

Magnetic Coherent Diffraction of Domain Excitations in Sr_2IrO_4 Iridate

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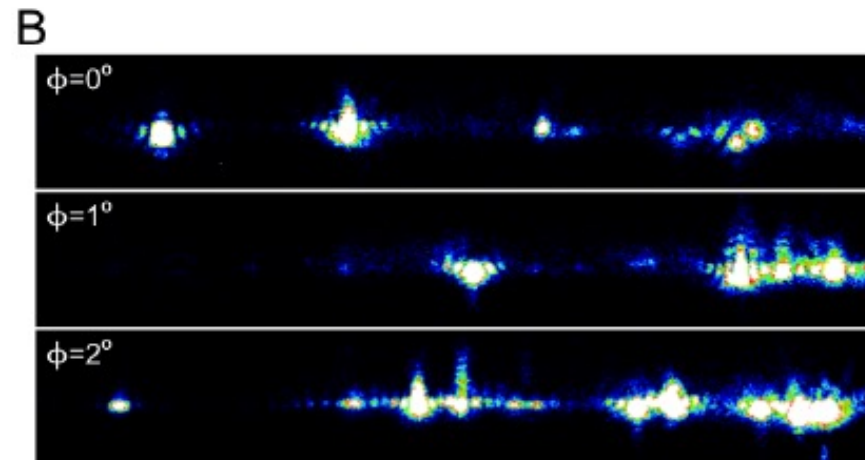
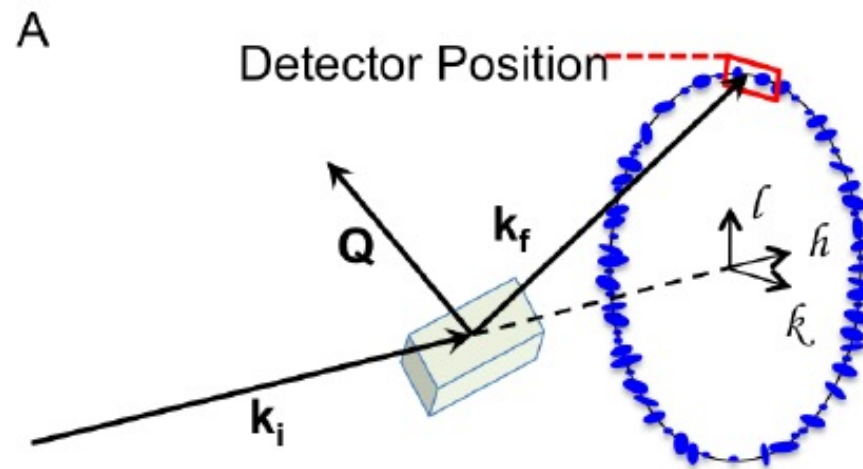
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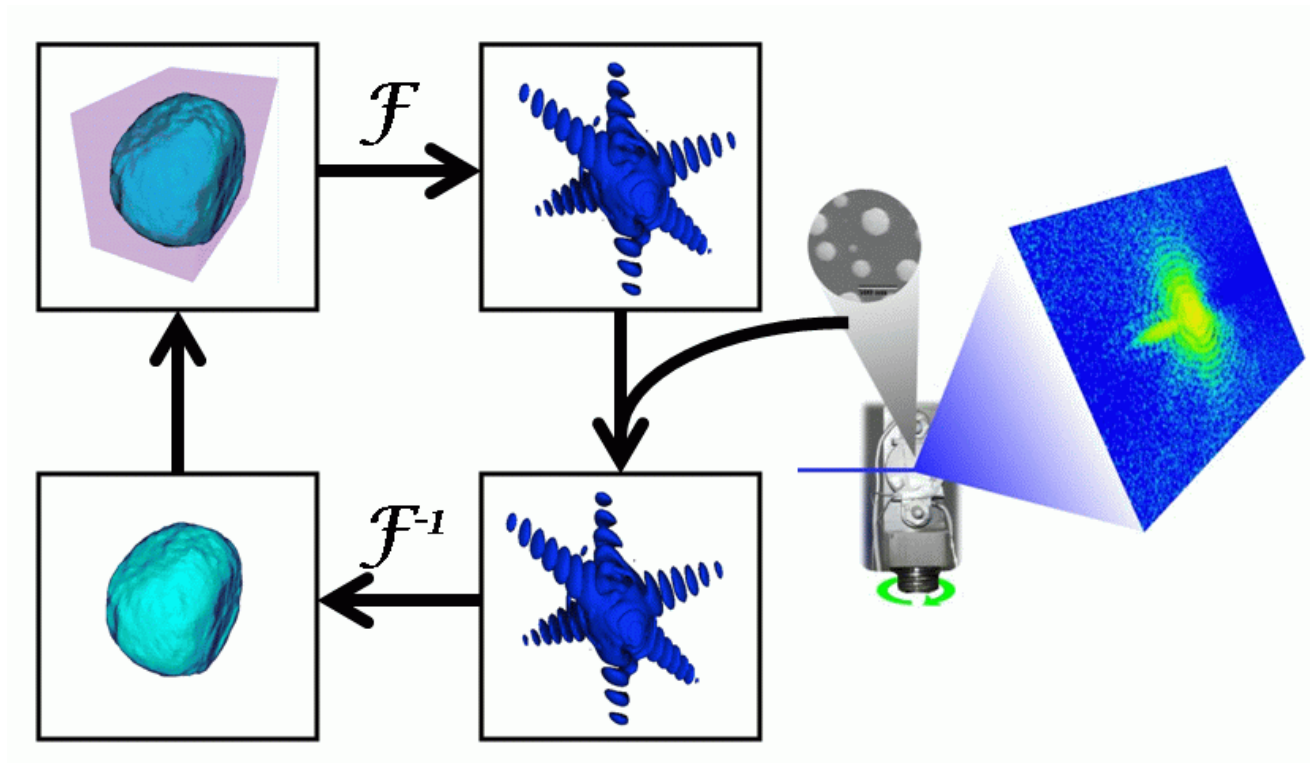
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Magnetic Coherent X-ray Diffraction

- Bragg Coherent Diffraction Imaging
- Sensitivity to strain
- Phase domain structures
- Domain counting rule
- Antiferromagnetism of Sr_2IrO_4
- Pump-probe XFEL experiment
- Phase domain model of data
- Migration of magnetic domains



