

NANOSCIENCE CRYSTALLOGRAPHY AT A HIGH BRILLIANCE LABORATORY X-RAY DIFFRACTOMETER: FROM MESOSCOPIC TO INTERATOMIC LENGTH SCALES

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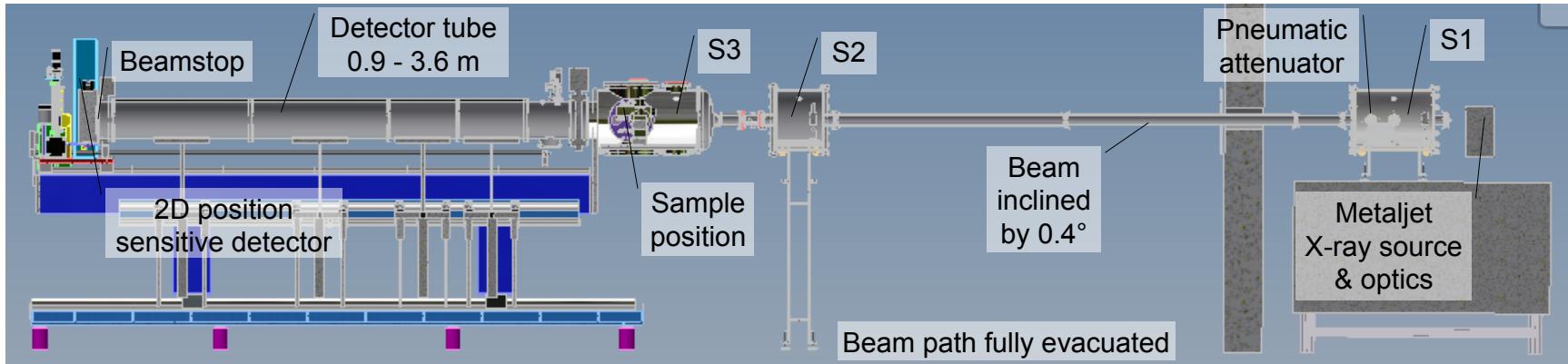
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MOTIVATIONS: MAGNETIC NANOPARTICLES

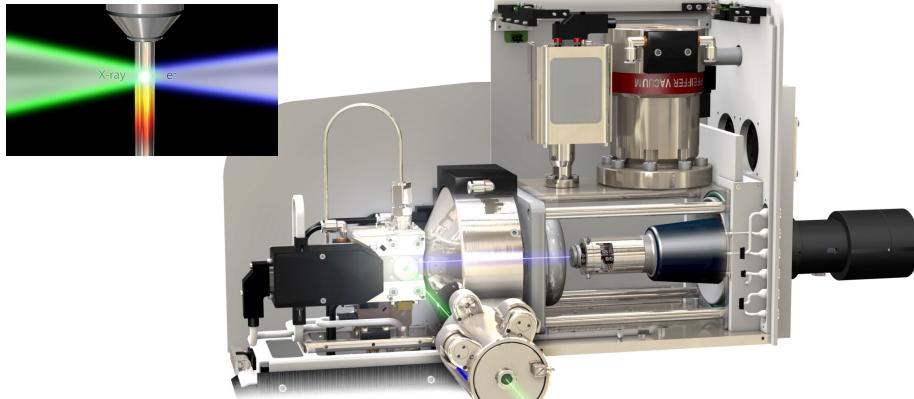
- Core-shell structure: SAXS
- 2D and 3D arrangements on a surface: Grazing Incidence SAXS (GISAXS)
- Structural characterisation complementary to magnetic investigation by neutron scattering
- Applications: sensing, data storage, biomedicine:
A. Fernández-Pacheco, Nat. Comm. **8** 15756 (2017)

GALAXI

Gallium Anode Low Angle X-ray Instrument



X-ray source: MetalJet (Excillum)
+ Optics (Incoatec)



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MetalJet: 400 μm thick liquid metal jet (GaInSn alloy) anode
20 \times 80 μm^2 electron beam
20 μm \varnothing X-ray focus
70 kV, 200W, Ga K α 9240 eV, $\lambda = 1.34 \text{ \AA}$
Power density 10 * higher than Cu anode

