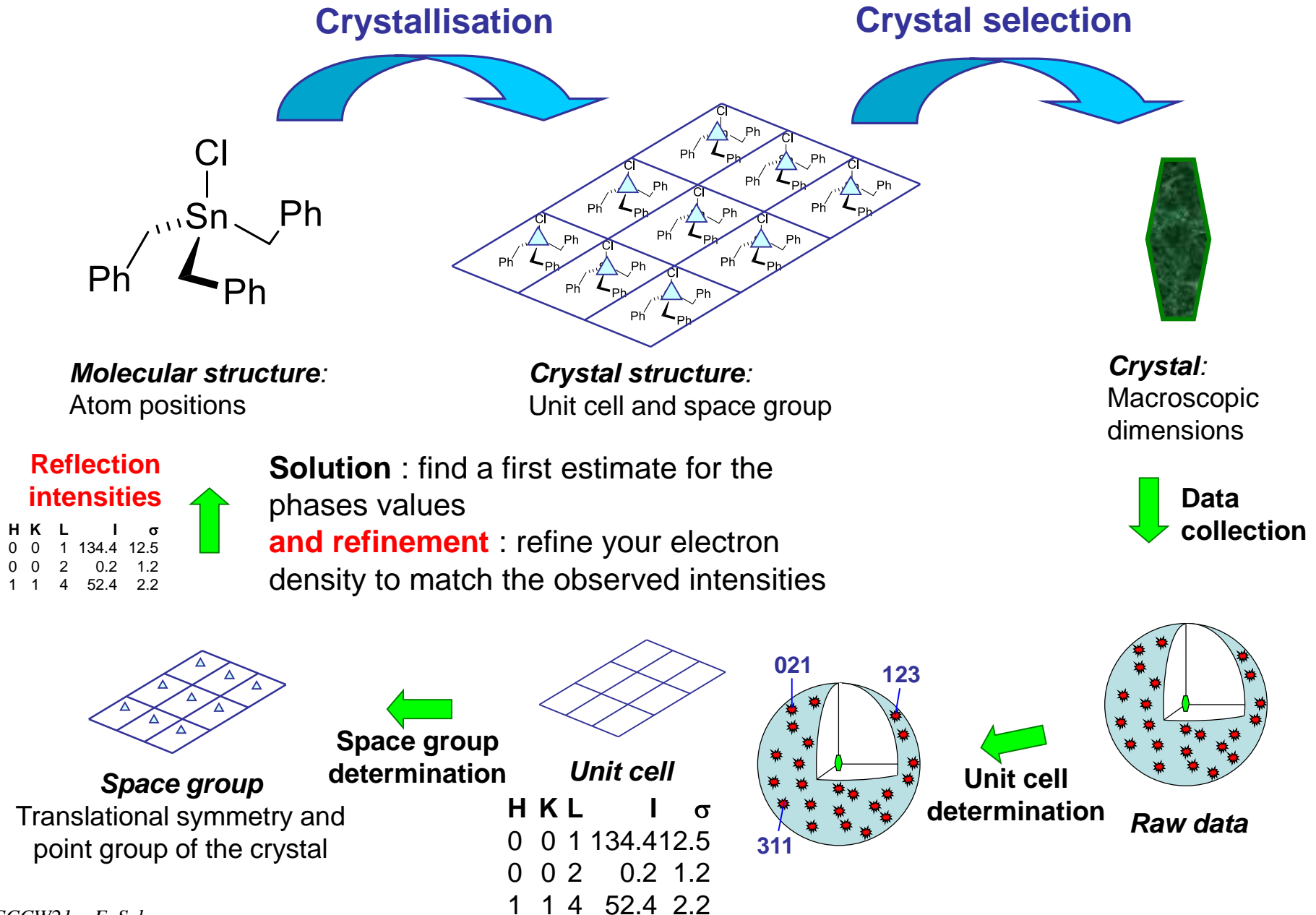


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SHELX and the SHELX .ins file structure

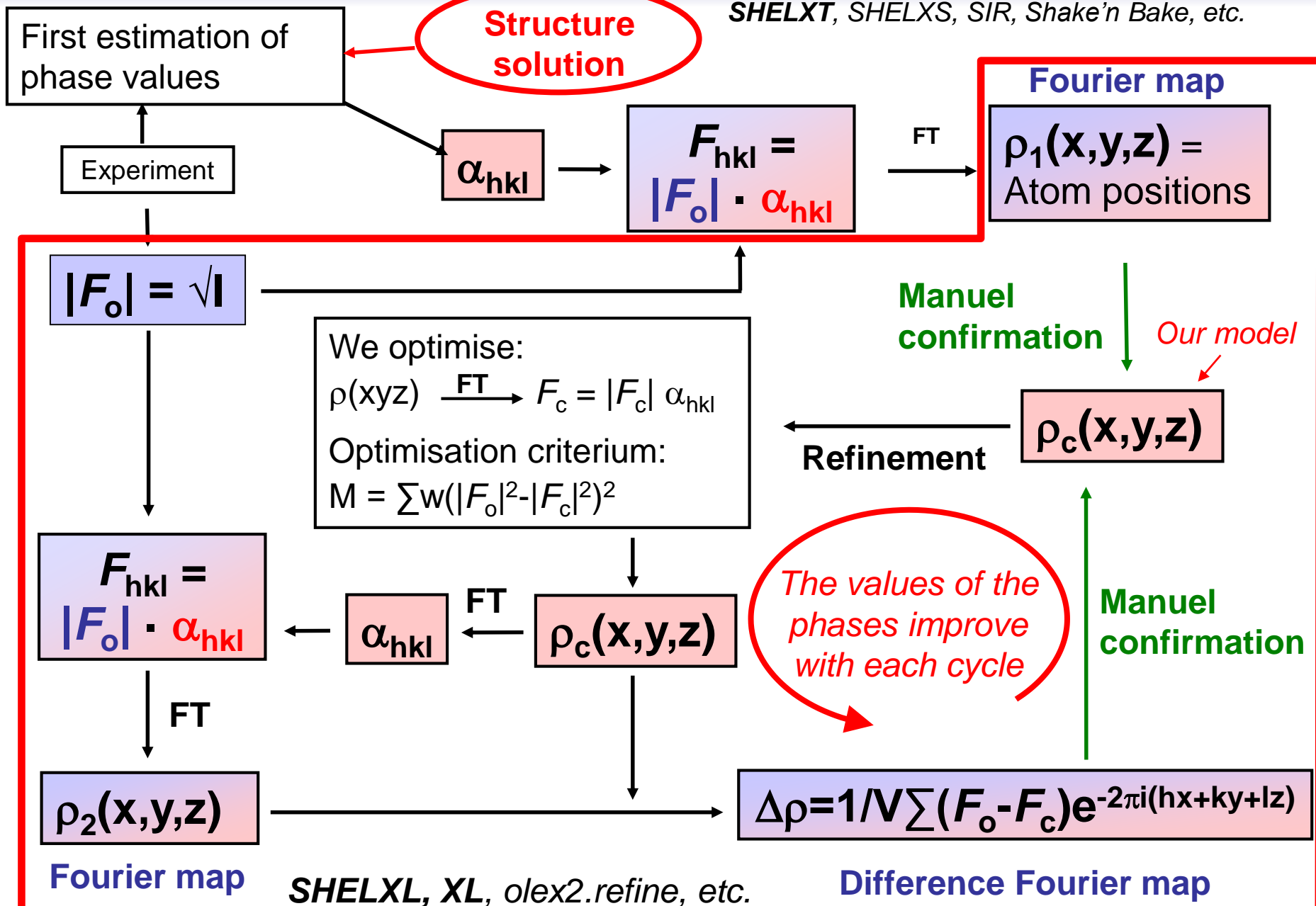
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Overview of a crystal structure determination



Structure solution = estimation of the phases

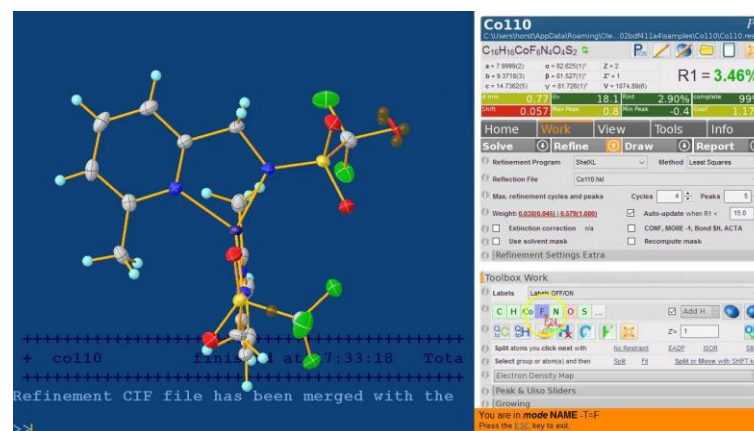
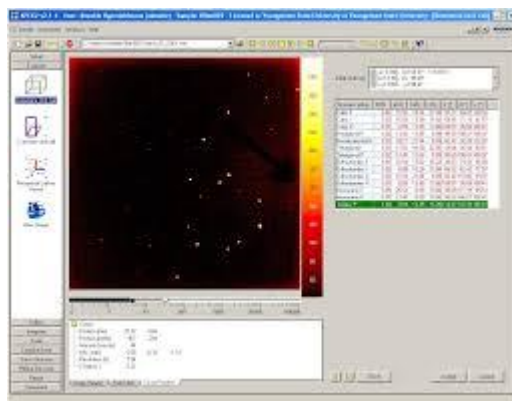
SHELXT, SHELXS, SIR, Shake'n Bake, etc.



The difference between the GUI and the crystallographic programs

The **crystallographic programs** perform the necessary calculations using the reflections data. Typically they use **text files** as input or output.

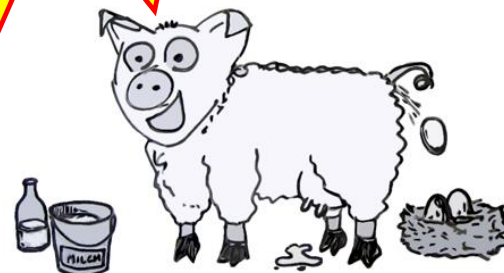
GUIs (graphical user interface) allow a visualisation of the structure and to enter commands in form of menus. It is important to realize that **GUIs simply change the input files** and start the respective crystallographic program in the background.



Choice of GUI



**Cool people
use OLEX2!**



Egg-laying Woolmilkpig

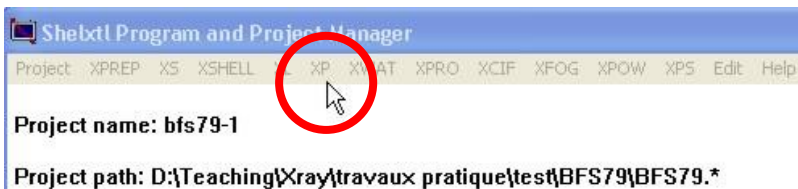


**XP and Platon are for
hardcore crystallographers**

**Nobody wants
XShell**



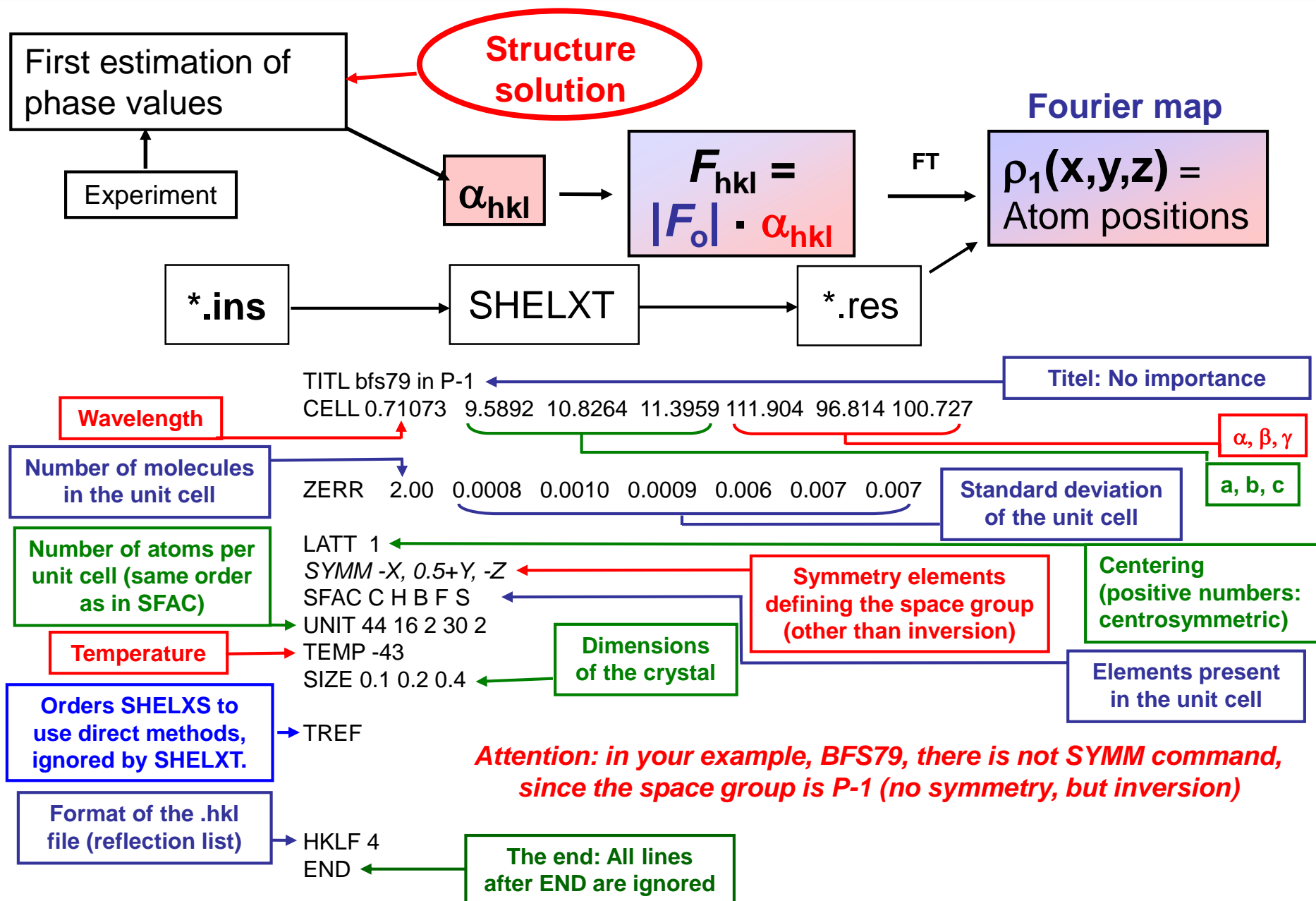
**WinGX,
Crystals, ...**



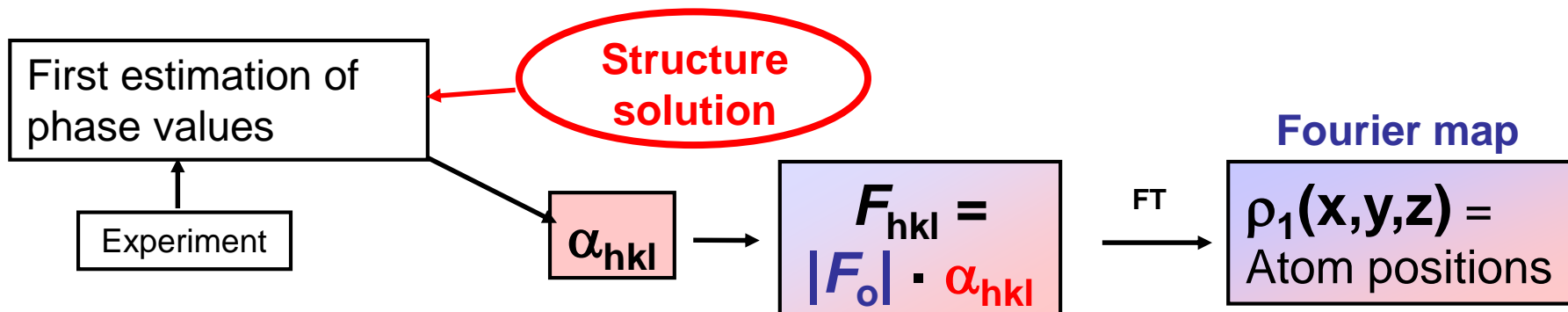
XP / XShell / Olex2

**Graphical programs for the
visualisation and modification
of your structure**

Structure solution : .ins and .res



Structure solution : .ins and .res



TITL bfs79 in P-1

CELL 0.71073 9.5892 10.8264 11.3959 111.904 96.814 100.727

ZERR 2.00 0.0008 0.0010 0.0009 0.006 0.007 0.007

LATT 1
SYMM -X, 0.5+Y, -Z
SFAC C H B F S
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
TEMP -43
SIZE 0.1 0.2 0.4

TREF

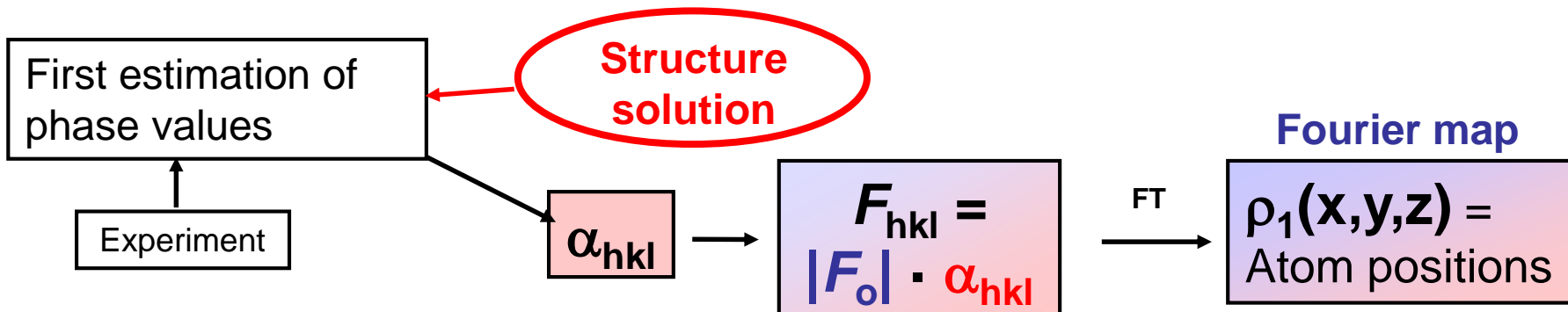
HKLF 4
END

These commands have **no influence** on the actual refinement. But if they are missing or wrong, you end up with wrong information in your CIF. I. e., molecular weight, absorption coefficient, etc.

