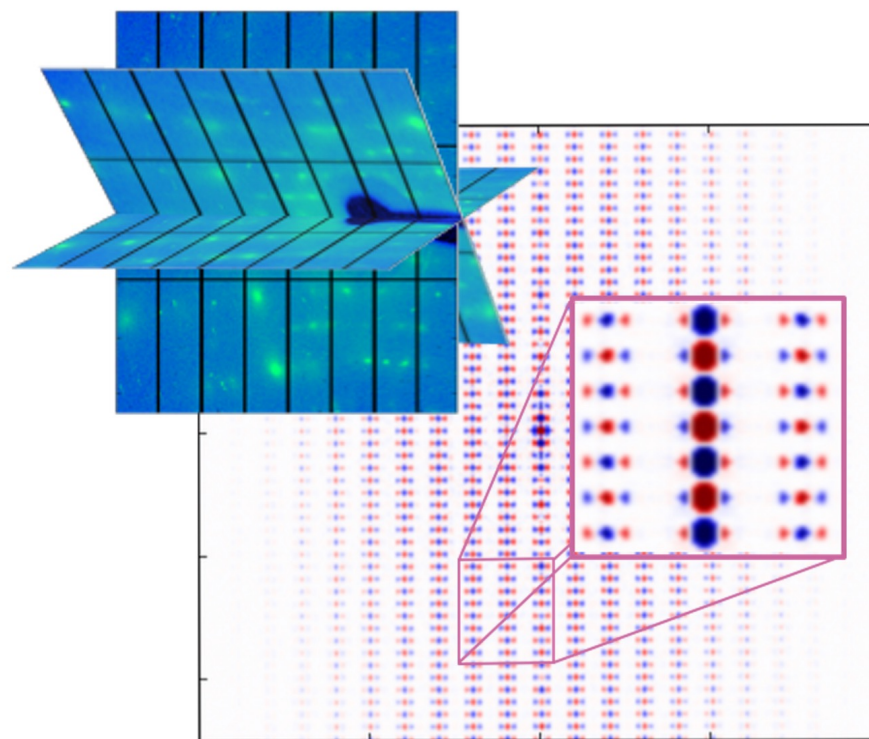


Single Crystal Diffuse Scattering

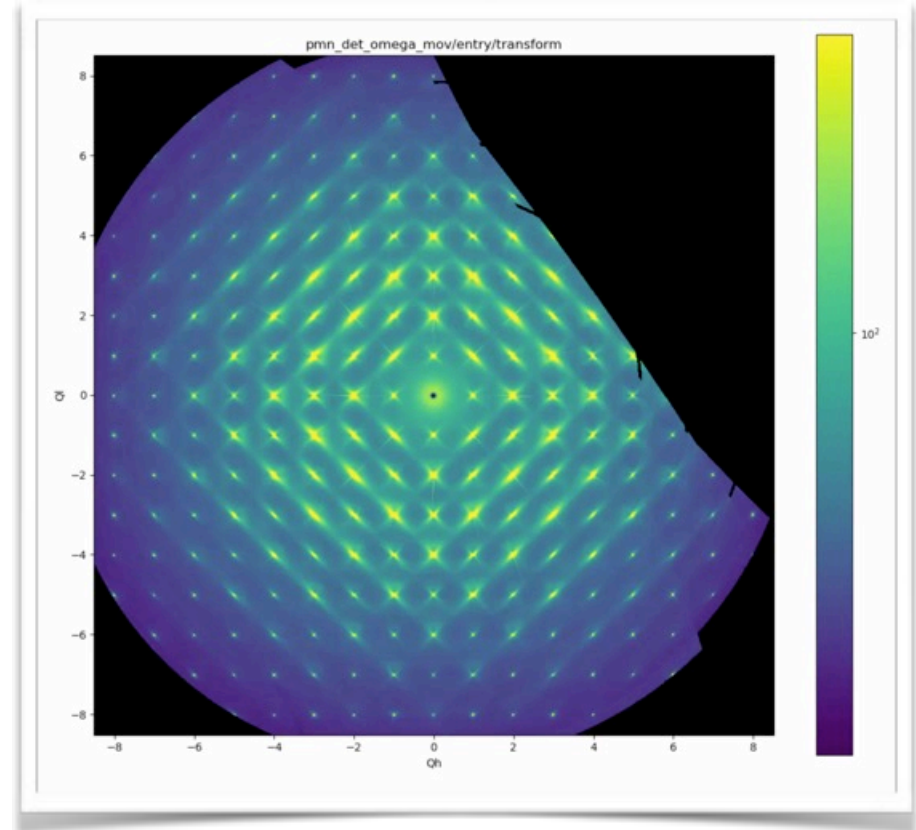
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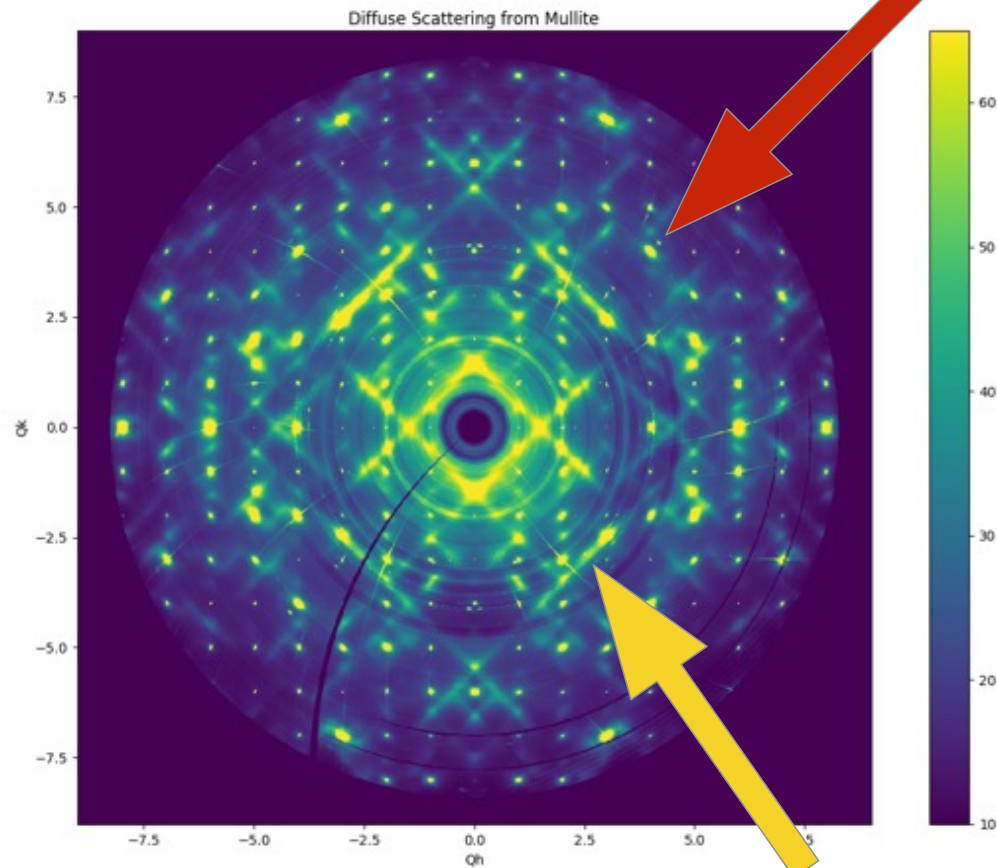
Outline

- ▶ What is diffuse scattering?
 - What does it look like?
 - What causes it?
 - Who started it?
- ▶ What is it good for?
 - A random walk through disordered materials
- ▶ How do I model it?
 - A few equations
 - Rules of thumb
- ▶ Case Study 1: Diffuse scattering from vacancies in mullite
- ▶ Case Study 2: 3D- Δ PDF in sodium-intercalated V_2O_5
- ▶ How do I look at static disorder? *Hint: Corelli*
 - Neutrons vs X-rays
 - Diffuse scattering with elastic discrimination
- ▶ Diffuse scattering - the musical



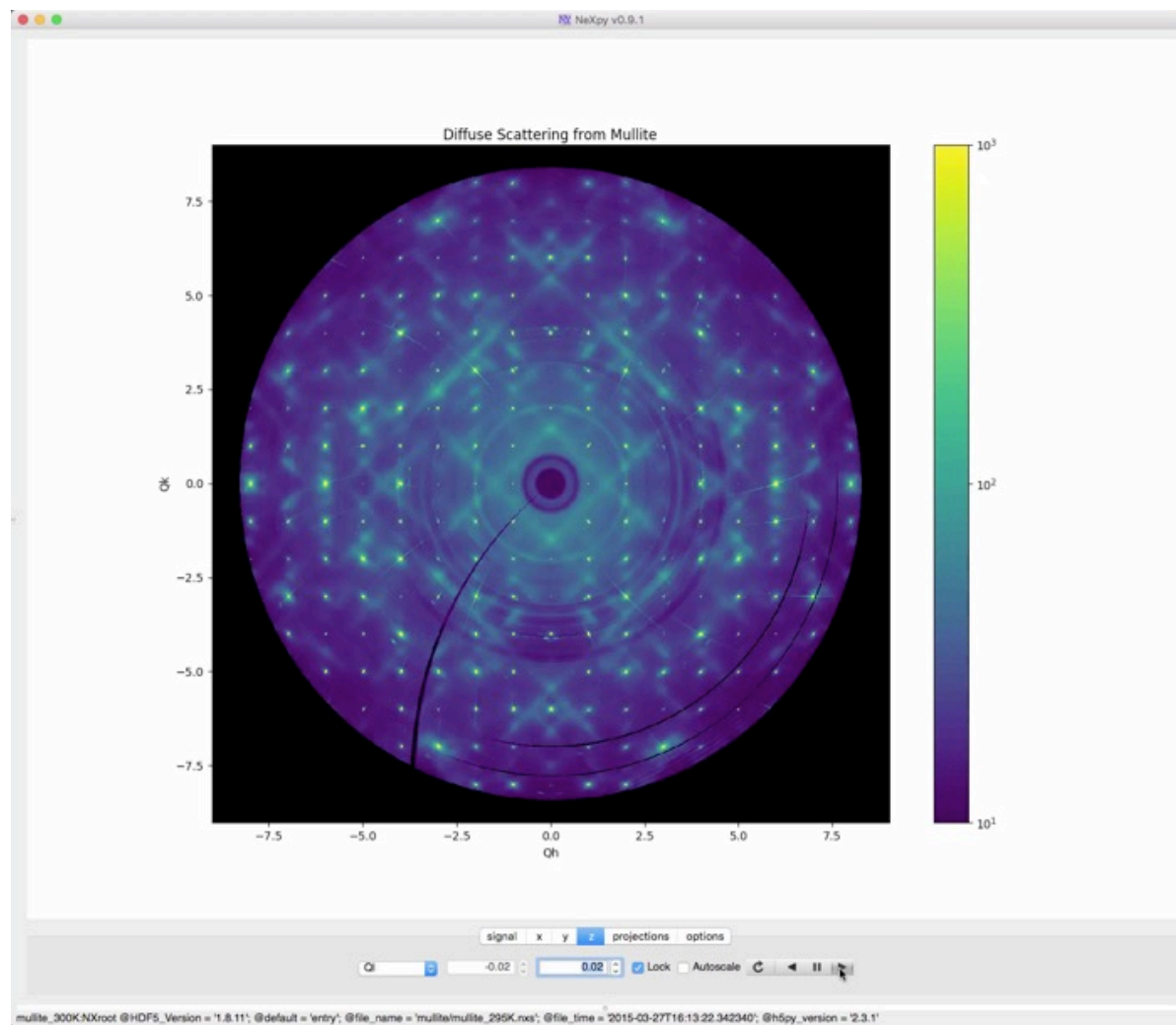
Diffuse Scattering

Bragg Scattering
Average Structure



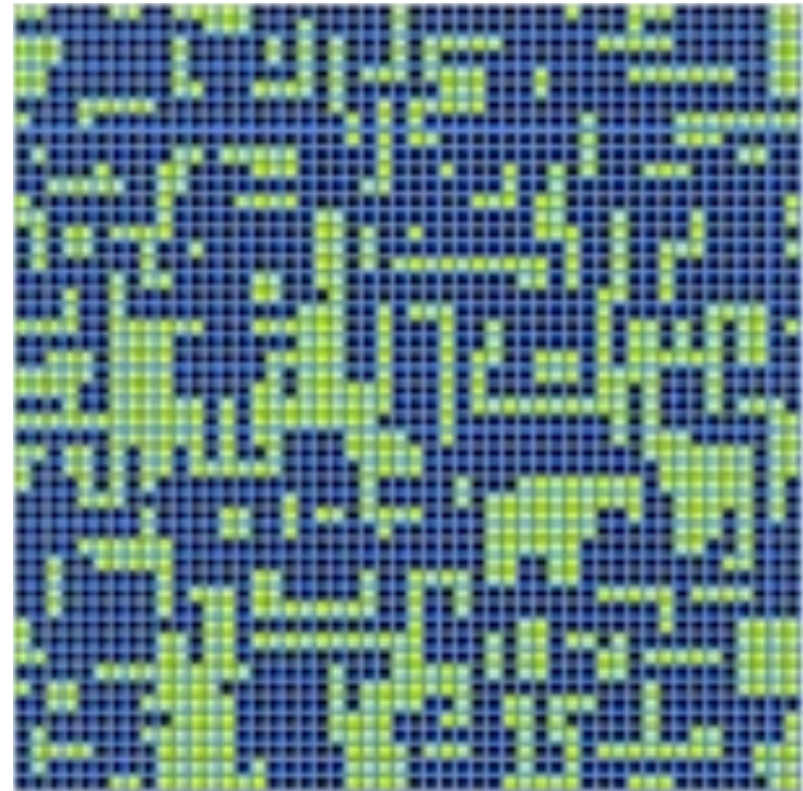
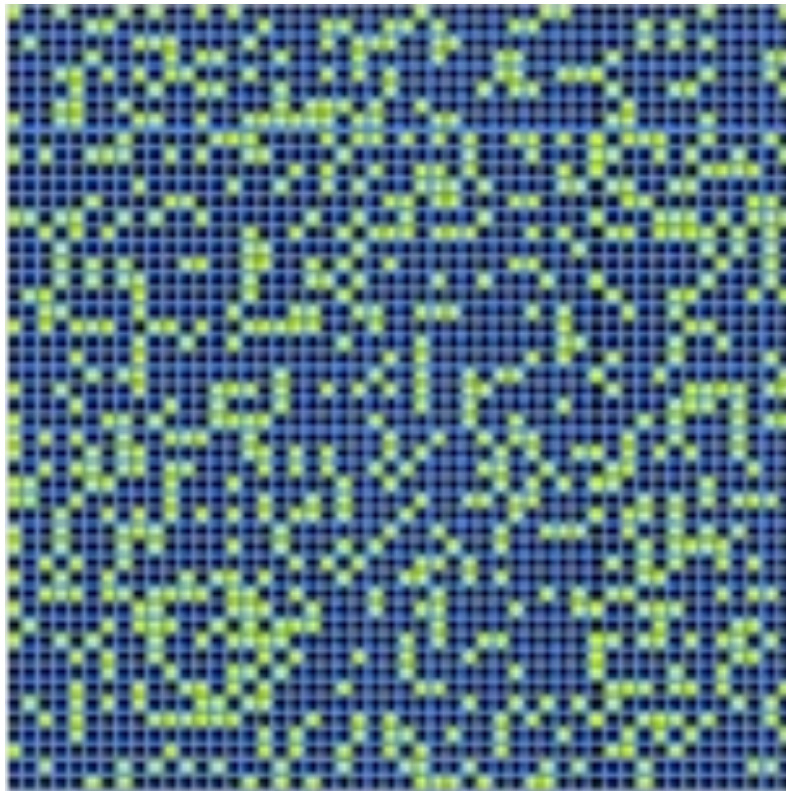
Diffuse Scattering
Deviations from the Average Structure

Single Crystal Diffuse Scattering in 3D



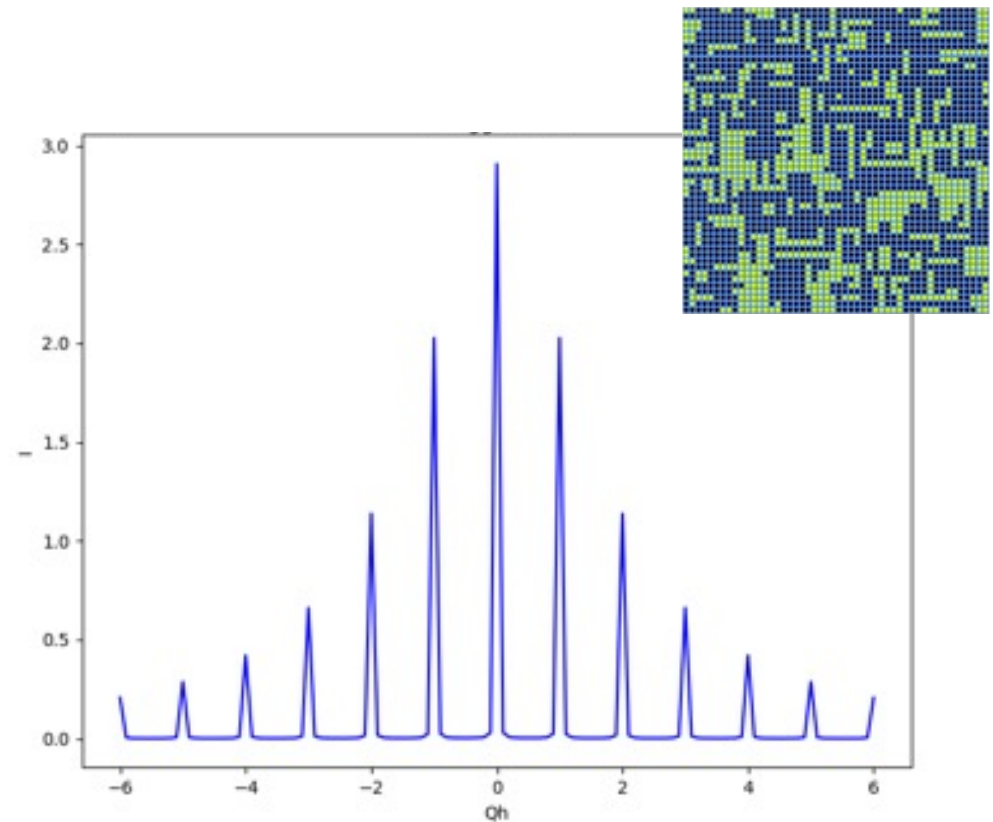
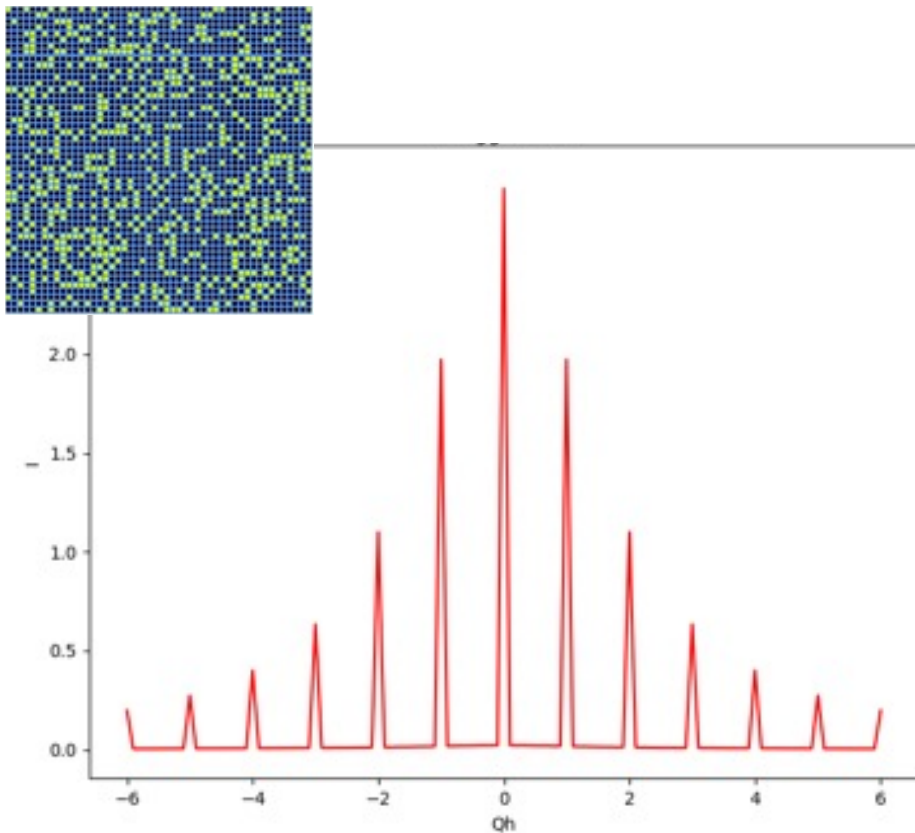
Simple Example of Disorder

- ▶ In these examples, 30% of atoms (blue dots) have been replaced by vacancies (green dots)
 - Left-Hand-Side: random substitution
 - Right-Hand-Side: high probability of vacancy clusters
 - Thanks to Thomas Proffen



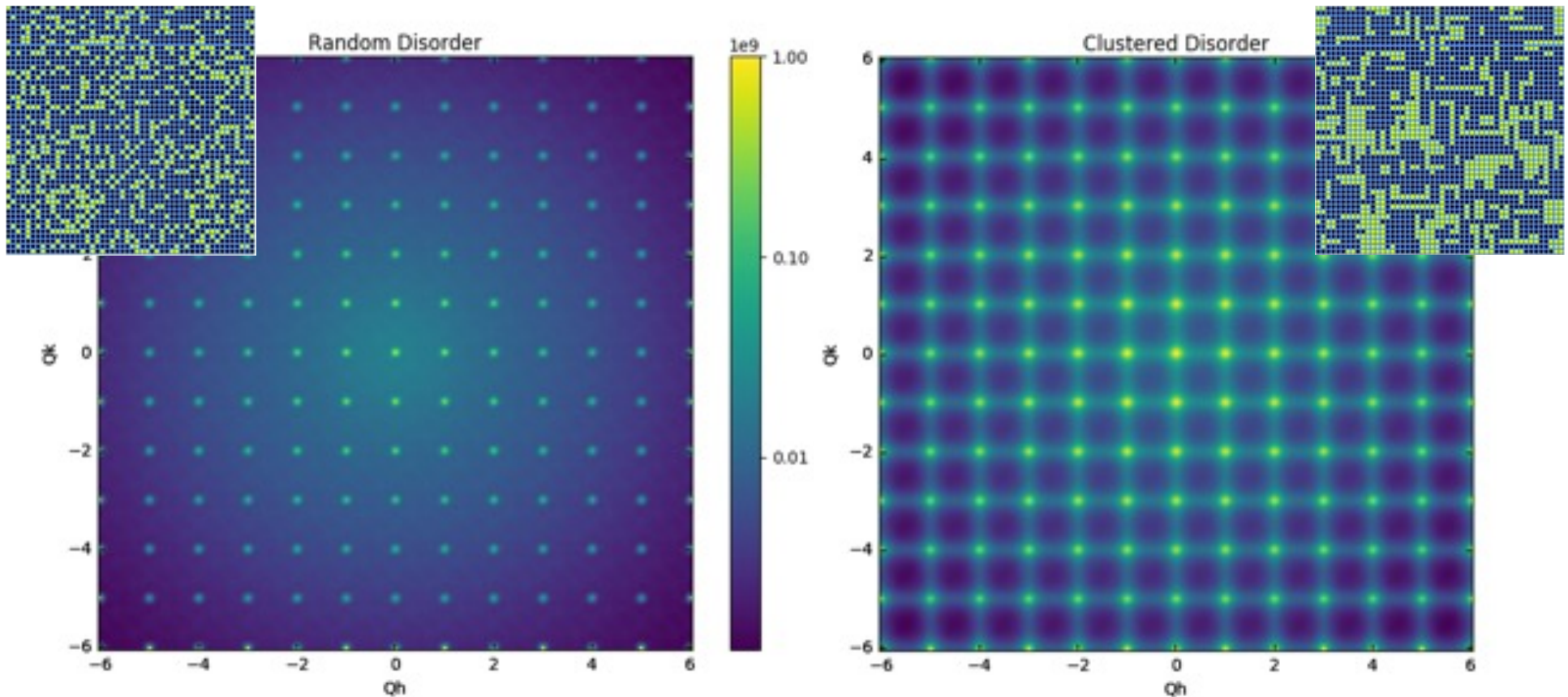
Bragg Scattering

- ▶ Bragg scattering is determined by the average structure.
 - Since the average vacancy occupation is identical, both examples have identical Bragg peaks

