

Lecture #3— NUTS AND BOLTS OF OXIDE MBE: Composition Control and Calibration

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Nuts and Bolts of Oxide MBE

How to grow your favorite oxide by MBE?

- Lecture #2—Growth Conditions, Sources, and Crucibles
- Lecture #3—Composition Control and Calibration
- Lecture #4—Epitaxy, Substrates, and Crystal Growth





How to Calibrate Growth Rate

- Shadow Mask and Surface Profilometer
- Quartz Crystal Microbalance
- Ion Gauge
- RHEED Oscillations
- Shuttered RHEED Oscillations
- Rutherford Backscattering Spectrometry
- Mass Spectrometer
- Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy
- Atomic Emission Spectroscopy
- X-Ray Reflectivity, Ellipsometry, ...





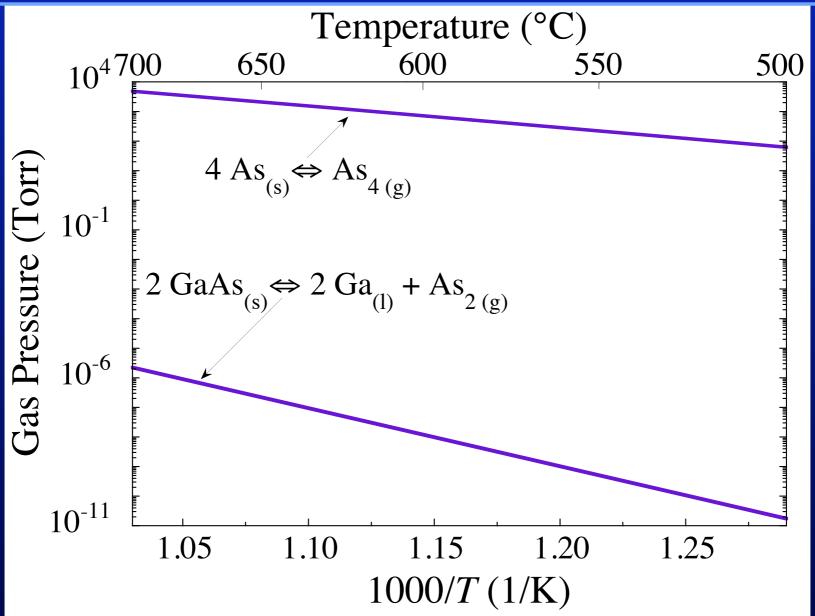
Composition Control

- Adsorption-Controlled Growth
- Flux-Controlled Growth



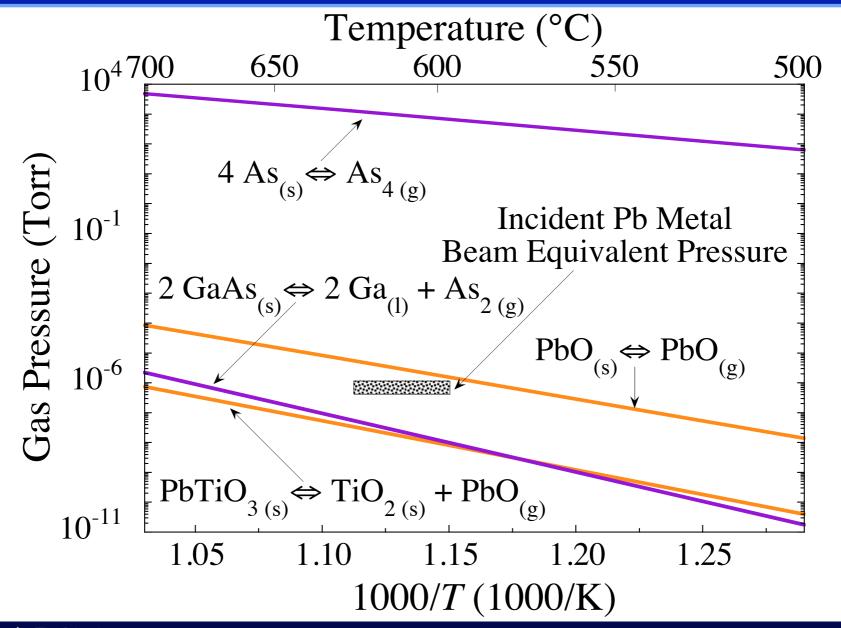


Adsorption-Controlled Growth of GaAs



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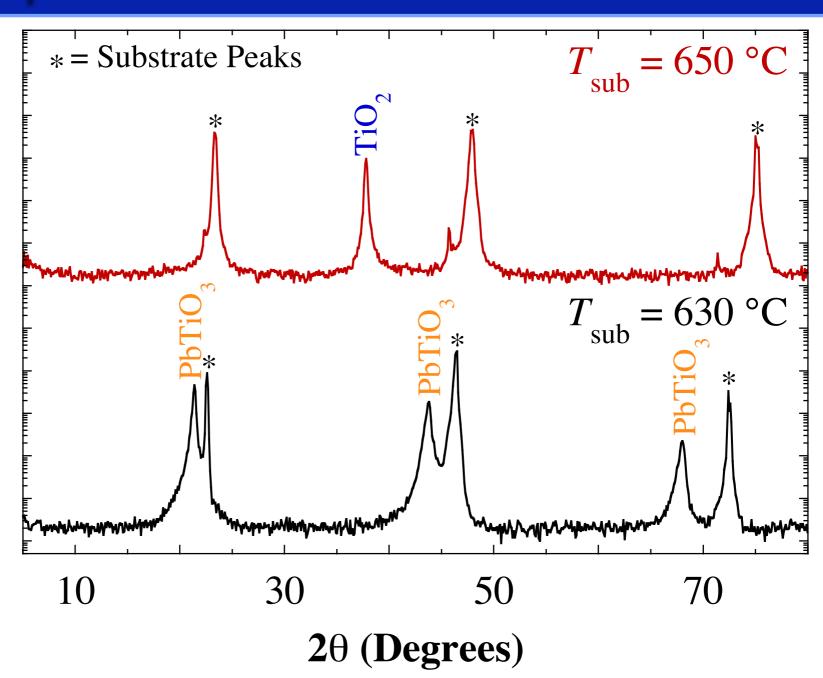
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Adsorption-Controlled Growth of

Plumbites

- PbTiO₃ C.D. Theis et al., J. Cryst. Growth **174** (1997) 473-479.
- PbZrO₃ (unpublished)

Bismuthates

- Bi₂Sr₂CuO₆ S. Migita *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **71** (1997) 3712-3714.
- Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂ C.D. Theis et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. **72** (1998) 2817-2819.
- BiFeO₃ J.F. Ihlefeld *et al.*, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **91** (2007) 071922.
- BiMnO₃ J.H. Lee *et al.*, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **96** (2010) 262905.
