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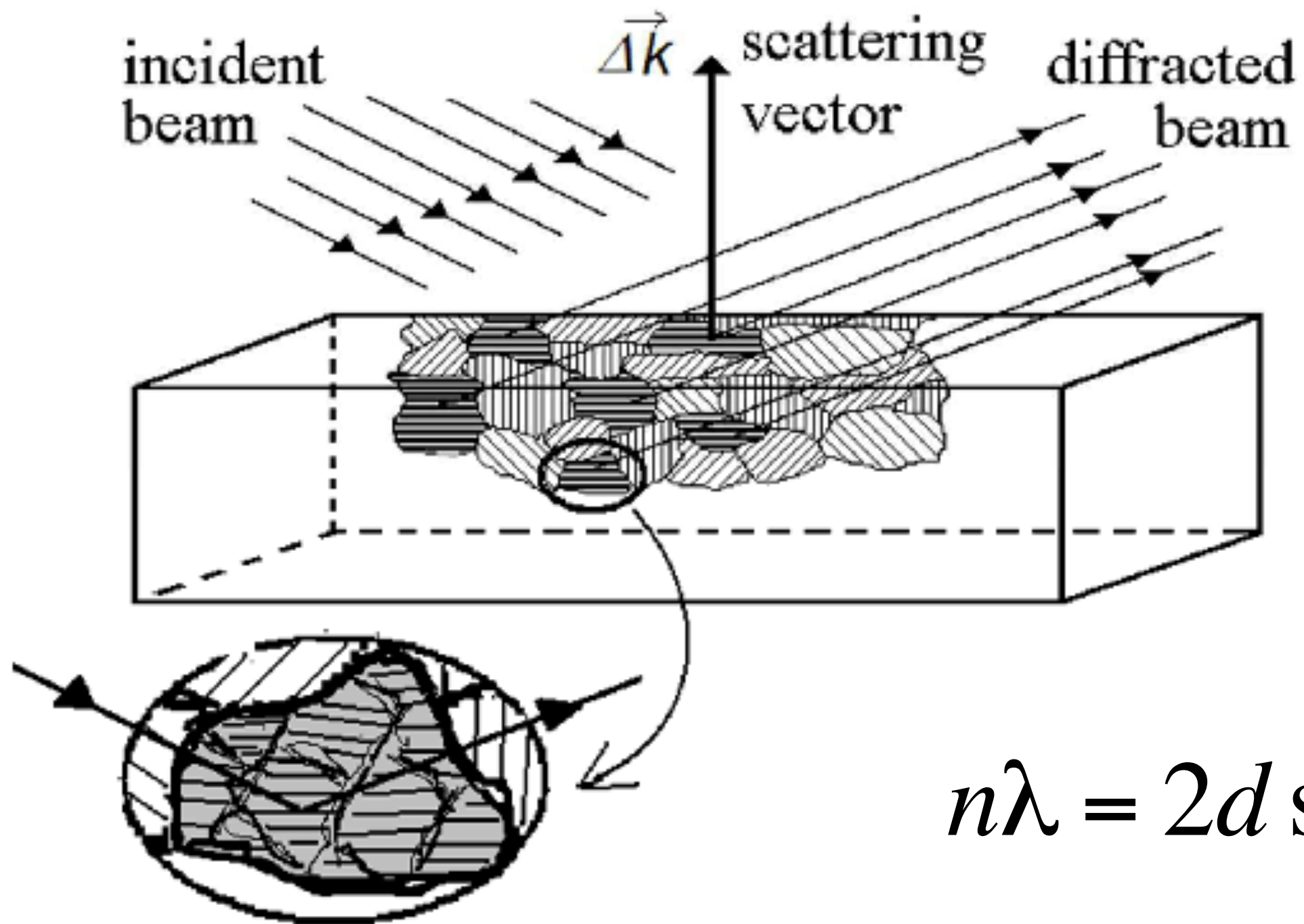
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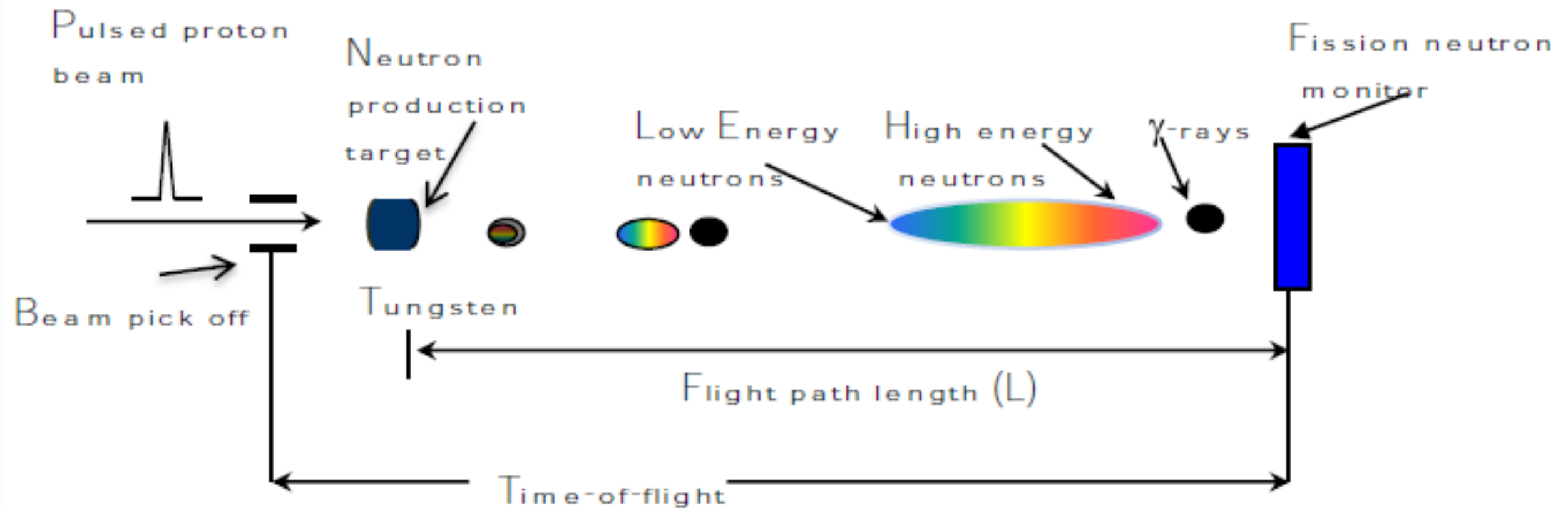


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Powder diffraction



Neutron TOF: a pulsed source



$$\text{Neutron TOF} = \frac{72.3 \text{ L}}{\sqrt{E_n}} \text{ (non-relativistic)}$$

$$\gamma\text{-ray TOF} = \frac{L}{c} \quad c \text{ is velocity of light}$$

E_x_a_m_p_l_e:

L =	20 m	TOF _γ =	67 ns	E _n =	1 MeV	TOF _n =	1.5 μs
				E _n =	100 MeV	TOF _n =	150 ns

