

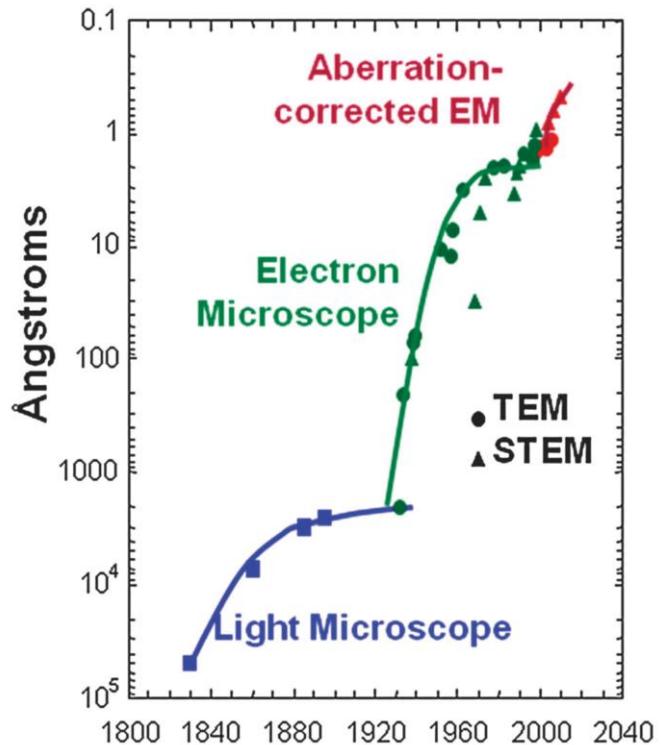
# Modern electron microscopy goes high dimensions: handling big data



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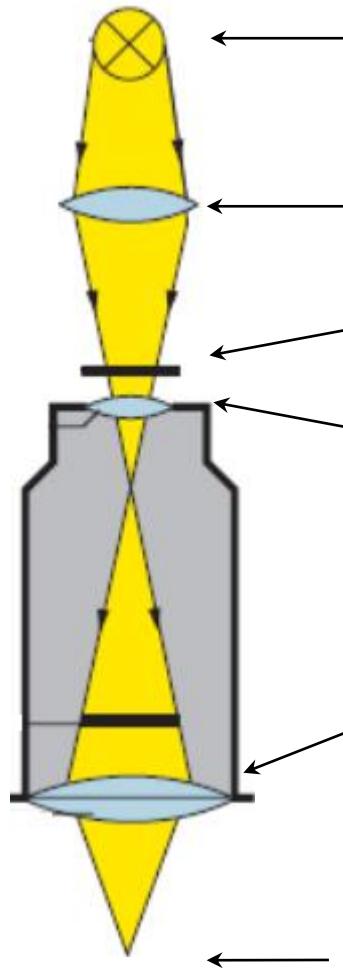


# Light & electron microscopy

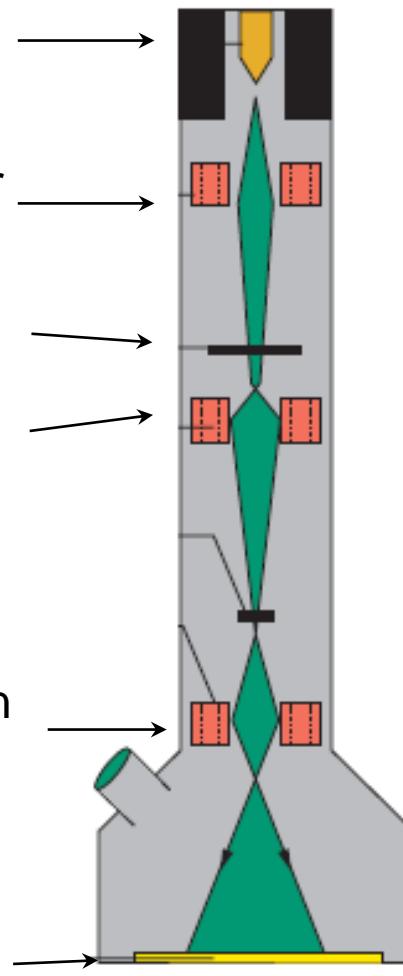


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Light Microscope

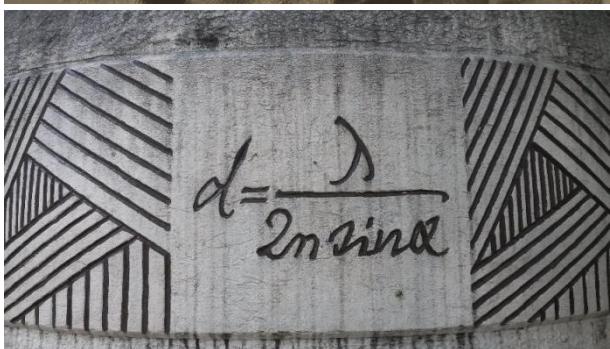
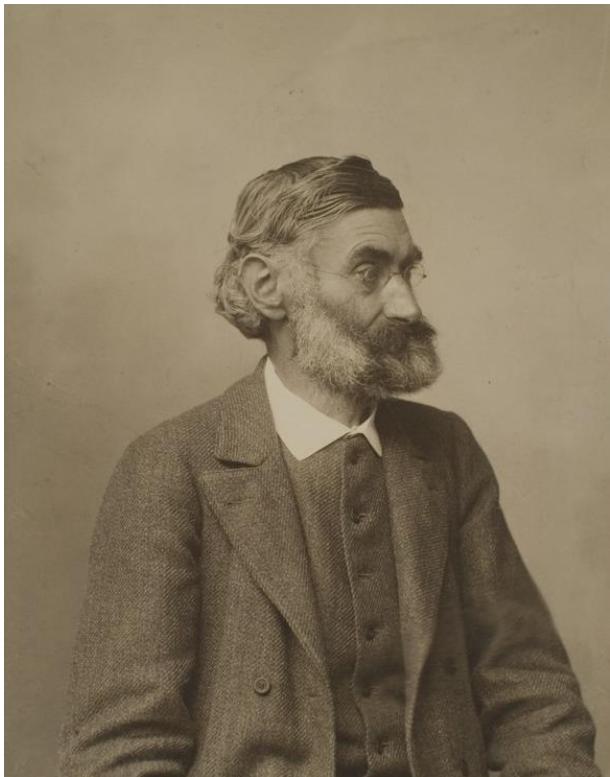


TEM



Electron optics: continuous change of focal strengths

TEM/SEM are operated in vacuum ( $10^{-5} \sim 10^{-7}$  mbar)



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Visible light microscopy:

$$\lambda = 380 \sim 770 \text{ nm}$$

$$\sin\theta = 0 \sim 1$$

$$n = 1 \sim 2$$

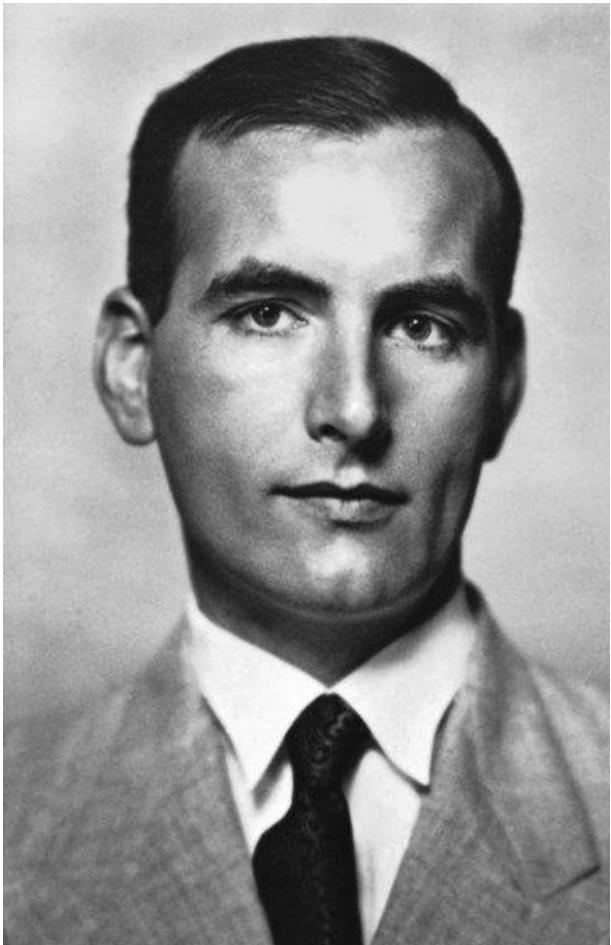
$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2n \sin \theta} > 100 \text{ nm}$$

The resolution of light microscopy is diffraction limited, i.e., by  $\lambda$ .

X-ray microscopy: reduced  $\lambda$ , difficulty in lens

Super-resolution:  $100 \sim 10 \text{ nm}$ , breaks Abbe theory of image formation.

# Ernst Ruska (1906 – 1988)



First TEM, Berlin 1933

Louis de Broglie  
1924 Electron wave

Ernst Ruska  
1931 Electron optics  
1933 TEM prototype  
PhD  
1939 Commercial  
TEM, Siemens  
1986 Nobel prize  
in physics

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= 2 \sim 10 \text{ pm} \\ \sin\theta &= 0 \sim 0.01 \\ &\quad 0.05\end{aligned}$$

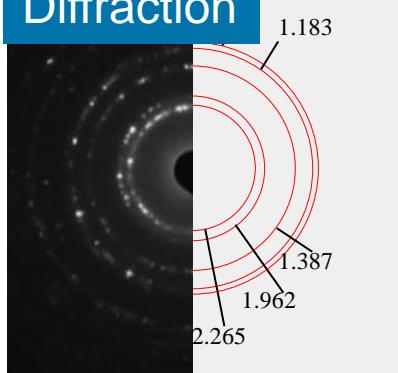
(aberration correction)

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2n \sin \theta} > 50 \text{ pm}$$

