



Motion Detection in Diffraction Tomography

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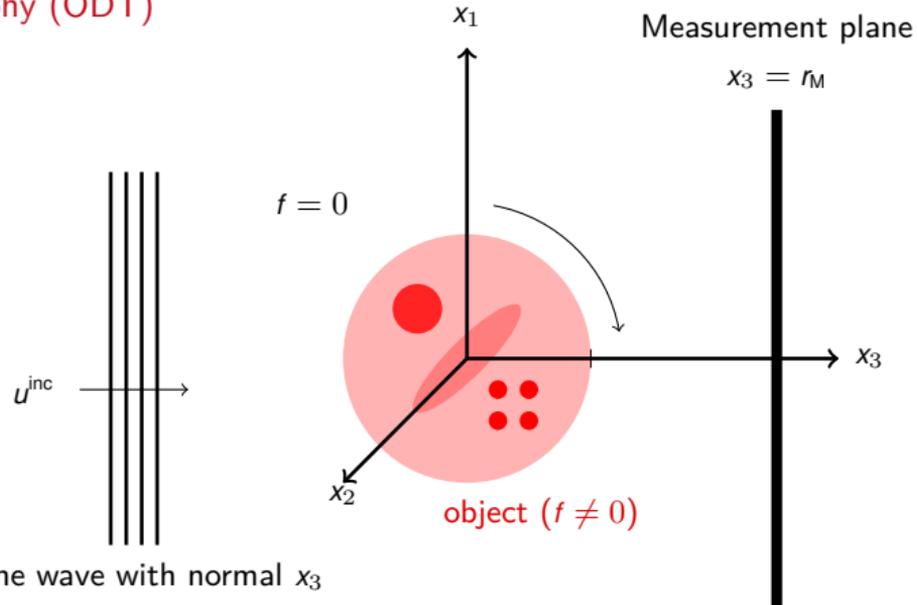
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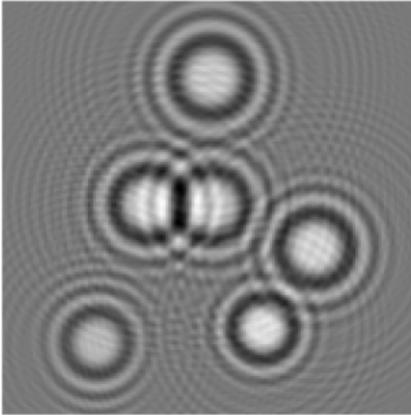
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Fourier reconstruction for diffraction tomography of an object rotated into arbitrary orientations.

Inverse Problems 37, 2021.

Optical Diffraction

Optical diffraction occurs when the wavelength of the imaging beam is large
 \approx the size of the object (μm scale)



Simulation of the scattered field from
spherical particles (size \approx wavelength)

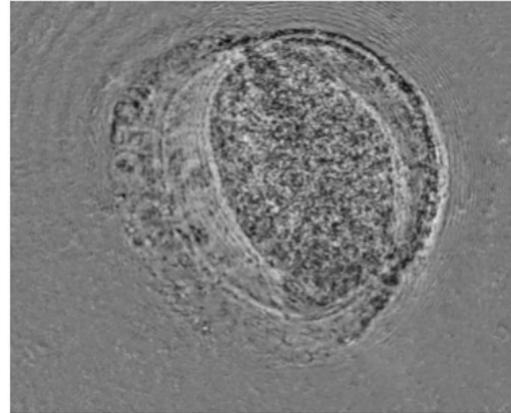


Image with diffraction
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Arbitrary rotations

- Sample confinement, such as fixation on a surface or embedding in a gel, has substantial impact on biological cell clusters
- Contact-less tools for 3D manipulation based on optical and acoustical tweezers
 - [Kvåle-Løvmo, Pressl, Thalhammer, Ritsch-Marte 2020]
- Drawback: less control about the exact movement



Video of trapped specimen (pollen)
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Model of Optical Diffraction Tomography (for one direction)

- **We have:** field $u^{\text{tot}}(x_1, x_2, r_M)$ at measurement plane $x_3 = r_M$
- **We want:** scattering potential $f(\mathbf{x})$ with $\text{supp } f \subset \mathcal{B}_{r_M} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
- Object illuminated by plane wave $u^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{ik_0 x_3}$
- Total field $u^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{x}) = u^{\text{sca}}(\mathbf{x}) + u^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x})$ solves the wave equation

$$-(\Delta + f(\mathbf{x}) + k_0^2) u^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

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Fourier diffraction theorem

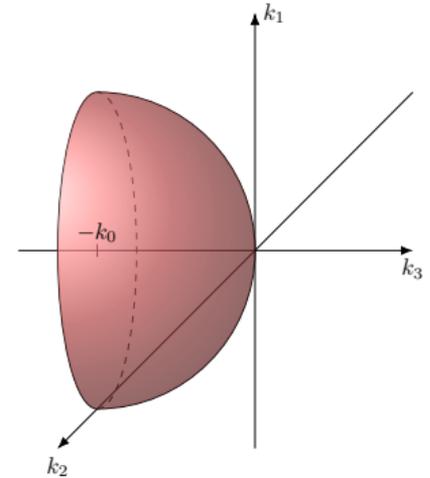
Let the previous assumptions hold, $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)$, $p > 1$, and u^{sca} satisfy the Sommerfeld radiation condition (u is an outgoing wave).

