



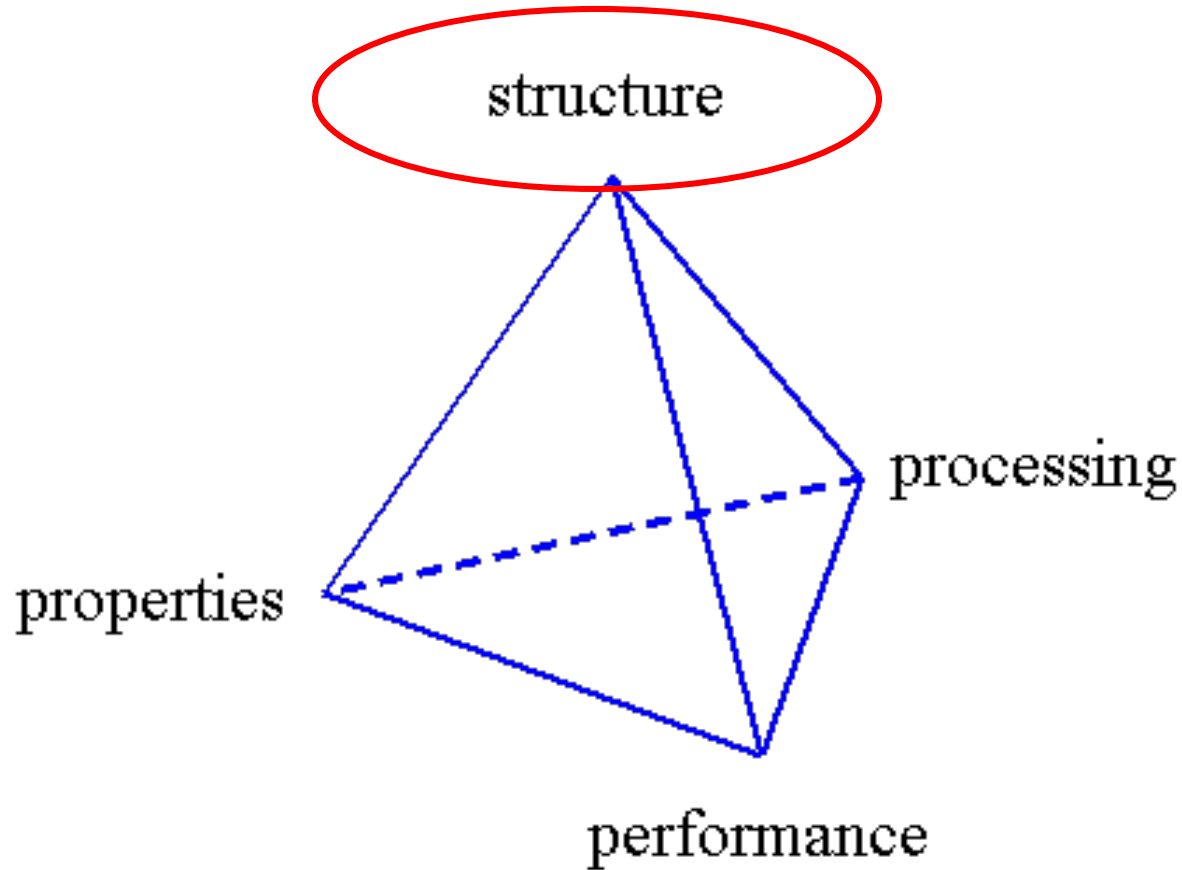
# Feasible Sets

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*Electron Crystallography is the branch of science that uses electron scattering and imaging to study the structure of matter*


# What is the science?



# Why determine the structure?

- 
- To finish my PhD
  - To get/keep my job
  - Because structure *coupled* with other science really matters – but only when coupled
  - Follow the science, not the electron

# How to solve a structure?

- 
- Guess, then refine
    - Will always give something, but if the guess is wrong GIGO
  - Use Patterson function
    - Difficult for complicated structures (more to come)
  - Use DFT<sup>1</sup>
    - If the original guess is wrong, GIGO
    - Functionals are inaccurate for most oxides (energies wrong)
  - Get an image
    - STM is hard to interpret
    - HREM, can be ambiguous (more to come)
  - Get a Diffraction Pattern
    - Incomplete information (more to come)

<sup>1</sup>For later today

# Four basic elements are required to solve a recovery problem



1. A data formation model

*Imaging/Diffraction/Measurement*

2. A priori information

*The presence of atoms or similar*

3. A recovery criterion:

*A numerical test of Goodness-of-Fit*

4. A solution method.

*Mathematical details*

# Four basic elements are required to solve a recovery problem

## 1. A data formation model

*Imaging/Diffraction/Measurement*

Kinematical Theory/Linear Imaging

Single Weak Scattering + Ewald Sphere

Qualitatively correct; Quantitatively inaccurate

Bragg's Law

Single Scattering + Zero Excitation Error

Worse than Kinematical Theory (it is different)

Dynamical Theory/Non-Linear Imaging

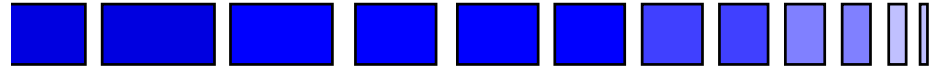
Quantitatively correct, to the accuracy of the electrostatic potential (exact in principle)

Warning: Errors in the model introduce systematic errors in the recovery which of course can lead to GIGO

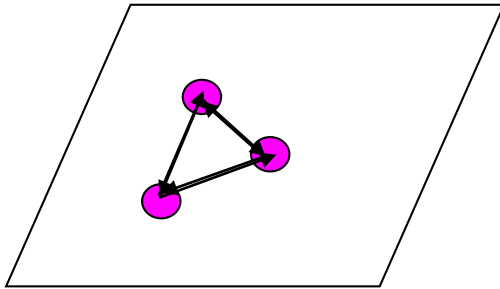
$$P(uvw) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{hkl} I(hkl) e^{-2\pi i(hu+lv+kw)}$$

# Patterson Function

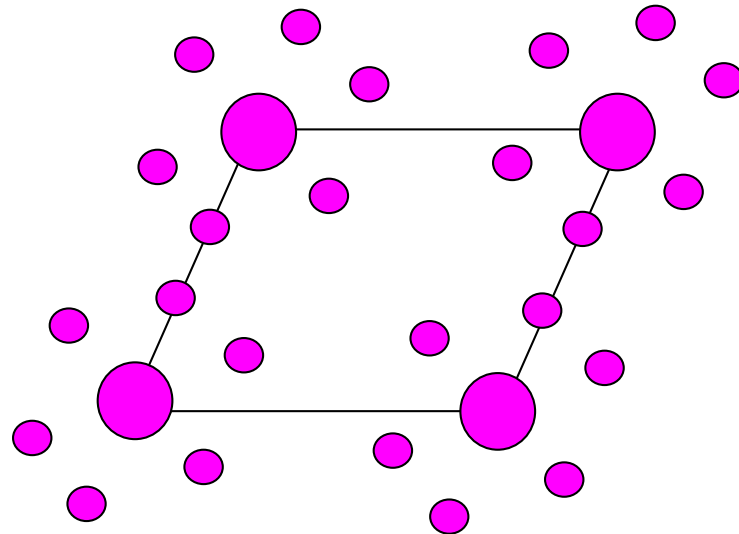
$$P(\vec{u}) = \int \rho(\vec{r}) \rho(\vec{r} + \vec{u}) d^3 \vec{r}$$



Real Cell

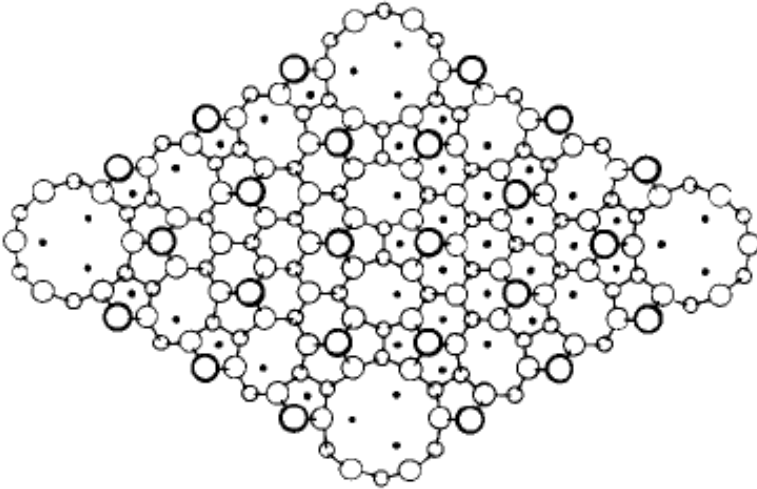


Patterson Cell



- 1) Patterson is symmetric about origin (centrosymmetry)
- 2) Can see pattern of real cell in Patterson cell repeated N times
- 3) Contains  $N(N-1)$  peaks (not counting origin)  $\rightarrow$  gets complicated!

