

LEEM and PEEM for Surface Science

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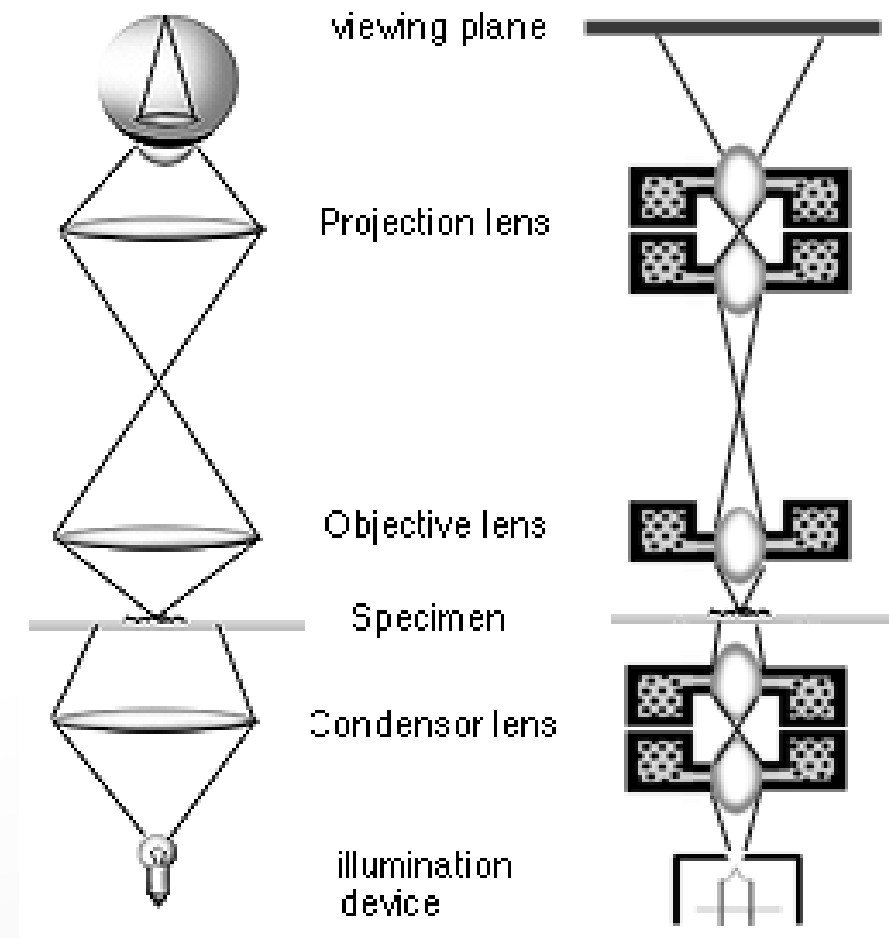
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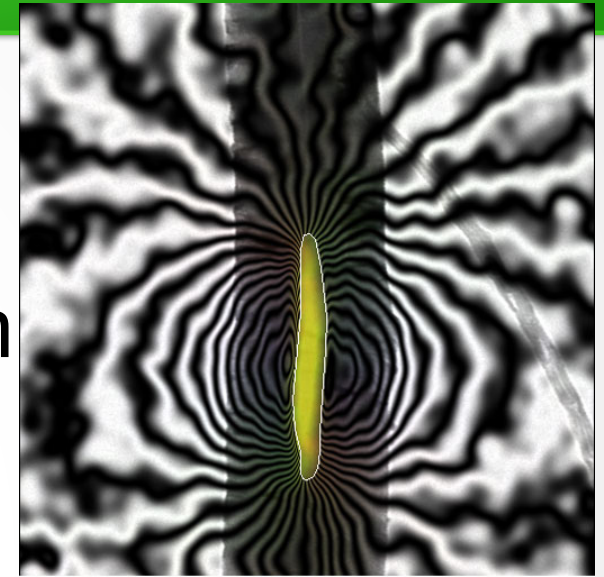
Transmission Electron Microscopy

- Workhorse of Material Science
 - Basic tool for understanding microstructure
 - Allows diffraction
 - Down to atomic resolution

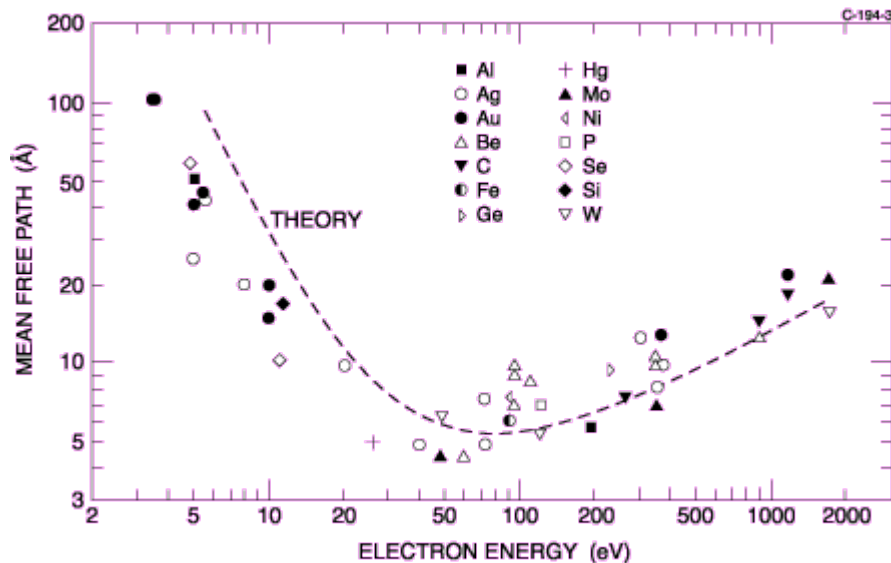


Transmission Electron Microscopy

- Requiere special samples (thickness $<100\text{nm}$ in some cases)
- Not very sensitive to surfaces*: high energy electrons (100-2000 keV)
- No magnetic contrast**



Magnetic field around a carbon nanotube filled with Fe
T Kasama et al, Cambridge



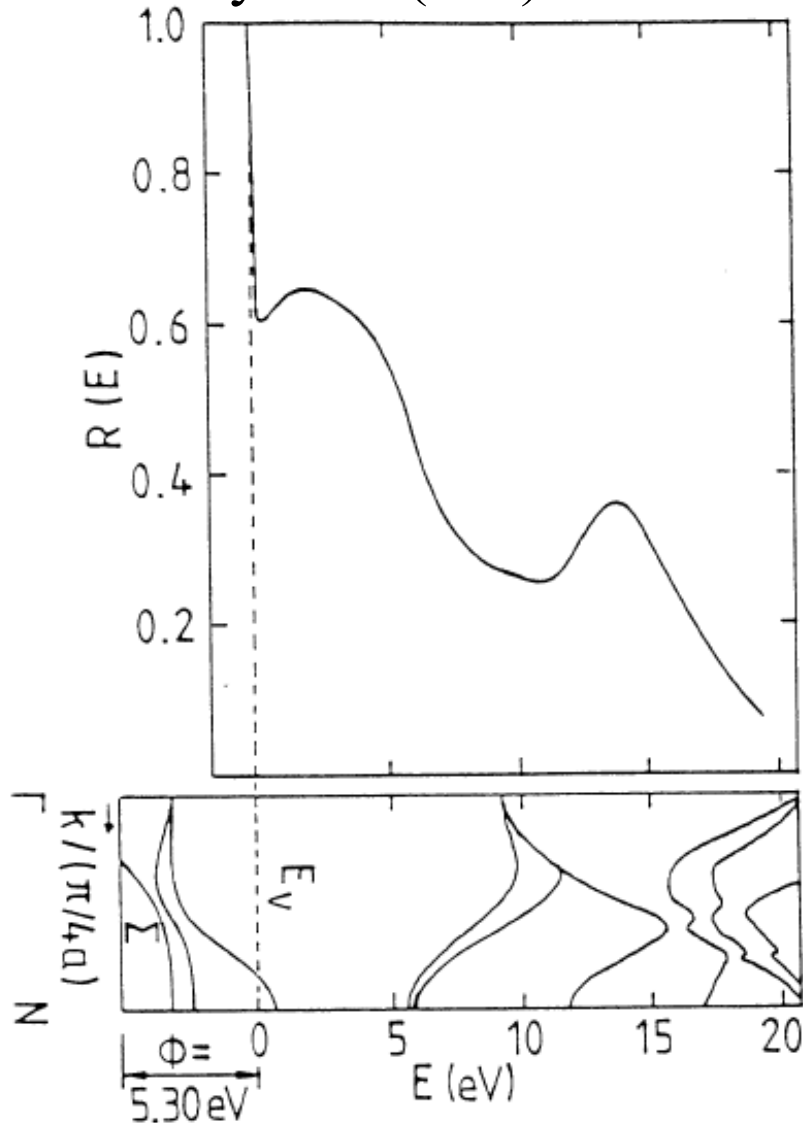
* Notwithstanding the Si(7x7) determination by Takayanagi *et al.*

** Lorentz Microscopy is sensitive to magnetic fields.

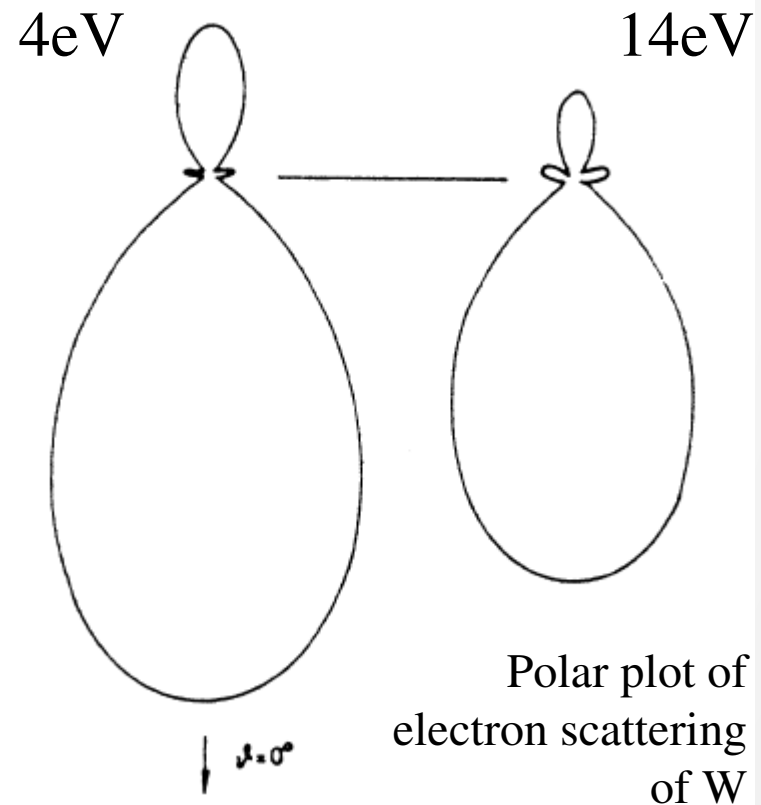


Reflectivity of low energy electrons

Reflectivity of W(110)



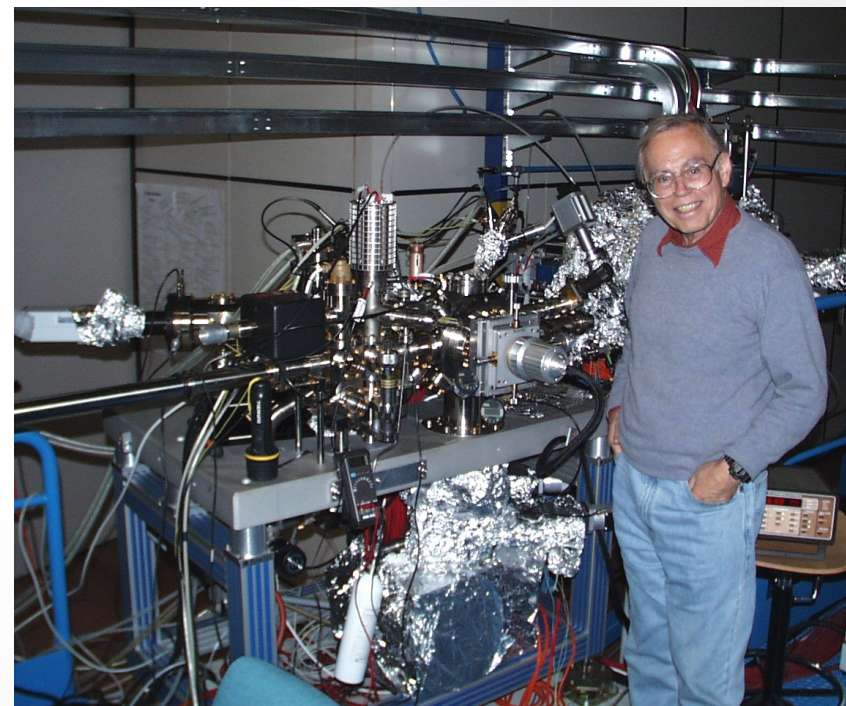
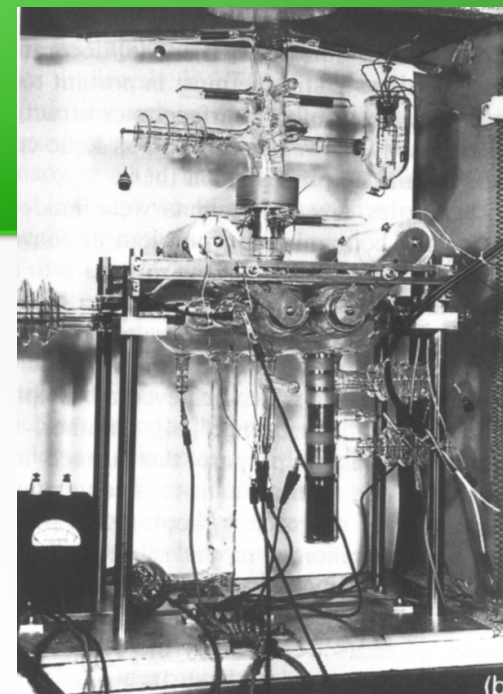
There are more than enough backscattered electrons to allow for video-rate image acquisition in *crystalline* samples:



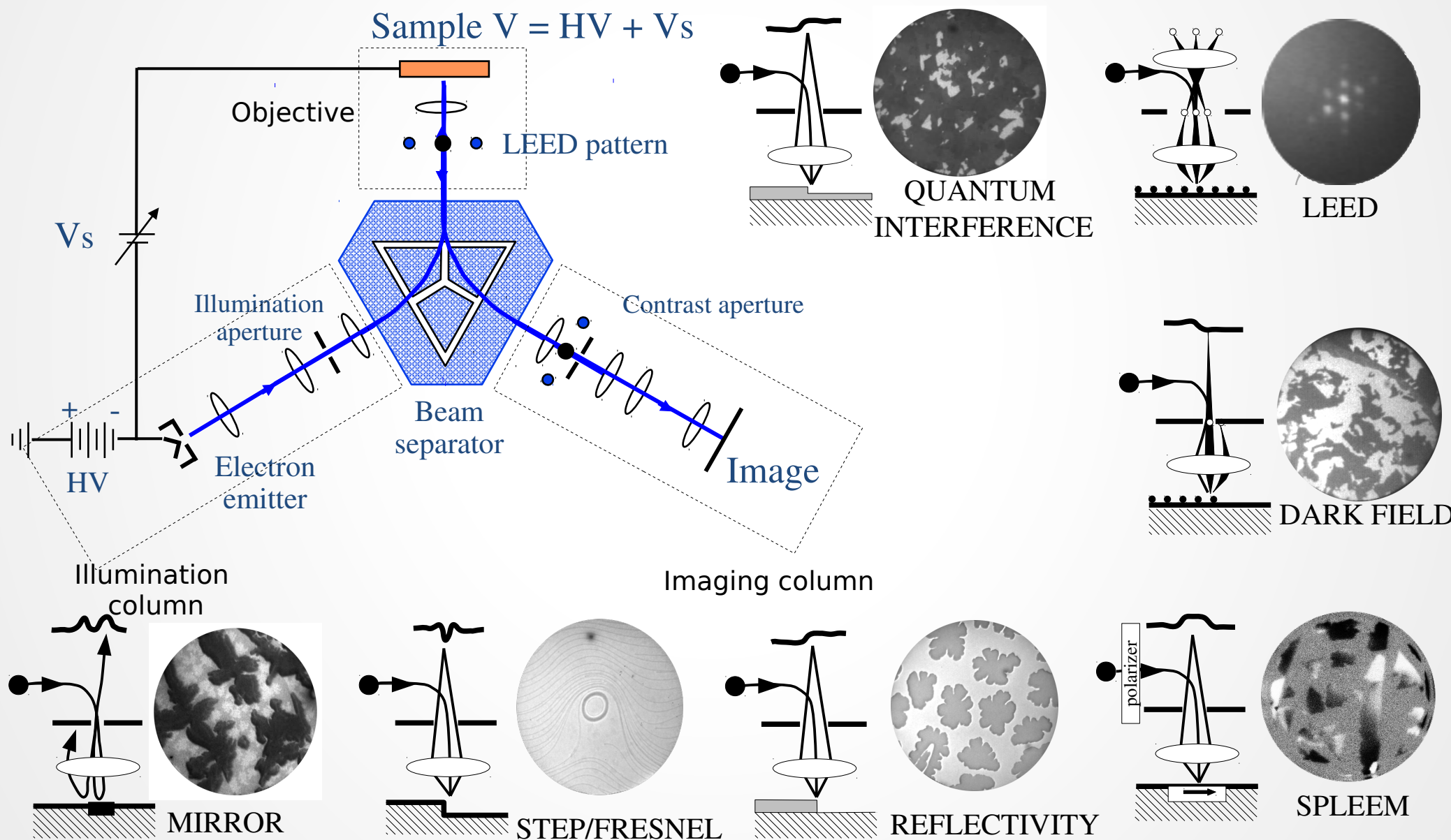
Low Energy Electron Microscope: a long road to the nanoscale

- 1962 Invention by Ernst Bauer
 - Glass-Based Vacuum Apparatus
- 1985 First Operational LEEM Instrument
 - Teliéps and Bauer
- 1991 Spin polarized LEEM
 - Bauer and others
- 1991 IBM LEEM-I
 - Tromp and Reuter
- 1993 Elmitec LEEM
 - Former Coworkers of E. Bauer
- 1994 Spin manipulator
 - Duden and Bauer
- 2005 Specs/IBM commercial system
- 2009 Aberration correction

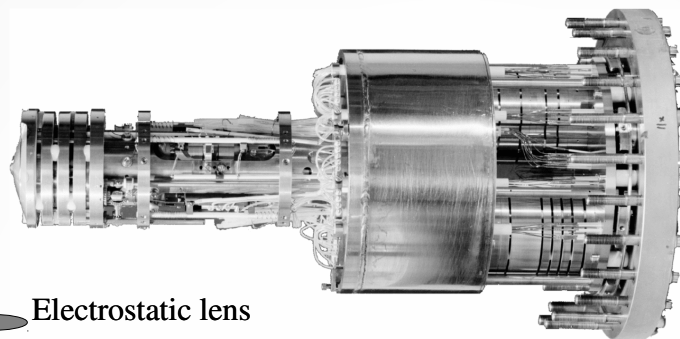
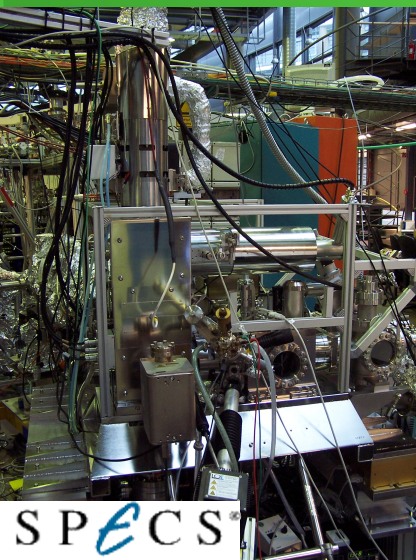
Now there are about 30 instruments in the world,
about 4 with spin polarized e-guns



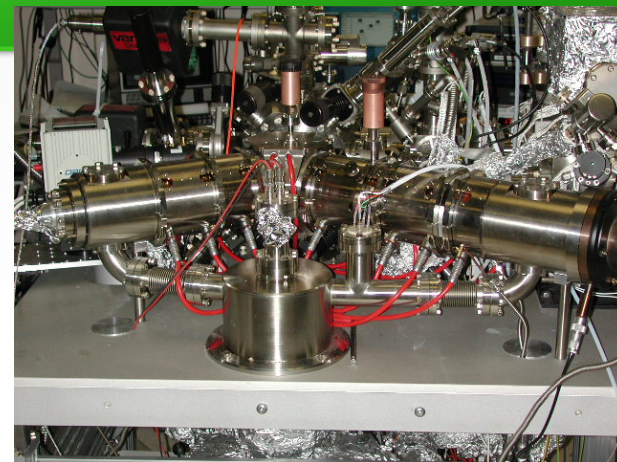
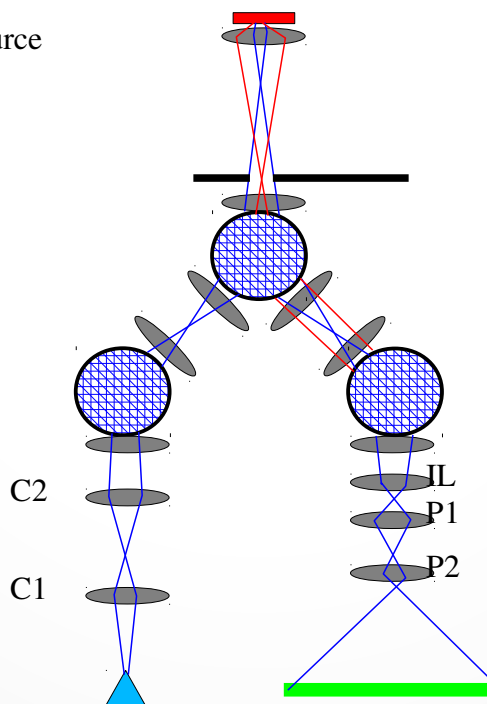
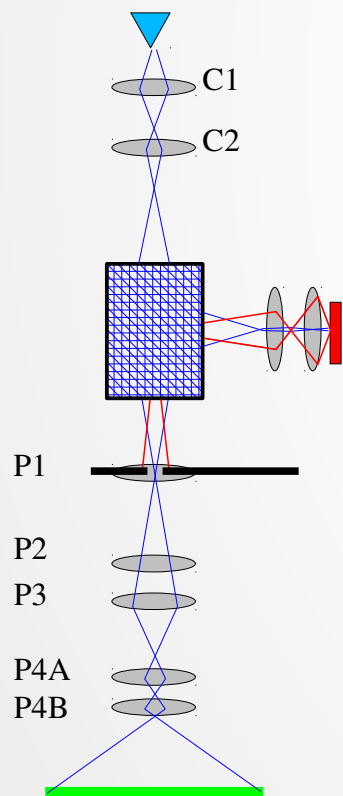
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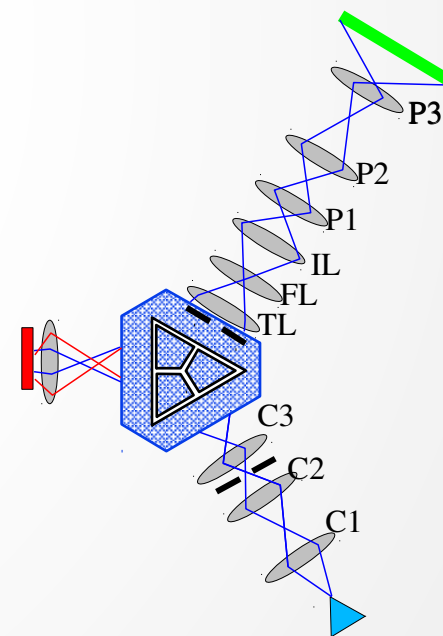
Different LEEM designs



-  Electrostatic lens
-  Magnetostatic lens
-  screen
-  electron source
-  sample
-  Field beam
-  Axial beam

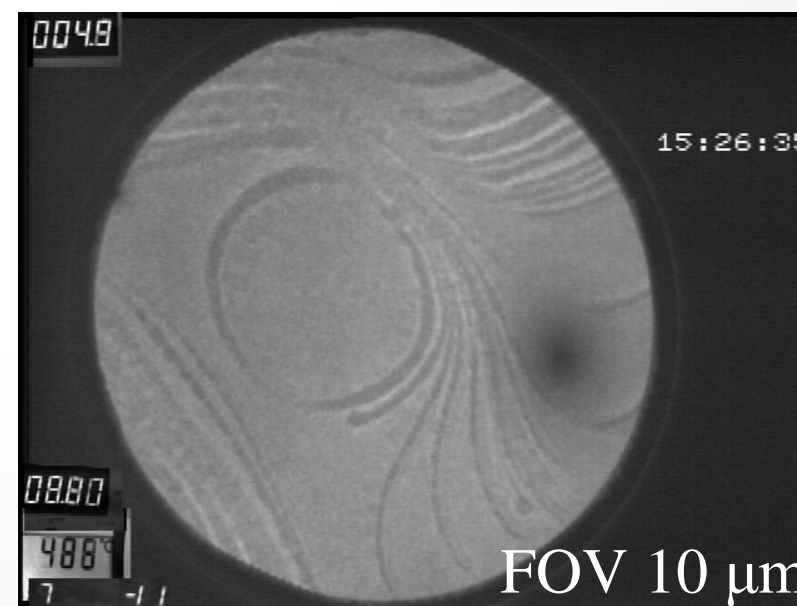
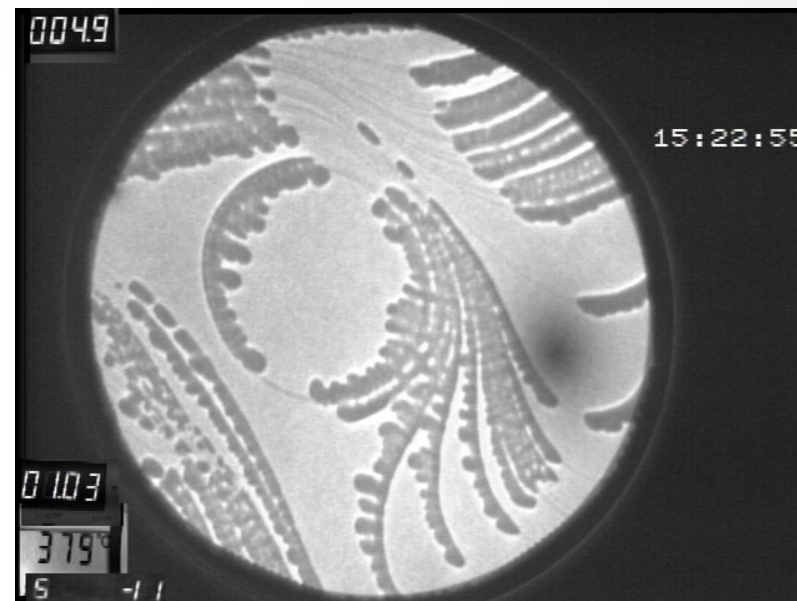
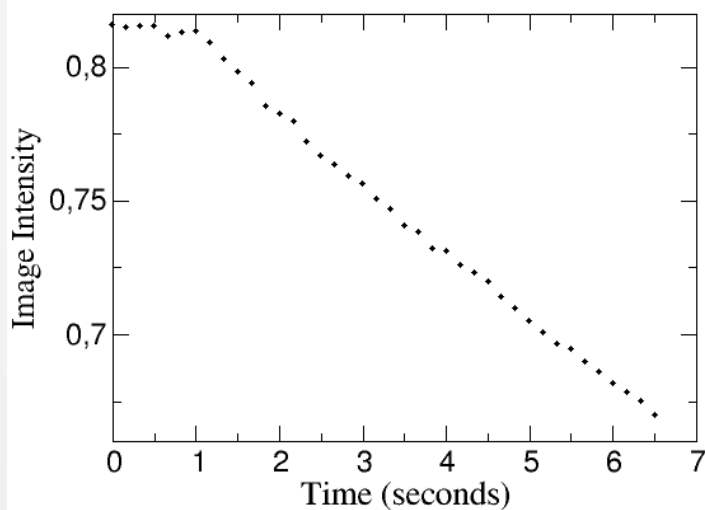
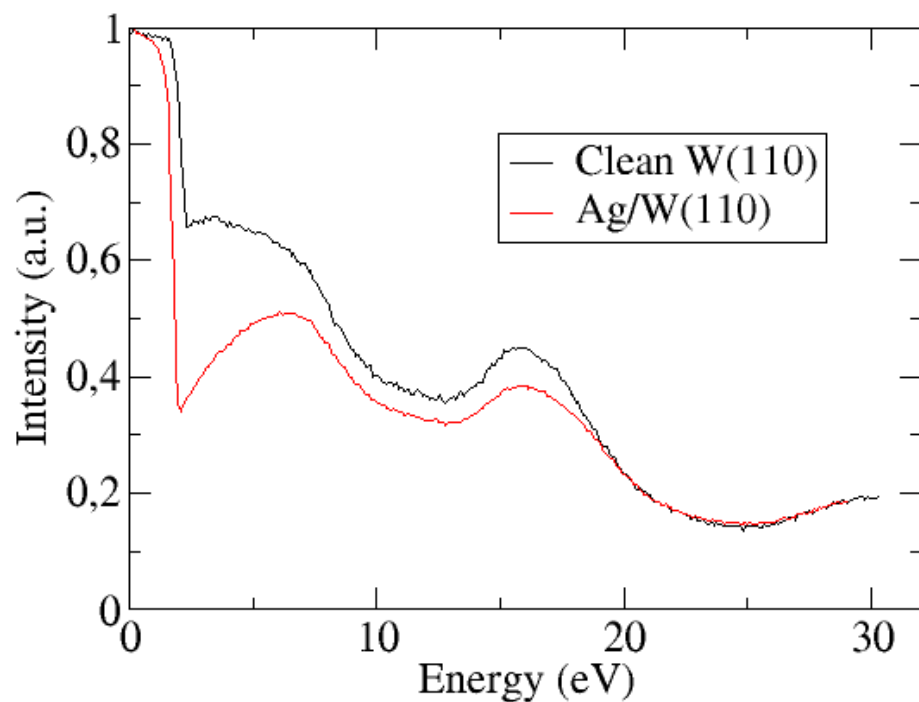


