

# Diffraction optics for EUV applications

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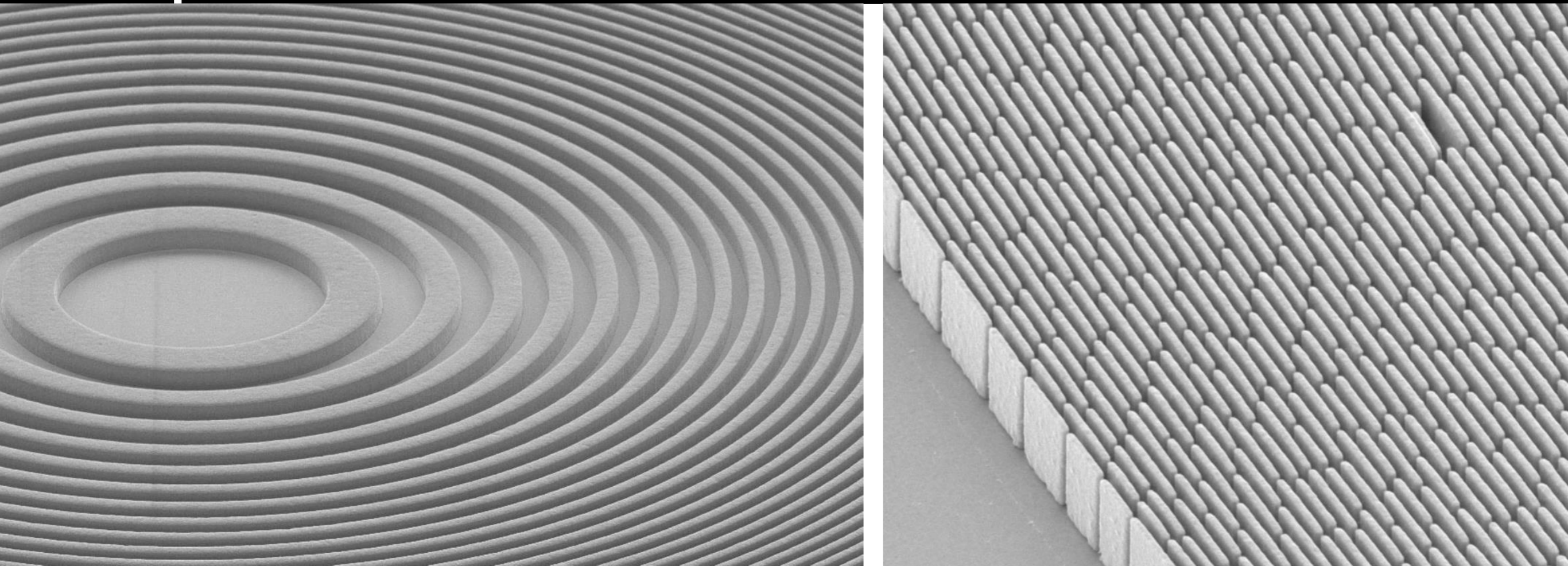


# Reflective and diffractive



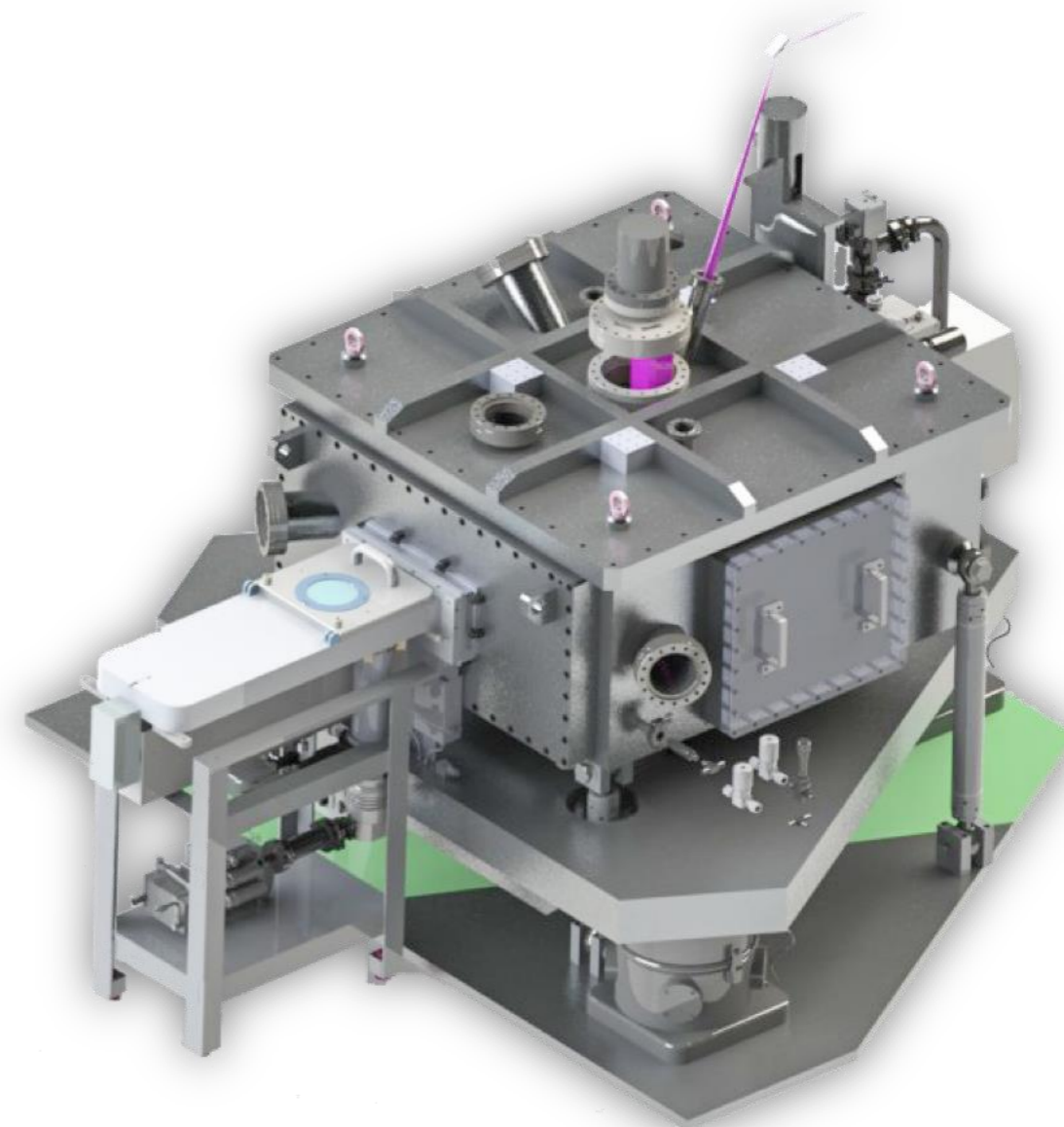
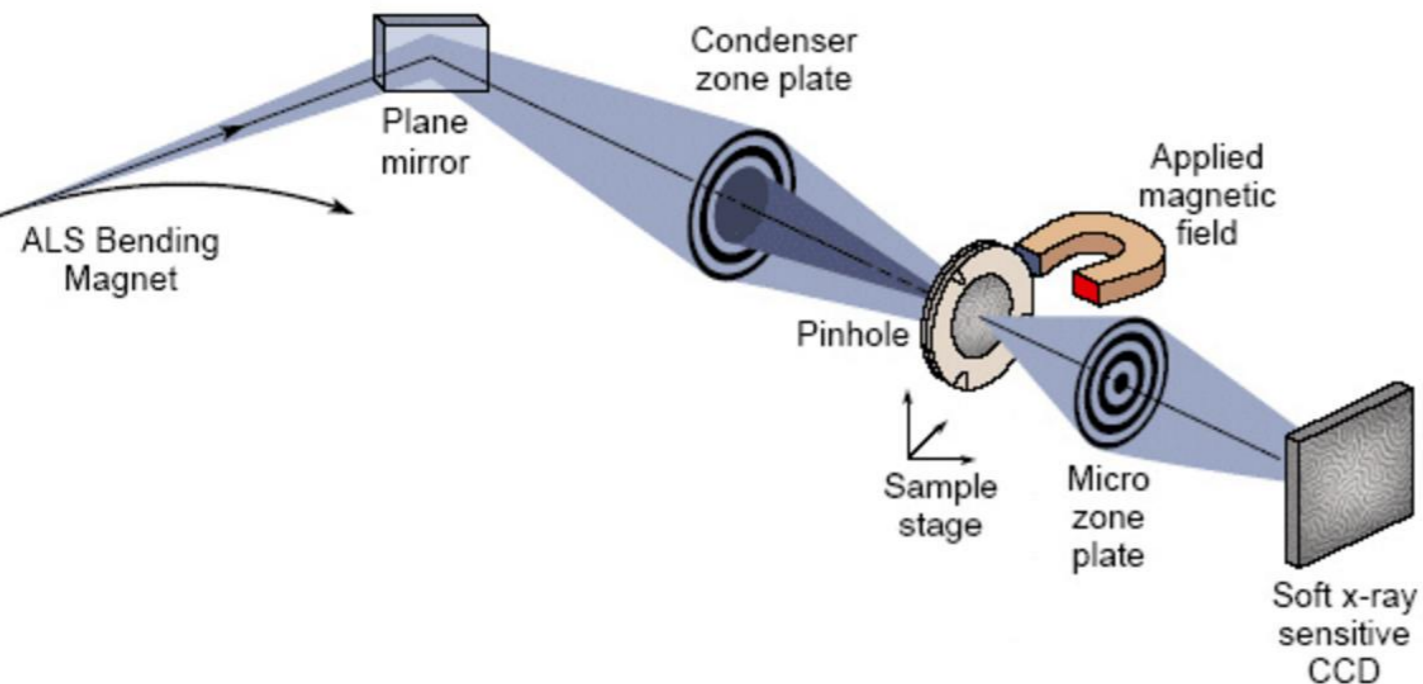
## Reflective EUV optics driven by efficiency