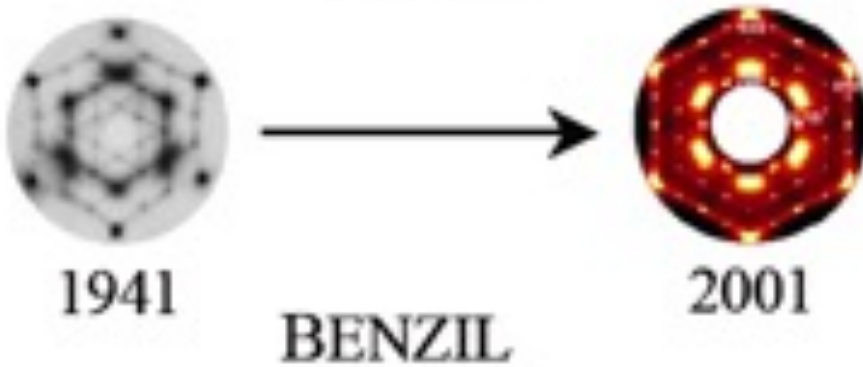


Diffuse Scattering

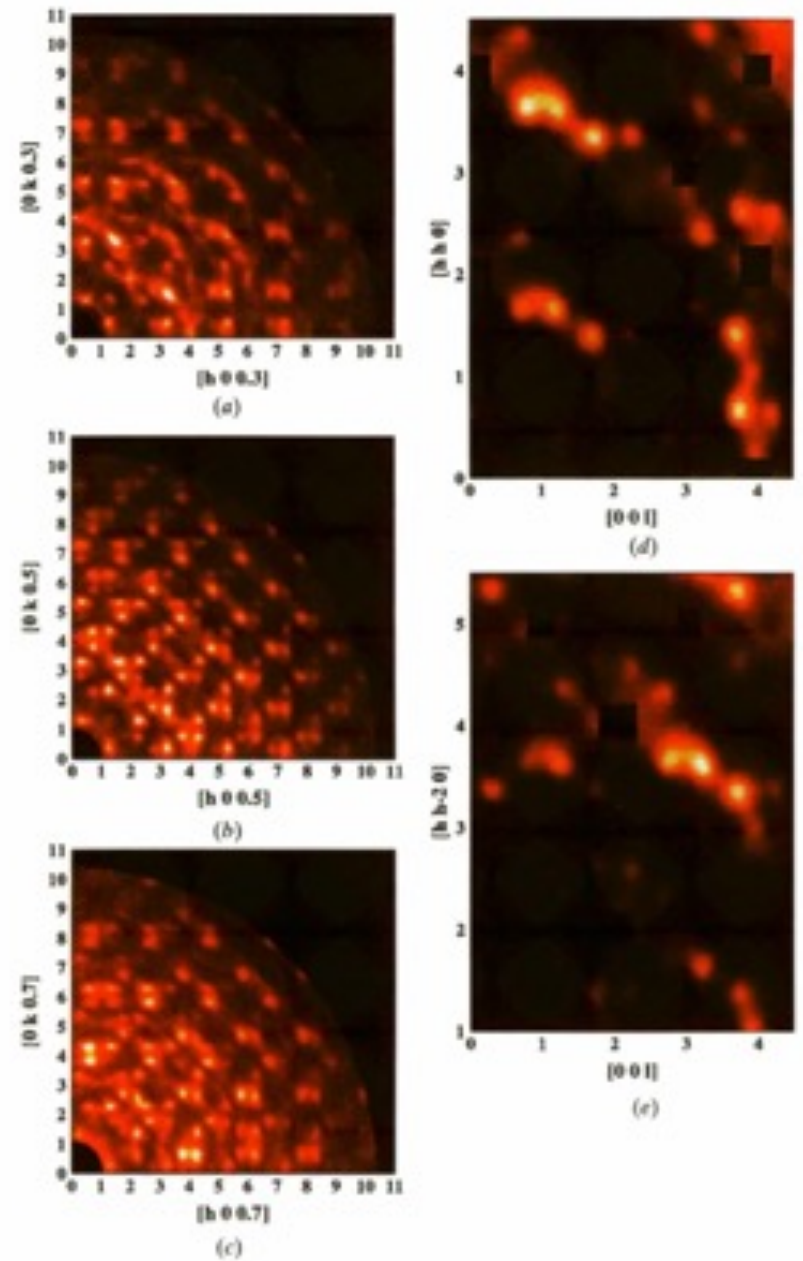
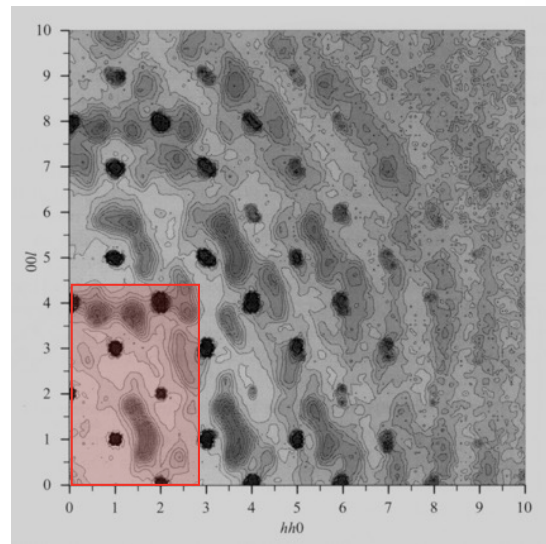
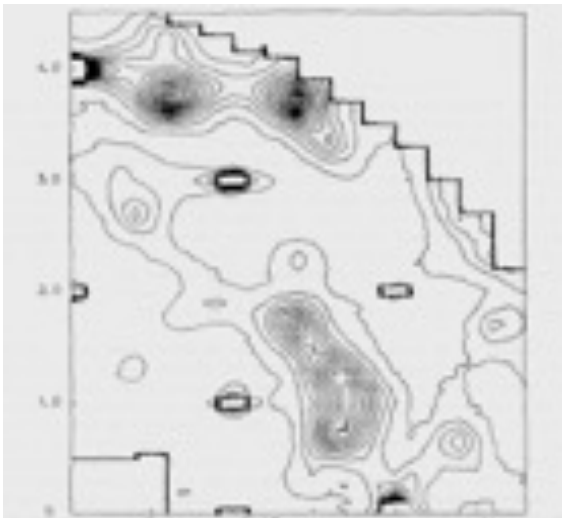
- ▶ The diffuse scattering is quite different in the two examples
 - Random vacancy distributions lead to a constant background (Laue monotonic scattering)
 - Vacancy clusters produce rods of diffuse scattering connecting the Bragg peaks



An Ultra-Short History of Advances in Diffuse Scattering



Yttria-Stabilized Zirconia



T. Proffen and T. R. Welberry J. Appl. Cryst. **31**, 318 (1998)

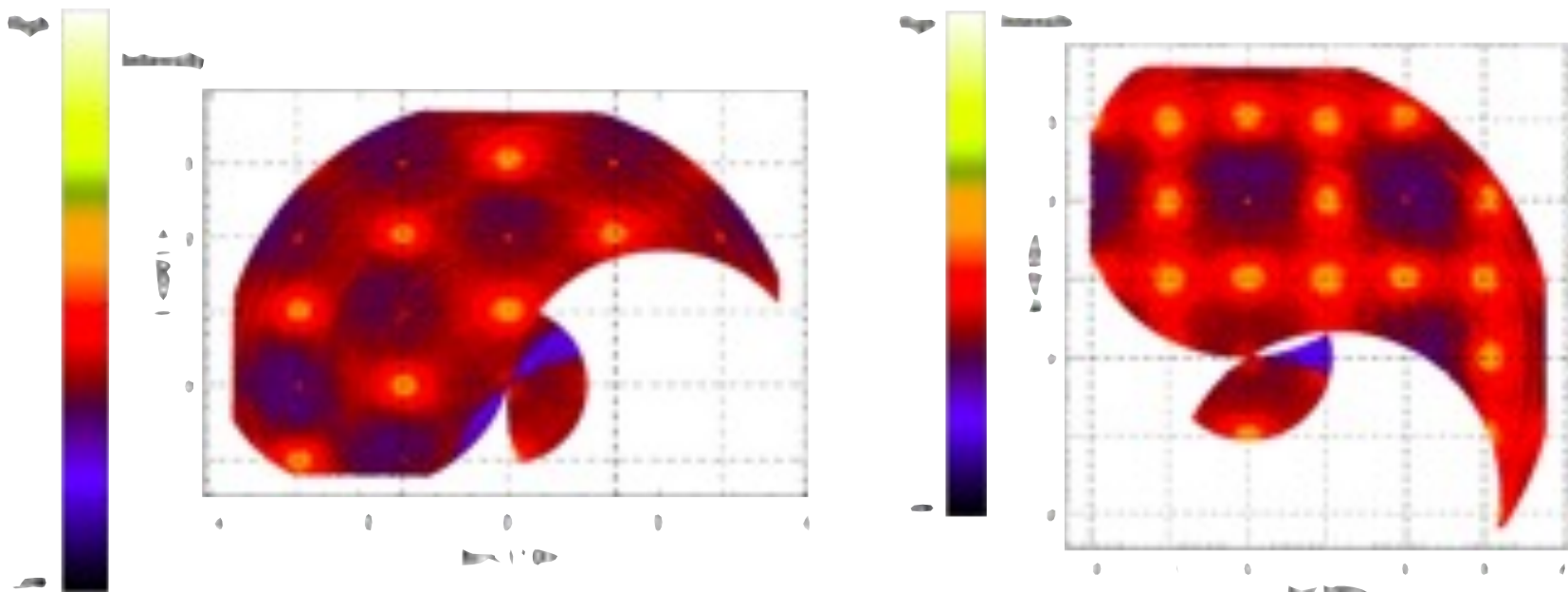
What is it good for?

Science Impacted by Diffuse Scattering

- ▶ Subjects identified at the *Workshop on Single Crystal Diffuse Scattering at Pulsed Neutron Sources*
 - Stripes in cuprate superconductors
 - Orbital correlations in transition metal oxides (including CMR)
 - Nanodomains in relaxor ferroelectrics
 - Defect correlations in fast-ion conductors
 - Geometrically frustrated systems
 - Critical fluctuations at quantum phase transitions
 - Orientational disorder in molecular crystals
 - Rigid unit modes in framework structures
 - Quasicrystals
 - Atomic and magnetic defects in metallic alloys
 - Molecular magnets
 - Defect correlations in doped semiconductors
 - Microporous and mesoporous compounds
 - Host-guest systems
 - Hydrogen-bearing materials
 - Soft matter - protein configurational disorder using polarization analysis of spin-incoherence
 - Low-dimensional systems
 - Intercalates
 - Structural phase transitions in geological materials

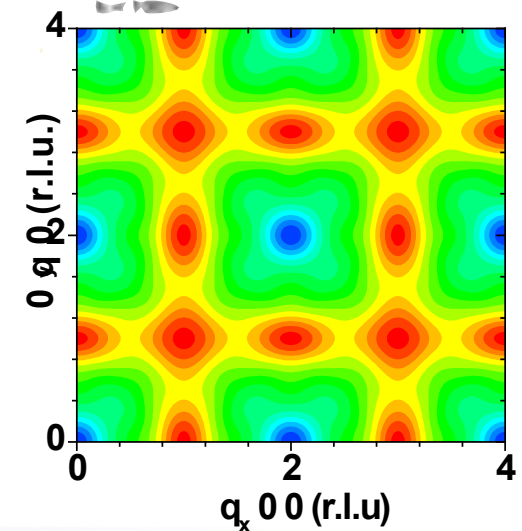


Diffuse Scattering from Metallic Alloys

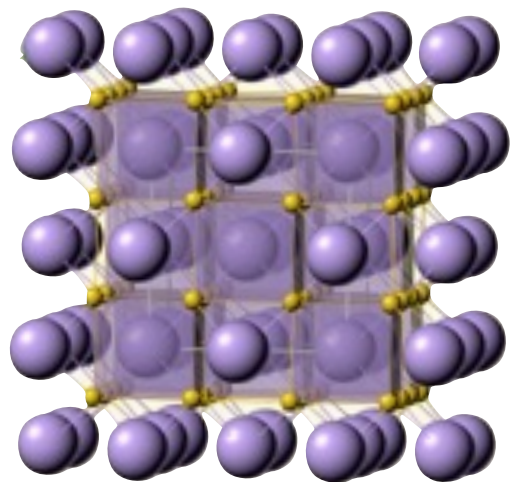


Short-range Order in Null Matrix $^{62}\text{Ni}_{0.52}\text{Pt}_{0.52}$

J. A. Rodriguez, S. C. Moss, J. L. Robertson, J. R. D. Copley, D. A. Neumann,
and J. Major
Phys. Rev. B **74**, 104115

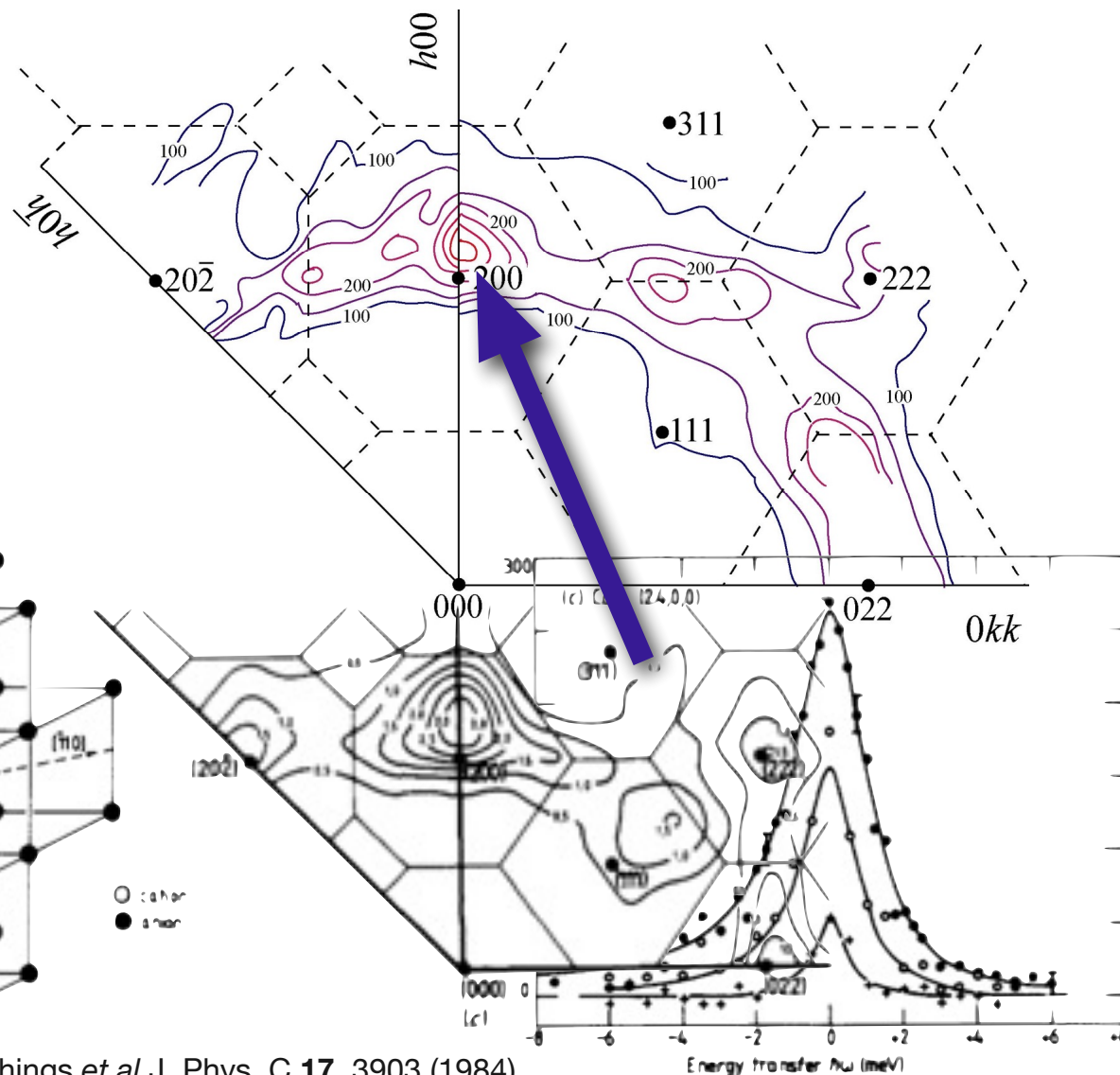
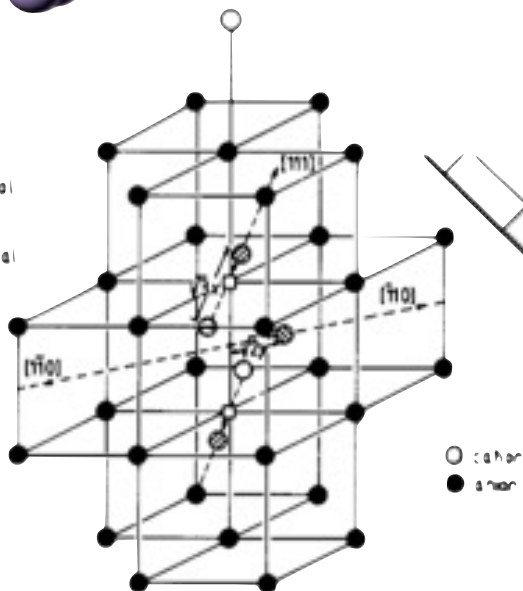


Diffuse Scattering from a Fast-Ion Conductor



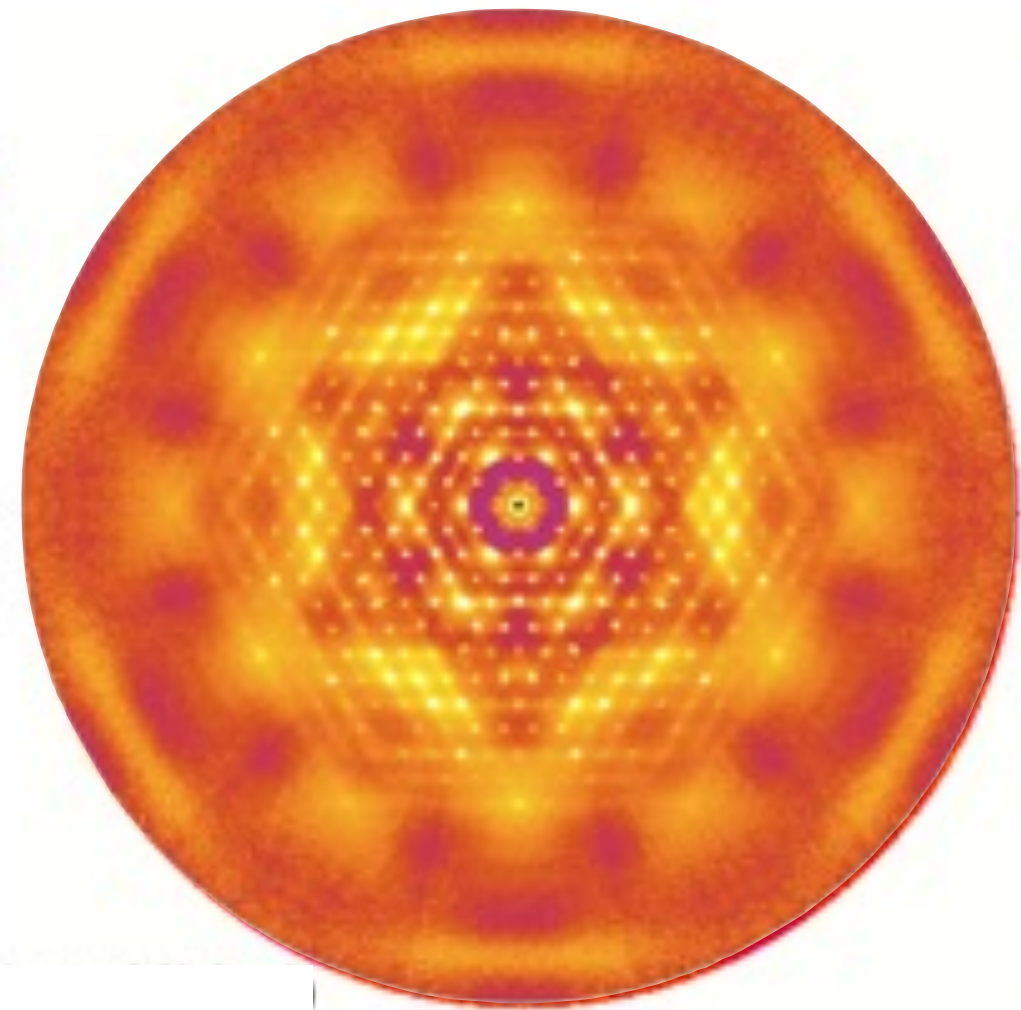
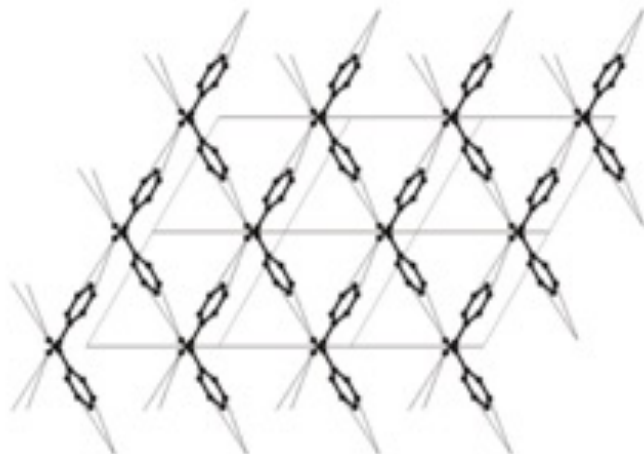
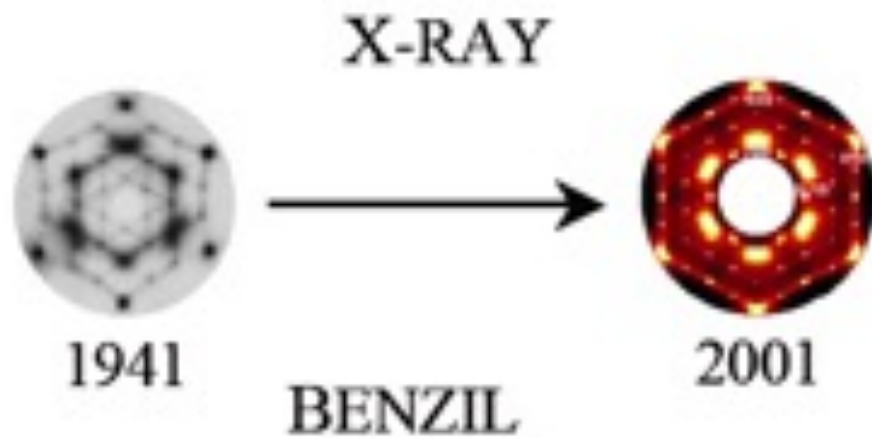
CaF₂

- Frenkel pair
 - vacancy
 - ⊙ interstitial
- Relaxed atom
 - vacancy
 - ⊗ interstitial



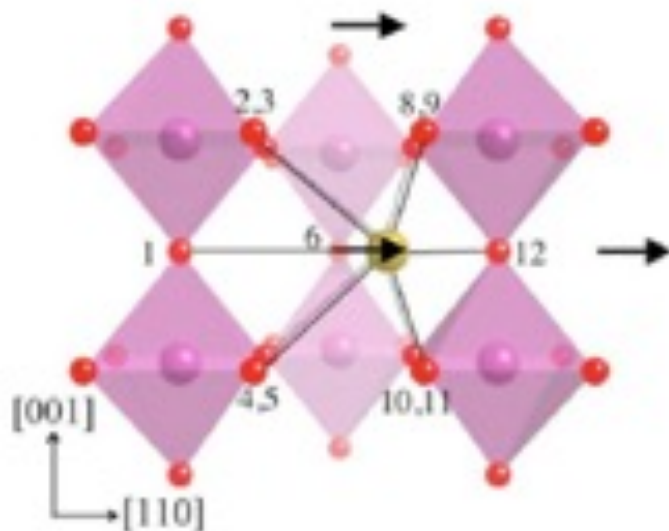
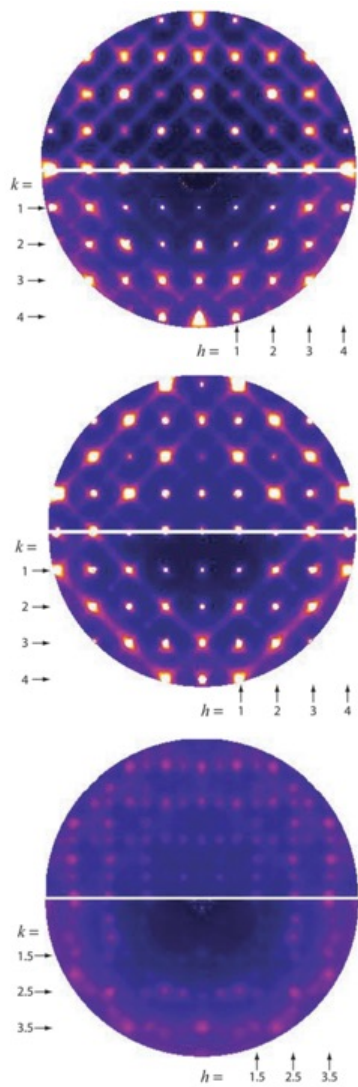
M. T. Hutchings *et al* J. Phys. C **17**, 3903 (1984)

Diffuse Scattering from Molecular Solids

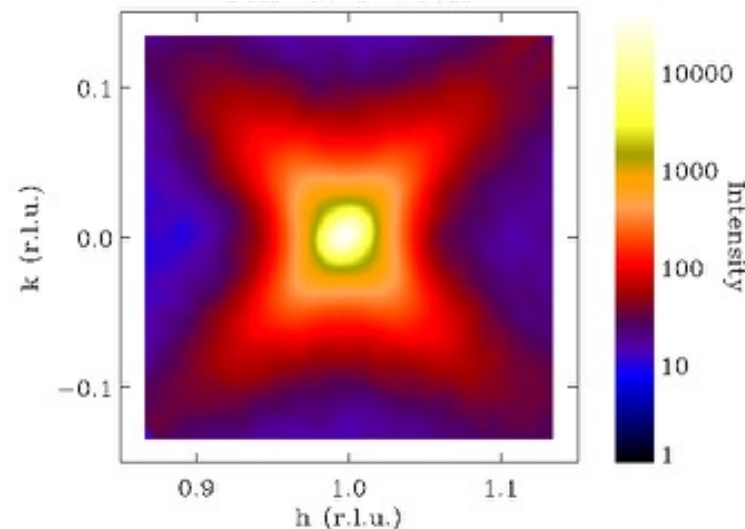


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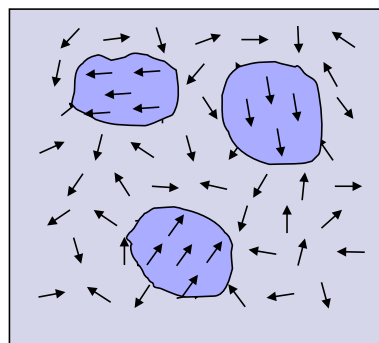
Diffuse Scattering from Relaxor Ferroelectrics



