

X-ray Imaging at 3rd Generation Synchrotron Source

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Imaging and X-rays



Advances in X-ray Imaging



- Old & new: emerging x-ray technologies in source & optics, advances in all 3 areas: fundamental, functional, anatomical
- Phase-contrast imaging: weak-absorbing features, less dose, far more clarity than traditional radiograph
- X-ray microscopy: could have high impact on cell biology, similar to x-ray crystallography mix molecular biology
- Coherent diffraction imaging: new frontier on noncrystalline structures, structural molecular biology w/o need for crystals





Outline



X-ray microscopy & imaging group at APS

- → Scanning x-ray microscopy: 2-ID, 26-ID
- → Full-field x-ray imaging: 2-BM, 32-ID
- → Coherent diffraction imaging: 34-ID-C

Dedicated x-ray imaging beamline

- → Phase-contrast imaging
- → Diffraction-enhanced/USAXS imaging
- → Full-field x-ray microscope
- → Coherent diffraction in near-field

Future upgrade paths

- → 200m long beamline ?
- → Optimized machine parameters & IDs
- → R&D activities

Summary



X-ray Microscopy & Imaging at APS Sector 2



μ -XRF Studies of Trace Metals in Biological Cells

- simultaneously map 15+ elements
- no dyes necessary
- very high sensitivity (<ppm)
- quantitative
- large penetration depth (> 100 µm)
- chemical state mapping & μ-XANES





Detection limit for transition elements: for 1s acquisition time, 0.2 x 0.2 μm² beam size, E=10 keV

Detection limit depends on incident Energy and Z

X-Ray Fluorescence Imaging of Bacterial Cells



Understanding Metabolic Pathways of Drugs



Nanocomposites as Intracellular Tools



MCF-7 cell transfected with nanocomposite combining ribosomal DNA w. TiO_2 .

Ti K_{α} fluorescence is visible in a small location of the nucleus, corresponding nucleolar localization. Nucleus of the cell is visible using P K α fluorescence (DNA content)



photo/radio(E > 3.2 eV) inducible charge separation

- attach TiO₂ nanoparticle (4.5 nm diameter) to DNA
- combine DNA biochemistry with semiconductor properties of TiO₂
- carrier-particle that can bind to a specific chromosomal region w/ ability to cleave it upon illumination

<u>Gene therapy</u>: Correct defective genes responsible for disease development

Paunesku et al, Nature Materials 2, 343 (2003)





Mouse fibroblast cell + 150 µM CuCl₂

3) µ-XANES indicated Cu(I), confirming the reducing cellular environment

Yang, et al., PNAS 102, 11179 (2005)

2) Quantify cellular Cu













APS 2-ID-D X-ray Diffraction Microprobe



Spot size: 150 nm FWHM Efficiency: 20-25% Flux density: 5x10⁴ phs/s/nm²/0.01%BW Zhonghou Cai & Barry Lai (APS)





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μ-Diffraction from ZnO ring (110)



Nanostressors on Freestanding Silicon Membranes



Evans, *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **87**, 073112 (2005)



template layer thickness (nm)

Improving Solar Cell Materials by Defect Engineering

T. Buonassisi, A. A. Istratov, M. A. Marcus, E. R. Weber (LBNL), B. Lai, Z. Cai (APS), S. M. Heald (PNNL)

High-purity Semiconductor-grade Polysilicon

- Used in 90% of photovoltaic devices which has annual growth > 25%
- In 2004, demand exceeded supply for silicon feedstock \Rightarrow higher price



Low-cost Solar-grade Multicrystalline Silicon (mc-Si)

- High impurity (~10¹⁵ cm⁻³) \Rightarrow short minor carrier diffusion length \Rightarrow low efficiency
- Removing metal impurities (gettering, passivation) is difficult and expensive
- Questions:
 - 1) Are all metal defects created equal?
 - 2) What type of defect is most detrimental to device performance?
 - 3) Can one live with the metal impurity by defect engineering?



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Metal Defects in Commercial Grade Solar-Cell Si

Buonassisi, et al. Nature Materials (August 14, 2005)

The different types of metal defect in commercial solar-cell material. a, Iron silicide nanoprecipitates, with radii 20–30 nm. b, Iron oxide inclusion, several micrometres in diameter. X-ray fluorescence (left) maps the iron nano- and microdefects, whereas Xray absorption spectra (right) determine their chemical states.



