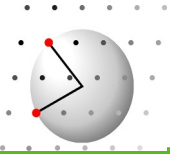


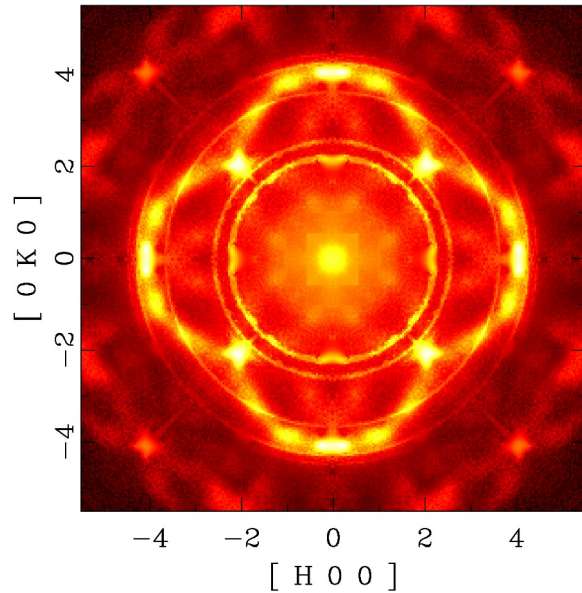
Analyzing Single Crystal Diffuse Scattering

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Diffuse Scattering

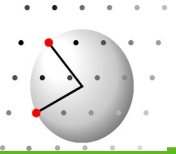


$(\text{Zr,Ca})\text{O}_{2-x}$ @ Corelli

Broad diffraction signal off the Bragg reflections

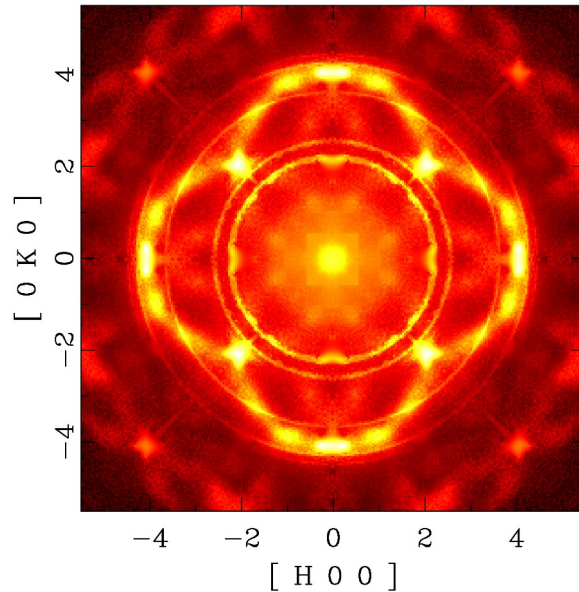
**Perfect, periodic crystal
Bragg reflections only**

**Any deviation from perfect periodicity
diffuse scattering**



Diffuse Scattering

**Any deviation from perfect periodicity
diffuse scattering**

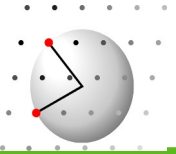


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Static deviations

Distribution of atoms/molecules

Deviations from average position



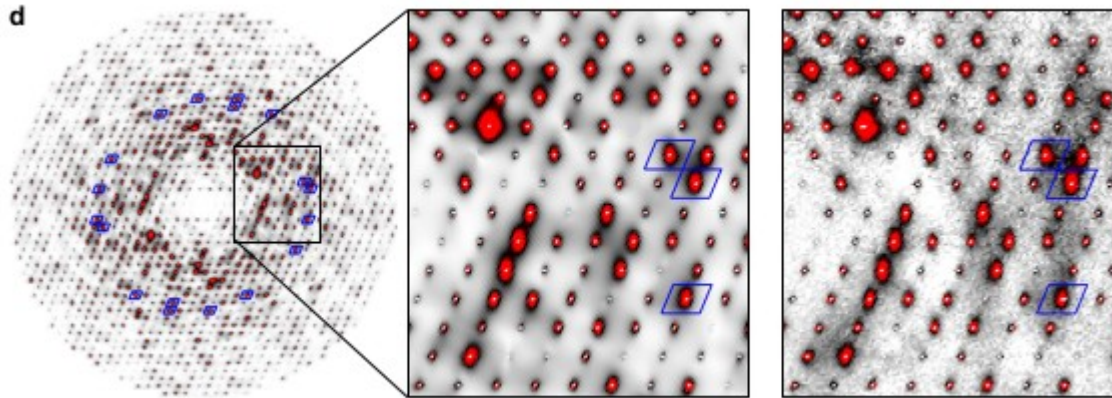
Diffuse Scattering

**Any deviation from perfect periodicity
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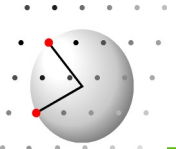
Dynamic deviations

Correlated atoms/molecule motion

Lysozyme



Phonons



Diffuse Scattering

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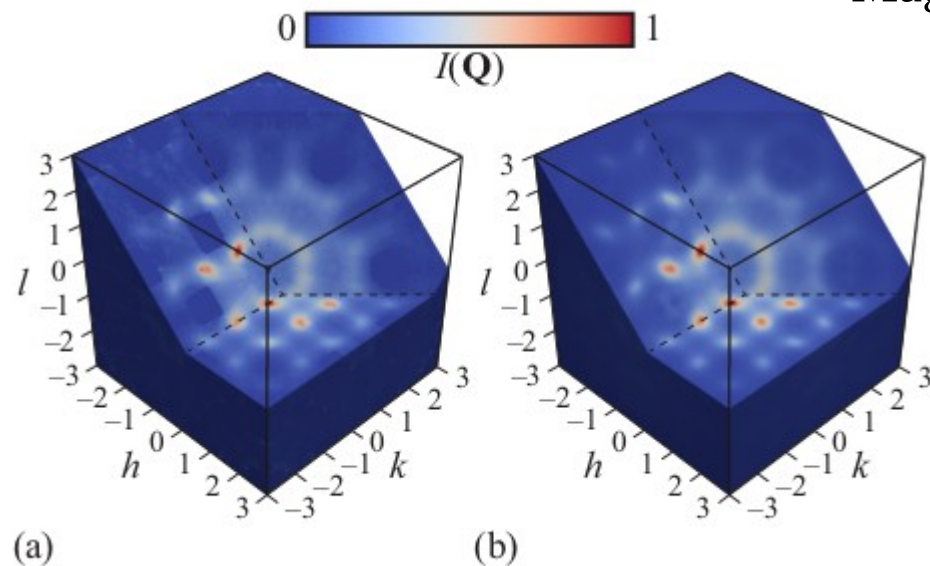
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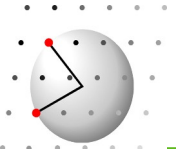
Excitation deviations

Magnetic disorder

Static distribution

Dynamic distribution

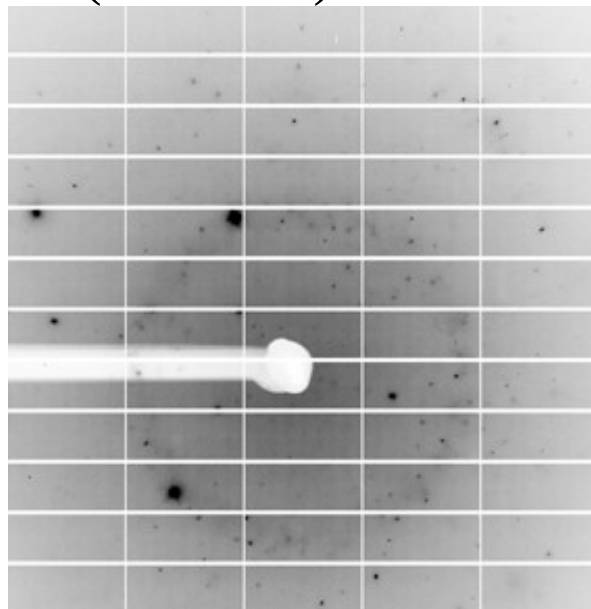




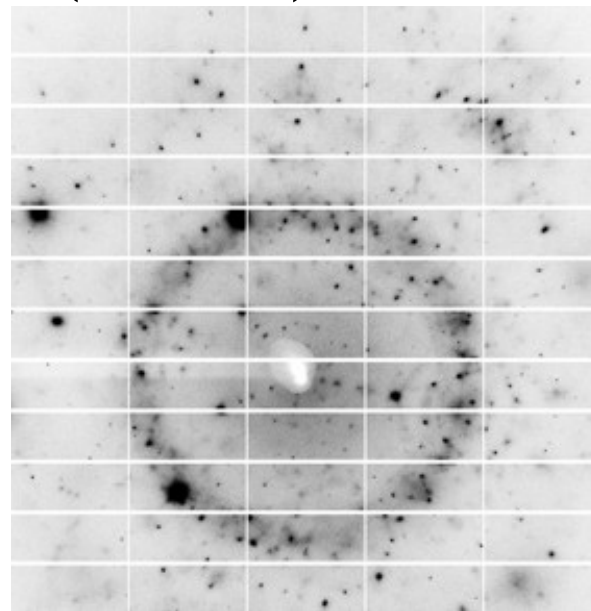
Pixel counting energy discrimination detectors

**Copper
Fluorescence
8.05 keV**

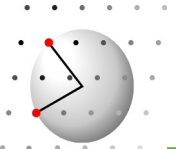
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E(threshold) : 8 keV



E(primary) : 16 keV
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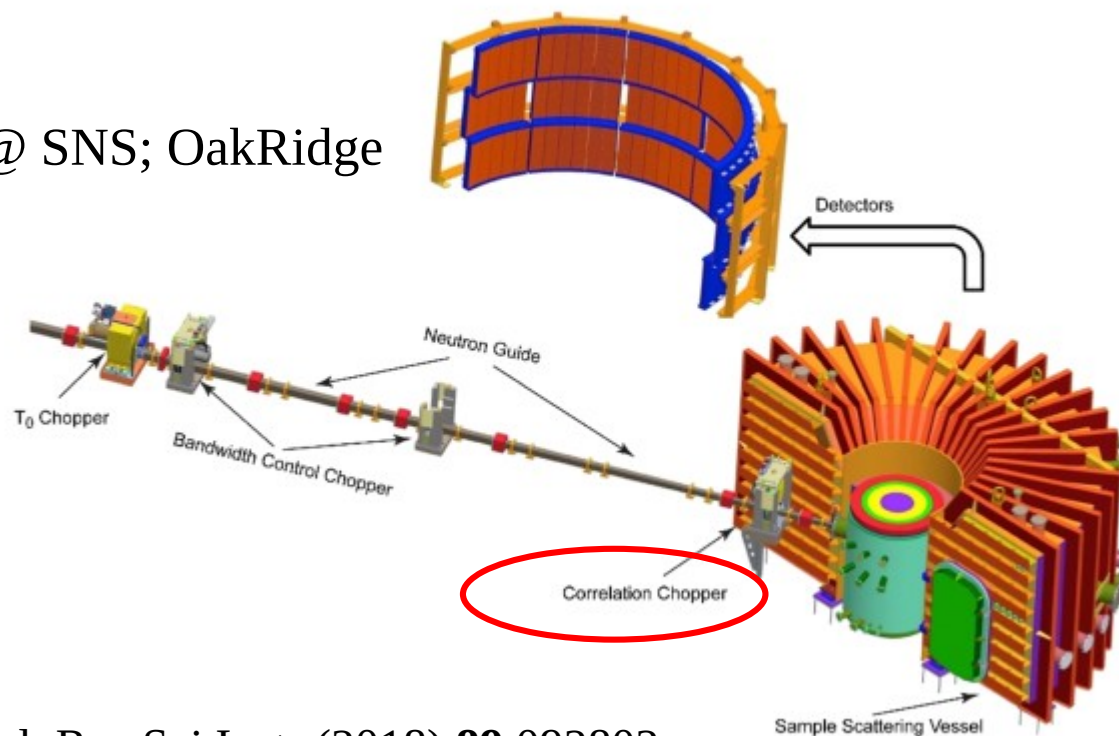


