Global Phasing Status report



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MXCuBE Collaboration meeting Zoom Webinar, June 2020

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- MXCuBE refactoring
- Synchrotron collaboration
 - Test EMBL-P14 February 2020
 - Test ALBA-XALOC June 2020
- Developing workflow strategies

Refactoring efforts

- See Antonia's talk for all that happened
- Major part of my work since last meeting
- Abstract classes
 - Standard, consistent function names
 - Maximise shared code
 - Maintainability
- A single location to get hold of hardware objects

Why GOL thinks it is important

- Our code must work at all synchrotrons
 - A healthy integrated software suite is a necessity
 - "An ounce of unification is worth a pound of customisation"
- We come from the outside
 - Clear, consistent code is easier to learn and adapt to
 - We would need to learn all the local styles
 - Duplication, multiple standards, and obsolete code makes the program hard to figure out

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EMBL-P14 test

One-day test slot, without beam.



- Set-up required some work merging disparate branches
- Translational calibration successful after some debugging (and a too-long pin)
 - 8+28 centring points, ~25µm reproducibility
 - Auto-recentring during acquisition did not work
- Tested diffractometer calibration and data acquisition (without beam)
 - Earlier data storage problems had been solved.

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ALBA: preliminary tests

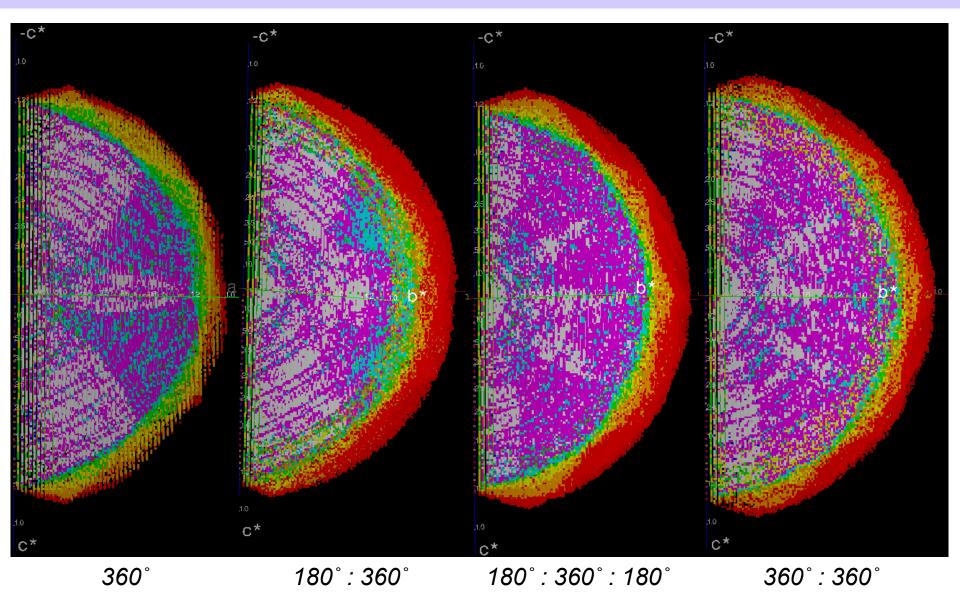
- Setup went quickly and smoothly
 - owing to the availability of production code in a git repository branched off the main repositories
 - and to keeping GPL workflow development in a compatible branch
- Translational calibration in a one-hour window
 - 8+36 centring points, 10µm reproducibility
 - Auto-recentring during acquisition did not work
 interference with ALBA pseudo-motors?
- Successful short diffractometer calibration in two-hour window

ALBA: Data Collection

- June 16, remote, 8-hour shift at ALBA
- Real-life fragment screen crystals
 - Point group 32
 - Anisotropic, 1.9/1.5Å
 - provided by the Marquez group
- Six successful data sets, plus work on data processing queue
- Extremely clear density for ligands
 - Cannot show results as they are confidential at the moment
- Next step: integration with ISPyB for repatriation of data sets and processing results



Testing new strategies



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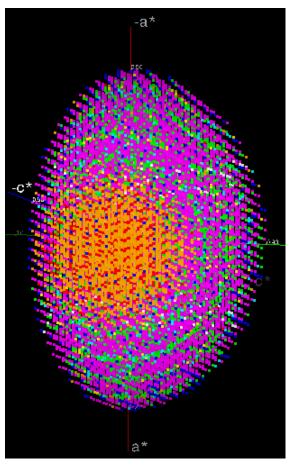
Where we are - strategies

- We have improved our native and experimental phasing strategies
- We have set up fully functional simulation and display facilities for strategies
- Our workflow is functional at ALBA and EMBL-Hamburg

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Redundancy from multiple sweeps

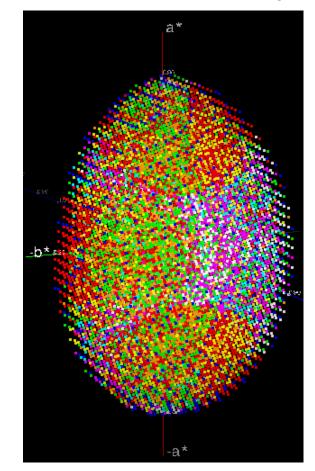
P21 – One sweep



Red2/8Green6/8Orange4/8Magenta8/8

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P21 – Three sweeps



Red 16/24 Green 20/24 Orange 18/24 Magenta 22/24

Next steps

- Investigate and clarify interaction between $G\Phi L$ and beamline recentring operations
- Invoke X-ray centring to fine-tune recentring
- Standardise integration with auto-processing resources at synchrotrons
 - We need on-line as well as off-line processing
- Clarify the meaning and reliability of flux values to calculate dose budgets and radiation damage
- Integrate with Web-based UI

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