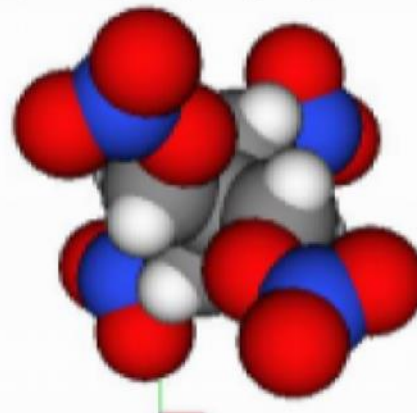


# GSAS-II OVERVIEW

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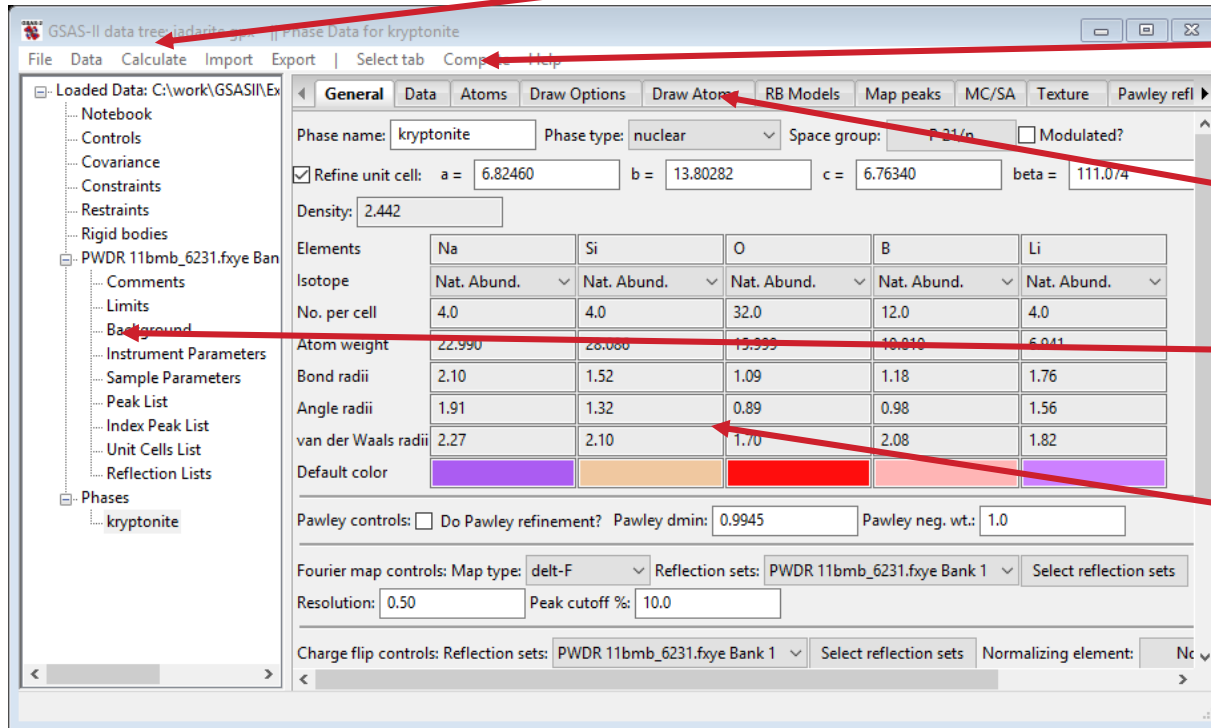
# GSAS-2



# GSAS-II – MODERN GUI APPLICATION FOR CRYSTALLOGRAPHY (IN PYTHON)

# GSAS-II: MODERN GUI

## – 2 FRAME LAYOUT + CONSOLE



Main menu

Submenu

Data tabs

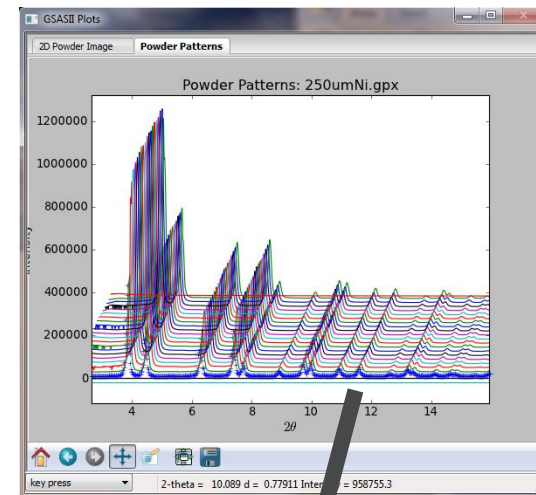
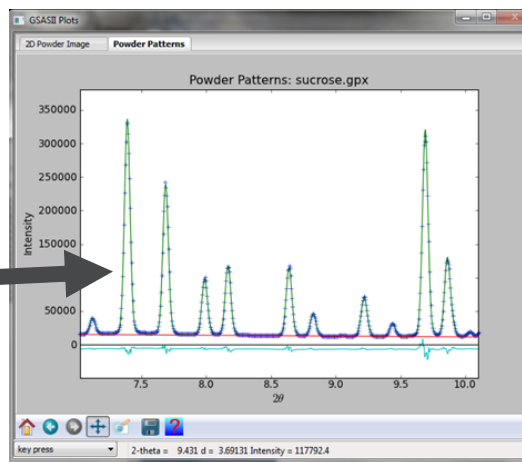
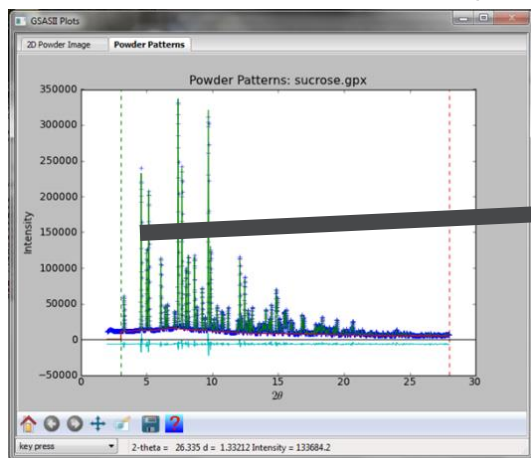
Data tree

Data window

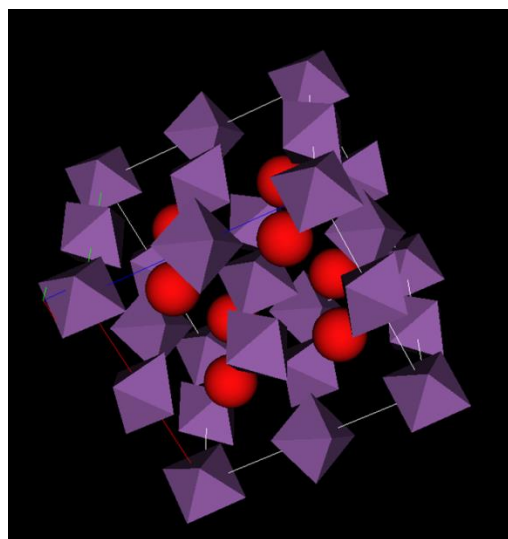
Plot & console in separate frames

# THE PLOTS - ADVANCED VISUALIZATION

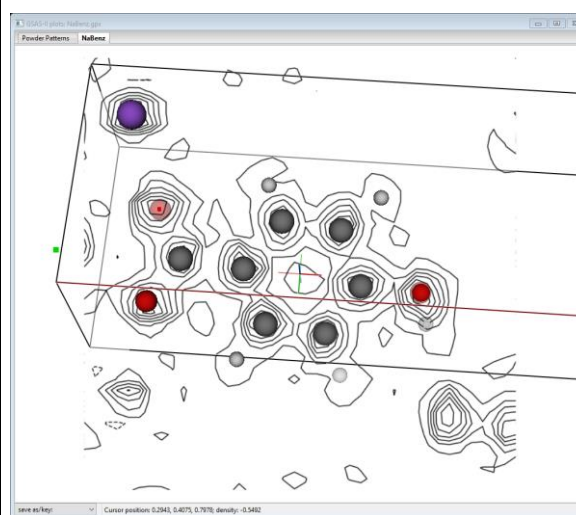
Powder profile – easy zoom



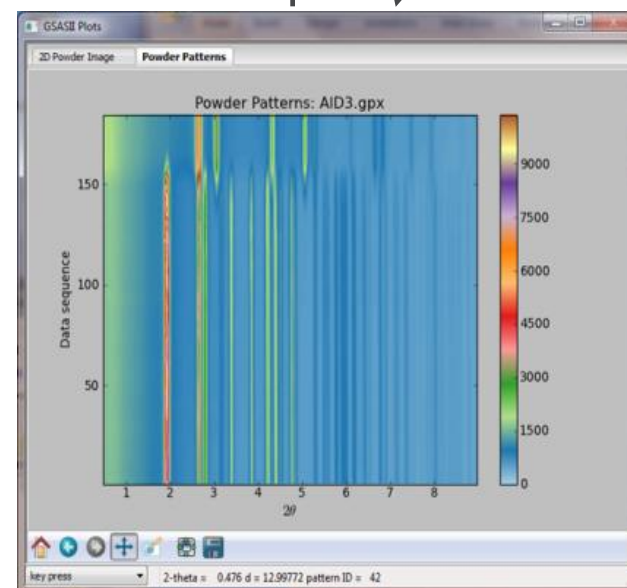
Waterfall plot



Structure drawing



Contoured density thru any plane

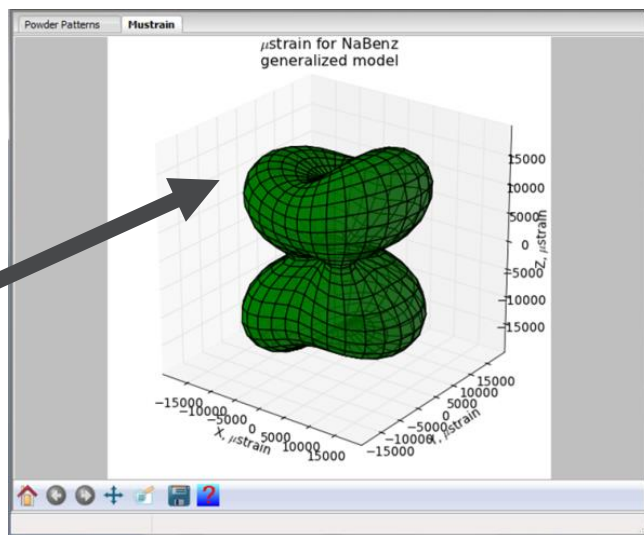
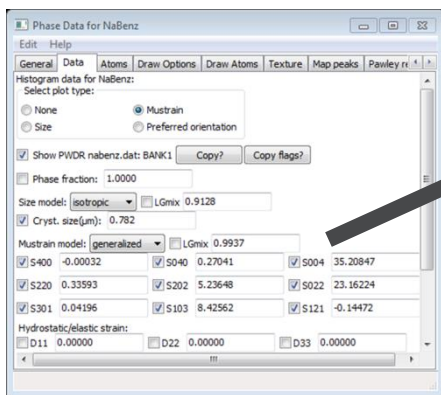


