

SSX experiments with MXCuBE @ ESRF

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Overview

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

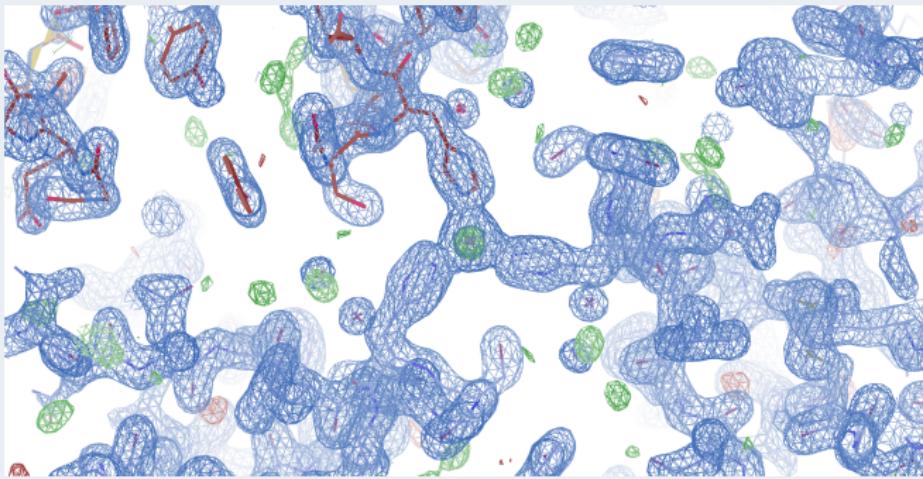
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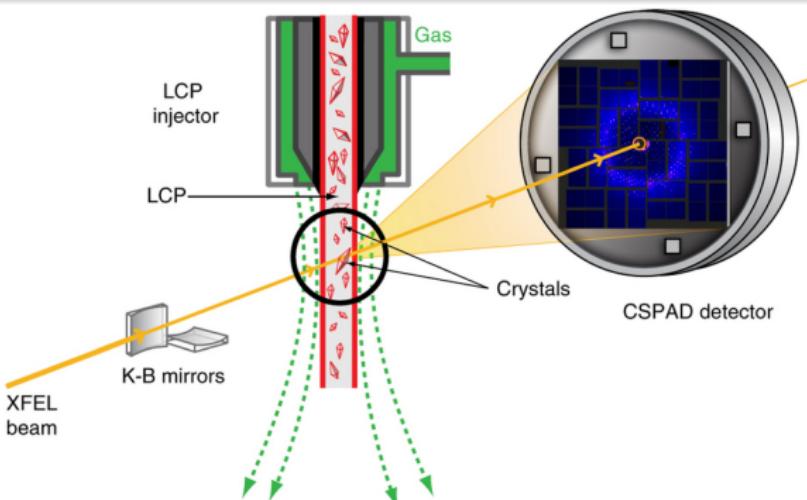
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Apply some mathematics to obtain electron density map:



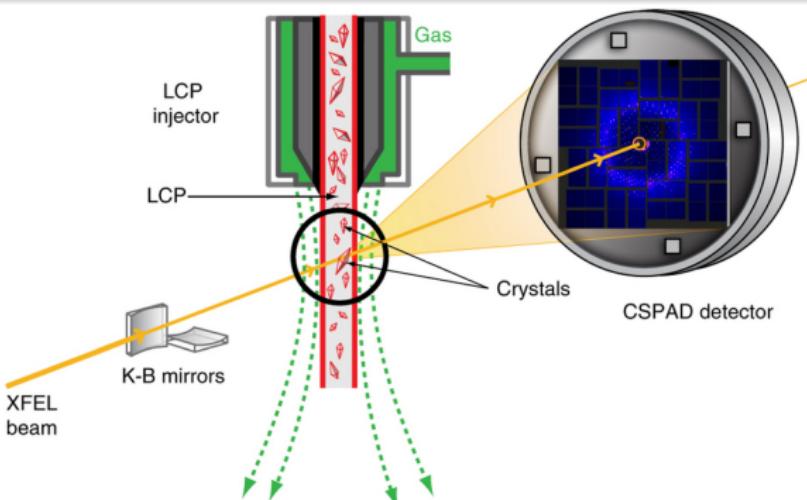
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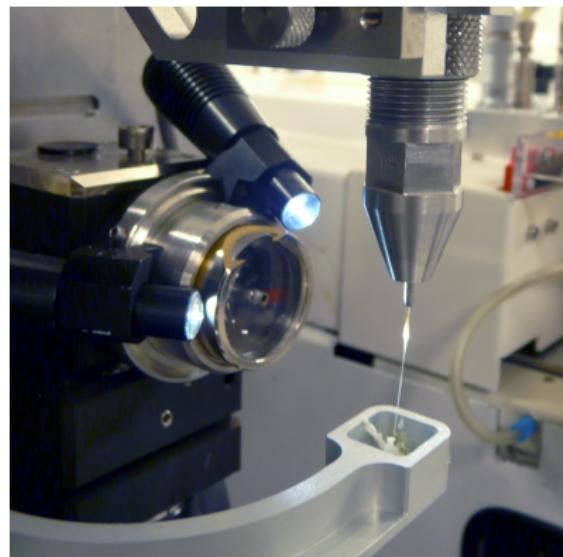
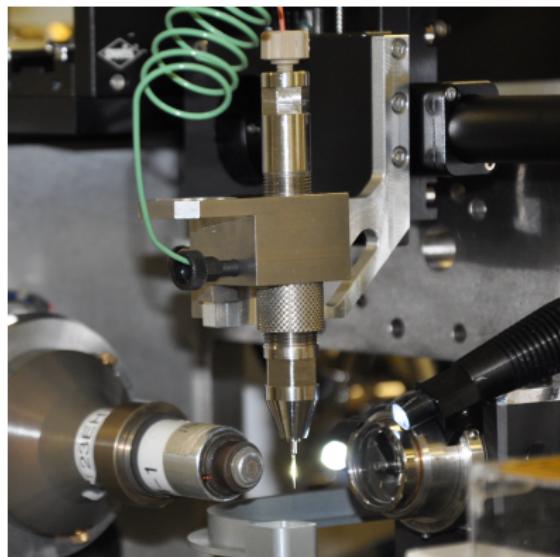


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SSX on MASSIF-3



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 autoprocessing (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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