# **Telescopes & Mirrors**

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# Outline

### remarks on grazing - incidence for X-ray astronomy

why grazing incidence reflection
optical configurations for grazing-incidence mirrors

### ✓ making mirrors

othe replication method

✓examples of past and future X-ray telescopes

remarks on Gamma ray focusing telescopes and optics



*B* =*background flux, Tint* = *integration time,*  $\Delta E$  = *integration bandwidth* 

Moreover: much better imaging capabilities!

# Simulation of two sources in a "Einstein" field as seen by a direct view detector



With the direct vie detector the second "weak" sources is lost in the background

### X-ray astronomical optics history in pills (I)

• 1895: Roentgen discovers "X-rays"

• 1948: First succesfull focalization of an X-ray beam by a total-reflection optics (Baez)

• 1952: H. Wolter proposes the use of two-reflection optics based on conics for X-ray microscopy

• 1960: R. Giacconi and B. Rossi propose the use of grazing incidence optics for X-ray telescopes

• 1962: discovery by Giacconi et al. of Sco-X1, the first extra-solar X-ray source

 1963: Giacconi and Rossi fly the first (small) Wolter I optics to take images of Sun in X-rays

• 1965: second flight of a Wolter I focusing optics (Giacconi + Lindslay)

•1973: SKYLAB carry onboard two small X-ray optics for the study of the Sun

### X-ray astronomical optics history in pills (II)

- 1978: Einstein, the first satellite with optics entirely dedicated to X-rays
- 1983: EXOSAT operated (first European mission with X-ray optics aboard)

•1990: ROSAT, first All Sky Survey in X-rays by means of a focusing telescope with high imaging capabilities

•1993: ASCA, a multimudular focusing telescope with enhanced effective area for spectroscopic purposes

• 1996: BeppoSAX, a broad-band satellite with Ni electroformed optics

• 1999: launch of Chandra, the X-ray telescope with best angular resolution, and XMM-Newton, the X-ray telescope with most Effective Area

• 2004: launch of the Swift satellite devoted to the GRBs investigation (with aboard XRT)

• 2005: launch of Suzaku with high throughput optics for enhanced spectroscopy studies with bolometers

### Imaging experiments using Bragg reflection from "replicated" mica pseudo-cylindrical optics



E. Fermi – Thesis of Laurea, "Formazione di immagini con i raggi Roentgen" ("Imaging formation with Roentgen rays"), Univ. of Pisa (1922)

Thanks to Giorgio Palumbo!

# X-ray optical constants



• at a boundary between two materials of different refraction index  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$  reverse of the momentum P in the z direction:



• the amplitute of reflection is described by the Fresnel's equations:  $r_{12}^{s} = \frac{n_{1}\sin\theta_{1} - n_{2}\sin\theta_{2}}{n_{1}\sin\theta_{1} + n_{2}\sin\theta_{2}}$   $r_{12}^{p} = \frac{n_{1}\sin\theta_{2} - n_{2}\sin\theta_{1}}{n_{1}\sin\theta_{2} + n_{2}\sin\theta_{1}}$ 

### Total X-ray reflection at grazing incidence

• if vacuum is material #1 ( $n_{1=}$  1)  $\rightarrow$  the phase velocity in the second medium increases  $\rightarrow$  beam tends to be deflected in the direction opposite to the normal.

• Snell's law (n1  $\cos\theta_1 = n2 \cos\theta_2$ ) to find a critical angle for total reflection:

$$\theta_{crit} \approx \sqrt{2\delta} = \sqrt{\frac{r_0 \lambda^2 \rho N_{Av} f_1}{A\pi}}$$