TOF to d-spacing

From GSAS manual

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Time Of Flight





d-spacing



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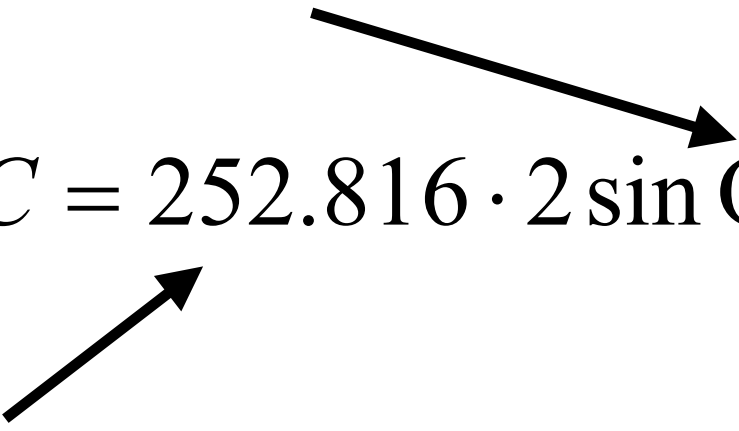
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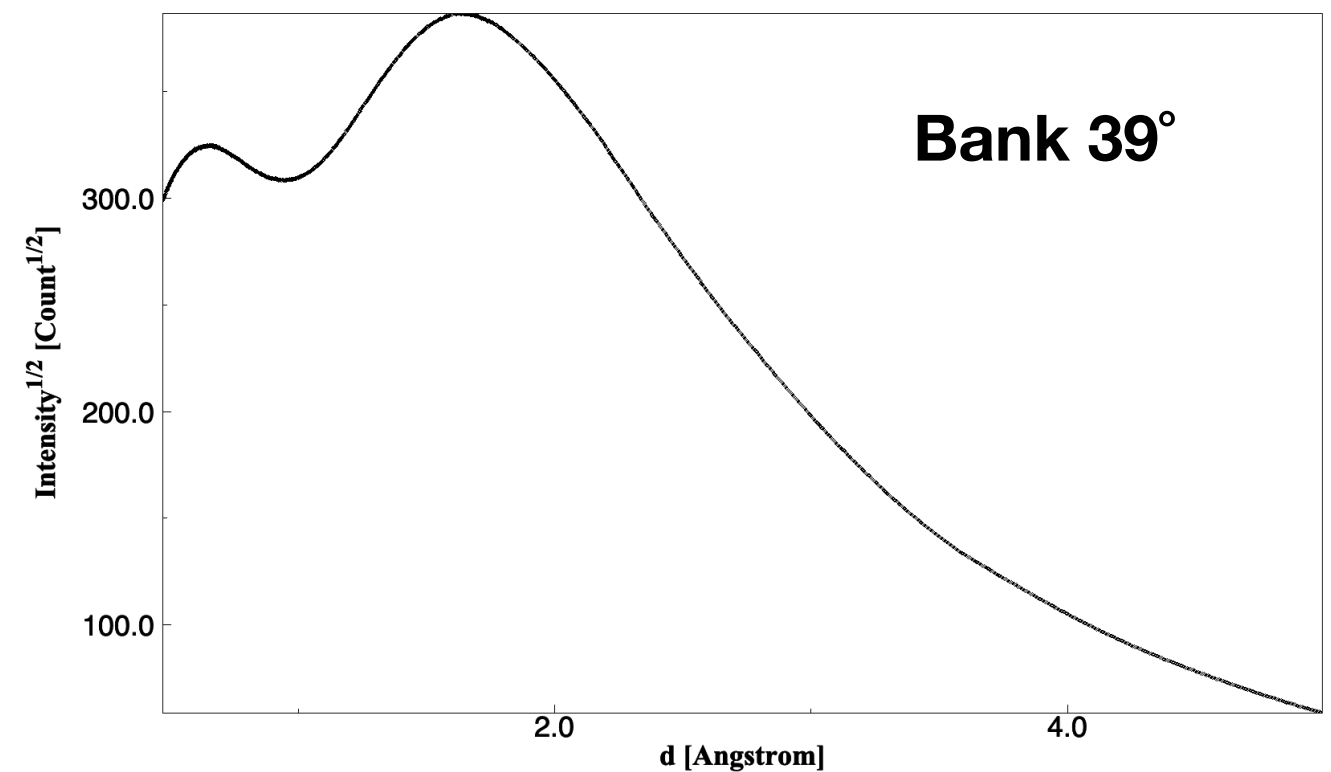
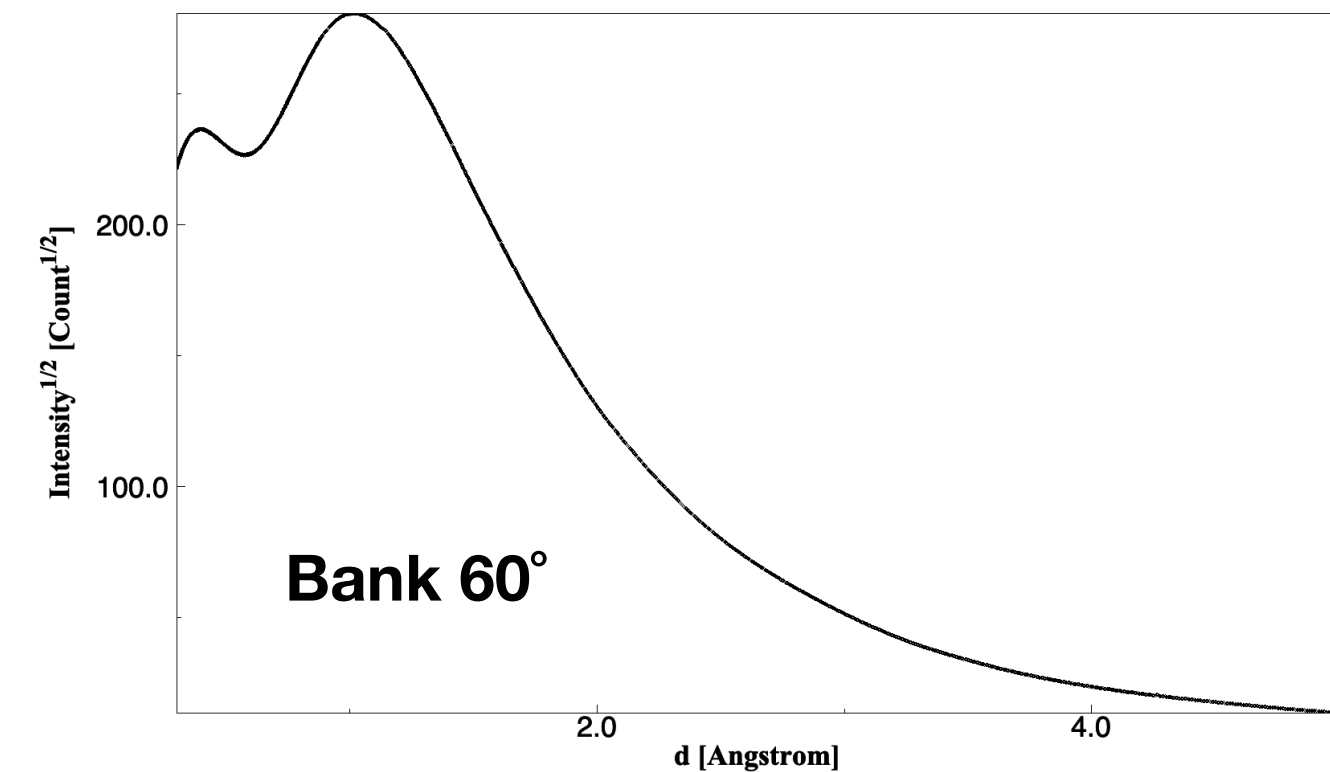
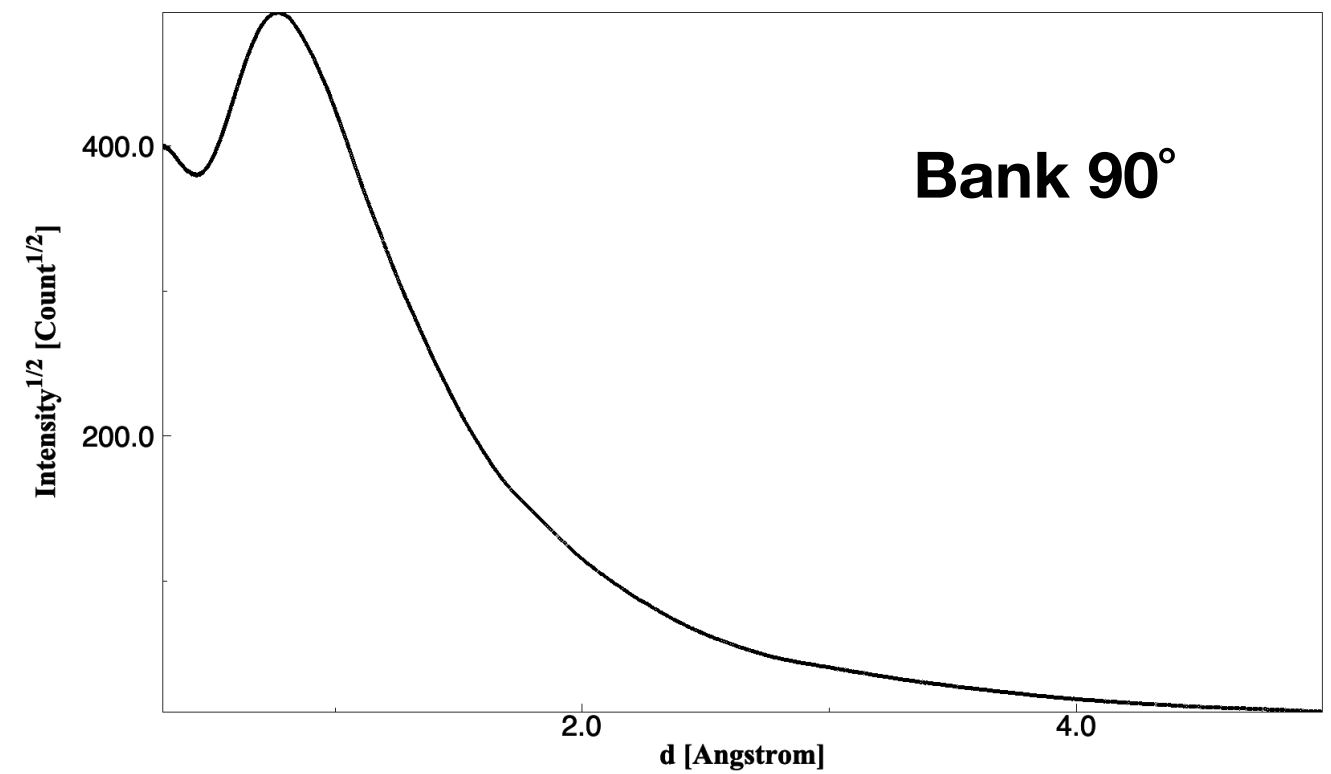
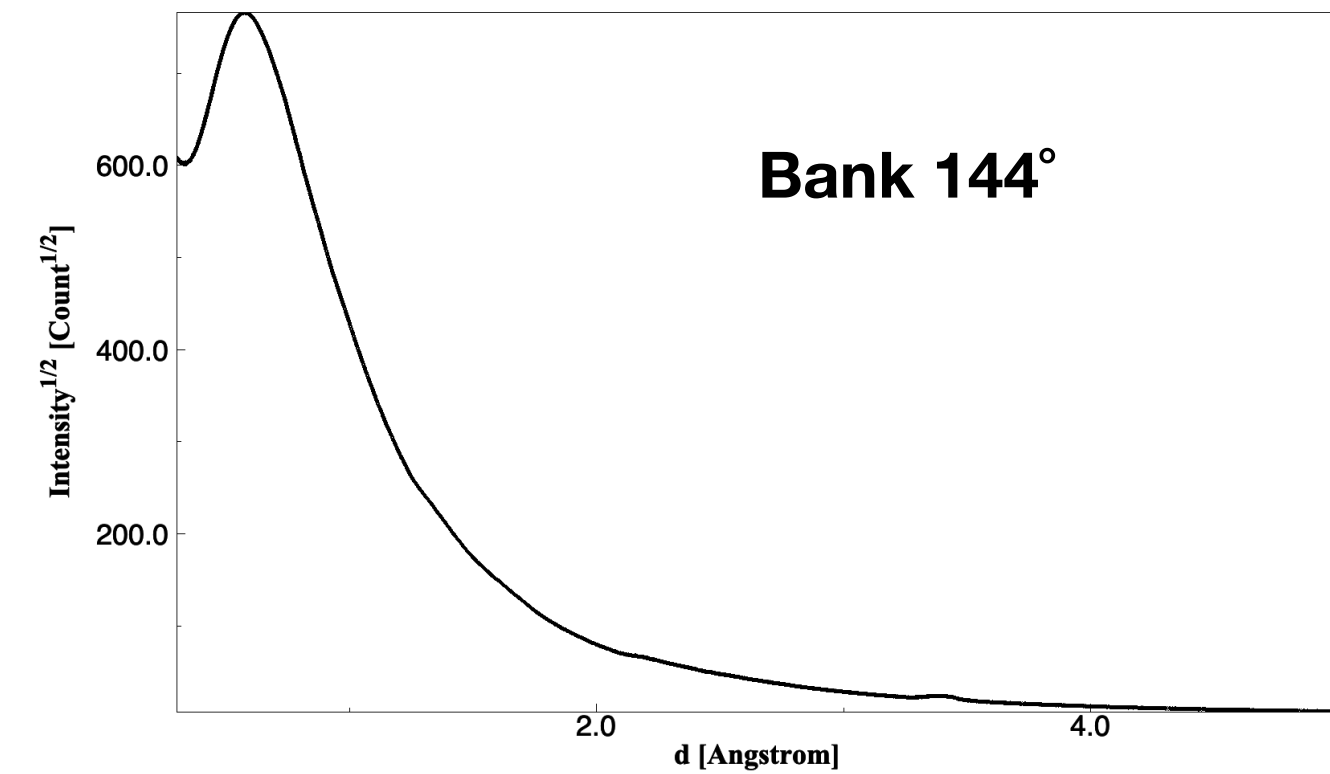
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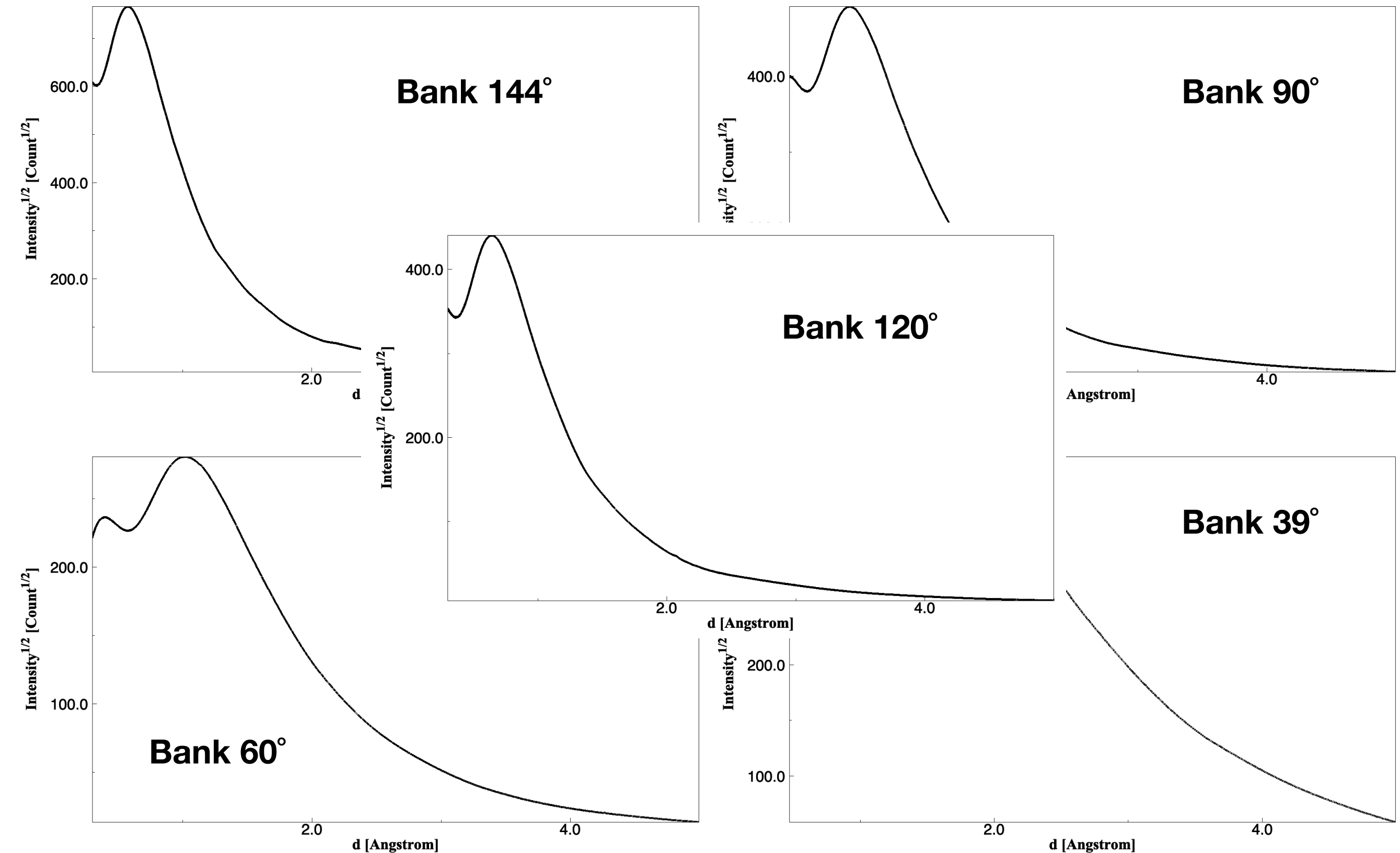
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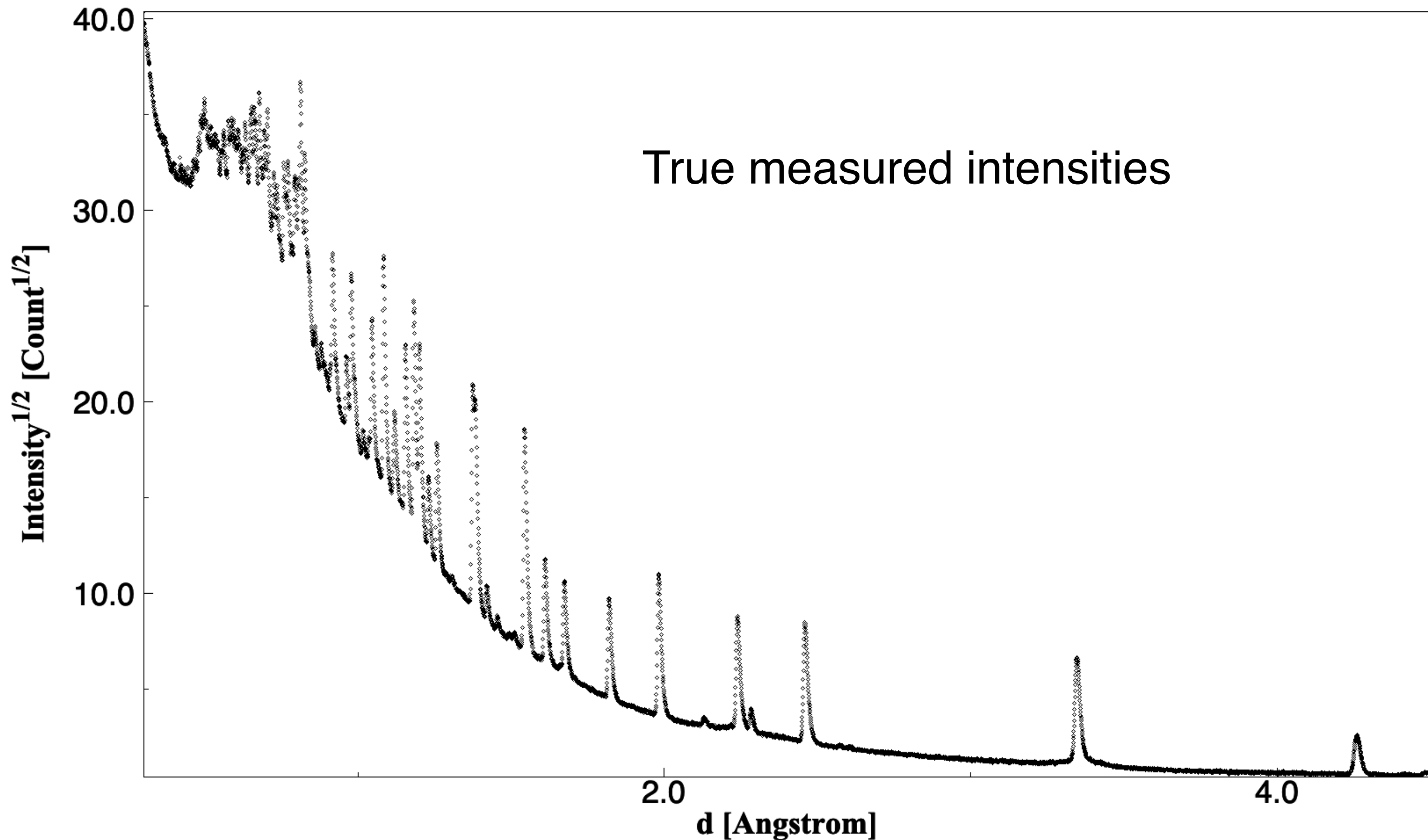
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$$I_i = P_1 + P_2 \exp[-P_3 T] + P_4 \exp[-P_5 T^2] + \dots$$

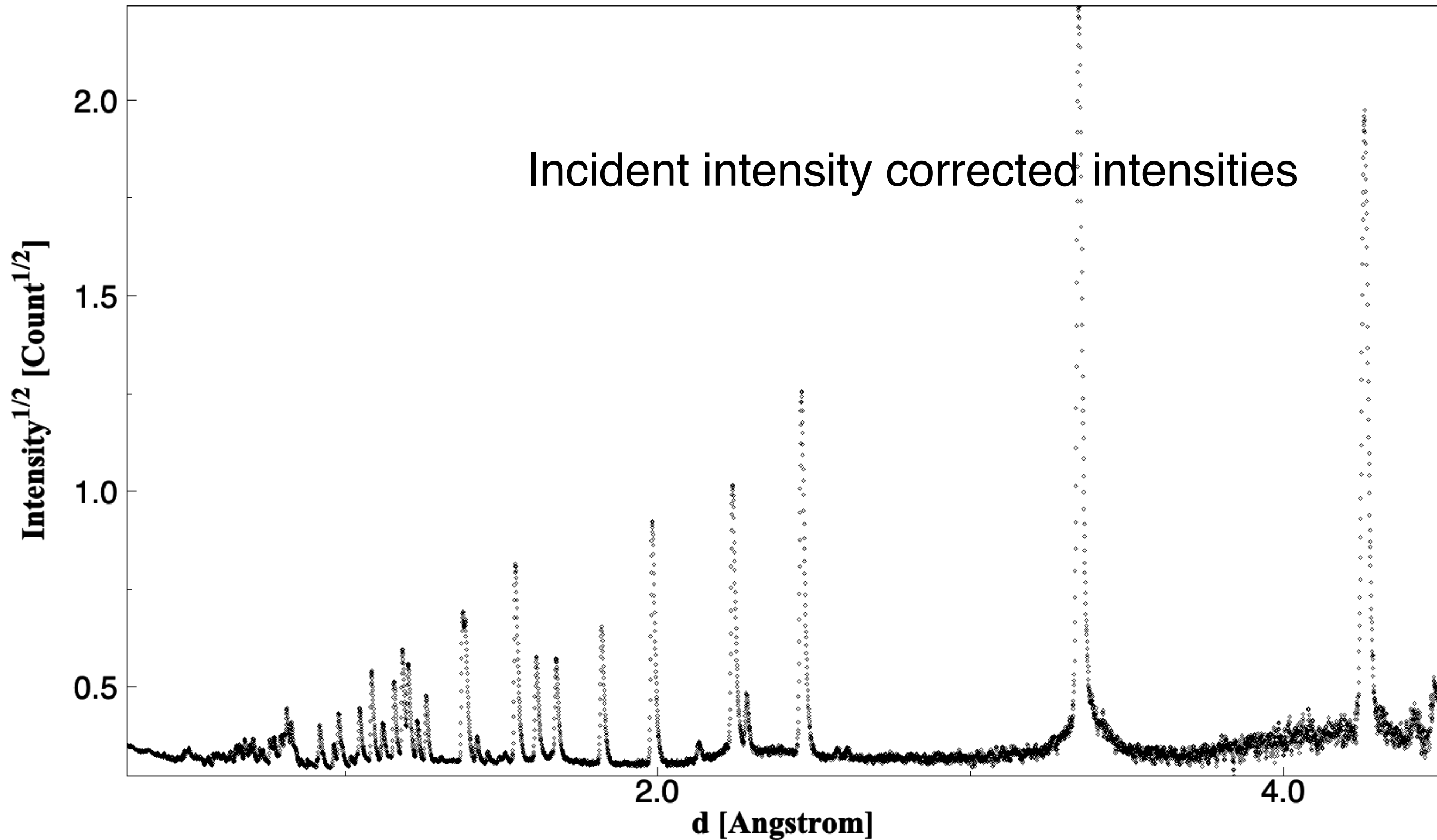
Function 2:
$$I_i = P_1 + \frac{P_2}{T^5} \exp[-P_3 / T^2] + P_4 \exp[-P_5 T^2] + \dots$$

Function 3: 12 Chebyshev coefficients function

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Hippo layout: more banks is good!