- $BiVO_{4}$ S. Stoughton et al., APL Materials 1 (2013) 042112.
- Bi₂Sn₂O₇ and Bi₂Ru₂O₇ (unpublished)

Ferrites

- LuFe₂O₄ — C.M. Brooks *et al.*, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **101** (2012) 132907.





Adsorption-Controlled Growth of

Ruthenates

- SrRuO₃ D.E. Shai et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **110** (2013) 087004.
- **Sr₂RuO₄** and **Ba₂RuO₄** B. Burganov *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **116** (2016) 197003. H.P. Nair *et al.*, *APL Mater.* **6** (2018) 101108.
- CaRuO₃ H.P. Nair *et al.*, *APL Mater.* **6** (2018) 046101.
- Ca₂RuO₄ (unpublished)

Iridates

- Ba₂ rO₄ M. Uchida *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* **90** (2014) 075142.
- SrirO₃ and Sr₂irO₄ Y.F. Nie *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **114** (2015) 016401.

Stannates

- **BaSnO₃** H. Paik *et al.*, *APL Materials* **5** (2017) 116107.
- Other
- EuO R.W. Ulbricht *et al., Appl. Phys. Lett.* **93** (2008) 102105.



Adsorption-Controlled Growth of

Titanates by MOMBE

- SrTiO₃ B. Jalan et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. 95 (2009) 032906.
- GdTiO₃ P. Moetakef *et al.*, *J. Vac. Sci. Technol. A* **31** (2013) 041503.
- BaTiO₃ Y. Matsubara *et al.*, *Appl. Phys. Express* **7** (2014) 125502.
- CaTiO₃ —R.C. Haislmaier *et al.*, *Adv. Funct. Mater.* **26** (2016) 7271.

Vanadates by MOMBE

- LaVO₃ —H.-T. Zhang et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. **106** (2015) 233102.
- (La, Sr) VO₃ M. Brahlek *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **109** (2016) 101903.

