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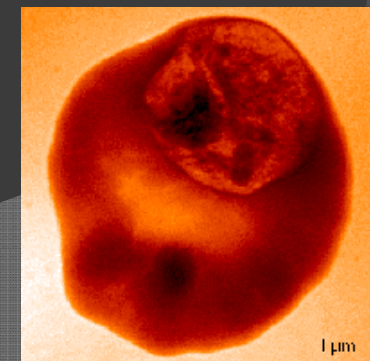
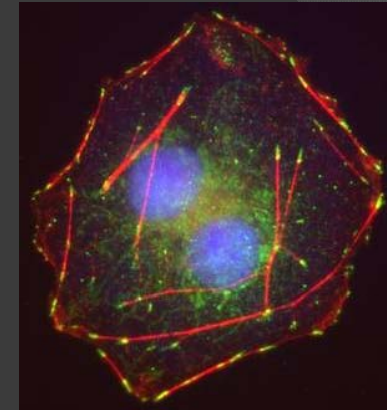
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# DETECTORS FOR COHERENT DIFFRACTIVE IMAGING

# Imaging small things

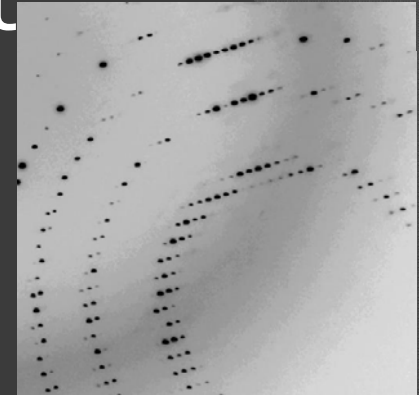
- ⊙ Light microscopy
  - limited by penetration
  - Limited by wavelength (100s nm)
- ⊙ Electron microscopy
  - Has to be done under vacuum
  - Exquisite resolution (0.2 nm)
- ⊙ X-ray microscopy
  - Difficult to focus the x-rays
  - 15 nm is a very good resolution



# Crystallography and coherent diffractive imaging (CXDI)

## ⦿ X-ray crystallography

- Details down to 0.1 nm...but only with crystals.

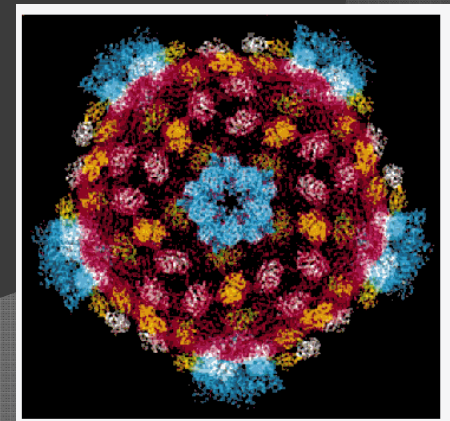


## ⦿ CXDI - Microscopy without lenses

- Use the *coherence* of the illuminating light to obtain structural information.
- All the advantages of x-ray microscopy, but much higher resolution (<10 nm)

# The Goals of CXDI

- Imaging single (large) proteins
- Eventually use an x-ray free electron laser
- Collect an image of the sample (protein)...before it is blown apart.
- More modest goals...small biological entities (cells).



70 nm



## CXDI ...how does it work?

### Axioms:

- If the waves incident on the object are plane waves. Then in the far field, after interacting with the object the wave represents a Fourier Transform of the object.
- To get back to an image of the object you simply need to perform an inverse Fourier transform.
- In light optics the lens does this.



## Detection and reconstruction

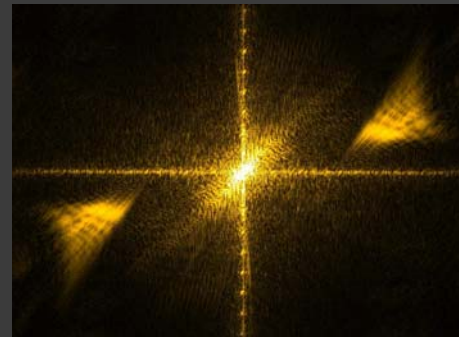
- If we can detect the complex far field wave we can do the  $FT^{-1}$  with a computer.
- The problem is that our detectors only detects intensity. No phase information is measured directly.
- However, the phase can be estimated then refined by iteration.