Then

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \kappa i e^{-i\kappa r_M} \mathcal{F}_{1,2} \underbrace{u^{\text{sca}}(k_1, k_2, r_M)}_{\text{measurements}} = \mathcal{F}f(\mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2)), \quad (k_1, k_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

where $\mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2) := \begin{pmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ \kappa - k_0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\kappa := \sqrt{k_0^2 - k_1^2 - k_2^2}$.

based on [Wolf 1969] [Natterer Wuebbeling 2001] [Kak Slaney 2001]
this version from [Kirisits Q. Ritsch-Marte Scherzer Setterqvist Steidl 2021]



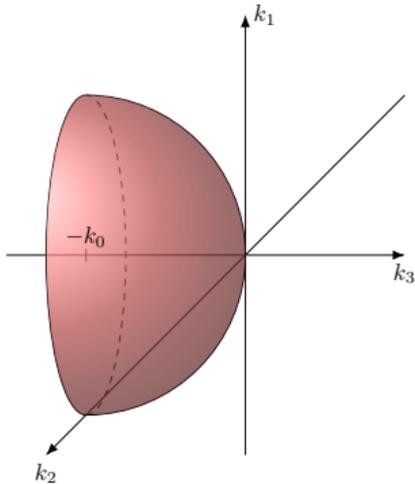
Semisphere $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{k})$ of available data in Fourier space

Comparison with Computerized Tomography

Optical diffraction tomography (ODT)

diffraction of imaging wave

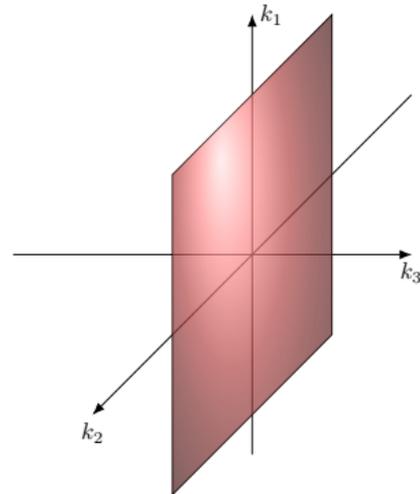
Data: Fourier transform on semispheres containing $\mathbf{0}$



Computerized tomography (CT)

light travels along straight lines

Data: Fourier transform on planes containing $\mathbf{0}$



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- Scattering potential of the **moved object**: $f(R_t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{d}_t))$
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Discretization

- Object $f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ with $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{k} \frac{2L_S}{K}$, $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{I}_K^3 := \{-K/2, \dots, K/2 - 1\}^3$
- Measurements $u_{t_m}^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{y}_n, r_M)$ with $\mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{n} \frac{2L_M}{N}$, $\mathbf{n} \in \mathcal{I}_N^2$
- discrete Fourier transform (DFT)

$$[\mathbf{F}_{\text{DFT}} u_{t_m}^{\text{sca}}]_{\ell} := \sum_{\mathbf{n} \in \mathcal{I}_N^2} u_{t_m}^{\text{sca}}(\mathbf{y}_n, r_M) e^{-2\pi i \mathbf{n} \cdot \ell / N}, \quad \ell \in \mathcal{I}_N^2,$$

- Non-uniform discrete Fourier transform (NDFT)

$$[\mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}} \mathbf{f}]_{m, \ell} := \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{I}_K^3} f_{\mathbf{k}} e^{-i \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot (R_{t_m} h(\mathbf{y}_{\ell}))}, \quad m \in \mathcal{J}_M, \ell \in \mathcal{I}_N^2$$

Discretized forward operator

$$\mathbf{D}^{\text{tot}} \mathbf{f} := \mathbf{F}_{\text{DFT}}^{-1}(\mathbf{c} \odot \mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}} \mathbf{f}) + e^{i k_0 r_M}, \quad \mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{K^d},$$