Generic “Error Reduction” method



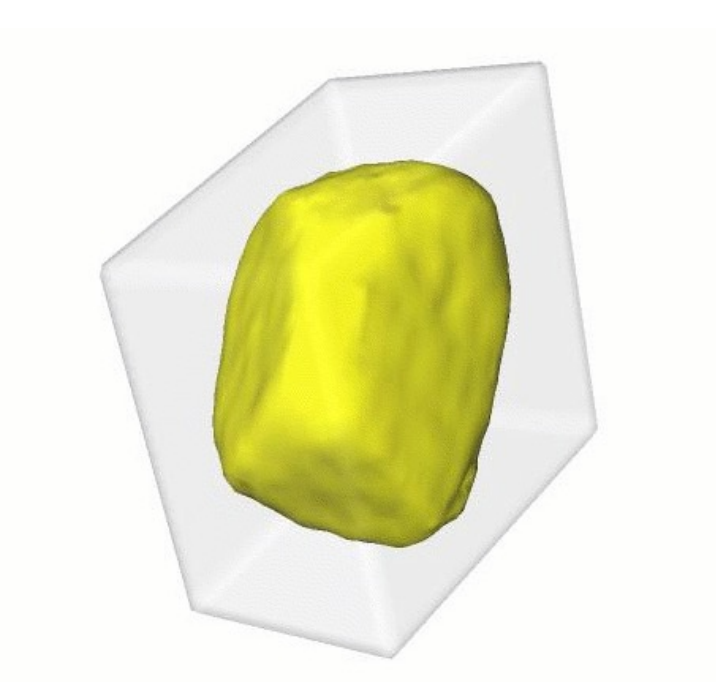
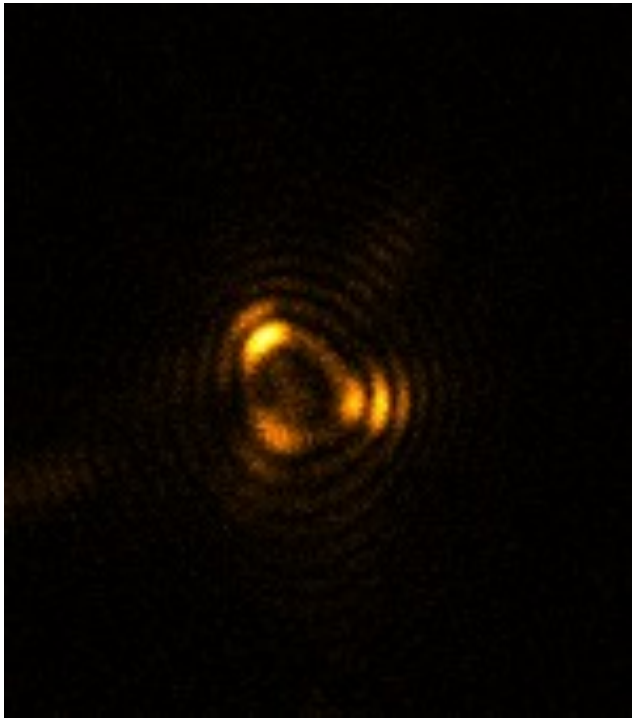
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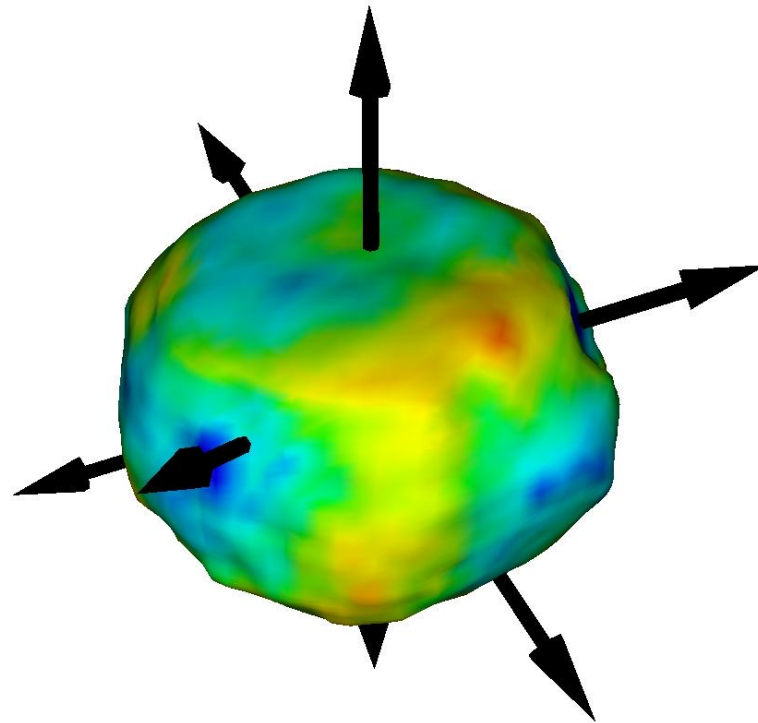
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Gold nanocrystal reconstruction

showing support used for 20 HIO followed by 10 ER



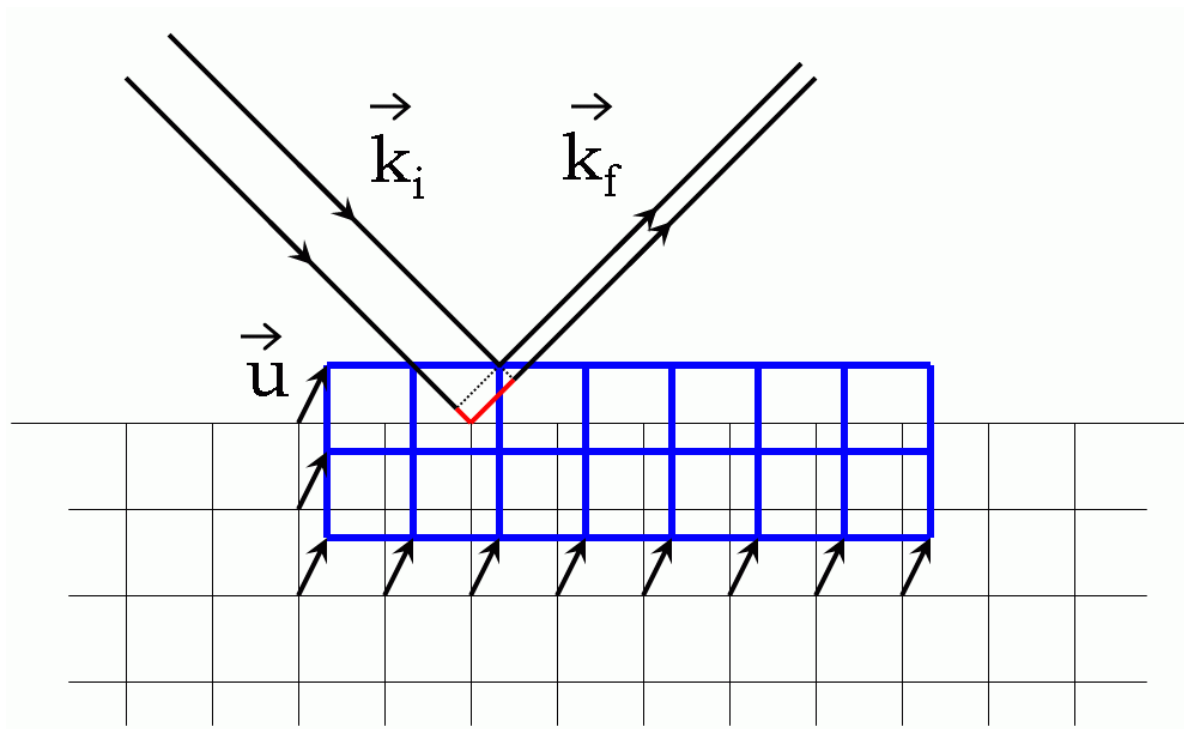
Phase isosurface of residual strain



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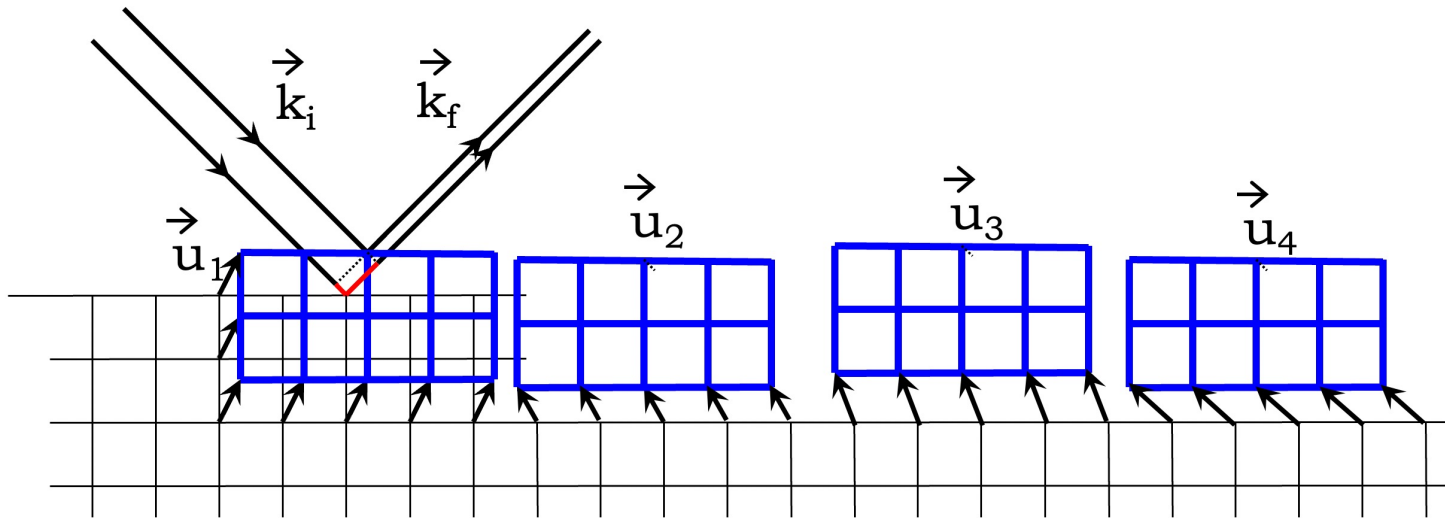
Sensitivity to strain

$$\Delta\phi = \mathbf{k}_f \cdot \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{u}$$



