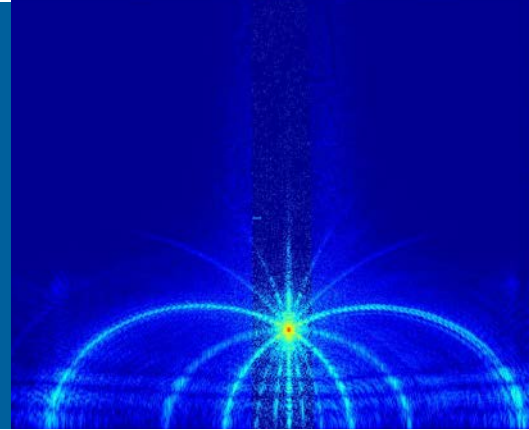


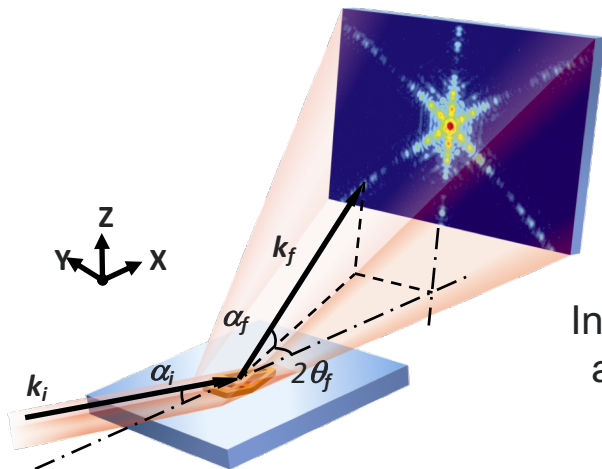
# Grid-Based Distorted Born Approximation: A Dynamical Scattering Model for Coherent Surface Scattering Imaging



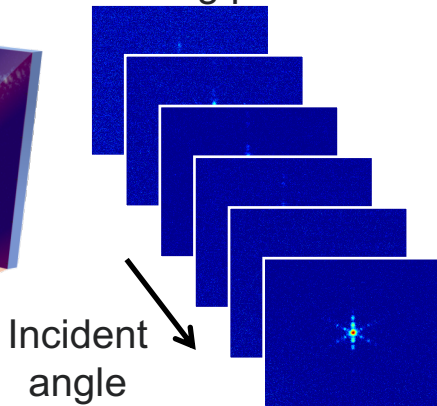
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# Coherent Surface Scattering Imaging (CSSI)

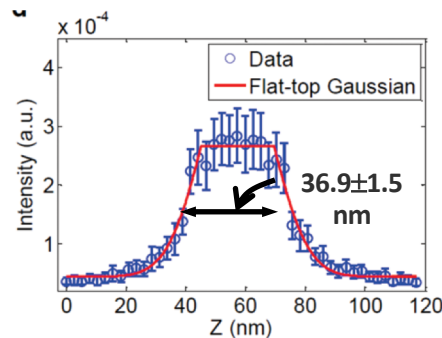
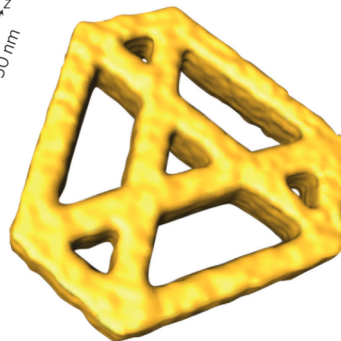
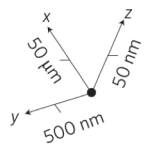
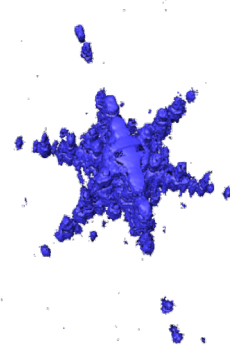
Experiment geometry



2D scattering patterns



3D scattering data



$$q_x = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\cos(\alpha_f) \cos(2\theta_f) - \cos(\alpha_i))$$

$$q_y = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cos(\alpha_f) \sin(2\theta_f)$$

$$q_z = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\sin(\alpha_i) + \sin(\alpha_f))$$