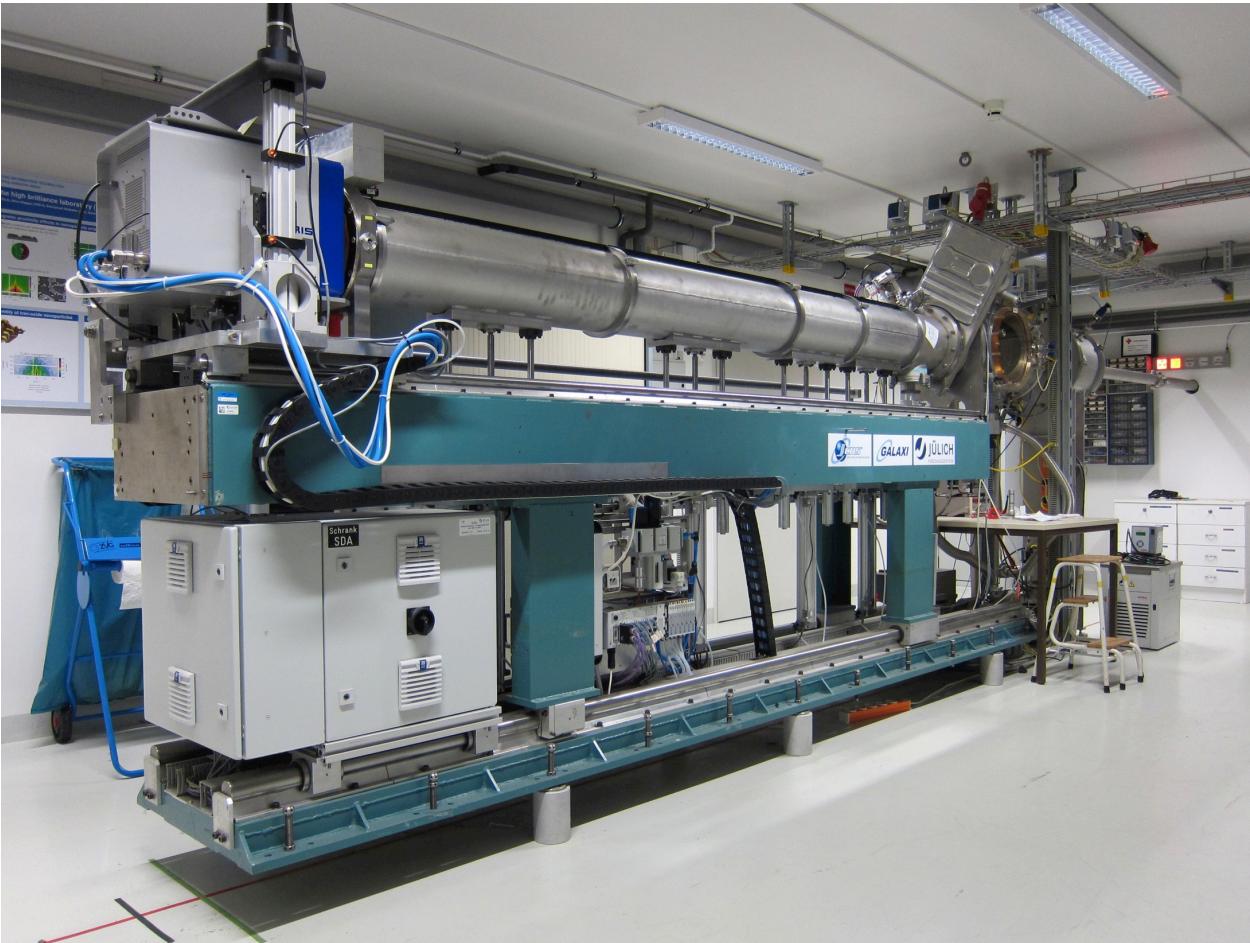
Optics: parabolic Montel mirrors, synchrotron grade quality

X-ray beam: 2.4 \times 2.4 mm 2 , divergence < 0.3 mrad (fwhm)
Current > 4 * 10 9 photons / s

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Detector:
Pilatus 1M



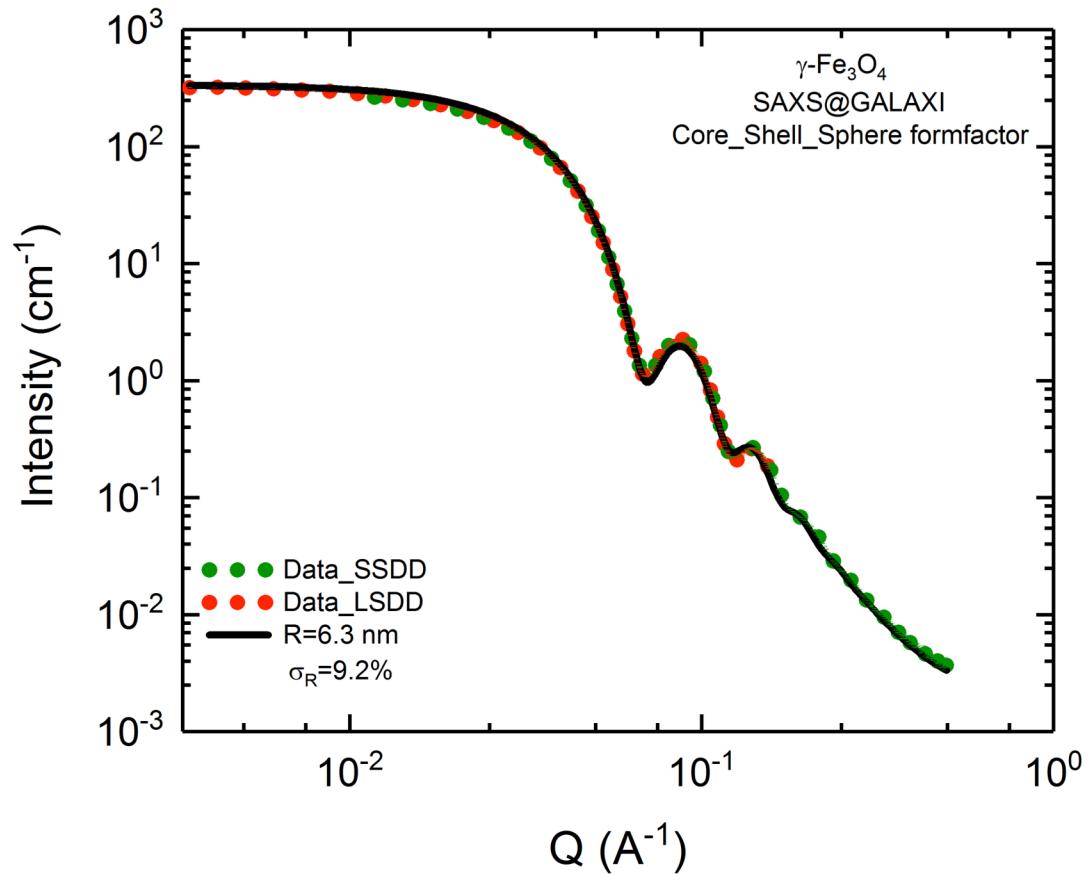
Journal of large-scale research facilities, 2 A61 (2016)

