



# Single Crystal Diffraction

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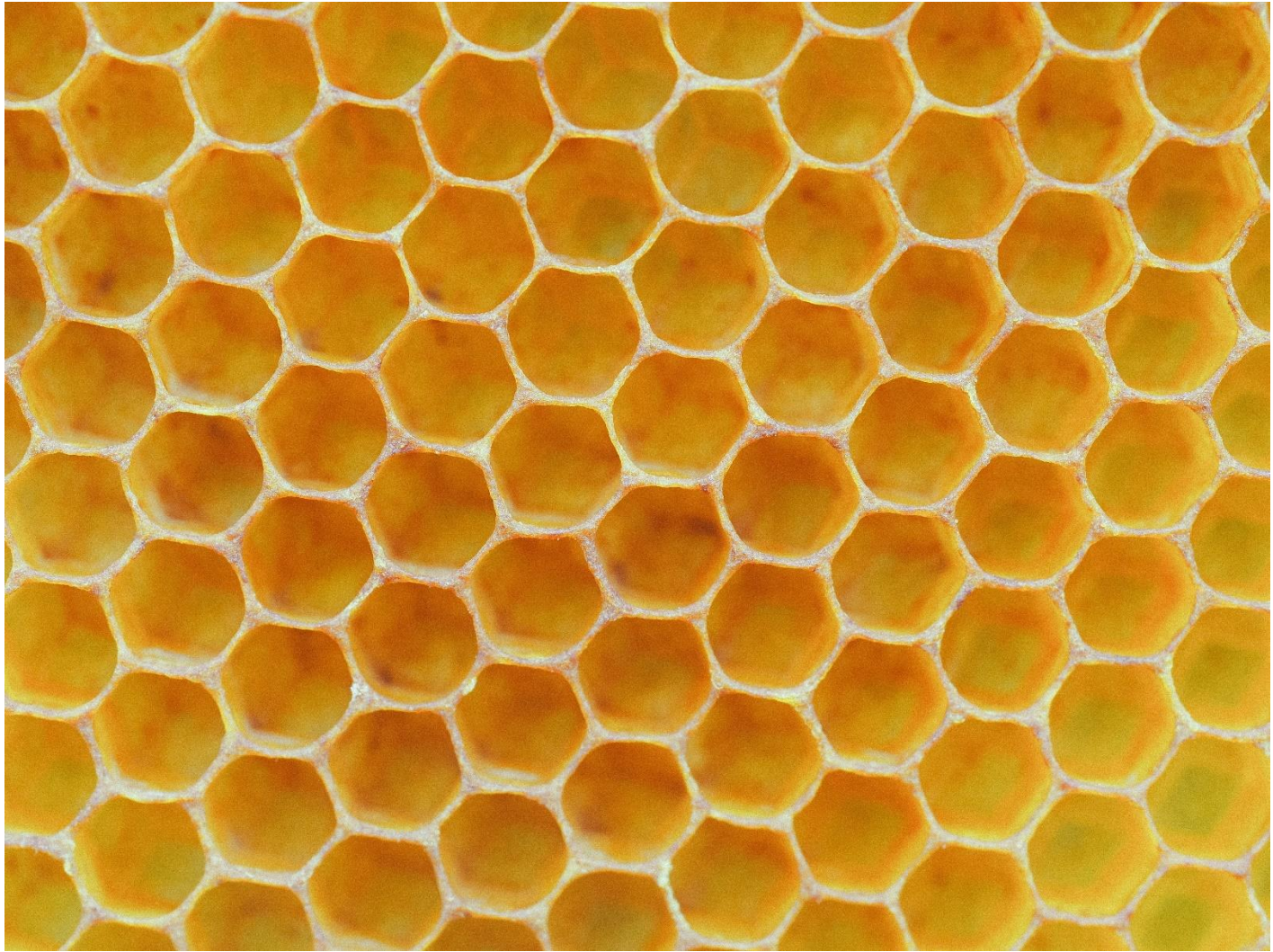
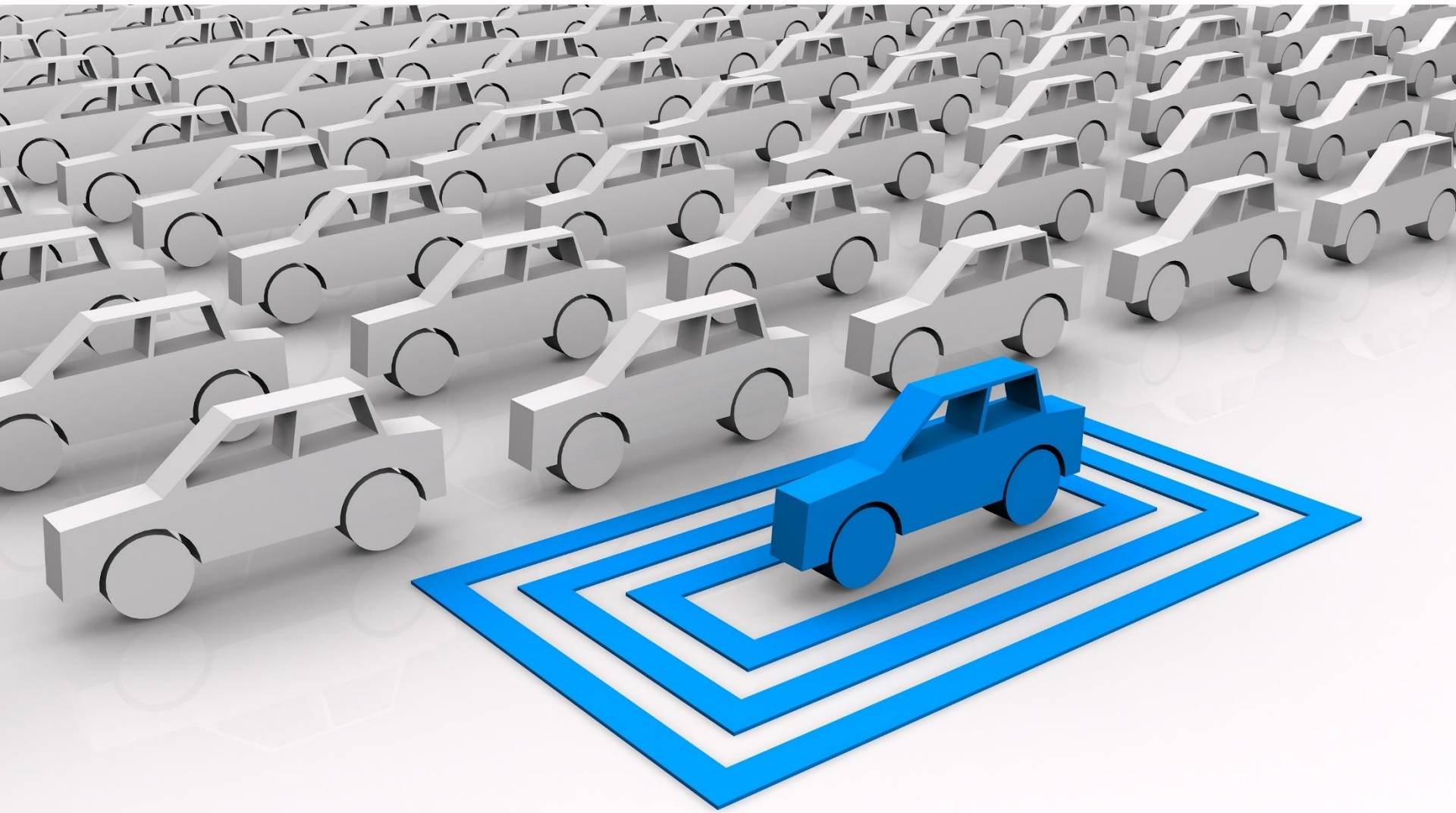


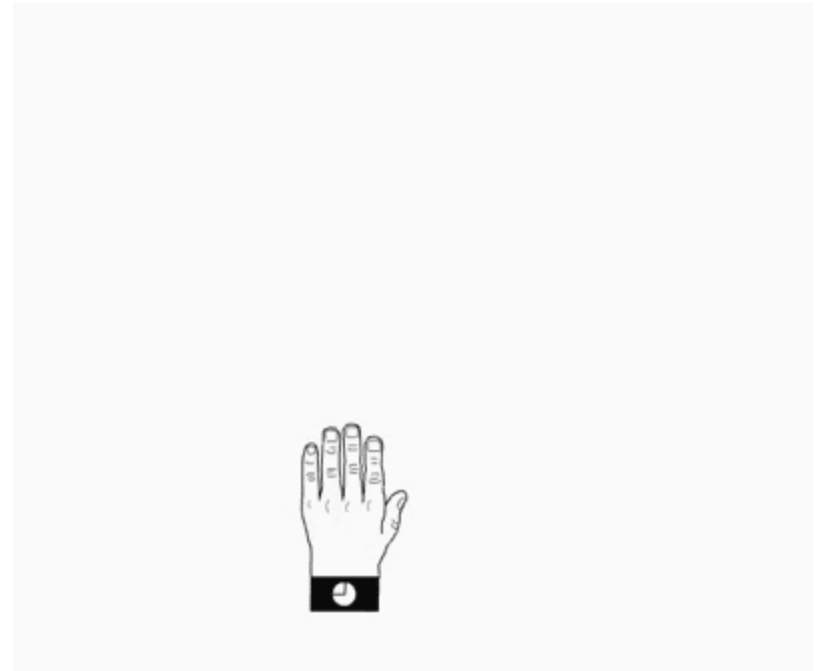
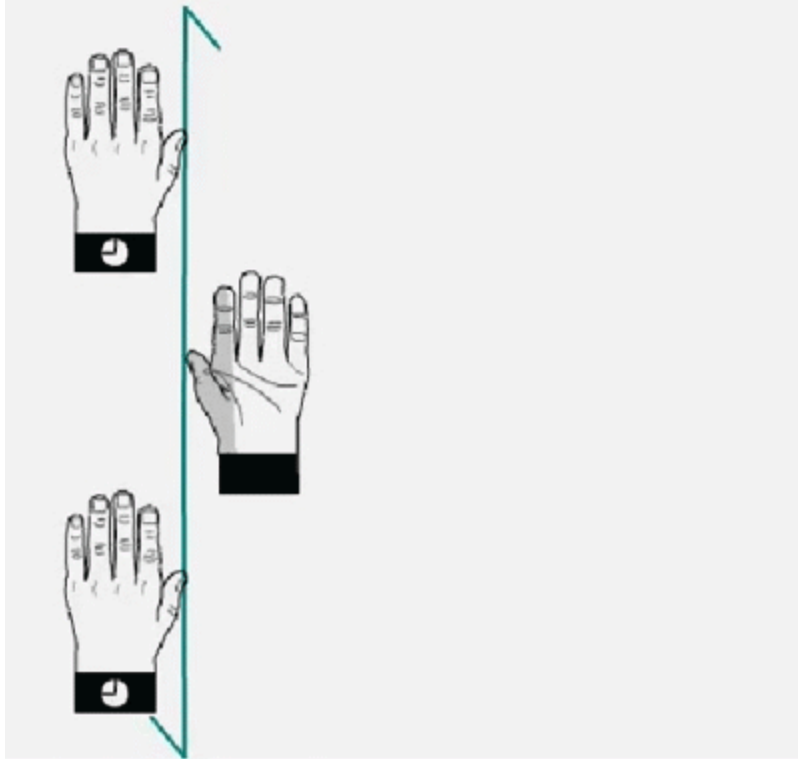
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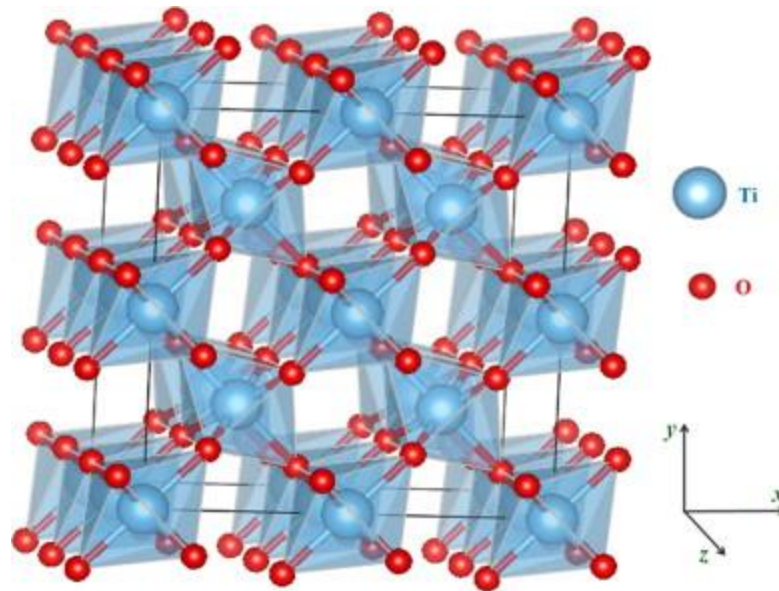