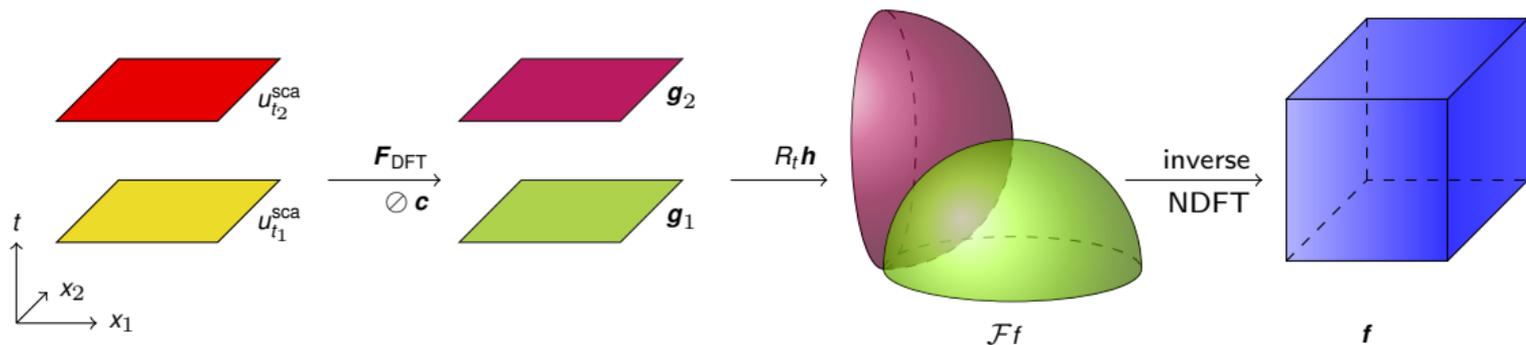
where $\mathbf{c} = \left[\frac{i}{\kappa(\mathbf{y}_{\ell})} e^{i \kappa(\mathbf{y}_{\ell}) r_M} \left(\frac{N}{L_M}\right)^{d-1} \left(\frac{L_S}{K}\right)^d \right]_{\ell \in \mathcal{I}_N^2}$

Reconstruction of f

Inverse

$$f \approx \mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}}^{-1} \left((\mathbf{F}_{\text{DFT}} \mathbf{u}^{\text{tot}} - e^{ik_0 r_M}) \otimes \mathbf{c} \right)$$

Crucial part: inversion of NDFT $\mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}}^{-1}$



Approach 1: Filtered Backpropagation

Idea: Compute inverse Fourier transform of $\mathcal{F}f$ restricted to the set of available data \mathcal{Y} :

$$f_{\text{bp}}(\mathbf{x}) := (2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \mathcal{F}f(\mathbf{y}) e^{i\mathbf{y}\cdot\mathbf{x}} d\mathbf{y}.$$

Theorem

[Kirisits, Q, Ritsch-Marte, Scherzer, Setterqvist, Steidl 2021]

Consider the rotation R_t round axis $\mathbf{a}(t)$ with angle $\alpha(t)$ in $C^1[0, T]$. Then

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where $T(k_1, k_2, t) := R_t \mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2)$ and

$$|\det \nabla T(k_1, k_2, t)| = \frac{k_0}{\kappa} \left| \left((1 - \cos \alpha)(a_3 \mathbf{a}' \cdot \mathbf{h} - a_3' \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{h}) - a_3 \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a}' \times \mathbf{h}) \sin \alpha \right) - \alpha' (a_1 k_2 - a_2 k_1) + (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{h})(a_1 a_2' - a_2 a_1') \sin \alpha \right|.$$

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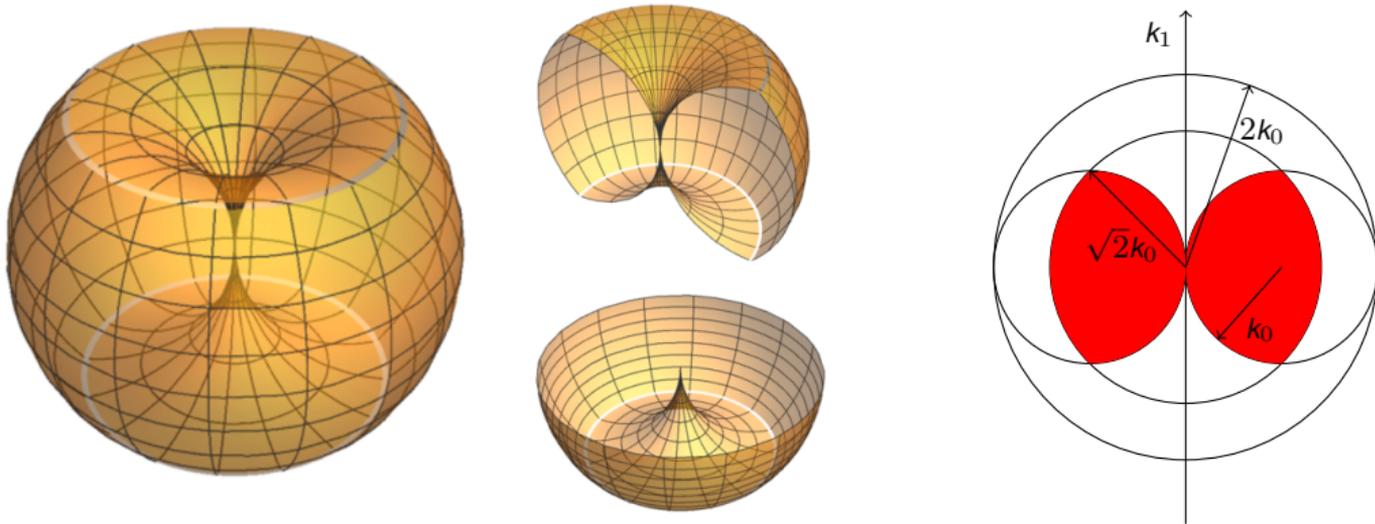
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Example: Rotation Around the First Axis