# Patterson Function



## Structural analysis of Si(111)-7×7 by UHV-transmission electron diffraction and microscopy

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Structural analysis of the surface reconstructions investigated by ultrahigh vacuum (UHV) transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and diffraction (TED) is shown. By TED intensity analysis a new structural model of Si(111)-7×7 is derived. The model basically consists of 12 adatoms arranged locally in the 2×2 structure, nine dimers on the sides of the triangular subunits of the 7×7 unit cell and a stacking fault layer. UHV-HREM of Si (111)-7×7 surface is commented.

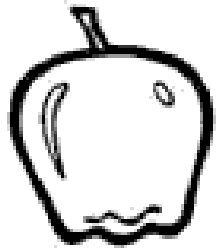
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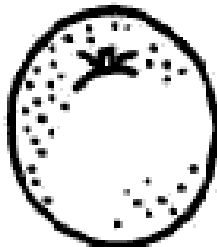
# The Phase Problem

- We have an exit wave from the sample
  - $\psi(\mathbf{r})$  wave in real space =  $a(\mathbf{r})\exp(-i\phi(\mathbf{r}))$
  - $\Psi(\mathbf{u}) = \int \exp(-2\pi i \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \psi(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = A(\mathbf{u})\exp(-i\phi(\mathbf{u}))$
- Observables
  - $I(\mathbf{r}) = \langle |\psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \rangle = \langle a(\mathbf{r})^2 \rangle$  Real Space Image
  - $I(\mathbf{u}) = \langle |\Psi(\mathbf{u})|^2 \rangle = \langle A(\mathbf{u})^2 \rangle$  Diffraction Pattern
- Note: “ $\langle \rangle$ ” is average over incoherent aberrations and other statistical terms

# Phase: Apples & Oranges



$$\text{FT} \rightarrow A_a \exp(-i \phi_a)$$



$$\text{FT} \rightarrow A_o \exp(-i \phi_o)$$

+

$$A_o \exp(-i \phi_a) \rightarrow \text{IFT} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Oranle ?} \\ \text{Appge ?} \end{cases}$$

Phase of Apple + Amplitude of Orange = ?

# Phase of Apple = Apple



$$\text{FT}^{-1} \{ A_o \exp(-i \phi_a) \} \Rightarrow \text{Apple}$$

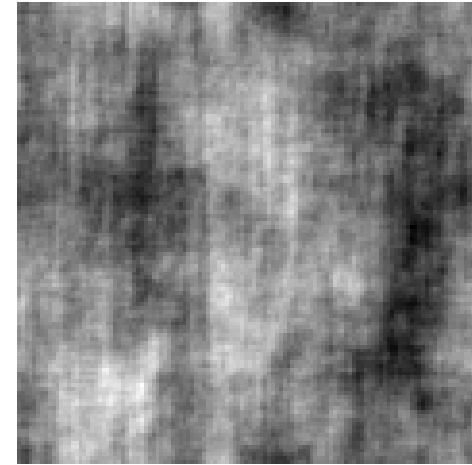
Phase is more important than amplitude

# The importance of phase information



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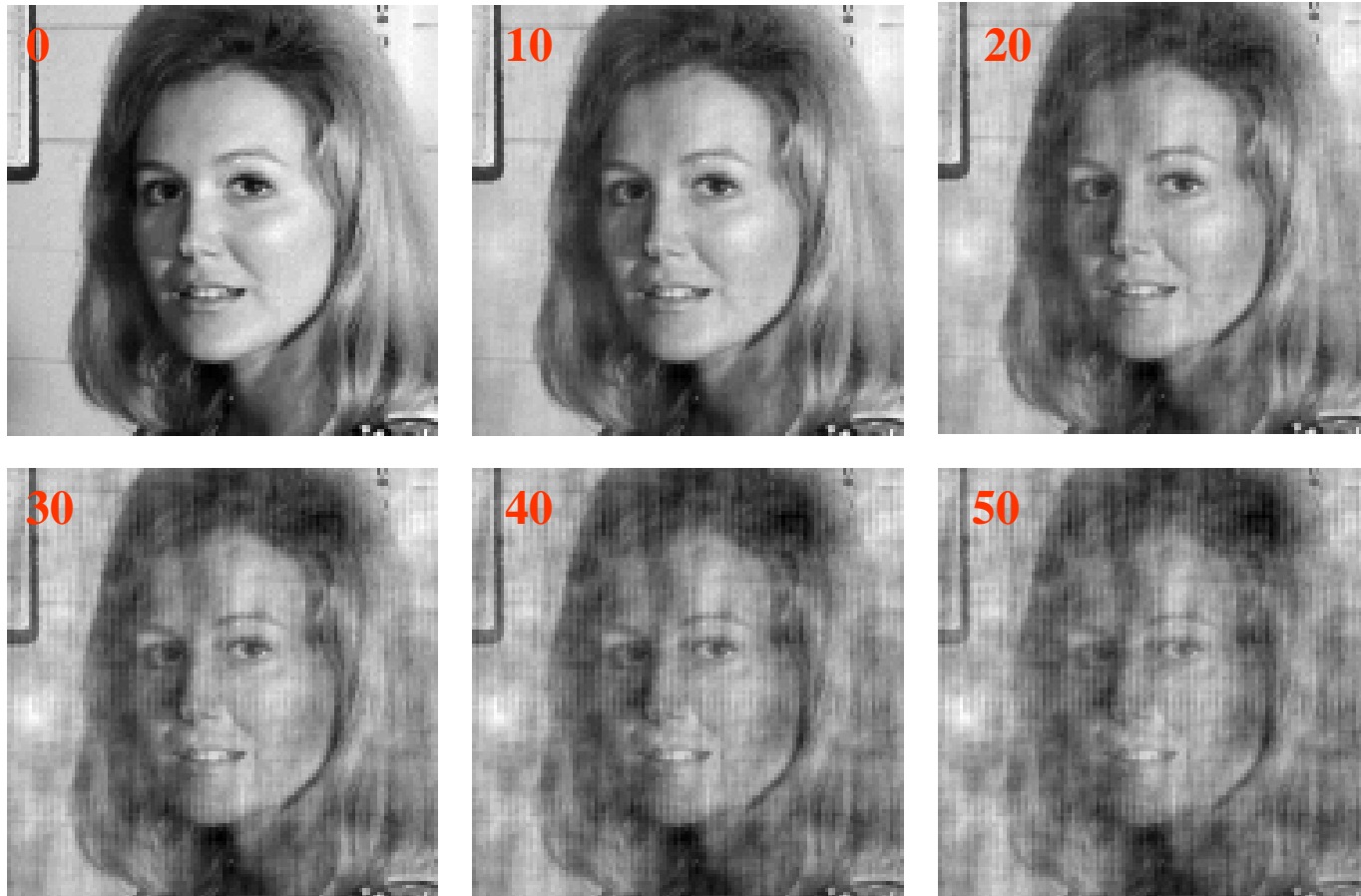
Correct Modulus  
Random Phases



