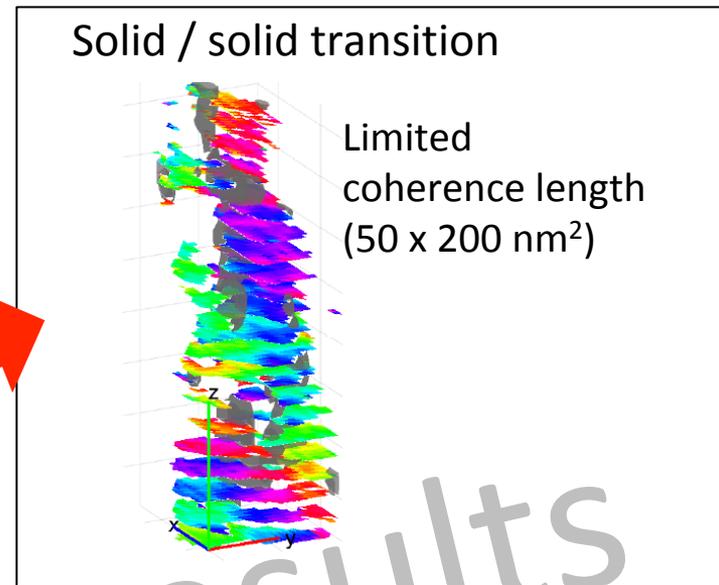
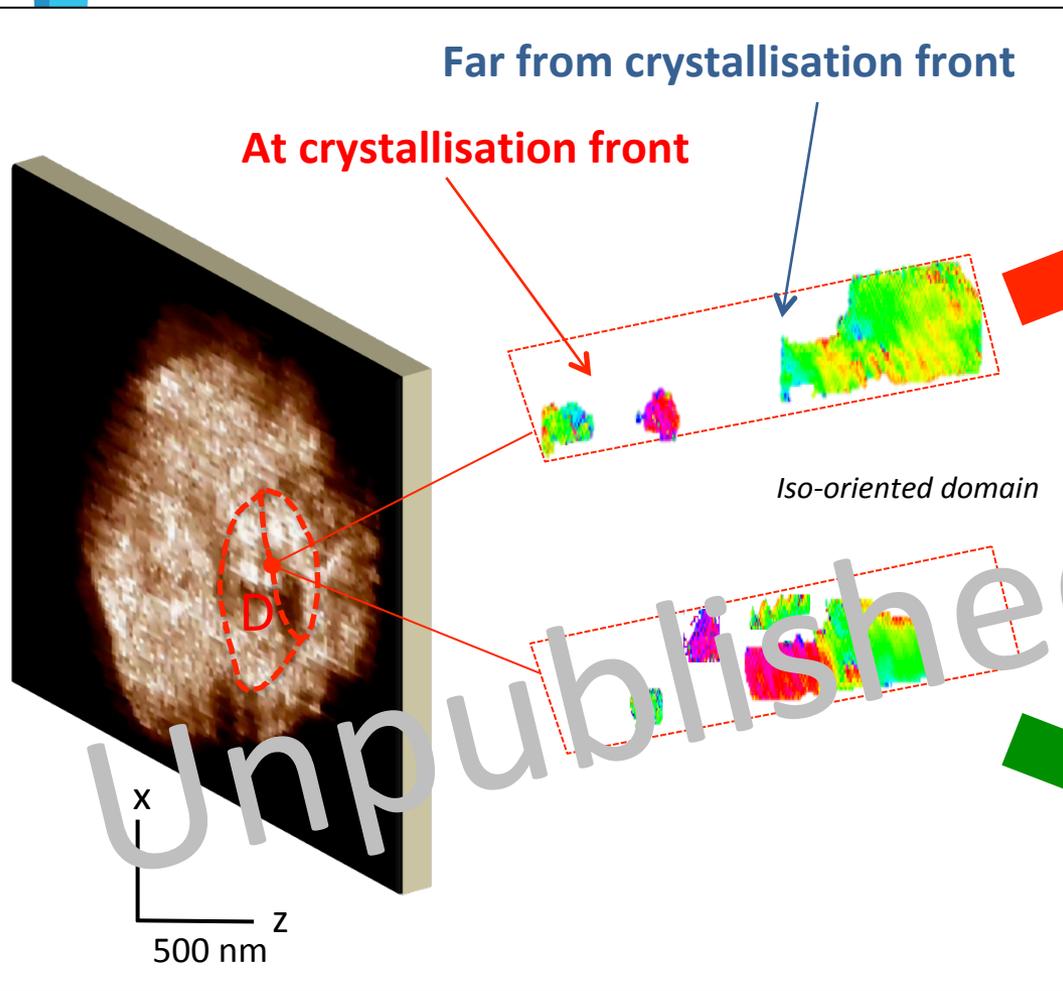