# Reflective and diffractive



CXRO is a leading manufacturer of zone plates for x-ray and EUV regimes

# Reflective and diffractive

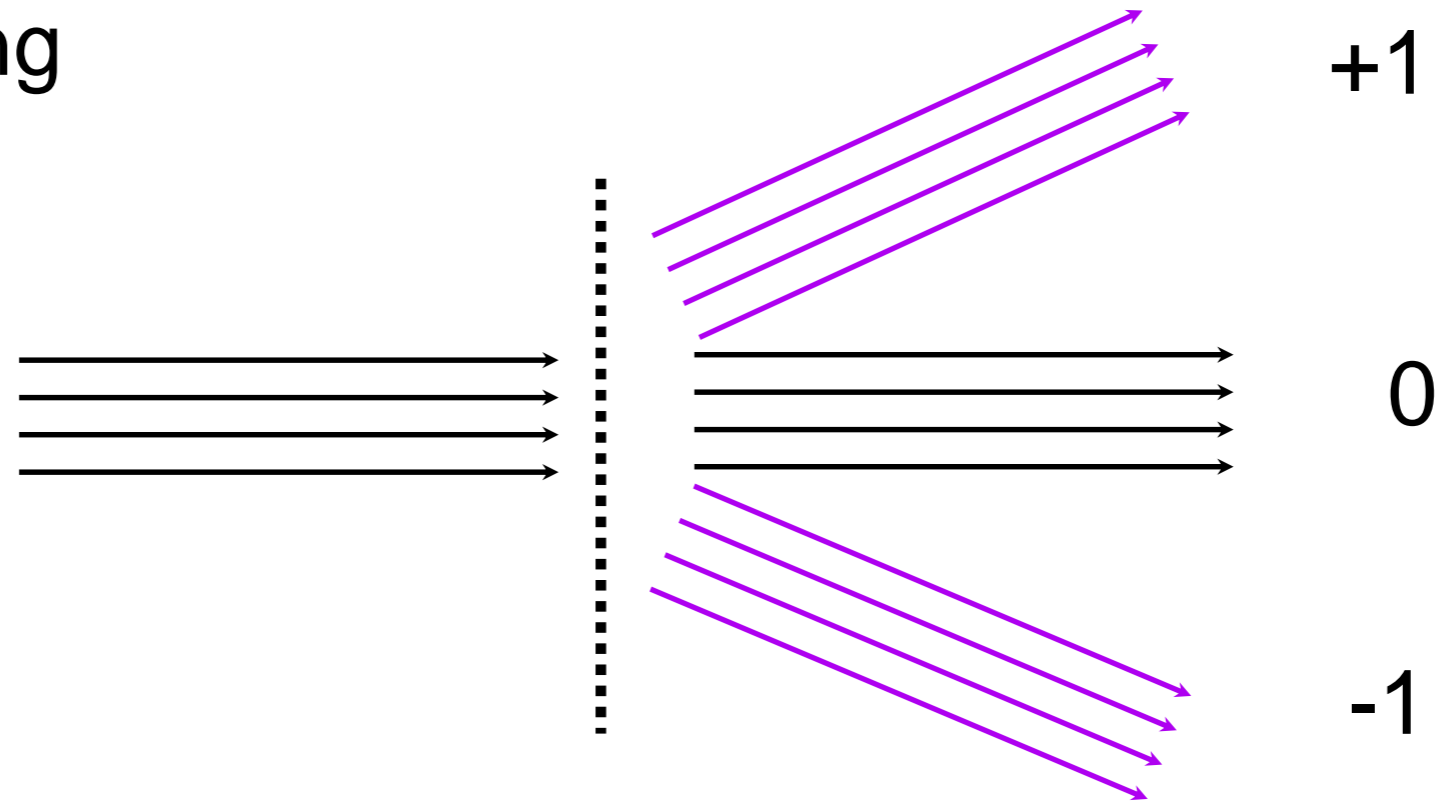


XM-1 soft x-ray microscope (BL 6.1.2)

SHARP EUV microscope (BL 11.3.2)

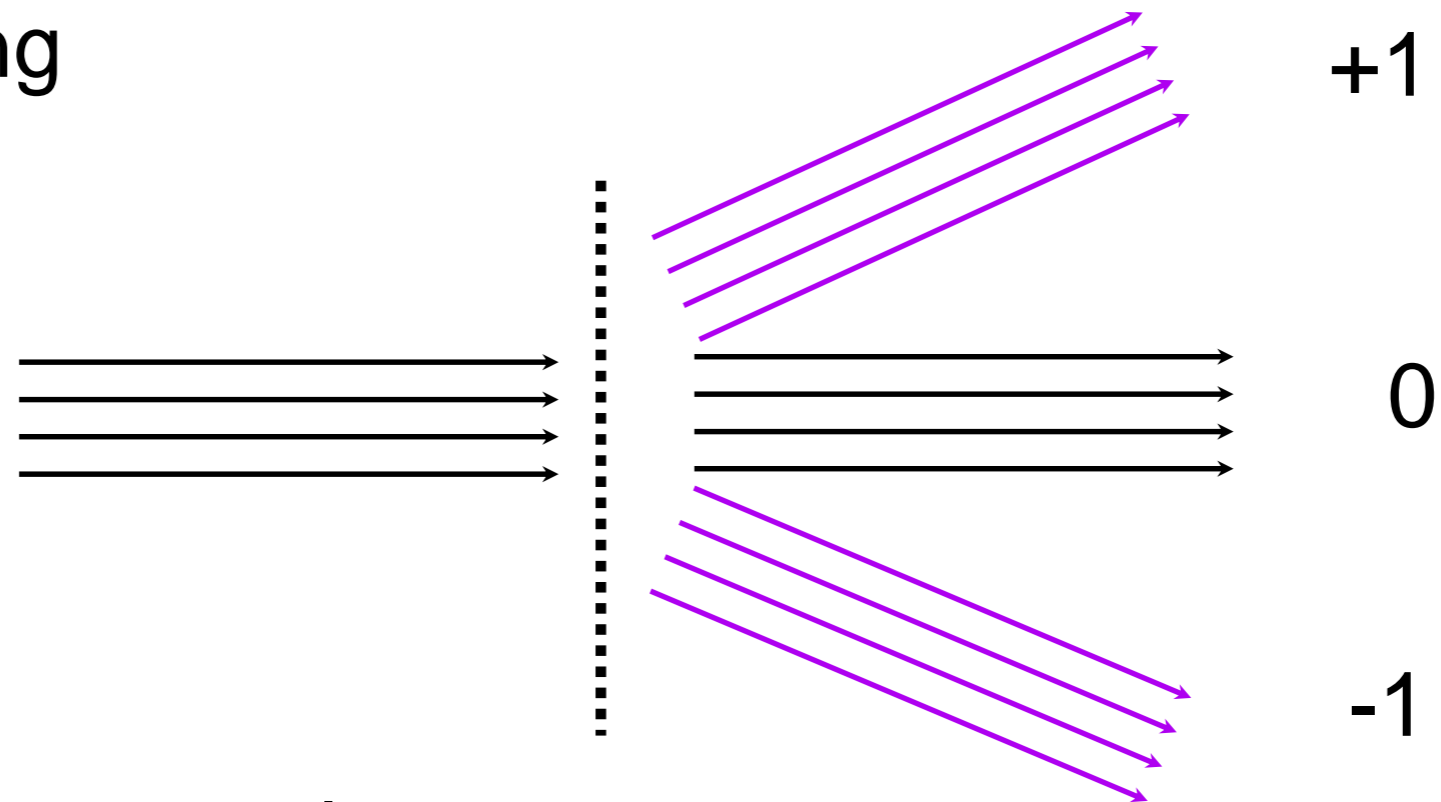
# Zone plates

## Diffraction grating

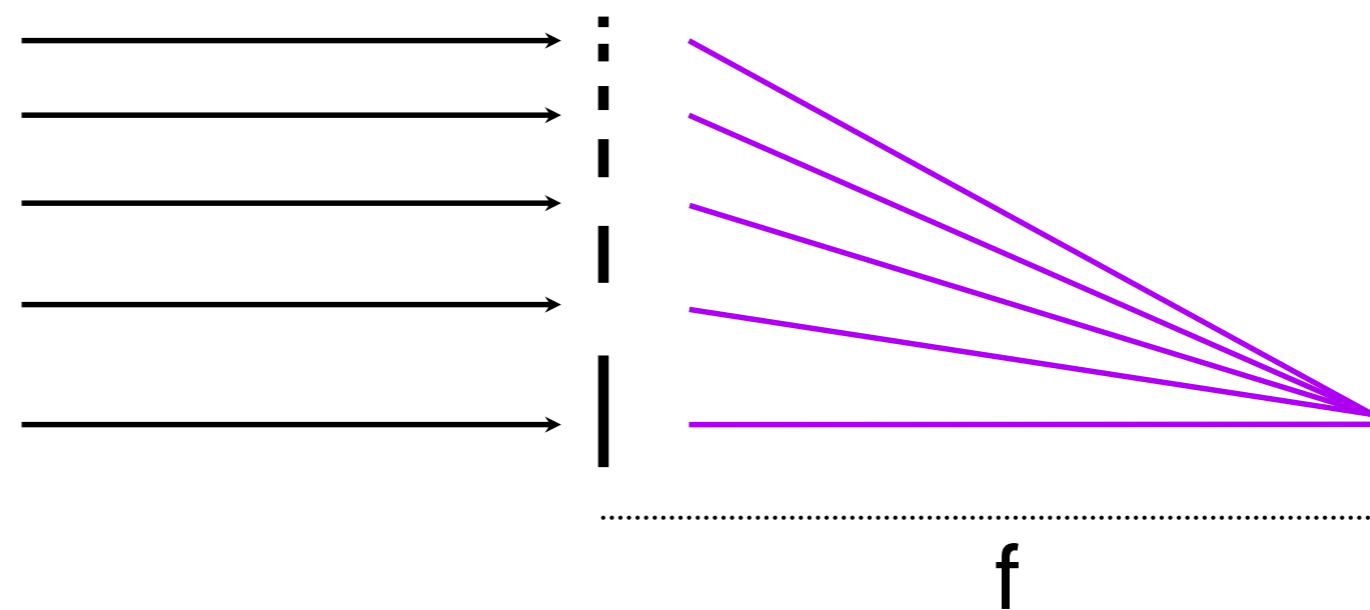


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Diffraction grating

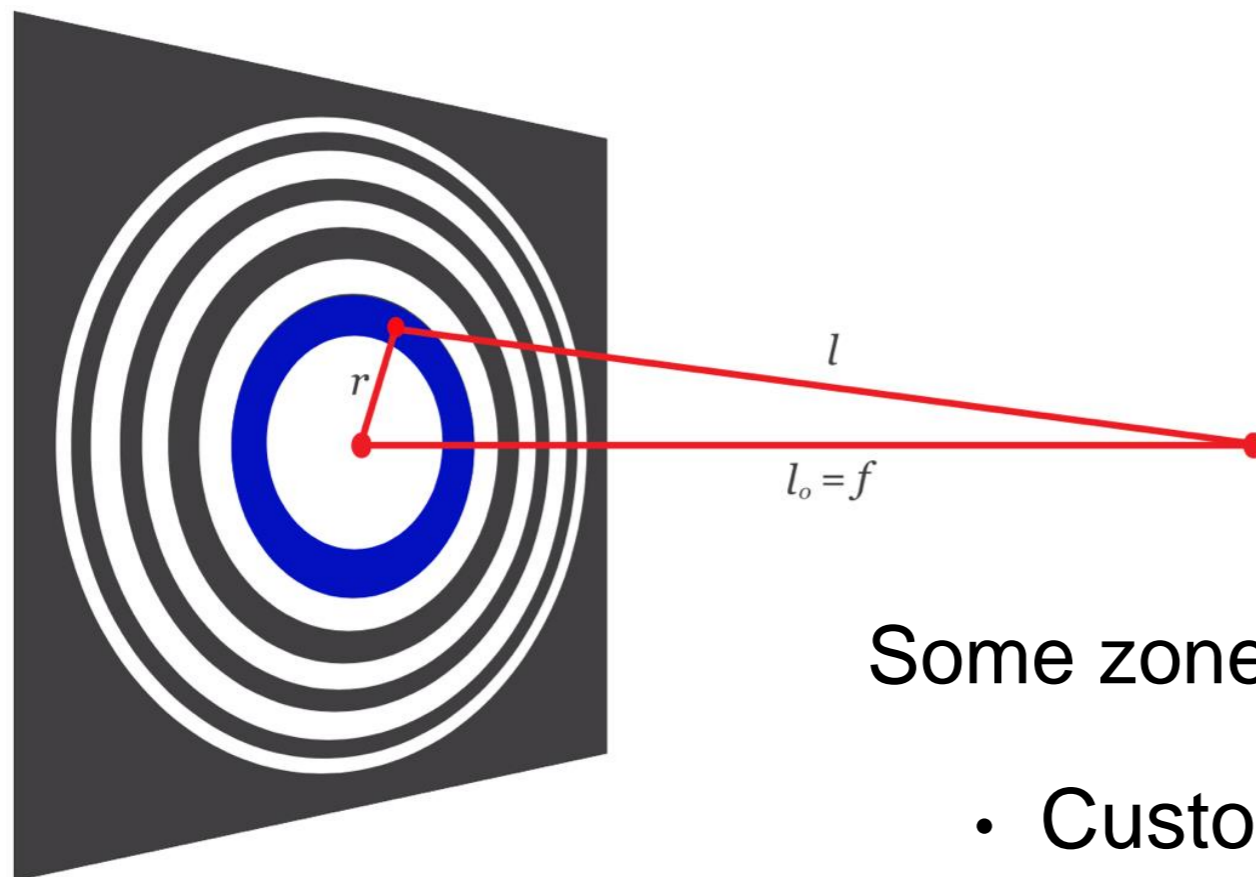


“Chirped” grating: zone plate



# Zone plates

Zone plates: Customizable, diffractive lenses



Some zone plate properties:

- Customizable wavelength, size, and NA
- Resolution:  $d_{\min} \sim \Delta r$
- Bandwidth:  $\lambda/\Delta\lambda = N$
- Efficiency: 10%

# Design your own zone plate

zoneplate.lbl.gov

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Conjugates ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		Mag	NA (rad)		Res. ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		FOV		Zone plate ( $\mu\text{m}$ )				GDS
	o	i		o	i	o	i	$z$ rad	$\mu\text{m}$	f	D	$\Delta r$	$\lambda/\Delta\lambda$	
0.010	6.667	20.00	3.0	0.1830	0.06193	0.033	0.10	0.026	0.17	5.00	2.482	0.020	30.60	<a href="#">Download</a>

## 1. Wavelength

Wavelength (nm)

 ✓

## 2. Conjugates

- Image/object distances
- Magnification
- Track length ( $z_o + z_i$ )

Magnification (abs. value)

 ✓

## 3. Constraints

Specify **two** of the following. Your zone plate will appear above this form.