Correct Phase Random  
Modulus

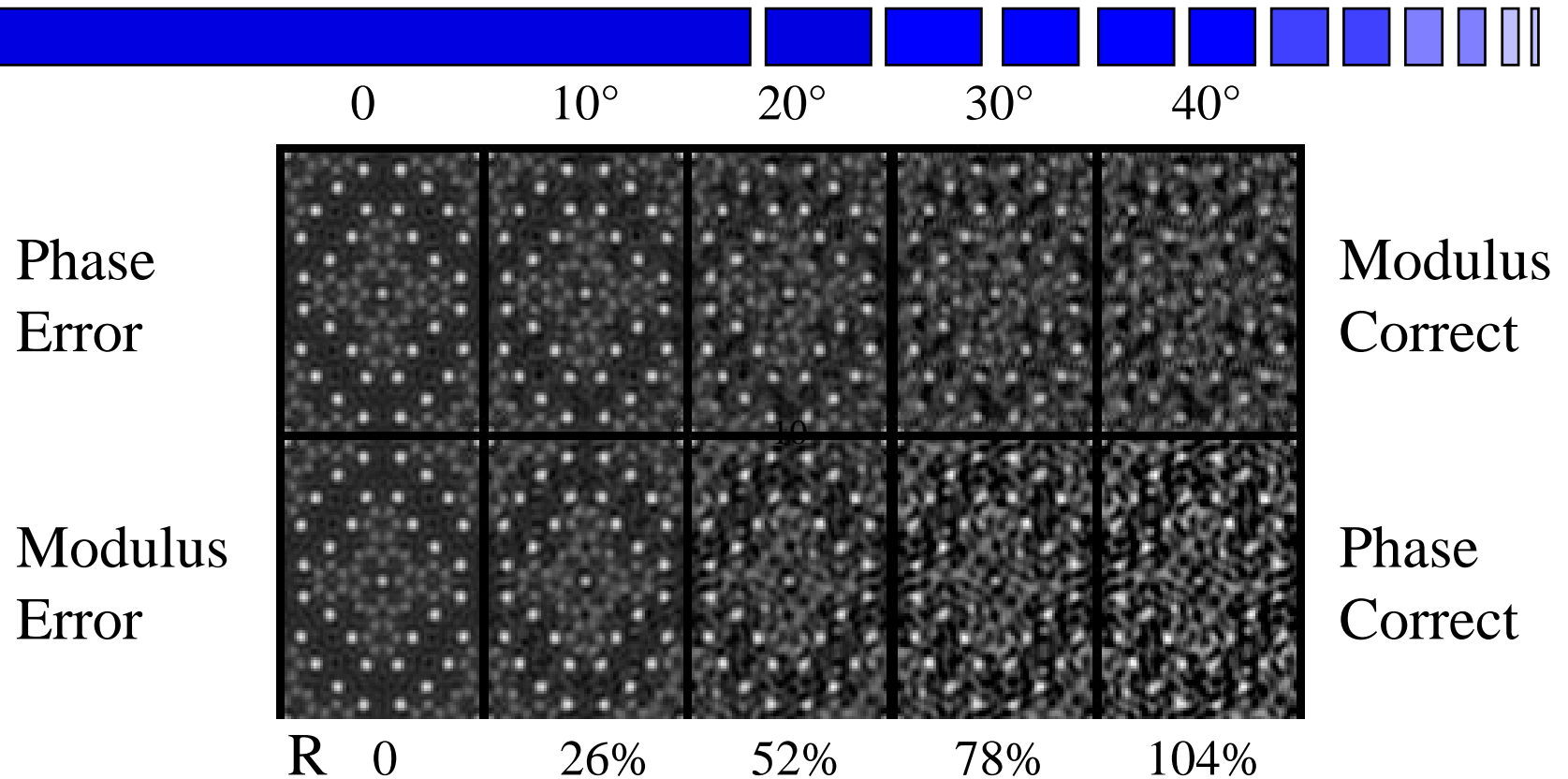


# Role of error in phases (degrees)



We would like to find the phases exactly, but we don't have to

# Phase and Modulus Errors

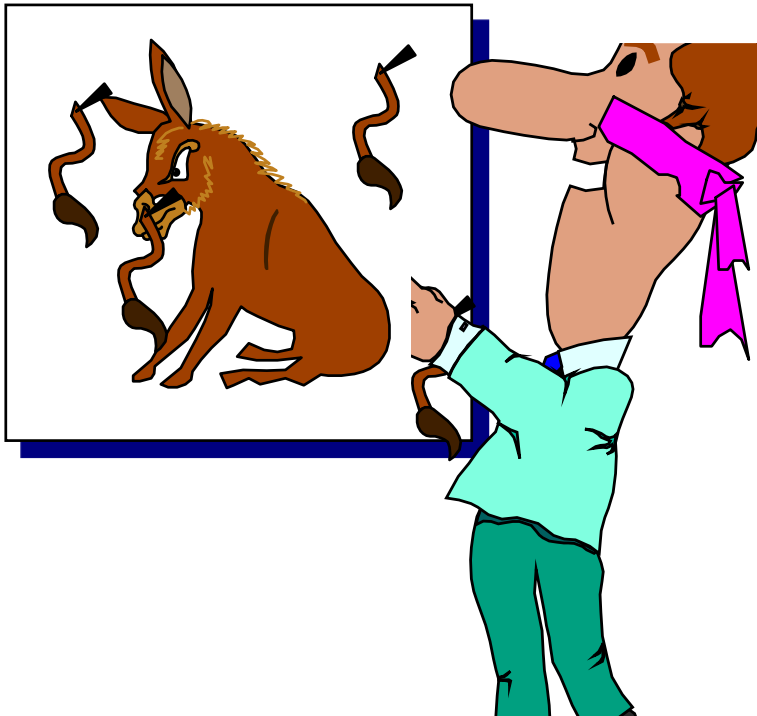


We only need **approximately correct** phases

We can **tolerate** modulus errors

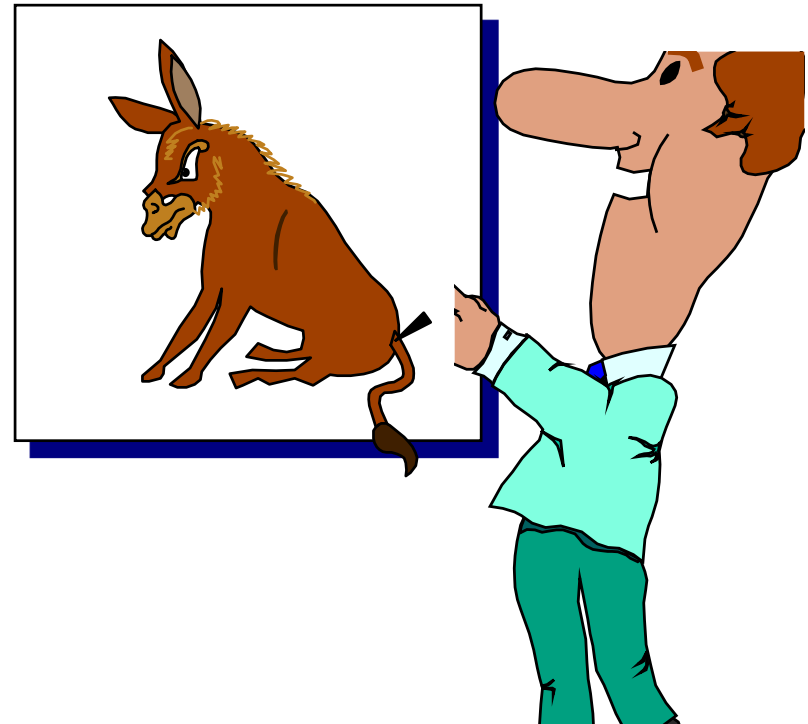
# Direct Methods vs. Indirect Methods

Indirect Methods:  
“Trial and Error”