Sensitivity to domain offsets

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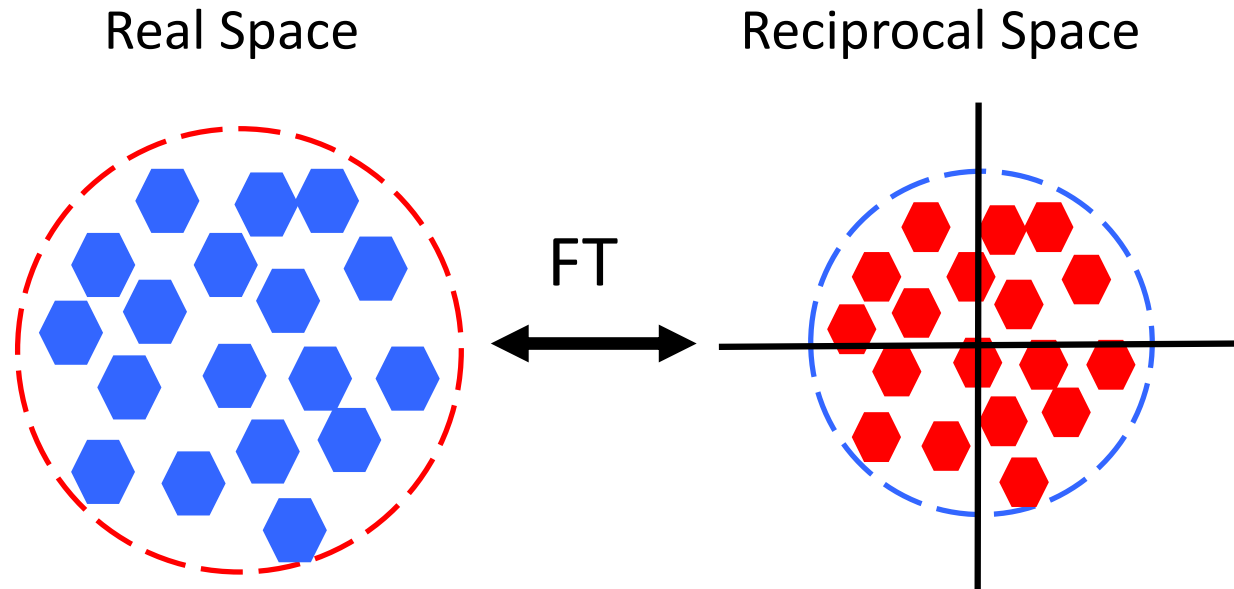


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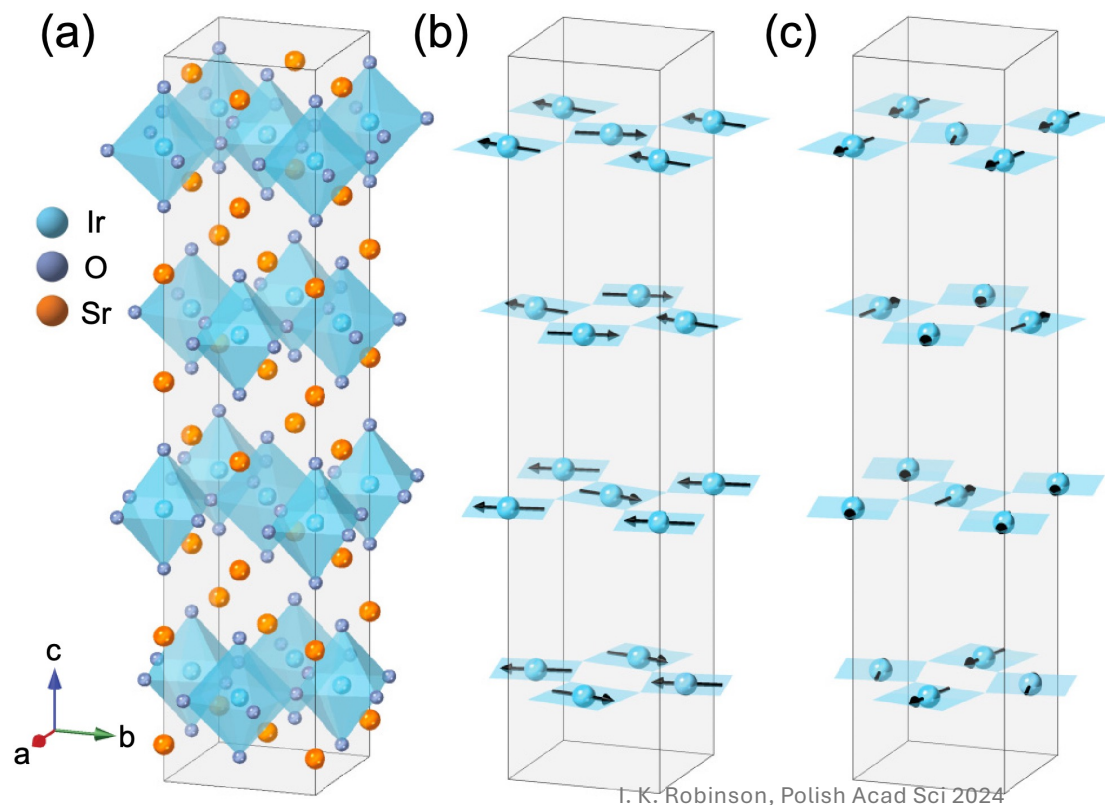
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Domain Counting by Coherent Diffraction

Ian Robinson et al, J. Superconductivity and Novel Magnetism (2019)



Sr_2IrO_4 has “214” Layered square planar structure like $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$ superconductors



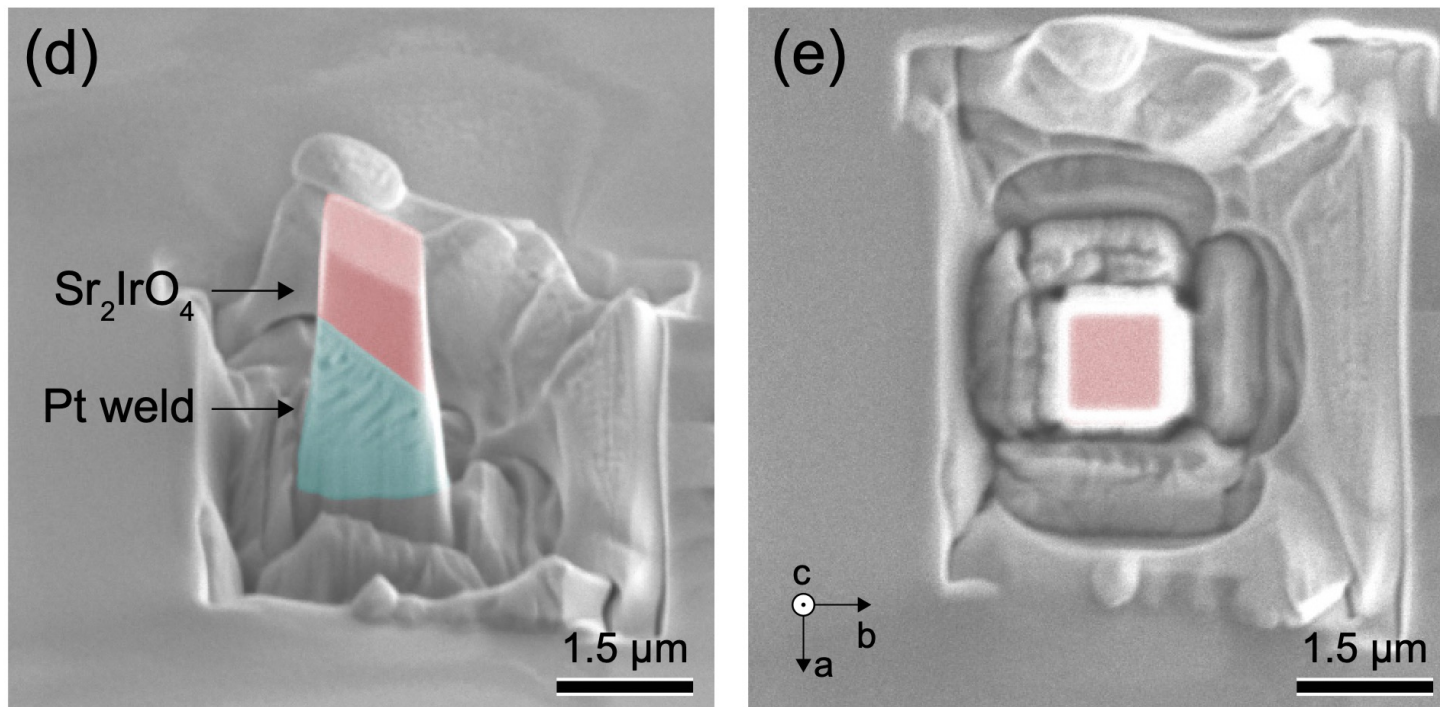
Strong AFM peaks at
106 first domain
016 second domain
108 second domain