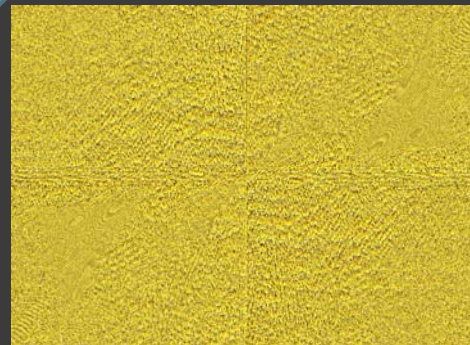
# Fourier transforms



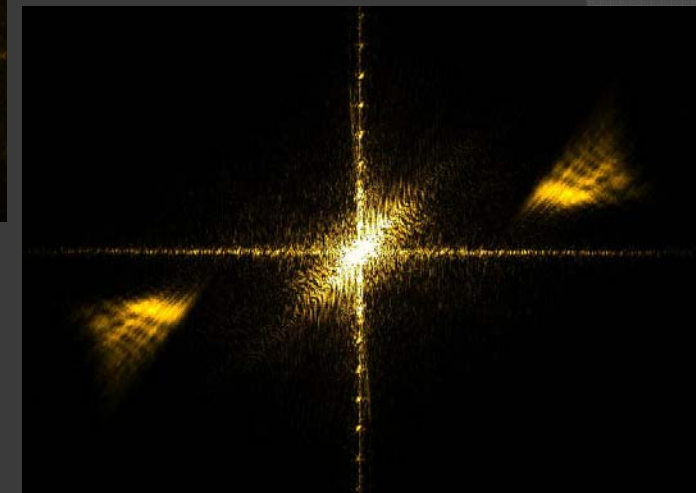
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Frequency

