

Artificial Intelligence for Scattering Experiments

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My car



Forschungsreaktor München



NPDF at Lujan Center (LANL)



First Neutron Scattering Paper ..

Acta Cryst. (1993). B49, 599–604

Defect Structure and Diffuse Scattering of Zirconia Single Crystals Doped with 7 mol% CaO

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(Received 21 September 1992; accepted 4 January 1993)

This layer of diffuse scattering took **several month** to collect – 180 x 120 points, ~10 min per point

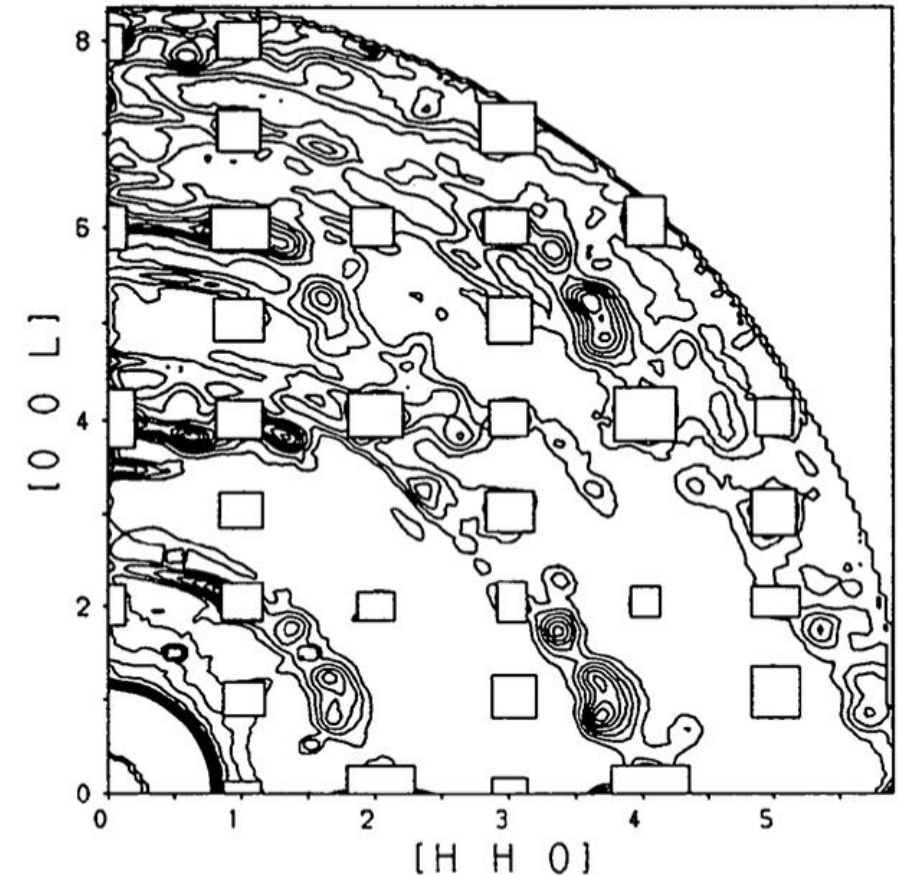
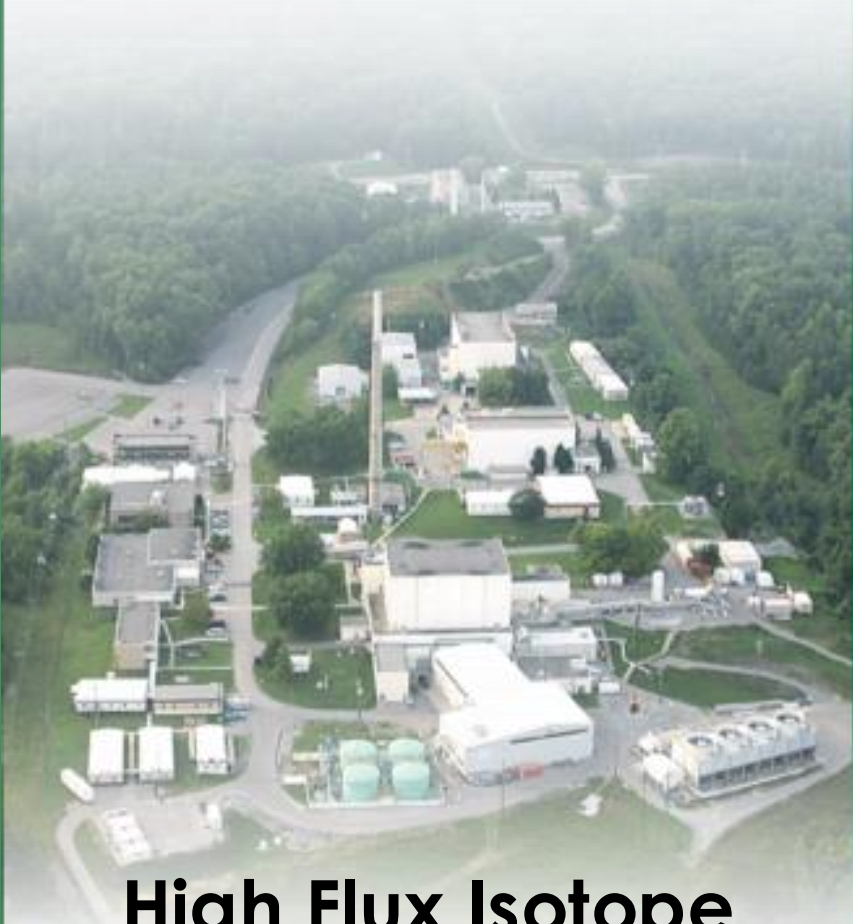


Fig. 1. Zero layer of the $[1\bar{1}0]$ zone. The intensities are stepped with linear intervals of 25 counts, the lowest intensity represented is 125 counts.

ORNL is home to two world class neutron sources




High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR)




690
Scientific Publications
in CY21*


685
Total Unique Users
in FY21


95,469
Hours of Beamtime
in FY21


1,190
Total Experiments
in FY21

Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)

Materials research crosses facilities



Opportunities

- Multimodal analysis
- Applied Math. concepts
- Advanced Materials Modeling



FRONTIERS IN DATA, MODELING, AND SIMULATION

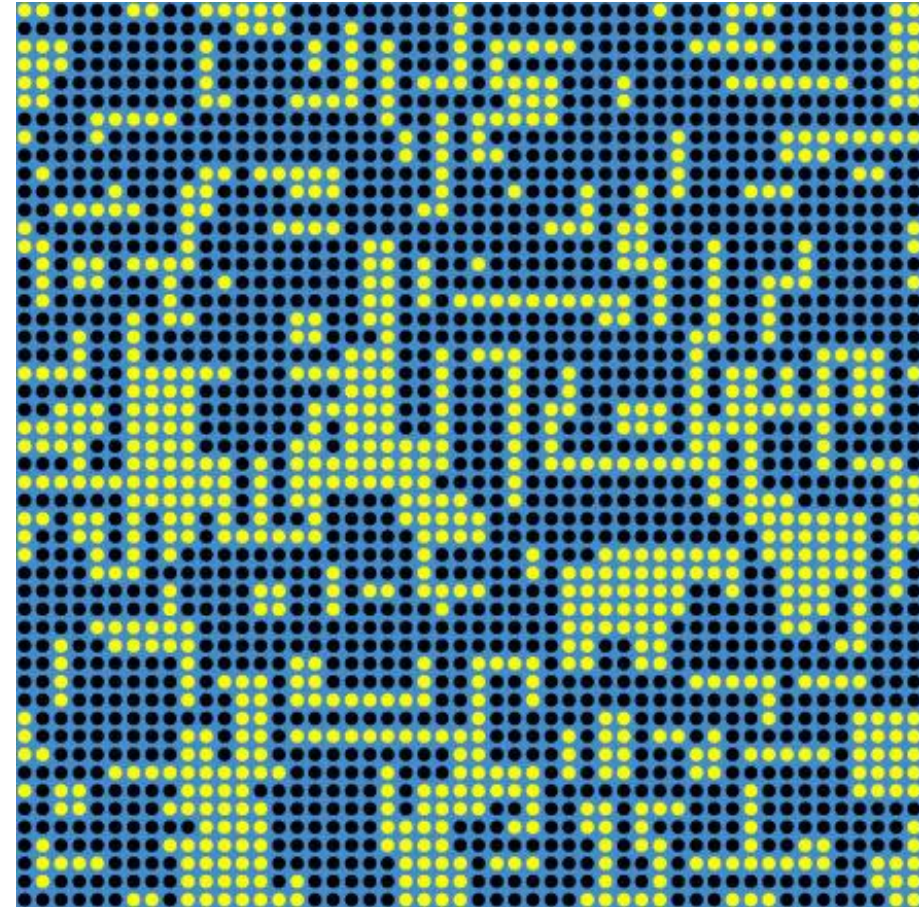
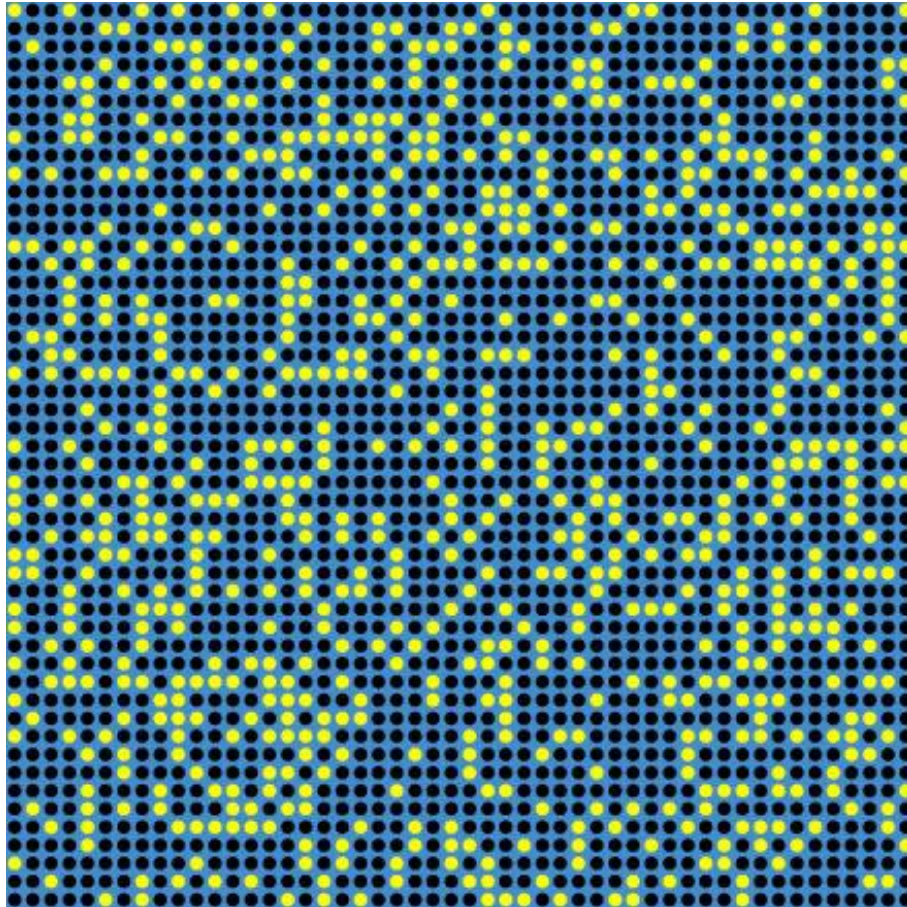
Workshop Report
Argonne National Laboratory
March 30-31, 2015

