CBED Features



Influence of Thickness

thicker



K-M fringe frequency increases with thickness

Intensity oscillation in CBED disk (I)

 $T=\xi/2$



Frequency of intensity oscillation depends on T, ξ

Intensity oscillation in CBED disk (II)

bright-field disk shows "anomolous absorption"

Oscillations arise from variation in s_g with beam tilt

Experiment shows absorption effects



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 increasing *s*

$$s = \frac{g}{k} \cdot x$$

x measures distance to Bragg condition



Absorption

Incoherent and inelastic scattering result in attenuation

What if $\Phi(\mathbf{r})$ is complex?

Simple Case: $\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \Phi_0 + i\Phi'_0 \qquad U(\mathbf{r}) = U_0 + iU'_0$ $\left[\nabla^2 + 4\pi^2 \left(k^2 + U_0 + iU'_0\right)\right] \psi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$

Solution is an attenuated plane wave:

Absorption in a crystal

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow \Phi(\mathbf{r}) + i\Phi'(\mathbf{r})$$

The operator
$$\tilde{A}$$
 becomes non-Hermitian:
 $\tilde{A} \rightarrow \tilde{A} + i\tilde{A}'$

The eigenvalues become complex:

$$\left(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}+i\tilde{\mathbf{A}}'\right)\left|\psi^{(j)}\right\rangle = \left(\gamma^{(j)}+i\gamma^{\prime(j)}\right)\left|\psi^{(j)}\right\rangle$$

This leads to attenuation of the Block waves:

$$\Psi^{(j)}(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow \left\{ \sum_{\mathbf{g}} C_{\mathbf{g}}^{(j)} \mathrm{e}^{2\pi i \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \right\} \mathrm{e}^{2\pi i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \mathrm{e}^{2\pi i \gamma^{(j)} z} \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \gamma^{\prime(j)} z}$$

Non-Hermitian: $A_{g_2,g_1} + iA'_{g_1,g_2} \neq \left(A_{g_2,g_1} + iA'_{g_2,g_1}\right)^*$

How to diagonalize a non-Hermitian matrix?

$$U(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow U(\mathbf{r}) + iU'(\mathbf{r})$$

The matrix elements are:

$$A_{g,g} = s_g$$
$$A_{g_1,g_2}_{g_1 \neq g_2} = \frac{1}{2\xi_{g_2-g_1}}$$

$$A'_{g_{1,g_{2}}} = \frac{1}{2\xi'_{\mathbf{g}_{2}-\mathbf{g}_{1}}}$$

Treat Absorption as a perturbation

 $\tilde{A}' = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2\xi'_{0}} & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{1}}} & \cdot & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{n-1}}} \\ \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{1}}^{*}} & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{0}} & \cdot & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{n-1}-g_{1}}} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{n-1}}^{*}} & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{g_{1}-g_{n-1}}^{*}} & \cdot & \frac{1}{2\xi'_{0}} \end{pmatrix}$

Typically $\Phi'_{g} \approx (0.10) \Phi_{g}$

We can compute the attenuation coeffs. as a first-order perturbation:

$$\gamma^{\prime(j)} \approx \left\langle \psi^{(j)} \left| \tilde{\mathbf{A}}^{\prime} \right| \psi^{(j)} \right\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{g}^{\prime}} \left[C_{\mathbf{g}}^{(j)} \right]^{*} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2\xi_{\mathbf{g}-\mathbf{g}^{\prime}}^{\prime}} \right) \cdot C_{\mathbf{g}^{\prime}}^{(j)}$$

Two-beam simulation













Find *H* from HOLZ ring diameter

Example: Si [001] CBED pattern



E = 125 KeV

Find *H*: $NH = \frac{1}{\lambda} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{\lambda^2} - G_N^2} \left| \approx \frac{\lambda (G_N)^2}{2} \right|$ $2G_1 = 67.9 \,\mathrm{nm}^{-1} \rightarrow G_1 = 34.0 \,\mathrm{nm}^{-1} \rightarrow NH = 1.89 \,\mathrm{nm}^{-1}$ We found that $H = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_{uvw}|}$ fcc [001]: FOLZ has N=1 $|{\bf r}_{uvw}| = 1/a$ $\rightarrow H = 1/a$ $\rightarrow a = 0.53 \text{ nm}$

Actual value (Si): a = 0.54 nm

Symmetry in CBED patterns

From either a K-M or K pattern: WP: Whole-pattern symmetry





From a K-M pattern:

BF: (000) disk symmetry, including HOLZ lines DF: (*hkl*) disk symmetry



Si [111]



Dynamical electron diffraction allows determination of film polarity J. Tafto, and J.C.H. Spence, J. C. H., 1982, J. Appl. Crystallogr., 15, p. 60.

Large-angle CBED



- 1) focus probe on sample
- 2) raise sample height
- 3) inset diffraction aperture around 0 spot
- 4) switch to diffraction mode
- 5) increase convergence angle