Properly chosen annealing sequence decreases spatial density of metal clusters and improves the minority carrier diffusion length L_D

T.Buonassisi, et al., Nature Materials, online Aug. 14 (2005)





Multilayer Laue Lens: Towards 1-nm Focusing of Hard X-rays



WSi ₂ 12.4 Dr~58	/Si, 720 layers mm thick nm	Dr~10 nm	grad APS mic MS Elec sho spa
1.0 -		Sample A Sample B Sample C Gaussian fit	diffra nanc
- 6.0 uorma		30 nm l	FWHN

Deposition of thick, graded multilayer at APS; sectioning and microscopy at MSD/EMC/CNM.

Electron microscopy shows accuracy of layer spacings

Theory

Ideal Multilayer Laue Lens should focus X-rays to 1 nm with high efficiency.

Experiments

We have fabricated partial MLLs and measured their performance. The world-record results obtained for hard x-ray focusing support the predictions of theory.



Nearly diffraction-limited performance of test structures

30 nm FWHM, 44% efficiency, 0.06 nm wavelength

Measurements at APS beamlines 12BM and 8ID. Kang et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* (2006)







Outline



APS Strategic Planning 2004

Future Scientific Directions for the Advanced Photon Source									
Home Workshops 🔻 Strategic		Planning Meeting 🔻	Reports	Open Meeting	Comments 🔻	Search APS 💽			
Argonne Home > Advanced Photon Source > > Future > Workshops > Using Xray Imaging >									
Presentations Scope		Workshop on Emerging Scientific Opportunities using X-ray Imaging							
Objective APS Imaging Capabilit Advisory Committee	ies	August 29 – September 1, 2004, The Abbey, Fontana, Lake Geneva Area, Wisconsin							
Workshop Home									
Workshop Chairs: Francesco De Carlo (Advanced Photon Source) Wah Keat Lee (Advanced Photon Source) Gabrielle Long (Advanced Photon Source) Stuart Stock (Northwestern Medical School)		A workshop on "Emerging Scientific Opportunities Using X-ray Imaging" was held from August 29 – September 1, 2004, welcoming both experts and beginners in the field. This was one of the workshops in the series on "Future Scientific Directions for the Advanced Photon Source." The goal of the workshop was to identify future directions in scientific research using x-ray imaging techniques at the Advanced Photon Source. There were nearly 60 participants. For information on other workshops in this series, go to <u>http://www.future.aps.anl.gov/</u>							
		This workshop was a part of a Study of the Future Scientific Directions for the Advanced Photon Source Chair: Gopal K. Shenoy (APS/ANL) Co-Chair: Sunil K. Sinha (UCSD/LANL)							



Grand Challenges in X-ray Imaging

Materials Science:

- ➔ Materials deformation, fatigue and fracture
- ➔ Failure mechanisms in engineered structures
- ➔ Dynamic processes in extreme environments
- ➔ High-resolution imaging

of nonperiodic structures

Biological Science:

- ➔ Developing a digital micromorphometry library
- ➔ Real-time imaging of physiological processes
- ➔ Comparative biology on evolutionary transitions
- Discovery & description of early life in micro-fossils











Dedicated X-ray Imaging Beamline at APS



Consideration of making Sector 32 (Com-CAT) a dedicated imaging XOR-Sector:

- Phase imaging / tomography
- Diffraction topography
- Diffraction enhanced /USAXS imaging
- Coherent Fresnel diffraction

Many Benefits:

- Provides immediate home for the imaging group to satisfy users demand, to expand user base, and to test new application & ideas.
- Frees up 1-ID so Sector 1 can proceed to become a dedicated high-energy sector.
- Potential for future expansion perhaps into a long beam line (~200m) with optimized insertion devices.

 X-ray Imaging: recommended by SAC as one of top three priorities at APS
XOR Tactical Plan.