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Thomas Proffen (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

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<http://neutrons.ornl.gov/grand-challenge-workshops>

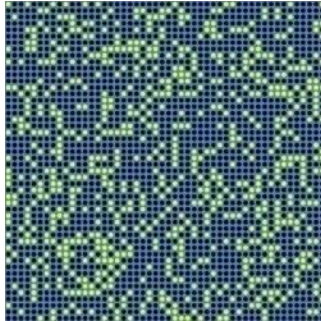
Diffuse scattering ?



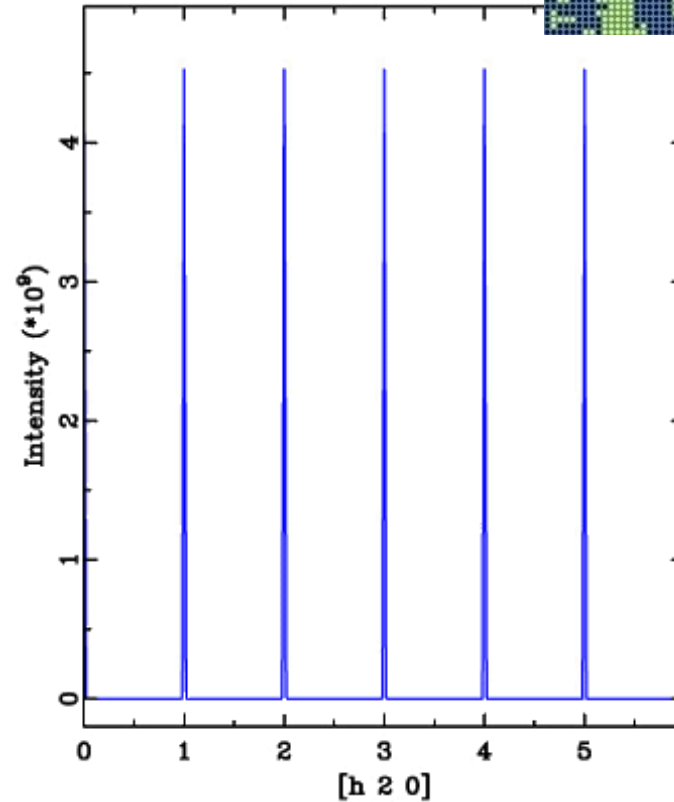
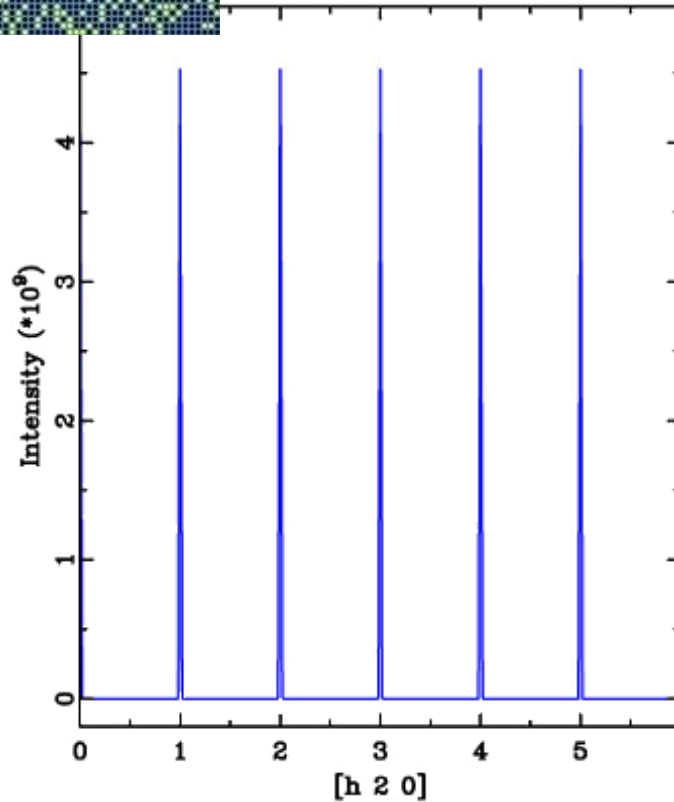
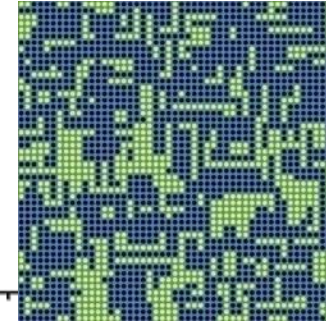
Cross section of 50x50x50 u.c. model crystal consisting of 70% black atoms and 30% *vacancies* !

Properties might depend on vacancy ordering !!

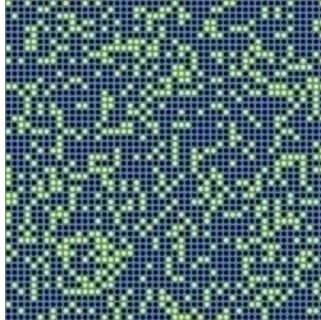
Bragg peaks are blind ..