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= Symmetry + Translation

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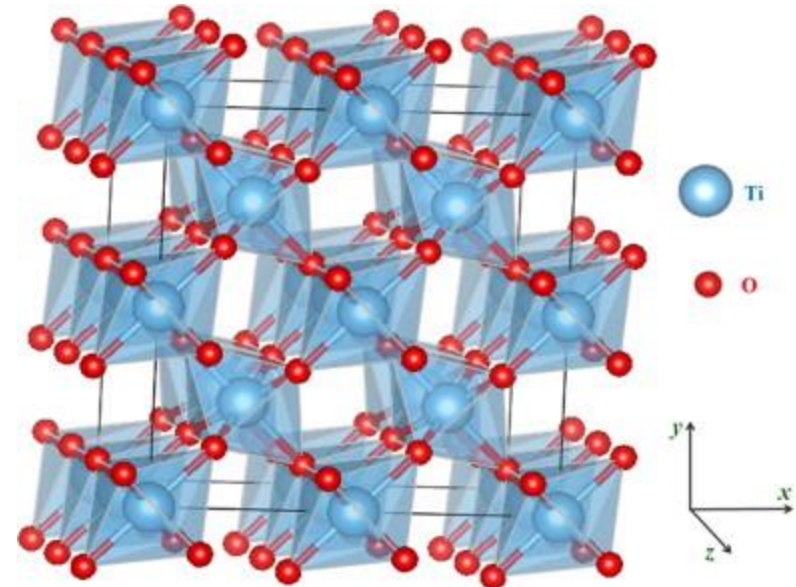
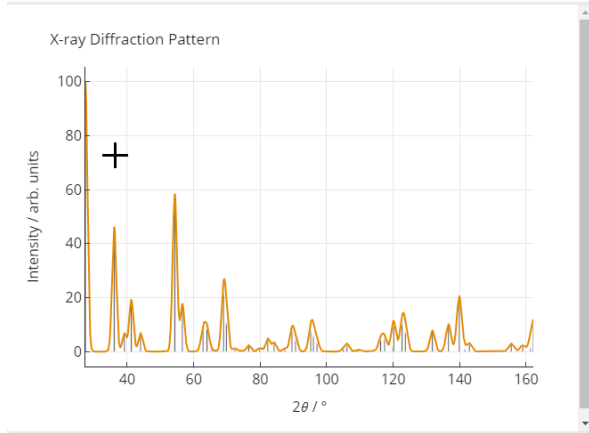
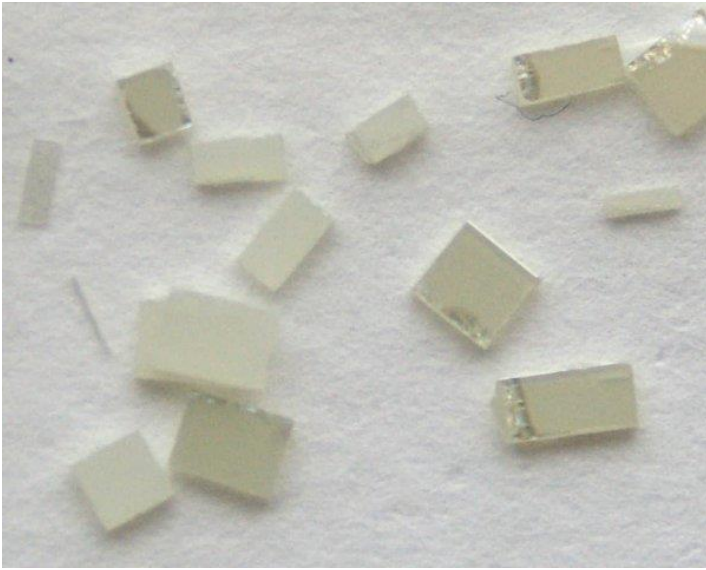
**A**

Space-group symmetry

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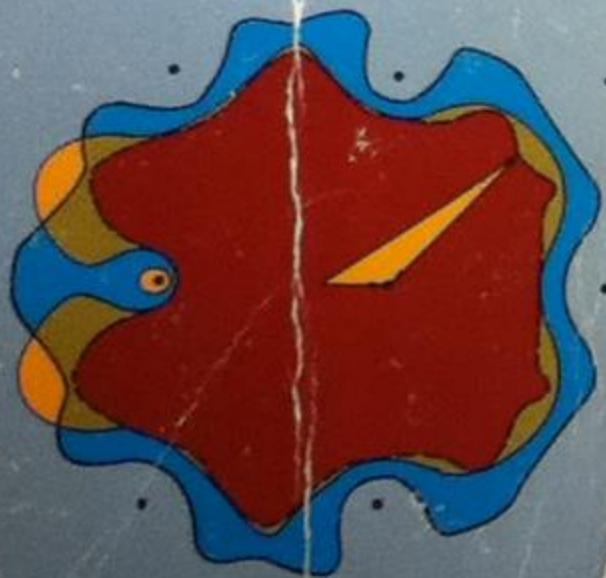
# Intermission





how**stuff**works  
It's good to know

INTRODUCTION TO  
THE THEORY OF  
THERMAL  
NEUTRON  
SCATTERING



G.L. Squires

Harald Ibach Hans Lüth

# Solid-State Physics


An Introduction to Principles of Materials Science

Second Edition



Springer

$\mathbf{k}_i, \omega_i$

A diagram illustrating the scattering process. An incident wave vector  $\mathbf{k}_i$  and frequency  $\omega_i$  is shown as a black arrow pointing from the left towards a pink circular 'Sample'. A scattered wave vector  $\mathbf{k}_f$  and frequency  $\omega_f$  is shown as a black arrow pointing away from the sample towards the top right.

Sample

$\mathbf{k}_f, \omega_f$

# Elementary Scattering Theory

For X-ray and Neutron Users

**D.S. SIVIA**

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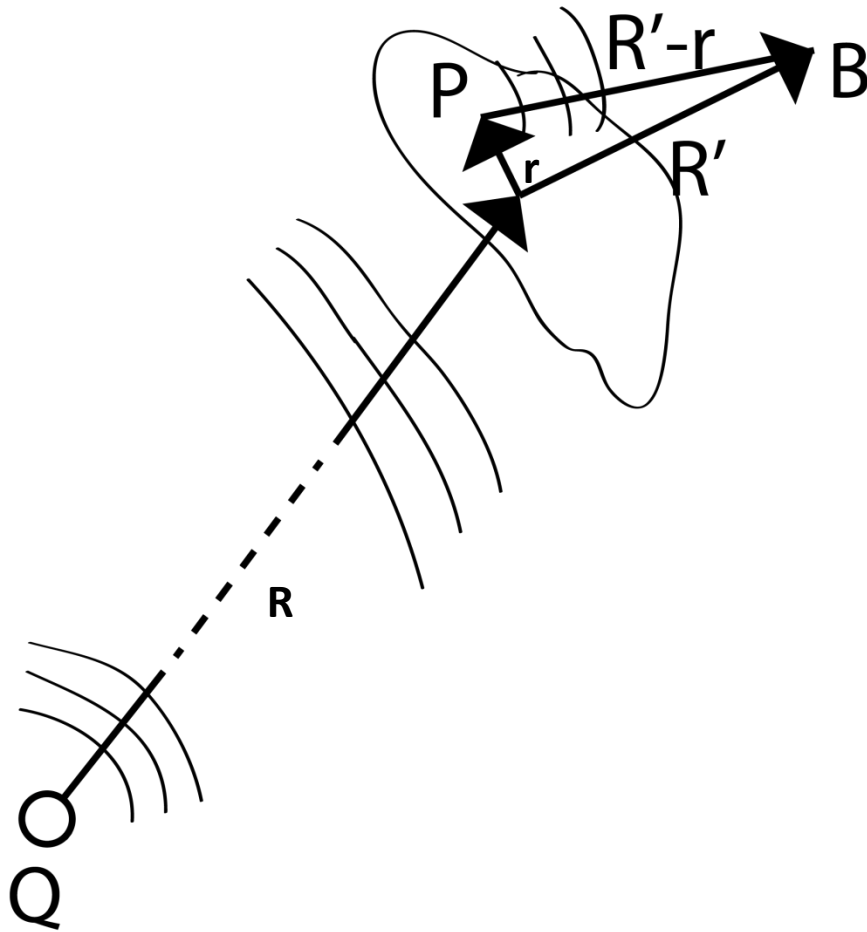


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# Crystallography and the reciprocal space

<http://toutestquantique.fr/en/>



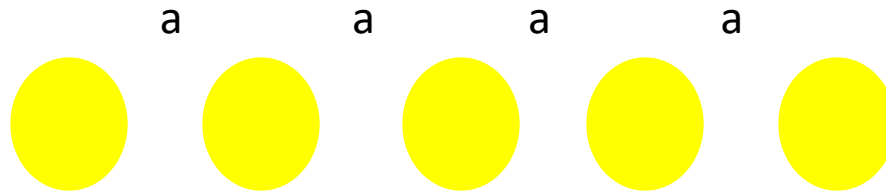
$$A_P = A_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}) - i\omega_0 t}$$

$$A_B = A_P(r, t) \rho(r) \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R}' - \mathbf{r})}}{|\mathbf{R}' - \mathbf{r}|}$$

$$A_B = A_P(R' \gg r, t) \rho(r) \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R}' - \mathbf{r})}}{|\mathbf{R}'|}$$

$$I(K) \propto |A_B|^2 \propto \left| \int \rho(r) e^{i\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2$$

# Reciprocal Space



$$\rho(x) = \rho(x + na)$$

$$\rho(x) = \sum_n \rho_n e^{i(n2\pi/a)x}$$

$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \rho_{\vec{G}} e^{i\vec{G} \cdot \vec{r}} \quad \vec{r}_n = n_1 \vec{a}_1 + n_2 \vec{a}_2 + n_3 \vec{a}_3$$

$$\vec{G} \cdot \vec{r} = 2\pi m \quad g_1 = 2\pi \frac{\vec{a}_2 \times \vec{a}_3}{\vec{a}_1 \cdot (\vec{a}_2 \times \vec{a}_3)}$$