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$$A = \text{atomico weight } f_1 = \text{scattering coeff.}$$

$$r_0 = \text{classical electron radius}$$

$$far from the fluorecence edges f_1$$

$$\approx Z \text{ and for heavy elements } Z/A \approx$$

$$0.5: \quad \theta_{crit} (arc \min) \approx 5.6\lambda(A)\sqrt{\rho}$$

$$e \text{ reflectivity loss due to scattering:}$$

$$I_R = I_0 \exp\left[-\left(\frac{4\pi \cdot n \cdot \sigma \cdot \sin \theta}{\lambda}\right)^2\right]$$

$$\sigma = \text{rms microroughn. level}$$

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## Other examples: C, Ni, Au



### X-ray mirrors with parabolic profile



- perfect on-axis focusing
- off-axis images strongly affected by coma



### The Abbe sine condition to have coma-free focusing mirrors

*Coma*: off-axis abberation caused by a different magnification of reflected rays, depending on the hitting position at the mirror surface



*Typical blurring of a focal spot due to coma* 

### > Coma free mirrors must satisfy the Abbe sine condition:

The surface defined by the intersection of each input ray with its corresponding output ray (principal or Abbe surface) must be a sphere around the image, i.e.:



### Parabolic mirrors & the Abbe sine condition

The parabolic profile approximately obeys to the Abbe rule only near the vertex, i.e. at normal incidence but not for grazing incidence angles **the parabolic geometry is not optimal for X-ray telescopes** 



### Wolter's solution to the X-ray imaging



H. Wolter, Ann. Der Phys., NY10,94



### The Wolter I mirror profile for X-ray astronomy applications



- it guarantees the minimum focal length for a given aperture
- it allows us to nest together many confocal mirror shells
- Effective Area:  $8 \pi F L \theta^2 Refl.^2$











 $F = \text{focal length} = R / \tan 4\theta$   $\theta = \text{on-axis incidence angle}$ R = aperture radius





#### The Abbe condition and the Wolter I mirror profile

### Alternative profiles derived from Wolter I

Wolter-Schwarzschild profile: it exactly satisfies the Abbe sine condition and it has been adopted for the Einstein mirrors; is coma free but it strongly affected by spherical aberration

<u>double-cone</u> profile: it better approximates the Wolter I at small reflection angles: It is utilized for practical reasons (- cost + effective area). Intrinsic on-axis focal blurring given by:

$$HEW \propto \frac{LR}{F^2}$$

polynomial profile: parameters have been specifically optimized to maintain the same HEW in a wide field of view

(introducing small aberration on-axis the off-axis imaging behavior is improved  $\rightarrow$  same principle of the Ritchey-Chretienne normal-incidence telescope in the optical band)



# Kirpatrick-Baez Telescopes

➤ parabolic-profile curved mirrors in just one direction → to focus a beam in a single point another identical mirror has to be orthogonally placed with respect to the first one;

it is possible to nest many confocal mirrors to increase the effective area;

compared to a Wolter I system with same focal length and same incidence angle (on-axis), angles are two time larger;

imaging capabilities result to be limited by some inherent aberration;

NB: by means of a K-B optics was performed the first successful attempt of the focalization of an X-ray beam in total-reflection regime (1948)

# Lobster-Eye optics



>system similar to spherical normal-incidence mirrors but, in this case, the beam impinges on the convex part of the entrance pupil;

> the pupil is formed by a system o channels with square section uniformly distributed around a spherical surface of radius R. To be focused in a single point a collimated beam has to sustain the reflection by two orthogonal walls of a same channel;

> the photons are focused onto points distributed on a spherical surface of radius R/2;









Manufacturing techniques utilized so far1.Classical precision optical polishing and grindingProjects:Einstein, Rosat, ChandraAdvantages:superb angular resolutionDrawbacks:high mirror walls  $\rightarrow \rightarrow$  small number of nestedmirror shells, high mass, high cost process



Credits: ES



#### 2. <u>Replication</u> Projects: EXOSAT, SAX, JET-X/Swift, XMM, ABRIXAS (→ *examples follow hereafter*)

Advantages: good angular resolution, high mirror "nesting" the same mandrels for many modules Drawbacks: relatively high cost process; high mass/geom. area ratio (if Ni is used).