**Beamline: 8-ID-E at the APS**

**Beam energy: 7.35 keV**

**Beam size: 15 x 15  $\mu\text{m}^2$**

**Flux:  $\sim 10^9$  photons/sec**

**Sample-to-detector: 0.7 m**

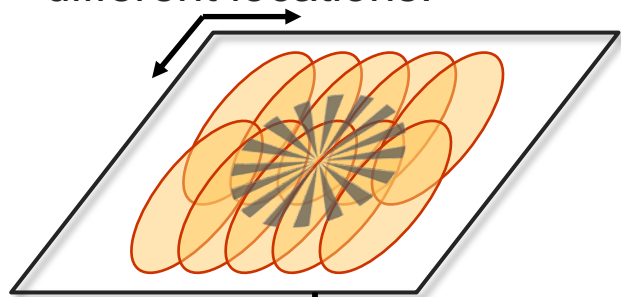
**Detector: Scintillator + Coolsnap HQ<sup>2</sup>**

**5x lens (pixel dimension  $\sim 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ )**

**Incident angles: 0.35 $\sim$ 0.9 $^\circ$**

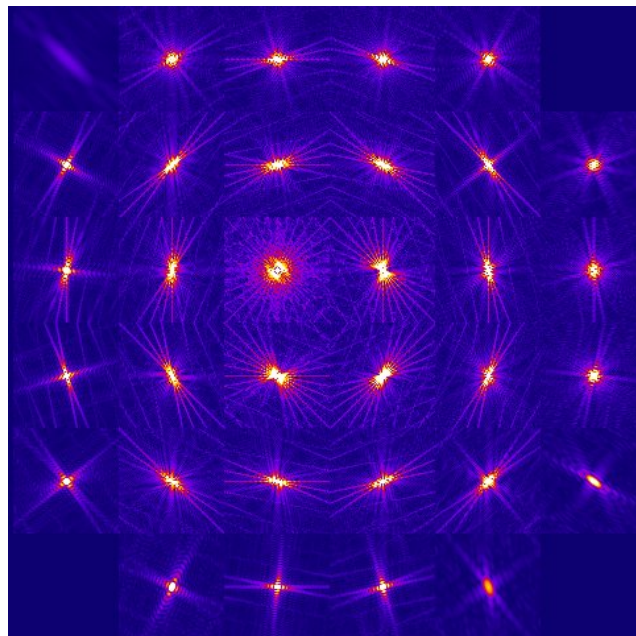
# Probe extended objects with Ptychography

Translational scan the sample with a fixed beam; collect the scattering pattern at different locations.



**Sample**

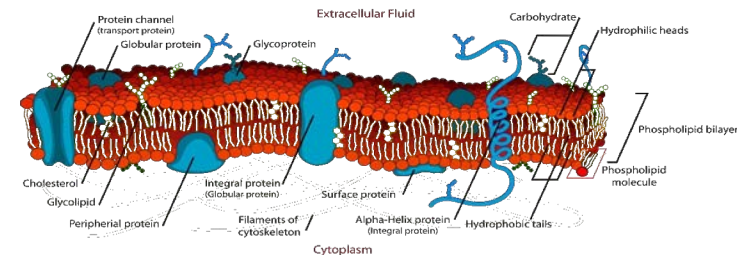
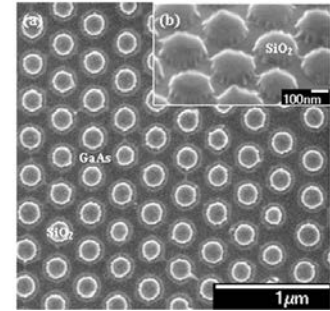
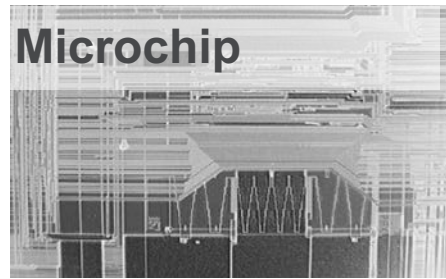
**Probe**



- Robust, relaxed constraint on the support and beam profile
- Combine with azimuthal rotation to achieve large area high-resolution (both x & y) imaging