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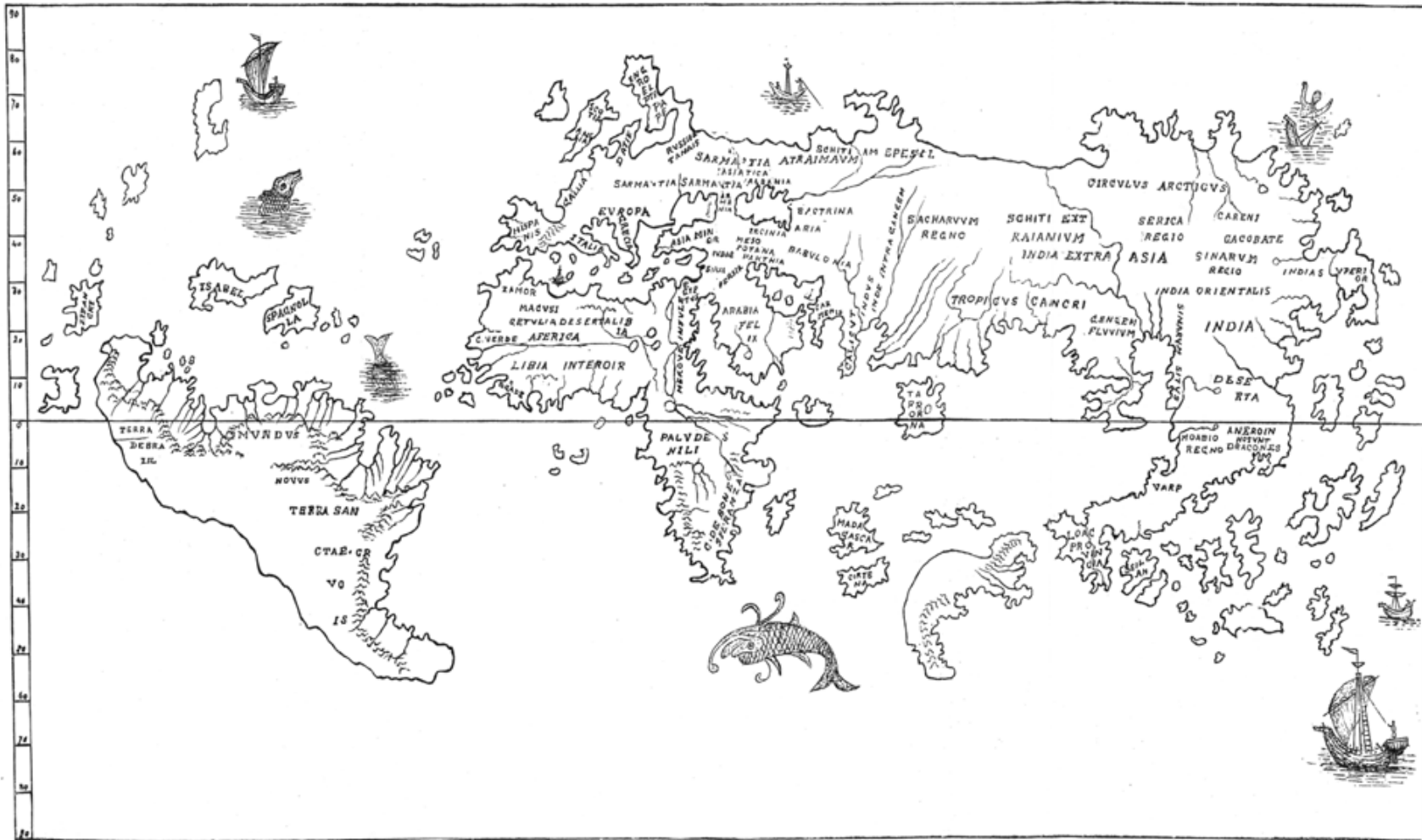
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Laue Condition

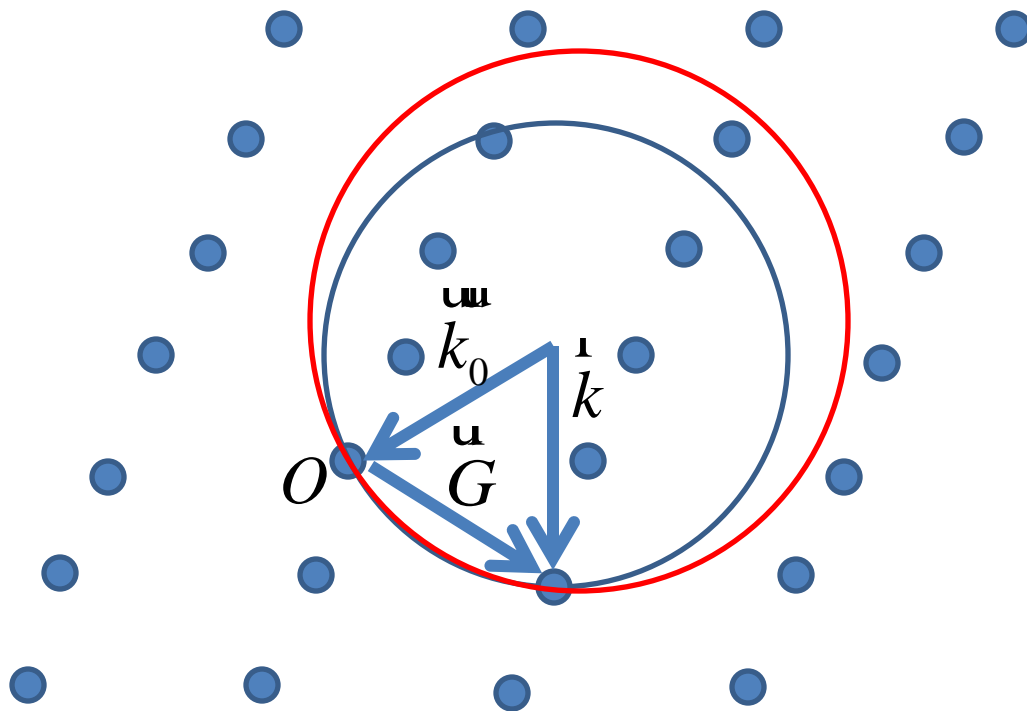
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# Ewald Sphere



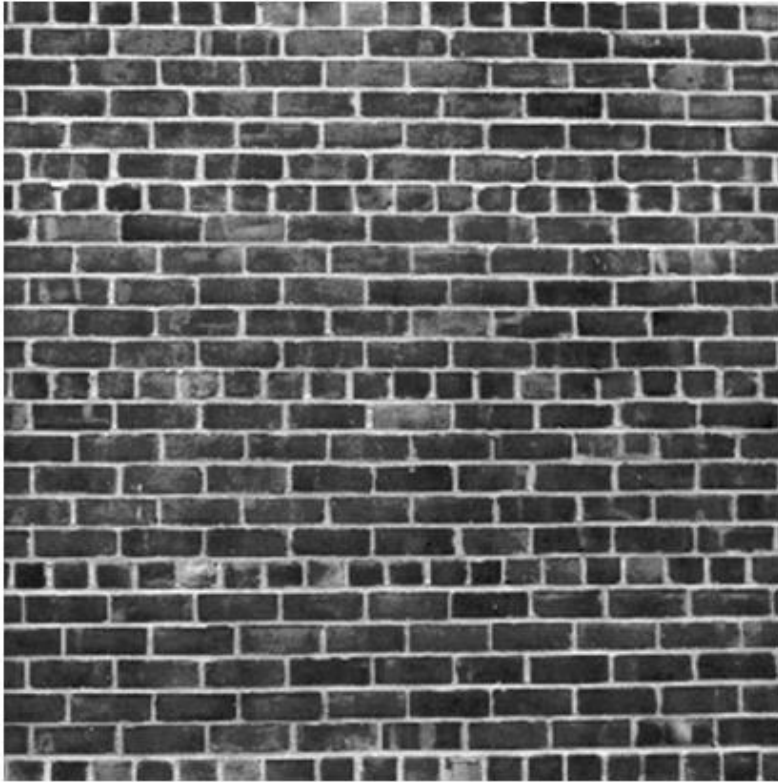
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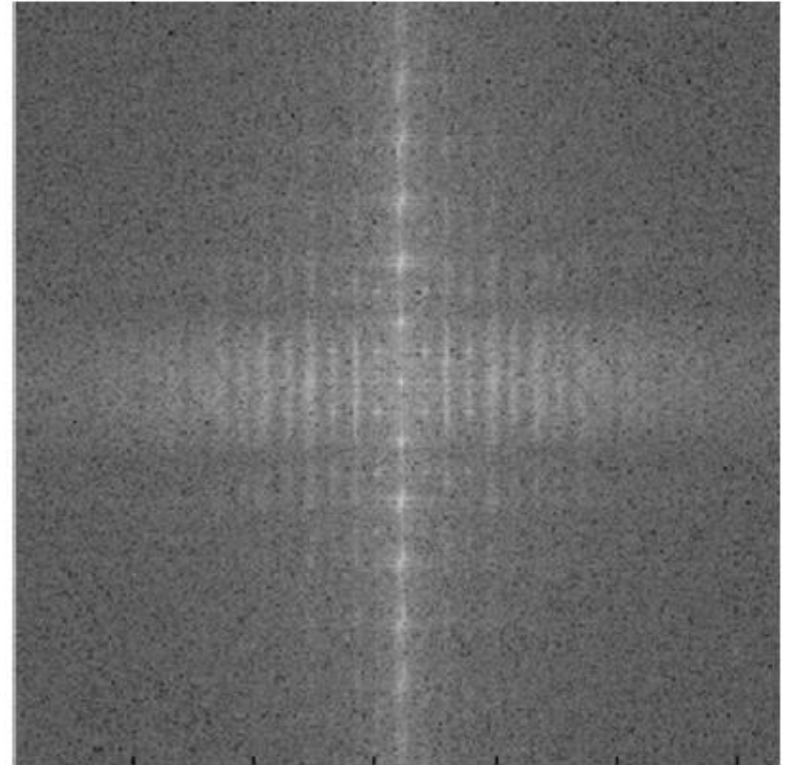
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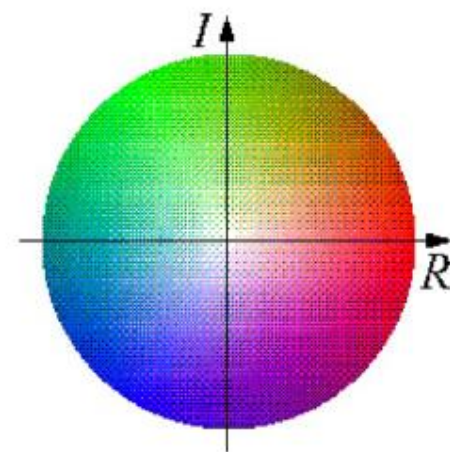
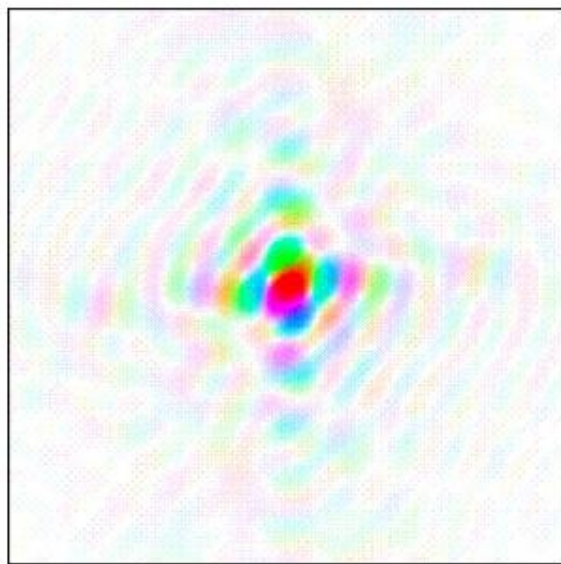
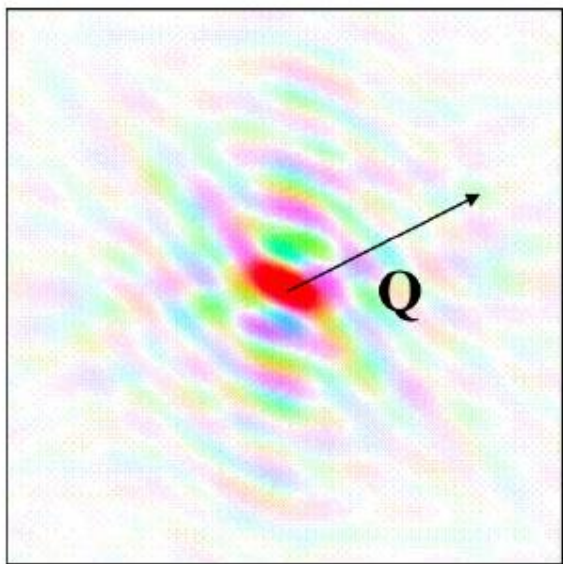
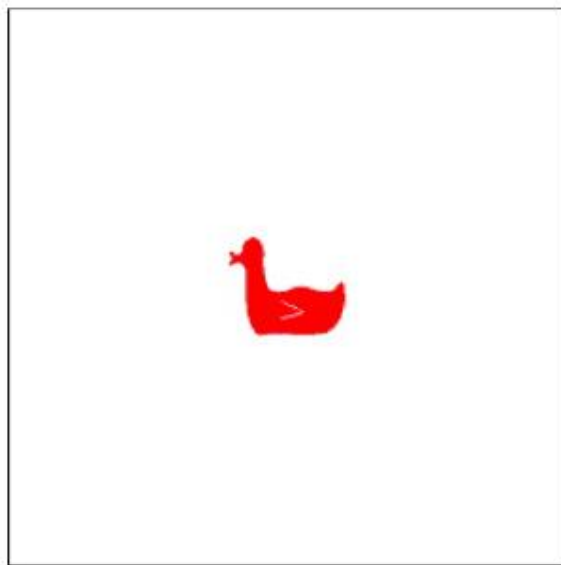
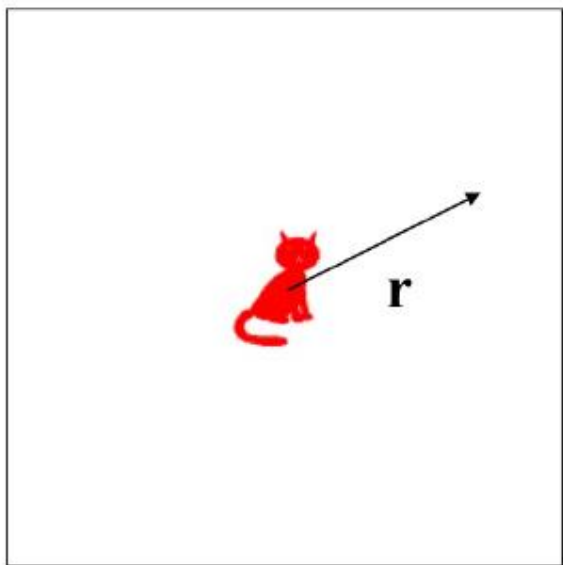