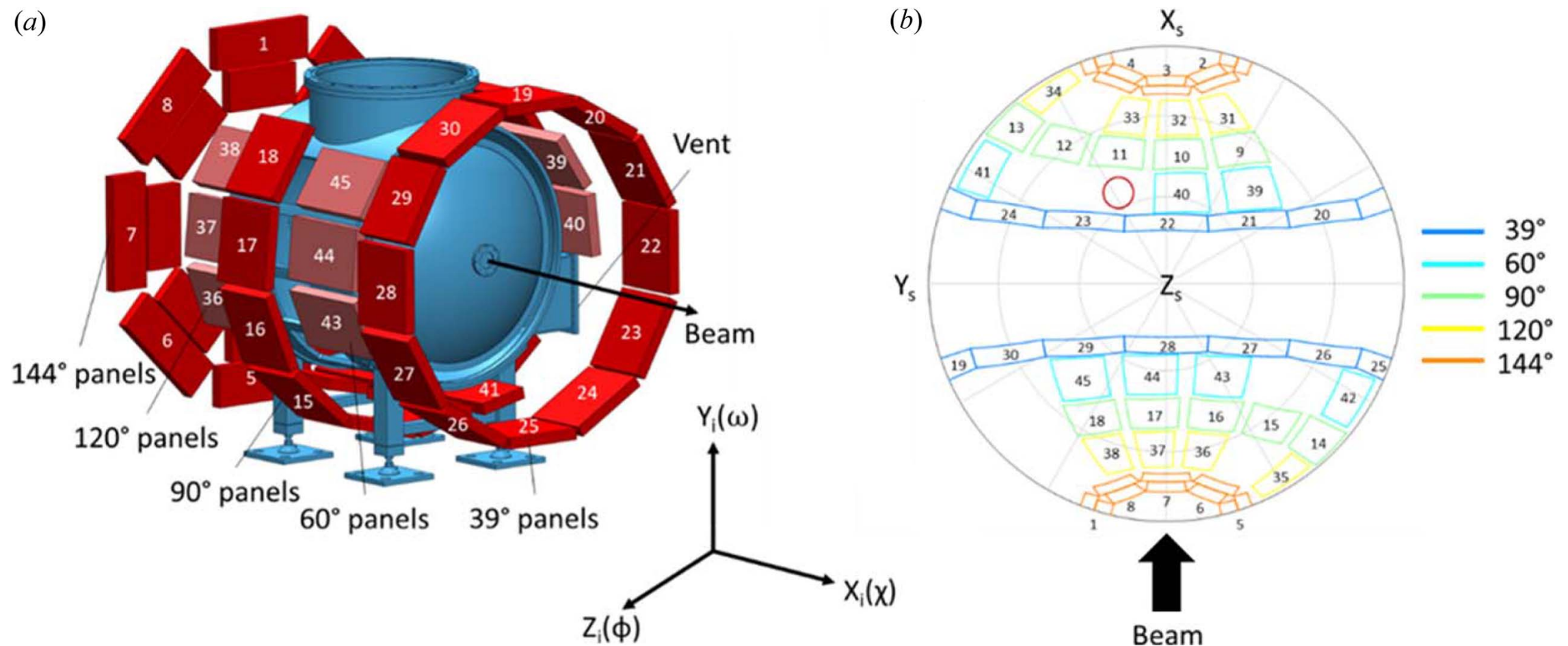
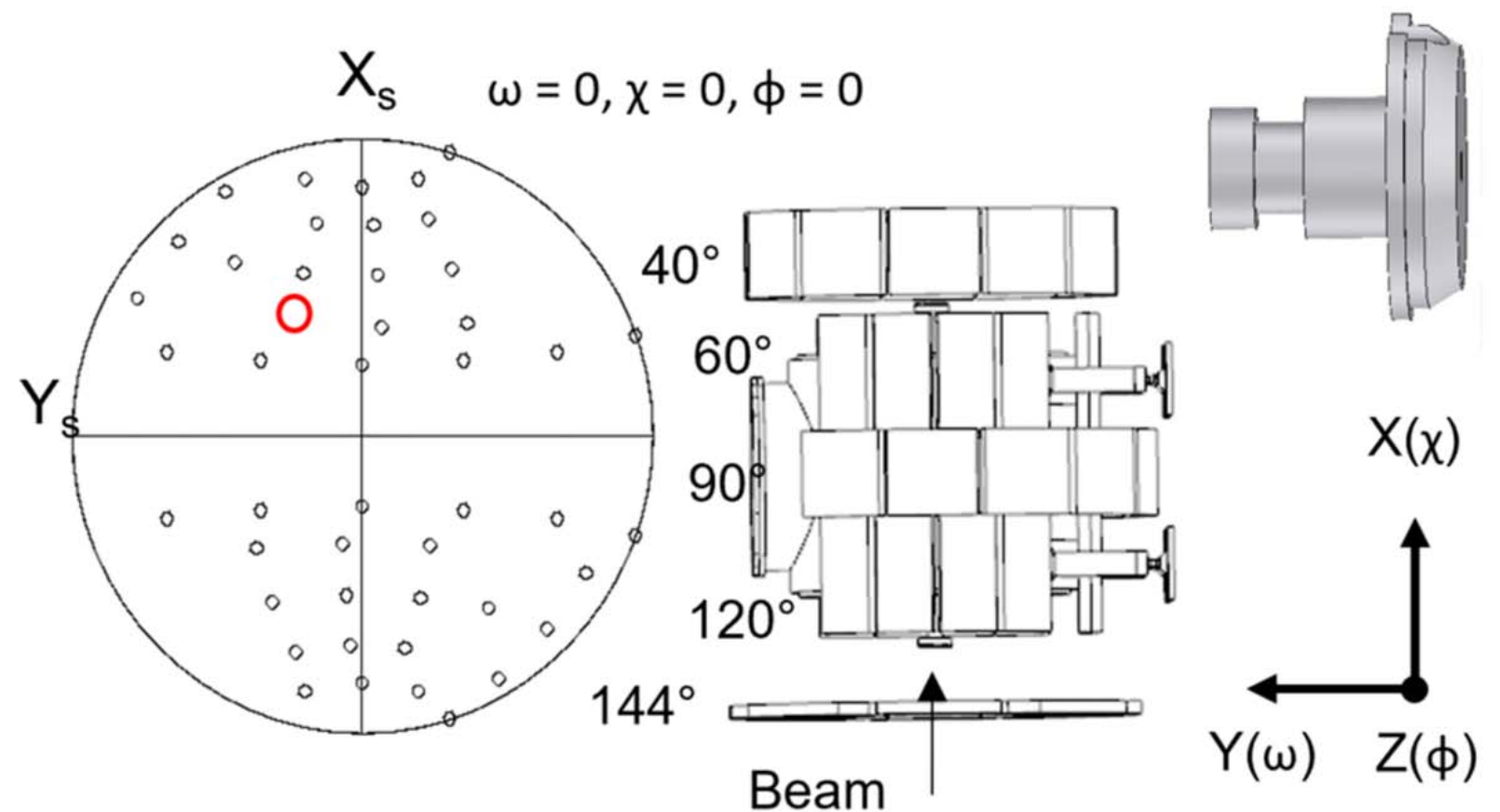
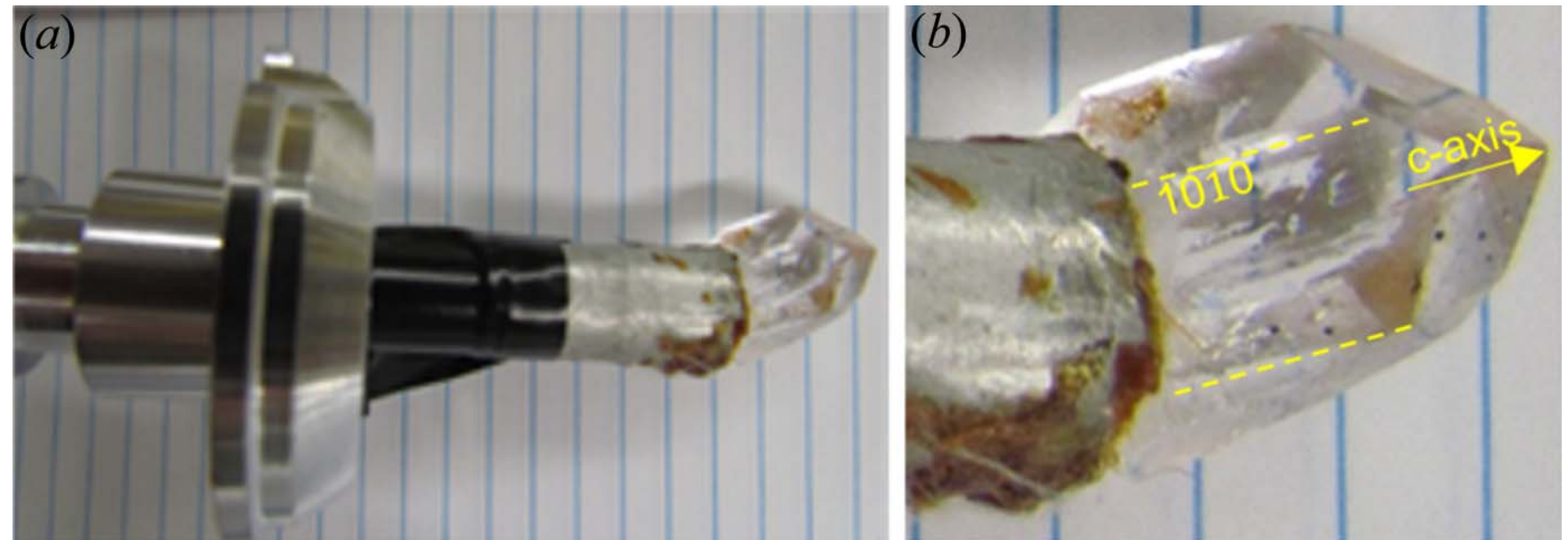
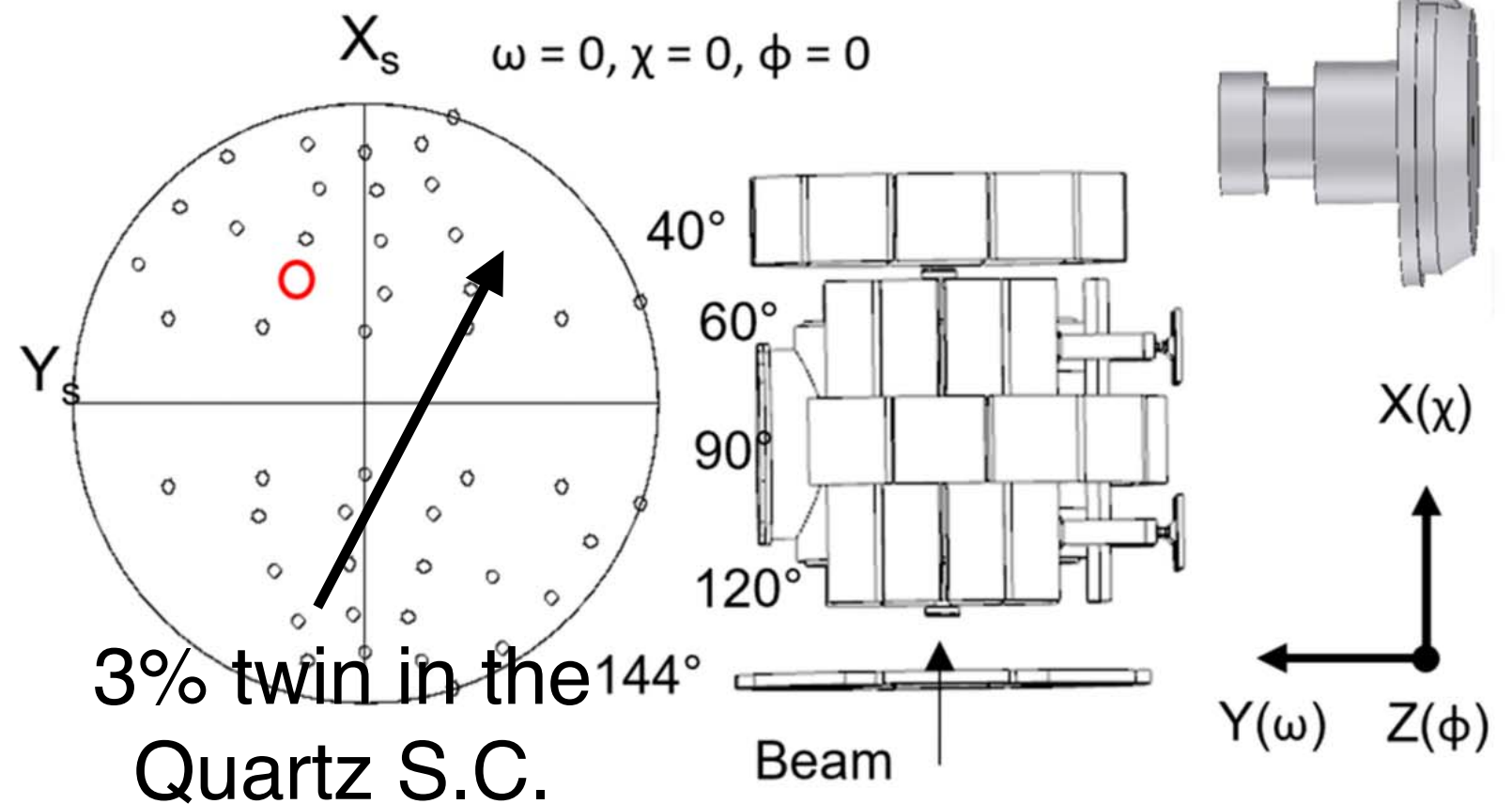
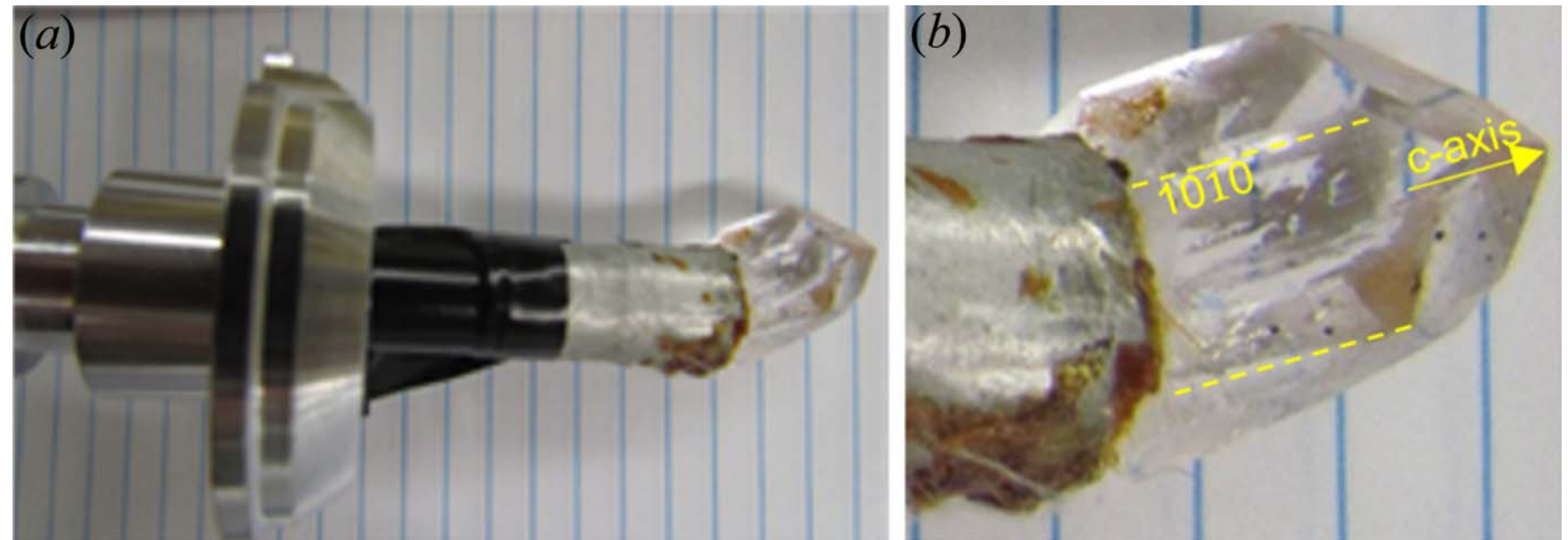


Figure 1
 (a) Schematic of the HIPPO instrument at LANSCE. Note the location of the flange of the sample chamber (top) and the vent (right side in the 60° detector ring) where the neutron detectors are missing. (b) Equal area projection of HIPPO detectors onto a generic (hkl independent) pole figure. Differently from constant-wavelength texture measurements, the pole figure coverage in a neutron TOF experiment is the same for all (hkl). Note the resulting large gap in the detector coverage from the HIPPO sample chamber flange and the missing detector panel (red circle) due to the vacuum vent which would mirror panel No. 43 with respect to a vertical mirror plane. The correlation of the pole figure coverage plot at $\omega_s = 0^\circ$, $\chi_s = 0^\circ$, $\phi_s = 0$ with the instrument detector layout is shown in more detail in Fig. 4.