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MODES OF OPERATION

SAXS from magnetic nanoparticles of cubic shape

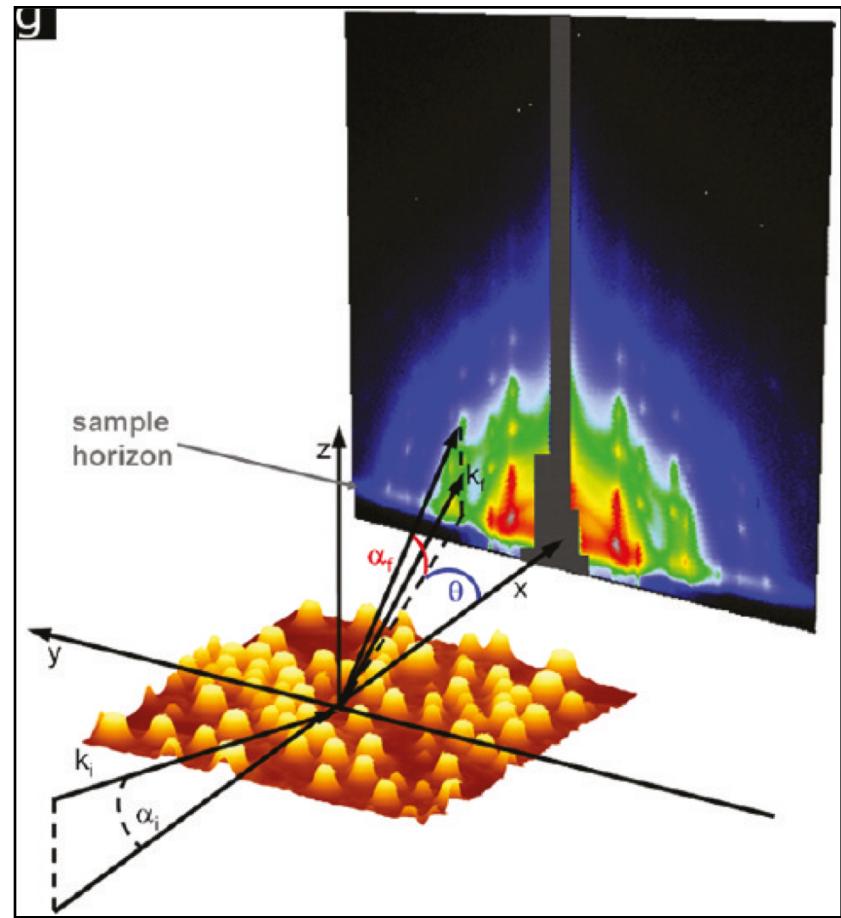


- Collaboration with
Dominique Dresen and
Sabrina Disch
(University of Cologne)

MODES OF OPERATION

Reflectometry and GISAXS:

- In plane structure by surface sensitive techniques: SEM, AFM
- Full 3D structure by GISAXS