#### 3. "<u>Thin foil mirrors"</u> Projects: BBXRT, ASCA, SODART, ASTRO-E

Advantages: high mirror "nesting" possibility, low mass/geom. area ratio (the foils are made of Al), cheap process Drawbacks: until now low imaging resolutions (1-3 arcmin)

### Present Astronomical optics technologies: HEW Vs Mass/geometrical area



Chandra

- Focal length = 10 m
- 1 module, 4 shells
- Coating = Iridium
- Angular Resolution = 0.5 arcsec HPD







## Chandra: a fantastic angular resolution





**Rosat: HPD = 3 arcsec** 

Chandra: HPD = 0.5 arcsec



### Beppo-SAX soft X-ray (0.1 - 10 keV) concentrators

- Wolter I double-cone approx. Au coating
- 4 modules 30 shells/mod.
- F.L. = 180 cm Max diam = 16.1 cm
- A<sub>eff</sub> @ 1 keV = 85 cm<sup>2</sup> /module
- *HEW= 60 arcsec (corresponding to the two-cones geom. aberration!)*







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### JET-X (optics ready since 1996) / Swift XRT (2004) optics



- Wolter I profile Au coating (pathfinder of XMM)
- 2 mod. (JET-X) / 1 mod (Swift) 12 shells/mod.
- F.L. = 350 cm Max diam = 30 cm
- *A<sub>eff</sub> @ 1 keV= 150 cm<sup>2</sup> /module*







# XMM-Newton (operational since dec. 1999)

- Wolter I profile Au coating
- 3 mod. 58 shells/mod.

- A<sub>eff</sub> @ 1 keV= 1500 cm<sup>2</sup> /module
- HEW= 15 arcsec
- F.L. = 750 cm Max diam = 70 cm







#### Credits: ESA

### **Replication methods**

 Ni electroforming replication (SAX, JET-X/Swift, XMM, ABRIXAS, e-ROSITA, SIMBOL-X, SVOM/XIAO)

 epoxy replication: EXOSAT (Be), WFXT (Alumina & SiC prototypes), EDGE/XENIA?



#### WFXT (feasibility study 1997-1998) - Polynomial mirrors





WFXT (epoxy replication su carrier in SiC) -  $\emptyset$  = 60 cm

F. L. = 300 cm

HEW = 10 arcsec



### The focusing problem in the hard X-ray region (> 10 keV)



the geometrical areas with usual focal lengths
 (> 10 m) are in general <u>negligible</u>



 $\vartheta_{crit} \propto 1$ 



 $A_{eff} \approx F^2 x \theta_c^2 x R^2$ 

### Focal Length Vs. Diameters for SIMBOL-X and other X-ray telescopes



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## The formation flight contribution



# Wide band multilayers

#### X-ray supermirrors



#### Optical supermirrors in a beetle skin



# Top-level scientific requirements

Energy band:	~0.5 - ≥ 80 keV
Field of view (at 30 keV):	$\geq$ 12' (diameter)
On-axis effective area:	$ \ge 100 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 0.5 \text{ keV}  \ge 1000 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 2 \text{ keV}  \ge 600 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 8 \text{ keV}  \ge 300 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 8 \text{ keV}  \ge 100 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 30 \text{ keV}  \ge 50 \text{ cm}^2  \text{at } 80 \text{ keV (goal)} $
Detectors background	$< 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cts s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{keV}^{-1} \text{ HED}$ $< 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cts s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{keV}^{-1} \text{ LED}$
<b>On-axis sensitivity</b>	≤ 10 <sup>-14</sup> c.g.s.(~0.5 μCrab), 10-40 keV band, 3σ, 1Ms,
Line sensitivity at 68 keV	$< 3 \times 10^{-7}$ ph cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> (3 $\sigma$ 1Ms)
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Angular resolution	$\leq 20"(HPD), E < 30 \text{ keV}$ $\leq 40"(HPD) @ E = 60 \text{ keV (goal)}$
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### Simbol-X Optical Design