Thickness of about $1.5 \mu\text{m}$

Far from crystallisation front



Comparison with non-classical crystallization pathways



→ Biomineral crystallisation would involve ionic transfert



Concluding remarks

Inversion based microscopy methods are valuable tools for 3D x-ray microscopy

- CDI for isolated particles
 - Ptychography for extended samples
 - Combined with Bragg geometry for crystalline properties
- These are mature techniques, available worldwide
Easy to implement and analyse, compatible with complex sample environment
- Bragg ptychography is recent, available at some synchrotrons worldwide
Set-up uses nano-diffraction approach, analysis is non-trivial
Inversion is robust

4th generation synchrotron sources are expected to revolutionize the field

- Faster and smarter data acquisition schemes
 - Leading to dynamical study of material-science related questions
- Wider use of Bragg ptychography is expected

The EasyBragg project

Bragg ptychography for a wider community of users

Axis I - Development of a 3DBP user-friendly open-source suite and implementation

- at four beamlines (ID01/ID13/ESRF, I13-1/Diamond and NanoMAX/MAX IV),
- online analysis of 3DBP data acquired at these instruments,
- code freely available to synchrotrons and their user community, for further implementation at other beamlines.

Axis II - Development of a full dissemination suite

- to train and teach the BP users

→ Interested by the first tutorial? Please express our interest!



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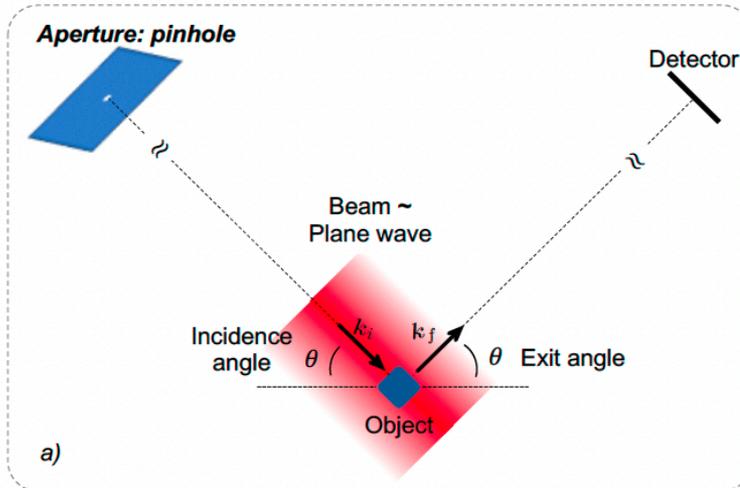
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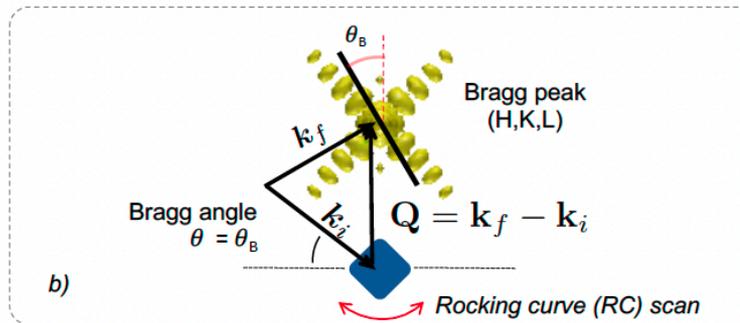
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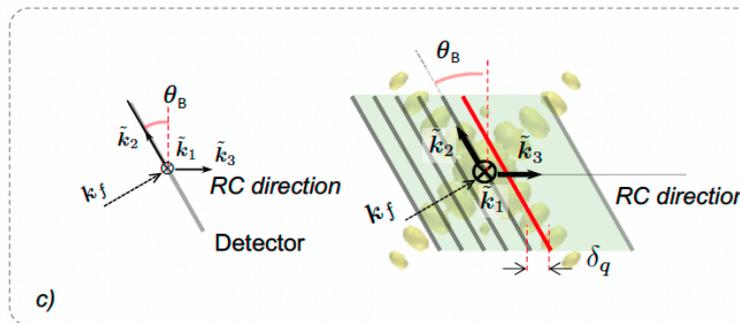
Experimental geometry