Pilatus @ Swiss Light Source, Sample: *i*-AlCuFe



Cross correlation for energy discrimination

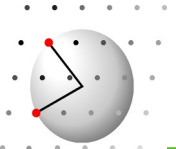
Corelli @ SNS; OakRidge



Effective selection of
Elastic diffuse scattering

Random chopper windows
Asynchronous rotation

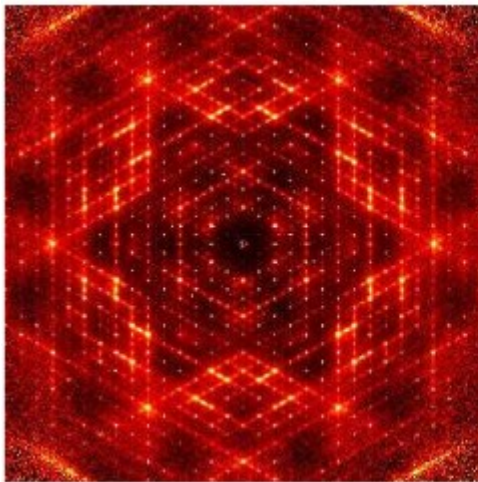
Coates et al. Rev.Sci.Instr (2018) **89** 092802



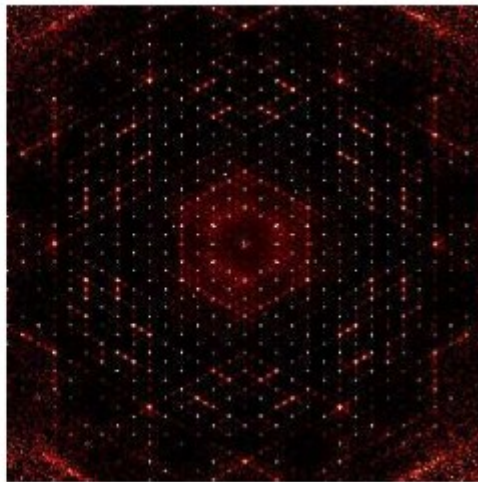
Cross correlation for energy discrimination

Benzil

Corelli @ SNS; OakRidge



Elastic + Inelastic
100K



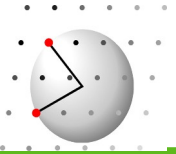
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Asynchronous rotation

Allows excellent distinction
between dynamic and static
diffuse scattering

Welberry & Whitfield QuntBeamSci (2018), 2, 2

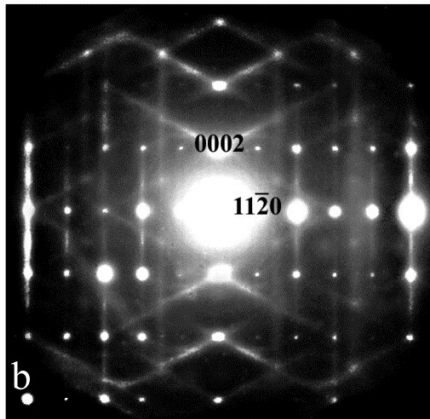


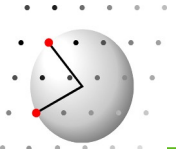
diffuse electron diffraction

Conventional technique

Pattern taken as oriented zone axis
Dominated by dynamic scattering effects

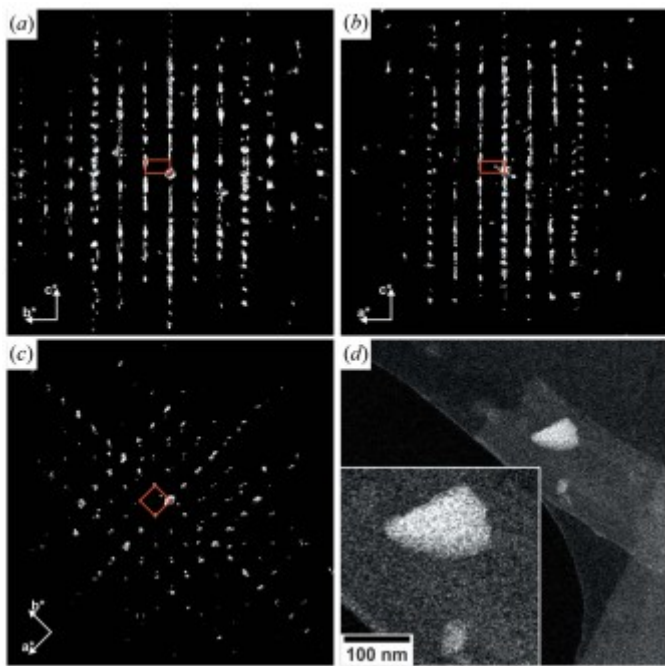
AlPO-#5





Quantitative diffuse electron diffraction

Zeolite beta



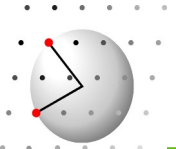
Sample is rotated around “random” axis

Automated electron diffraction tomography
U. Kolb et al. Ultramicroscopy (2007), **107**, 507

Rotation electron diffraction
Zhang et al. Z. Krist. (2010), **225**, 94.

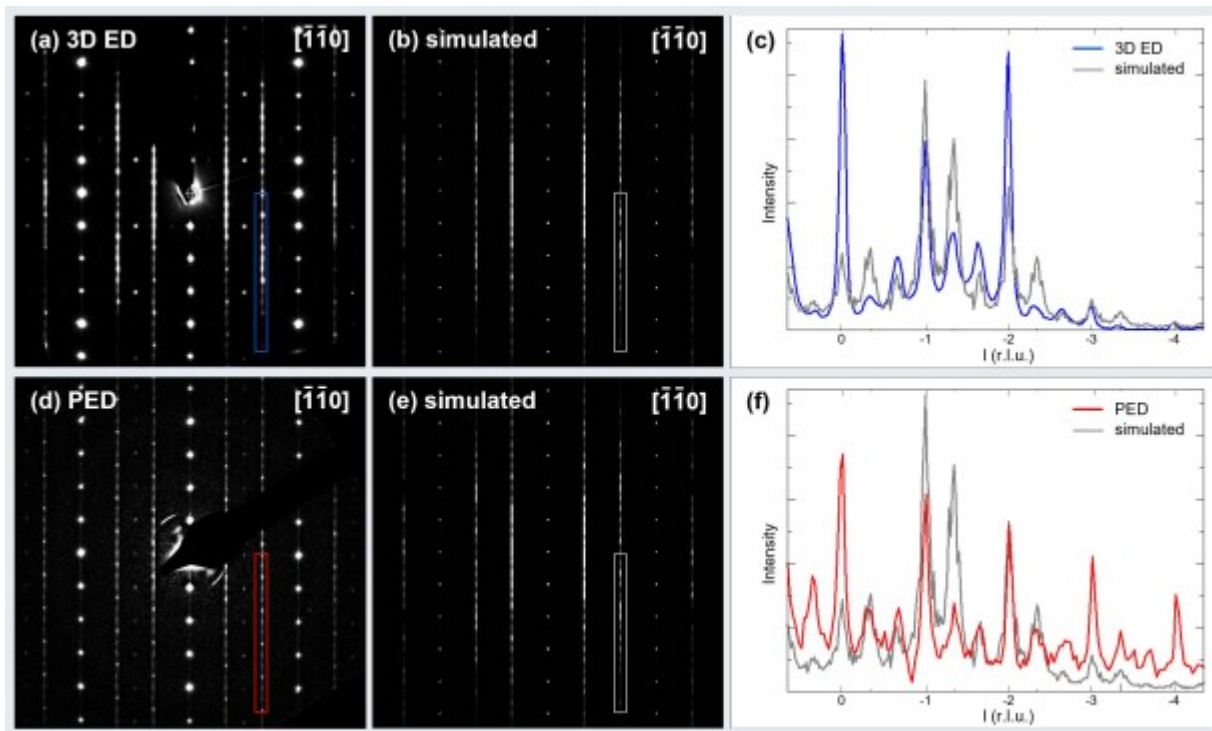
Minimizes dynamic diffraction effects

Reconstructed reciprocal layers



Quantitative diffuse electron diffraction

Li Ni Mn Co O

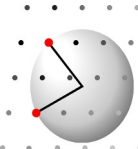


3D ED

Sample is rotated around
“random” axis

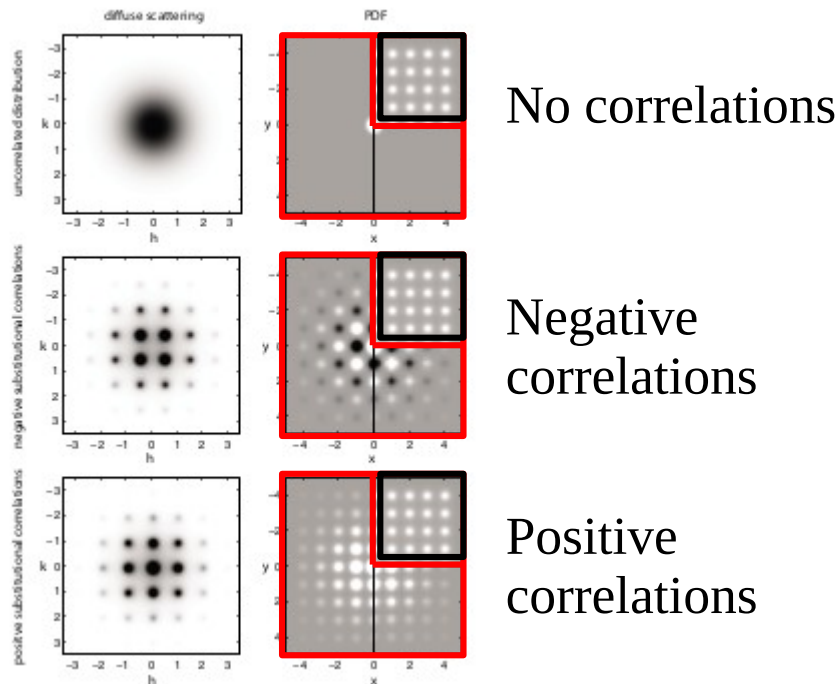
Minimizes dynamic
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**Conventional zone axis
Electron diffraction**



Quantitative 3D- Δ - PDF

Weber & Simonov Z. Krist (2012), 227, 238

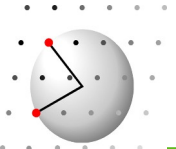


Fourier transform of
Bragg intensity only
Patterson function
Interatomic vectors in **SINGLE**
averaged unit cell, periodic

Fourier transform of
total scattering ; Bragg + diffuse

3D-PDF;
Interatomic vectors in actual crystal
as in Powder-PDF (RDF, ...)