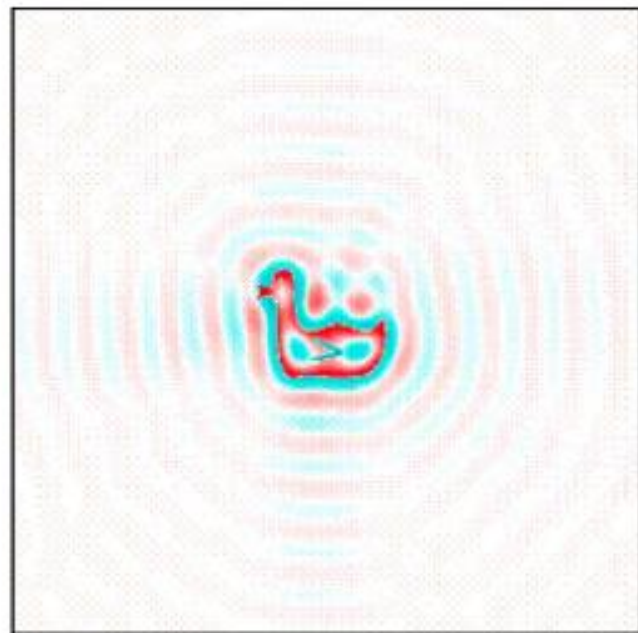
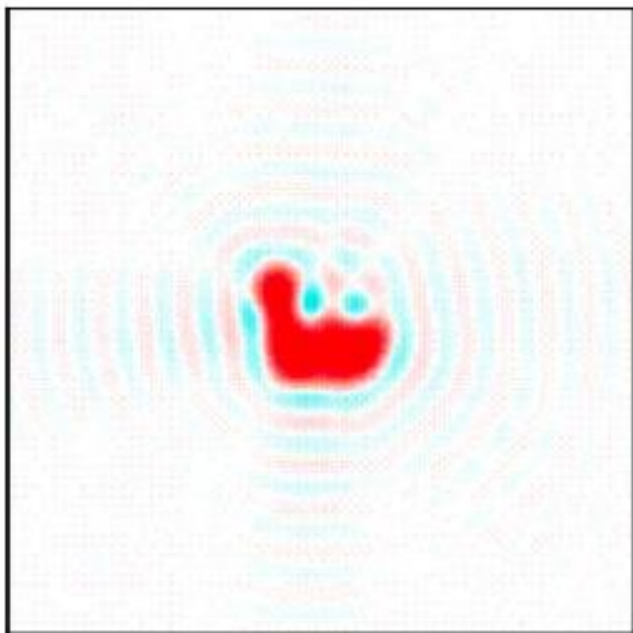
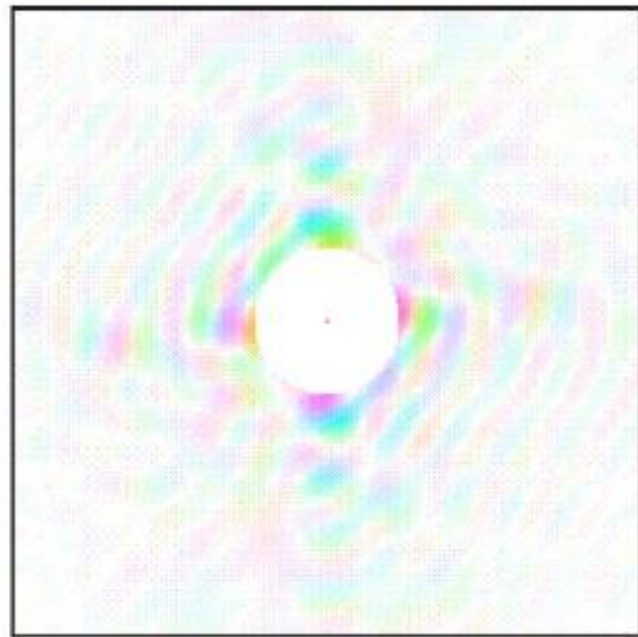
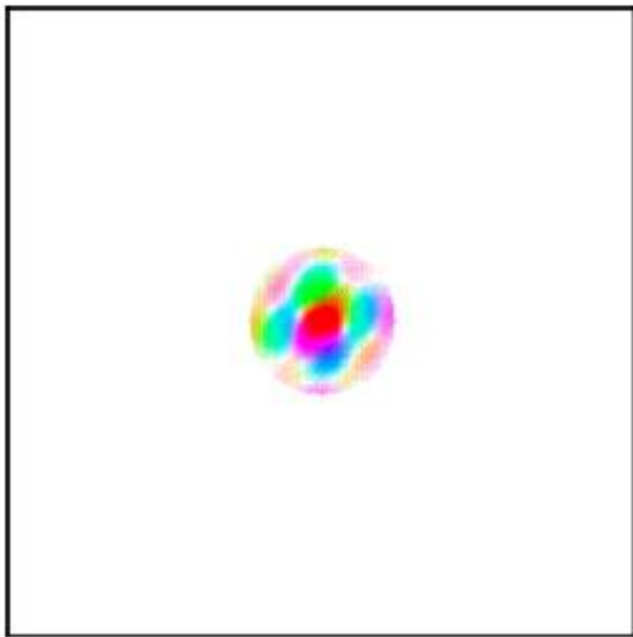
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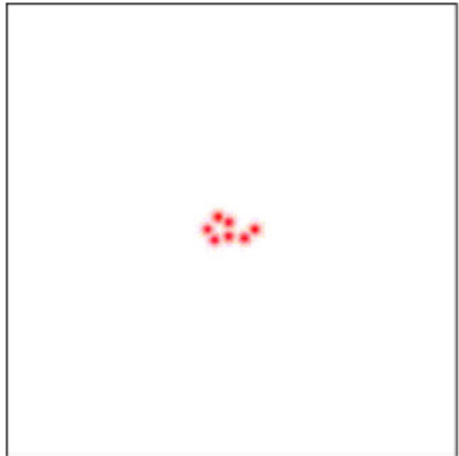


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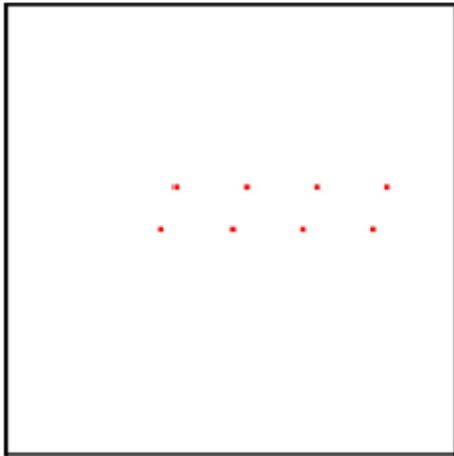




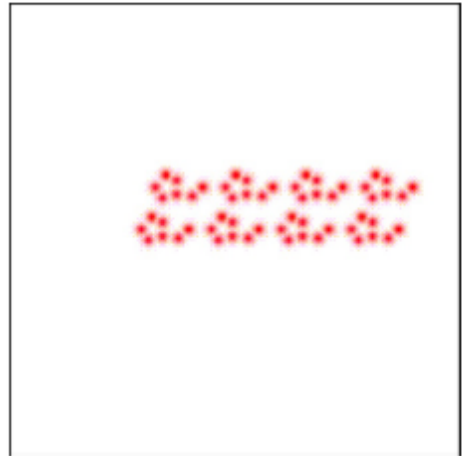


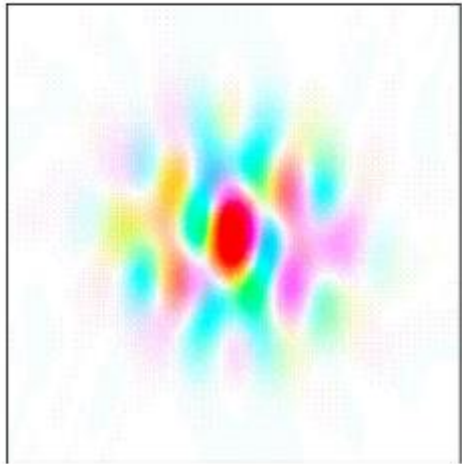


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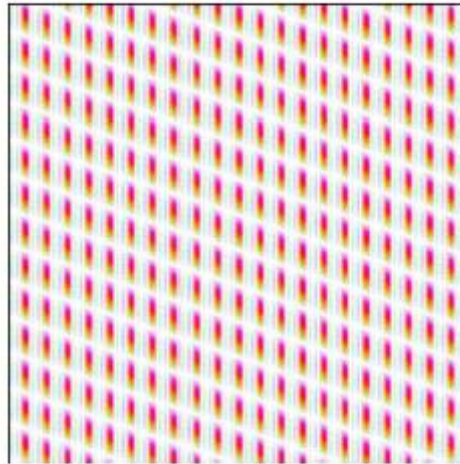