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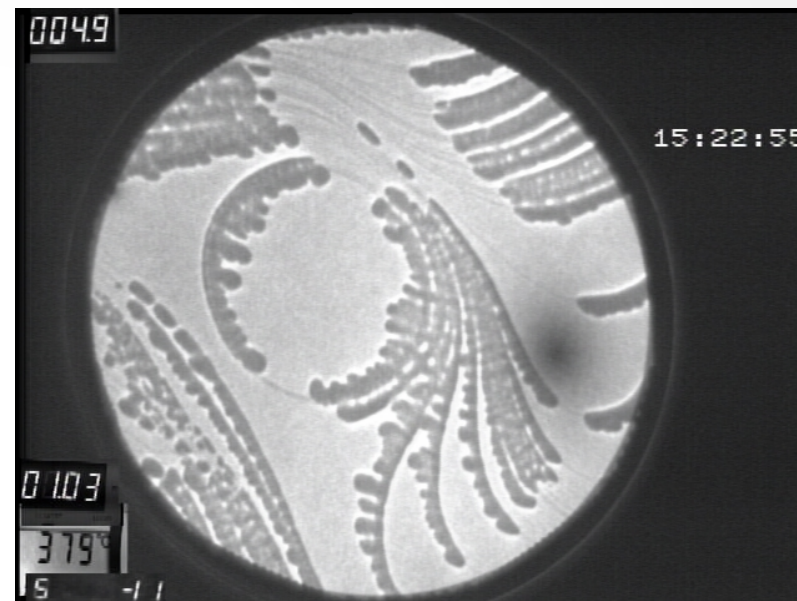
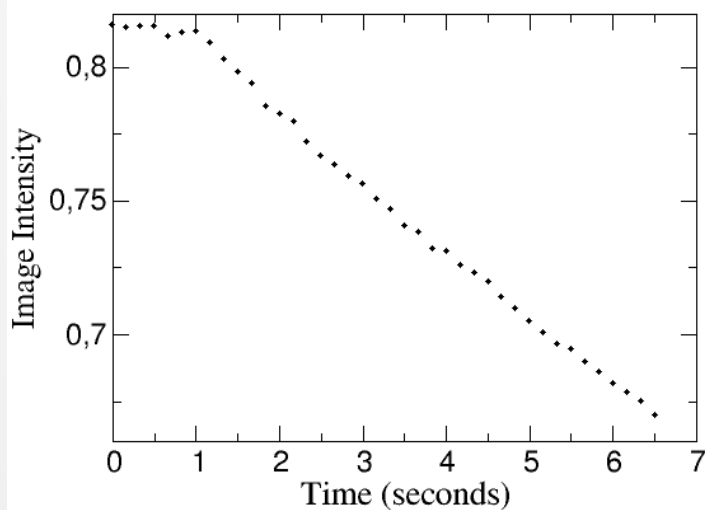
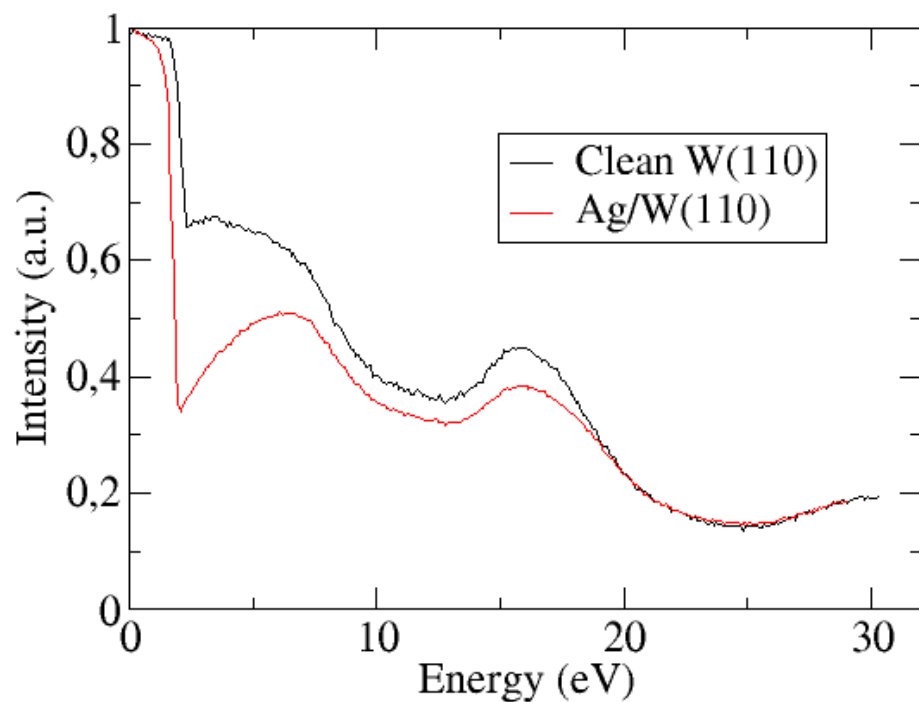
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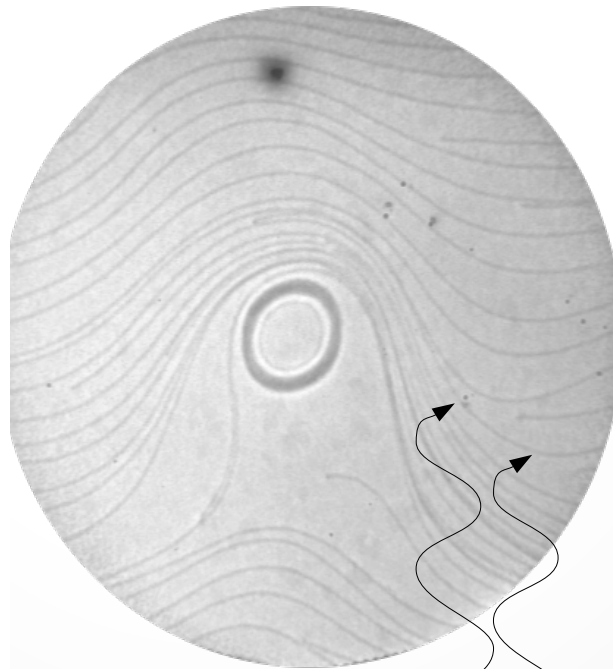
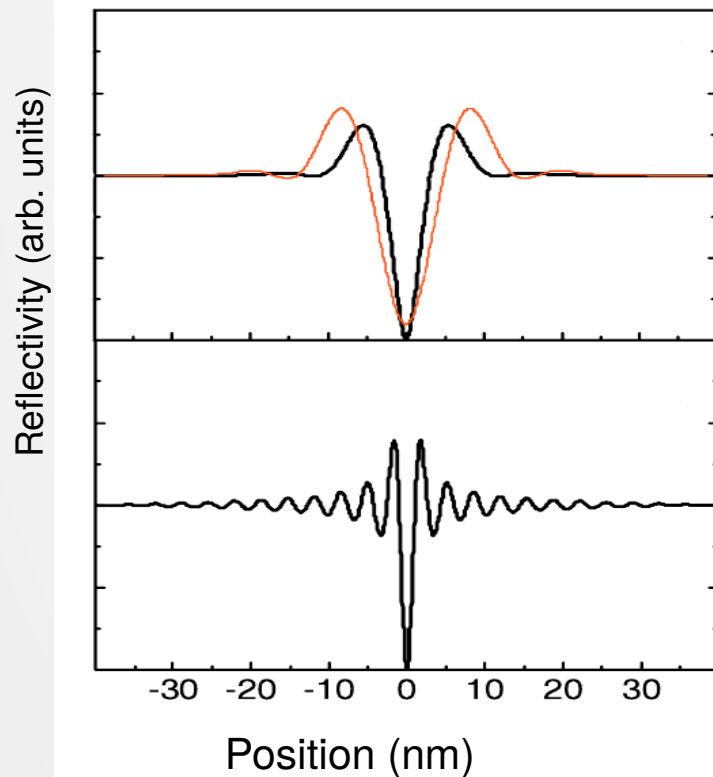


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- But vertical resolution can be much better!
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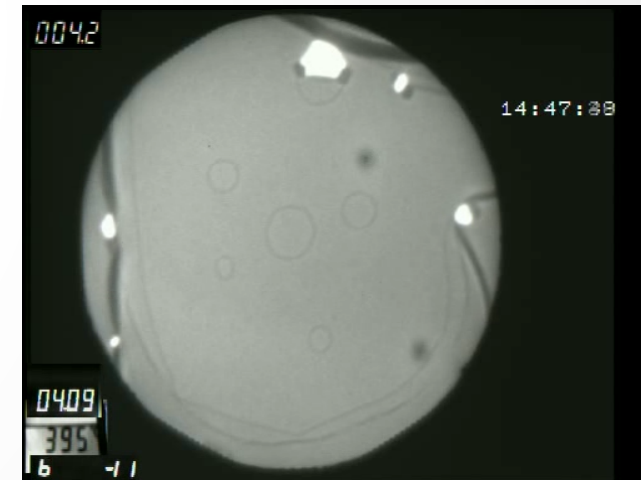
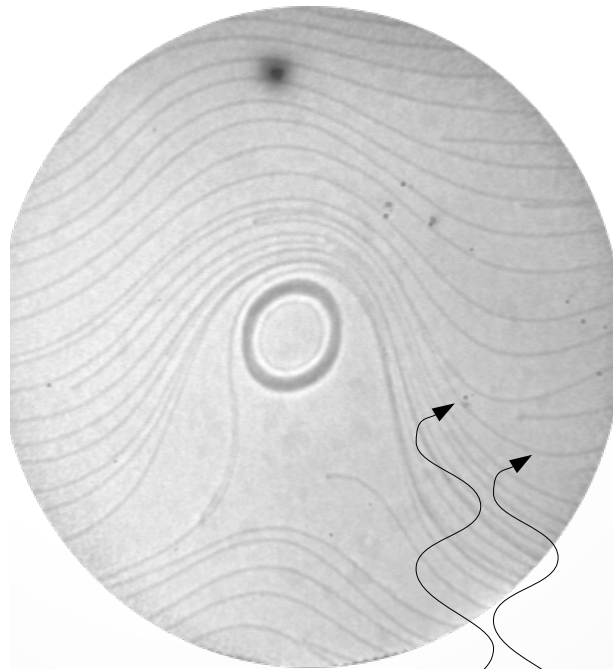
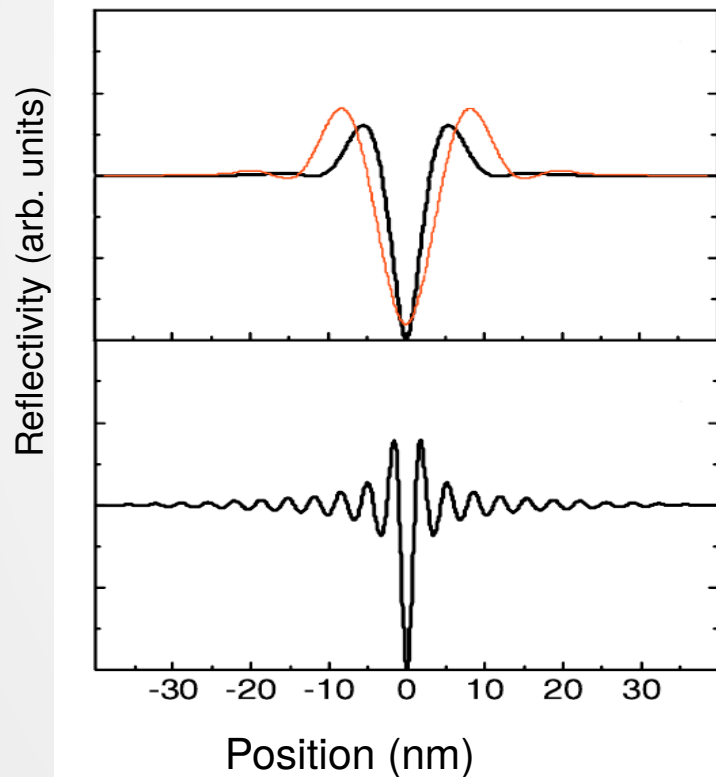
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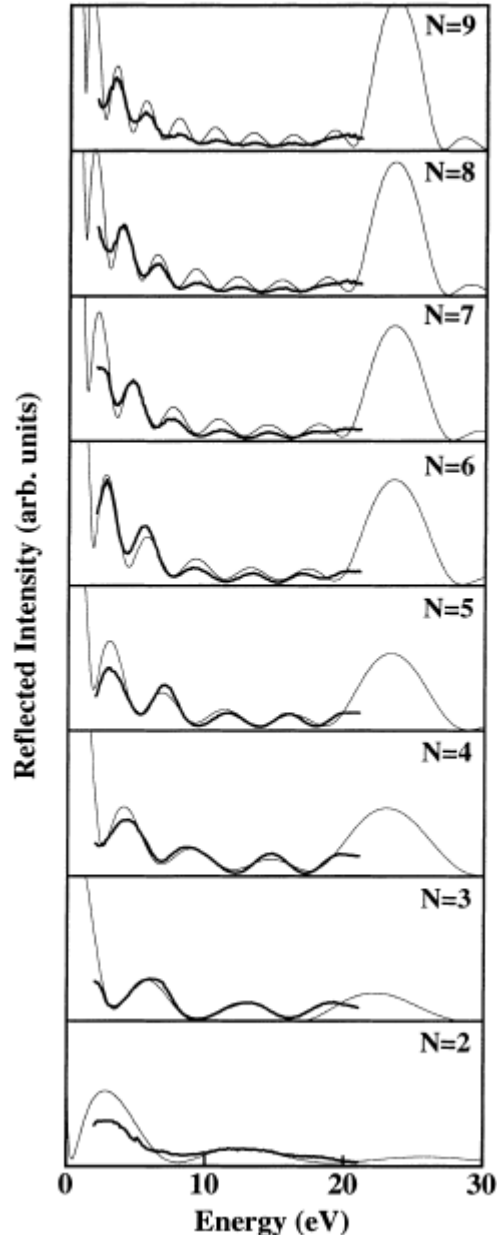
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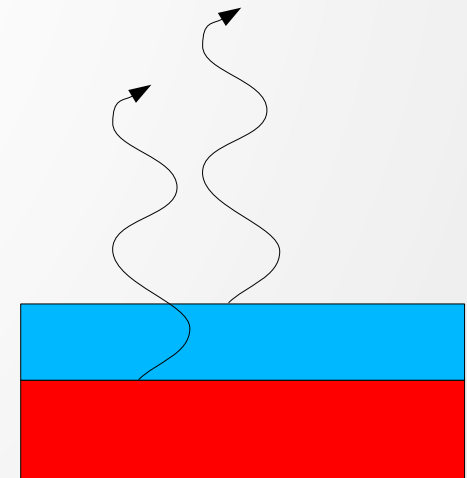
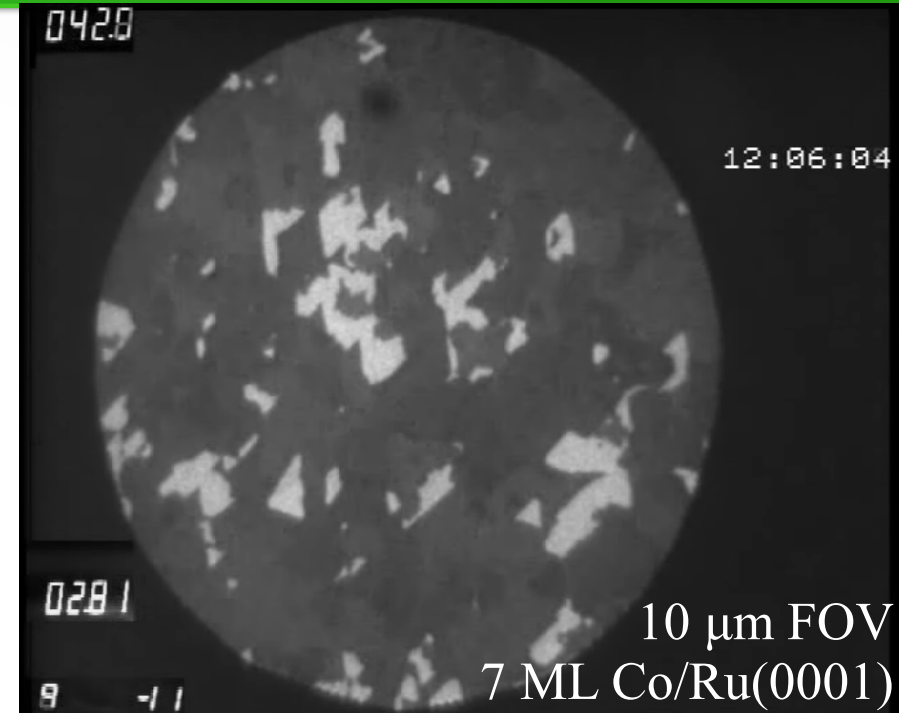
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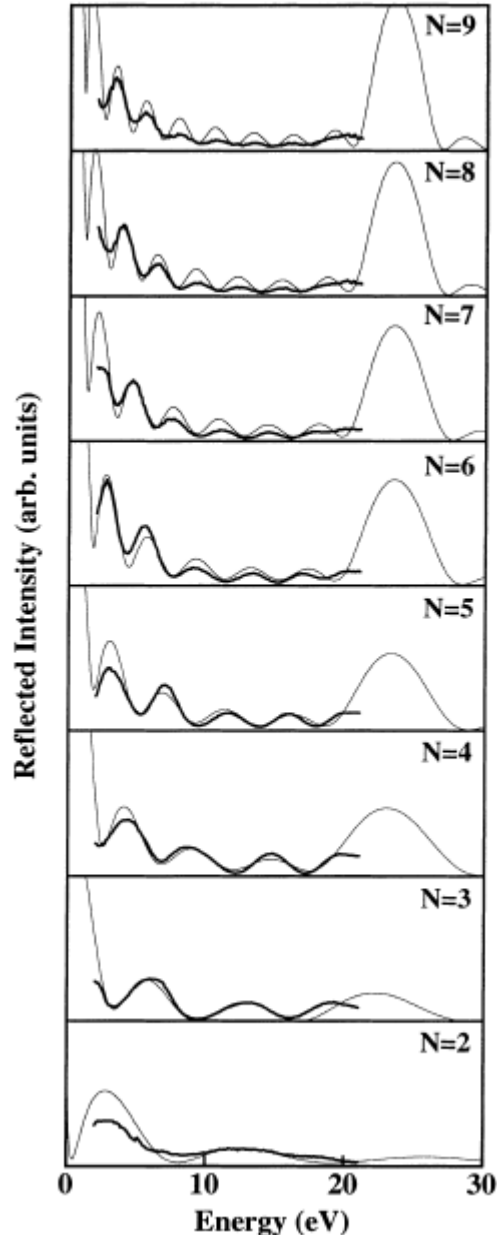
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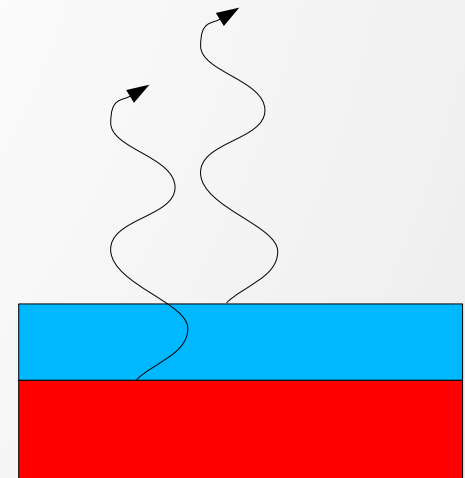
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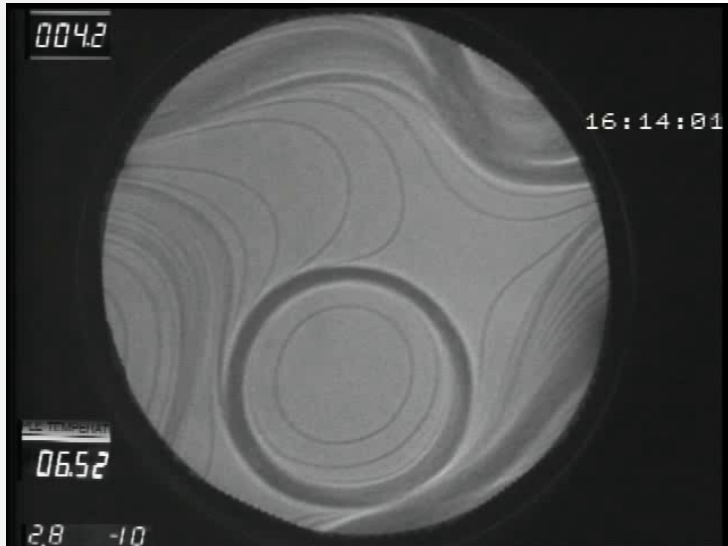
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Real time imaging of growth processes

Step-flow. Cr/W(110)



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New J Phys 2008

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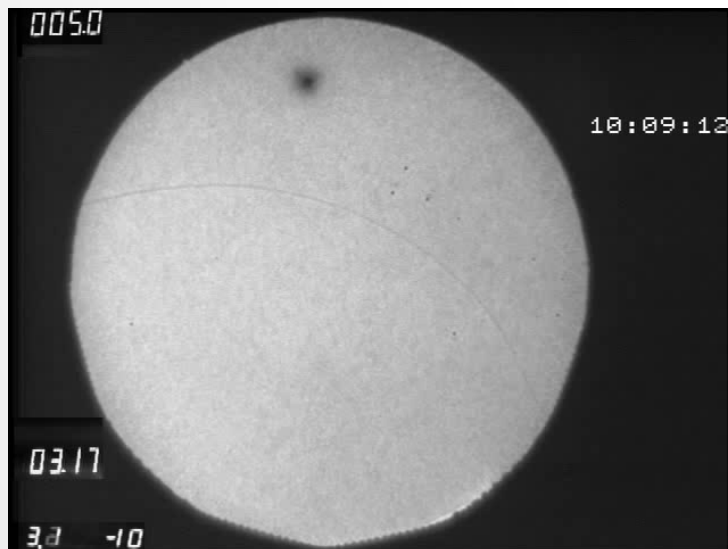
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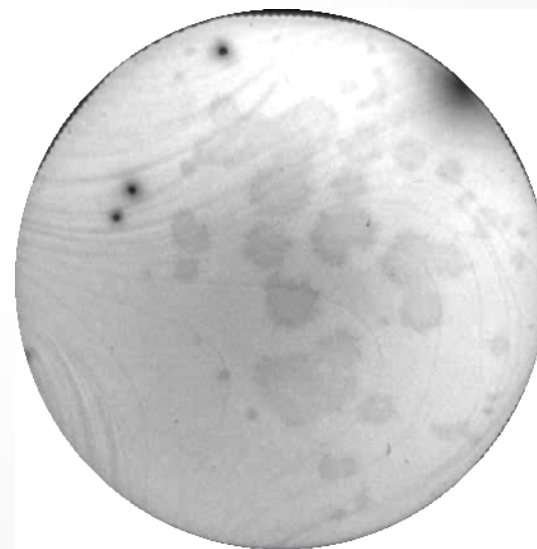
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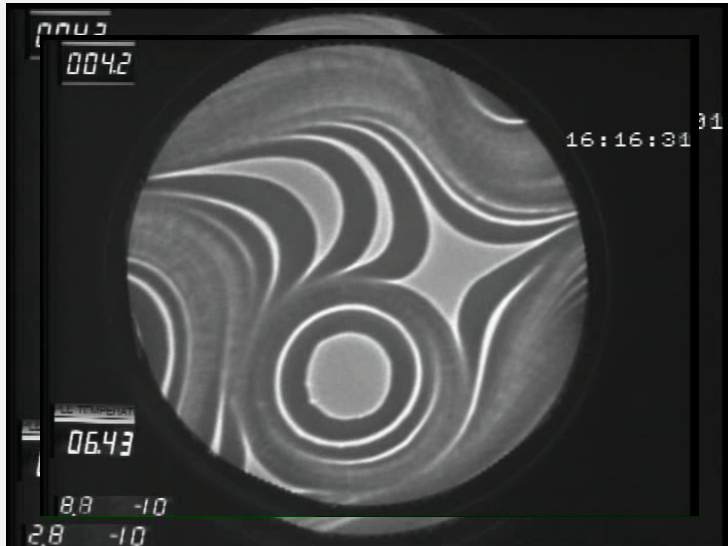


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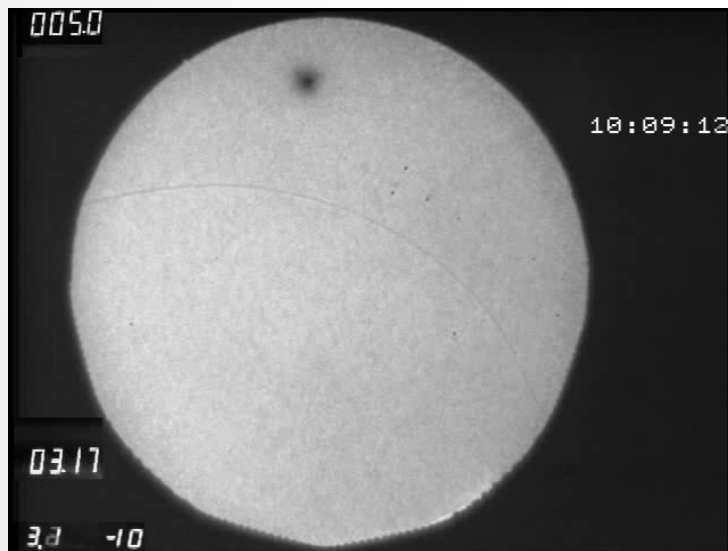
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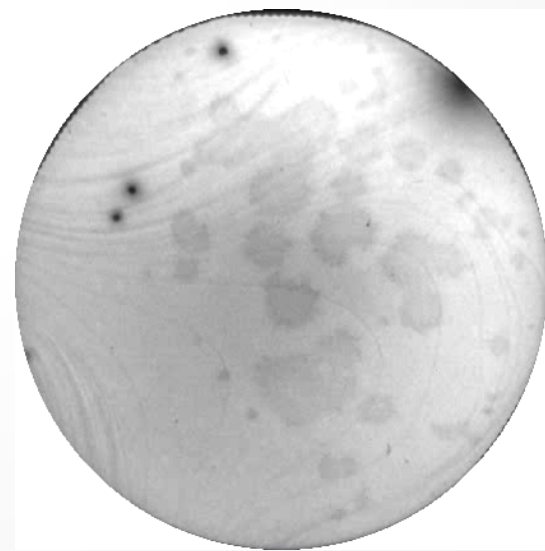
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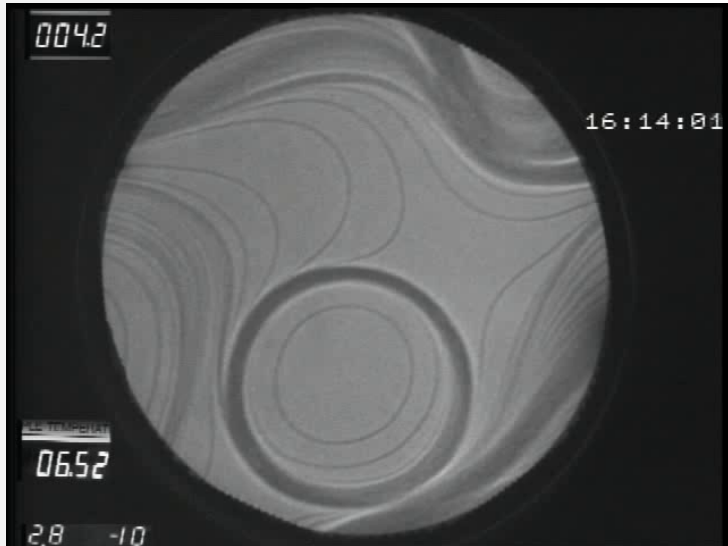