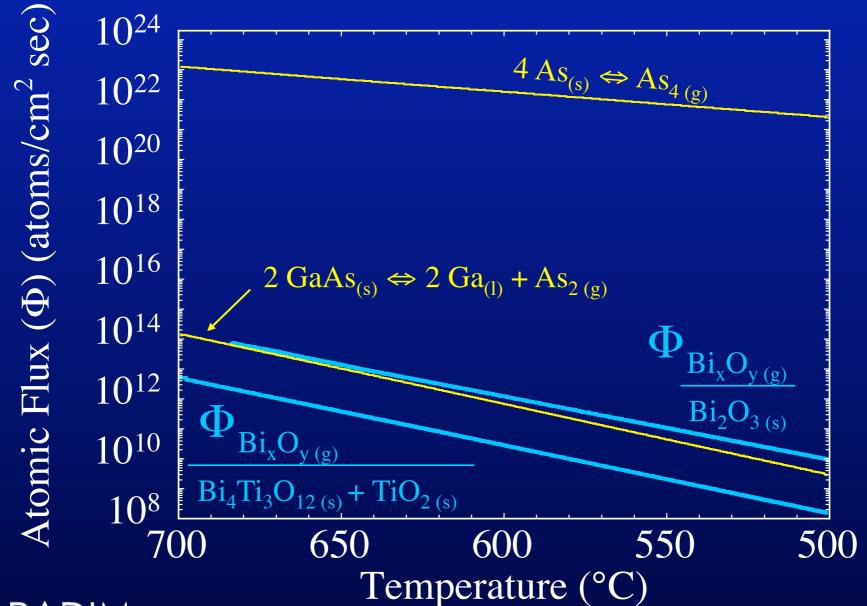
Stannates by MOMBE

- BaSnO₃ — A. Prakash *et al.*, *J. Mater. Chem. C* **5** (2017) 5730 .





Growth of Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂ by MBE



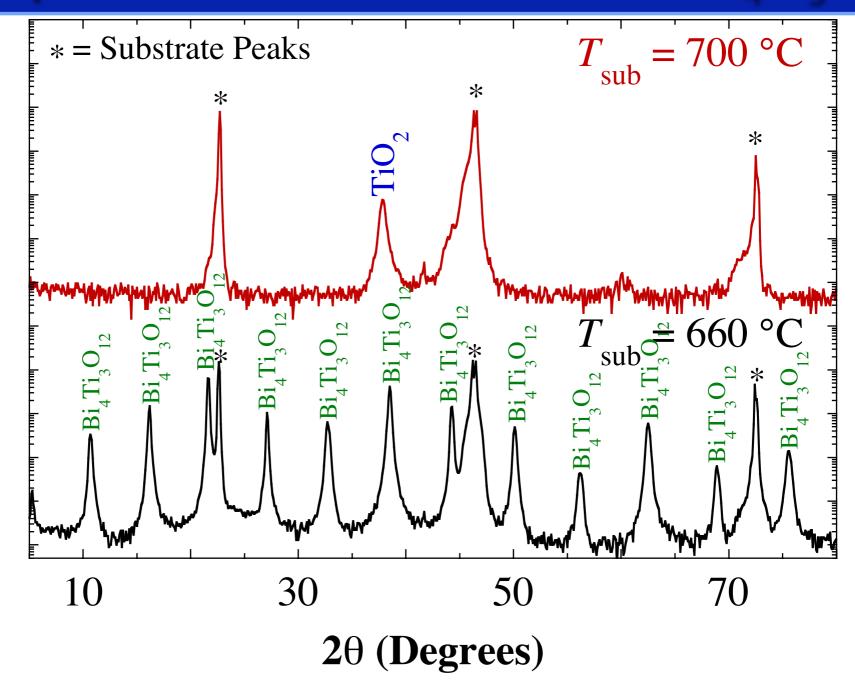
D.G. Schlom, J.H. Haeni, J. Lettieri, C.D. Theis, W. Tian, J.C. Jiang, and X.Q. Pan, *Mater. Sci. Eng. B* 87 (2001) 282-291.



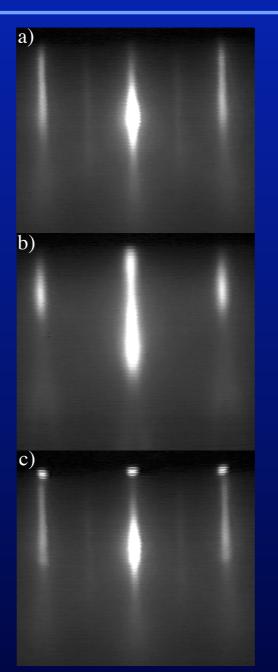


Adsorption-Controlled Growth of Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂





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Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂