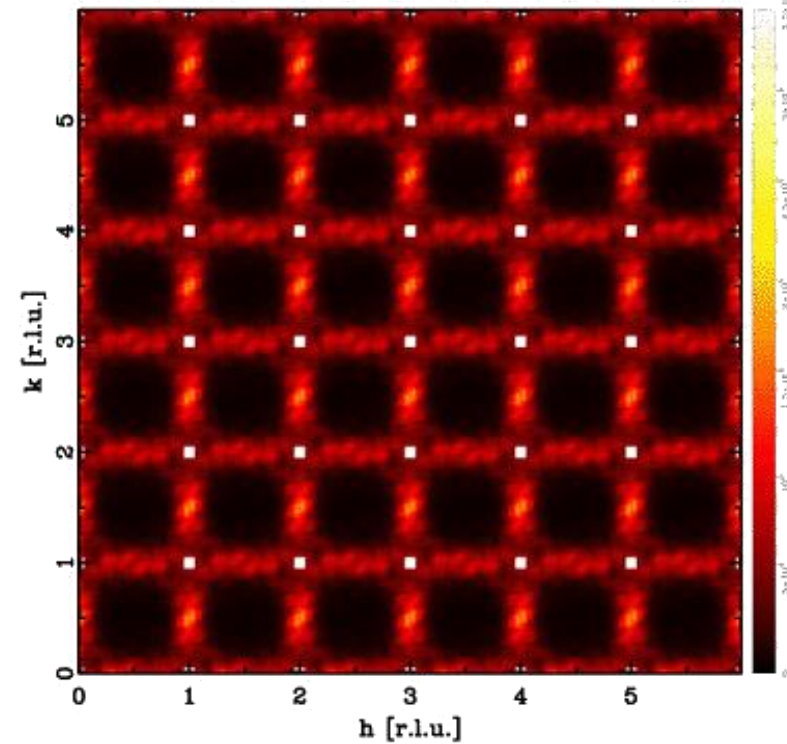
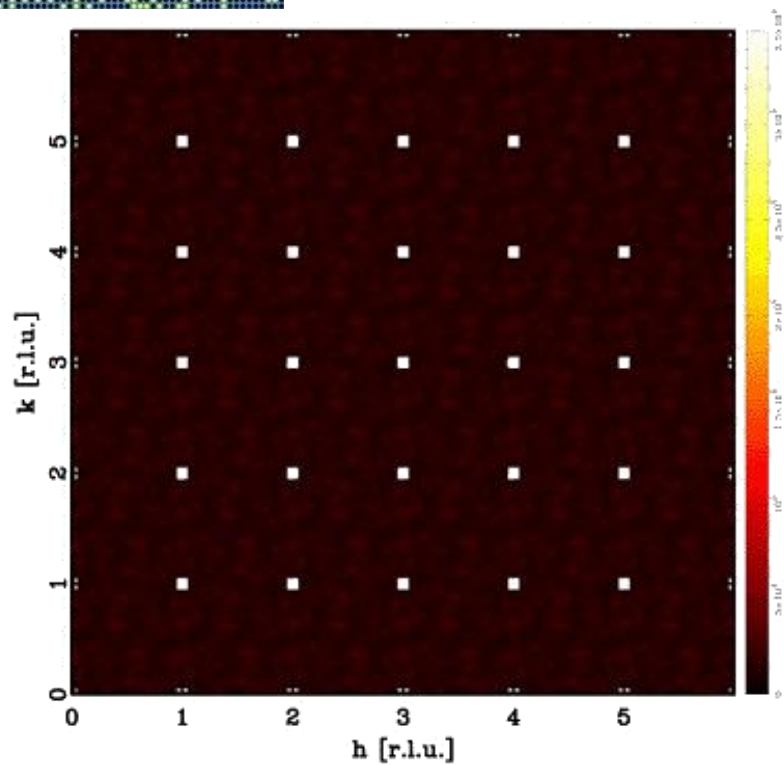
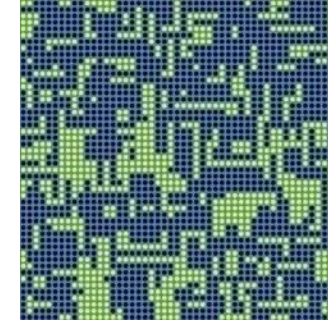
Bragg scattering: Information about the average structure, e.g. average positions, displacement parameters and occupancies.



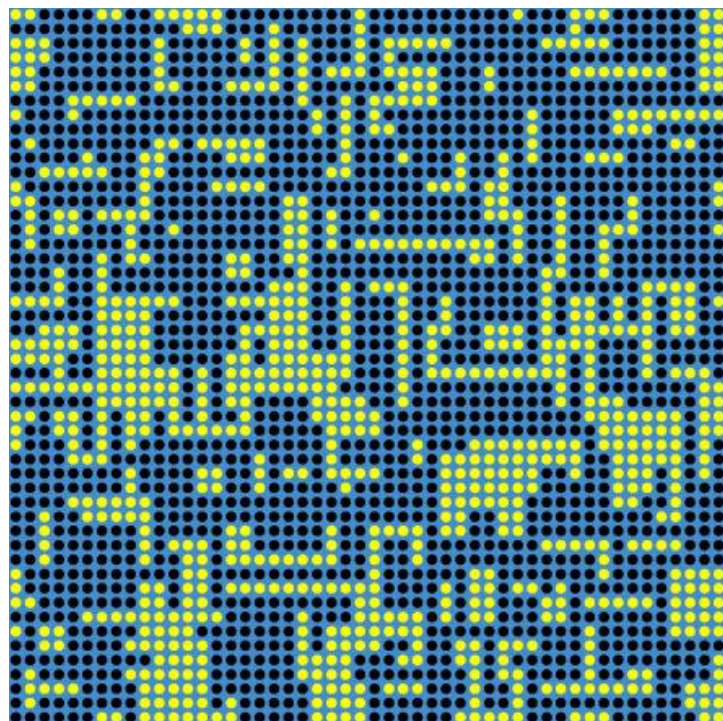
Diffuse scattering to the rescue ..



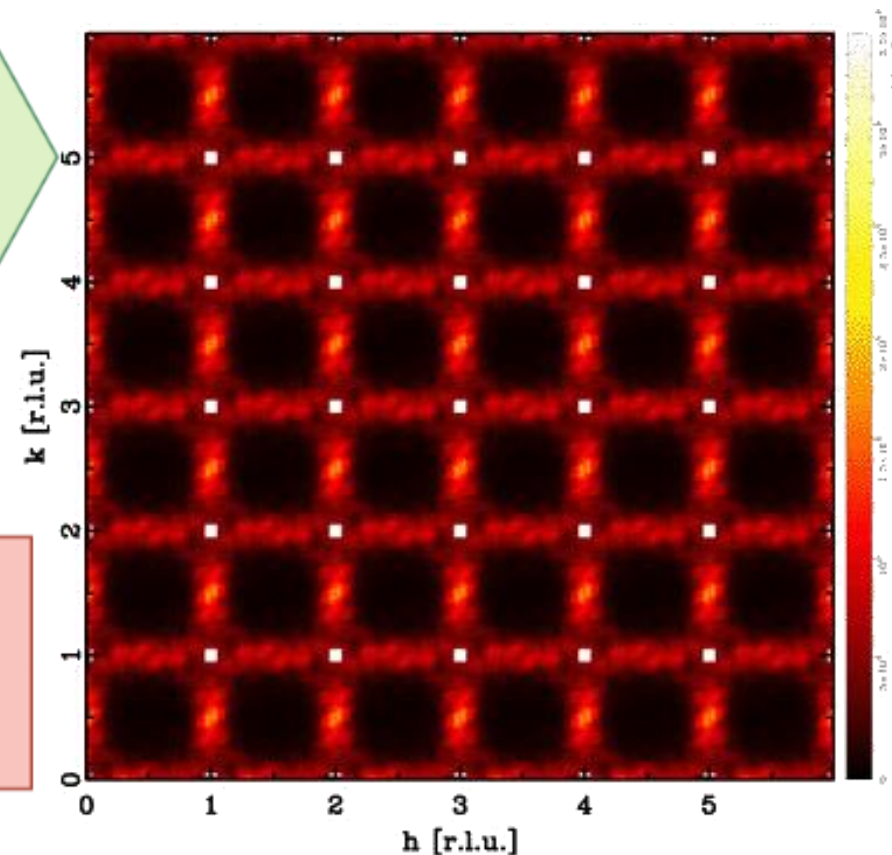
Diffuse scattering: Information about *two-body correlations*, i.e. chemical short-range order or local distortions.



Inverse Problem aka Crystallographic Phase Problem



$$F(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i(\mathbf{h}) e^{2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i}$$



Intensities measured only give $|\mathbf{F}|$ and not the phase



Analyzing diffuse scattering

- **Correlation approach:** Expansion of kinematic scattering equation in terms of displacement. Yields set of two-body correlations.
- **Monte Carlo based computer simulations:** Scientist might “win” solution to the problem ..
 - Minimize total energy E: AMC
 - Minimize (observed – calculated)²: RMC
- More: “Diffuse Neutron Scattering from Crystalline Materials” by Niels and Keen, Oxford University Press

Table 1. Summary of the properties of the different components of the diffuse intensity.

Term	I ₀	I ₁	I ₂	I ₃
Description	Short-range order (SRO) term	Warren Size-effect	Huang Scattering 1st order TDS	3rd order size term
Lattice averages involved	SRO parameters α^{ij}	$\langle X^{ij} \rangle, \langle Y^{ij} \rangle$ etc.	$\langle (X^{ij})^2 \rangle, \langle X^{ij} Y^{ij} \rangle$ etc.	$\langle (X^{ij})^3 \rangle, \langle (X^{ij})^2 Y^{ij} \rangle$ etc.
Type of Summation	cosine	sine	cosine	sine
Symmetry	symmetric	anti-symmetric	symmetric	anti-symmetric
Variation in <i>k</i> -space	nil	linear, <i>i.e.</i> with h_1, h_2 etc.	quadratic, <i>i.e.</i> with $h_1^2, h_1 h_2$ etc.	cubic, <i>i.e.</i> with $h_1^3, h_1^2 h_2$ etc.
Dependence on f_A, f_B for binary	$(f_A - f_B)^2$	$f_A (f_A - f_B), f_B (f_A - f_B)$	$f_A^2, f_A f_B, f_B^2$	$f_A^2, f_A f_B, f_B^2$
Number of components for binary	1	6	18	30

The Automatic Monte Carlo Method

Input:

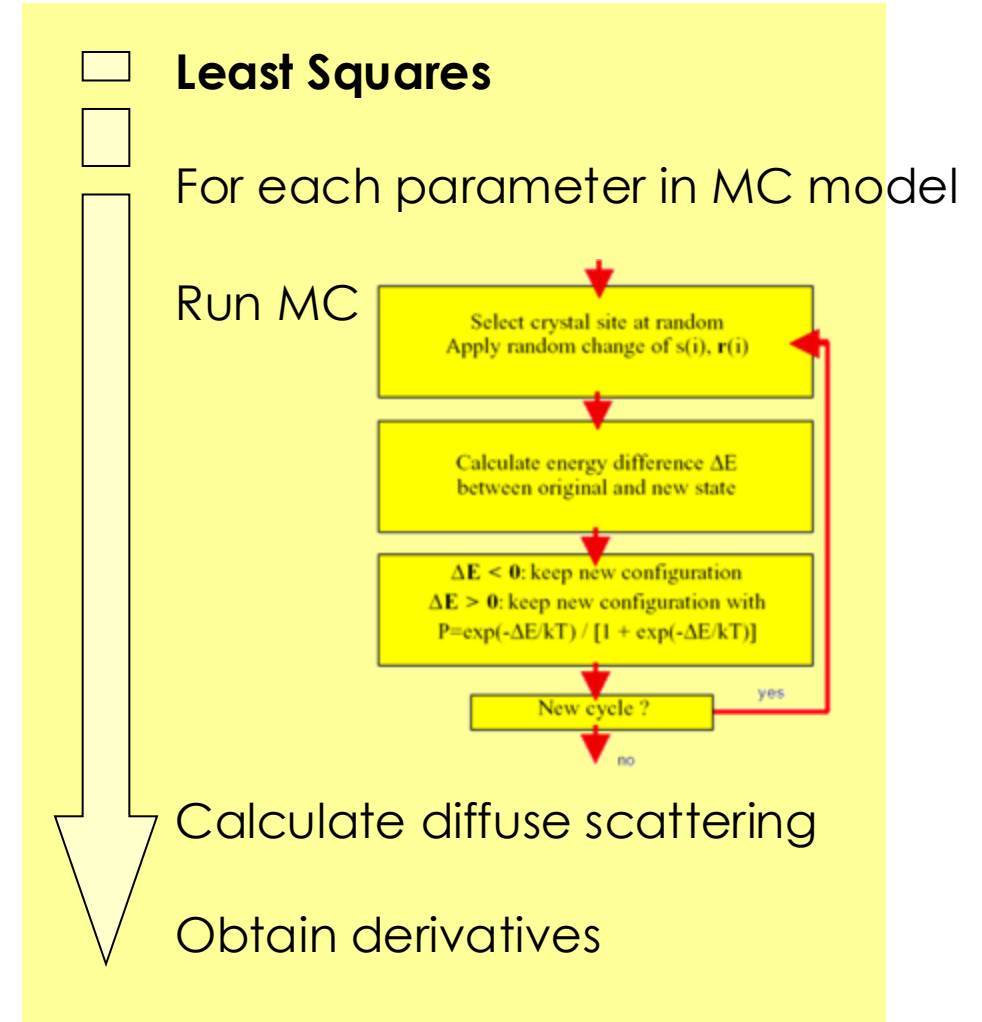
- Observed diffuse scattering
- Starting structure (e.g. average)
- Model for disorder in terms of interaction energies for MC simulation.

Result:

- Set of interaction energies for given model that best match the data.

Questions:

- Finding the right model ..
- It is very slow ..



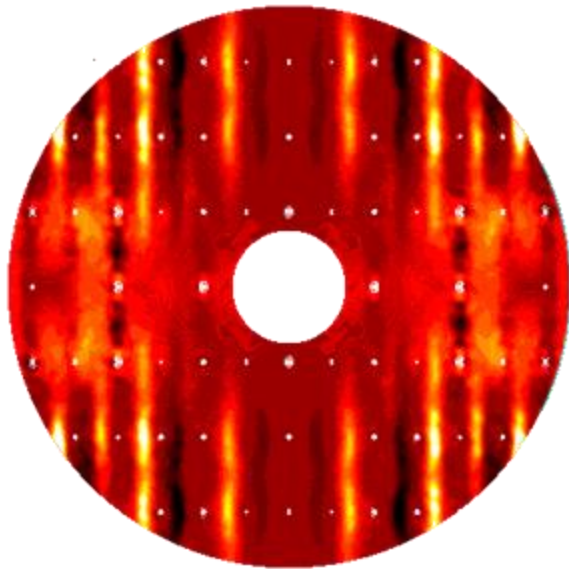
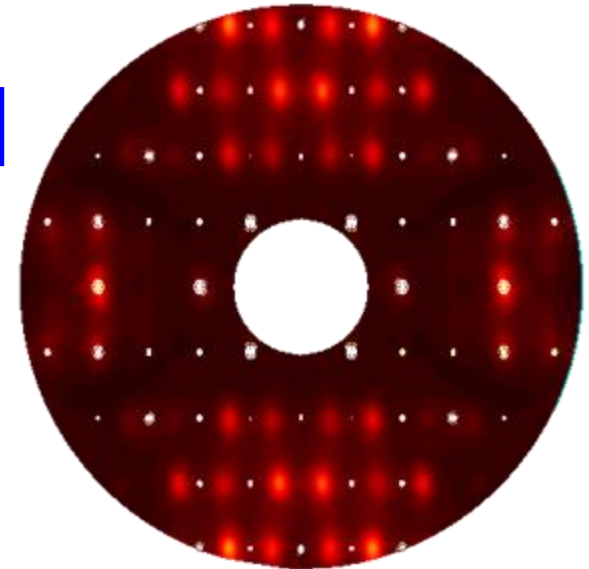
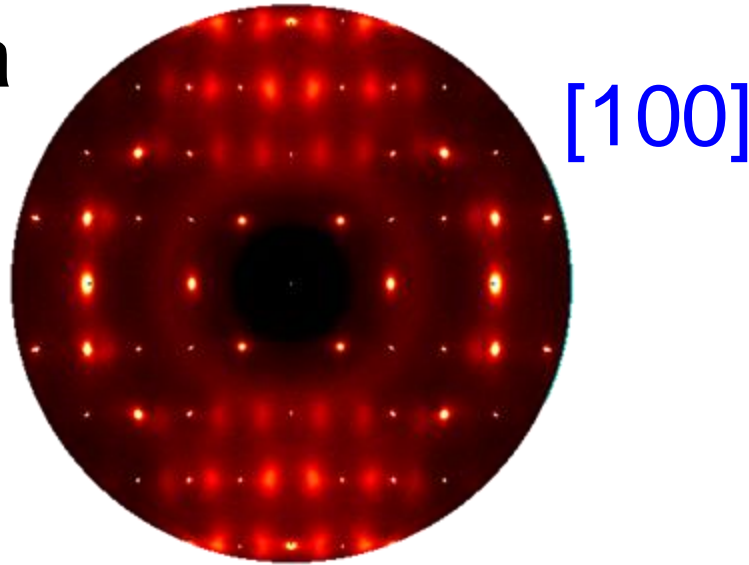
Disorder in $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ – AMC refinement

calculated

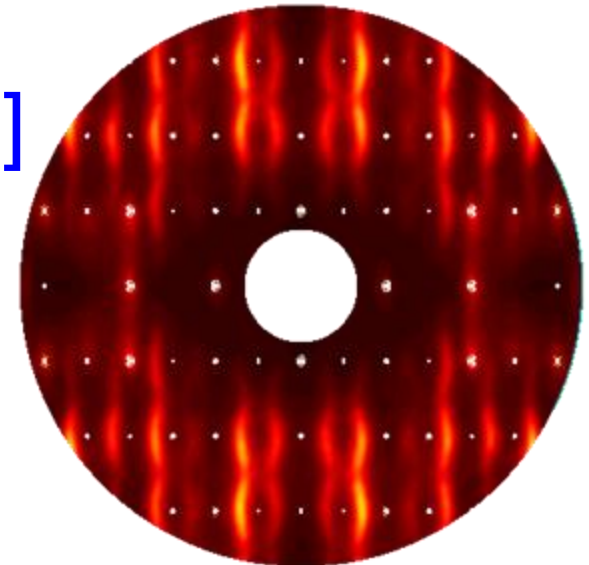
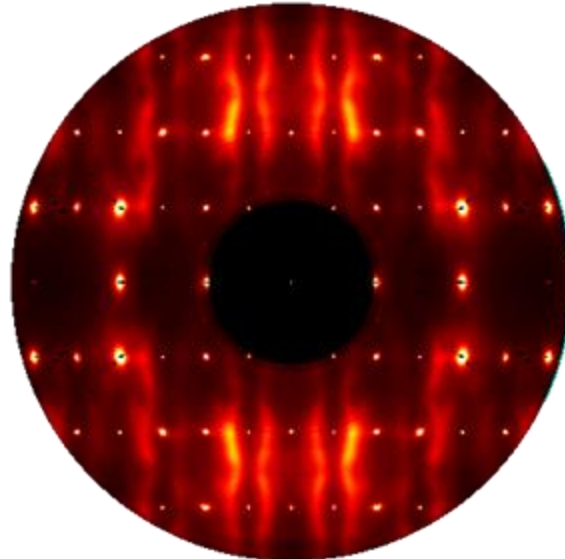
Numerical estimates
of Differentials

$$\frac{\partial \Delta I}{\partial p_i} = \sum_{hklm} \frac{(\Delta I_{p+} - \Delta I_{p-})}{2\delta_i}$$