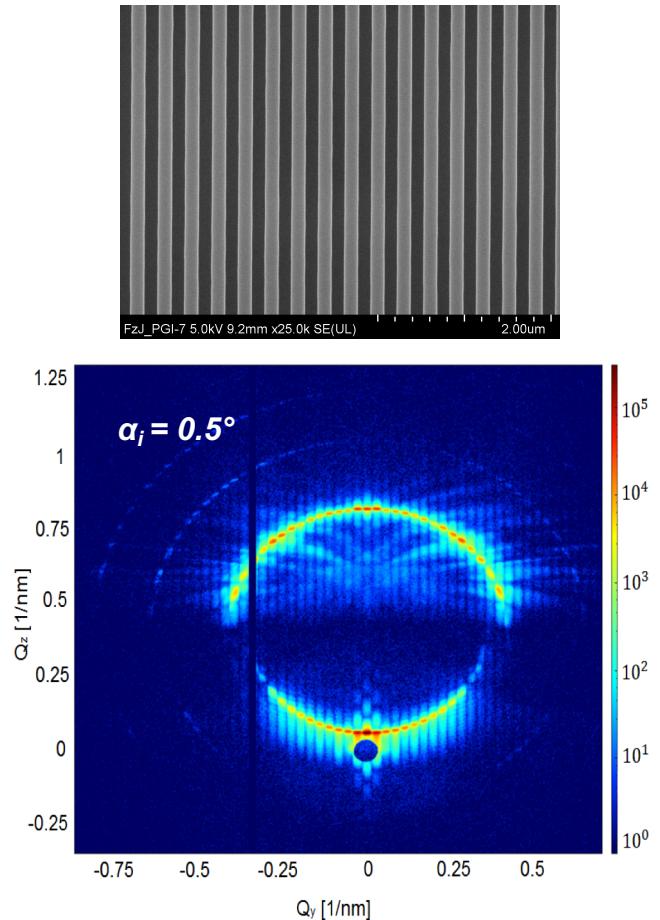
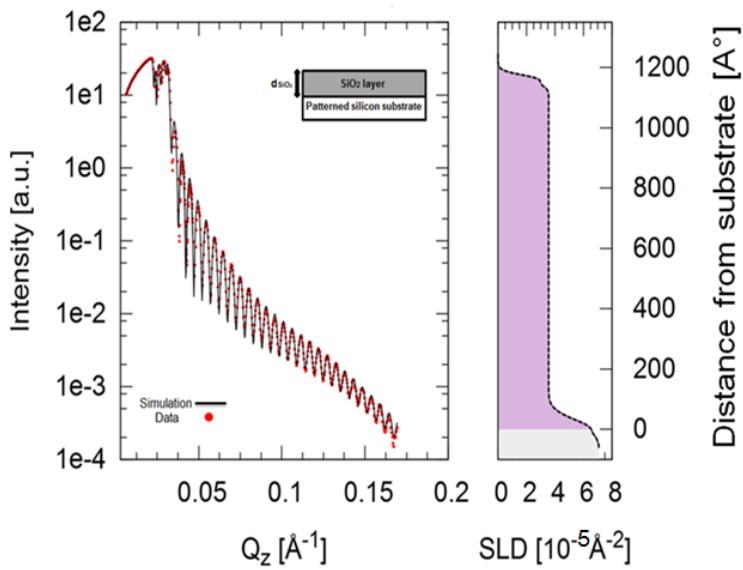


S. Disch, E. Wetterskog et al. Nano Letters 11, 1651 (2011)

MODES OF OPERATION

Reflectometry and GISAXS: Structural characterisation of patterned Si substrates

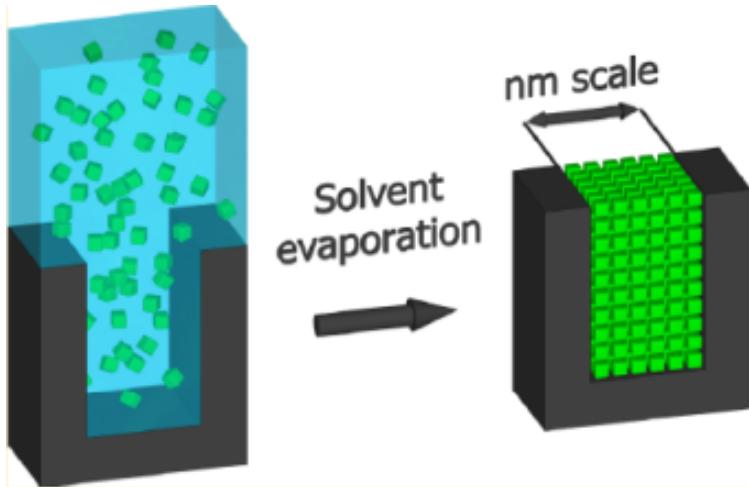
- Patterned Si substrates for assisted self-assembly of magnetic nanoparticles
- 3D structure investigated by reflectometry and GISAXS