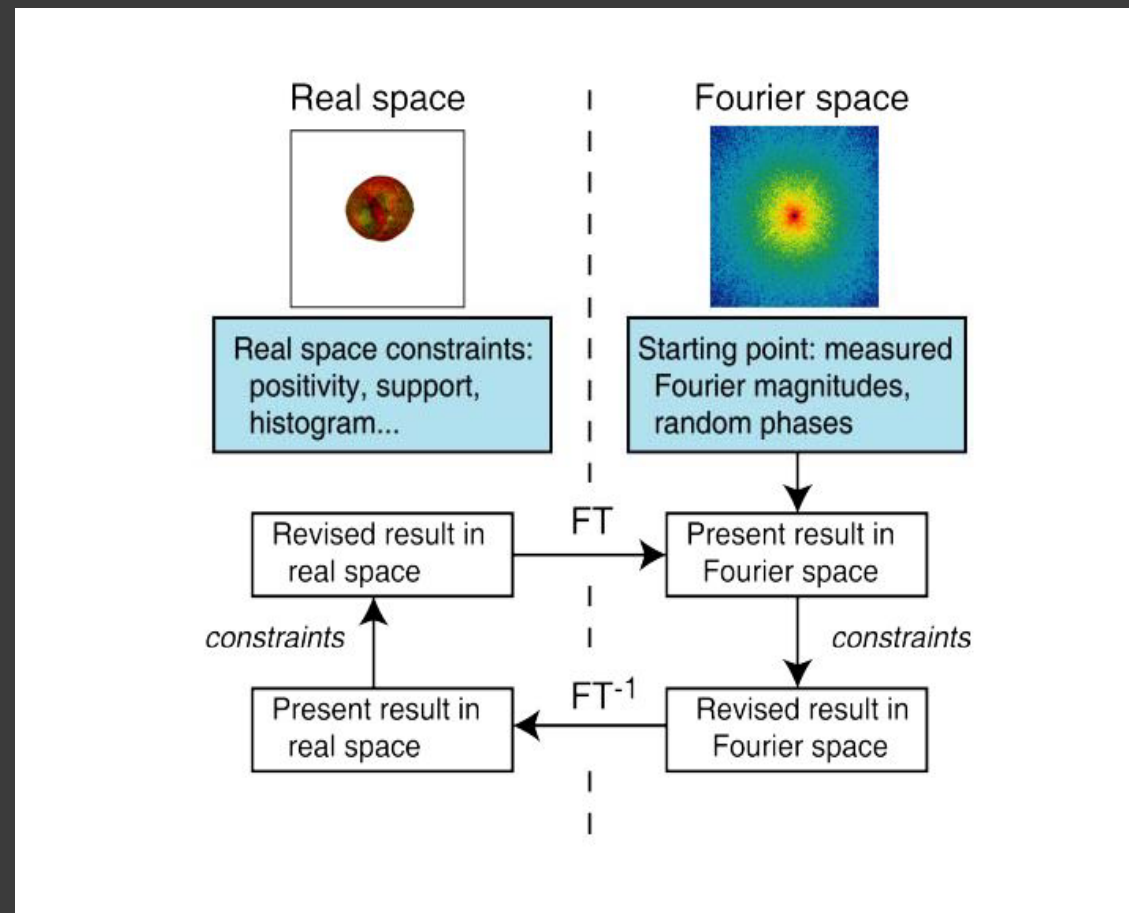


Phase



Intensity

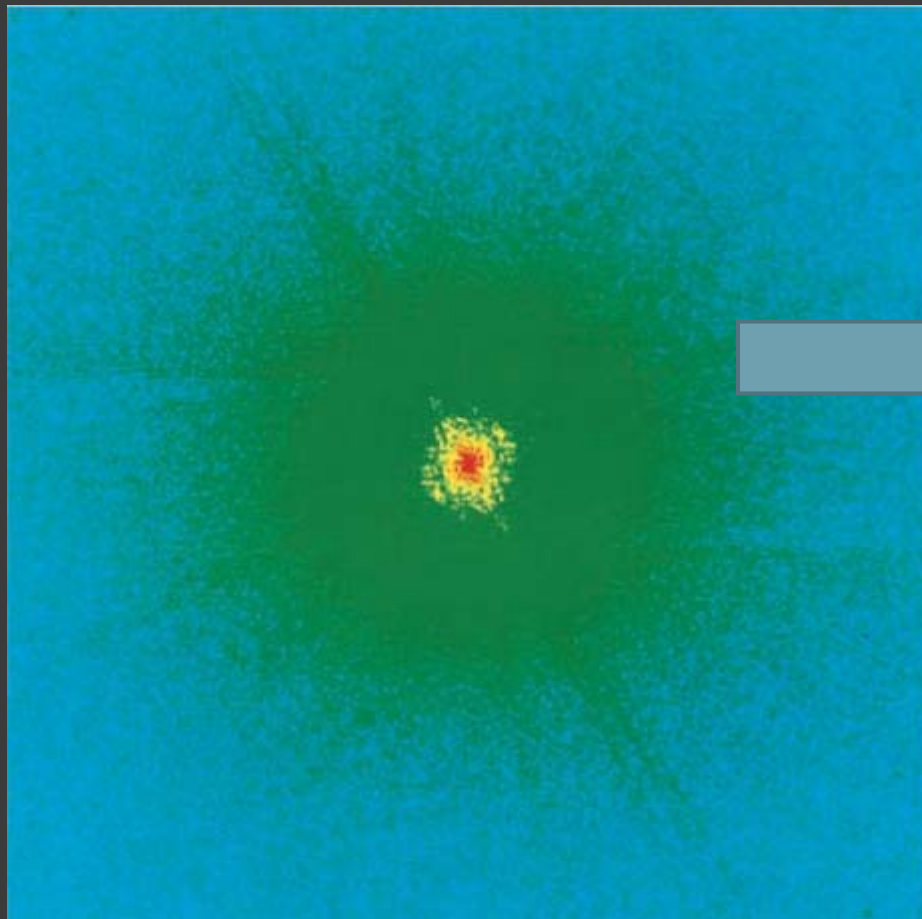
# Gershberg-Saxton (and family)