# CSSI features

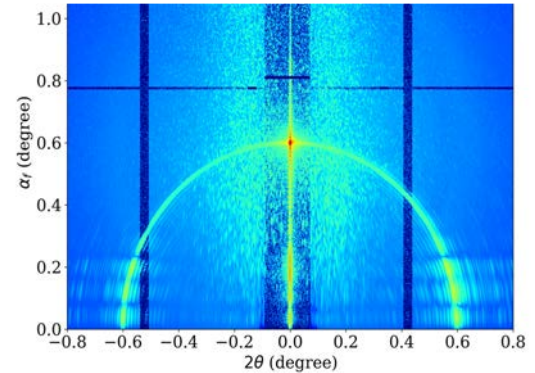
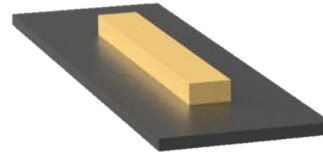
- ❖ Surface sensitive and depth-resolved
- ❖ Enhanced scattering at grazing incident angle.
- ❖ Large detection area
- ❖ No beam-stop: low-q accessibility
- ❖ High resolution:
  - x, y: ~5nm (through azimuthal rotation)
  - z: < 5nm
- ❖ A featured beamline of CSSI will be constructed for the APS-U.
  - APS upgrade to increase the coherent flux by 2-3 orders.
  - HPC resources from the Argonne Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF).
  - Many interesting science cases to be visited.
  - **30 Postdoc positions are available immediately; Contact Dr. Zhang Jiang ([zjiang@anl.gov](mailto:zjiang@anl.gov))**



# Dynamical Scattering for surface scattering geometry

- Photons can be scattered more than once.
- Contains information about the sample
- Currently crop out during analysis.
- Require dynamical scattering theory beyond the Born approximation.

- Gold bar on silicon surface
- $70\mu\text{m} \times 4\mu\text{m} \times 50\text{nm}$
- Eiger 4M detector at 5m



- Path
  - direct solve the Maxwell's equations (Finite difference time domain etc)
  - **direct solve the scalar wave equation**

# Helmholtz equation for scalar fields

X-ray propagation in medium can be simplified to the Helmholtz equation:

$$(\nabla^2 + k_0^2)\psi(\mathbf{r}) = U(\mathbf{r})\psi(\mathbf{r}), \quad k_0 = 2\pi/\lambda \quad (1)$$

$$U(\mathbf{r}) = k_0^2(1 - n(\mathbf{r})^2) \approx 4\pi\rho(\mathbf{r}) \quad (2)$$

$n(\mathbf{r})$  is the refractive index,  $n(\mathbf{r}) = 1 - \delta(\mathbf{r}) + i\beta(\mathbf{r}) = 1 - \frac{\lambda^2 r_e \rho(\mathbf{r})}{2\pi}$ . The solution can be expressed in a Green's function integral (known as the Lippmann-Schwinger equation):

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \phi(\mathbf{r}) + \int G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') U(\mathbf{r}') \psi(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r}' \quad (3)$$

in which  $\phi(\mathbf{r})$ ,  $G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$  are solutions to

$$(\nabla^2 + k^2)[\phi(\mathbf{r}), G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')] = [0, \delta^d(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')] \quad (4)$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}, \quad G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \frac{-1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{ik|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} \quad (5)$$

# Born Series and Born Approximation

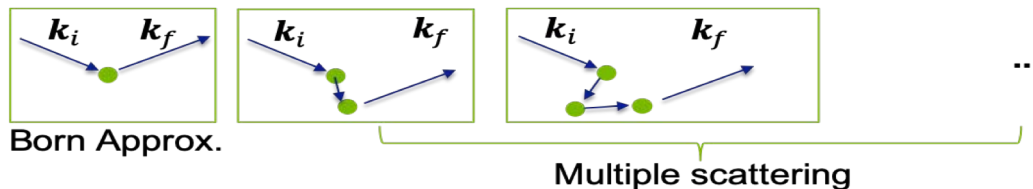
The differential cross section between two states  $\mathbf{k}_i$  and  $\mathbf{k}_f$  can be reduced to

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 |\langle \phi_{\mathbf{k}_1}(\mathbf{r}) | \rho(\mathbf{r}) | \psi_{\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle|^2 \quad (6)$$

Solve Eq 3. self-consistently:

$$|\psi_{\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r})\rangle = |\phi_{\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r})\rangle + \hat{G}_0 \hat{U} |\phi_{\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r})\rangle + \hat{G}_0 \hat{U} \hat{G}_0 \hat{U} |\phi_{\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r})\rangle + \dots \quad (7)$$

