# Transient Grating Aluminum Orientation Outline

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#### 1 Introduction

- Desire to have a faster method of determining unknown crystallographic orientation
- UK Group
  - Have velocity mapping method
  - data is experimental and slow
- Want to be able to make measurements faster and back them up with simulations instead of experimental libraries
- Current experimental methods like EBSD, Laue Backscatter diffraction and XRD
  - Big
  - Slow
  - Expensive

# 2 Background

- Existing methods
- EBSD, Laue, XRD
  - Description of the method
  - Uses
  - Drawbacks as mentioned above
- Newer Ultrasonic Methods
  - UK SAW speed mapping
    - \* High power laser pulses
    - \* Possibly ablating the materials and damaging the surface
  - Alexei PSAW on silicon study
  - Other people doing similar things?

#### 3 Methods

- Chose Al to study because it is relatively isotropic, if you can detect changes with it then more anisotropic materials should be easier
- Description of the TG methodology
- Calibration with tungsten (as we see it doesn't change with rotation)
- Three figures
  - Photo of TG facility
  - More advanced diagram (solidworks from Mike?)
  - TG analysis image like quals
- Description of analysis methodology
- MD Methodology
  - Whatever Penghui thinks is necessary in here

#### 4 Results

### 4.1 Molecular Dynamics Results

- Al {111}
- Al {100}
- Cu?

# 4.2 Experimental Results

- Al {111}
- Al {100}
- W (no change?)
- Want plots of angle versus max propagation frequency for all samples, can even go and back out Young's modulus if we can measure the density.
- At least one temporal and spectral trace (insets?) from representative data from one sample

## 5 Discussion

- Comparing the MD and experimental data
  - Implications for ease of determining the orientation of unknown crystal substrates
- More anisotropic materials should be easier
  - Is there theory anywhere that would let us make predictions about differing speeds on not only crystal faces but also directions on those faces?
    I want to know this anyway
- Uncertainty
  - Can talk about here or just find a convincing way to handle experimental uncertainty and include that in the results section, leaning towards the latter
- New method for qualification of MD potentials?

## 6 Conclusion