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Inelastic samples

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Inelastic scattering in McStas

- Introduction to inelastic scattering
- Included components
 - Phonon_simple
 - Isotropic_sqw
- Sampling performance with data approach
- McStas performance, TAS / Chopper
- Exercise



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Inelastic scattering $S(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$

- partial differential cross section
- Scattering function
- Phonons, Spin waves, ...

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_f} \right)_{coh} = \frac{\sigma_{coh}}{4\pi} \frac{k_f}{k_i} N S(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

$$S(\mathbf{q}, \omega)_{coh} = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int \frac{1}{N} \sum_{jj'} \left\langle e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_{j'}(0)} e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j(t)} \right\rangle e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

Popular component: Phonon_simple

- One isotropic acoustic phonon branch in all Brillouin zones on FCC bravis single crystal

$$\frac{d^2\sigma'}{d\Omega dE_f} = b^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{(2\pi)^3}{V_0} \frac{1}{2M} \exp(-2W) \times \sum_{\tau, q, p} \frac{(\boldsymbol{\kappa} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{q,p})^2}{\omega_{q,p}} \left\langle n_{q,p} + \frac{1}{2} \mp \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \delta(\omega \pm \omega_{q,p}) \delta(\boldsymbol{\kappa} \pm \mathbf{q} - \boldsymbol{\tau})$$

Dispersion $d_1(\mathbf{q}) = c_1/a \sqrt{z - s_q}$

For FCC Bravis $z = 12 \quad s_q = \sum_{\mathbf{nn}} \cos(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{nn}})$

- M - Atomic mass
- b – scattering length
- n – bose factor
- a – fcc lattice spacing
- c - speed of sound
- $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ – measured q vector
- \mathbf{q} – Phonon scattering vector



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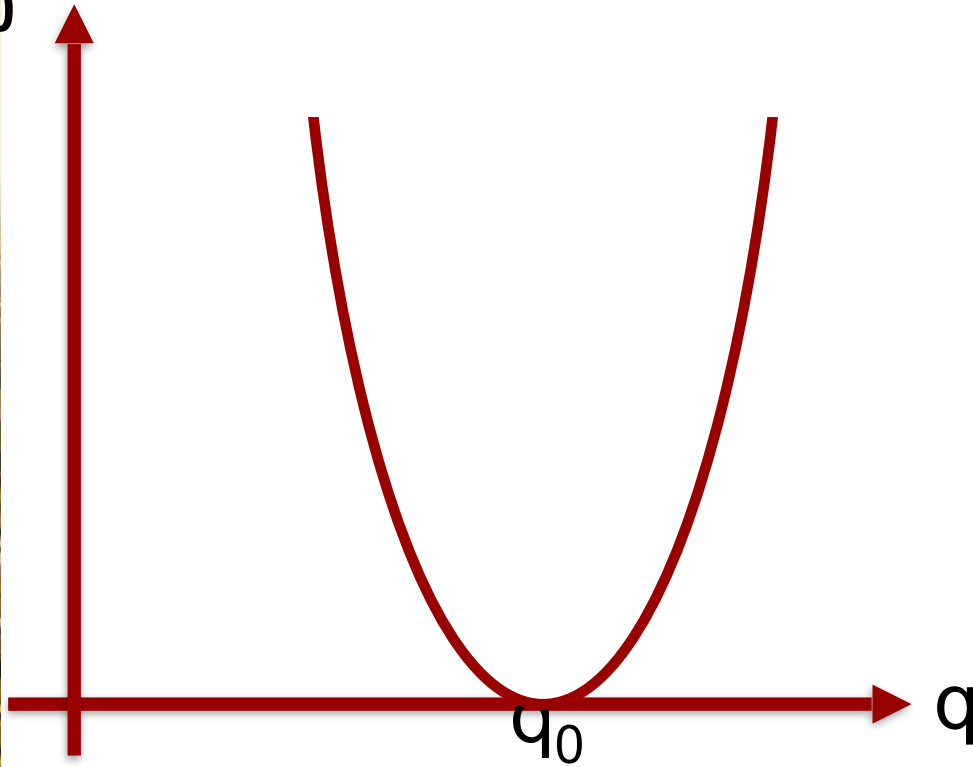