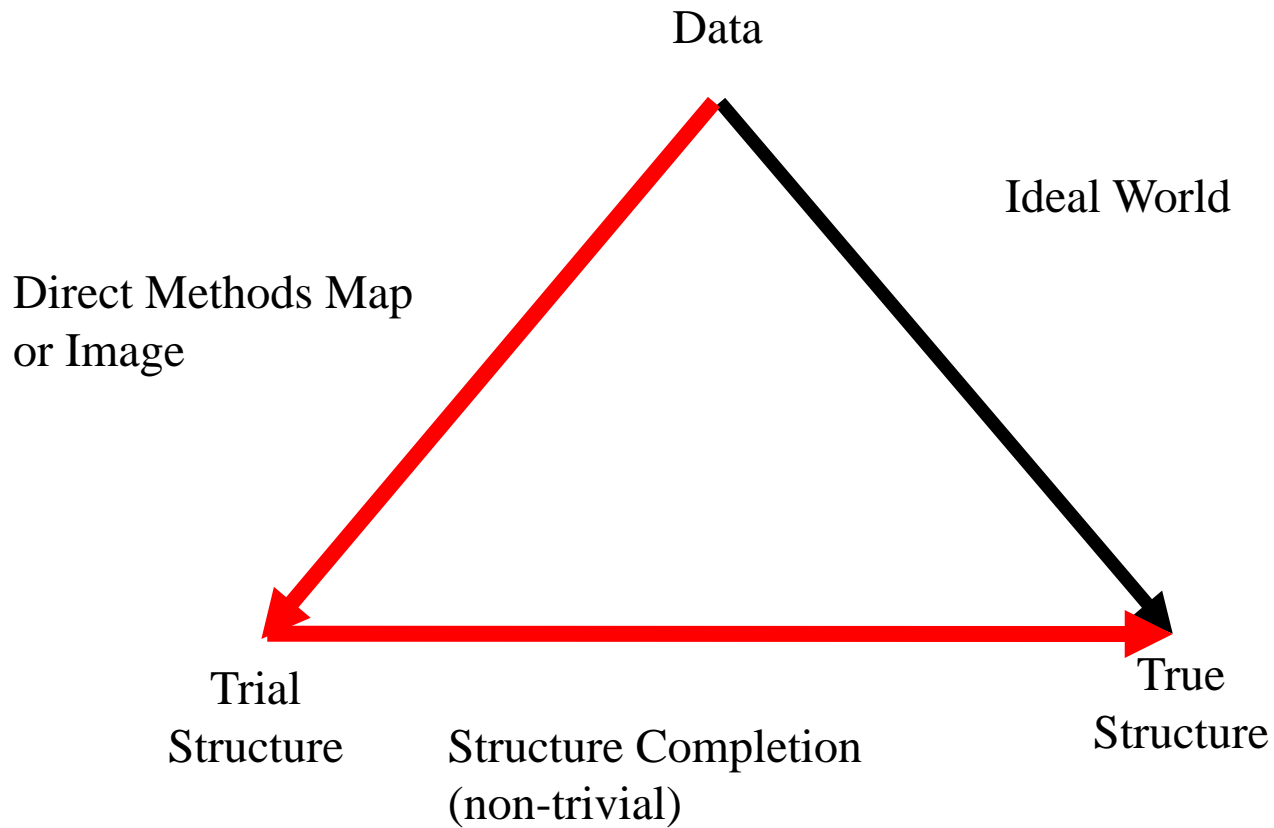
Direct Methods:

Using available information  
to find solutions




# Crystallographic Direct Methods

## Structure Triangle





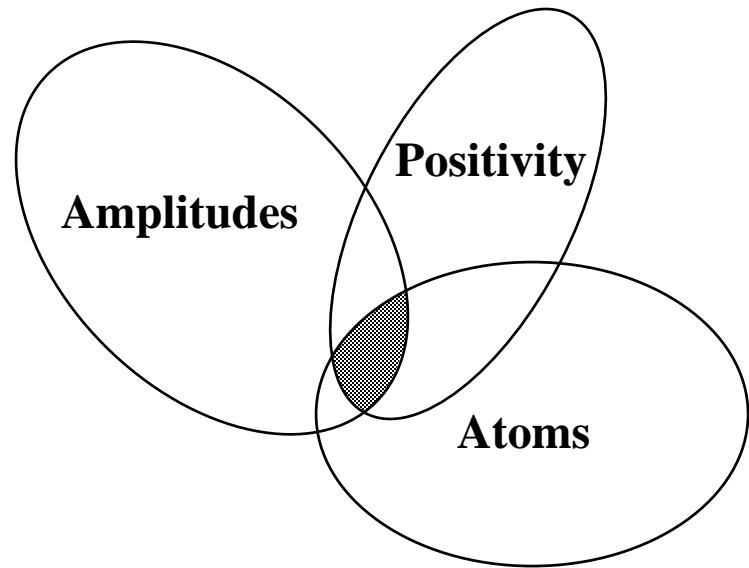
# More: 1970's Mathematics

- 
- C -- Some constraints (e.g. atomicity, probabilities of triplets)
  - F -- Some function (e.g. a FOM)
  - Minimize, e.g. Lagrangian

$$L = F + \lambda C$$

# 1990's Mathematics

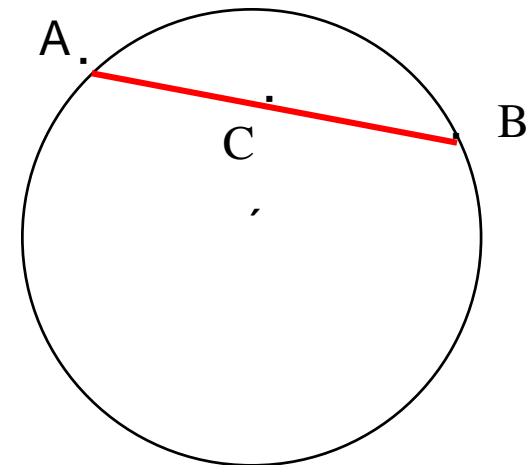
- We have constraints (e.g. atomicity, amplitudes)
  - Treat as sets
- We are looking for the solution as intersection of several constraint sets



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# The \$64,000 question

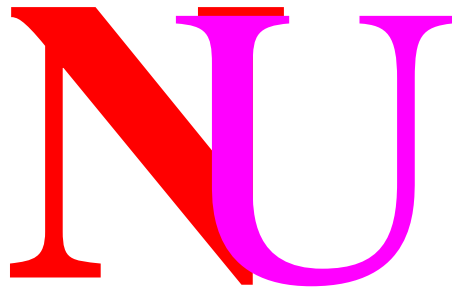
- A set is convex if any point between two members is also a member
  - If all the sets are convex, problem has one solution
  - If they are not, there may be more than one local minimum
- Amplitude measurements **do not** form a convex set
- But...there still may only be one solution.
- Unsolved mathematical problem



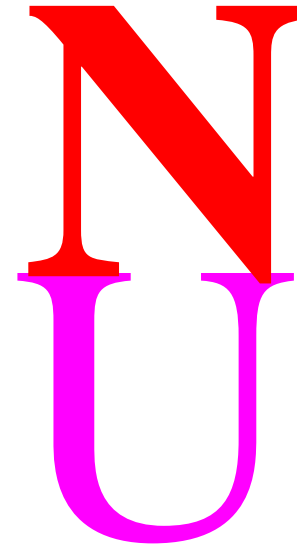
# Multiple non-convex constraints



Consider the two sets “N” and “U”