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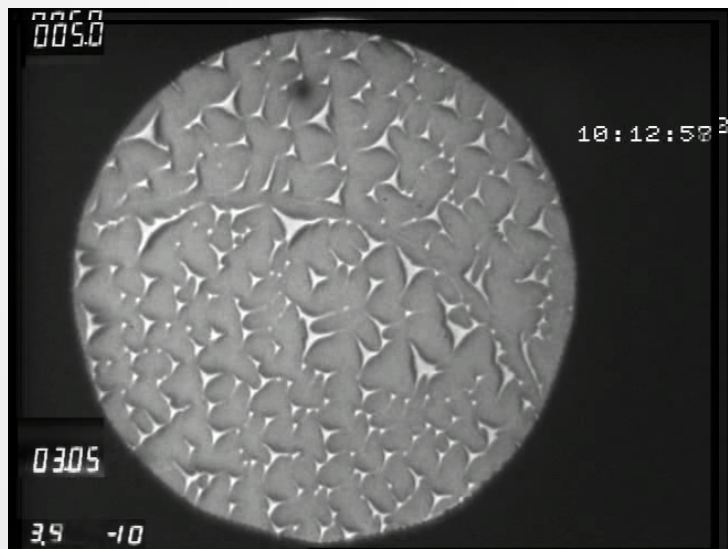
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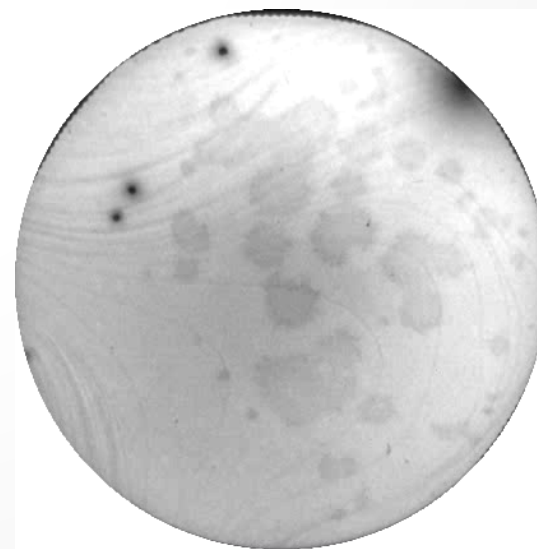
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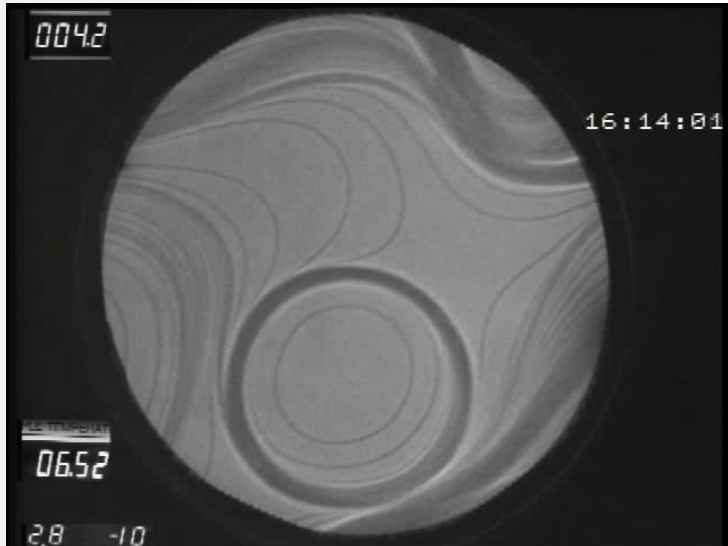


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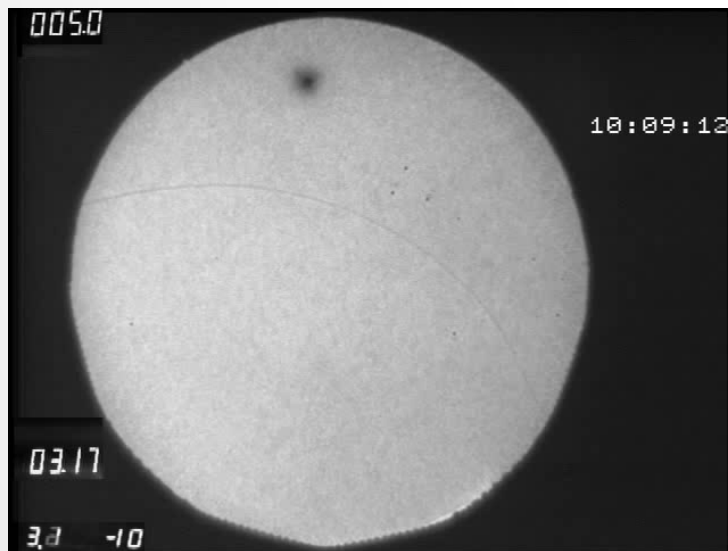
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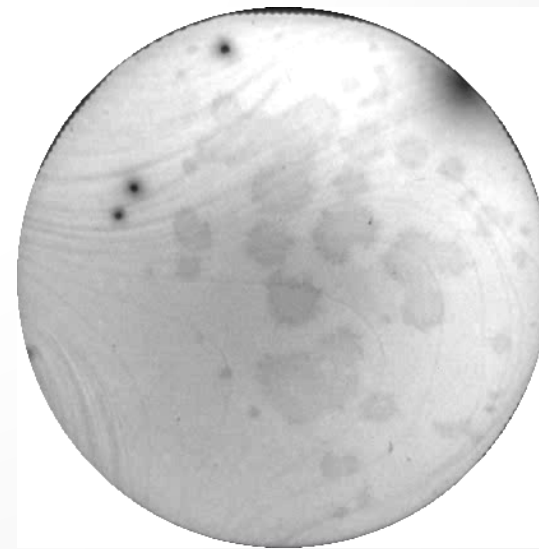
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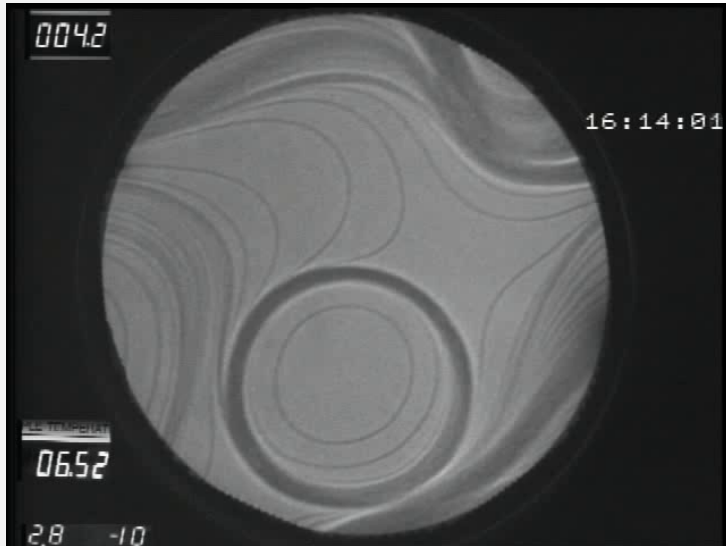


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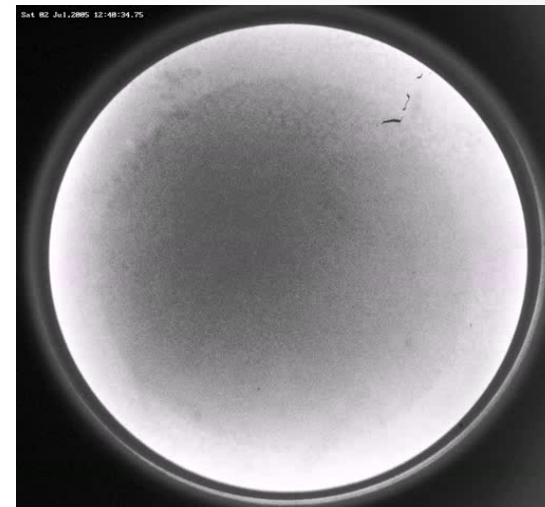
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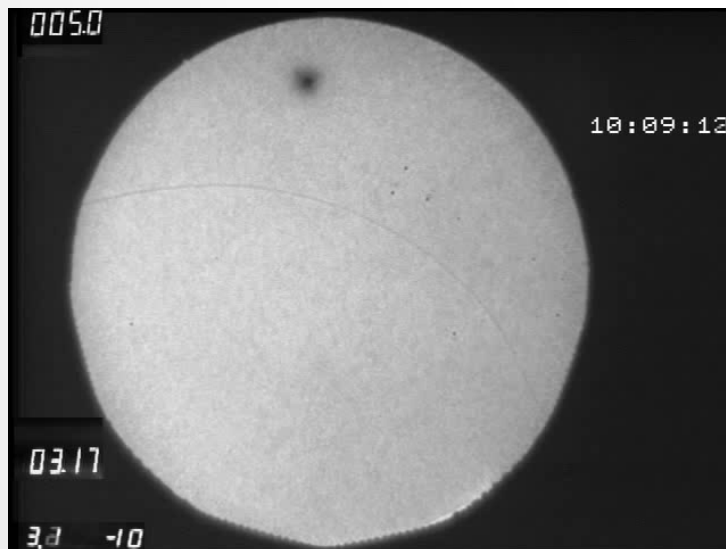
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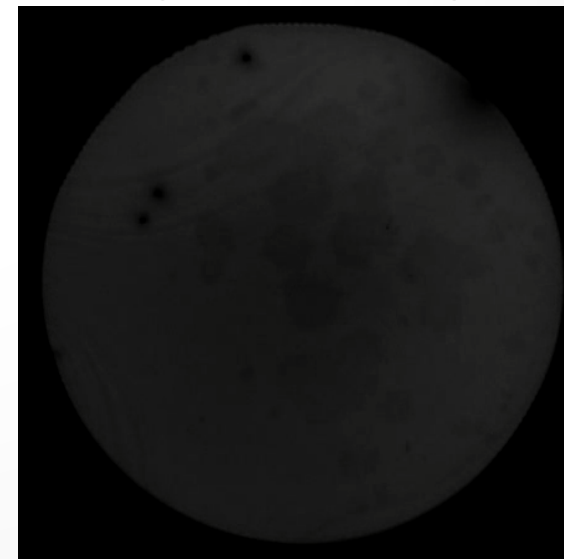
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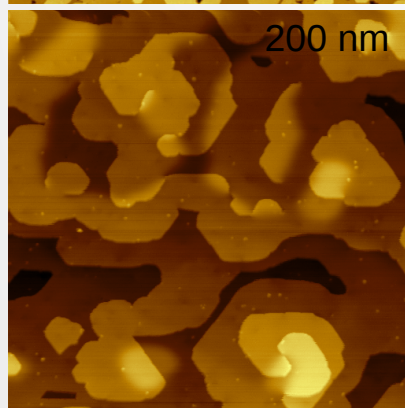
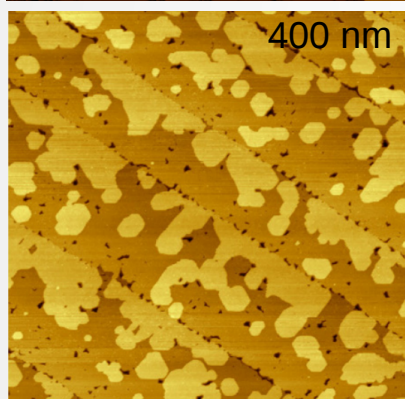
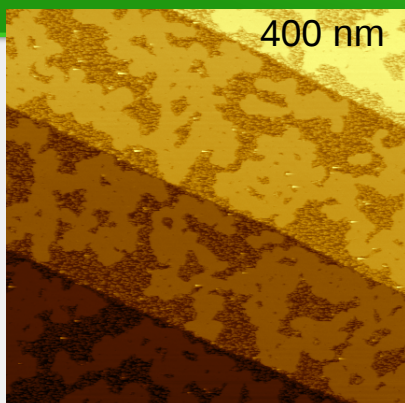


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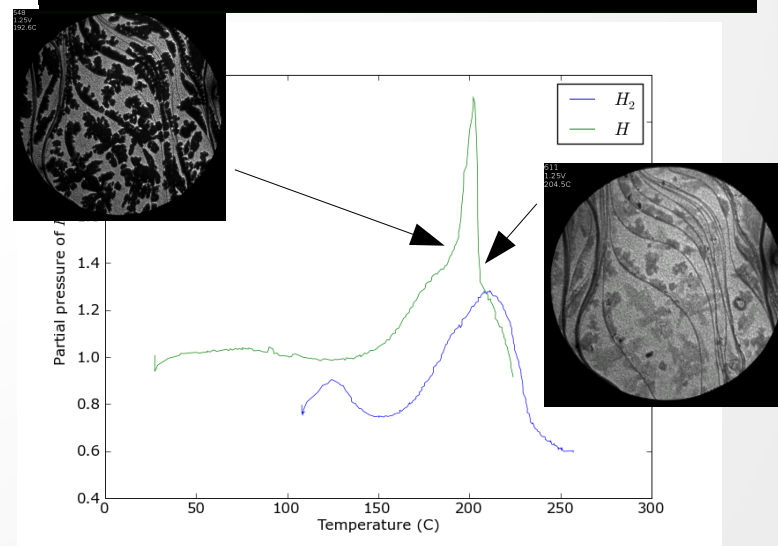
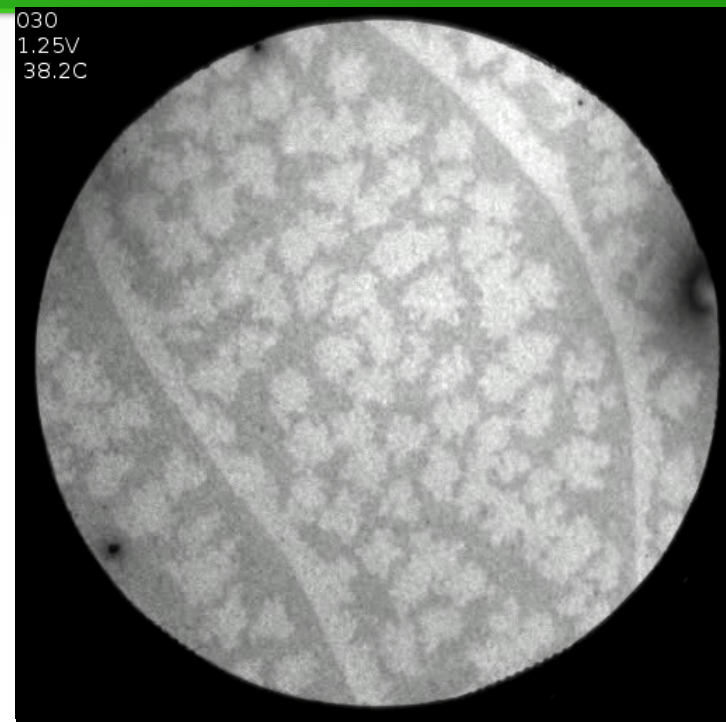
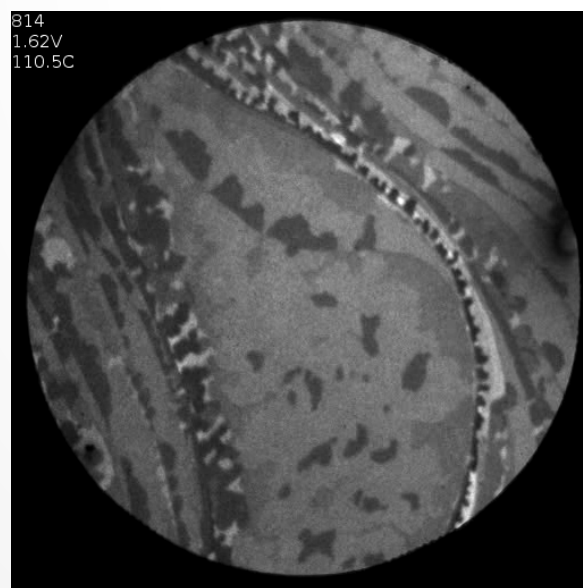
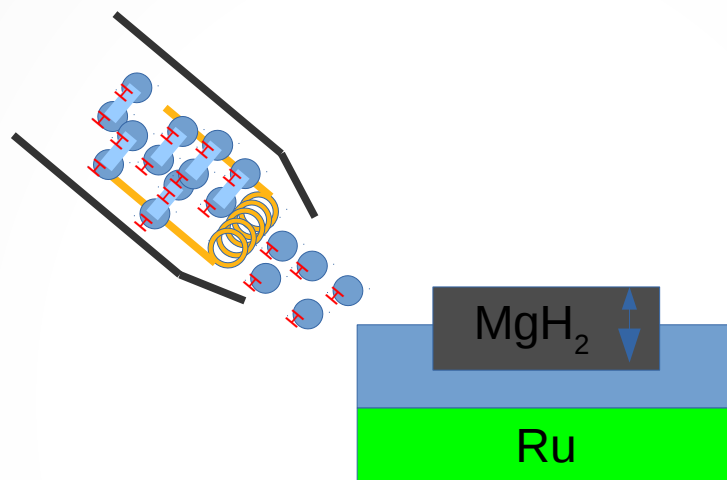
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Mirror Mode: for delicate surfaces

H/Mg/Ru

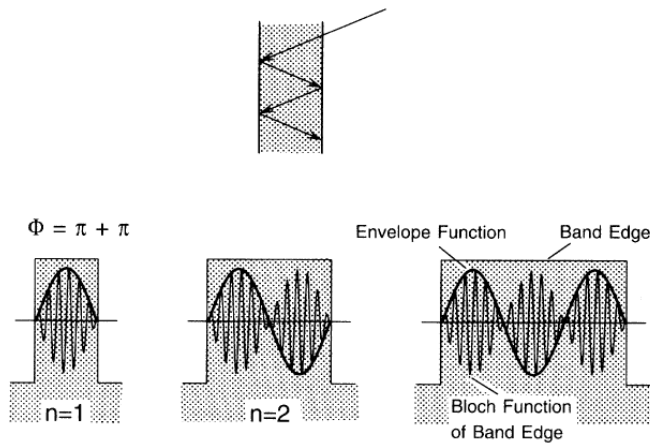


B. Santos et al., Chem Mat (2010)



Reflectivity +QWS: band structure mapping

Electronic States of a Slab



Cu/Co(100)

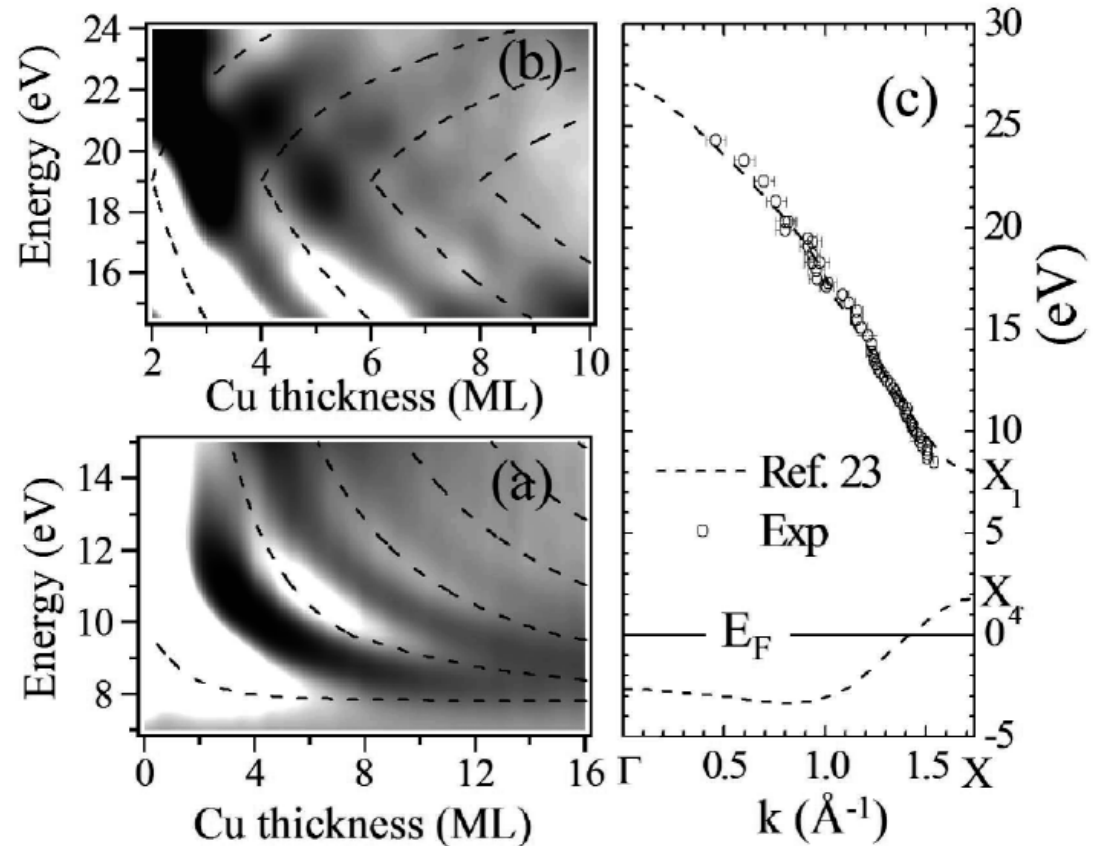
YZ Wu, AK Schmid, MS Altman, XF Jin,
ZQ Qiu, *Phys. Rev. Lett* **94** (2005) 027201

$$\text{if } k < \frac{k_{BZ}}{2}$$

$$2k d_{Cu} + \Phi = 2\pi n$$

$$\text{if } k > \frac{k_{BZ}}{2}$$

$$2(k_{BZ} - k)d_{Cu} - \Phi = 2\pi v$$

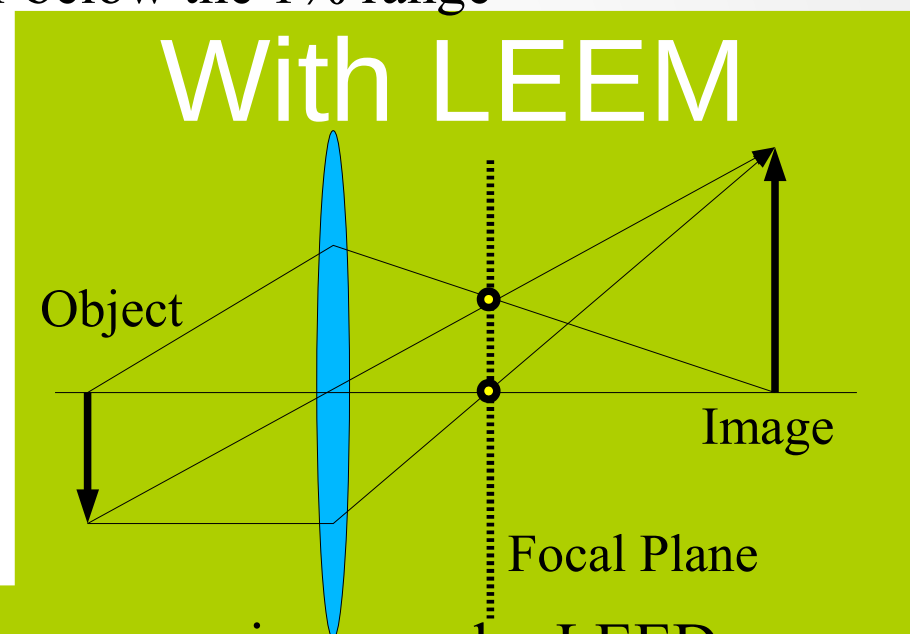
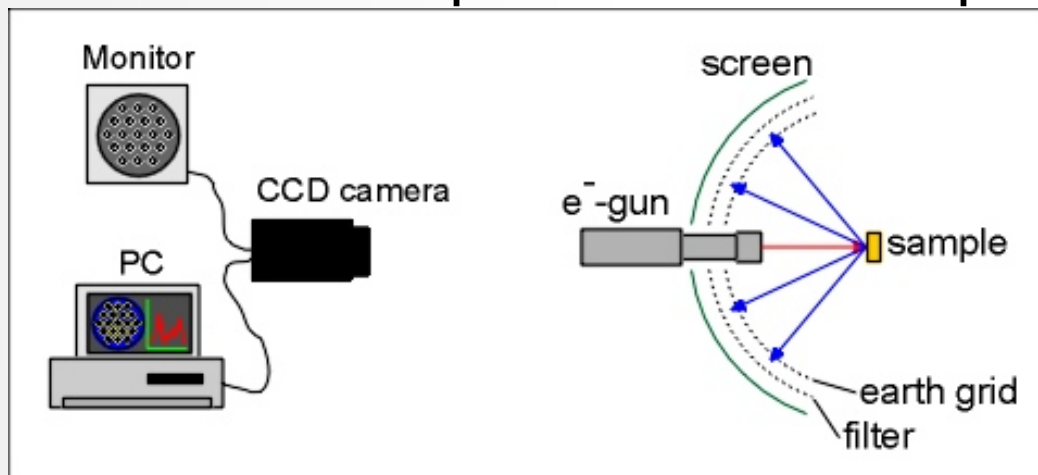


Directly from the periodicity at constant energy,
the band structure can be extracted

Low Energy Electron Diffraction

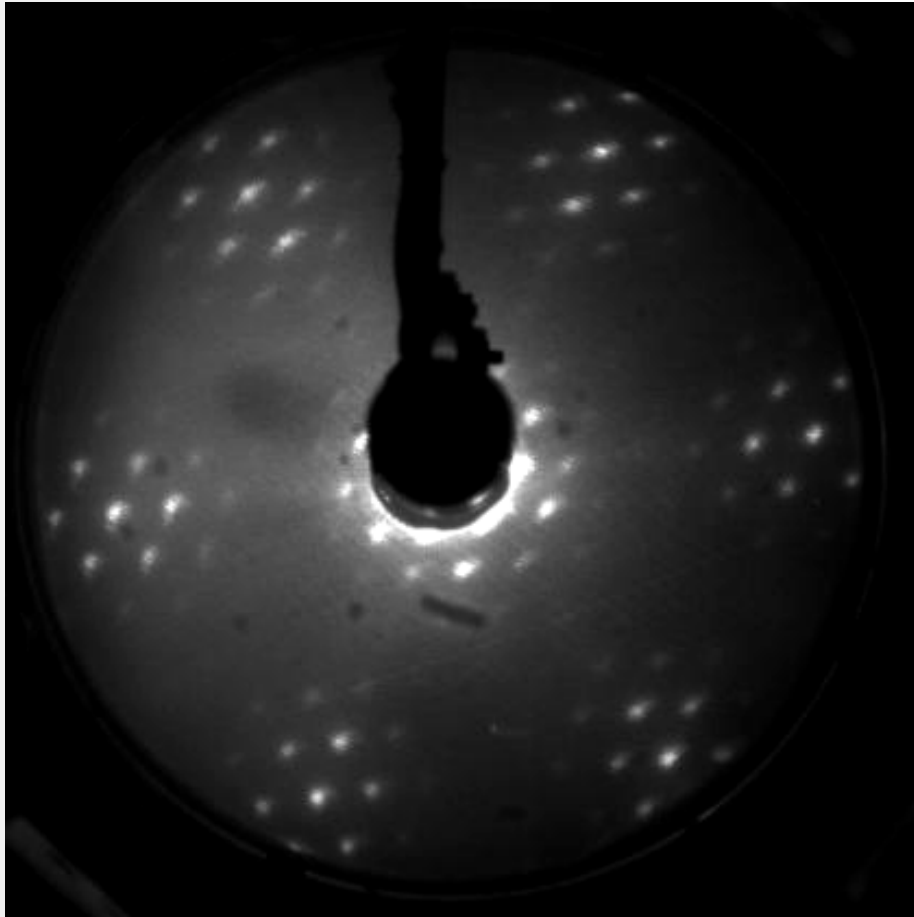
- Change energy, measure intensity of diffracted spots
- Multiple scattering calculations required
- Well understood, error sources known, error below the 1% range