[Devaney 1982]

Backpropagation formula $f_{bp}(\mathbf{x}) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \int_0^T \int_{B_{k_0}} \mathcal{F}f(R_t \mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2)) e^{i R_t \mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \frac{k_0 |k_2|}{2\kappa} d(k_1, k_2) dt$



Set \mathcal{Y} of available data in Fourier space

Approach 2: Conjugate Gradient (CG) Method

- Conjugate Gradients (CG) on the normal equations

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{K^3}} \|\mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}}(\mathbf{f}) - \mathbf{g}\|_2^2$$

- NFFT (Non-uniform fast Fourier transform) for computing $\mathbf{F}_{\text{NDFT}}(\mathbf{f})$ in $\mathcal{O}(N^3 \log N)$ steps

[Dutt Rokhlin 93], [Beylkin 95], [Potts Steidl Tasche 01], [Potts Kunis Keiner 04+]

Approach 3: TV (Total Variation) Regularization

- Regularized inverse

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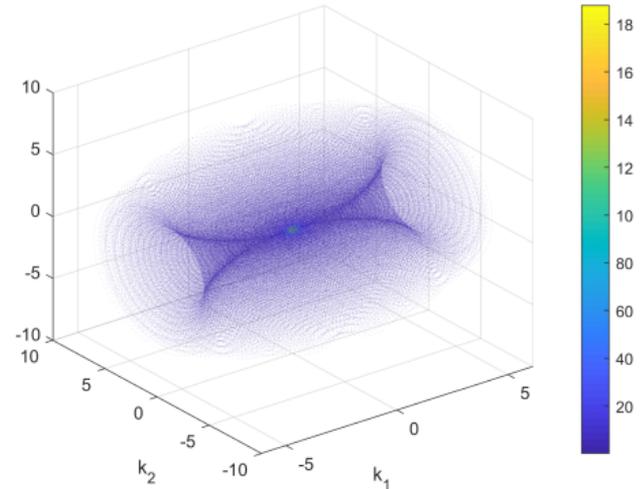
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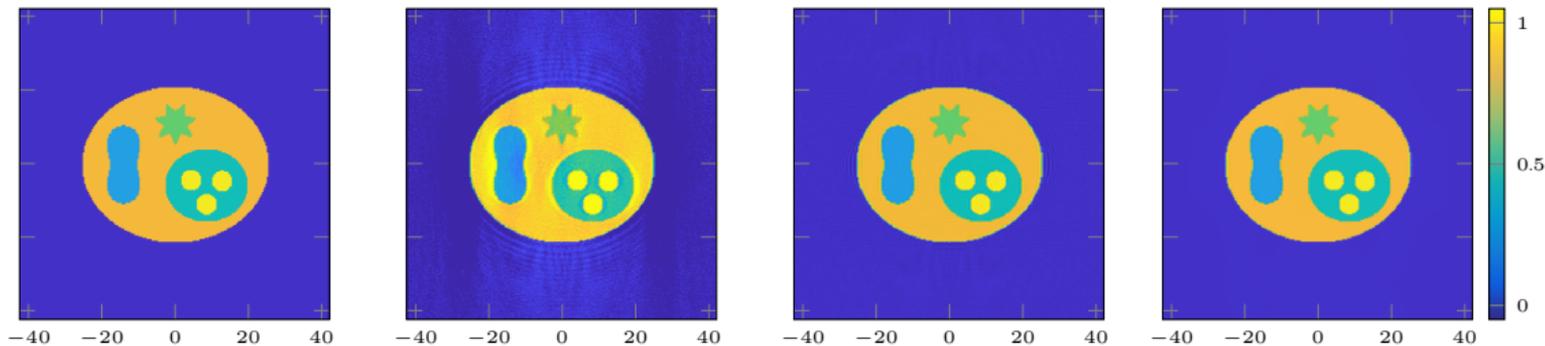
Test Setup

- Normalized wavelength $1 \Rightarrow k_0 = 2\pi$
- Test function f given analytically
- Simulate data via convolution with the Green function (also based on Born approximation) to avoid the “inverse crime”
- “missing cones” around the axis of rotation



Simulated data: Fourier transform $|\mathcal{F}f|$ at 496944 nodes (constant rotation axis)

Reconstruction: Moving Axis



Ground truth f
($240 \times 240 \times 240$ grid)

Backpropagation
PSNR 24.17, SSIM 0.171

CG Reconstruction
PSNR 35.84, SSIM 0.962

PD with TV ($\lambda = 0.02$)
PSNR 40.95, SSIM 0.972

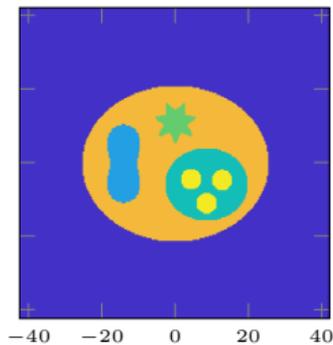


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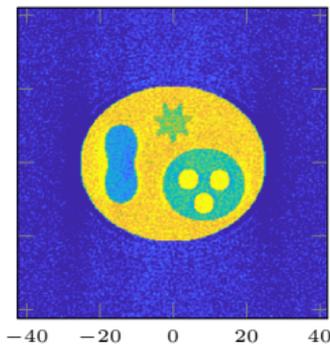
Total Variation-Based Reconstruction and Phase Retrieval for Diffraction Tomography with an Arbitrarily Moving Object.