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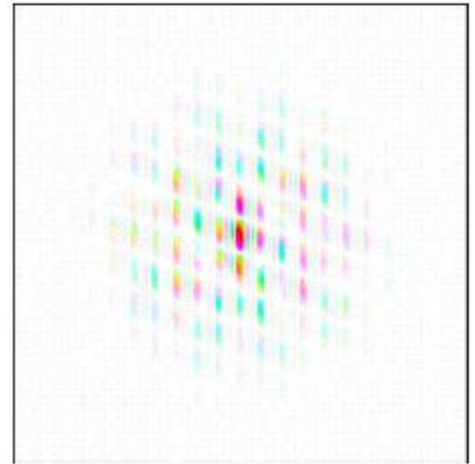


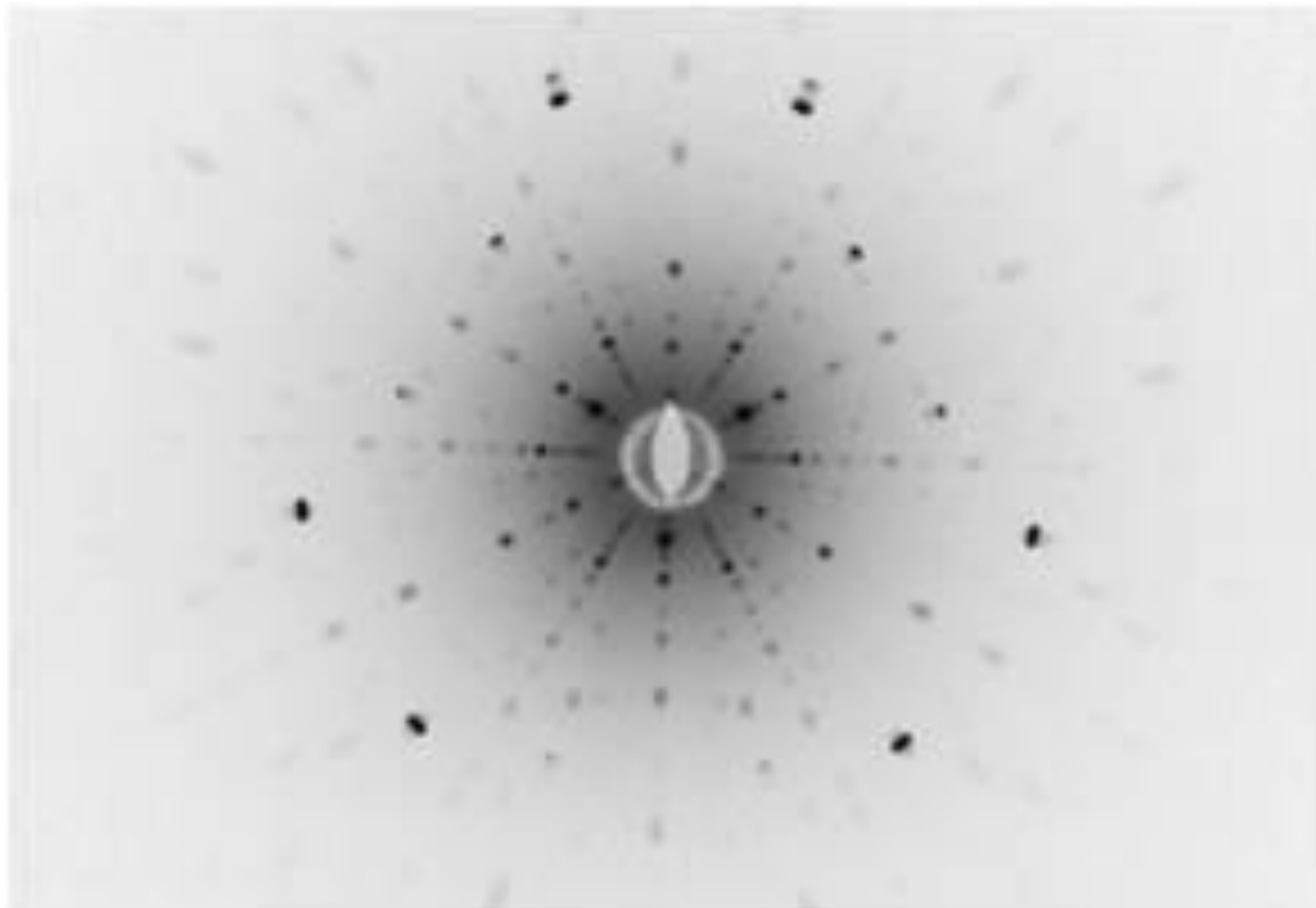


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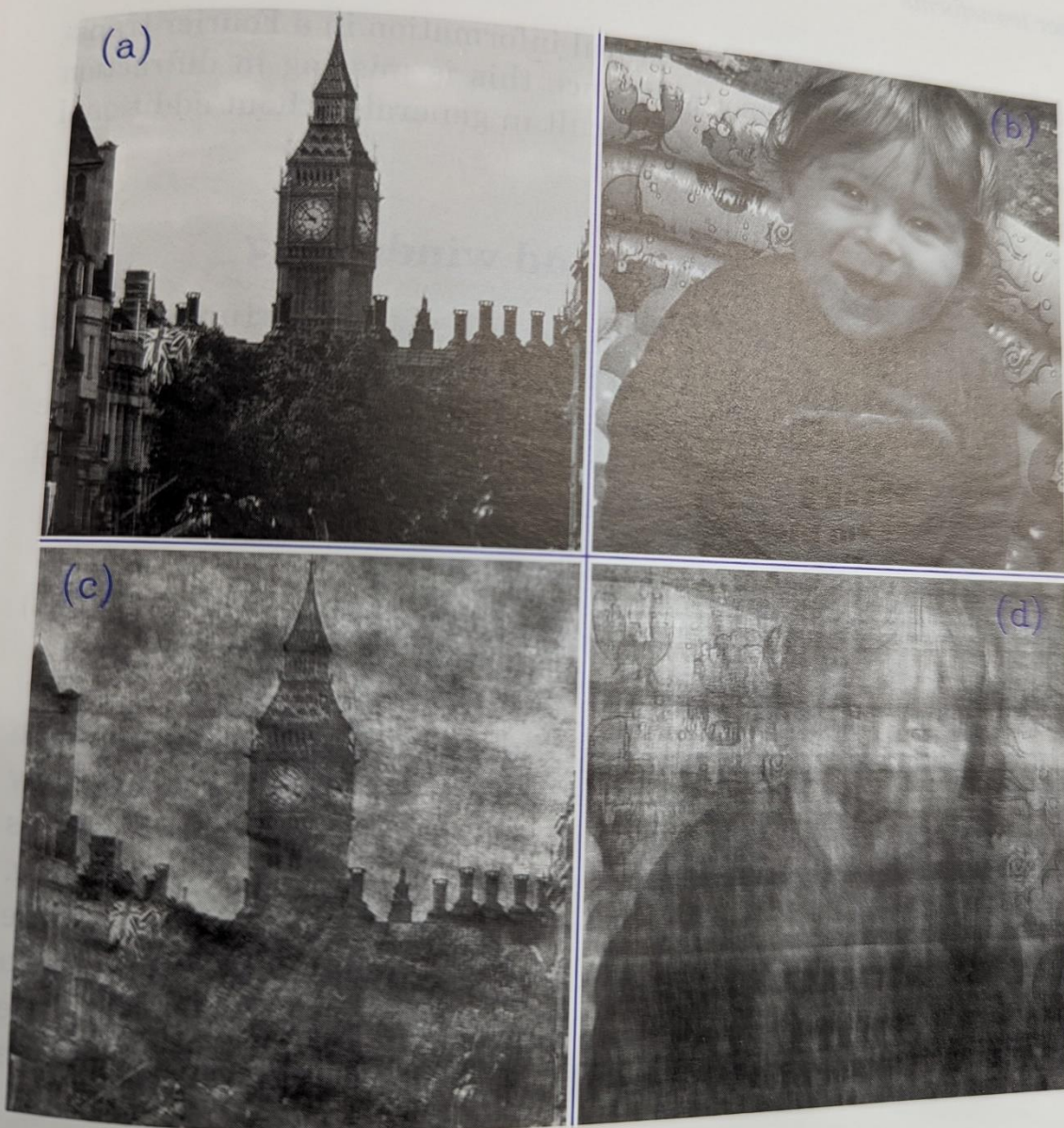
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**Fig. 2.20** The phase problem: (c) has the Fourier phases of (a) and the Fourier amplitudes of (b), while (d) has the phases of (b) and the amplitudes of (a).