Resolution (nm)

 ✓

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Diameter ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

Bandwidth ( $\lambda/\Delta\lambda$ )

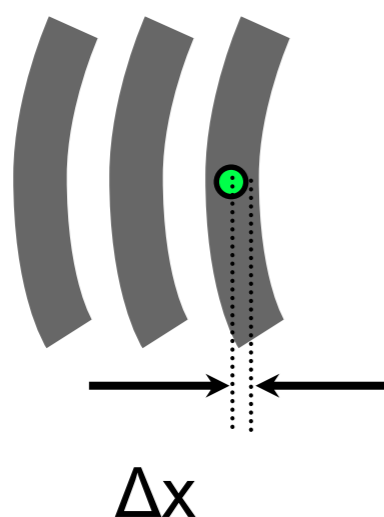
Focal length ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

 ✓



# Why zone plates?

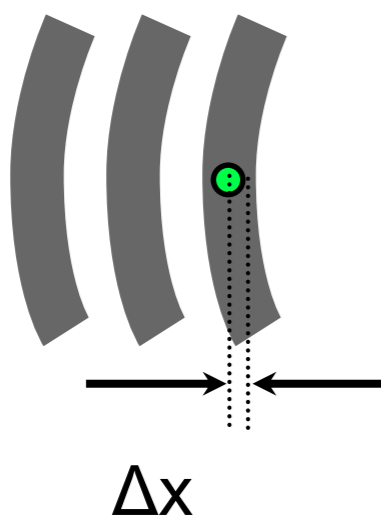
## Zone plate



$$\Phi = 2\pi\Delta x/T$$

Phase errors set by  
zone registration error

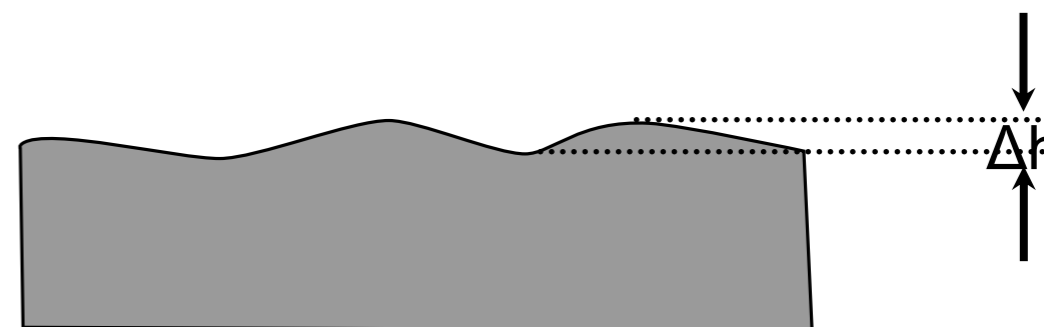
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## Mirror



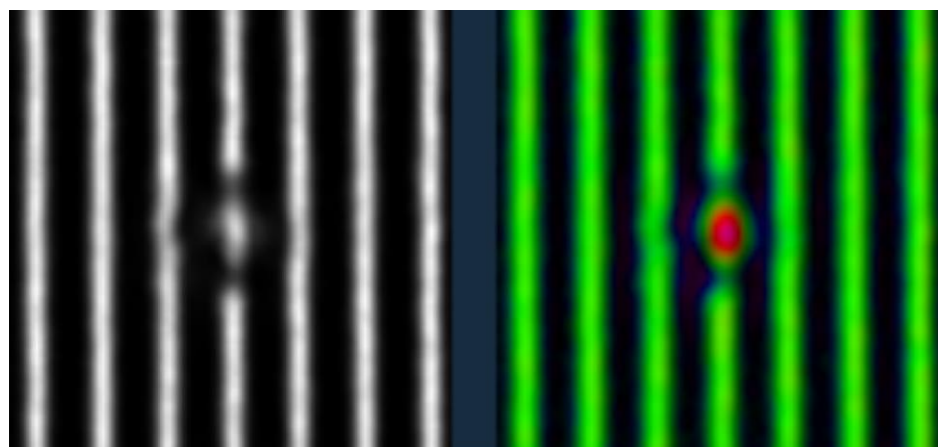
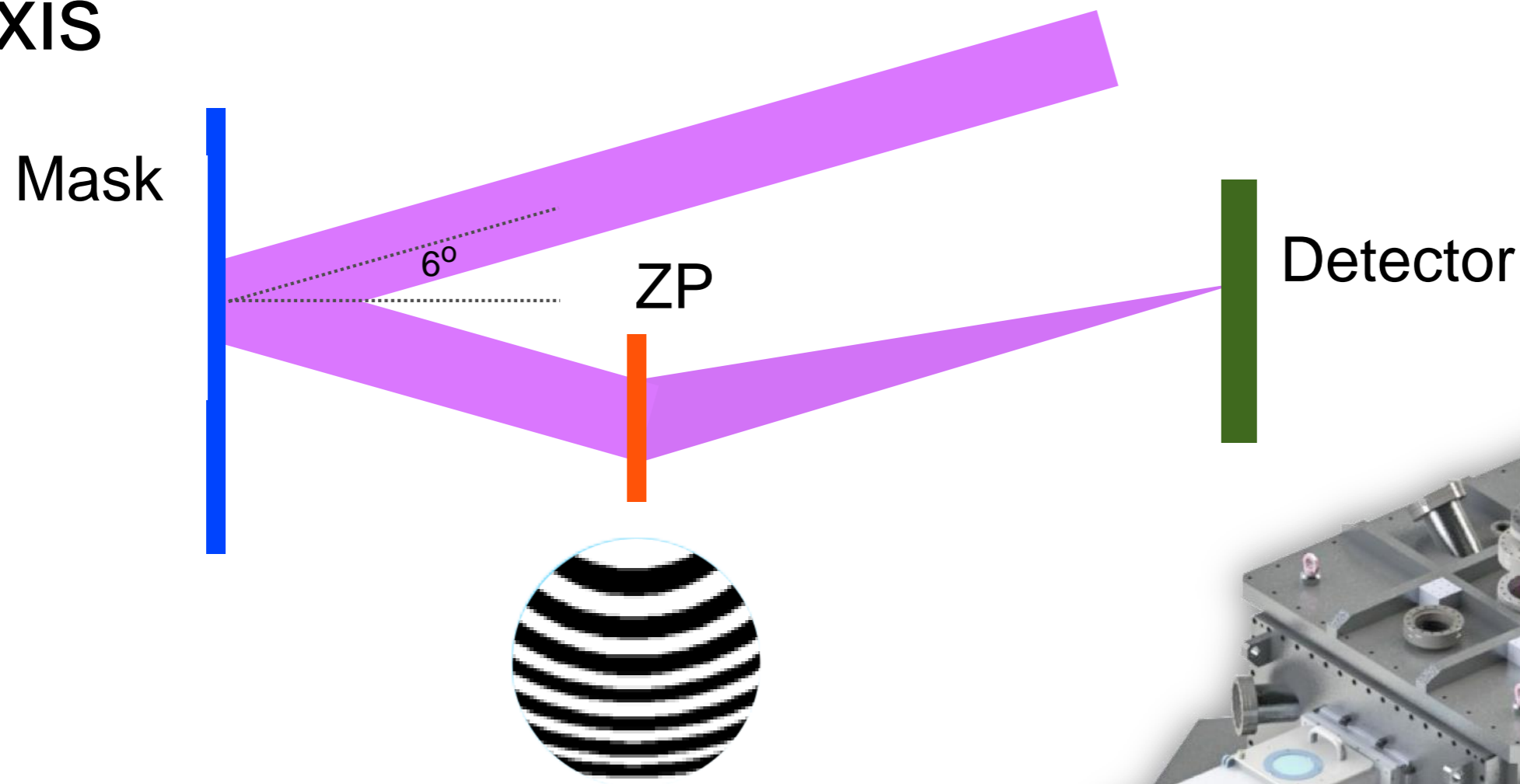
$$\Phi = 4\pi\Delta h/\lambda$$