Contour plot

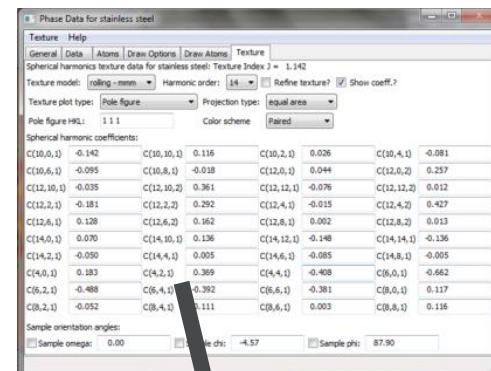


# ADVANCED VISUALIZATION IN GSAS-II: NUMBERS AS PICTURES

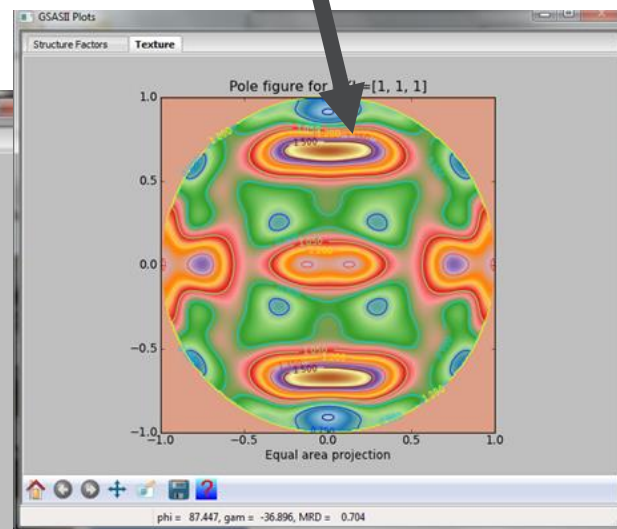
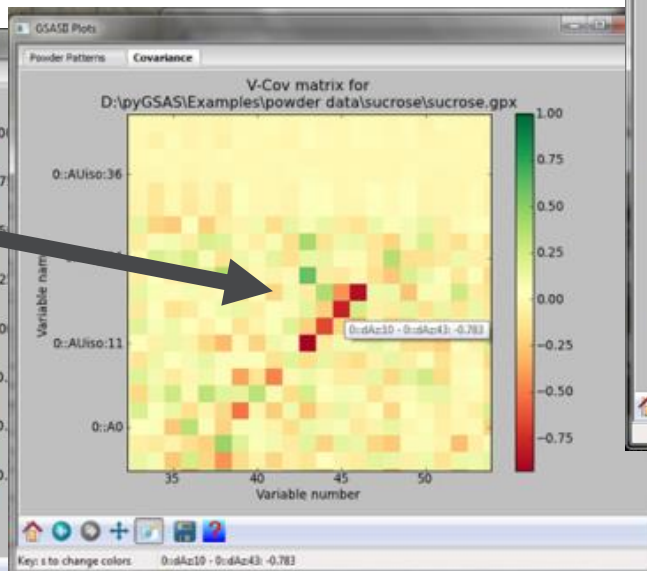
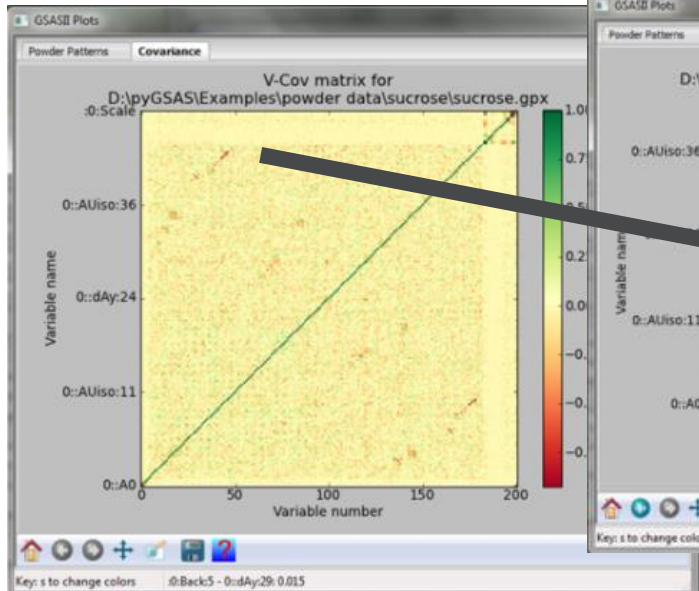
$\mu$ strain surface



Texture – sph. harmonics



v-cov matrix



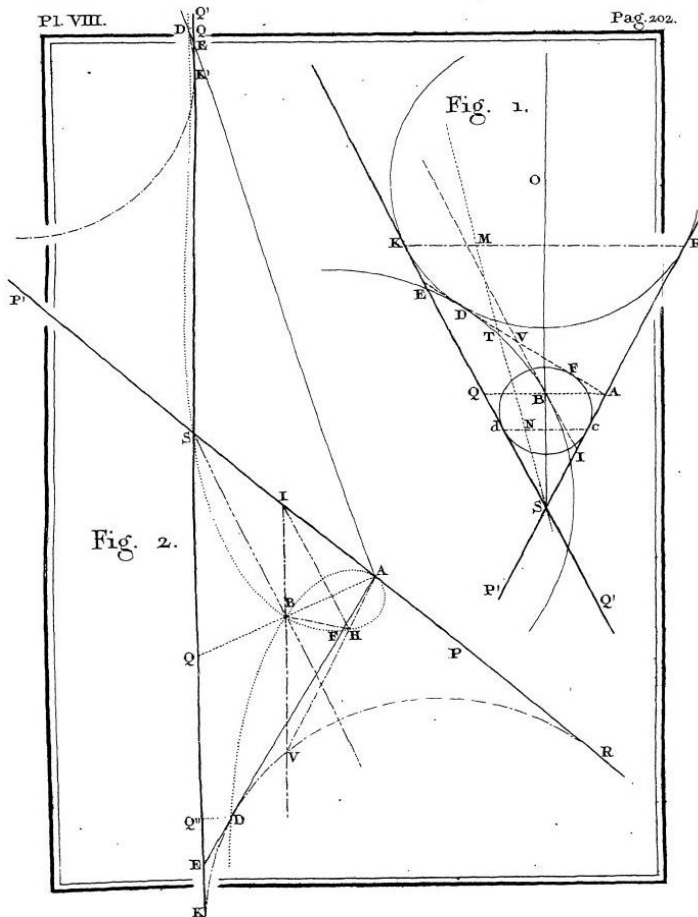
# CONIC SECTIONS

Where is the incident beam on the detector?

Fit2D (& DataSqueeze) – assumes center of the diffraction ellipse - False Analysis – G.P. Dandelin,

Nouveaux memories de l'Academie royal de Bruxelles, 2, 171-202 (1822)

Drawing by Dandelin p.202



Taken from Dandelin's original paper  
Fig. 1: Shows the 2 spheres in contact with plane EA

- line SO is cone axis
- F&D are the ellipse foci on the plane

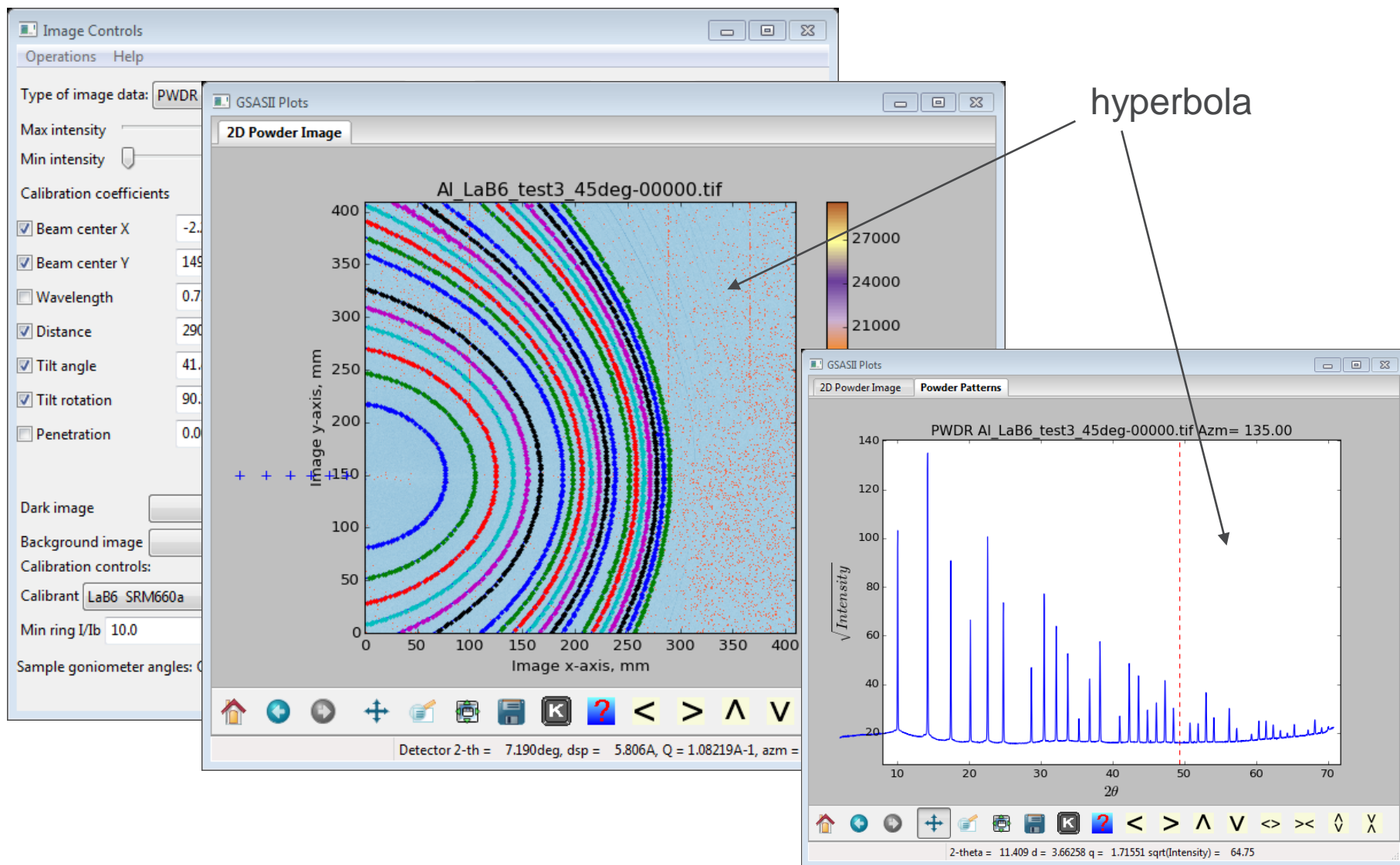
He refers to a work by M. Quetlet as having previously made this construction - source?

This is not something new!

Dandelin sphere construction used in GSAS-II for image plate orientation calibration



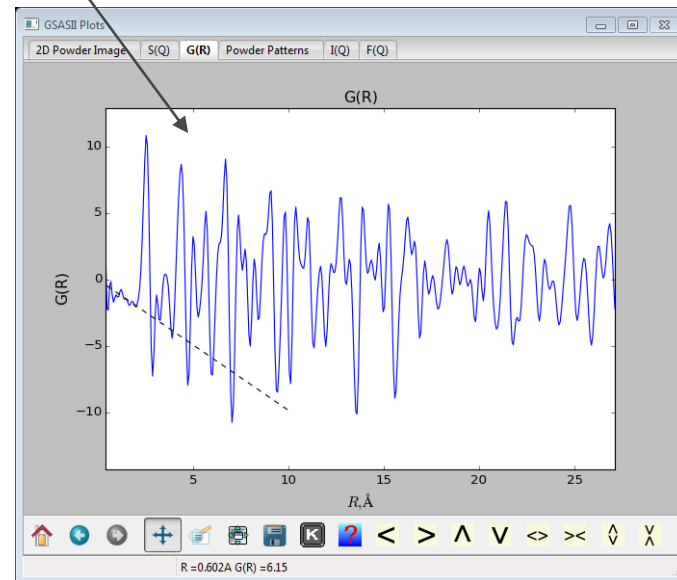
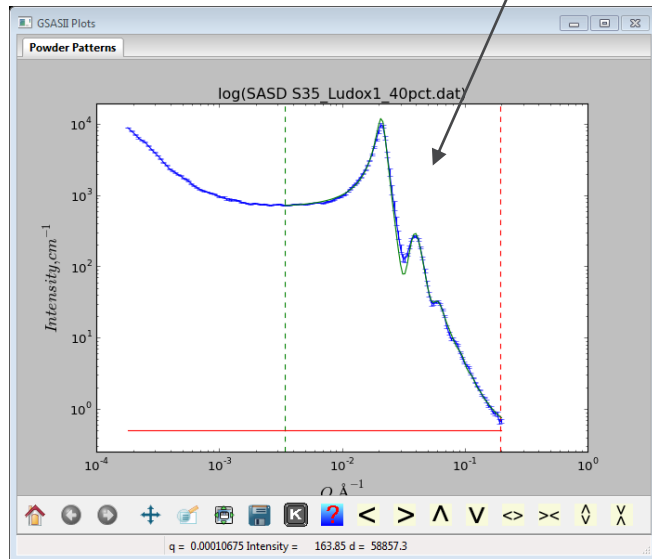
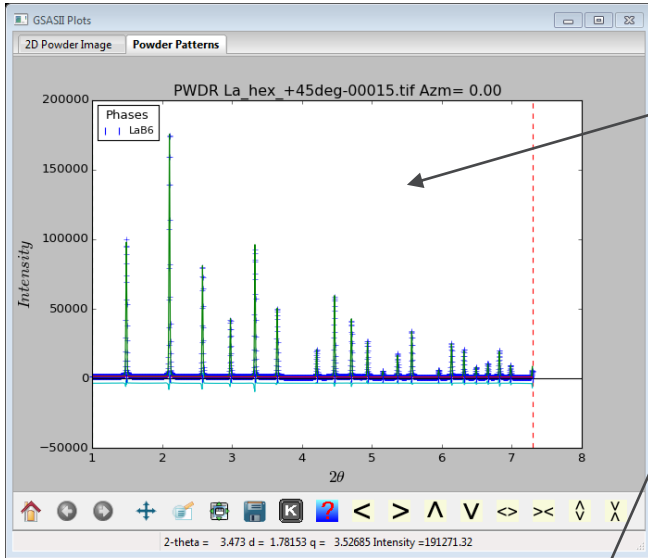
# OFFSET & TILTED DETECTORS – AN EXAMPLE