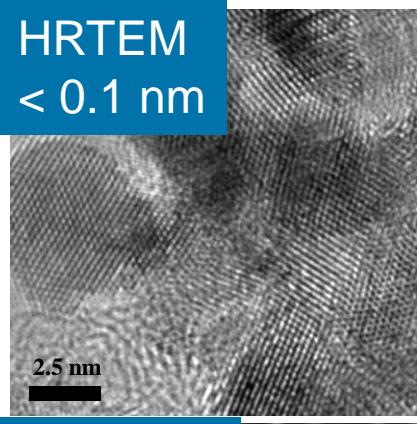
# High resolution analytical EM @ MPIE



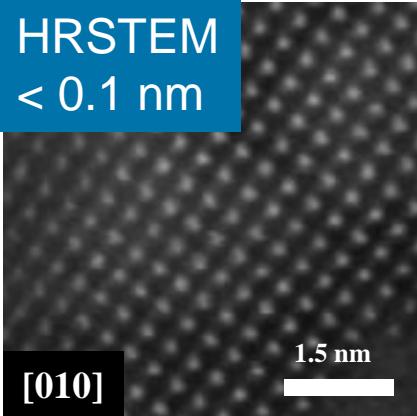
Diffraction



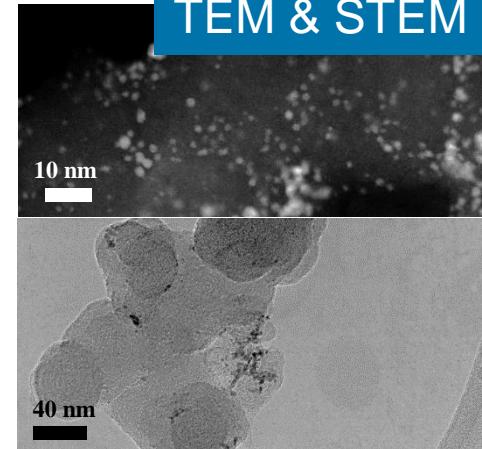
HRTEM  
< 0.1 nm



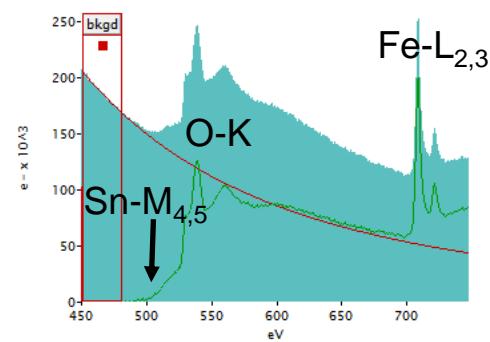
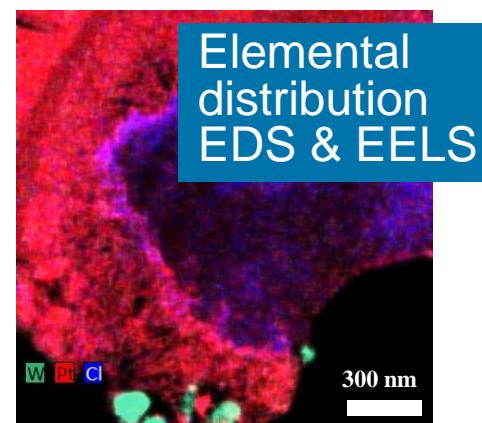
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TEM & STEM



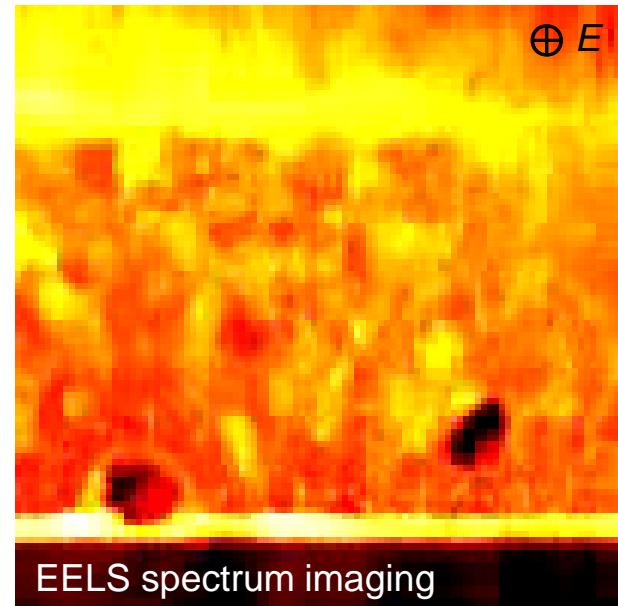
Elemental distribution  
EDS & EELS



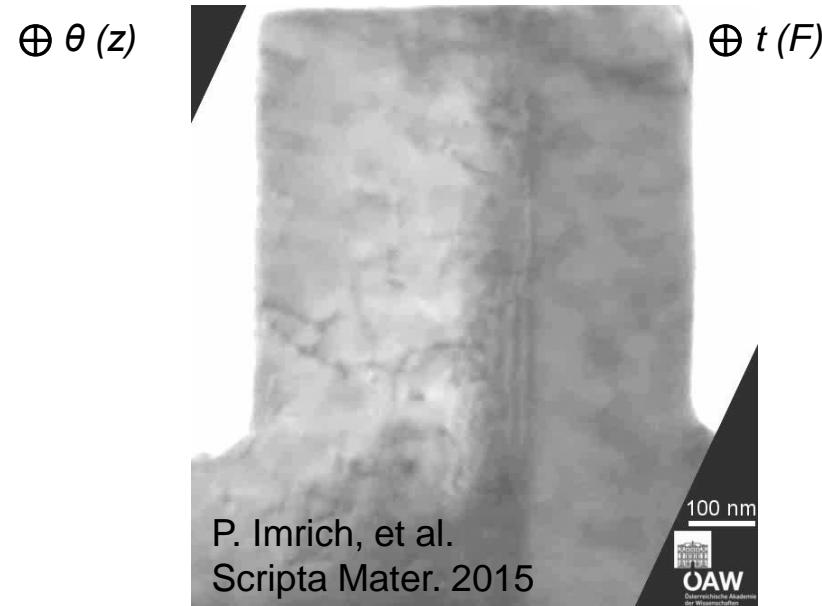
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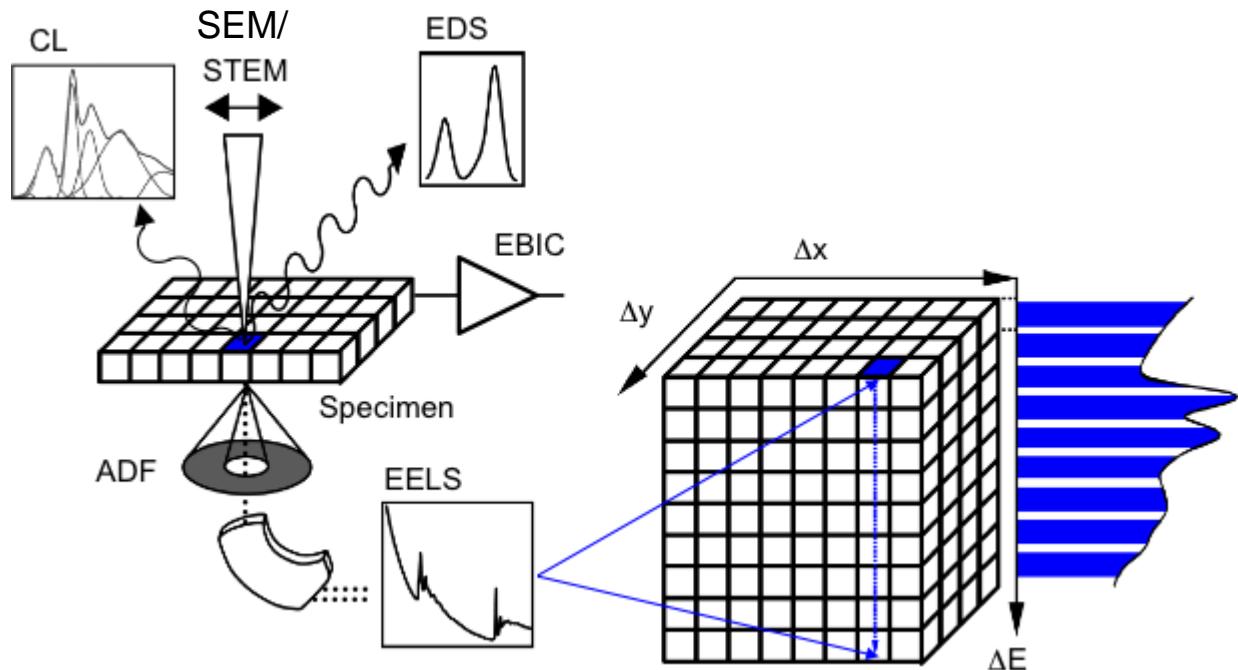
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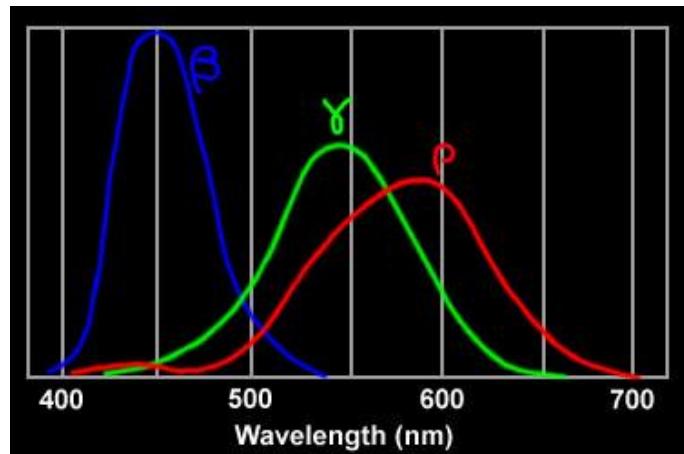
tilt series



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# Sparsity in colour



Reflectogram:  
300 channels  $\times$  1 M pixels

RGB:  
3 channels  $\times$  1 M pixels

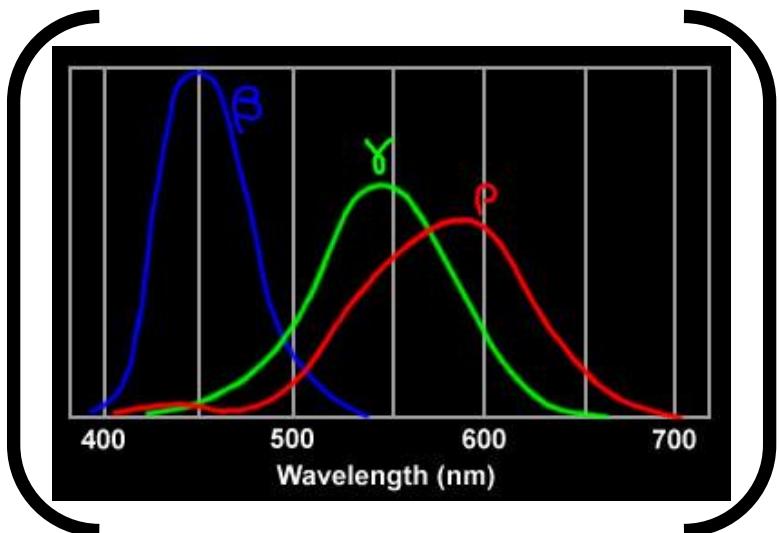
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300 channels  $\times$  3 channels

$\times$

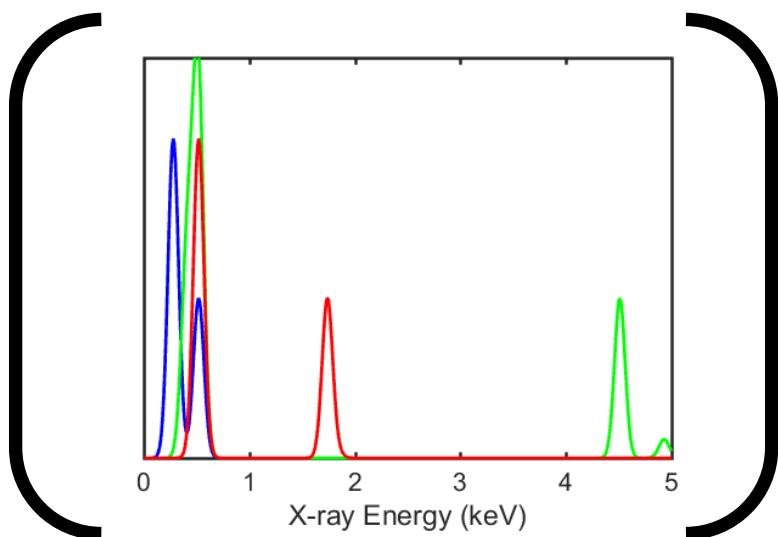
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# Sparsity in composition