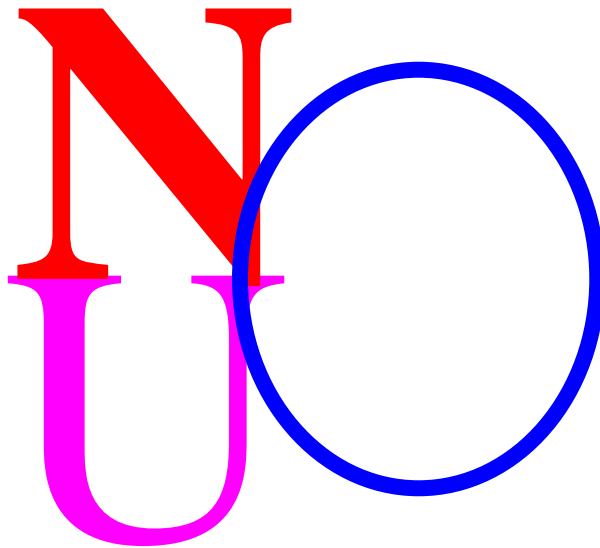


Overall Convex



Overall Non-Convex

# Crystallographic methodology



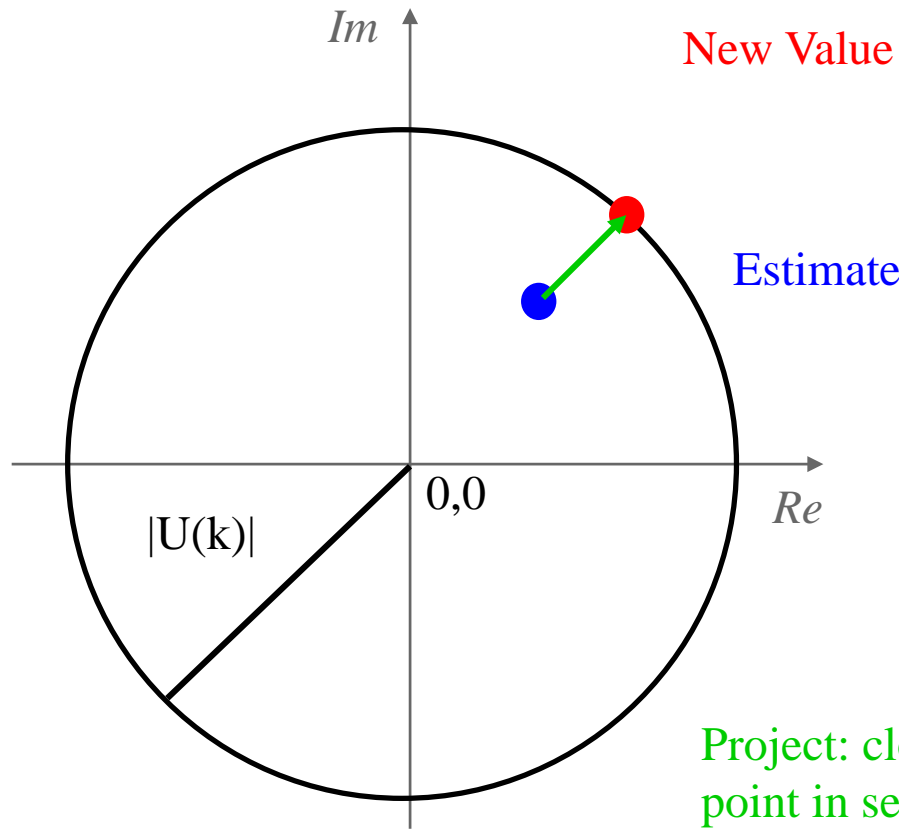
Overall Non-Convex

## Overall Unique

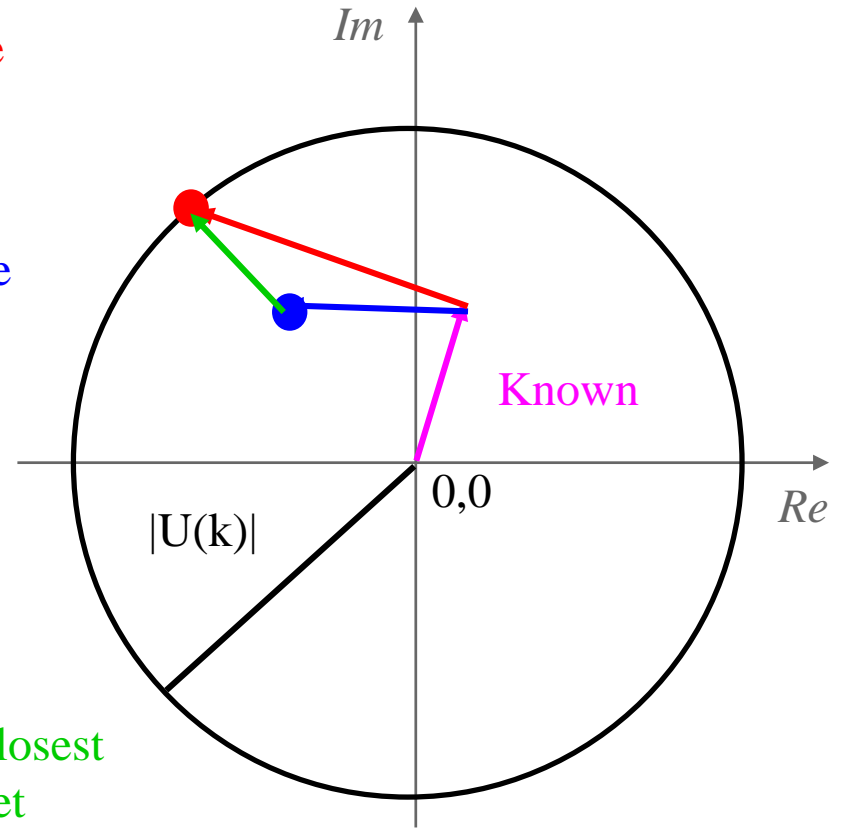
Addition of additional convex constraints tends to give a unique solution

Structure Completion: add additional constraints as the phases become known

# Orthogonal Projections



Modulus Only

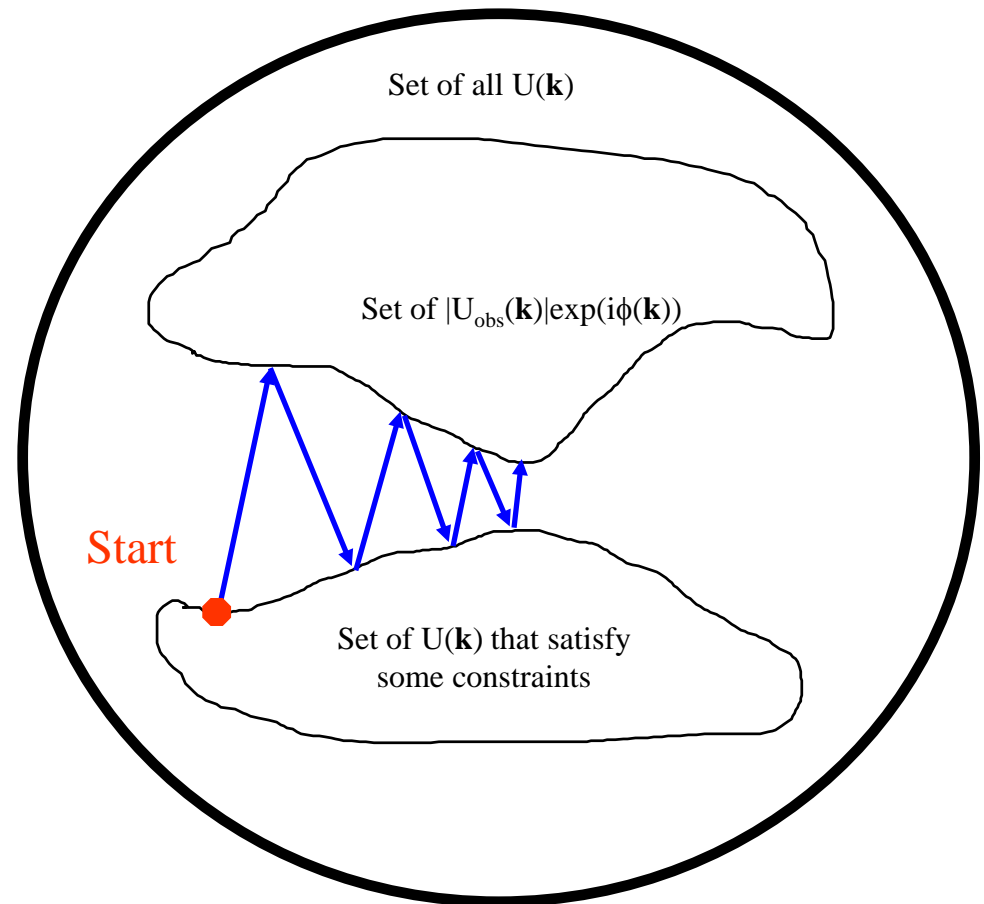


Part of  $U(k)$  known

Project: closest point in set

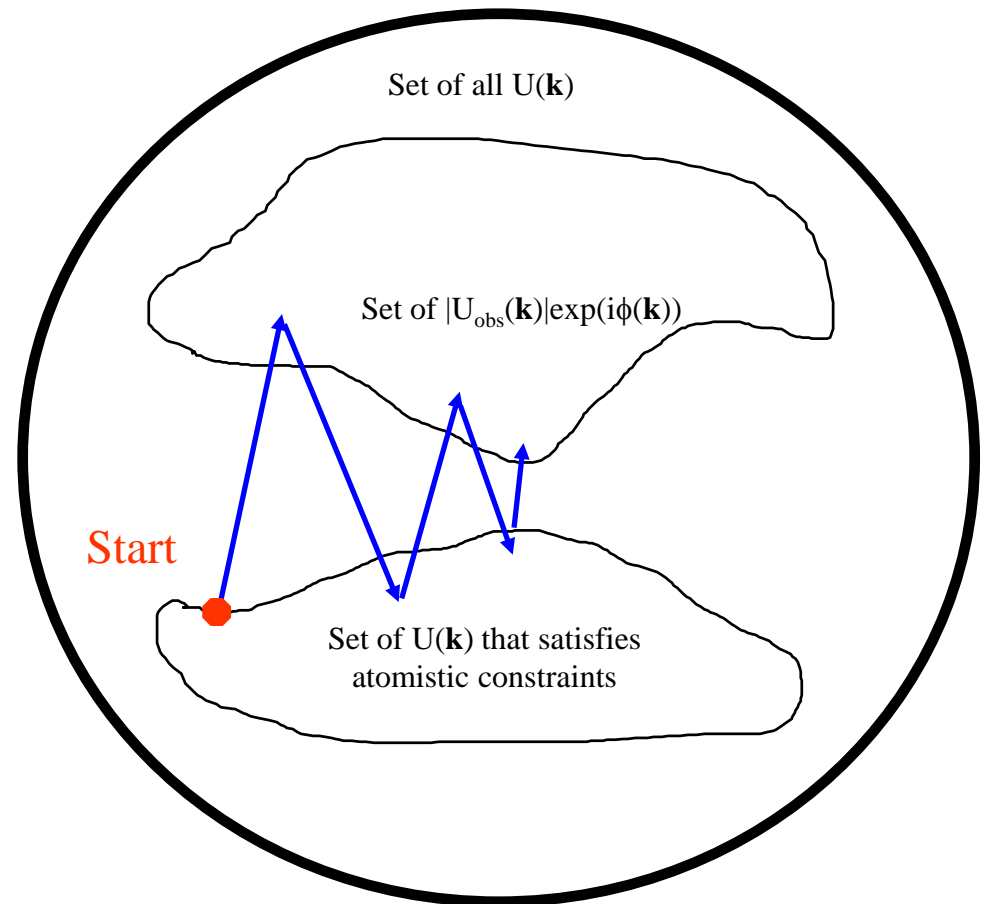
# Successive Projections

- Iterate between projections
- Other variants possible (see Combettes, *Advances in Imaging and Electron Physics* **95**, 155-270, 1996)