Min-Max Diameter	250 - 650 mm	
Focal Length	<b>20000 mm</b>	
Mirror Height	600 mm	
Configuration	Wolter I	
Number of Mirror shells	100	
Min-Max incidence angles	0.1° - 0.25°	
Min-Max wall	0.25 0.55 mm	
thickness_	0.25 - 0.55 11111	
<b>Total Mirror Mass</b>	287 kg	

NB: thickness trend 2 times less XMM-Newton

### Simbol-X Optical Design


# Angular resolution for past & future Hard X-ray Experiments

Experiment	Year	"Imaging"	Angular
		technique	resolution
SAX-PDS	1996	Rocking	> 3600 arcsec
		collimator	(collimator
			pitch)
INTEGRAL-	2002	Coded mask	720 arcsec
IBIS			(mask pitch)
HEFT (baloon)	2005	Multilayer	> 90 arcsec
		optics	HEW
NUSTAR	2011	Multilayer	40-60 arcsec
		Optics	HEW
SIMBOL-X	2014	Multilayer	15-20 arcsec
		Optics	HEW



### Simbol-X Optics

- Heritage from XMM-Newton : nickel shells obtained by electroforming replication method; low mass obtained via a reduced thickness of shells
- Coating : multi-layer Pt/C needed for requirement on large FOV and on sensitivity up to > 80 keV



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Focal length : 20 m
Shell diameters : 30 to 70 cm
Shell thickness : 0.2 to 0.6
mm
Number of shells : 100
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N.B. I: The optics module will have both sides covered with thermal blankets N.B. II: a proton diverter will be implemented

# Integration of thin mirror shells



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### Multilayer deposition concept





### Calibration of the 2 mirror shell prototype at Panter MPE







# Calibration of 2 mirror shell prototype at Panter MPE

Energy (keV)	HEW (arcsec) 291 shell	HEW (arcsec) 295 shell
1.5	23	22.5
8	24	27.5
20	27	29
35	31	49
50	33	49











### Sensitivity (cgs) $(3 \times 10^{-18}) @ 0.2-8 \text{ keV}; 4$ \_

Effective Area

- 1 (1.5) m<sup>2</sup> @ 0.2 keV
- 5 m² @ 1 keV
- 2 m² @ 7 keV
- 1 m<sup>2</sup> @ 10 keV
- (0.1) m² @ 30 keV

Angular Resolution 5 (2) arcsec @ < 10 keV 10 arcsec @ 40 keV

### Field-of-View

- 7 (10) arcmin diameter: WFI, HXI
- 1.7 arcmin diameter: NFI

## **XEUS X-ray optics requirements**

ITEM	Requirement	Goal
Angular		
Resolution (HFW)	5 arcsec	2 arcsec
Collecting Area @ 1 keV	5 m²	5 m <sup>2</sup>
Collecting Area @ 7 keV	2 m <sup>2</sup>	2m <sup>2</sup>

N.B. data from the proposal document

## **Optics mass budget**

Mirrors	Support	ancillary	Total
882 kg	176 kg	238 kg	1296 kg

N.B. data from the proposal document

# **Optics error budget**

Specification	Inherent	Intrinsic	Extrinsic	Enviro	Total
(arcsec)				nment	
Goal	1.4	1.2	0.5	0.5	2
Requirement	1.8	3.7	2	2	5

N.B. data from the proposal document

## **Optics Characteristics**

Characteristic	Value
Pore size	$0.6 \times 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$
Aperture radii	0.67-2.1 m
Grazing reflection angles	0.27-0.86 degrees
Focal length	35 m
Plate scale	170_m/arcsec

N.B. data from the proposal document

### XMM





**0.7** m



## Total reflecting surface to be produced



**2.5** x

Need of a manufacturing process scalable at a high volume production industrial level!