**Fourier transform of
Diffuse scattering only
Total scattering – Bragg intensities
3D- Δ - PDF
Difference: PDF - Patterson**

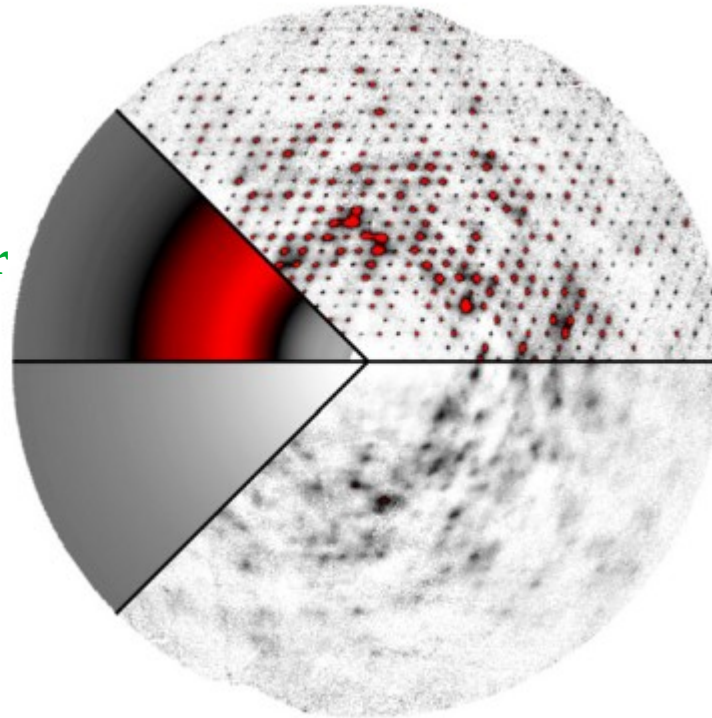


Diffuse scattering by macromolecules

Broad isotropic ring

Predominantly water
Some SRO

Compton scattering



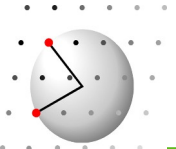
Intense halos
around Bragg

Phonon scattering !

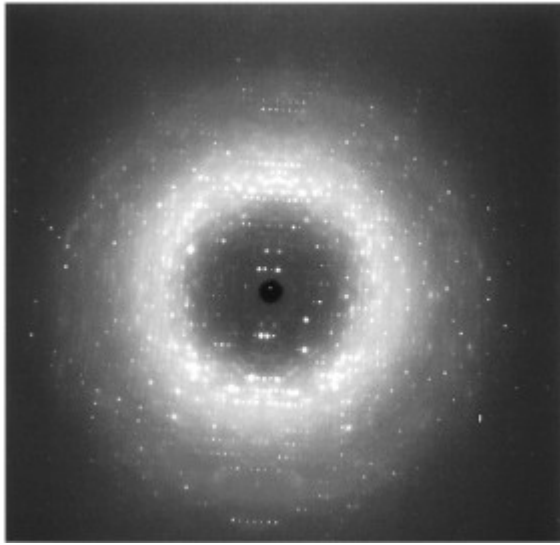
Structured
diffuse scattering

Local dynamic disorder

Lysozyme; 3D reconstruction

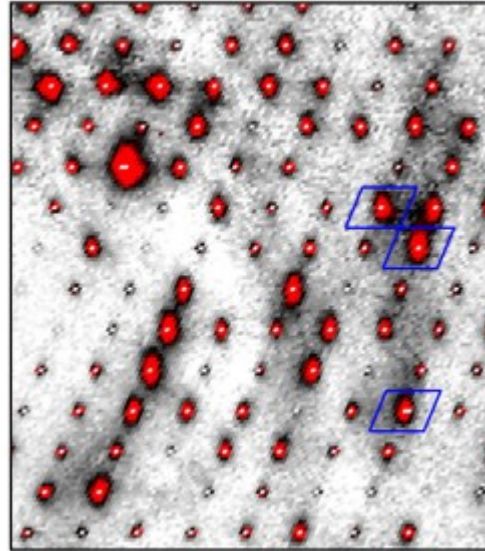


Diffuse scattering by macromolecules; Interpretation

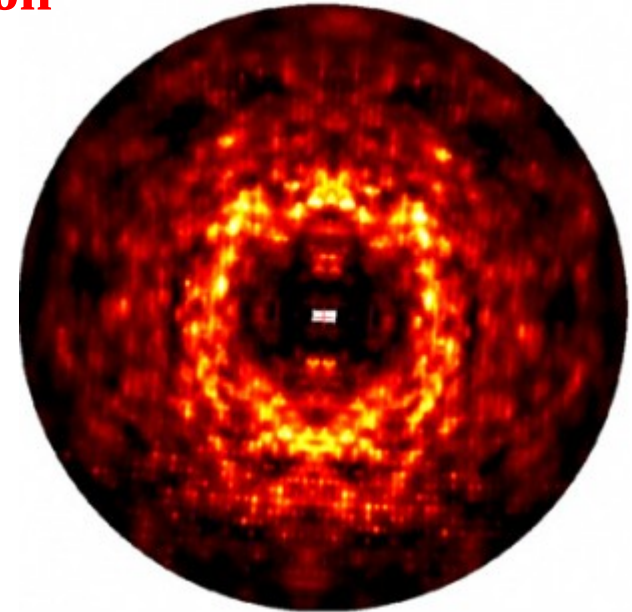


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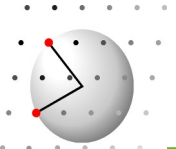
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Wych et al.
Struc.Dyn. (2019) **6**, 064704



Diffuse scattering by macromolecules; Interpretation

Molecular dynamics simulations

Displacement samples over microseconds!

Diffuse scattering calculated from
small super cell;
sampled n times:

$$D(hkl) = \langle |F_n(hkl)|^2 \rangle_n - |\langle F_n(hkl) \rangle_n|^2$$

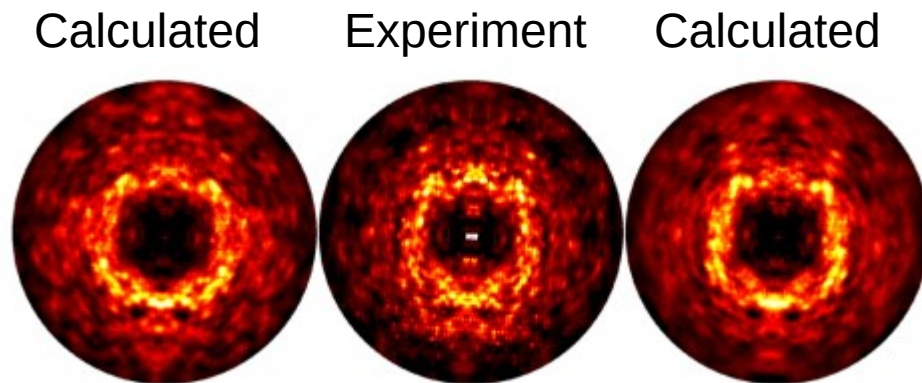
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Flexibility within a molecule

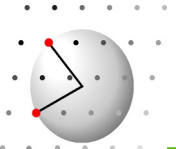
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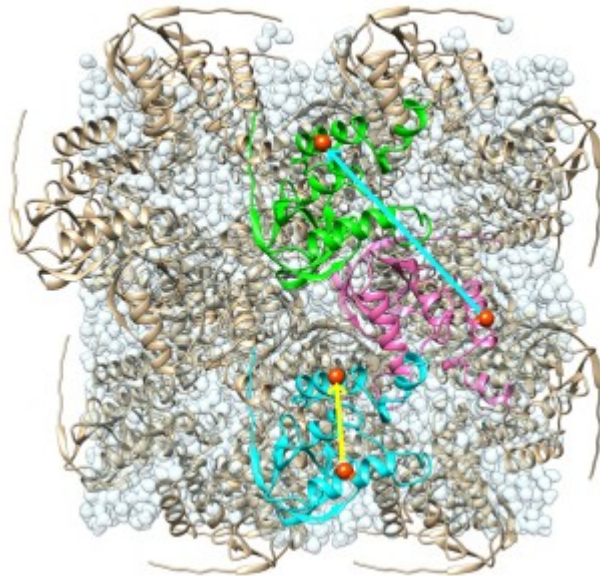
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Diffuse scattering by macromolecules; Interpretation

Molecular dynamics simulations

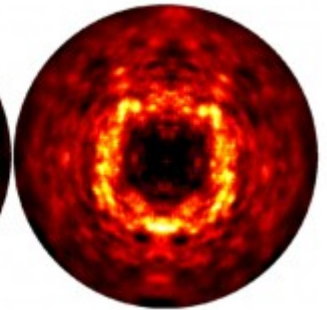
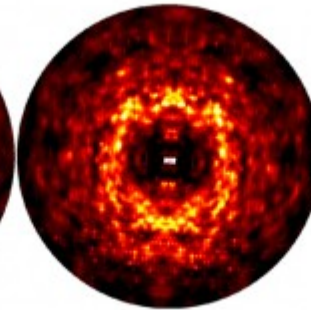
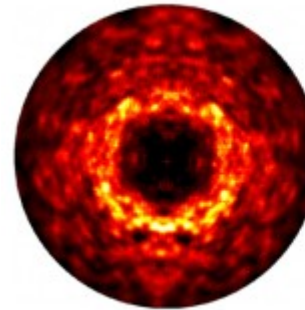
32 proteins
in $2 \times 2 \times 2$
super cell



Calculated

Experiment

Calculated



Staphylococcal nuclease

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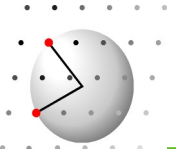
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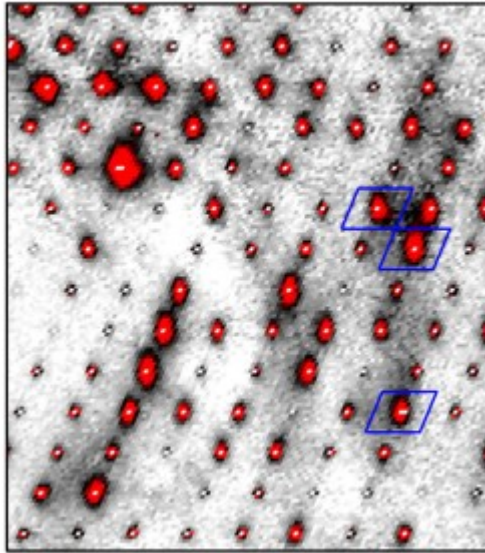
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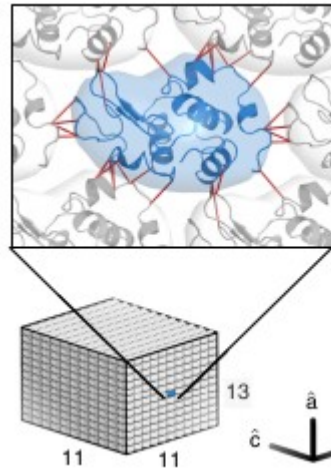
Diffuse scattering by macromolecules; Interpretation

Lattice dynamics !