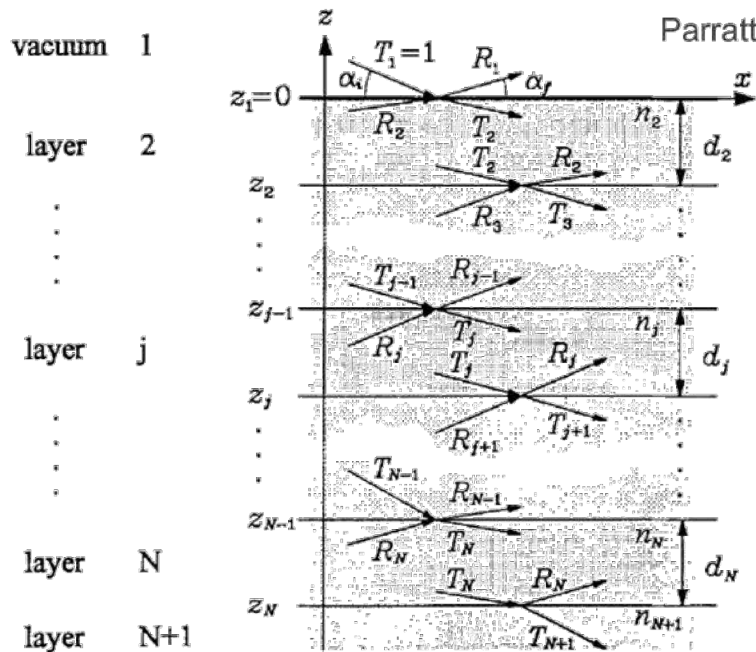
Born approximation



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 |\langle e^{i\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r}} | \rho(\mathbf{r}) | e^{i\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r}} \rangle|^2 = r_e^2 \left| \iiint \rho(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \quad (8)$$

- ▶ In Born approximation, photons are scattered only once.
- ▶ Works for most weak scattering cases.

# Distorted Wave Born Approximation on a layered structure



- ▶ Each layer has its own transmission and reflection, which distort the plane wave.

$$\psi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = e^{-i\mathbf{k}_{xy} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{xy}} (T_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} + R_j e^{+ik_{z,j}z})$$

- ▶  $T_0 = 1$  and  $R_{N+1} = 0$
- ▶ Fresnel's equation is applied so that the boundary conditions are satisfied.
- ▶ This theory explains the total external reflection, and how X-ray mirrors work.

Figure: Ref: M. Tolan, X-Ray Scattering from Soft-Matter Thin Films (Springer, Berlin, 1999)



# DWBA theory for Diffuse Surface Scattering by Sinha et al.

The sample is sliced into  $N$  layers; the electron density variation in each slice is minimized.

$$\bar{\rho}_j = \iint_S \rho(\mathbf{r}_{xy}, z_j) d\mathbf{r}_{xy} / S \quad \delta\rho_j(\mathbf{r}) = \rho(\mathbf{r}) - \bar{\rho}_j \quad (9)$$

state 1: source  $\rightarrow$  sample  $\mathbf{k}^1 = (\mathbf{k}_{xy}^1, k_z^1)$  (10)

state 2: sample  $\rightarrow$  detector (single pixel)  $\mathbf{k}^2 = (\mathbf{k}_{xy}^2, k_z^2)$  (11)

$$|\psi_{j,\mathbf{k}_1}(\mathbf{r})\rangle = e^{-i\mathbf{k}_{xy}^1 \cdot \mathbf{r}_{xy}} (T_j e^{-ik_{z,j}^1 z} + R_j e^{+ik_{z,j}^1 z}) \quad (12)$$

$$|\tilde{\psi}_{j,\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r})\rangle = e^{i\mathbf{k}_{xy}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}_{xy}} (T_j e^{-ik_{z,j}^2 z} + R_j e^{+ik_{z,j}^2 z})^* \quad (13)$$

The total diffuse scattering cross section between the two states is:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sum_{j=0}^N \left| \langle \tilde{\psi}_{j,\mathbf{k}_2}(\mathbf{r}) | \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}) | \psi_{j,\mathbf{k}_1}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \right|^2 = r_e^2 \left| \sum_{m=1}^{m=4} \sum_{j=0}^N \int e^{-iq_{j,z}^m z} \iint D_j^m \delta\rho_j(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{q}_{j,xy}^m \cdot \mathbf{r}_{xy}} d\mathbf{r}_{xy} \right|^2$$

# DWBA-Theory

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 \left| \sum_{m=1}^4 \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \iint D_j^m \delta\rho_j e^{-iq_j^m \cdot r} dr \right|^2 = r_e^2 \left| \sum_{m=1}^4 \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \int e^{-iq_{j,z}^m z} \iint D_j^m \delta\rho_j e^{-iq_{j,xy}^m \cdot r_{xy}} dx dy \right|^2$$