Phase Contrast Sensitivity vs. Distance



Note: 3um thick biomatter (ρ =1.35) in 30um thick H₂O corresponds to ~0.03 rad at λ = 1 A



Dedicated X-ray Imaging Beamline at APS

<u>Phase I</u>: make use of existing hutch and equipment, with upgrades to monochromator & Be windows



<u>Phase II</u>: expansion to ~75m by building a new white-beam capable hutch at 75m and beam transport

 \rightarrow High-sensitivity phase imaging

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- → Coherent Fresnel diffraction
- \rightarrow Projection microscopy

342 431 102

77 m

32-ID-C

Funding Profile (Phase I & II):

- FY'05: \$760K AIP approved
- FY'06: additional AIP funds ?
- FY'07: more funds for instrumentation
- Phase III will require outside funding

<u>Phase III</u>: future expansion to ~200m (ID-D) with additional outside funding, and with optimized insertion devices and optics

 \rightarrow Ultra-sensitivity phase imaging

- → Ultra-plane-wave topography
- → Medical imaging ?

New Hutch 32-ID-C and Beam Transport



Different Regimes of X-ray Imaging



Four Scientific Programs

Phase-Contrast Imaging

- fracture mechanics of composites and biomaterials,
- materials microstructure/properties e.g. deformation and sintering,
- bone and cartilage growth and formation,
- small animal and soft tissue research,
- vascular and pulmonary functions,
- porosity distribution in foods,
- structure and development of plant seeds,
- characterization of geological structures and microfossils,
- cement mortar research,
- structure and development of foams,
- granular packing of non-equilibrium systems,
- time-resolved studies of internal complex fluid flow and fluid sprays.

Diffraction-enhanced/USAXS imaging

- microstructures and defects in materials,
- deformation, sintering, and cracks formations,
- porosity in bones and calcification effects,
- soft tissue and vascular network detections
- diagnosis of cancerous tumors in soft tissues,
- diffraction applications with 25-50keV x-rays unique capability @ APS.

Coherent diffraction imaging

- structures of large biological functioning units e.g. tissues, myocytes, muscles, bones, cartilage, etc.
- identification of organelles and critical protein assemblies in biological cells,
- self-assembly of macromolecule arrays with nanotemplates and nanogrids,
- structural imaging of multi-unit inorganic/smallmolecule/biomolecule composites,
- noncrystalline nanoparticles e.g. nanoclusters and nanowires,
- structural imaging of precipitates and defects in engineering materials,
- topographic imaging of domain growths in ferroelectics.

Transmission X-ray Microscopy (??)

- in-situ studies of precipitates in metallic alloy formation,
- in-situ studies of crystalline domain formation in multiphased systems,
- microscopic imaging of strain around domain boundaries,
- interfacial structures near buried interfaces,
- mesoscopic structures of soft matter that are difficult to image with EM,
- structures in frozen hydrated thick biological specimens,
- real-time imaging of fluid flow in nano-fluidics.

Several Operating Modes



Phase Contrast Imaging





Imaging Biomechanics and Animal Physiology

Tracheal Respiration in Insects Visualized with Synchrotron X-ray Imaging

Mark W. Westneat,^{*1} Oliver Betz,^{1,2} Richard W. Blob,^{1,3} Kamel Fezzaa,⁴ W. James Cooper,^{1,5} Wah-Keat Lee⁴ Field museum of Chicago & APS, Argonne National Lab.



Science (2003) 299, 598-599.

- Animal functions
- Biomechanics
- Internal movements
- New findings not known before





Particle Imaging Velocimetry (PIV)

Visible light image



x - axis [mm]

Time-Resolved Imaging of Fuel Spray in Gasoline Engines





AG MacPhee, MW Tate, CF Powell, et al., Science, **295**, 1261 (2002).



Frontier Imaging Applications that Require Undulator

\Rightarrow Coherent imaging

- Fresnel diffraction imaging/holography
- full density reconstruction by phase retrieval

⇒ Time-resolved XRD topography

- nucleation & growth with ms resolution
- phase-contrast, nanocrystals, thin-films

⇒ Ultrafast imaging

single pulse imaging with filtered pink beam

10⁹ phs/mm²/pulse/1% → 10³ phs/pulse/pixel in pink-beam

1um spatial & 150ps temporal resolution









Diffraction-Enhanced & USAXS Imaging





FIG. 1. USAXS images of the same region of the sample taken with a photon energy of 8.94 keV, a sample-to-detector distance of 24 cm and with (a) $q = 1.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Å}^{-1}$ and (b) $q = 7.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Å}^{-1}$.