Traditional experimental setup

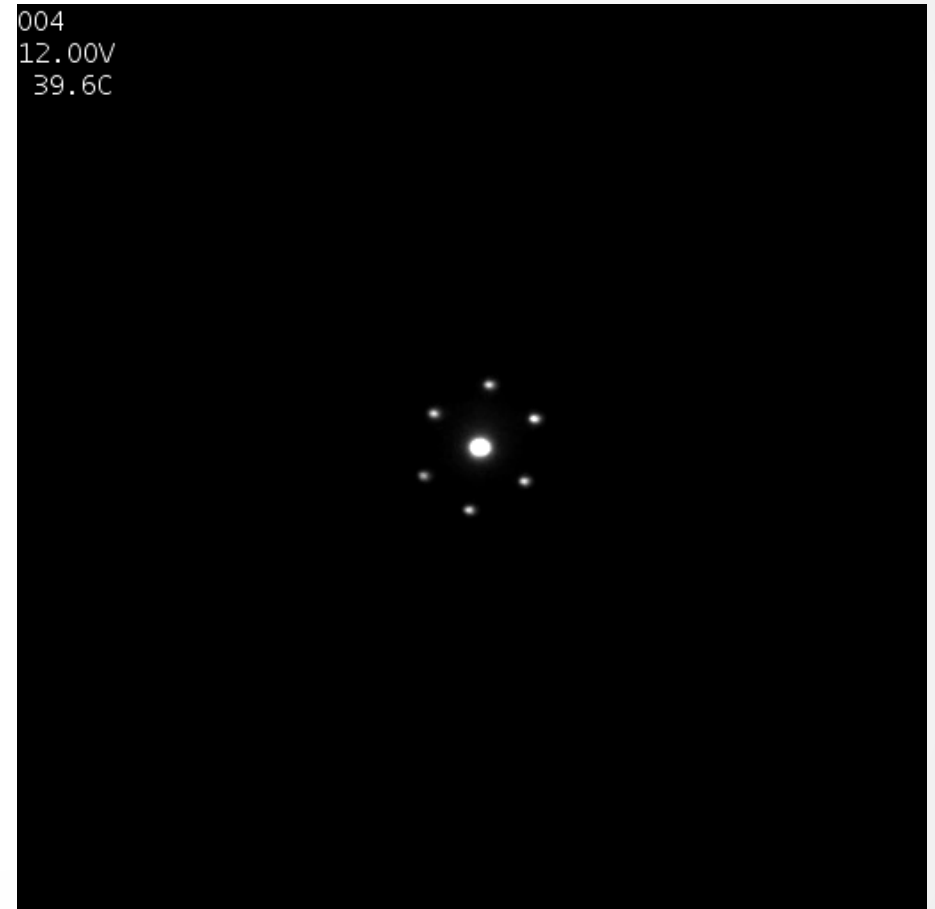


- The spots do NOT move changing the energy as in a regular LEED spectrometer!
- The spots can be amplified (~SPALEED)
- The specular beam (0,0) can be recorded at normal incidence
- No problem heating the sample (screen is not in line of sight of sample)
- Unless energy filtering is used, inelastic electrons are included

LEED IV data on a LEEM

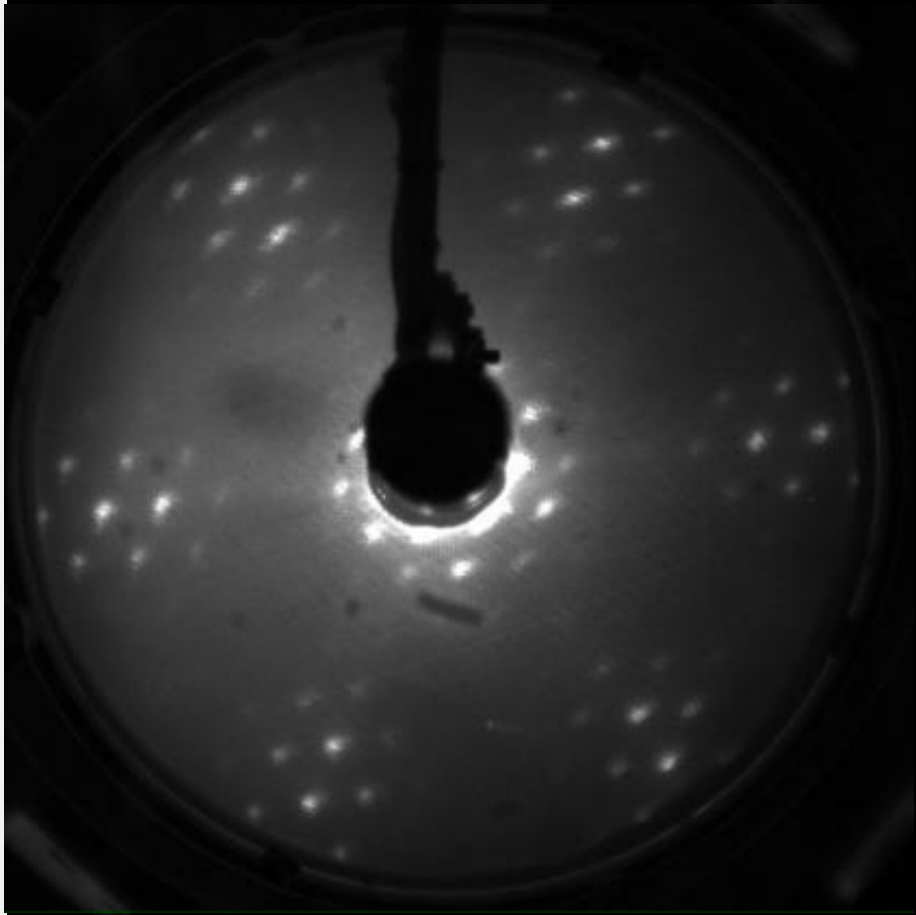


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FeO/Ru(0001)

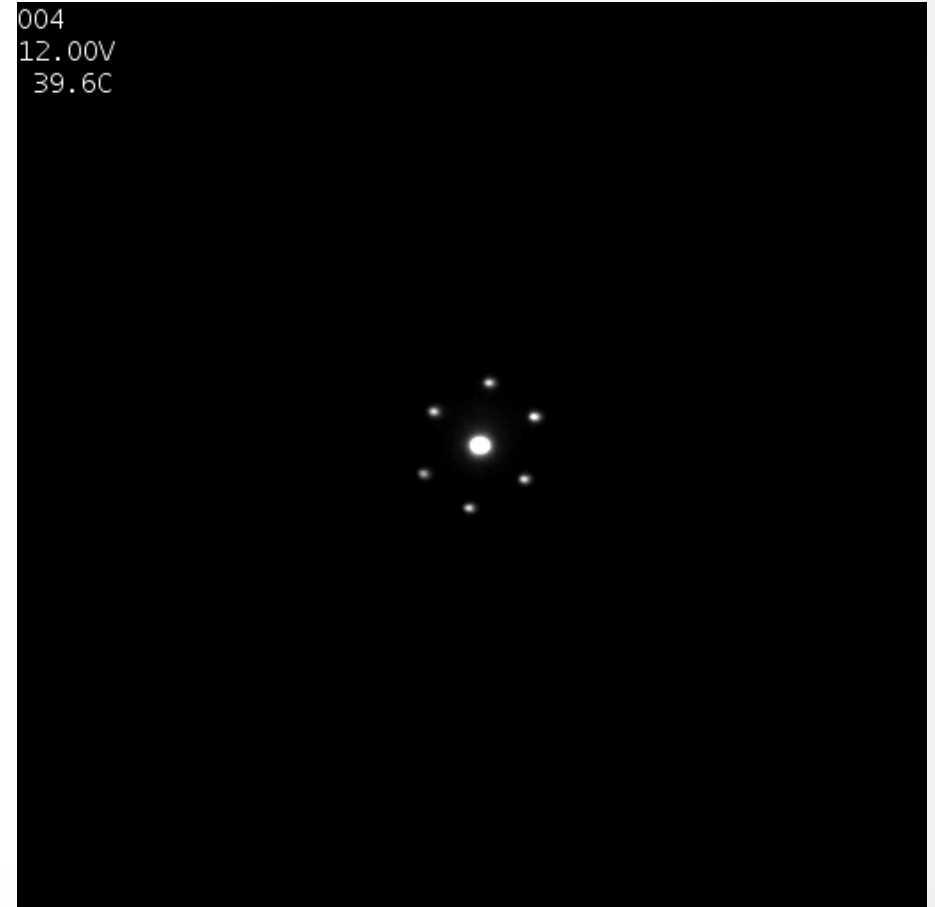


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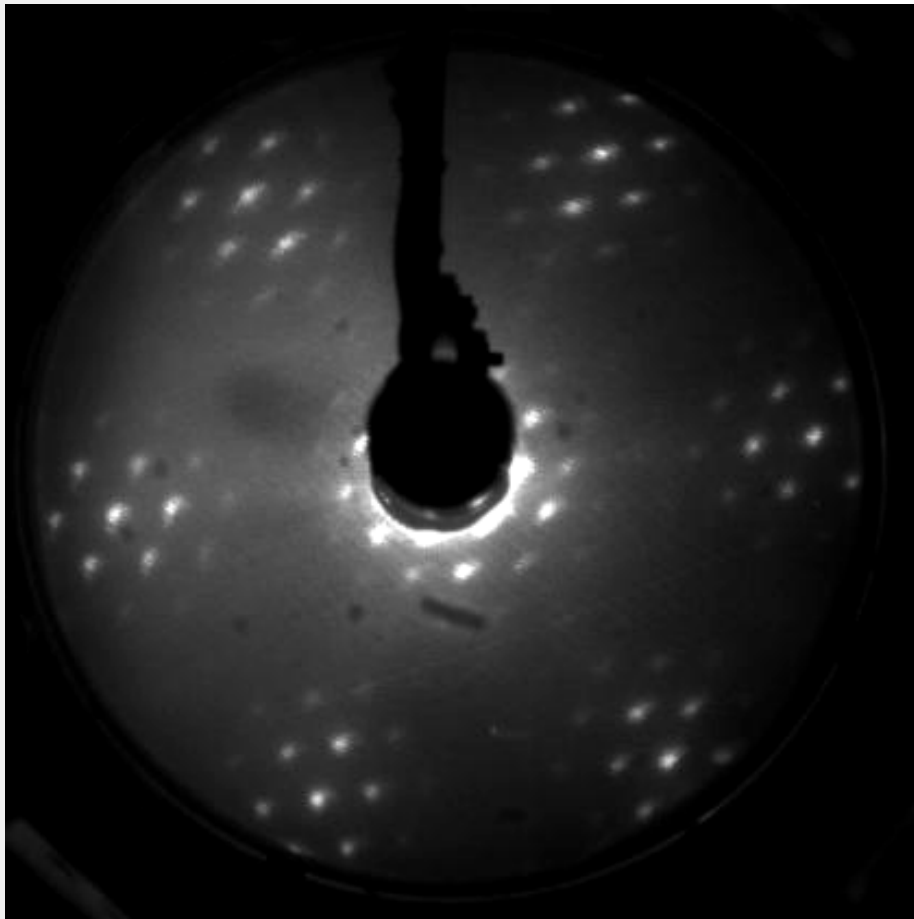


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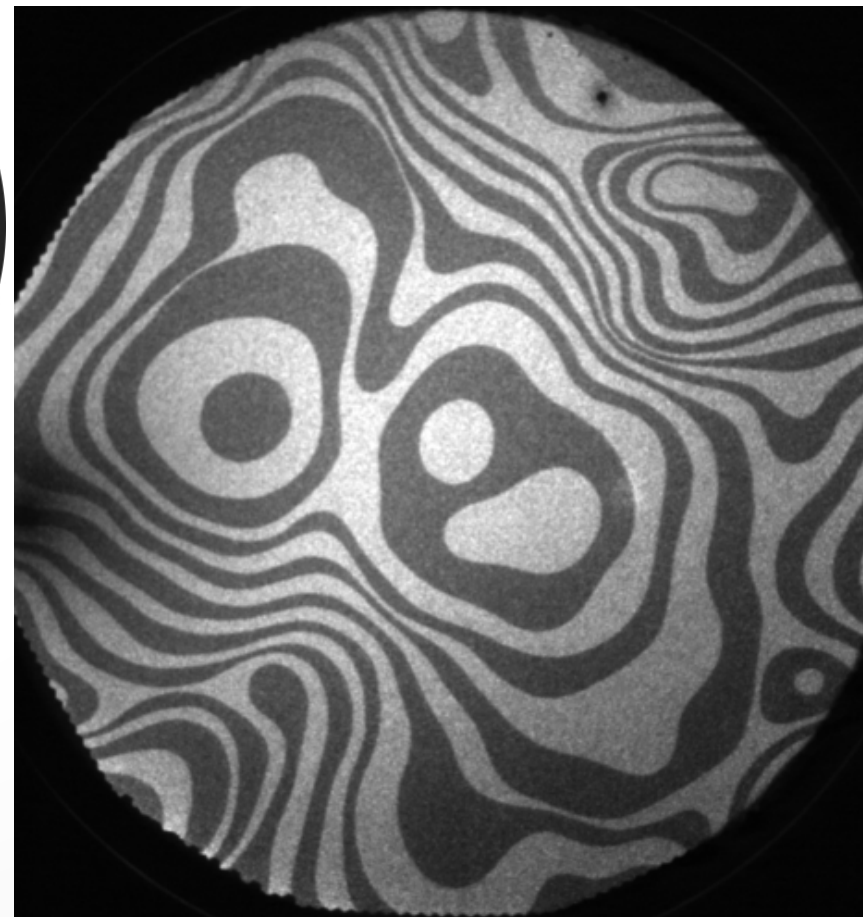
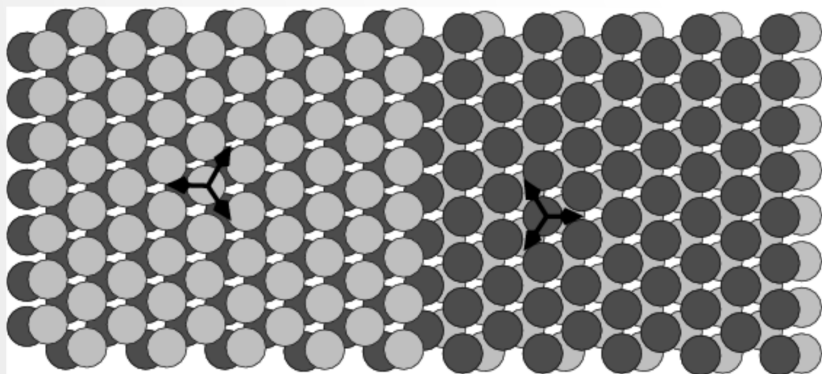
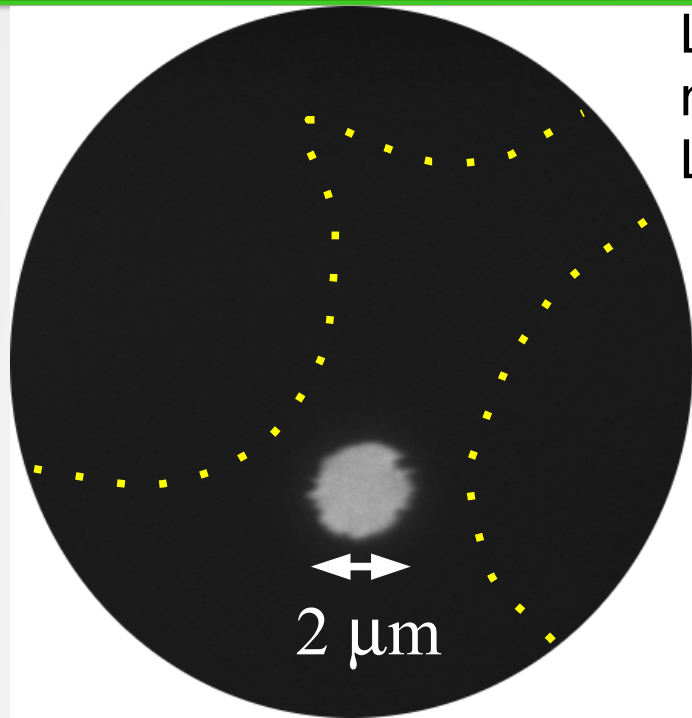


LEED on LEEM,
FeO/Ru(0001)

Doing LEED with LEEM: μ LEED

Limiting the beam size down to a fraction of a micrometer by means of an aperture give micro-LEED:

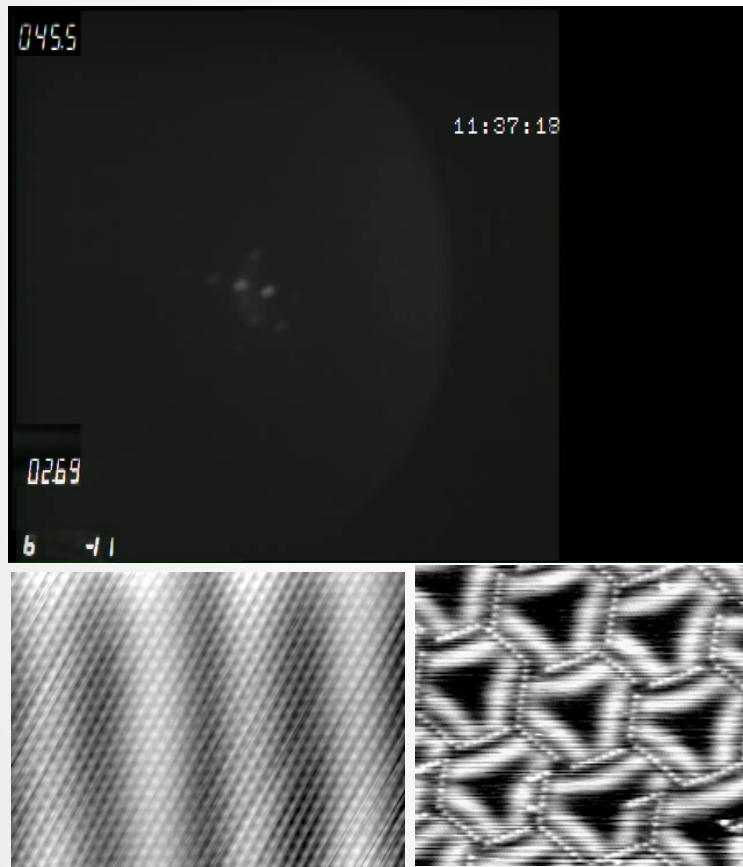
Take LEED data on a single terrace!



Ru(0001)

Better LEED for phase transitions! “SPALEED”

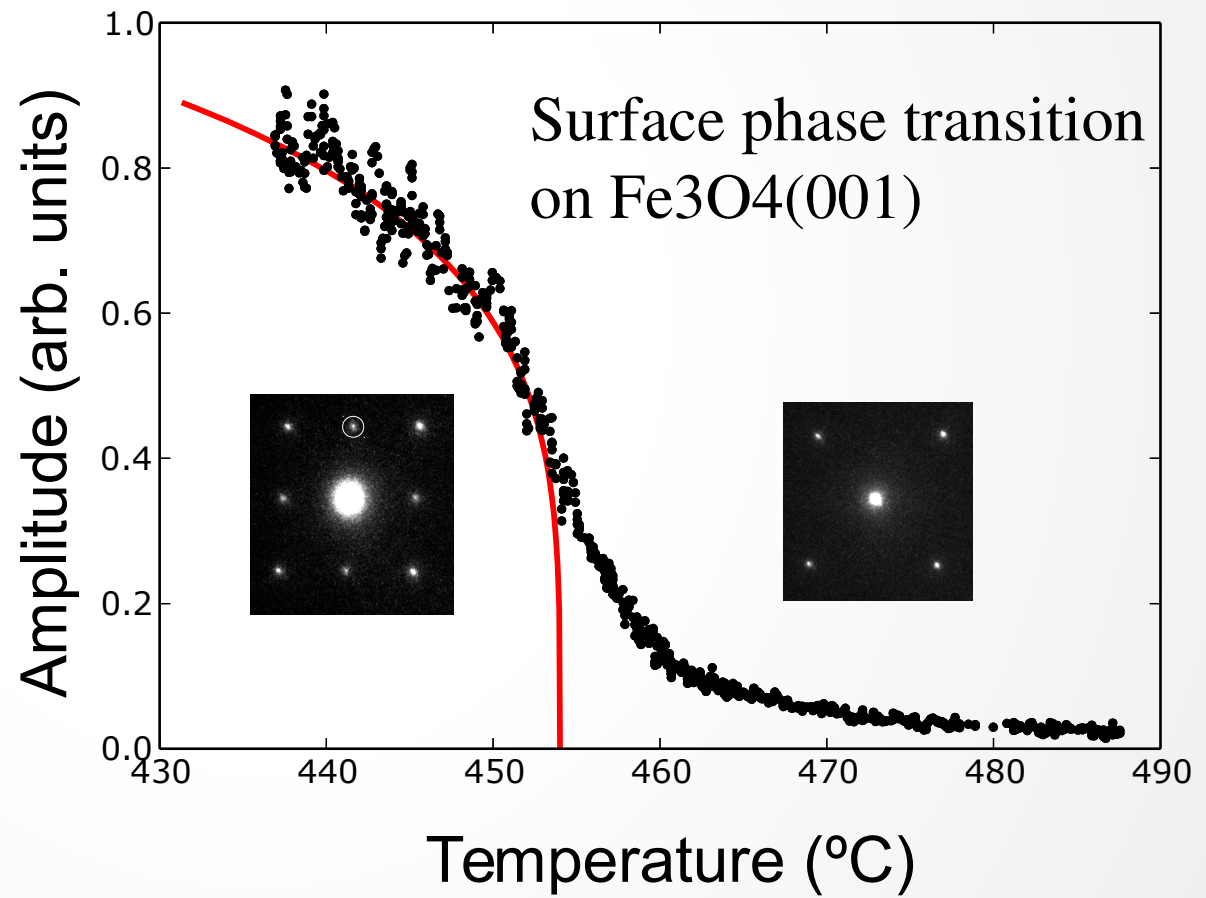
Structural transitions upon temperature changes of S/Cu/Ru(0001)



Unpublished

Order-disorder transition at the Fe₃O₄(001) surface

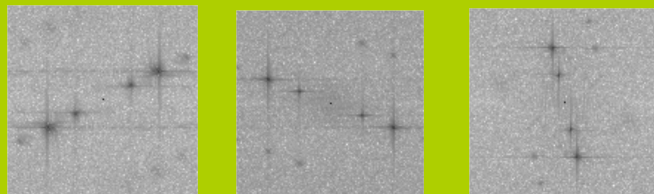
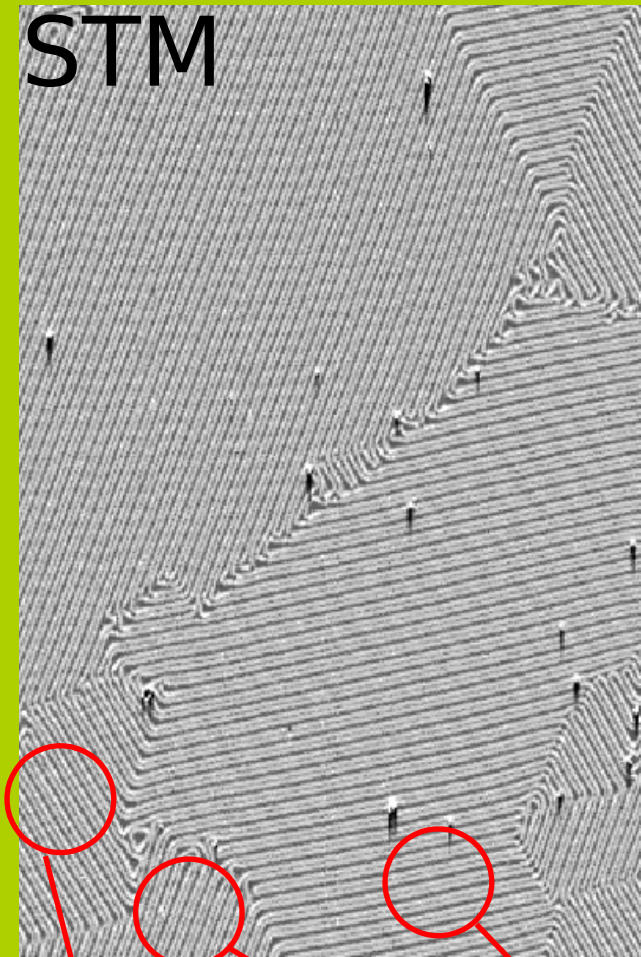
NC Bartelt et al., Phys Rev. B 88 (2013) 235436



LEED can be performed at any temperature

Dark field imaging of 2ML Cu/Ru(0001)

STM

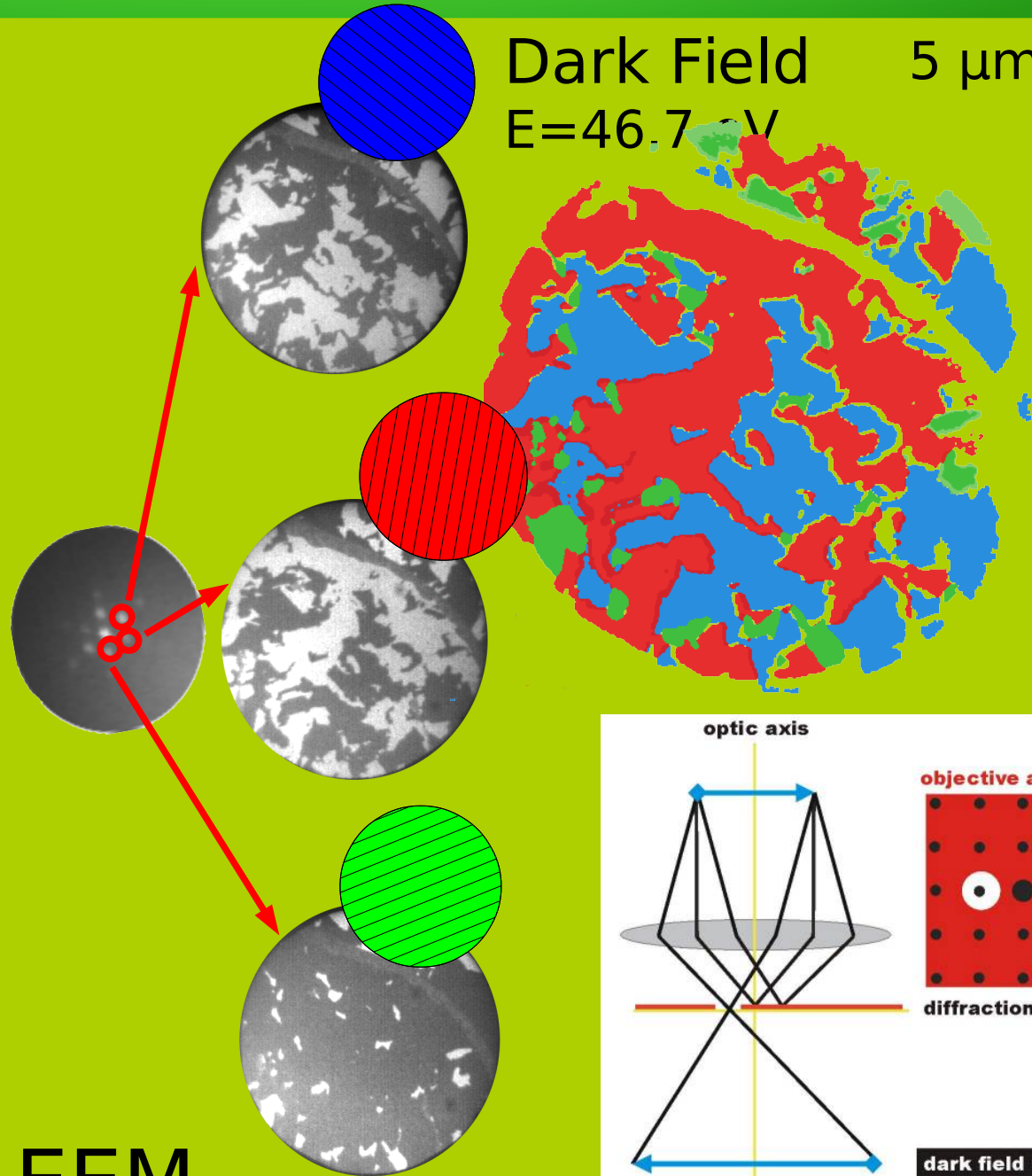


FFT of selected areas

Dark Field

5 μm FOV

E=46.7 eV

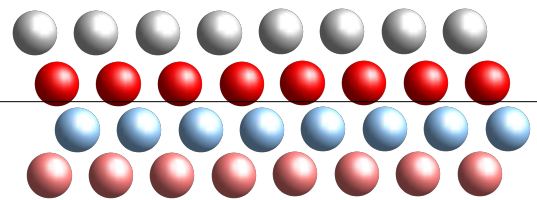
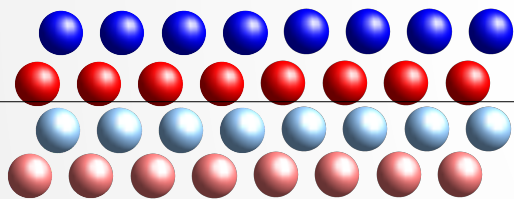