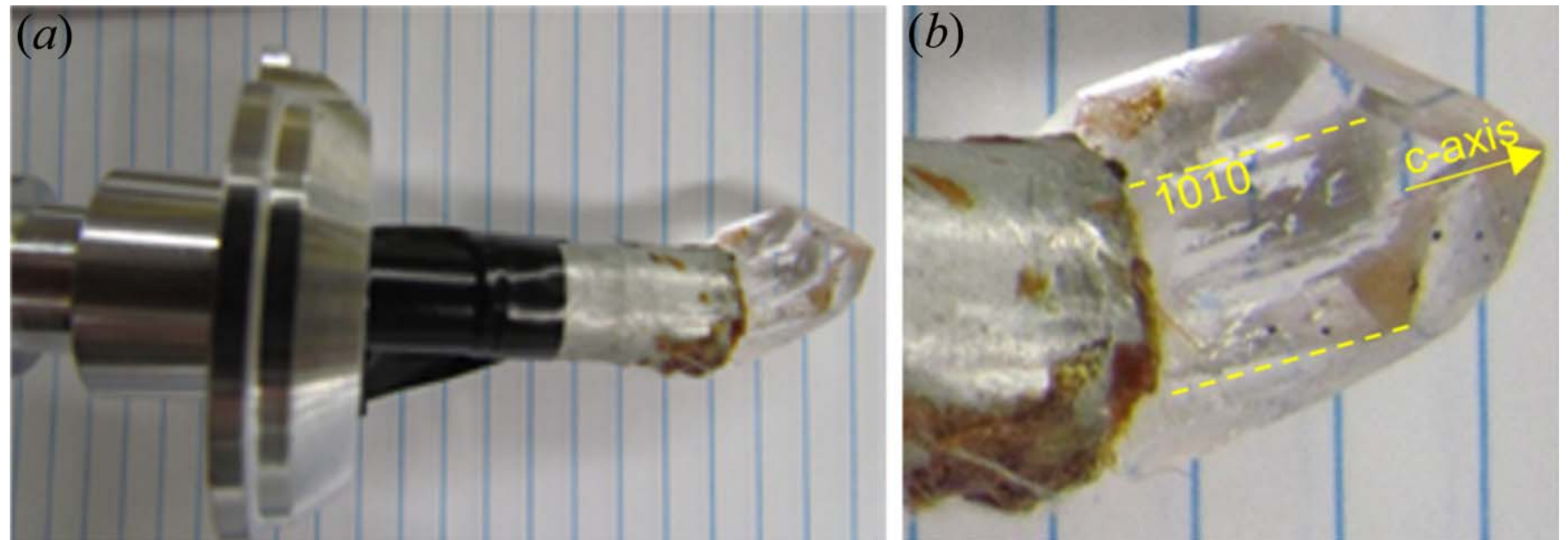
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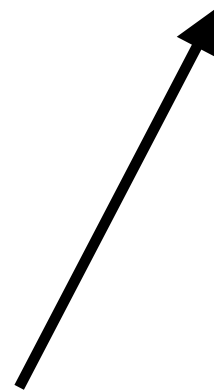


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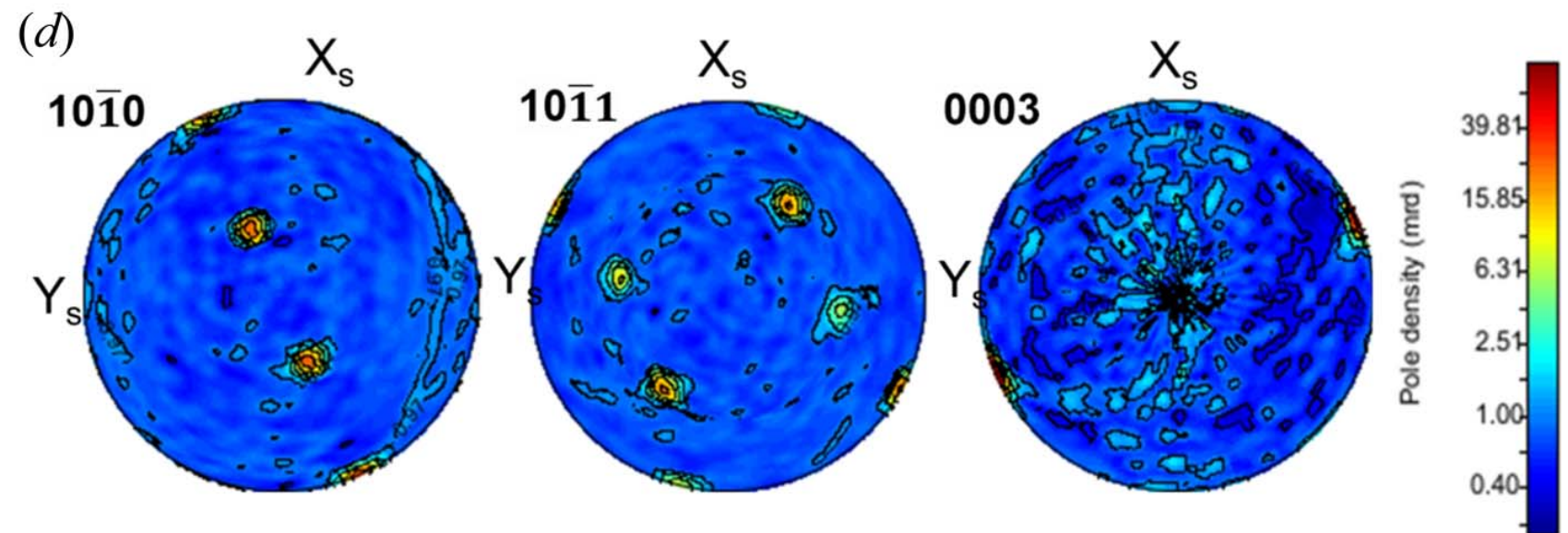
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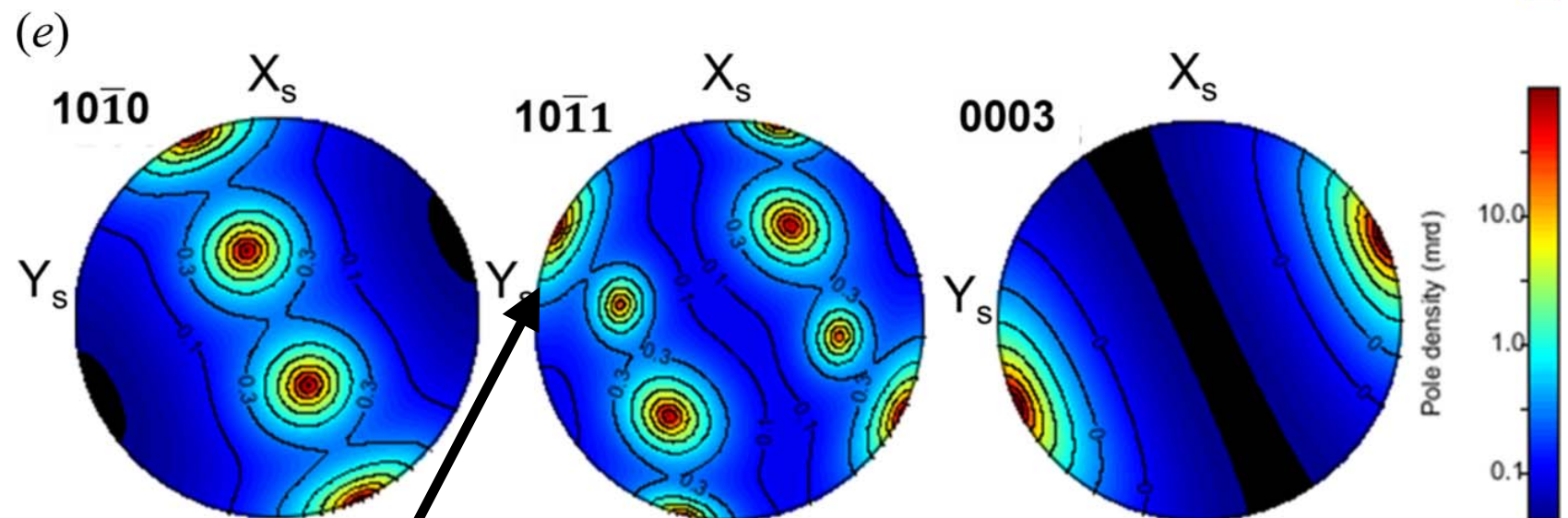
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Measured/Analysed



Modelled (Standard Functions)



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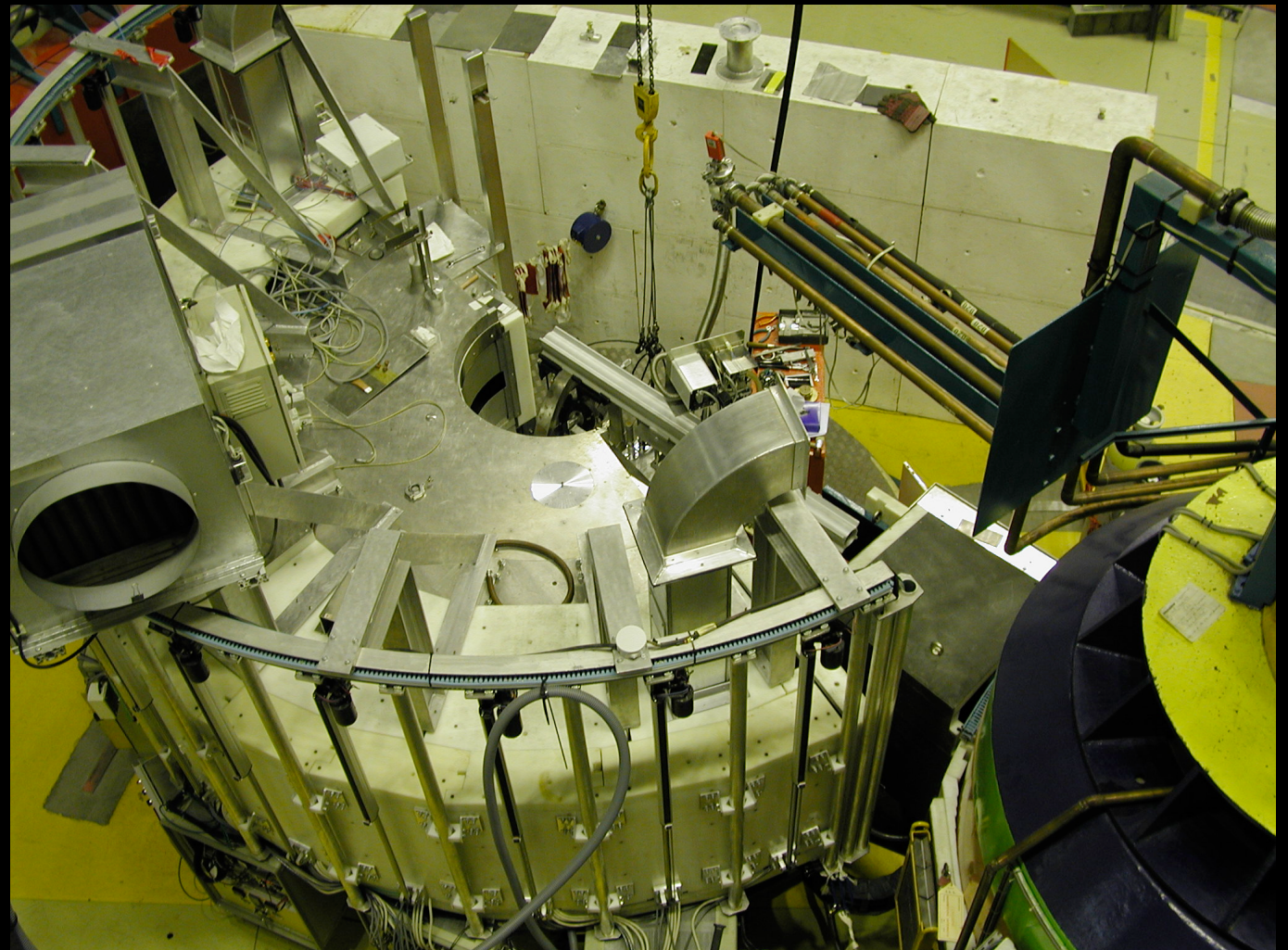