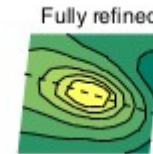


$$I(q) \propto \frac{1}{|q|^2}$$

Rigid molecules
in 13 x 11 x 11
super cell

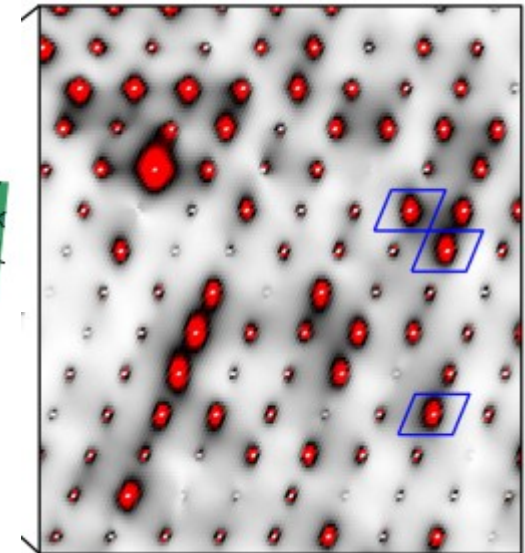


Effect of local
anisotropy

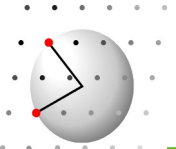


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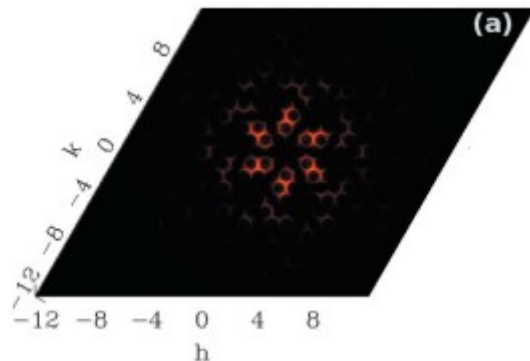
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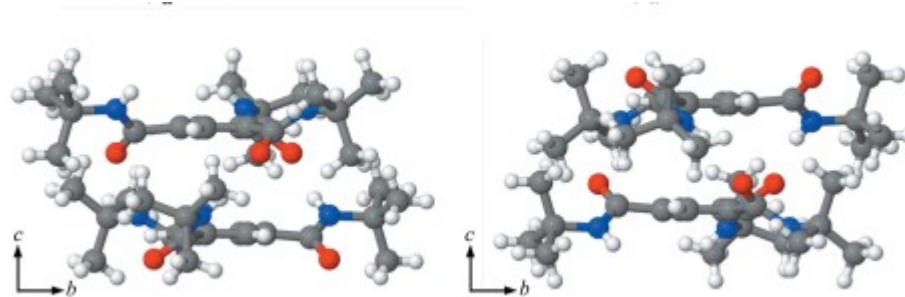
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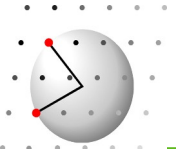


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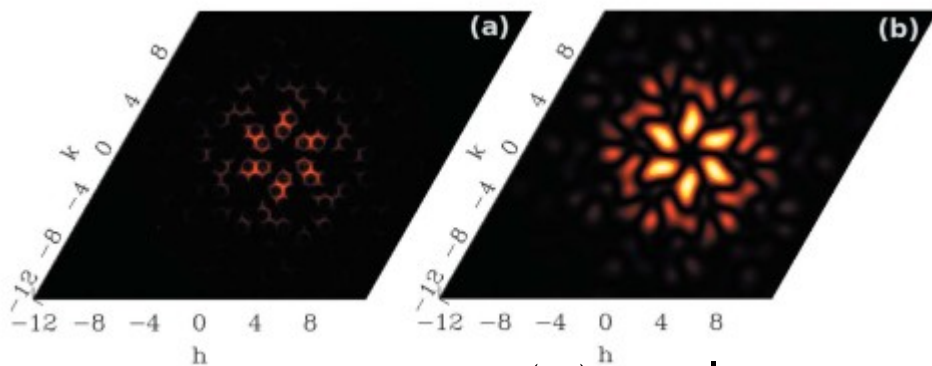


Diffuse scattering
by molecules in
two orientations

$$I(q) \propto |F_{mol}|^2$$

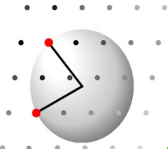


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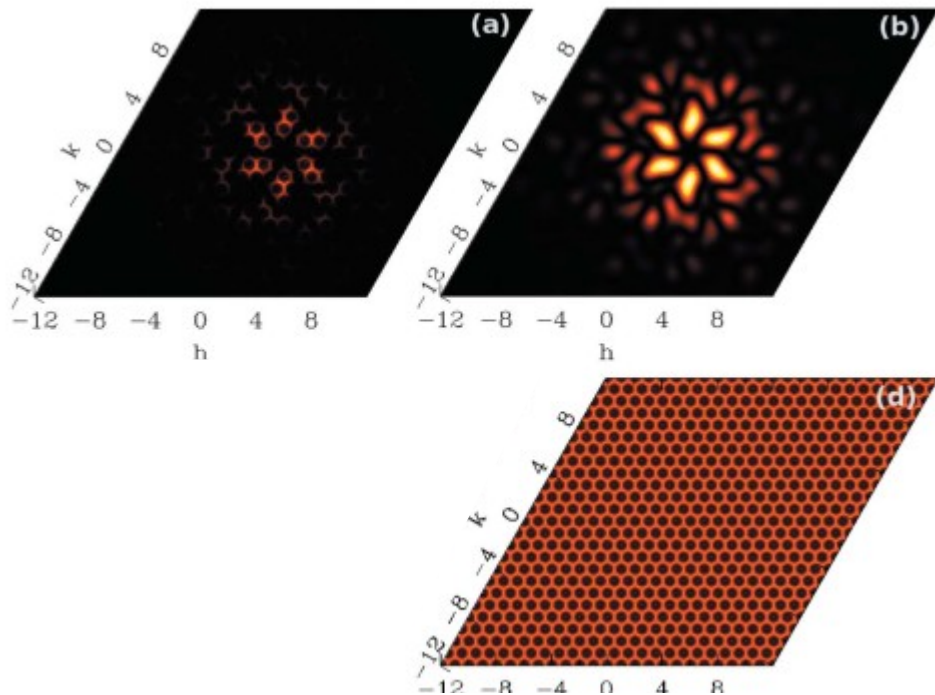


Diffraction pattern
of molecular form
factor difference
squared

$$I(q) \propto \left| F_{mol,u} - F_{mol,d} \right|^2$$



Diffuse scattering by molecules; Interpretation

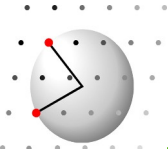


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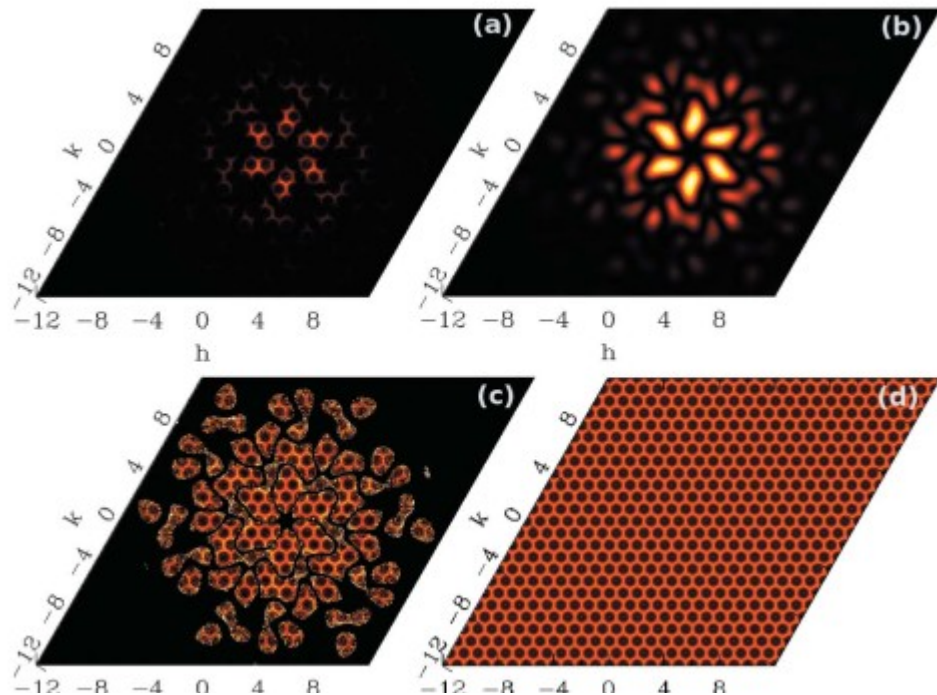
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$$\text{SRO} * \text{b)} = \text{Experiment} = \text{a)}$$

Intensity of point scatterer with
negative first neighbor correlation



Diffuse scattering by molecules; Interpretation



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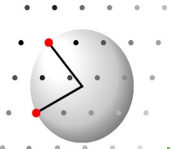
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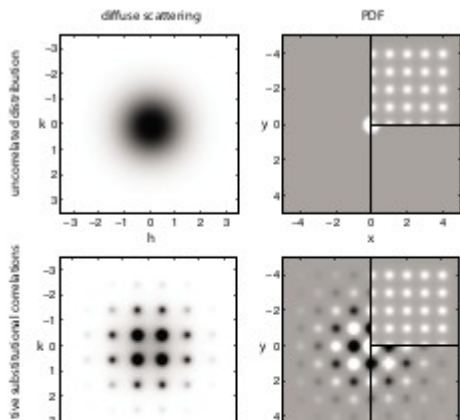
Intensity after
division by b)

Intensity of point scatterer with
negative first neighbor correlation

**Division provides more
unambiguous interpretation**



Quantitative 3D- Δ - PDF



Initial workflow

Fine slicing in reciprocal space
ideally at several axes

3D-reconstruction of reciprocal space

Scaling; Detector artifacts; Outlier rejection;
Symmetrization;
Bragg reflection removal

Original 3D PDF punch and fill

Uncertainties ; punch and fill

KAREN; Outlier rejections

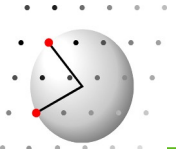
Full workflow

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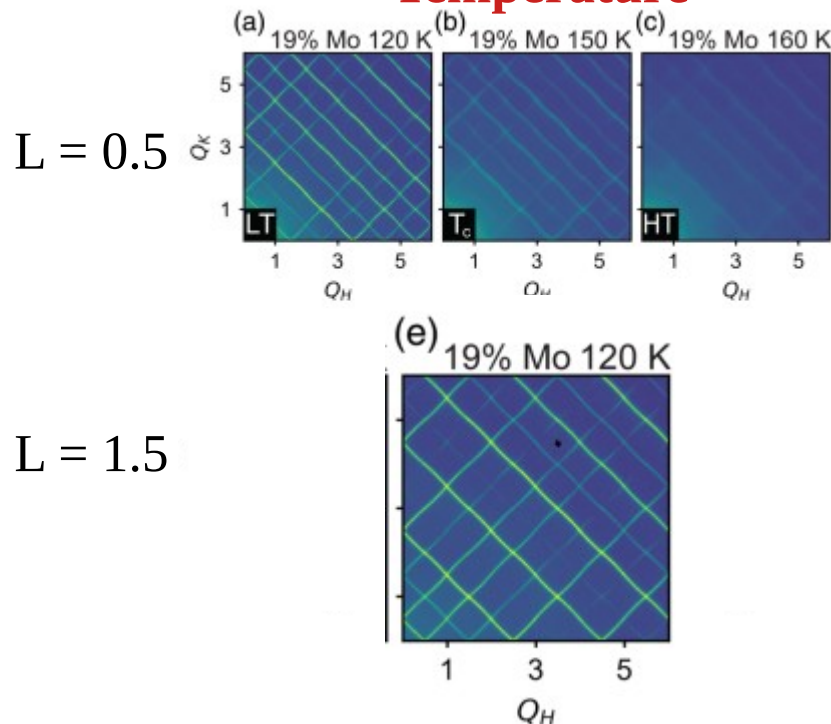
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Temperature



Local order in metal doped $\text{Mo}_x\text{V}_{1-x}\text{O}_2$

Rutile type structure

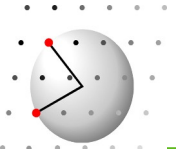
Sharp rods parallel $\langle 110 \rangle^*$

2D-“defects” with
long range order along $\langle 1\bar{1}0 \rangle$

No rod at origin
projected structure is periodic
at $l = \text{half-integer layers}$

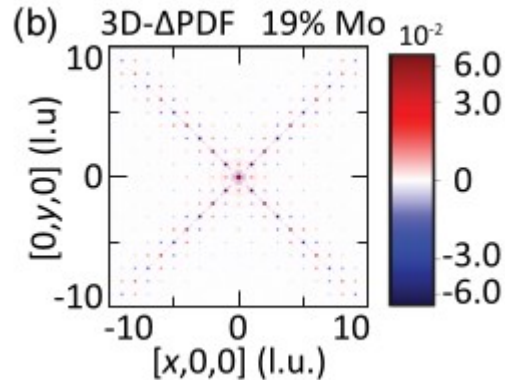
Doubling of unit cell along c

Mild off-axis curvature ??