pseudo tetragonal
unit cell

resonance at Ir L_3
11.215 keV

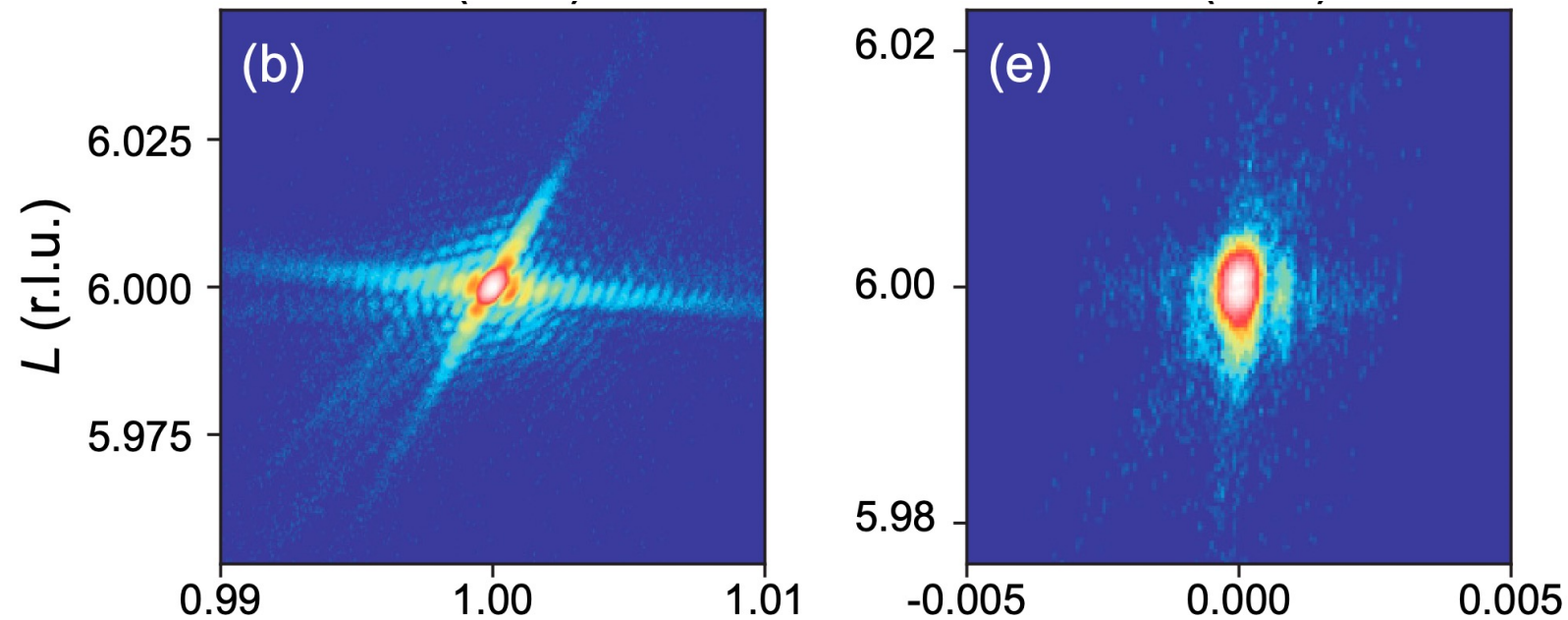
FIB sample preparation (Kim Kisslinger CFN BNL)

For MID-XFEL Jungfrau at 8m we made $5 \times 5 \times 5 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ and $4 \times 4 \times 4 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ crystals



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116 charge and 106 magnetic diffraction peaks Resonant on Ir L₃ at 11.215 keV



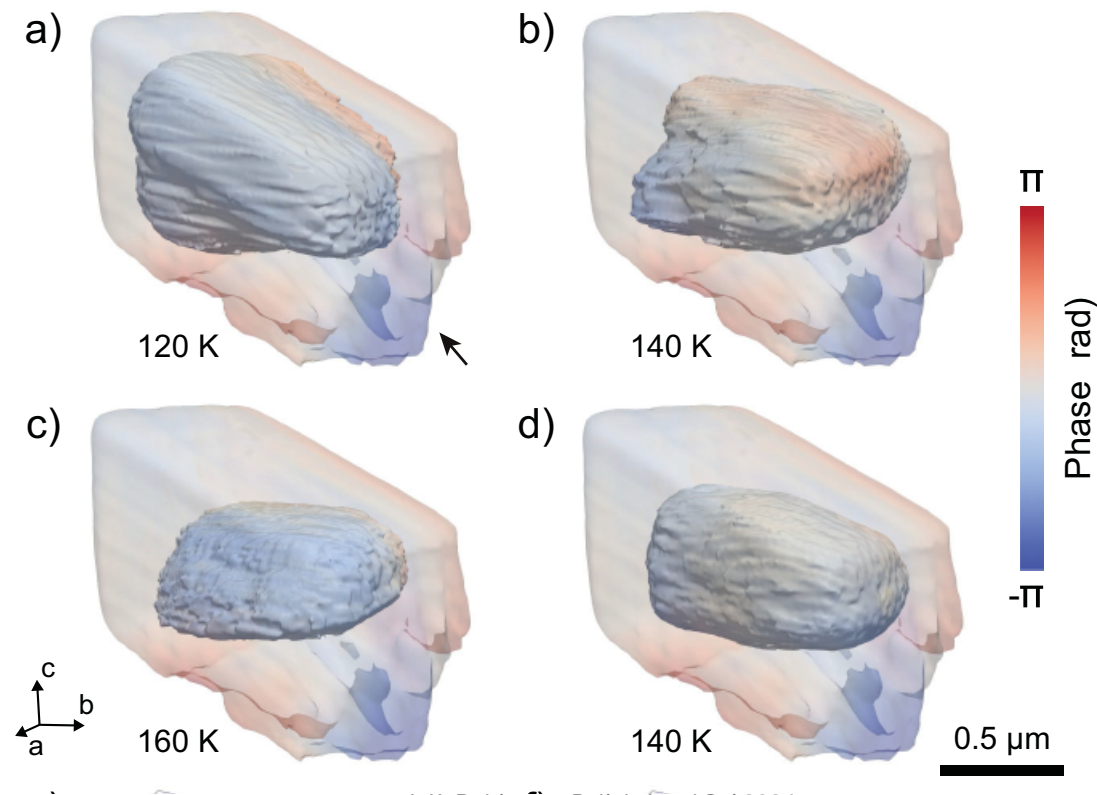
length (nm)	(116) peak	120 K	140 K	160 K
ξ_H	1153 ± 6	1137 ± 4	1158 ± 4	1030 ± 13
ξ_K	970 ± 3	1019 ± 15	1083 ± 20	871 ± 54
ξ_L	902 ± 3	739 ± 2	610 ± 3	423 ± 9

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Magnetic BCDI images of single AFM domain