$D_j^1 = T_2^j T_1^j,$   
 $q_j^1 = k_j^2 - k_j^1$

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Born approximation

$D_j^2 = R_2^j T_1^j,$   
 $q_j^2 = k_i^{2'} - k_i^1$

2

$D_j^3 = T_2^j R_1^j,$   
 $q_j^3 = k_j^2 - k_j^{1'}$

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$D_j^4 = R_2^j R_1^j,$   
 $q_j^4 = k_j^{2'} - k_j^{1'}$

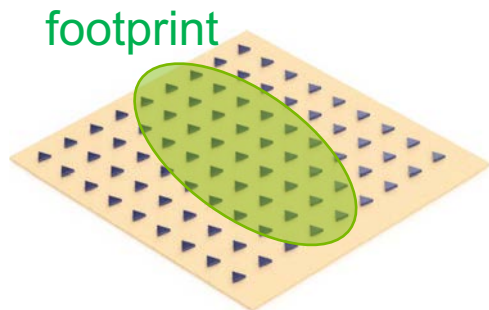
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- DWBA takes the dynamical scattering effect in each layer into account, making the quantitative analysis of near- $\alpha_c$  scattering effect possible.
  - Eg. Reflectivity and Grazing incidence scattering.
- However, the DWBA theory requires the averaging of in-plane electron density:

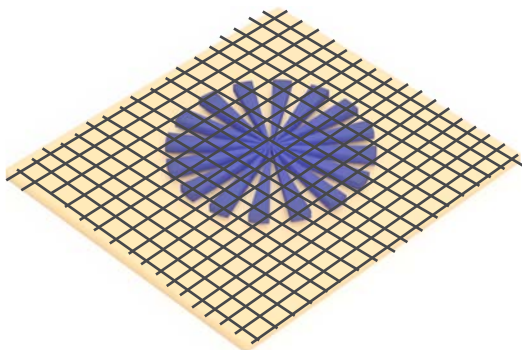
$$\bar{\rho}^j = \frac{\iint \rho^j(x,y) dx dy}{\iint dx dy}, \quad \delta\rho^j(x,y) = \rho^j(x,y) - \bar{\rho}^j$$

- This averaging breaks down when the sample is highly heterogeneous on mesoscale.

# Grid-DWBA



Beam footprint



## DWBA :

- One dimensional Electric field intensity modulation
- $\rho(z_n) = \frac{\iint \rho(x,y,z_n) dx dy}{\iint dx dy}$
- Works for weak perturbation

## Grid-based DWBA:

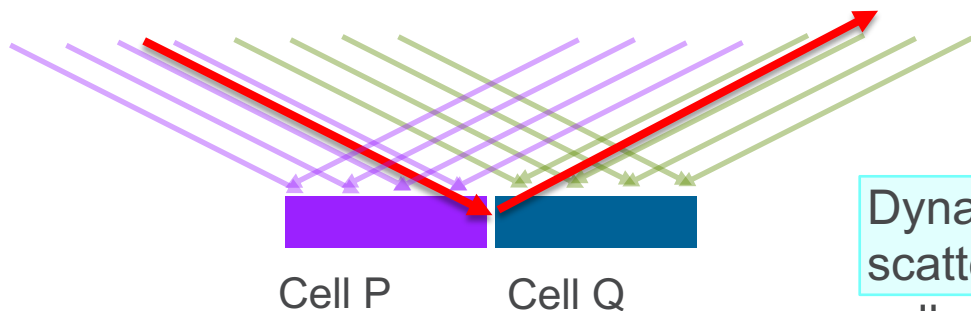
- Three dimensional electric field intensity modulation
- Divide the whole sample area into  $(M_x, M_y)$  small (and thus more uniform) cells
- For the  $(i, j)$  <sup>th</sup> cell, centered at  $(x_{ij}, y_{ij})$ 
  - $\rho_{ij}(z_n) = \frac{\iint \rho(x,y,z_n) dx dy}{\iint dx dy}$
- Calculate the EFI for each cell from  $\rho_{ij}(z_n)$
- Calculate the diffuse scattering field in each cell and between nearby cells, add them with phase
- $I(\alpha_f, 2\theta) = |\sum_{i=0}^{M_x-1} \sum_{j=0}^{M_y-1} A_{ij} e^{i\phi_{ij}} + \sum_{Nearby} A_{ij \rightarrow i'j'} e^{i\phi_{ij}}|^2$

In-cells

between cells

## Example with only two cells

- The dynamical scattering from one cell can be scattered again by a nearby cell.