Lead Magnesium-Niobate

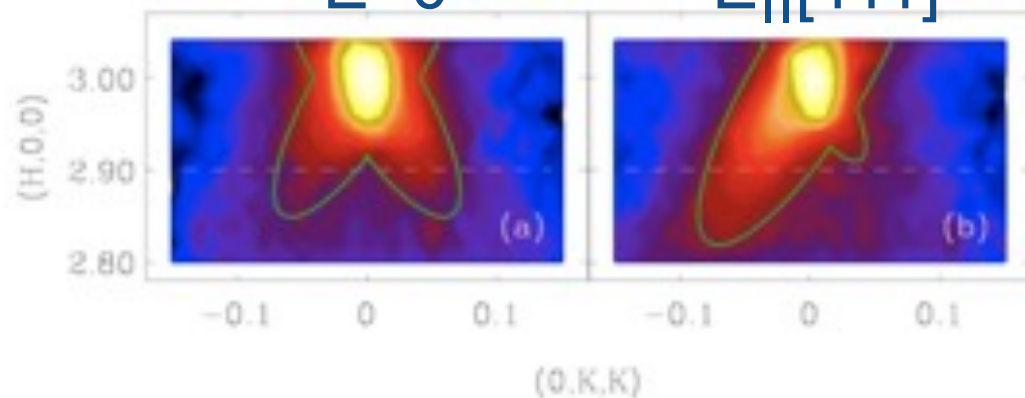


Lead Zinc-Niobate



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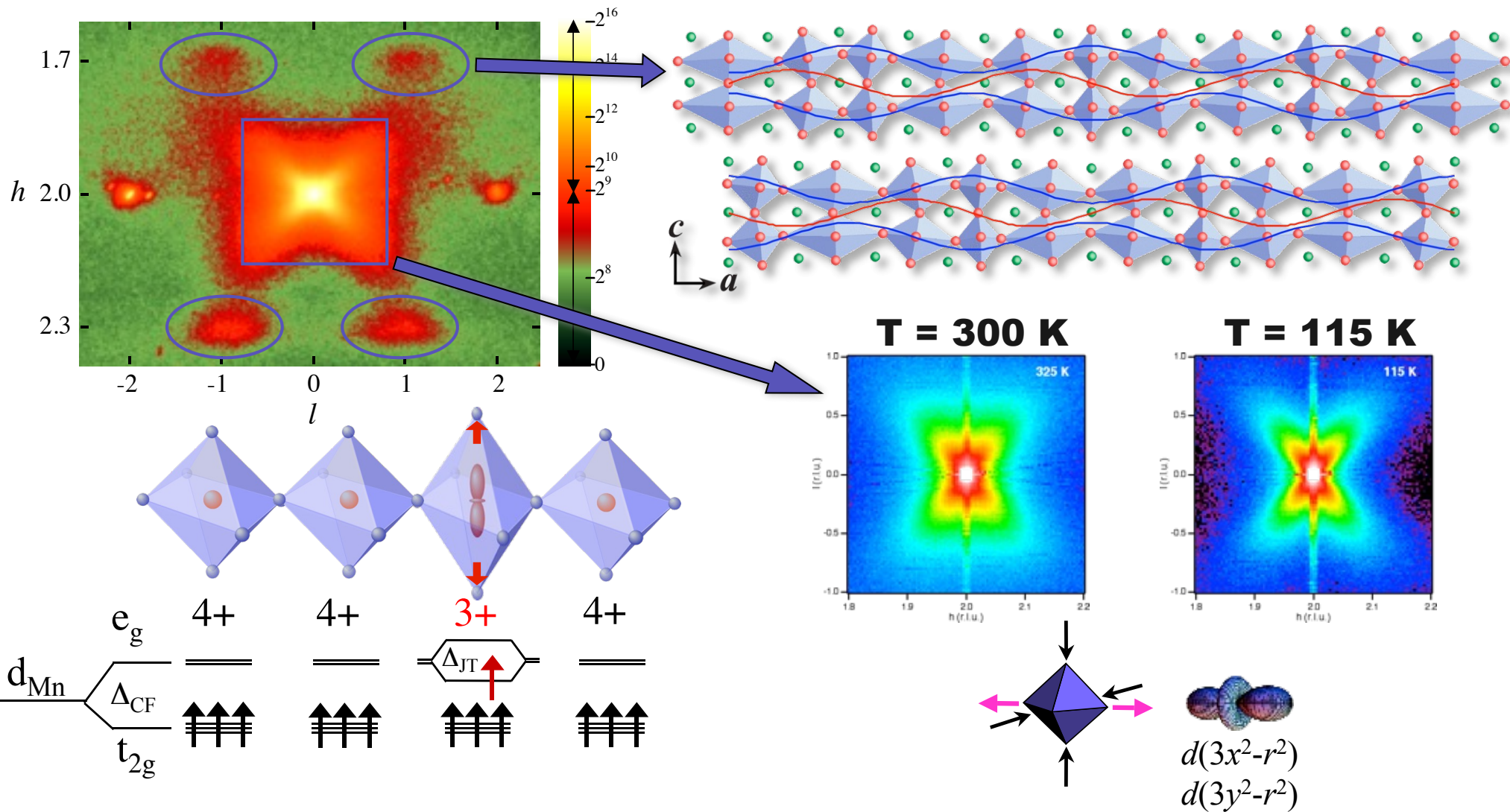
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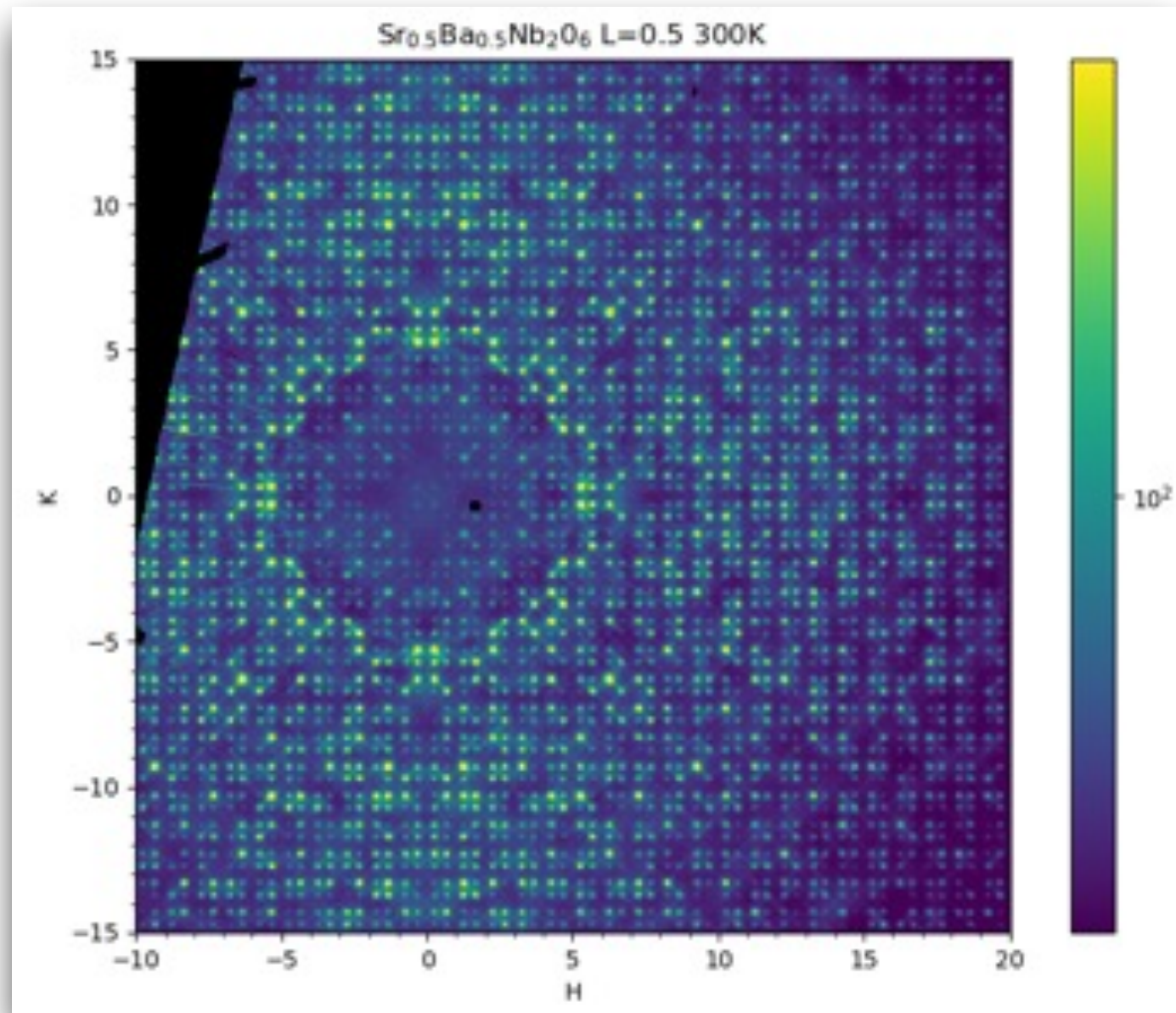
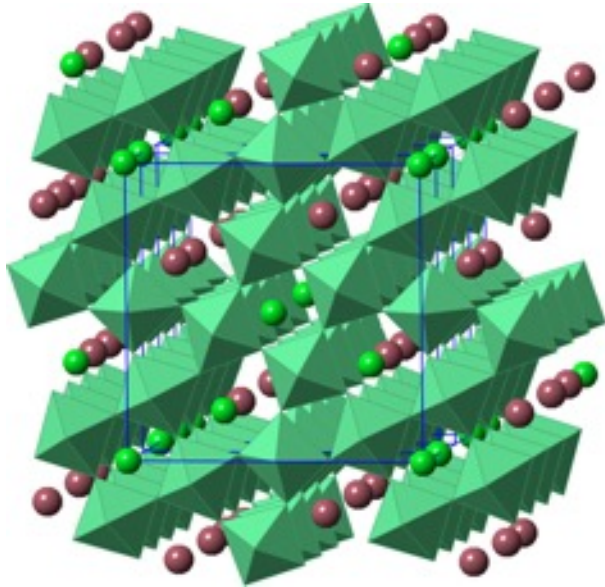
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Diffuse Scattering from Jahn-Teller Polarons

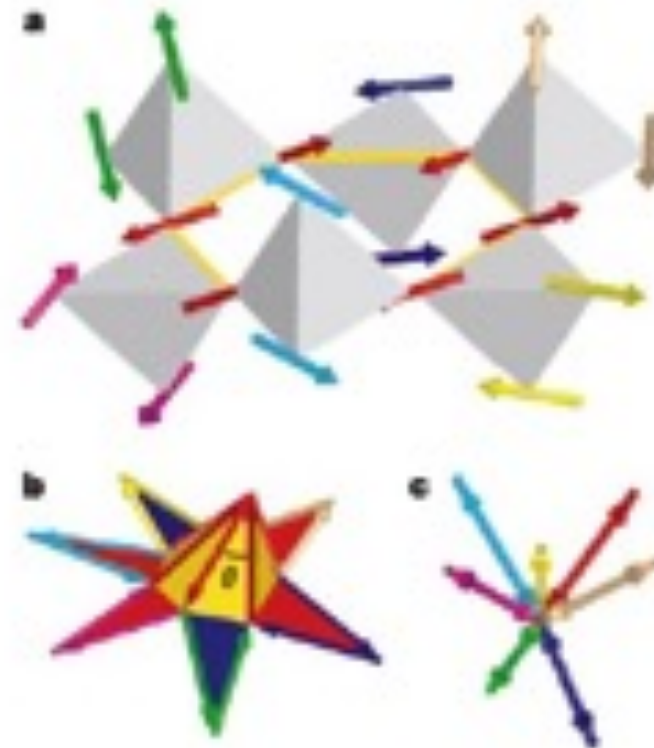
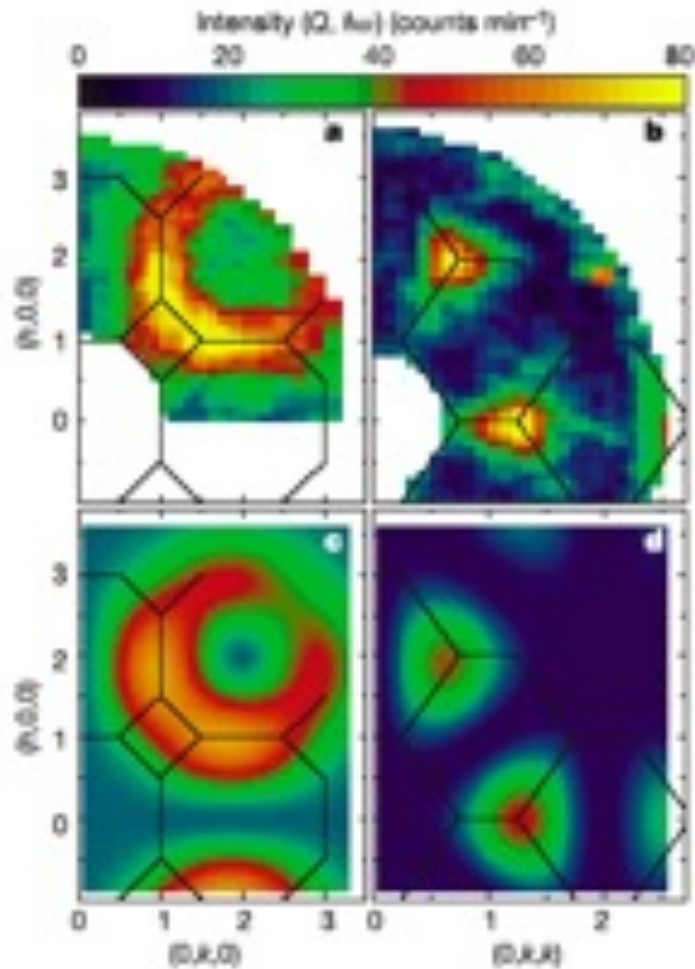


Incommensurate Modulations in $\text{Sr}_{0.5}\text{Ba}_{0.5}\text{NbO}_6$



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Magnetic Diffuse Scattering from Geometric Frustration



S.-H. Lee *et al* Nature **418**, 856 (2002)

How do I model it?



A Few Equations

V. M. Nield and D. A. Keen Diffuse Neutron Scattering From Crystalline Materials (2001)
 T. R. Welberry Diffuse X-ray Scattering and Models of Disorder (2004)

$$I = \sum_i \sum_j b_i b_j \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})$$

▶ Laue Monotonic Diffuse Scattering

$$I = \bar{b}^2 \sum_{ij} \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}) + N(\bar{b}^2 - \bar{b}^2); \quad \bar{b}^2 = (c_A b_A + c_B b_B)^2; \quad \bar{b}^2 = c_A c_B (b_B - b_A)^2$$

▶ Cowley Short-Range Order

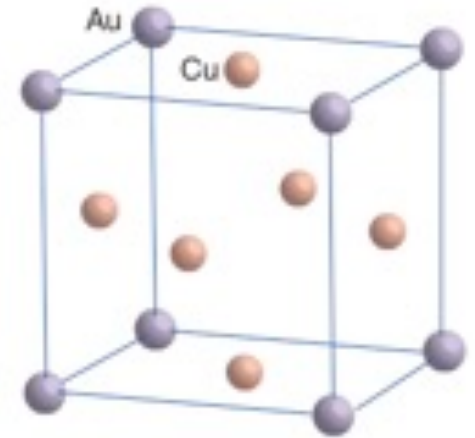
$$I_{diffuse} = N c_A c_B (b_B - b_A)^2 + \sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij} c_B c_A (b_B - b_A)^2 \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}); \quad \alpha_{ij} = \left(1 - \frac{P_{ij}}{c_j}\right)$$

▶ Warren Size Effect

$$I_{diffuse} = N c_A c_B (b_B - b_A)^2 \left(1 + \sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij} \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}) + \beta_{ij} \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})\right); \quad \beta_{ij} = f(\epsilon_{AA}^{ij}, \epsilon_{BB}^{ij})$$

▶ Borie and Sparks Correlations

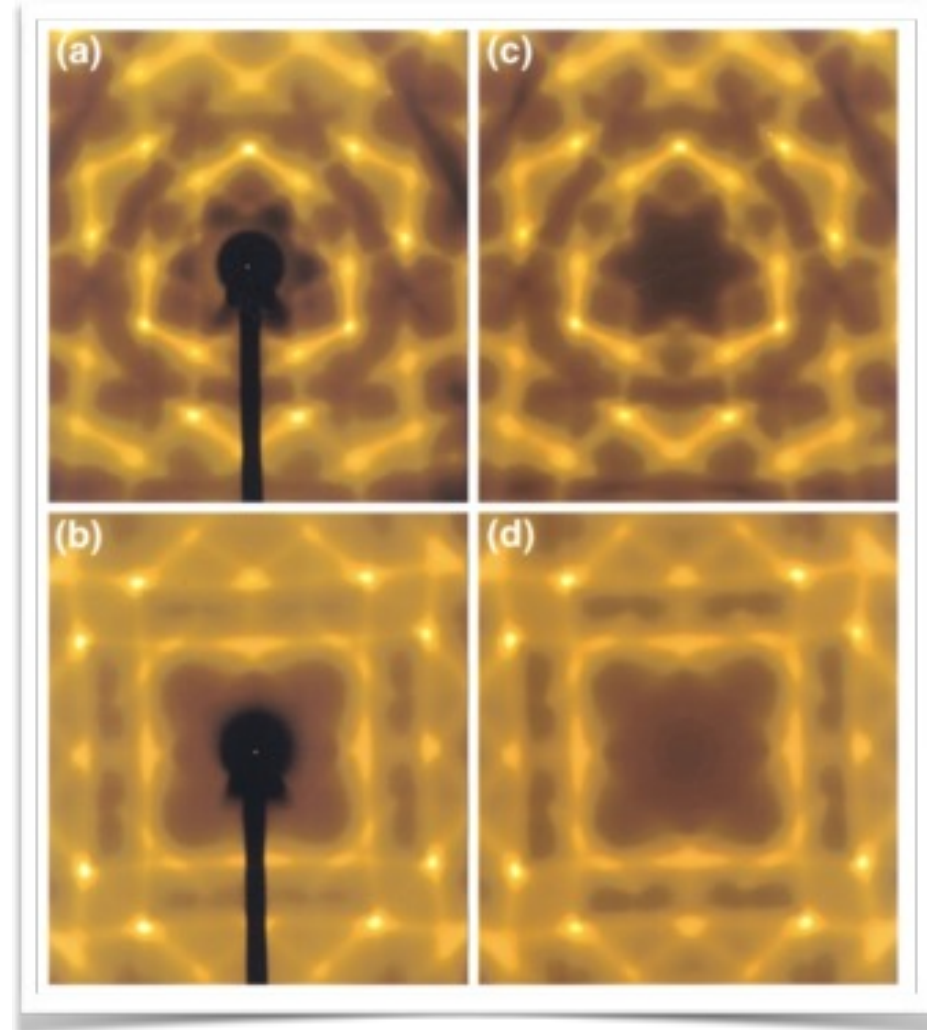
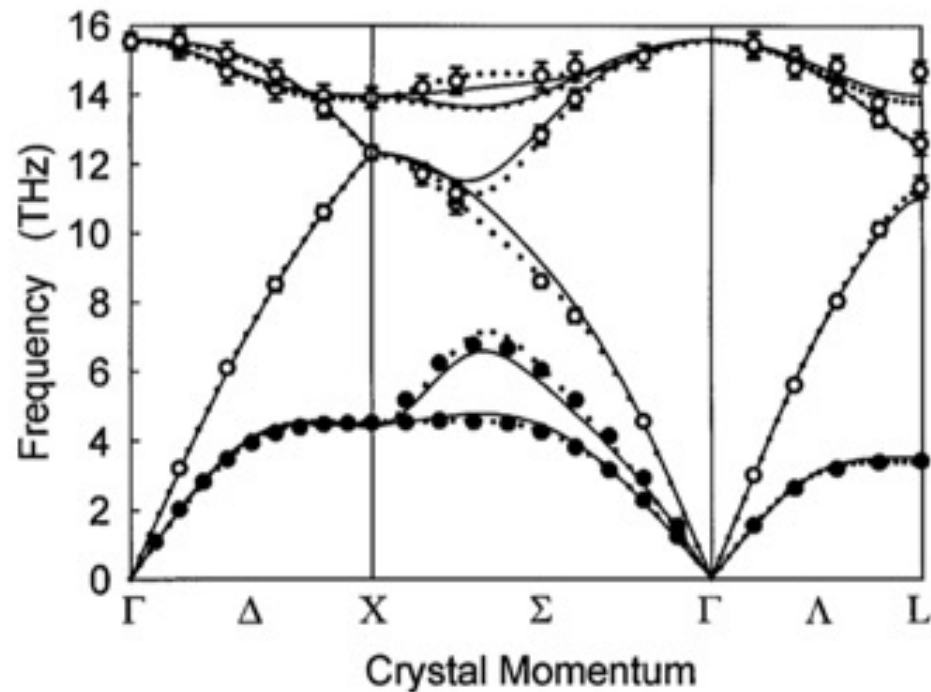
$$I = \sum_i \sum_j b_i b_j \exp(i\mathbf{Q} \cdot (\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j)) \left[1 + i\mathbf{Q} \cdot (\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j) - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{Q} \cdot (\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j))^2 + \dots\right]$$



J. M. Cowley, J. Appl. Phys. 21, 24 (1950)

Thermal Diffuse Scattering

- ▶ Lattice vibrations produce deviations from the average structure even in perfect crystals
- ▶ X-ray scattering intensity is given by the integral over all the phonon branches at each \mathbf{Q}



$$I_0 \propto f^2 e^{-2M} \sum_{j=1}^6 \frac{|\mathbf{q} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j|^2}{\omega_j} \coth\left(\frac{\hbar\omega_j}{2k_B T}\right).$$

M. Holt, *et al*, Phys Rev Lett **83**, 3317 (1999).

Some Rules of Thumb (*thanks to Hans Beat Bürgi*)

Reciprocal space

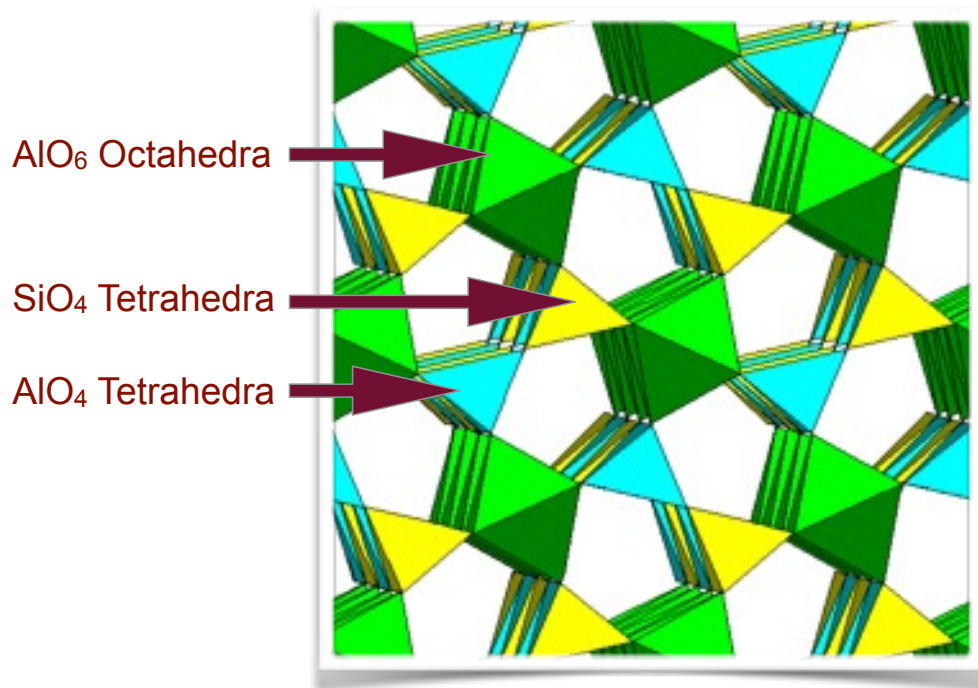
Direct space

- ▶ Only sharp Bragg reflections → ▶ 3D-periodic structure
 - ▶ no defects
- ▶ Sharp diffuse rods → ▶ 2D-periodic structure
 - ▶ perpendicular to the streaks
 - ▶ disordered in streak directions
- ▶ Sharp diffuse planes → ▶ 1D-periodic structure
 - ▶ perpendicular to the planes
 - ▶ disordered within the plane
- ▶ Diffuse clouds → ▶ 0D-periodic structure
 - ▶ no fully ordered direction

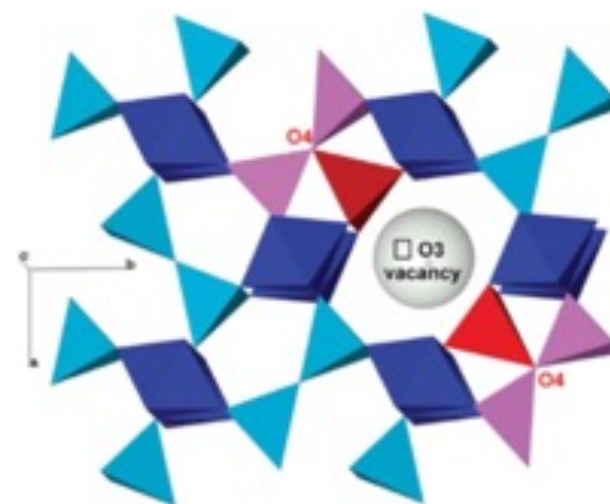
Case Study 1: Mullite

Mullite - A Case Study

- ▶ Mullite is a ceramic that is formed by adding O^{2+} vacancies to Sillimanite
 - Sillimanite has alternating AlO_4 and SiO_4 tetrahedra
 - Mullite has excess Al^{3+} occupying Si^{2+} sites for charge balance
- ▶ This results in strong vacancy-vacancy correlations