Anisotropy of Antiferromagnetic Domains in a Spin-orbit Mott Insulator

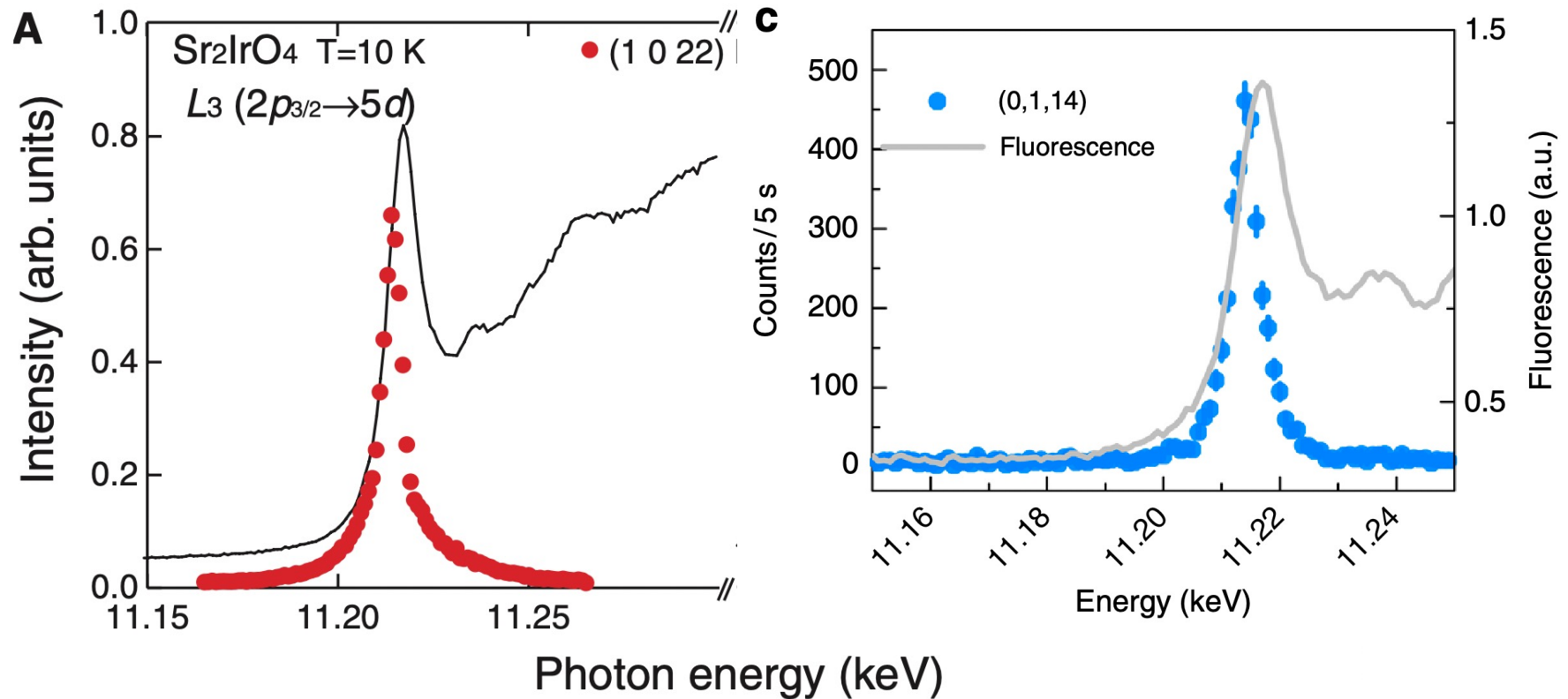
Longlong Wu et al Physical Review B 108 L020403 (2023)



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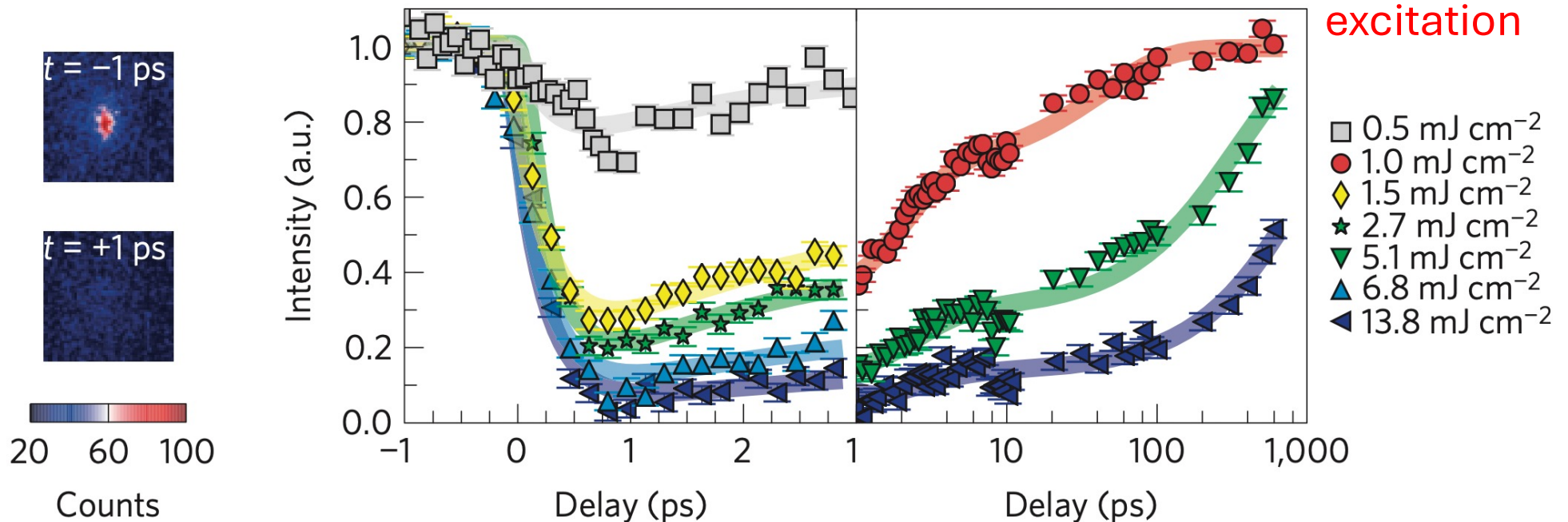
Magnetic Bragg peak resonance at 11.215 keV

B.J. Kim et al Science (2009); K. Finkelstein Nat Comm (2018)



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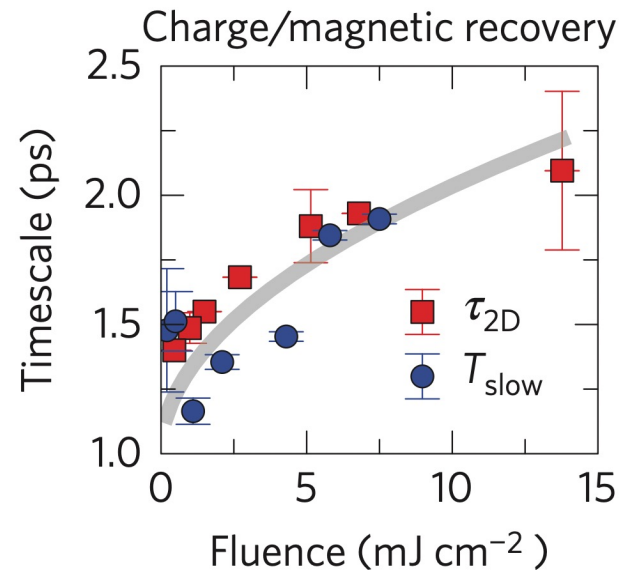
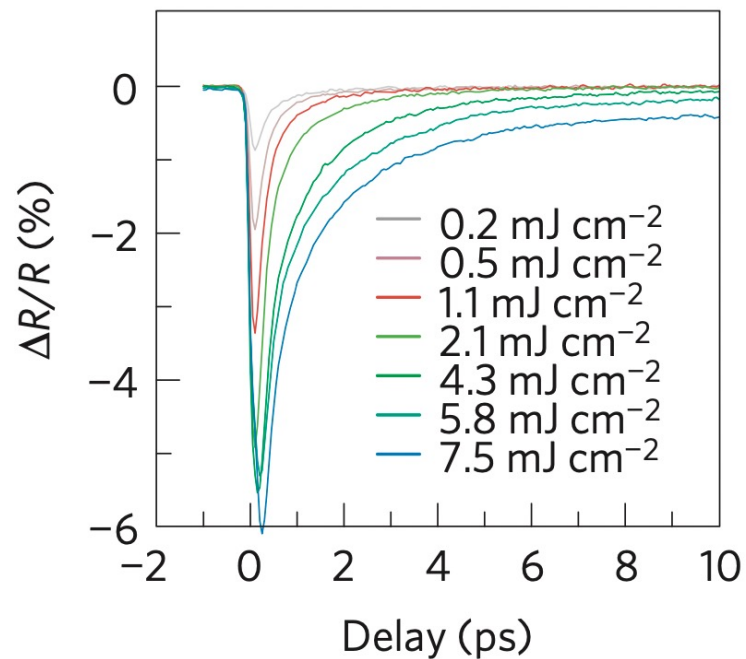
800 nm laser
excitation



(-3 -2 28) magnetic Bragg peak (backscattering at 12.215 keV).