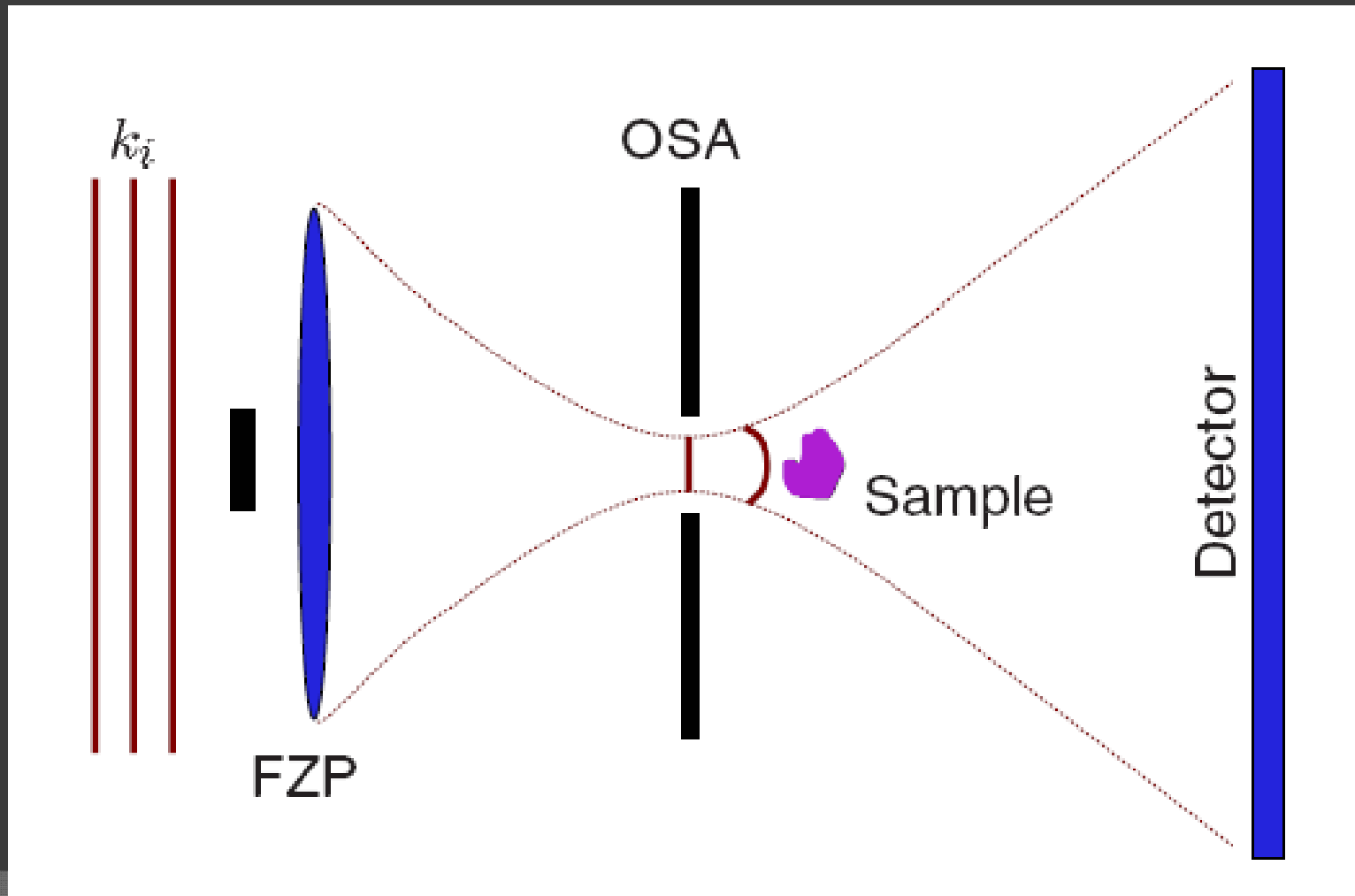


# CXDI for real

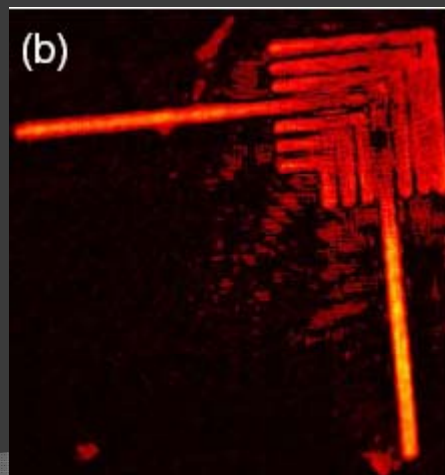
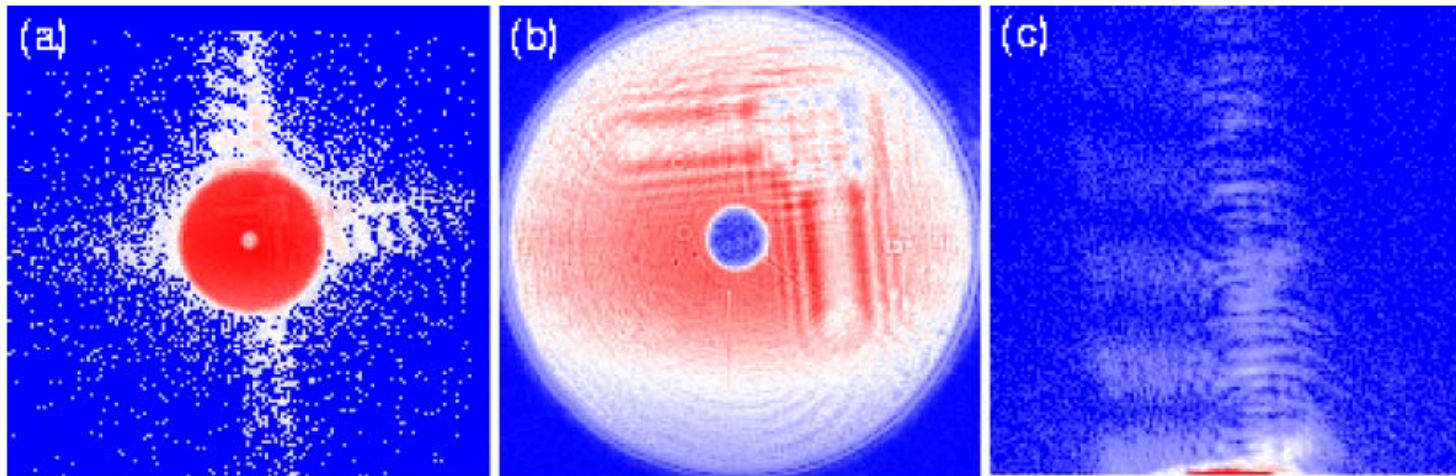