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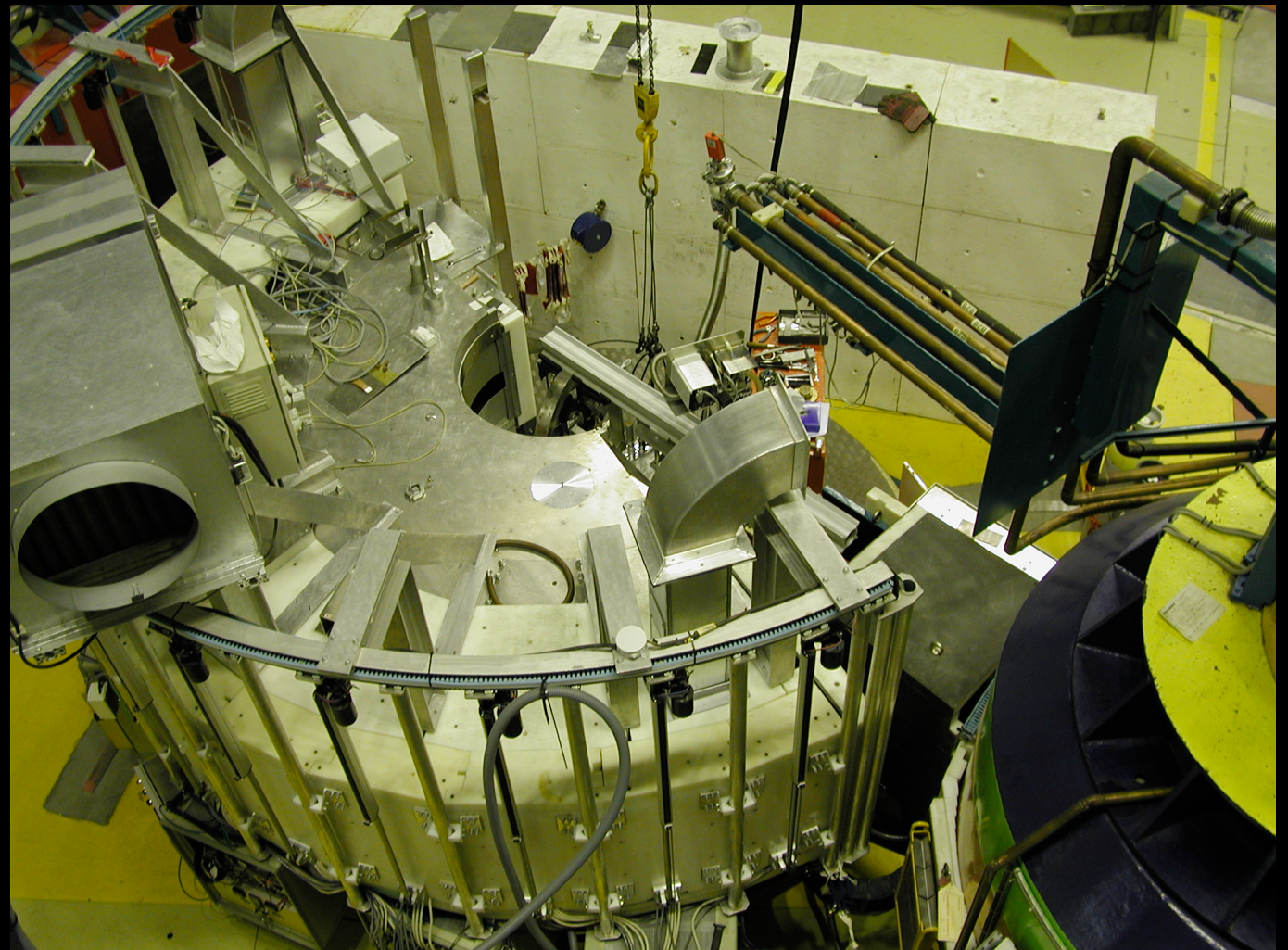
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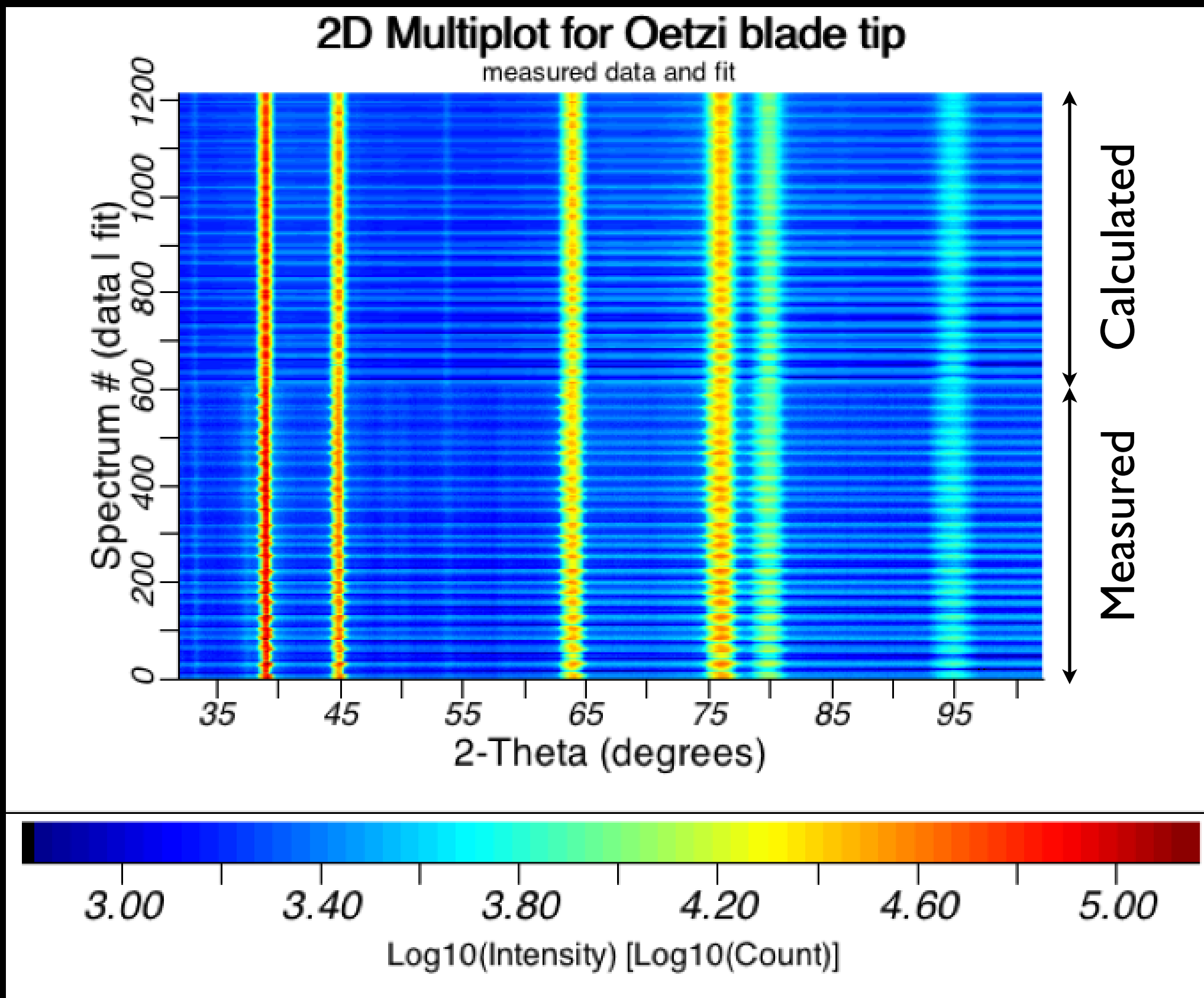
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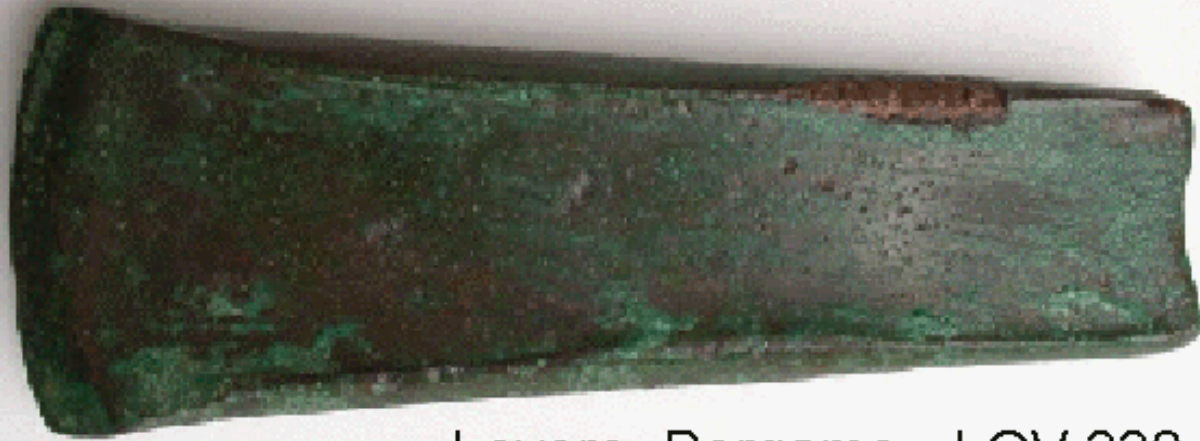


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Spectra fitting by Maud



Others alpine copper axes (43)



Lovere, Bergamo - LOV 330



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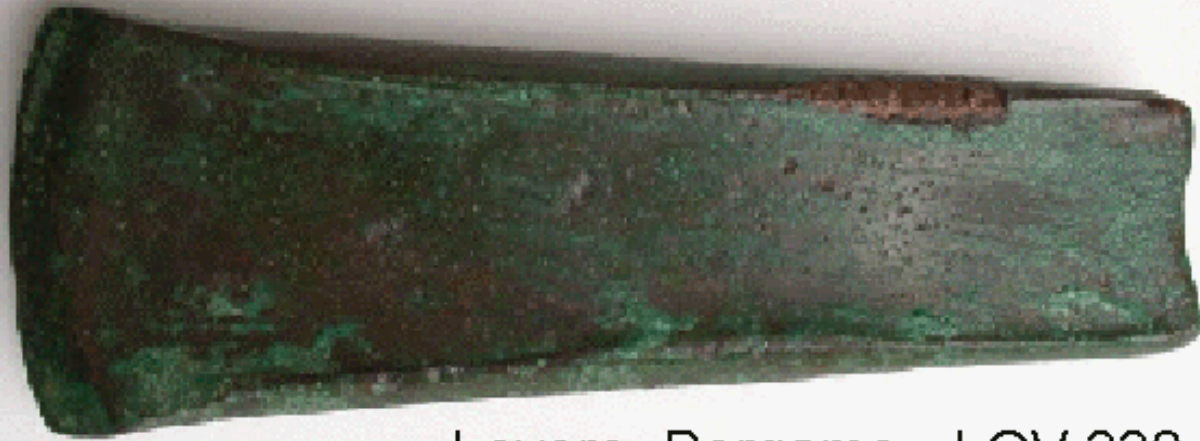


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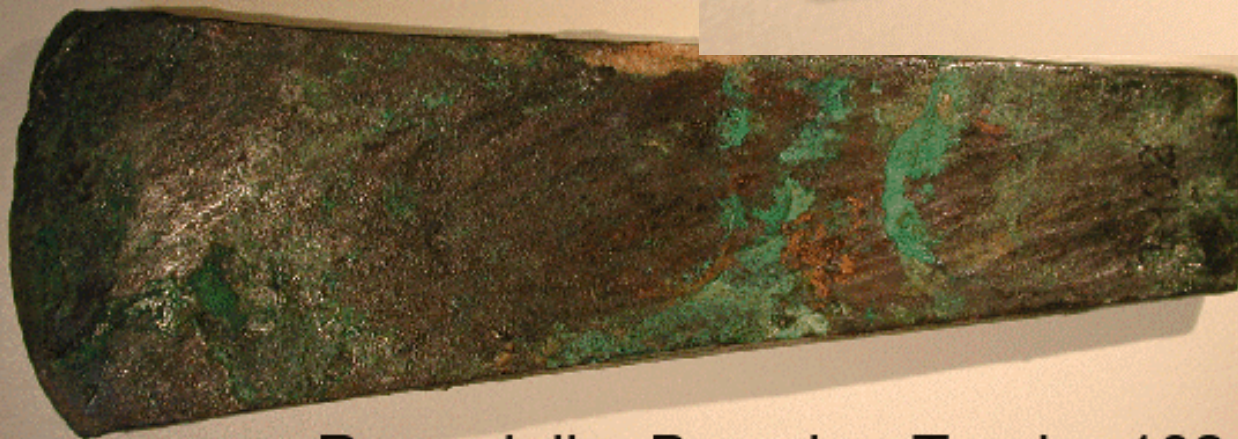
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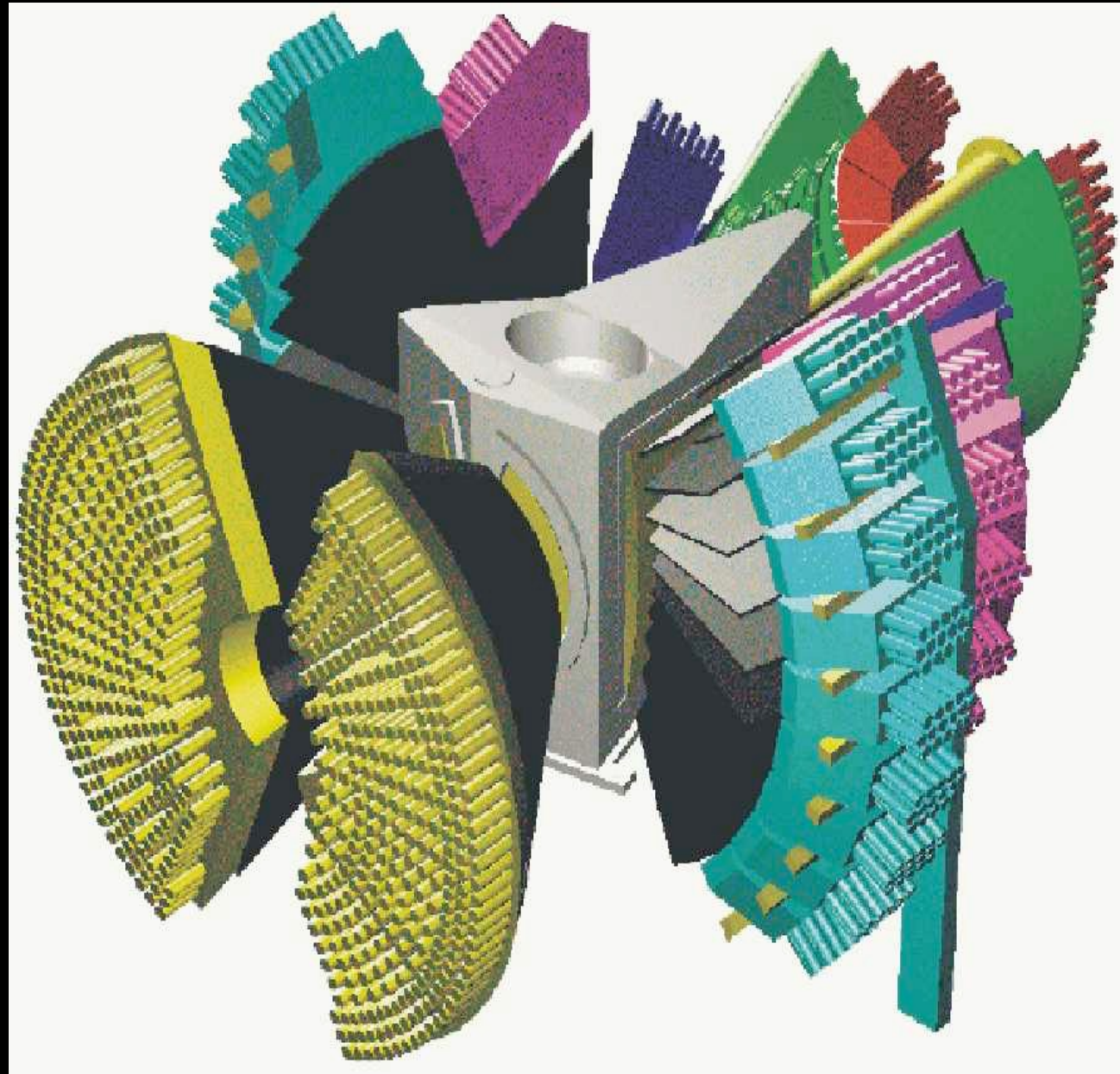