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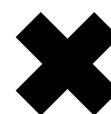
1 k channels  $\times$  1 M pixels



1 k channels  $\times$  3 channels

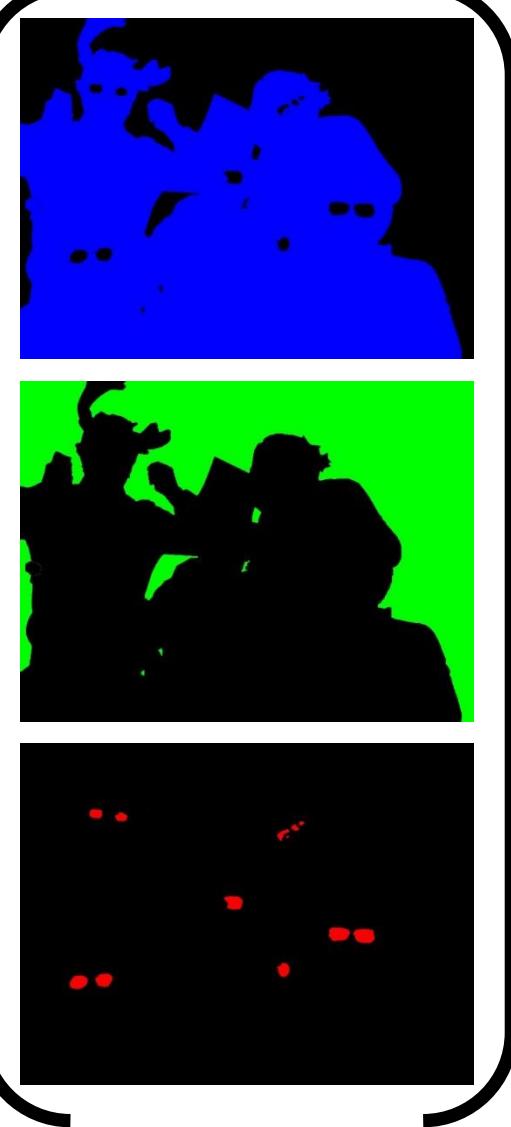


skin/fabrics



paint

glass



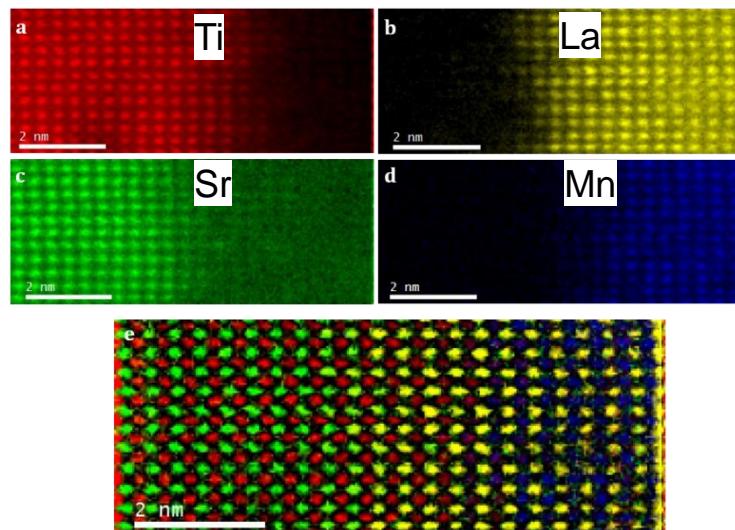
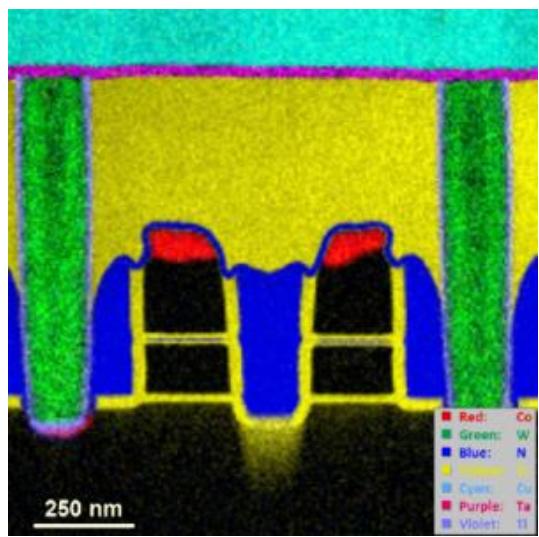
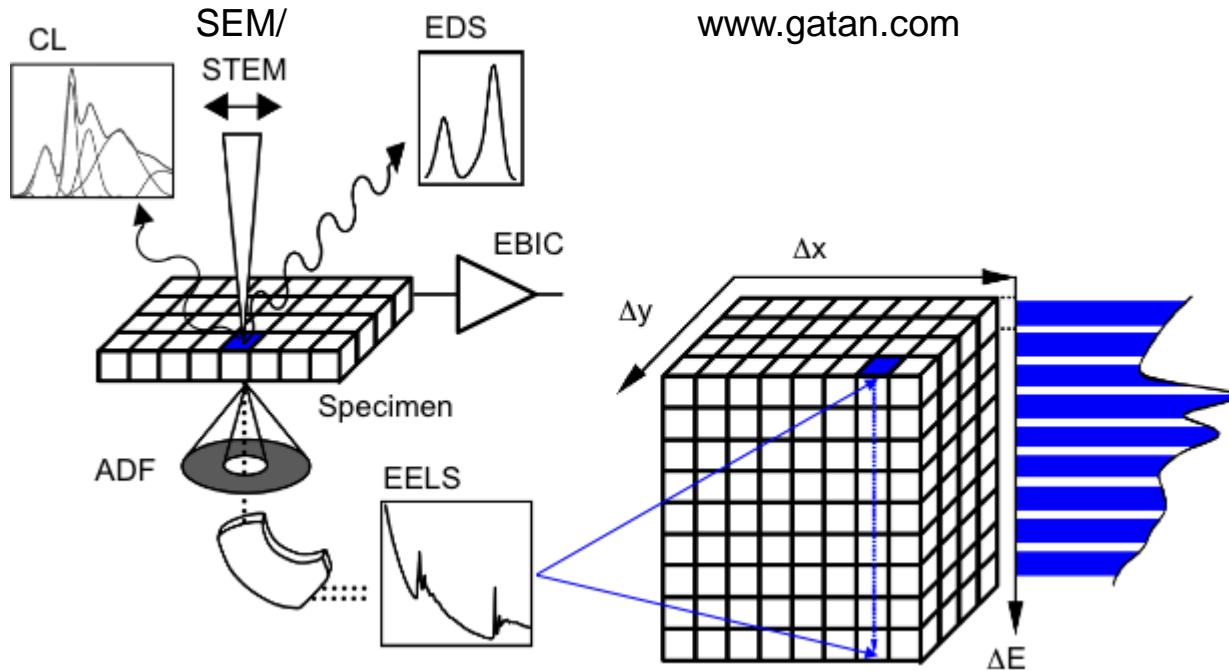
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# Spectrum imaging



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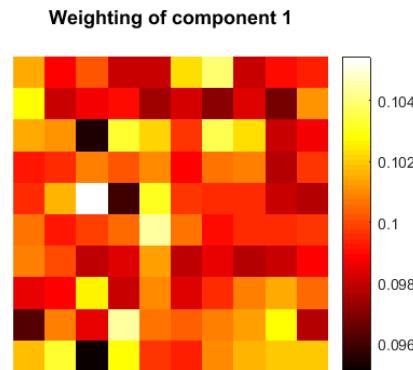
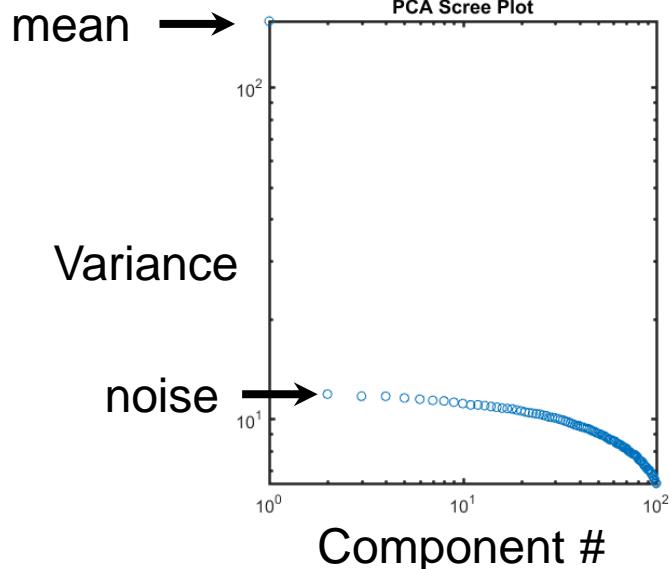


# Principal component analysis

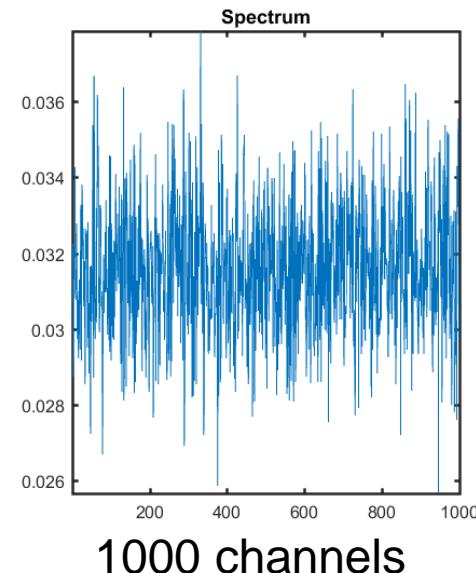


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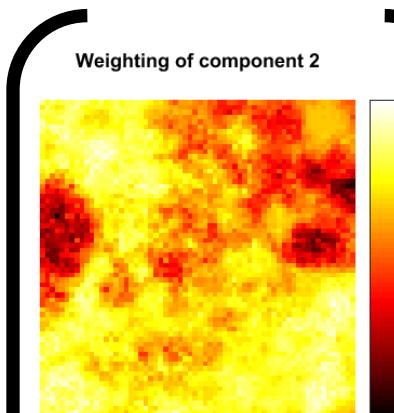
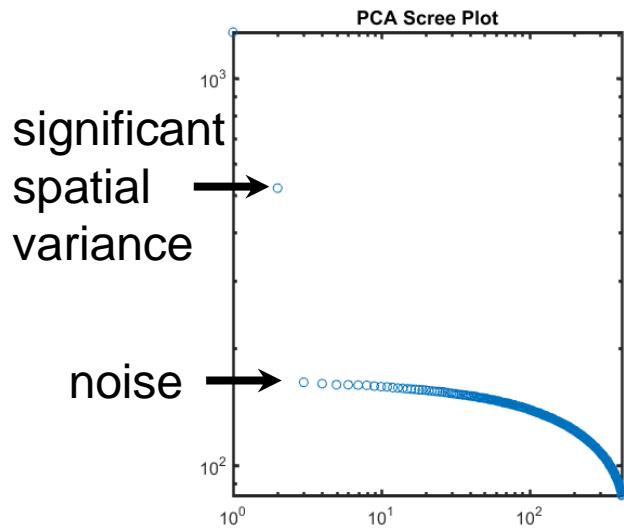
100 × 1000 random numbers