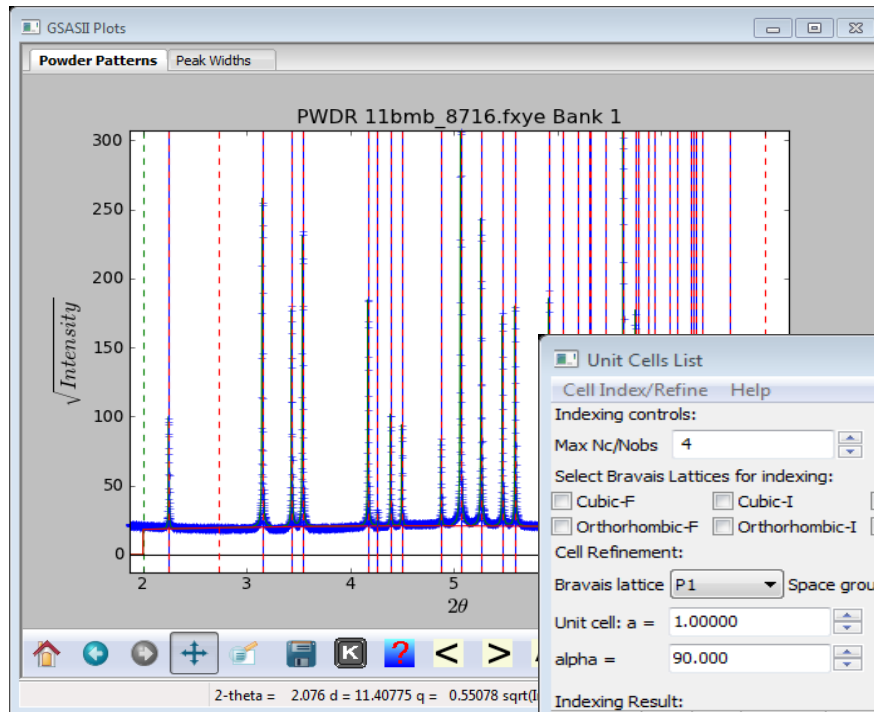


# AFTER IMAGE PROCESSING IN GSAS-II – STAY IN PROJECT FILE

- Powder diffraction analysis
- Small angle data analysis
- PDF calculation (needs some development & enthusiastic users)



# PEAK PICKING, FITTING & INDEXING



Indexing – Coehlo algorithm  
(same as topas)

Unit Cells List

Cell Index/Refine Help

Indexing controls:

Max Nc/Nobs 4 Start Volume 25  Use M20/(X20+1)?

Select Bravais Lattices for indexing:

Cubic-F  Cubic-I  Cubic-P  Trigonal-R  Trigonal/Hexagonal-P  Tetragonal-I  Tetragonal-P  
 Orthorhombic-F  Orthorhombic-I  Orthorhombic-C  Orthorhombic-P  Monoclinic-C  Monoclinic-P  Triclinic

Cell Refinement:

Bravais lattice P1 Space group P -1 Zero offset 0.0000  Refine?  Super lattice?

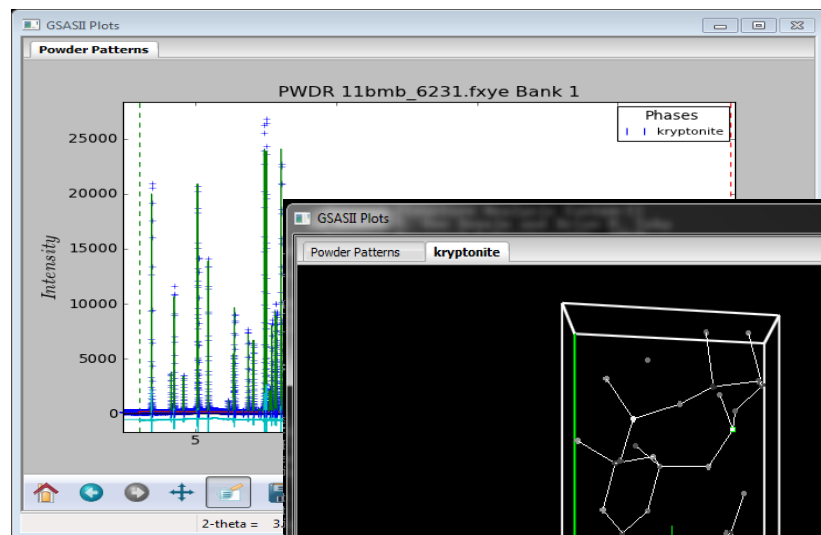
Unit cell: a = 1.00000 b = 1.00000 c = 1.00000 Vol = 1.000  
 alpha = 90.000 beta = 90.000 gamma = 90.000

Indexing Result:

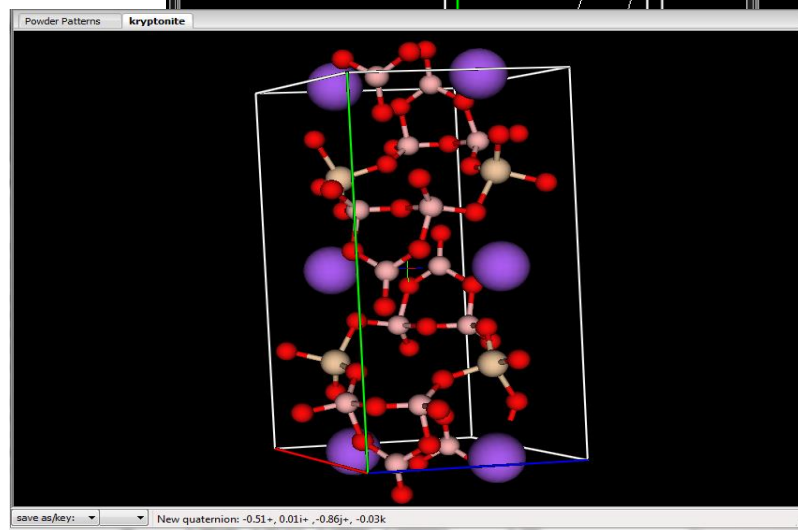
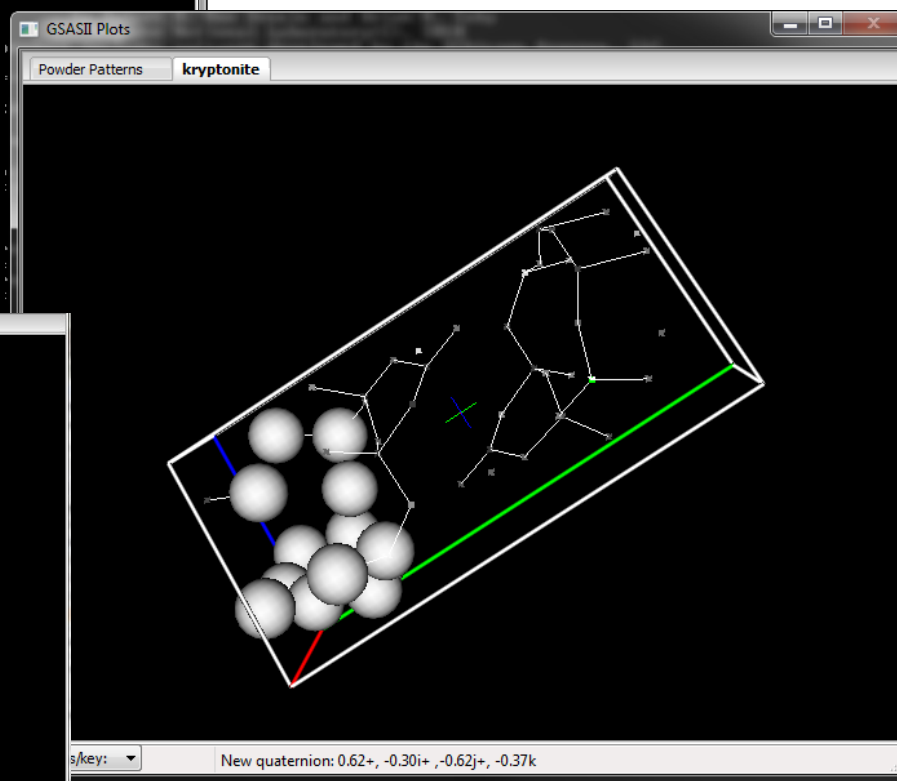
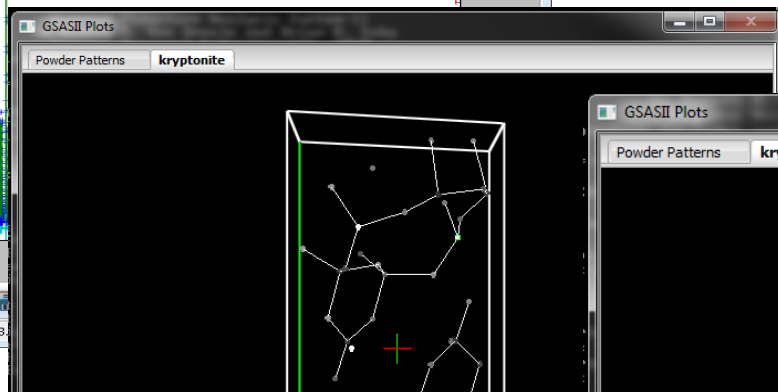
M20	X20	use	Bravais	a	b	c	alpha	beta	gamma	Volume	Keep
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# STRUCTURE SOLUTION

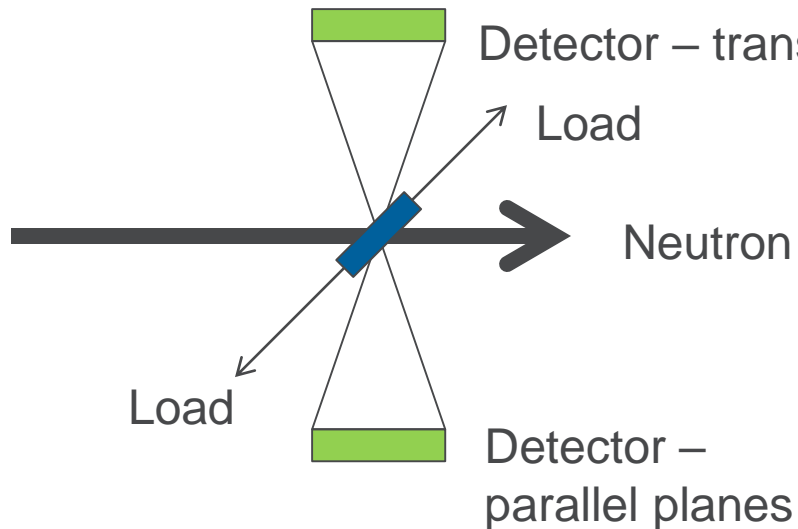
## Charge Flipping 3D & 4D



Powder – Pawley refinement  
Charge flip (NB: no symmetry)  
Atom selection & identification