LEEM

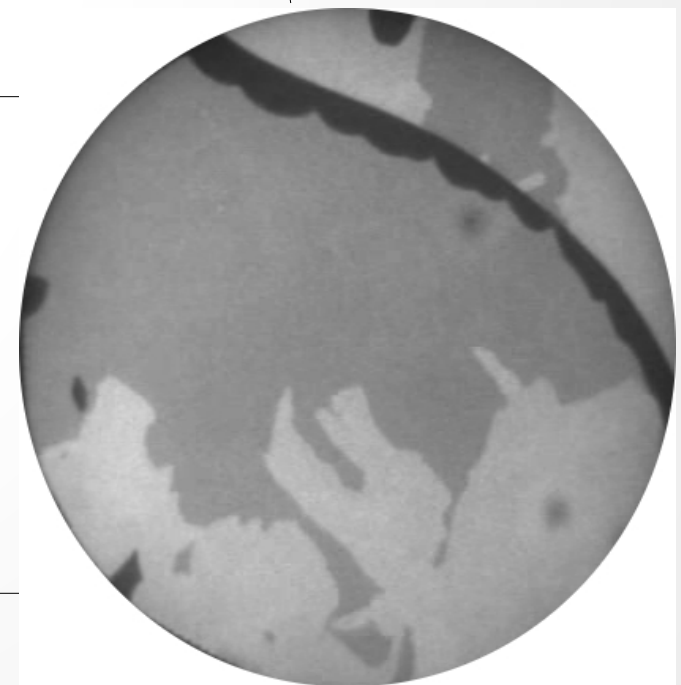
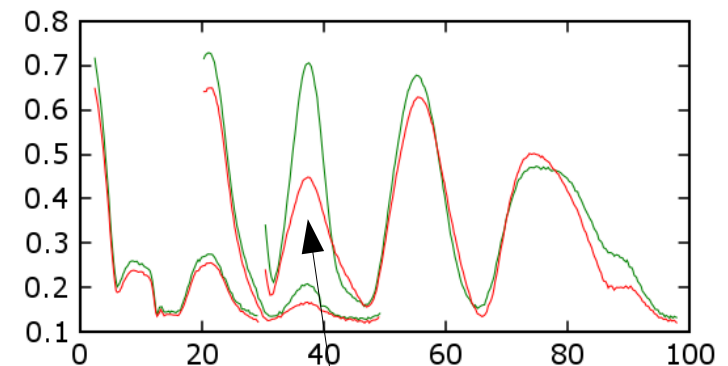
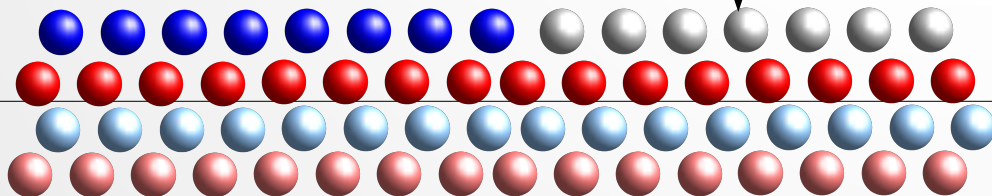
Origin of stacking domains on 2 ML Cu/Ru(0001): use specular beam

The Cu films are **2 ML high**:

there are two ways of stacking the second layer on top of the first on 3-fold hollow sites



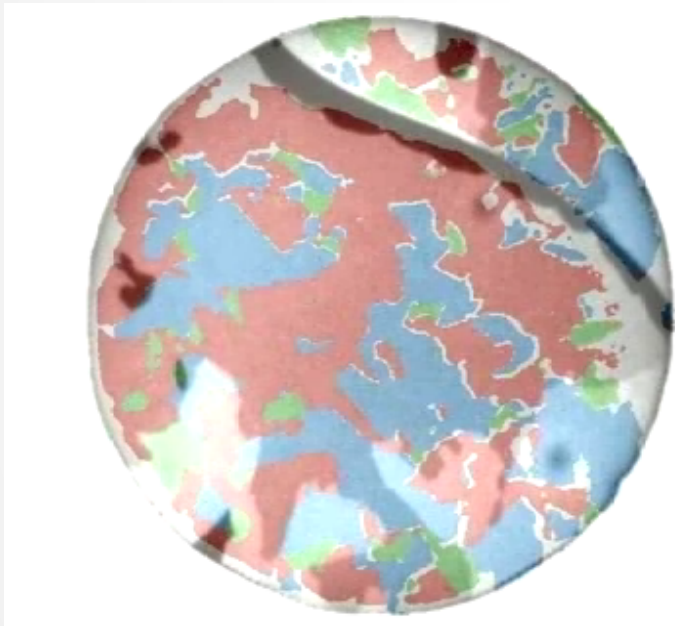
Boundary between stacking domains: partial dislocation between 1st Cu layer and 2nd Cu layer



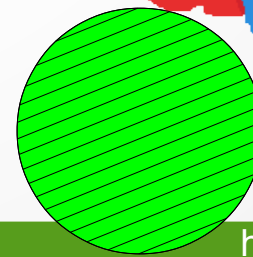
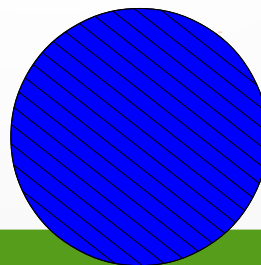
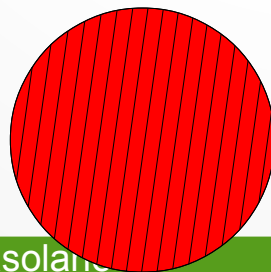
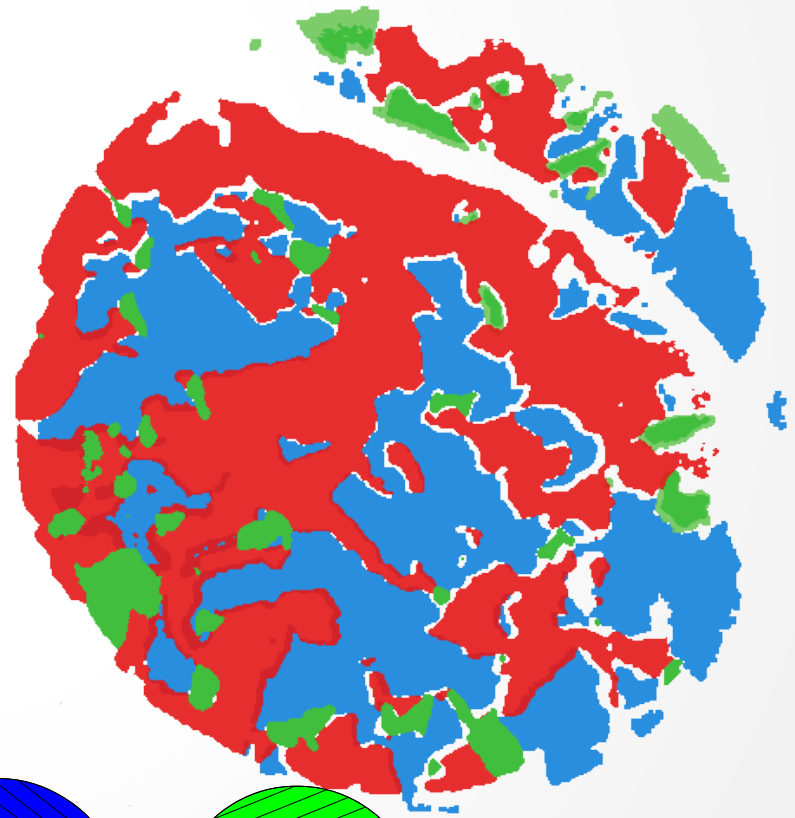
Full domain structure of 2 ML Cu/Ru: SIX domains= 3 rot x 2 stacking

Jerky motion:
Fast within rotational
domains
Slow at rot. boundaries

FOV 5 μm . The 260 frames correspond to 13 minutes of real time, with an initial temperature of 197 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and a final one of 302 $^{\circ}\text{C}$.



5 μm FOV

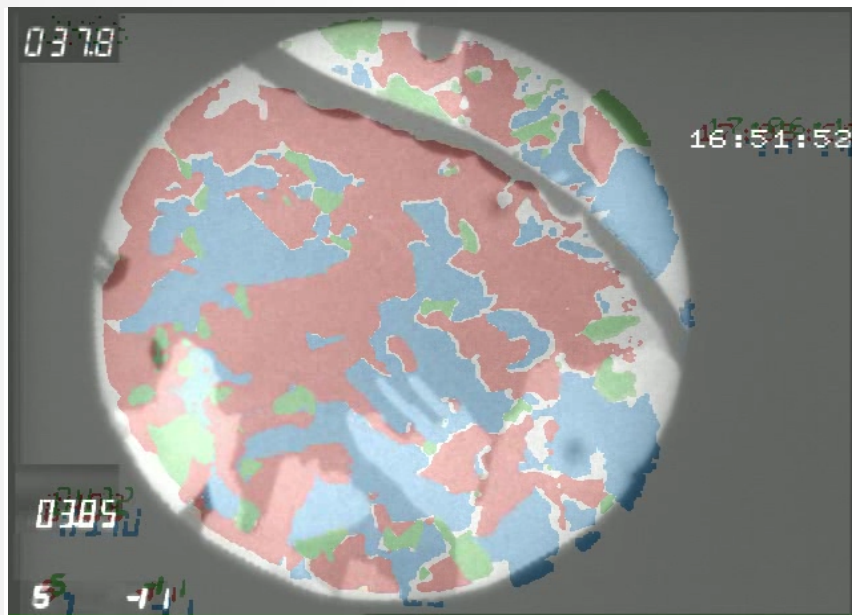


Evolution of Stacking Domain boundaries

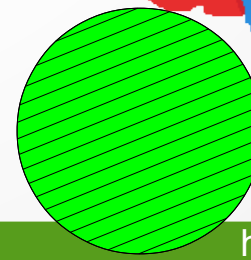
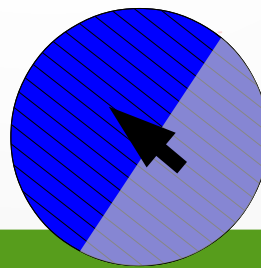
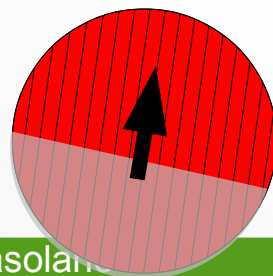
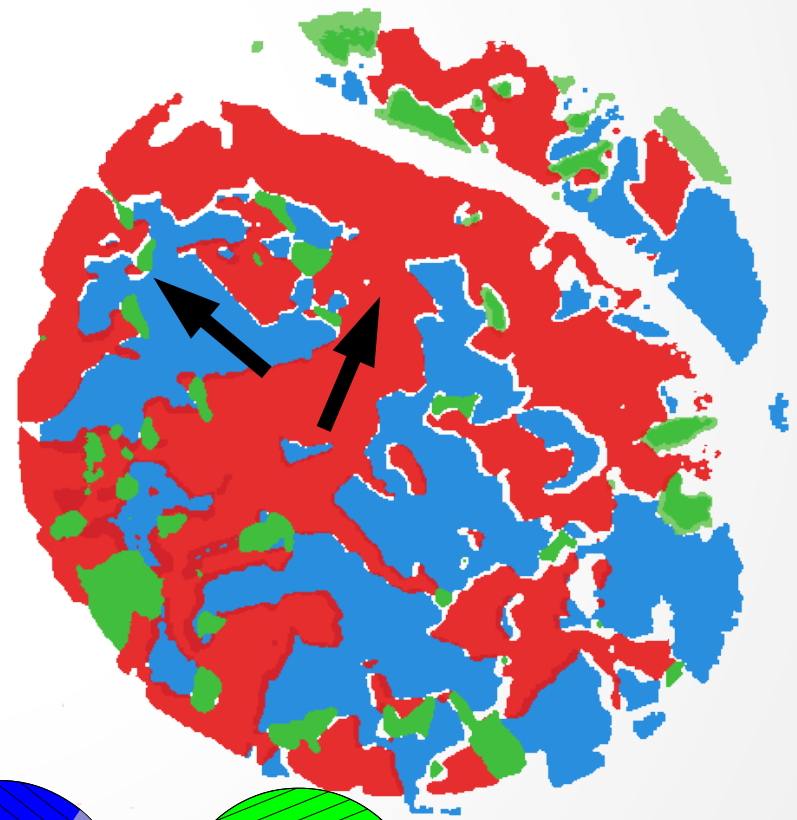
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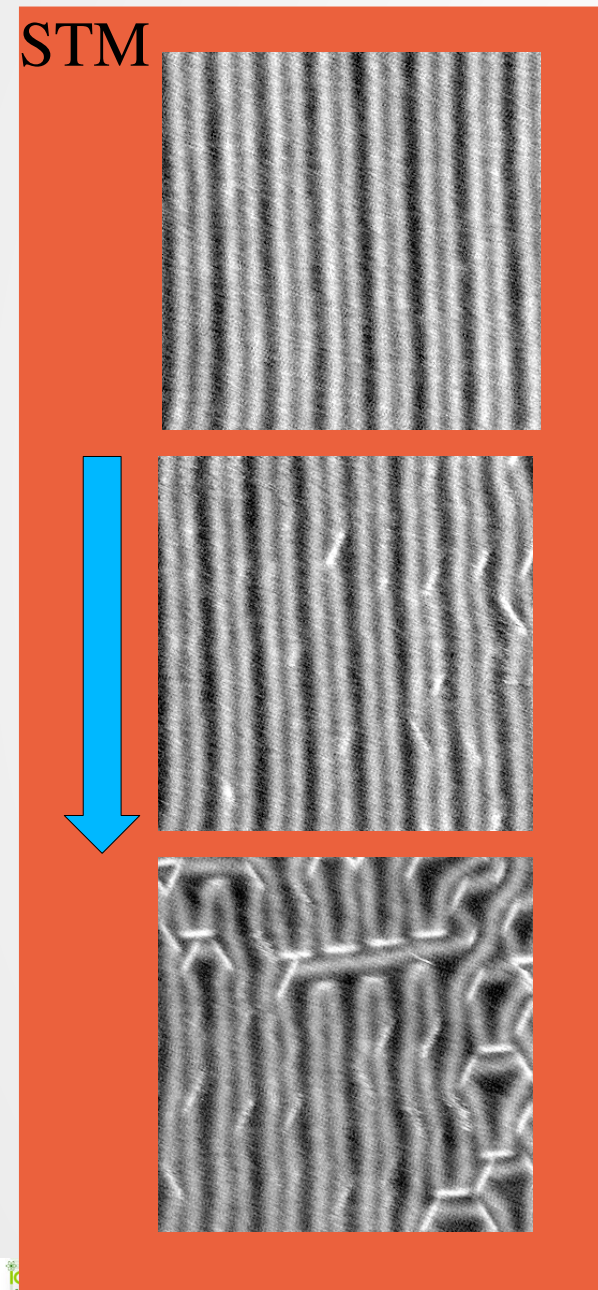
Jerky motion:
Fast within rotational domains
Slow at rot. boundaries



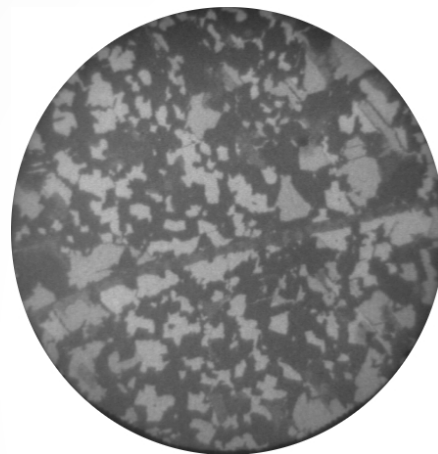
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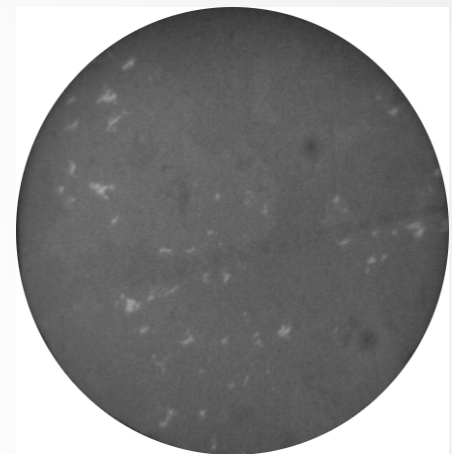
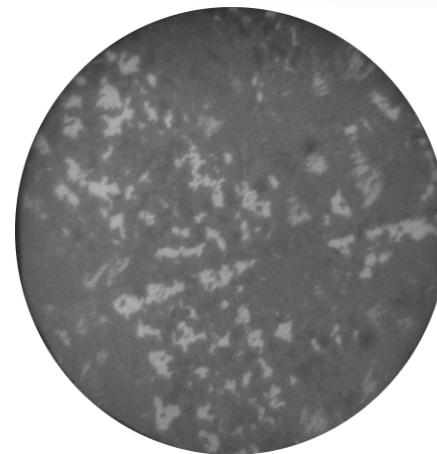
Effect of exposing 2ML Cu/Ru(0001) to sulfur



Rotational domains disappear

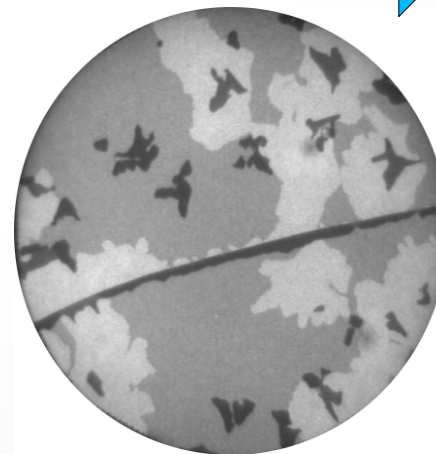


$\theta = 0 \text{ ML}_S$



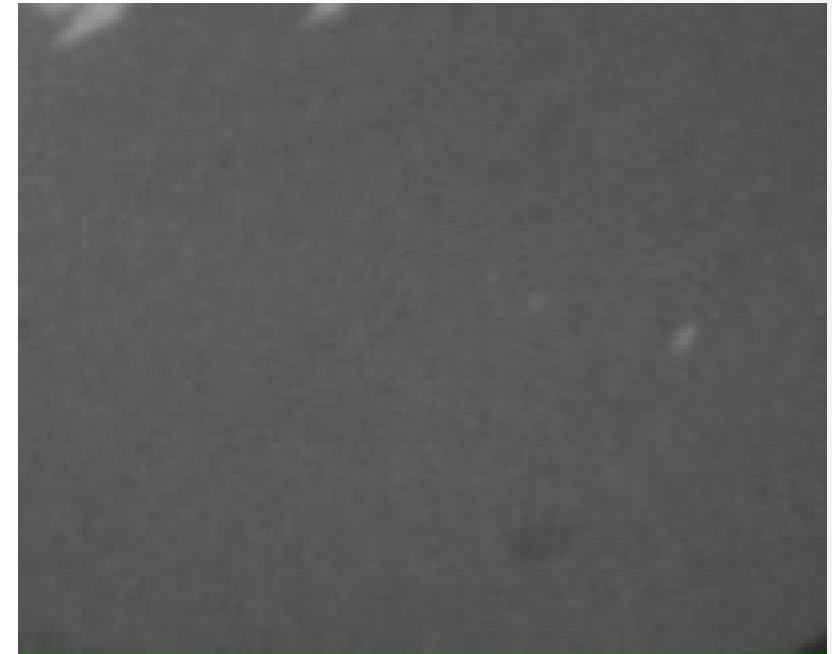
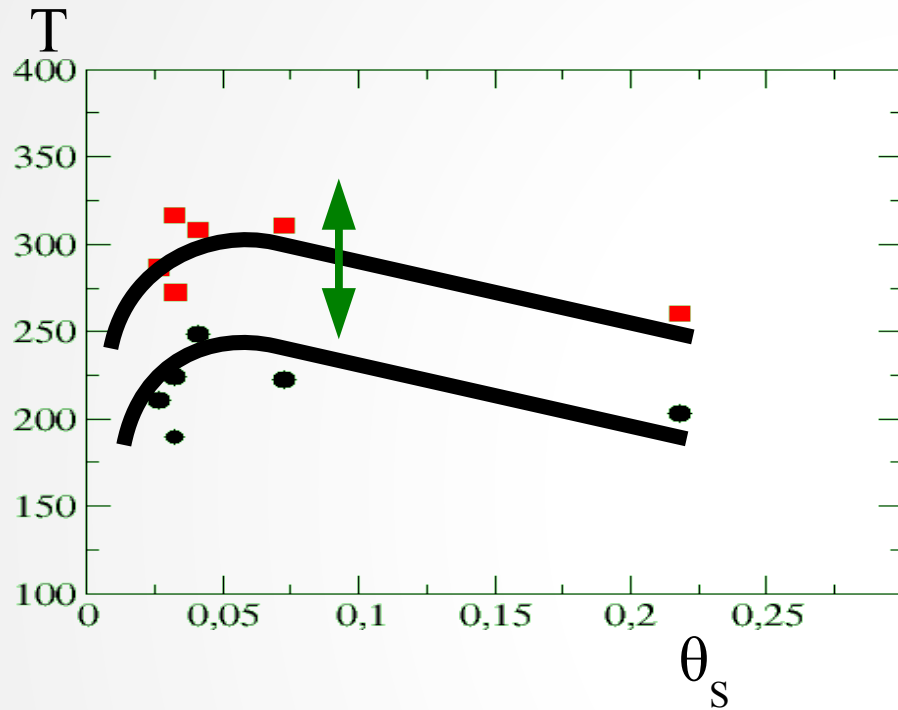
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Sulfur exposure

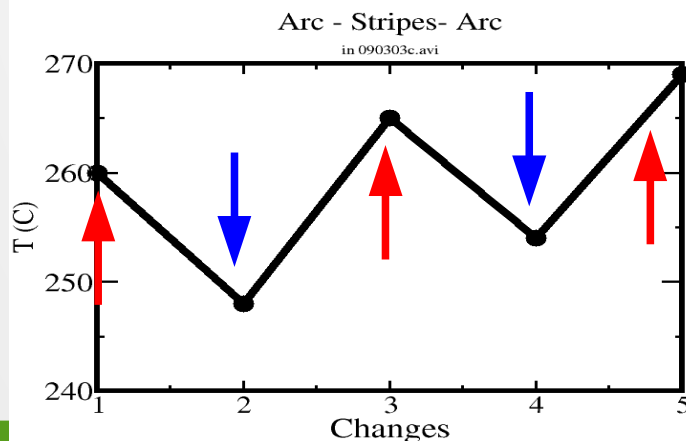


Stacking domains stay

Transition in real space between S/Cu structures



■ -arc phase □ -stripe phase



1st order transition evidences:

Nucleation and growth

Change of symmetry

Hysteresis

Evolution of domains in S/Cu/Ru(0001)

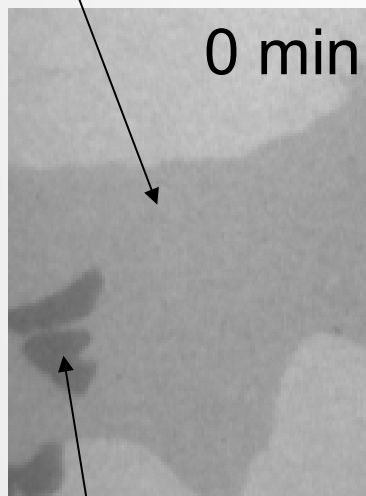
Evolution at 150 °C

NO preferred directions

NO jerky motion



2 ML “dark” stacking domain



0 min



4 min 30
s



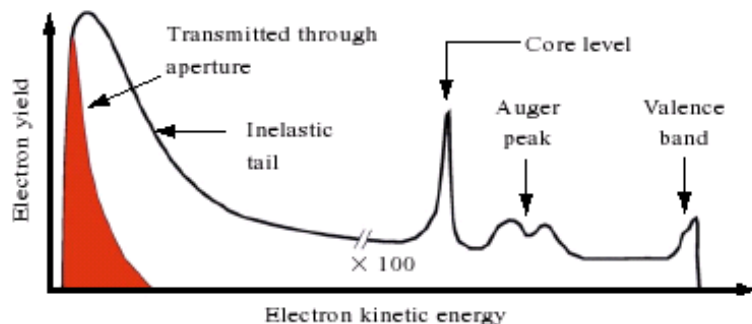
8 min 30
s

2 ML “bright” stacking domain

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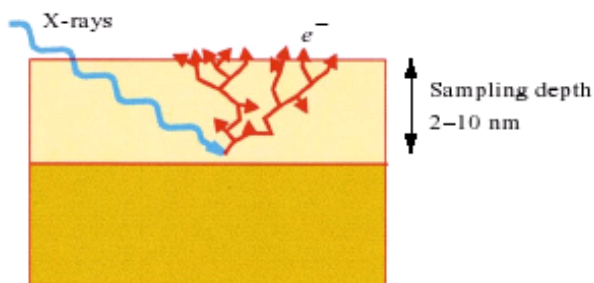
“Traditional” techniques using photoelectrons



x-ray absorption spectroscopy

Measure absorption of x-ray as a function of photon energy

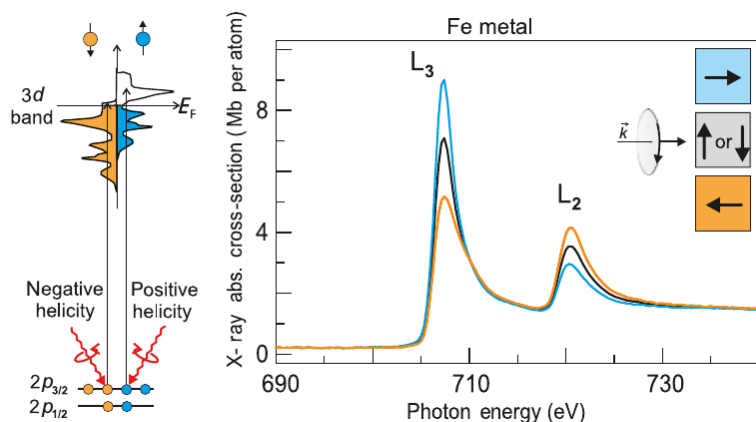
Determine composition, chemical state



x-ray magnetic circular dichroism

Measure difference in absorption of x-ray as a function of helicity

Determine magnetic moments

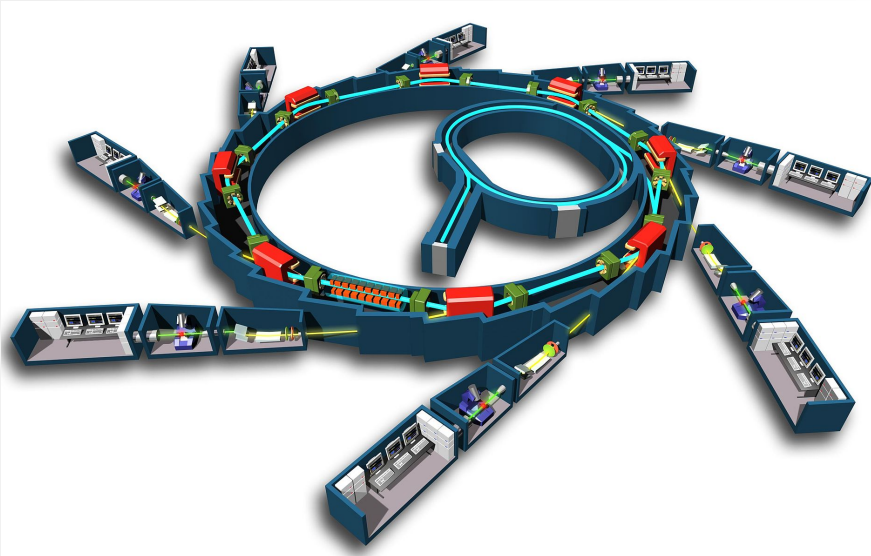


x-ray photoemission spectroscopy

Measure photoelectrons as a function of kinetic (binding) energy for a given photon energy