You should never ever change these commands by hand!

You might change LATT and SYMM... if you really know what you are doing.

Structure solution : .ins and .res



TITL bfs79 in P-1
 CELL 0.71073 9.5892 10.8264 11.3959 111.904 96.814 100.727
 ZERR 2.00 0.0008 0.0010 0.0009 0.006 0.007 0.007
 LATT 1
 SFAC C H B F S
 UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
 TEMP -43
 SIZE 0.1 0.2 0.4

***Right now we do not have any structural information!
 We know only cell dimensions and space group.***

TREF

HKLF 4
 END

BFS79 $P\bar{1}$
 C:\mytemp\bfs79\solution\BFS79.res

C₂₂H₈BF₁₅S

a = 9.5892(8) α = 111.904(6)° Z = 2
 b = 10.8264(10) β = 96.814(7)° Z' = 1
 c = 11.3959(9) γ = 100.727(7)° V = 1055.29(17)

Solution

d min (Mo) 0.78 I/σ(I) 27.0 Rint 3.42% Full 50.5° 95% to 54.0° 97.5
 Shift n/a Max Peak n/a Min Peak n/a GooF n/a

Home **Work** View Tools Info

Solve **Refine** Draw Report

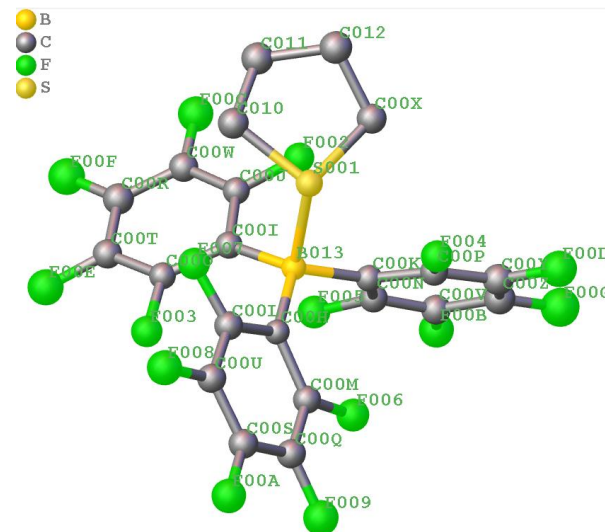
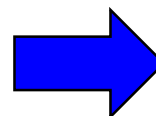
SHELXT SHELXT returned solution: bfs79_a.res

Program SHELXT Method Intrinsic Phasing

Reflections BFS79.HKL Fri Aug 6 08:46:00 2021

Composition C22 H8 B1 F15 S1 13.5 Å³ Z = 2 Z' = 1

Space Group [Suggest SG](#) P-1



Assign elements and isotropic refinement 0.465 secs

Please cite: G.M. Sheldrick (2015) "SHELXT - Integrated space-group and crystal-structure determination", Acta Cryst., A71, 3-8 (Open Access) if SHELXT proves useful.

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A look behind the GUI

BFS79 P1
 C:\mytemp\bfs79\solution\BFS79.res

C₂₂H₈BF₁₅S

a = 9.5892(8) α = 111.904(6)° Z = 2
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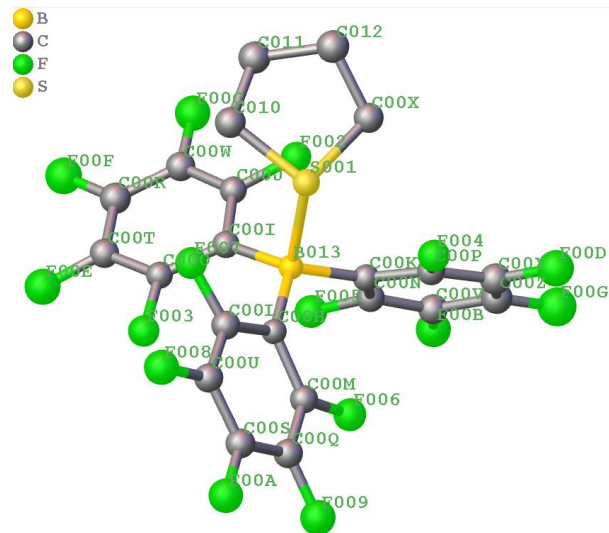
Solution

d min (Mo) 0.78 I/σ(I) 27.0 Rint 3.42% Full 50.5° 97.5
 2θ=54.0° 95% to 54.0°

Shift n/a Peak n/a Min Peak n/a GooF n/a

Home **Refine** View Tools Info

Solve **Refine** Draw Report



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TITL bfs79 in P-1
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ZERR 2.00 0.0008 0.0010 0.0009 0.006 0.007 0.007
LATT 1
SFAC C H B F S
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
TEMP -43
SIZE 0.1 0.2 0.4
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******.INS**

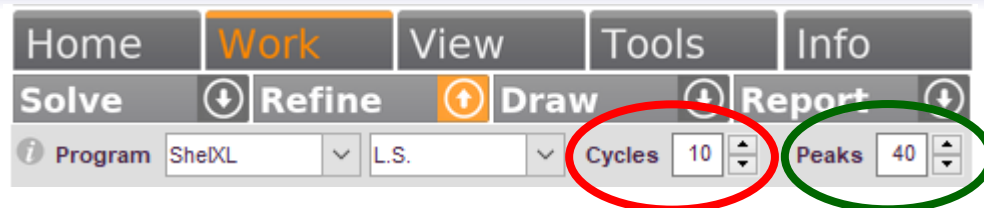
SHELXT

```
TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1
CELL 0.71073 9.5892 10.8264 11.3959 111.904 96.814 100.727
ZERR 2.000 0.0008 0.0010 0.0009 0.006 0.007 0.007
LATT 1
SFAC C H B F S
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
TEMP -43
SIZE 0.1 0.2 0.4
L.S. 10
BOND
LIST 6
FMAP 2
PLAN 20
S001 5 0.72244 0.27584 0.78132 11.00000 0.02851 16.56
F002 4 0.44727 0.42232 0.86239 11.00000 0.03521 9.16
F003 4 0.43235 0.19947 0.41550 11.00000 0.03777 8.92
[...]
B013 3 0.63372 0.37475 0.67629 11.00000 0.02391 5.24
HKLF 4
END
```

******.RES**

atom positions

Our .res / .ins now contains refinement commands



```
TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1
CELL 0.71073 9.5892 10.8264 11.3959 111.904 96.814 100.727
ZERR 2.000 0.0008 0.0010 0.0009 0.006 0.007 0.007
```

```
LATT 1
```

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SFAC C H B F S
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UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
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```
TEMP -43
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```
SIZE 0.1 0.2 0.4
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```
L.S. 10
```

```
BOND
```

```
LIST 6
```

```
FMAP 2
```

```
PLAN 40
```

```
WGHT 0.100000
```

```
FVAR 0.46325
```

```
S001 5 0.72244 0.27584 0.78132 11.00000 0.02851
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F002 4 0.44727 0.42232 0.86239 11.00000 0.03521
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F003 4 0.43235 0.19947 0.41550 11.00000 0.03777
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[...]
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B013 3 0.63372 0.37475 0.67629 11.00000 0.02391
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```
HKLF 4
```