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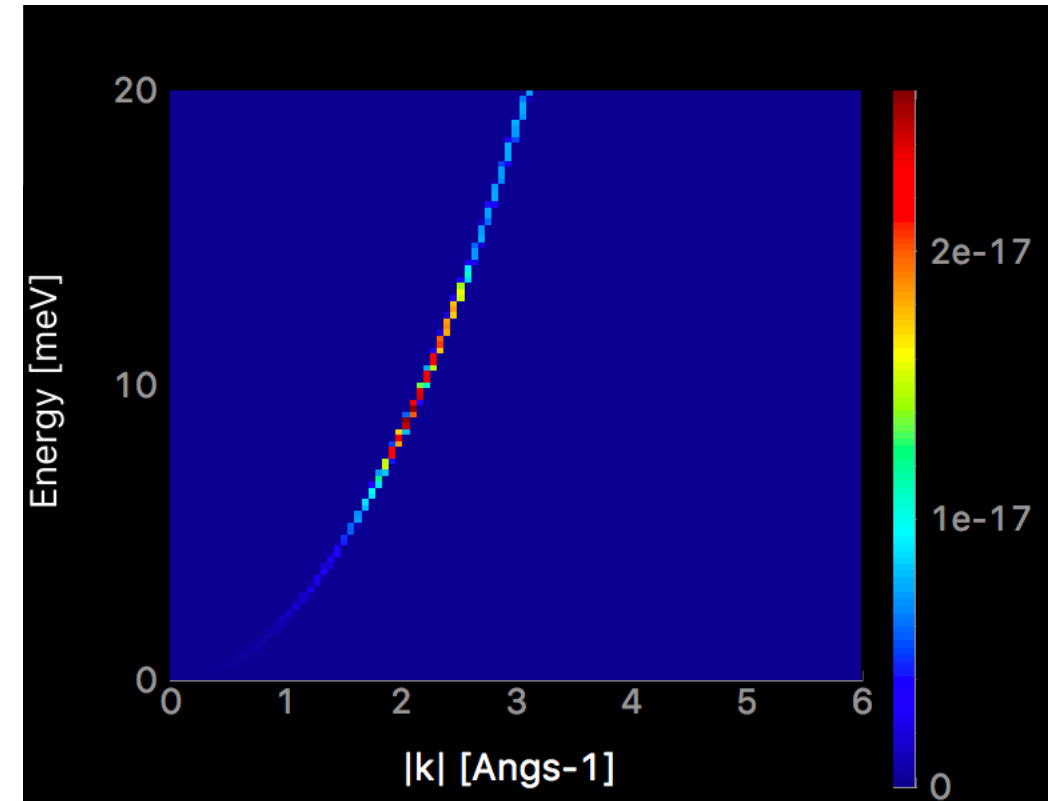