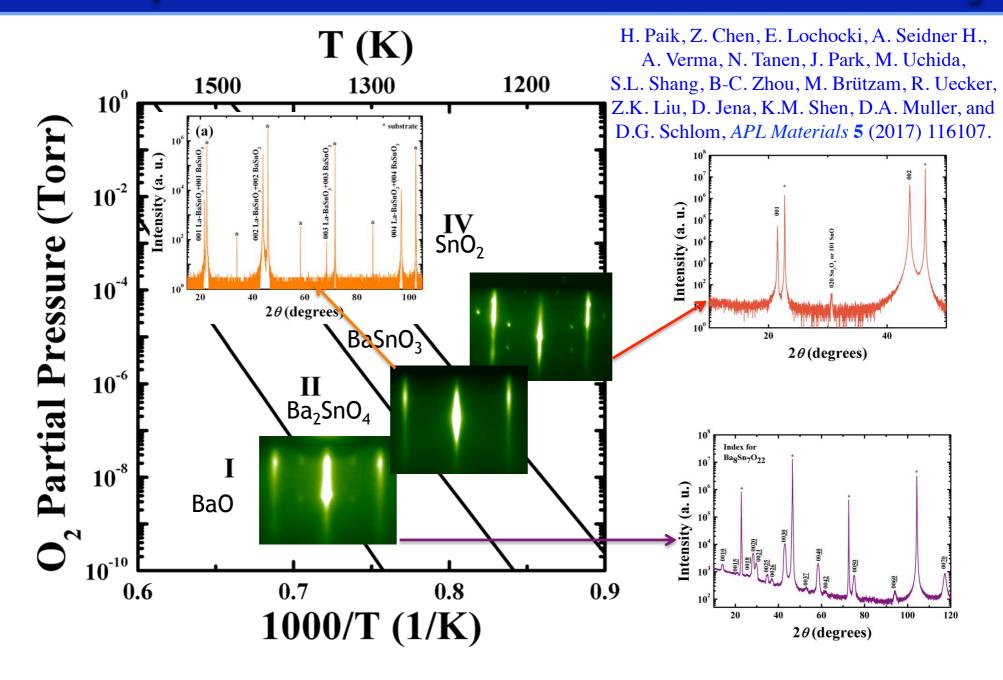
TiO₂

Bi₂O_{2.33}



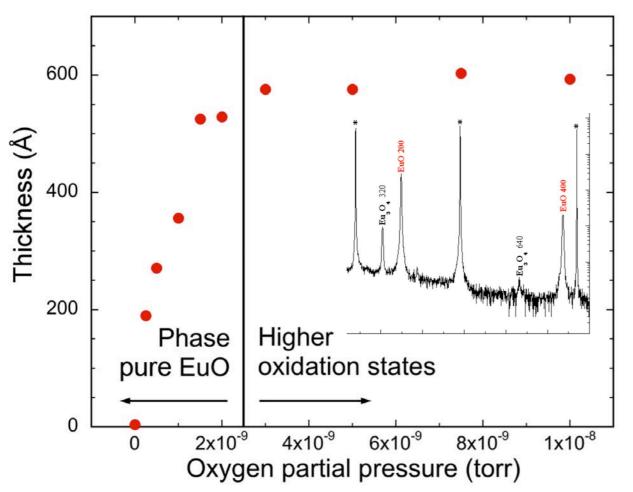


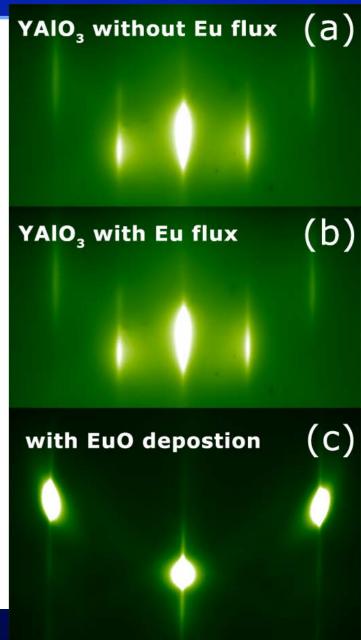
Adsorption-Controlled Growth of BaSnO₃



Adsorption-Controlled Growth of EuO

Eu Flux = 1.1×10^{14} Eu atoms/(cm² s), $T_{\text{sub}} = 590$ °C EuO film thickness (from RBS) after 30 min







Adsorption-Controlled SrTiO₃

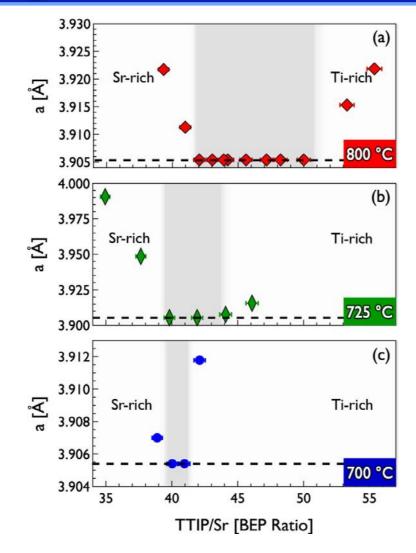


FIG. 3. (Color online) Out-of-plane lattice parameter as a function of TTIP/Sr BEP ratio for epitaxial SrTiO₃ films grown on (001)SrTiO₃ at (a) 800 °C, (b) 725 °C, and (c) 700 °C. All films were grown using an oxygen BEP of 8×10^{-6} torr. The darker gray-shaded region shows the growth window for stoichiometric films with a lattice parameter that is equivalent to that of the substrate at each temperature.