```
END
```

Elements present
in the unit cell

Include distances
and angles in .lst/.cif

What type of output
(lst, fcf) to produce
(see SHELXL manual)

Number of electron
densities (Q peaks)
in difference Fourier
map

How many
refinement cycles

What type of Fourier
map to produce. No
need to change this ever.

Weighing scheme

Variables to refine
Variable #1 is the OSF
(overall scale factor)

Atom label

Atom position

Occupation factor

U_{iso} value of isotropic
movement

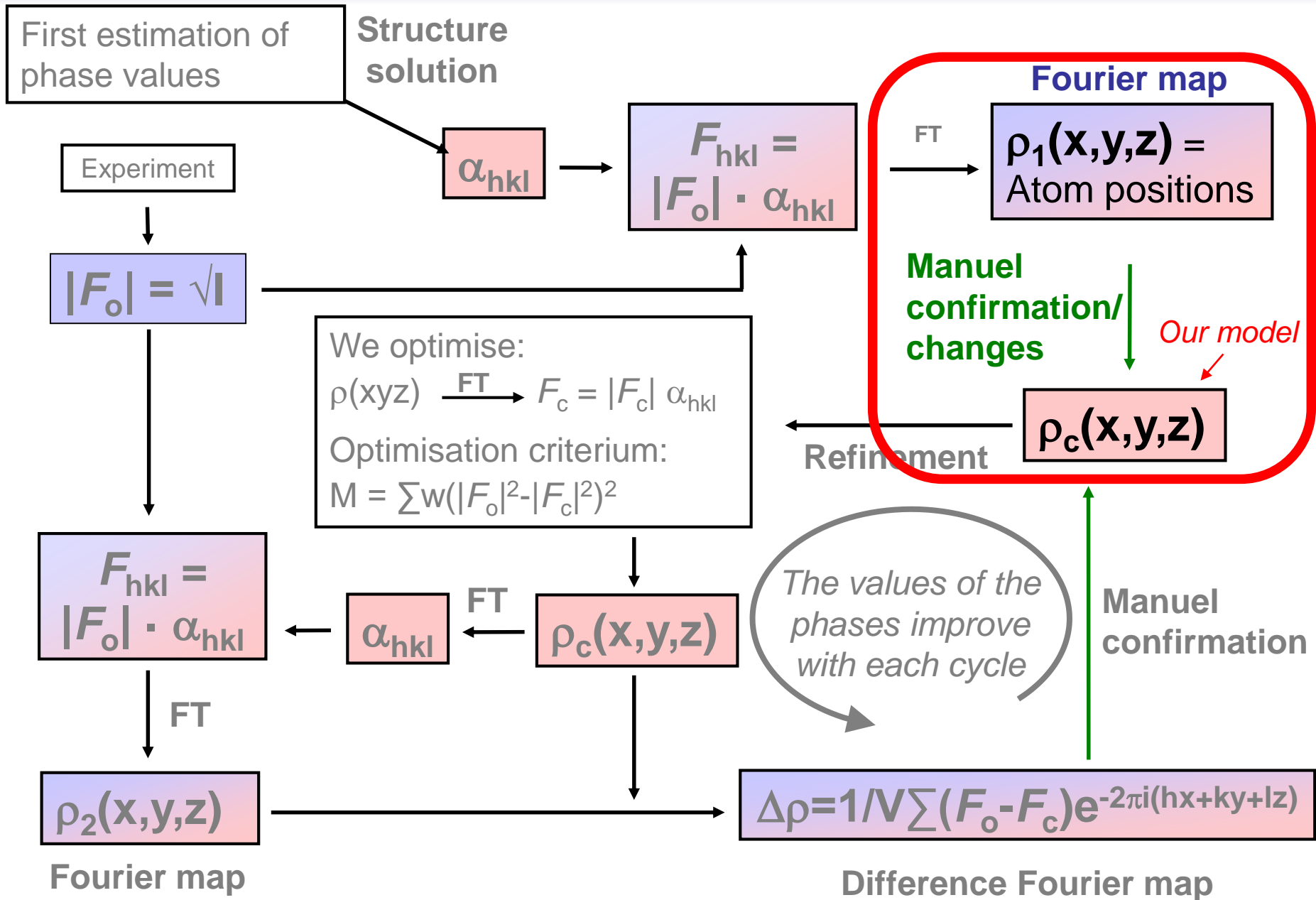
Which element?
(number in SFAC)

Very important!

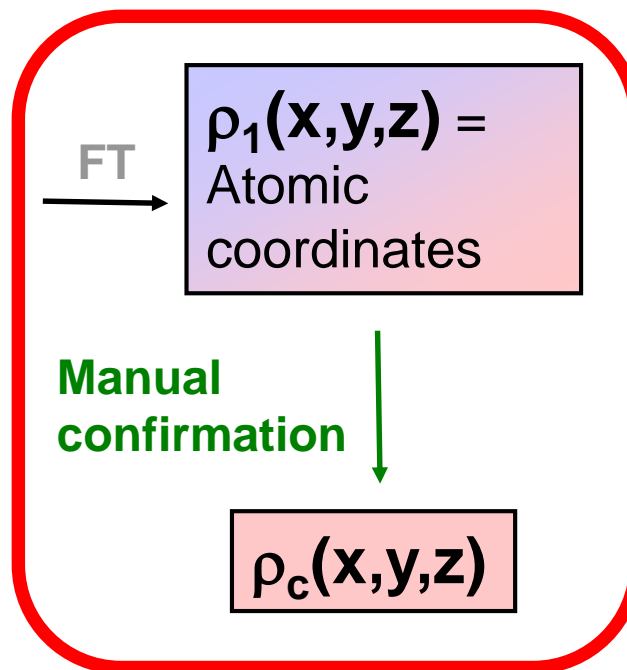
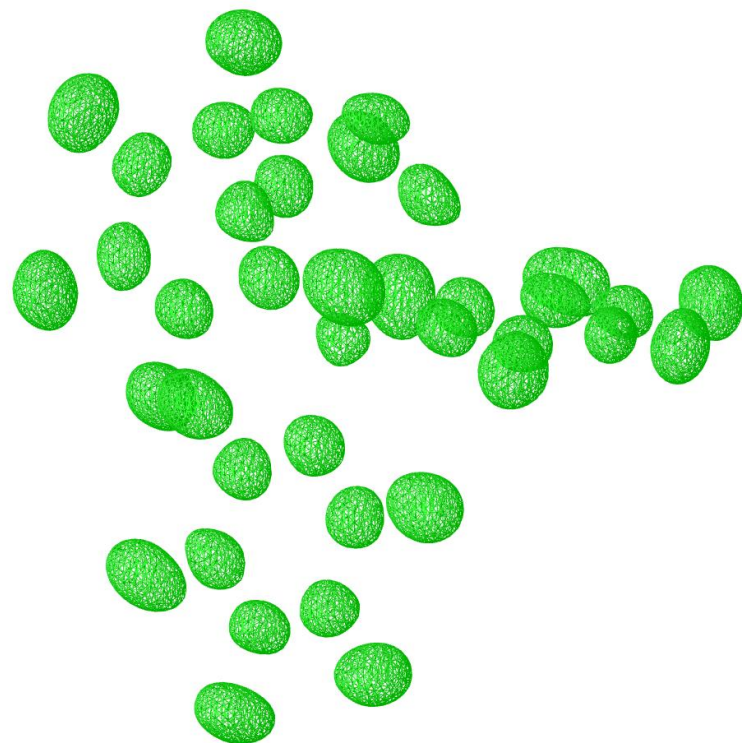
S001 1 ... is a carbon atom

C13 5 ... is a sulfur atom

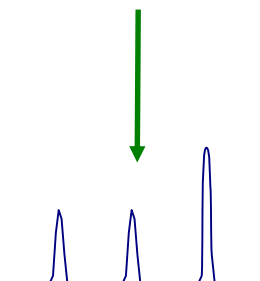
Defining our model



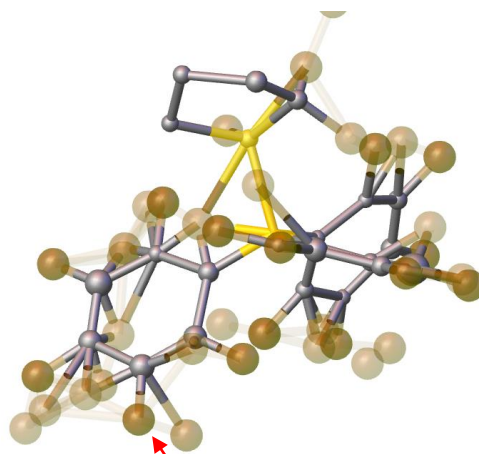
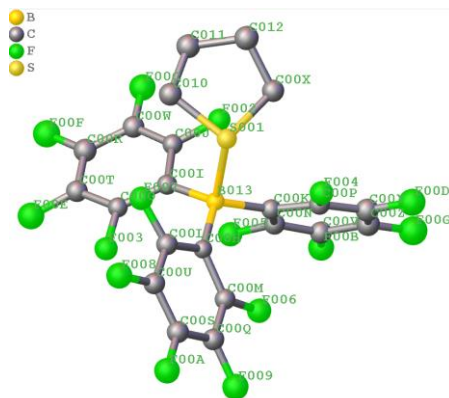
We only work with **models**



Electron density map
= Fourier map



Our model:
.res, .ins, cif

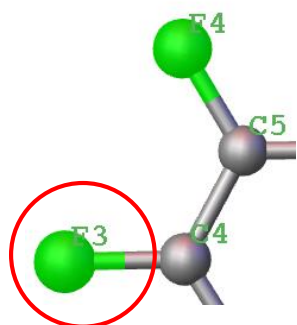


Q-peak

We never really work with the electron density map (calculated Fourier map)! We only see the position of the **maxima** in the electron density map (= Q peaks) and the placed atoms of our model (in *.res or *.ins).
(CTRL-Q if you do not see them)

OLEX and the ins file

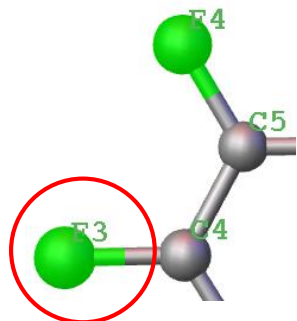
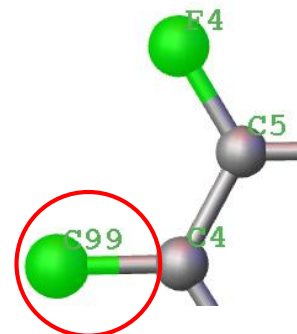
We can edit the ins file directly from OLEX2 via « edit ins ». When we save & close the ins file, the OLEX2 updates the structure. If we do changes in OLEX2, it updates the ins file.



F3 4 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 0.05193

Atom type **4** identifies the atom as a fluorine atom.
Changing the label to C99 does not change this.

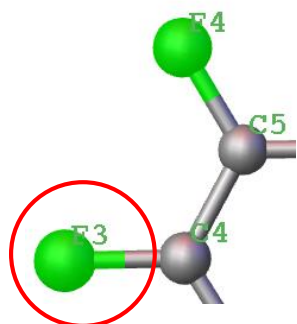
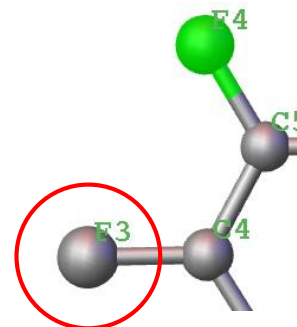
C99 4 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 0.05193



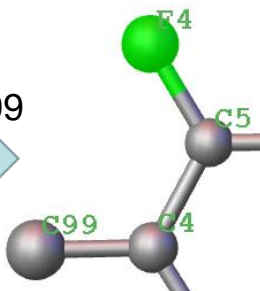
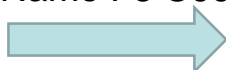
F3 **4** 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 0.05193

Changing the atom type to **1** makes this a carbon atom, even if the label does not change.

F3 **1** 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 0.05193

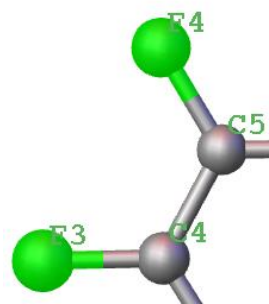


OLEX2:
Name F3 C99



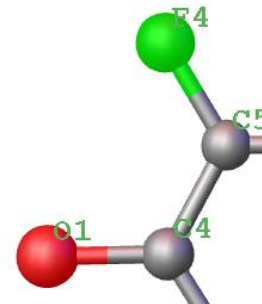
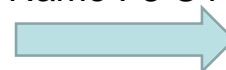
F3 4 [...]

C99 1 [...]



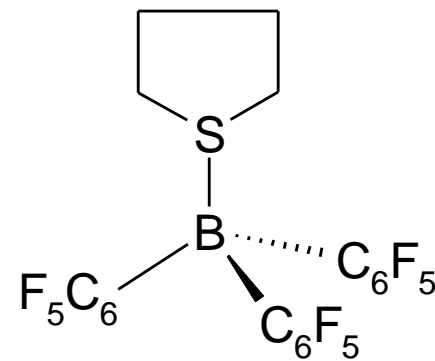
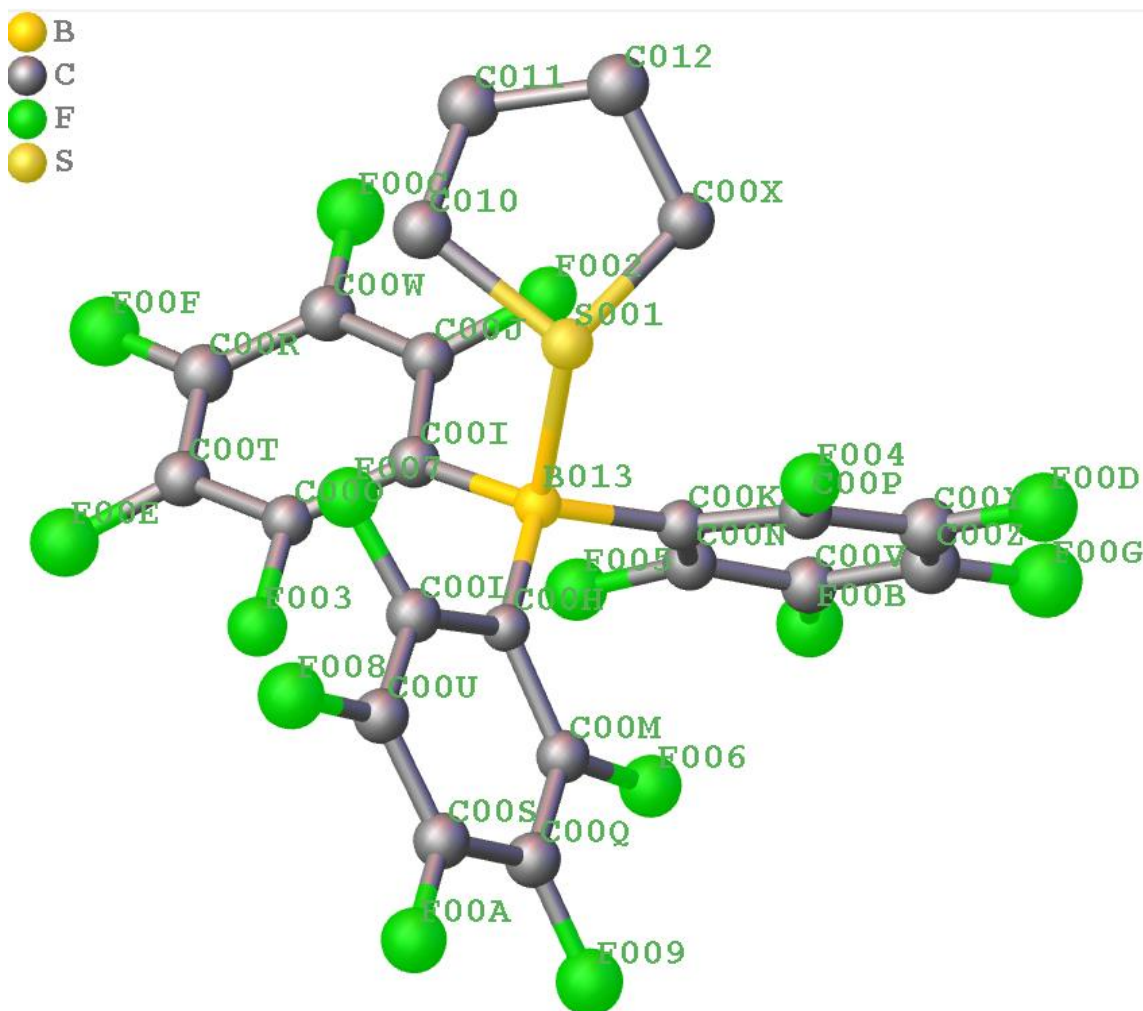
SFAC C H B F S
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2
[...]
F3 **4** 0.01098 [...]

OLEX2:
Name F3 O1



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UNIT 44 16 2 30 2 **1**
[...]
O1 **6** 0.01098 [...]

Back to our model and start the refinement

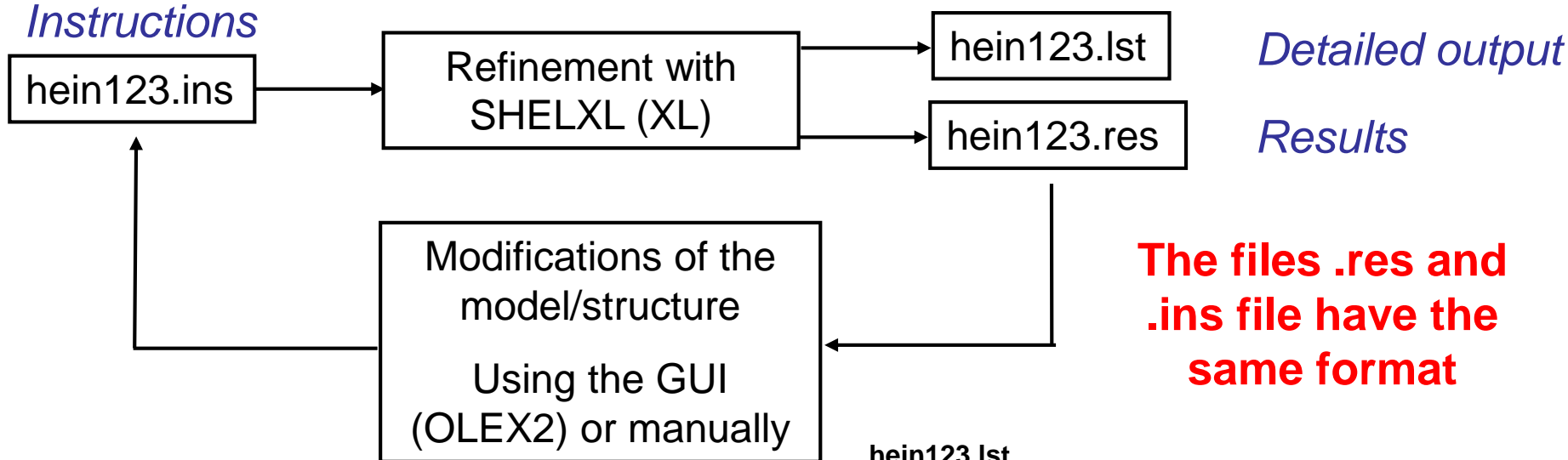


This was a very decent dataset and a simple structure (no complications). SHELXT was able to find all atoms and to assign them correctly.

Let's **refine** our model !

Refinement – *****.ins/***.res** and *****.lst**

Instructions



The files .res and .ins file have the same format

hein123.res/hein123.ins