Phase errors surface height error

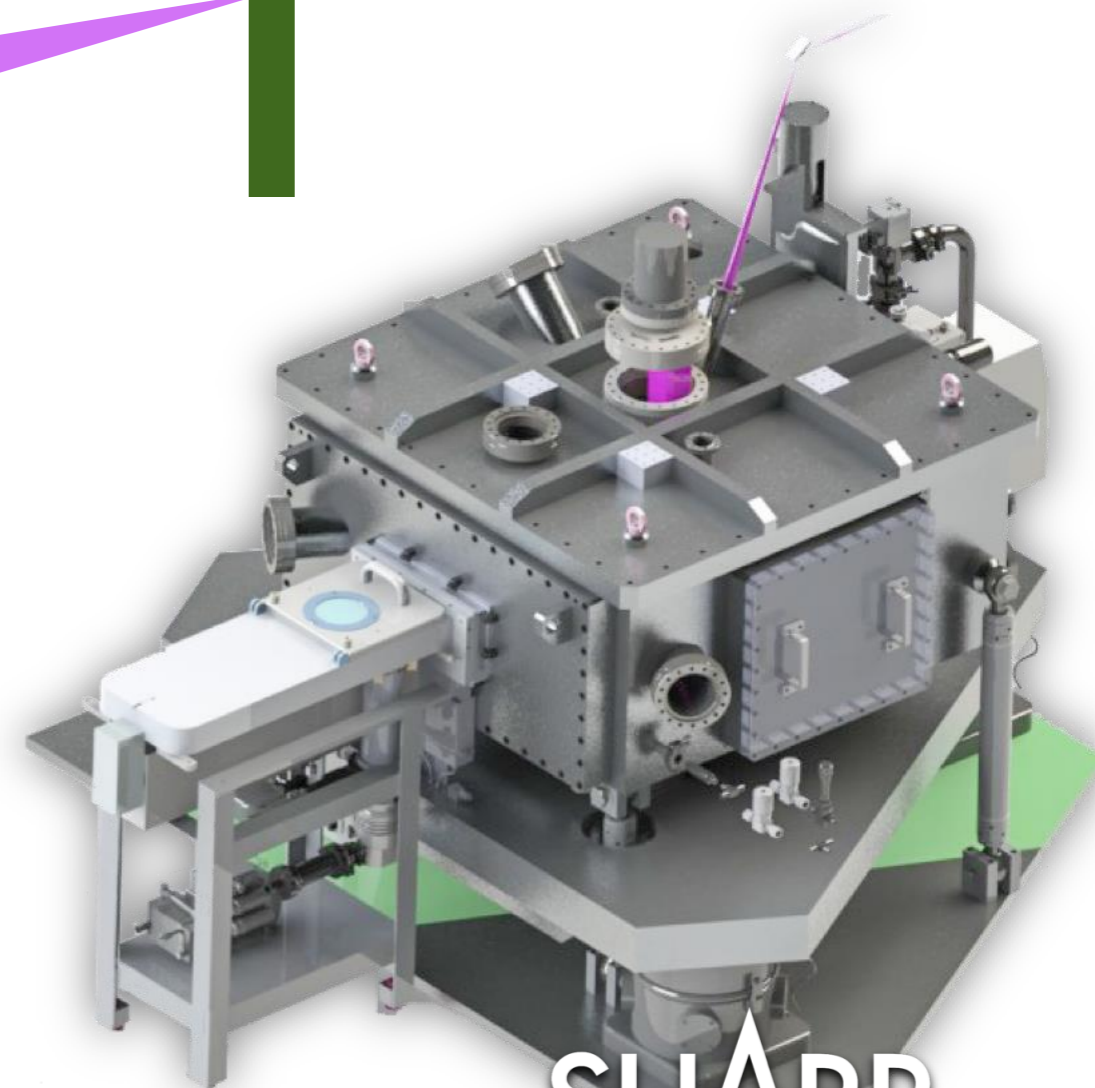
# Customized geometries

# SHARP EUV defect review

## Off-axis



Defects in 200-nm lines

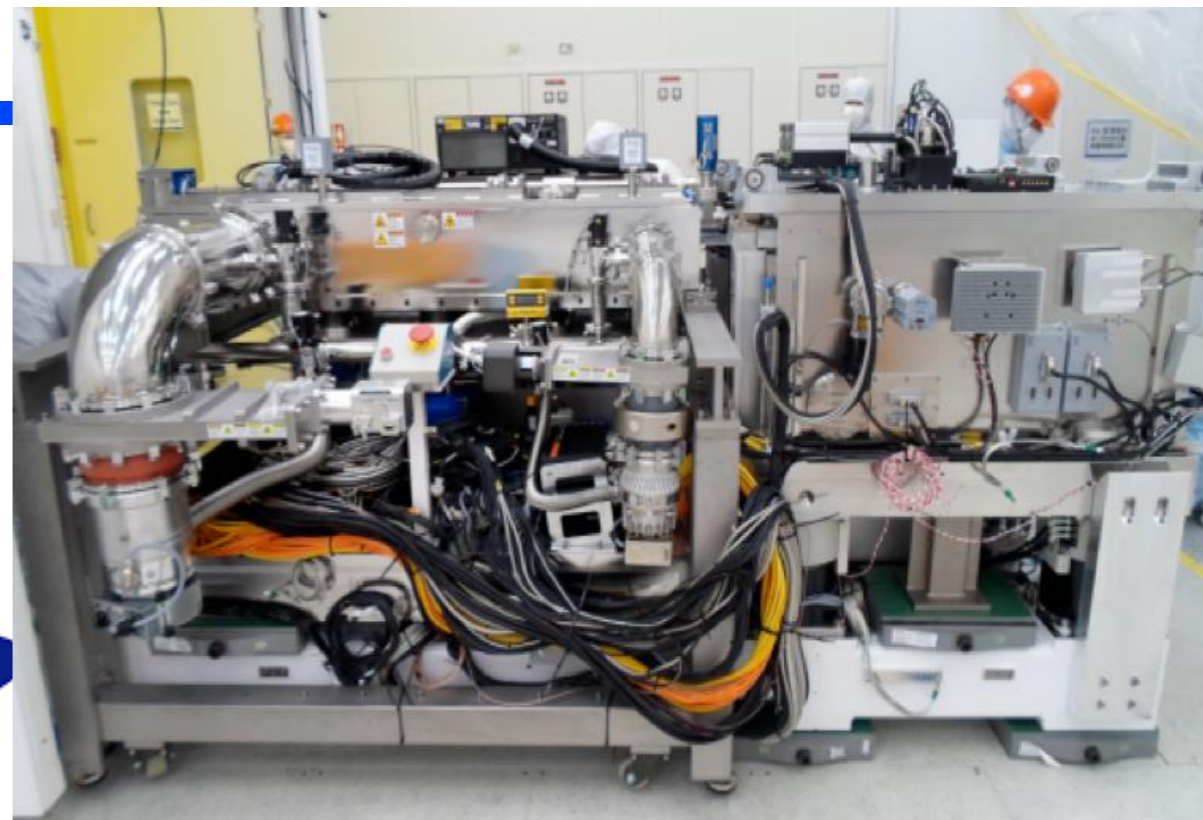
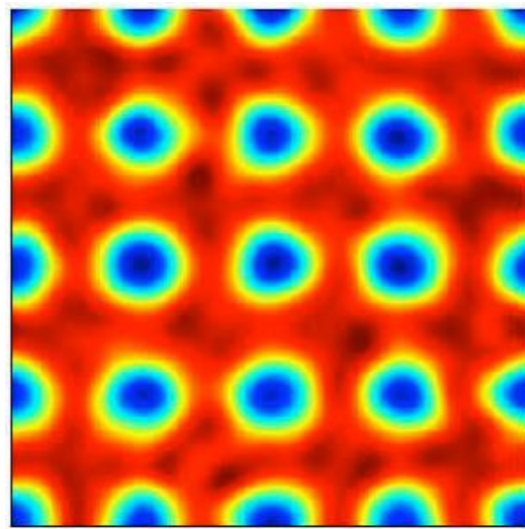
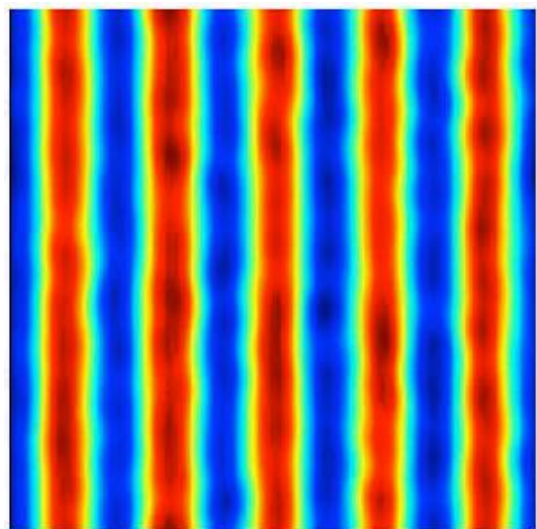
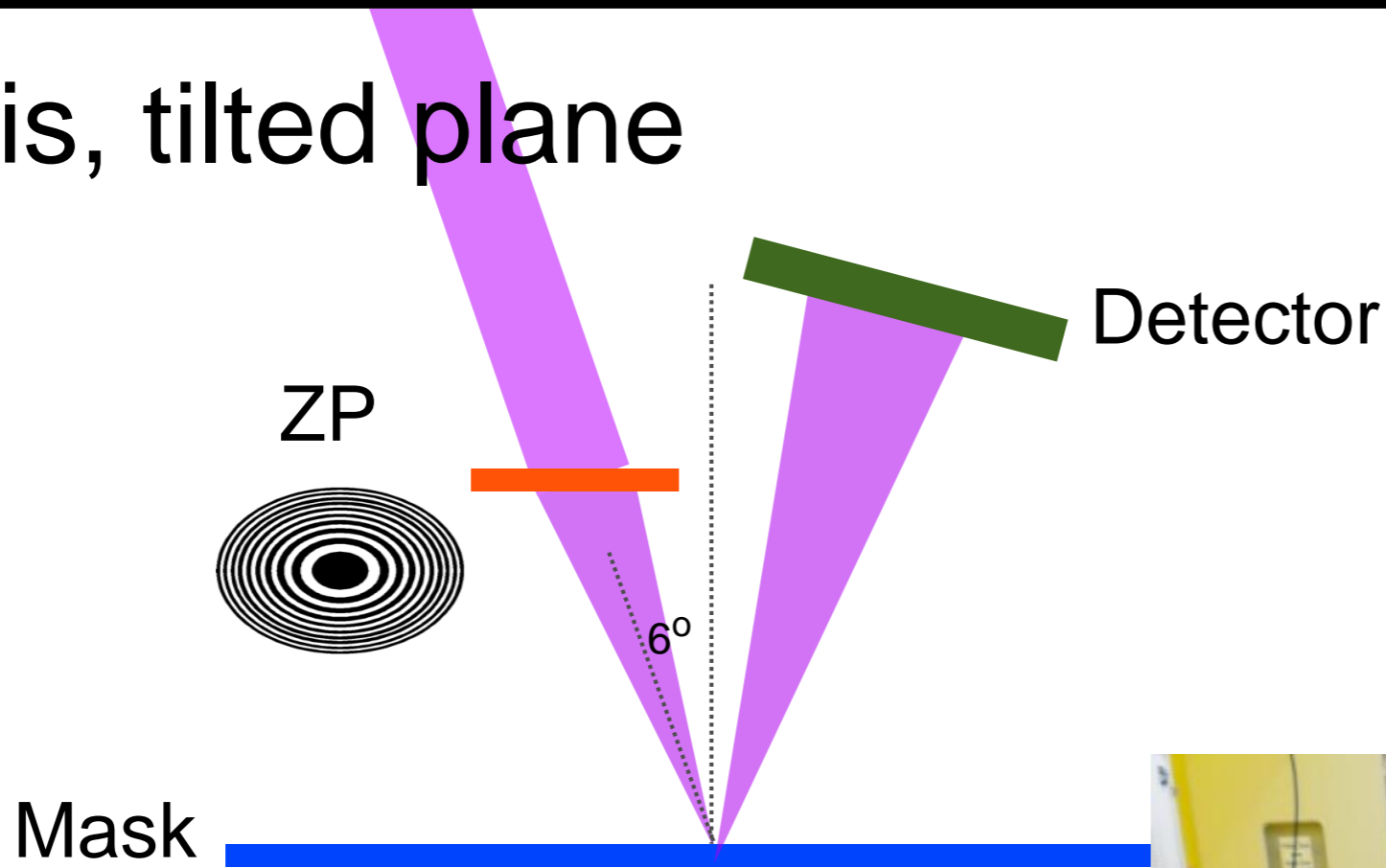