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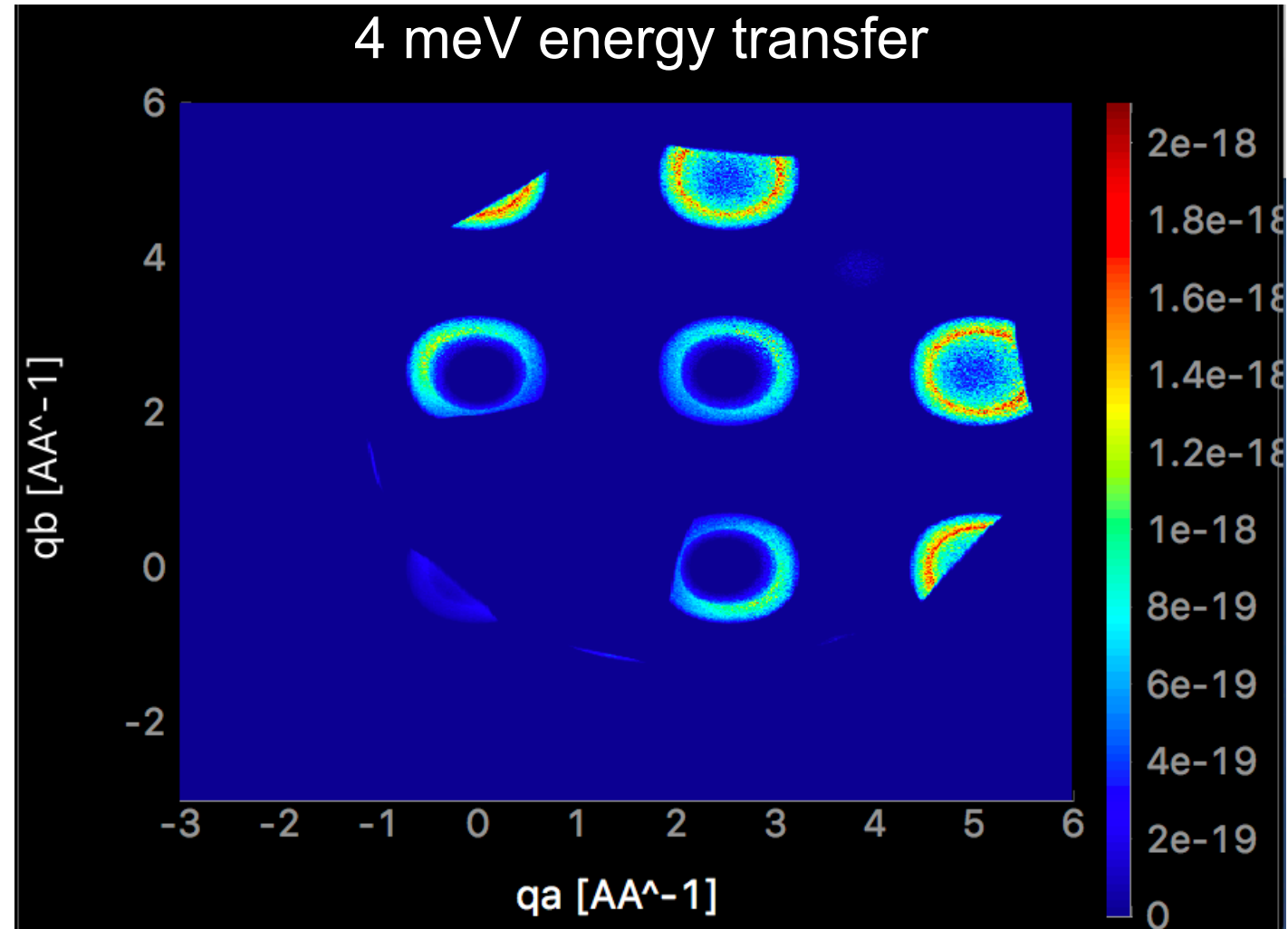