```

TITL Hein123
CELL 0.71073 8.1380 15.4444 15.1323 90.000 98.922 90.000
ZERR 2.00 0.0016 0.0031 0.0030 0.000 0.030 0.000
LATT 1
SYMM -X, 0.5+Y, -Z
SFAC C H N SI ZR
UNIT 70 108 4 8 4
L.S. 6
WGHT 0.100000
FVAR 0.09895
ZR1 5 0.42161 0.25000 0.91998 10.50000 0.02140
SI1 4 0.16560 0.14717 0.71608 11.00000 0.03452
N1 3 0.16921 0.25000 0.66987 10.50000 0.02912
C1 1 0.34492 0.13306 0.80705 11.00000 0.02231
...
HKLF 4
END
  
```

hein123.lst

50091 Reflections read, of which 26152 rejected

39 Systematic absence violations

0 Inconsistent equivalents

4013 Unique reflections, of which 0 suppressed

R(int) = 0.0363 R(sigma) = 0.0207

Least-squares cycle 1

wR2 = 0.4060 before cycle 1 for 4013 data and 189 /

189 parameters, GooF = S = 7.187; Restrained

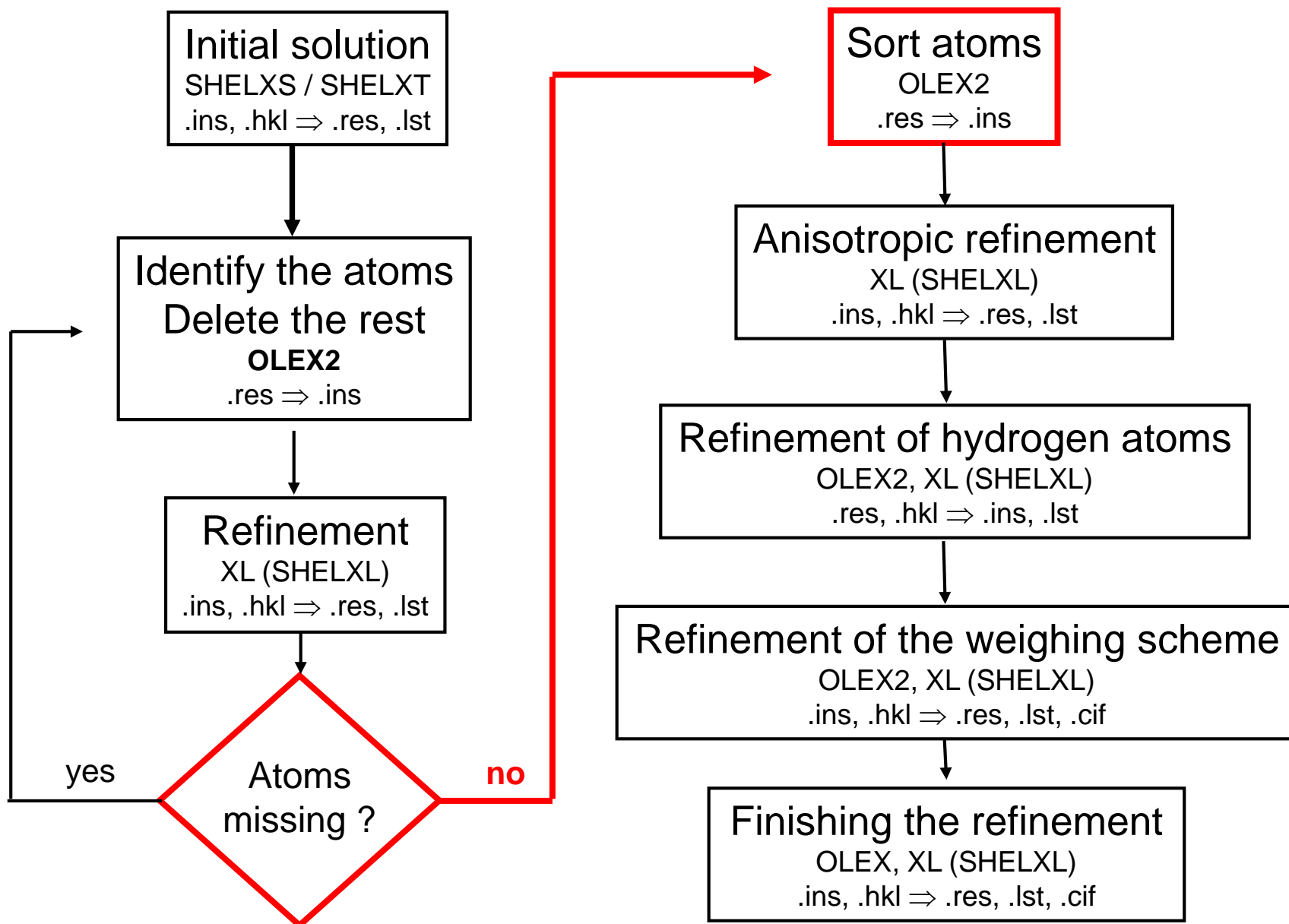
GooF = 7.187 for 0 restraints

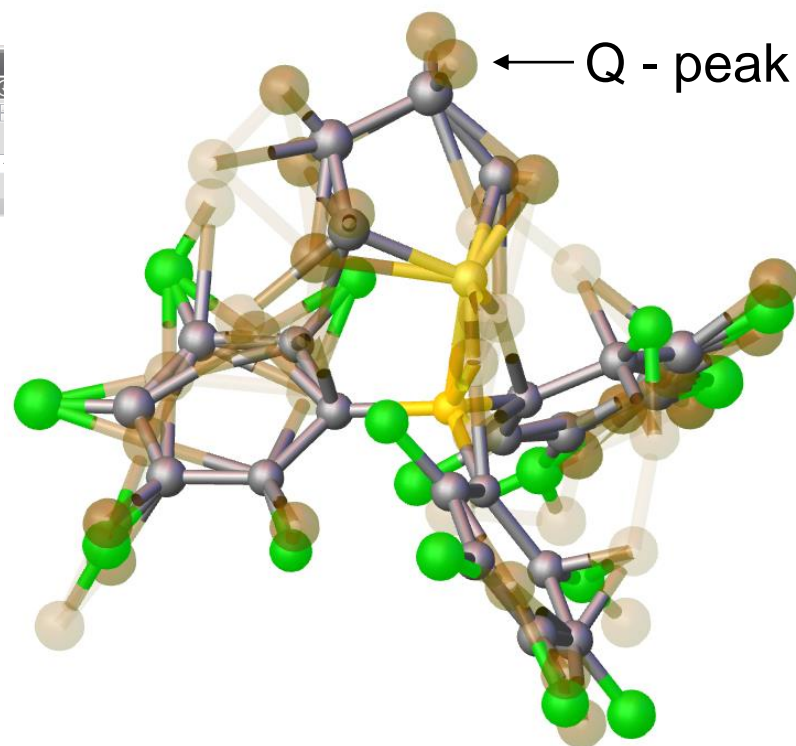
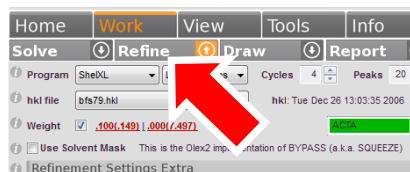
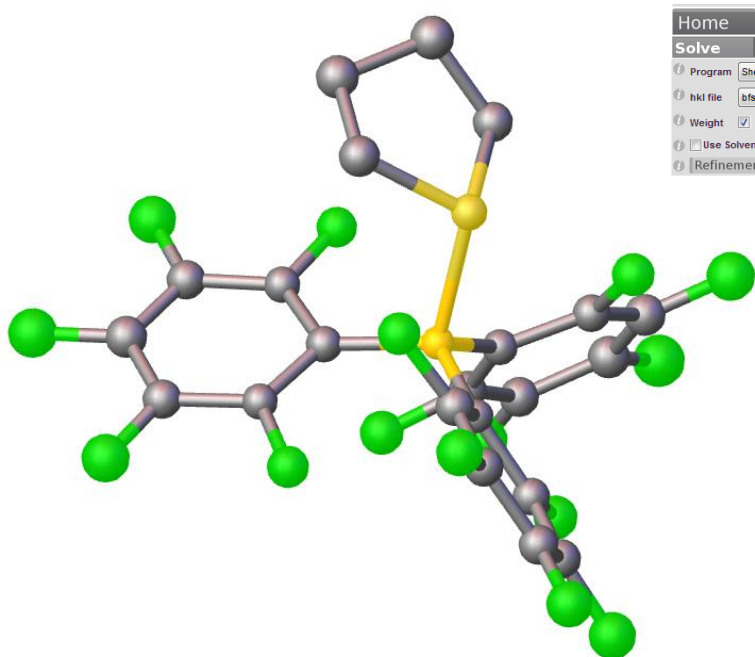
N	value	esd	shift/esd	parameter
1	0.36649	0.00352	-210.419	OSF
2	0.00205	0.00032	2.885	EXTI
5	0.02660	0.00068	3.314	U22 Zr1

Mean shift/esd = 1.629 Maximum = -210.419 for OSF

Max. shift = 0.029 Å for C25 Max. dU = 0.003 for C14

Organigram of the refinement





TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1
[...]

BFS79.ins

S1	5	0.72250	0.2				
B1	3	0.63358	0.3				
F1	4	0.43229	0.1				
F2	4	0.15239	0.10107	0.37643	11.00000	0.04742	
F3	4	0.01098	0.15455	0.57775	11.00000	0.05193	
F4	4	0.16550	0.31956	0.82027	11.00000	0.04730	
F5	4	0.44702	0.42274	0.86238	11.00000	0.03428	
F6	4	0.77260	0.55856	0.55811	11.00000	0.04160	
F7	4	0.89230	0.48432	0.35458	11.00000	0.04796	
F8	4	0.90576	0.22039	0.23223	11.00000	0.04544	

[...]

What is actually optimized?

Why do we still see Q peaks if all atoms are found?



TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1
[...]

BFS79.res

F2	4	0.152391	0.101074	0.376430	11.00000	0.04742	
F3	4	0.010979	0.154550	0.577751	11.00000	0.05193	

[...]
END

Q1	1	0.7707	0.9637	0.9808	11.00000	0.05	1.65
Q2	1	0.7235	0.8144	0.8991	11.00000	0.05	1.10
Q3	1	0.6140	0.8724	0.8755	11.00000	0.05	1.10

[...]

Which parameters are refined ?

File .ins:

CELL 0.71073 8.1380 15.4444 15.1323 90 98.922 90

Si1 4 0.16560 0.14717 0.71608 11.00000 0.03452

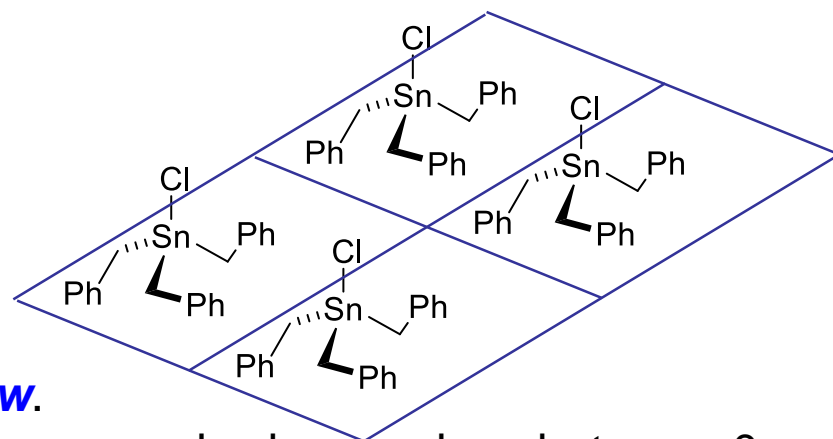
Atomic position

The atomic positions are provided as **fractional coordinates relative to the crystal system**, i. e. the unit cell dimensions. Thus, the values **are not in Å**. For example, the atome Si1 is found at :

$$x = u \cdot a = 0.16560 \cdot 8.1380 \text{ Å} = 1.3476 \text{ Å}$$

$$y = v \cdot b = 0.14717 \cdot 15.4444 \text{ Å} = 2.2729 \text{ Å}$$

$$z = w \cdot c = 0.71608 \cdot 15.1323 \text{ Å} = 10.836 \text{ Å}$$



The symbols for the **fractional atomic positions** are typically the letters **u**, **v**, and **w**.

Given that each atoms is inside the unit cell, *u*, *v*, and *w* have values between 0 and 1. For practical reasons (connected set of coordinates), we find sometimes values <0 or >1, **but there is no justification for values <-1 or >2.**

Which parameters are refined ?

SI1	4	0.16560	0.14717	0.71608	1	1.00000	0.03452
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Occupation
factor

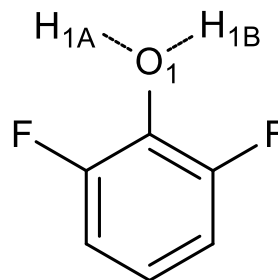
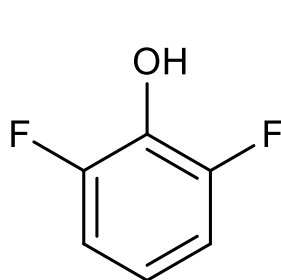
The occupation factor indicates how many atoms occupy this position (or better: which percentage of these positions is occupied by an atom). Typically, this value is 1. It is not possible to have more than one atom per position, but it is possible to have smaller values.

Disorder :

*The 1 indicates that the occupation factor is not free to refine (= fixed).
Freely refining the occupation factor is (normally) nonsense.*

***.ins:

O1	3	0.12560	0.23453	0.83456	1	1.00000	0.02932
H1A	2	0.12864	0.23364	0.80236	1	0.50000	0.04732
H2A	2	0.12853	0.23923	0.85935	1	0.50000	0.04593



*You can freeze any
variable by adding
a 1 in front.*

Which parameters are refined ?

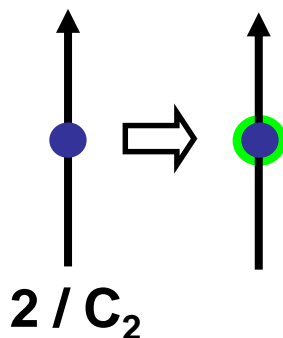
SI1 4 0.16560 0.14717 0.71608 11.00000 0.03452

Occupation
factor

The occupation factor indicates how many atoms occupy this position (or better: which percentage of these positions is occupied by an atom). Typically, this value is 1. It is not possible to have more than one atom per position, but it is possible to have smaller values.

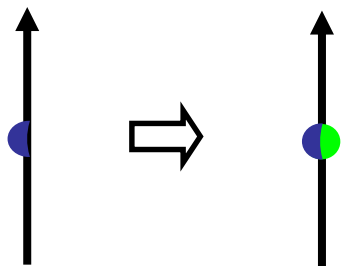
Disorder :

Special positions :



An atom on a symmetry element, for example on a 2 axis, would be duplicated by the symmetry operation on the same position. To avoid this, the program would need to check for each atom whether it is present on a symmetry element or not.

SI1 4 0.25000 0.14717 0.25000 10.50000 0.03452



By applying an occupation factor of $\frac{1}{2}$, the atom can be treated in the same way as other atoms in the unit cell.

Thermal movement / The temperature factor

Atomic position				Occupation factor	U_{iso}	
Si1	4	0.16560	0.14717	0.71608	11.00000	0.03452

U_{iso} ?

- The spatial distribution of the electron density is influenced by the thermal motion of the atoms.
- Thermal motion is not identical (in amplitude and direction) for all atoms.
- The timescale of a diffraction experiment is much longer than thermal motion.

⇒ **We obtain a distribution of electron density,
averaged over time and all unit cells**

Isotropic motion:

- The motion (vibration) of an atom is identical in all directions.
- It can be described by a Gaussian distribution:

$$\rho(r') = \sqrt{2\pi U} e^{\frac{-r'^2}{2U}}$$

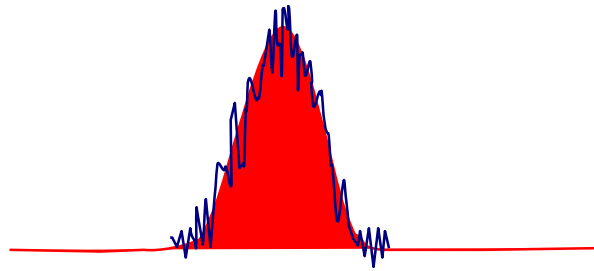
ρ : electron density

r' : distance of the atom from its equilibrium position

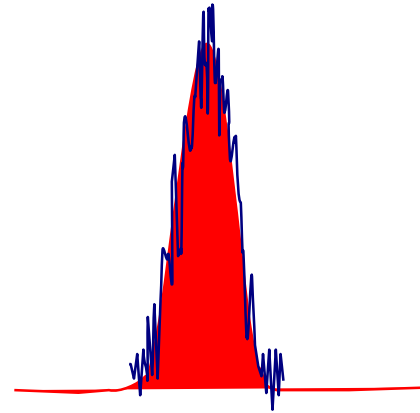
$U = \langle r'^2 \rangle$ Average of the squared displacement [\AA^2]

$B = 8\pi^2 U$ Atomic temperature factor (Debye-Waller factor) [\AA^2]

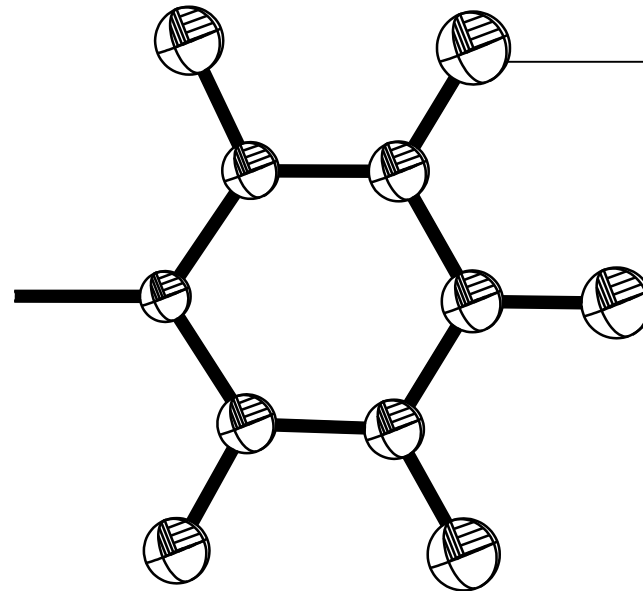
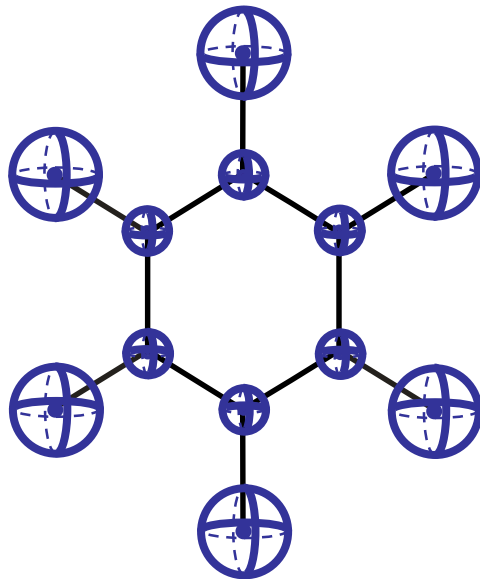
Thermal movement / The temperature factor



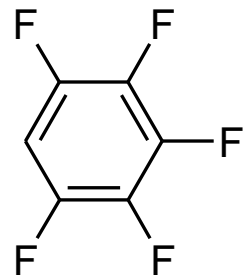
$$U_{\text{iso}} = 0.05 \text{ \AA}^2$$



$$U_{\text{iso}} = 0.03 \text{ \AA}^2$$

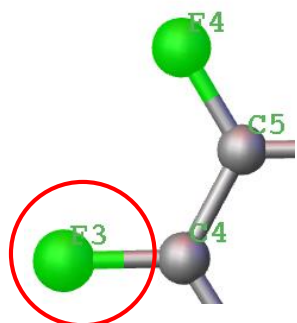


Probability of x%
(typically 50%)
that the atom is
found inside a
sphere with the
radius indicated
here.



The wrong atom type and U_{iso}

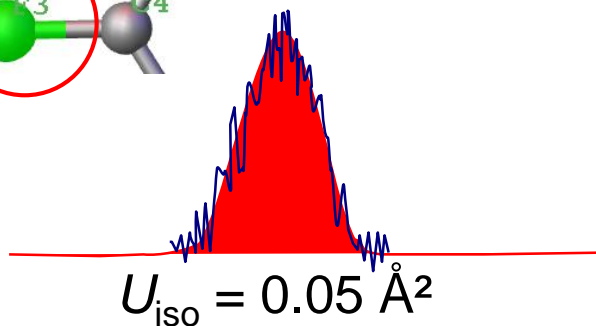
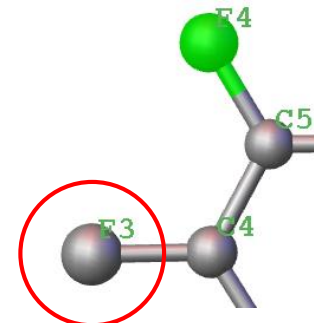
We can edit the ins file directly from OLEX2 via « edit ins ». When we save & close the ins file, the OLEX2 updates the structure.



F3 **4** 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 0.05193

Changing the atom type to **1** makes this a carbon atom, even if the label does not change.

F3 **1** 0.01098 0.15455 0.57775 11.00000 **0.05193**

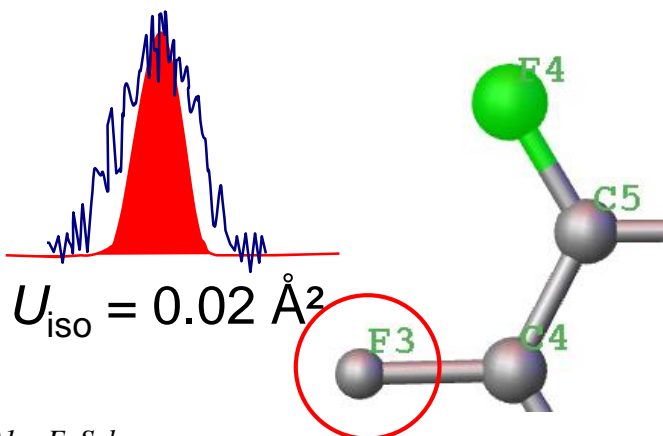


Refinement:



The isotropic parameter shrinks, since our model now has less electrons at this position.

F3 **1** 0.011198 0.154210 0.577322 11.00000 **0.02123**



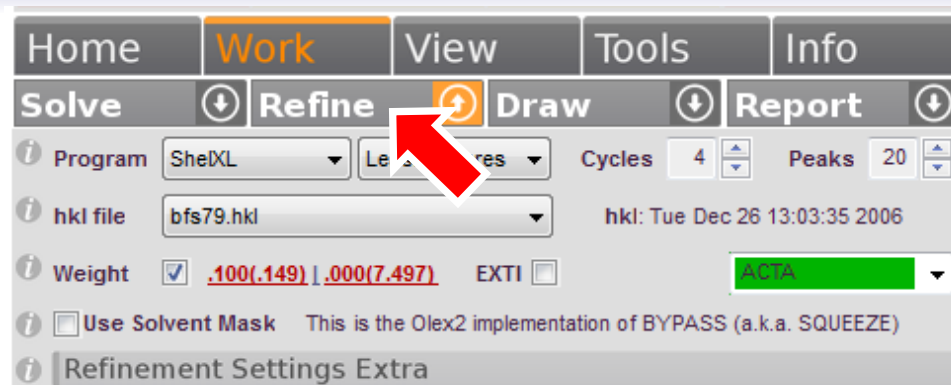
Structure refinement

We optimise:

$$\rho(\text{xyz}) \xrightarrow{\text{FT}} F_c = |F_c| \alpha_{hkl}$$

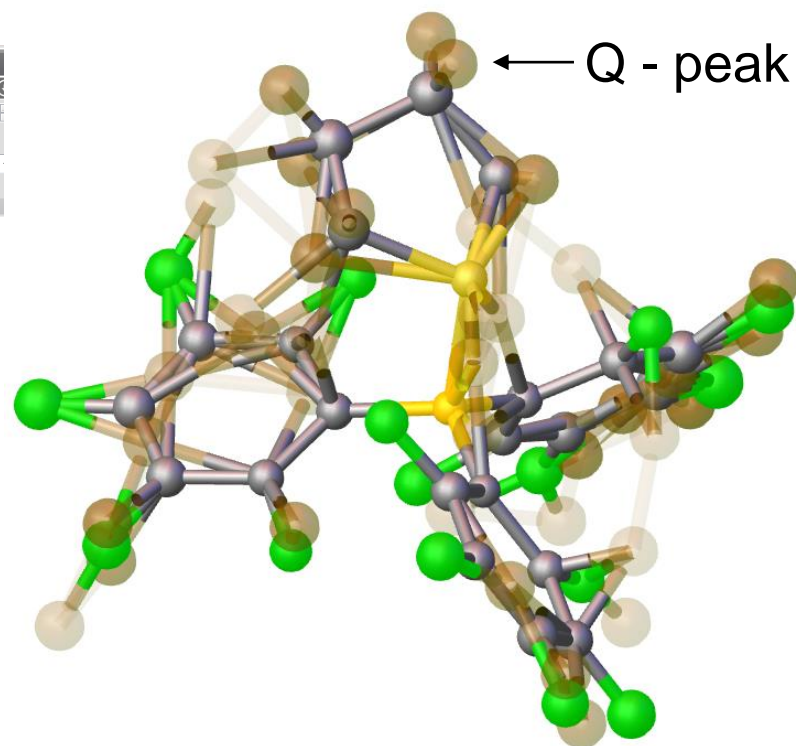
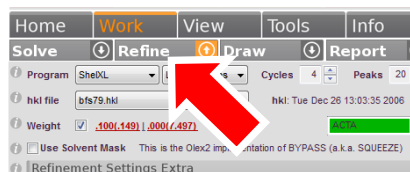
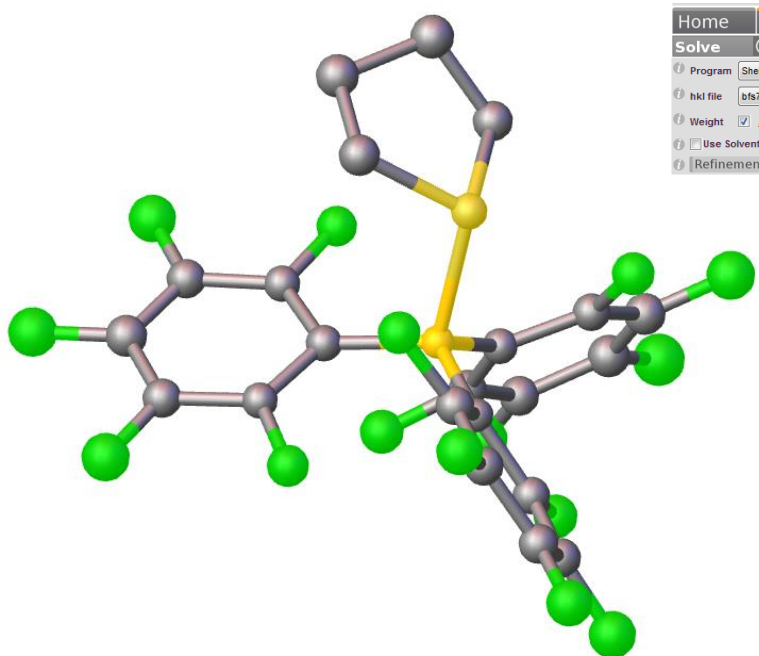
Optimization criterium:

$$M = \sum w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2$$



