# ex6-rocking-curves

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### 1 Example 6: Rocking curves

With m2SANS you can simulate scattering patterns for rocking curves, where either the sample or the sample environment is rotated or tilted in the neutron beam. This will affect the magnetic scattering in a variety of ways:

- First, the spatial arrangement (repectively projection) of scatterers is modified.
- Second, the magnetisation components  $\vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{Q})$  perpendicular to the scattering vector  $\vec{Q}$  change, which affects the magnetic scattering lengths  $\vec{b}_{\vec{M}_{\perp}}$
- Third, the neutron polarisation  $\vec{P}$  is modified if the sample environment is rotated. This will affect the projections of the magnetic scattering length, and ultimatively the distribution of the scattering cross sections.

### 1.1 How to simulate a rocking curve

To simulate a rocking curve, for each rotation setting you have to initialise a new mm2SANS. Experiment object -- which contains the transformed coordinates  $\vec{R}_i$  and moments  $\vec{M}_i$  of the individual scatterers and the neutron polarisation  $\vec{P}$ , all defined in the beamline coordinate system (U, V, W) -- and then calculate the scattering patterns.

To do so, follow these steps (some may be omitted, but please carefult to not overwrite settings inadvertedly):

- 1. Initialise your mm2SANS.Sample and mm2SANS.Probe object. This only needs to be done in the beginning. The following steps are then for each roation angle.
- 2. Re-set the neutron polarisation.
- 3. Set sample rotations and sample environment roations.
- 4. Calculate the rotation matrices.
- 5. Initiate a new mm2SANS. Experiment object, which takes care of all transformations.
- 6. Optional: If the neutron polarisation  $\vec{P}$  is not set within the sample environment but within beamline coordinate system, you have to re-set the value of mm2SANS.Experiment.Probe.Beamline.neutron\_polarisation accordingly.
- 7. Calculate the scattering patterns.
- 8. Visualise.

#### 1.1.1 Initialise Sample and Probe object

In the follwing, we consider a uniformly magnetised sphere along (0, 1, 0), i.e. parallel to the horizontal detector plane, and a longitudinal neutron polarisation (1, 0, 0), i.e. parallel to the

beam. The sample is subjected to "yaw" rotations, which correspond to rotations around the vertical detector axis.

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[1]: import mm2SANS
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import matplotlib.gridspec as gridspec
[2]: # general settings
    moment direction = [0, 1, 0]
    neutron_polarisation = [1, 0, 0]
    # settings for rocking curve
    rotation_axis, num_rotations, delta_phi, plot_property = 'yaw', 4, 2.5, 'I dif'
    # get list of rotation angles
    rotation_list = np.arange(0, (num_rotations+1) * delta_phi, delta_phi) -__
     →num_rotations / 2 * delta_phi
[3]: """ create the Sample object (using settings from Example 1)"""
    sample = mm2SANS.Sample(
        positions=[[0, 0, 0]],
        moments=[moment_direction],
        scattering_length_density=(8.024-0.001j),
        saturation magnetisation=800e3,
        voxel_volumes= 4/3 * np.pi * 10e-9**3,
        periodicity=(50e-9, 50e-9, 50e-9),
        print_diagnostics=False,
        )
    """ create a Detector object (using Settings from Example 2) """
    probe = mm2SANS.Probe(
          sans_instrument='test'
        , neutron_wavelength=6e-10 # in m
        , detector_distance=15 # in m
        , qmap_disorder=0.35 # to avoid Fourier transform artefacts
        , neutron_polarisation=neutron_polarisation
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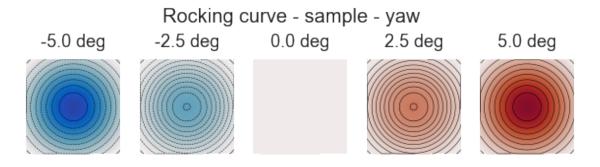
### 1.1.2 Rocking curves: Plot scattering patterns

In this case, showing a reversal of the magnetic contrast...

