

## Homework #2: Due April 18st

1) View the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zkr3JmhjKbg> then answer the following questions:

1. Why is the electron source normally at the top?
2. In the video the sample holder is touched with hands -- is this a good idea?
3. What is the lowest aperture used for?
4. Before he adjusts the focus knob (~11:30 in the video), is the sample underfocused or overfocused?

2) View the video at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_q7wKmv9-7c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_q7wKmv9-7c) then answer the following questions:

1. Why do SEM images often contain shadows, similar to light images?
2. How does the microscope voltage change the depth resolution?

The videos at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spUNpyF58BY> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhO8iz2qCOE>, other similar or your math notes from other classes may be useful revision. (Note: he does not use the same notation as I do.)

3) Consider the integral  $\frac{1}{R} \int_0^R \exp(2\pi i u x) dx$  with  $u \neq 0$  and  $R = n/u$  with  $n$  an integer. Split the

integration into the ranges  $0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{u}, \frac{1}{u} \rightarrow \frac{2}{u}, \dots, \frac{n-1}{u} \rightarrow R$  and work out the result of each. By summing the ranges show that the result is zero. We use this quite a lot.

4) Consider as a definition  $\int f(x) \exp(2\pi i u x) dx = F(u)$ . (For reference, the “ $2\pi$ ” is standard for Fourier Transforms in diffraction.) By substituting  $y=x-a$  show that (being careful about how you substitute inside an integral

$$\int f(x - a) \exp(2\pi i u x) dx = \exp(2\pi i u a) F(u)$$

This shows that a shift of the origin (here along  $x$ ) leads to a exponential multiplier. Again, we will use this result.

5) (*Harder*) With the definitions  $\int f(x) \exp(2\pi i u x) dx = F(u)$  and  $\int g(x) \exp(2\pi i u x) dx = G(u)$ ,

consider  $\int F(u) G(u) \exp(-2\pi i u x) du$ . By writing this as

$$\int F(u) G(u) \exp(-2\pi i u x) du = \int \left\{ \int f(y) \exp(2\pi i u y) dy \right\} \left\{ \int g(z) \exp(2\pi i u z) dz \right\} \exp(-2\pi i u x) du$$

separate out the integration over  $u$  and show that  $\int F(u) G(u) \exp(-2\pi i u x) du = \int f(x - y) g(y) dy$

This is called a convolution, and has an important role in simplifying many elements of diffraction.