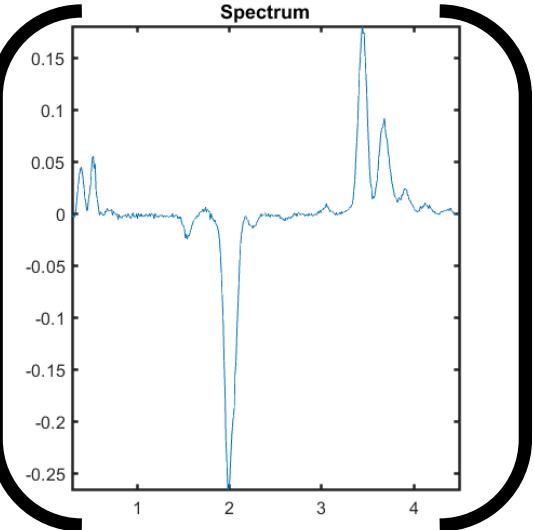
100 pixels



1000 channels



10 000 pixels × 2 components



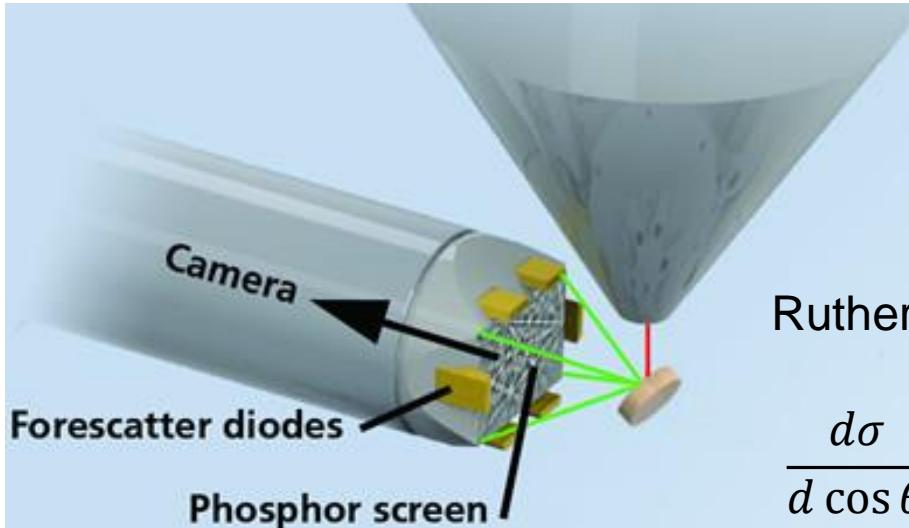
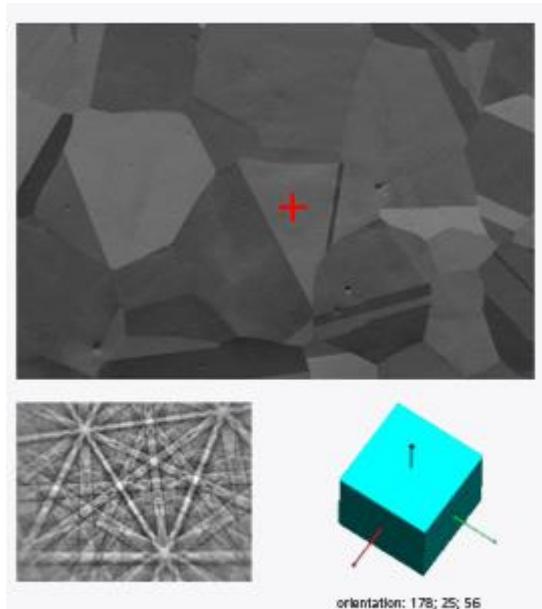
2 × 1 000 channels

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# Electron backscattered diffraction

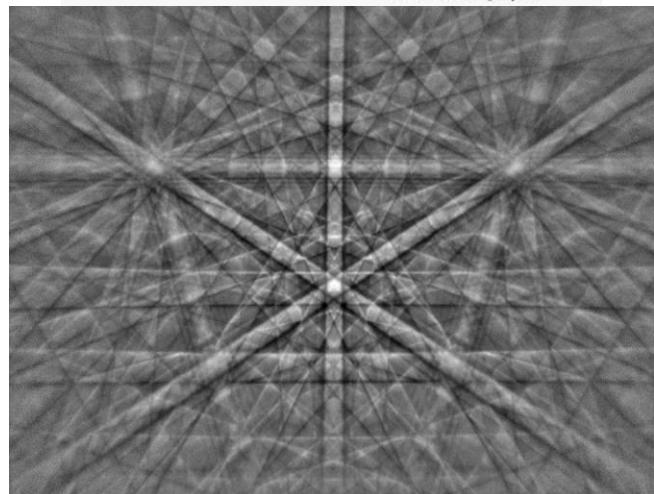


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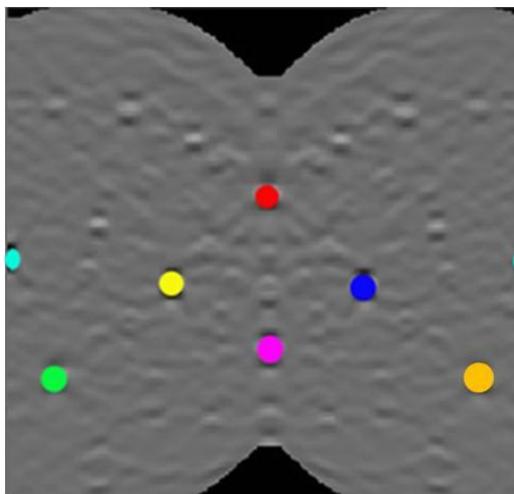


Rutherford scattering:

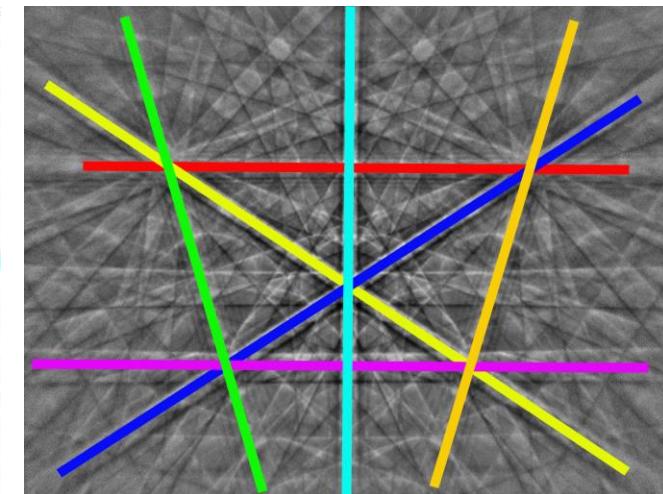
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta} \propto \frac{NZ^2}{(1 - \cos \theta)^2}$$



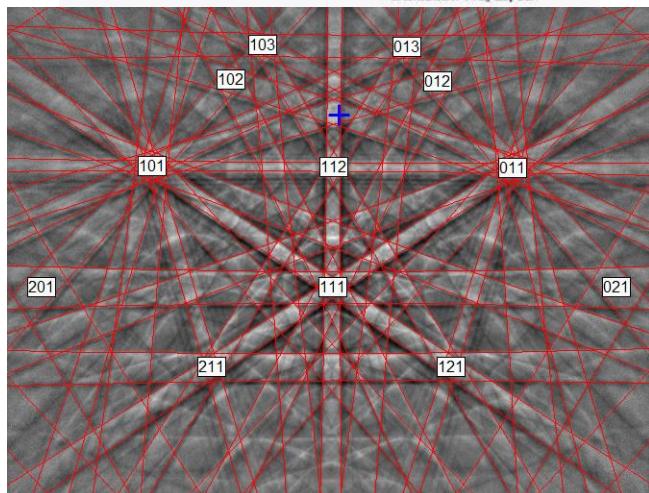
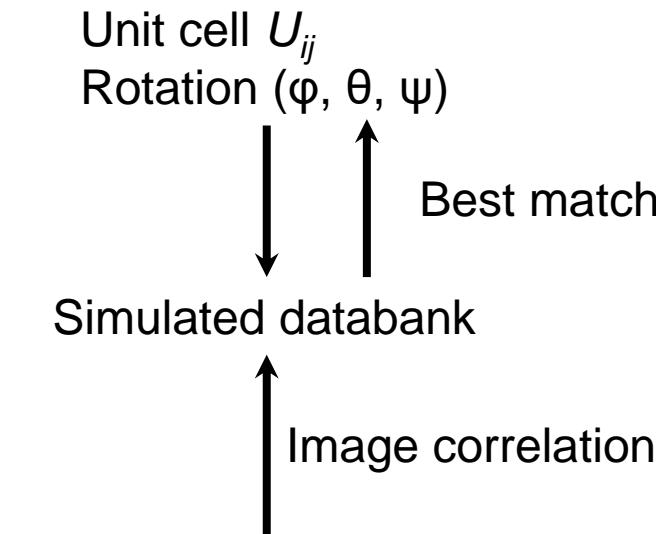
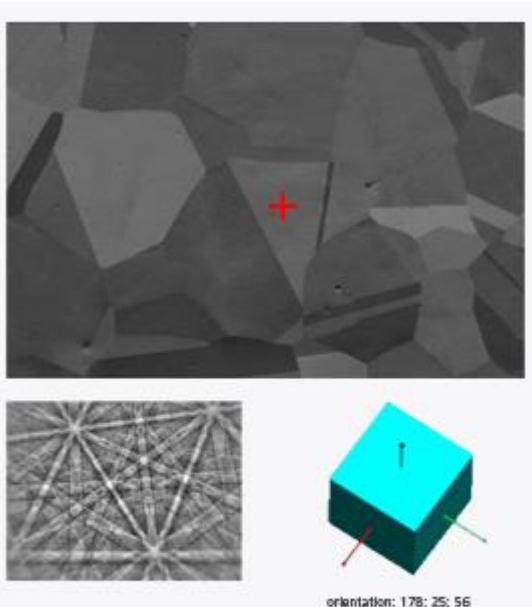
20 keV EBSD of a Si grain  
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➤ Hough transform Kikuchi bands to points.

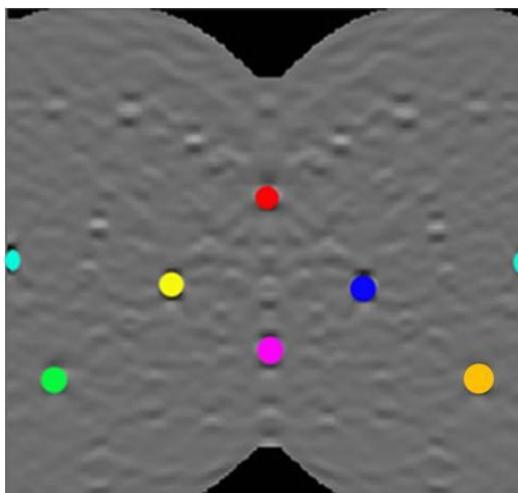


# Analysis of EBSD patterns



20 keV EBSD of a Si grain

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- Common procedures:
- Known crystal  $U_{ij}$ 
    - orientation ( $\varphi, \theta, \psi$ )
    - phase (best match  $U_{ij}$ )
    - strain (optimize  $U_{ij}$ )
  - Unknown crystal?