Data



[101]



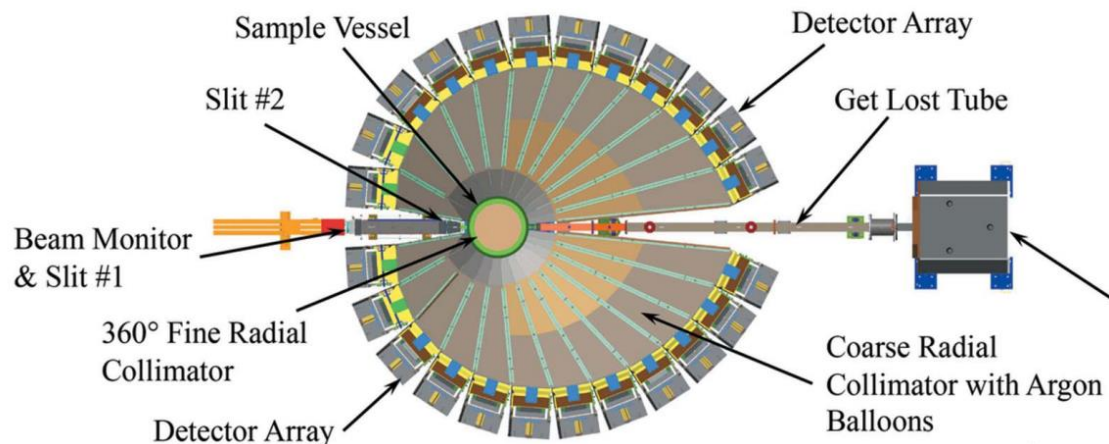
Difference between two
calculated diffraction patterns

Opportunities using Machine Learning

AI is about how we use and process data. It will be, and is, transformative in knowledge-based disciplines. AI will not replace scientists, but scientists who use AI will replace those who don't.*

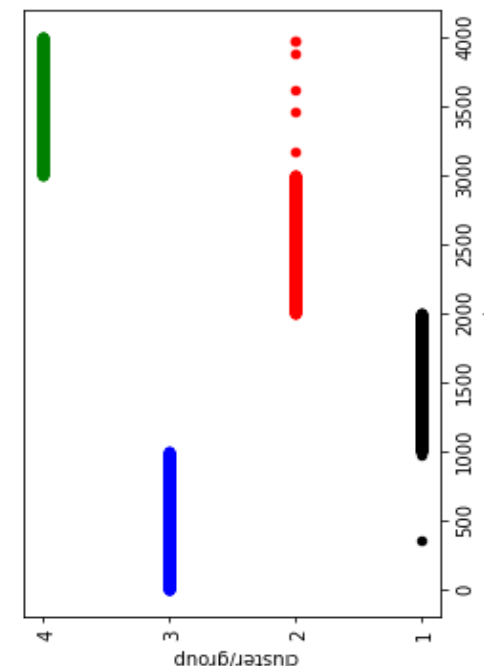
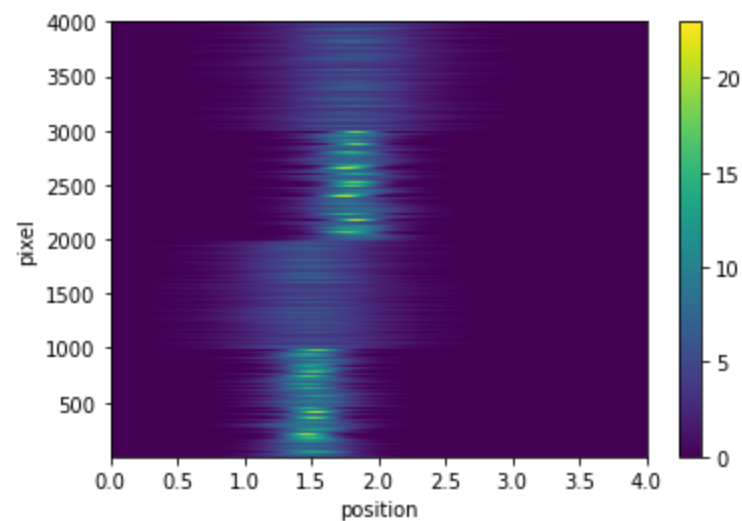
*Modified from a quote in the Microsoft report, "The Future Computed: Artificial Intelligence And Its Role In Society"

Unsupervised Machine Learning – Instrument calibration



Unsupervised clustering algorithm for Time focusing and selection of groups of detectors with 'similar' features, e.g. resolution

POWGEN



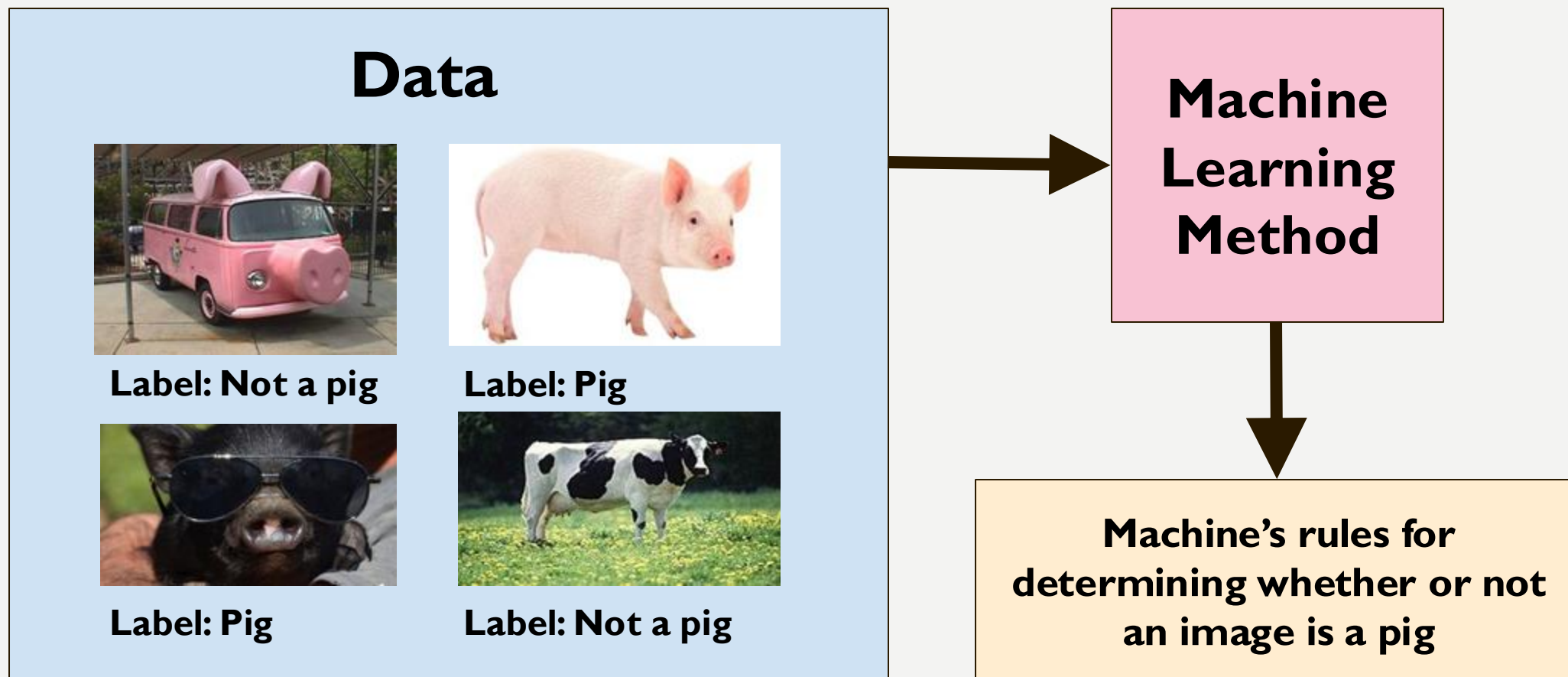
Work by Yuanpeng Zhang

(SUPERVISED) MACHINE LEARNING



MACHINE LEARNING

A machine learning method takes a bunch of data and “learns” from it!



DID IT "LEARN" SOMETHING?



Label: Not a pig



Label: Pig



Label: Pig



Label: Not a pig

Training Data

The data we give to the machine learning method to learn from



Label: Not a pig



Label: Pig

Testing Data

The data we hold out and use to check to see if the method actually learned something!