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Popular component: Phonon_simple

- Example of the output



Popular component: Isotropic_sqw

- Isotropic processes (powder, liquid, ...)
- Use data files to describe $S(q,w)$ directly, coherent and incoherent
- Supports concentric

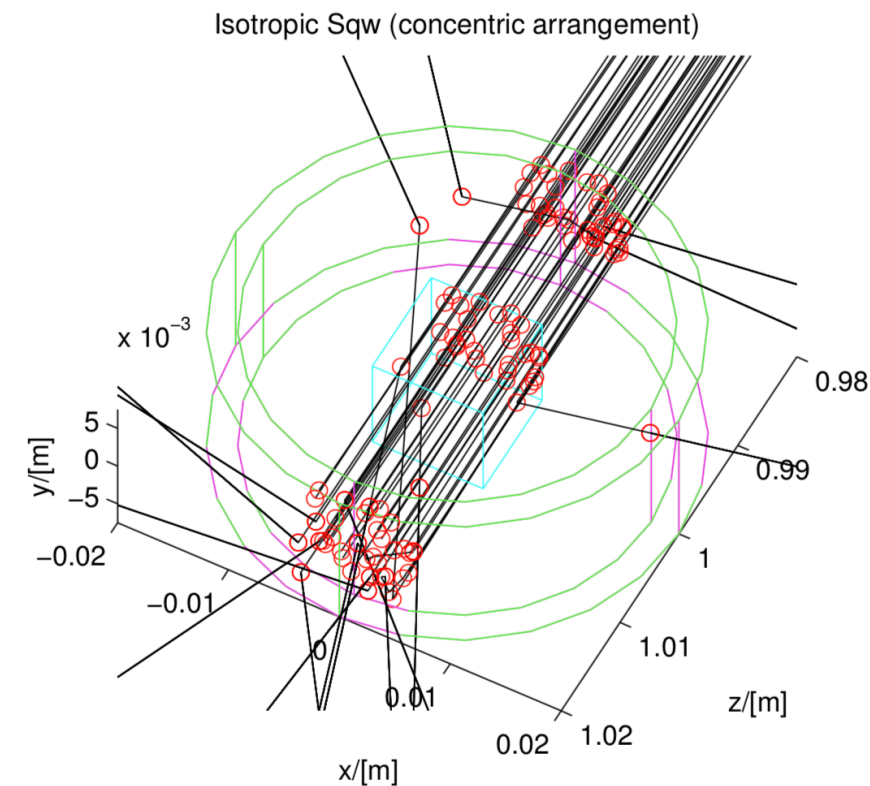


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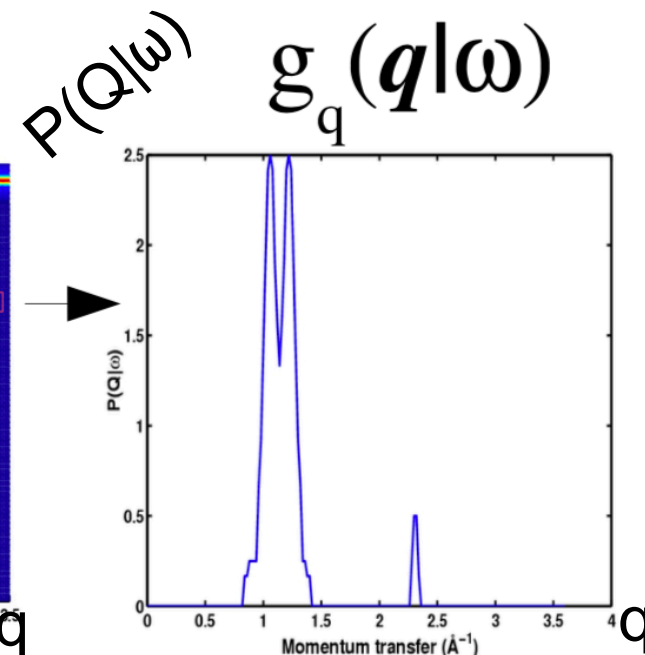
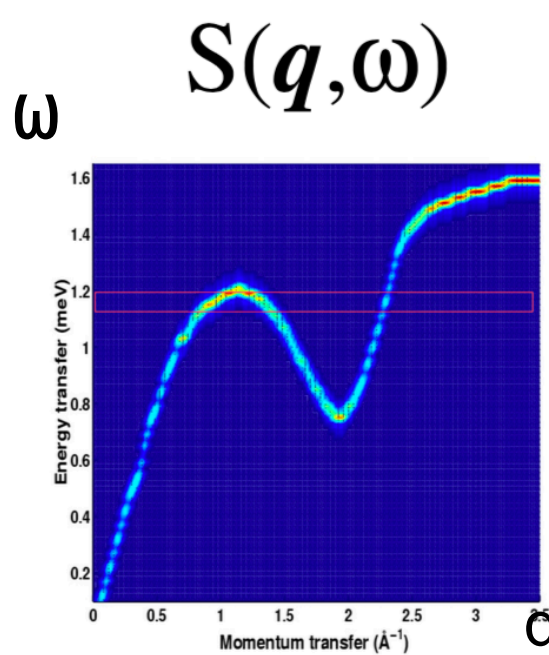