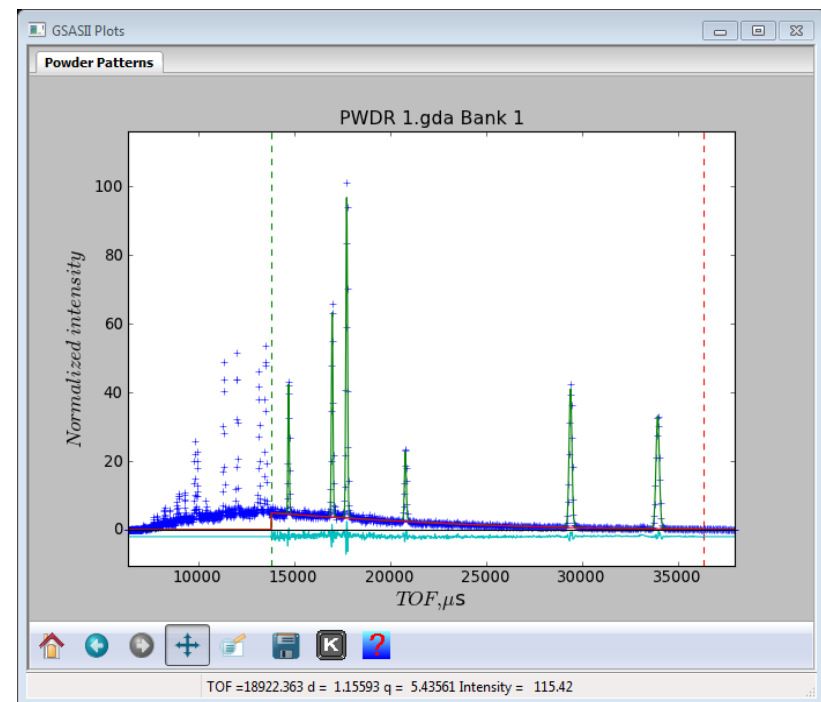


# SEQUENTIAL PEAK FITTING – OBSERVATION OF STRAIN – SNS VULCAN DIFFRACTOMETER



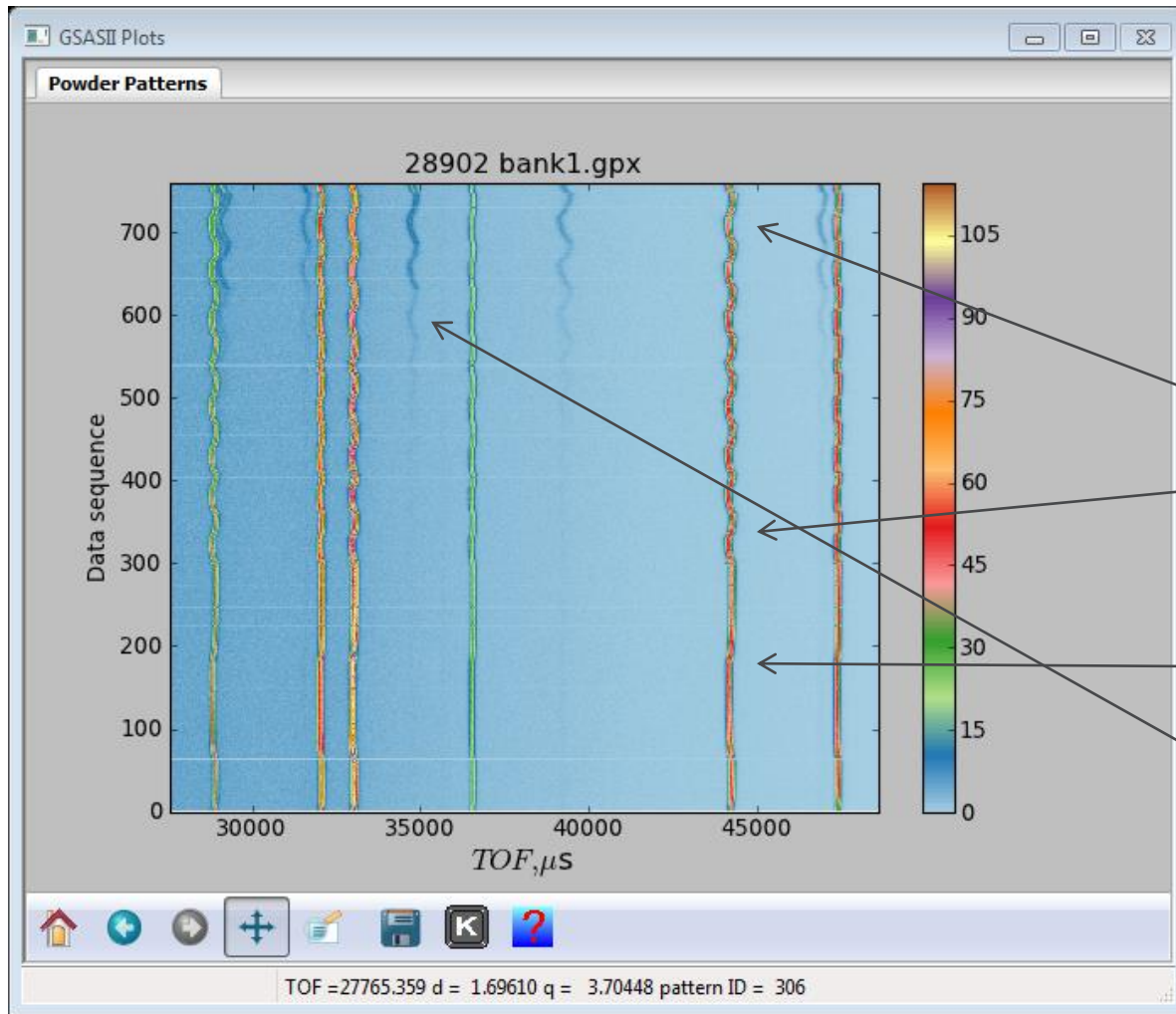
Sample: ¼” stainless steel rod, 1 min exposures over 13+ hrs  
~800 patterns  
Cycle tension – compression loading

One pattern –  
single peak fits: 6 lines  
Follow vs time & loading





# ~800 TOF POWDER PATTERNS IN GSAS-II



8-9 fast load cycles

1 Slow load cycle

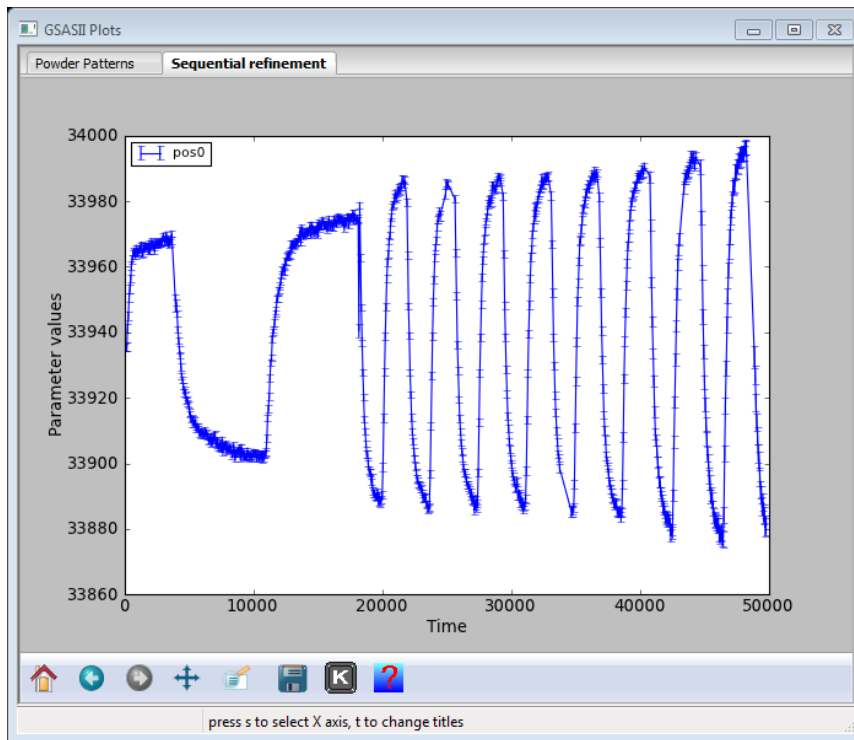
2<sup>nd</sup> phase appears  
(ferrite - BCC)

Main peaks –  
austenite - FCC

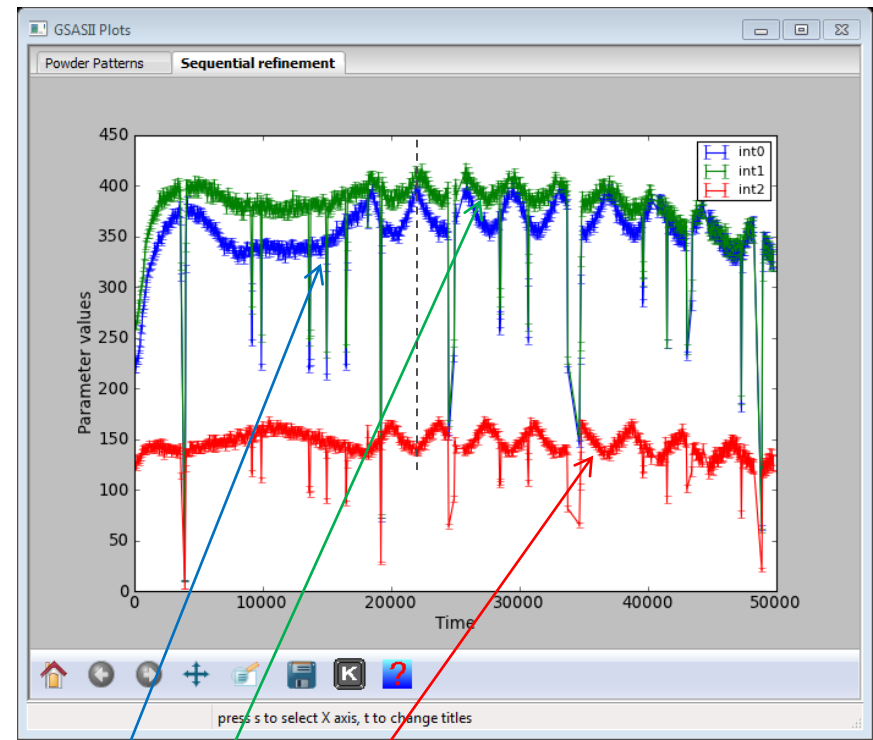
Do sequential peak fitting – 6 peaks + background  
~1.5 min to complete!

# SOME SEQUENTIAL PEAK FIT RESULTS

Lots to explore here – all within GSAS-II



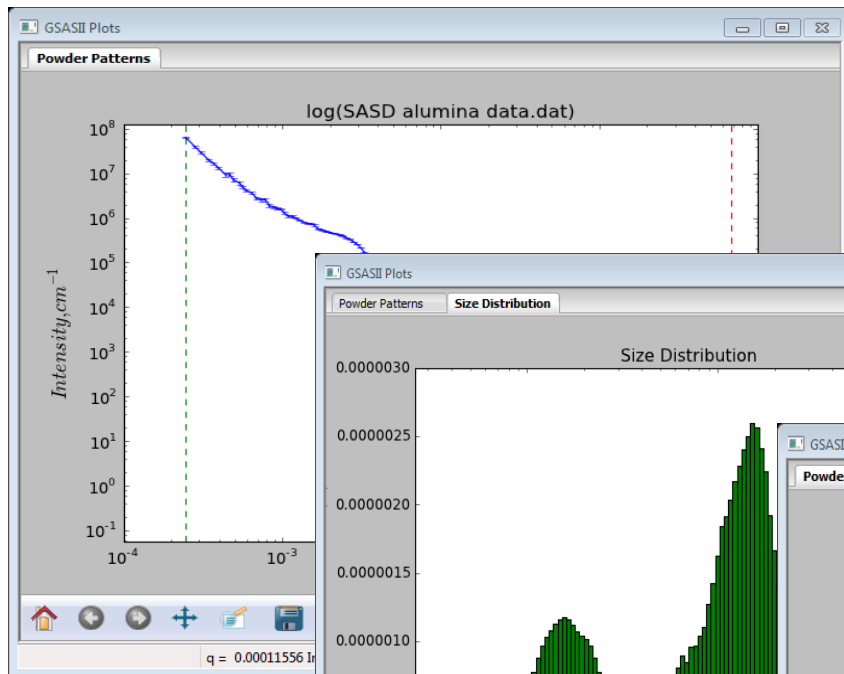
Austenite 111 position



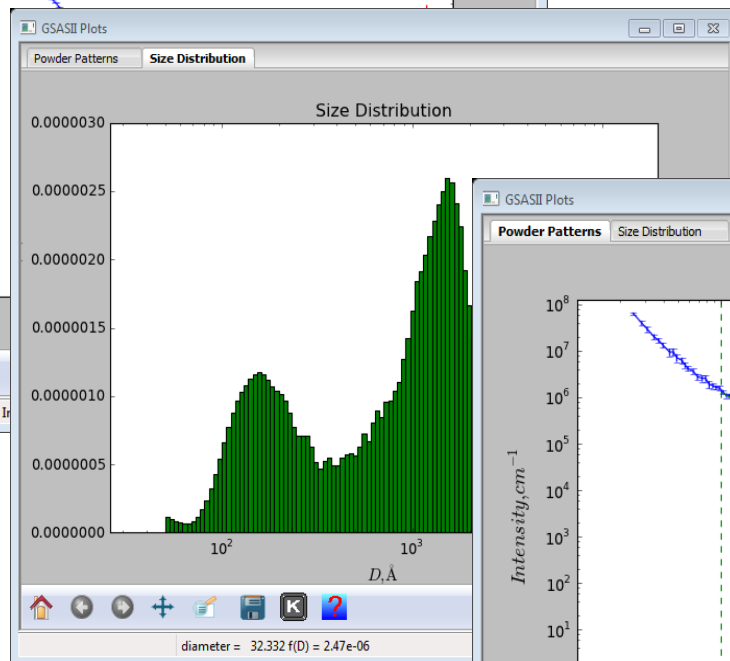
Austenite 111, 200 & 210 intensity  
NB: note misalignment of 111, 200 vs 210  
Crystallite reorientation under load  
Spikes (down) – beam dropouts