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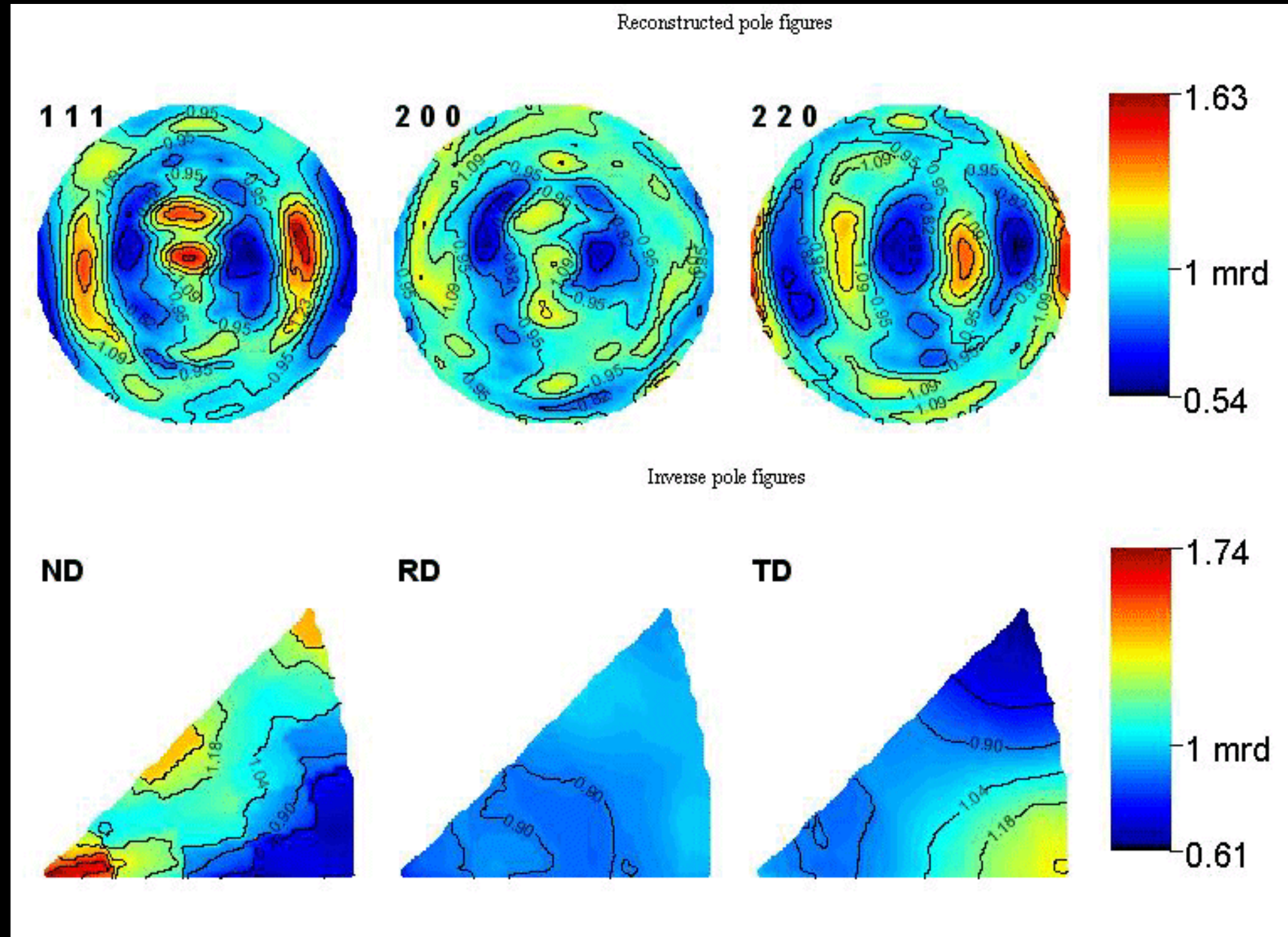
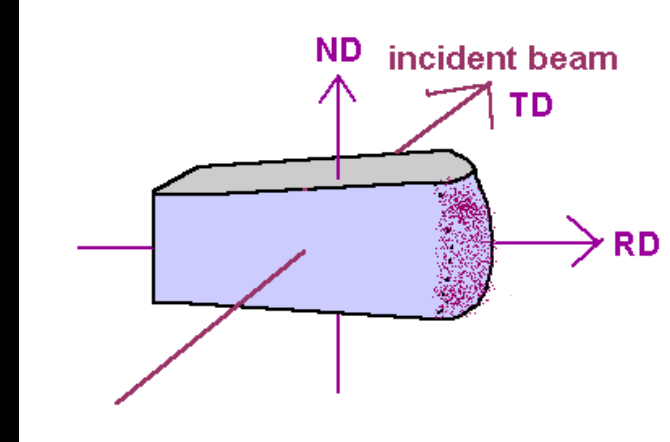
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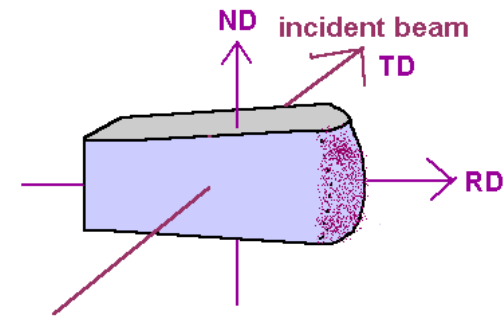
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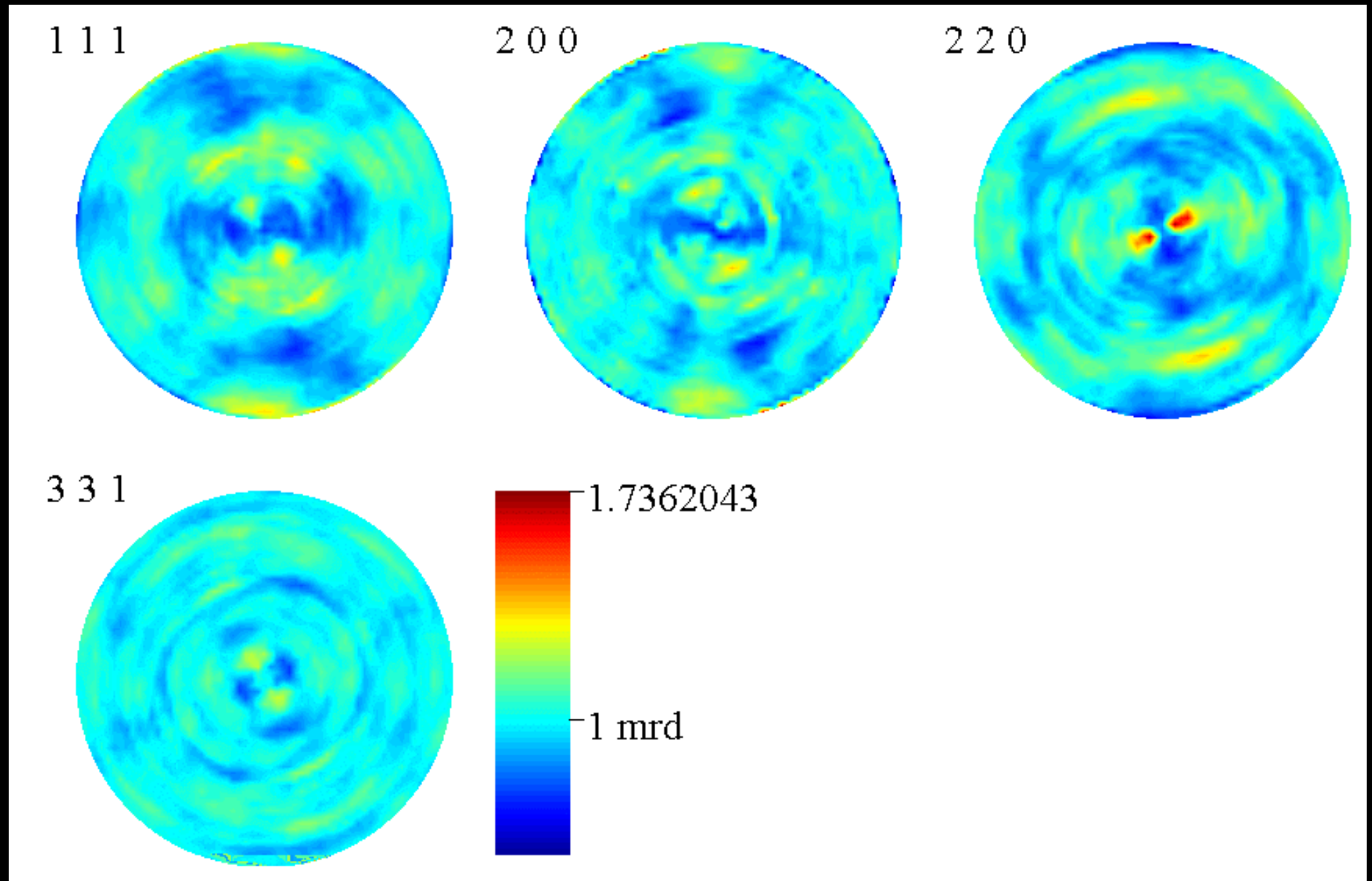
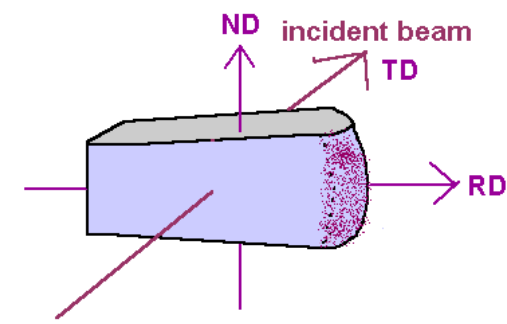
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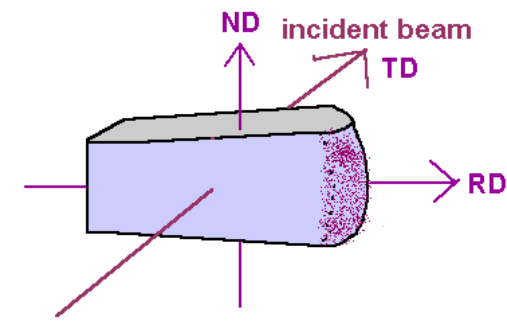
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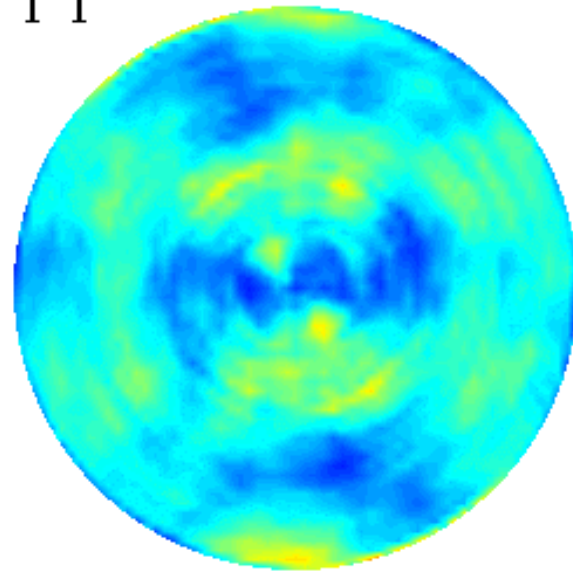
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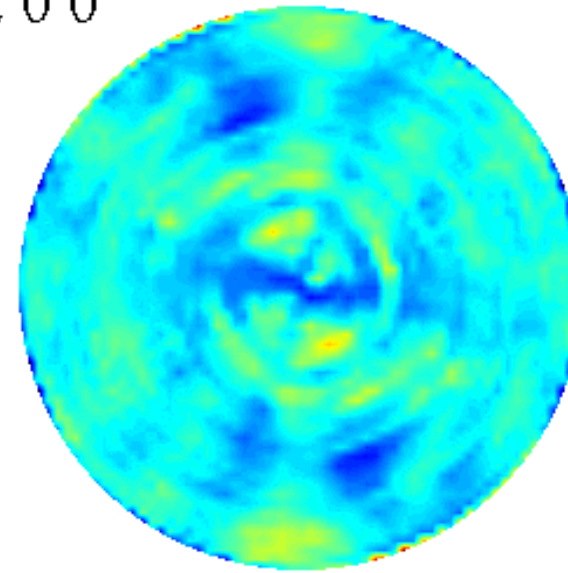
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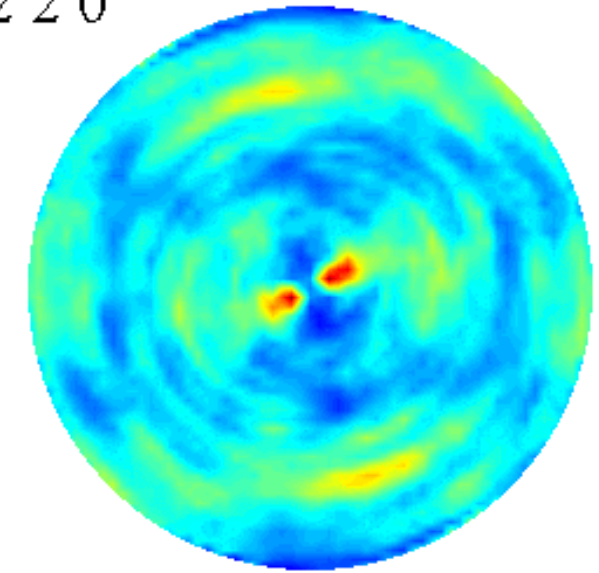
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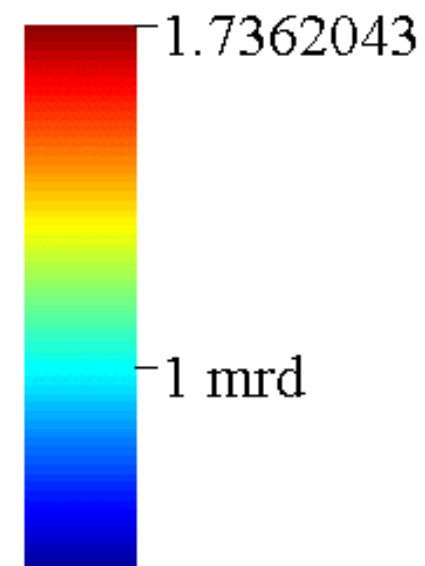
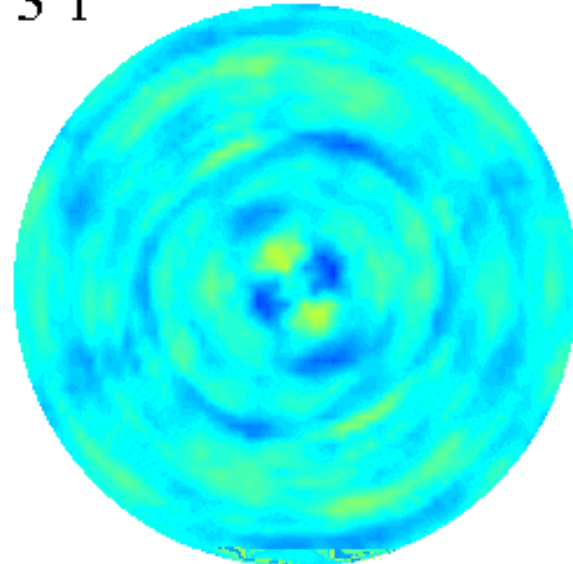
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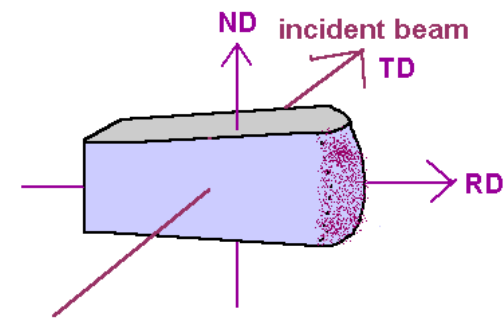
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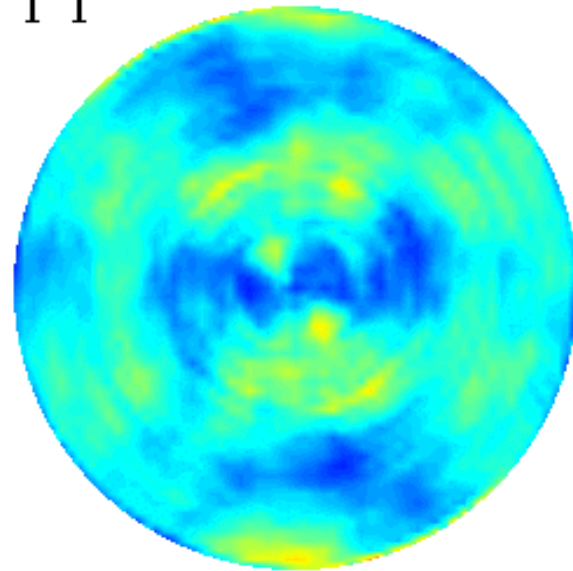
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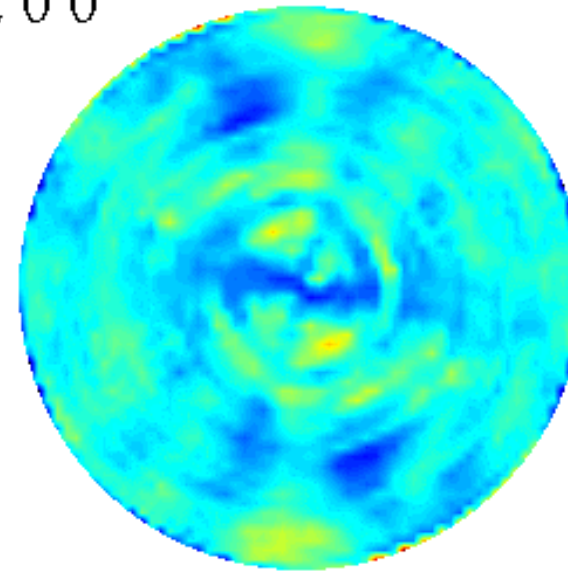
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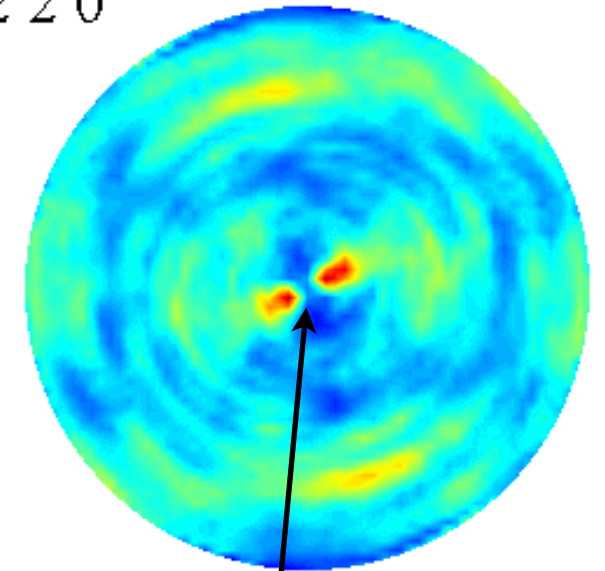
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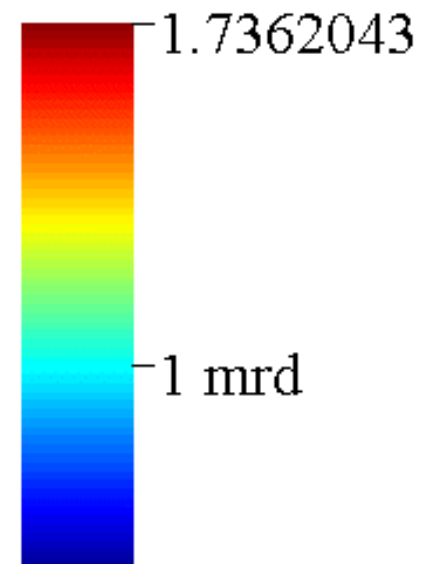
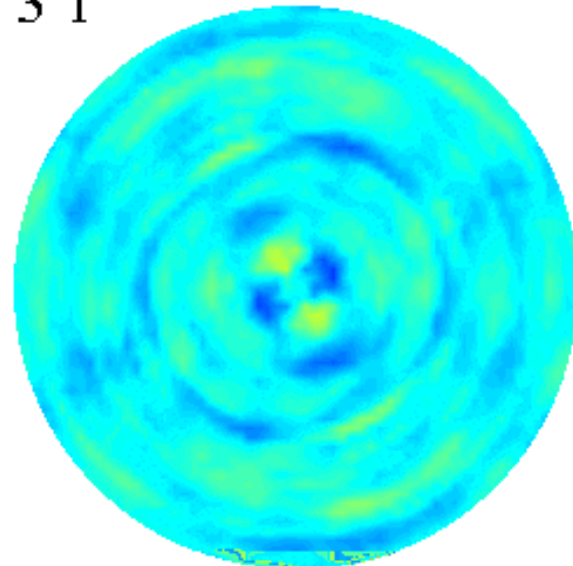
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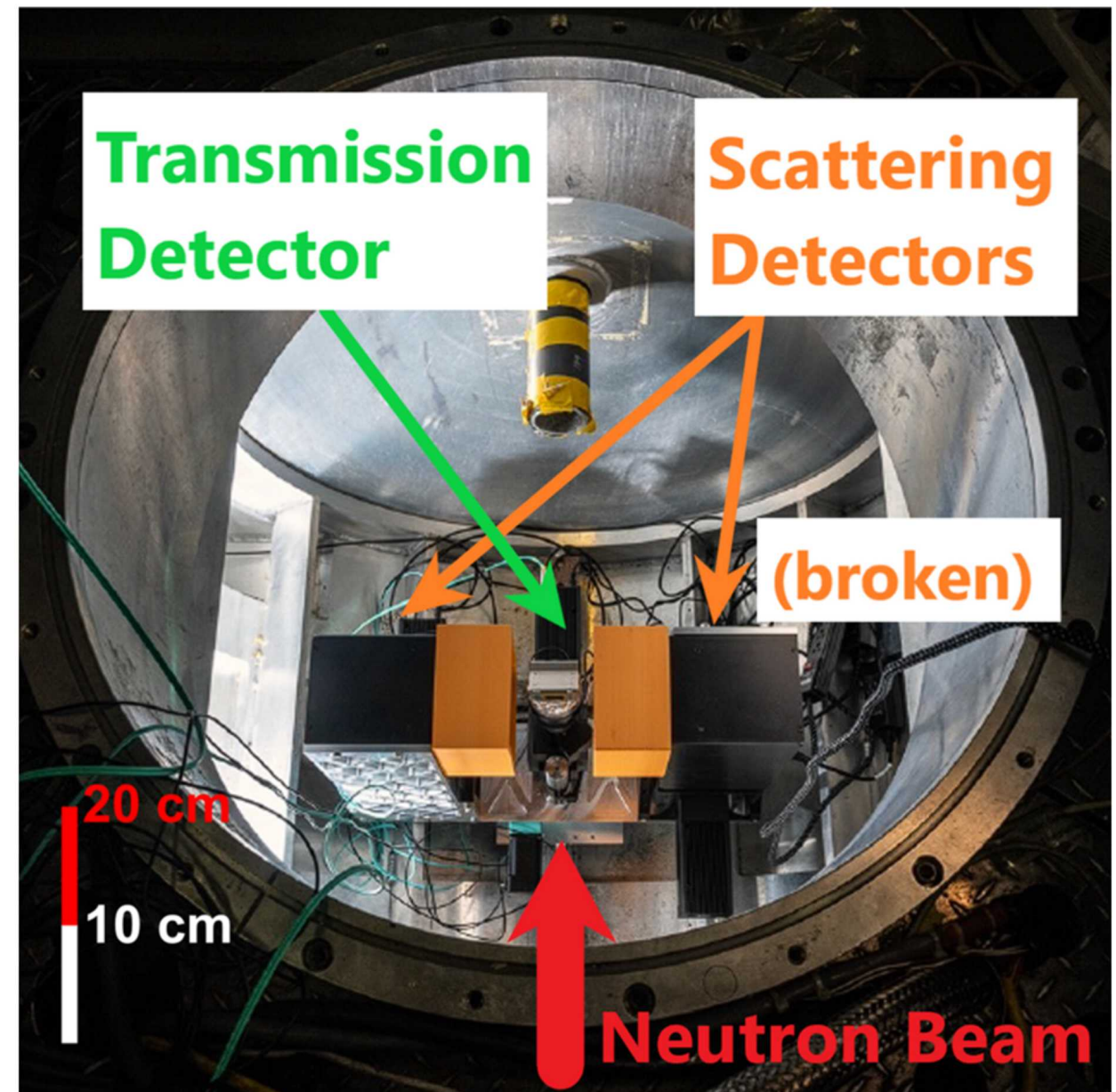
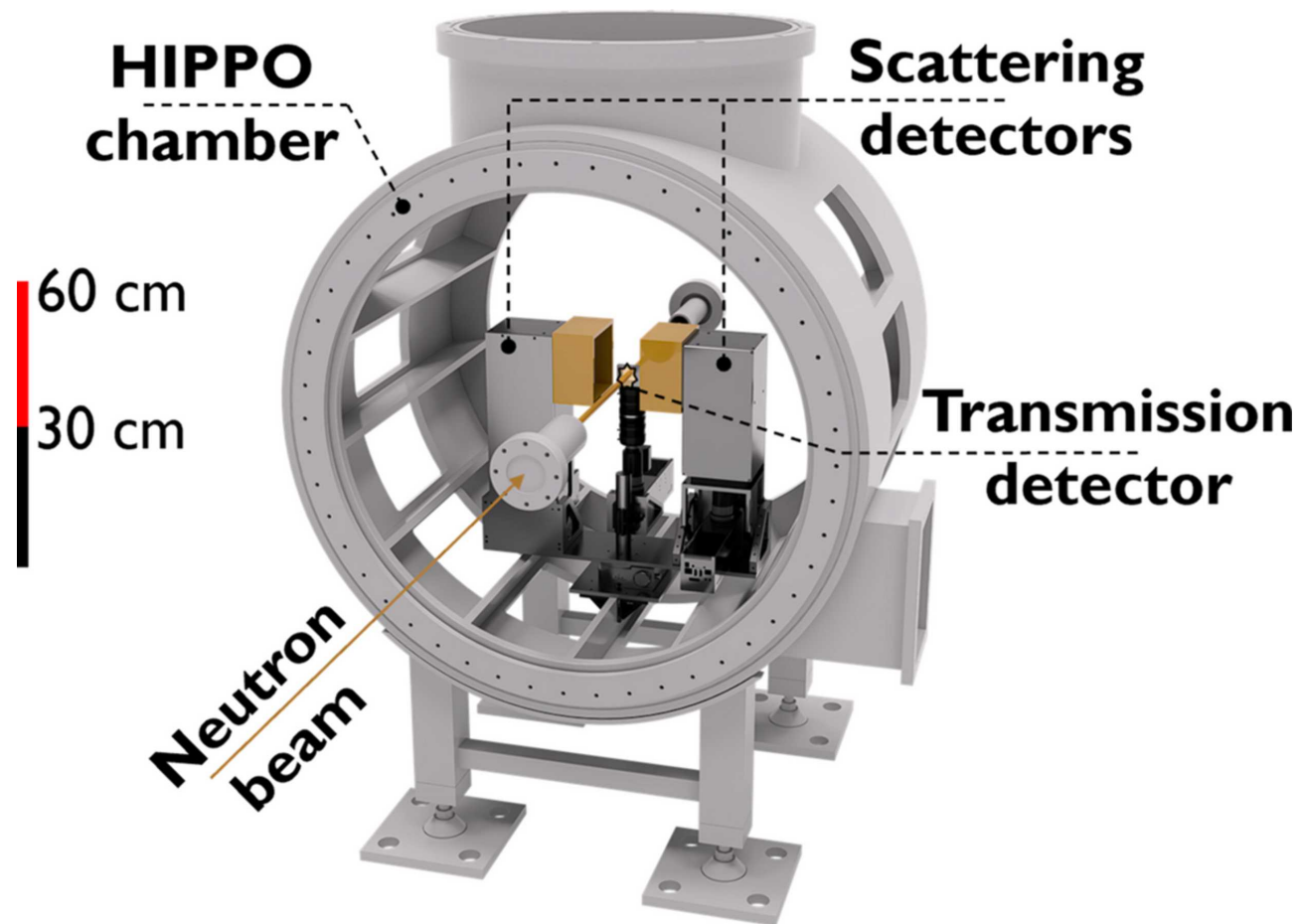