# EBSD: symmetry of unknown phases



Training:

40 crystals, each 640 patterns

- Each pattern covers limited range of reciprocal space
- Redundancy sampled over multiple grain orientations

Validation:

1 of 14 Bravais lattices

300 000 patterns (3 TB)

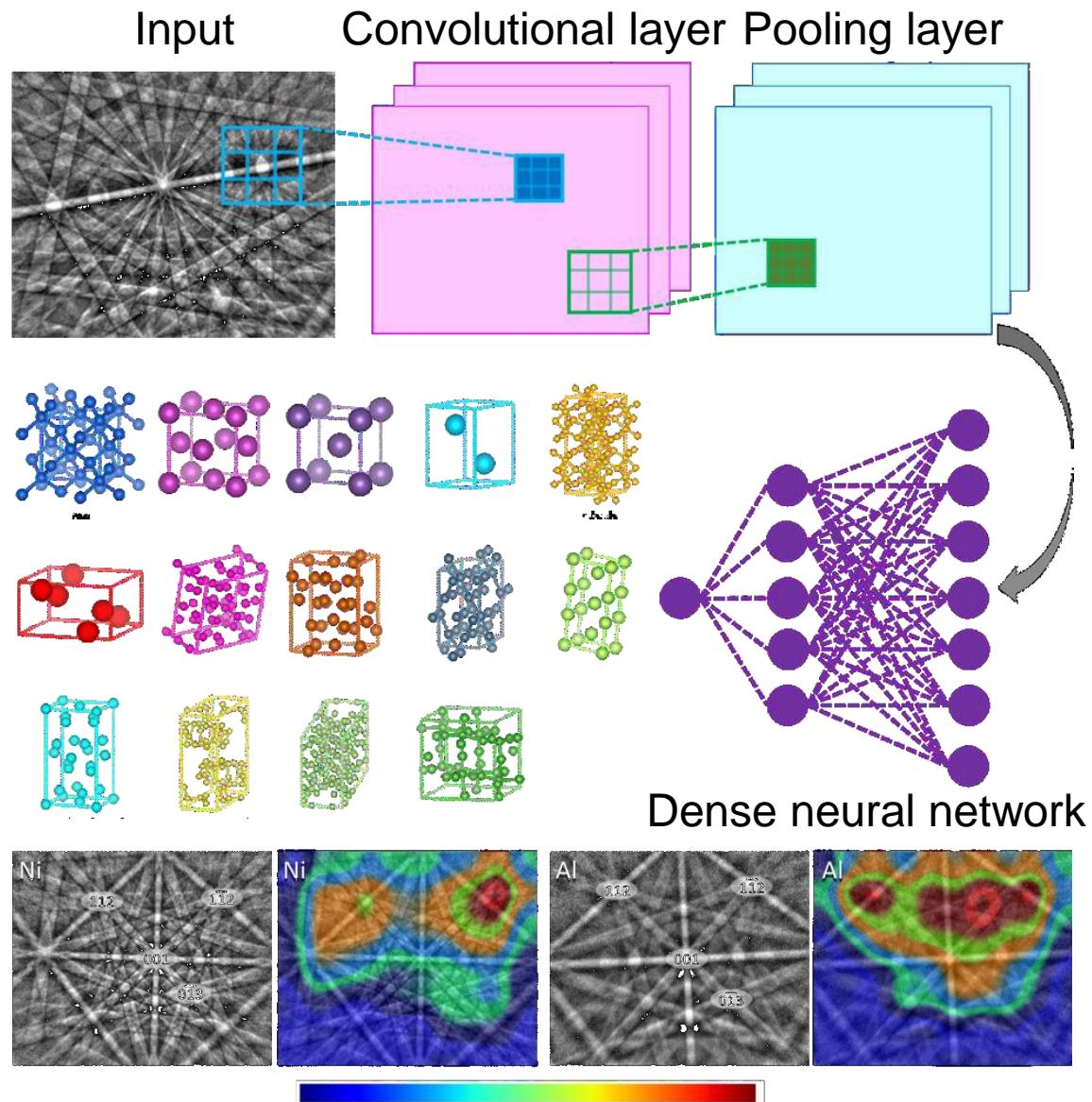
**same** 40 crystals

- ResNet50: 89~100%

50 000 patterns

different 9 crystals

- ResNet50: 93.5%
- Xception: 91.2%



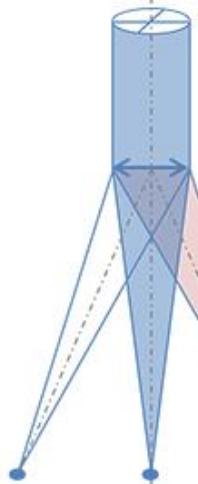
# Forward electron diffraction



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Parallel beam

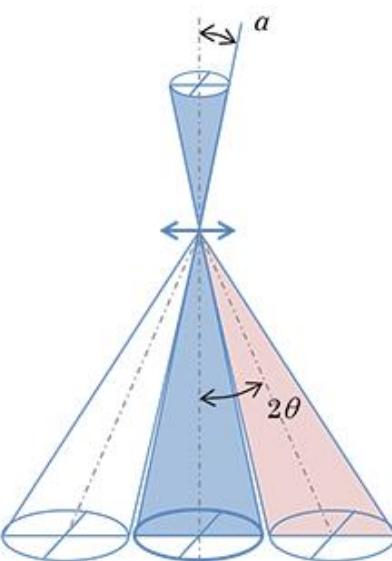
$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$



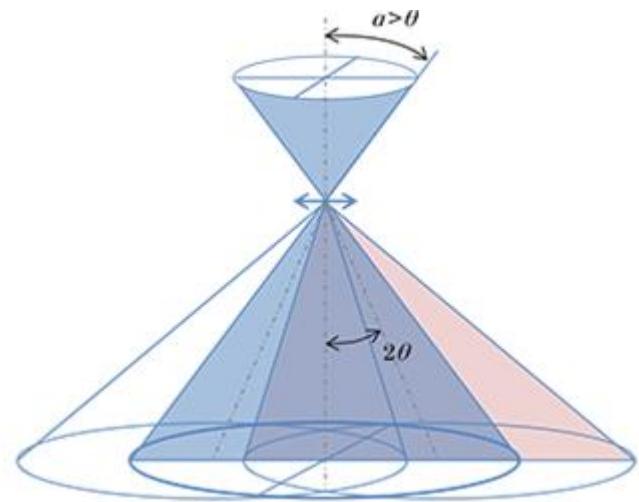
Convergent beam

Sample

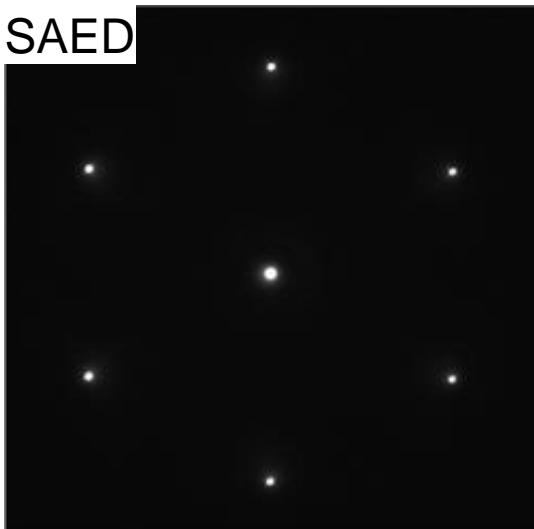
Back  
focal  
plane



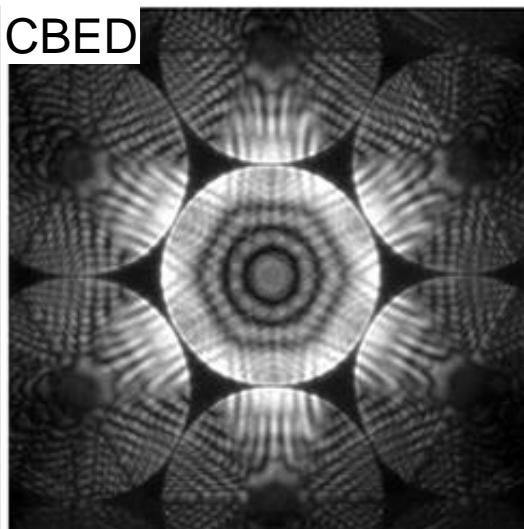
Large angle convergent beam



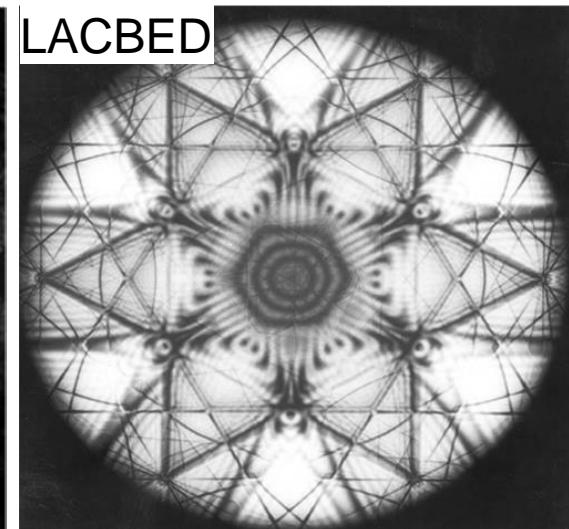
SAED



CBED



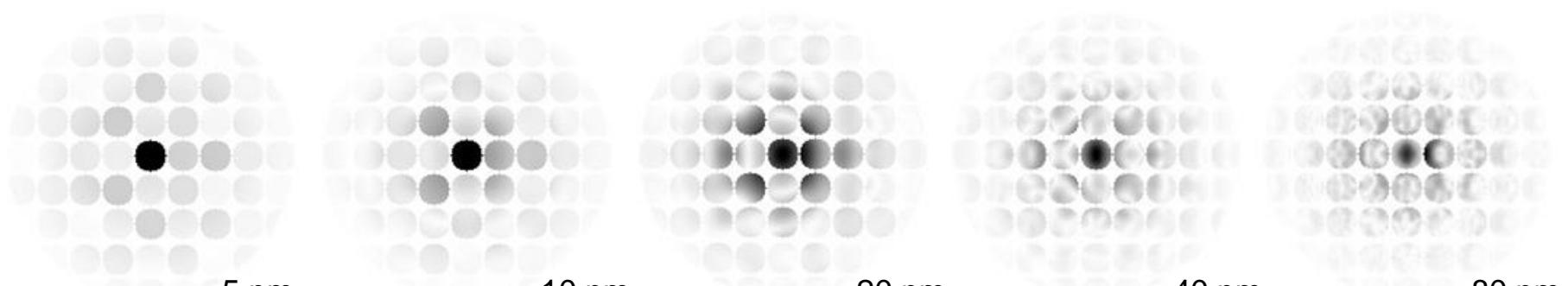
LACBED



Diffraction patterns of Si [111] (200 keV). [www.jeol.co.jp](http://www.jeol.co.jp)

# Coherency in electron diffraction

- Diffraction depends on
  - Unit cell  $U_{ij}$
  - Rotation ( $\varphi, \theta, \psi$ )
  - Thickness (oscillatory!)
- Kinematic approximation rarely applies
  - mean free path a few tens of nm,
  - especially small at Bragg conditions.
- Simulation with wave propagation
  - through multiple thin slices.



