

SSX experiments with MXCuBE @ ESRF

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Overview

- Serial crystallography using a viscous jet
- Jet crystallography with MXCuBE

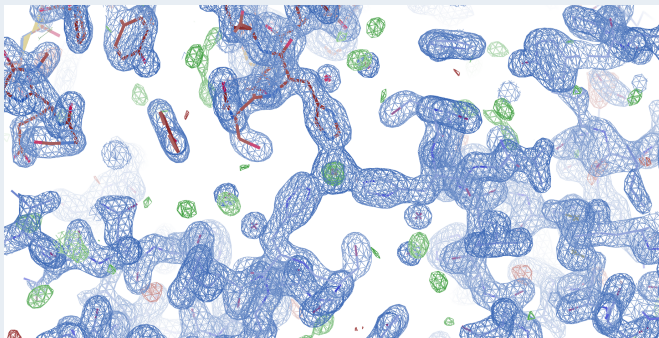
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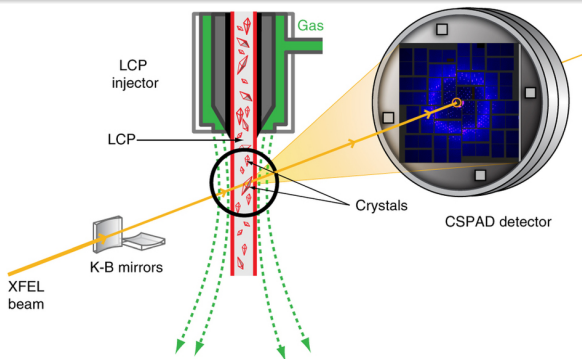
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Apply some mathematics to obtain electron density map:



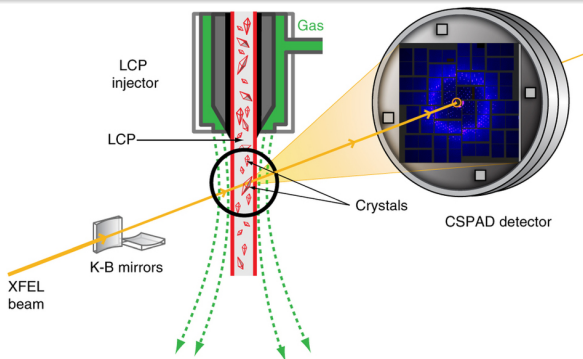
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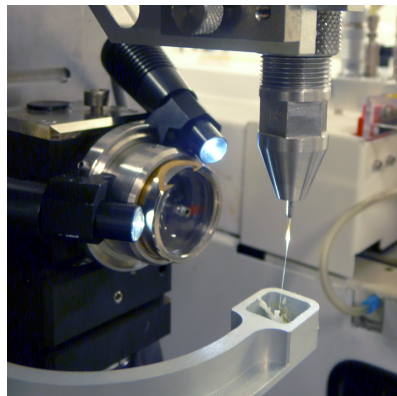
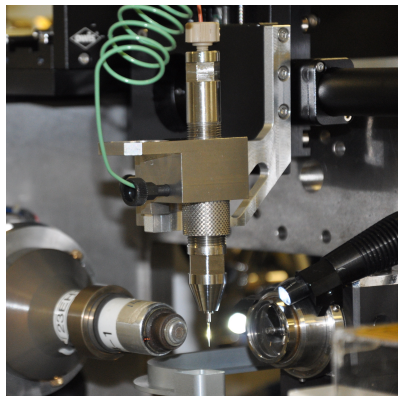


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⇒ needs many more images



SSX on MASSIF-3



Injector filled with 30 μl grease mixed with protein crystals.

[Botha *et al.*, Acta Cryst. D71, 387 (2015)]

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Note:

Depends on photon flux:
with higher flux, numbers will be lower!



SSX: examples

| | lysozyme | lysozyme+Gd | insulin |
|---|--|--|------------------|
| space group | <i>P</i> 4 ₃ 2 ₁ 2 | <i>P</i> 4 ₃ 2 ₁ 2 | <i>H</i> 3 |
| images/second | 200 | 200 | 500 |
| number of images | 539 000 | 539 000 | 1 000 000 |
| indexed patterns | 20 683 | 47 482 | 37 462 |
| resolution range [Å] | 56.0– 1.8 | 55.4– 1.8 | 41.3– 1.6 |
| completeness [%] | 100.0 (100.0) | 100.0 (100.0) | 100.0 (100.0) |
| redundancy (low / high) | 613 / 101 | 1093 / 175 | 404 / 117 |
| <i>R</i> _{split} [%] | 11.9 (62.9) | 9.3 (52.2) | 12.5 (41.6) |
| CC* [%] | 99.1 (49.5) | 99.5 (65.1) | 99.4 (89.9) |
| SNR | 7.2 (2.0) | 8.2 (2.2) | 6.2 (2.4) |
| <i>R</i> _{work} / <i>R</i> _{free} | 17.5 / 19.8 | 14.7 / 19.3 | 14.9 / 19.9 |

Classical vs. serial crystallography

| | classical MX | SSX |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| number of crystals: | 1 | > 1 000 |
| number of images: | ≈ 1 000 | > 100 000 |
| rotation per image: | 0.1° | 0° |
| processing: | XDS, mosflm,... | CrystFEL, cctbx.xfel,... |

MXCuBE: minimal changes

manual patches to MXCuBE for each SSX experiment:

- disable confirmation dialog (file checking takes minutes)
- disable autoproccessing (takes hours to fail)
- increase number of images per HDF5 files from 100 to 1000

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- DOZOR for hit finding

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