Determine composition, chemical state, do band mapping

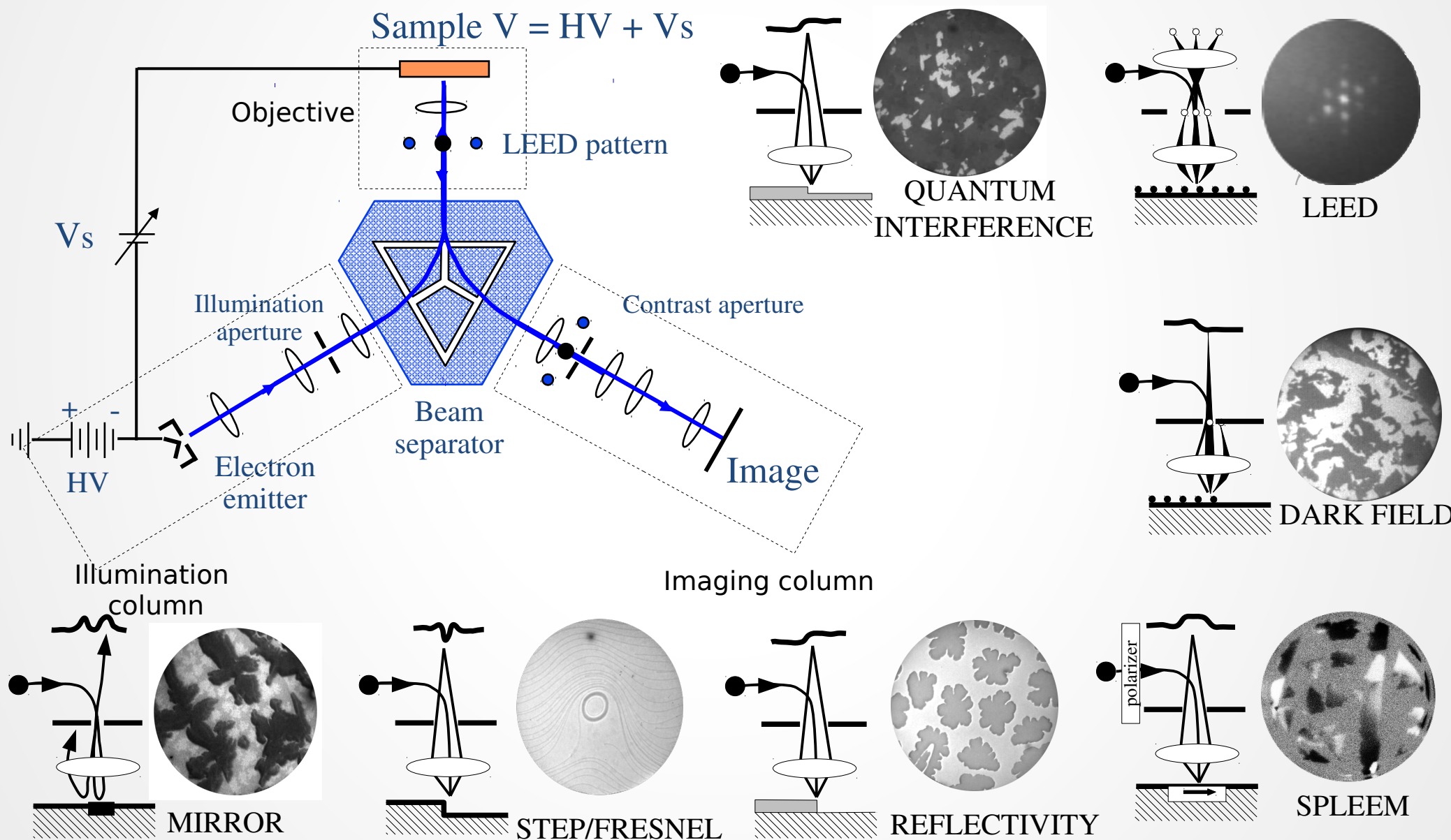
Where to do microscopy with photoelectrons



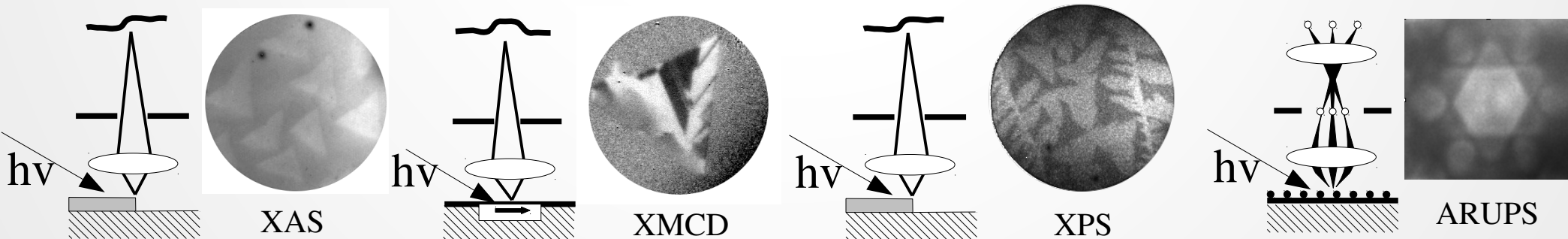
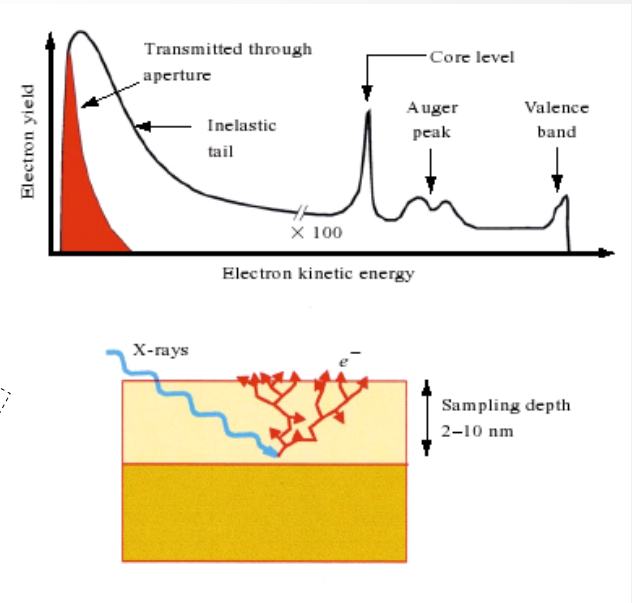
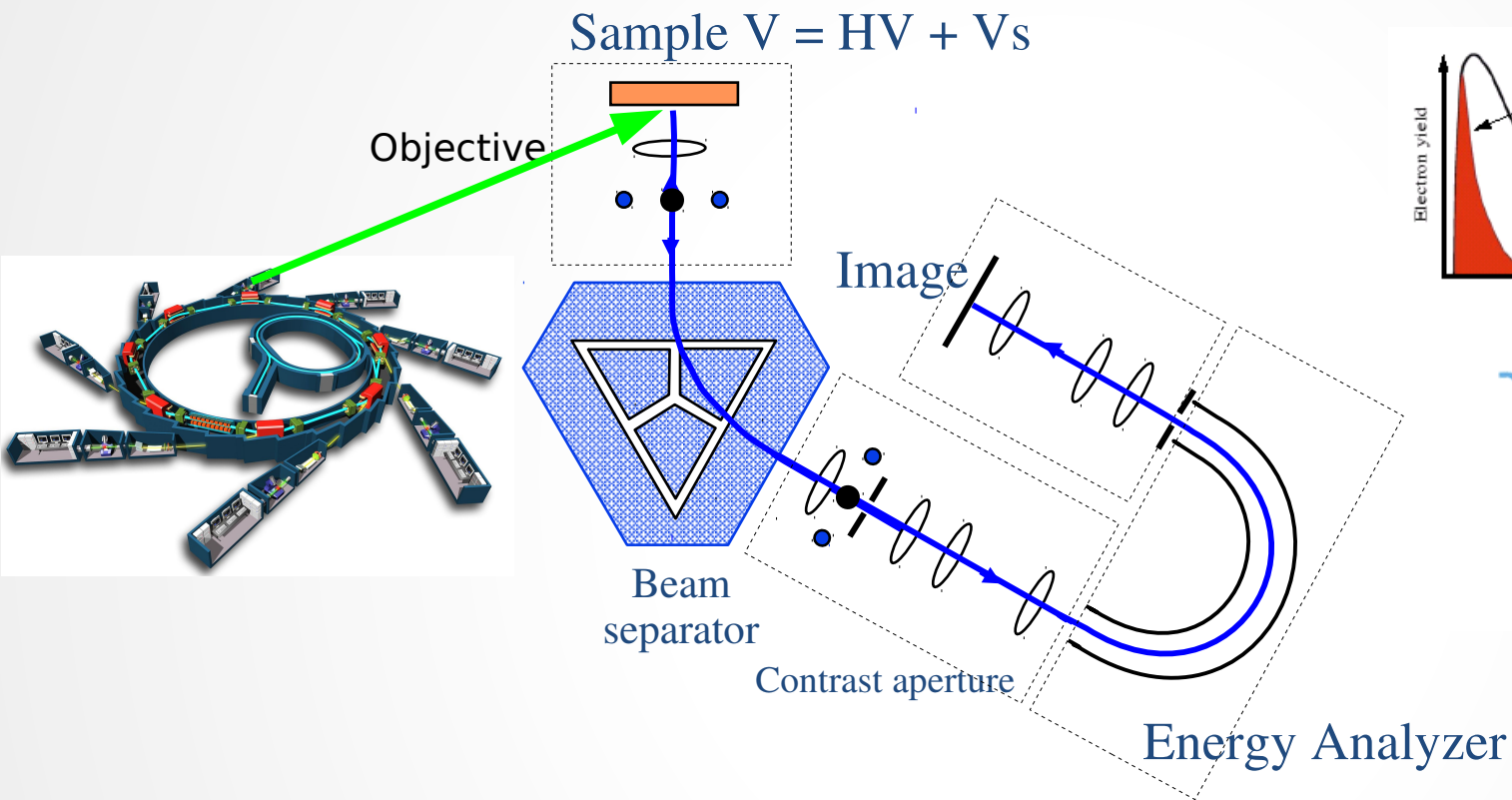
Alba, Barcelona

Need lots of photons: go to a synchrotron!

How a LEEM works



How to do microscopy with photoelectrons: PEEM



Typical specs to be expected

- Energy resolution 0.4-0.1 eV
- Selected area 50-10 μm
- Reciprocal space resolution
- Transmission falls down with kinetic energy
 - Excellent for secondary electrons ($\sim\text{eV}$)
 - Ok for 50-100 eV
 - Hard for higher kinetic energies
- In XPS: adjust photon energy as close as possible!
- XAS images: $\sim$ seconds-minutes
- XPS images: $\sim$ minutes-hours

Different approach for LEEM and PEEM components

Rule of thumb (there are always exceptions):

- LEEM:
 - fast, seconds per image, real-time, use during preparation/growth, surface evolution, **dynamics**, atomic structure
- PEEM:
 - slower, minutes-hours, **characterization** of already-grown samples, electronic structure, chemical and magnetic analysis

L_{23} X-ray absorption on thick Co film

15 μm FOV

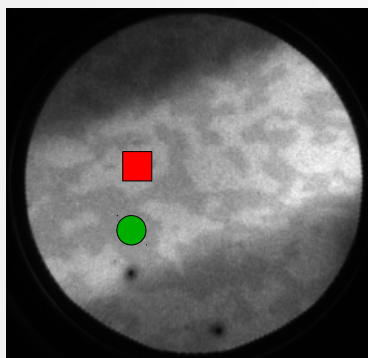


Image at L3

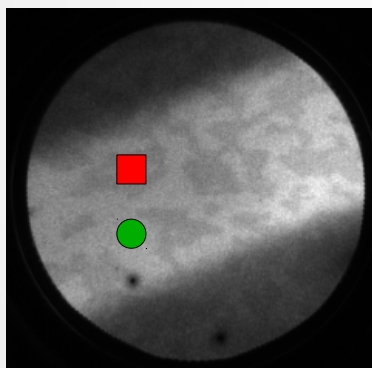
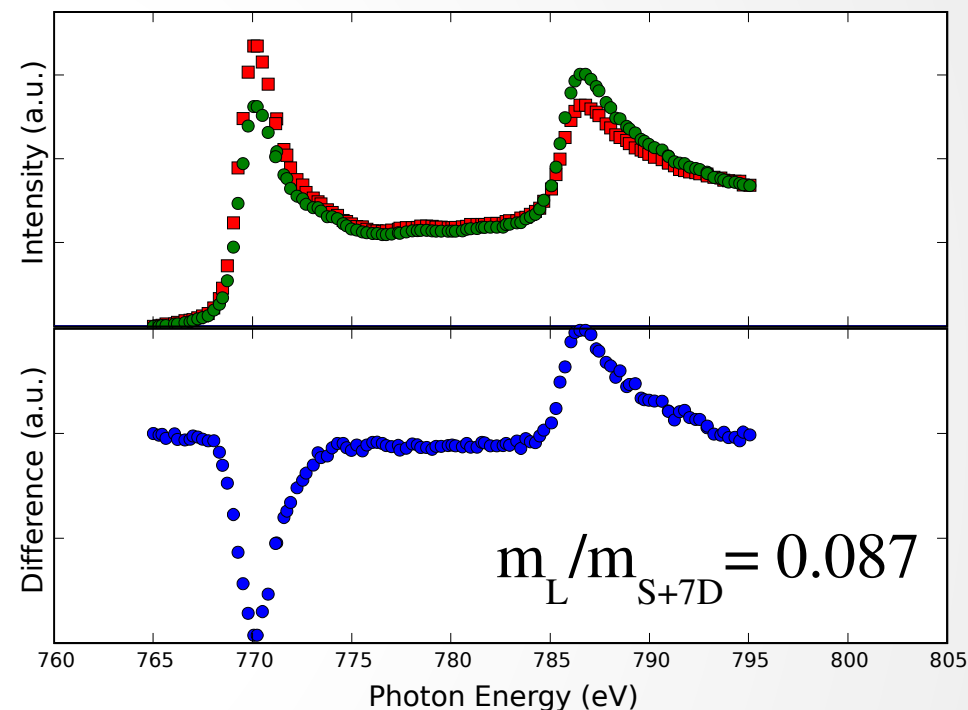
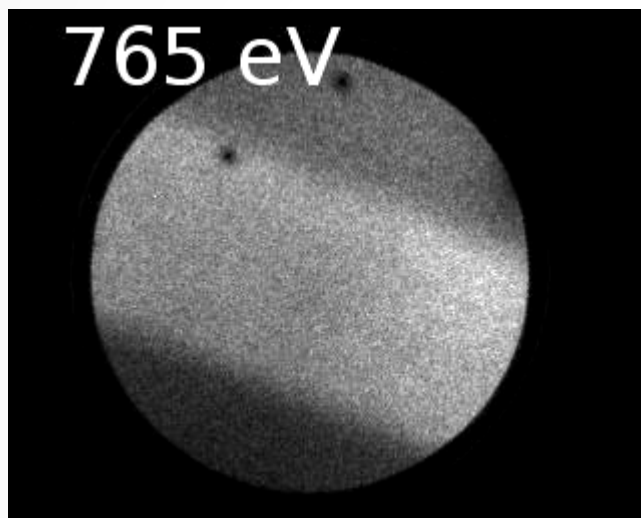


Image at L2

Au/ 10 ML Co /W(110)



Two ways to perform our XMCD-PEEM experiment:

measure intensity in different domains with opposite domain orientation (=switch M)

magnetize the sample and measure with different photon helicities (=switch P)

L_{23} X-ray absorption on thick Co film

15 μm FOV

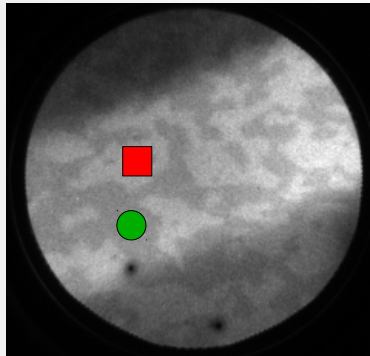


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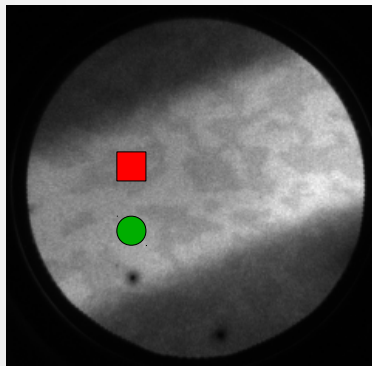
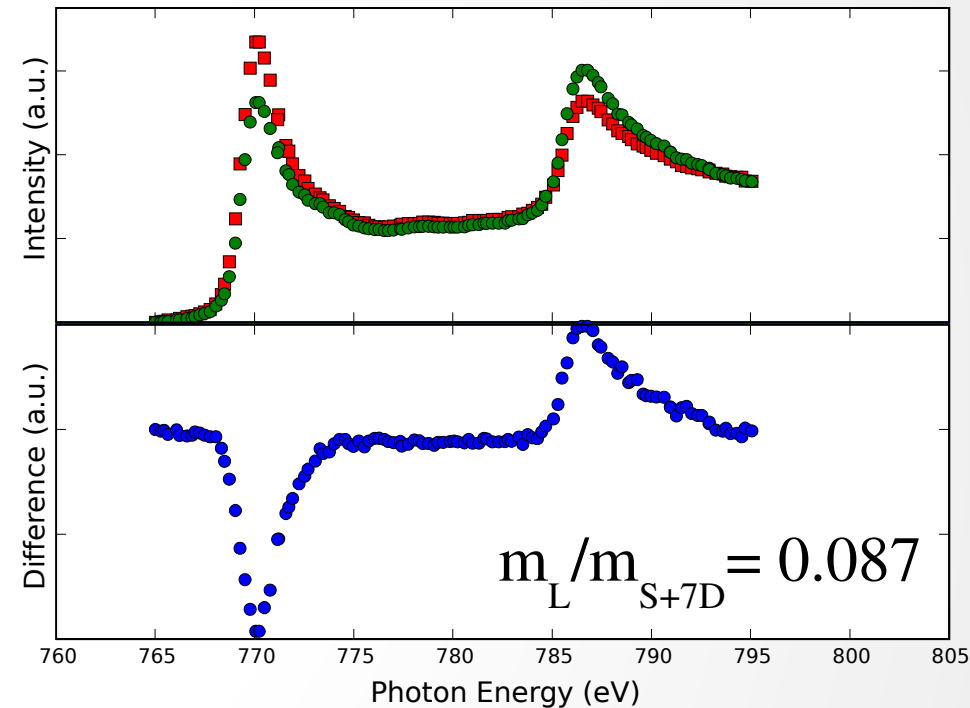
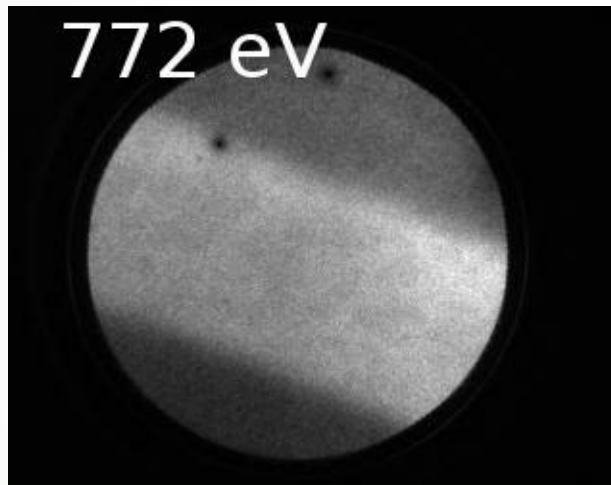


Image at L2

Au/ 10 ML Co /W(110)



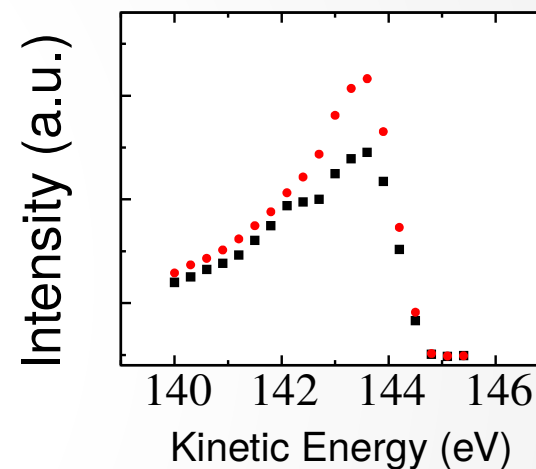
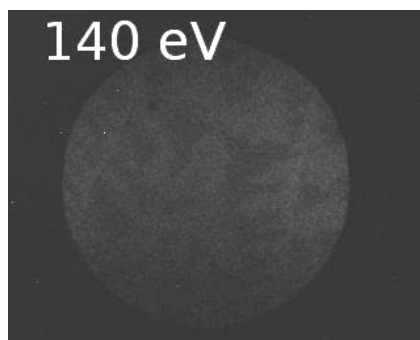
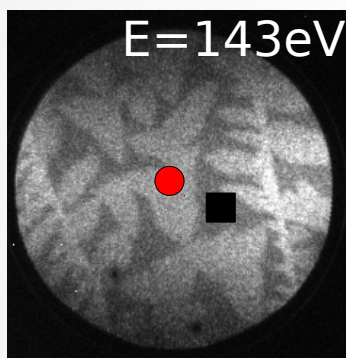
Two ways to perform our XMCD-PEEM experiment:

do XAS images using secondary electrons ($E \sim 2.5\text{eV}$)

Photoemission with PEEM

Normal incidence ($\theta \sim 2^\circ$)

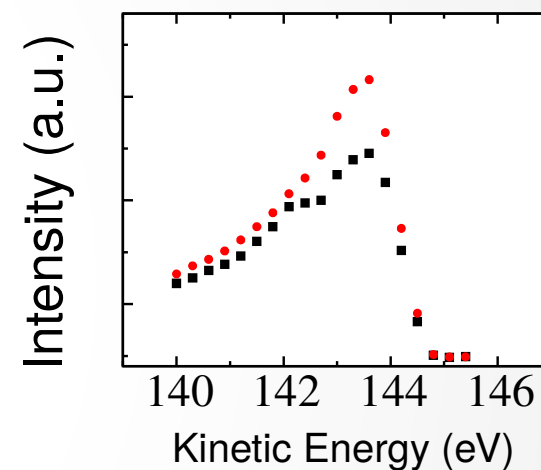
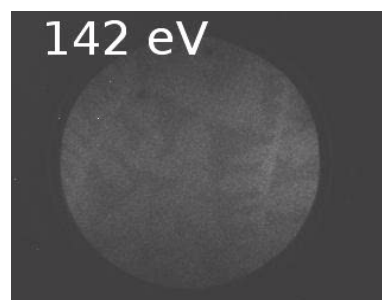
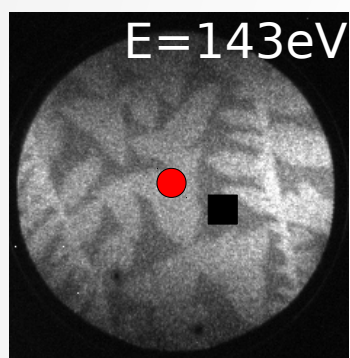
$h\nu = 150\text{eV}$



UPS Photoemission with PEEM

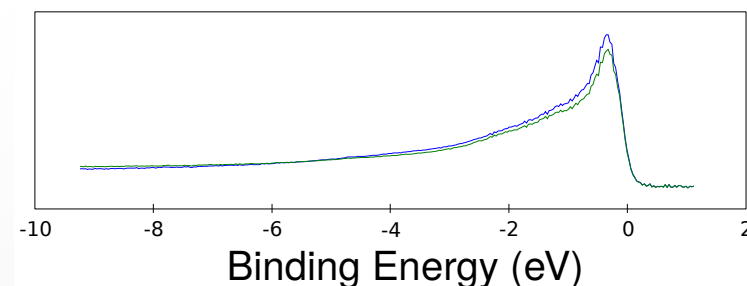
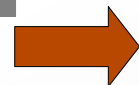
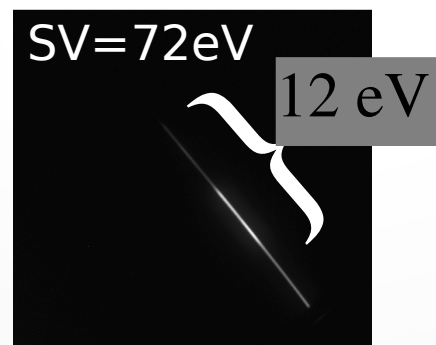
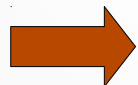
Normal incidence (angular resolution $\theta \sim 2^\circ$)

$h\nu = 150\text{eV}$



$h\nu = 80\text{eV}$

Area on sample: $\sim 2\mu\text{m}$

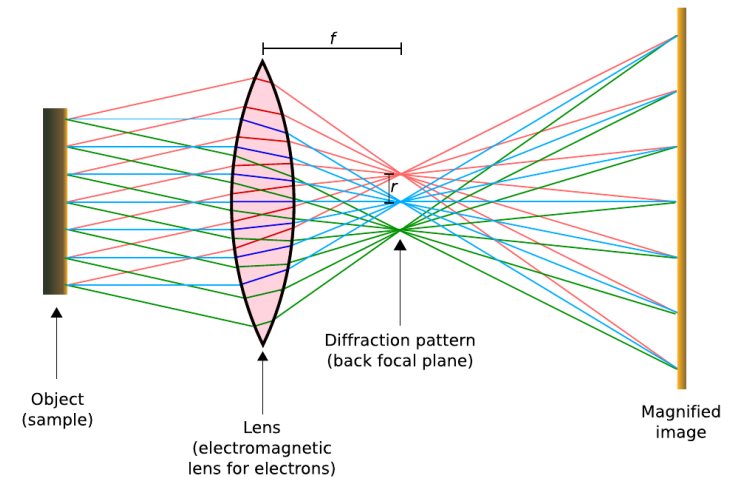


Imaging photoelectrons in reciprocal space

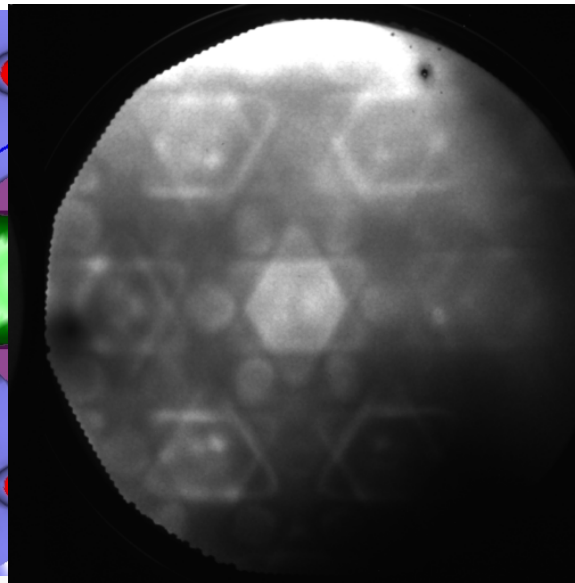
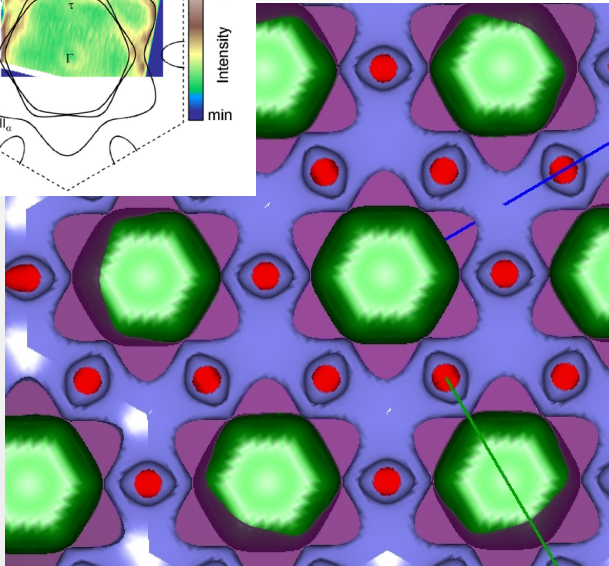
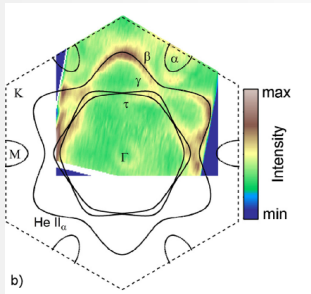
The LEEM can image fast photoelectrons in an angle resolved way by imaging the back focal plane (line doing LEED in LEEM):