5 nm

10 nm

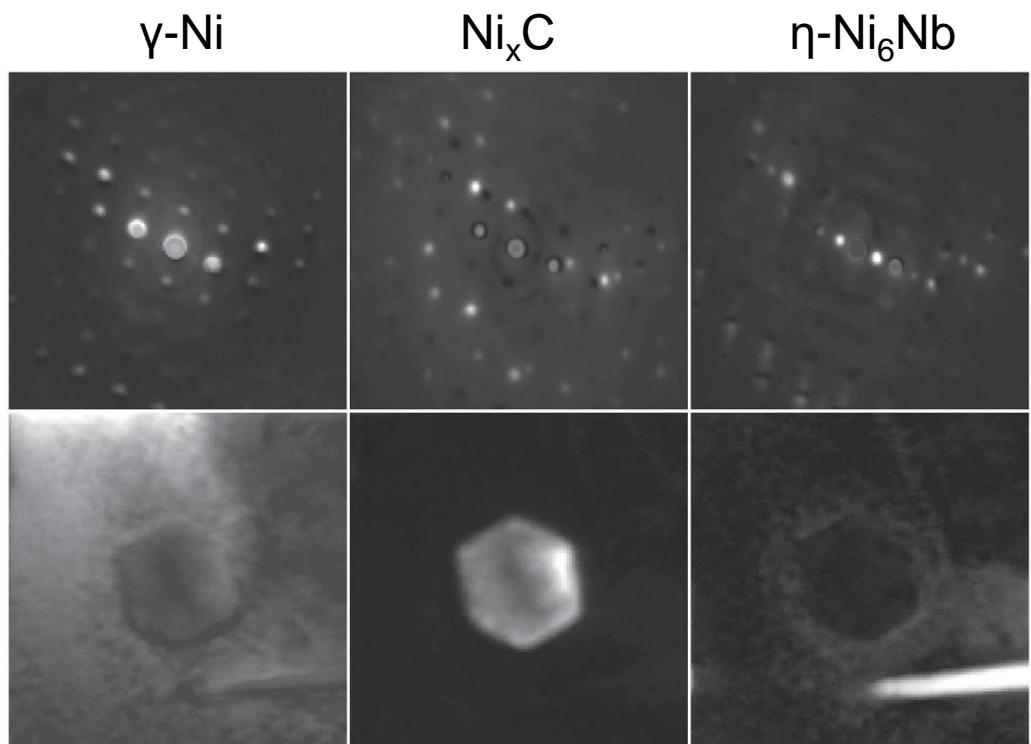
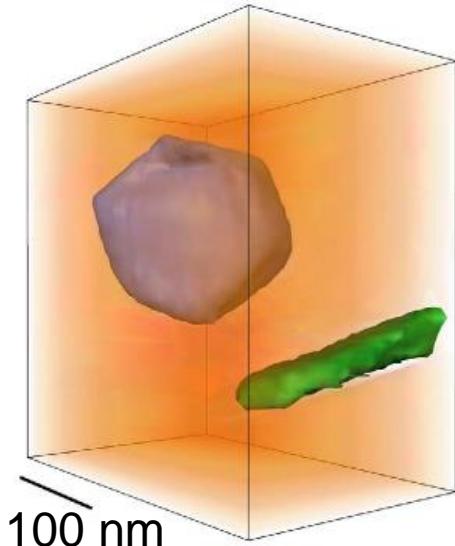
20 nm

40 nm

80 nm

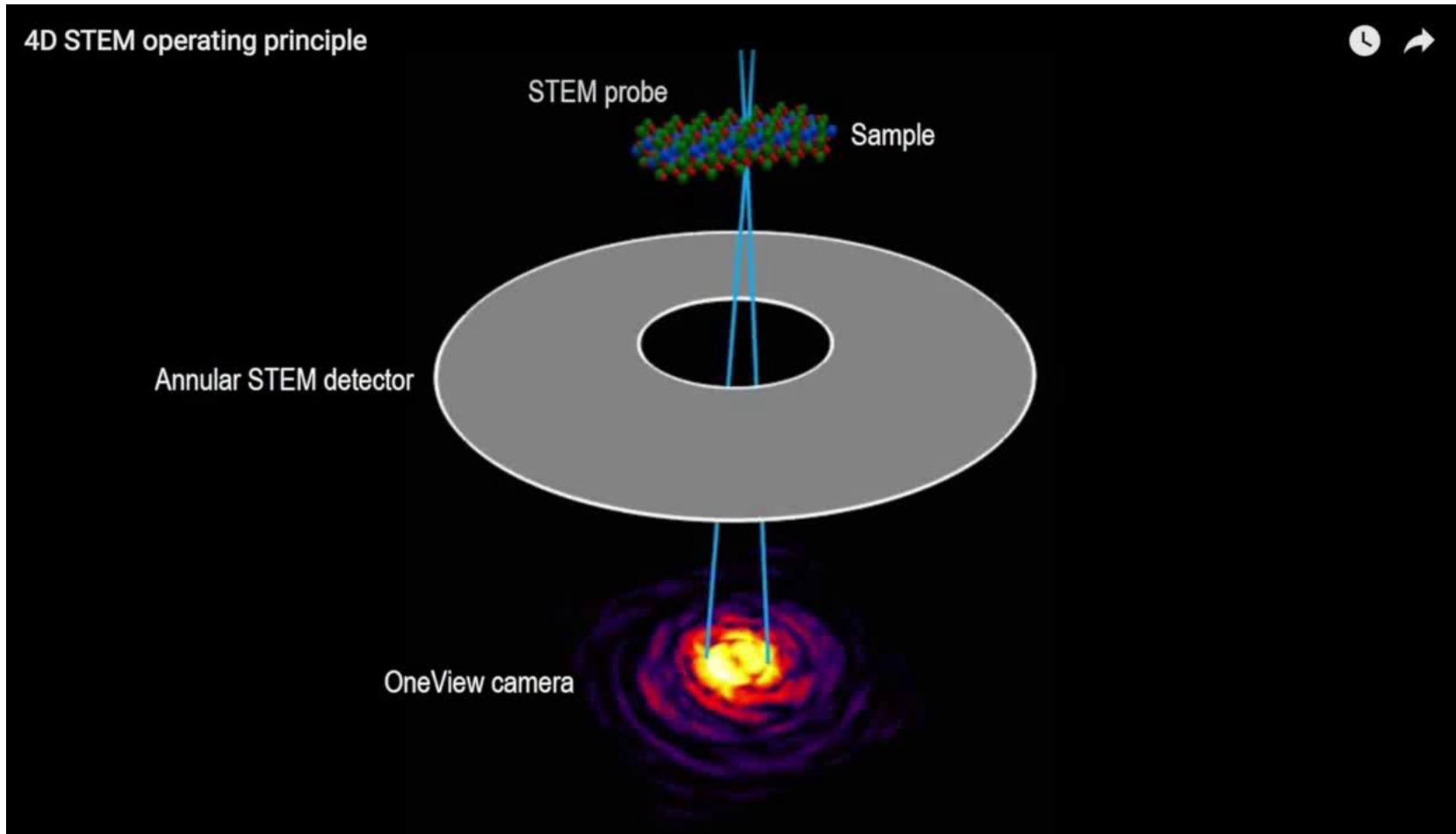
Convergent beam diffraction pattern of  $\text{BiFeO}_3$   
I. Maclarens, et al. Ultramicroscopy 154, 57 (2015)

# Diffraction imaging: orientation

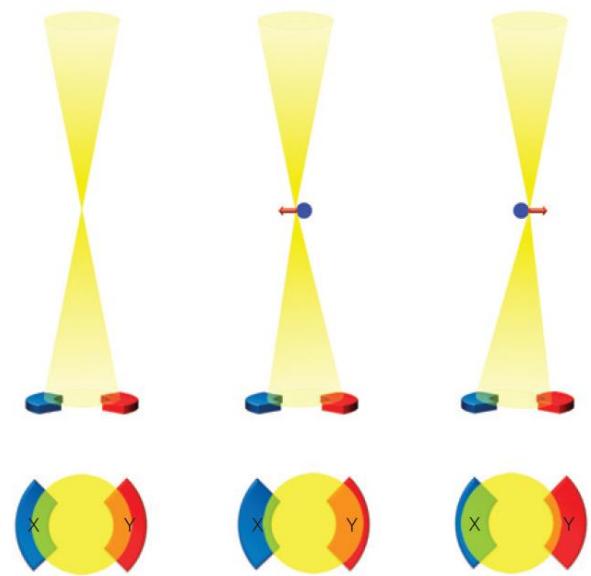
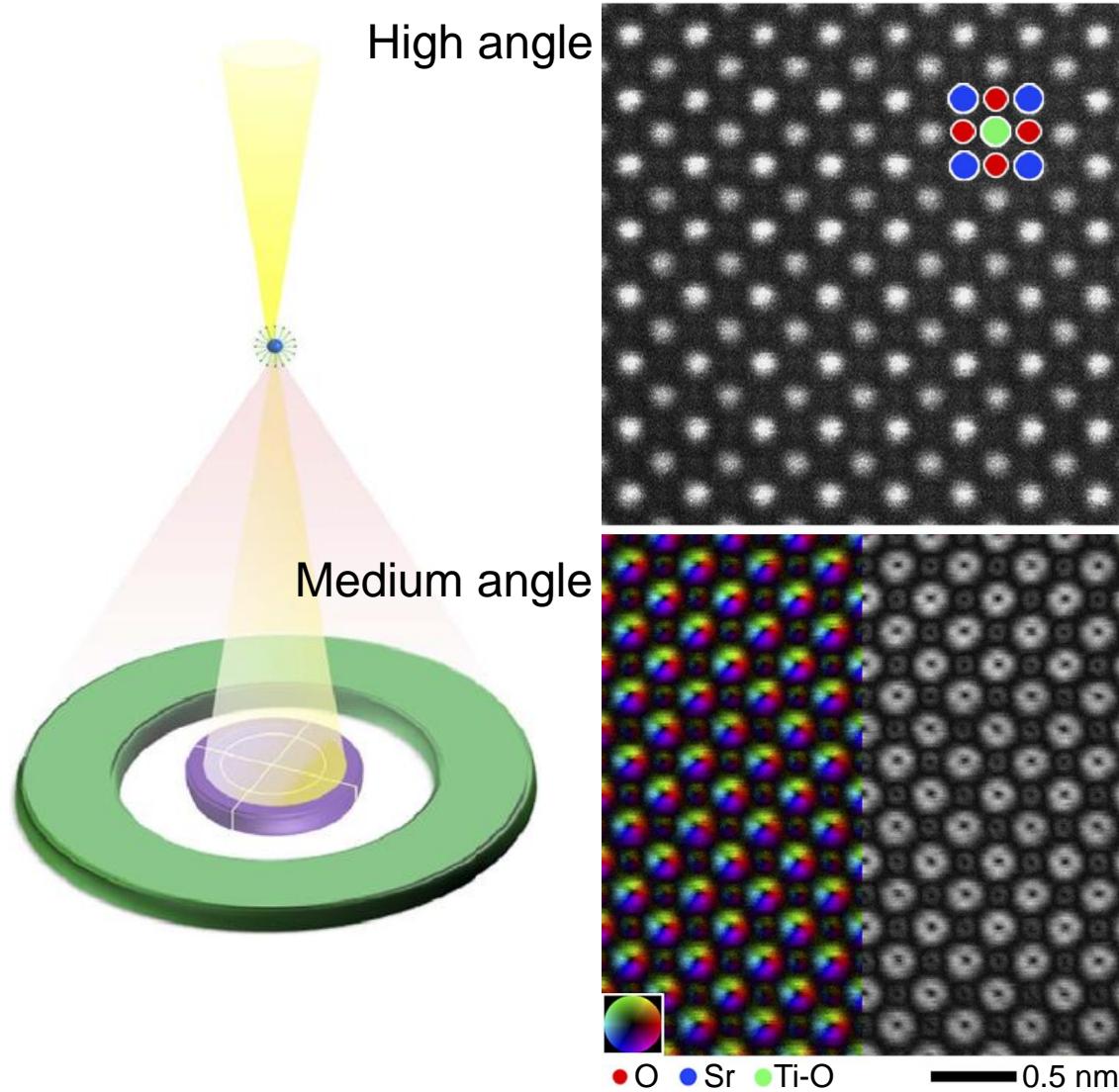