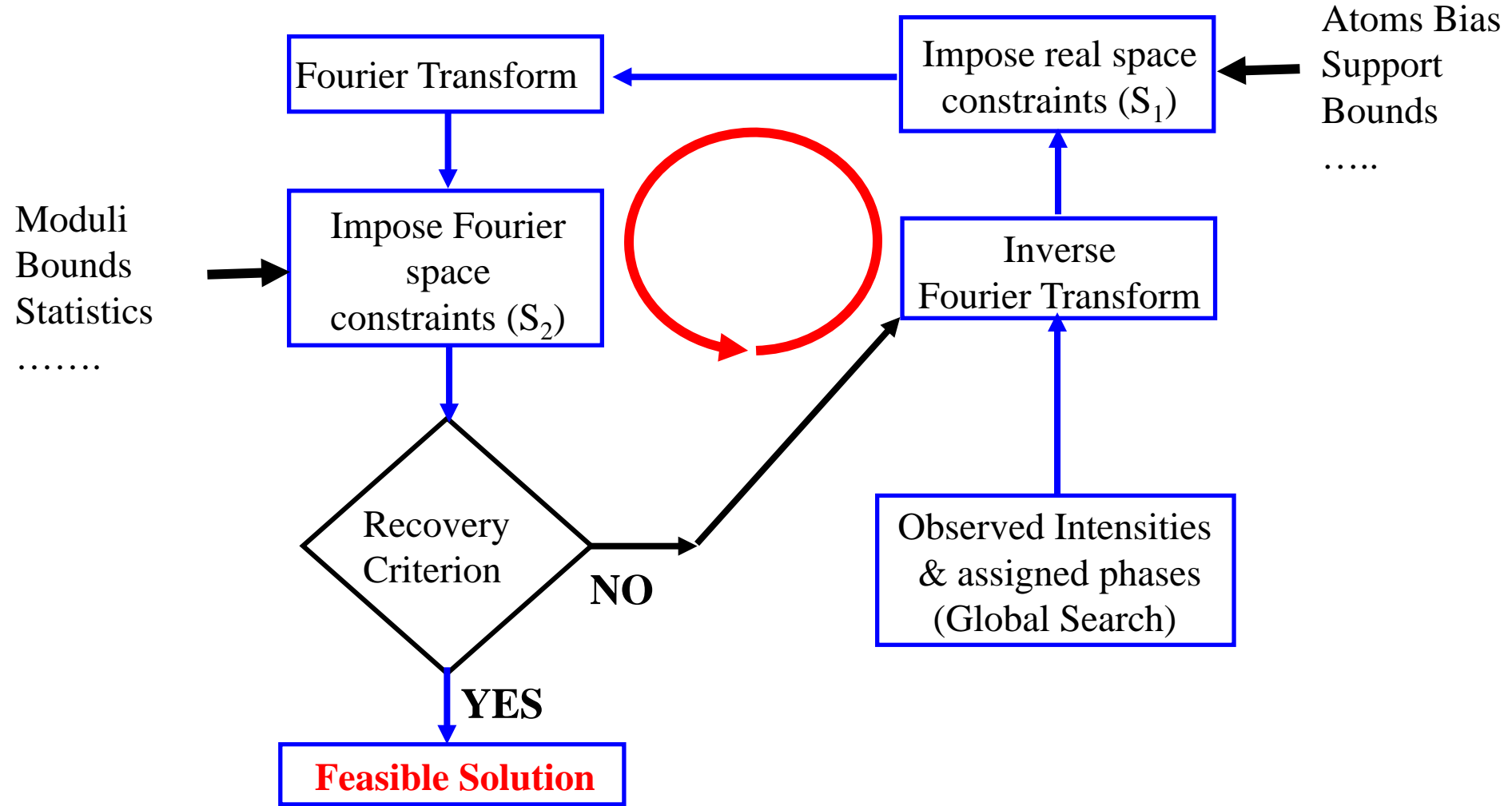
# Over-relaxed Projections

- Iterate between projections
- Overshoot (deliberately)
- Converges faster
- Sometimes better solutions