```

Max. shift = 0.027 A for C9      Max. dU = -0.011 for B1
wR2 = 0.4010 before cycle 2 for 4359 data and 157 / 157 parameters
GoF = S = 1.311; Restrained GoF = 1.311 for 0 restraints
Mean shift/esd = 1.662 Maximum = -15.000 for U11 S1 at 16:45:13
Max. shift = 0.027 A for C6      Max. dU = -0.010 for B1
wR2 = 0.3268 before cycle 3 for 4359 data and 157 / 157 parameters
GoF = S = 1.098; Restrained GoF = 1.098 for 0 restraints
Mean shift/esd = 1.585 Maximum = -12.926 for U11 S1 at 16:45:13
Max. shift = 0.022 A for F9      Max. dU = -0.006 for C7
wR2 = 0.3030 before cycle 4 for 4359 data and 157 / 157 parameters
GoF = S = 1.039; Restrained GoF = 1.039 for 0 restraints
Mean shift/esd = 0.217 Maximum = 1.508 for U11 F3 at 16:45:13
Max. shift = 0.006 A for F9      Max. dU = 0.002 for F3
wR2 = 0.3021 before cycle 5 for 4359 data and 0 / 157 parameters
GoF = S = 1.034; Restrained GoF = 1.034 for 0 restraints
wR2 = 0.3021, GoF = S = 1.034, Restrained GoF = 1.034 for all data
R1 = 0.1145 for 3937 Fo > 4sig(Fo) and 0.1221 for all 4359 data
0 atoms may be split and 0 atoms NPD
R1 = 0.1219 for 4359 unique reflections after merging for Fourier
Highest peak 1.48 at 0.2336 0.0348 0.5215 [ 0.61 A from F3 ]
Deepest hole -1.69 at 0.1966 0.1020 0.5312 [ 0.59 A from F3 ]
    
```



TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1

[...]

S1	5	0.72250	0.27589	0.78126	11.00000	0.02810
B1	3	0.63358	0.3			
F1	4	0.43229	0.1			
F2	4	0.15239	0.10107	0.37643	11.00000	0.04742
F3	4	0.01098	0.15455	0.57775	11.00000	0.05193
F4	4	0.16550	0.31956	0.82027	11.00000	0.04730
F5	4	0.44702	0.42274	0.86238	11.00000	0.03428
F6	4	0.77260	0.55856	0.55811	11.00000	0.04160
F7	4	0.89230	0.48432	0.35458	11.00000	0.04796
F8	4	0.90576	0.22039	0.23223	11.00000	0.04544

[...]

BFS79.ins

Why do we still see Q peaks if all atoms are found?



TITL bfs79_a.res in P-1

[...]

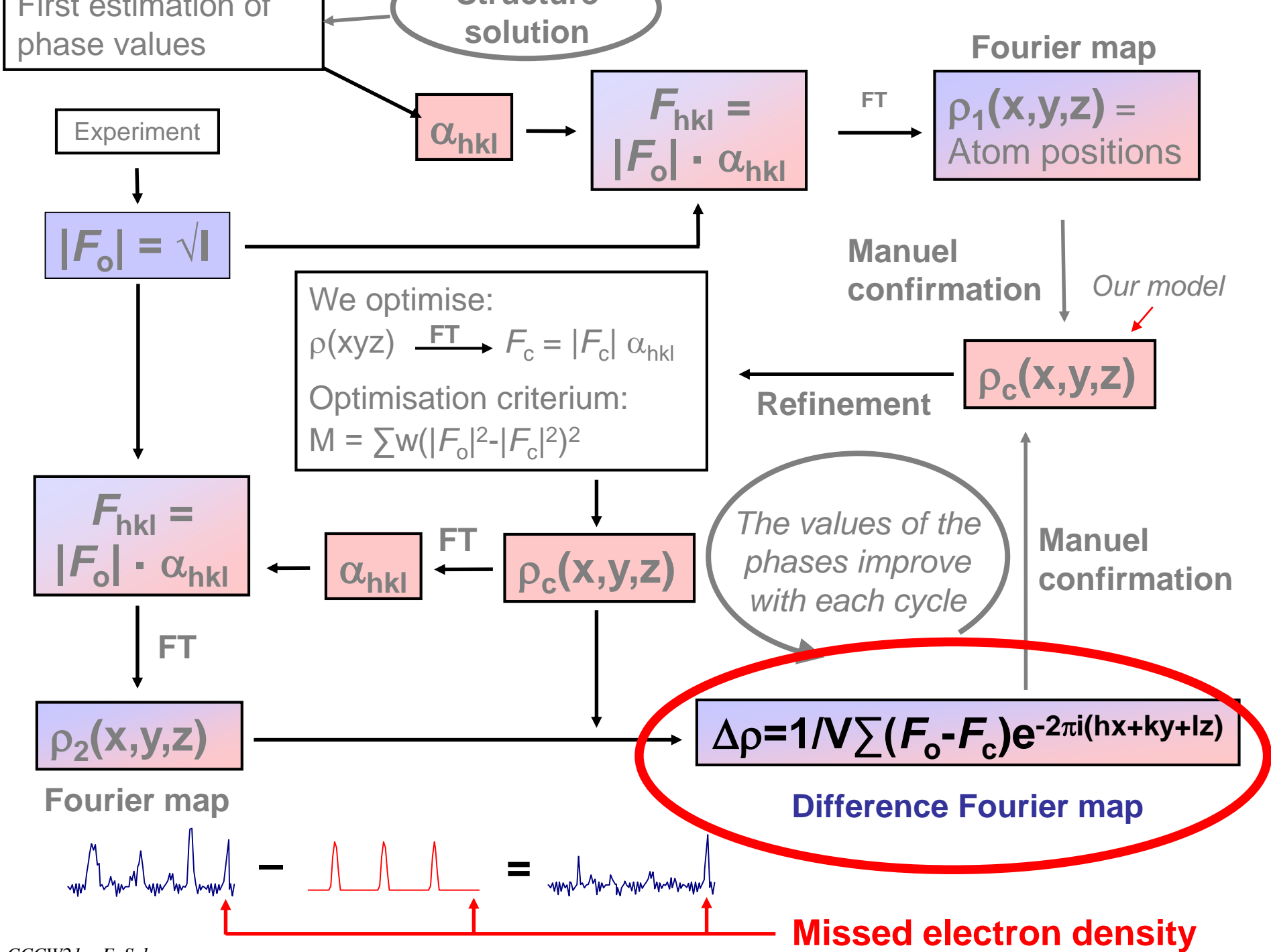
S1	5	0.722498	0.275894	0.781256	11.00000	0.02810
B1	3	0.63358	0.3		11.00000	0.02444
F1	4	0.43229	0.1		11.00000	0.03683
F2	4	0.152391	0.101074	0.376430	11.00000	0.04742
F3	4	0.010979	0.154550	0.577751	11.00000	0.05193

[...]
END

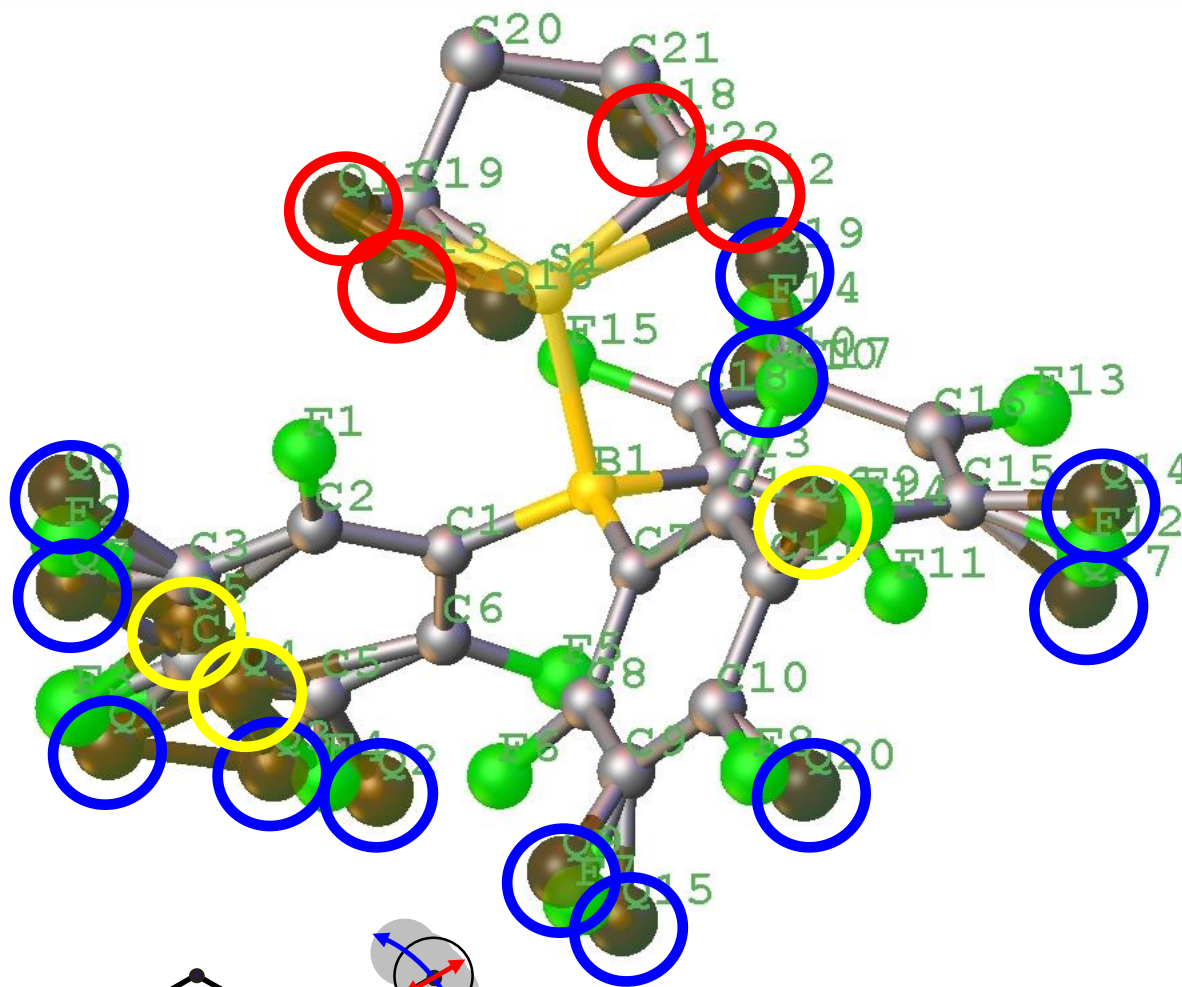
BFS79.res

Q1	1	0.7707	0.9637	0.9808	11.00000	0.05	1.65
Q2	1	0.7235	0.8144	0.8991	11.00000	0.05	1.10
Q3	1	0.6140	0.8724	0.8755	11.00000	0.05	1.10

[...]



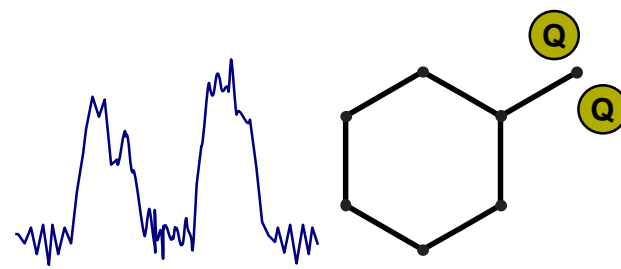
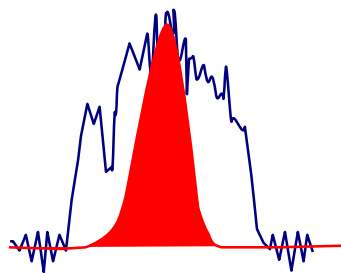
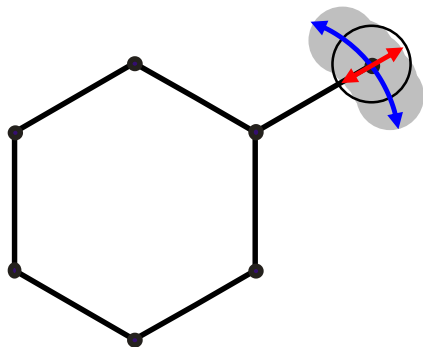
Remaining maxima in the difference Fourier map



All atoms of the structure have been found and remaining maxima are not any longer associated with additional atoms.

The remaining maxima of electron density are due to (in decreasing order of intensity) :

- Thermal movement of atoms
- Hydrogen atoms
- Noise and artefacts

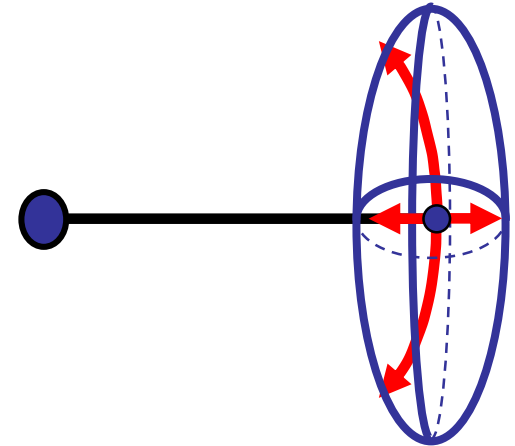


Thermal movement / The temperature factor

Anisotropic thermal motion :

- In reality, thermal movement of atoms is not isotropic. Deformation of bond angles are typically less energetic than stretching vibration parallel to the bond.

Compare: C-H stretch: 3000 cm^{-1} , bending: $600\text{-}1500\text{ cm}^{-1}$.



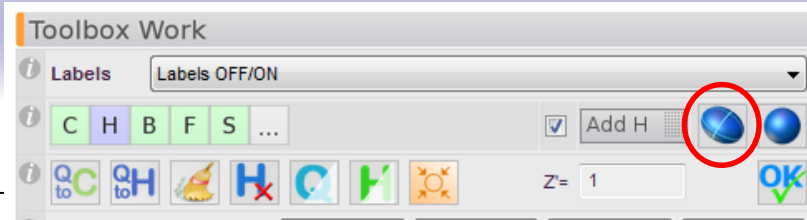
- In our structural model, thermal movement is described by an ellipsoid (three Gaussian functions in three dimensions). The mathematic form is that of a symmetric tensor:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \langle x'^2 \rangle & \langle x' y' \rangle & \langle x' z' \rangle \\ \langle x' y' \rangle & \langle y'^2 \rangle & \langle y' z' \rangle \\ \langle x' z' \rangle & \langle y' z' \rangle & \langle z'^2 \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q(r^*) = e^{-2\pi^2 (U_{11}x'^2 + U_{22}y'^2 + U_{33}z'^2 + 2U_{12}x'y' + 2U_{13}x'z' + 2U_{23}y'z')}$$

- Instead of **1 parameter** (U_{iso}), we now work with **6 parameters** (three values for the three diameters of the ellipsoid, three for its orientation in space).
- Anisotropic refinement thus becomes challenging if the ratio of data/parameters is low.

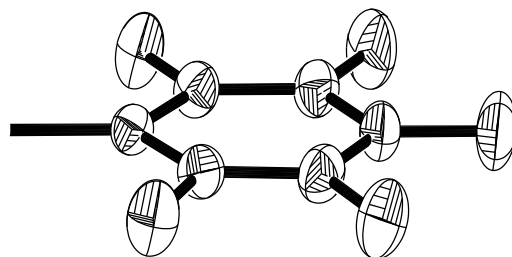
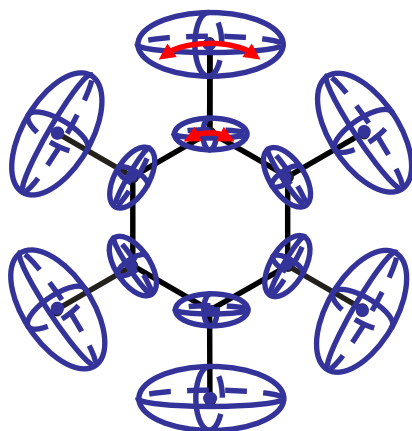
Anisotropic refinement



OLEX2