- 20 NMF components to capture all 3 phases.
- Need further sparsification:  
most components account for intensity variation due to changes in strain/thickness

# 4D-STEM goes atomic resolution



# Contrast in STEM



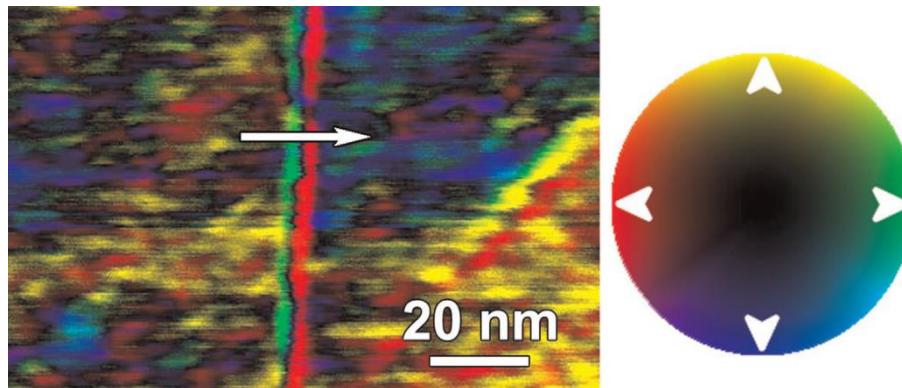
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# Interpretate differential phase contrast



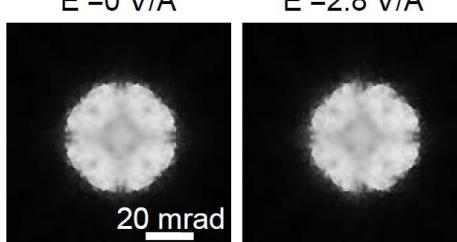
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Ferroelectric phase boundary  $\text{BiFeO}_3$   
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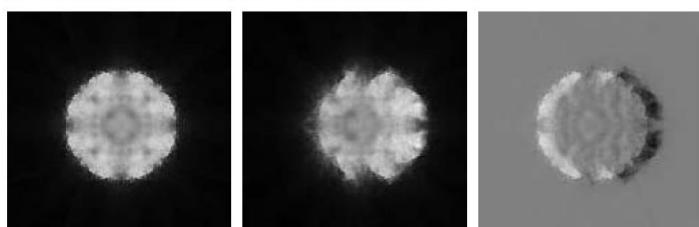
$E' = 0 \text{ V}/\text{\AA}$        $E' = 2.8 \text{ V}/\text{\AA}$       Difference

415 Å

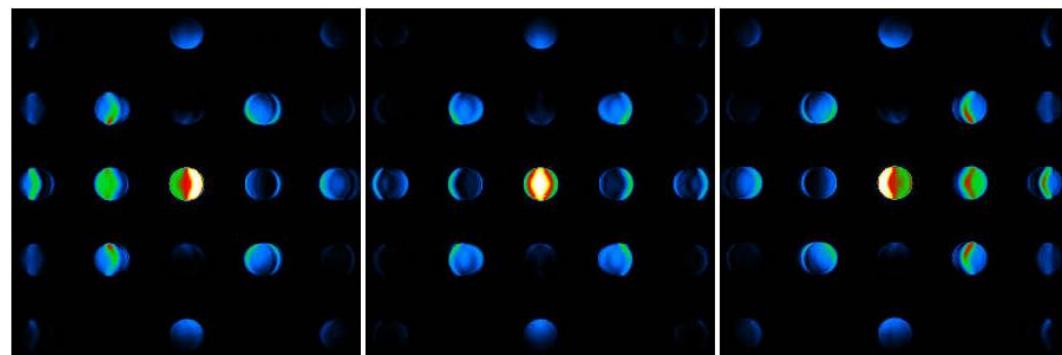


20 mrad

831 Å



20 nm thickness



Shift of diffraction disc in free electric field

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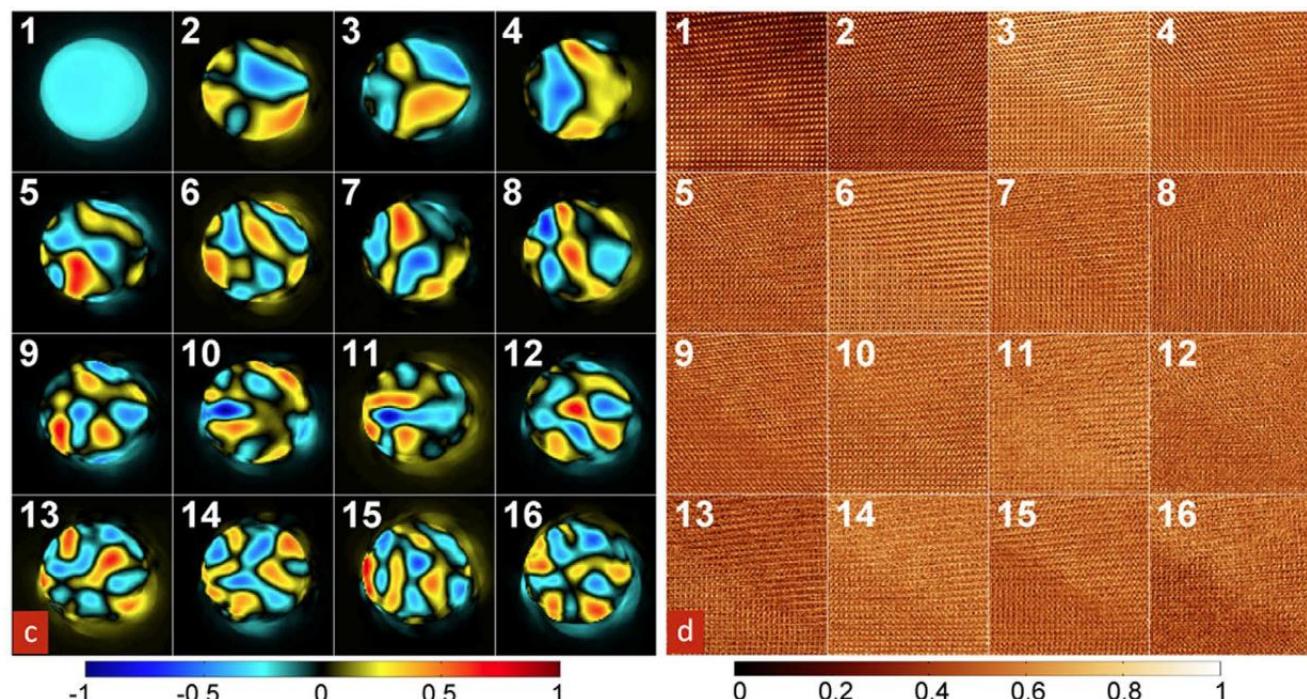
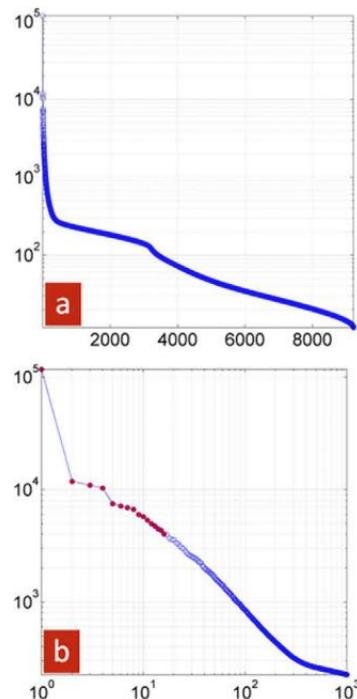
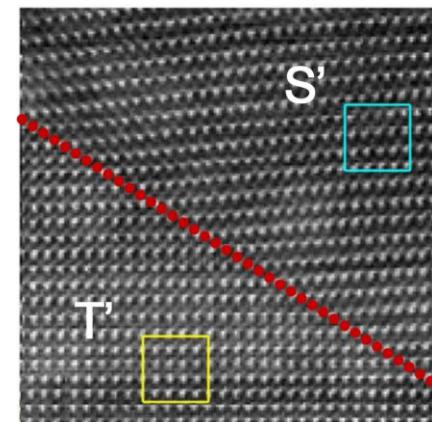
Shift of disc intensity centroid at the phase boundary