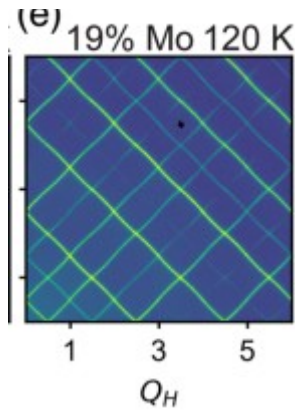


Quantitative 3D- Δ -PDF

xy0



$L = 1.5$



Local order in metal doped VO_2

Rutile type structure

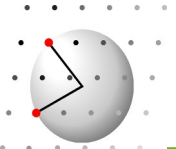
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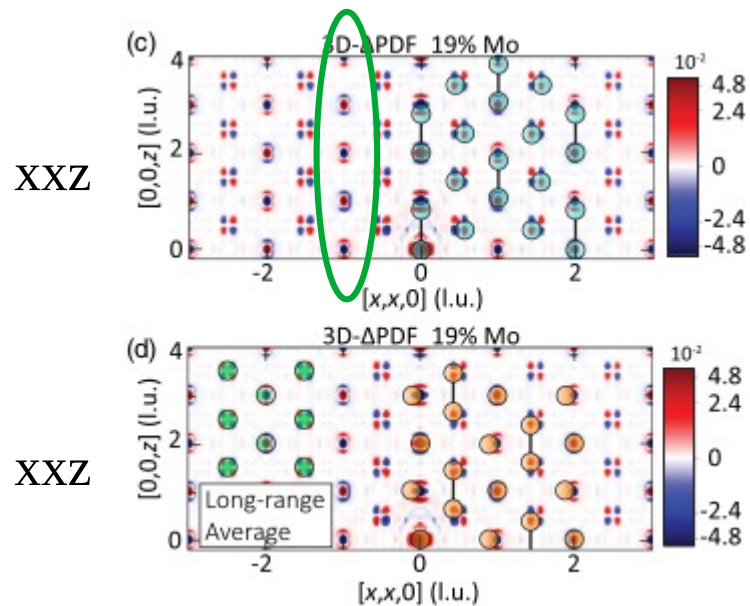
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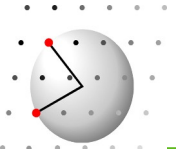
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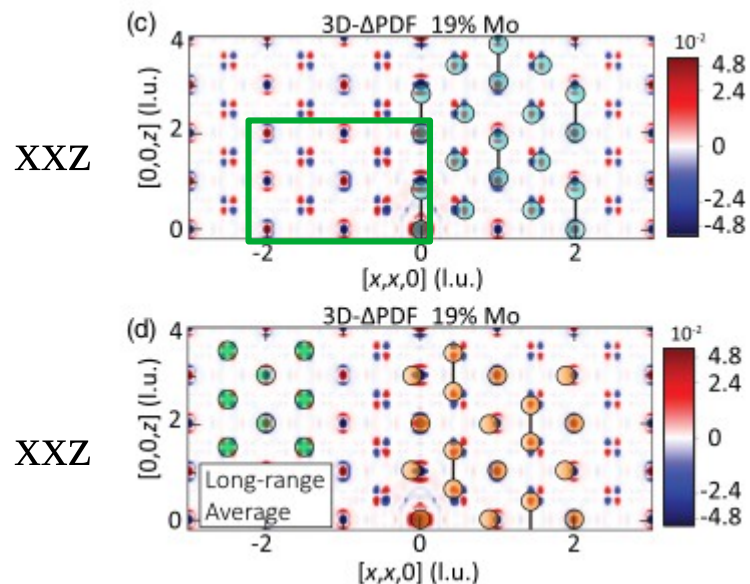
Sequence of short / normal / long distances along $[001]$

Dimerization of Metal-Metal pairs along $[001]$

19%: Correlations along $\langle 110 \rangle$ and $[001]$!



Quantitative 3D- Δ - PDF



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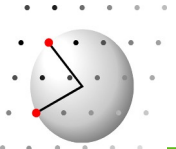
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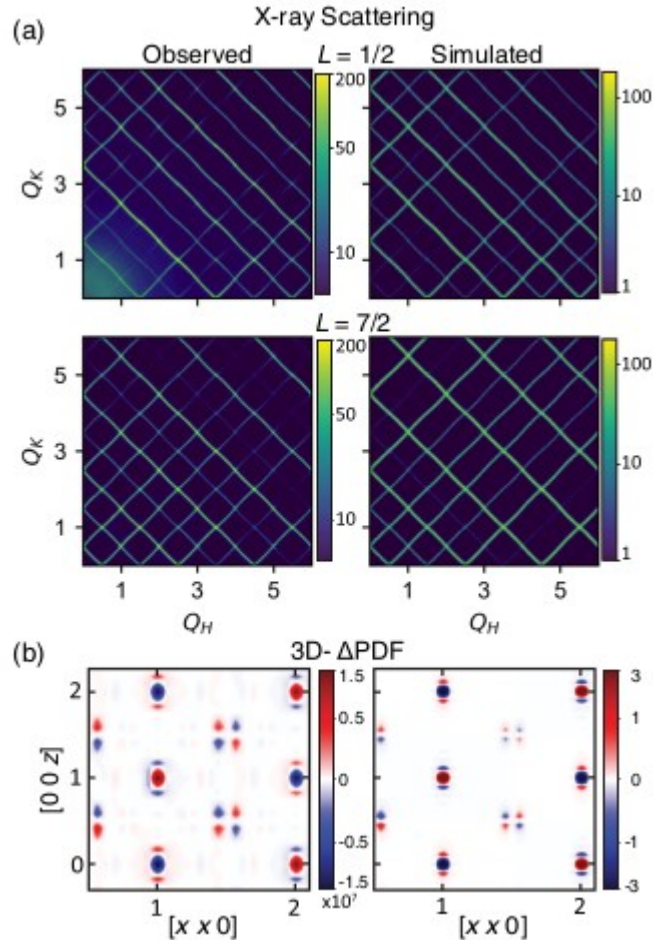
Doubling of unit cell

Alternation of Dimers and shifts

19%: Correlations along $\langle 110 \rangle$ and $[001]$!



Interpretation; Model building

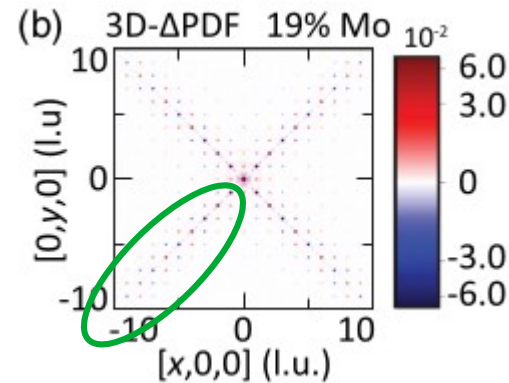


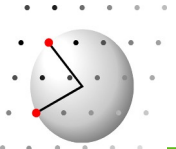
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Diffuse scattering calculated from atomistic model in DISCUS program

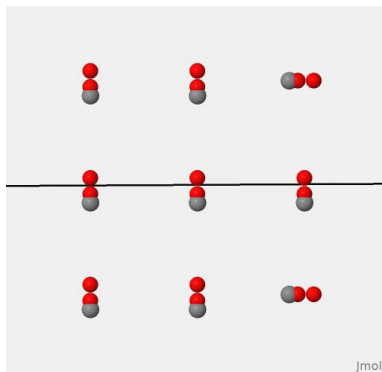
Off-axis curvature is caused by Width of $[110]$ streak in 3D- Δ -PDF





Interpretation; Molecular structures

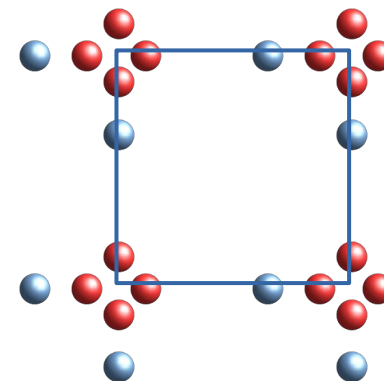
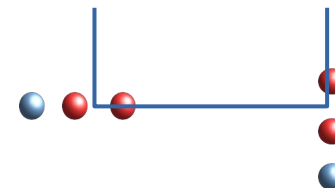
Linear C-O-O molecule in two orientations



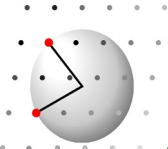
Complete structure

no correlation between molecules

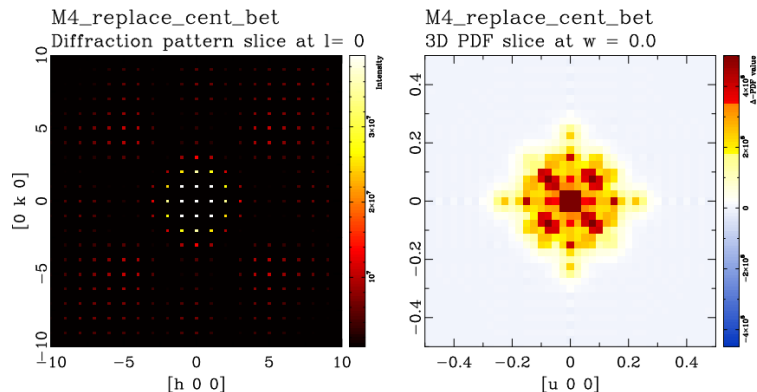
Complete structure



Average
structure



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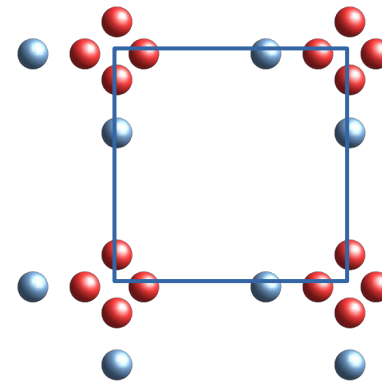
Patterson

Average structure Patterson

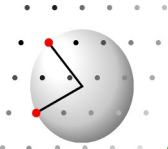
Positive peaks

interatomic vectors in **average** structure

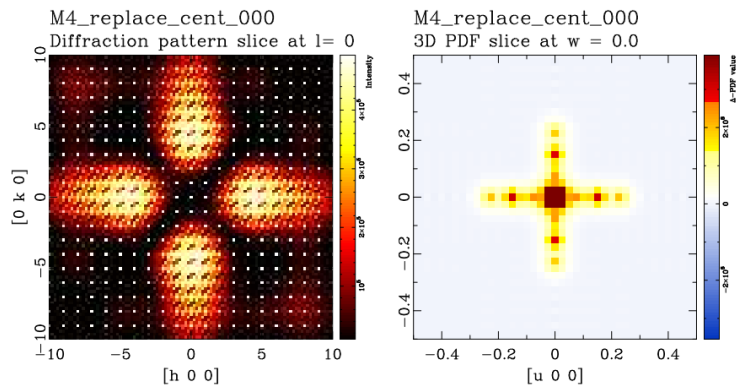
Complete structure



Average
structure



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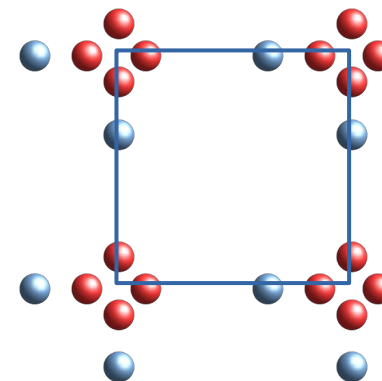
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Complete structure Patterson