J. Miao, K. O. Hodgson, T. Ishikawa, C. A. Larabell, M. A. LeGros and Y. Nishino, Proceedings of National Academy of Science of the USA 100, 110-112 (2003)

# Fresnel CXDI



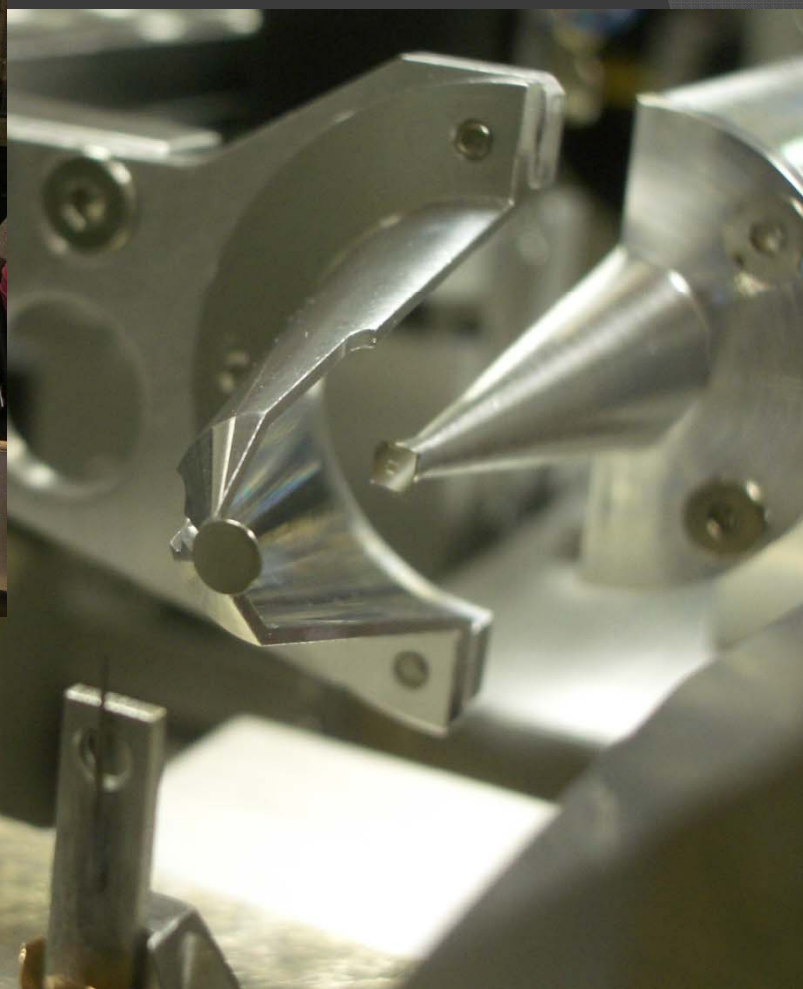
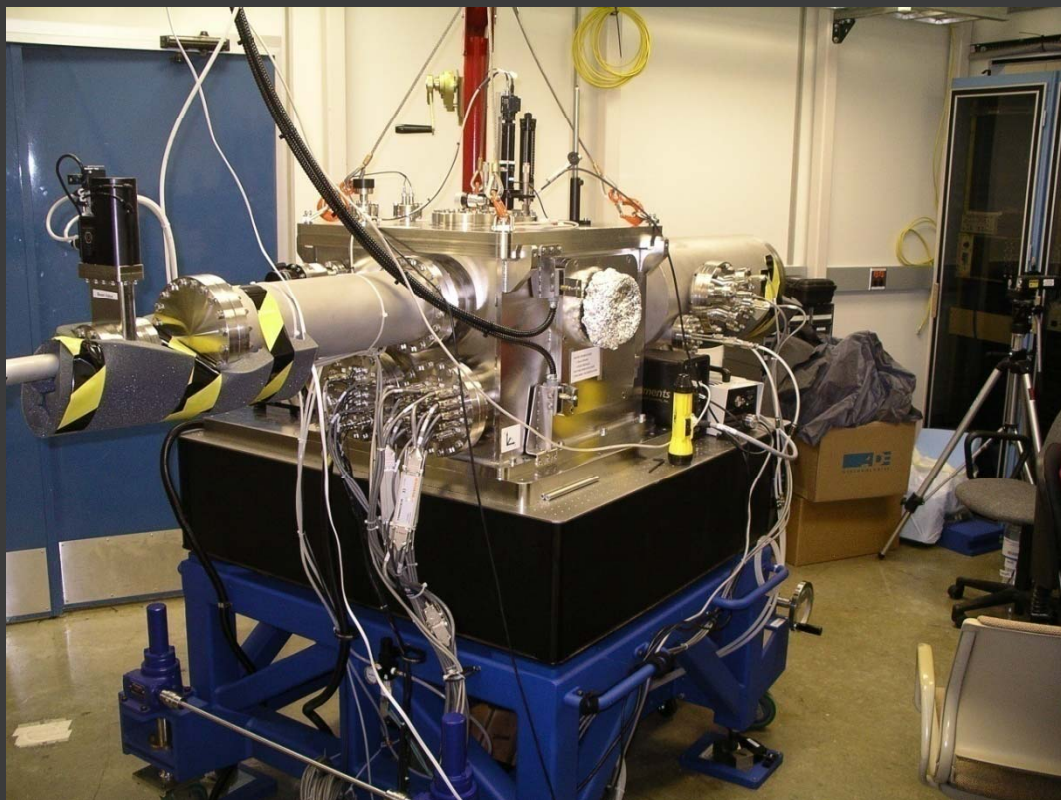
From Williams, Quiney, Peele and Nugent, PRL (2006).