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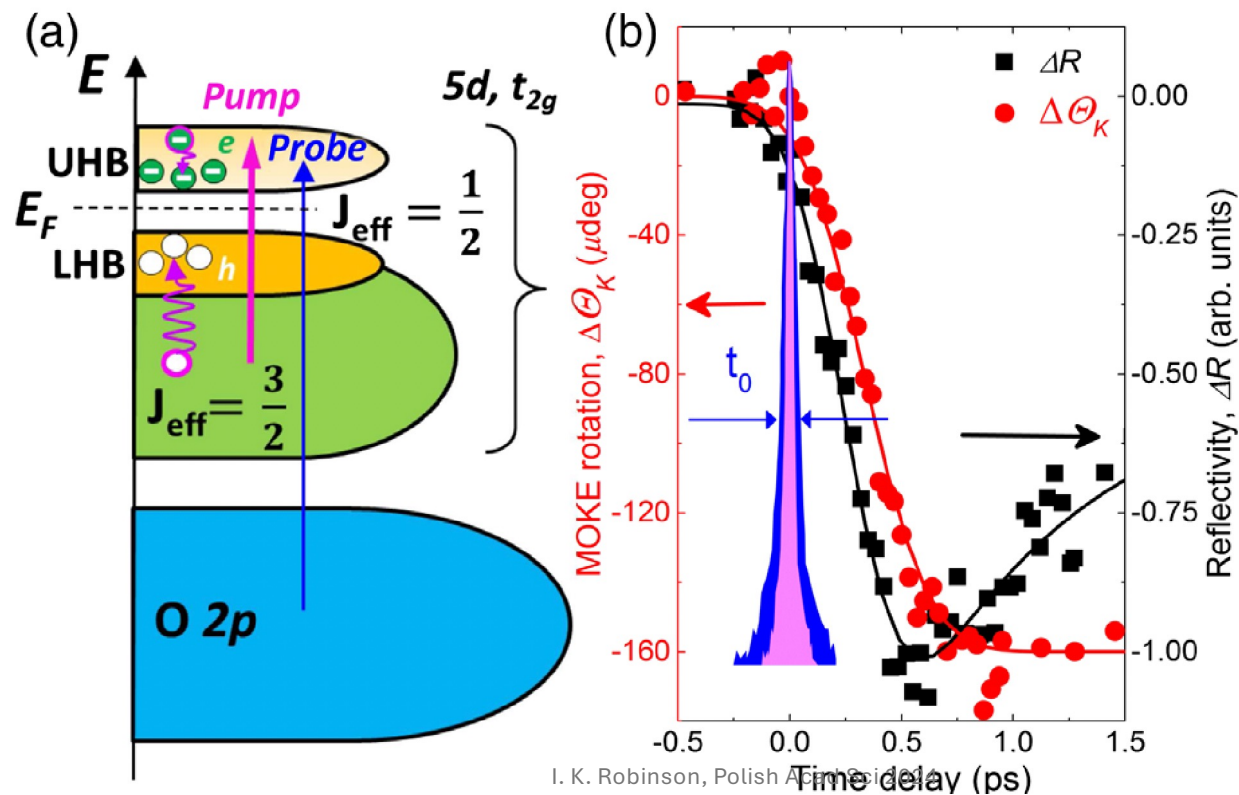
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Laser reflectivity of AFM Demagnetisation by MOKE

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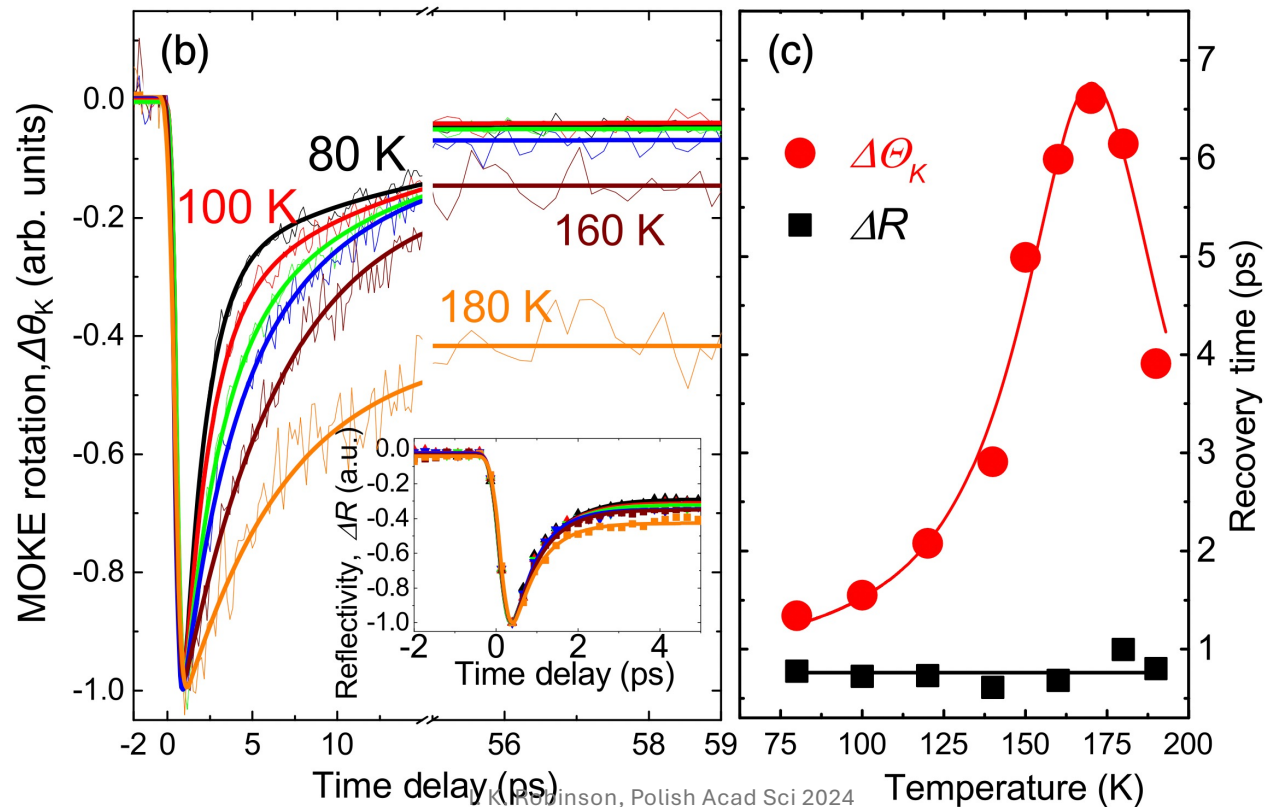
400 nm laser
excitation