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# SHARP

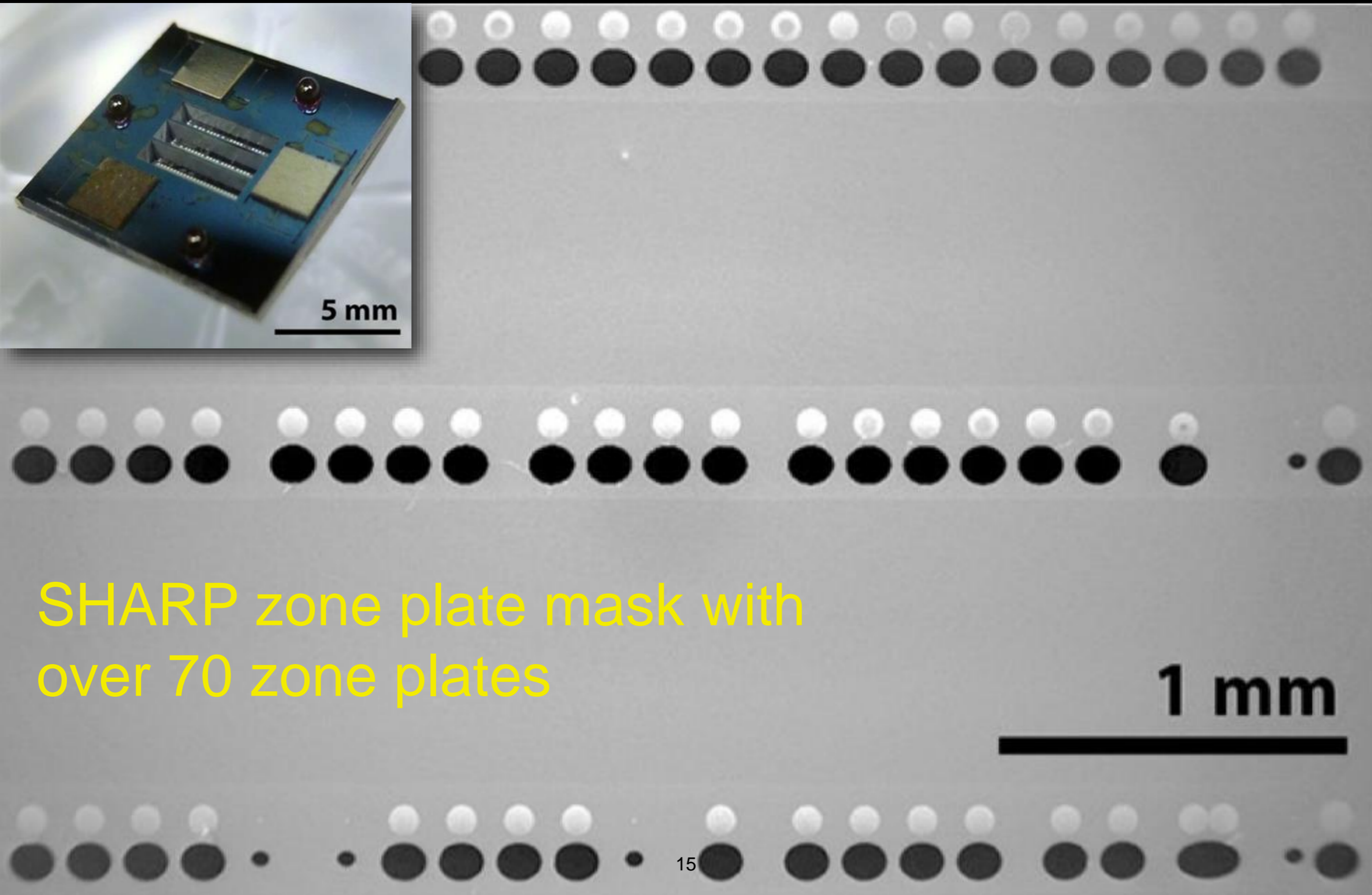
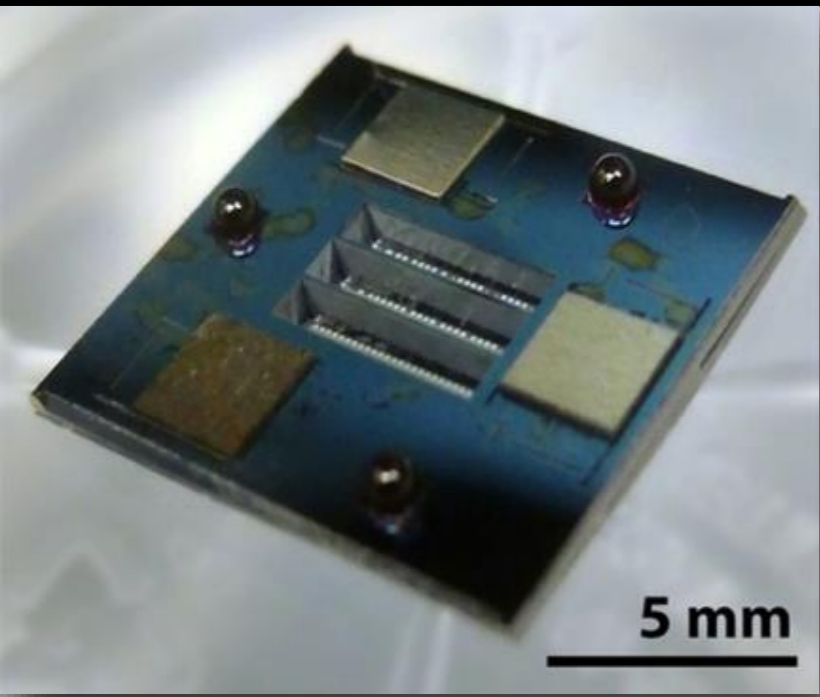
# EMDRS EUV defect review