# Sparsify atomic resolution 4D-STEM

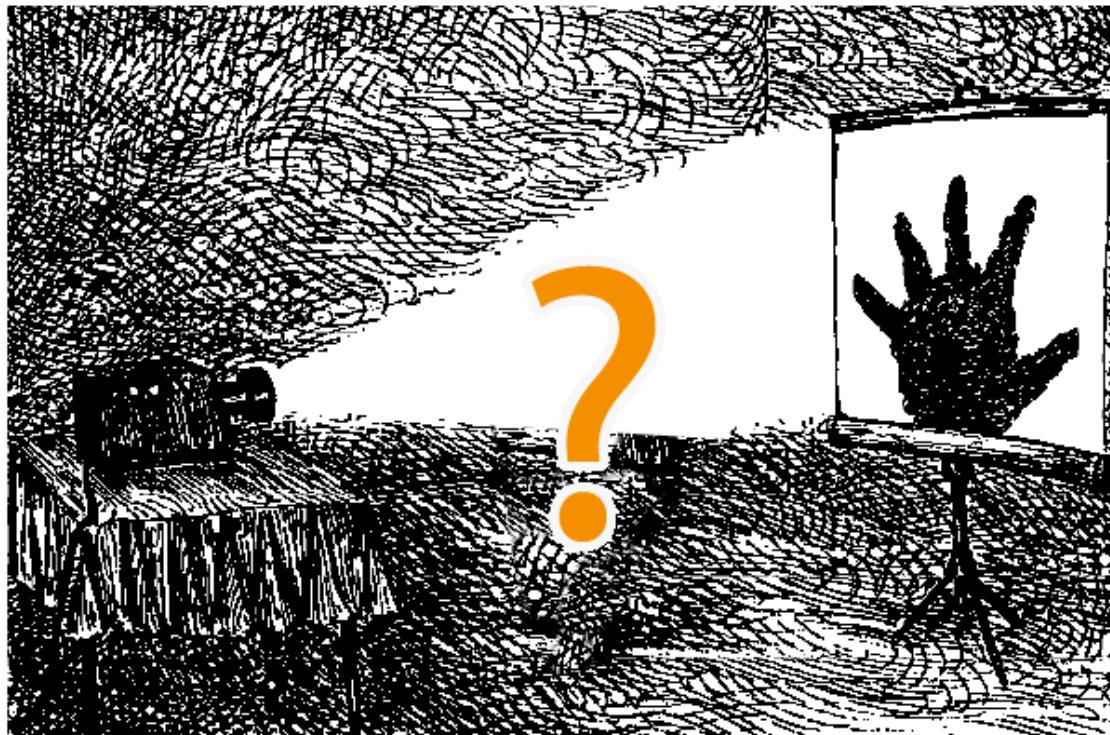
Data not sparse despite only 2 grains:

- CBED pattern varies on the relative position of the electron probe in the unit cell.
- High dynamic range of intensity within the CBED pattern, sensitive to the thickness;

BiFeO<sub>3</sub> domain boundary

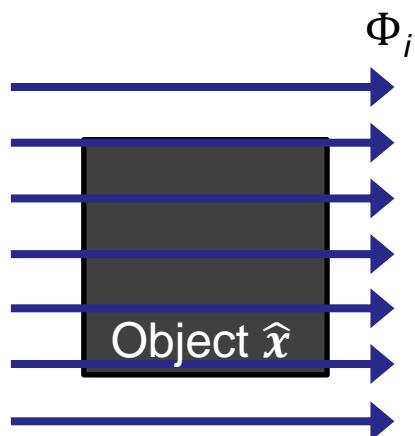


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**Compressed sensing in electron tomography**



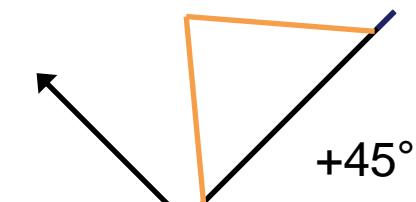
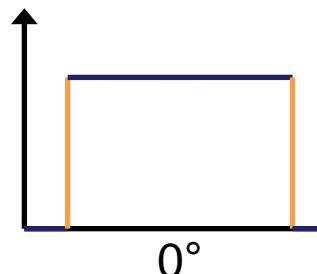
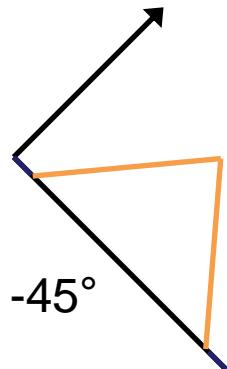
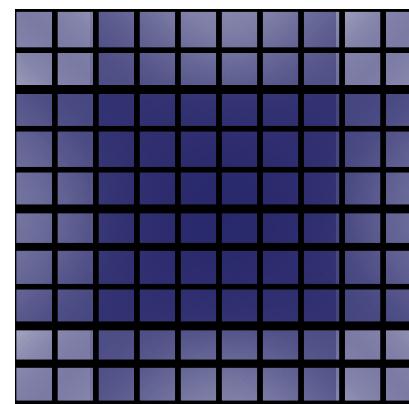
# Tomogram reconstruction

$$\Phi \hat{x} = b$$



Projection  $b_i$   
Intensity

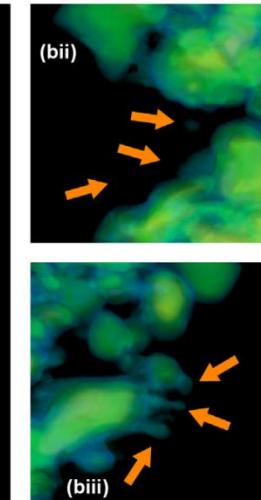
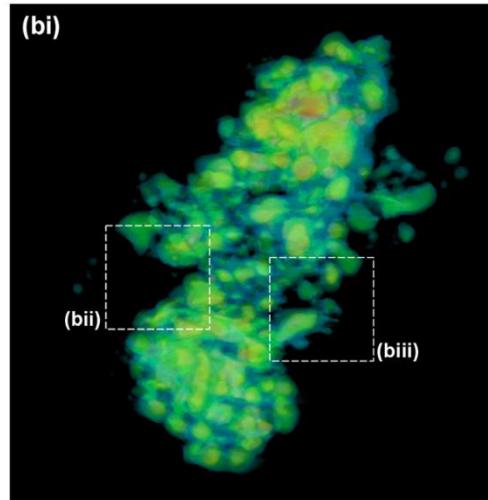
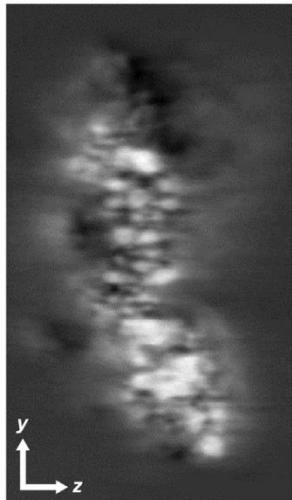
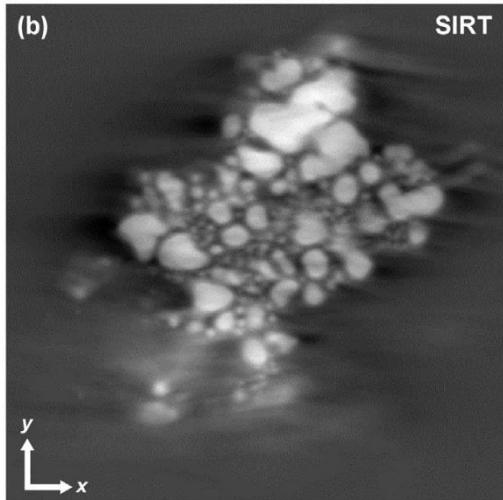
Reprojection to estimate  $\hat{x}$



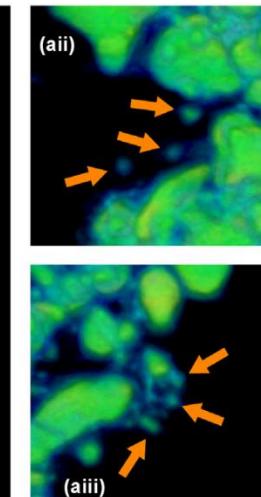
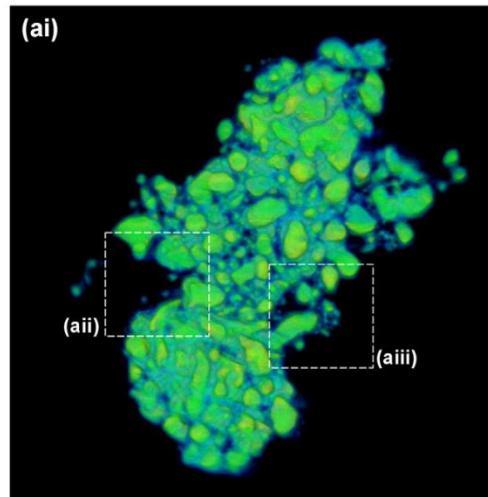
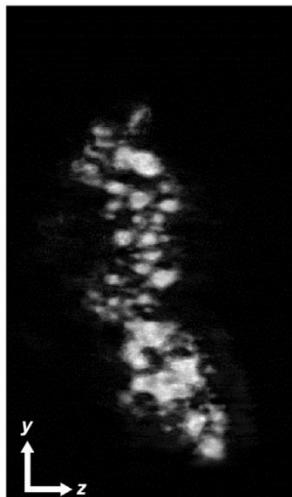
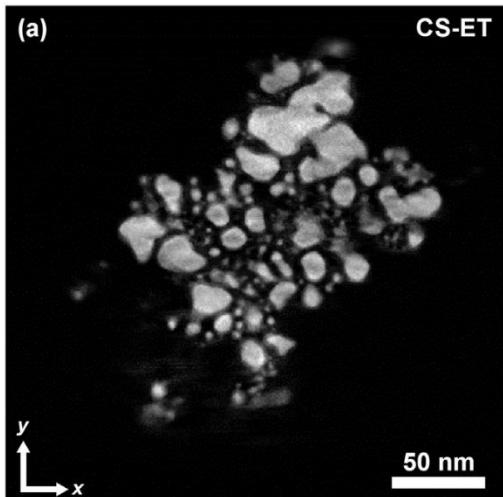
# Application of compressed sensing

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$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \arg \min \{ \|\Phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|_{l_2}^2 \}$$



$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\lambda = \arg \min \{ \|\Phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|_{l_2}^2 + \lambda \|\Psi \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_{l_1} \}, \text{ e.g., } \Psi = \mathbb{I}, \text{ or } \Psi = \nabla$$



# Summary

➤ Electron microscopy and big data

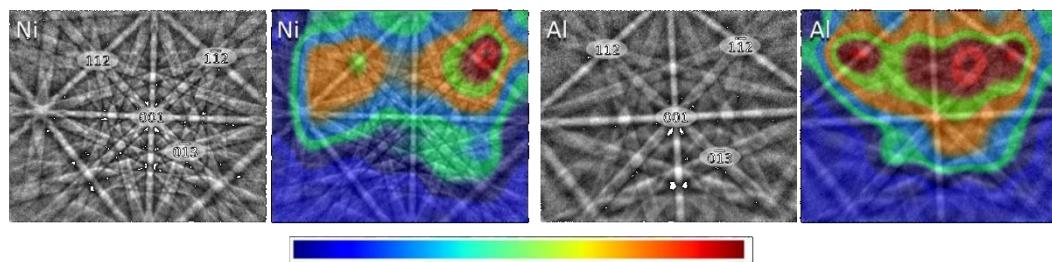
➤ Sparsify big data

Multivariate analysis  
Clustering

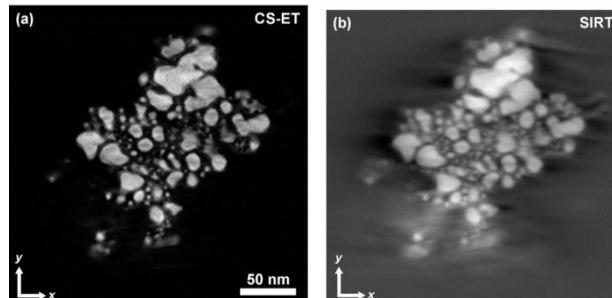
➤ Sparsify diffraction imaging data?

Machine-learning driven

opportunities in 4D-STEM  
challenges in coherent data



➤ Make use of sparsity in big data  
Compressed sensing in  
tomogram reconstruction



# Thanks for your attention!

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