I. K. Robinson, Polish Acad Sci Bull

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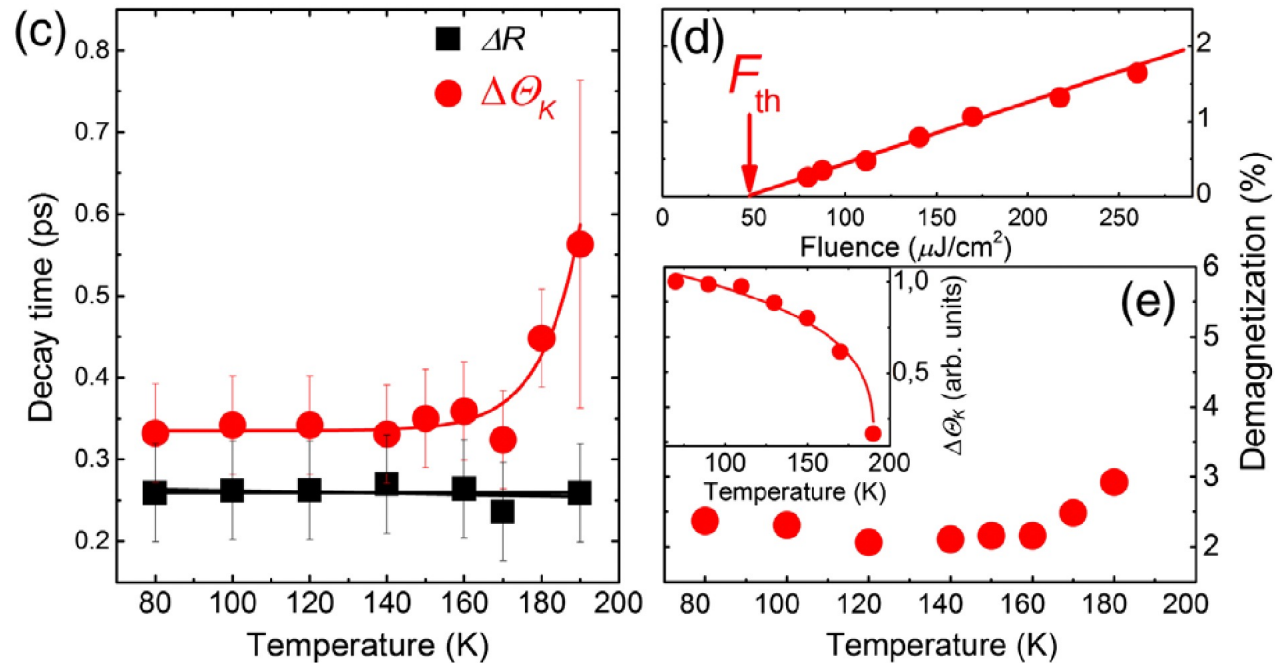
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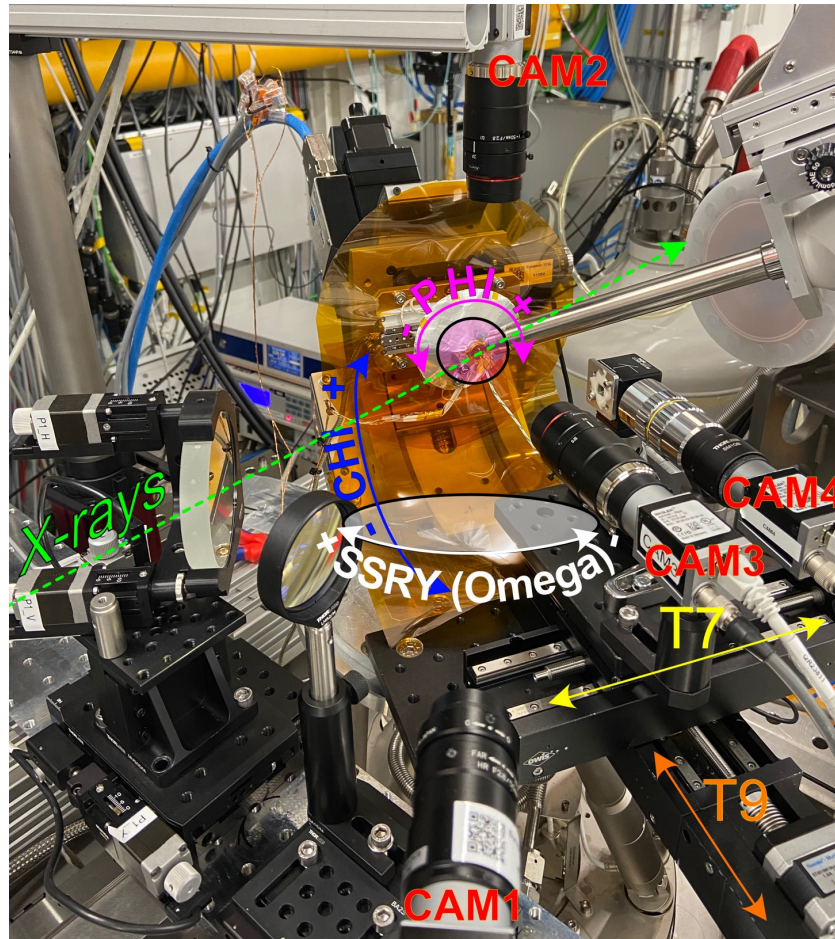
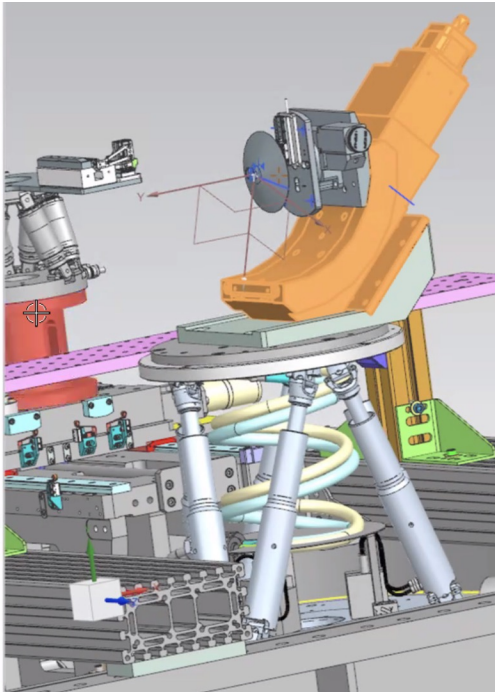


P3331 + P6156 experiments at MID of E-XFEL

- 2-day compensation beamtime (for cryo failure in April 2023)
- Challenging sample alignment
 - 5x5 μm crystal prealigned to 001 normal 100 parallel to edge
 - self seeding at exact resonant energy 11.215 keV
 - magnetic peaks only below 230K
 - (1 0 6) peak is tilted 51 degrees in 001/100 plane
 - spatial and temporal overlap of laser and 12 μm X-ray focus
- Pre-align on (2 0 12) charge peak at double the Bragg angle
- Planned to get 3D BCDI rocking curves vs PP delay and fluence

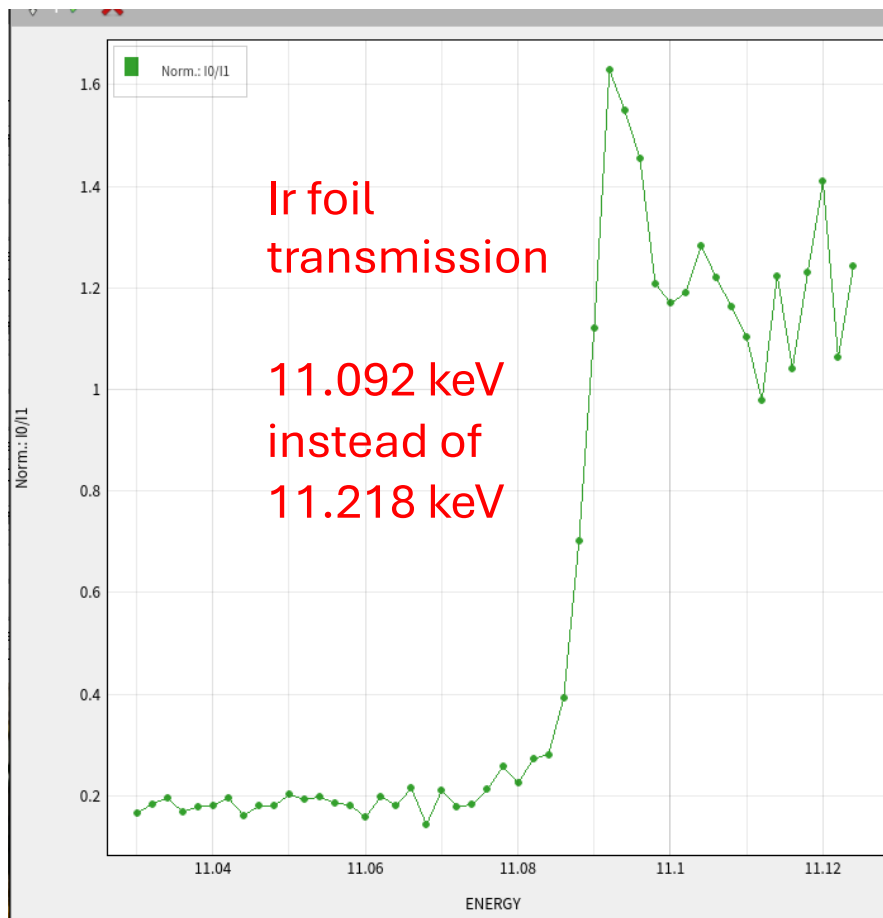
Set-up at MID E-XFEL April 2023 + April 2024