Coherent illumination (plane wave-like) of the particle in Bragg condition



Use of a 2D detector to finely sample the diffraction pattern



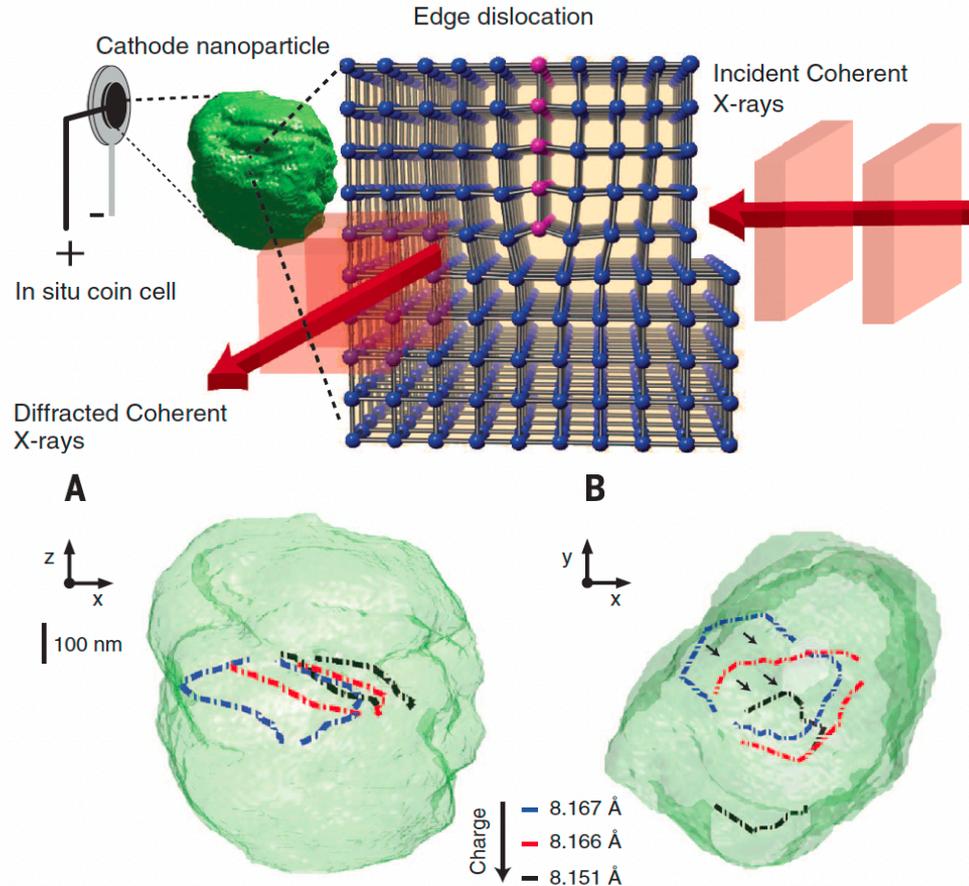
Angular exploration along the rocking curve to acquire 3D information