[Arxiv preprint 2210.03495](#)

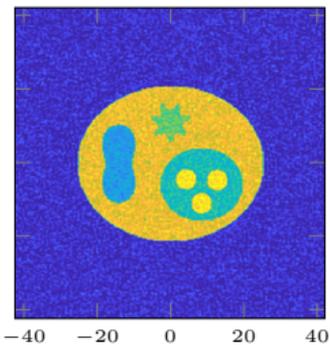
Reconstruction: Moving Axis and 5% Gaussian Noise



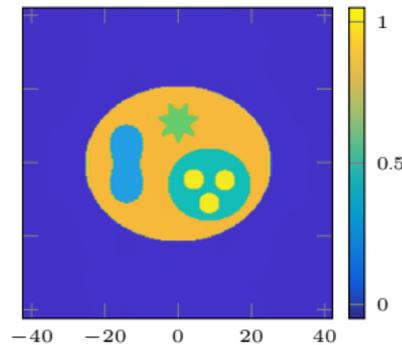
Ground truth f



Backpropagation
PSNR 21.19, SSIM 0.075



CG Reconstruction
PSNR 24.10, SSIM 0.193



PD with TV ($\lambda = 0.05$)
PSNR 38.01, SSIM 0.772



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Formal Uniqueness Result

Theorem

[Kurlberg Zickert 2021]

Let

- the matrix of second-order moments of f have distinct, real eigenvalues,
- certain third-order moments do not vanish,
- the translation \mathbf{d}_t be restricted to a known plane,
- the rotations R_t cover $SO(3)$.

Then f is uniquely determined given the diffraction images u_t for all (unknown) motions.

Our goal: Find an algorithm to recover the rotations and translations

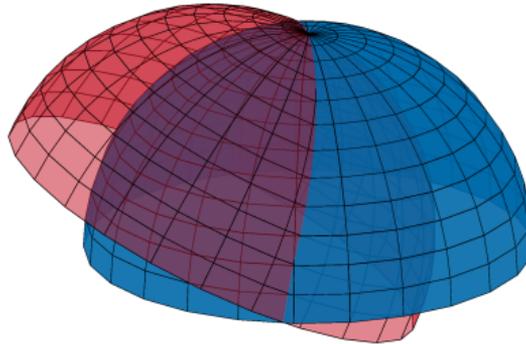


Detection of the Rotation

Goal: Estimate the rotation R_t from the transformed measurements $\nu_t(\mathbf{k}) = |\mathcal{F}f(R_t\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{k}))|^2$

Common circle approach:

- For each t we have the Fourier data $\mathcal{F}f$ on one semisphere
- Two semispheres intersect in a circle (arc), where $\mathcal{F}f$ must agree
- Find the common circle of two semispheres



P Elbau, M Quellmalz, O Scherzer, G Steidl.

Motion detection in diffraction tomography with common circle methods.

[Arxiv preprint 2209.08086](#)

Common Circles

Theorem

[Q. Elbau Scherzer Steidl 2022]

Let $t, s \in [0, T]$ such that there uniquely exist two curves

$$\gamma_{s,t}(\beta) = \frac{k_0}{2} \sin \theta (\cos \beta - 1) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \\ \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix} + k_0 \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \beta \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \varphi \\ \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

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with some parameters $\varphi, \psi \in \mathbb{R}/(2\pi\mathbb{Z})$, $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ such that

$$\nu_s \circ \gamma_{s,t}(\beta) = \nu_t \circ \gamma_{t,s}(-\beta), \quad |\beta| < \pi.$$

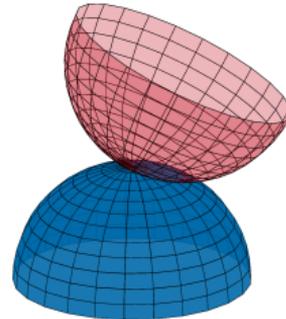
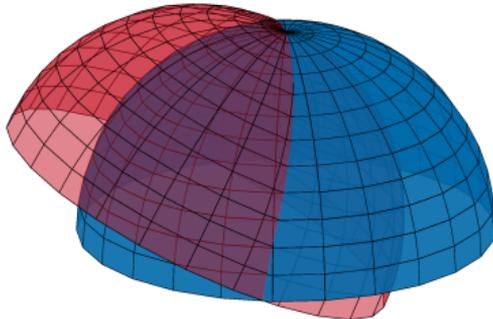
Then the rotation $R_s^\top R_t$ has the Euler angles φ, θ, ψ .