$$I = |A_P + A_Q + A_{PQ}|^2$$

Dynamical scattering in each cell

Dynamical scattering between nearby cells

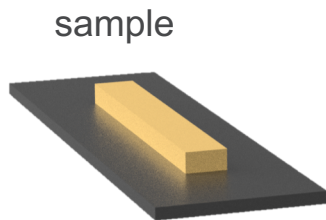
$$A_P = r_e^2 \left| \sum_{m=1}^4 \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \iint D_{j,P}^m \delta\rho_j e^{-iq_j^m \cdot r} dr \right|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{j,P}^1 &= T_{2,P}^j T_{1,P}^j, & D_{j,P}^2 &= R_{2,P}^j T_{1,P}^j \\ D_{j,P}^3 &= T_{2,P}^j R_{1,P}^j, & D_{j,P}^4 &= R_{2,P}^j R_{1,P}^j \end{aligned}$$

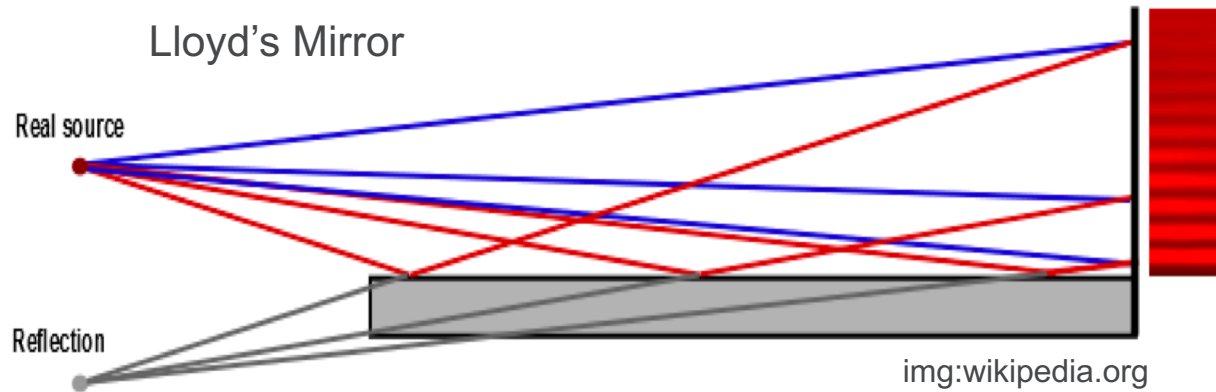
$$A_{PQ} = r_e^2 \left| \sum_{m=1}^4 \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \iint D_{j,PQ}^m \delta\rho_j e^{-iq_j^m \cdot r} dr \right|^2$$

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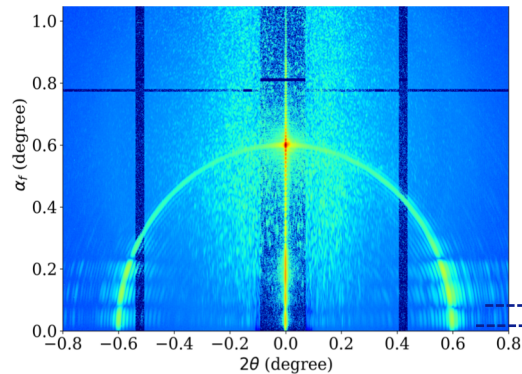
# Comparison between experiments and Grid-DWBA simulation



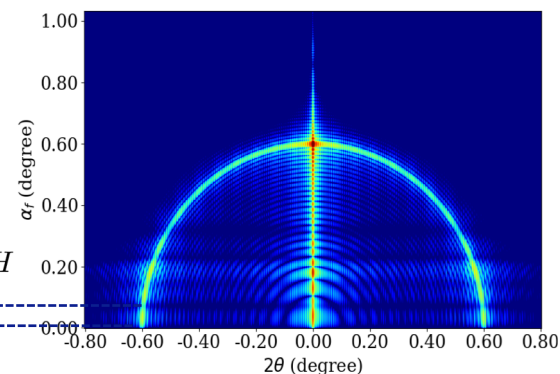
- Gold bar on silicon surface
- $70\mu\text{m} \times 4\mu\text{m} \times 50\text{nm}$
- Eiger 4M detector at 5m