# Intermission



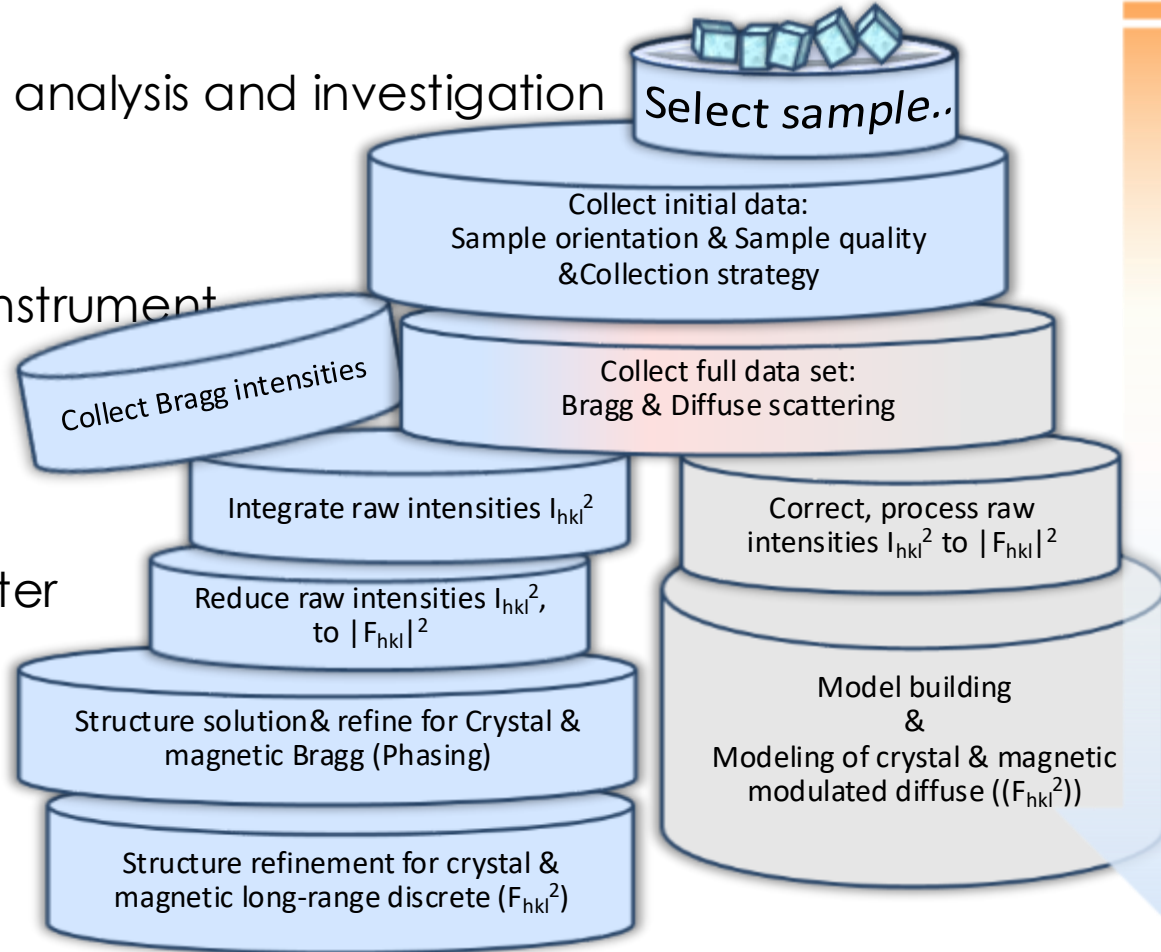


# Single Crystal Diffraction (SCD) @ TOPAZ

single crystal structure analysis and investigation

- A single crystal
- A diffraction experiment

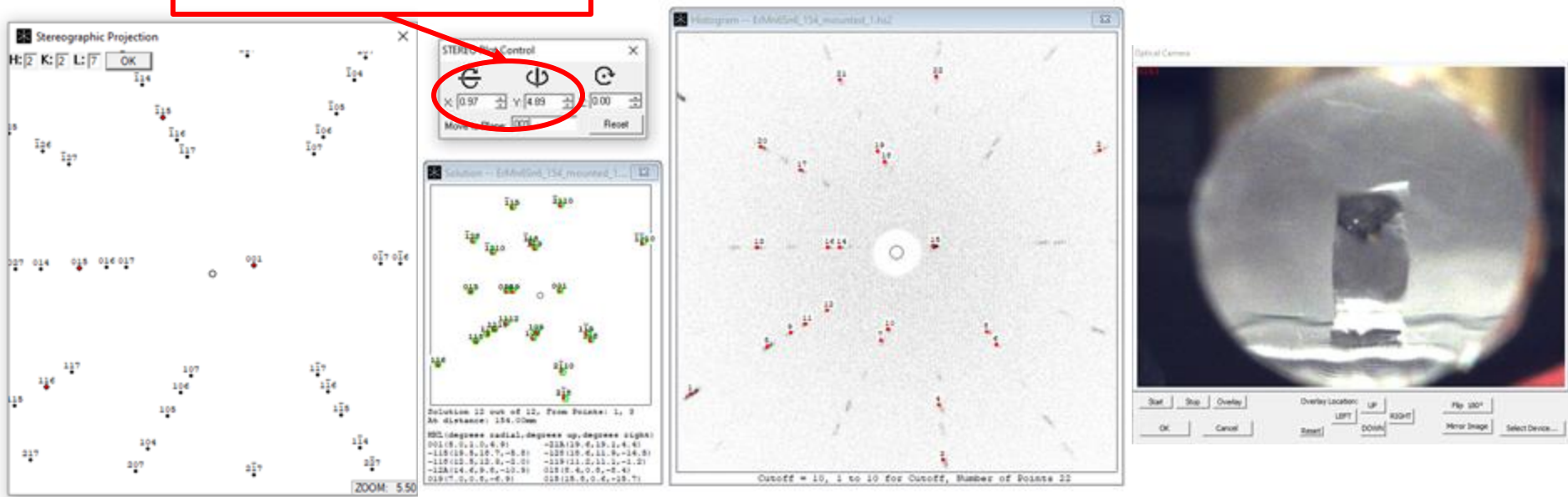
- Data collection at instrument
- Data reduction &
- Data processing  
at powerful computer
- Data analysis



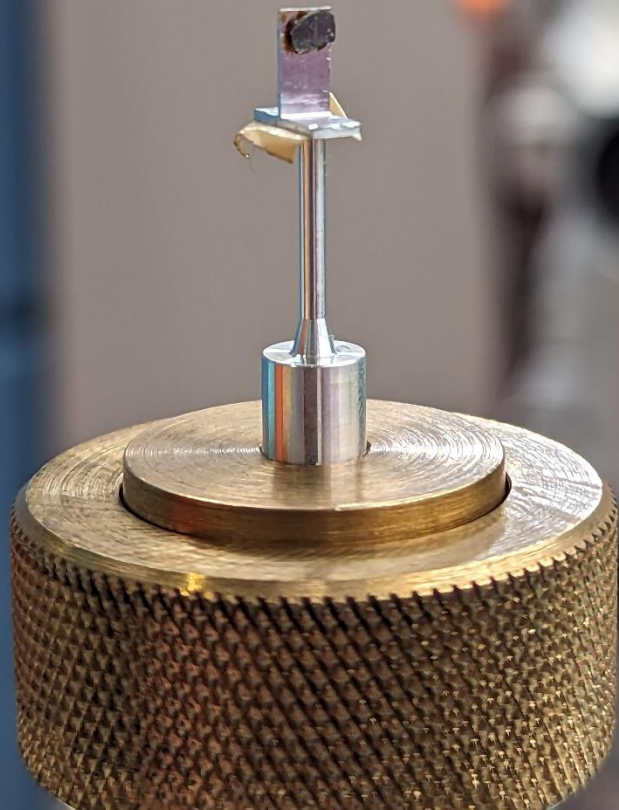


# X-ray Laue Alignment X-tal X

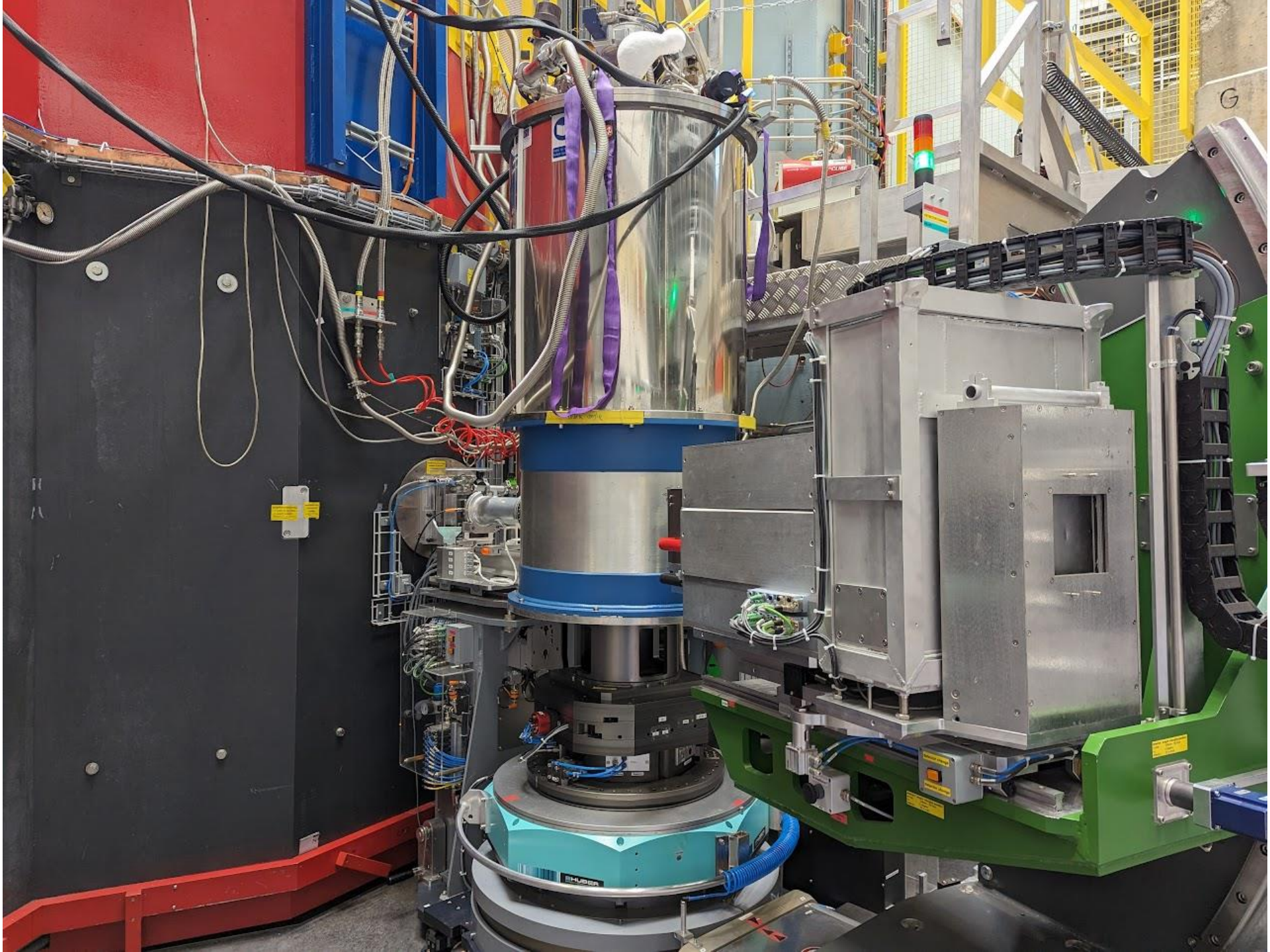
(001) reflection lies 0.97 degrees out of plane. Horizontal rotation is not relevant.



Credit: Alenna Streeter, Boston College







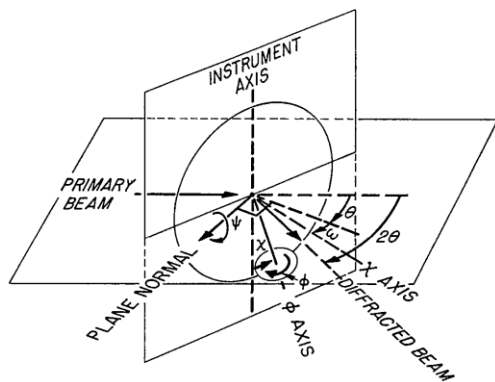


# Angle Calculations for 3- and 4- Circle X-ray and Neutron Diffractometers\*

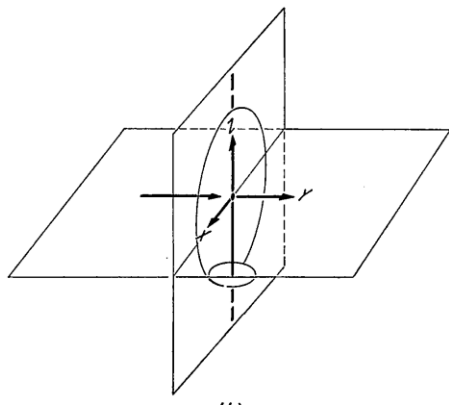
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(a)





# Integration and Corrections

- Raw/measured integrated intensities – background
- Volumetric data = diffuse scattering
- **Convert to structure factor amplitudes from intensities:**

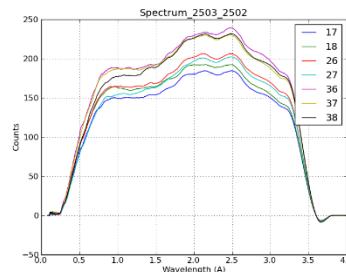
– Sample dependent corrections:

- Absorption correction
  - Density, chemical composition, volume
  - Absorption coefficient
- Path length correction  $\mu = \left[ \mu_s + \frac{\mu_a}{1.798} \times \lambda \right] \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 
  - Sample size, shape
- Lorentz correction
  - Geometric or Lambda contribution

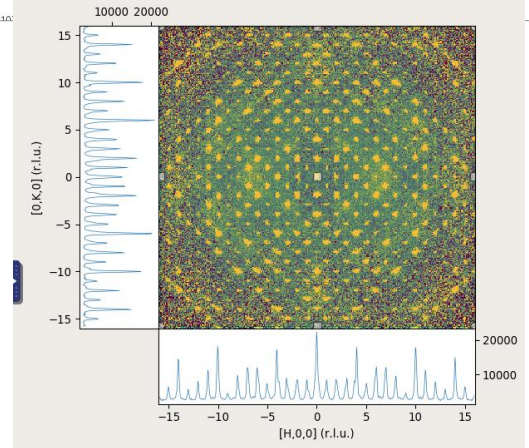
– Instrument specific corrections:

- Incident spectrum correction
- Detector efficiency correction
- Normalization
- Scaling

Isotropic scatterer = vanadium correction



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4	DETNUM	NROWS	NCOLS	WIDTH	HEIGHT	DEPTH	DETO	CenterX	CenterY	CenterZ	BaseX	BaseY	BaseZ	UpX	UpY	UpZ
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# Data reduction – single crystal

Convert raw integrated intensities,  $I_{hkl}$ , into relative structure factor amplitudes,  $|F_{hkl}|^2$ .

$$I_{hkl} \sim |F_{hkl}|^2$$

TOF Laue:

Lorentz factor

$$I_{hkl} = k \phi(\lambda) \varepsilon(\lambda) A(\lambda) y(\lambda) (V_s/V_c^2) |F_{hkl}|^2 \lambda^4 / \sin^2 \theta$$

Constant Wavelength:

$$I_{hkl} = k \phi(\lambda) \varepsilon(\lambda) A(\lambda) y(\lambda) (V_s/V_c^2) |F_{hkl}|^2 \lambda^3 / \sin 2\theta$$

$k$  = scale factor

$\phi(\lambda)$  = incident flux spectrum

$\varepsilon(\lambda)$  = detector efficiency as a function of wavelength  $\lambda$

$A(\lambda)$  = sample absorption

$y(\lambda)$  = secondary extinction correction

$V_s$  = sample volume

$V_c$  = unit cell volume

$F_{hkl}$  = structure factor

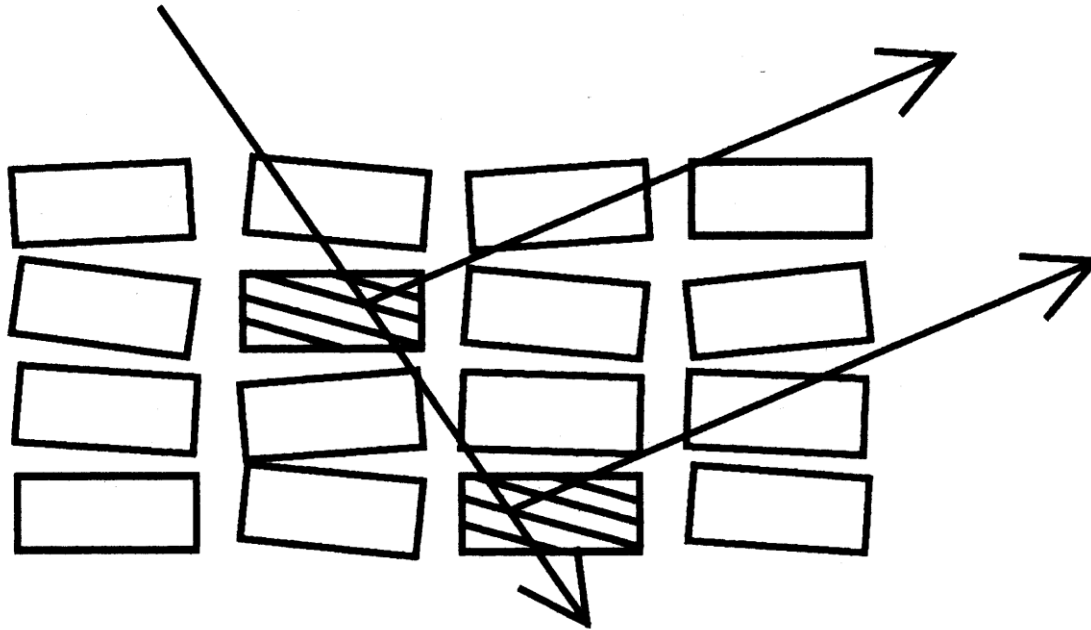
$\lambda$  = wavelength

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-3	1	-5	589.48	60.36	1	1.96898	0.09435	-0.73894	-0.56656	0.58254	0.00000
-3	-1	-5	606.79	61.36	1	1.79364	0.09198	-0.73894	-0.45863	0.58254	0.00000
-4	0	-8	788.90	70.91	1	1.25404	0.09281	-0.73894	-0.42849	0.58254	0.00000
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# Absorption

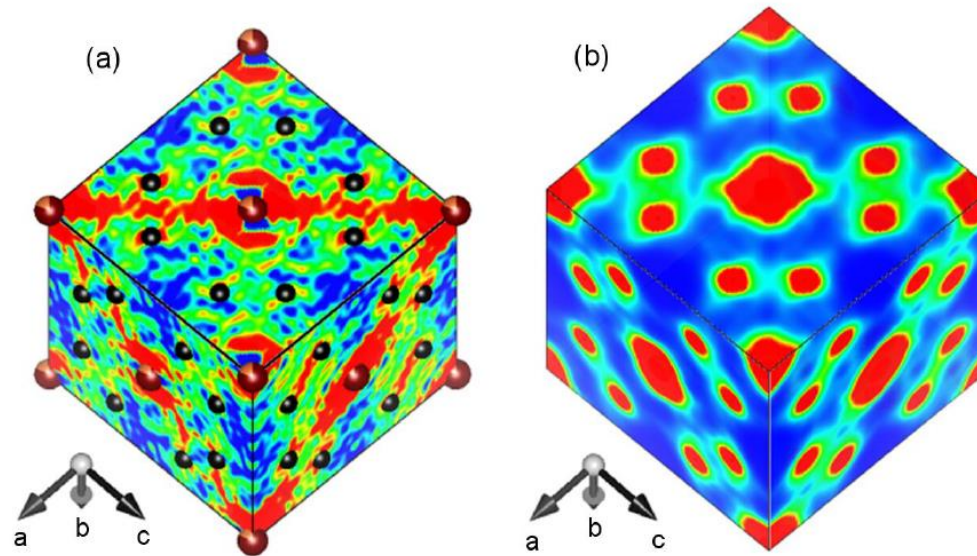
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# Secondary Extinction



Single crystal time-of-flight neutron diffraction, J Peters and W. Jauch, Science Progress 85 (2002), pp. 297-317

# Structure Solution



**Figure 3.18** (a) Difference Fourier and (b) maximum-entropy-method maps of  $\text{Tm}_{0.19}\text{Yb}_{0.81}\text{B}_{12}$  are created in (100), (010), (001) faces of the unit cell. Electron density ( $g$ ) in the layer of any given thickness is automatically divided into several levels from  $g_{\min}$  to  $g_{\max}$ , each of them is assigned to a definite color from dark-blue over green to red. The values of  $g_{\text{MEM}}$  are cut at the level  $g_{\max} = 0.075\%$  of the maximal  $g_{\text{MEM}}$  value to show fine electron-density gradations in the thin layer. Difference electron-density values are cut at  $\pm 0.5 e/\text{\AA}^3$  [56].

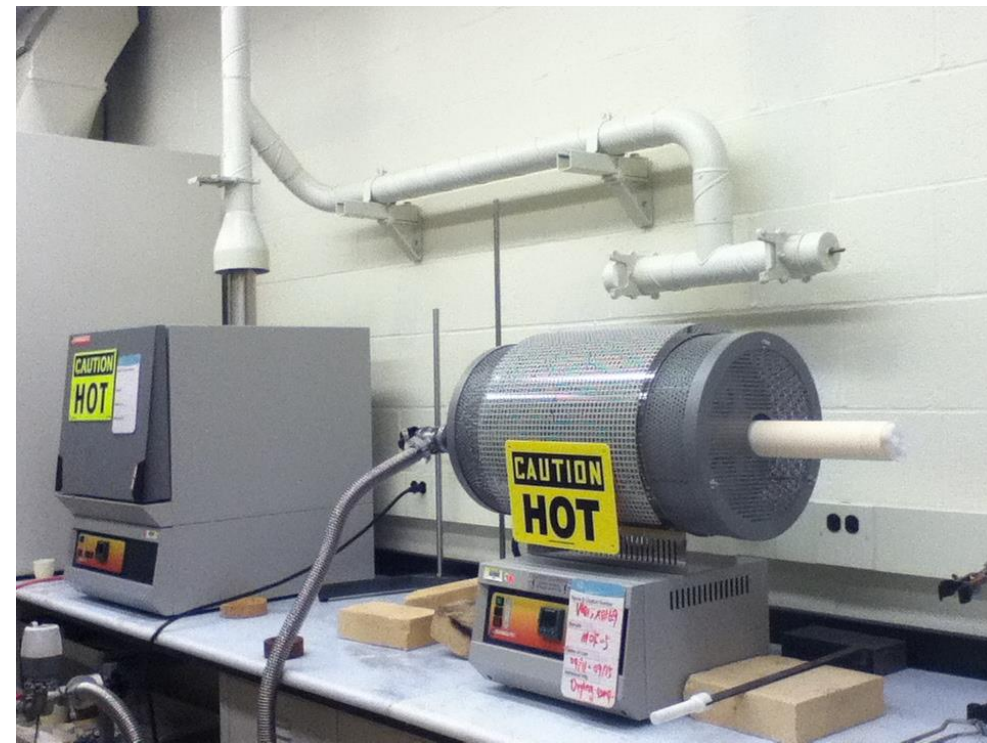
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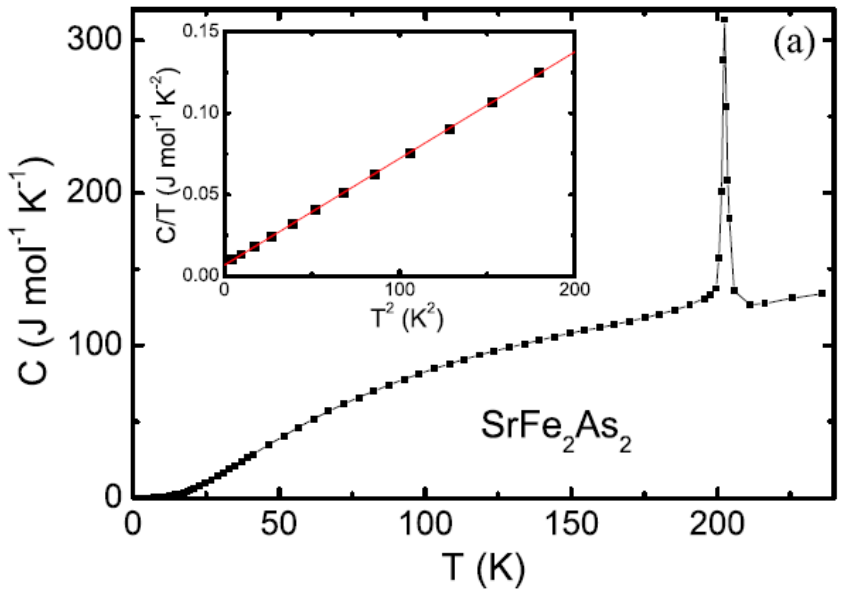
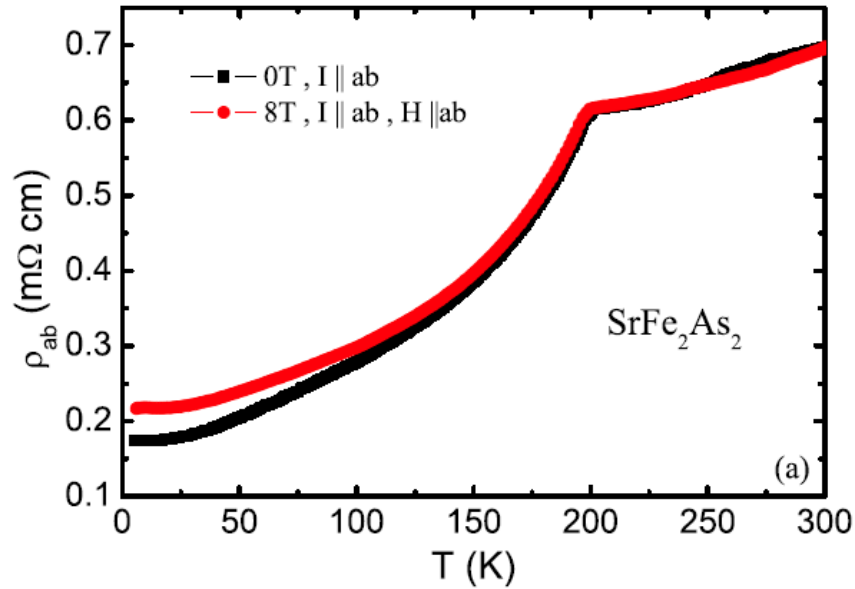