```
*.ins:
ANIS
WGHT      0.100000
FVAR      0.71880
S1      5      0.277586      0.724064      0.718741      11.00000      0.02858
B1      3      0.366643      0.625301      0.823380      11.00000      0.02507
F1      4      0.079477      0.474487      0.653317      11.00000      0.03965
```

```
*.res:
WGHT      0.100000
FVAR      0.73527
S1      5      0.277751      0.724339      0.718759      11.00000      0.03304      0.02854 =
              0.02460      0.01056      0.00663      0.01163
B1      3      0.366302      0.625285      0.823440      11.00000      0.02772      0.02171 =
              0.02300      0.00834      0.00485      0.00625
F1      4      0.079086      0.473686      0.653072      11.00000      0.02849      0.03982 =
              0.04679      0.01366      0.00319      0.00667
```



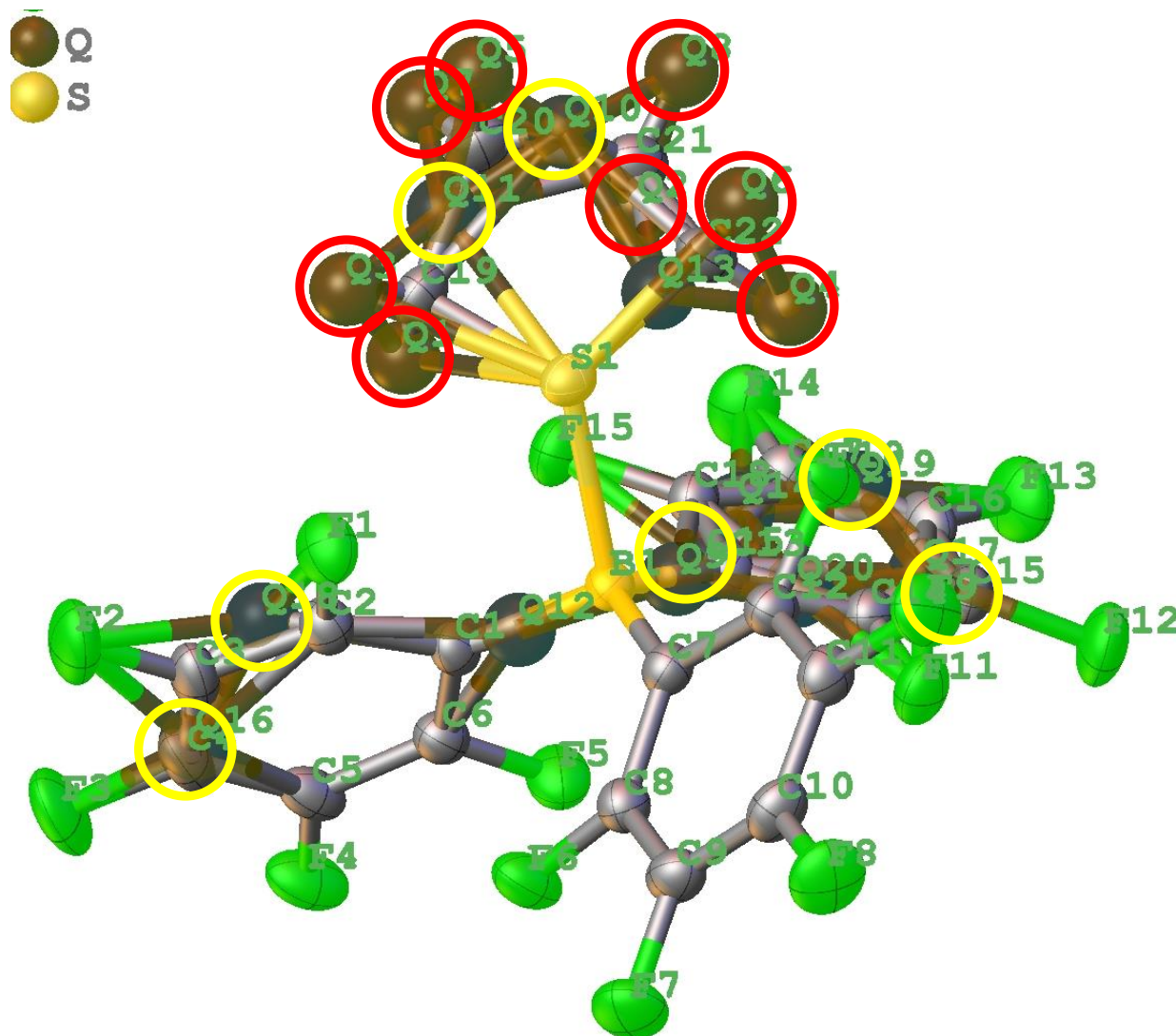
U_{eq} is the equivalent isotropic value, calculated from :

$$U_{eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \vec{a}_i \cdot \vec{a}_j = \sqrt[3]{U_1 U_2 U_3}$$

Typical values for U_{eq} :

Heavy atoms: 0.005-0.02 Å²
 Light atoms (H-F): 0.01-0.06 Å²
 Terminal atoms: 0.03-0.2 Å²

Difference Fourier map after anisotropic refinement

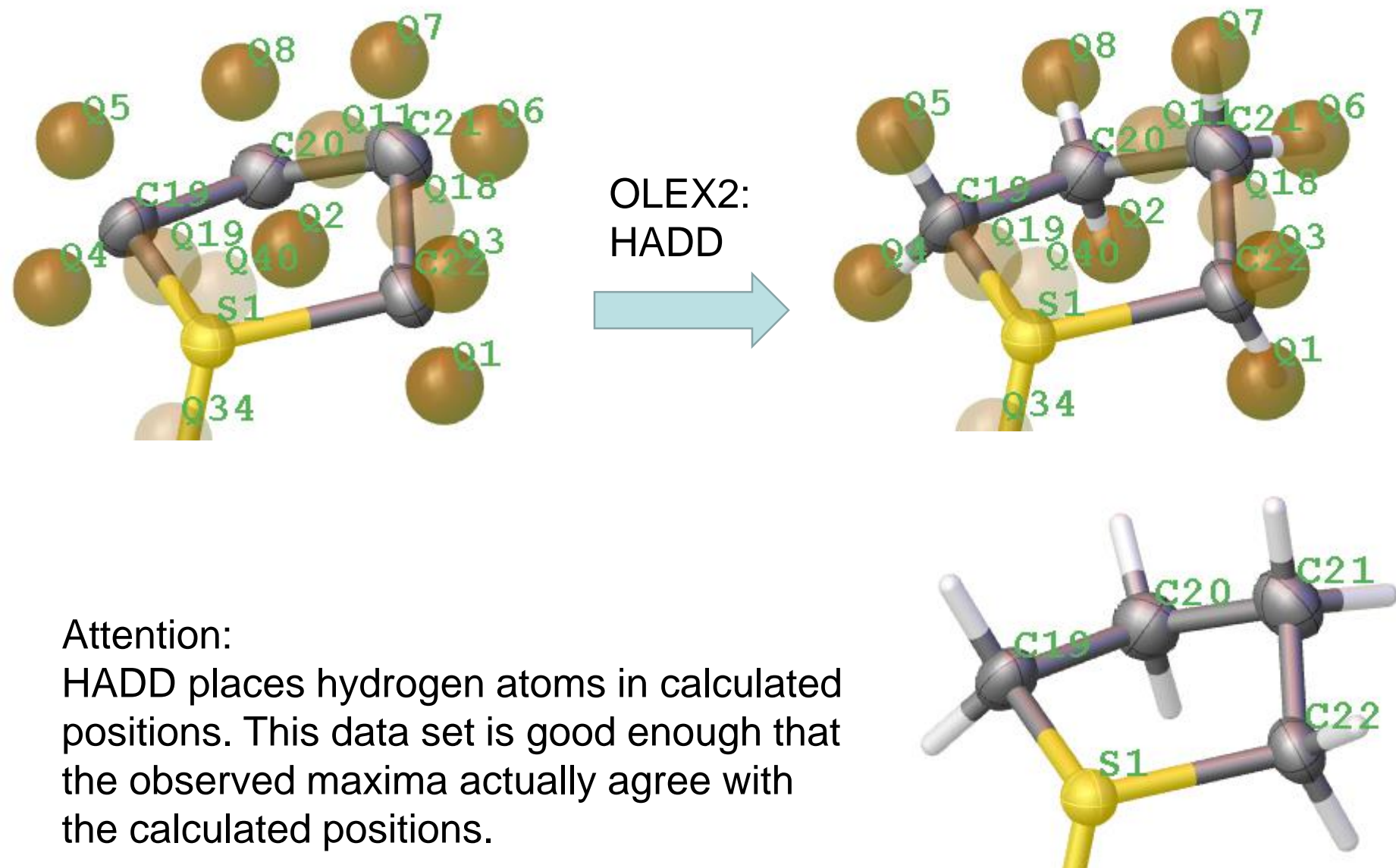


After anisotropic refinement, the remaining maxima can be attributed to:

- Thermal movement of atoms
- Hydrogen atoms
- Noise and artefacts

The 8 most intense maxima (Q peaks with the lowest numbers, i. e. Q1-Q8) are found where we would expect hydrogen atoms!

Adding hydrogen atoms



Attention:
HADD places hydrogen atoms in calculated positions. This data set is good enough that the observed maxima actually agree with the calculated positions.

What happens in the ins file ?

```
C19 1 0.58371 0.12711 0.76751 11.00000 0.05447 0.02329 0.03258 =
0.01158 0.01211 0.00636
C20 1 0.53585 0.16502 0.89601 11.00000 0.04641 0.03599 0.03512 =
0.01616 0.01325 0.01003
```



OLEX2:
HADD

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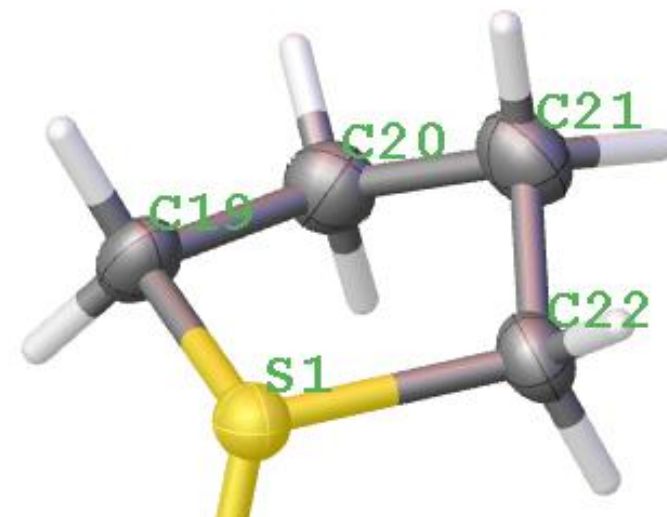
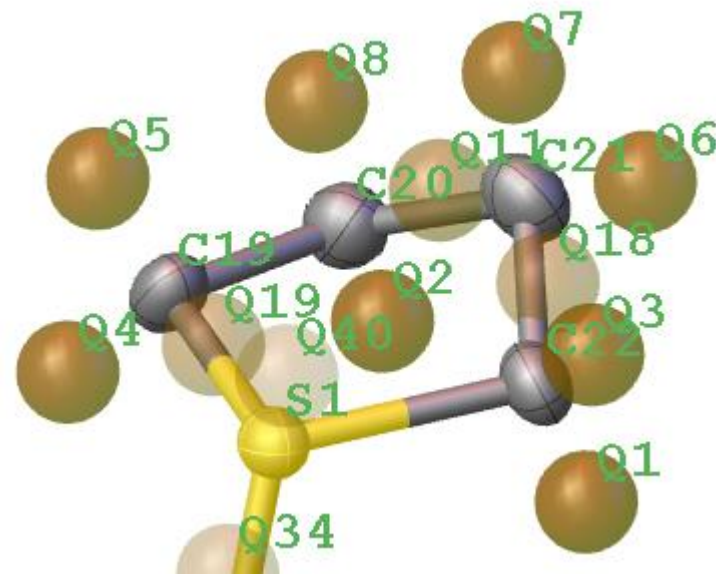
AFIX 23 ← AFIX indicates the start of a « rigid group ». The internal geometry of a rigid group does not change.