Dual Common Circles

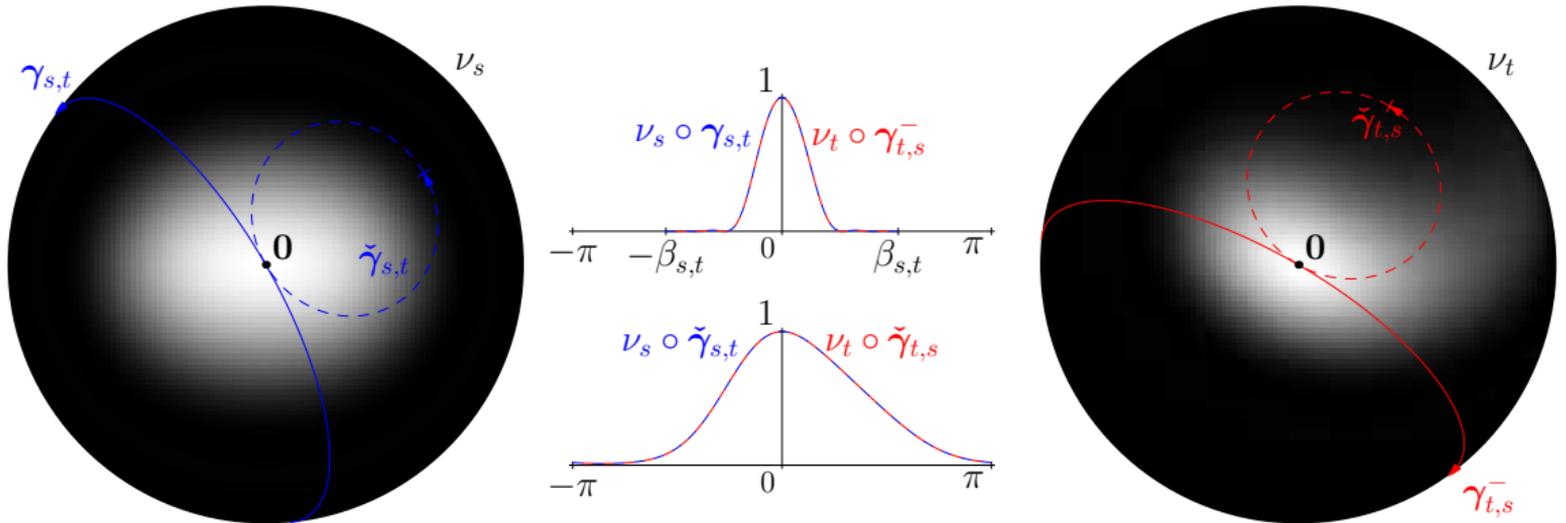
- f real-valued (no absorption)
- Additional symmetry $\mathcal{F}f(\mathbf{y}) = \overline{\mathcal{F}f(-\mathbf{y})}$
- Additional pair of dual common circles

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Visualization of the Arcs



Infinitesimal Common Circles Method

Theorem

[Q. Elbau Scherzer Steidl 2022]

Let the rotation $R \in C^1([0, T] \rightarrow \text{SO}(3))$ and $t \in (0, T)$.

We define the associated **angular velocity** as the vector $\omega_t \in \mathbb{R}^3$ satisfying

$$R_t^\top R_t' \mathbf{y} = \omega_t \times \mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

and write it in cylinder coordinates

$$\omega_t = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_t \varphi_t \\ \zeta_t \end{pmatrix}, \quad \varphi_t = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi_t \\ \sin \varphi_t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{S}^1,$$

Then, for all $r \in (-k_0, k_0)$, it holds that

$$- \partial_t \nu_t(r \varphi_t) = \left(\rho(t) \left(\sqrt{k_0^2 - r^2} - k_0 \right) + r \zeta_t \right) \left\langle \nabla \nu_t(r \varphi_t), \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \varphi_t \\ \cos \varphi_t \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle.$$

Reconstructing the Translation

Recall: Data $\mu_t(k_1, k_2) = \mathcal{F}f(R_t \mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2)) e^{-i\langle \mathbf{d}_t, \mathbf{h}(k_1, k_2) \rangle}$

Theorem

[Q. Elbau Scherzer Steidl 2022]

Let $s, t \in [0, T]$ be such that $R_s \mathbf{e}^3 \neq \pm R_t \mathbf{e}^3$ and let $f \geq 0$ with $f \not\equiv 0$.