BCDI – a mature technique

Dislocation dynamics under external stimuli

Operando battery nanoparticles

Ulvestad et al., Science 2015



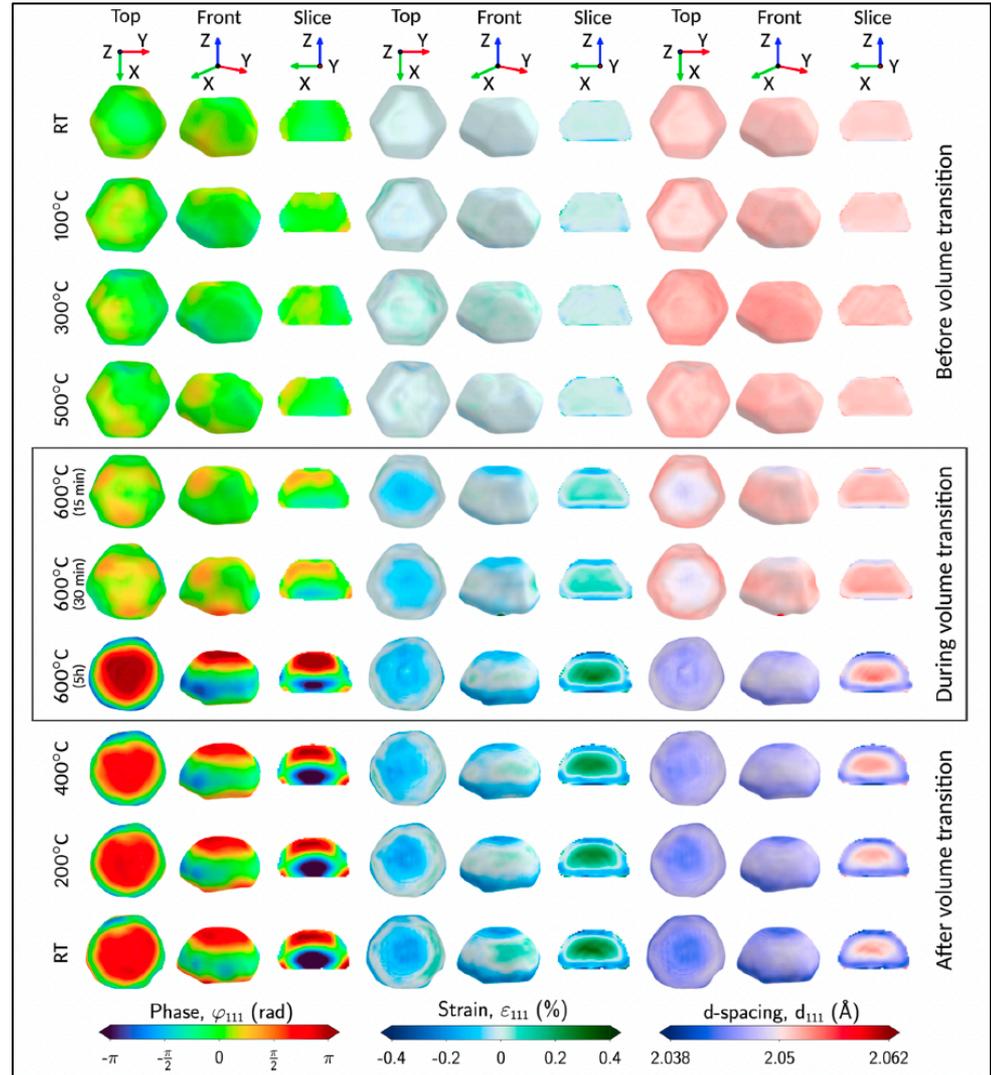
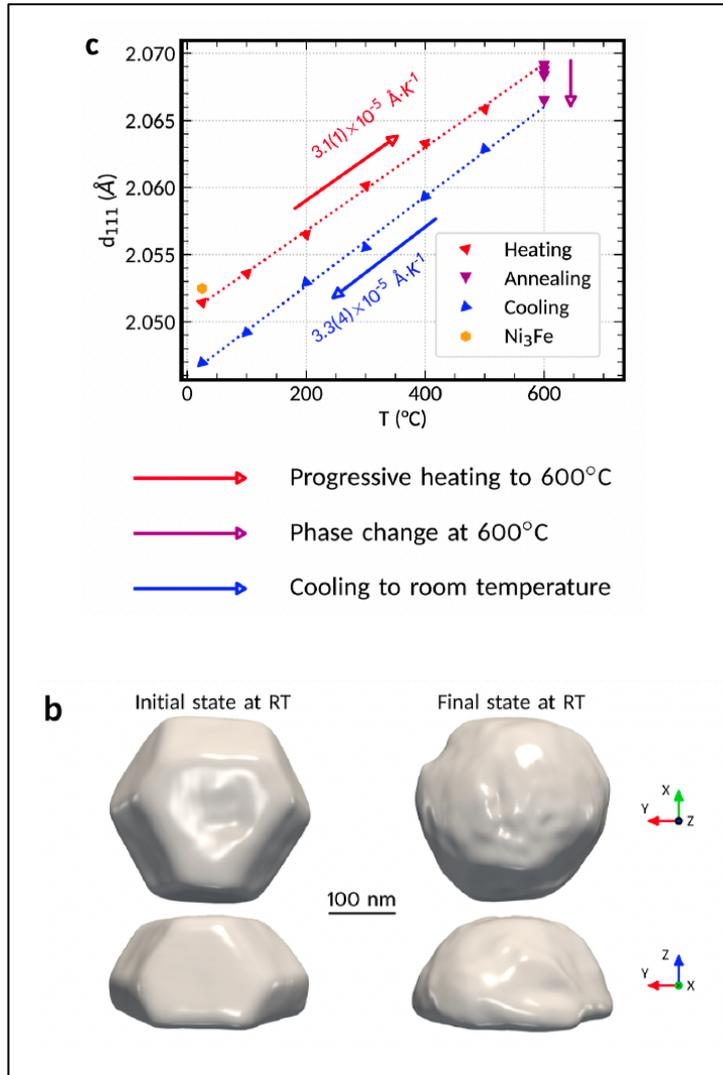
See also, mechanical loading, *e.g.*,