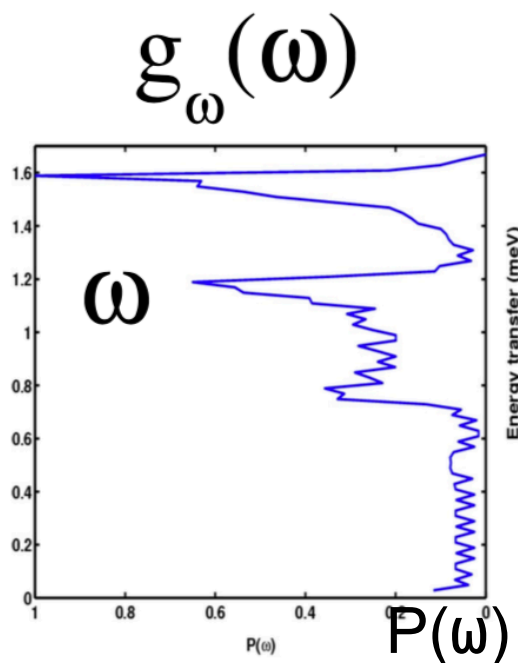
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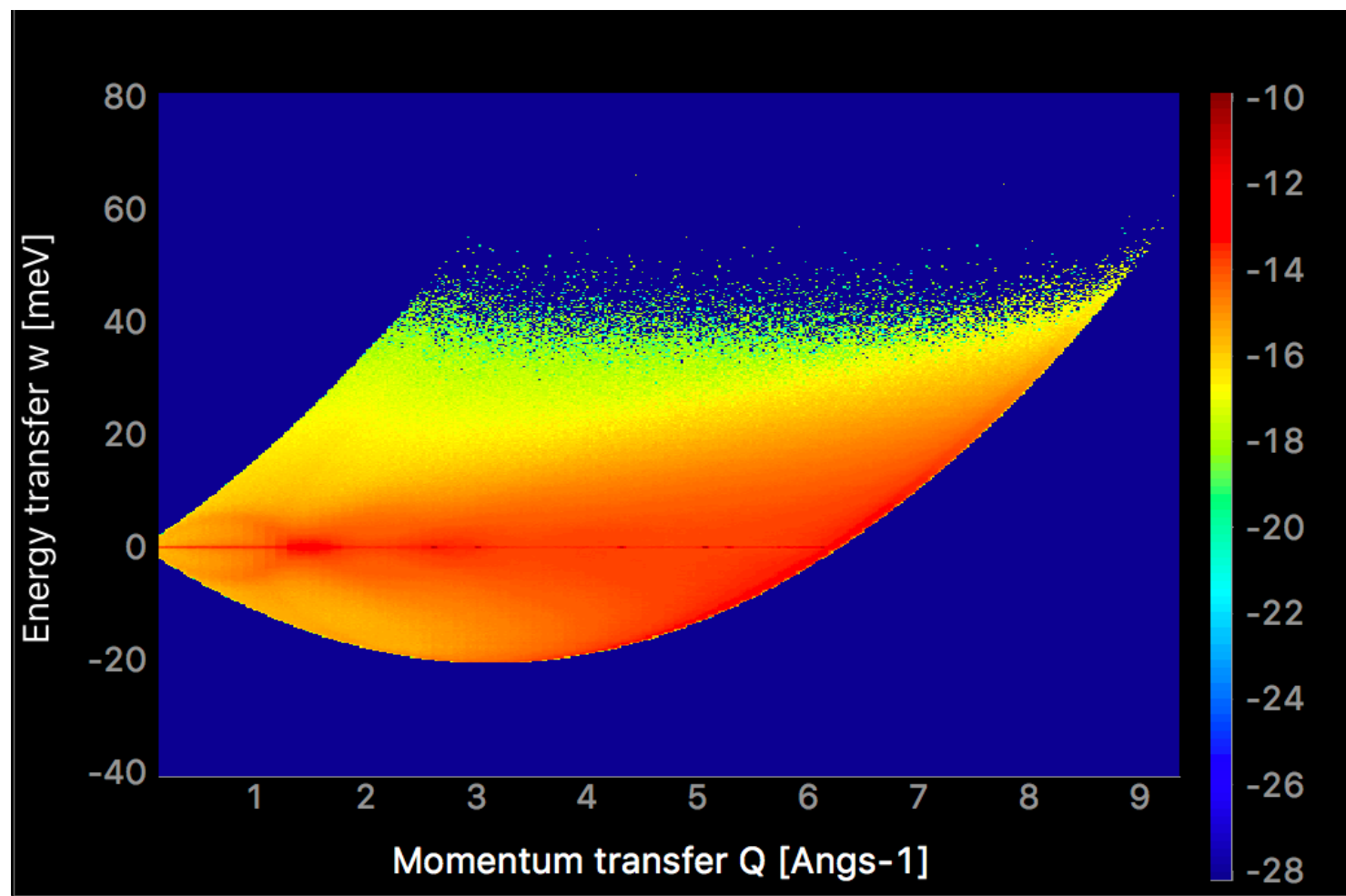
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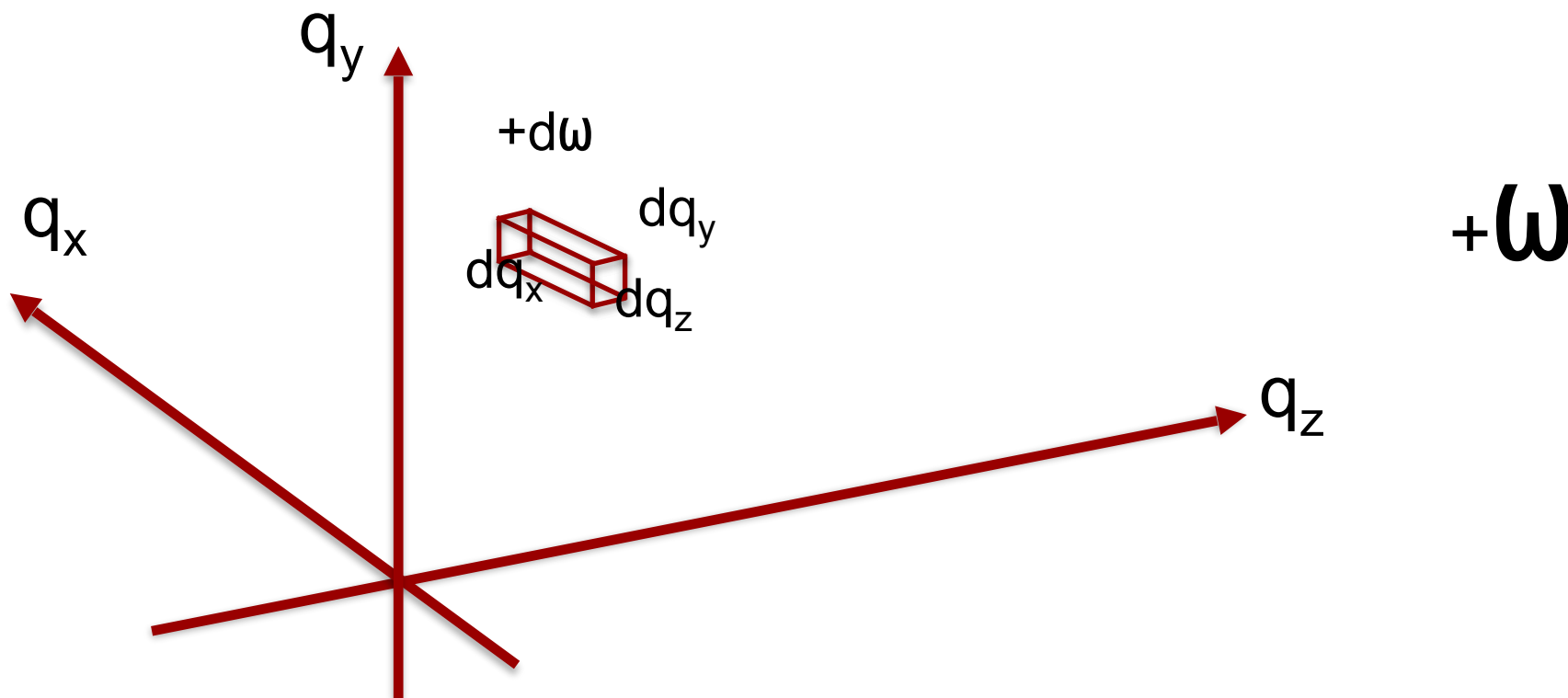
Popular component: Isotropic_sqw