Levine & Long (2001)

Coherent Diffraction Imaging





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Consolidation of Coherent Diffraction Efforts

- Currently looking at possibility of consolidating coherent diffraction imaging (CDI) activities at a new dedicated undulator beamline
- CDI opens up possibility of structural biology on 2D membrane proteins and laser-oriented macromolecule droplets, without the need for 3D crystals as done today
- Allows in-situ, nondestructive, high-resolution imaging of nanoparticles and self-assembled bio-organic-inorganic hybrids
- Possibility to identify critical proteins and other macromolecules by shape or tertiary structures in biological cells to provide the missing link in structure-function relations of gene products



Miao – actin filaments, 2-ID-B

Robinson – Au particles 34-ID-C





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Coherent Diffraction Imaging

Diffraction by Distorted Object – a Unified Description of Coherent X-ray Diffraction and Imaging

\Rightarrow Imaging by diffraction?

- ♦ far-field Franhofer → FT { $\rho(x,y)$ }
- ♦ near-field Fresnel \rightarrow ?? or FT {??}

\Rightarrow Distorted object approach

- Fresnel wave propagation by FT
- unified iterative phasing method

\Rightarrow Related topics & applications

- phase-contrast topography
- coherent diffraction imaging
- diffraction limited optics

\Rightarrow Summary

Xiao & Shen, PRB 72, 033103, July 2005.





Fresnel Wave Field Propagation



➔ Wave-field in the object plane

 $R = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$

 $u(x, y, 0) = \exp(-ik \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{0} (\delta(x, y, z) - i\beta(x, y, z))dz)$ $u(x, y, 0) = A \exp(-i\phi(x, y, 0)) = a(x, y, 0) + ib(x, y, 0)$ $\approx \exp(-ik \int_{-\infty}^{0} \delta(x, y, z)dz) \quad \text{(pure phase object)}$

Van der Veen & Pfeiffer, J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 16, 5003 (2004)



Distorted Object Approach



\Rightarrow Unified wave propagation method by Fourier transform

Momentum transfer: $(Q_x, Q_y) = (kX/z, kY/z)$

Number of Fresnel zones: $N_z = a^2/(\lambda z)$

Xiao & Shen, PRB 72, 033103, July 2005.



Example of Distorted Object Approach





Fig.2: Simulated diffraction amplitudes |F(X, Y)|, of an amplitude object (a) of $10\mu m \times 10\mu m$, with $\lambda = 1$ Å x-rays, at image-to-object distance (b) z = 2mm and (c) $z = \infty$, using the unified distorted object approach (above) with $N_z = 500$ zones in (b) and $N_z = 0$ in (c). Notice that the diffraction pattern changes from noncentrosymmetric in the near-field (b) to centrosymmetric in the far-field (c).

Xiao & Shen, PRB 72, 033103, July 2005.



Iterative Method in Far-field Diffraction

Gerchberg & Saxton, Optik 35, 237 (1972) Fienup, Appl. Opt. 21, 2758 (1982)

 $\rho(x,y) \leftarrow \mathcal{F} = |F(u,v)| \exp[i\phi(u,v)]$



Distorted-object can extend FFT-based iterative algorithm to near-field





Unified Iterative Phasing with Distorted Object





Numerical Simulation Example



Carbon object: Maximum thickness ~10 μ m;

X-ray: $\lambda = 1$ Å; Maximum phase difference ~1.87 rad;

Absorption contrast ~0.1%;

Oversampling factor: 2x2;

Statistical noise included with 4.4x10⁷ photons integrated.







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Other Applications of Distorted Object



Phase-contrast XRD topography



Coherent optics & expt. design

Question: Sample position in coherent diffraction experiments ?



pinhole

far-field ?

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R&D Activities in X-ray Microscopy & Imaging

Multilayer zone plate: x-ray focusing to few nm?



Maser, Macrander, Stephenson, et al. (2006)

Differential phase contrast: simultaneous XRF & phase-contrast imaging \rightarrow XRF tomography?

Vogt, Jacobsen, et al.







Summary

X-ray Microscopy & Imaging is an exciting research field with many on-going and potential applications, in both scanning x-ray microscope and full field imaging areas.

Dedicated X-ray Imaging Sector at APS will offer a range of advanced x-ray imaging tools for studies such as real-time biomechanics and physiology in small animals, ultrafast imaging of fuel sprays and fluid dynamics, defect formation and propagation in engineered materials, etc.

Research and Developments aim to push the envelope in several technology areas, such as coherent focusing optics, phase contrast mechanisms, and accelerator improvements, promising an exciting future in x-ray imaging at APS.

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