Microspectroscopy and Spectromicroscopy

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Part II:

- basic PEEM principles
- imaging modes of a PEEM with imaging analyzer
- PEEM with magnetic sector field to couple in an electron beam
- comparison SPEM / X-PEEM
- Applications

PEEM PhotoElectron Emission Microscope: principle setup



Action of aperture and accelerating field:



=> Aperture cuts most of the signal



accelerating field itself introduces aberrations:





angle limiting aperture reduces these aberrations but cuts signal

furthermore the aperture introduces diffraction which limits as well the resolution

=> energy resolution, lateral resolution, transmission all interdependent



Electron imaging systems: PEEM setups

Classification of PEEM systems

- A. PEEM without energy filter
- B. PEEM with imaging retarding field filter
- C. PEEM with area selective spectroscopy
- D. PEEM with **full spectromicroscopy capabilities, i.e. imaging analyzer**
- E. PEEM with magnetic sector field in combination of MEM and LEEM
 - F. PEEM with **aberrations correction** of the accelerating field
 - G. PEEM with **time of flight detector**

A) energy filtered imaging



B) area selective spectroscopy



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C) imaging the back focal plane (energy filtered): diffraction pattern



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Comparison: SPEM - PEEM

| SPEM | PEEM |
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| Lateral resolution (focusing optics) and energy resolution (x-ray monochromaticity and analyzer) not correlated | Lateral resolution and energy resolution correlated because of instrument transmission. |
| Lateral resolution: | Lateral resolution: |
| ~ 100 nm at present, 40-50 nm feasible. | 10-20 nm at present, 2 nm feasible |
| Acquisition rate : 'slow' (min) The same in single and multichannel imaging | Acquisition rate : 'fast' for one image (s) "slow" for image stack |
| µ-spectroscopy: | Area selected spectroscopy |
| fast, with 100 nm resolution | fast with ~ 1 µm resolution |
| energy resolution 10 meV - 500 meV depending on application | energy resolution ~ 400 meV reached |
| other detectors possible | Combination with electron source possible |

Applications: handling topographic contrast

Topographic contrast in the SPEM at ELETTRA





 MoO_3 crystal on Al_2O_3 support

Applications XPS: removing topography- chemical map



Applications XAS- XPEEM: imaging ferromagnet antiferromagnet interface



Applications XAS- STXM: imaging polymer blends

XAS-XANES

Contrast due to:

C1s transitions into the C=C and C=O π^* orbital



e.g. H. Ade, X-ray microscopy 99, AIP507, p197

Applications XPS-SPEM: Ni-Si(111) interface

imaging coexisting phases: NiSi, NiSi₂ islands and 2 dim $\sqrt{19x}\sqrt{19}$ and 1x1 ring-cluster phase



35 µm

L. Gregoratti, et al, PRB 57 (98) L2134; PRB 59 (99) 2018.

Applications XPEEM-LEEM: imaging giant vicinal facetting

facetting of a miscut SI(100) surface upon Au evaporation





XPEEM Au 4f



e.g. F.-J. Meyer zu Heringsdorf et al., PRL 86(22) 2001, 5088.

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O 1s K 2p time -20 t°~20 h t[°]+ 2.5 h t°+6h coverage (a.u.) 4.5 h 7.51 640 µm distance (µm) 250 300 t⁰ + 7.5 h

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Conclusions: Microspectroscopy - Spectromicroscopy

adding lateral resolution to X-ray spectroscopy helps to characterize samples in, e.g.:

biology

materials science

semiconductor surfaces

polymer science

surface chemistry

magnetism

it combines

high spatial resolution with full chemical characterization

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