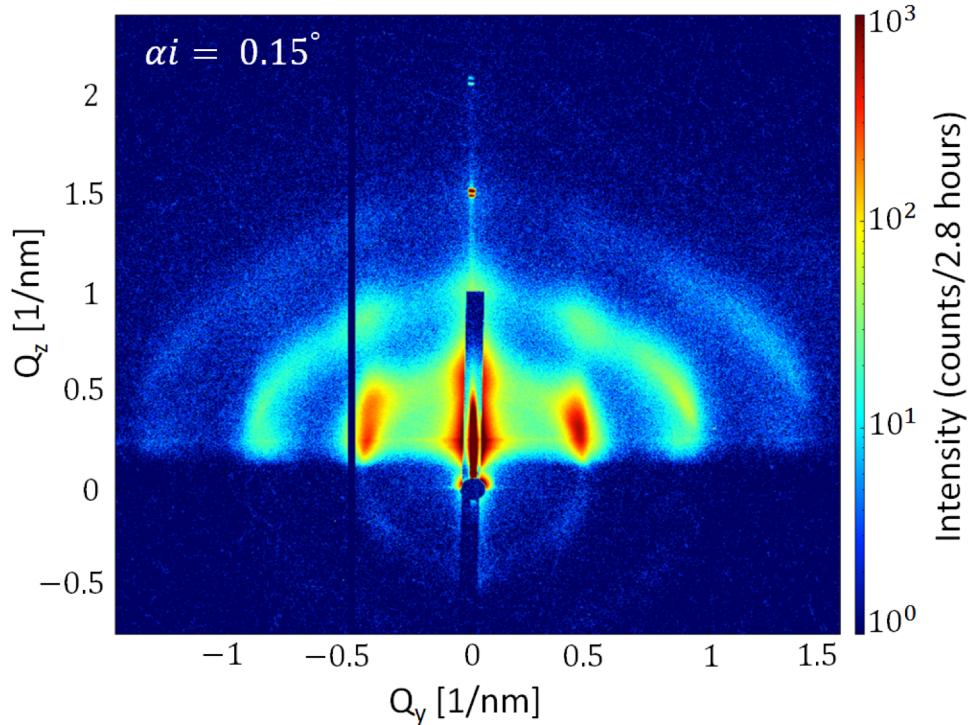
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Reflectometry and GISAXS:

Assisted self-assembly:



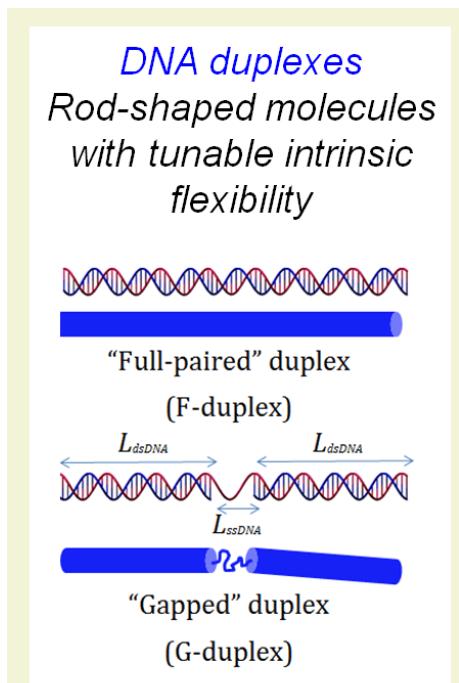
M. Agthe et al.,
Langmuir 31, 12537 (2015)



Ultimate aim: Investigation of magnetic correlations in highly ordered 3D arrangements of magnetic nanoparticles by GISANS