Experiment @ Petra III, 8keV



Grid - DWBA



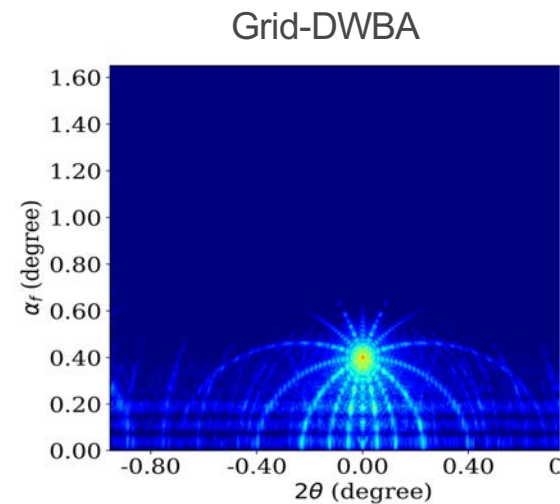
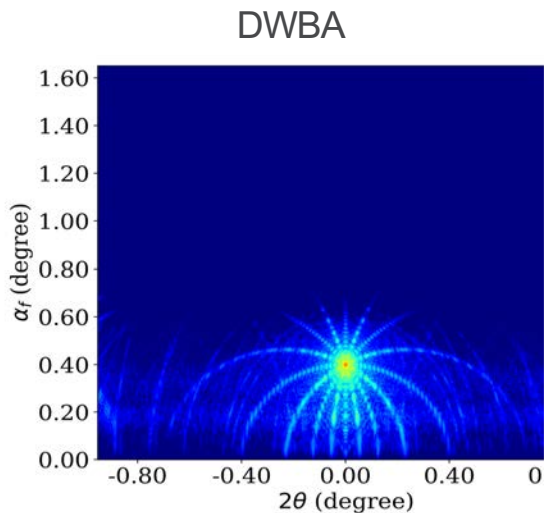
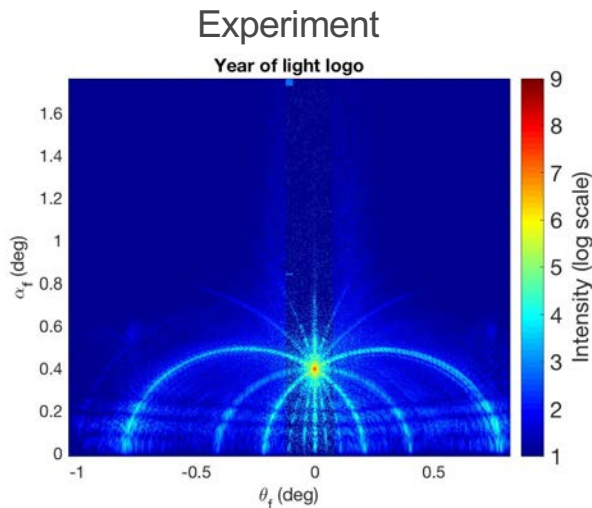
$$\frac{2\pi}{\Delta q_z} = 2H$$

# Comparison between experiment and Grid-DWBA simulation

- Experiment performed at PetralIII
- 8.0keV, Eiger 4M @ 5.0m,  $\alpha_i = 0.4 \text{ deg}$



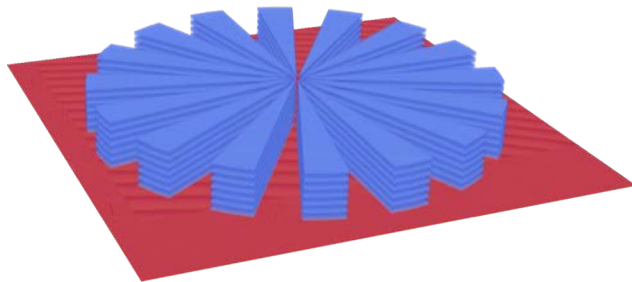
3.5  $\mu\text{m}$  x 350  $\mu\text{m}$  x 50 nm (H)  
Gold pattern on silicon



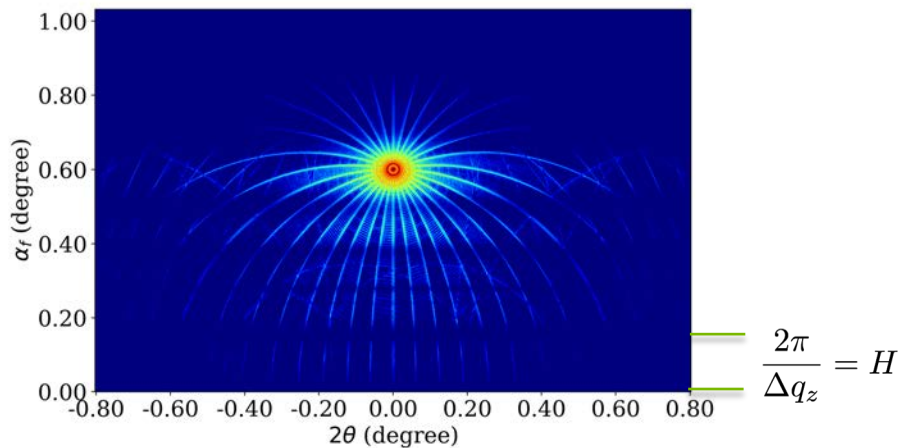
# Case Study

- incident angle of 0.6 degree, 8 keV
- Effective scattering volume =  $EE^*\rho(x,y)$