MOMBE Sources

Sr

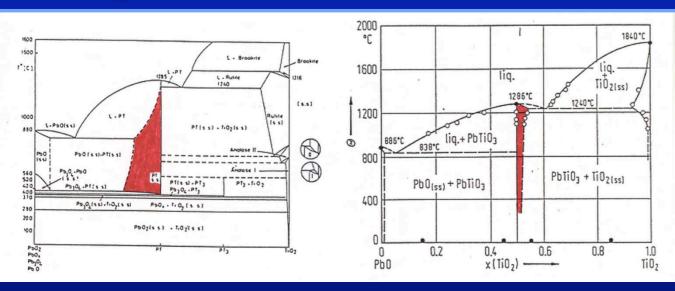
Ti(OC₃H₇)₄
Oxygen Plasma

B. Jalan, P. Moetakef, and S. Stemmer, *Applied Physics Letters* **95** (2009) 032906.





Single-Phase Field of GaAs vs. PbTiO₃



M.A. Eisa, M.F. Abadir, and A.M. Gadalla, Transactions and Journal of the British Ceramic Society **79** (1980) 100–104.

R.L. Holman, *Ferroelectrics* **14** (1976) 675–678.

PbTiO₃

Single-phase film does not imply stoichiometric film

Phase Diagrams for Ceramists, Vol. 9, edited by G.B. Stringfellow (American Ceramic Society, Westerville, 1992) p. 126.



GaAs

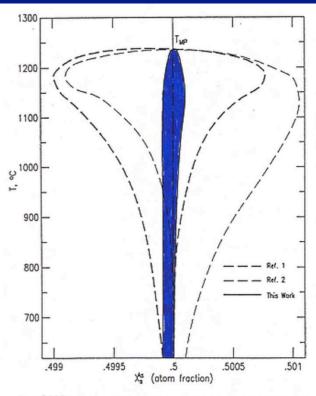


Fig. 8337—GaAs solidus curve. Curves represent the calculated deviations from stoichiometry for solid GaAs.

A. I. Ivashchenko, F. Ya. Kopanskaya, and G. S. Kuzmenko, J. Phys. Chem. Solids, 45 [8-9] 871-875 (1984).

III-V Phase Diagrams

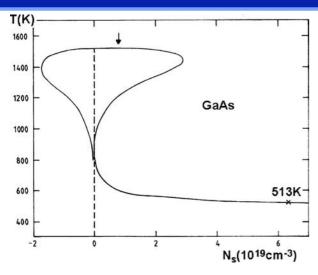


FIG. 2. The calculated solidus of gallium arsenide showing the catastrophic deviation from stoichiometry at low temperature under arsenic-rich conditions. Arrow marks the congruent point.

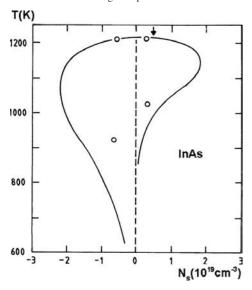


FIG. 7. Calcuated InAs solidus. Arrow marks the congruent point. Data points: Bublik *et al.* (O).

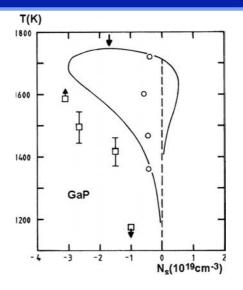


FIG. 3. Calculated GaP solidus. Arrow marks the congruent point. Exmental data: Jordan *et al.* (\bigcirc); Morozov *et al.* (\square).

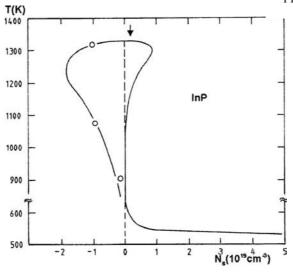


FIG. 8. Calculated InP solidus. Arrow marks the congruent point. Data points: Morozov *et al.* (Ref. 34) (O).

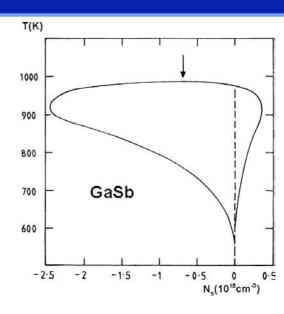
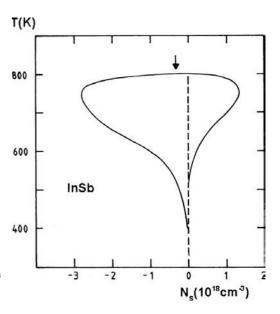
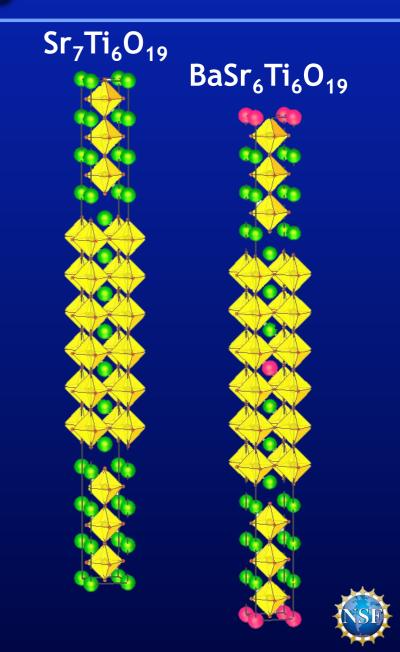


FIG. 5. Calculated GaSb solidus. Arrow marks the congruent point.