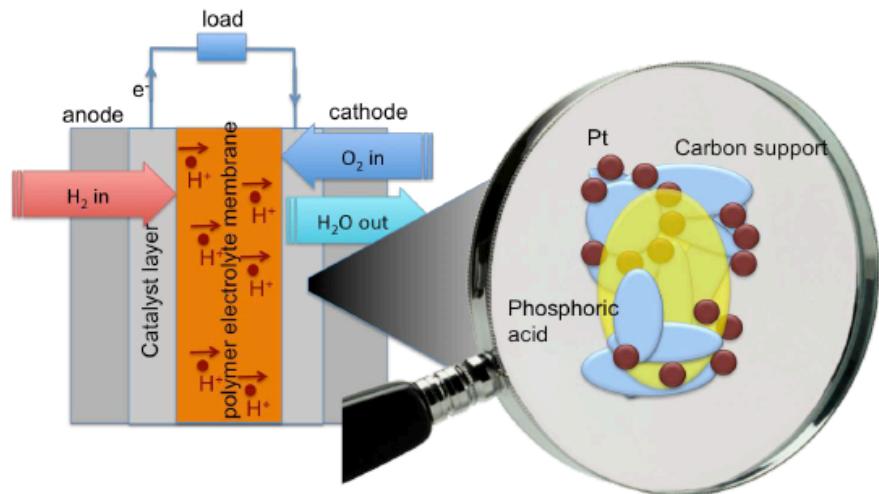
SOME OTHER APPLICATIONS

SOFT MATTER: Ordering between DNAs



M. Salamonczyk et al.,
Nat. Comm. 7 13358 (2016)

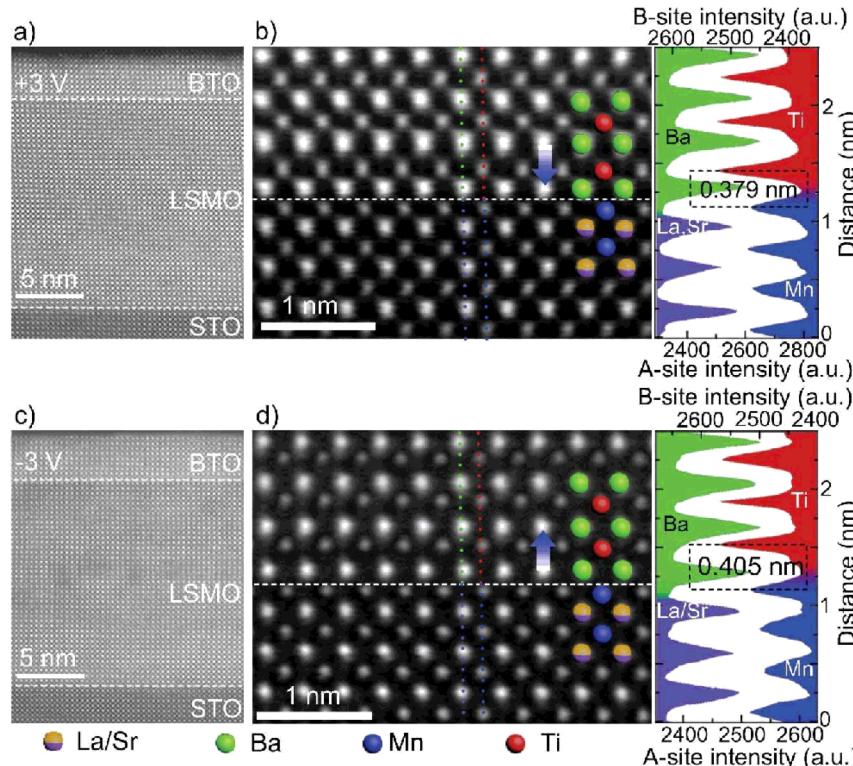
ENERGY: Structure of catalytic layer of fuel cells



M. Khanef et al.,
Fuel Cells 16, 406 (2016).
O. Holderer et al.,
ECS Transactions 80, 19 (2017)

TOWARDS INTERATOMIC LENGTH SCALES: ONE MOTIVATION (AMONG OTHERS)

Electric field control of magnetism at interfaces in oxide heterostructures



Precise determination of atomic positions and site occupancies is a prerequisite for interpreting magnetic data

Advantages:

- Electric field more local than magnetic field
- Smaller energy consumption

B. Cui et al.,
Adv. Funct. Mater.,
26 753 (2016)

TOWARDS INTERATOMIC LENGTH SCALES:

GIWAXS and Surface X-ray Diffraction

PHYSICAL REVIEW B

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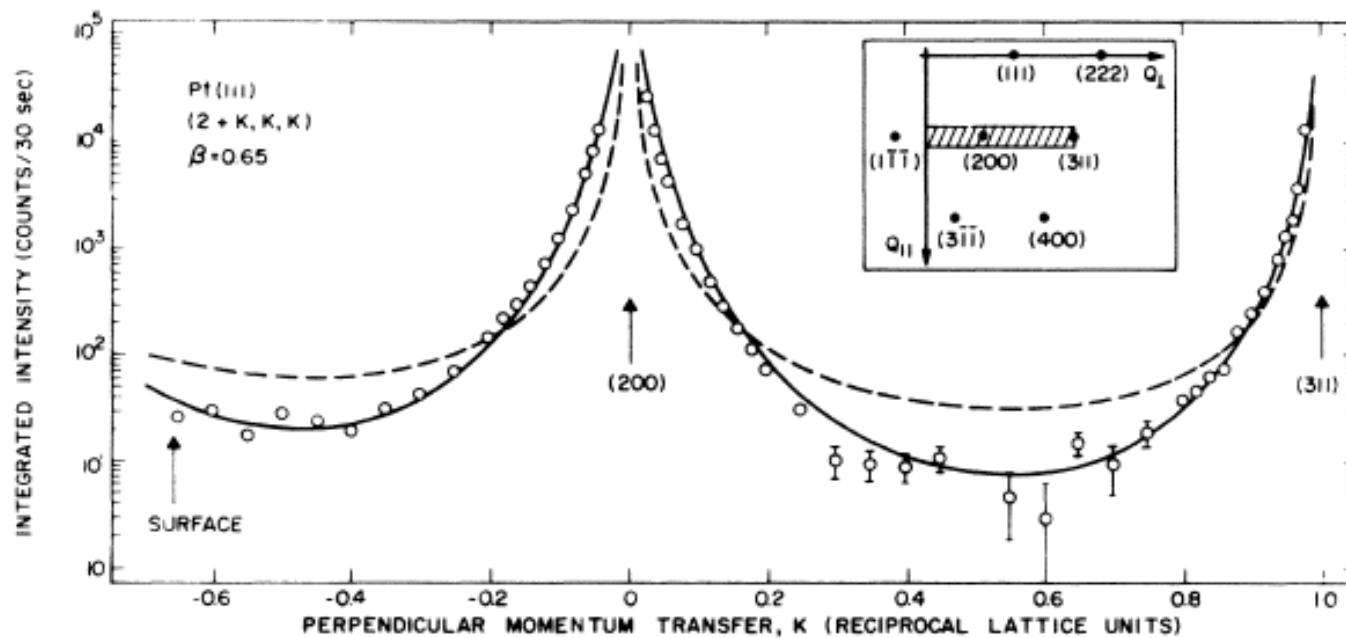
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Crystal truncation rods and surface roughness

