Damage to optics under irradiations with the intense EUV FEL pulses

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Damage to optics - motivation

Properties of the intense FEL beam create, apart new experimental opportunities, extreme demands to optical elements applied in the experimental equipment. Amongst the most serious issues is **radiation load** imposed on of **optics / detectors / samples.**







Intensity-dependent changes of optical properties – "single shot" optics





Phase transitions (s-s & s-l)





Thin (a-C) layers on gratings





Atomic diffusion in multilayer Mo/Si coating (hv ~92eV)



Single shot damage in Mo/Si ML - model



A.R. Khorsand, R. Sobierajski, et al. Optics Express 18, s.700 (2010) Damaging mechanism identified:

- energy absorption
- energy diffusion transfers heat from Mo layers to a-Si
- melting of Si layers enables fast diffusion of Mo atoms into Si
- self-sustained reaction due to reaction heat release
- period compaction for bilayers with melted a-Si
 → crater formation



Heat diffusion by phonons & heat accumulation



Heat accumulation effects - melting





Heat load distribution on first mirror SASE1 @ Eu-XFEL

17.5 GeV, 13500 pulses per second

Slide courtesy H.Sinn from X-ray optics CDR on xfel.eu (2011)





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Time-resolved studies of the deformations



Beyond ms time scale



Atomic diffusion induced silicide formation



Thermally stable multilayer



"Standard damage" processes

Surface contamination @ FLASH







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