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# Where will it happen



APS, Illinois, USA



AS, Victoria, Australia





# So, what are the current detector requirements?

In the geometry used now:

Energy range for  $> 50\%$  DQE =  $0.5 - 4$  keV

Dynamic range in image (noise to saturation)  $>10^7$

Pixel size ideally  $< 25$   $\mu\text{m}$

Pixel number  $>1024 \times 1024$

Maximum local count rate  $10^4$  per pix per second

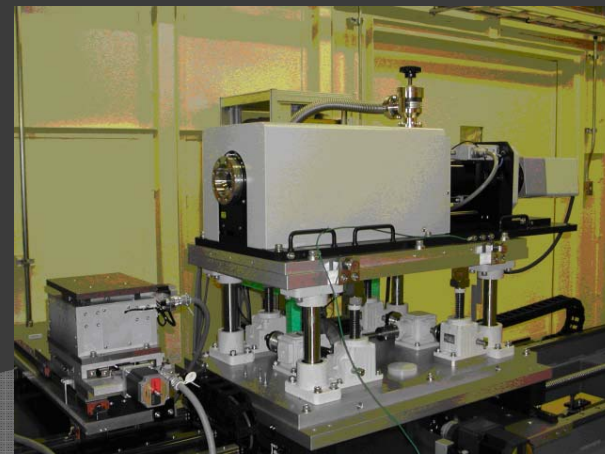


# Trade study

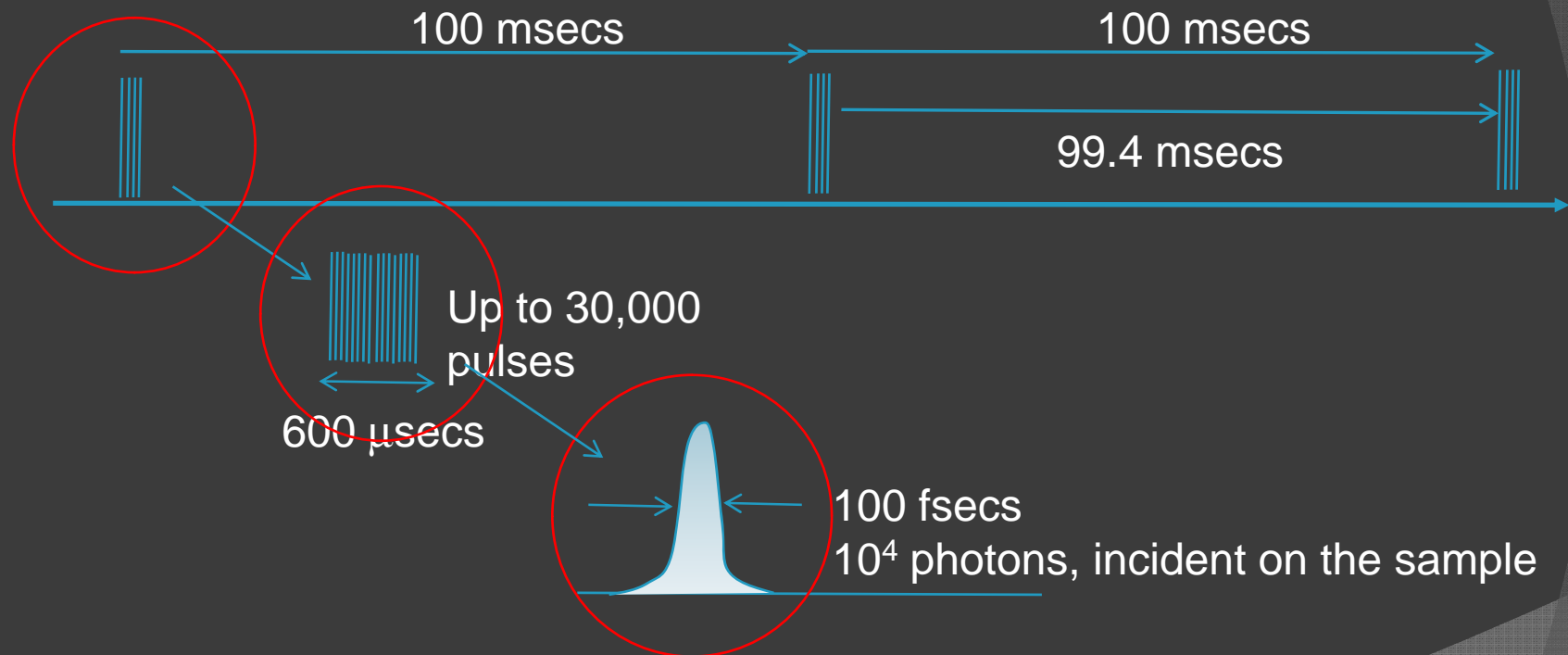
	Criterion	Essential	Desirable
1	Dynamic range	$10^4$	$10^7$
2	Pixelation	2048 x 2048	>4096 x >4096
3	Pixel Size	<100 $\mu\text{m}$	< 50 $\mu\text{m}$
4	Energy Range	0.5 keV to 3 keV	0.5 keV to 3 keV
5	Detective Quantum Efficiency	10%	50%
6	Rate Capability	> $10^4$ / pixel/ second	> $10^6$ / pixel/ second
7	Frame rate	1 Hz	1 kHz
8	Vacuum compatibility	$10^{-4}$ bar	$10^{-6}$ bar
9	Dead time fraction	10%	1%
10	Parallax error	< 1 pixel at 20 degrees	
11	Gaps in FOV	Acceptable	None