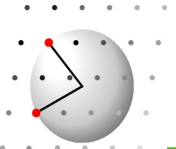
Positive peaks

interatomic vectors in **actual / complete** structure

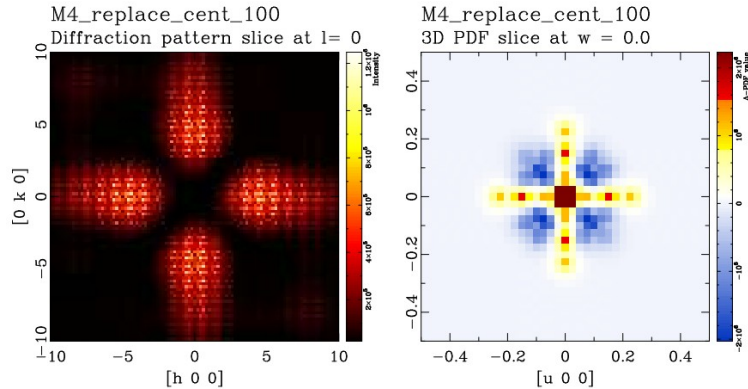
Complete structure



Average
structure



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3D - Δ - PDF

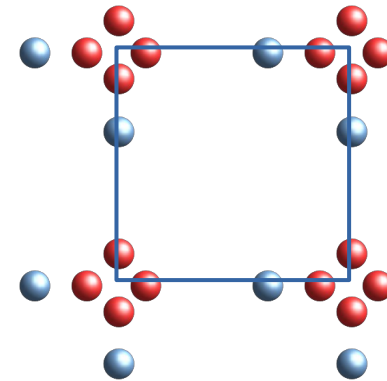
„Local“ structure Patterson

Difference: **Complete** – **Average**

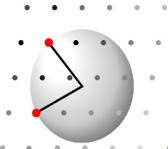
Positive and **Negative** peaks

Deviations of **local** from **average** structure

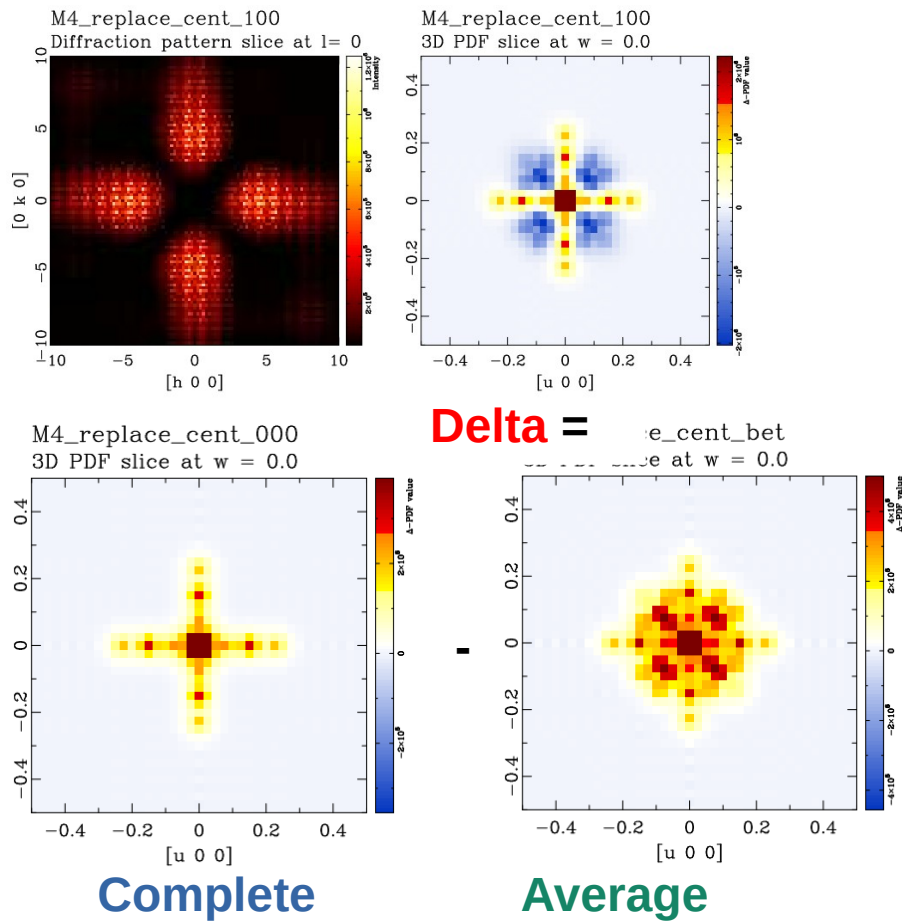
Complete structure



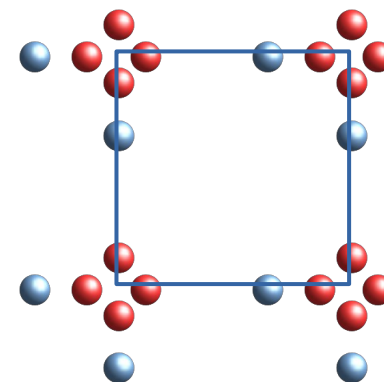
Average
structure



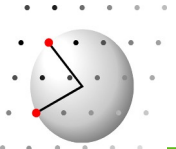
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Complete structure



Average structure



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Patterson



3-D inverse Fourier transform
of the **Bragg** scattering

Interatomic vectors
average structure

periodic

$$P(\mathbf{u}) = F^{-1} I(\mathbf{hkl})$$

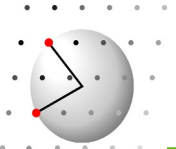
$$P(\mathbf{u}) = F^{-1} [F^*(\mathbf{hkl}) \cdot F(\mathbf{hkl})] = \rho(\mathbf{r}) \otimes \rho(-\mathbf{r})$$

$$P(\mathbf{u}) = F^{-1} [F^*(\mathbf{hkl}) \cdot E(\mathbf{hkl})] \quad \text{Sharpened Patterson}$$

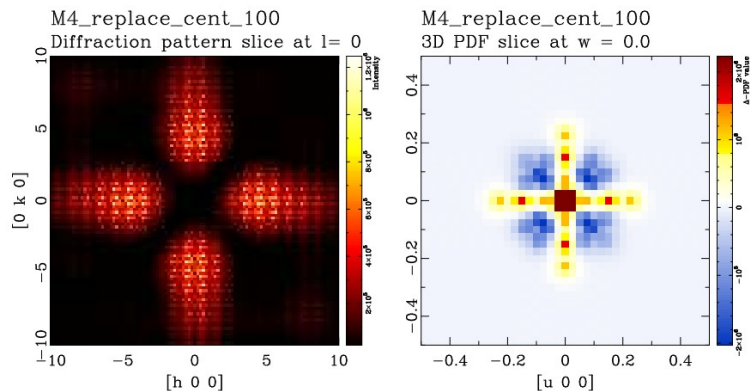
$$P(\mathbf{u}) = F^{-1} [E^*(\mathbf{hkl}) \cdot E(\mathbf{hkl})] \quad \text{Super sharpened Patterson}$$

$$PDF(\mathbf{u}) = F^{-1} \frac{I(\mathbf{Q})}{\langle f^2 \rangle} \quad \text{Super sharpened 3D PDF}$$

$$E(\mathbf{hkl}) = \frac{F(\mathbf{hkl})}{\sqrt{\langle I(\mathbf{hkl}) \rangle_{\Delta\Theta}}}$$



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3D - Δ - PDF

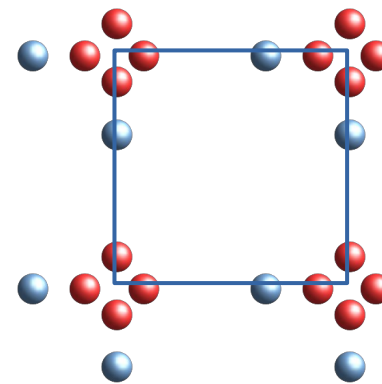
„Local“ structure Patterson

Difference: **Complete** – **Average**

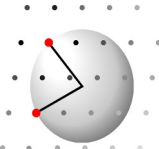
Positive and **Negative** peaks

Deviations of **local** from **average** structure

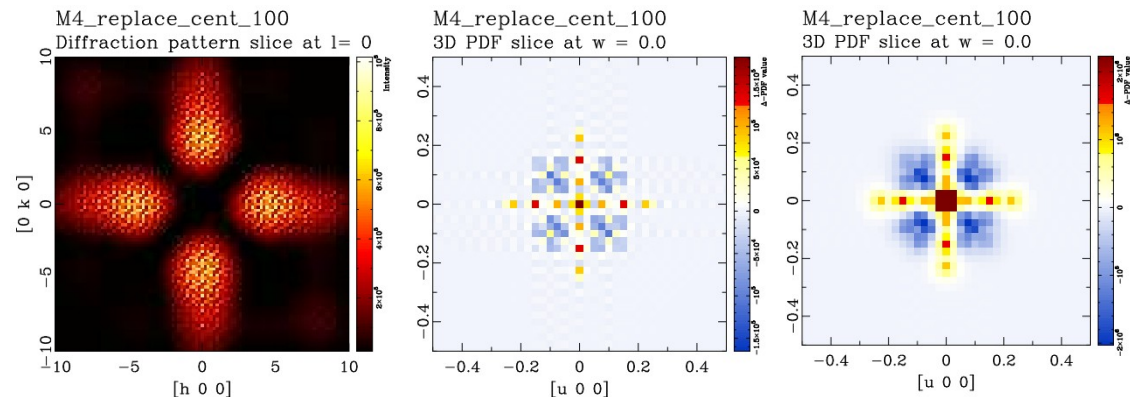
Complete structure



Average
structure



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3D - Δ - PDF

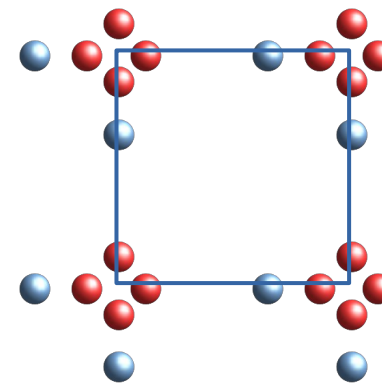
„*Local*“ structure Patterson

Difference: Complete – Average

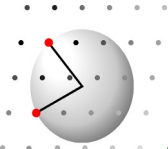
Positive and Negative peaks
Deviations of local from average structure



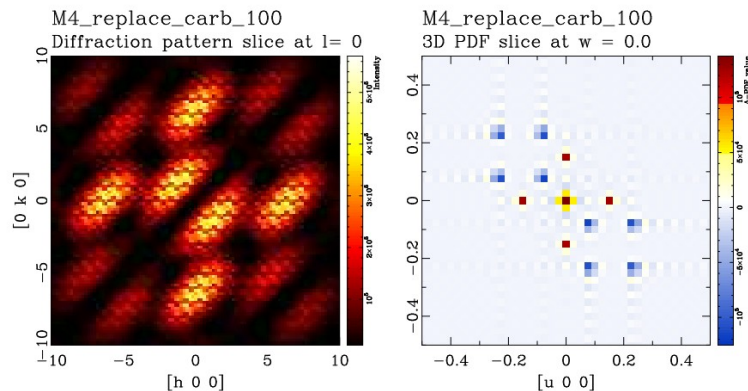
Complete structure



Average structure



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3D - Δ - PDF

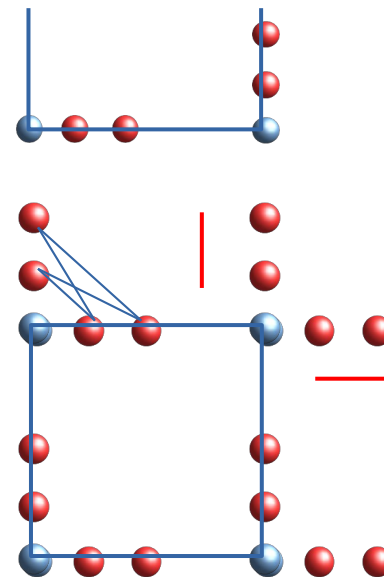
„*Local*“ structure Patterson

Difference: **Complete** - **Average**

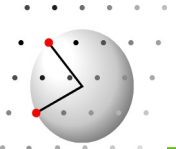
No C..O vectors
in **3D - Δ - PDF**

No positive /negative
Although **disordered**!