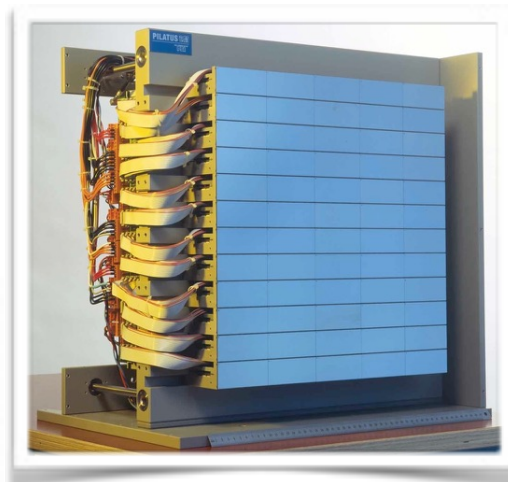
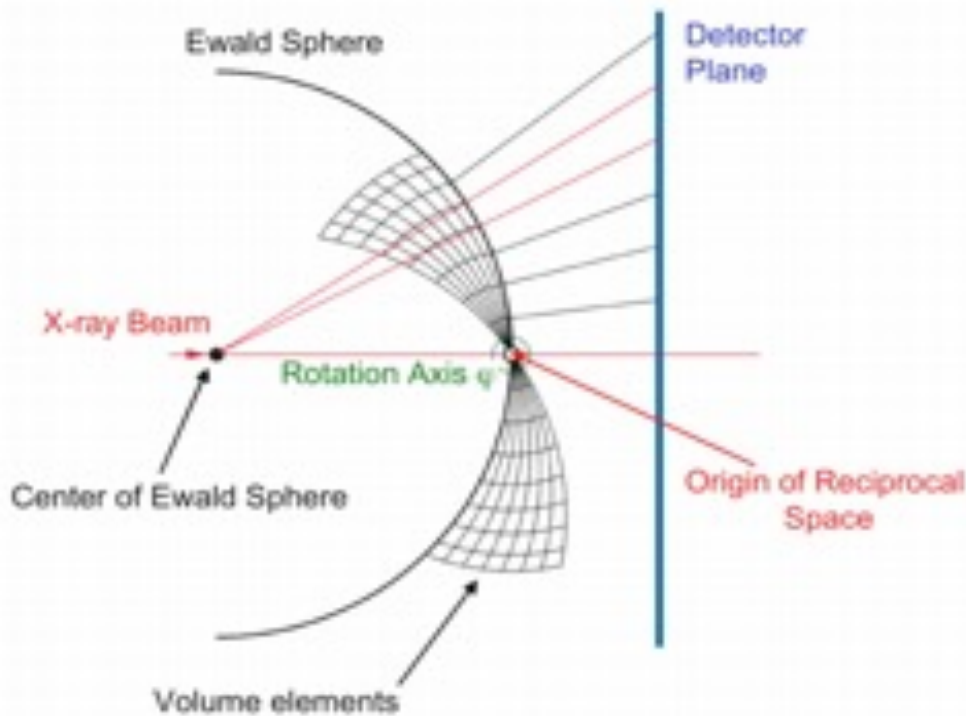
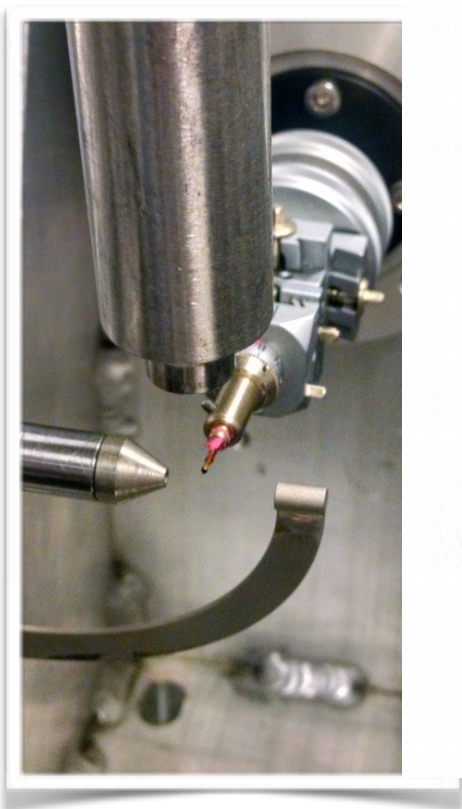


Sillimanite: Al_2SiO_5

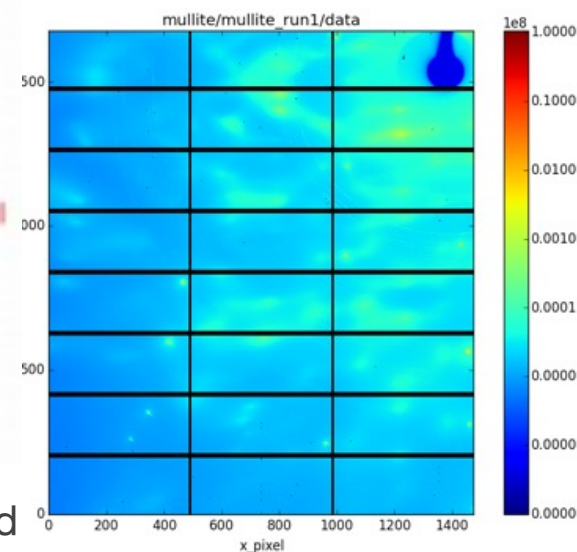


Mullite: $Al_2(Al_{2+2x}Si_{2-2x})O_{10+x}$

Measuring X-ray Diffuse Scattering with Continuous Rotation Method



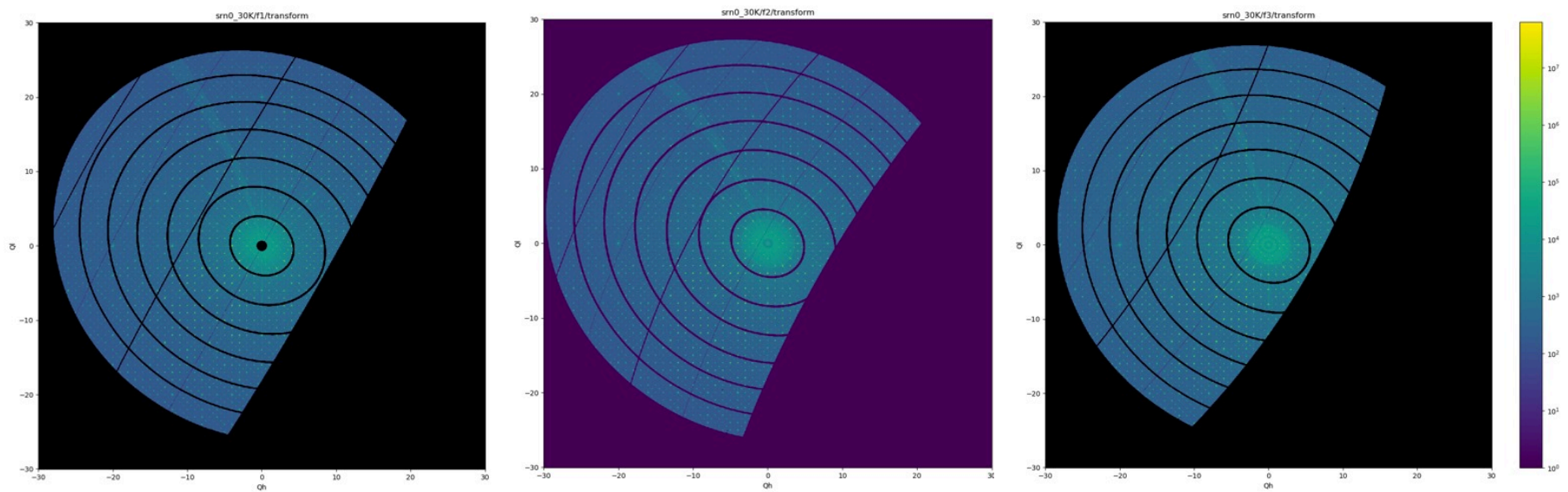
Pilatus 2M Detector



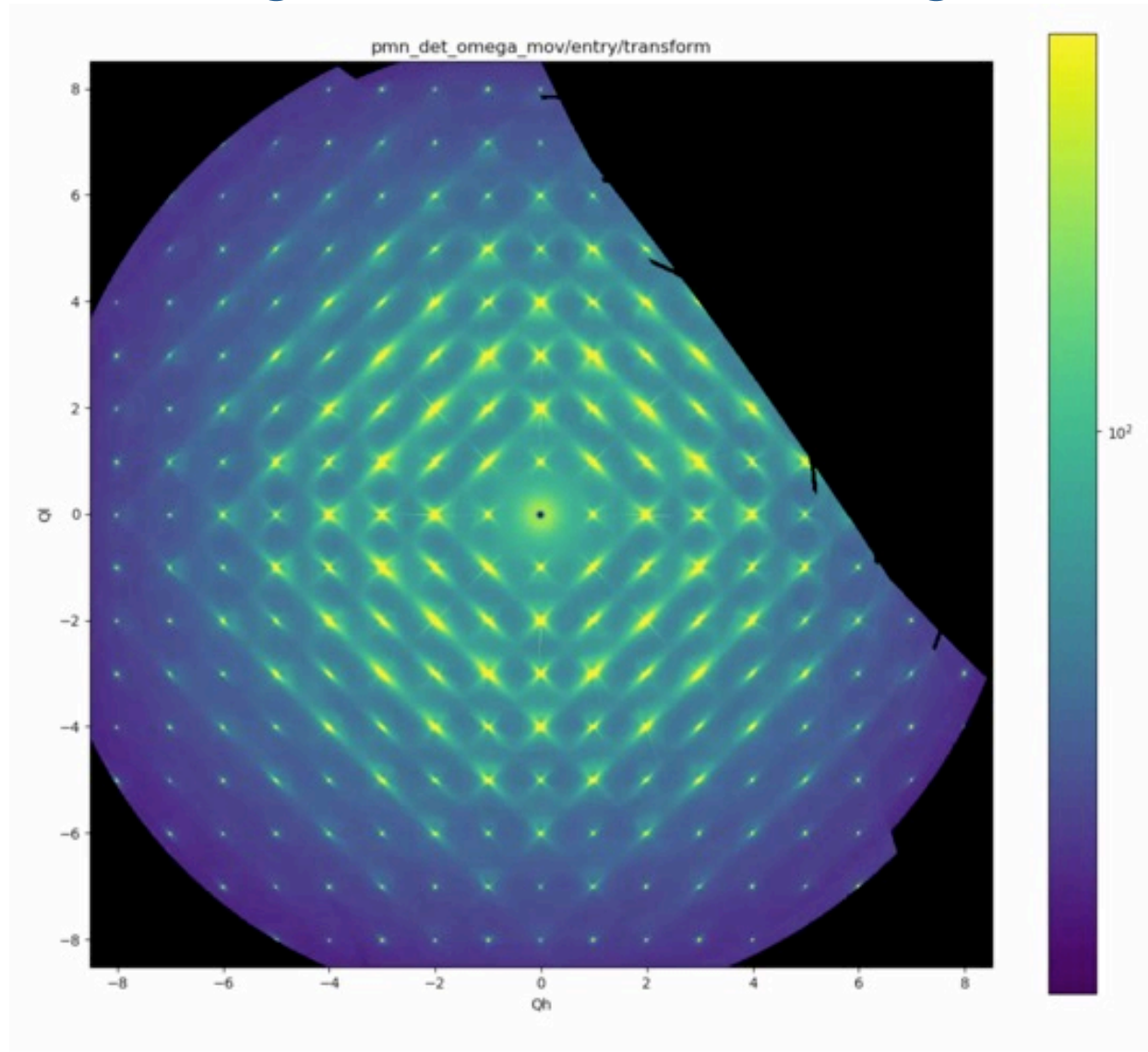
- ▶ The sample is continuously rotated in shutterless mode at 1° per second
- ▶ A fast area detector (e.g., a Pilatus 2M) acquires images at 10 frames per second
 - i.e., 3600 x 8MB frames ~ 30GB every 6 minutes
- ▶ The detector needs low background, high dynamic range, and energy discrimination
 - Ideally, this is performed with high-energy x-rays, e.g., 80 to 100 keV

Experiment Workflow

- ▶ Powder calibration to determine detector distance, centers, and tilts
- ▶ Bragg peak search to optimize the sample/detector geometry
- ▶ Determine the orientation matrix
- ▶ Perform coordinate transformation at each detector position
- ▶ Merge the three transforms

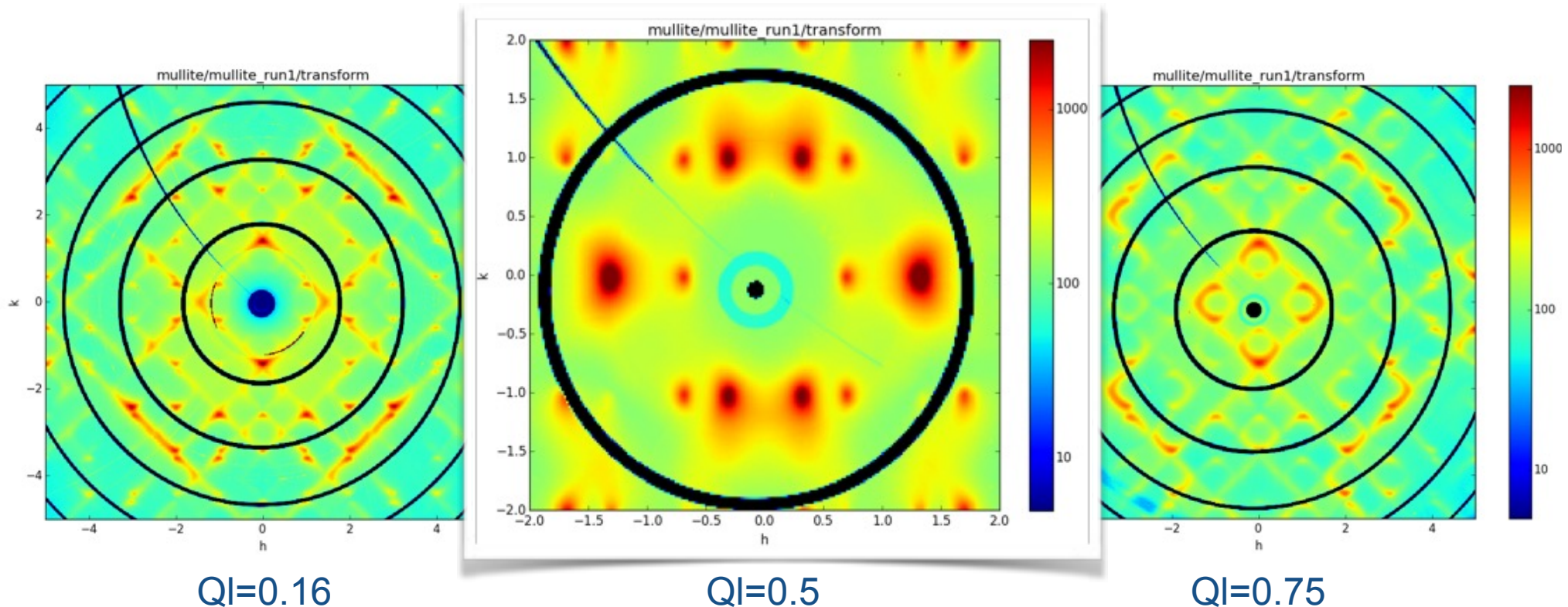


Diffuse Scattering in the Relaxor $\text{PbMg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{O}_3$



3D Diffuse Scattering in Mullite

- ▶ There is strong diffuse scattering throughout reciprocal space
- ▶ The shape of the diffuse scattering is strongly dependent on the value of QI
- ▶ There are incipient superlattice peaks at $\mathbf{Q} = 0.5 c^* + 0.31 a^*$



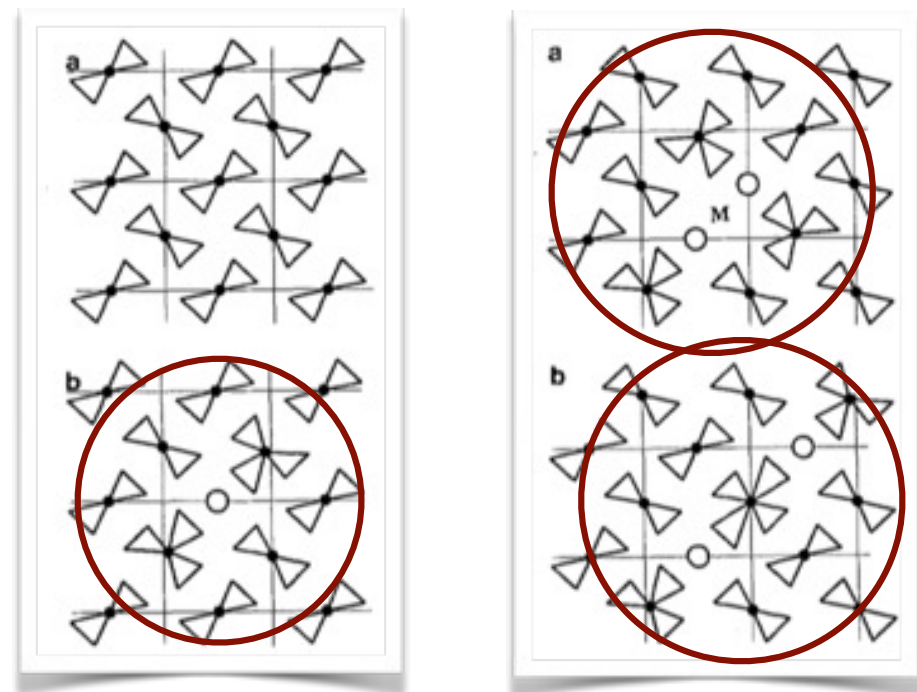
Monte Carlo Analysis

- ▶ In a classic analysis, Richard Welberry and colleagues developed a set of interaction energies to model mullite disorder
- ▶ Interaction energies were initialized:
 - ▶ insights from chemical intuition
 - ▶ insights from the measured diffuse scattering
- ▶ The diffuse scattering was calculated using a Monte Carlo algorithm to generate vacancy distributions first in 2D slices and then in 3D

$$P_i = \frac{e^{-V_i}}{1 + e^{-V_i}},$$

where,

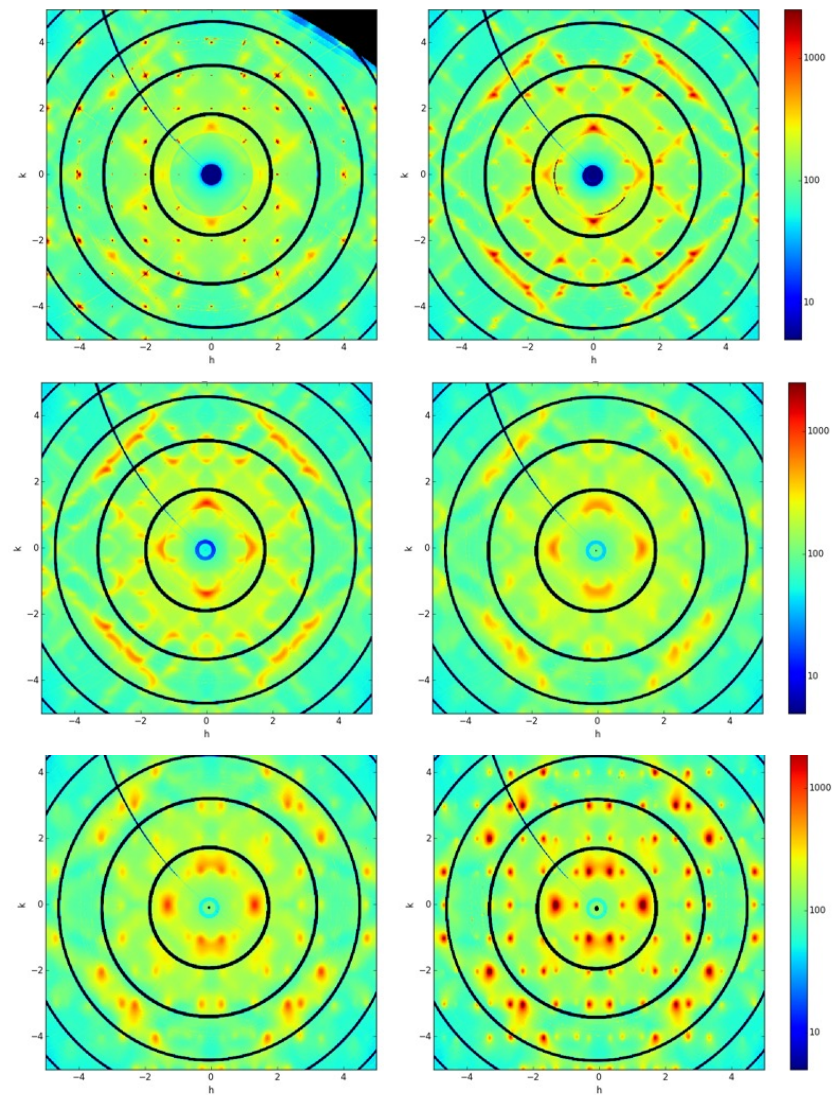
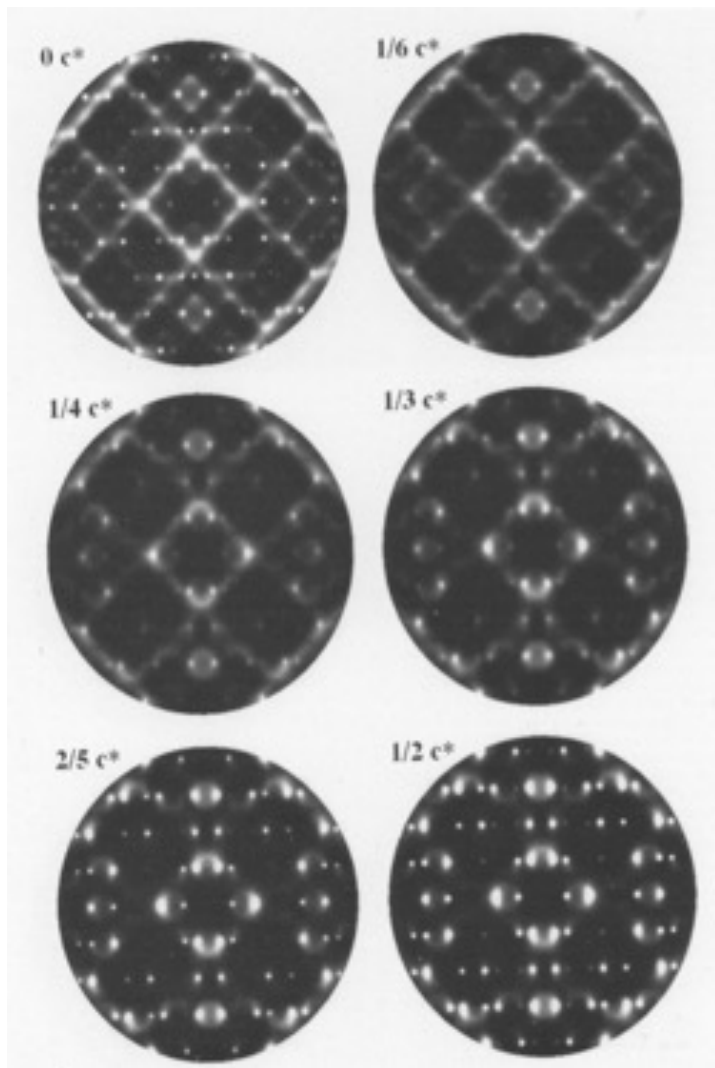
$$V_i = \frac{j}{kT} + \frac{(N_v - N_v^o)^2}{N_v^o} \text{sgn}(N_v - N_v^o).$$



| Interatomic vector | α_{lmn} | Interatomic vector | α_{lmn} |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| $\frac{1}{2}\langle 1\ 1\ 0 \rangle$ | -0.24 | $\langle 0\ 2\ 0 \rangle$ | +0.13 |
| $[1\ 1\ 0]$ | -0.23 | $\frac{1}{2}\langle 3\ 1\ 0 \rangle$ | +0.22 |
| $[1\ -1\ 0]$ | -0.05 | $\frac{1}{2}\langle 1\ 3\ 0 \rangle$ | -0.01 |
| $\langle 1\ 0\ 0 \rangle$ | -0.06 | $\langle 1\ 0\ 1 \rangle$ | +0.07 |
| $\langle 0\ 1\ 0 \rangle$ | +0.22 | $\langle 0\ 1\ 1 \rangle$ | -0.12 |
| $\langle 0\ 0\ 1 \rangle$ | -0.03 | $\frac{1}{2}\langle 3\ 3\ 0 \rangle$ | +0.17 |
| $\frac{1}{2}[1\ -1\ 2]$ | +0.12 | $\langle 1\ 1\ 1 \rangle$ | -0.01 |
| $\frac{1}{2}[1\ 1\ 2]$ | +0.12 | $\frac{1}{2}\langle 3\ 1\ 2 \rangle$ | -0.11 |
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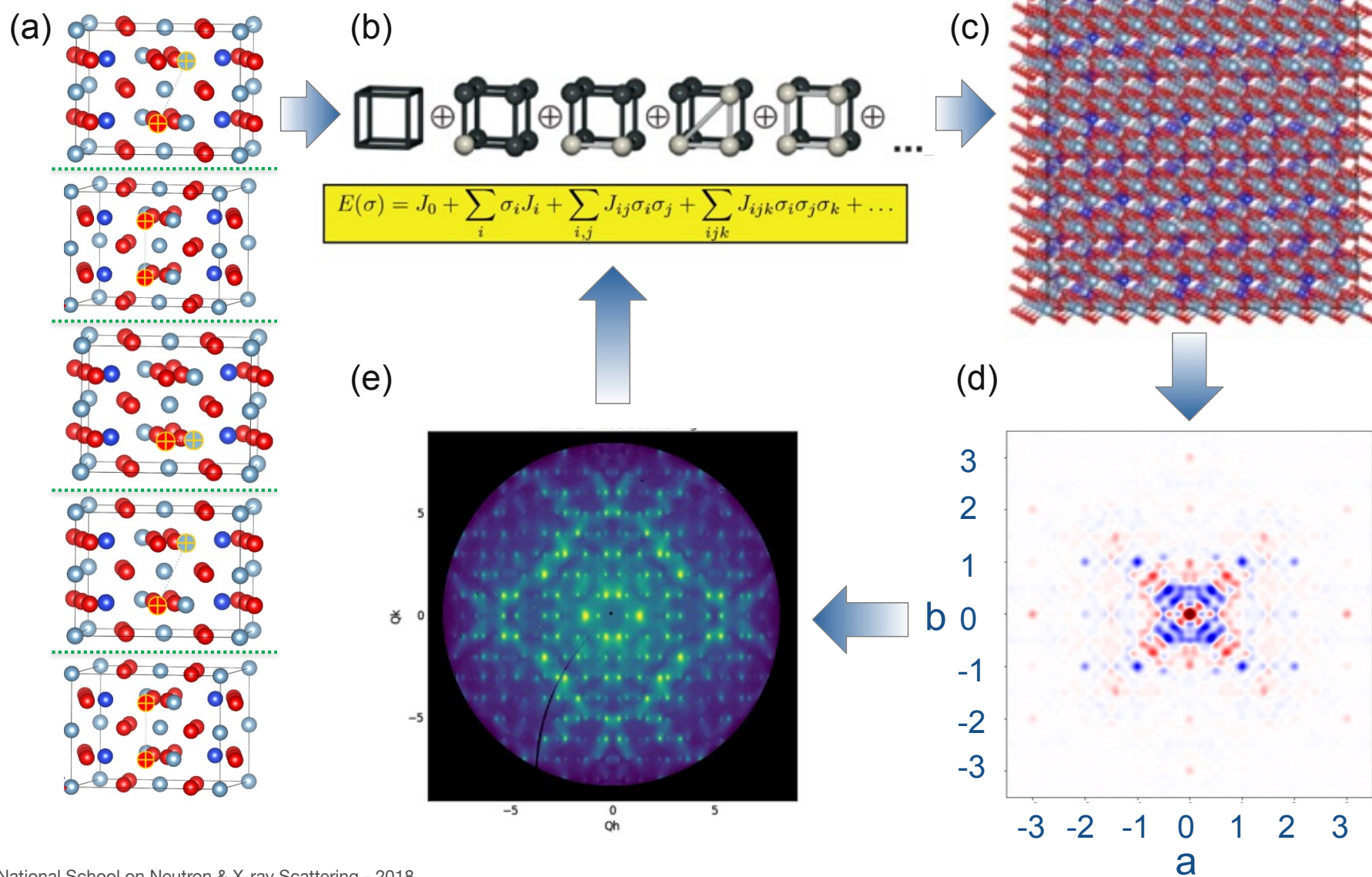
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Monte Carlo Analysis Results