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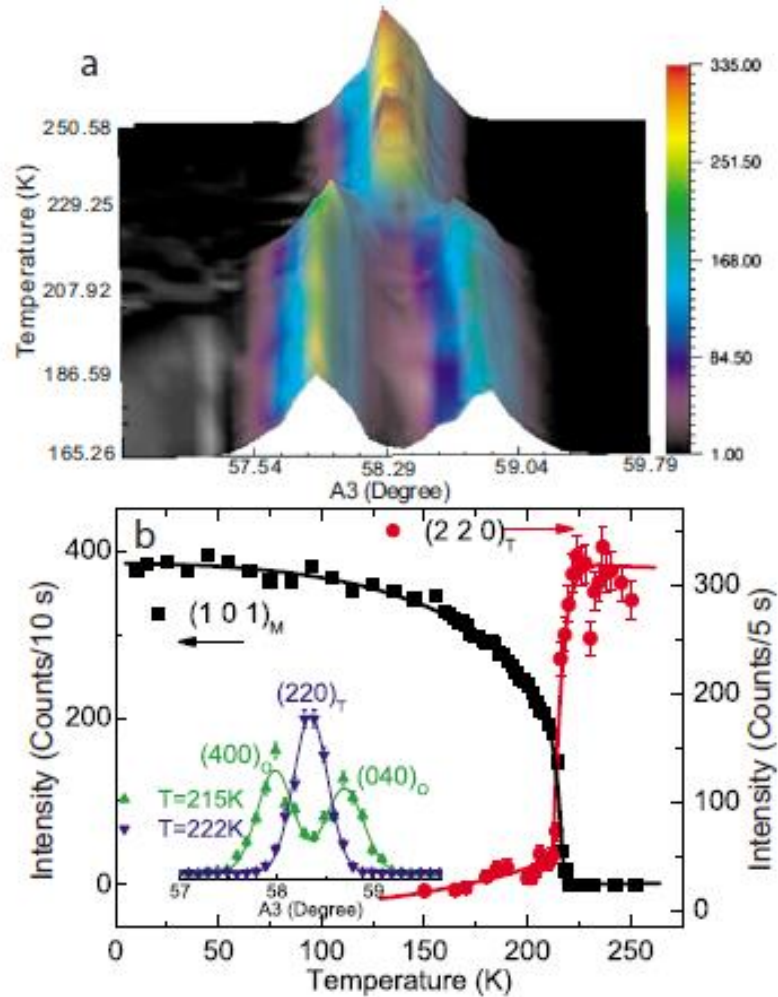
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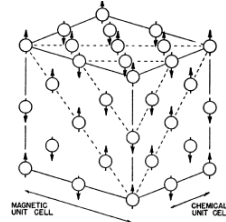


# Neutrons to the Rescue



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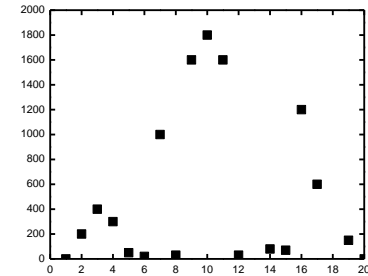
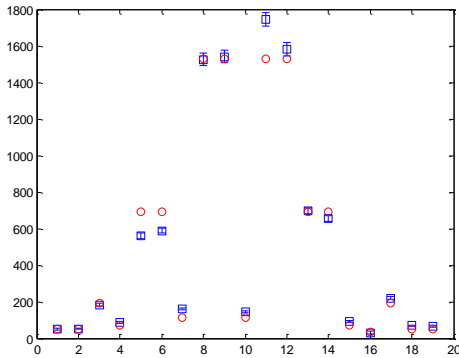
# Guess and Check (Refinement)



Update model

Predict Intensities from model

Compare predicted intensities to data



# Powder Diffraction

## Advantages

- You get the big picture
- Can get the propagation vector
- Avoids the muss and fuss of extinction
- It's often Good Enough™

## Disadvantages

- Can be hard to truly index  $k$ — is it  $[3\ 4\ 0]$  or  $[0\ 0\ 5]$ ?
- You average over all symmetry equivalent  $k$  at any particular Bragg angle
- You lose information in the powder averaging
- No domain info
- No multi- $k$  info
- Can be very hard to determine phase

# Single Crystal Diffraction

## Advantages

- Can fully determine  $\mathbf{k}$
- Can investigate domain populations
- Can apply probes (magnetic field, E-field, pressure, etc.) along a particular direction to see effect on magnetic ordering

## Disadvantages

- Extinction
- Absorption depends on shape
- Reciprocal space is large...
- Crystal growth is hard...



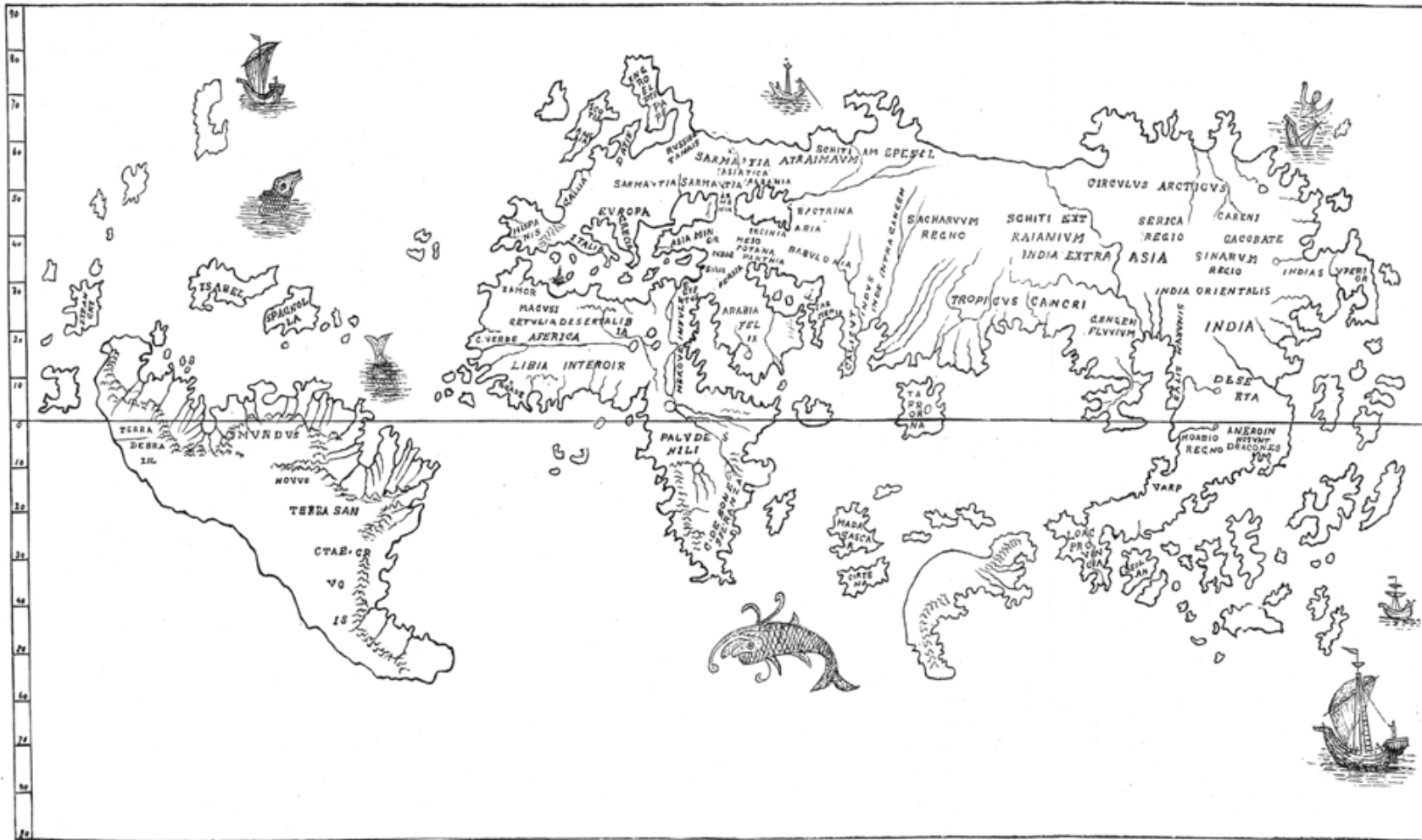
Questions?

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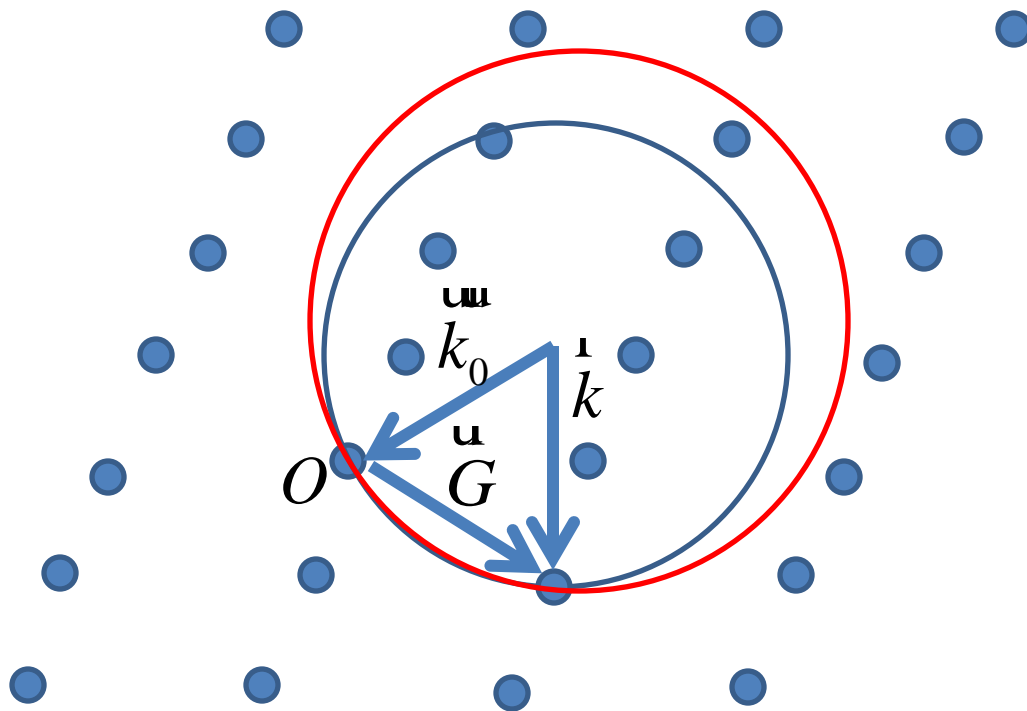
# Here there be dragons...

THE LENOX GLOBE



The Hunt-Lenox Globe, as transcribed by B.F. da Costa

# Ewald Sphere



# Intermission



# How I proceed

- Think about the problem
- Powder diffraction
- Think some more
- Try Representational Analysis (or Group theory)
- Single crystal diffraction
- Think a lot!!!
- Polarized diffraction
- Spherical polarimetry
- Think some more...

# YMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

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