High pressure nano-imaging

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Bone X-ray (radiography)



An x-ray radiograph is a noninvasive medical test that helps physicians diagnose and treat medical conditions. Imaging with x-rays involves exposing a part of the body to a small dose of <u>ionizing radiation</u> to <u>produce pictures of the inside of the body</u>. X-rays are the oldest and most frequently used form of medical imaging. (RadiologyInfo.org)

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Description

Computed tomography (CT) scanning, also called computerized axial tomography (CAT) scanning, is a medical imaging procedure that uses x-rays to show cross-sectional images of the body. A CT imaging system produces cross-sectional images or "slices" of areas of the body, like the slices in a loaf of bread. These cross-sectional images are used for a variety of diagnostic and therapeutic purposes.



An example of a single-slice CT image of the brain.

Uses

CT can help diagnose or rule out a disease or condition. CT has become recognized as a valuable medical tool, for:

Diagnosis of disease, trauma, or abnormality;

Planning, guiding, and monitoring therapy.

Hard x-ray imaging methods

Nondestructive, phase contrast, scanning probe, diffraction contrast, tomography, topography

Basically there are two experimental approaches:

Full field imaging, scanning probe

In both cases, there must be a *physical property to give* <u>contrast</u>.

They could be magnetic domain, electric domain, phase, orientation, density, chemical composition, strain, etc.

Soft X-ray Imaging

Mostly used for biologic materials, soft matter, nanomagnetism



Cryo X-ray tomography of whole yeast, *S. cerevisiae, viewed using several processing* algorithms after reconstruction.

C.A. Larabell and M.A LeGros, X-ray Tomography Generates 3-D Reconstructions of the Yeast, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, at 60nm Resolution Molecular Bio. Cell 15, 957 (04)



Vortex core – driven magnetization dynamics

Time-resolved x-ray imaging shows that the magnetization dynamics of a micronsized pattern containing a ferromagnetic vortex is determined by its chirality

Time-resolved x-ray Photoemission electron microscope (PEEM) Was used to resolve the motion of magnetic vortices of micro-pattern in response to an excitation field pulse.

Choe et al. Science 304, 420 (2004)

Some applications of 3d imaging

- Coherent diffraction imaging on the internal strain and morphology of nanocrystals
- Charge disproportion mapping during pressure induced phase transition
- Direct measurement of volume vs. Pressure EoS of amorphous materials
- High pressure imaging outlook

Bragg CDI

Coherent diffraction imaging on nanoscale morphology and strain mapping







Figure 3 | Visualization of strain inside a Pb nanocrystal. a, Schematic showing cut-planes passing through an isosurface of the density of the Pb nanocrystal studied with CXD. b, The phase (in radians) is shown as colours on the extracted planes. c, The phase on one section of the same crystal plane after correction for refraction effects⁴². The contact strain due to the substrate is negative (green) whereas the surface strain is positive (blue). The surface strain is diminished on the (111) facet itself⁴². Parts a and b reprinted with permission from ref. 42. © 2007 APS.

Phase retrieval algorithm

nature materials

INSIGHT | REVIEW ARTICLES PUBLISHED ONLINE: 24 MARCH 2009 | DOI: 10.1038/NIMAT2400

Coherent X-ray diffraction imaging of strain at the nanoscale

Ian Robinson^{1*} and Ross Harder²

Bragg CDI principle



I. K. Robinson, Phasing Workshop, June 2003

Bragg Coherent diffraction

Coherent diffraction imaging (CDI) on single crystal under high pressure

Experimental setup at 34ID-C, APS





Panoramic DAC on a kinematical mount



B Mirrors

Bragg CDI for 3D strain map

Sample and experimental schematic



Average 300 nm size Au single crystals grown on Si wafer

Yang et al, nature Comm. (2013)



3d morphology and strain distribution at pressure 1.7 GPa



Phase evolution vs. applied pressure

Small angle CDI for 3D density map Coherent X-ray diffraction Microscopy for nanoscience and biology (small angle geometry)



Schematic layout of coherent diffraction microscopy. The oversampled diffraction intensities are measured from a finite specimens, and then directly phased to obtain a high resolution image.

Limitation: missing data at the center of diffraction pattern Advantage: single-shot imaging for 3d (could be used in x-ray free electron lasers), non-crystalline specimens

From John Miao, UCLA

Sample studied: San Carlos + 10wt% Fe-S, 6 GPa + 1800 C for 1 hour



3d reconstruction from 27 2d diffraction patterns covering -69.4° to 69.4°

Absolute electron density map





3d mass density

3d nanoscale mass density



H. Jiang et al. PRL, 2013

Micron scale tomography

3d tomography on the shock-recovered samples



FIG. 1. 2D and 3D void distributions in shock-recovered pure AI sample Al010b ($\mu_{flyer} = 149.6 \text{ m/s}$): (a) An optical micrograph of a cross-section. (b) A 0.6 mm thick slice from x-ray tomography, cut perpendicular to the shock direction. The arrows indicate shock direction. The box dimensions in (b) are 0.6 mm ×2 mm × 2 mm.



FIG. 2. 2D and 3D void distributions in shock-recovered pure Al sample Al006b ($u_{flyer} = 196.9 \text{ m/s}$): (a) An optical micrograph of a cross-section. (b) A 0.6 mm thick slice near the spall plane and (c) a 0.45 mm thick slice far from the spall plane, cut perpendicular to the shock direction. The box dimensions in (b) and (c) are 0.6 mm × 2 mm × 2 mm and 0.45 mm × 2 mm ×



FIG. 3. (a) Illustration of 2D metallography for measuring damage profiles (the micrograph is for Al022b). (b) Schematic for 3D x-ray tomography at the APS (Advanced Photon Source) beamline 2BM. CCD: charge coupled device. The arrow in (a) indicates shock direction.

Meilan Qi et al. A metallographt and x-ray tomography study of spall damage in ultrapure Al, ACS Advances, 4, 077118 (2014)

3D TXM Nano-tomography Transmission x-ray microscopy (TXM) setup at APS-32IDC and SSRL-6.2







Beamline capabilities: Full field imaging with 180 degrees data collection; 3d reconstruction with FOV 30 microns and 30 nm resolution

TXM setup vs. TEM



Pressure induced charge transfer in multi-ferroic system BiNiO

The phase transition can be induced by both pressure and temperature. The Structure evolution as a function of the temperature shows huge negative thermal expansion



Structural evolution of $BiNiO_3$ at elevated temperatures under a constant pressure of 1.8 Gpa

LPT (Bi³⁺_{0.5}Bi⁵⁺_{0.5}Ni²⁺O₃) to HPT (Bi³⁺Ni³⁺O₃) Azuma et al. Nat. Comm (2011)

HP 3d + valence

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LPP in Red and HPP in Green. 3D XANES as a function of environment pressure. You can see the HPP (green) growing and the LPP (red) shrinking. The pressure induced phase transition is visualized in 3D.

Worth to mention that this is 5D analysis (x,y,z,E,P)

Liu et al. APL, 2014

TXM application to EoS of amorphous materials



a-GeO2





Lin et al. APL 2013

Non-cubic Power Law for Density of Metallic Glasses

BMG



High pressure imaging outlook

Imaging as a direct way to watch the evolution of physical property under pressure would tremendously help researches on

- Pressure induced phase transition mechanism;
- Stress/strain, morphology, rheology and dynamics;
- Surface / interface, chemical interaction, valence distributions;
- Equation of State for liquid and amorphous materials;
- Electric and magnetic domain studies with applied external fields and pressure;

High pressure community will largely benefit from advanced imaging techniques from advanced synchrotron radiation techniques.

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