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Absorption
correction
artifacts

LumaCam on Hippo



Diffraction data processing

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LumaCam data format by Tim

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- 256 x 256 pixels (camera, effective pixels depend on field of view)
- Sub-pixel resolution (that we can use)
- We need to exclude pixels on the border, camera uses larger FoV than actual scintillator area, and super-pixel size for binning (larger in vertical direction)
- We obtain N TOF patterns, N being the number of super-pixels
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TOF 2D Bank calibration

Calibration parameters Data importing setting

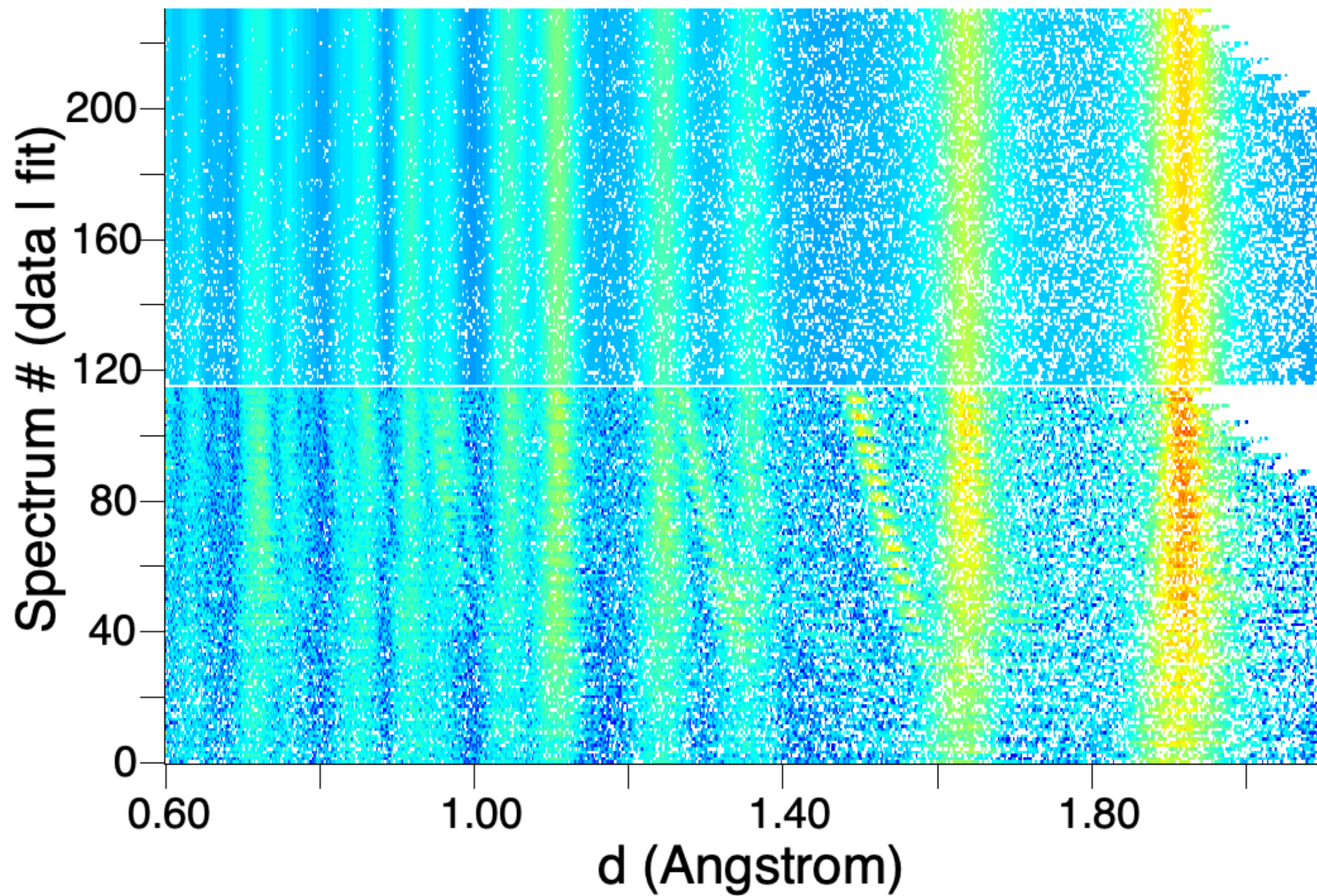
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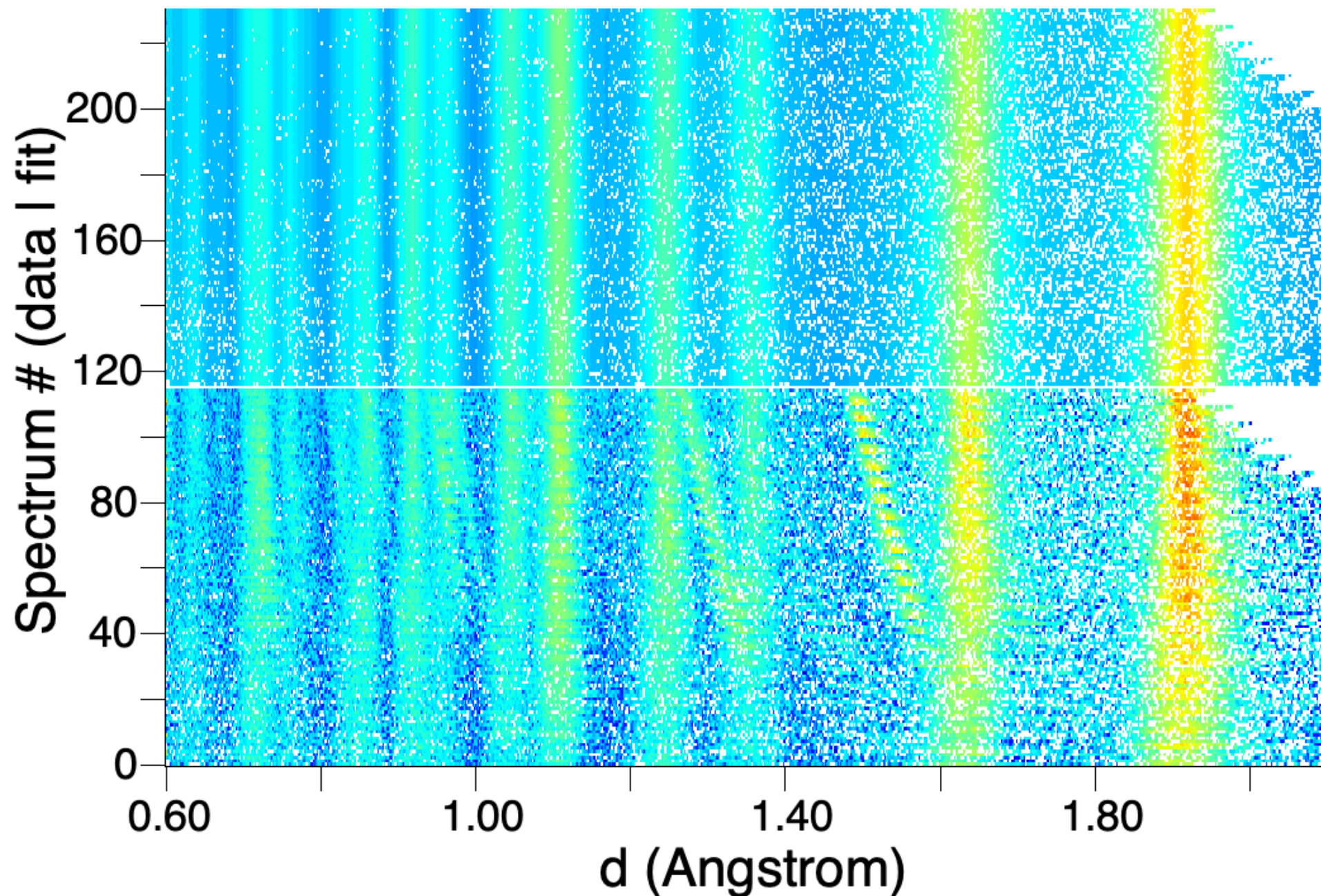
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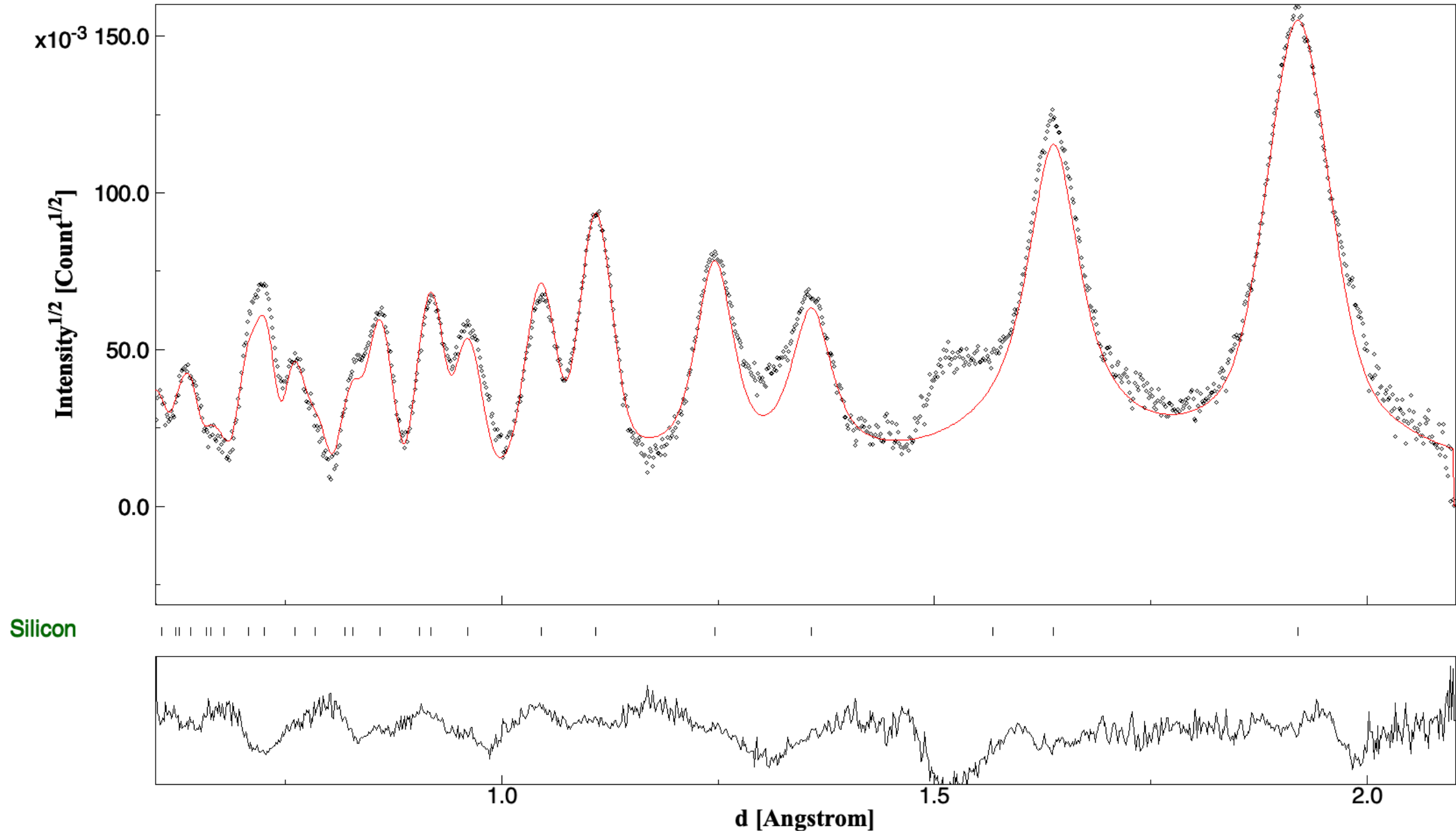