- Rb liquid in time of flight
- Coherent and incoherent



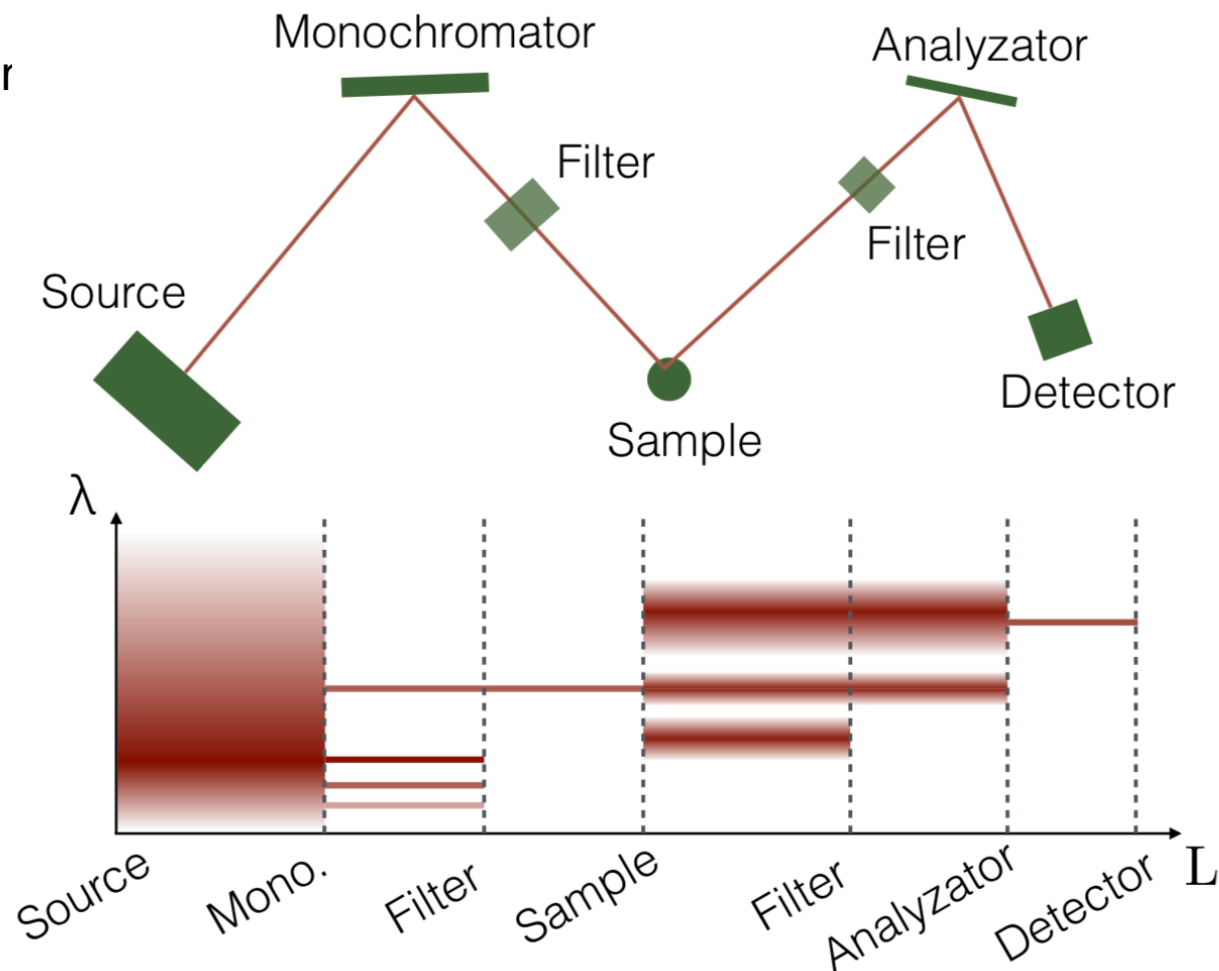
Inelastic scattering in McStas

- Monte carlo sampling issues
- Need to sum over large amount of possible final states to find cross section
- Need large amount of rays to sample all the options