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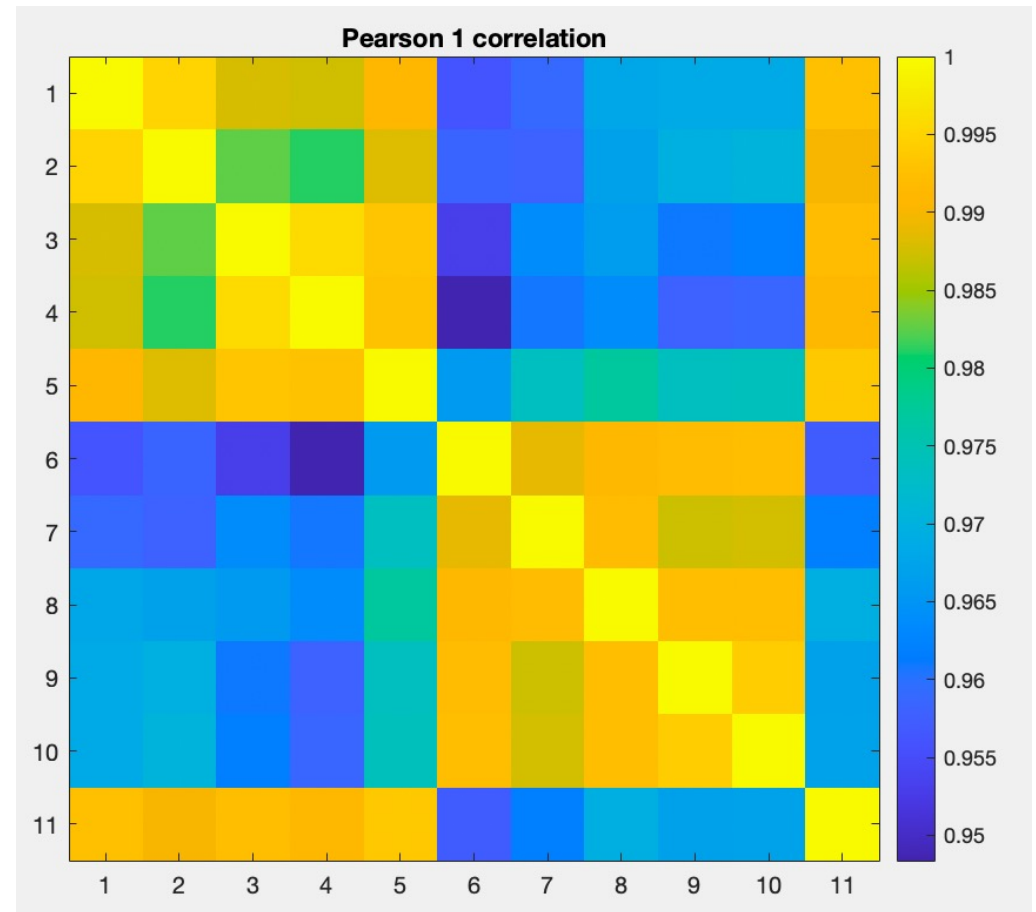
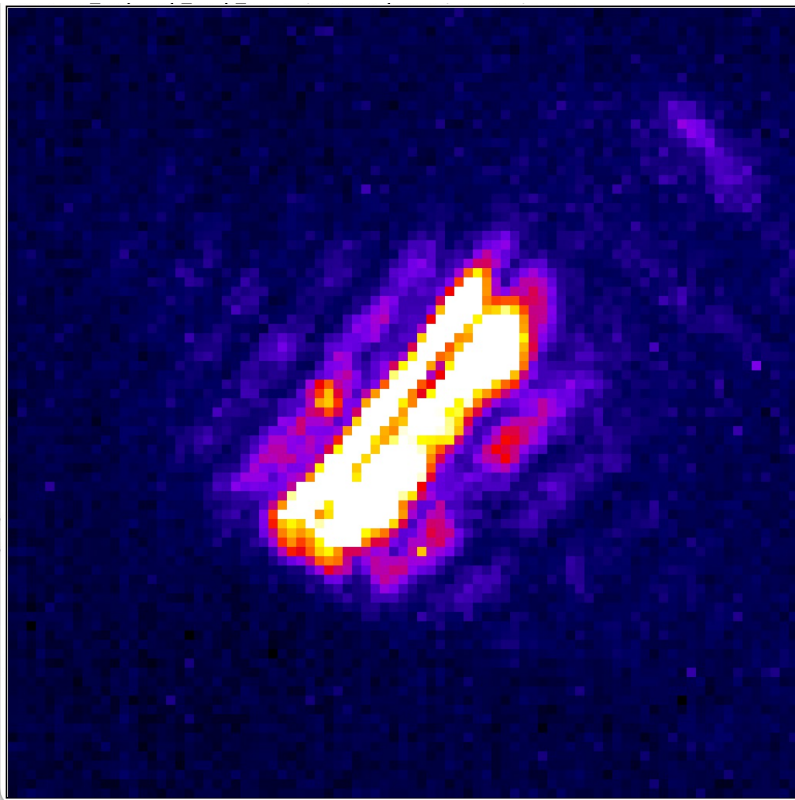


cryostream
cooling

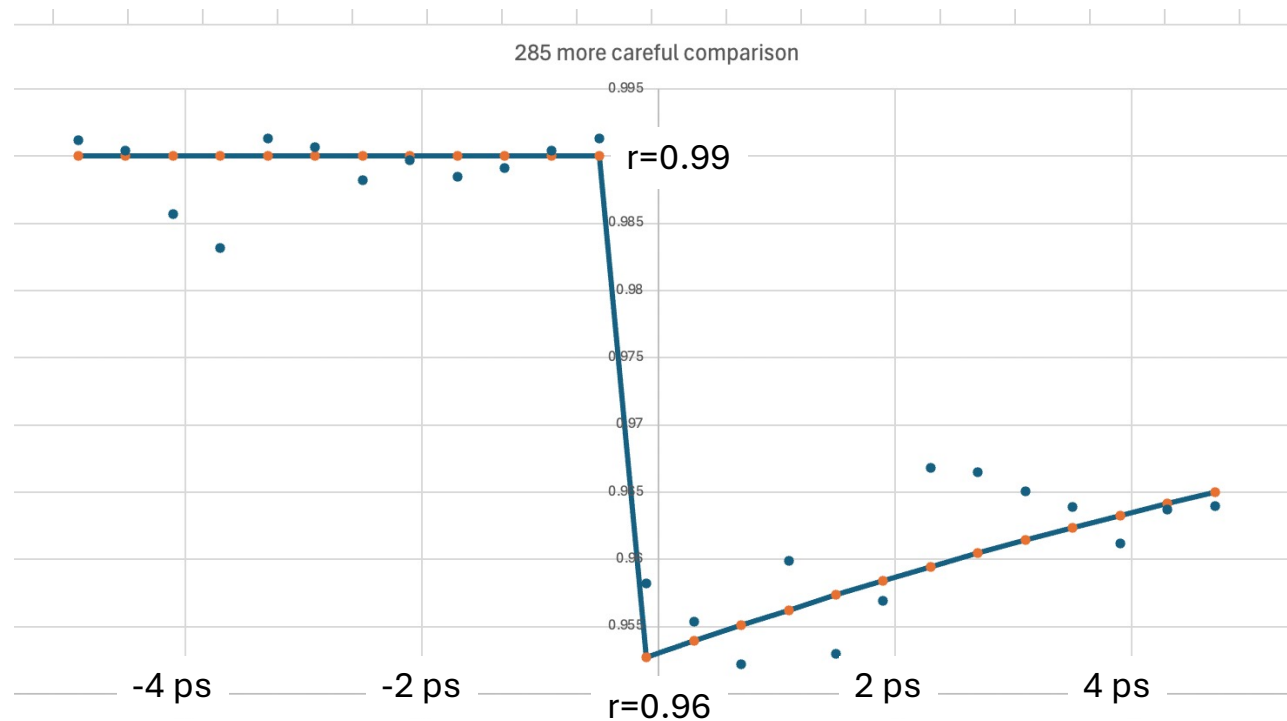
Single crystal sample of Sr_2IrO_4 at 100K



Coherent diffraction at 106 peak
T=100K E=11.215 keV



Run285 bin = 4 compare with P5 reconstruction
800 nm Laser at 50% = 15 mJ/cm²



5.3	offset
0.037	amp
12 ps	decay
0.99	scale

Magnetic Coherent X-ray Diffraction

- Bragg Coherent Diffraction Imaging at E-XFEL
- Phase domain images of Sr_2IrO_4
- Antiferromagnetic (AFM) domains
- Domain counting rule
- Laser driven migration of AFM domains