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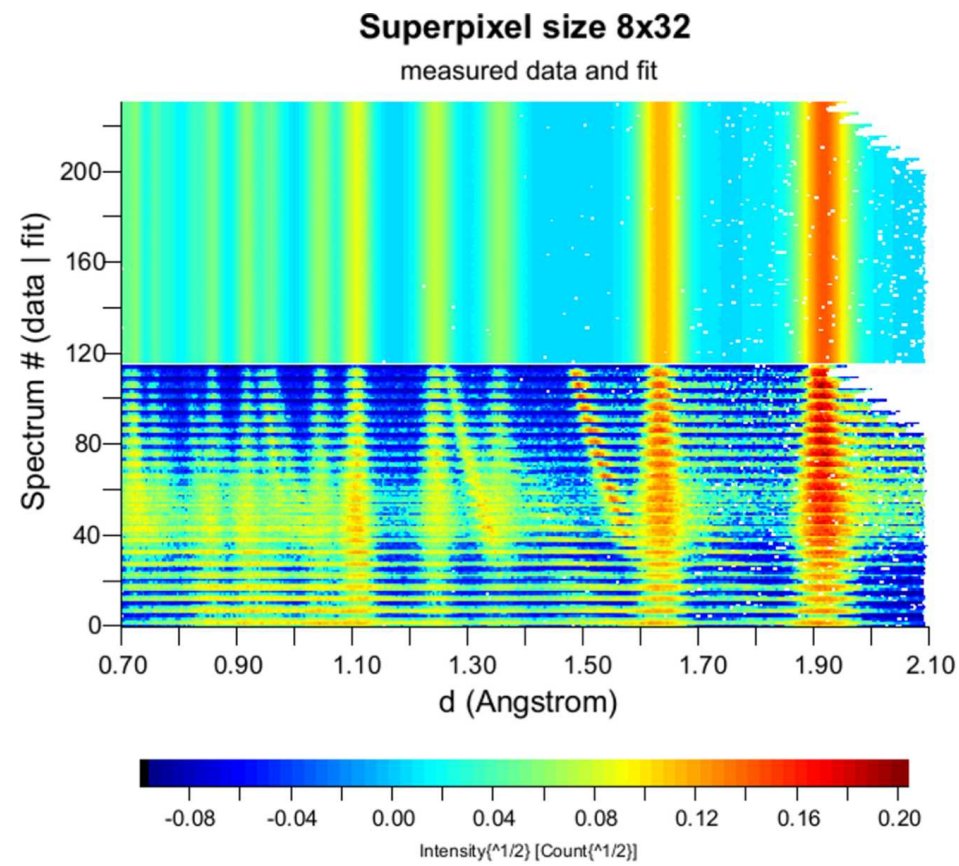
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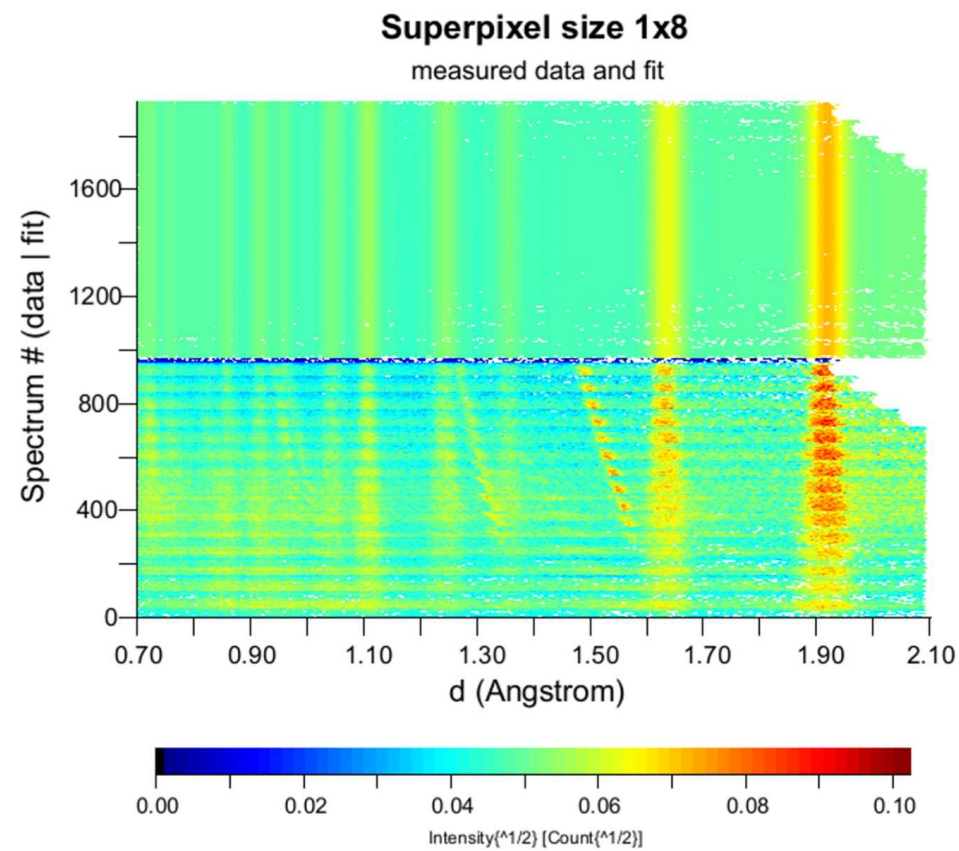


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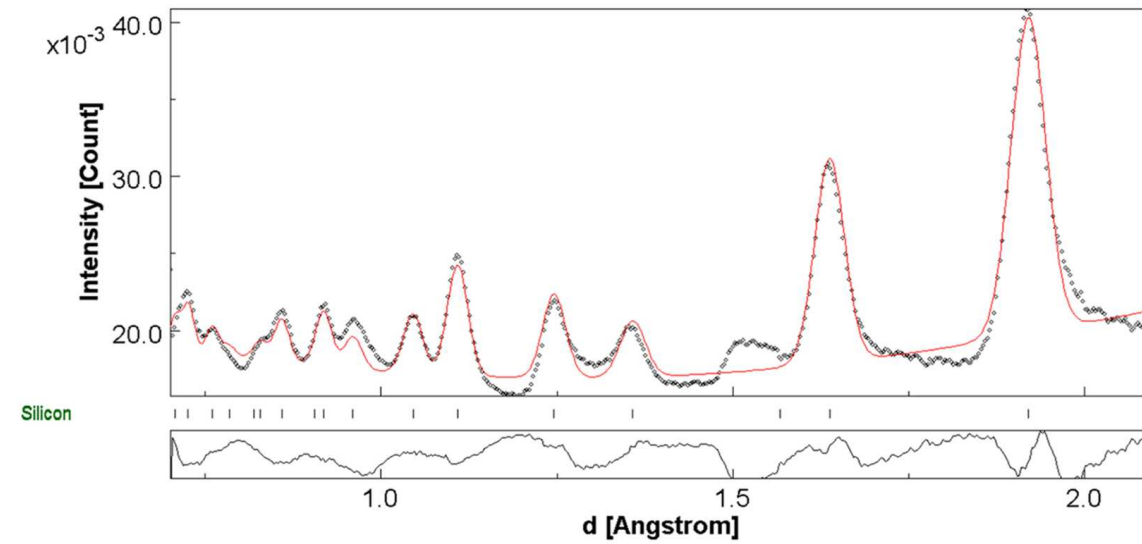
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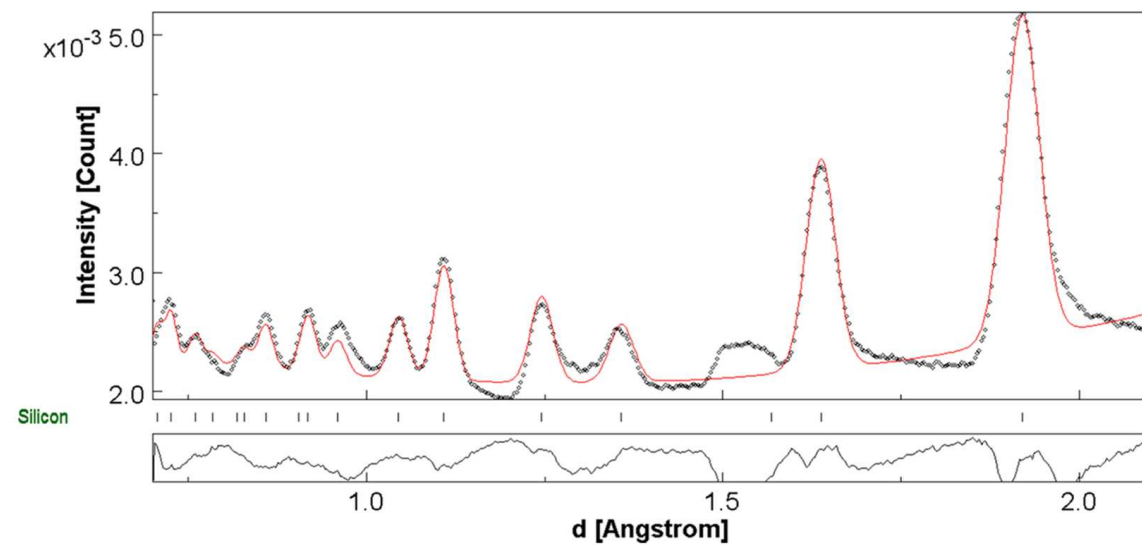
(a)



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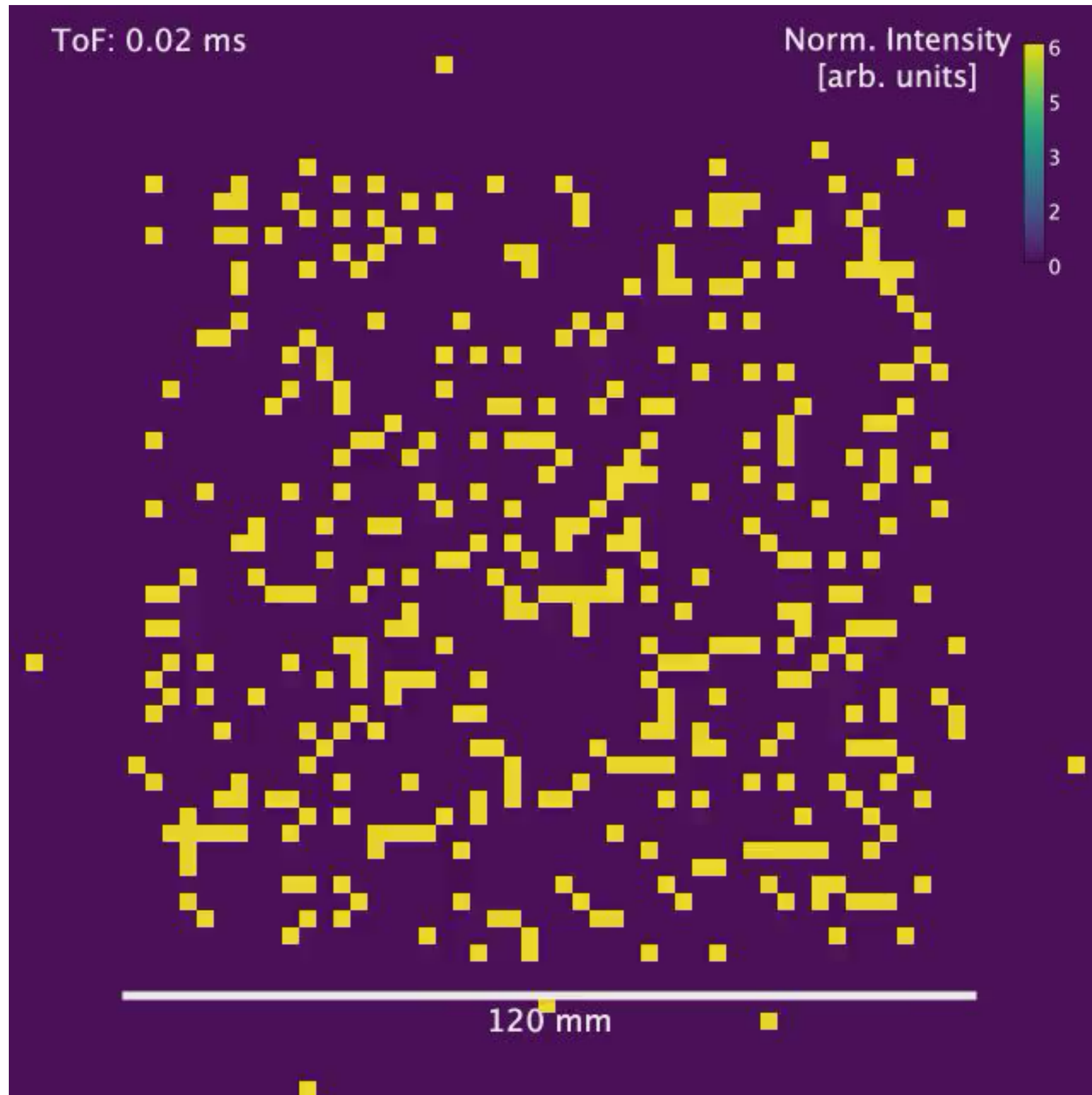


(b)



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