If $\mathbf{d}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, then \mathbf{d}_t can be uniquely reconstructed from the two equations:

$$e^{i\langle R_t \mathbf{d}_t - R_s \mathbf{d}_s, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{s,t}(\beta) \rangle} = \frac{\mu_s(\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{s,t}(\beta))}{\mu_t(\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{t,s}(-\beta))}, \quad \beta \in [-\pi, \pi], \mu_s(\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{s,t}(\beta)) \neq 0,$$

and

$$e^{i\langle R_t \mathbf{d}_t - R_s \mathbf{d}_s, \check{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_{s,t}(\beta) \rangle} = \frac{\mu_s(\check{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{s,t}(\beta))}{\mu_t(\check{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{t,s}(\beta))}, \quad \beta \in [-\pi, \pi], \mu_s(\check{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{s,t}(\beta)) \neq 0.$$

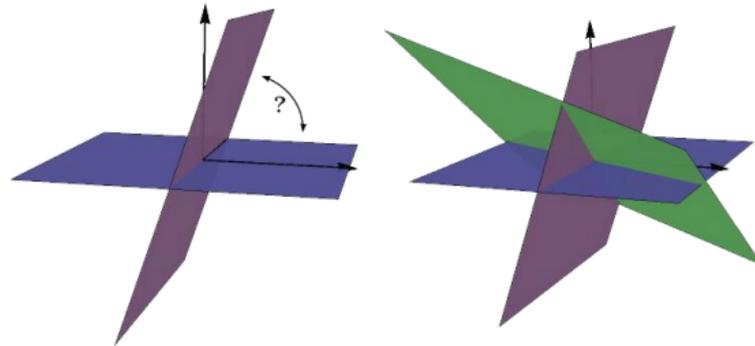
Similar reconstruction result for $R_s \mathbf{e}^3 = \pm R_t \mathbf{e}^3$

Comparison with CT

Method of common lines in Cryo-EM

[Crowther DeRosier Klug 70] [van Heel 87] [Goncharov 88] [Wang Singer Zen 13]

- Based on different model (ray transform)
- Requires 3 common planes (instead of 2 semi-spheres)
- Ambiguities (mirroring, translation along imaging direction)

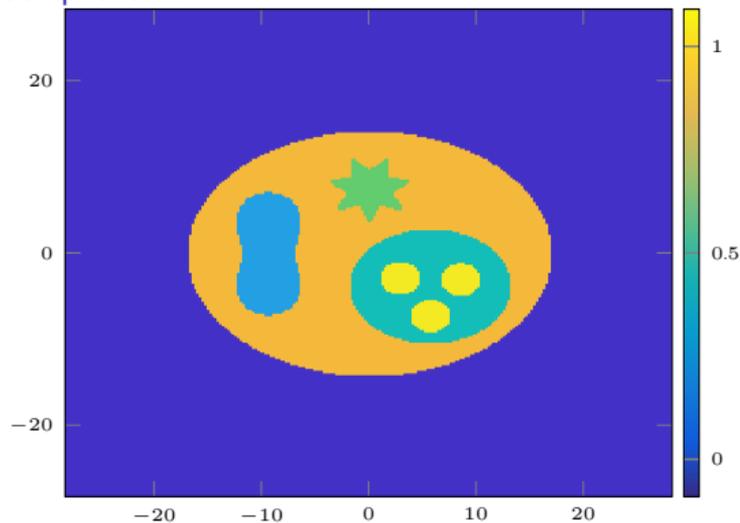


Images by [Schmutz 17]

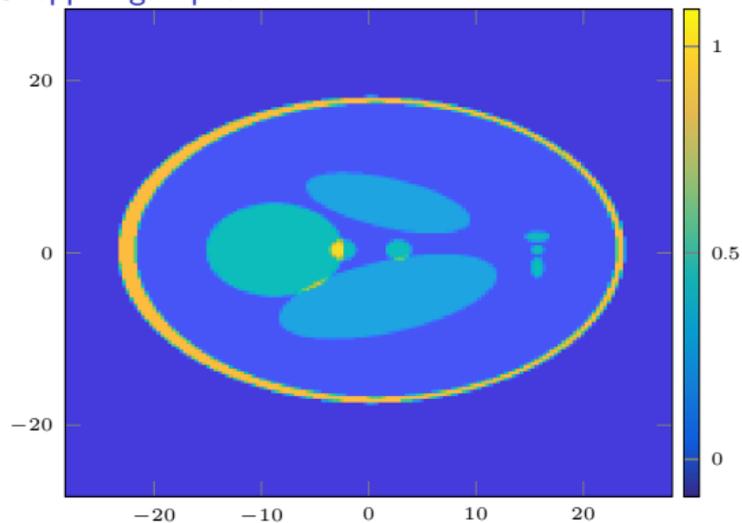


Numerical Simulation: Test Functions (3D)