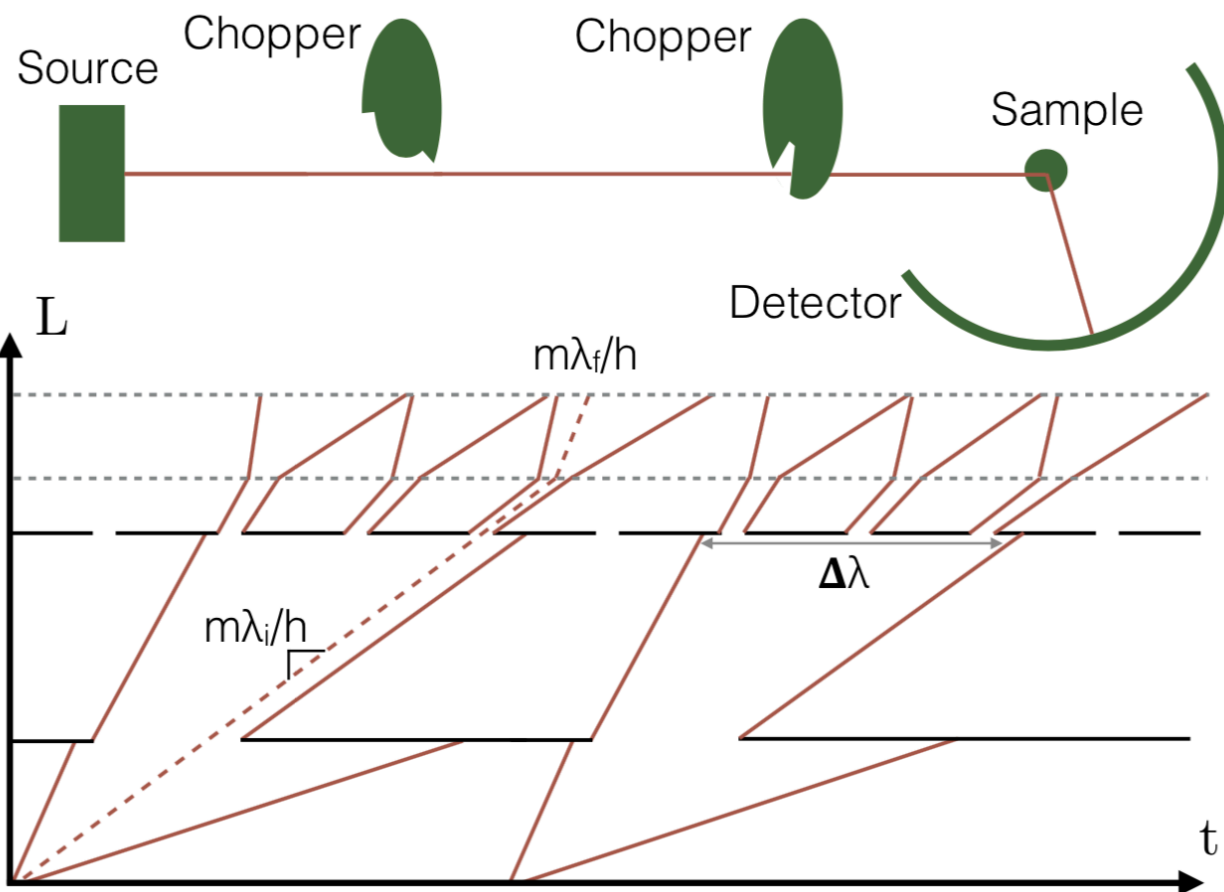
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- Only a small fraction of neutrons arrive, r



Chopper spectrometers

- Only a small fraction of neutrons arrive



Conclusion

- Inelastic scattering supported in McStas, but could use more sample components
- Longer computational times required
- Advantages from simulation especially important for spectroscopy (resolution function)



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Exercise

- Use provided TAS instrument to scan the phonon dispersion
- Requires that you work in folder containing components from the zip file
- Further explanation on github



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