```
H19a 2 0.50108 0.10640 0.69784 11.00000 -1.20000
```

```
H19b 2 0.62427 0.04684 0.74958 11.00000 -1.20000
AFIX 0
```

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C20 1 0.53585 0.16502 0.89601 11.00000 0.04641 0.03599 0.03512 =
0.01616 0.01325 0.01003
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```
AFIX 23
H20a 2 0.45720 0.21130 0.89603 11.00000 -1.20000
H20b 2 0.50235 0.08214 0.91123 11.00000 -1.20000
AFIX 0
```



Rigid groups in SHELXL

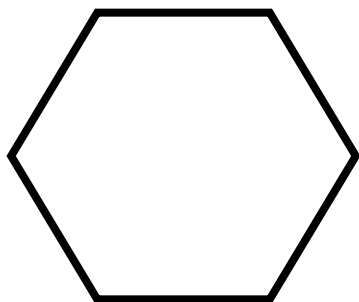
For non-H atoms:

In rigid groups, the atom positions ($3n$) are replaced by the position and orientation (6 variables) of a group of atoms in **an idealized geometry**. The geometry of this group is **invariable** and the atoms cannot move independent during the refinement.

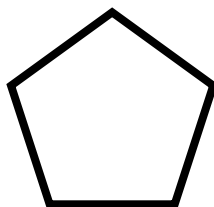
type of rigid group
AFIX *mn* *refinement of the rigid group*

AFIX *m*6 : the group is completely rigid

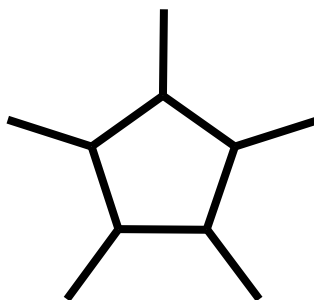
AFIX *m*9 : the group can expand or contract, but keeps its relative geometry.



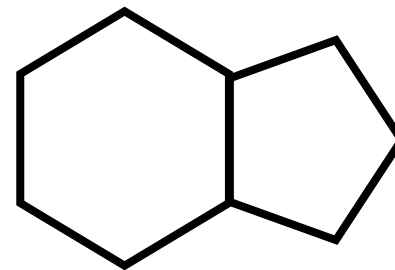
AFIX 66
C1 x y z
:
C6 x y z
AFIX 0



AFIX 56
C1 x y z
:
C5 x y z
AFIX 0



AFIX 106
C1 x y z
:
C10 x y z
AFIX 0

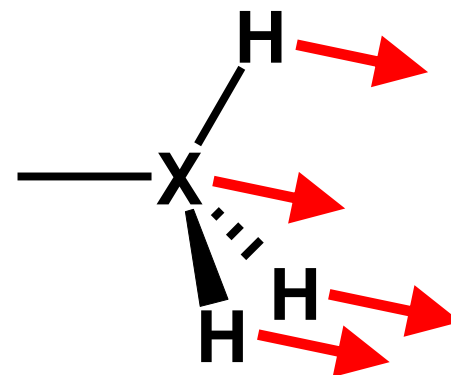


AFIX 116
C1 x y z
:
C11 x y z
AFIX 0

Riding model for hydrogen atoms

The hydrogen atoms “ride” on the atom to which they are bound with a fixed, idealized geometry. During the refinement, the same displacement are applied to the whole group.

$$\begin{aligned}x_{\text{H}} &= x_{\text{X}} + \Delta x \\y_{\text{H}} &= y_{\text{X}} + \Delta y \\z_{\text{H}} &= z_{\text{X}} + \Delta z \\U_{\text{iso,H}} &= 1.2/1.5 \cdot U_{\text{eq,X}}\end{aligned}$$



If hydrogen atoms are refined using the “riding model”, **no additional parameter** is added to the refinement.

Methyl group

- with freely refined hydrogens : 9 (C) + 3·4 (H isotropic) = 21 parameter
- riding model : 9 parameters

Hydrogen atoms: 4. Constraints / “riding model”

AFIX mn: m = type of the rigid group; n = refinement mode (for more details : see the SHELXL manual)

m = 1 : Y-CH(-Y)₂

2 : Y-CH₂-Y

3 : Y-CH₃

4 : C(sp²/arom.)-H

8 : X-OH

9 : X=CH₂

12 : Y-CH₃ (désordonné)

13 : Y-CH₃ (angle dièdre optimisé)

14 : X-OH (angle dièdre optimisé)

15 : X_{4/5}BH

16 : X≡CH

n = 3 : No refinement.

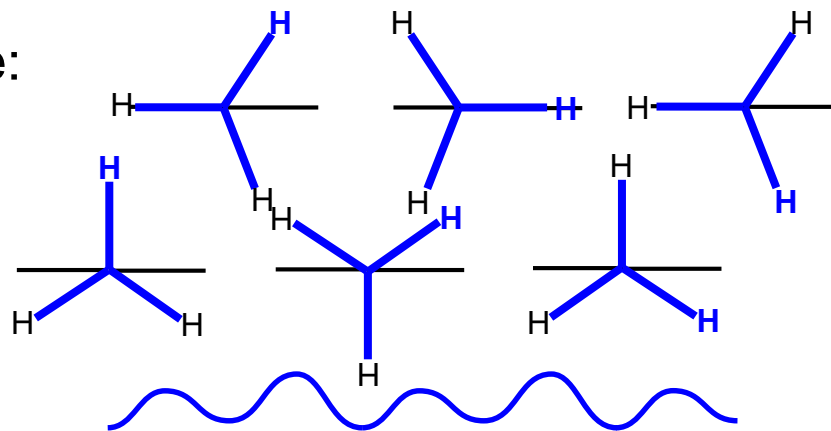
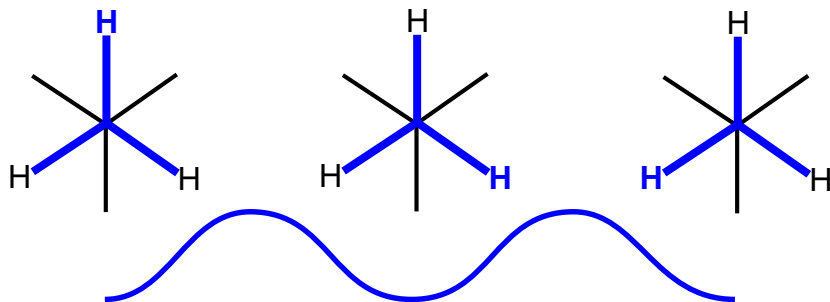
4 : As n=3, but the C-H distance is refined (same for all C-H of that group.)

7 : Only for CH₃: same as n=3, but rotation around the Y-CH₃ is allowed.

8 : same as n=7 with refinement of the C-H distance.

We typically use: AFIX 33, AFIX 23, AFIX 13, AFIX 43, AFIX 137 (or 37), AFIX 127

AFIX 37, 133 or 137 important for C_{sp2}-Me:



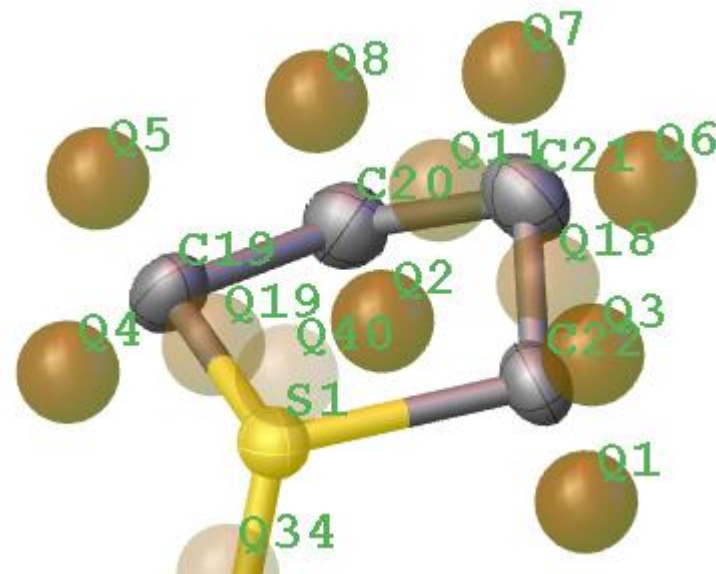
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C20 1 0.53585 0.16502 0.89601 11.00000 0.04641 0.03599 0.03512 =
0.01616 0.01325 0.01003
```

*HADD is very convenient,
but **always** verify what it
did! In particular CH₂ vs.
C_{Ar}H errors*



OLEX2:
HADD



```
C19 1 0.58371 0.12711 0.76751 11.00000 0.05447 0.02329 0.03258 =
0.01158 0.01211 0.00636
```

AFIX 23

↑ rigid group starts

copied
from C19

Calculated :
 $1.2 \cdot U_{eq} (C19)$

```
H19a 2 0.50108 0.10640 0.69784 11.00000 -1.20000
```

↑ calculated from C19 (and neighbours)

```
H19b 2 0.62427 0.04684 0.74958 11.00000 -1.20000
```

AFIX 0

↑ rigid group ends

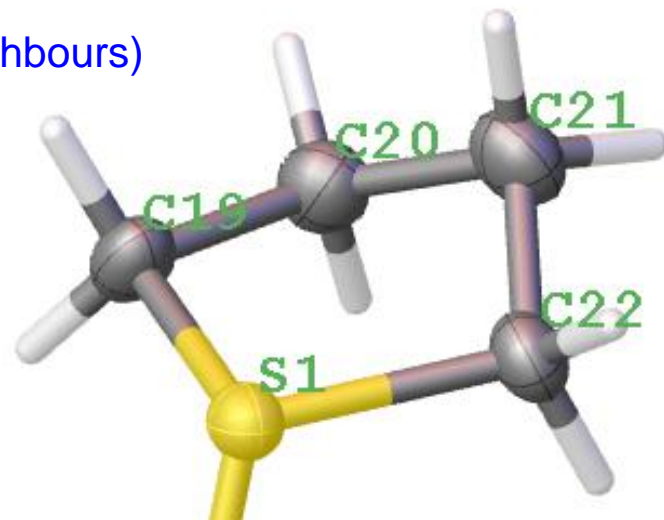
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AFIX 23

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H20a 2 0.45720 0.21130 0.89603 11.00000 -1.20000
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```
H20b 2 0.50235 0.08214 0.91123 11.00000 -1.20000
```

AFIX 0



And what's left after that...

After refinement of hydrogen atoms, all electron density maxima are smaller than $0.5 \text{ e}^-/\text{\AA}^3$ and can be ignored. ($0.5 \text{ e}^-/\text{\AA}^3$ is considered the “allowable noise level.”)

INFO Q1 :

Atom	Type	X	Y	Z	Ueq	Peak
Q1	Q	0.458	0.660	0.845	0.050	0.280

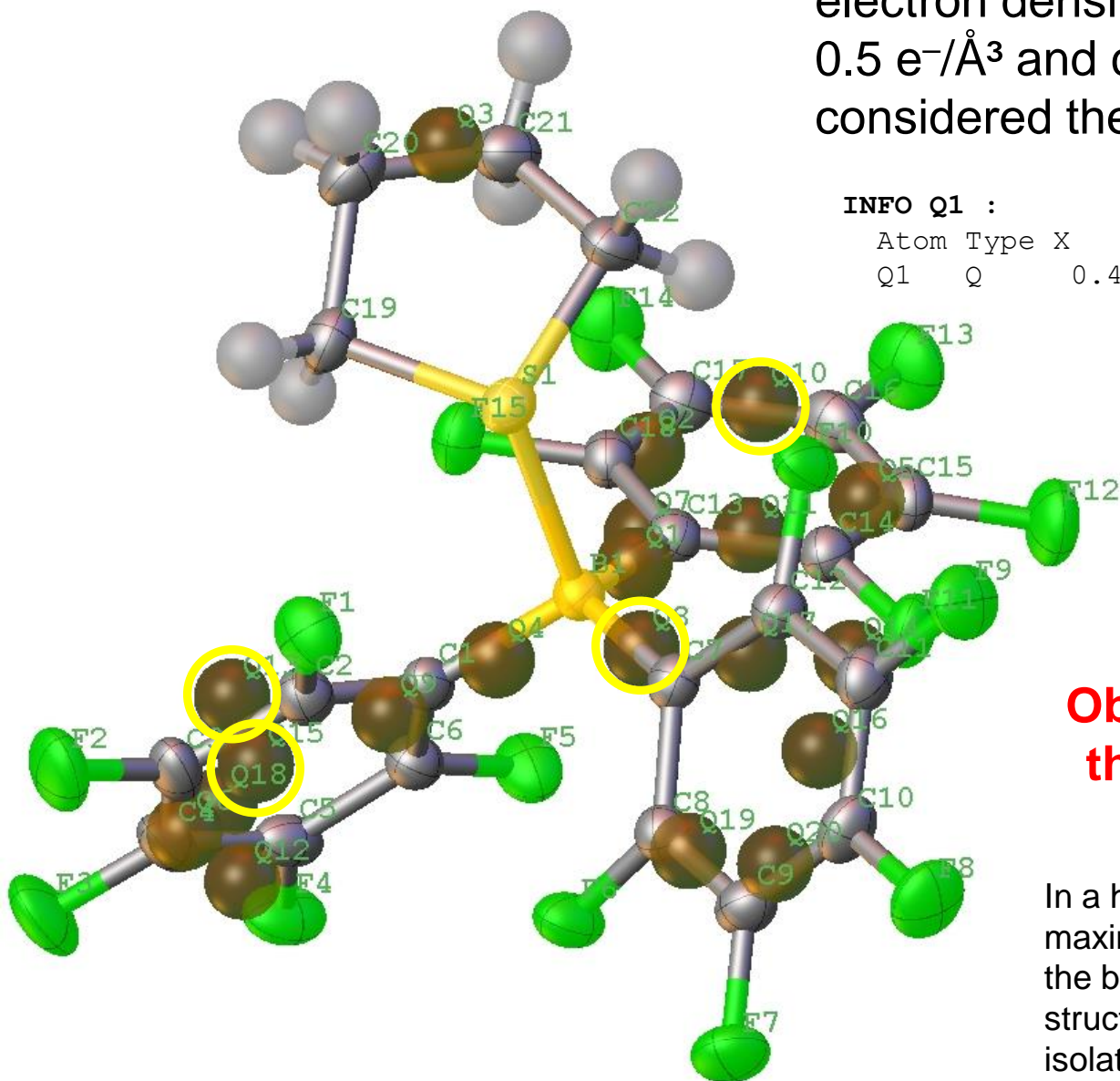
• ~~Thermal movement of atoms~~

• ~~Hydrogen atoms~~

• Noise and artefacts

Observe the positions of the maxima, though! Is this really noise?

In a high-quality dataset, the remaining maxima correspond to electron density in the bonds. This is an artefact of our structural model: we assume a model of isolated, non-interacting atoms.



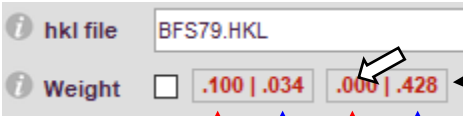
Refinement of the weighing scheme

*.lst:	<i>weak reflections</i>								<i>intense reflections</i>		
Fc/Fc(max)	0.000	0.012	0.023	0.034	0.047	0.061	0.079	0.101	0.135	0.201	1.000
Number in group	463	423	422	475	397	439	438	433	433	430	439
GooF	1.406	1.493	1.414	1.317	1.076	1.029	0.813	0.734	0.633	0.453	
K	1.690	1.053	1.022	1.020	1.008	1.011	1.012	0.997	1.002	0.990	

We use an appropriate weighing scheme so that the GooF («Goodness of Fit») is independent from the intensity.

$$w = 1 / \sigma^2(F_o^2) + (aP)^2 + bP \quad P = 1/3(F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)$$

How do we refine the weighing scheme in OLEX2 :



hkl file: BFS79.HKL


Weight: ☐ .100 | .034 .000 | .428

red color indicates non-refined weighing scheme

current weighing scheme (red arrows)

proposed weighing scheme (blue arrows)

Click on the numbers to copy proposed to current weighing scheme



hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☐ .034 | .034 .428 | .428

Refine structure

hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☐ .034 | .028 .428 | .476

Repeat until consistent

hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☐ .027 | .027 .479 | .482

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Fc/Fc(max)	0.000	0.012	0.023	0.034	0.047	0.061	0.079	0.101	0.135	0.201	1.000
Number in group	463	423	422	475	397	439	438	433	430	439	
GooF	1.406	1.493	1.414	1.317	1.076	1.029	0.813	0.734	0.633	0.453	
K	1.690	1.053	1.022	1.020	1.008	1.011	1.012	0.997	1.002	0.990	

We use an appropriate weighing scheme so that the GooF («Goodness of Fit») is independent from the intensity.

$$w = 1 / \sigma^2_{(F_o^2)} + (aP)^2 + bP \quad P = 1/3 (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)$$

Faster :

hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☐ .100 | .034 .000 | .428 EXTI ☐



hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☒ .100 | .034 .000 | .428 EXTI ☐

Activate « Automatic Update » of the weighing scheme after each refinement. (Do that only after you are done with the hydrogen atoms).