Cell phantom

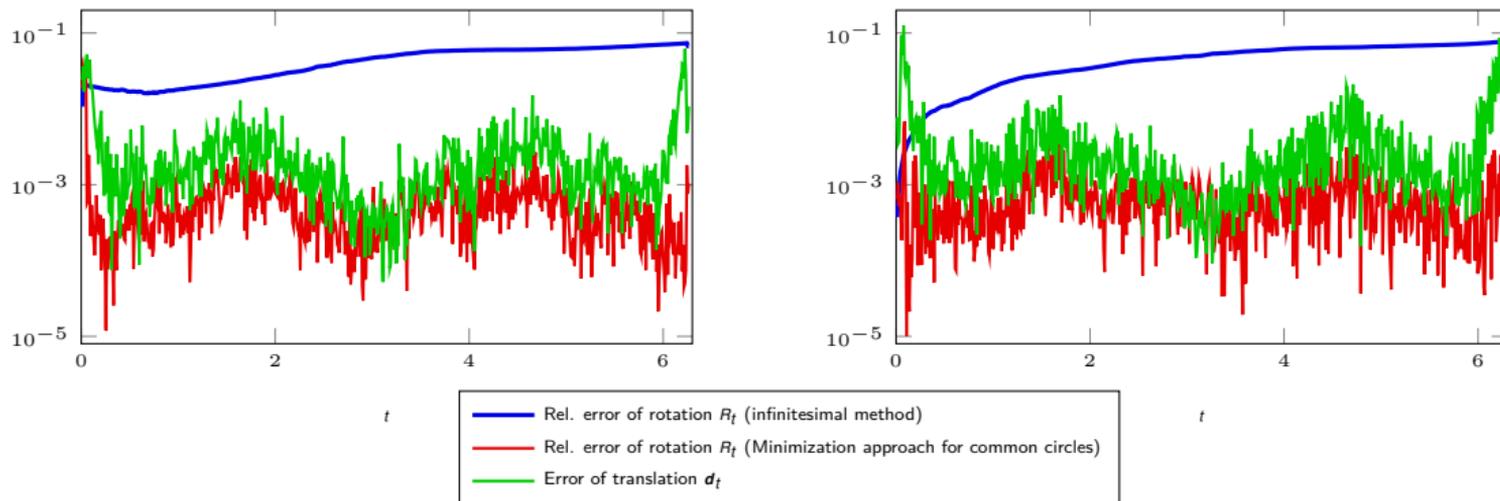


Shepp-Logan phantom





Numerical Simulation: Results

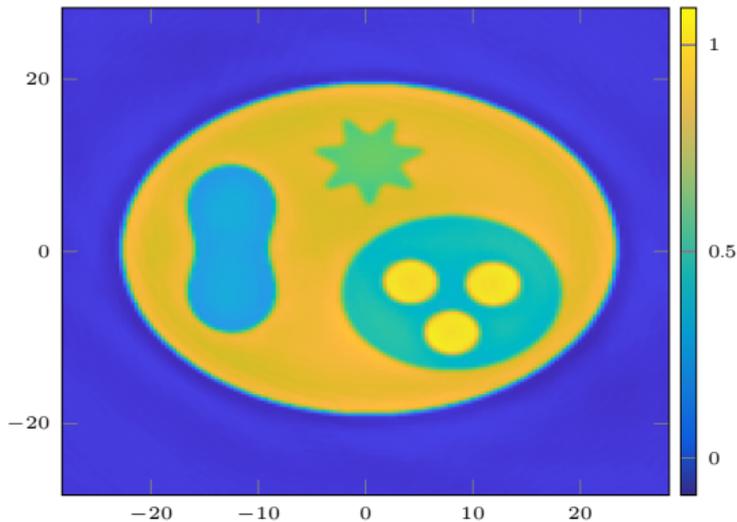


The rotation is around the moving axis $(\sqrt{1-a^2} \cos(b \sin(t/2)), \sqrt{1-a^2} \sin(b \sin(t/2)), a) \in \mathbb{S}^2$ for $a = 0.28$ and $b = 0.5$. The translation is $d_t = 2(\sin t, \sin t, \sin t)$.

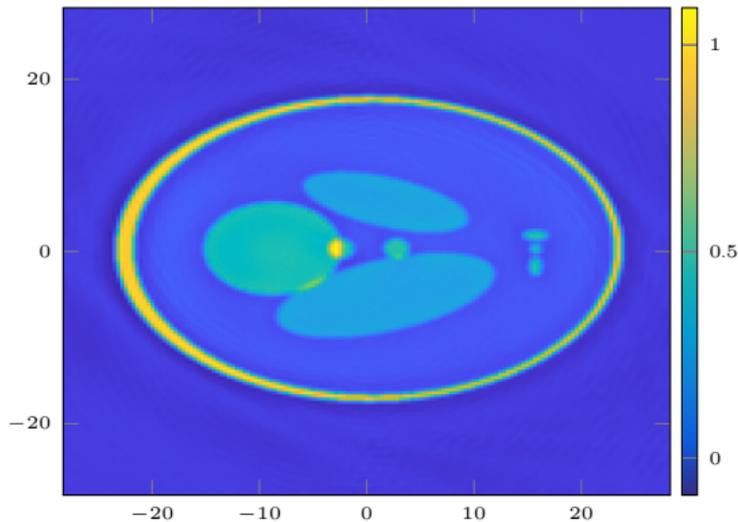
Left: cell phantom. Right: Shepp-Logan phantom.



Reconstructed Scattering Potential f



Cell phantom (PSNR 32.21, SSIM 0.754)



Shepp-Logan (PSNR 30.85, SSIM 0.772)

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