# SMALL ANGLE SCATTERING – SIZE DISTRIBUTION

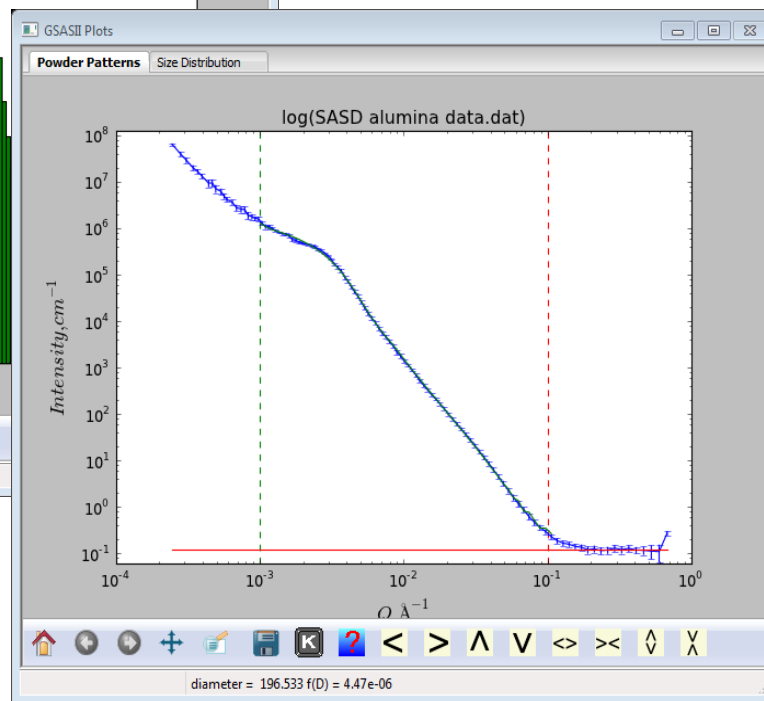
Alumina polishing powder – bimodal particle size  $\sim 1600\text{\AA}$  &  $\sim 160\text{\AA}$  (not  $500\text{\AA}$  &  $1\mu\text{m}$  as advertised!)



data



distribution



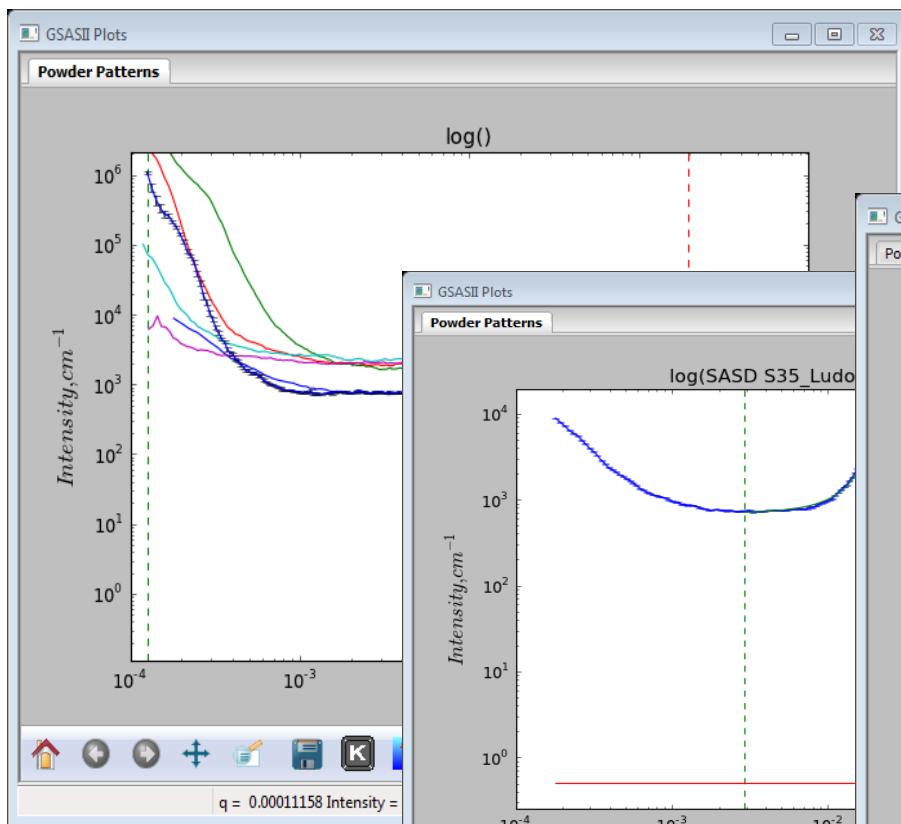
fit

# SMALL ANGLE SCATTERING – SEQUENTIAL DATA ANALYSIS

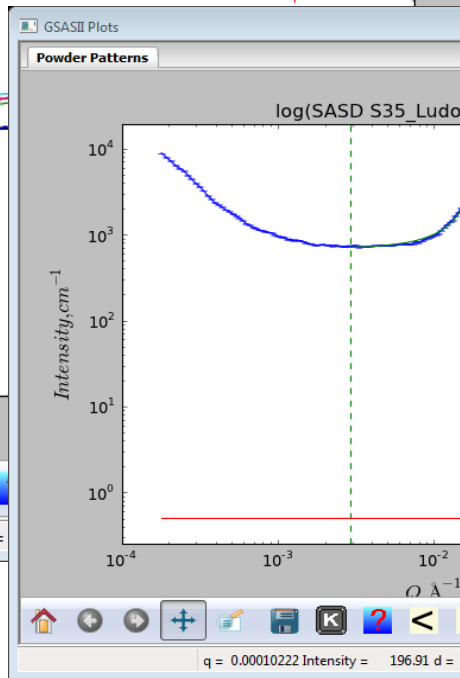
## Ludox colloidal silica from Aldrich – dilution range

Fit – hard sphere; log normal distribution, size, mean, vol. fr.

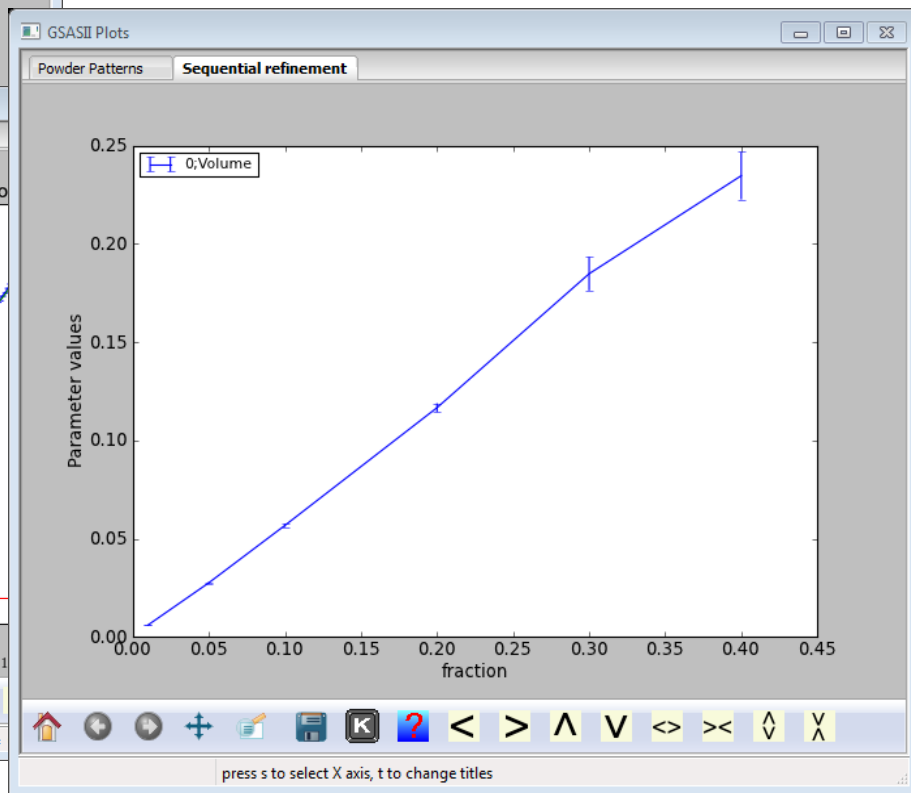
Sequential result – find slope/intercept