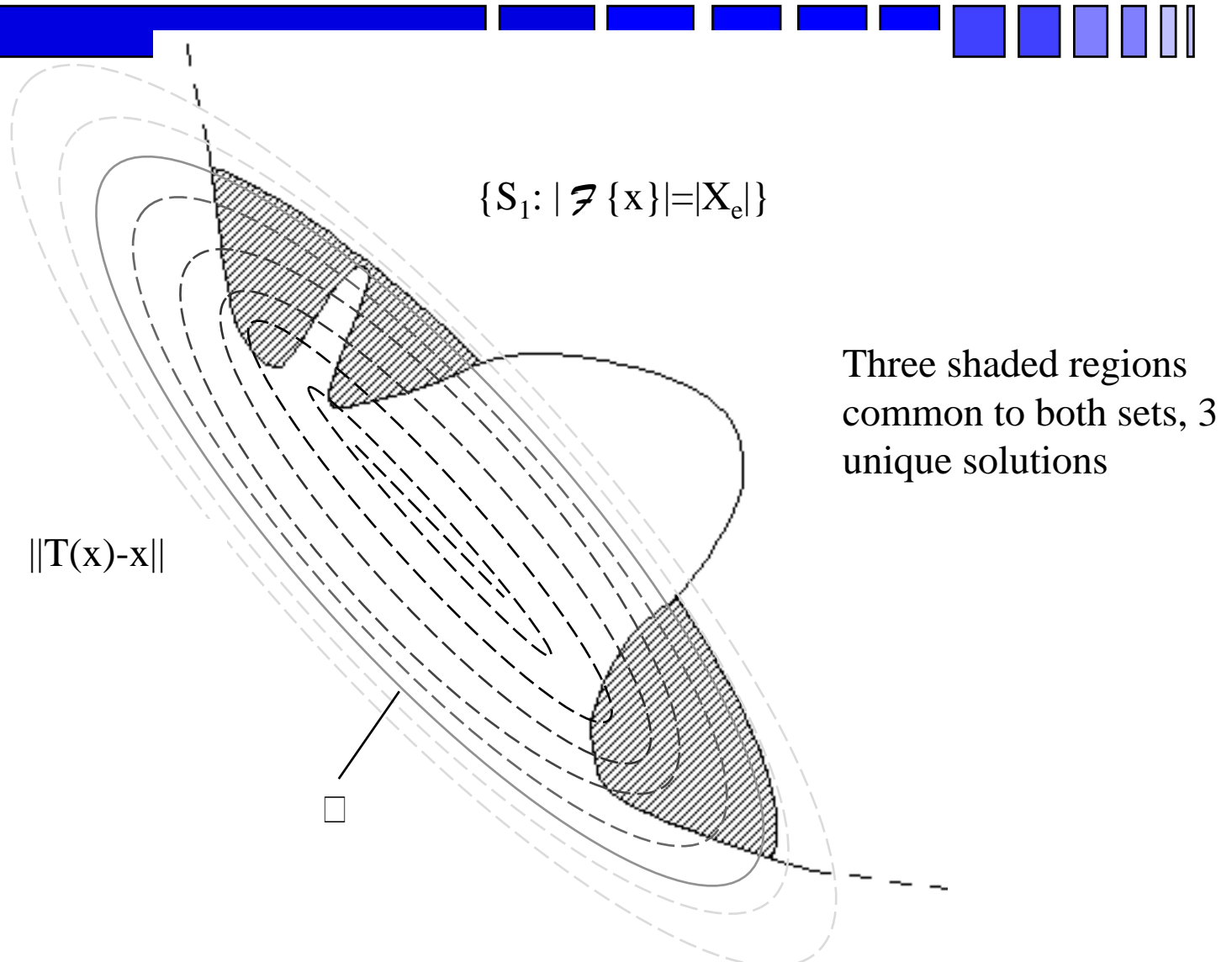




# Algorithm Overview (Gerschberg-Saxton)



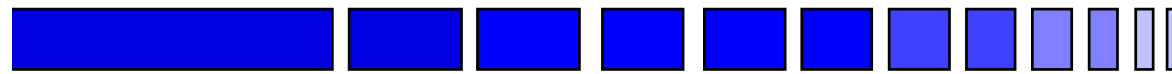
# Multiply-Connected Feasible Set



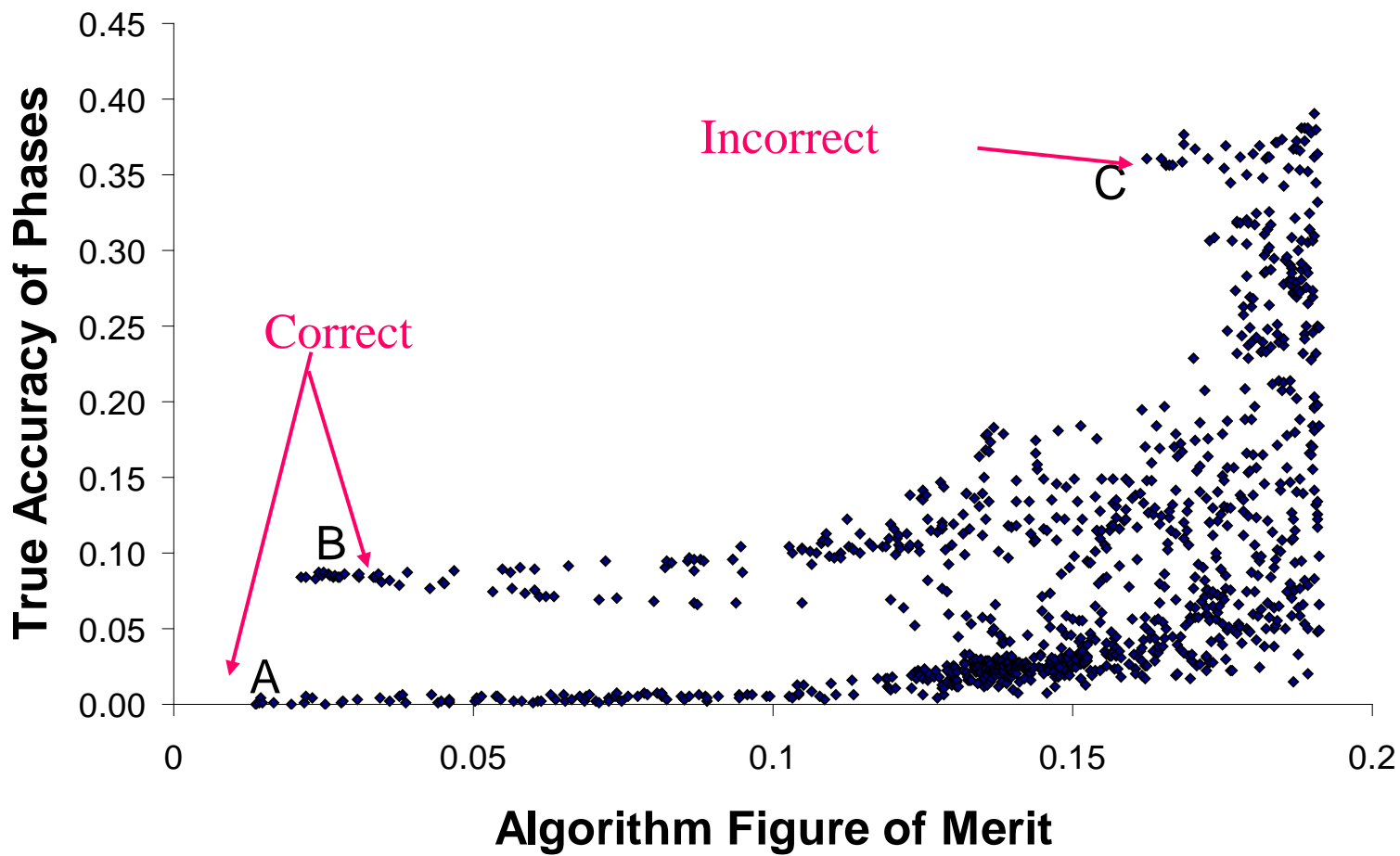
# Typical results

Df = phase error


$$\frac{S|U(k)|\{1-\cos(Df)\}}{S|U(k)|}$$




3D Calibration Test (In 4x1 Model)



# Where do constraints come from

- 
- Physical nature of experiment
    - Limited beam or object size
  - Physical nature of scattering
    - Atomic scattering
  - Statistics & Probability
    - Minimum Information/Bias = Maximum Entropy

# Types of Constraints

- 
- Convex – highly convergent
    - Multiple convex constraints are unique
  - Non-convex – weakly convergent
    - Multiple non-convex constraints may not be unique

# Other Constraints



Convex

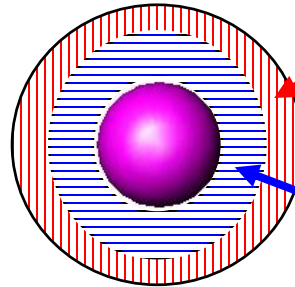
Non-Convex

Positivity (weak)	Presence of Atoms
Atoms at given positions	Bond Lengths
Least bias (MaxEnt)	Interference $A(k) =  B(k) + \text{Known}(k) ^2$
Intensities & errors $\equiv \chi^2$	Anti-bumping
Statistics (e.g. $\Sigma_2$ )	Bond angles
Support for gradient	
Symmetry	

# Atomistic Constraints



$r(r)$  known (convex if position is known)



Bonding – another atom

Bumping  
 $r(r)=0$



# Why we don't need all the data



- The constraints, e.g. support & atomistic, generate both amplitude & phase estimates.
- The amplitudes and phases of the unmeasured points must also be consistent with the constraints.
- Hence it is often (not always) possible to recover to a good approximation the “missing cone” values



# Solvent Flattening & oversampled data

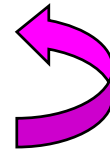
- Constraint: part of real-space  $x$  is zero

- Convex constraint

- Iteration

- $x = 0$ , part of map


- $|X| = |X_{\text{observed}}|$



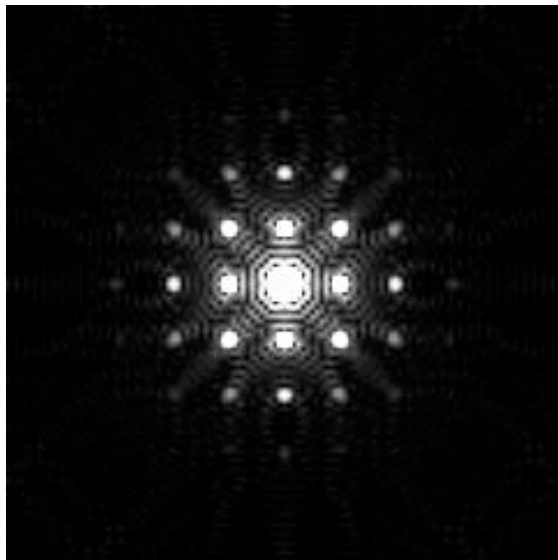
Iterate

- A version of classic Gerschberg-Saxton algorithm, and “clean” algorithm

# Exact Cases

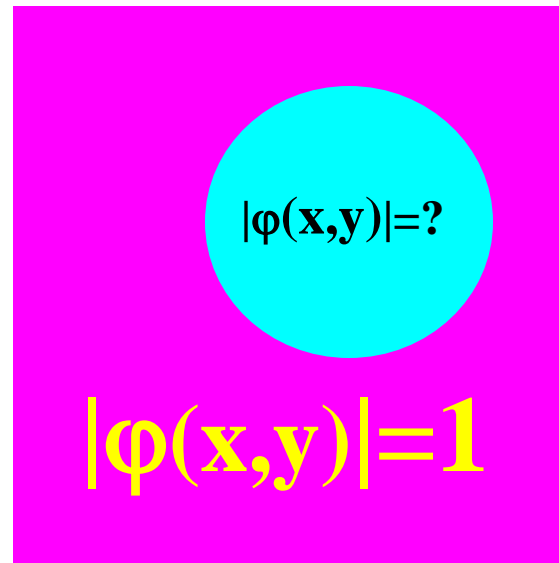
- 
- Suppose we have  $N$  pixels, and  $N/2$  are known to be zero (compact support)
  - Wave is described by  $N/2$  moduli,  $N/2$  phases (for a real wave) in reciprocal space
  - Unknowns –  $N$  ; measurements  $N/2$  ; constraints  $N/2$
  - Problem is in principle fully solveable  
(It can be shown to be unique in 2 or more dimensions, based upon the fundamental theorem of algebra)