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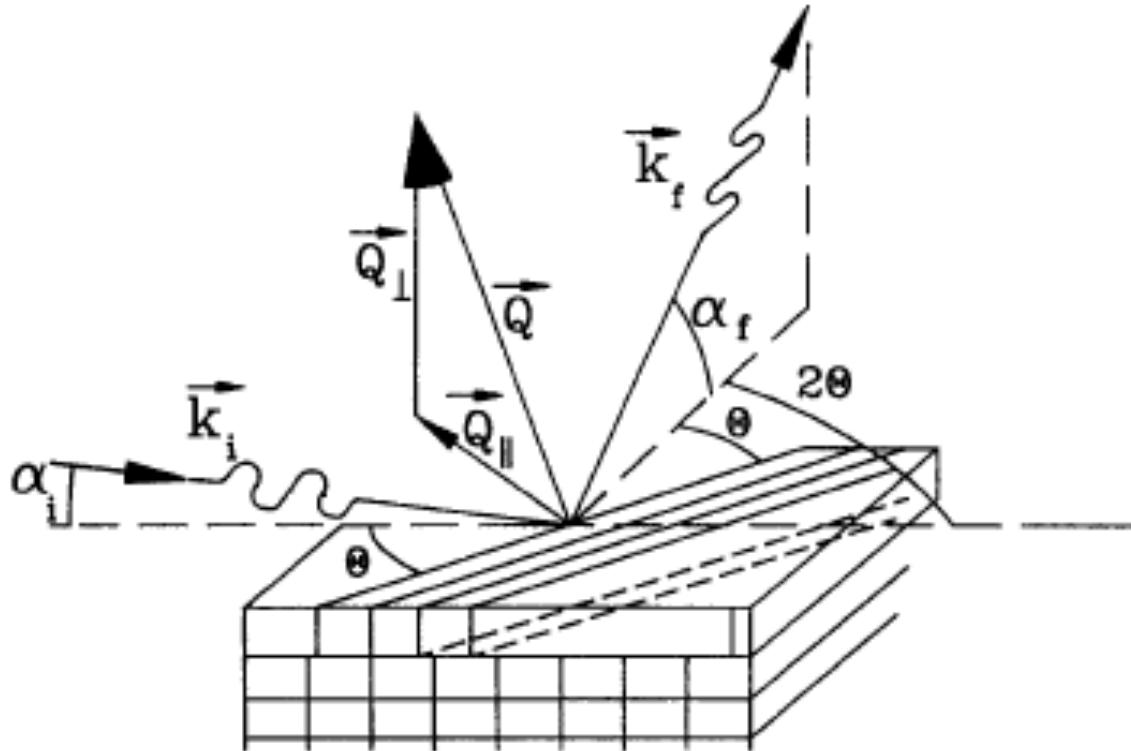
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GIWAXS and Surface X-ray Diffraction: Experimental geometry



G. Renaud, Surface Science Reports 32, 1 (1998)

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Characterisation of wavelength resolution at GALAXI

$$\delta Q = \sqrt{\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} \sin \theta\right)^2 + \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \cos \theta \delta\theta\right)^2}$$