# Commercially available detectors

- Easy option, but...
- Not designed for our purposes



# XFEL pulse structure





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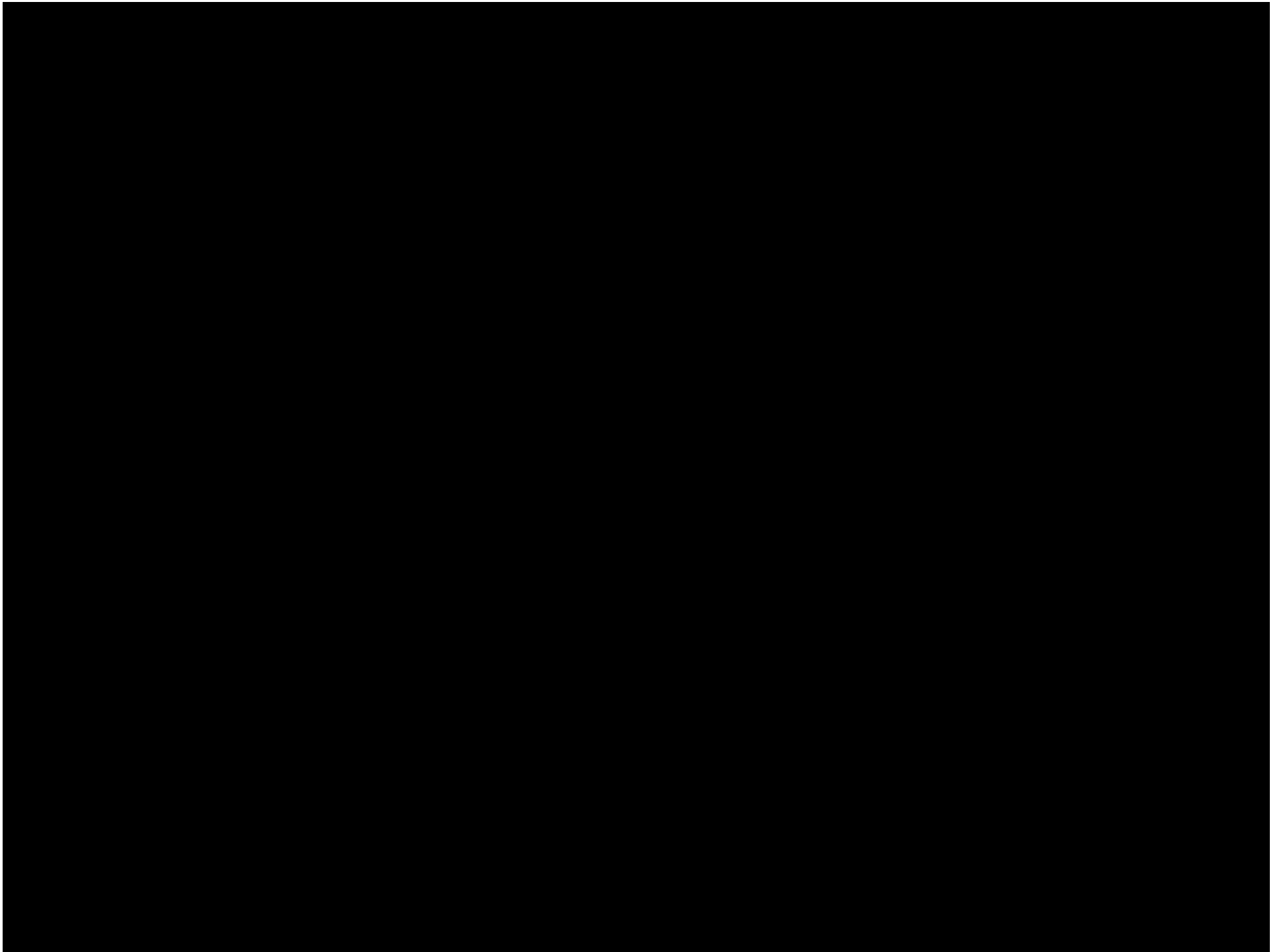
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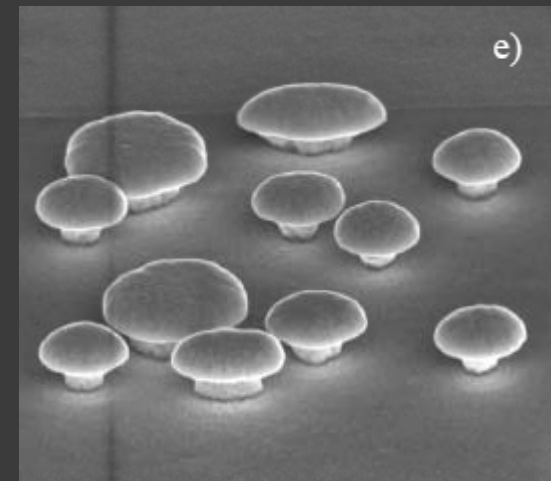
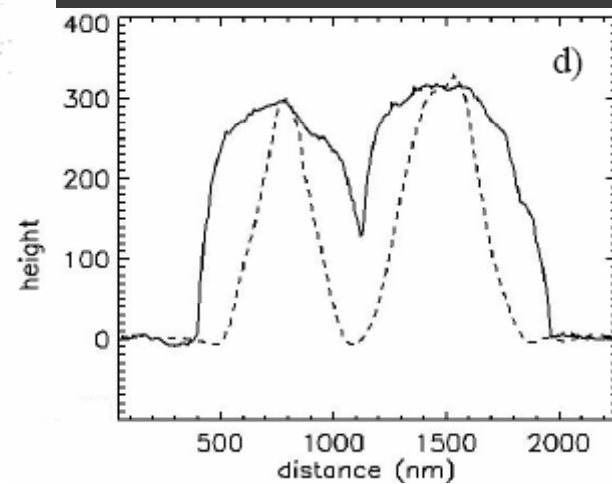
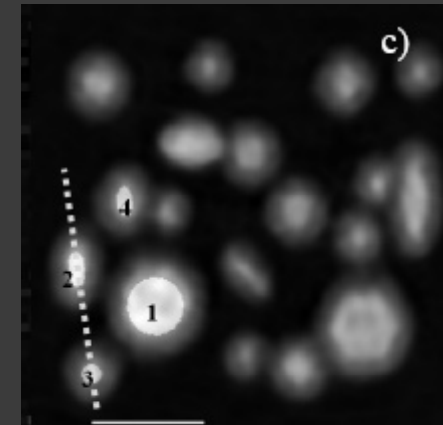
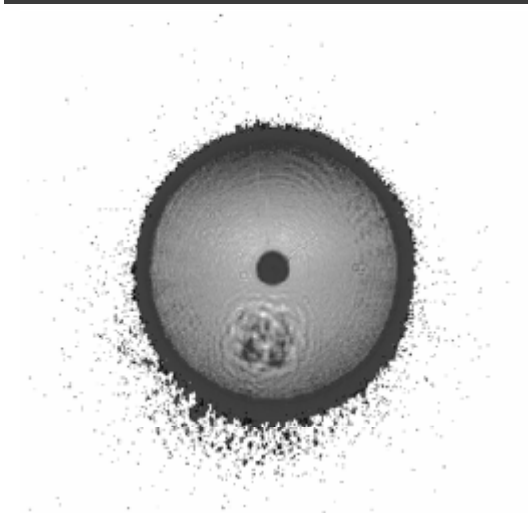
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Thank you for your attention





# Results so far



Gold blobs on  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  substrate



# Specifications for the CXS End Station apparatus

- Includes a 4 axis laser Doppler displacement meter which provides:
  - Positioning of sample w.r.t beam of 30 nm
  - Resolution in closed loop feedback of 0.2 nm
  - =>Stability of sample w.r.t. beam of 2 nm