DEEP LEARNING

Simulated scattering 'images'

- Small Angle Scattering
- Diffraction
- Diffuse Scattering
- Quasi Elastic Scattering

Labels

- Relate to model / parameters
- Related to topology
- Good/Bad

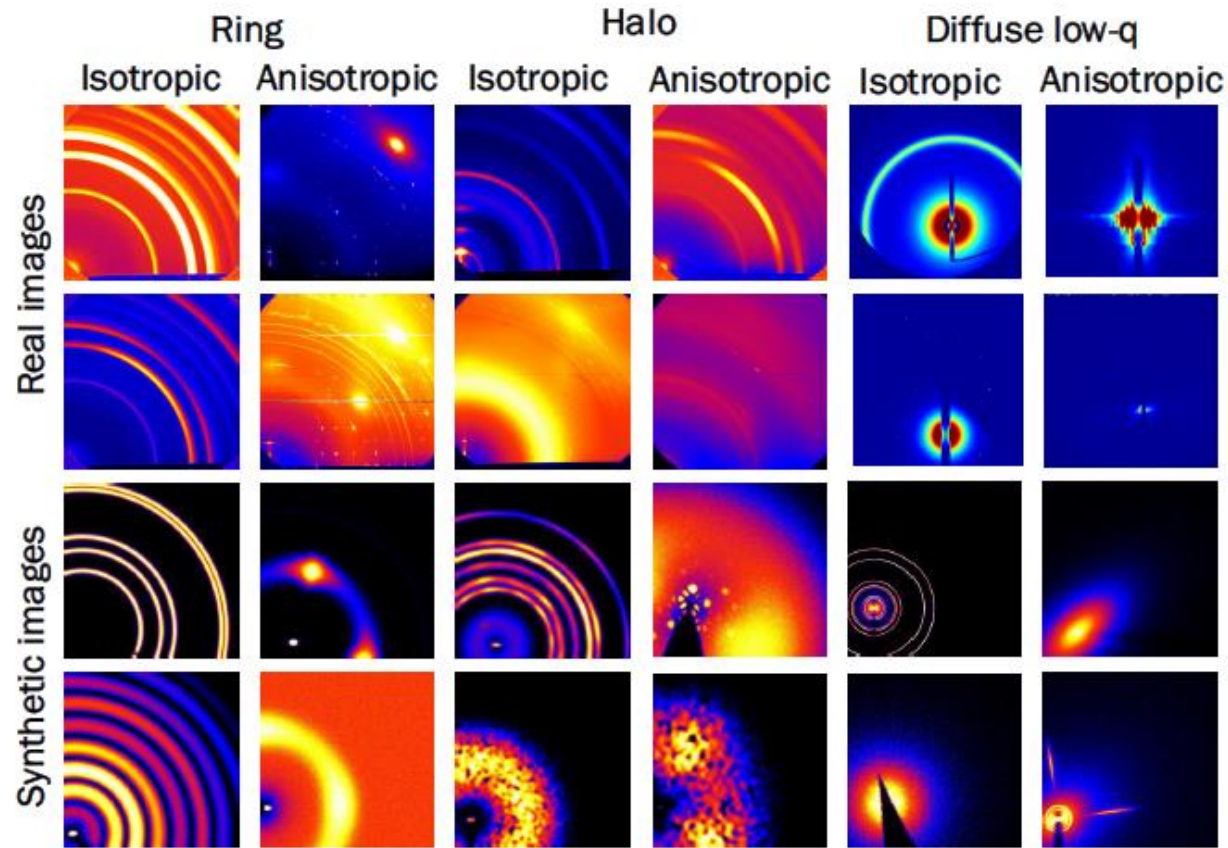
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Machine Learning for classification



2017 IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision

X-ray Scattering Image Classification Using Deep Learning

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Figure 2: Comparison between synthetic images and real experimental images. The first and second rows are real experimental images, while the third and fourth rows are synthetic images. Images in the same column have the same attribute. From left to right, the attributes are: Ring: Isotropic, Ring: Anisotropic, Halo: Isotropic, Halo: Anisotropic, Diffuse low q: Isotropic, and Diffuse low q: Anisotropic. Visually, synthetic and real images are indiscernible.

XsymNet: ML + Exhaustive Symmetry for Phase Transitions

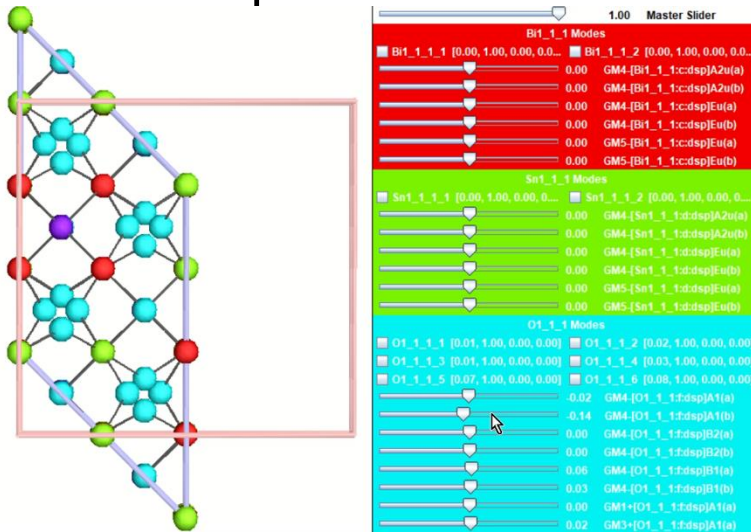


Objectives with XsymNet

- Lower barrier for subtle or complex phase transition studies
- Identify SG, lattice parameters, and distortions modes from powder diffraction data

Exhaustive Symmetry - ISODISTORT

- Provides symmetry adapted distortion modes to model the phase transition



XsymNet Workflow

- 1) Generate Subgroup tree (SGT) with ISODISTORT Method 3
- 2) Create 250-1000 perturbations of each subgroup member by randomly choosing:

Strain Mode Amplitudes

- » 1 to 6 modes depending on symmetry
- » Random(-0.01, 0.01)

Displacement Mode Amplitudes

- » Gaussian(0, $\sigma = 0.33$)

BEQ Intensity – Thermal Parameters

- 3) Simulate powder patterns of all perturbed structures
- 4) Train XsymNet to classify powder patterns by subgroup symmetry
- 5) Classify Experimental diffraction data

XsymNet: ML + Exhaustive Symmetry for Phase Transitions

XsymNet – Convolutional Neural Network

- Accurately classifies subgroup symmetry to powder patterns
- Automated Rietveld refinement on top 5 subgroups → scientist reviews results

Simulated Validation Data

Classification	Accuracy Metric	α phase	β phase
Subgroup (547 classes)	Top 1	89.2%	87.5%
	Top 5	99.5%	98.2%

Experimental Data – $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sn}_2\text{O}_7$

Confidence Rank	α phase	β phase
1	0176	0152
2	0088	0077
3	0236	0383
4	0544	0169
5	0183	0170