Challenge

What if the oxide you desire cannot be grown by adsorption-control?





Composition Control

- Adsorption-Controlled Growth
- Flux-Controlled Growth





Reflection High-Energy Electron Diffraction (RHEED) Oscillations

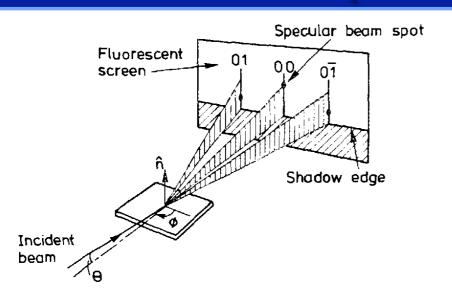


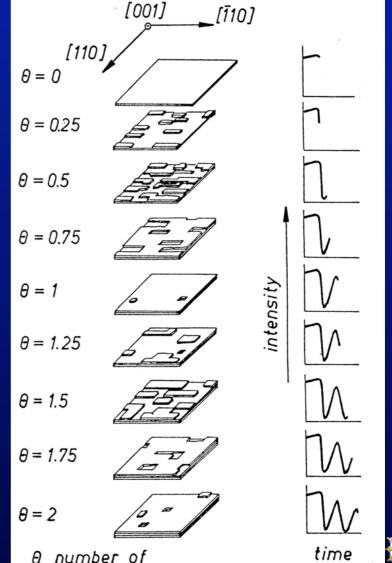
FIG. 1. Schematic diagram of RHEED geometry showing the incident beam at an angle θ to the surface plane; azimuthal angle φ . The elongated spots indicate the intersection of the Ewald sphere with the 01, 00, and $0\overline{1}$ rods.

B. Bölger and P. K. Larsen

Review of Scientific Instruments 57 (1986) 1363-1367.

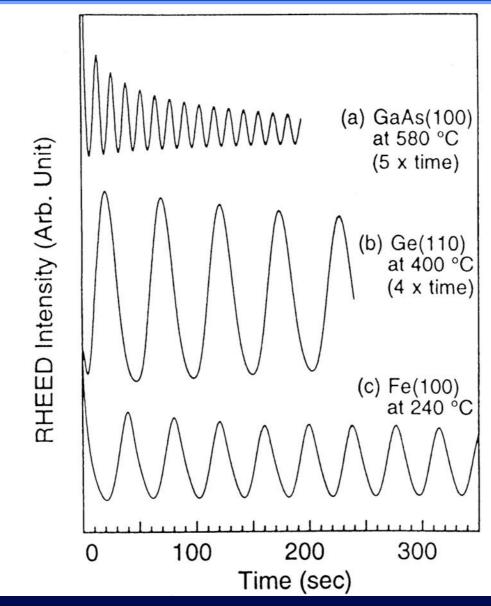


B.A. Joyce, P.J. Dobson, J.H. Neave, K. Woodbridge, J. Zhang, P.K. Larsen, and B Bölger, Surface Science 168 (1986) 423-438.



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Conventional RHEED Oscillations

