Accelerator Based X-ray Science: Beyond the optical microscope

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Synchrotron radiation has revolutionized **Protein Crystallography**



Data from BioSynch.org

Glycoprotein organization of Chikungunya virus particles revealed by X-ray crystallography.

J. E. Voss, M-C Vaney, S. Duquerroy, C. Vonrhein, C. Girard-Blanc, E. Crublet, A. Thompson, G. Bricogne & F. A. Rey (2010) Nature, 2 December. Cover page

Virus endocytocis: Structural modifications of its surface protein core allows fusion with endosome

Replication: formation of p62 (E2 precursor)- E1 heterodimer Processing and formation of mature E2 and E3 Protein core formation by heterotrimer E3-E2-E1

p62/E1 and mature E3/E2/E1 complexes.







E3-E2-E1 Icosaedric arrangement coating the virus membrane

Diamond- 124: *in situ* data collection

- 1. Membrane protein crystal screening
- 2. High-throughput strucuture solution
- 3. Virus crystal data collection
- goniometer can handle many varieties of 96 well plate. Angular range is plate dependent but typically >30°



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Femtosecond x-ray nanocrystallography overcomes limitations of radiation damage

A new paradigm opens up macromolecular structure determination to systems too small or radiation sensitive for synchrotron studies, and may save years of effort in crystallization trials



Single-shot diffraction patterns are recorded with 70 fs pulses. Coherent diffraction shows the crystal size is sub-micron (top left) and that the crystal has a perfect lattice. Individual shots are oriented in 3D and combined to build up the full information content of the underlying macromolecule (top right). This first demonstration was carried out at 2 keV photon energy, limiting the resolution to about 9 Å. (This will be improved with the dedicated CXI instrument.) The quality of the data are demonstrated by carrying out molecular replacement refinement (right). Structural details such as helices can be observed.





- The ultrafast LCLS x-ray pulses allow us to record "diffraction before destruction" where information is obtained before the onset of structural damage.
- Diffraction can be measured from submicron crystals containing less than a thousand molecules.
- Demonstrated using Photosystem I, a membrane protein, key to photosynthesis, that is extremely difficult to grow into large crystals.
- 30 single-crystal patterns per second were recorded from a liquid stream carrying a suspension of nanocrystals.
 15,000 of these were indexed and combined into a full diffraction pattern which was analyzed with standard tools.
- Data are collected at room temperature. No cryogenic cooling or stabilization required.

Linac Coherent Light Source

H.N. Chapman et al., Nature 470, 73 (2011)







Hard X-Ray Nanoprobe and Scanning Microscopy

Highest resolution:

- ♀ diffraction limited imaging of source onto sample
- $\ensuremath{{}^{\odot}}$ flux on sample given by coherent flux F_c and efficiency T of optic





X-ray Optics

external total reflection

- ♀ capillaries

diffraction:

refraction:

✓ refractive lenses (43nm)





Breaking the 10 nm barrier in hard-X-ray focusing

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Focusing mirror



Nature Physics, 6,122 (2009)

Experimental Achievement at APS





Scanning Coherent X-Ray Diffraction Imaging: Ptychography

- Sample is raster scanned through confined beam
- At each position of scan: diffraction pattern is recorded
- ♀ Overlap in illumination between adjacent points



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Scanning Microscopy: Fluorescence Imaging



Ta Ka fluorescence



E = 15.25 keV 50 x 50 steps of 40 x 40 nm^2 $2 x 2 \mu m^2 FOV$ exposure: 1.5 s per point

50 nm lines and spaces

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Scanning Microscopy: Ptychography



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PETRA III: towards extremely small photon beams



0.02 1/A

Frauenhofer diffraction in 5m distance

→ Spatially resolved studies in the 10nm range with hard X-rays will be possible

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Reconstructed focus after the crossed waveguides:

→ 9.7 x 9.5 nm² spot size achieved at 15 keV



PETRA III: Nano-XRF on Poplar leaves





Science at the ESRF

XRF *nano*-imaging of Co-implanted ZnO *nano*-wires (NWs)



<u>Samples:</u> CVD growth using VLS mechanism, dispersed on p-Si (100) substrates



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Science at the ESRF

XRF nano-imaging of Co-implanted ZnO nanowires (NWs)

nano-XAS on an individual NW





Coherent Diffractive Imaging

coherent diffractive imaging in standard user operation

• Sample: bone,

M. Dierolf et al., Nature 467 (2010) 436

highly resolving

- voxel size (65nm)³
- resolution in 3D ~100nm
 in 2D ~ 20nm

quantitative results

- uncertainty within voxel is 0.04 e⁻/Å⁻³
- significantly higher sensitivity for larger volumes, e.g.,
 <0.002 e⁻/Å⁻³ for 1µm³





NSRRC is constructing the Taiwan Photon Source

to be completed in 2013





BOOSTE

<u>ALBA a 3rd generation SL source with</u> <u>Storage Ring parameters:</u>

Emittance of 4.3 nm.rad; E=3.0 GeV; I = 400 mA; C = 268.8 m; 4 straight sections (SS) of ca. 8 m; 12 SS of ca. 4.3 m; 8 SS of ca 2.58 m, and; 32 BM. Capacity for 33 beam-lines, currently 7 are funded (4 are X-ray beam-lines).

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Resolution Limit of Coherent Imaging Techniques

Diffraction pattern of freeze dried yeast cell:



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Single mimivirus particles intercepted and imaged with an X-ray laser

Beyond crystallography: A new world in structural sciences



- A very short and extremely bright coherent X-ray pulse can be used to outrun key damage processes and obtain a single diffraction pattern from a large macromolecule, a virus, or a cell without the need for crystalline periodicity.
- Mimivirus is the largest known virus, comparable in size to a small living cell. It is too big for structure determination by electron microscopy and it cannot be crystallised.
- •The structure of the intact virus was recovered from the flash diffraction pattern alone.
- There was no measurable sample deterioration.
- •Death-rays: We expect high-resolution structures in such experiments with shorter and brighter photon pulses focused to a smaller area.
- •Resolution can be further extended by averaging for samples available in multiple identical copies.

M.M. Seibert, T. Ekeberg, F.R.N.C Maia et al., Nature 470, 78-81 (2011)



High brilliance: High flux per phase space volume



Ideal for nanobeams

Small Source: small geometric image (diffraction limited focusing)

Small Divergence: optic captures large fraction of emitted radiation

X-ray FEL Parameters – Now and Future

(C. Pellegrini et al., summary of FEL workshops.)

Parameter	Now	Future	
Photon energy, keV	Up to 10	Up to 100	
Pulse repetition rate, Hz	≤ 120	10 ² - 10 ⁶	
Pulse duration, fs	~2-300	<1-1000	
Coherence, transverse	diffraction limited	diffraction limited	
Coherence, longitudinal	not transform limited	transform limited	
Coherent photons/pulse	$2x10^{12}$ - $3x10^{13}$	10 ⁹ - 10 ¹⁴	S
Peak brightness, ph/s mm ² mrad ² 0.1% bandwidth	10 ³³	10 ³⁰ -10 ³⁴	(
Average Brightness, ph/s mm ² mrad ² 0.1% bandwidth	4x10 ²²	10 ¹⁸ - 10²⁷	
Polarization	linear	variable, linear to circular	

red: parameter space to be developed



- Accelerator based x-ray sources have revolutionized protein crystallography: smaller and smaller crystals
- Real space 'imaging' limited by x-ray optics: approaching 10 nm
- Limits to diffractive imaging of single objects: dose x10 in resolution requires x10,000 in dose
- New sources bring new science and they require new x-ray technologies: Optics, detectors, analysis...