Parent Symmetry CIF

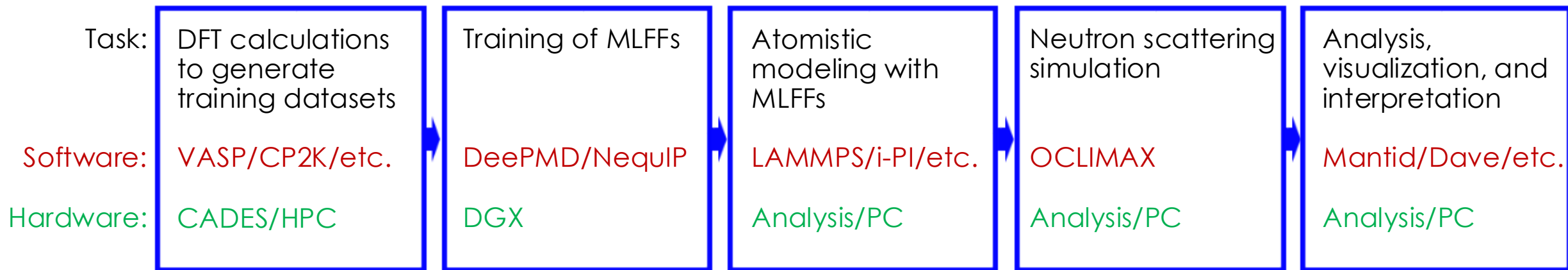
ISODISTORT Subgroup Tree

XsymNet Classification

Rietveld Refinement of Top 5

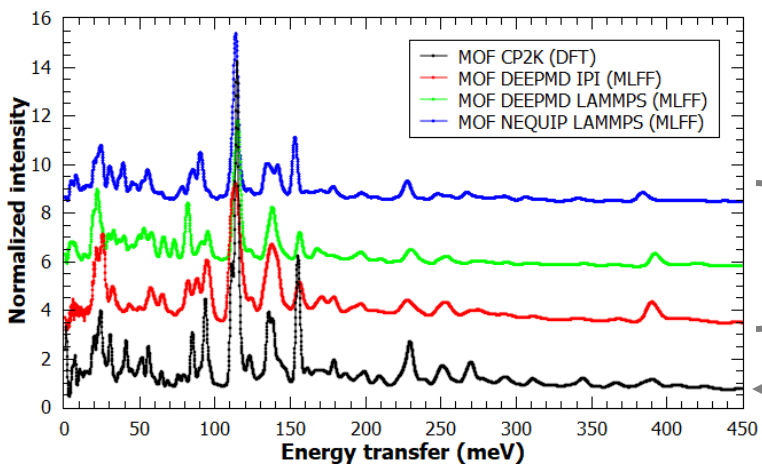
Scientist Review

Machine learning force fields (MLFFs) for neutron scattering

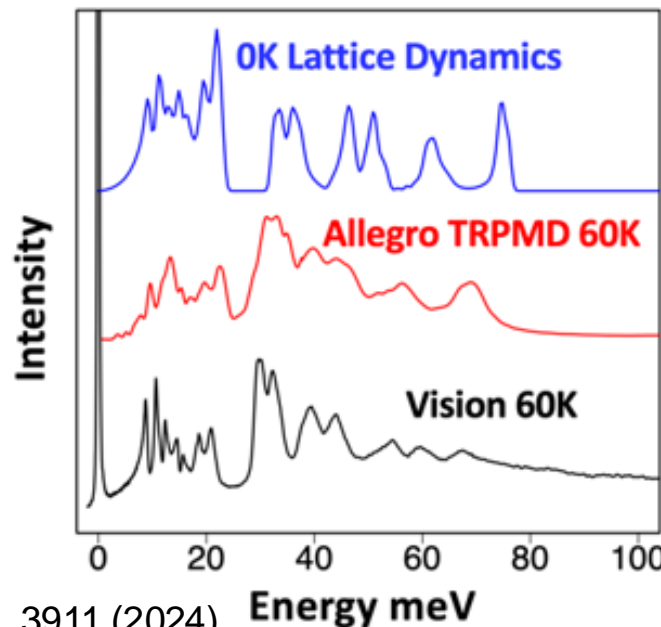
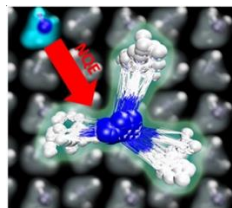


DeepMD: Zhang et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 143001 (2018)
NequIP: Batzner et al. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.03164> (2021)

✓ Simulation of vibration and INS spectra of complex materials



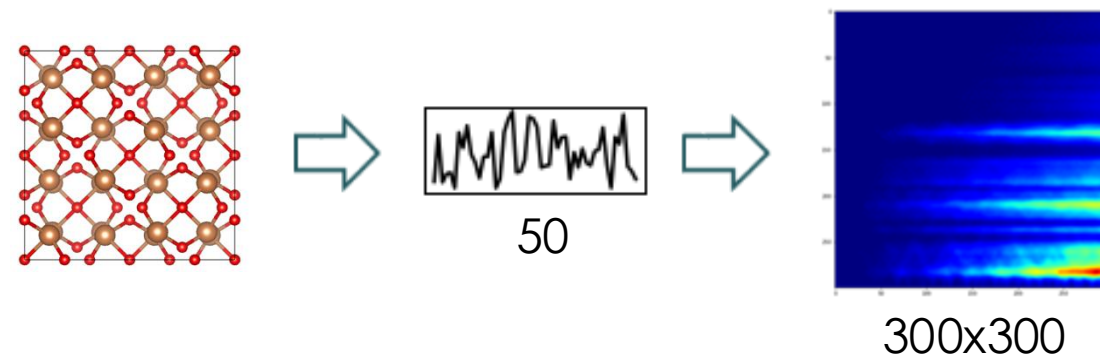
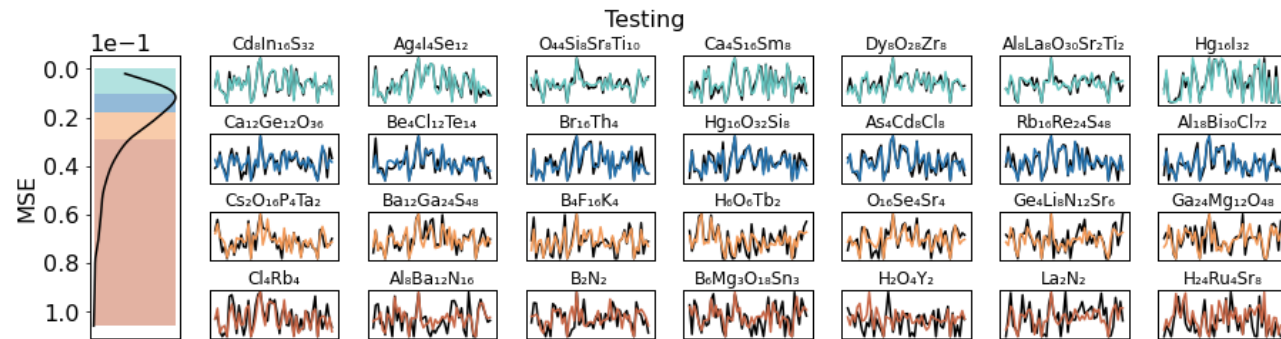
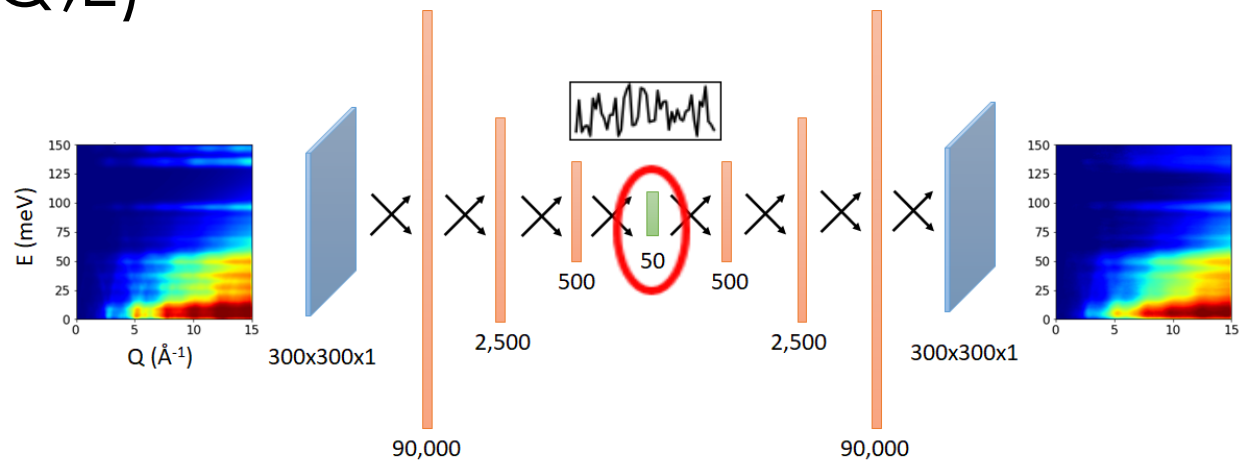
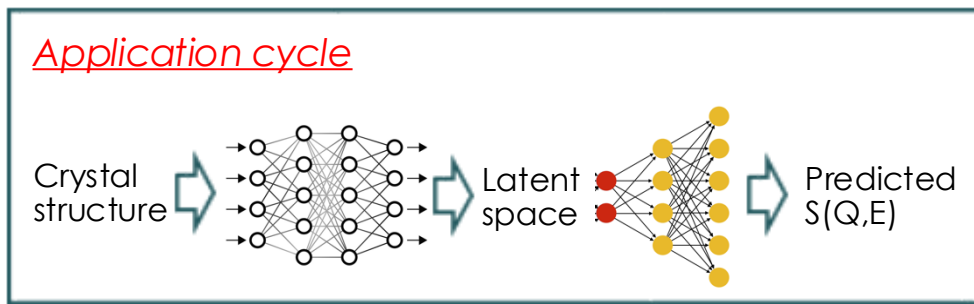
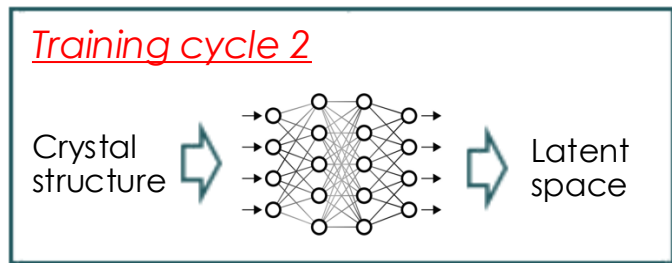
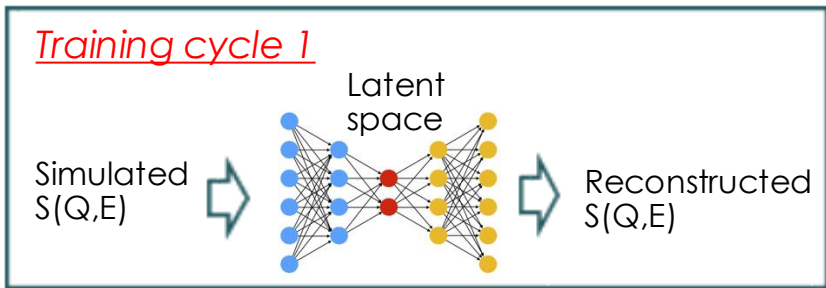
✓ Nuclear quantum effects in spectroscopy



10,000 speedup and linear scaling with size, while inheriting spectroscopic accuracy from DFT:

- Disordered, defective, or distorted crystals
- Heterogeneous structure (interface, boundary, guest-host systems)
- Long-range correlations
- Slow dynamics and rare events
- Nuclear quantum effects

Direct prediction of powder $S(Q,E)$



Analysis and feature detection in large volumes of diffuse x-ray and neutron scattering from complex materials