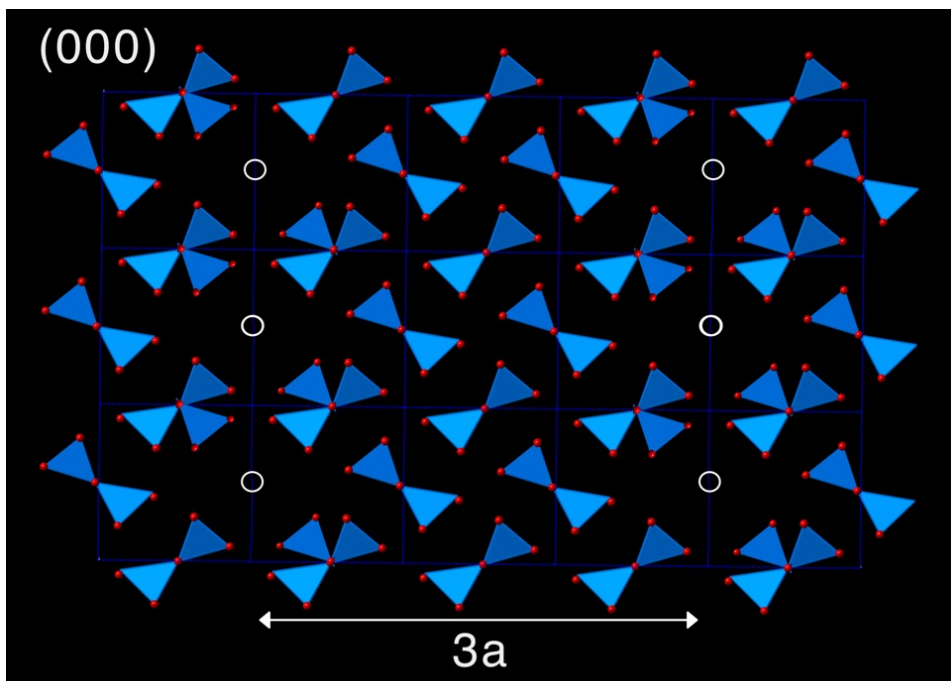


Vacancy Short-Range Order in Mullite

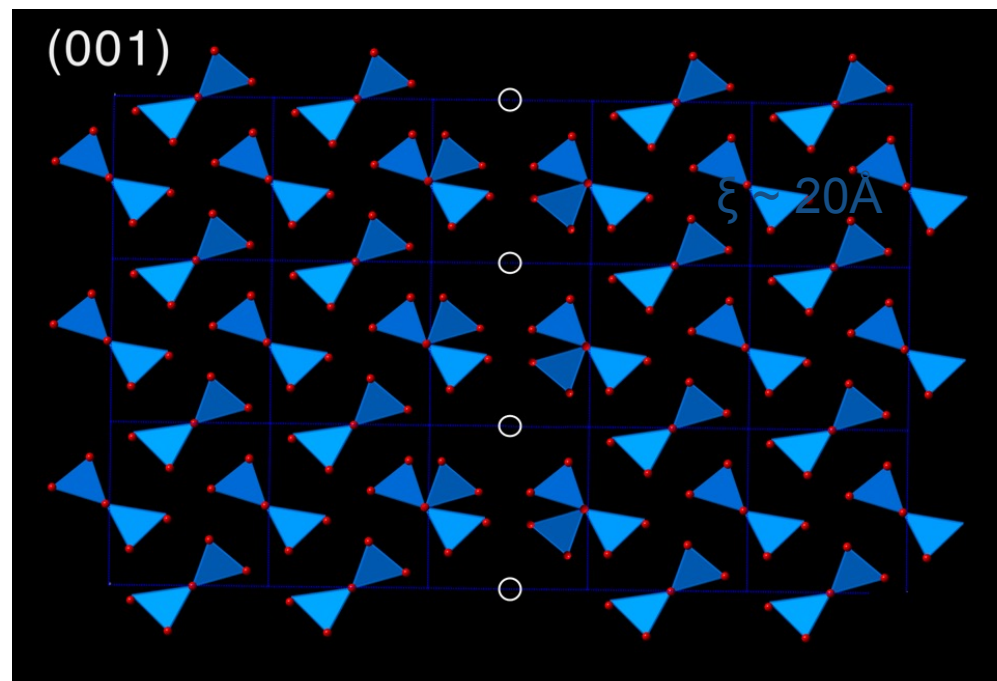
A First-Principles Approach (*ab initio* HRMC)



Nearly-Commensurate Vacancy Stripes in Mullite



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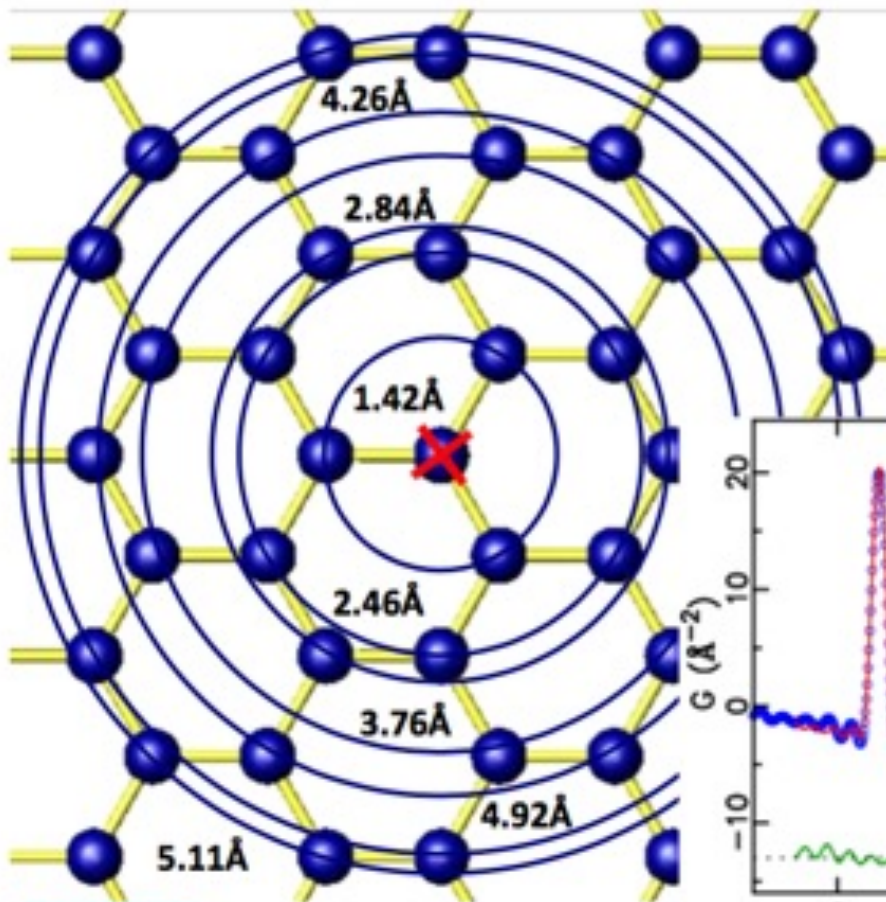
$$c = 1.0$$

$$\mathbf{q} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{c}^* \pm \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}^*$$

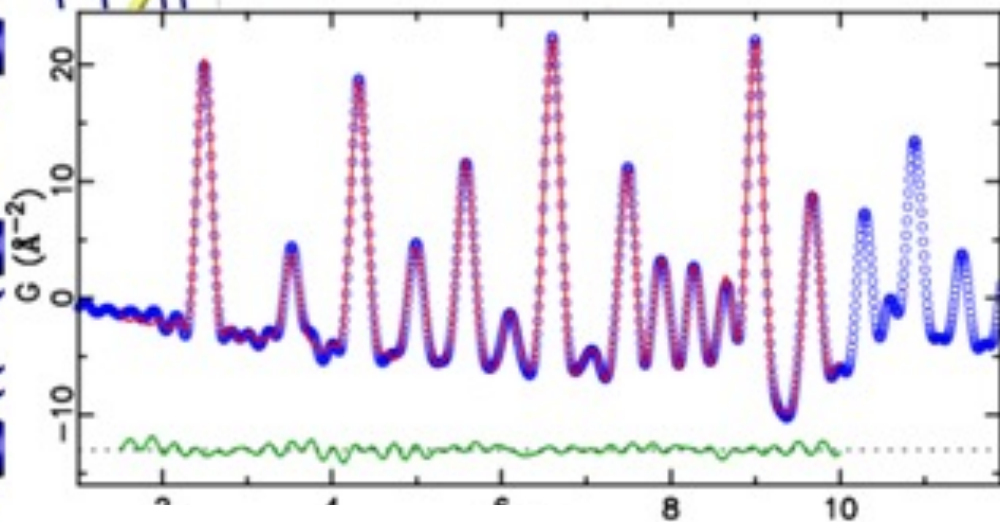
Case Study 2: Sodium-Intercalated V_2O_5 3D- Δ PDF



Pair Distribution Function Analysis



Radial atomic pair distribution function (PDF) gives the interatomic distance distribution, or “probability” of finding atomic pairs distance r apart

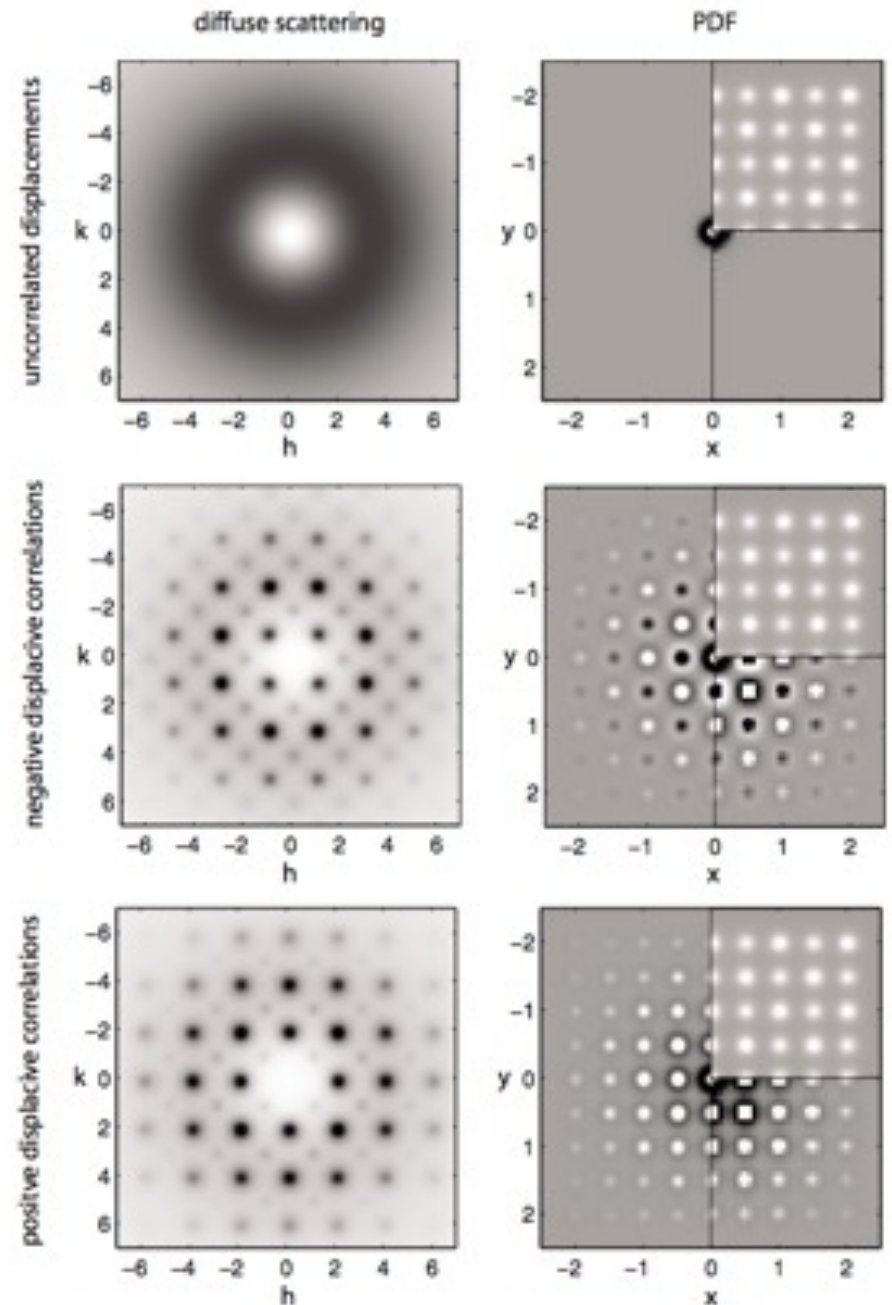


$$G(r) = 4\pi r[\rho(r) - \rho_0] = (2/\pi) \int_{Q=Q_{\min}}^{Q_{\max}} Q[S(Q) - 1] \sin(Qr) dQ$$

Emil Bozin (ADD 2013)

Three-Dimensional Pair Distribution Functions

- ▶ The ability to measure three-dimensional $S(\mathbf{Q})$ over a wide range of reciprocal space provides the 3D analog of PDF measurements.
 - Total PDFs if Bragg peaks and diffuse scattering can be measured simultaneously
 - Δ -PDFs if the Bragg peaks are eliminated
 - using the punch and fill method
- ▶ This would allow a model-independent view of the measurements in real space.



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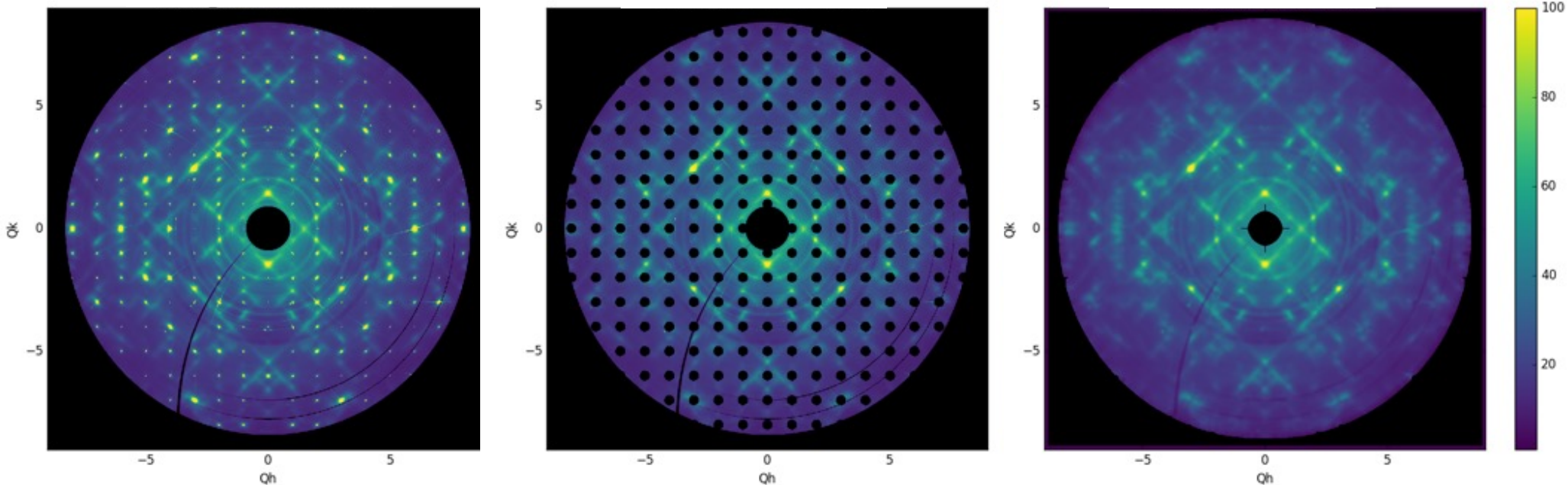
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The three-dimensional pair distribution function analysis of disordered single crystals: basic concepts

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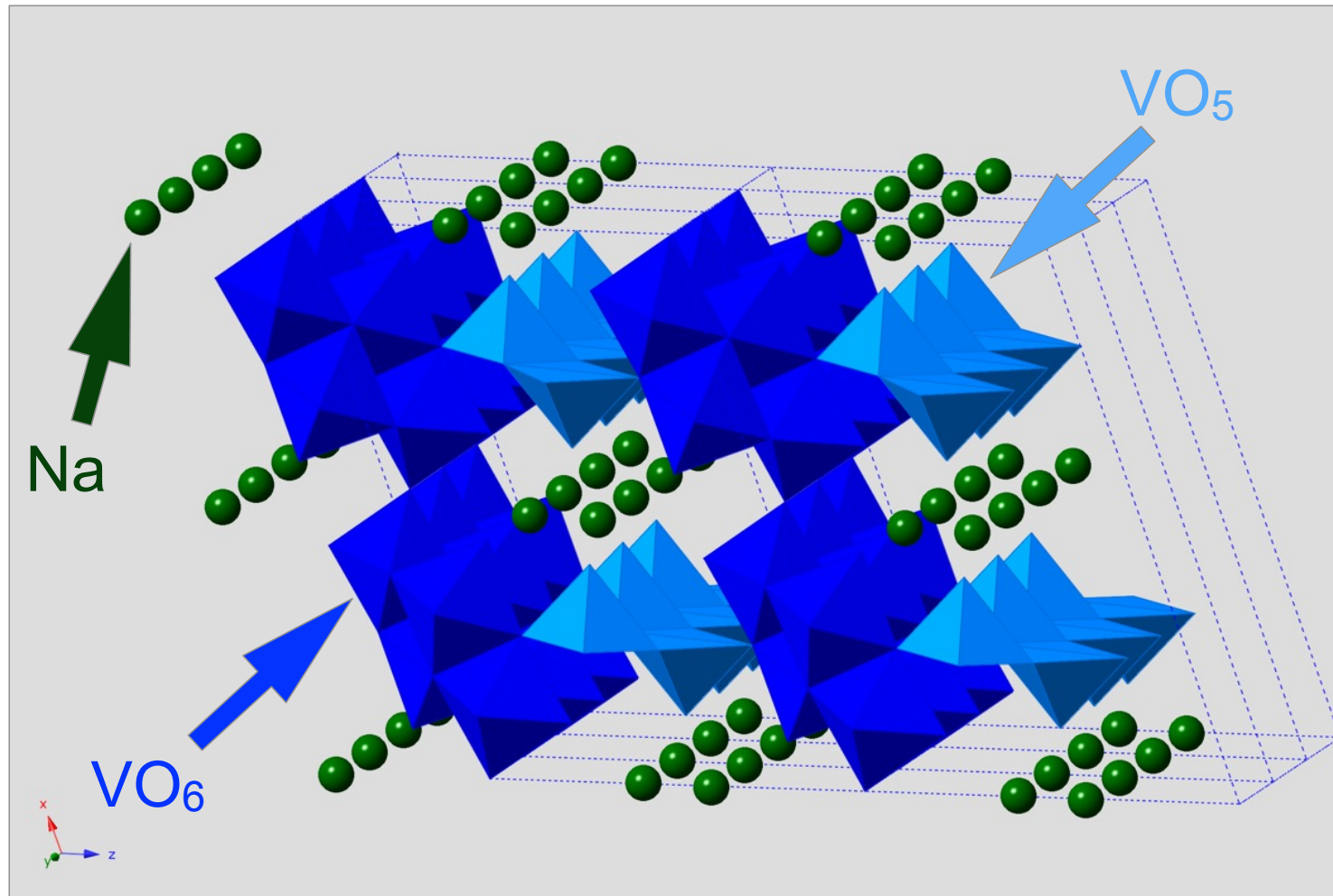
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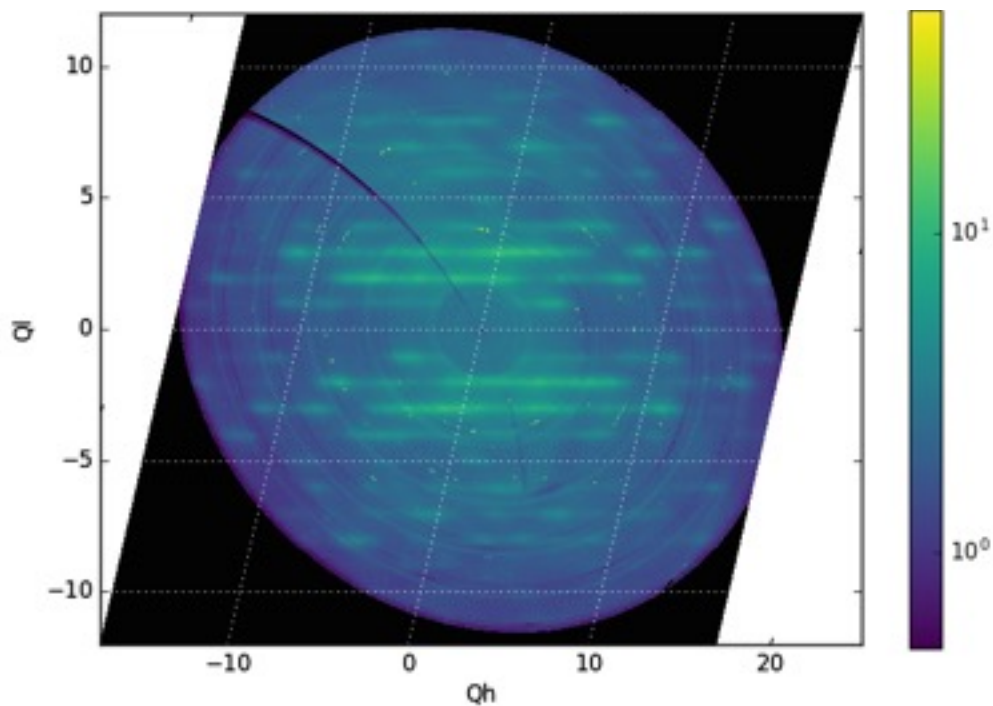
$$P_{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{r}) = FT[I(\mathbf{u})] = FT[|\bar{F}(\mathbf{u})|^2] + FT[|\Delta F(\mathbf{u})|^2] = P_{hkl}(\mathbf{r}) + \Delta P(\mathbf{r})$$

Sodium-Intercalated V_2O_5

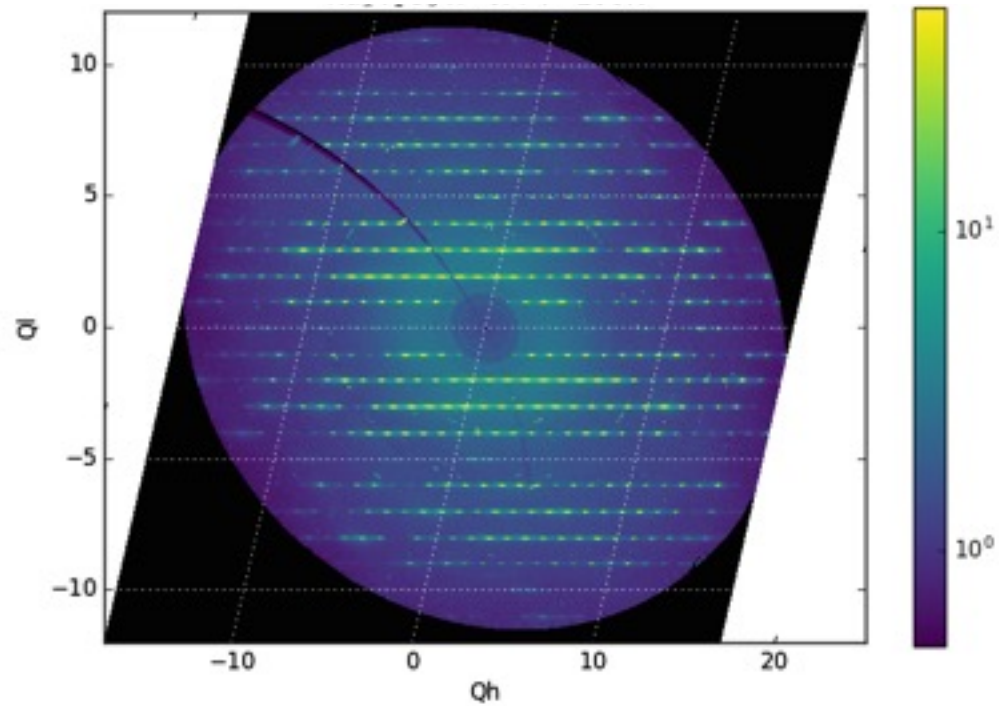


Diffuse Scattering in $\text{Na}_{0.2}\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$ and $\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$