## On-axis, tilted plane



Aerial images of 16-nm lines and 22-nm contacts

# Compact optics



SHARP zone plate mask with  
over 70 zone plates

15.5

62

0.625

0.50

4xNA

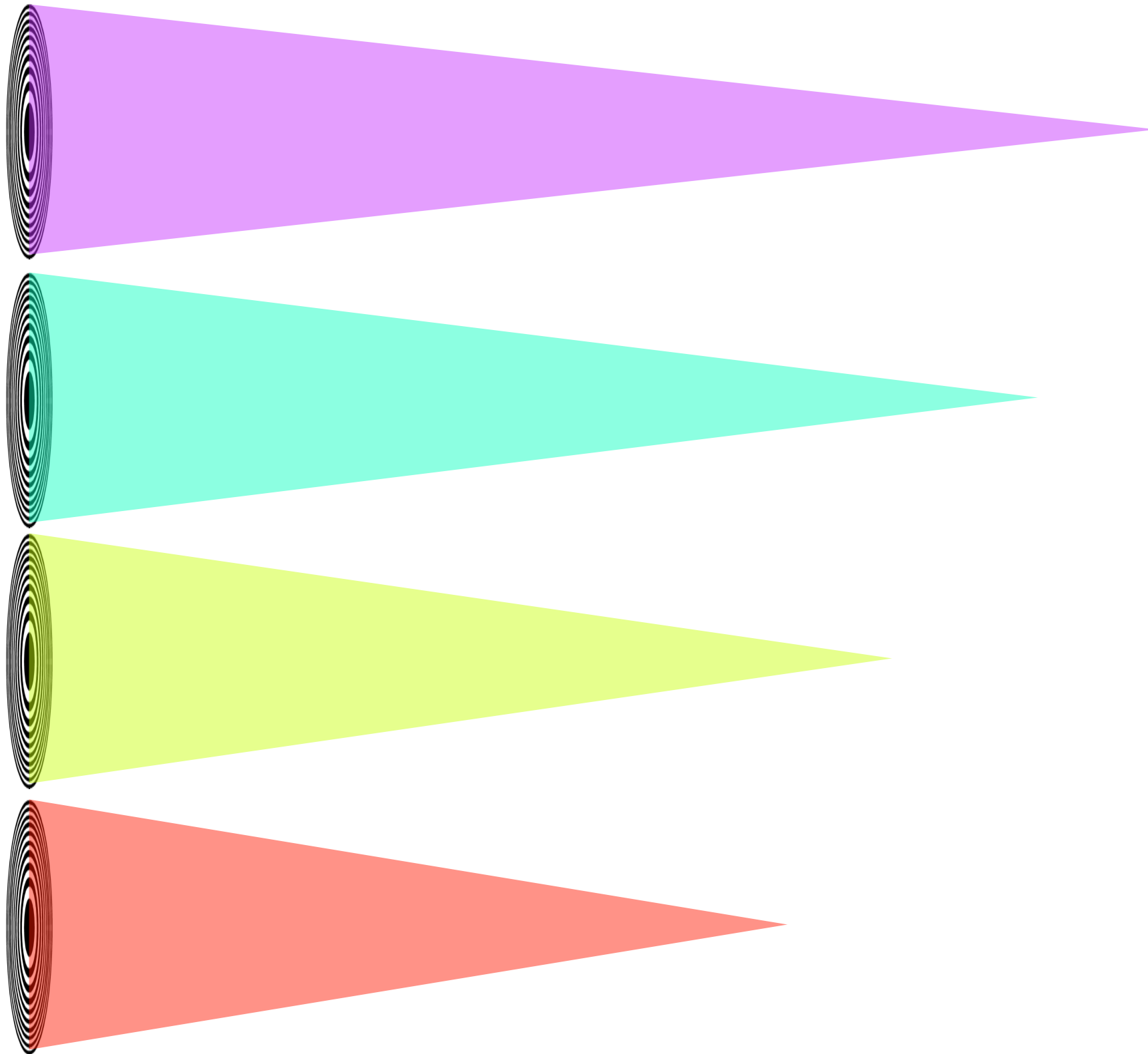
 $\sigma = 0.8$ 

0.333

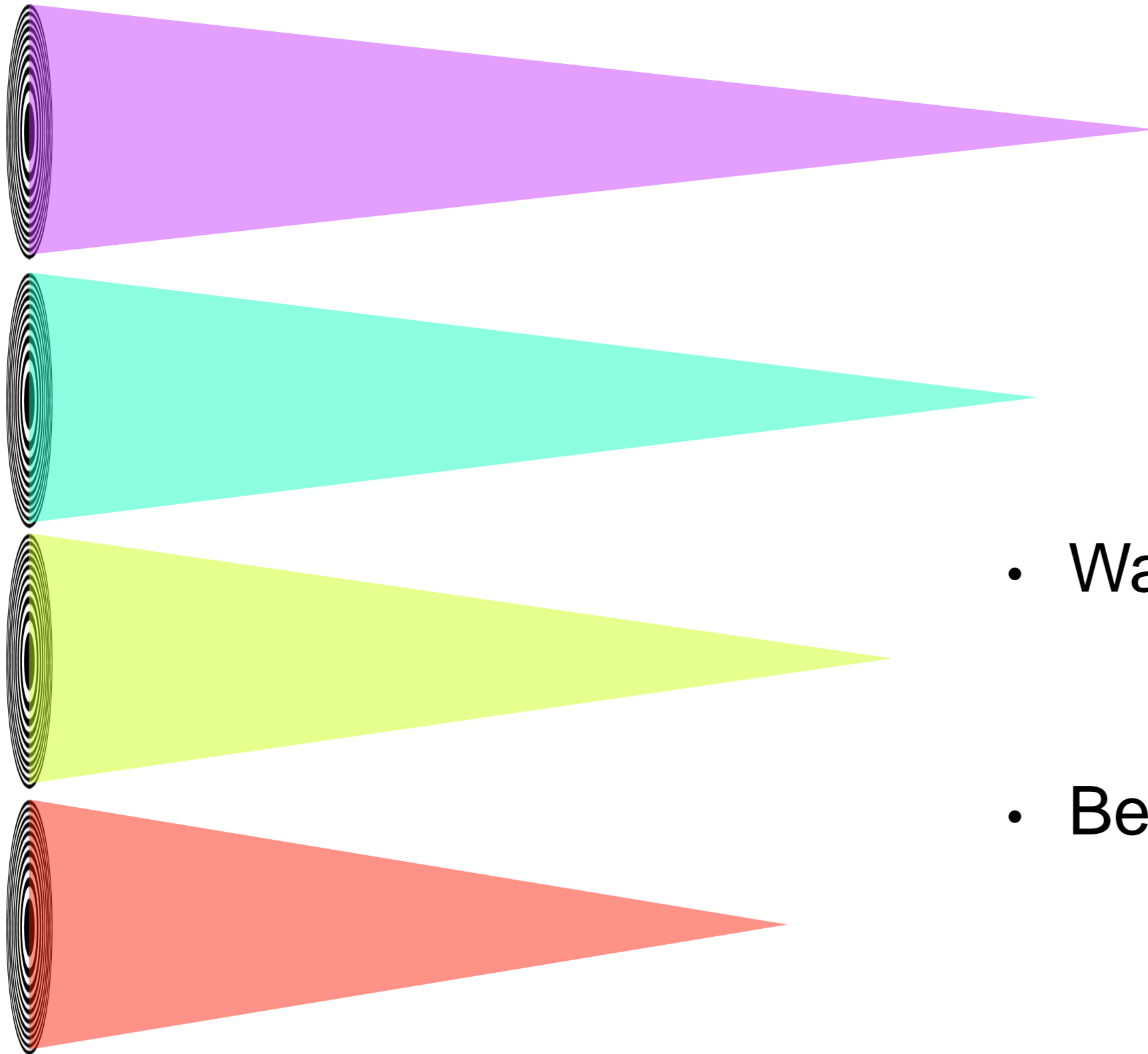
0.25



# Operate at multiple wavelengths



# Operate at multiple wavelengths



- Wafer inspection
- Beyond 13.5

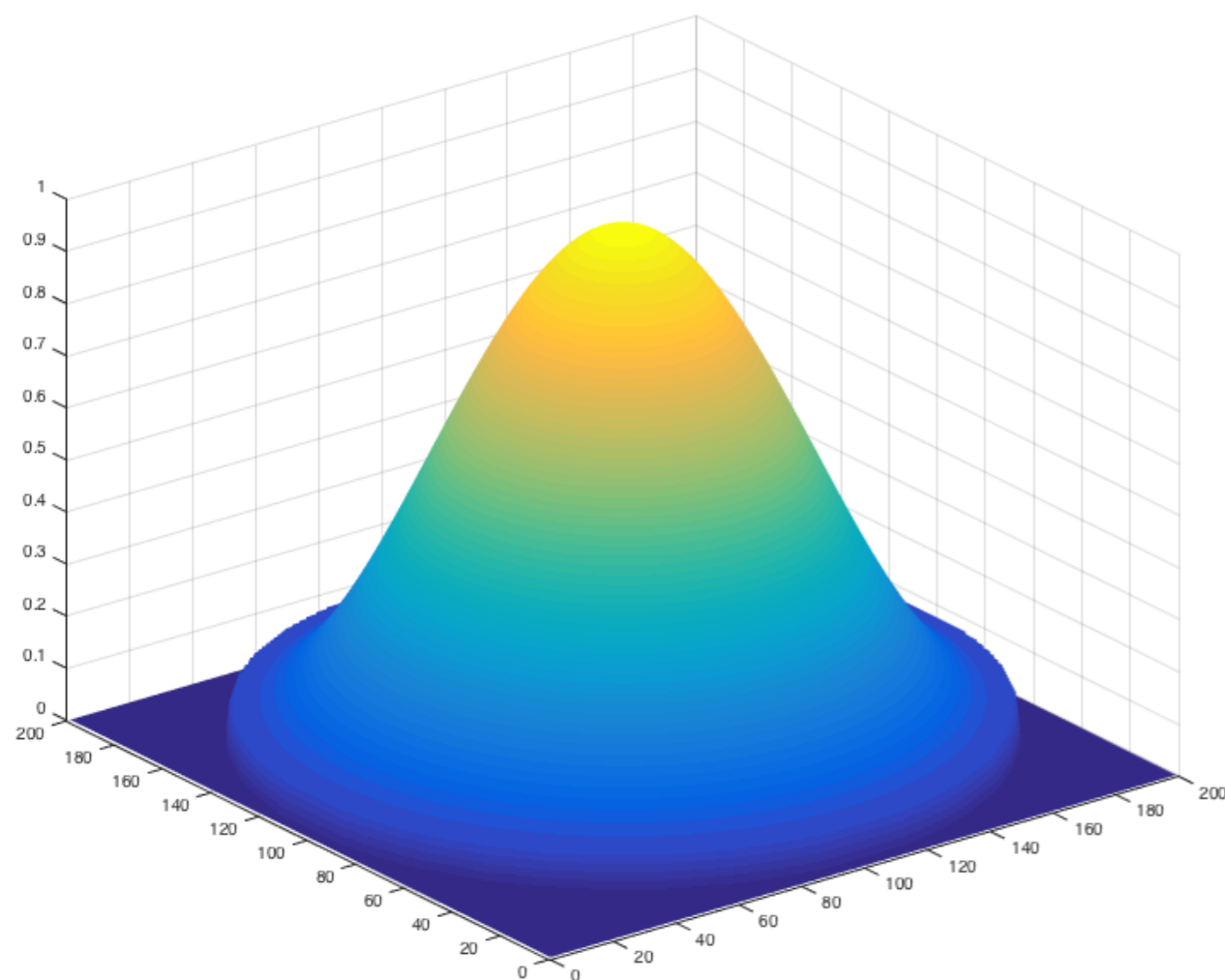
$$d_{\min} \geq k_1 \frac{\lambda}{NA}$$

# Customized pupil functions (amplitude and phase)

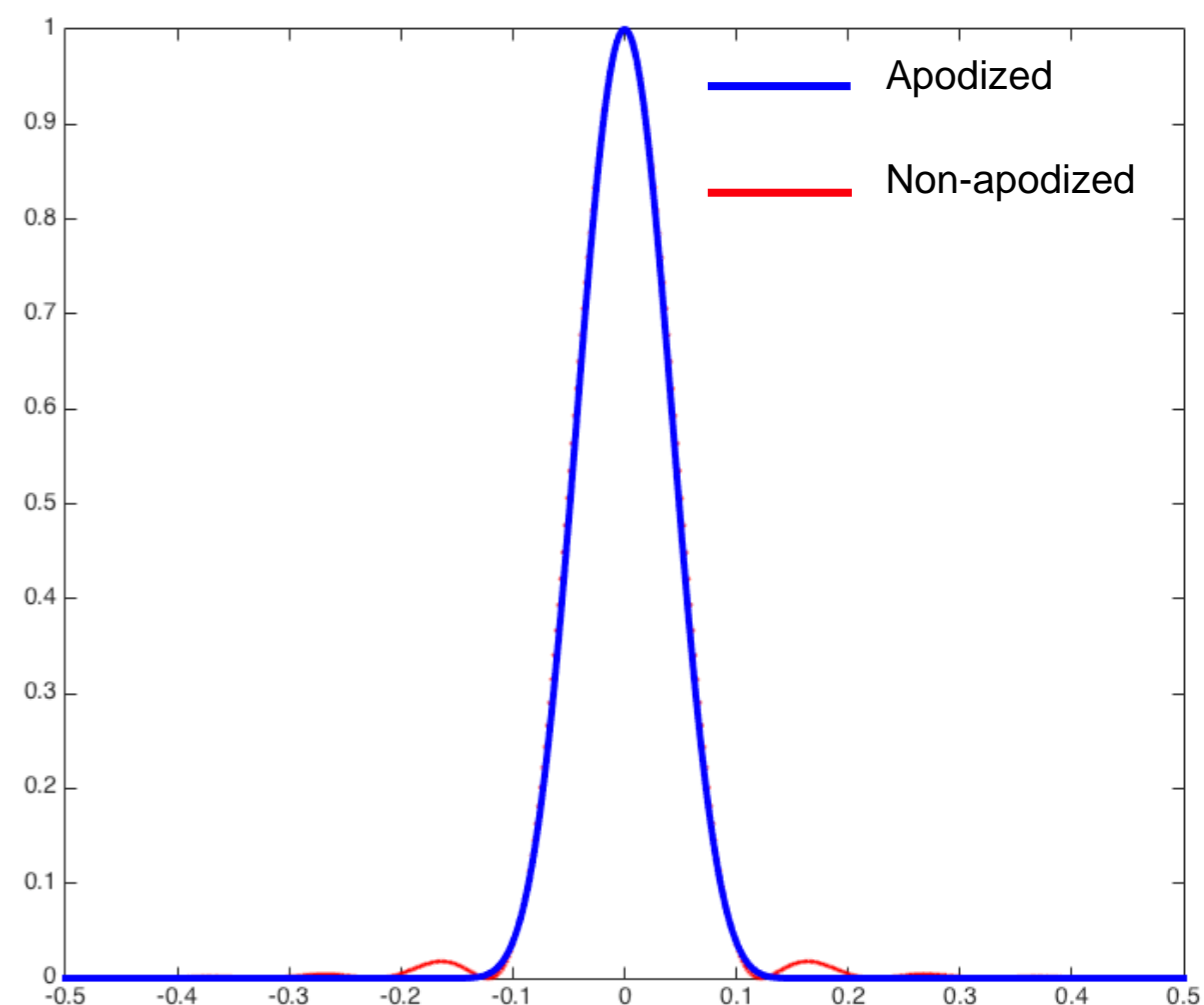
# Hamming window apodization

Basic idea: Apodize zone plate pupil function with a window function to suppress PSF side lobes.

## ZP apodization function



## ZP Point spread function



\*Apodized ZP is 45% larger than non-apodized ZP

# STXM/Ptychography

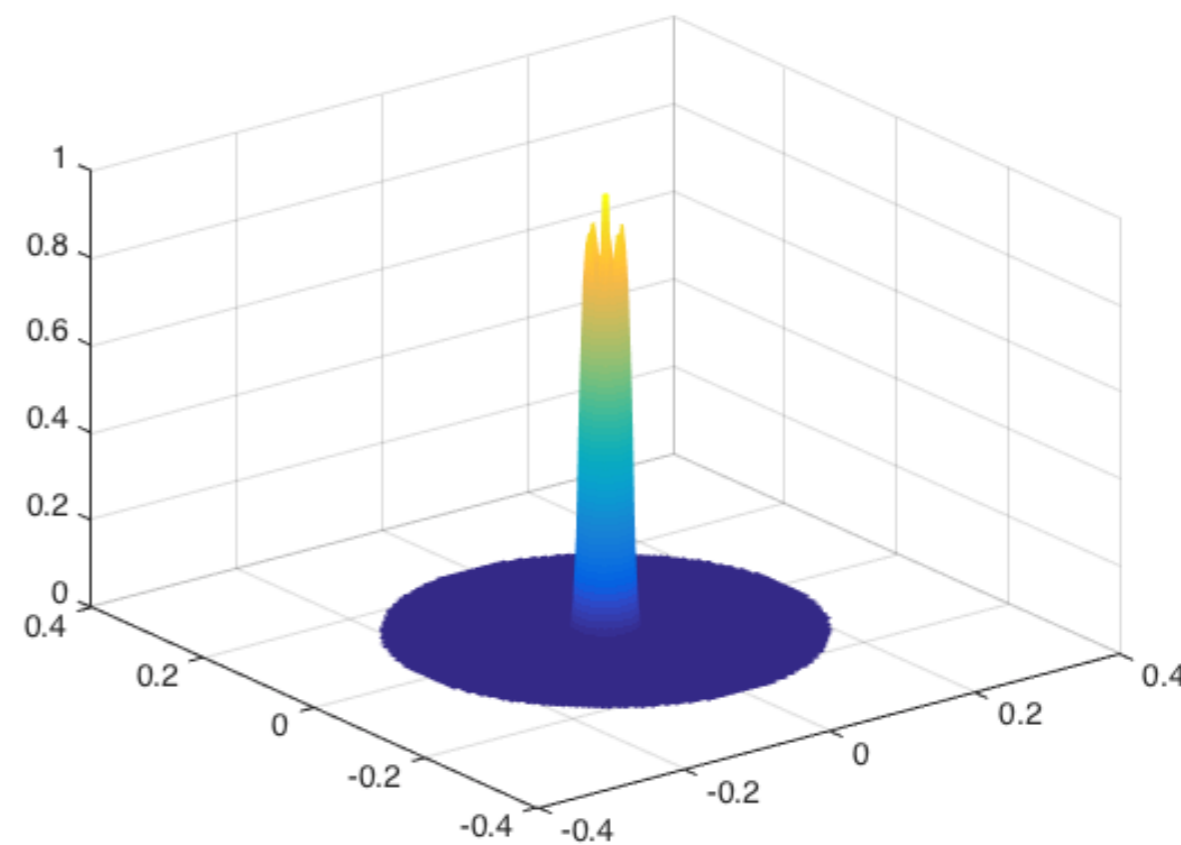
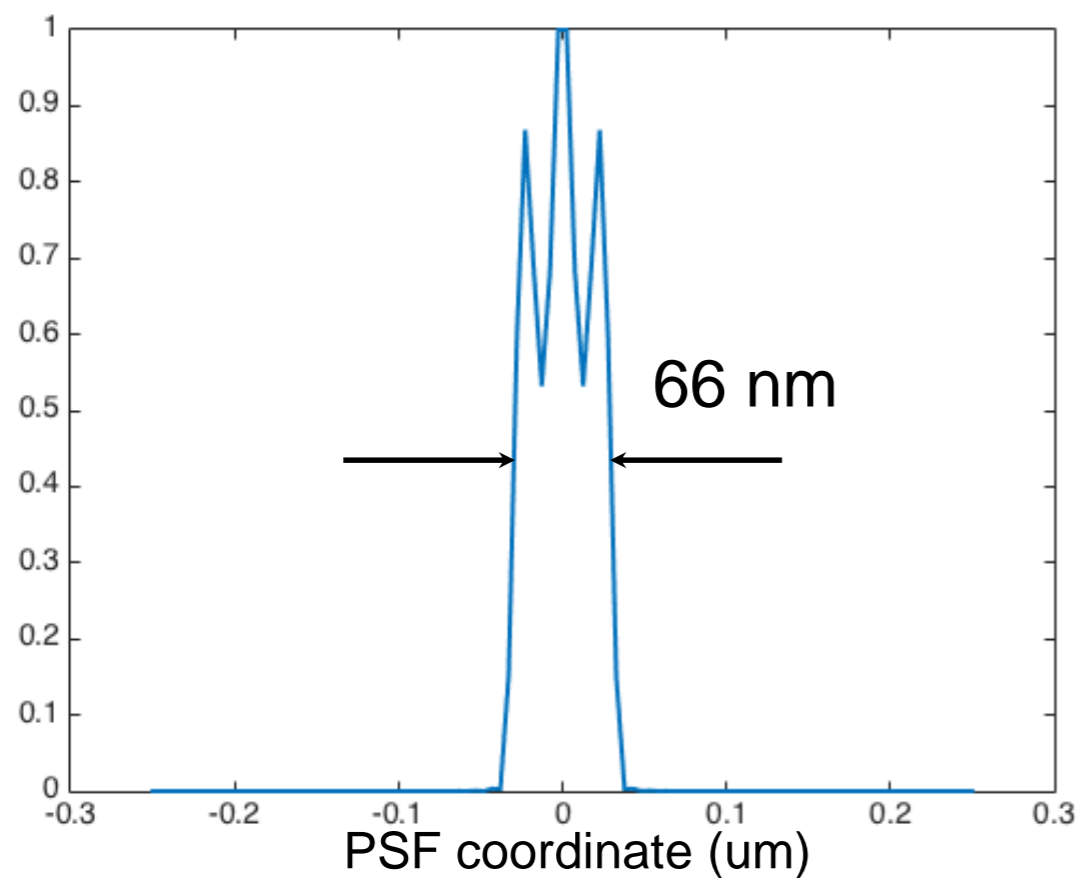
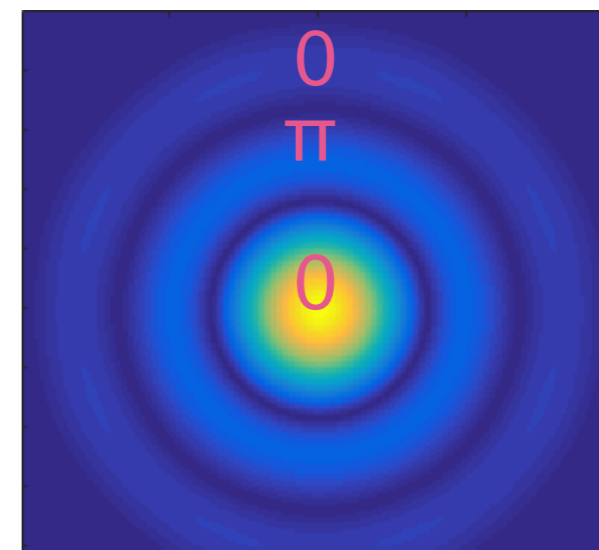
## Bessel ZP 66-nm PSF