data



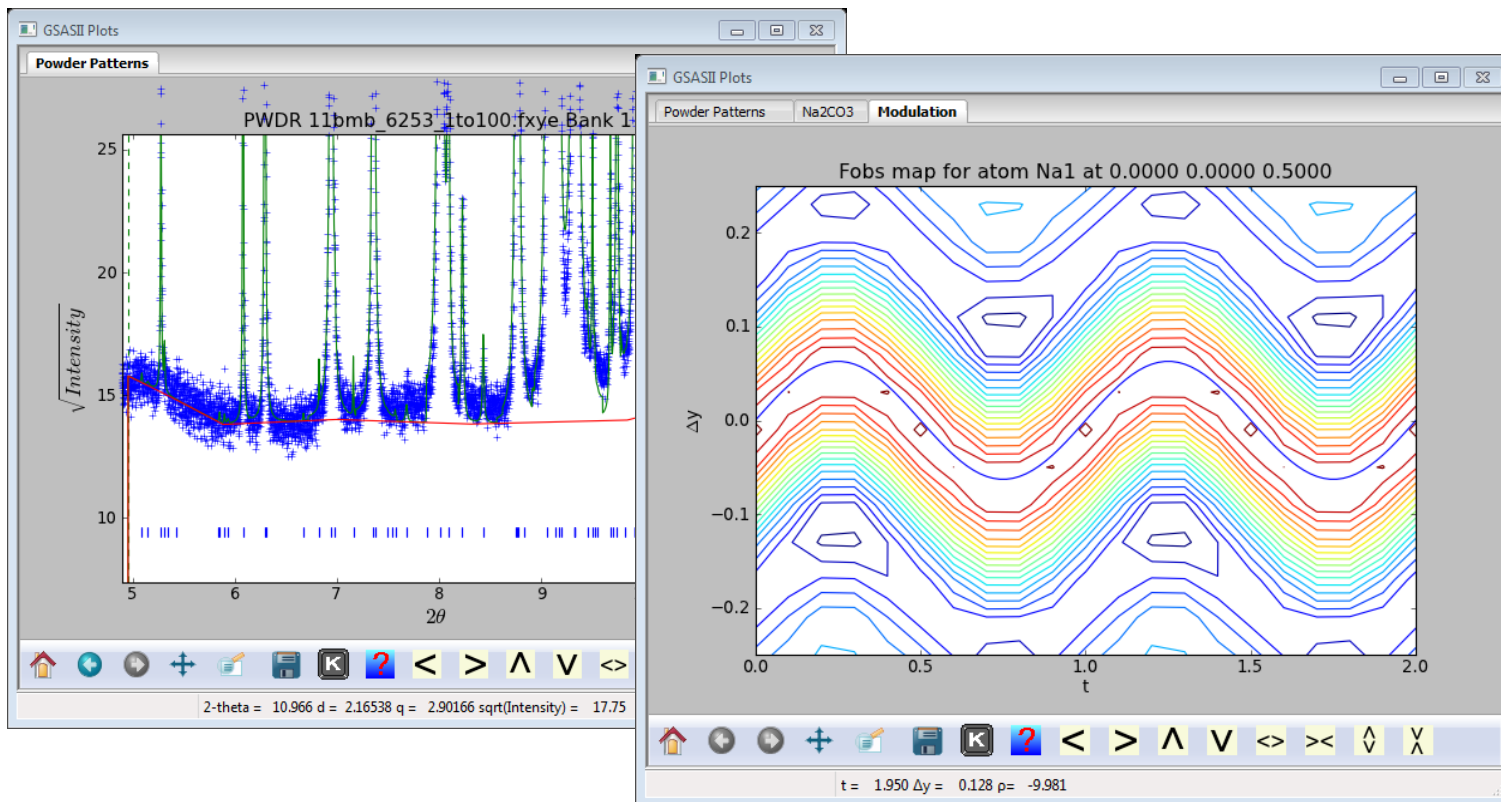
One fit





# INCOMMENSURATE STRUCTURES

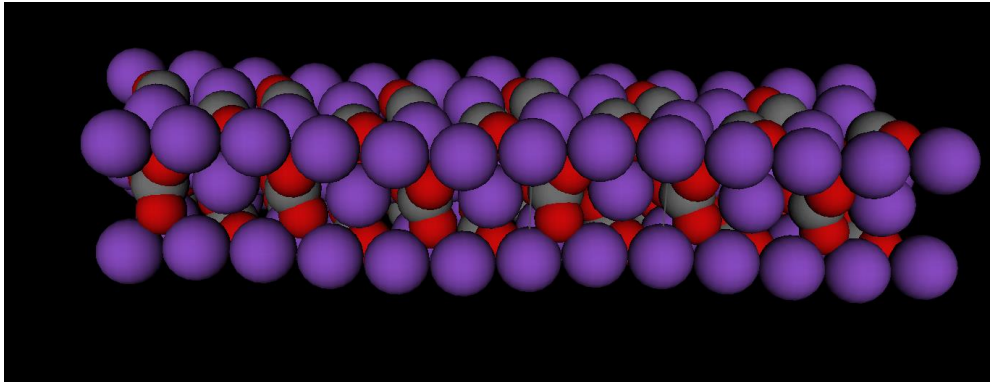
Simple materials – ex.  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$   $C 2/m (a0g)0s$  super space group  
 $M = (0.1833, 0, 0.3191)$



# INCOMMENSURATE STRUCTURES IN GSAS-II

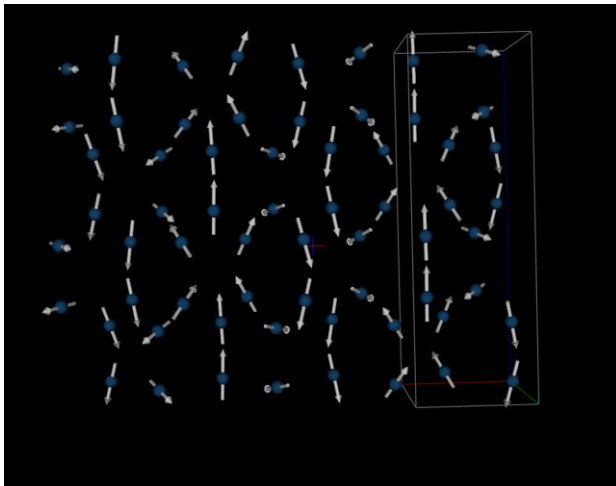
## Chemical & magnetic – object: full structure analysis

- Import incommensurate cif & mcif files & draw them – example:  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$



SC & powder data  
collected at APS  
Structure solution test  
both with GSAS-II

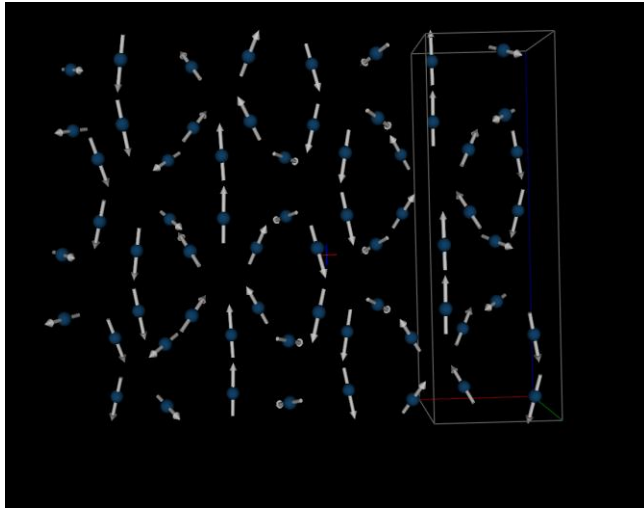
- Incommensurate magnetic mcif file & draw them – example:  $\beta\text{-Li}_2\text{IrO}_3$



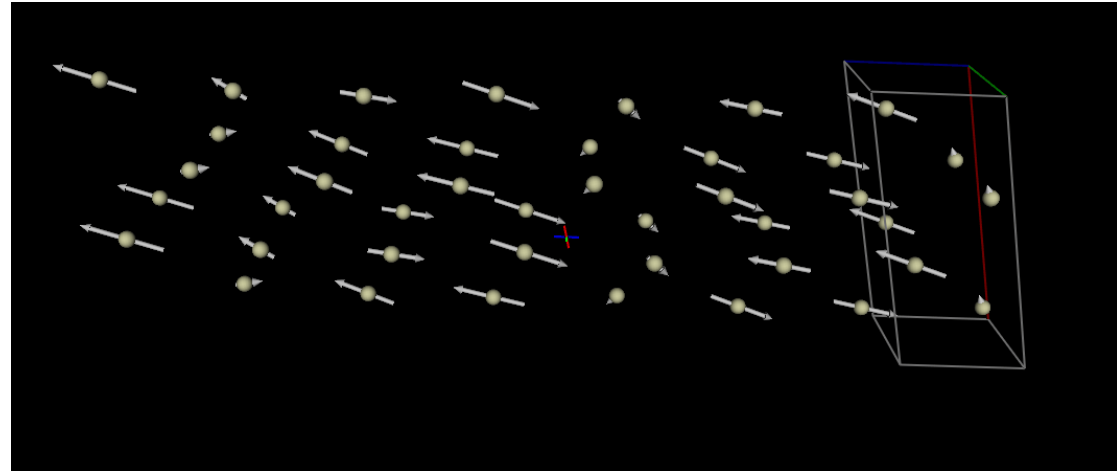
Determined from SC x-ray  
resonant diffraction (Diamond) &  
neutron powder data (ISIS)

# MAGNETIC INCOMMENSURATE STRUCTURES

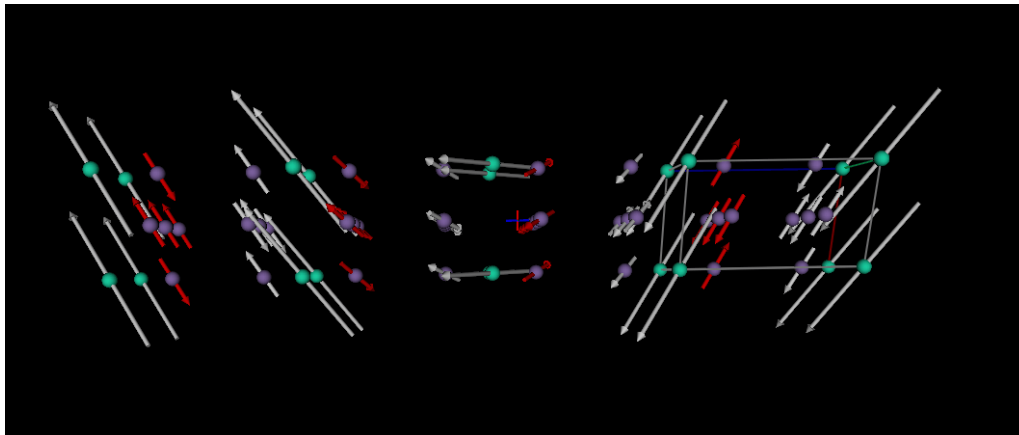
Some examples:



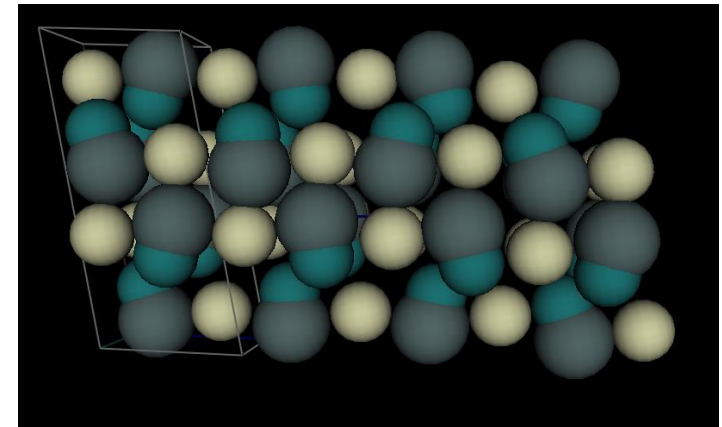
$\beta\text{-Li}_2\text{IrO}_3$



CeRuSn – Ce moment



$\text{DyMn}_6\text{Ge}_6$  – residual moment



CeRuSn –  
structure modulation

# GSAS-II INSTALLATION



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Search web for “GSAS-II” → only thing out there:

See GSAS-II “home page” <https://subversion.xray.aps.anl.gov/trac/pyGSAS>.

- Includes
  - Installation instructions – includes a 1-step for python/GSAS-II
  - Tutorials - ~50 of these

# GSAS-II CAPABILITIES

# GSAS-II CAPABILITIES & EXAMPLES

## Powder data

- 2D Images:
  - calibration & integration → 1D patterns
  - Direct strain fitting → 3 strain tensor elements\*
- 1D patterns
  - Peak picking & fitting\*
  - Indexing & space group selection → make new phase
- Multidata X-ray/neutron, CW/TOF → all combinations possible
- Structure solution
  - Stochastic – Monte Carlo/Simulated Annealing
  - Deterministic – Charge Flipping (3D & 4D)
- Structure Refinement – Rietveld Method\*
  - Pawley refinement (needed for Structure Solution)
  - (3+1) Incommensurate structures
  - Constraints & restraints
  - Rigid bodies (2 kinds)
  - Texture Analysis → spherical harmonics\*
- Stacking Faults → DIFFaX simulations (NB: no refinement)
- Pair Distribution Function → data transformation (e.g. make PDF)

\* Can use Sequential Analysis

# GSAS-II CAPABILITIES & EXAMPLES

## Single Crystal Data

- Multidata X-ray/neutron → all combinations possible
- Structure solution
  - Stochastic – Monte Carlo/Simulated Annealing
  - Deterministic – Charge Flipping (3D & 4D)
- Structure Refinement –Levenberg-Marquardt least squares\*
  - (3+1) Incommensurate structures
  - Constraints & restraints
  - Rigid bodies (2 kinds)
  - Merohedral & pseudomerohedral twinning
  - Extinction (Gaussian/Lorentzian Primary & Secondary I & II)
- Stacking Faults → DIFFaX simulations (NB: no refinement)

\* Can use Sequential Analysis



# GSAS-II CAPABILITIES & EXAMPLES

## Small Angle Diffraction Data

- 2D Images:
  - calibration & integration → 1D patterns
- 1D Small Angle Data
  - Scaling to glassy carbon standard
  - Size Analysis
    - Maximum Entropy Analysis
    - Total Non-negative Least Squares
  - Model fitting – components\*
    - Particle shapes – e.g. spheres, disks, hollow spheres,...
    - Porod scattering
    - Bragg peaks

\* Can use Sequential Analysis

# SEQUENTIAL DATA ANALYSIS

## Multiple data sets – no maximum number

- 2D Images:
  - Direct strain fitting → 3 strain tensor elements
- 1D patterns
  - Peak picking & fitting
  - Structure Refinement – Rietveld Method
  - Small angle data – model fitting
- Results table
  - Parameter plotting vs experiment variable (e.g.. Temperature)
  - Parametric equation modeling & fitting

# GSAS-II TUTORIALS

# BEST WAY TO LEARN GSAS-II IS BY RUNNING SELECTED TUTORIALS

Most major sections of the program are demonstrated by tutorial examples – best for today is to pick one/two for now