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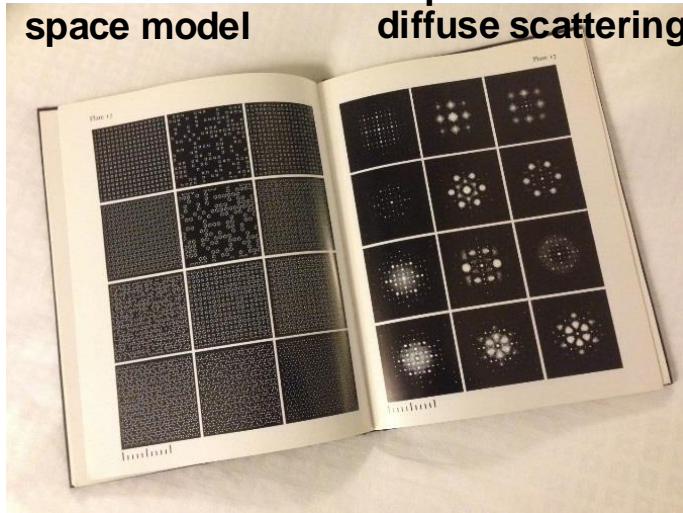
Facilities/Resources

SNS, APS, ALCF; OLCF; and CADES at ORNL

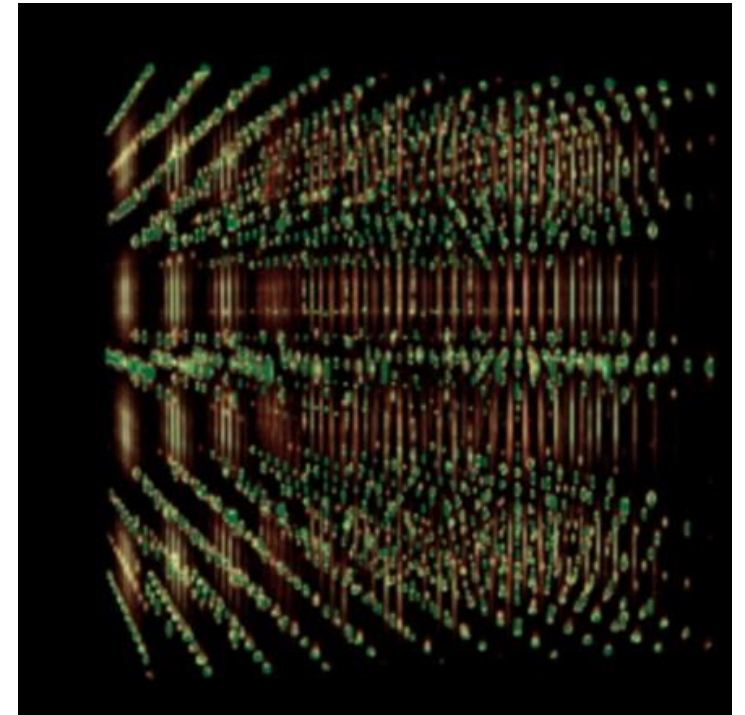
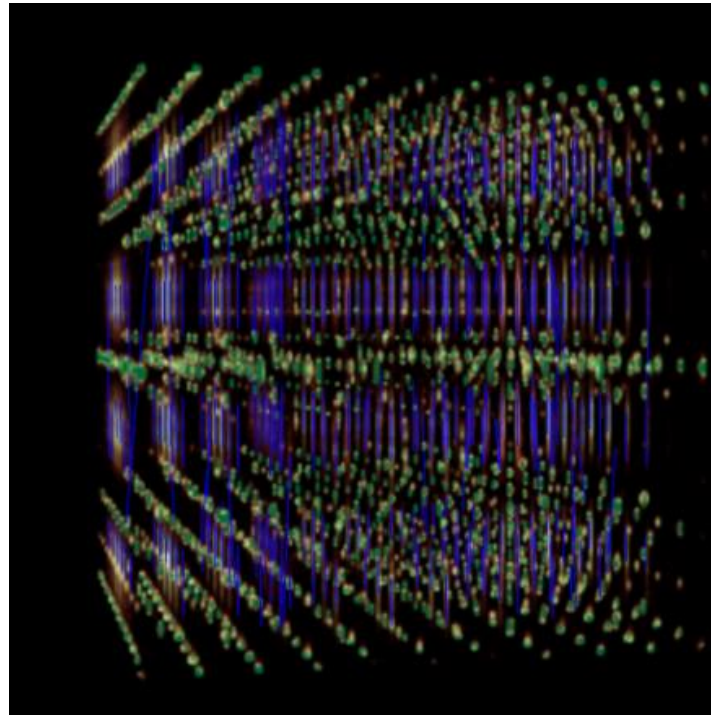
DOE Science Data Pilot Project

- **Diffuse scattering** contains information about **disorder in materials** which is critical to understand function.
- **Novel approach using pattern recognition and machine learning.**
- Aligned with science needs of CORELLI and TOPAZ.

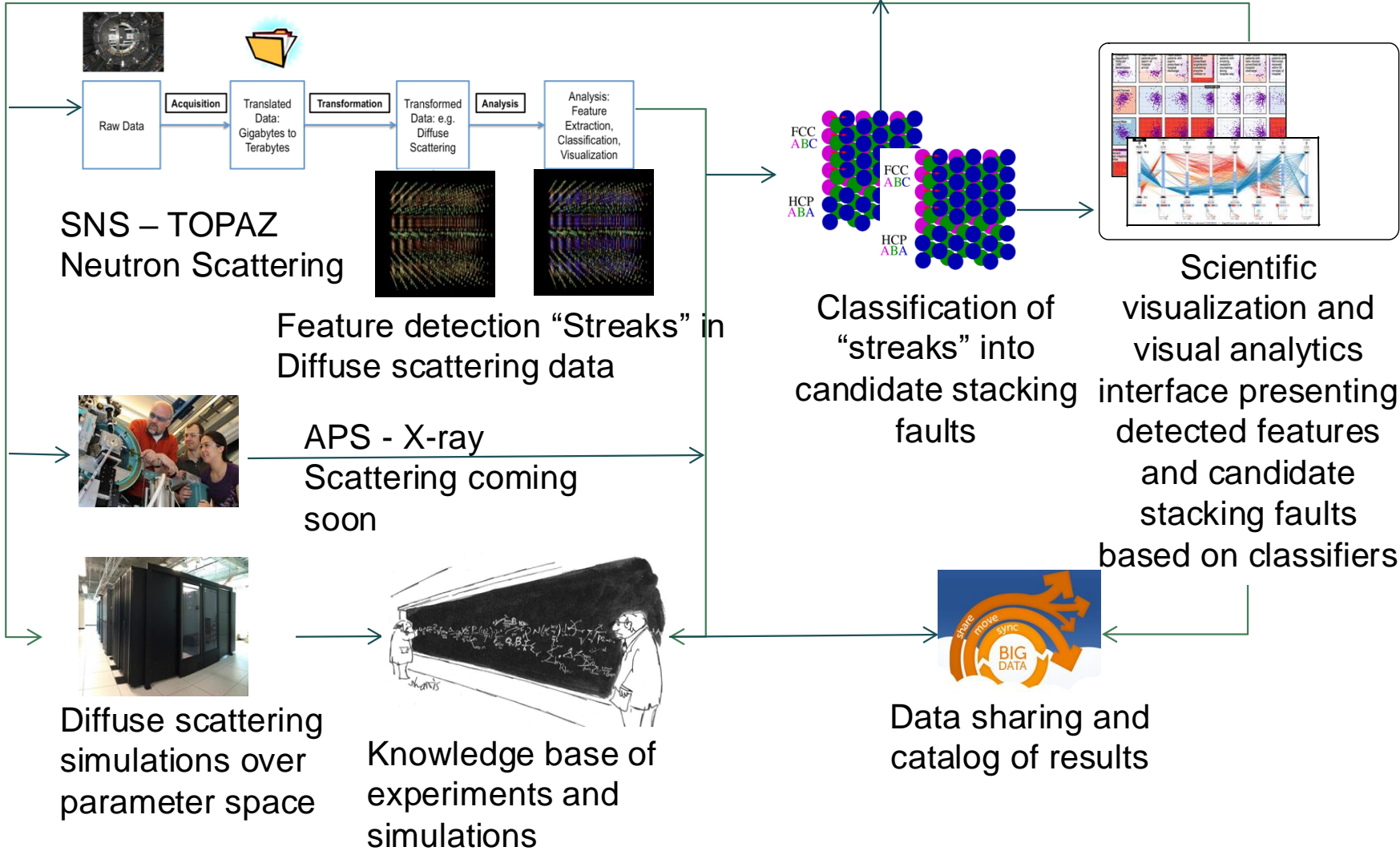
Disordered real space model Compare to observed diffuse scattering



Atlas of Optical Transforms, Harburn, Taylor and Welberry (1975)



High Level Demonstration Workflow



DISCUS
SIMULATION PACKAGE

EDEN
Exploratory Data analysis Environment

swift

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globus online

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ADIOS

Challenges

- What are the correct labels?
- Sparse data.
- Data management and 'ML friendly' metadata.
- Correct normalization for scientific data.

Thank you

NXS Lecture - Thomas Proffen:
"Machine Learning and AI for
Scattering Experiments"



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