Dupraz et al., Nano Lett. 2017

BCDI – a mature technique

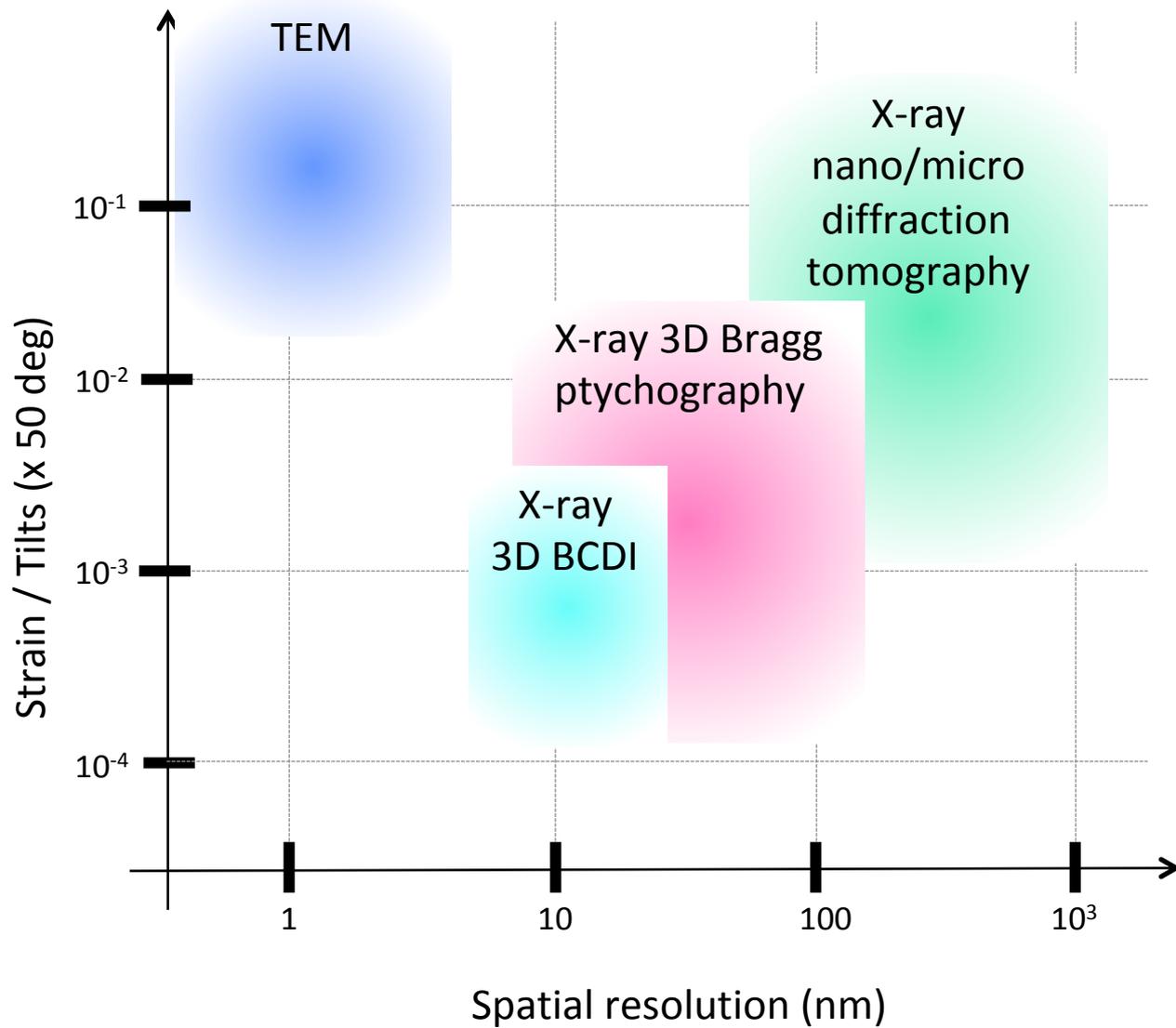
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Solid-state transition of a Ni₃Fe nanoparticle towards a Ni₃Fe – Ni core-shell particles
Chatelier et al., ACS Nano 2024