$Q_k=0.5$

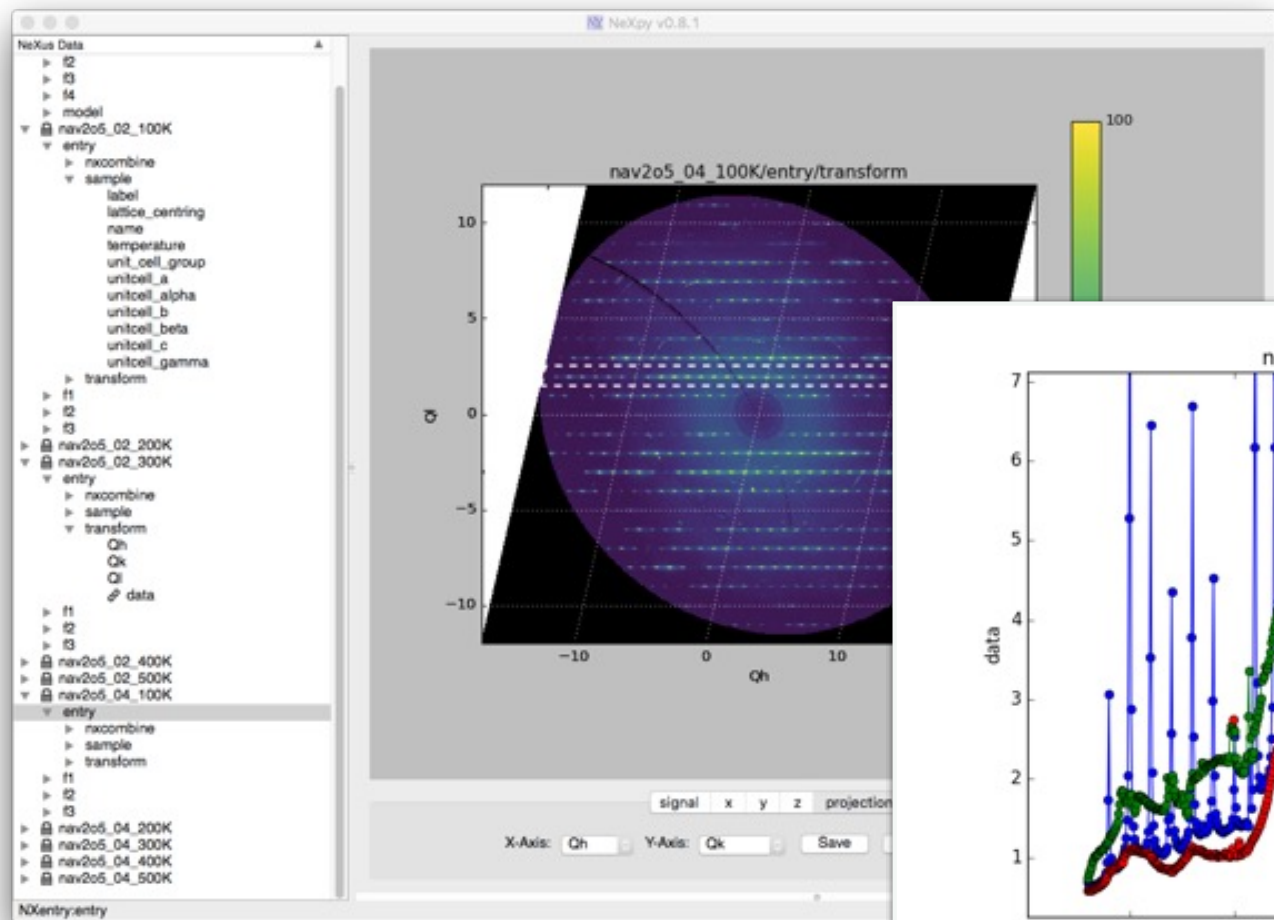


$\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$
300K

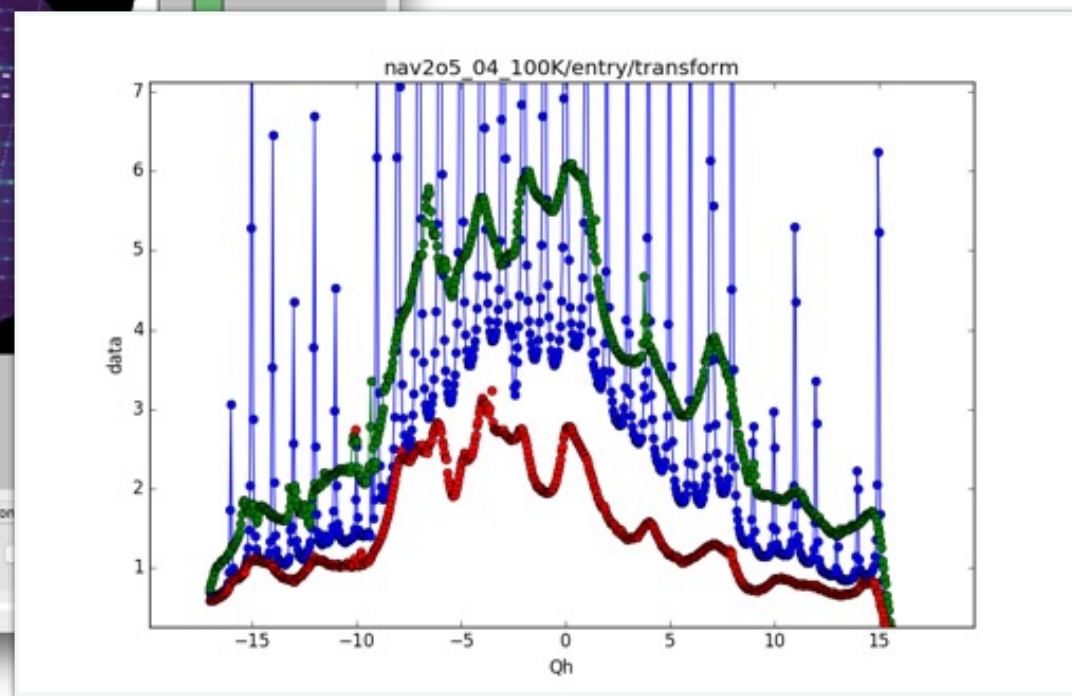


$\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$
100K

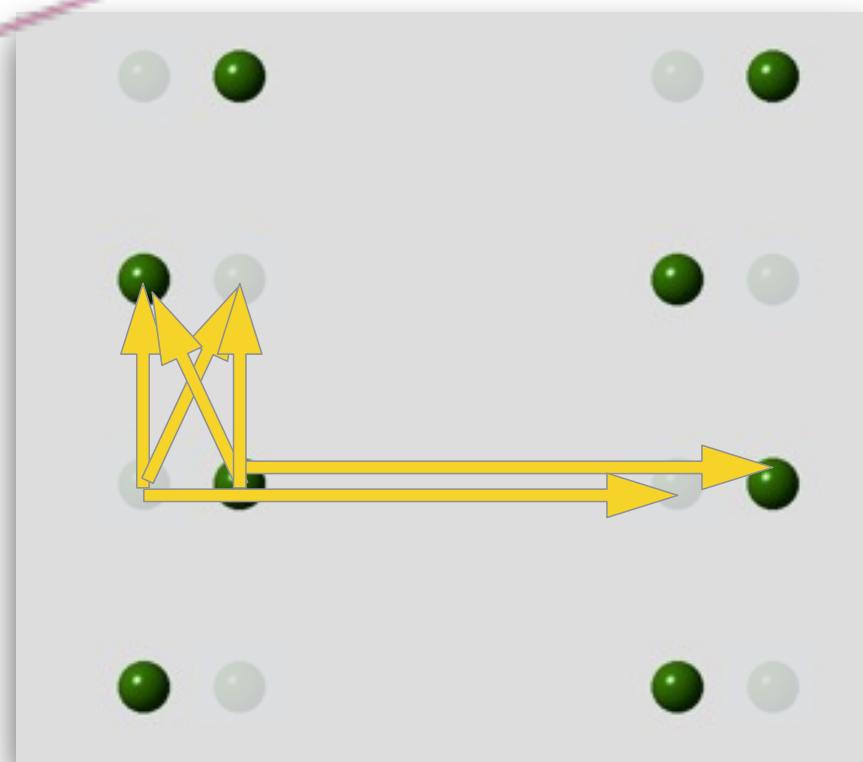
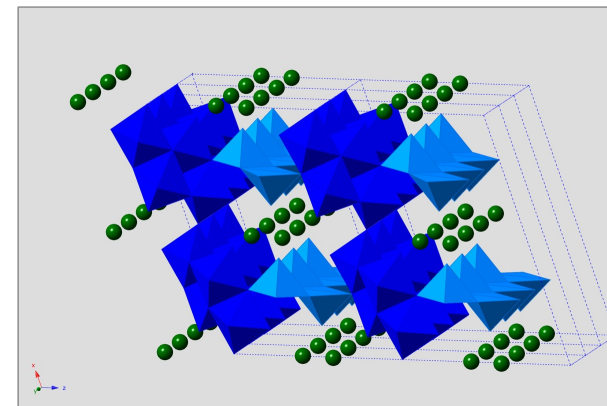
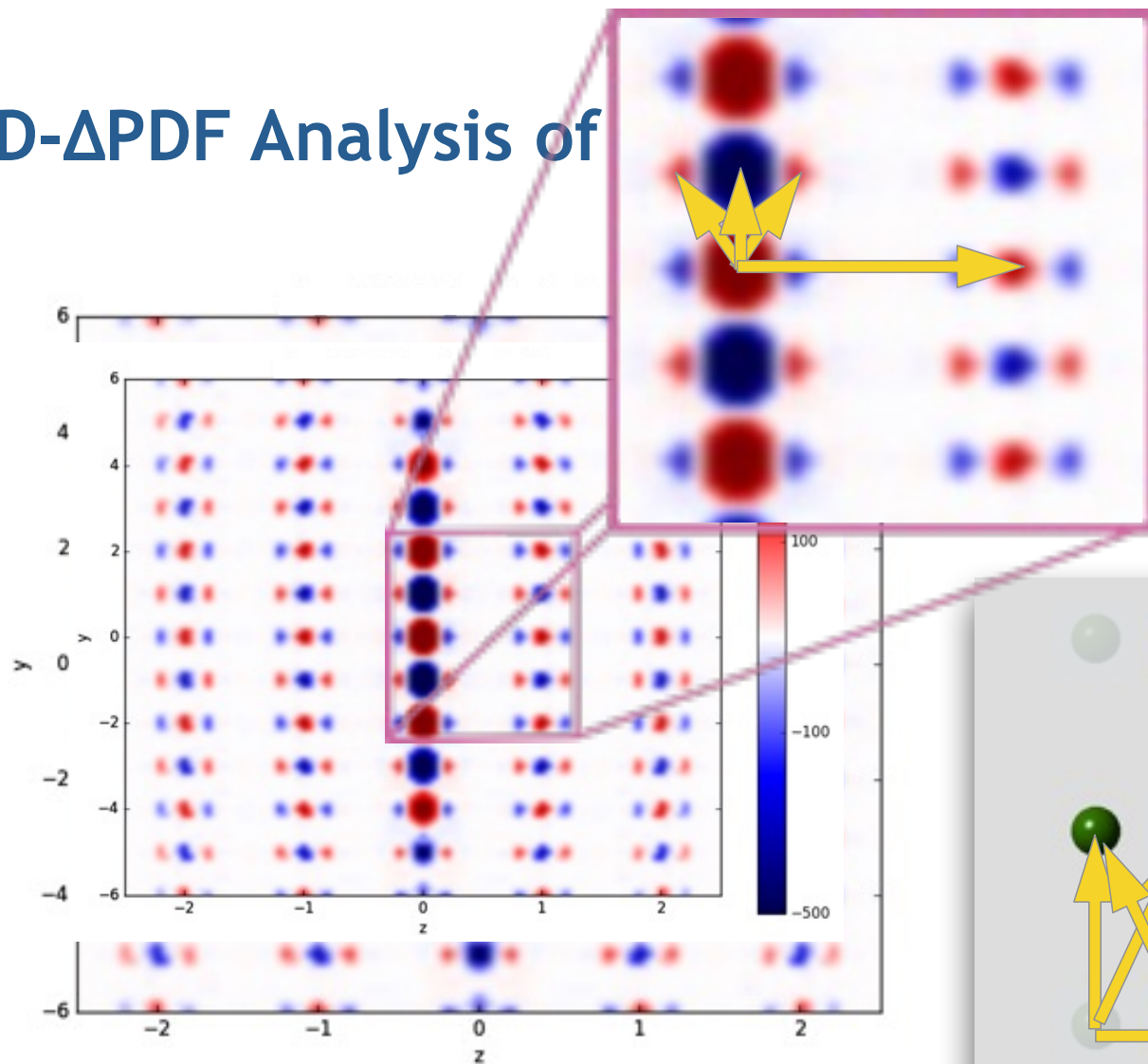
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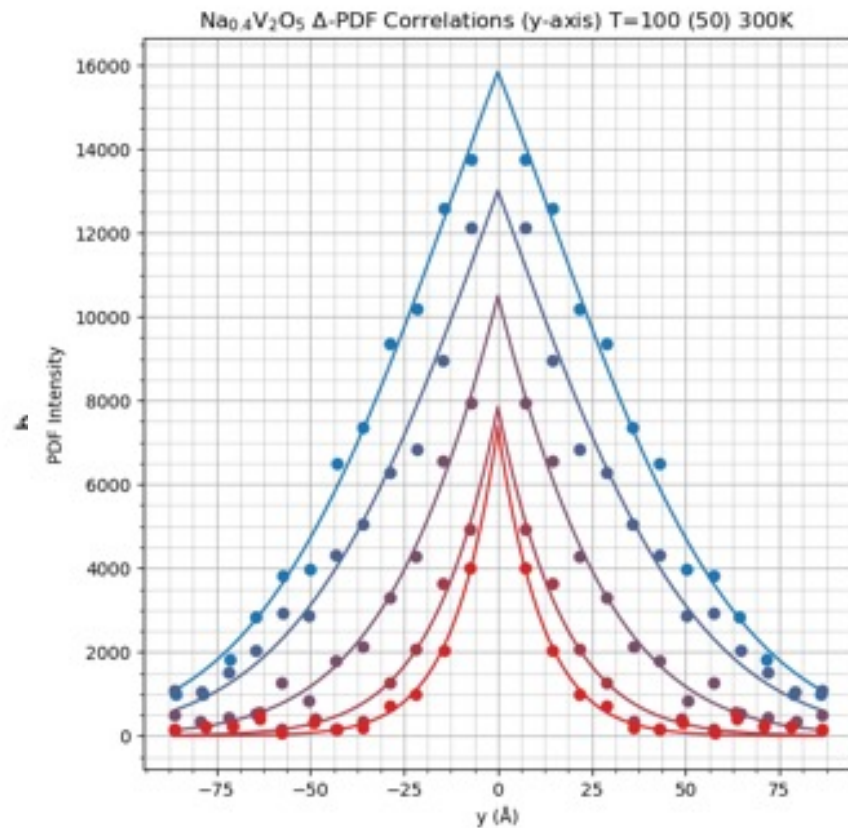
- $x = 0.4$ 100K
- $x = 0.4$ 300K
- $x = 0.2$ 100K



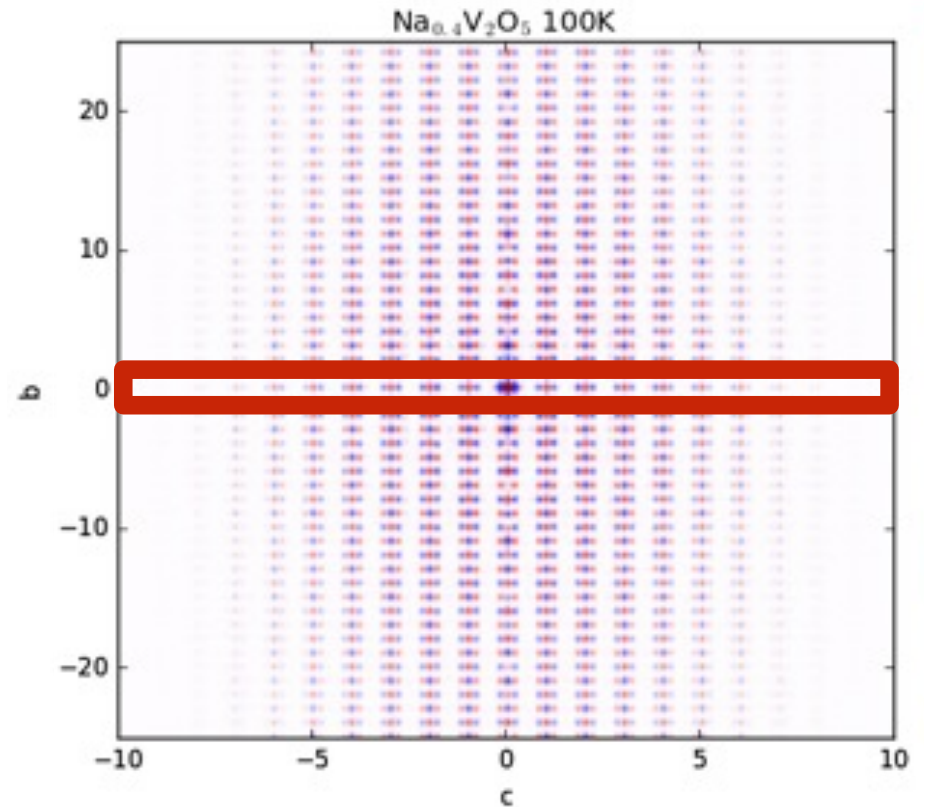
3D- Δ PDF Analysis of



Order-Disorder Transition Viewed in Real Space



300K

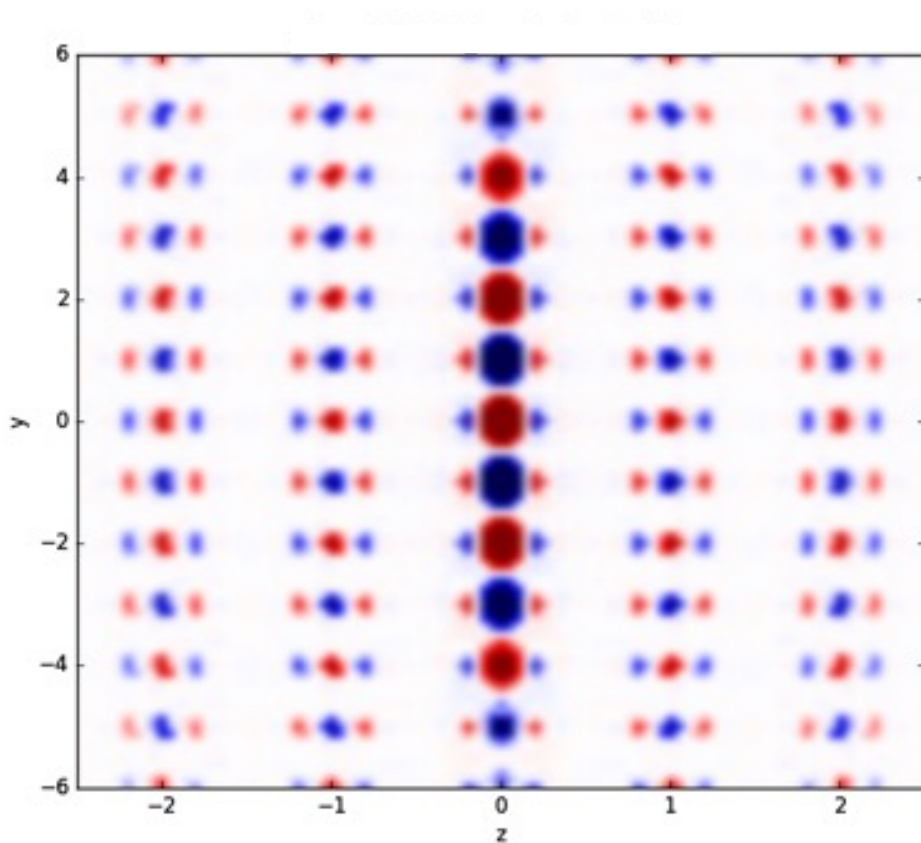
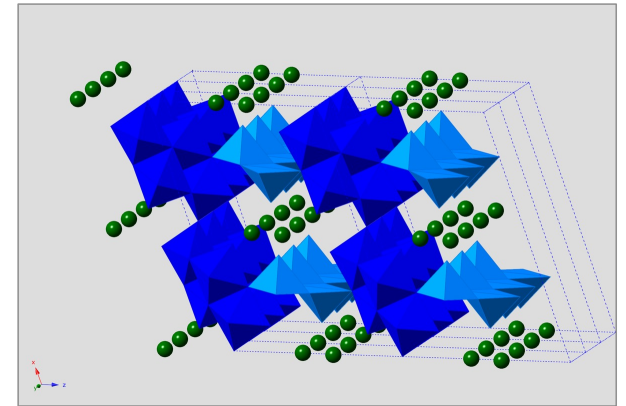


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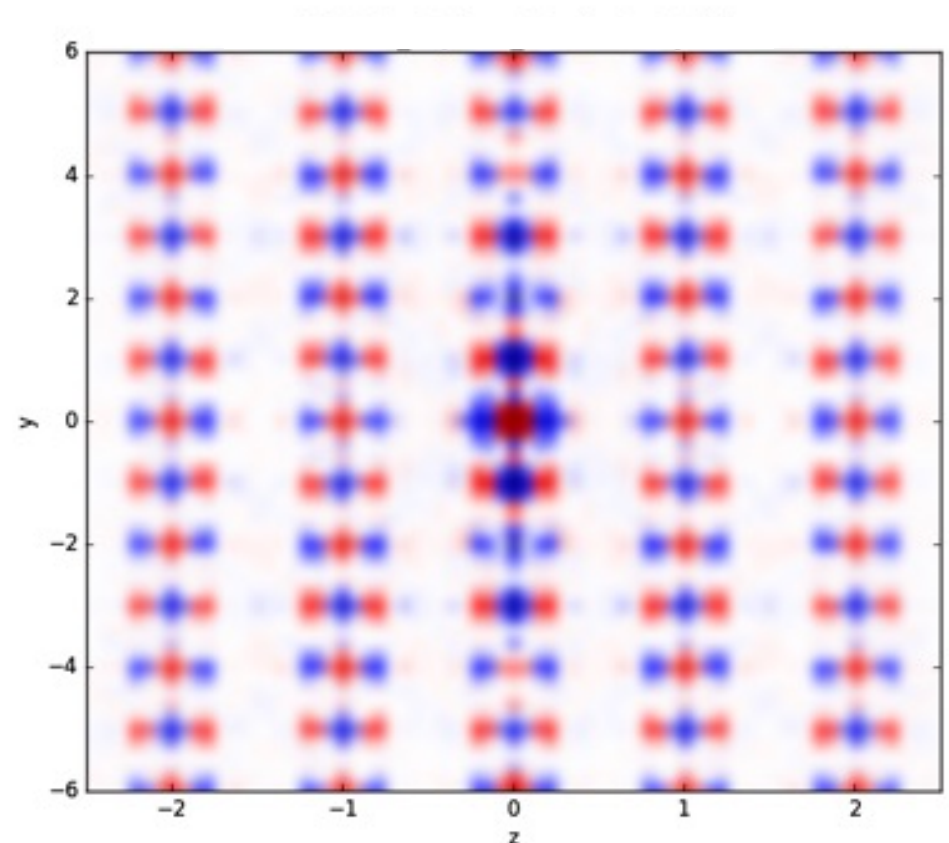
40% Na-intercalation

3D- Δ PDF: Importance of High Energy

- Expanding the Q-range enhances the real-space resolution



CHES – A2 – 55keV



APS – 11-ID-D – 18.5keV

How do I look at static disorder?

Comparison of Elastic Scattering and the Static Approximation

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} \right)_{coh} = b_{coh}^2 \frac{k'}{k} N \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int G(\vec{r}, t) e^{i(\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{r} - \omega t)} d\vec{r} \cdot dt$$

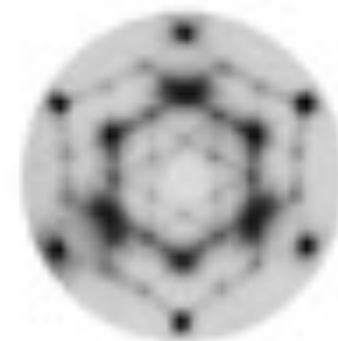
$$\text{where } G(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{N} \int e^{-i\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{r}} \sum_{j,j'} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{R}_j(0)} e^{i\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{R}_j(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{coh}^{static} = b_{coh}^2 N \int G(\vec{r}, 0) e^{i\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{r}} d\vec{r} \quad \text{since } \hbar\delta(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega t} d(\hbar\omega)$$

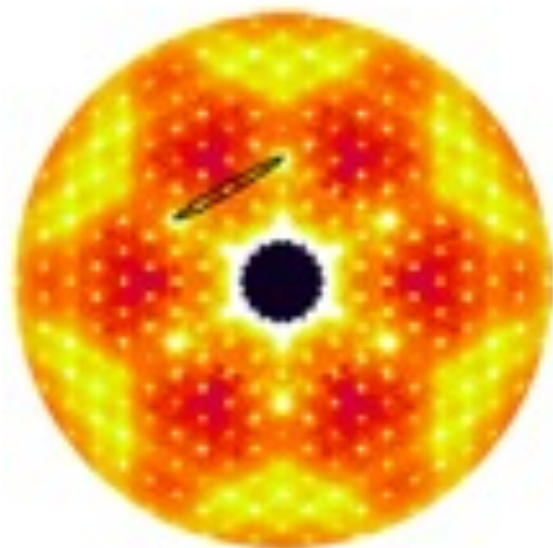
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{coh}^{elastic} = b_{coh}^2 N \int G(\vec{r}, \infty) e^{i\vec{Q}\cdot\vec{r}} d\vec{r}$$