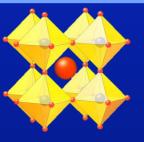






Conventional RHEED Oscillations

BaTiO₃

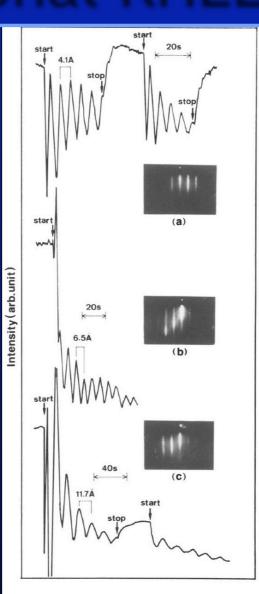


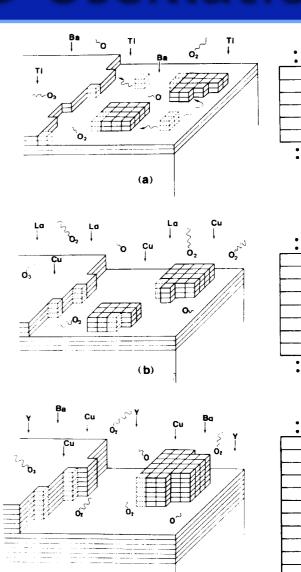
La₂CuO₄



YBa₂Cu₃O₇







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TiO₂ BaO TiO₂ BaO TiO₂ BaO

LaO

LaO CuO₂ LaO LaO CuO₂ LaO

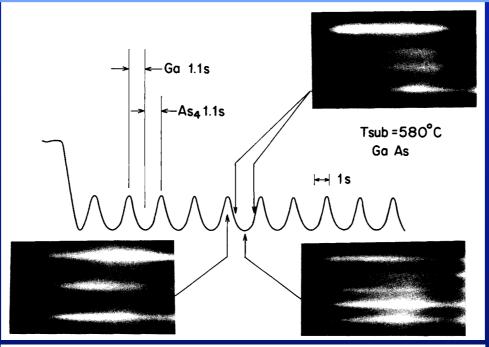
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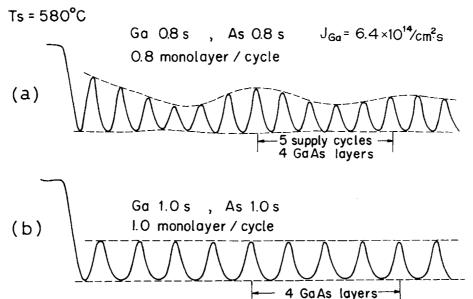
CuO₂ BaO _ Cu-O BaO CuO₂

Time(arb.unit)

Migration-Enhanced Epitaxy

Migration-Enhanced Epitaxy of GaAs and AlGaAs Yamaguchi Y. Horikoshi, M. Kawashima, and H. **Iapanese Journal of Applied Physics 27**



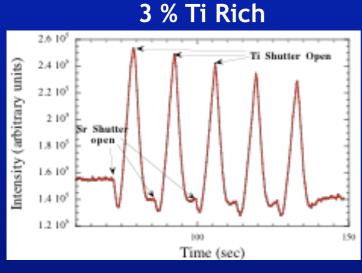


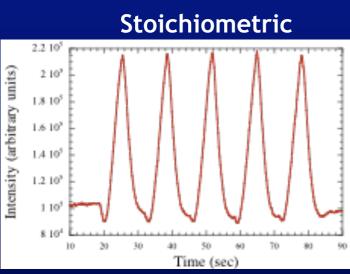
GaAs or (Al,Ga)As

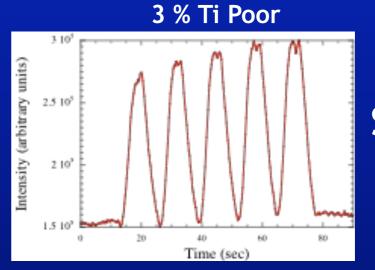




Shuttered RHEED to get Sr:Ti = 1:1







SrTiO₃

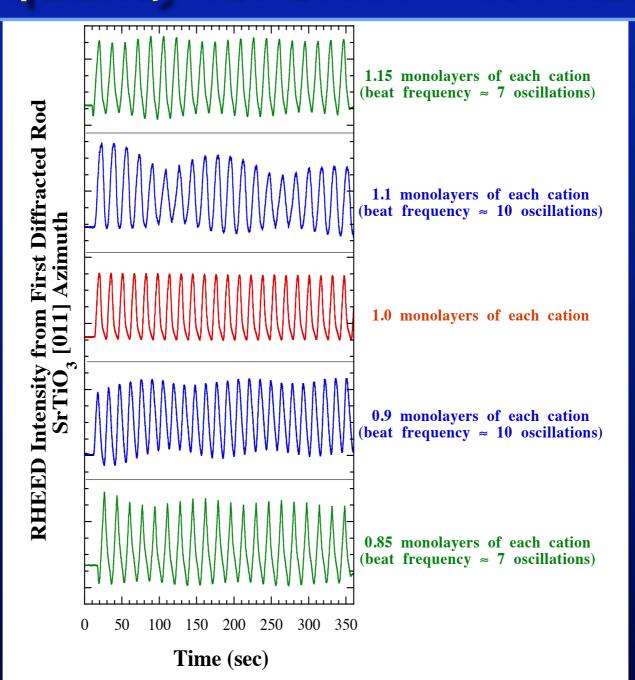




Oscillations of the central diffracted rod as the Sr and Ti RADIM are deposited in a sequential manner



