IRA3 neutron optics & phase space transformer partner & tasks

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set-up

multibeam collimation

small angle scattering with a focused bundle of collimated beams



set-up on TPA:	collimation length	2.85 m
	entrance pinhole	1.31 mm
	exit pinhole	0.91 mm
	masks	13
	min. between 2 pinholes	0.4 mm
	pinholes / masks	400

4 sets of masks / position (3 detector lengthes + 1 multislit) for $q_{\min} = 2.10^{-4} \text{ Å}^{-1}$ at 14 Å, sample–detector distance of 6 m

masks:

⁶Li powder in epoxy, mechanically machined, aligned with laser gravity correction taken into account



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multibeam collimation

measurements



Multibeam work with gain \propto number of pinholes Simulation tools proof to be useful for the design

implementation of multibeam/multislit technique for TPA:

- number of useful pinholes decreases faster than flux increases when distance increases
- flux optimum not for longest collimation length
- allows components insertion inside the collimator

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Multislit with gain \approx 50 compared to multibeam (but need for advanced data treatment)

(e.g. monochromator for smaller overall spectrometer length)

(as known for simple collimation)

honeycomp collimator

array of confocal tubes, coated with an absorber

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image of a $20 \times 20 \text{ mm}^2$ neutron beam at the exit



view against a light source



a 2 m long device with 0.4° divergence is installed at BRISP at ILL

final device: 700 mm long focal point 2 m behind device hole diameter 6 mm (exit) material AI:Mg (2%) coating: ¹⁰Be

assembled honeycomp collimator



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solid state lens



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bi-elliptic guide scaled 1:10 2 m long entrance: $4 \times 8 \,\mathrm{mm}^2$ maximum dimensions: $8 \times 16 \text{ mm}^2$

measured on Morpheus at SINQ MIRA at FRM II





elliptic neutron guides

test device — misuse

idea:

use the end-sections of the test device to

- focus the beam

to a tiny sample in a pressure cell - defocus the scattered beam

to get a better resolution on the detector

tested on PANDA at FRM II result:







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elliptic neutron guides

implementation

first bi-elliptical neutron guide

for HRPD at ISIS

 $\label{eq:length} \begin{array}{l} \text{length} = 100\,\text{m} \\ \text{operational since } 11.\,2007 \end{array}$

measured gain: 10 to 100

(depending on λ , relative to old guide)



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attempt to create a sinusoidal density profile by - deposition of thin films

- subsequent annealing to get interdiffustion

TEM image of an as-deposited multilayer

complex multilayers

accept a non-sharp profile step but with low roughness

- intermediate layers
- controlled interdiffusion



reflectivity of the annealed multilayer compared to the calculated multi-bilayer

problem:

annealing leads to grain-formation

and thus to rough interfaces

but:

the as-depositded film shows no higher order reflections!

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aim:

starting from the quasi-sinusoidal profile reduce number of layers and still suppress higher orders

example:

suppression of orders 2, 3 and 4 is possible with 6 layers per period with (approximate) thickness rations 1:7:1:1:7:1





reflectivity of a Ni-Ti-multilayer, period: 27 nm, 6 sublayers/period, 10 repetitions

a long-wavelength filter of this type is used on the neutron reflectometer Narziss, SINQ

discrete layers allow for the application of the principle for polarising monochromators

complex multilayers

lateral grading — the idea

conventional supermirror coatings cover a large angular $/\ q$ range

but reflectivity decays with \boldsymbol{q}

if the *necessary* q range varies spacially

one can skip the needless layers (better: periods). \Rightarrow higher reflectivity of the coating

example:

focusing element (parabula-branch) for a wavelength band $\lambda = 4.7~{\rm \AA} \pm 10\%$



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lateral grading — measurements



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phase space transformer



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phase space transformer



Device for the acceleration of ultra cold neutrons (UCN) into monochromatic cold neutrons by taking advantage of the *high phase space density of UCN* at nextgeneration sources.

Principle: up-scattering of UCN on one or several rotating crystals using the Doppler-effect to match the Bragg condition.

Final experiments 2008 at the ILL PF2-UCN source were successfully carried out proving that the principle of PST works as predicted in detailed MC simulations.

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