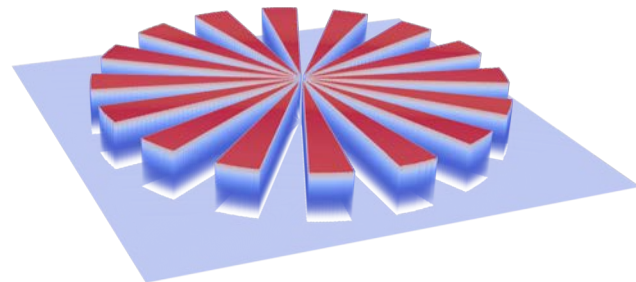
## A silicon star on gold substrate



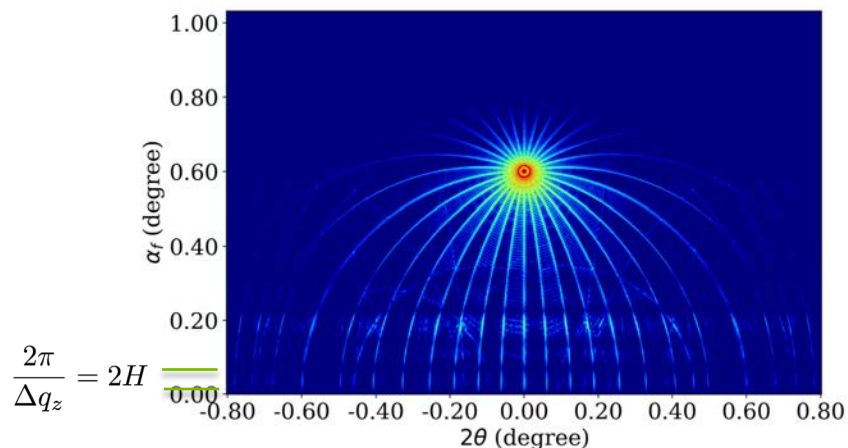
- X-rays penetrate the  $H = 50nm$  silicon, then reflected from the gold surface, creating standing wave inside silicon.
- The standing wave effect modulates the scattering pattern.



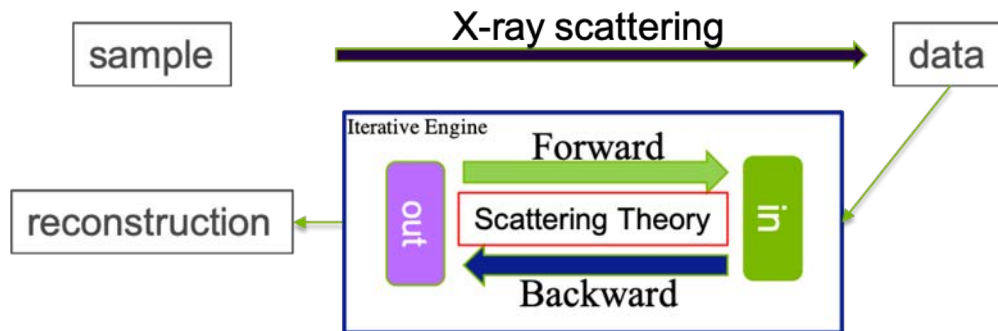
## A gold star on silicon substrate



- The X-ray intensity decays as it enters the gold surface.
- The mixed term is relatively stronger than the previous case, introducing double-beating effect at low exit angle.



# Summary



- Grid-based DBWA is able to capture the dynamical scattering effect in surface imaging setup.
- Scattering theories beyond the Born Approximation are required for
  - thick samples for ptychography
  - strong scattering objects for XPCI and CT
- We may have the computation power to implement dynamical scattering theories soon (now?).

name	speed Tflops (test)	fun fact
Earth Simulator (JPN)	35.86 (linpack)	fastest computer 2002-2004
Nvidia 2080Ti	0.43 (f64), 14.00 (fp32)	1,250 €, video gaming
Nvida V100	7.00 (fp64), 14.00 (fp32)	5,950 €, scientific computing
Aurora, Argonne	>1million (linpack)	commission 2021, user facility



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