$\lambda = 5 \text{ nm}$

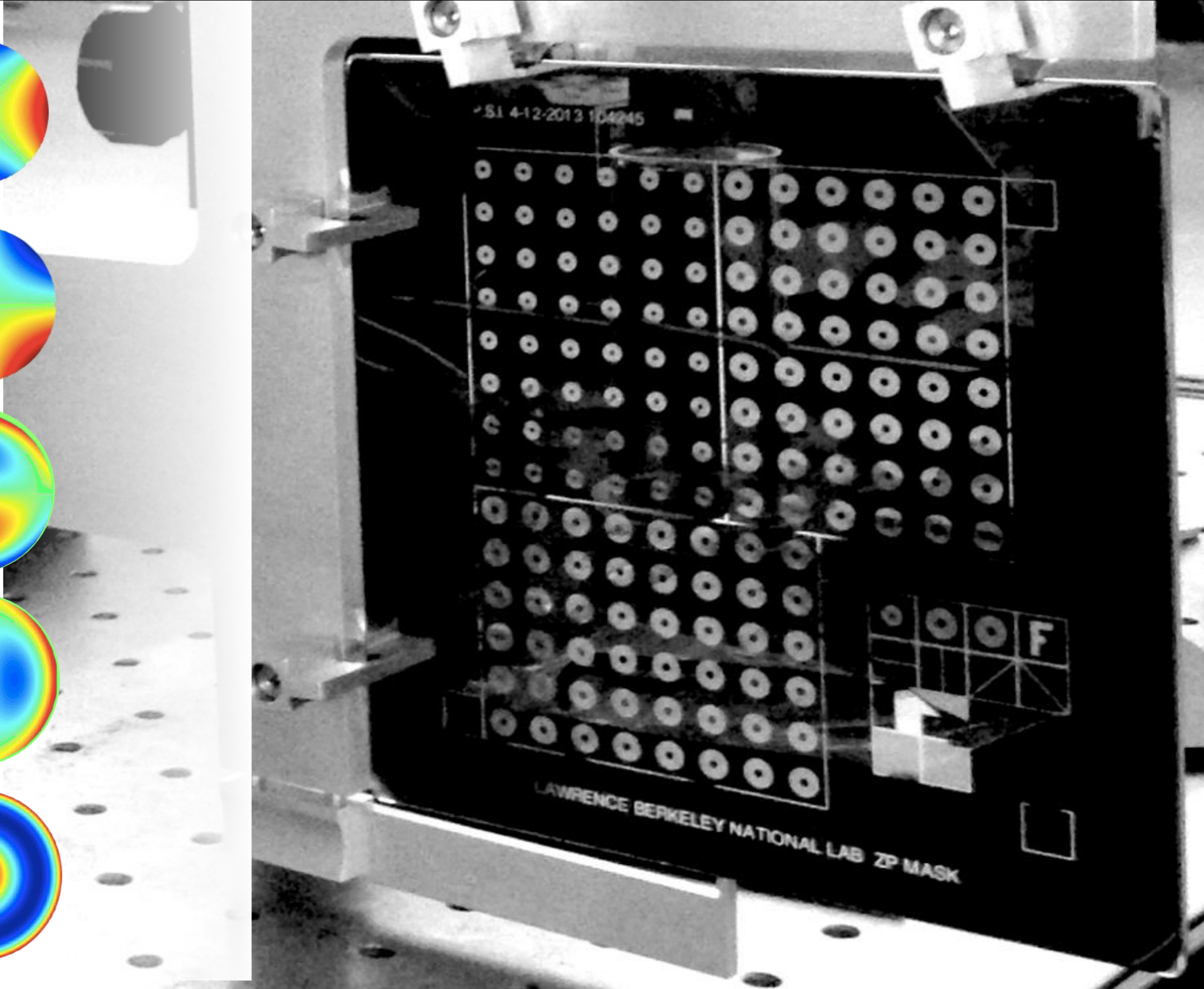
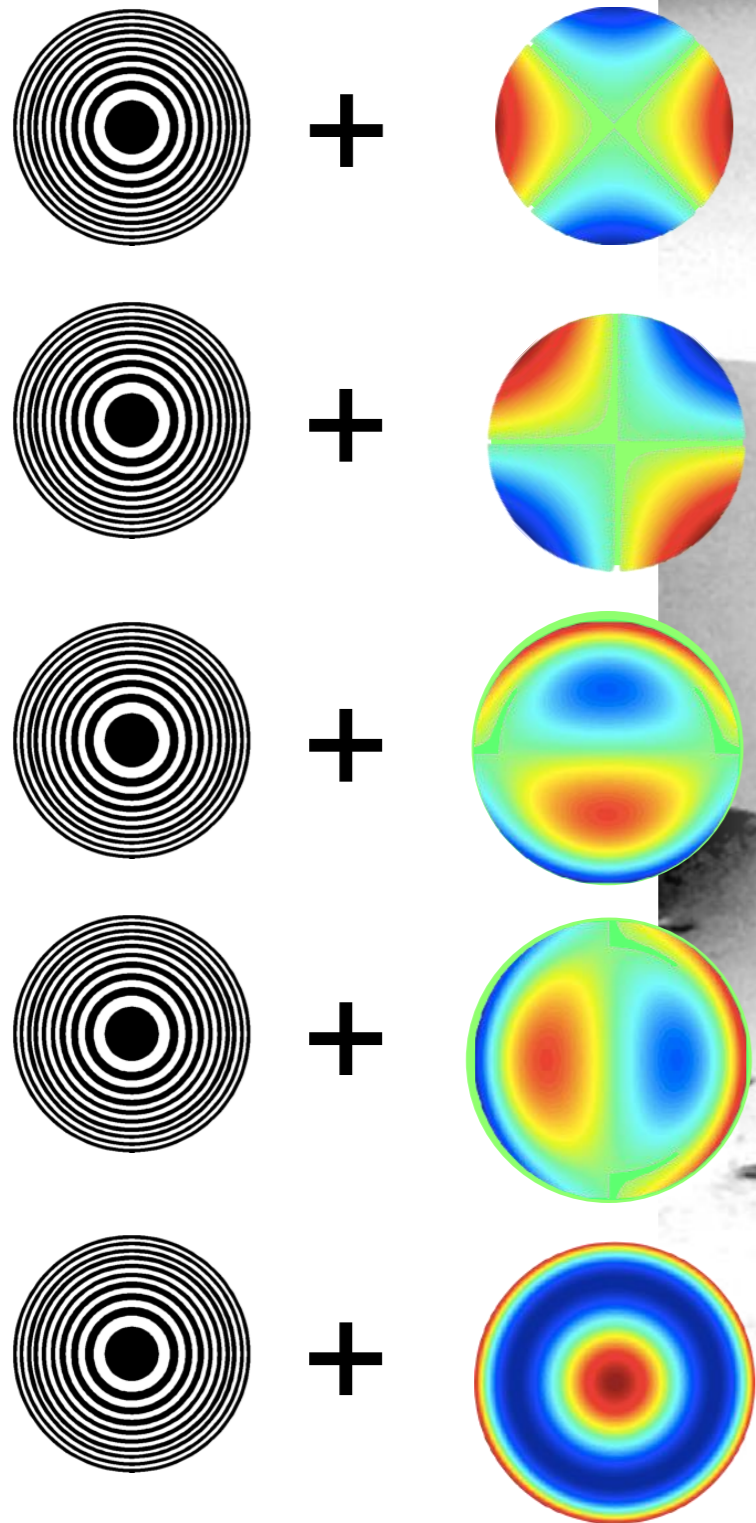
$f = 2 \text{ mm}$