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[4]: # initialise figure
axis_size = 2
fig = plt.figure( figsize = (axis_size * (num_rotations+1), axis_size) )
fig.suptitle(f'Rocking curve - sample - {rotation_axis}', fontsize=20, y=1.2)
gs = gridspec.GridSpec(1, (num_rotations+1) )
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#data limit, so that all curves are scaled the same
col_limit = 1.5
# iterate over rotation angles
for i, phi in enumerate(rotation_list):
    # re-set neutron polarisation (not really neccessary here)
    probe.Beamline.neutron_polarisation = neutron_polarisation
    # set rotations (setting the environment rotations is not really neccessary_
 \rightarrowhere)
    probe.Beamline.sample_rotations = [[rotation_axis, phi]]
    probe.Beamline.sample_environment_rotations = []
    # re-calculate rotation matices
    probe.Beamline.calc_rotation_matrices()
    # create experiment and calculate scattering patterns
    experiment = mm2SANS.Experiment(sample, probe, print_diagnostics=False)
    experiment.calc_scattering_pattern(uc_repetitions=(1,1,1))
    # plot up the chosen data column
    ax = plt.subplot(gs[0, i])
    experiment.plot_property( plot_property, ax=ax
                              , title=f'{phi} deg'
                              , limit=col_limit )
    ax.axis('off')
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C:\ProgramData\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\mm2sans-0.1-py3.6.egg\mm2SANS\experiment.py:650: UserWarning: No contour levels were found within the data range.



#### 1.1.3 ... one more example...

Here, a single sphere uniformly magnetised along (0, 0, 1), i.e. the vertical detector direction and a transverse neutron polarisation along (0, 1, 0), i.e. horizontal detector direction. The difference

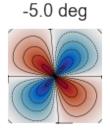
scattering patterns are obtained for "pitch" rotations which tilt the sample towards the detector.

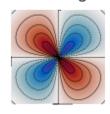
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[5]: # general settings
   moment_direction = [0, 0, 1]
   neutron_polarisation = [0, 1, 0]
   # settings for rocking curve, and get list of rotation angles
   rotation_axis, num_rotations, delta_phi, plot_property = 'pitch', 4, 5, 'I_dif'
   rotation_list = np.arange(0, (num_rotations+1) * delta_phi, delta_phi) -_u
    →num_rotations / 2 * delta_phi
[6]: """ create the Sample object (using settings from Example 1)"""
   sample = mm2SANS.Sample(
       positions=[[0, 0, 0]],
       moments=[moment_direction],
        scattering_length_density=(8.024-0.001j),
        saturation_magnetisation=800e3,
       voxel_volumes = 4/3 * np.pi * 10e-9**3,
       periodicity=(50e-9, 50e-9, 50e-9),
       print_diagnostics=False,
    """ create a Detector object (using Settings from Example 2) """
   probe = mm2SANS.Probe(
         sans instrument='test'
        , neutron_wavelength=6e-10 # in m
        , detector_distance=15 # in m
        , qmap_disorder=0.35 # to avoid Fourier transform artefacts
        , neutron_polarisation=neutron_polarisation
[7]: # initialise figure
   axis_size = 2
   fig = plt.figure( figsize = (axis_size * (num_rotations+1), axis_size) )
   fig.suptitle(f'Rocking curve - sample - {rotation_axis}', fontsize=20, y=1.2)
   gs = gridspec.GridSpec(1, (num_rotations+1) )
   #data limit, so that all curves are scaled the same
   col_limit = 7.5
   # iterate over rotation angles
   for i, phi in enumerate(rotation_list):
        # re-set neutron polarisation (not really neccessary here)
       probe.Beamline.neutron_polarisation = neutron_polarisation
        # set rotations (setting the environment rotations is not really neccessary_
    \rightarrowhere)
       probe.Beamline.sample_rotations = [[rotation_axis, phi]]
       probe.Beamline.sample_environment_rotations = []
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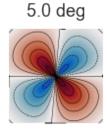
## Rocking curve - sample - pitch

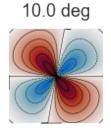
0.0 deg

-10.0 deg









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