## Basic GSAS-II tutorials

- Starting GSAS-II describes how the user interface works
- Fitting laboratory X-ray powder data for fluoroapatite
- CW Neutron Powder fit for Yttrium-Iron Garnet
- Combined X-ray/CW-neutron refinement of PbSO<sub>4</sub>
- Combined X-ray/TOF-neutron Rietveld refinement

# MORE ADVANCED TUTORIALS

## Parametric Rietveld fitting

- Sequential refinement of multiple datasets (prerequisite for next)
  - Parametric Fitting and Pseudo Variables for Sequential Fits

## Structure solution

- Fitting individual peaks & autoindexing (prerequisite for next two)
  - Charge Flipping structure solution for jadarite
  - Charge Flipping structure solution for sucrose
- Charge Flipping structure solution with Xray single crystal data
- Charge flipping with neutron TOF single crystal data
- Monte-Carlo simulated annealing structure determination

# MORE ADVANCED TUTORIALS (II)

## Stacking Fault Modeling

- Stacking fault simulations for diamond
- Stacking fault simulations for Keokuk kaolinite
- Stacking fault simulations for Georgia kaolinite

## Image Calibration/Integration

- Calibration of an area detector
- Integration of area detector data
- Calibration of a Neutron TOF diffractometer



# MORE ADVANCED TUTORIALS (III)

## Small-Angle Scattering

- Small angle x-ray data size distribution (alumina powder)
- Fitting small angle x-ray data (alumina powder)
- Image Processing of small angle x-ray data
- Sequential refinement with small angle scattering data

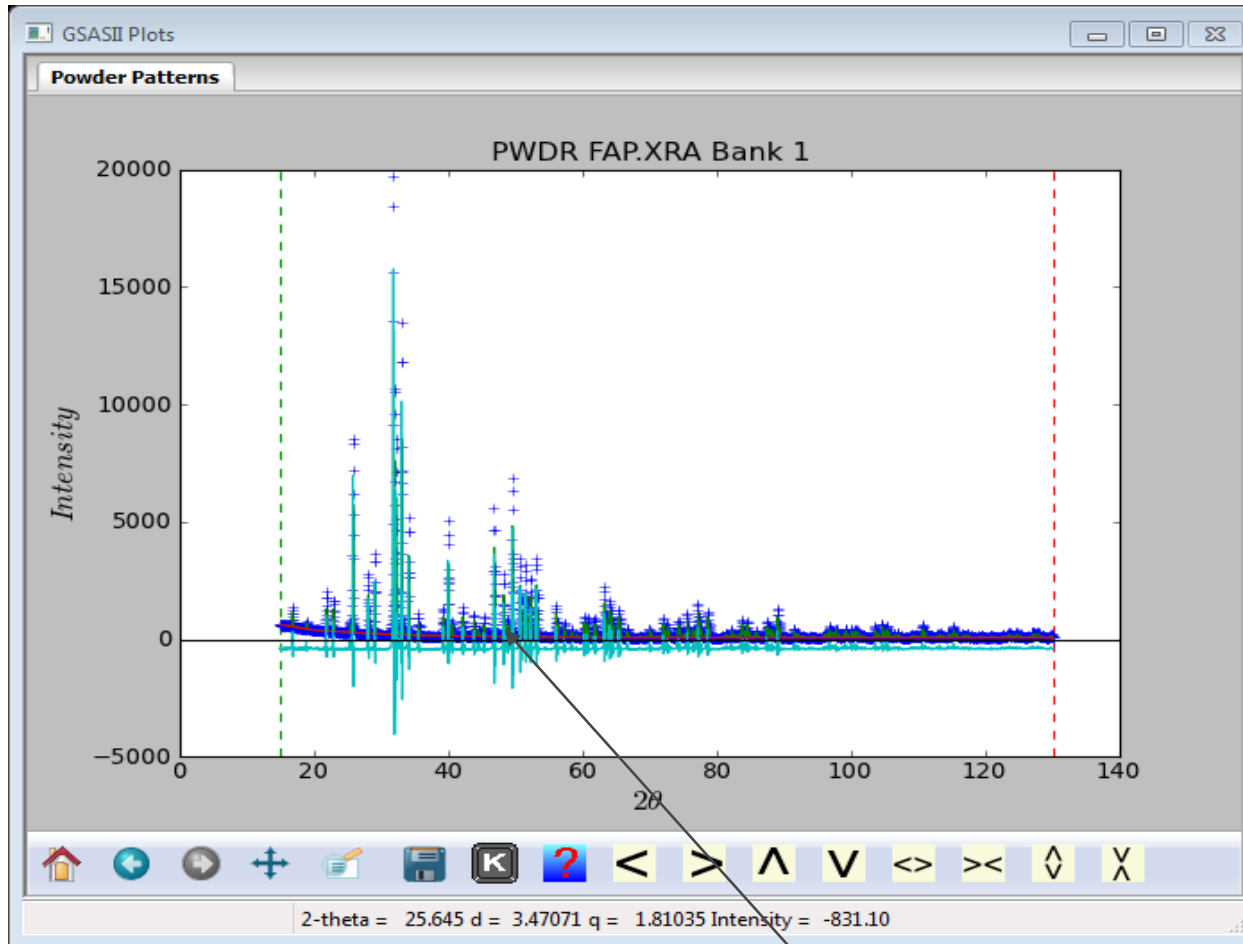
## Other

- Texture analysis of 2D data
- Rietveld Refinement detail:
  - Fitting the Starting Background using Fixed Points
- Merohedral twin refinements
- Single crystal refinement from TOF data
- Scripting a GSAS-II Refinement from Python
- Strain fitting of 2D data

# RIETVELD REFINEMENT – A SIMPLE EXAMPLE

# AN EXAMPLE: FLUROAPATITE

Add atoms & do default initial refinement  
– scale & background



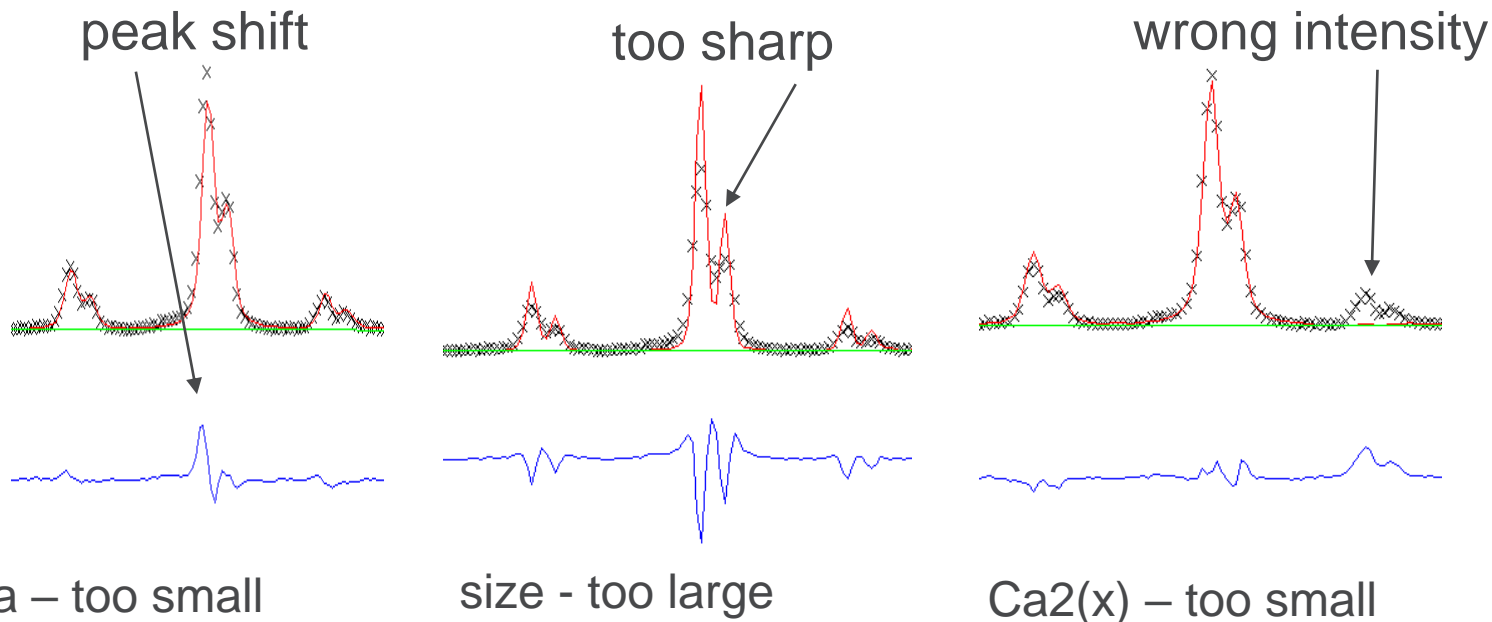
- Notice shape of difference curve – position/shape/intensity errors

# ERRORS & PARAMETERS?

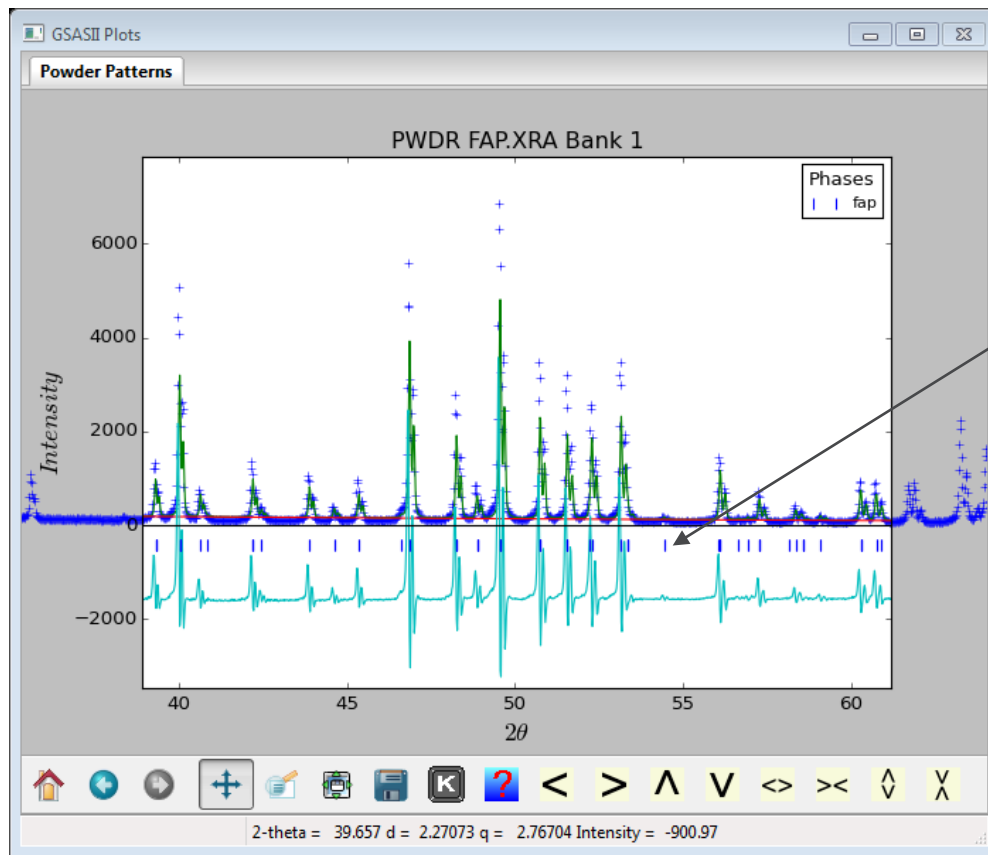
- position – lattice parameters, zero point (not common)
  - other systematic effects – sample shift/offset
- shape – profile coefficients – sample size/ $\mu$ strain
  - (U, V, W, X, Y, etc. in GSAS-II are instrument parms.)
- intensity – crystal structure (atom positions & thermal parameters)
  - other systematic effects (absorption/extinction/preferred orientation)