Angle-resolved photoemission:

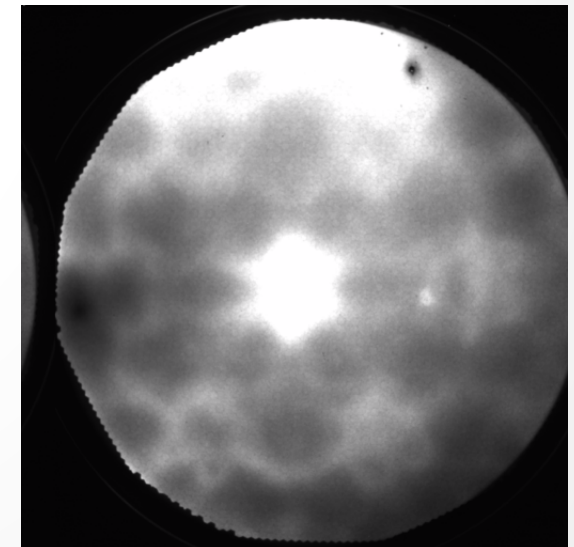
- Band mapping
- Fermi surface imaging



Photon energy 140 eV



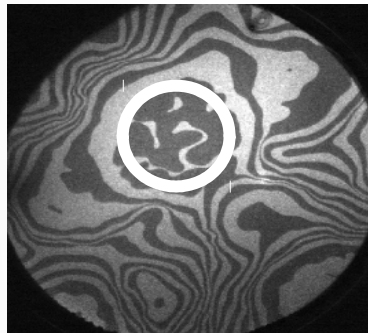
Ru(0001) Fermi Surface



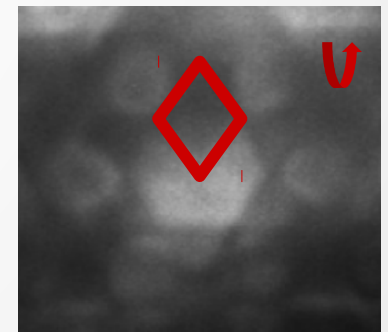
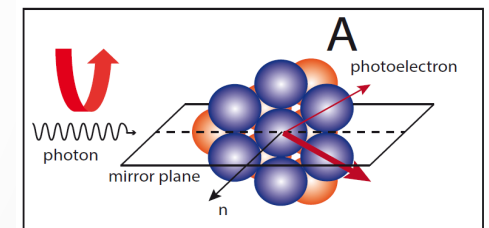
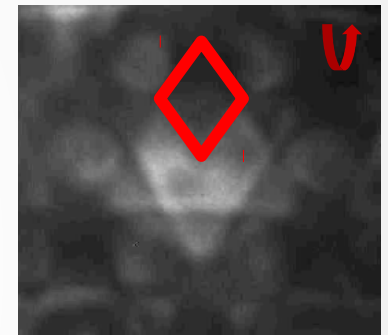
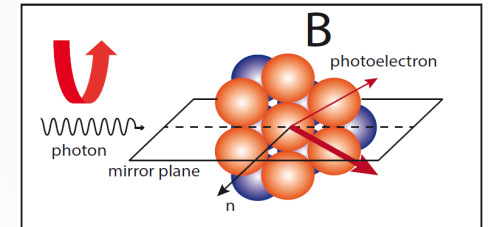
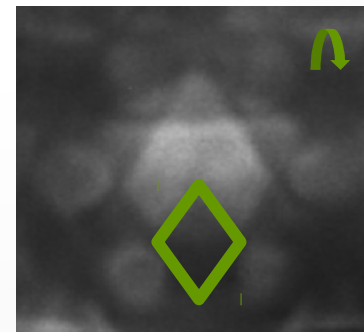
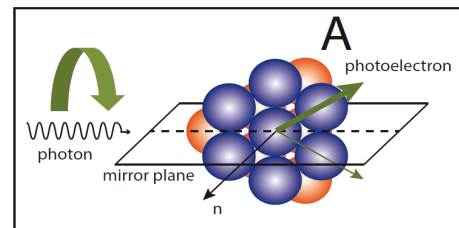
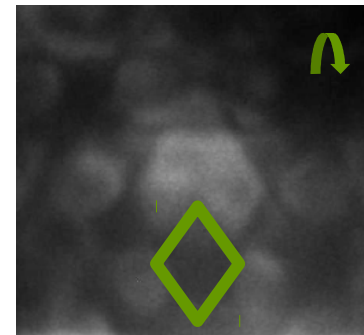
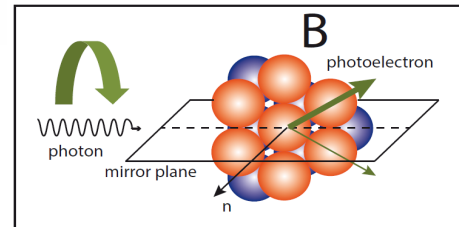
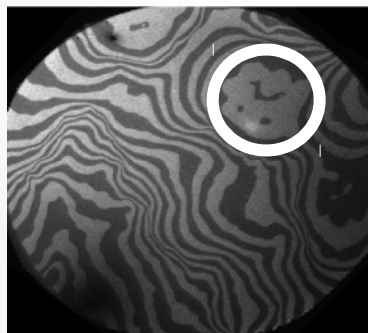
ARPES scanning energy

Unique advantages of ARPES in LEEM/PEEM instruments

ARPES images taken with positive
and negative helicity at the selected
area
(Energy photon = 140 eV)

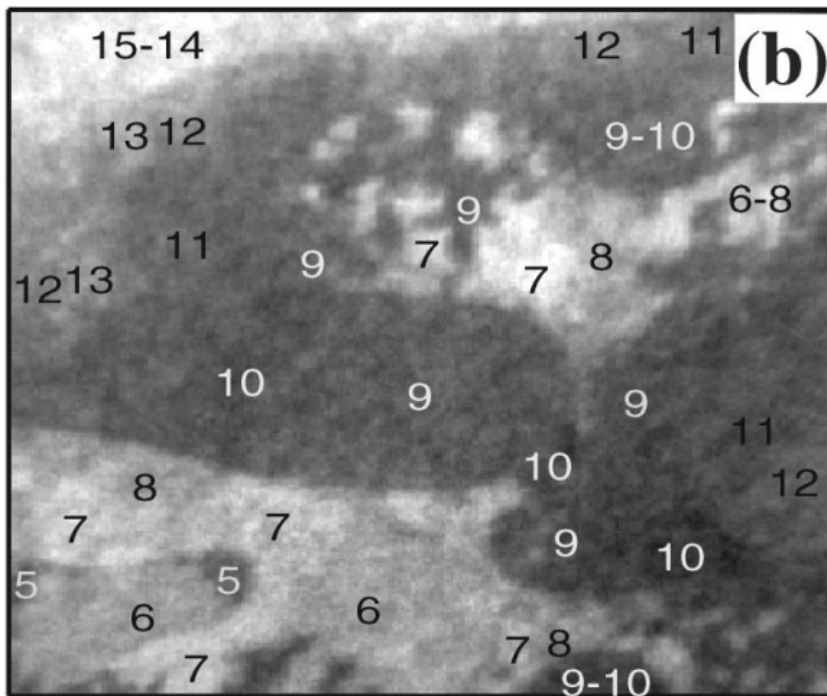
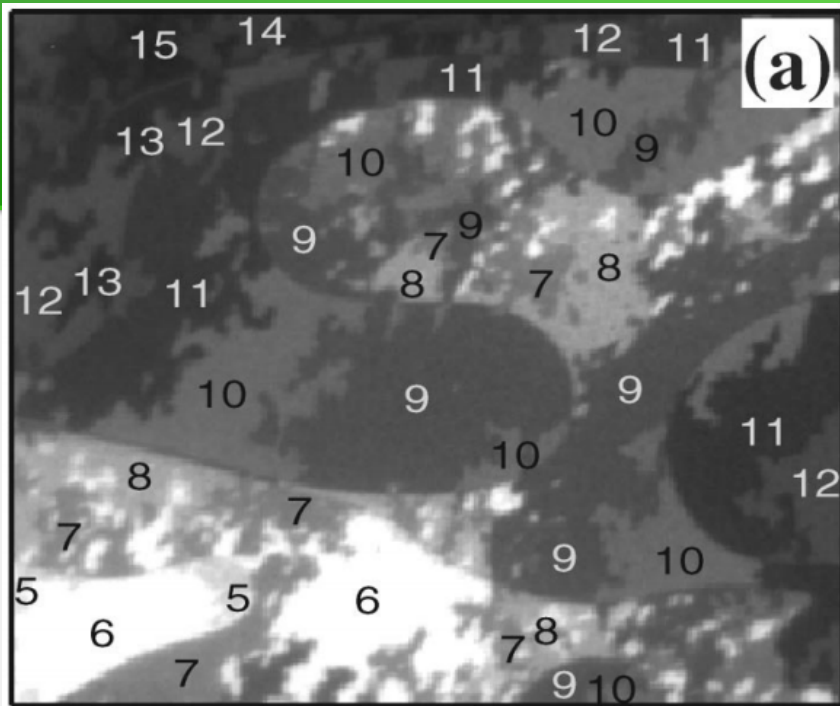


Dark field
FOV = $50\mu\text{m}$

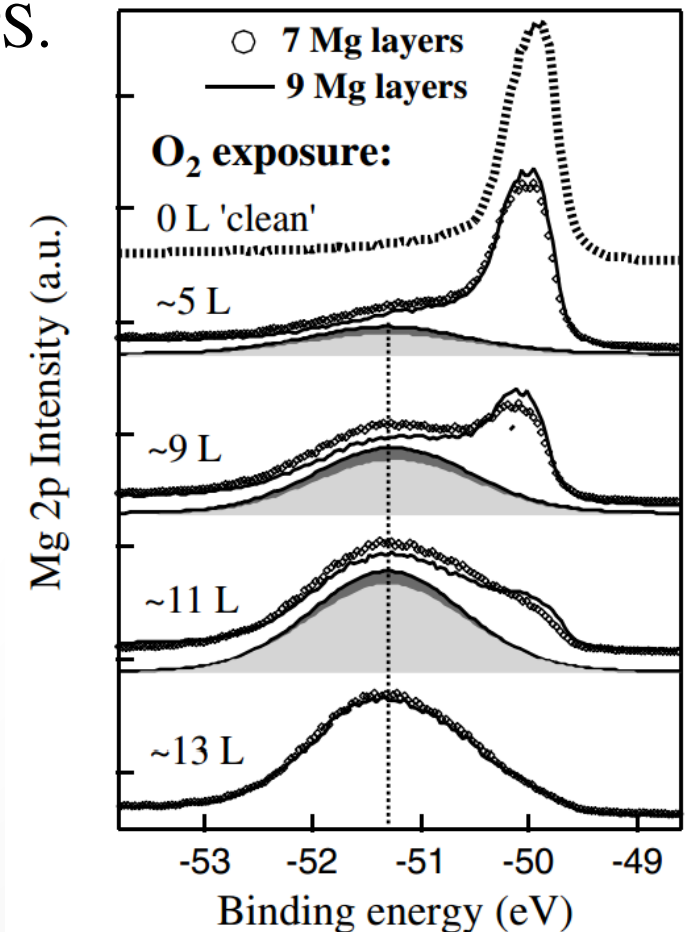


Layer dependent reactivity

Grow in LEEM a multilayer film of Mg.
Then measure XPS Mg 2p spectra. Select an energy which corresponds to the Mg-oxide.
Do imaging in XPS.



6 μm wide

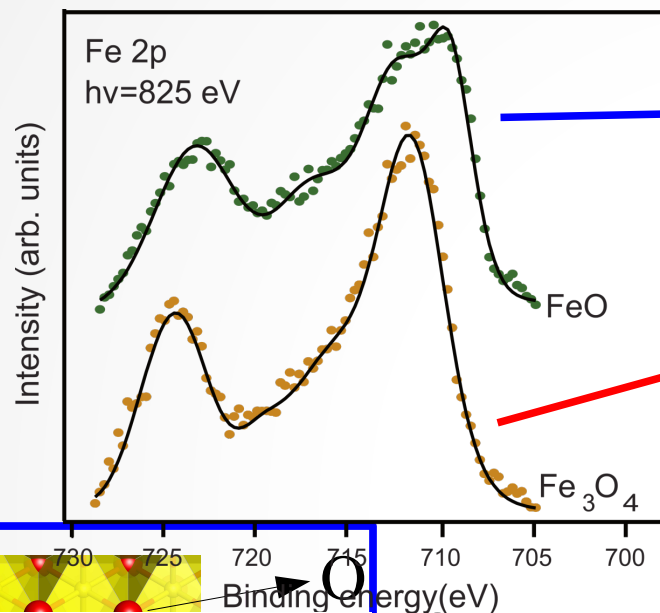


L. Aballe, Phys. Rev. B 93 (2004) 196103

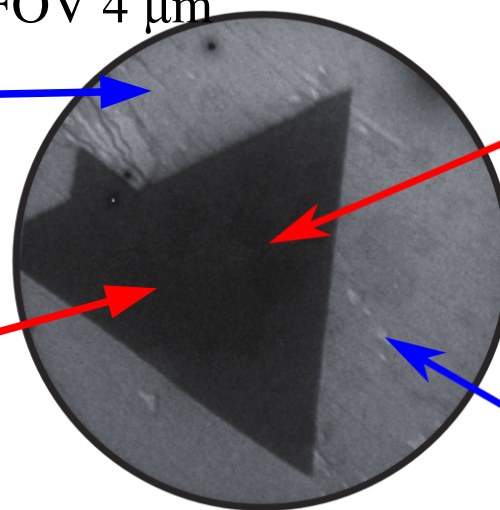
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Multitechnique characterization

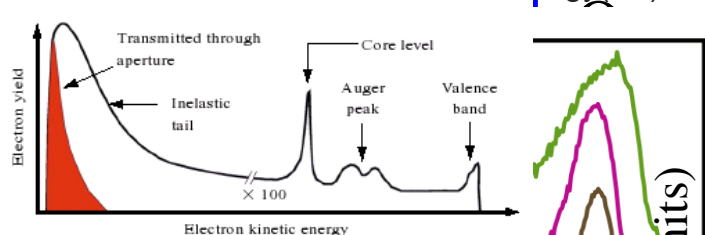
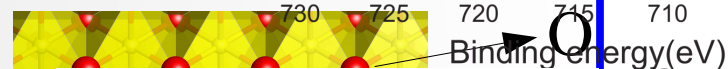
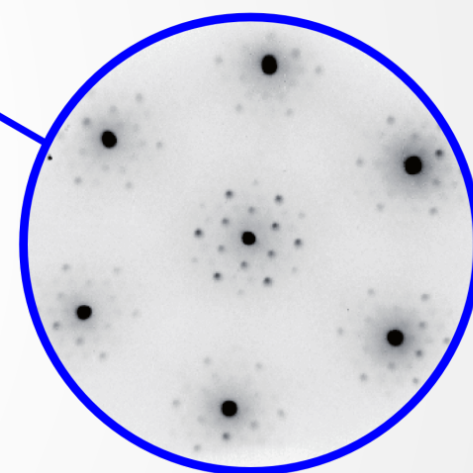
XPS



FOV 4 μm



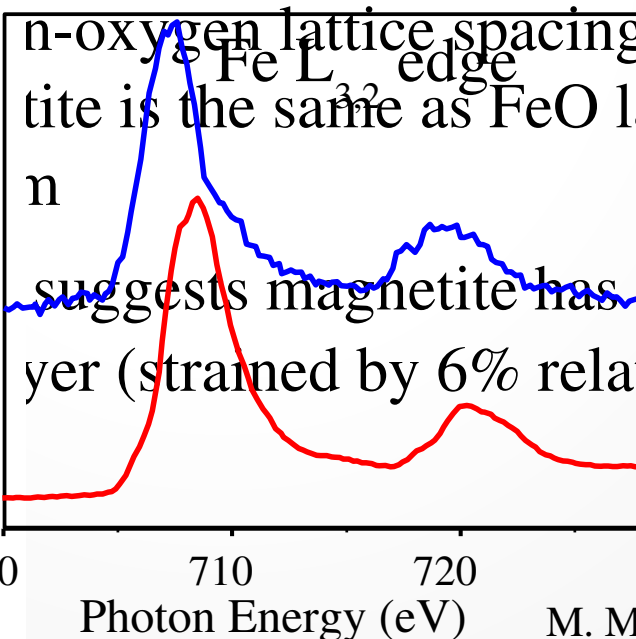
LEED



n-oxygen lattice spacing of
tite is the same as FeO layer:

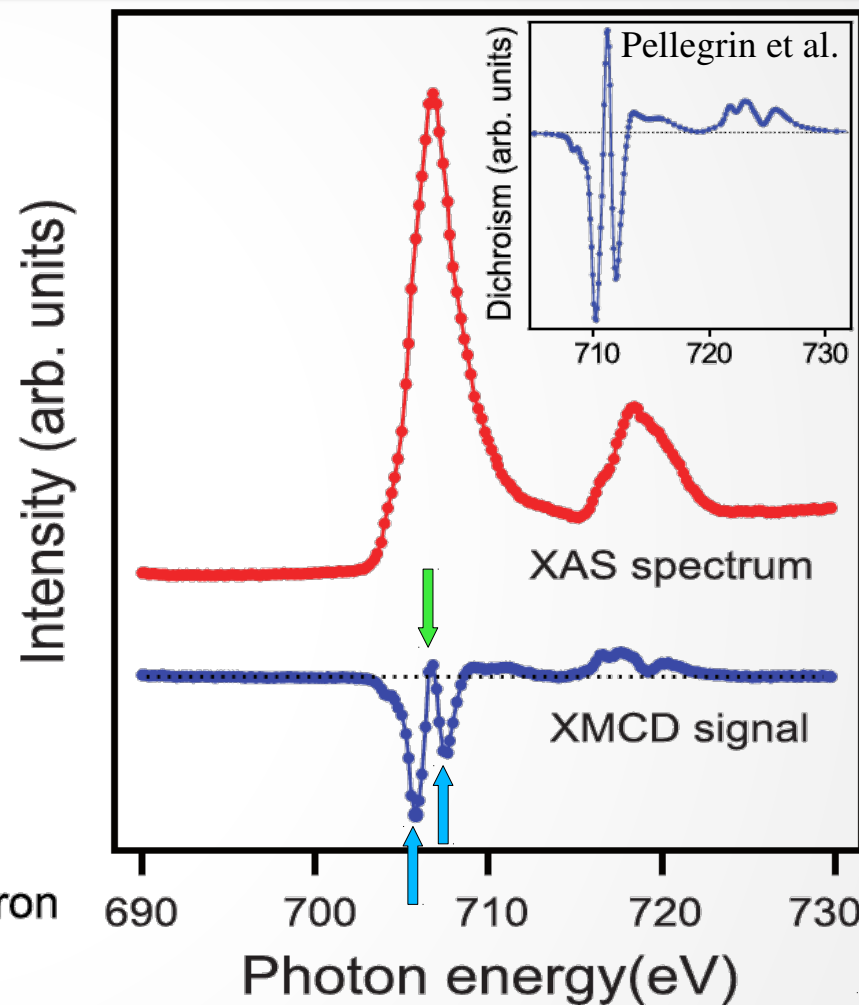
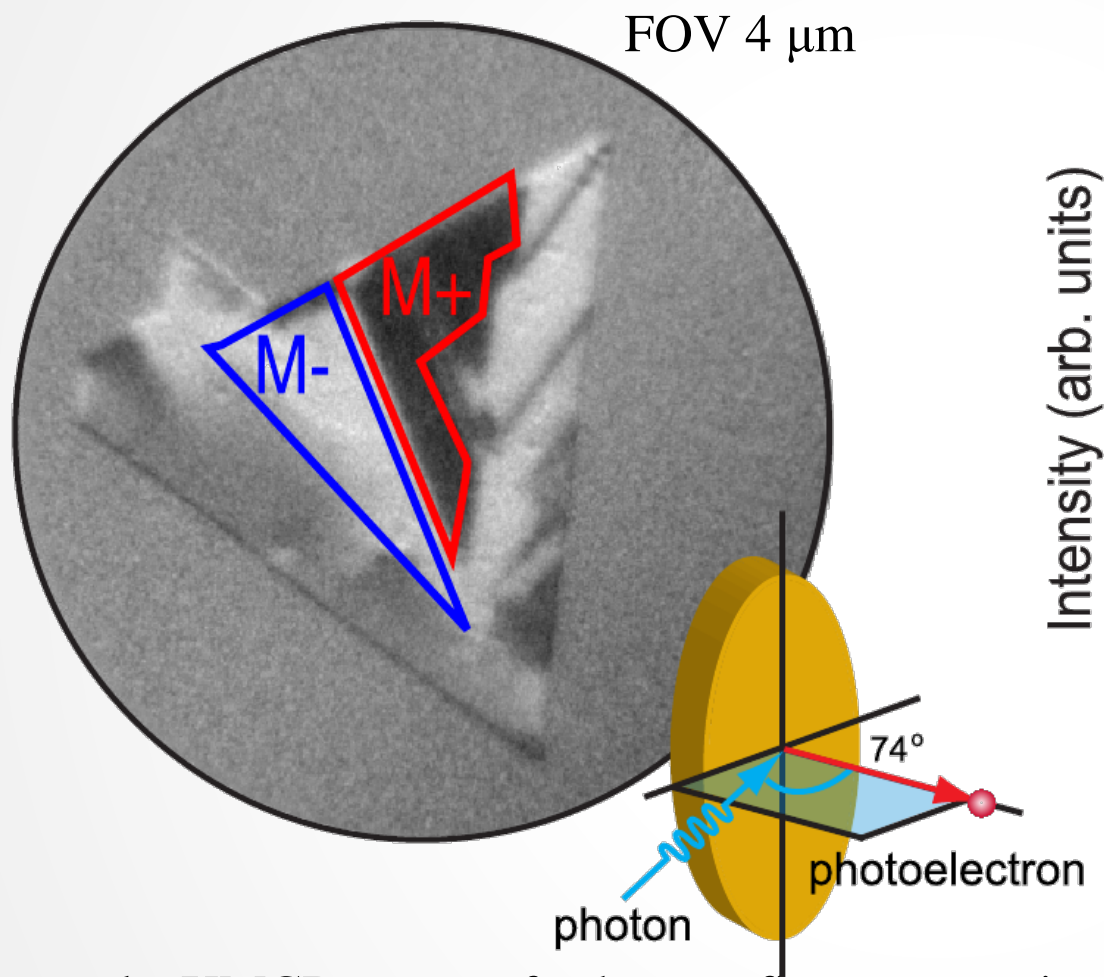
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suggests magnetite has grown **on top of** the
yer (strained by 6% relative to bulk magnetite)

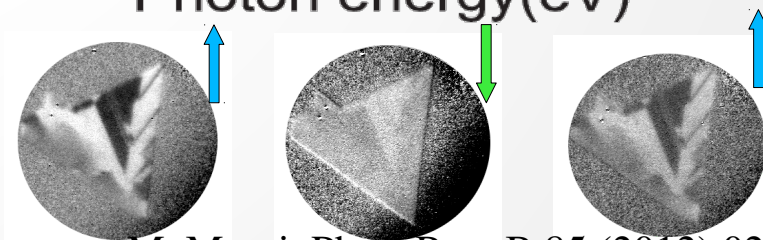


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X-ray magnetic circular dichroism

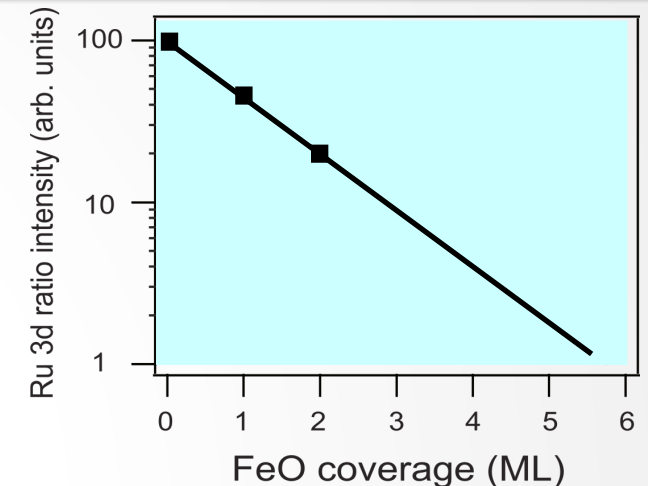
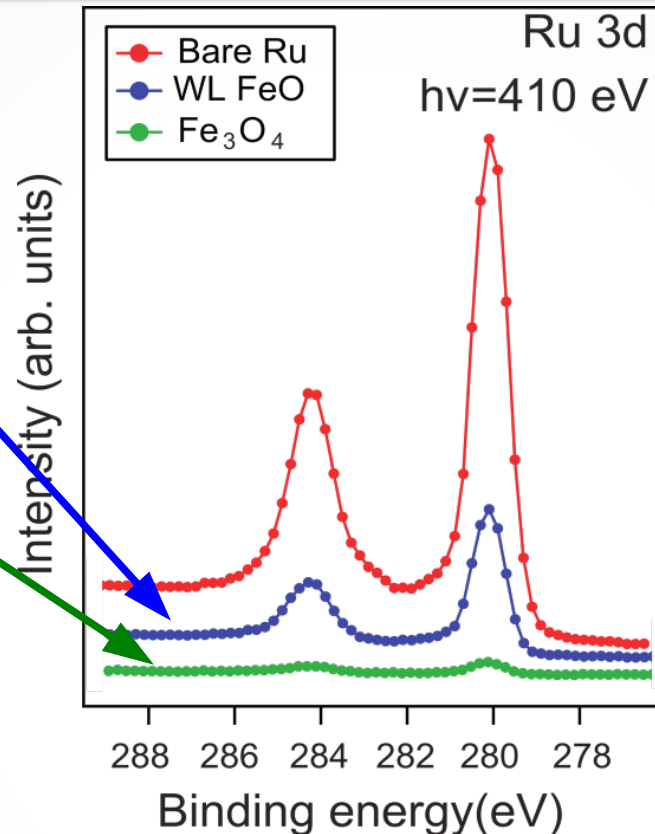
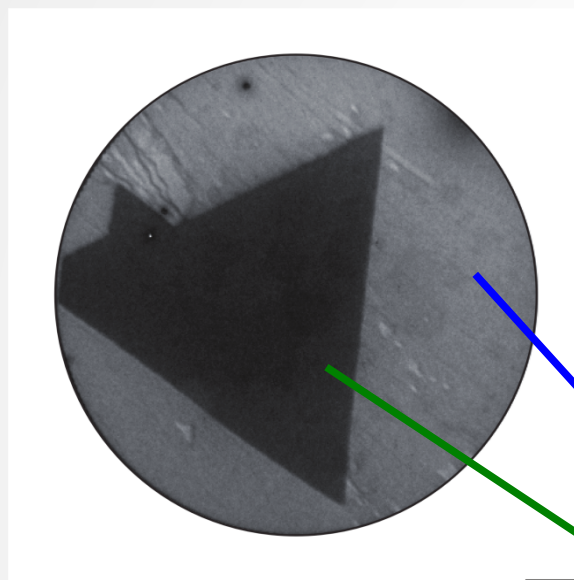


Three peaks XMCD spectra further confirms magnetite. Also it shows antiferromagnetic coupling between iron in octahedral ($\uparrow$) and tetrahedral positions ($\downarrow$) and robust magnetic domains (up to 520 K).



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How to measure the islands thickness?



Magnetite islands are
~3 FeO layers thick

For estimating the thickness we need **an accurate value** of the mean free path of the electrons. But we have it!