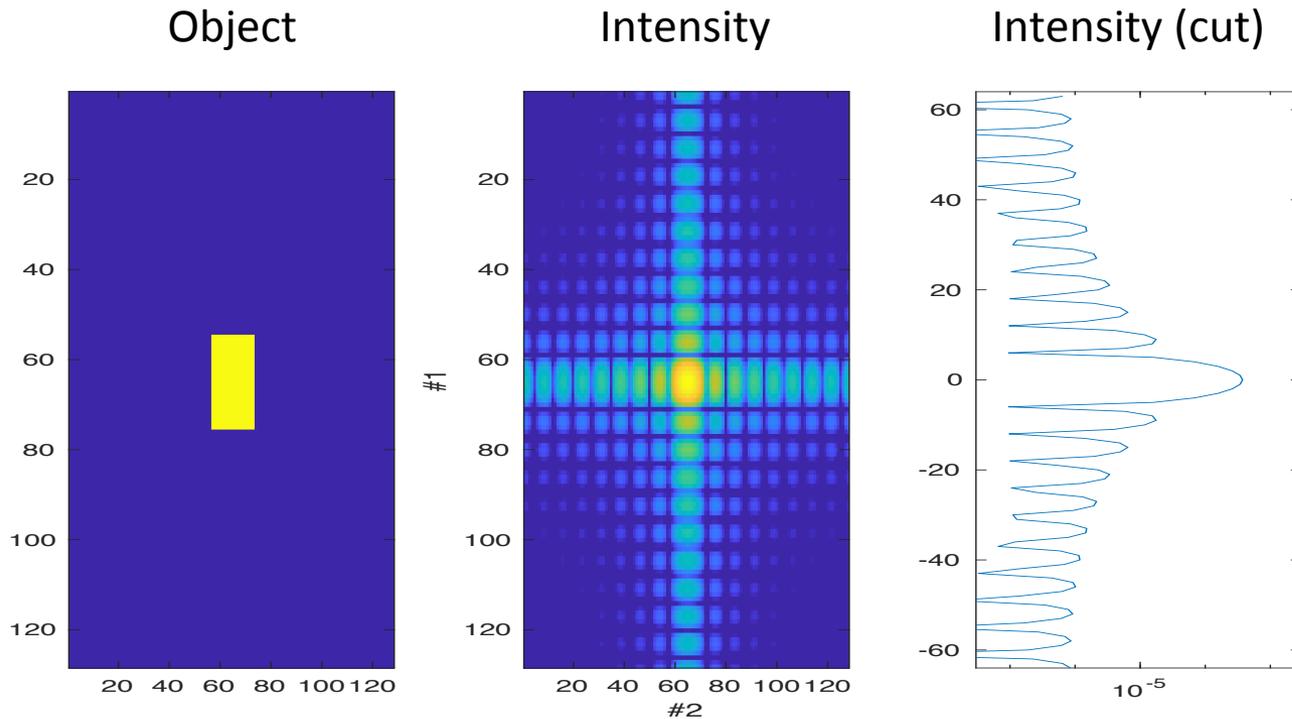
Positioning of inversion microscopy wrt to other techniques