Beat Frequency for Sr:Ti = 1:1 Absolute



SrTiO₃





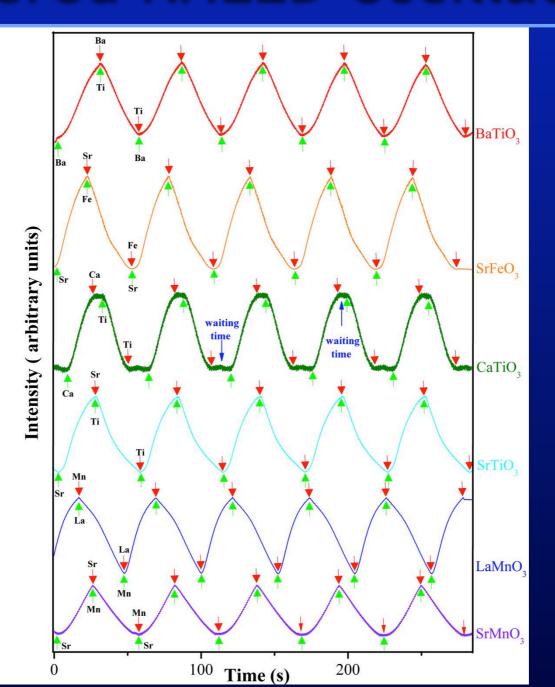
How we do it

- Use Quartz Crystal Microbalance to Get Fluxes Close (~10% accuracy)
- Use Shuttered RHEED Oscillations (analogous to MEE of GaAs)
- Yields Sr:Ti Relative Incorporation Ratio (~1% accuracy)
- Yields Absolute Monolayer Dose for SrO and TiO₂ (~1% accuracy)
- Works for many Perovskites





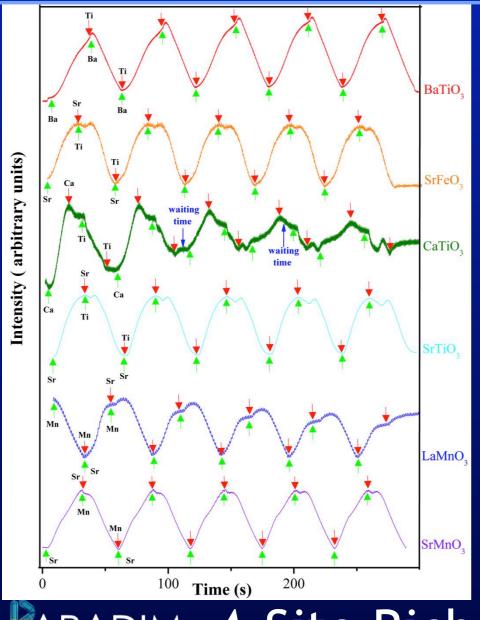
Shuttered RHEED Oscillations

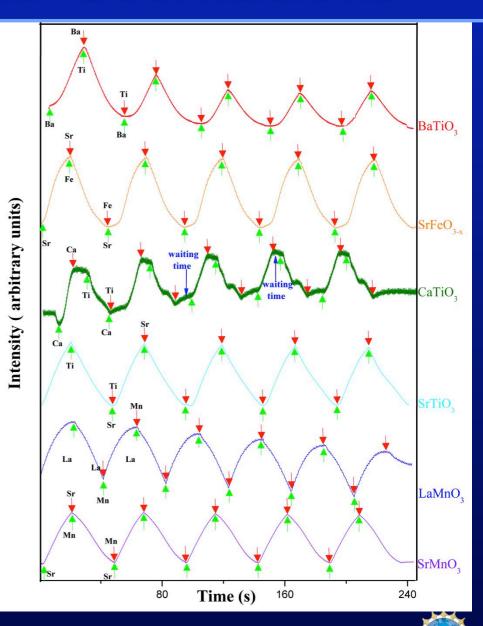






Shuttered RHEED Oscillations





B-Site Rich

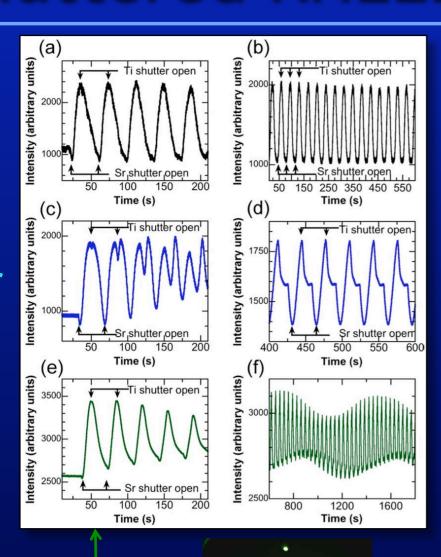


Shuttered RHEED Calibration

SrTiO₃

+10% Sr

-10% Sr



- Deposition of superlattices and layered structures requires precise control to achieve perfect layer termination
- Calibration of beam flux with quartz crystal monitor not precise enough
- Intensity variation of electron diffraction (RHEED) pattern during deposition of one unit cell can be used for flux calibration
 - Very time-consuming process, calibration can easily take 8 hours

Examples of Oxides we Grow