Off-Axis Angle (arcmin)



N.B.: concept introduced by D. Willingale et al, Capri 1994

## Pore Optics technology











#### **Credits: ESA & Cosine**

#### Cellular solids: light weight structures with a very high stiffness SEARCH INSIDE!<sup>M</sup>







#### **Regular cellular structures**



Preliminary imaging tests onto two-reflection optics (I)





Credits: ESA, Cosine, MPE

Collon et al, SPIE Proc 67898, in press (2007)

### Alternative approach: hot sluping of thin glass segments



Wolter I preliminary design for XEUS (I) · 3 petal rings, respectively composed by 12 -24 - 36 petals, arranged on the supporting structure;

• Wolter 1 with focal length 35m; Parabola and hyperbola are 0.6m long (0.3+0.3); 2 mm x 0.15 mm ribs every ~75 mm;

•The total number of mirror shells is 403 made of slumped glass with constant thickness (0.15 mm);

Petal Ring #	Rmin [mm]	Rmax [mm]	Mirror Shells number
1	610	988	192
2	1130	1508	123
3	1660	2027	88



Weight including CFRP Structure ~ 2 tons

### Wolter I design effective area



# Cold slumping glass approach





# K-B "chocolate" type configuration



- Possibility to use vacant space
- 4 equal modules
- 6 sets of equal blocks for each direction

### • F=35 m

- N1=260 N2=258
- \_ \_=0,023 rad
- F=25 m
  - N1=190 N2=185
  - \_=0,032 rad
- F=20 m
  - N1=151 N2=153

- \_=0,04 rad

### LAMAR telescope (1988)\_



Fig. 2. View of the complete mirzor ("front and near modulus) in a vacuum chamber at the MEPC X-Ray Colibration Facility. A 246-or alli (which is not opened to use foil height) the inservational direction of the x-ray beam.



•D. Fabricant, L.M. Cohen, P. Gorensrein

Mechanical cold shaping technology

- Mirror mudule 20 X 30 cm
- •F = 3,4 m

•Effective Area at 1,49 keV 82,2 cm<sup>2</sup>

•Effective Area at 8,01 keV 9,2 cm<sup>2</sup>

•HEW 30 arcsec at 1,5 keV

### **Effective area**

- Effective area: K-B vs Wolter I for diffent focal lenght
- Pt+C coating



### Hard X-ray Focusing by mosaic crystals

Bragg diffraction from a crystal lattice 
 reflectivity peaks at:

2 d sin  $\theta$  = n  $\lambda$ 

#### d typical value of a few Angstroms

• mosaic crystals: at microscopic level a structure of microcrystals almostparallel to the external crystal surface. The distribution of the crystallites normals is described by a Gaussian law

• each crystallite reflects in an independent way (without any interferometric coupling with the beams reflected from the other crystallites)  $\rightarrow$  the integrated reflectivity results to be much larger (>100) than for a perfect crystal case









#### Why crystal diffraction for high energy telescopes

 Focusing optics in the hard X-/soft gamma-ray band is crucial for a significant leap

• The hard X-ray band (E<80 keV) can be covered with multilayer mirrors (NuStar, NeXaray Simbol-X).

•The higher energy band (>80 keV) can be efficiently covered with Laue lenses.