Refine until consistent



hkl file: BFS79.HKL

Weight: ☒ .027 | .027 .479 | .482 EXTI ☐

*.lst:											
Fc/Fc(max)	0.000	0.012	0.023	0.035	0.047	0.062	0.079	0.101	0.135	0.202	1.000
Number in group	466.	418.	459.	438.	419.	417.	442.	435.	427.	438.	
GooF	1.117	1.023	1.008	1.059	0.974	1.102	0.990	1.064	1.056	0.993	
K	1.732	1.049	1.028	1.018	1.008	1.011	1.013	0.997	1.004	0.992	

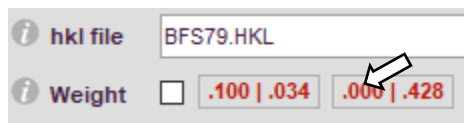
What happens behind the GUI ?

***.res:**

```
...  
WGHT 0.1000 ← current weighing scheme  
FVAR 0.3234
```

```
...  
HKLF 4  
END  
WGHT 0.0342 0.4326 ← proposed weighing scheme
```

The end: All lines
after END are ignored



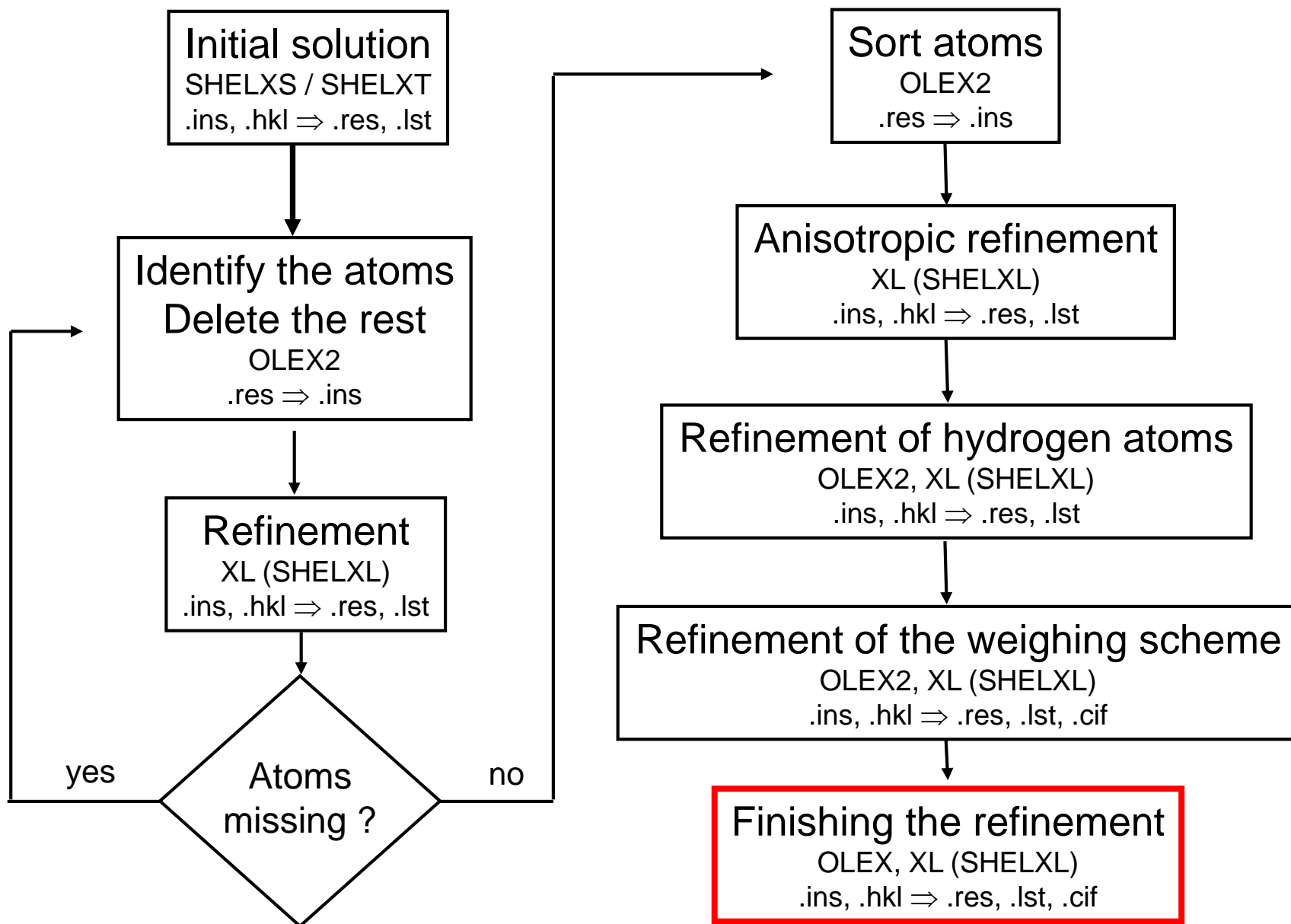
Click on the numbers to copy
proposed to current weighing scheme

***.ins:**

```
...  
WGHT 0.0342 0.4326  
FVAR 0.3234  
...  
HKLF 4  
END  
WGHT 0.0342 0.4326
```

Of course... we *could* do this by hand in the ins file
ourselves instead of using OLEX2. 😊

Organigram of the refinement



Finishing the refinement

Make sure that the formula is correct



Cycle indicates
disagreement of UNIT
instruction and atom list

*.lst:

...

** Cell contents from UNIT instruction and atom list do not agree **

Unit-cell contents from UNIT instruction and atom list resp.

C	44.00	44.00
[...]		
O	1.00	0.00

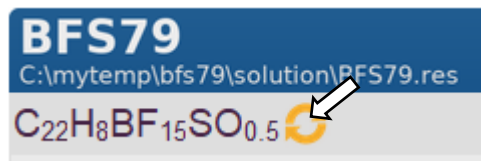
Attention: you **have to** verify if the error is in the **model** or in the **UNIT** command!

Typical causes:

- Extra molecules found after unit instruction was given (solvent, etc.) : **UNIT is wrong**
- HADD added Hs incorrectly : **model is wrong** → do something
- Errors in disorder treatment (particularly if numbers are non integers) : **model is wrong** → do something

Only if UNIT is wrong:

Clicking on the cycle adapts UNIT command to atom list



*.res

SFAC C H B F S O
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2 1



*.ins

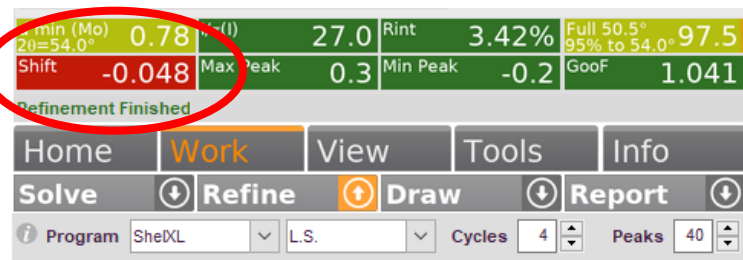
SFAC C H B F S
UNIT 44 16 2 30 2

Refine



Finishing the refinement

Let the refinement converge completely



.lst:

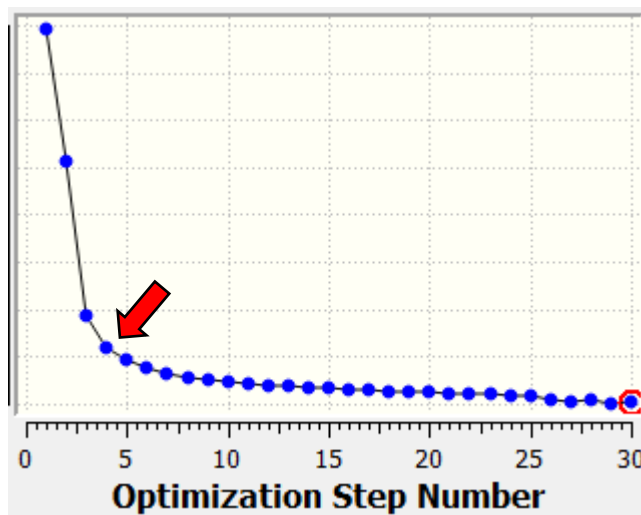
Least-squares cycle 4

wR2 = 0.0836 before cycle 2 for 4359 data and 352 / 352 parameters

[...]

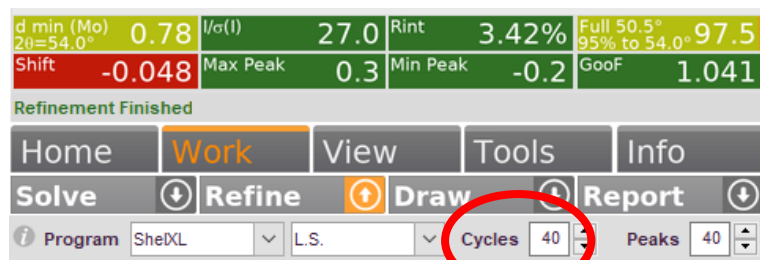
Mean shift/esd = 0.013 Maximum = -0.048 for y F13

Max. shift = 0.000 Å for C4 Max. dU = 0.000 for F2

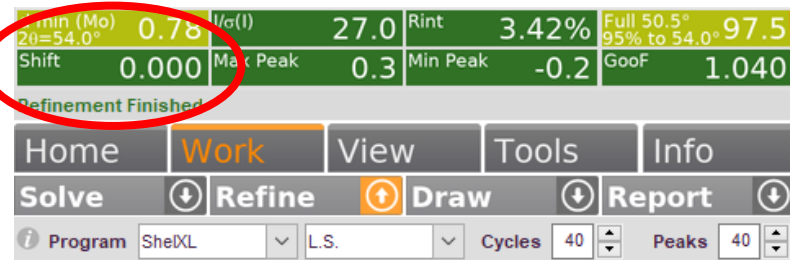


Once we are done with our changes to the model, there is simply no reason, other than laziness, not to let the refinement reach the minimum!

«max. shift» has to be smaller than $< 0.003 \text{ Å}$



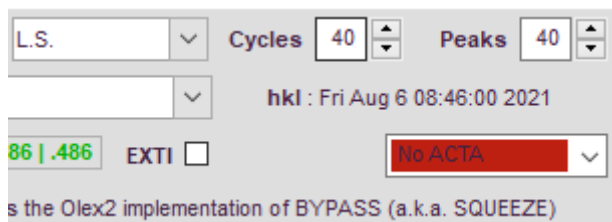
refine



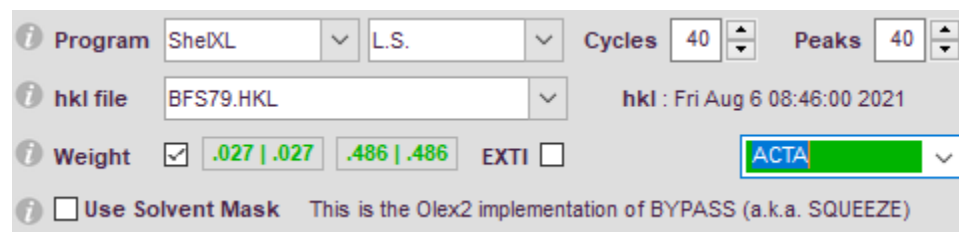
*.ins: L.S. 40

Finishing the refinement

Generate *.cif (and *.fcf) with the ACTA command



The screenshot shows the Olex2 interface with the 'Program' dropdown set to 'SheXL'. The 'hkl file' is 'BFS79.HKL'. The 'Weight' is set to '.027 | .027' and '.486 | .486'. The 'EXTI' checkbox is unchecked. The 'ACTA' dropdown is highlighted in red, indicating it is the selected option for generating the CIF file.



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*.ins:

```
...  
SFAC C H N F P  
UNIT 56 60 16 24 4  
L.S. 40  
FMAP 2  
...
```

When generating the CIF, ACTA imposes some “quality control”

- OMIT >0 is not permitted
- FMAP 2 is enforced
- LIST 4 is enforced

*.ins:

```
...  
SFAC C H N F P  
UNIT 56 60 16 24 4  
L.S. 40  
ACTA  
FMAP 2  
...
```

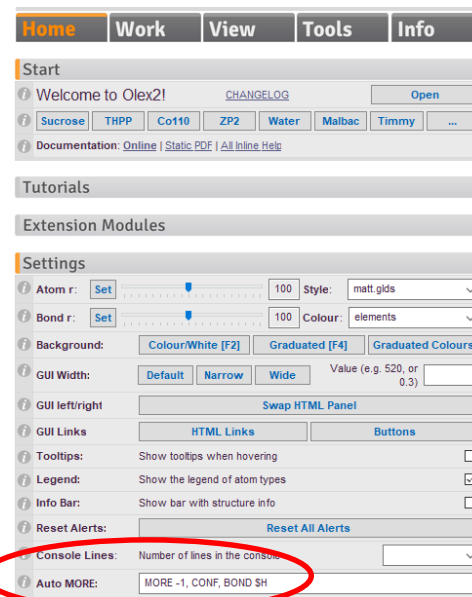
BOND \$H and CONF

*.ins

BOND \$H : Includes bond information (including H atoms in the CIF. Required by CHECKCIF.

CONF : Includes torsion angles with esd in CIF

OLEX2 always includes these commands automatically. This is governed in HOME - SETTINGS

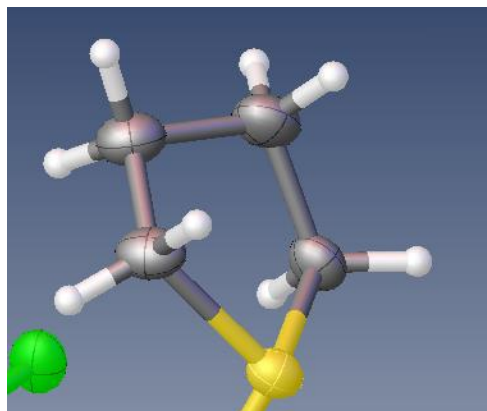


The screenshot shows the 'HOME - SETTINGS' window. The 'Settings' tab is active. The 'Console Lines' dropdown is set to 'MORE -1, CONF, BOND \$H', which is circled in red. Other settings include 'Atom r' set to 100, 'Bond r' set to 100, 'Background' set to 'Colour/White [F2]', 'GUI Width' set to 'Default', 'GUI left/right' set to 'Swap HTML Panel', 'GUI Links' set to 'HTML Links', 'Tooltips' set to 'Show tooltips when hovering', 'Legend' set to 'Show the legend of atom types', 'Info Bar' set to 'Show bar with structure info', and 'Reset Alerts' set to 'Reset All Alerts'.

Take-home message

Many/most standard refinement features can be (easier) addressed via the GUI. When should we bother opening the .res or .ins file?

- Whenever you find it more convenient (e. g. disorder refinements)
- **At least once** to double-check for anything unusual before making the final CIF: Unsorted atoms, etc.
- **Every time** when you run into problems



C ₂₂ H ₈ BF ₁₅ S					
a = 9.5892(6)	α = 111.904(6)°	Z = 2			
b = 10.8264(10)	β = 96.814(7)°	Z' = 1			
c = 11.3959(9)	γ = 100.727(7)°	V = 1055.29(17)			
d min (Mo)	0.78	I/σ(I)	27.0	R ₁	3.13 %
2θ = 54.0°				wR ₂	8.36 %
Shift	0.000	Max Peak	0.3	R _{int}	3.42%
		Min Peak	-0.2	Full 50.5°	97.5
				95% to 54.0°	
				GooF	1.041
Cell contents from UNIT instruction and atom list do not agree					

Checkcif:

PLAT041 Calc. and Reported SumFormula Strings Differ
Sum formula C22 **H7.95** B F15 S C22 H8 B F15 S

OLEX2 : edit res

[...]

AFIX 23

H19A 2 0.50169 0.10539 0.69766 **0.98700** -1.20000

H19B 2 0.62439 0.04681 0.74976 **0.95578** -1.20000

AFIX 0