- ▶ Reference: Roger Pynn, National School of Neutron and X-ray Scattering, 2018

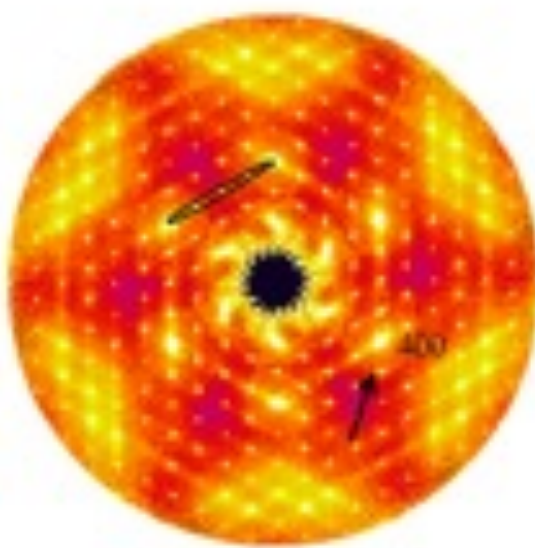
Importance of Elastic Discrimination



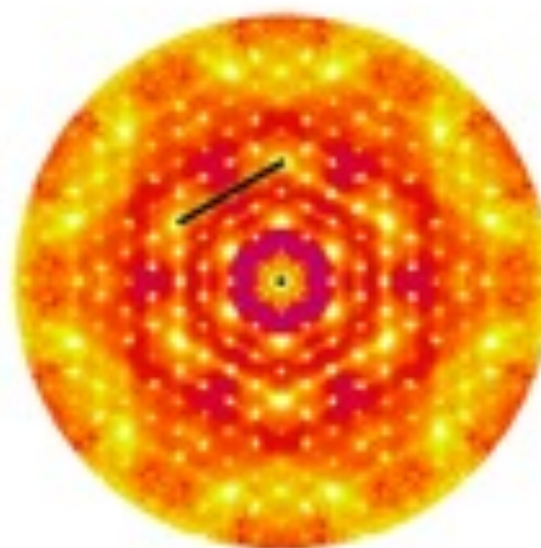
BENZIL



Detector 1
 $2\theta \sim 142.5^\circ$



Detector 2
 $2\theta \sim 90.0^\circ$



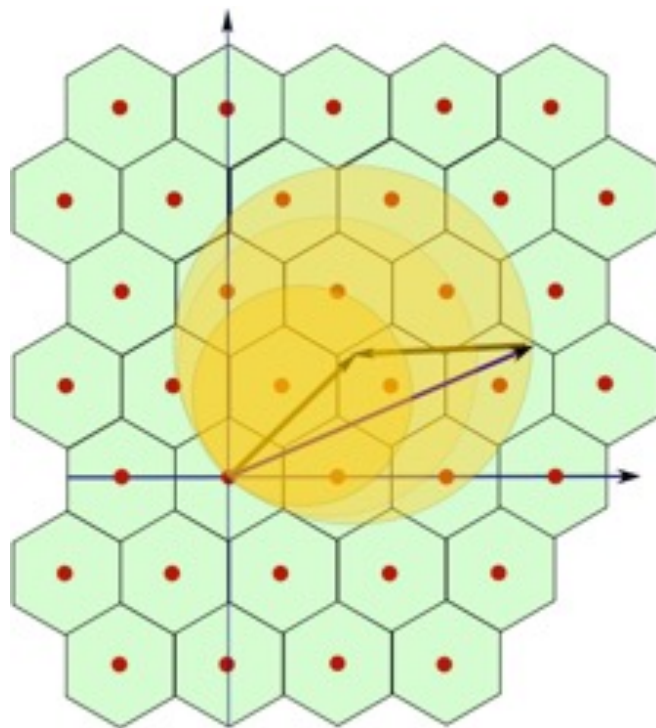
Detector 3
 $2\theta \sim 37.5^\circ$

$$Q = 4\pi \frac{\sin\theta}{\lambda}$$

Measuring Large Volumes of Reciprocal Space

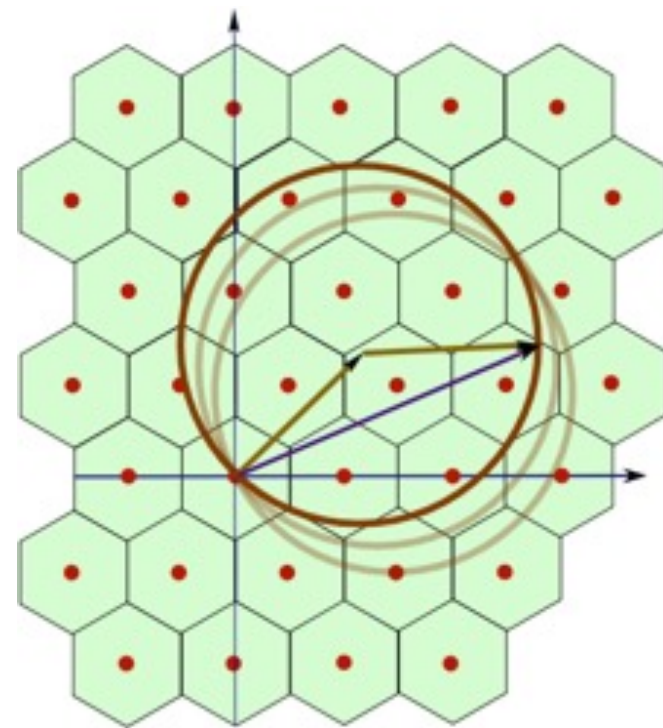
Conventional Time-of-Flight Neutron Methods

White Beam:
efficient



NO energy
discrimination

Fixed k_i :
energy resolved



NOT
efficient

Cross Correlation Chopper

TOF Laue Diffractometer

- highly efficient data collection
- wide dynamic range in Q

Statistical Chopper

- elastic energy discrimination
- optimum use of white beam

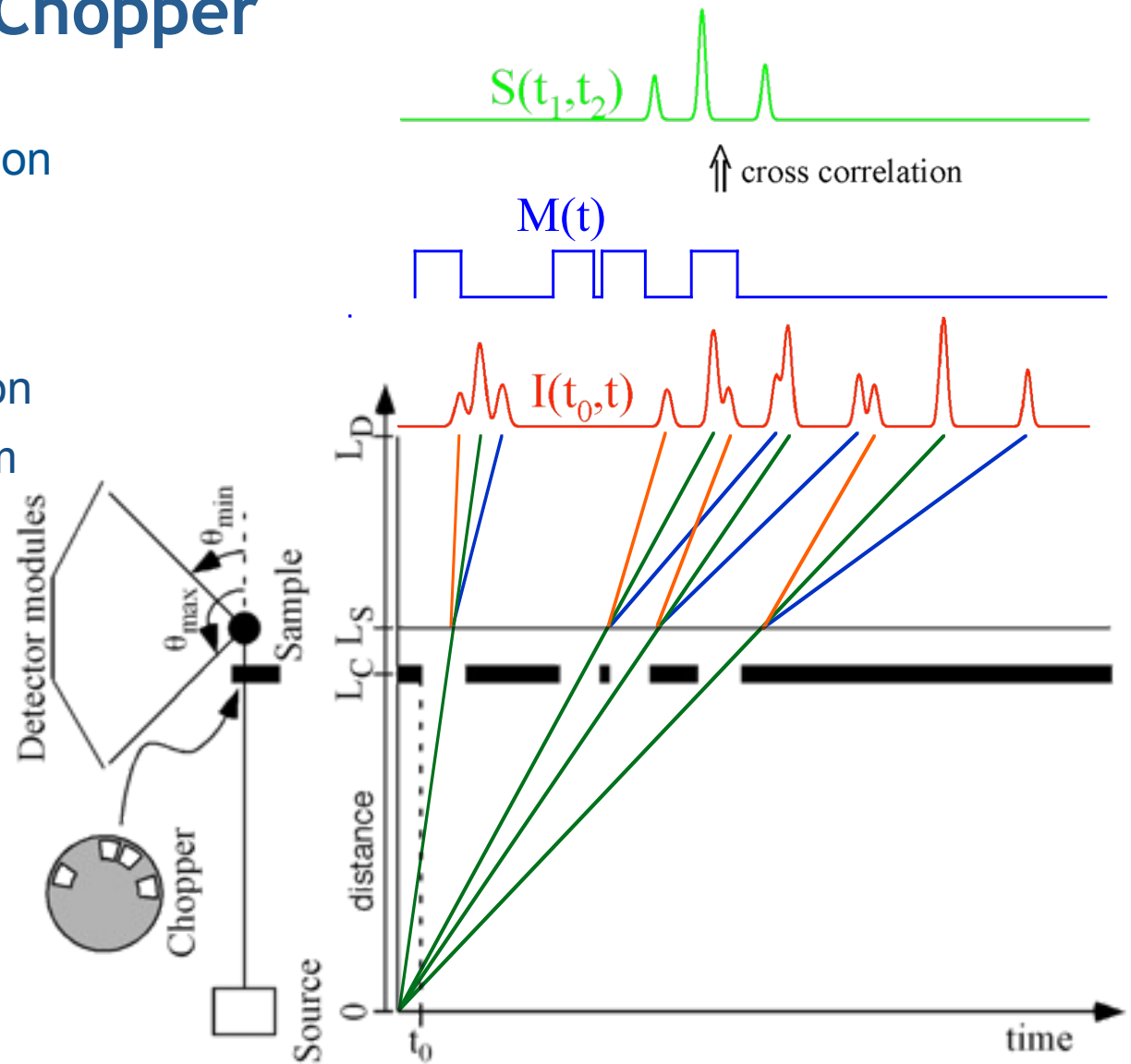
Sample with :
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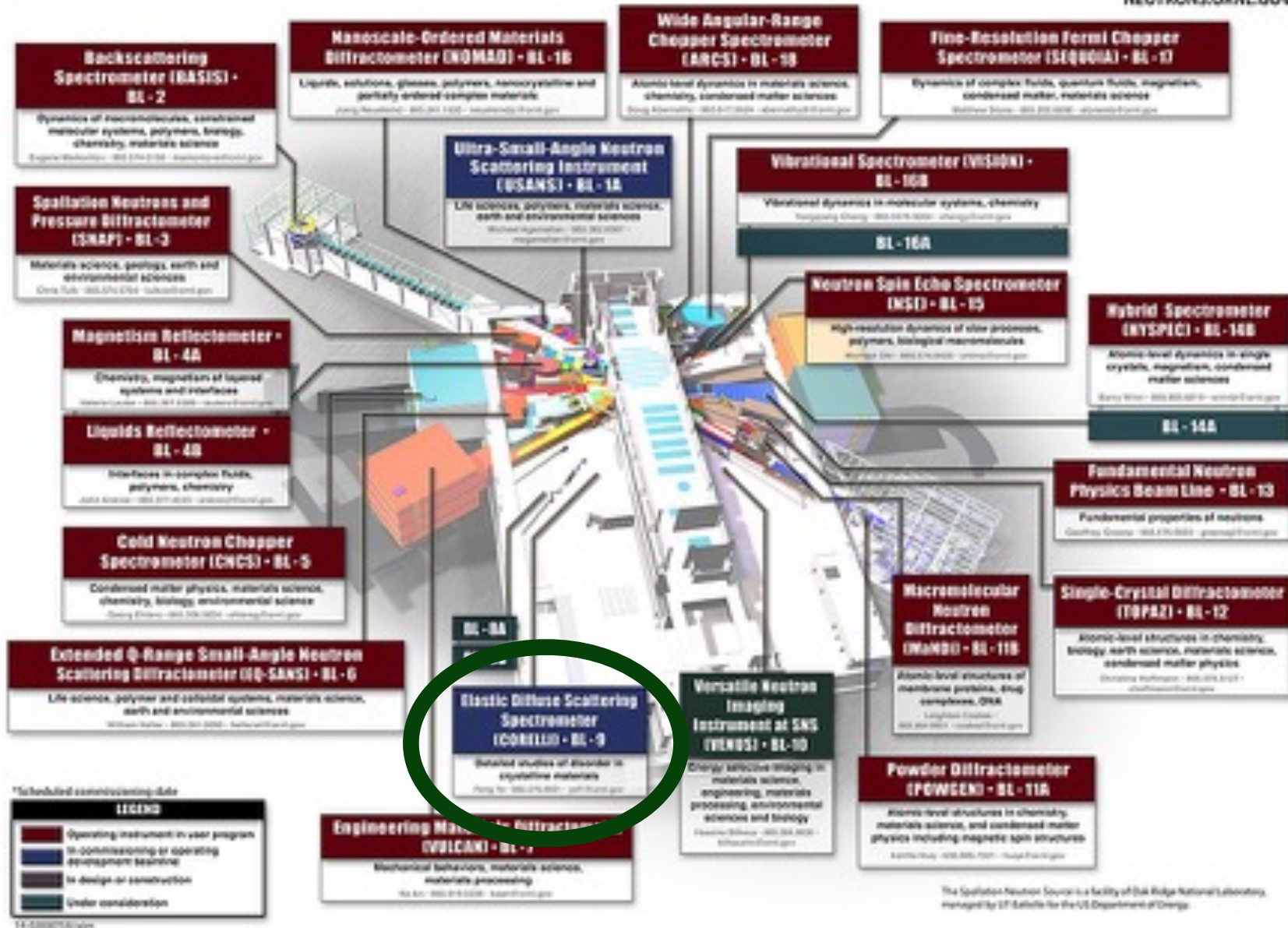
$$\hbar\omega = 0$$

inelastic excitations

$$\hbar\omega = +E_0$$

$$\hbar\omega = -E_0$$



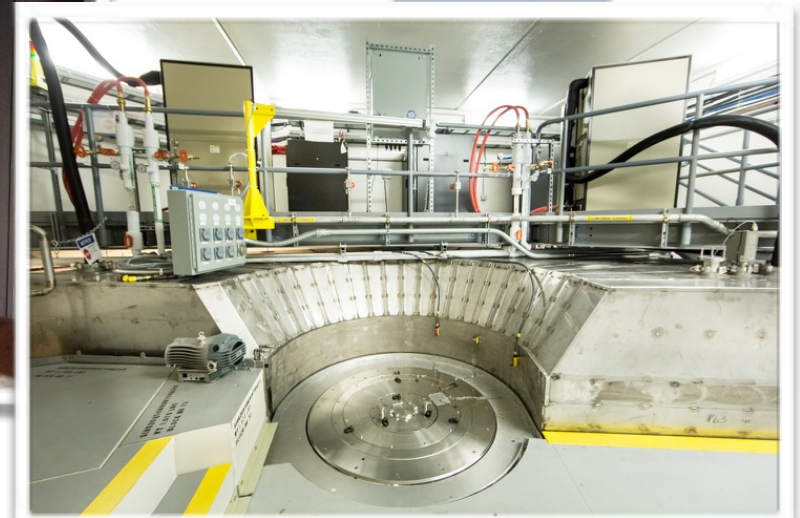
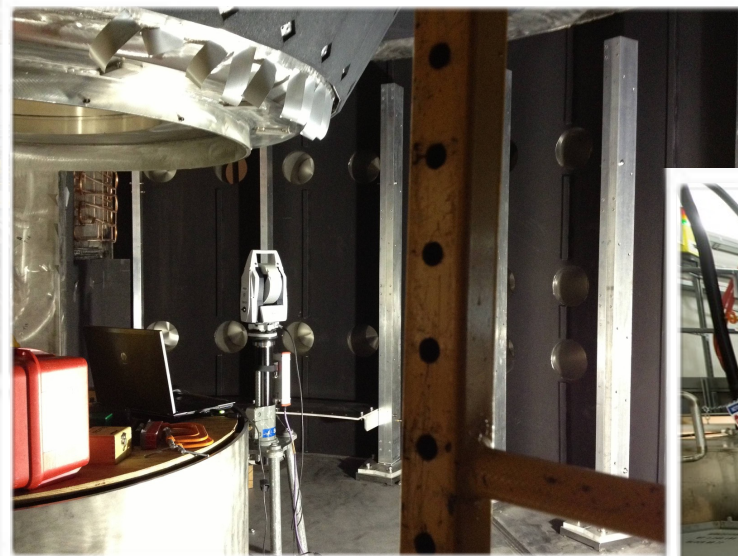
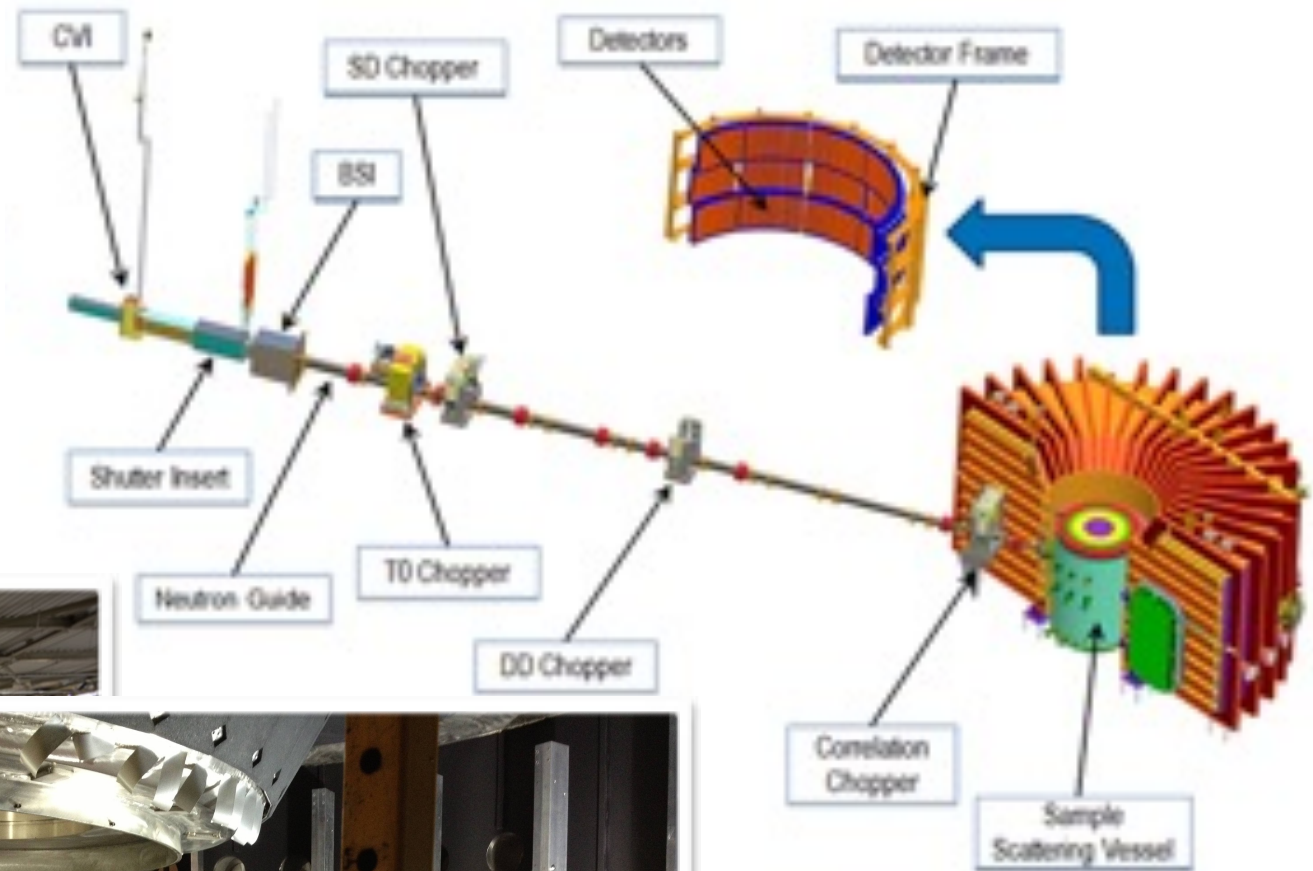


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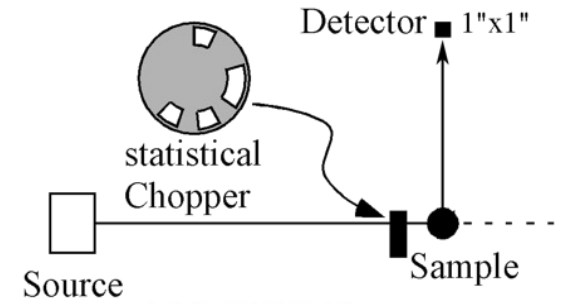


Instrument Proposers

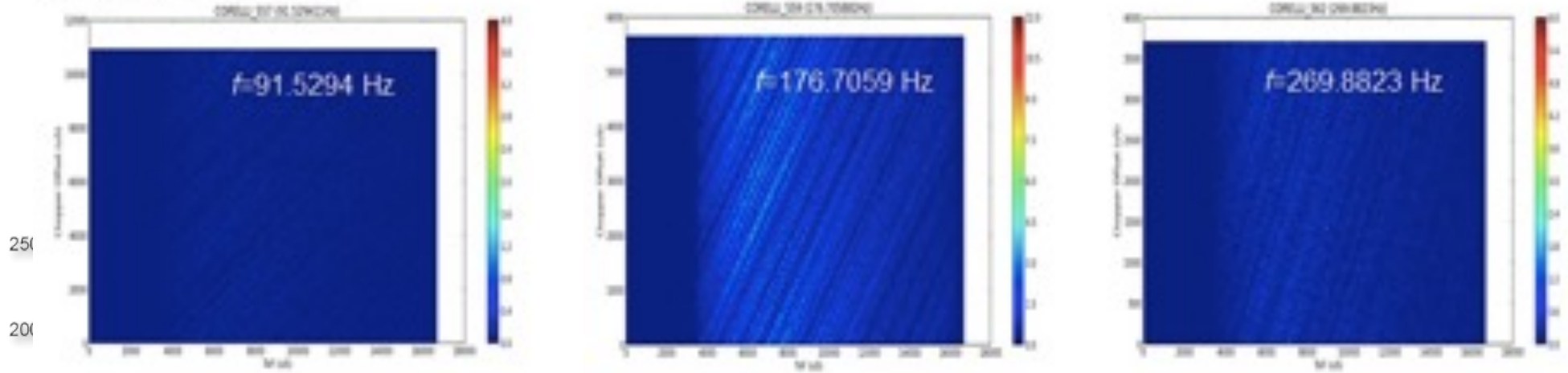
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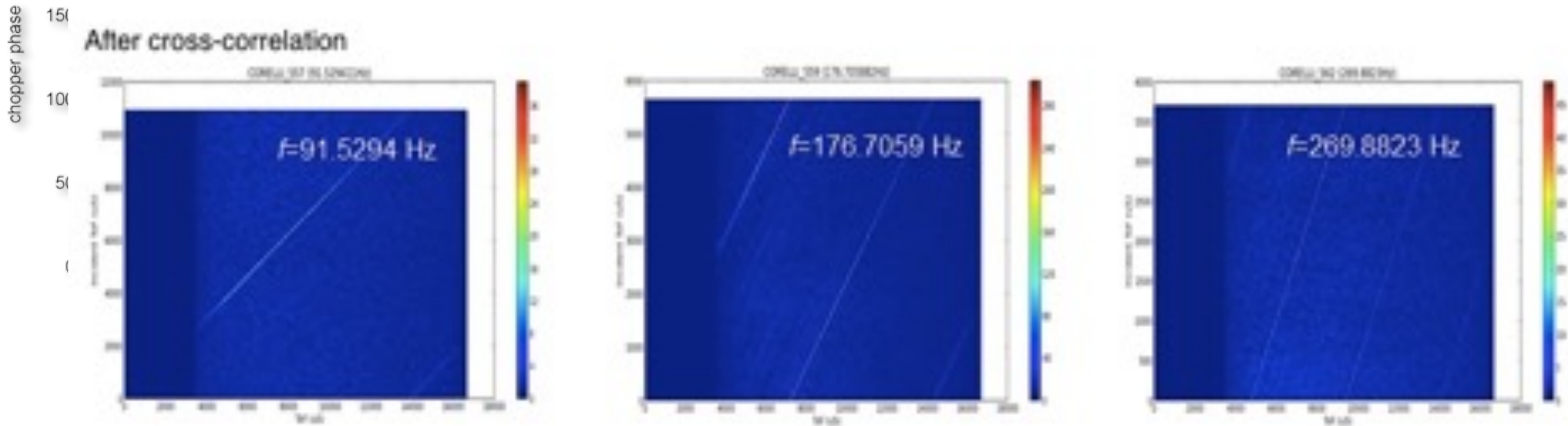
Cross Correlation in Action



Before cross-correlation

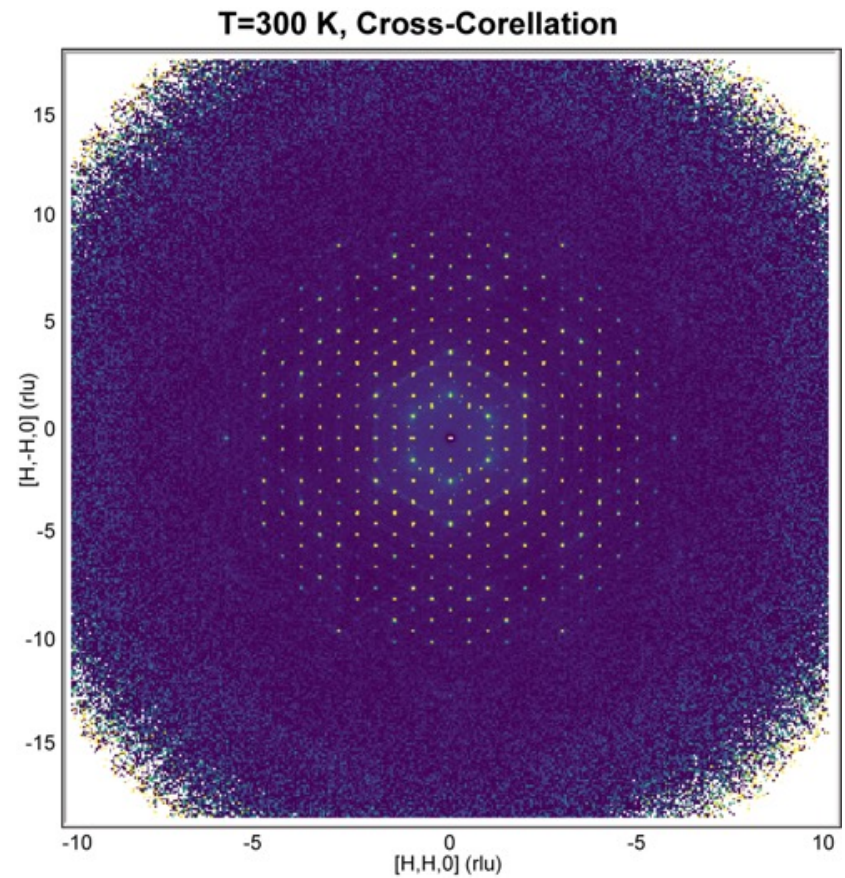
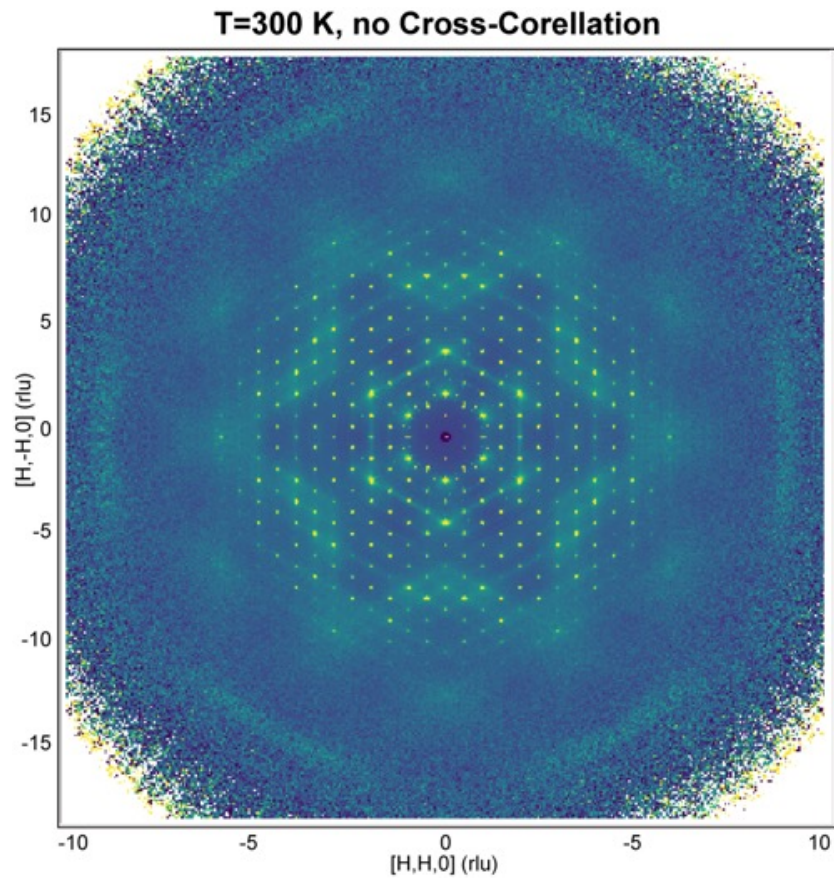


