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Nanoscale Imaging of Ferroic Order with Soft X-ray Ptychography

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Soft X-ray ptychography is a scanning coherent diffractive imaging technique employed at synchrotron facilities. It relies on collecting diffraction patterns from overlapping illumination spots of the sample. Spatial resolutions in the order of 5 nm are achievable and ferroic order can be visualised by dichroic contrast with circularly or linearly polarised soft X-rays at the 3d transition metal L-edges. An example for the success of the technique is the imaging of the multiferroic domain structure of bismuth ferrite, which will be the focus of the presentation.

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