Crystalline microscopy approaches



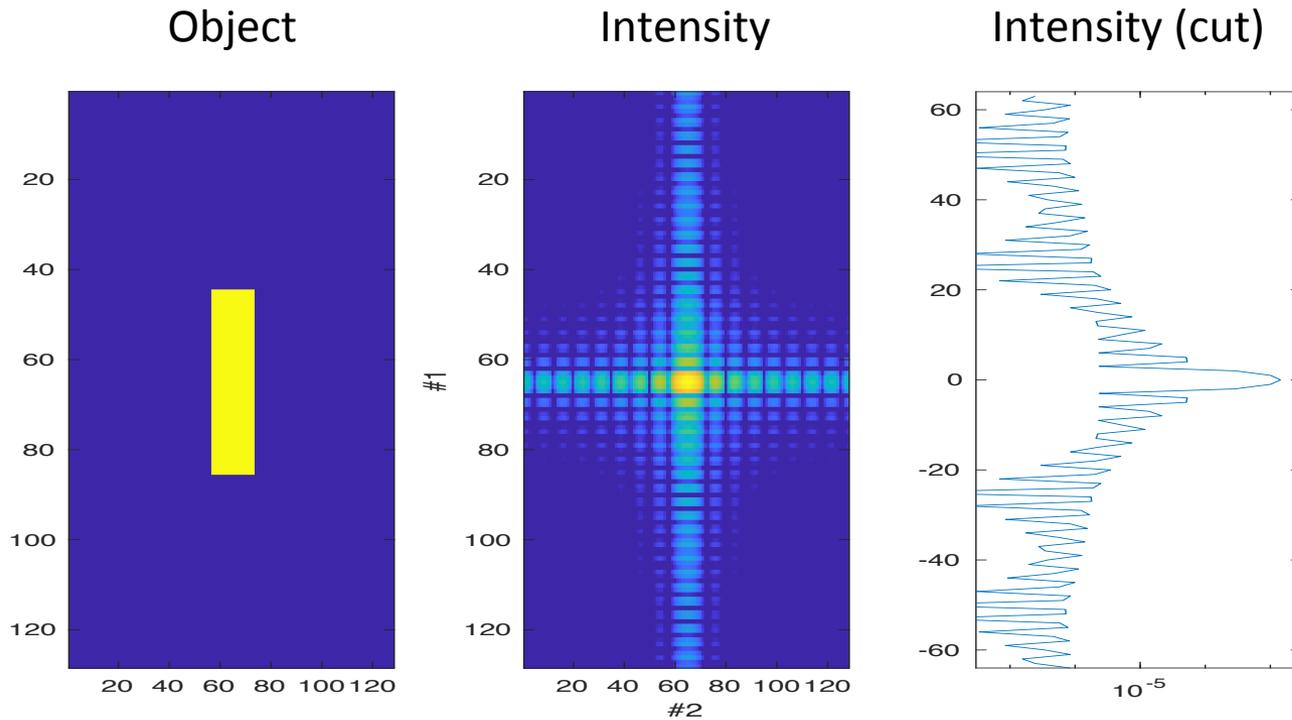
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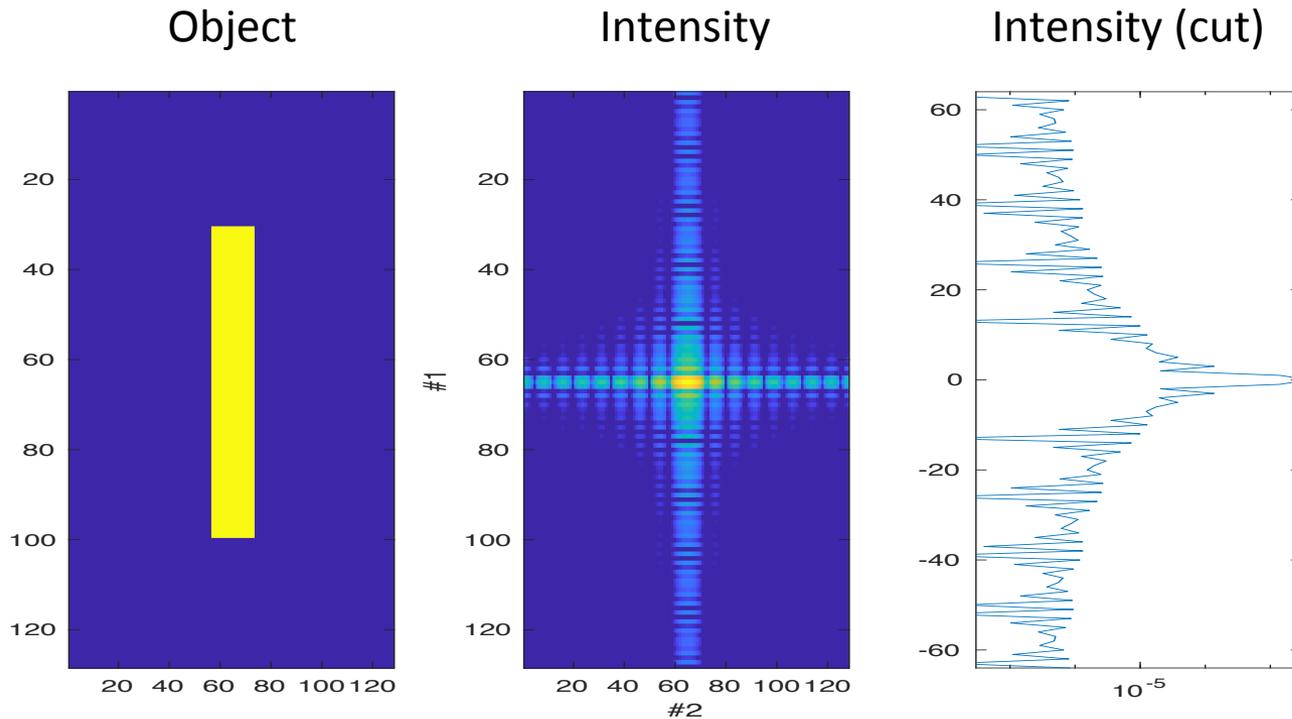
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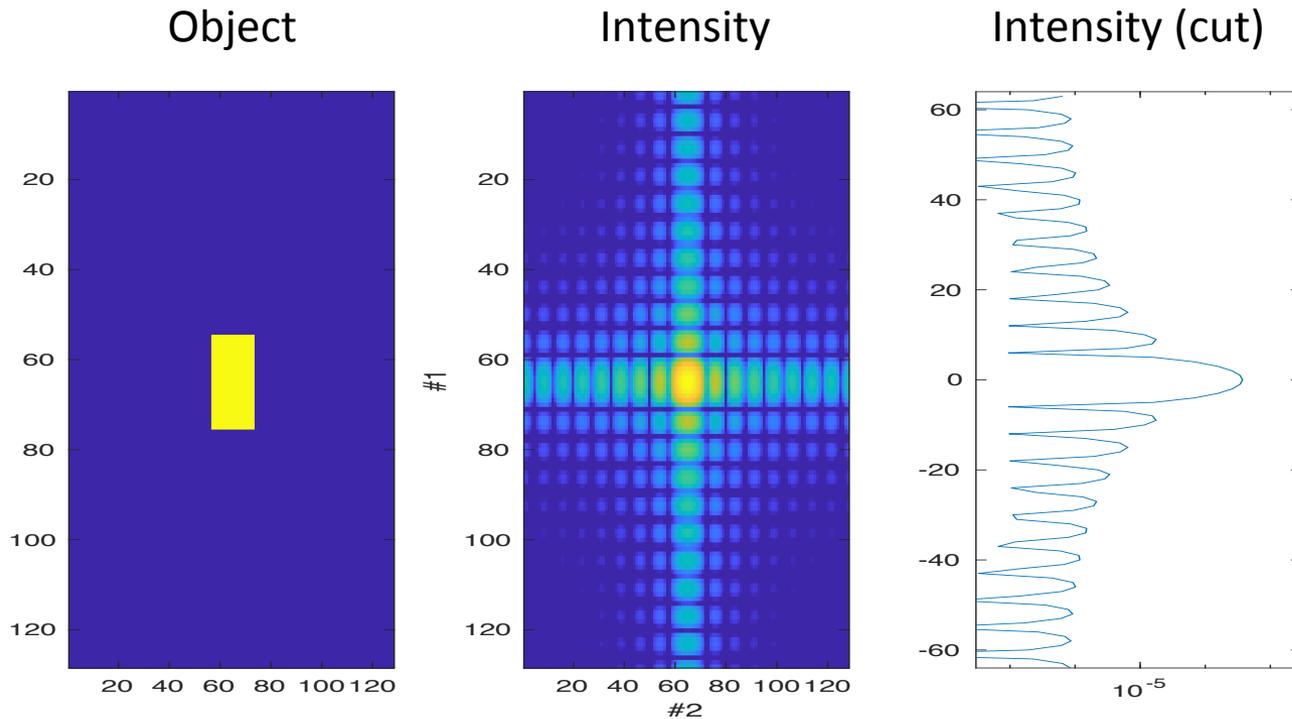
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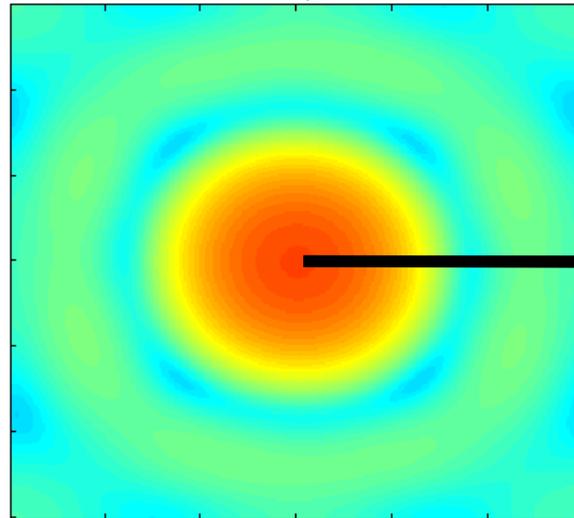
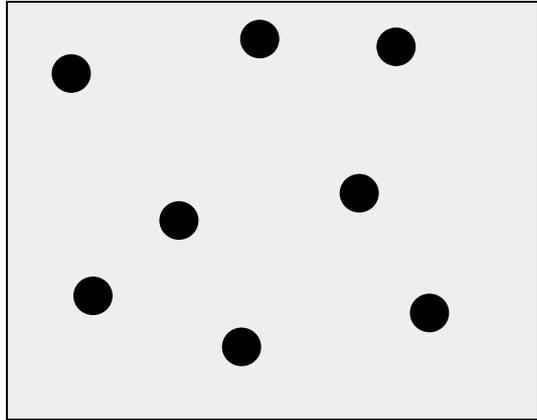