$NA = 0.122$

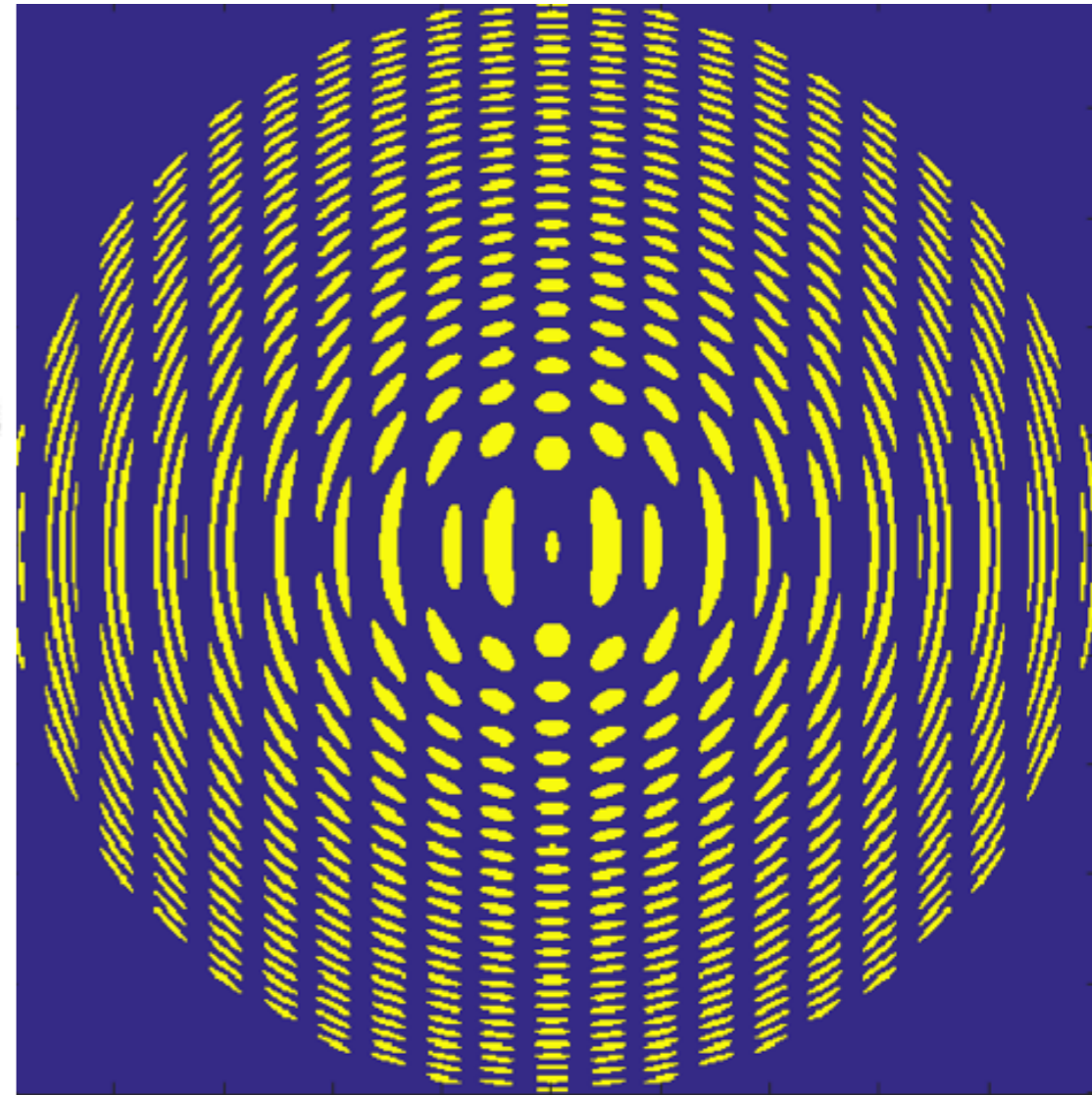
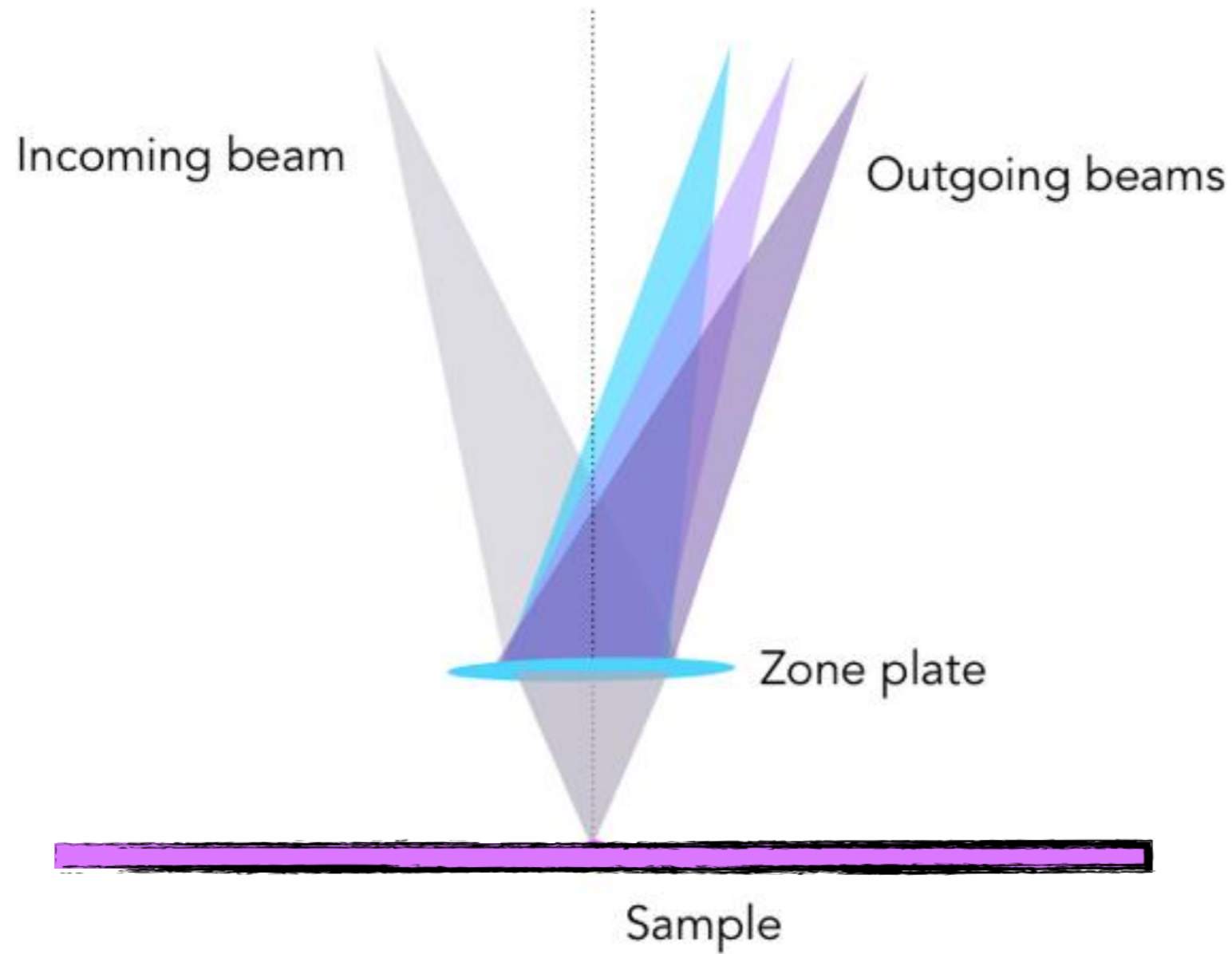
ZP Pupil



# AIS Wavefront sensor



# RIXS zone plate



# Phase contrast imaging for defect inspection



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Method \ Defocus	-4 $\mu\text{m}$	-2 $\mu\text{m}$	0 $\mu\text{m}$	+2 $\mu\text{m}$	+4 $\mu\text{m}$
0°/100%					
90°/100%					
90°/69%					
90°/41%					
90°/20%					
90°/8%					





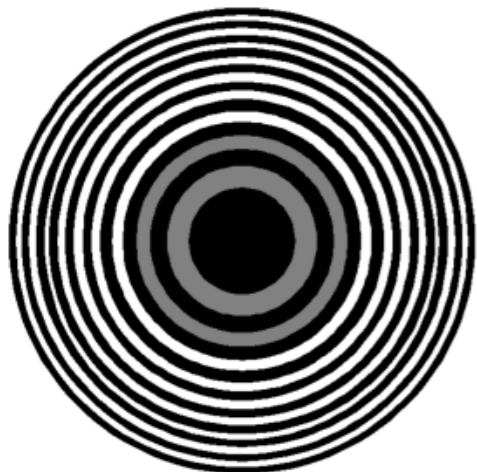
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## Phase contrast



Custom ZPC pupil function encoded in zone plates

## Centrally apodized



## PC + apodization



90°/ 100%	90°/ 69%	90°/ 41%
90°/ 20%	90°/ 8%	Dark field

# EUV phase zone plates

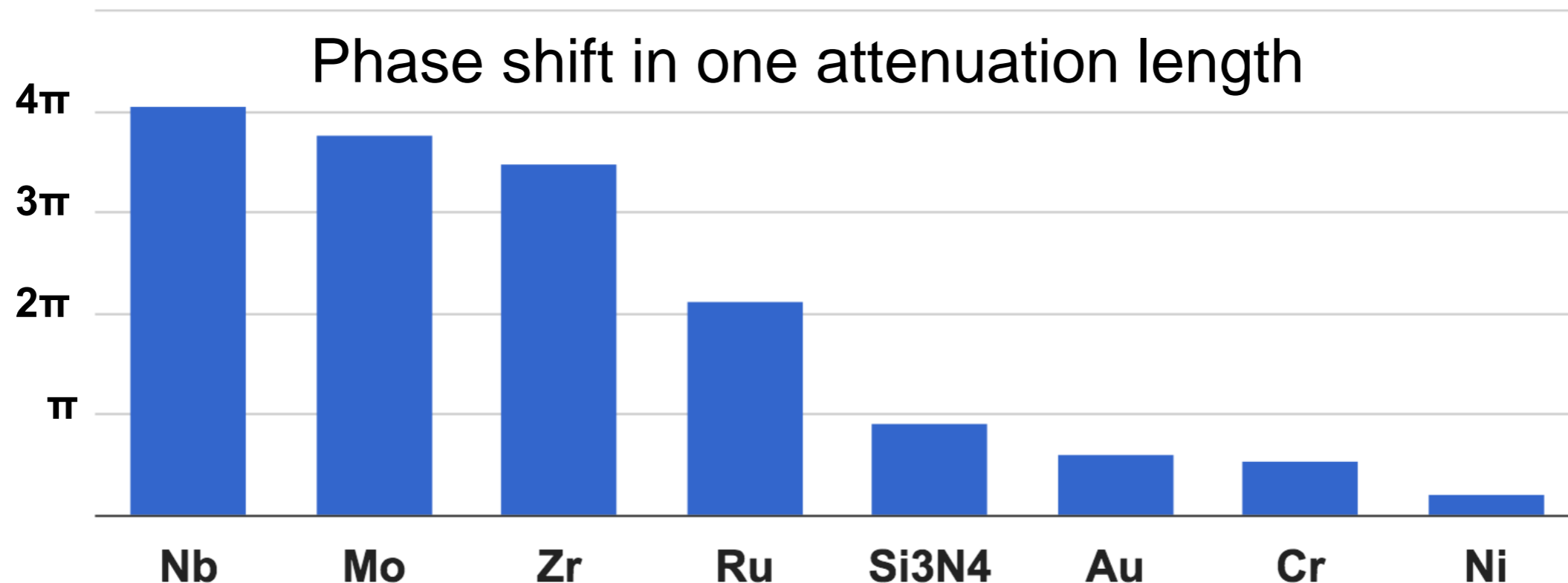
Normal amplitude zone plates have 10% efficiency...

Can increase efficiency using phase-shifting materials

$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

phase shift

absorption



# EUV phase zone plates

Material	Thickness for $\pi$ phase shift	ZP Efficiency
Mo	89 nm	32%
Ru	59 nm	27%
Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	251 nm	17%
Ni	130 nm	10%

# Zone plate optics

- Quality control is easier (registration vs. polishing)
- Fully customizable pupil function and operating geometry
- Fabrication is quick and inexpensive
- Compact
- Can operate at multiple wavelengths
- Phase materials can increase ZP efficiency