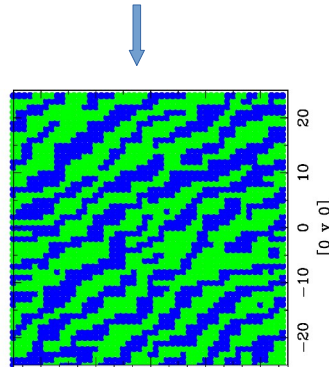
Complete structure



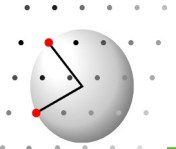
Average
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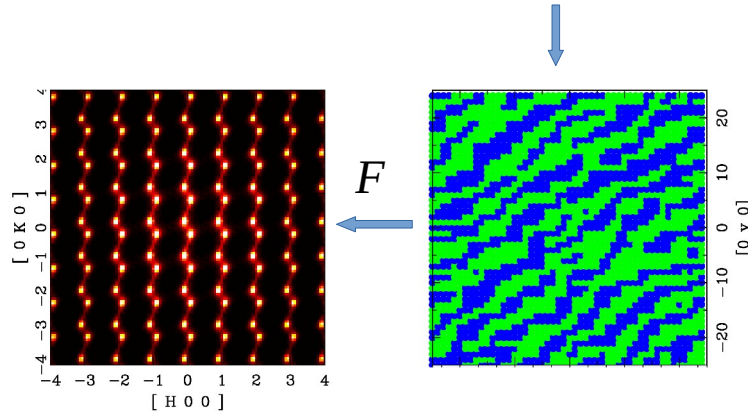
Simulation / refinement
of disordered structural model



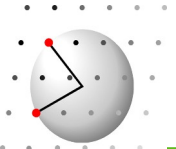
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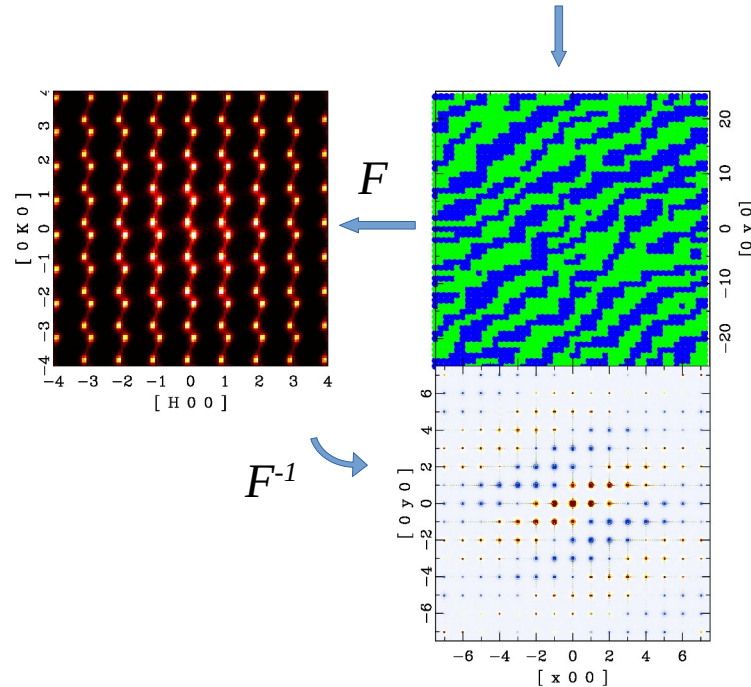


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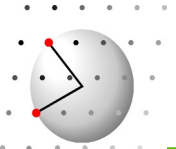


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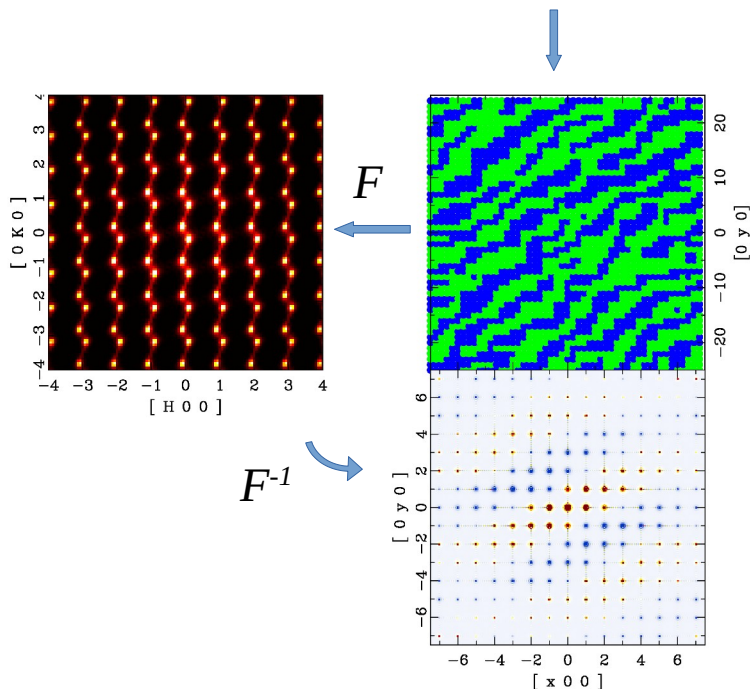


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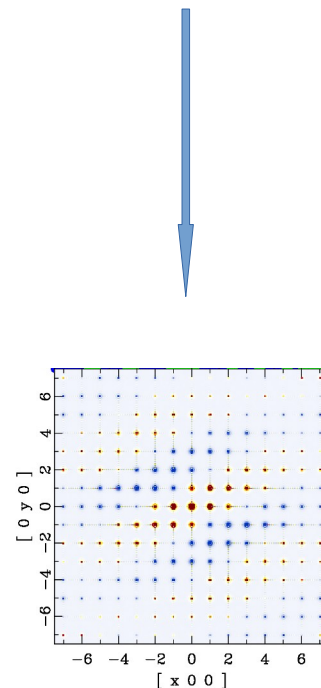


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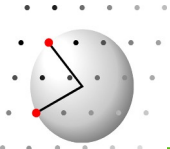


Simulation / refinement
of correlation parameters



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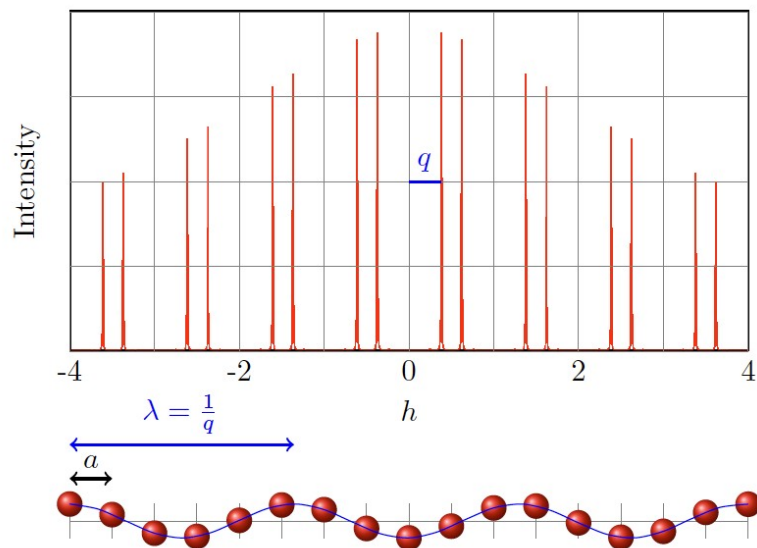
Yell: www.github.com/YellProgram



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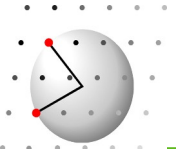
Superspace concept



Main Bragg
reflections
omitted

$$\vec{u}(\vec{a}) = \vec{A} \cos(2\pi(\vec{q}\vec{a} + t))$$

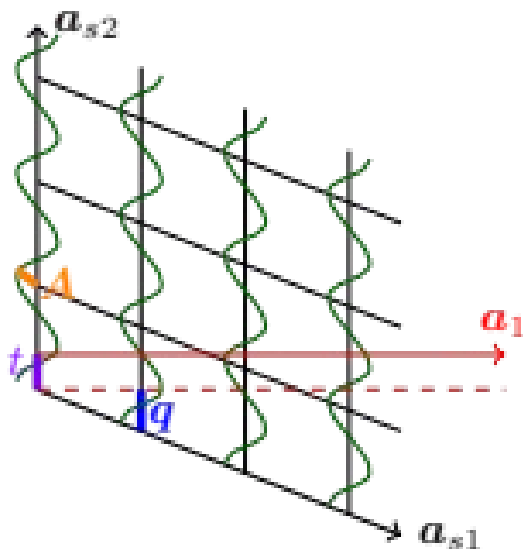
Bragg reflections: $h \in \mathbb{Z}$
 Satellite reflections: $h \pm mq$ $h, m \in \mathbb{Z}$



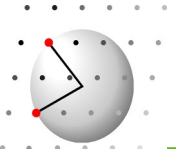
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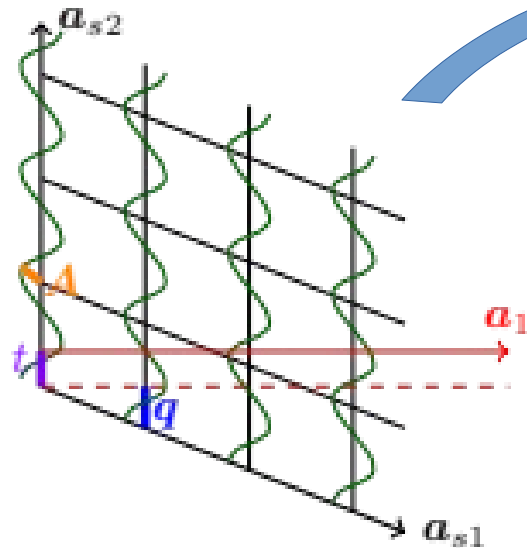


- q** **direction** and **periodicity** of modulation function
- A** modulation function **amplitude**
- t** **initial phase** of modulation function
- displacement** or substitutional modulation function
- real space is **cut** through real superspace
- reciprocal space is **projection** of reciprocal superspace



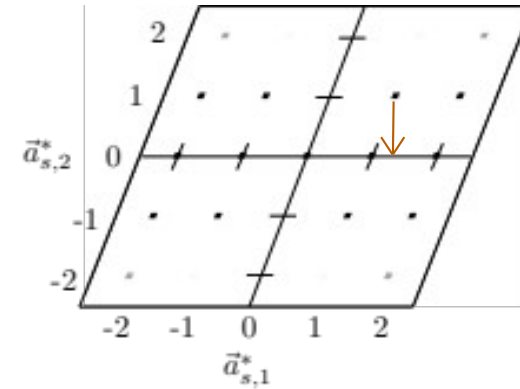
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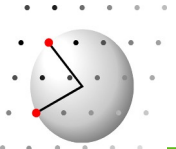
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Fourier