**NB – get linear combination of all the above**

**NB<sup>2</sup> – trend with  $2\Theta$  (or TOF) important**



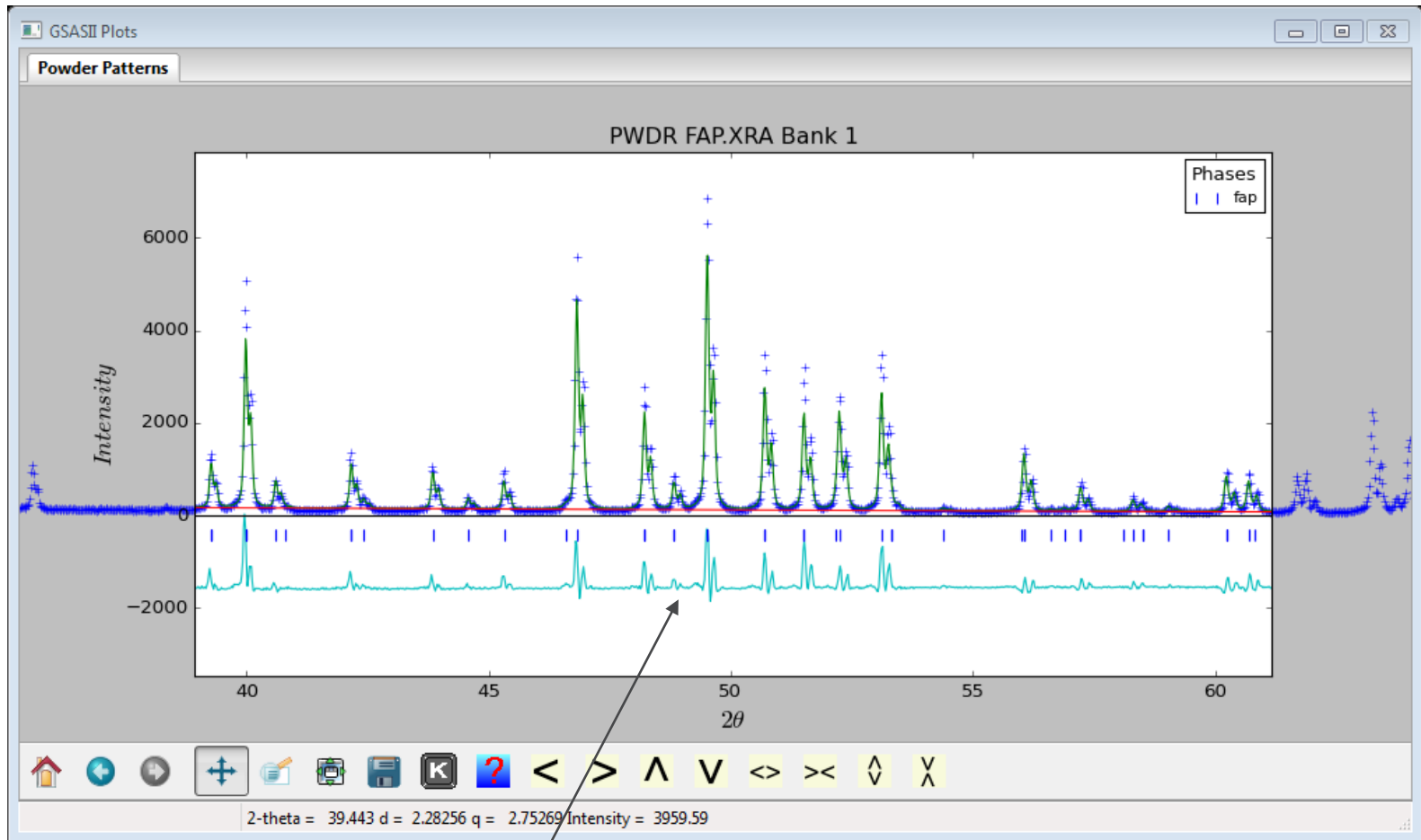
# DIFFERENCE CURVE – WHAT TO DO NEXT?



Characteristic “up-down-up”  
→ profile error  
NB – can be “down-up-down” for too “fat” profile

- Dominant error – peak positions? peak shapes - too sharp?
- Refine sample  $\mu$ strain parameter next & include lattice parameters
- **NB - EACH CASE IS DIFFERENT – no magic recipe**

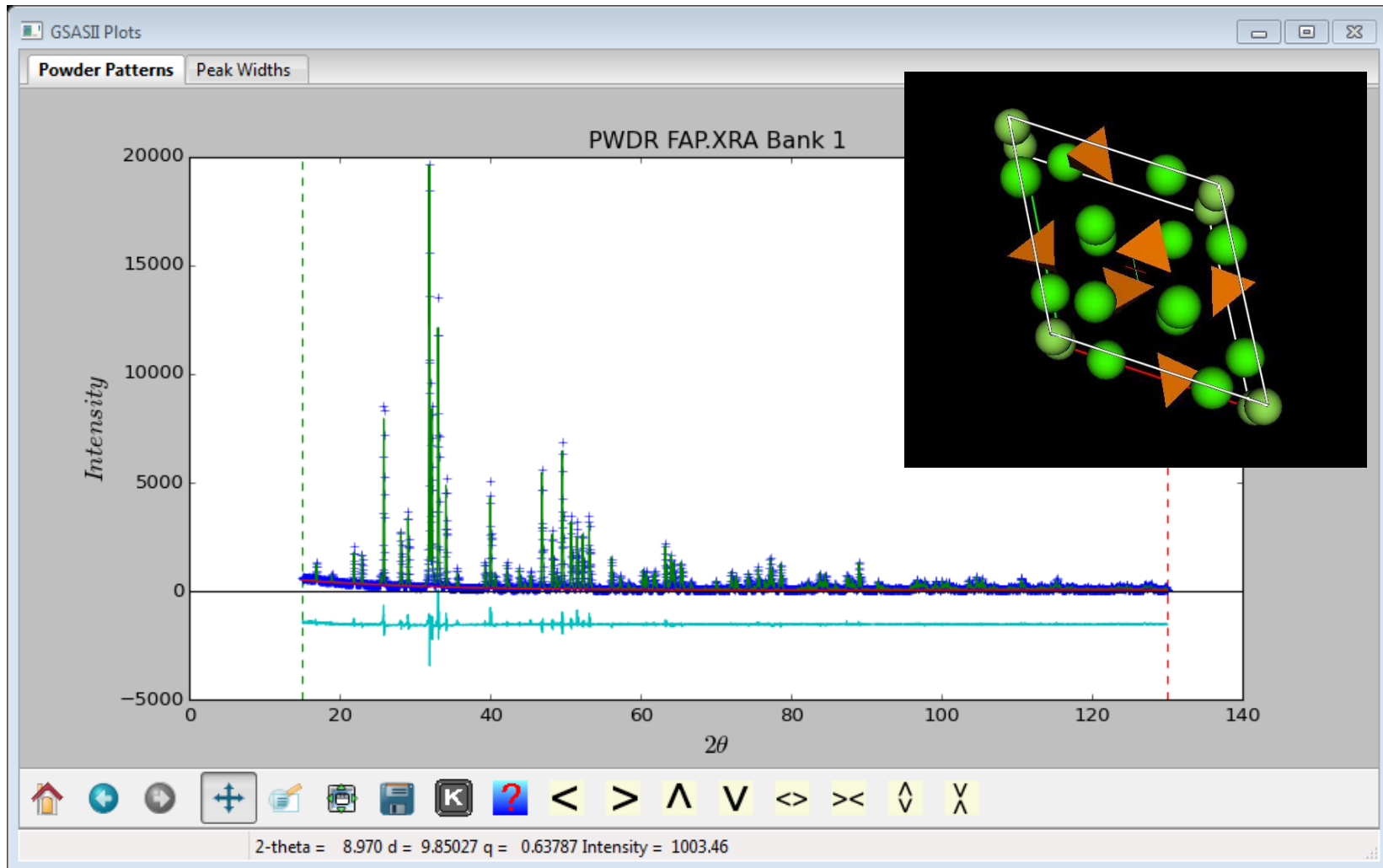
# RESULT – MUCH IMPROVED!



- maybe intensity differences remain  
– refine coordinates & thermal parms.

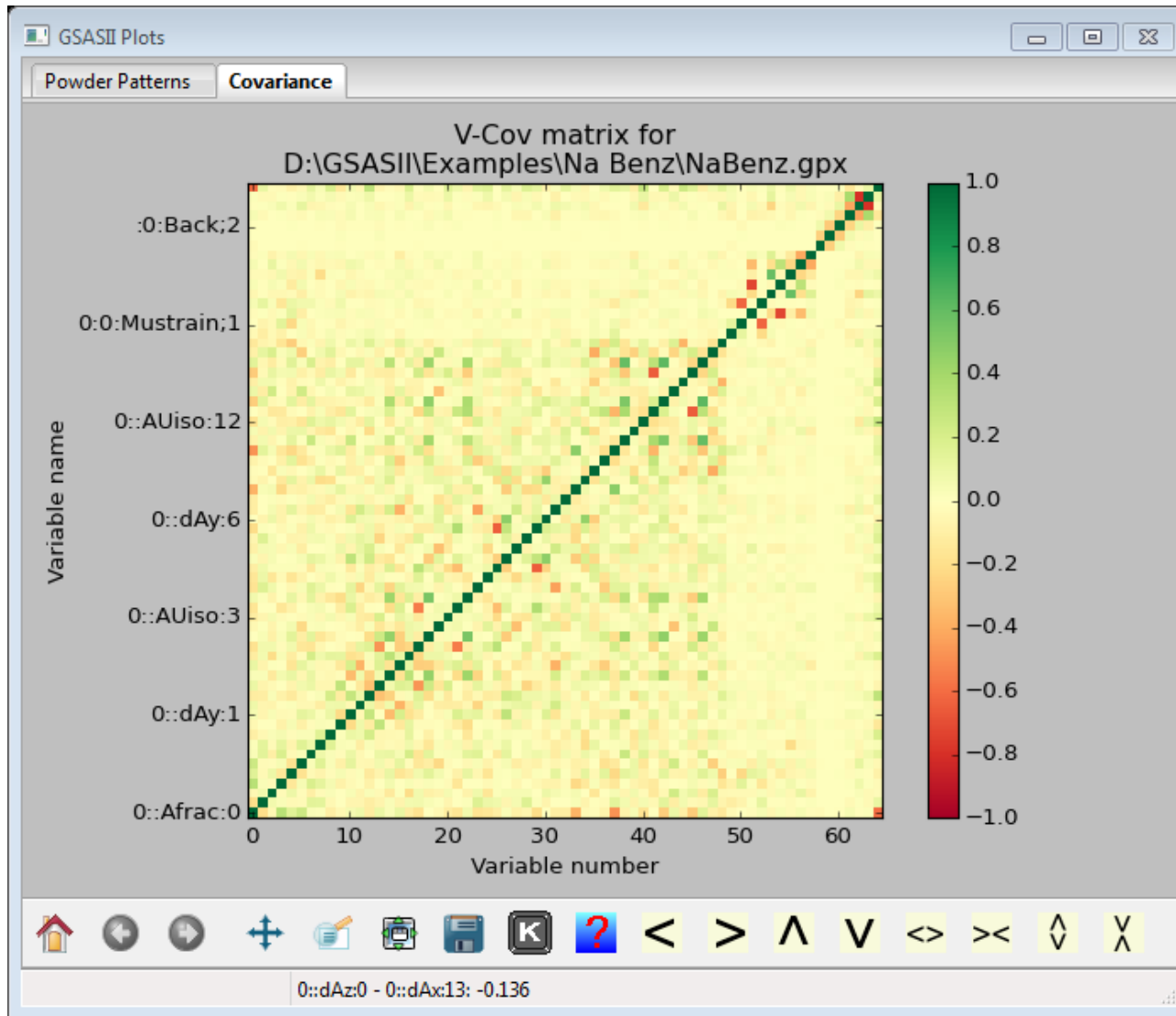


# RESULT – ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED



- Thus, major error in the initial model –  
peak shapes & sample displacement/lattice parameters

# A USEFUL PLOT – COVARIANCE MATRIX



**Green: cov > 0**  
**Red: cov < 0**  
**Yellow: cov ~ 0**  
**Cursor reports:**  
**Cov or value(esd)**  
**on diagonal**  
**Can be zoomed!**

**Beware white bands & nan:**  
**Singularities!**

# A FEW FINAL WORDS

**“A Rietveld refinement is never perfected, merely abandoned” (P. Stephens, 2000)**

**“Rietveld refinement is one of those few fields of intellectual endeavor wherein the more one does it, the less one understands.” (Sue Kesson)**

**“A Rietveld refinement is done when you run out of parameters” (R. Von Dreele)**

**Books:**

**Modern Powder Diffraction, Eds. J. Post & D. Bish (1989)**

**The Rietveld Method, Ed. R.A. Young (1993)**

**Powder Diffraction: Theory & Practice, Eds. R. Dinnebier & S. Billinge (2008)**