# Example of configuration suitable for GRI low energy lens (200-550 keV)

Parameter			600					Ge(111) Cu(200)	
			500		M	A		Cu(111) — Total —	
Focal length (m)	100		400		~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~		M		
Nominal passband (keV)	200-530	cm <sup>2</sup>							
Inner radius (cm)	88	eff -	300						
Outer radius (cm)	185	A	200			<u> </u>	$\gamma$		
Crystal material	Ge[111], Cu[111], Cu[200]					V //	$\sim$		
Mosaic spread (arcmin)	0.5		100						_
Tile cross section $(mm^2)$	$15 \times 15$		ol			ban	L	LA	
Tile thickness (mm)	optimized		10	00	200 300	400	500	600	700
Number of crystal rings	61					Energy - Kev			
No. of tiles	17661 (Ge[111]), 3254 (Cu[200]), 3386 (Cu[111])								
Crystal weight (kg)	155		-	6e-08					
Effective area $(cm^2)$ @ 200 keV	500	C C	5.	5e-08	h,				
Effective area $(cm^2)$ @ 400 keV	530	ke V	4	5e-08		<b>\</b>			
Effective area $(cm^2)$ @ 511 keV	430	m <sup>2</sup> s		4e-08					
Half power radius(mm)	12	oh/(c	3.	5e-08		~			
		tv - 1	2	3e-08					
		itivi	2.	5e-08			<u> </u>		
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3 sigma sensitivity,  $T=10^6$  s

1.5e-08 1e-08

> 150 200 250 300 350 400 450 500 550 Energy - keV

Crystal material: Cu(111)

• Available mosaic spread: 3-4 arcmin(now also available with lower spread);







## First lens prototype & light

- Tile size: 15x15x2 mm3
- Mosaic spread: 3-4 arcmin
- Lens support: carbon fiber
- Focal length: 6 m





HEW of 15 arcmin at 200 keV

**Credits::** F. Frontera – University of Ferrara

### Chrenkov Atmospheric Telescopes

• Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes permit to perform observations of astronomical objects emitting in gamma-rays with energies from 50 GeV up to several TeV.

• The showers extend over many kilometers in length and few tens to hundreds of meters in width and have their maximum located at around 8-12 km altitude. Electrons and positrons in the shower core, moves with ultra-relativistic speed and emits Cherenkov light.

• This radiation is mainly concentrated in the near UV and optical band and can therefore pass mostly unattenuated to ground and detected by appropriate instruments.

Light flashes from showers have a very short duration, typically
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 Davies-Cotton reflector, which is the most commonly used configuration for TeV telescopes, is used also for Magic

• Originally, the Davies-Cotton telescope was developed as a solar concentrator and as such, it does not satisfy the rigorous requirements of astronomy in the visible wavelength range

• A large reflector composed of many small, identical, spherical facets is relatively inexpensive to build. The alignment of the optical system is easy.

• A Davies-Cotton telescope consists of a primary mirror with parabolic approximated configuration, formed by several coronas of spherical mirrors each at different radii; the half of central radius coincides with the Focal Length of the primary

• For Magic the focal length is 34 m and the diameter is 17 m; the primary is formed by 240 panels of ~ 1  $m^2$  each

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## MAGIC Telescope System







- Geometry:
- Diameter:
- Collecting Area:
- F-number (f/D):
- FOV:
- Slew time:
- Angular resolution:
- Energy Resolution:
- Operating Band:
- Sensitivity (@1 TeV):
- Sensitivity @ 50 GeV:

Parabolic 17m 240 m<sup>2</sup> 1 3.8 deg 20 s < 3 arcmin 30% 50 GeV – 50 TeV 30 mCrab (1 single telescope) 20mCrab (2 telescopes) 0.1 Crab (1 single telescope) 0.05 Crab (2 telescopes)

## **Glass Mirror Manufacturing**

 Derived from a similar technique proposed by for the manufacturing of X-Ray optics (XEUS)

• A thin glass sheet (1-2 mm) is elastically deformed so as to retain the shape imparted by a master with convex profile. If the radius of curvature is large, the sheet can be pressed against the master using vacuum suction

• On the deformed glass sheet (under vacuum force) one glues a honeycomb structure that provides the needed rigidity

• Then a second glass sheet is glued on the top in order to obtain a sandwich

• After releasing the vacuum, on the concave side one deposits a reflecting coating (Aluminum) and a thin protective coating (Quartz)

## **Glass Panel Manufacturing flow**



## Master and panel in the making



# Aluminum master 1040 × 1040 mm

Front and rear of a segment

Size = 985 x 985 mm Weight = 9.5 Kg.

Nominal curvature radius= 35 m