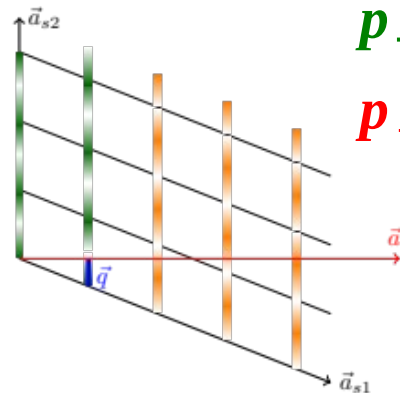
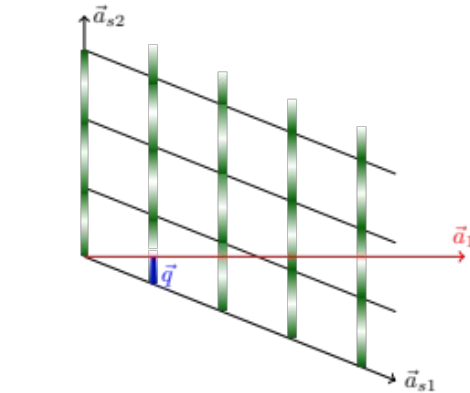
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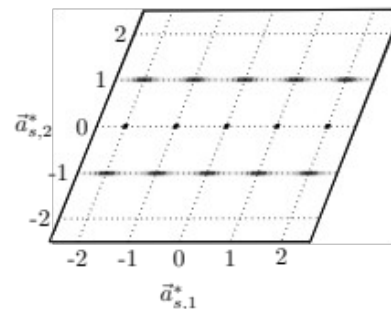
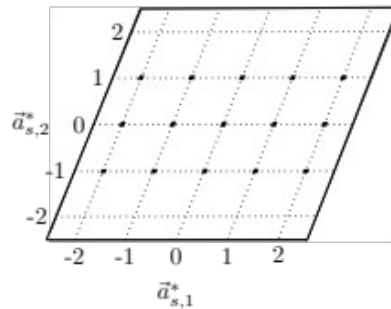
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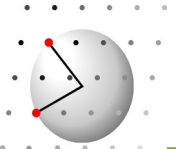


$$p_+(\vec{a}) = p + A \cos(2\pi(\vec{q}\vec{a}))$$

$$p_-(\vec{a}) = p - A \cos(2\pi(\vec{q}\vec{a}))$$



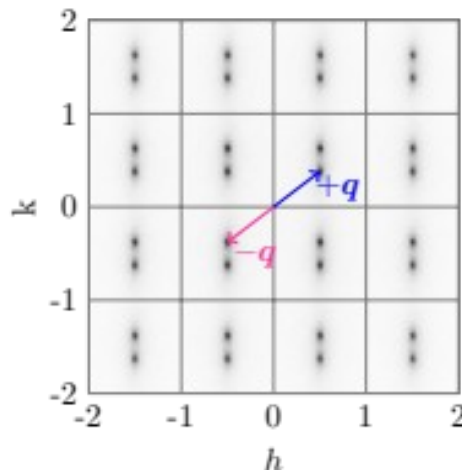
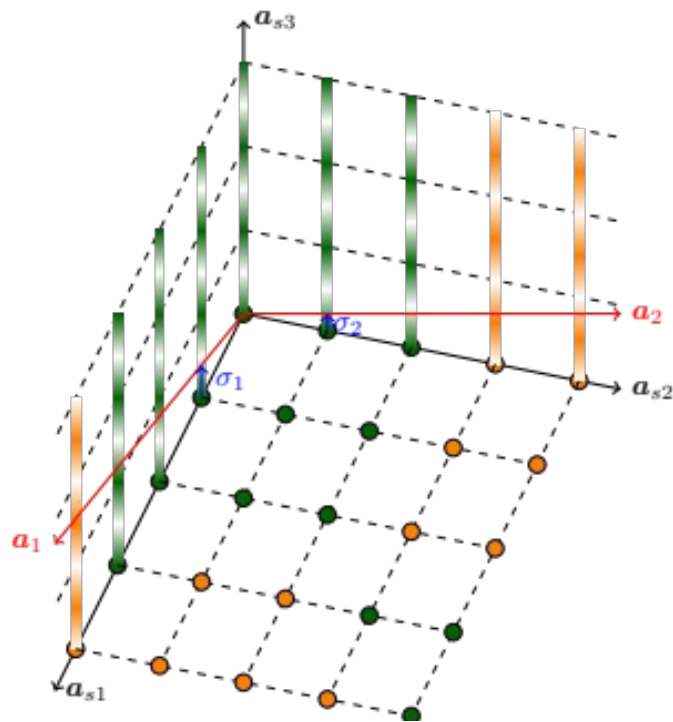
Without long range
order in superspace
satellites turn into
broad maxima



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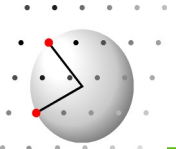
$$\vec{q} = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}\right)$$

SRO parameter

$$\alpha_{(1,0)}^S = 0.7$$

$$\alpha_{(0,1)}^S = 0.5$$

Position , shape, width of diffuse maxima
can arbitrarily be designed,
based on structural model

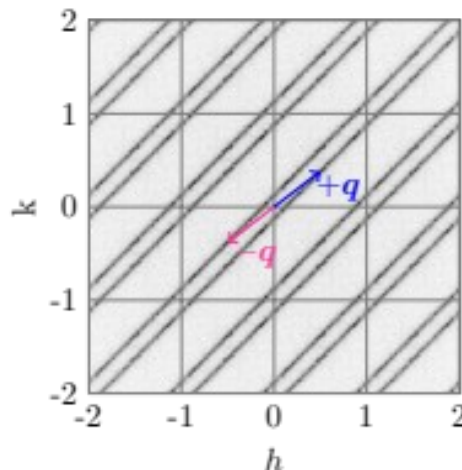
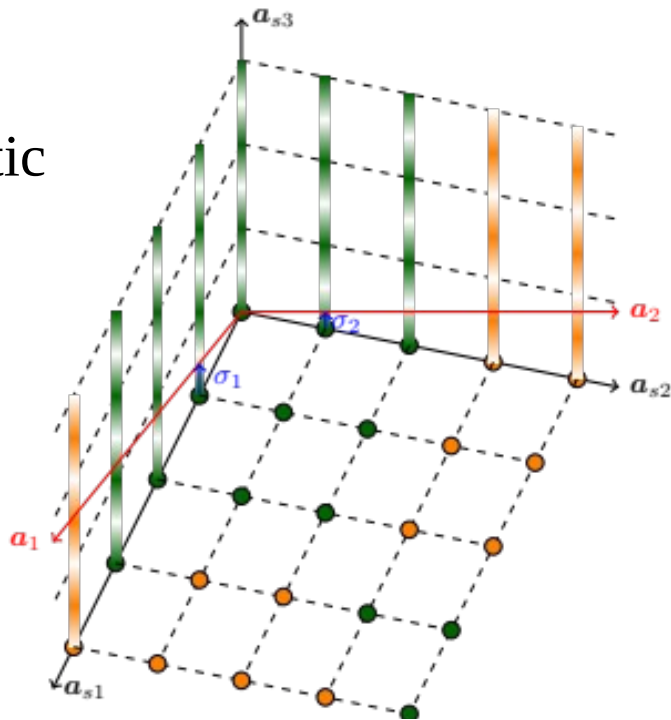


Interpretation

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Superspace concept

static



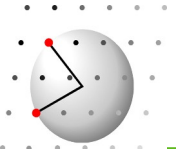
$$\vec{q} = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} \right)$$

SRO parameter

$$\alpha_{(1,1)}^s = 0.95$$

$$\alpha_{(\bar{1},1)}^s = 0.0$$

Position , shape, width of diffuse maxima
can arbitrarily be designed,
based on structural model

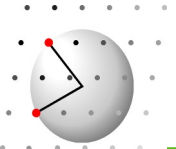


Interpretation

Simulation / refinement
of disorder theory

Warren-Cowley
short range order parameter

Weber Z. Krist (2012), 227, 238



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Mean field theory

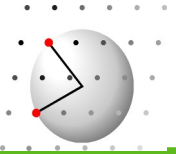
Minimize energy for system in different **states** :

States : Spin / Orientation / Type / ...

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{j \\ \text{Objects}}} \sum_{\substack{k \\ \text{Objects}}} \sum_{\substack{l \\ \text{States}}}^s \sum_{\substack{m \\ \text{States}}}^s \mu_j^l J_{jk}^{lm} \mu_k^m$$

μ_j^l 1 if **Object j** is in **state l**

J_{jk}^{lm} Energy if
Object j is in **state l**
Object k is in **state m**



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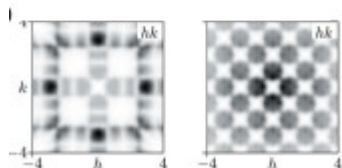
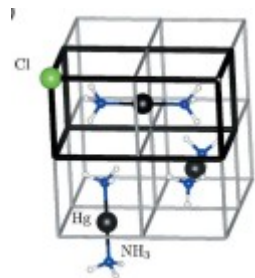
Mean field theory

Warren-Cowley
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Neutron xray



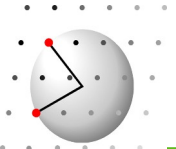
Objects:
 $\text{Hg}(\text{NH}_3)_2$

States.
[100]; [010]; [001]

States : Spin / Orientation / Type / ...

μ_j^l 1 if **Object j** is in **state l**

J_{jk}^{lm} Energy if
Object j is in **state l**
Object k is in **state m**



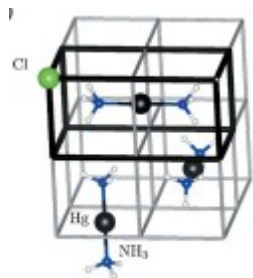
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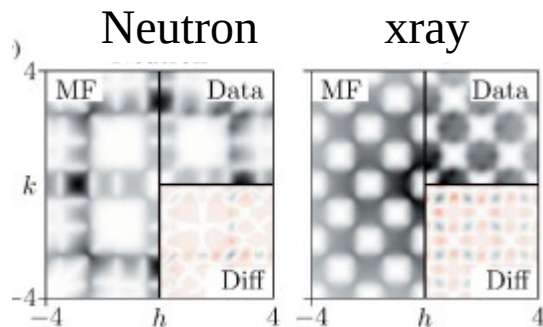
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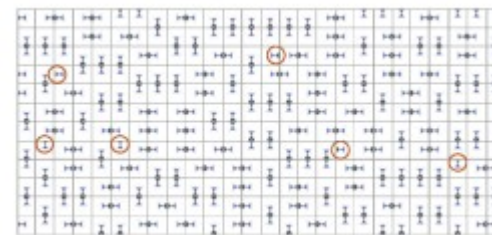
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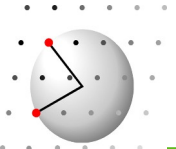
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[100]; [010]; [001]



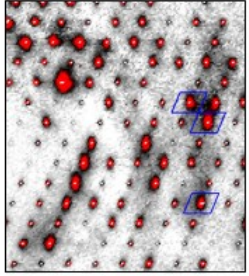
Calculated as result of
Least-squares refinement of **J**

Structure simulated from **J**





Interpretation

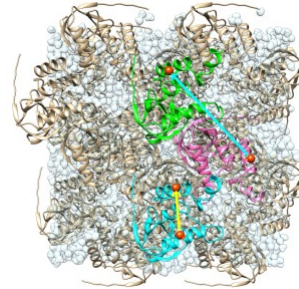


dynamic

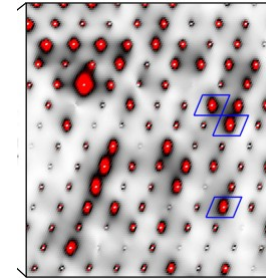
Simulation / refinement
force fields / molecular dynamics



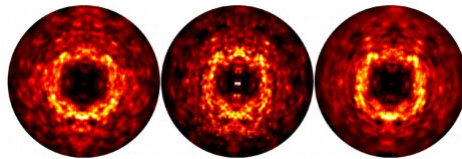
Structure snapshot
at steps in time



Phonon scattering

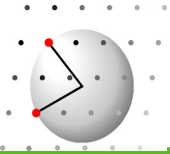


$$D(hkl) = \langle |F_n(hkl)|^2 \rangle_n - |\langle F_n(hkl) \rangle_n|^2$$



local dynamics

extended dynamics



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“A beautiful disorder is an effect of art.”

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