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# タンパク質結晶のX線トポグラフィ ー これまでの研究と今後 ー

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## **Protein crystals**



## Sample conditions for X-ray topography

$\boldsymbol{\xi} = \frac{\pi V_C \cos \theta_B}{r_e \lambda  F_{hkl} }$		ξ: Extinction distance $V_{C}$ : Volume of unit cell $F_{hkl}$ : Struture factor		<ul> <li>λ: Wavelength of X-ray</li> <li>θB: Bragg angle</li> <li>re: Radii of classical electron</li> </ul>	
Crystal (Reflection)	V <sub>C</sub> (ų)	$ F_{hkl} $	µ (mm⁻¹)	ξ (mm)	0.4ξ < <i>t</i> < 1/μ (mm)
Si (3,-3,3)	160	37.9	1.365	0.062	0.024 < <i>t</i> < 0.732
Benzil (2,-2,0,0)	416	61.9	0.7	0.096	0.038 < <i>t</i> < 1.428
Tetragonal hen egg-white lysozyme (800)	237133	695	0.199	3.383	1.35 < <i>t</i> < 5.02

X-ray wavelegnths used in this calculation are 0.71 A, 1.54A and 1.41A for Si, benzil and tetragonal hen egg-white lysozyme. The Bragg angle are 20°, \*\*\* and 3.25° for Si, benzil and tetragonal hen egg-white lysozyme.

Large protein crystals of millimeter-size are needed !!



### Synchrotron radiation X-ray topography



#### Monochromatic-beam topograph for a tetragonal HEWL crystal



Koishi et al. Cryst. Growth & Des., 7, 2182 (2007)

## Slip dislocations in a tetragonal HEWL crystal



Slip dislocations might be easily generated due to a stress



Mukobayashi et al. Phys. Status Solidi A206,1825 (2009)

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#### **Dislocation images for a larger orthorhombic HEWL crystal**



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#### **Observation of double images of dislocations**



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### Theory of double images of dislocations



### Widths of double images (Theory & Observation)

$$D = \frac{b_g}{\pi \,\delta\omega}$$

 $b_g$ : Component of parallel to diffraction vector **g** for Burgers vector **b**  $\delta\omega$ : Full width at half maximum of rocking curve of perfect crystal

Poflection	δ(1) (°)	Width of image (µm)		
Renection	000 ( )	Theory	Observation	
080	5.37 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.34 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	<18 (single)	
440	5.76 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.77 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	50 (double)	

The theoretical values are much larger than observed values by two-order !!



## FWHMs of rocking curves (Theory & Measurement)



The difference in the dislocation image width can be explained by the larger rocking width of real protein crystals.

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## Why is digtal topogrphy

For exact assessment of crystal perfection, some methods should be used for "the same sample".

However, protein crystals are easily damaged for some handling and X-ray irradiation. Thus, it is desired that some methods are simultaneously applied for "the same sample".

#### **Digital topograhy with CCD camera**



X-ray topograph (Local distribution of defects)



### **Digital topography with CCD camera**



## Why is neutron topography

Protein crystals include a huge amount of water: 30-80 vol.%



Understanding the behavior of the water is very important

Neutron is very sensitive to water, or hydrogen atom

Neutron topography



## **Future works**

#### More detailed understanding of dislocations in protein crystals

- More detailed analysis of topographic images of dislocations
- Modeling of atomic structure of dislocations
- In-situ observation of motion of dislocations
- Development of digital topography with CCD camera including analyzing
  - Assessment of perfection for various protein crystals
- Combination of X-ray topography and neutron diffraction topography, and others
  - Correlation between intra-crystalline water and dislocations in protein crystals