After cross-correlation



Elastic Discrimination with Cross Correlation

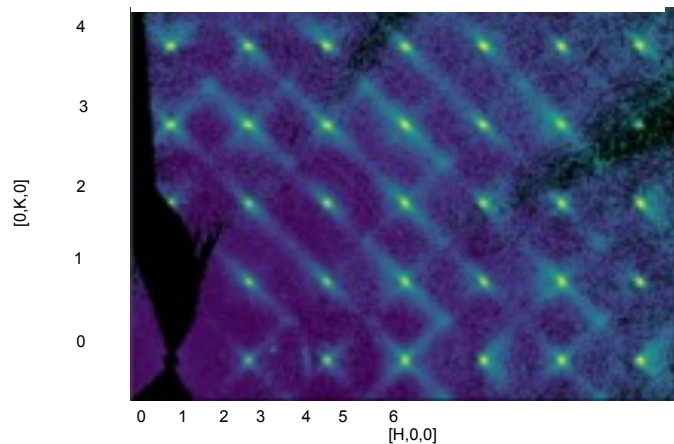
Benzil $C_{14}H_{10}O_2$



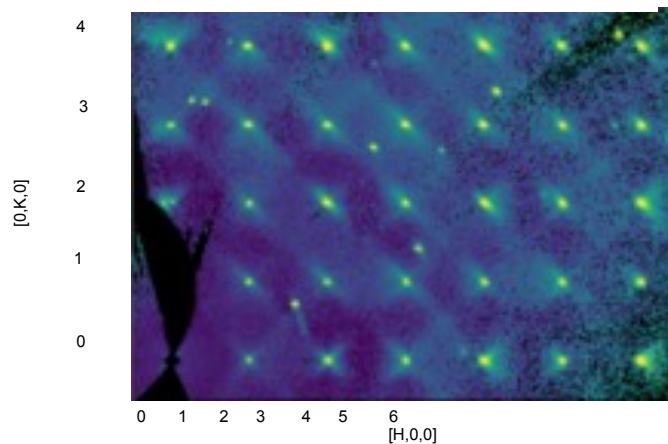
T. R. Welberry and R. Whitfield, *Quantum Beam Science* **2**, 2 (2018)

Relaxor Ferroelectrics - $\text{Pb}(\text{Mg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3})\text{O}_3\text{-}x\text{PbTiO}_3$

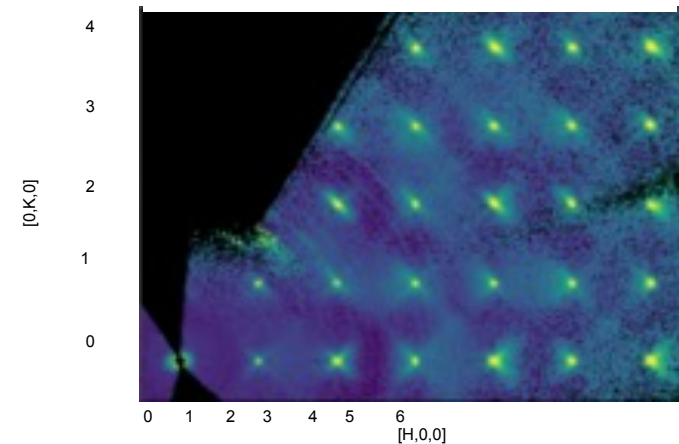
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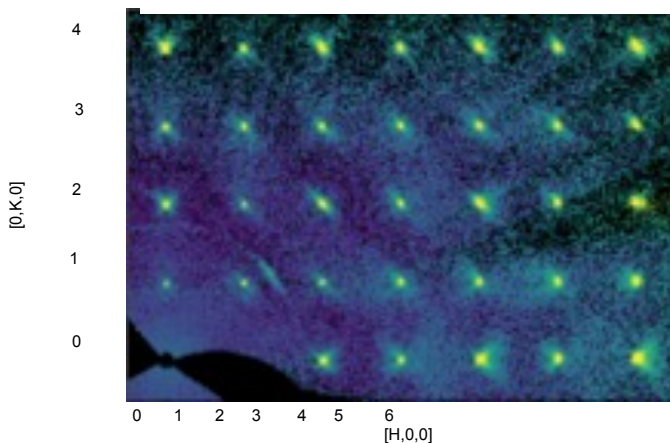
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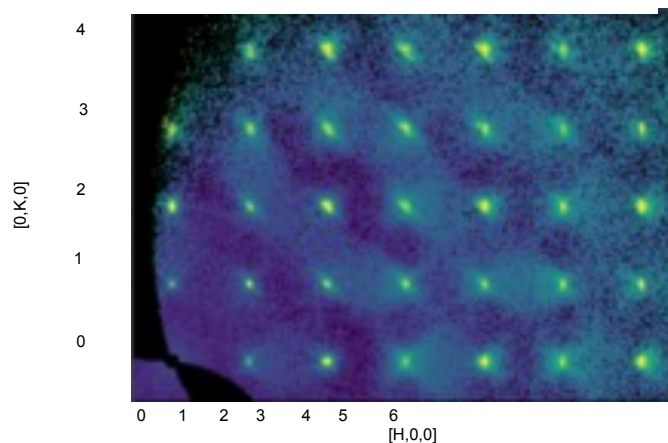
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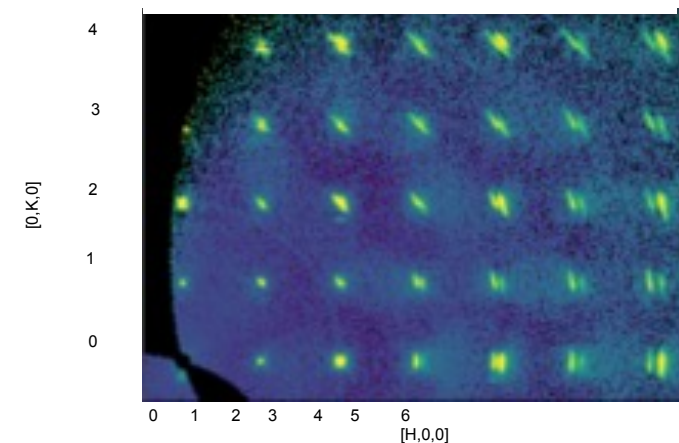
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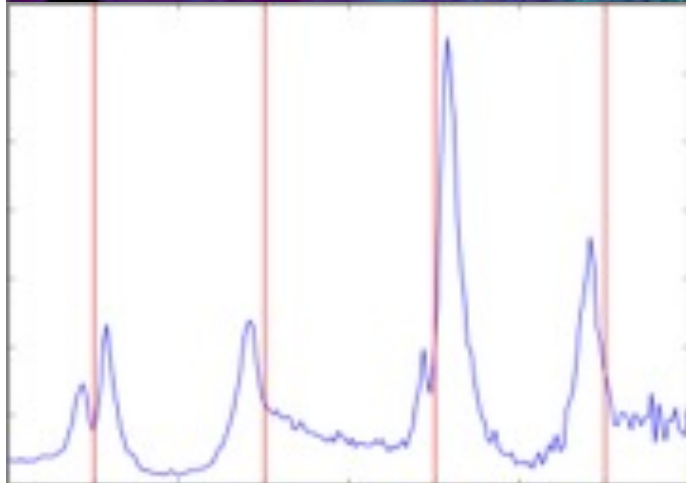
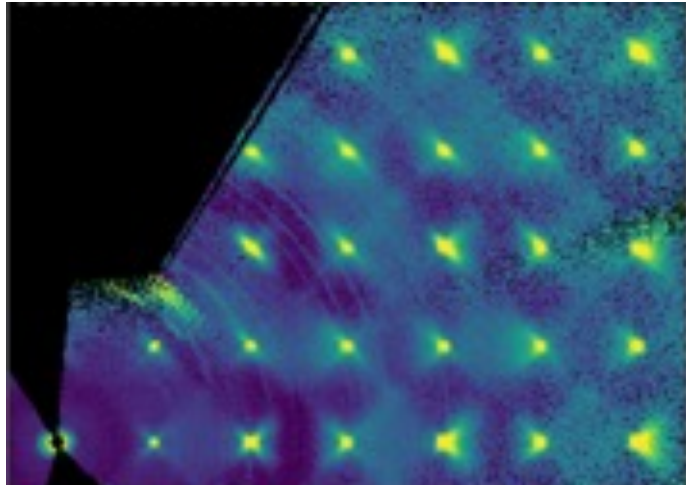


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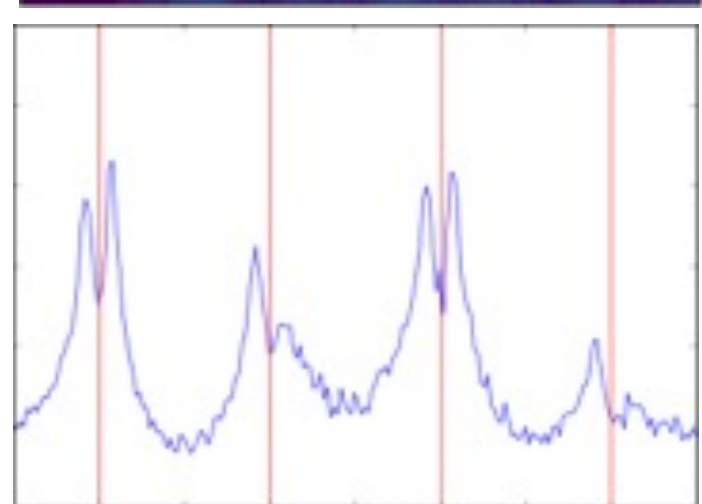
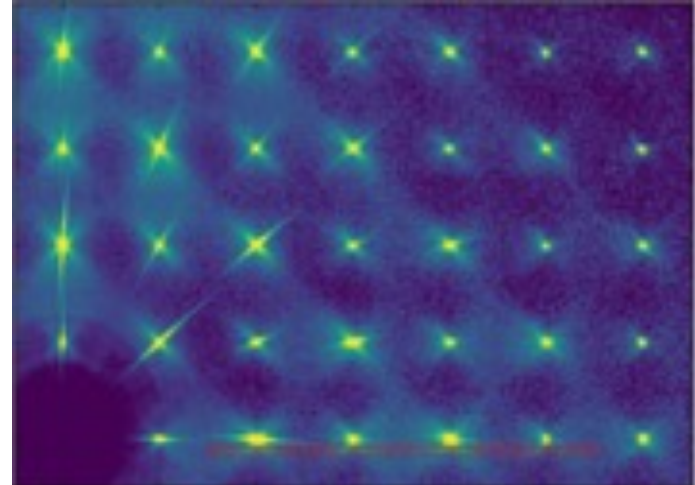
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Complementarity of Neutrons and X-rays

$\text{Pb}(\text{Mg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3})\text{O}_3\text{-30\%PbTiO}_3$



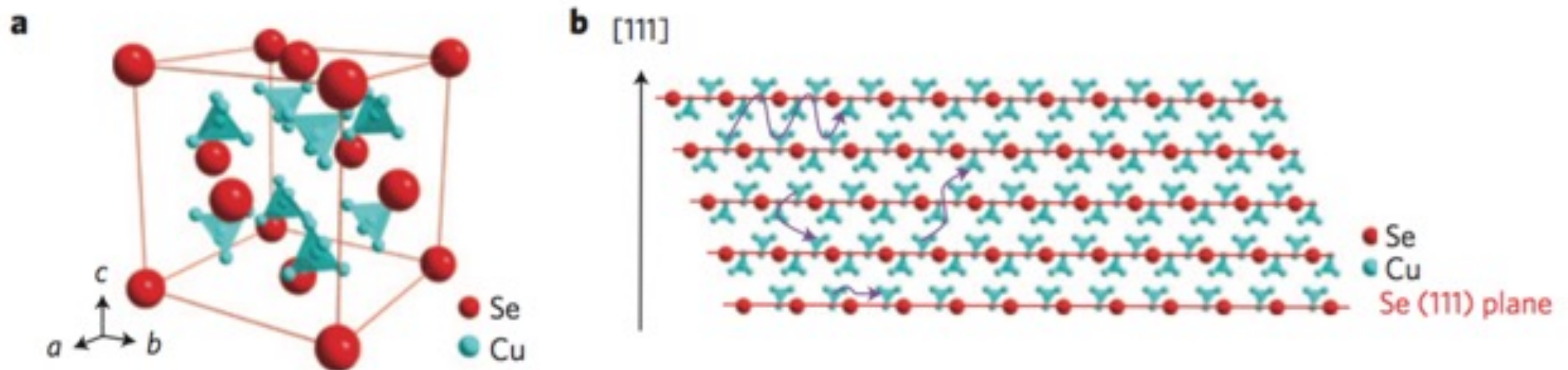
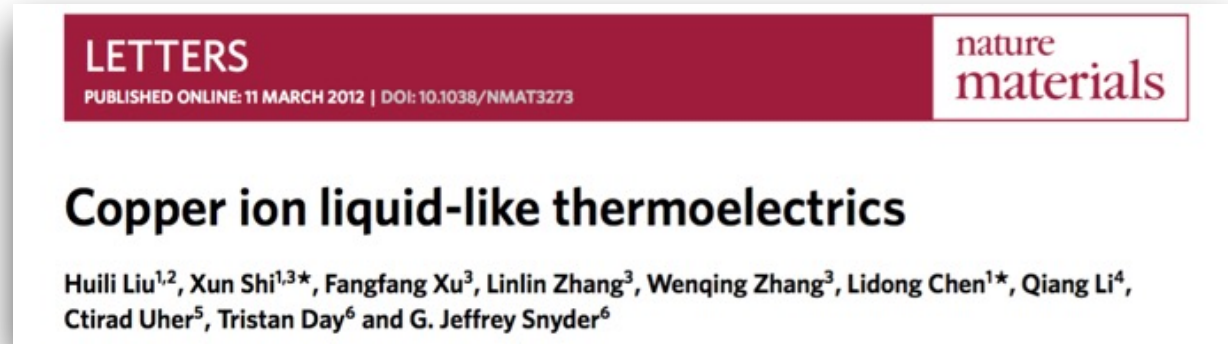
Corelli Neutrons



CHESS 55keV X-rays

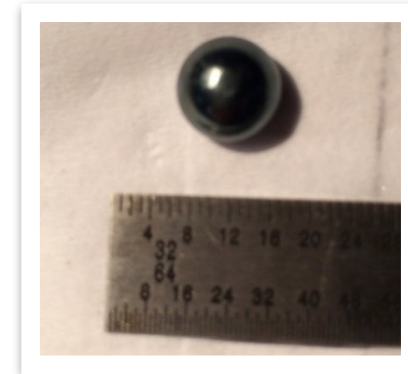
Sublattice Melting in Superionic $\text{Cu}_{1.8}\text{Se}$

- ▶ It has been proposed that Cu_{2-x}Se is a Phonon Liquid-Electron Crystal thermoelectric
 - $zT > 1.5$ at high temperature

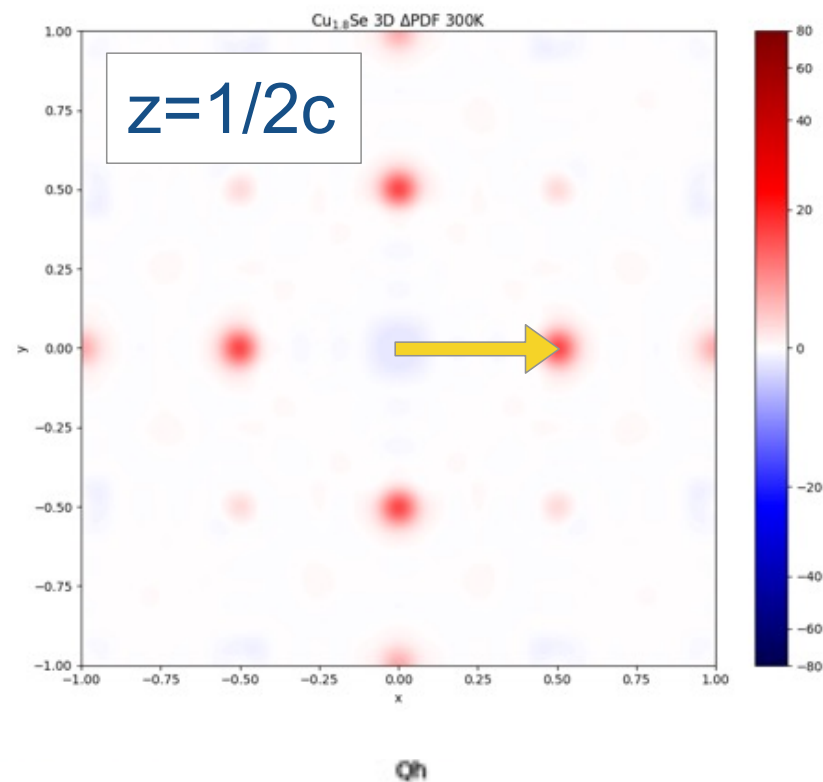
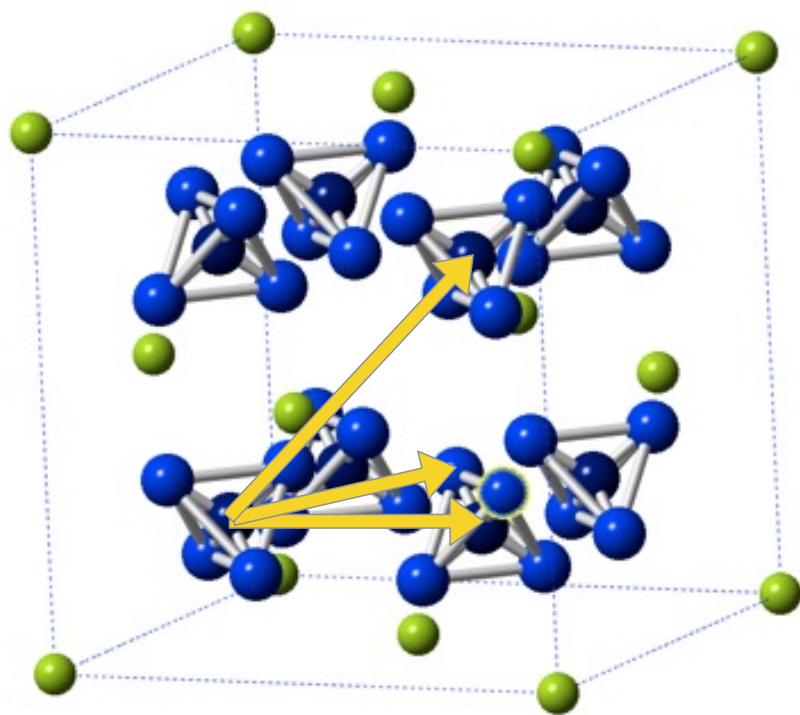


3D- Δ PDF from $\text{Cu}_{1.8}\text{Se}$

Corelli Data



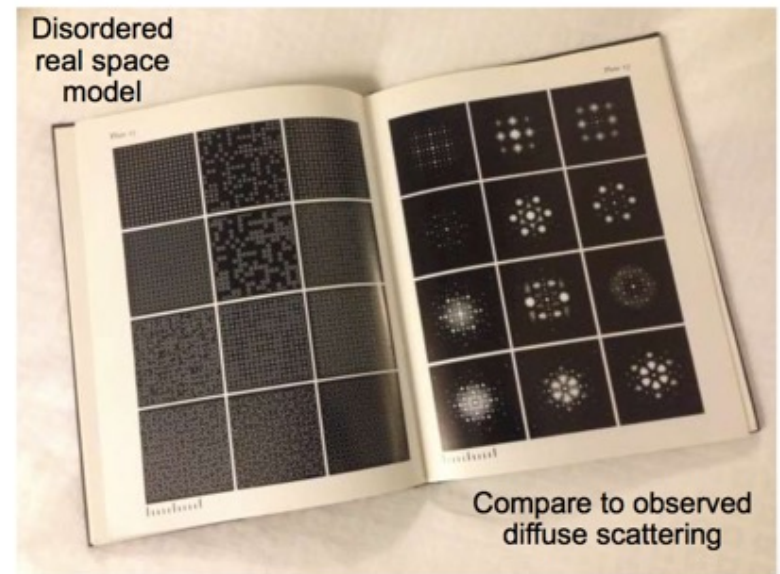
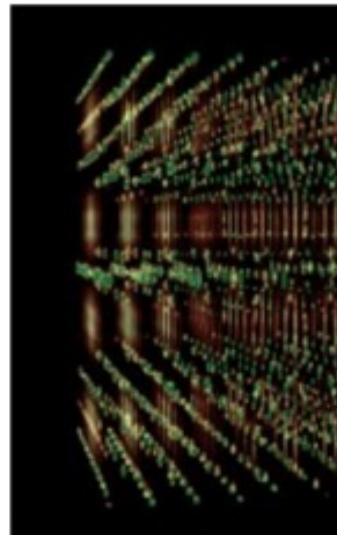
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Symmetrized Corelli Data

The Future

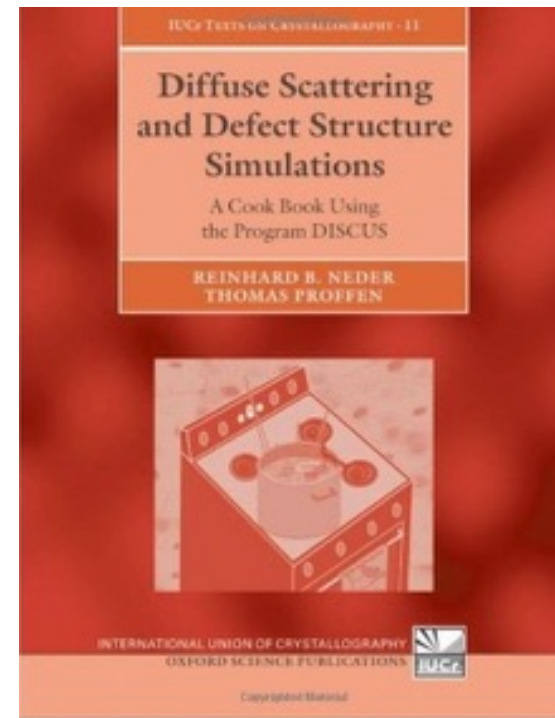
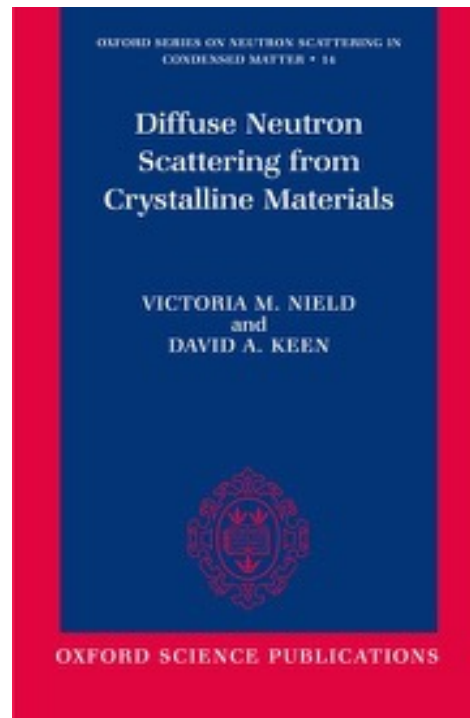
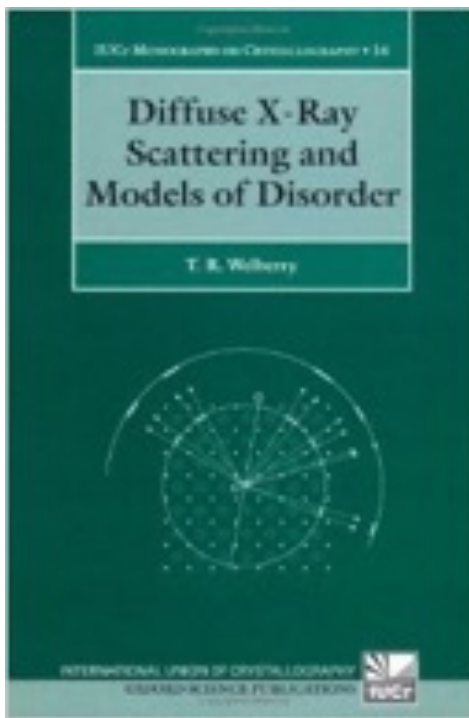
- ▶ High-Energy X-rays
 - Absorption lengths similar to neutrons
 - Most existing detectors have low efficiency but alternatives exist, e.g. CdTe
- ▶ Micro-diffuse scattering
 - Benefiting from increased brightness of, e.g., APS Upgrade
- ▶ Increasing use of *ab initio* computational modeling
 - Allowing more complex systems to be investigated
 - Less dependence on intuition in modeling
- ▶ Enhanced analysis tools
 - Machine learning
 - Correlated data analysis
 - Easier co-refinement of neutrons and x-rays



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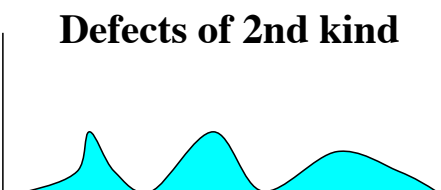
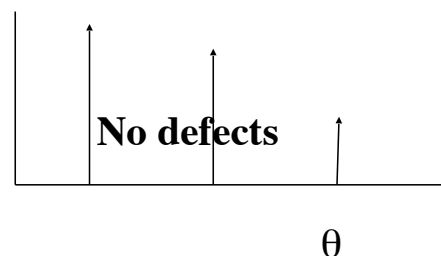


Diffuse Scattering Song

- ▶ Come eager young scholars - so tender and new
I'll teach you diffraction - what I says mostly true
Between the Bragg Peaks lies a world where you see
Fluctuations and defects- they stand out plane-ly
- ▶ *Chorus*
For its dark as a dungeon between the Bragg peaks
But here in the darkness - each defect speaks
It gathers- from throughout- reciprocal space
And re-distributes all over the place.
- ▶ Between the Bragg peaks - one thing that we see
Is TDS on our CCD
Intensity totals are conserved- you can't win
It steals from the Bragg peaks that stay very thin
- ▶ Substitutional alloys can cause quite a stir
The shorter the length scale the greater the blur
With care you can find out the bond length between
Each atom pair type-the measurements clean
- ▶ Dislocations and other- type 2 defects
Destroy the Bragg peaks -they turn them to wrecks
But near the Bragg peaks- you still can see
Intense diffraction continuously
- ▶ Many -are- the defects you find
Between the Bragg peaks where others are blind
So go tell your friends and impress your boss
You've new understanding -with one hours loss



Gene Ice



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