



HoloDark – holography for strain

Lattice Deformation and Strain Analysis using Dark-Field Holography

HoloDark generates quantitative deformation and strain maps over wide fields of view from a pair of dark-field electron holograms [1,2].

HoloDark is based on the patented technique and routines developed by Martin Hÿtch et al [3].

Key Features

- ◆ Determines geometric phases from dark-field electron holograms, and corresponding deformation maps
- ◆ Generates full 2D deformation tensor from pairs of dark-field holograms of differing diffraction vectors
- ◆ Displays color maps and contours of strains
- ◆ Aligns multiple holograms by correcting drift, rotation and magnification changes
- ◆ Corrects for Fresnel fringes and optical distortions due to the projector lens system and CCD camera [4]

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