- Increase sample to detector distance (1 m)
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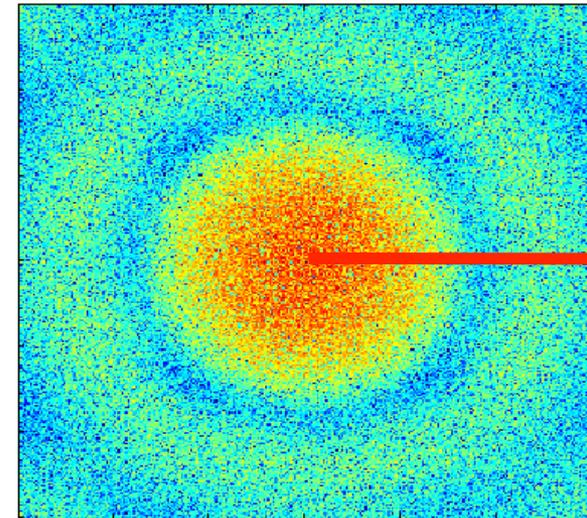
Information available in a diffraction pattern

$$\delta r = 2\pi/q_{\max} \approx 5 \text{ nm}$$

δr + exact particle distribution



incoherent scattering



coherent scattering

Sensitivity to

- the particle shape
- the particle position