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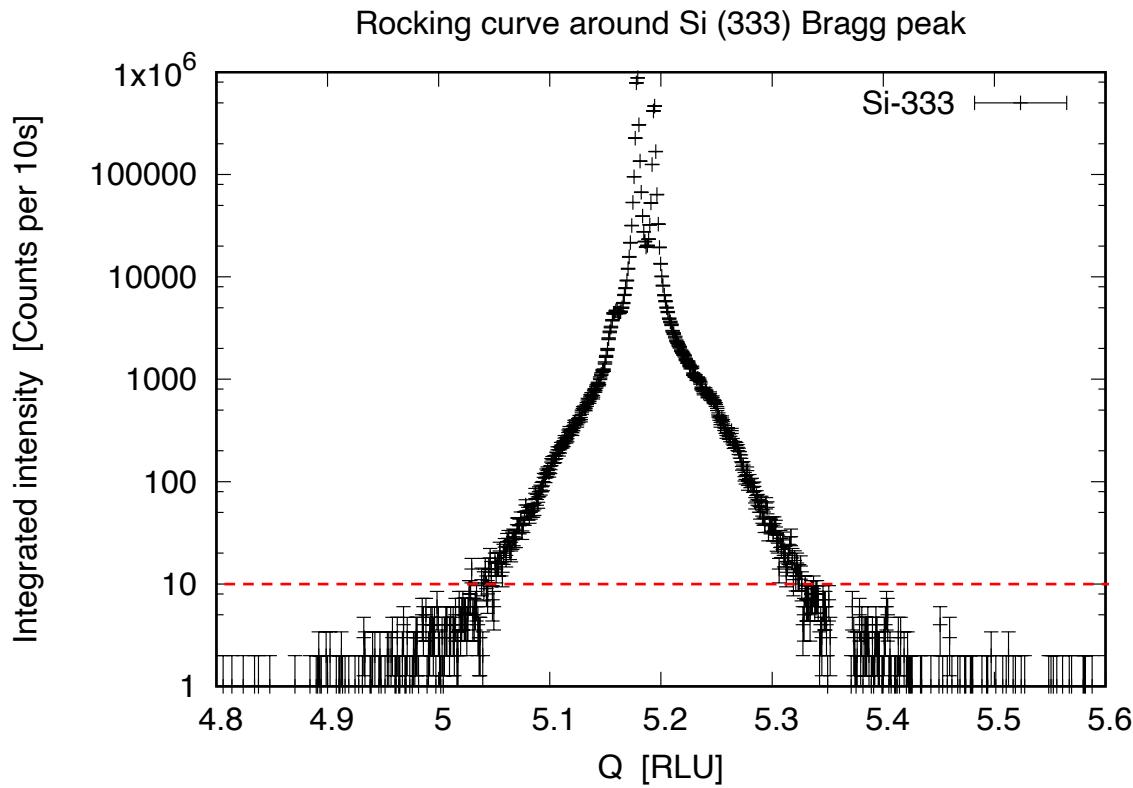
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Collimation slits:
S1: 0.5x0.5 mm²
S2: 0.5x0.5 mm²

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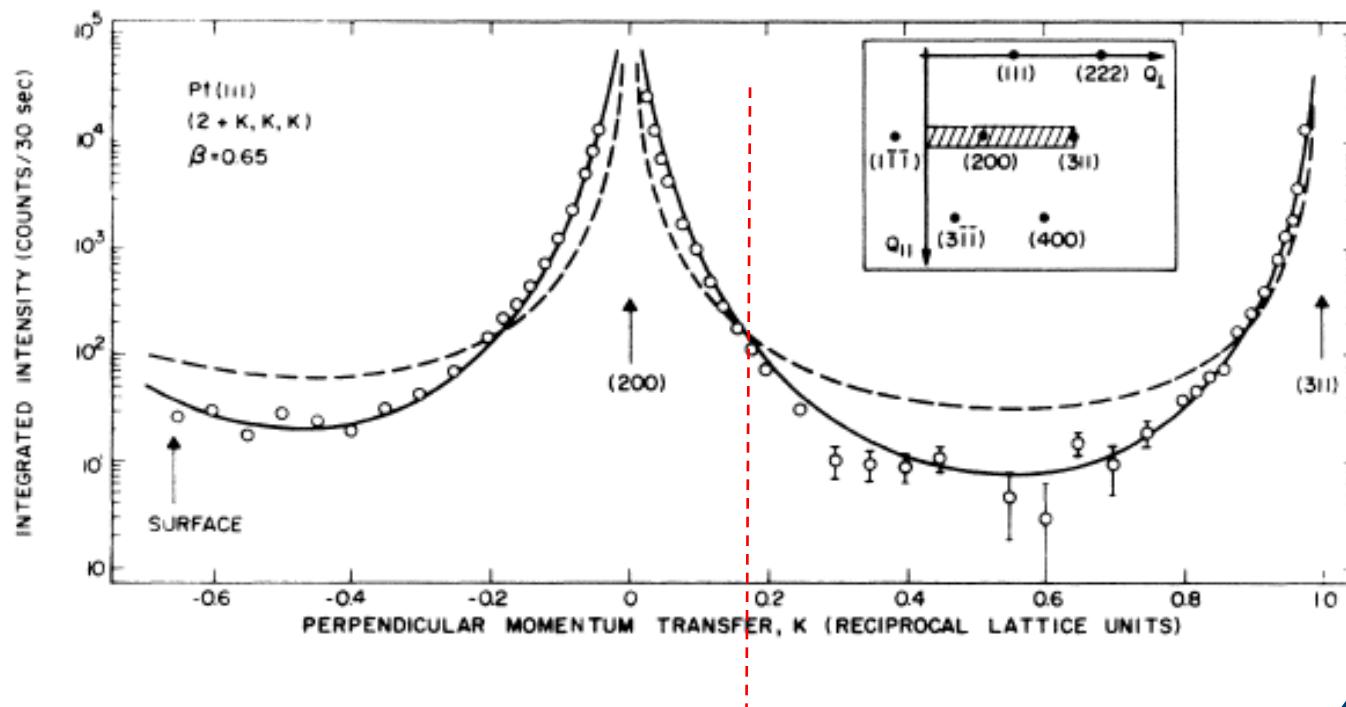
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