**Magnetite island
thickness is 1.0 ± 0.4**

nm

*1 nm thick magnetite
is magnetic*

(SP)LEEM main points

- Time resolution:

- milliseconds in LEEM mode (video taped)
- seconds in SPLEEM mode (can be improved)

LEEM-on-a-flange from E. Bauer at AZU

- Real-space resolution:

- 10 nanometers resolution (2 nm with ab. corr.)
- Typical field of view 3-25 μm
- Atomic steps can be detected, thickness using QSE

- Diffraction data (no energy filtering):

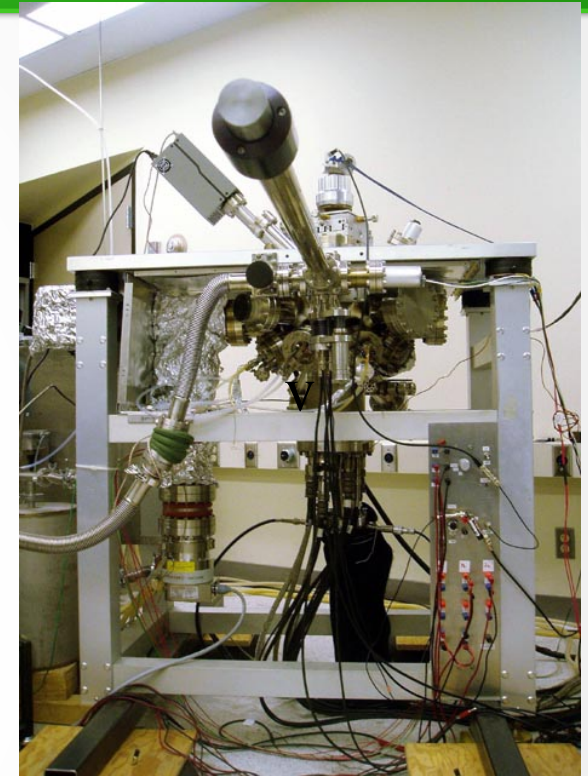
- μLEED ,Nanometer scale LEED (in imaging mode)
- Dark field imaging

- Limitations:

- In-situ UHV technique (not a post-mortem characterization technique)
- Only for flat, (poly or mono)**crystalline**
- Electrons used for imaging: only magnetic fields $\perp$ sample can be applied

- Cost:

- Full commercial systems around $\frac{3}{4}$ M€, a system should be available below 200k€

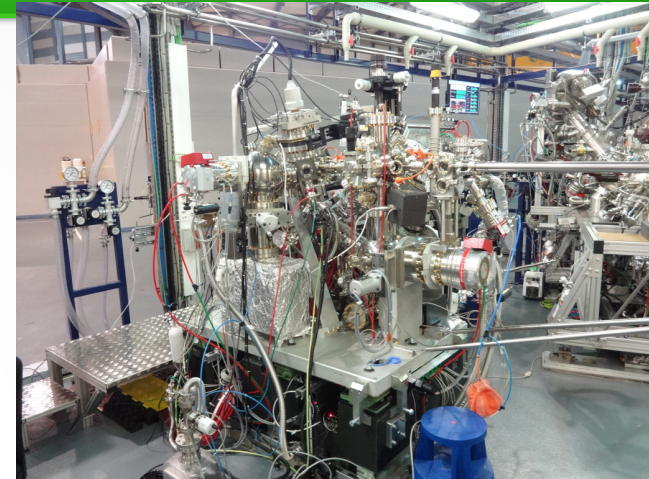


Dynamics

PEEM main points

LEEM/PEEM at Alba, Barcelona

- Advantage over LEEM
 - Good for non crystalline samples, chemical analysis
- Time resolution:
 - 10s minutes (electron energy scan or photon energy scan)
- Real-space resolution:
 - 40 nanometers resolution (10 nm with ab. corr.)
 - Typical field of view 3-25 μm
- Reciprocal space data:
 - Selected area x-ray photoelectron diffraction, ARUPS
 - “Dark field” in band structure
- Limitations:
 - Energy resolution is often less than dedicated non-microscopy instruments
 - Electrons used for imaging: only magnetic fields $\perp$ sample can be applied
 - Need a synchrotron as x-ray source (not strictly true, but still)



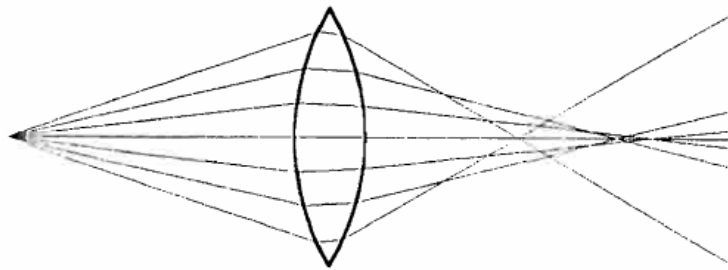
**Spatially resolved
chemical contrast
and identification**

Near future?

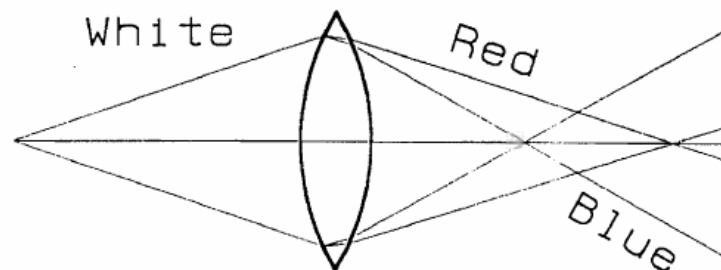
- More instruments, generalization of aberration correction (resolution down to 1 nm)
- Full image spin-analysis
- Cooling down to He
- Motorized sample stages

How to improve resolution

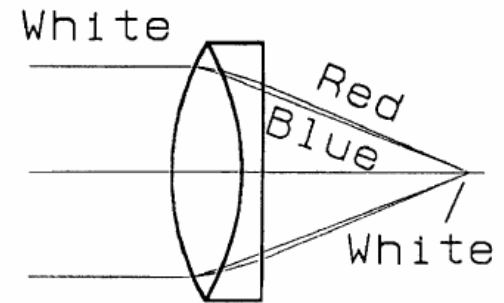
Problem with (electromagnetic or not) lenses:



Spherical aberration

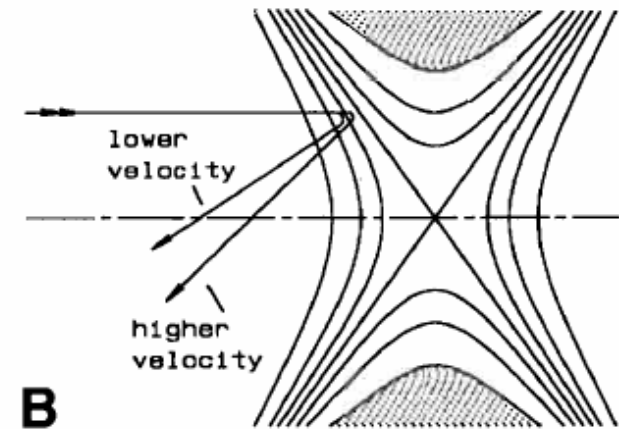
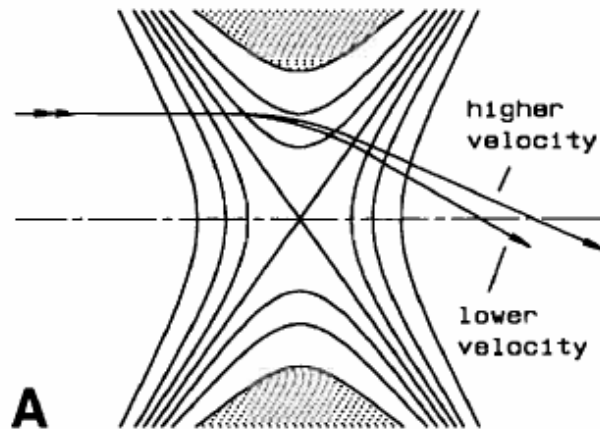


Chromatic aberration



Achromat

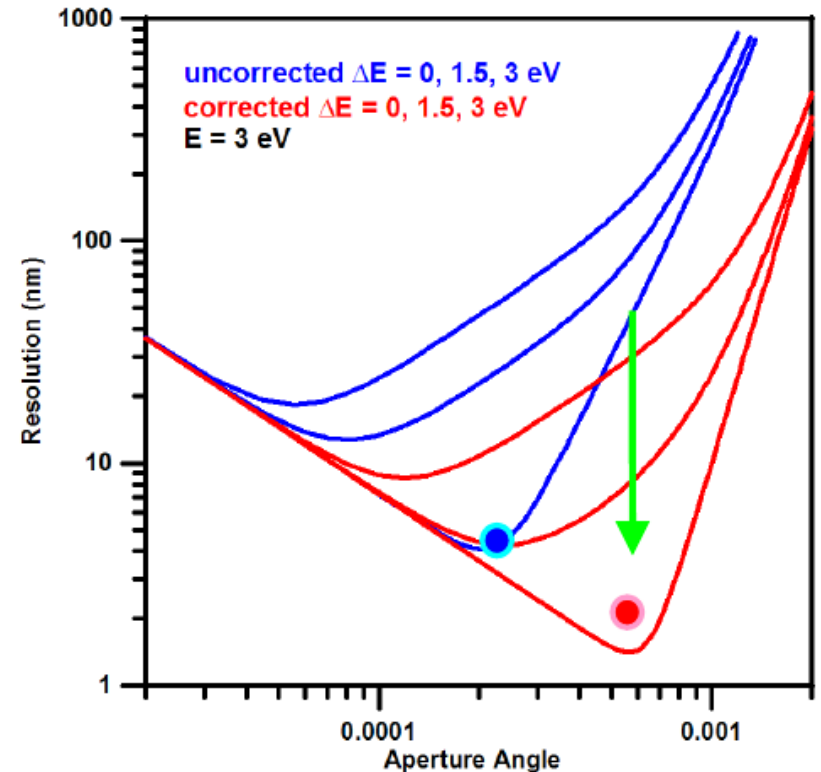
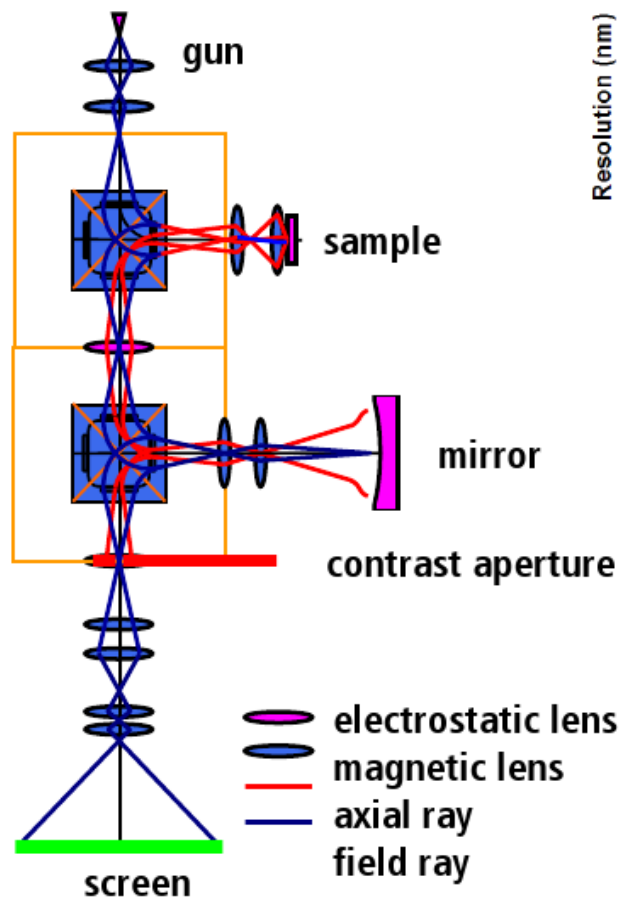
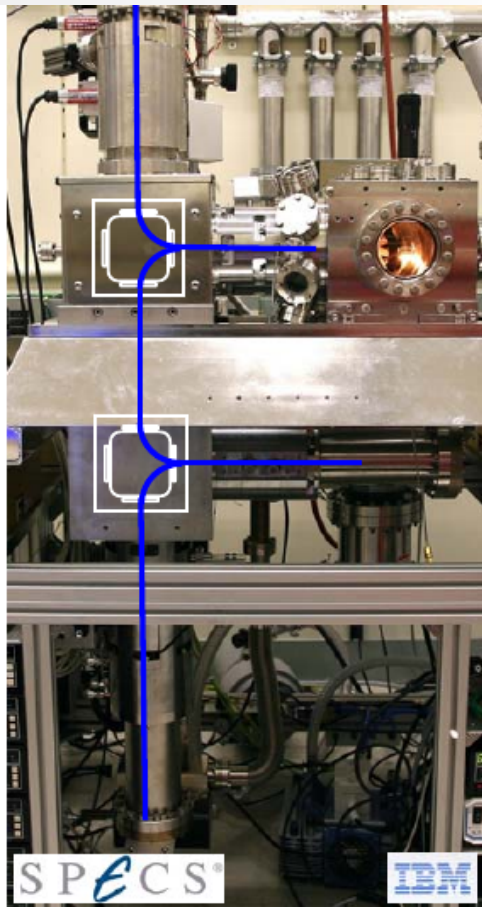
But all simple electromagnetic lenses have the same sign of the aberrations
No way to make an “achromatic” set only with lenses.
Needs other “devices”, ex. Mirrors



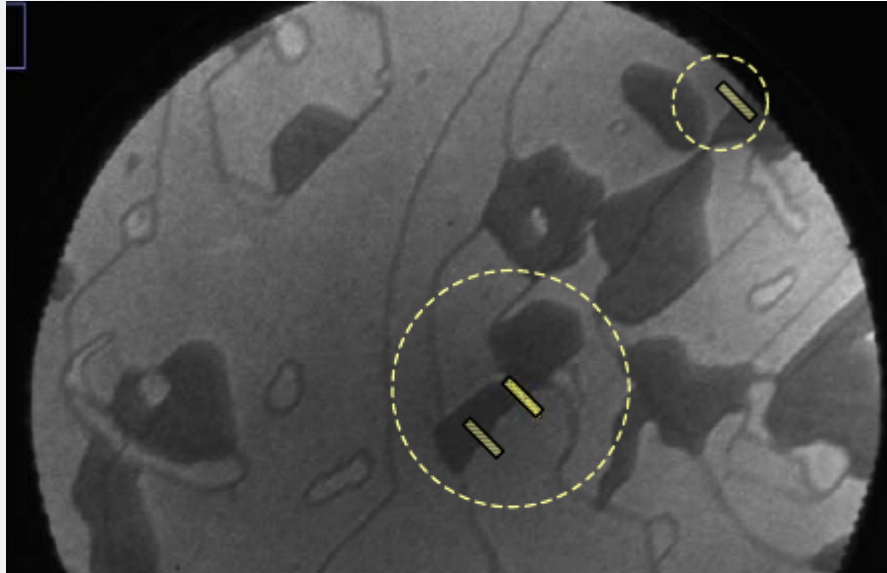
Gertrude Rempfer et al, Microscopyµanalysis 3 (1997) 14

Future (now in LEEM!): aberration correction

(Spherical) aberration correction can be achieved with electron mirrors



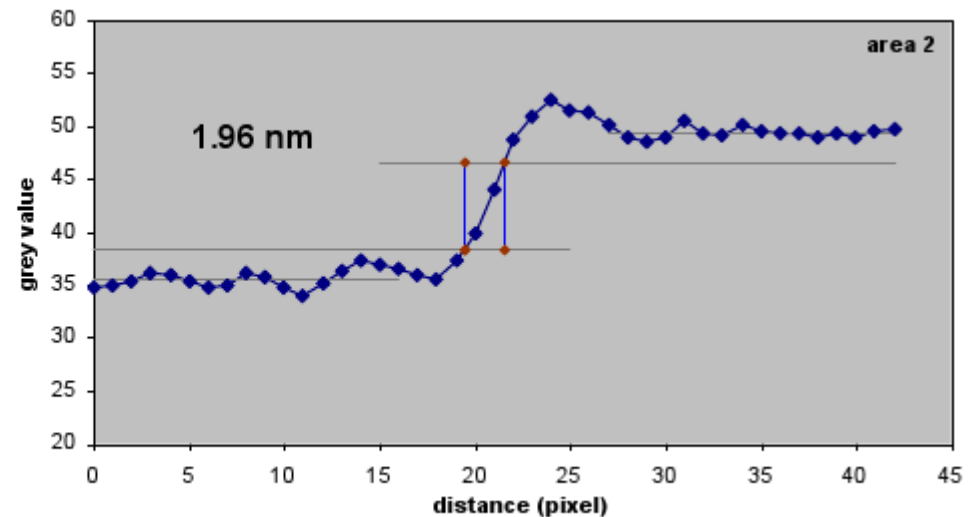
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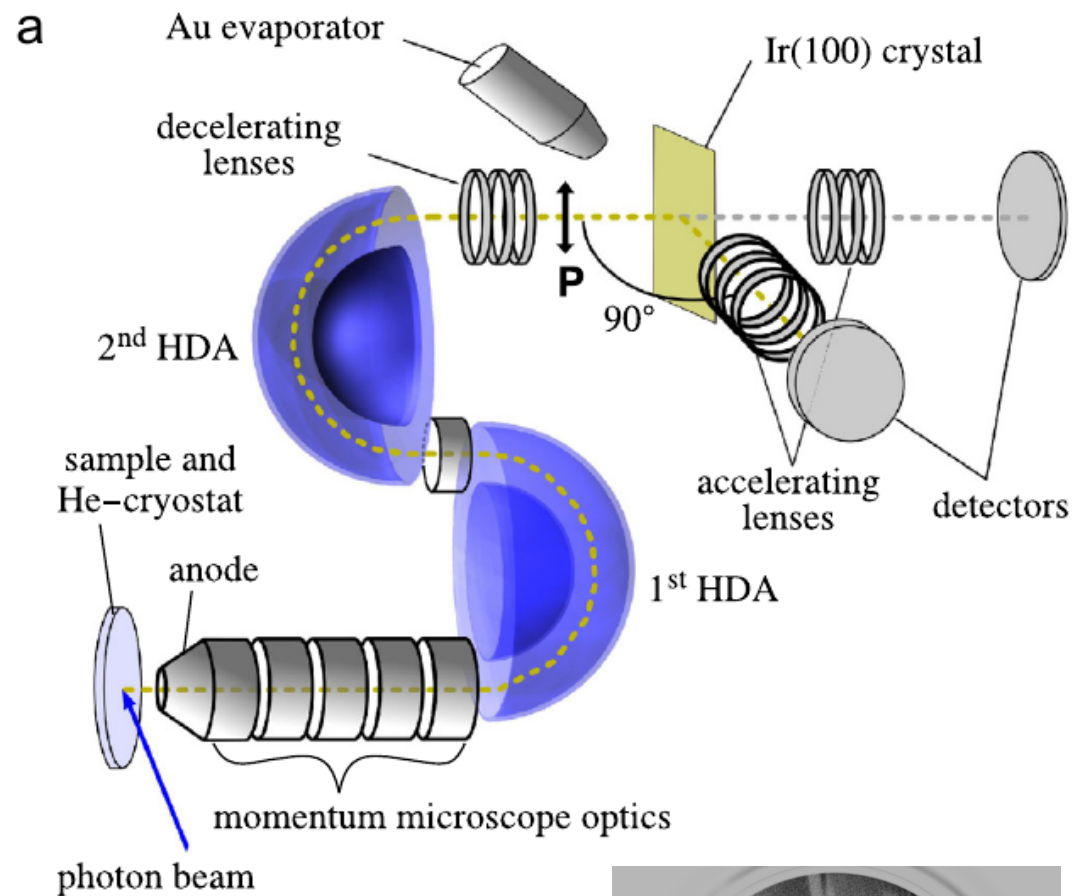
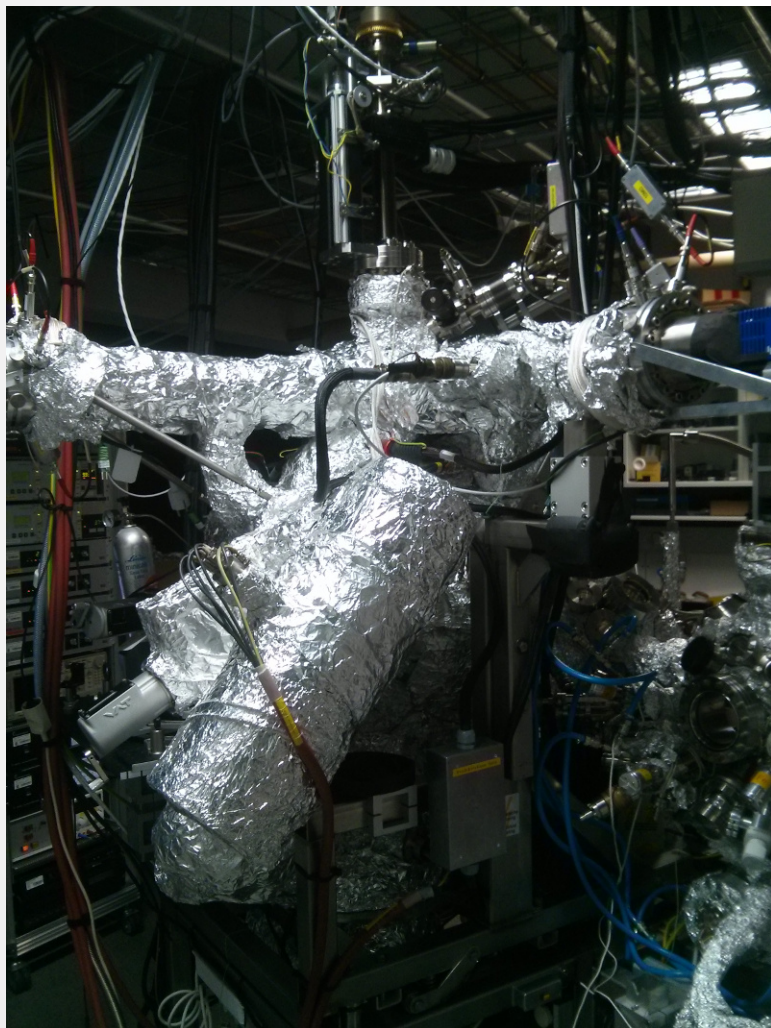
Graphene/SiC **FOV 0.75 μm**

In addition to resolution down to
2 nm, transmission is x6!

This is with a field-emission cold-
cathode



Spin-analysis in PEEM

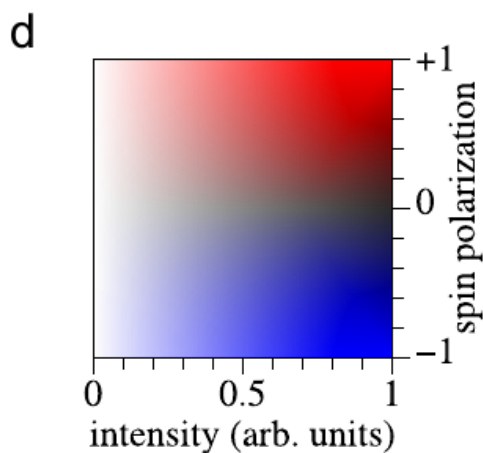
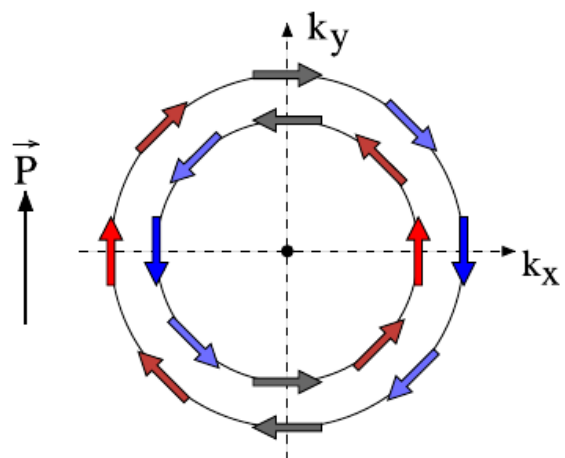
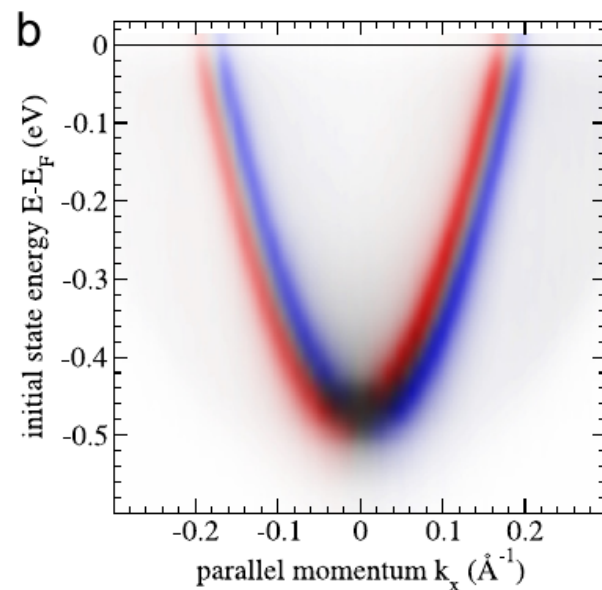
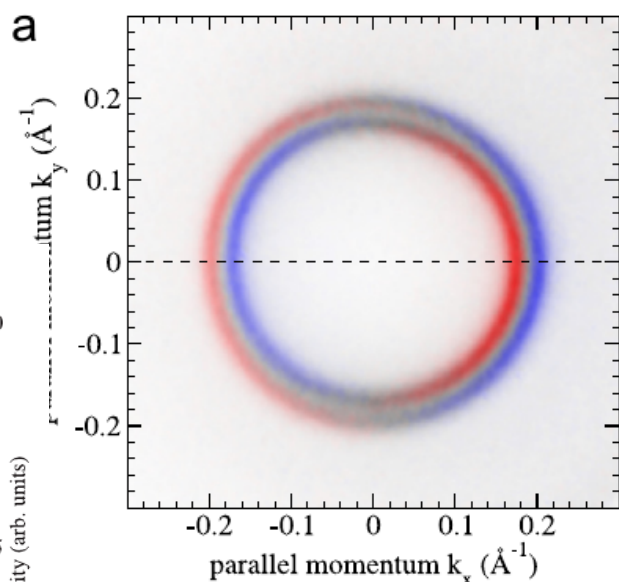
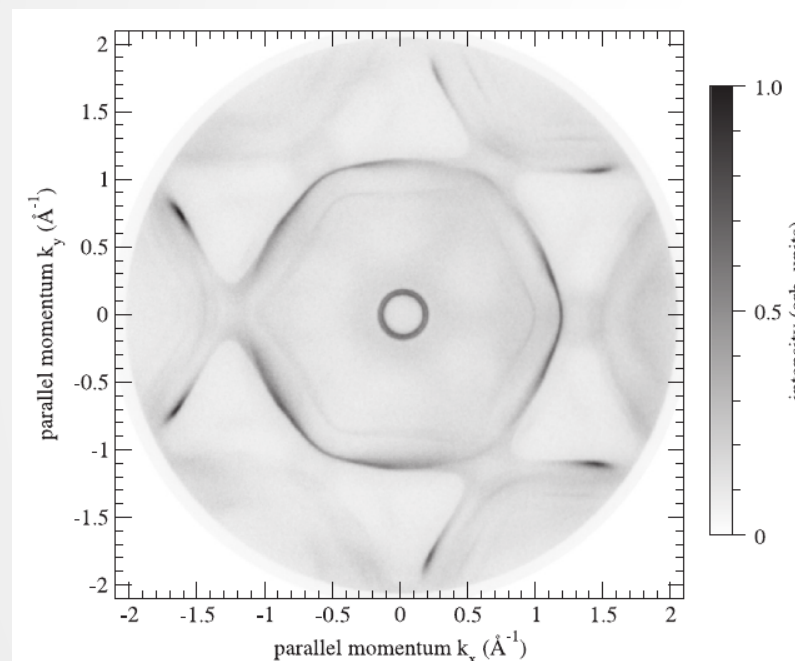


Imaging: domain in Fe₃O₄



Spin-analysis in ARPES

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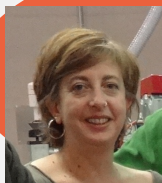
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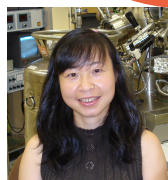
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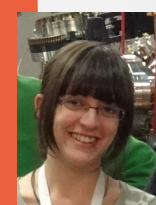
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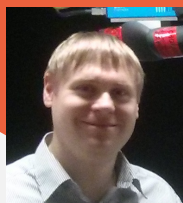
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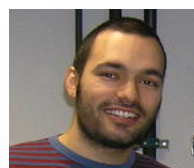
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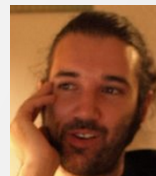


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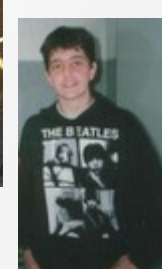
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