# Phase Recovery for a Small Particle



True diffraction pattern  
for small particle model  
(Non-Convex Constraint)

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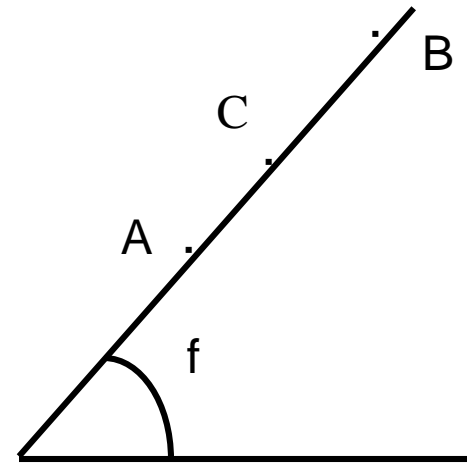
Convex Support  
Constraint

= ?

# Convex Set for unmeasured

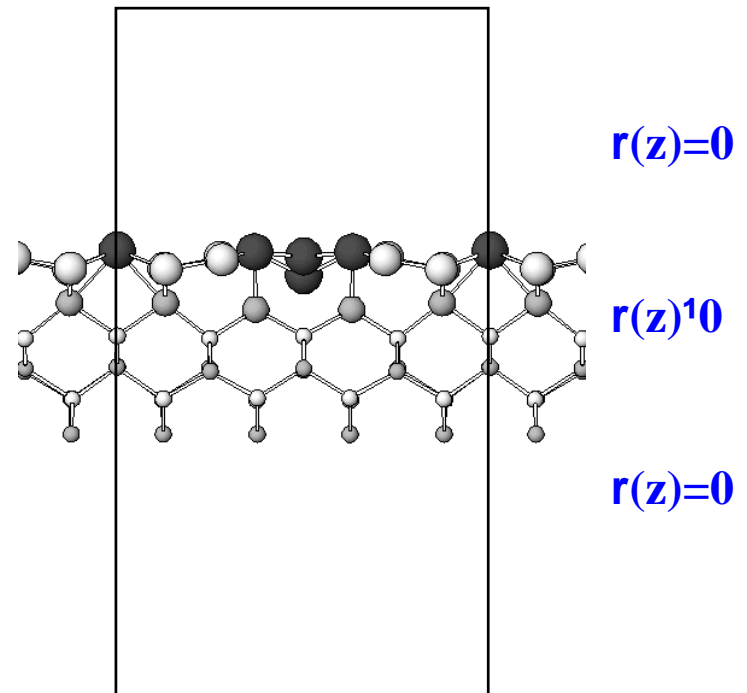
$$|U(h,k,l)|$$

- Phase of  $U(h,k,l)$  can be estimated from other reflections
- Set of  $U(h,k,l)$  with a given phase is **convex**
- Hence  $|U(h,k,l)|$  is well specified and can be (approximately) recovered
- Remember, phase is more important than amplitude



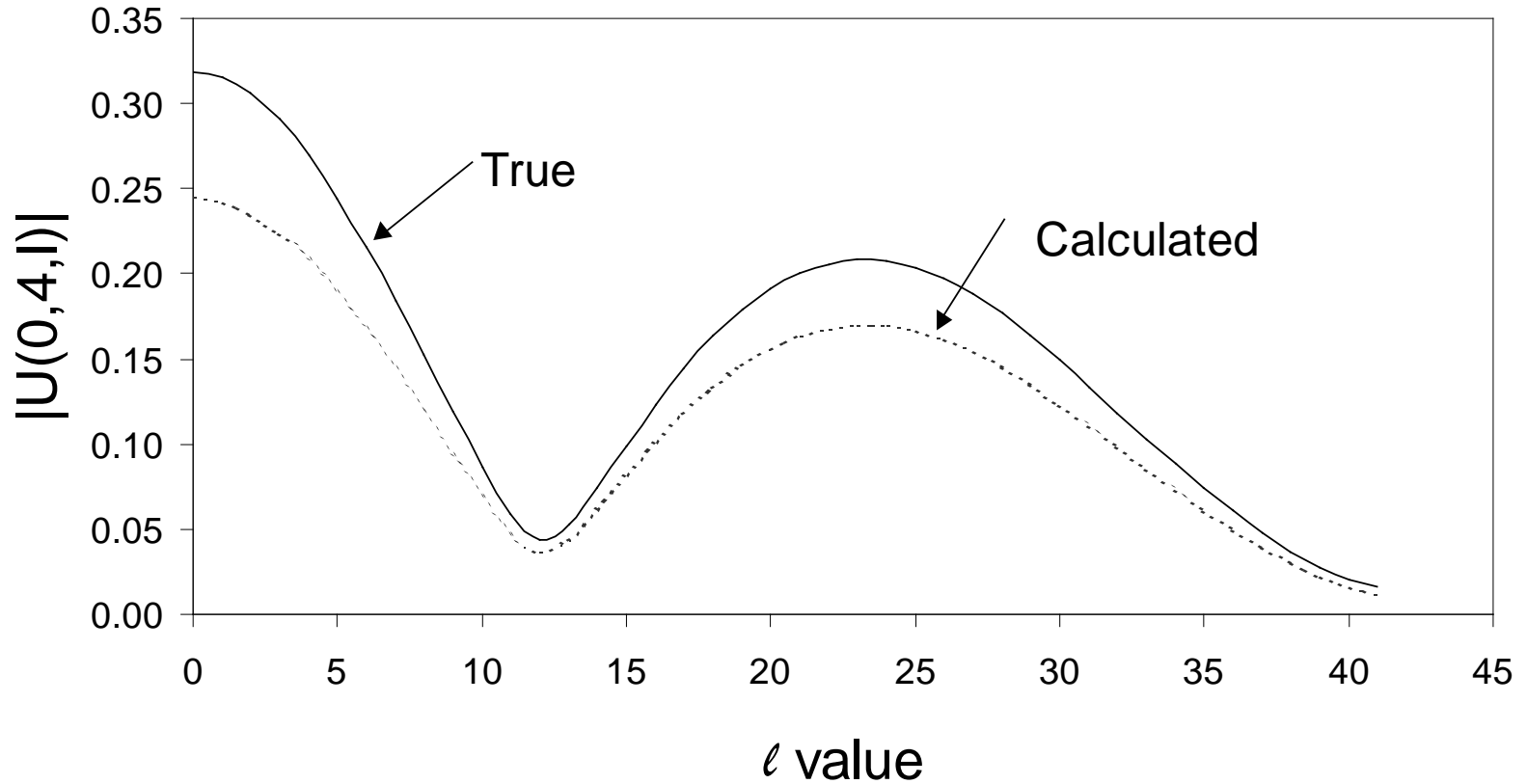
# 3D-Support Constraint

- Displacements decay as  $(\alpha+z)\exp(-qz)$  into bulk<sup>1</sup>
- Consider only non-bulk spots
- Real space constraint
  - $\rho(z)=0$  away from surface
- Convex constraint




# Unmeasured Reflections

Recovery of Unmeasured Reflections



# Classical Approach

- 
- For periodic object (not finite one)
  - Based upon probabilities
  - Complex (empirical) FOM
  - Uses central-limit theorem
    - Can use other probability theorems
    - Not all work!

# Basic Idea

- There are certain relationships which range from exact to probably correct.

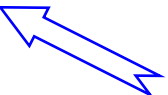
- Simple case, Unitary Sayre Equation, 1 type

$$F(k) = \sum_l f_l \exp(2\pi i k \cdot r_l)$$

- Divide by N, #atoms &  $f_l$ , atomic scattering factors

$$U(k) = 1/N \sum_l \exp(2\pi i k \cdot r_l); u(r) = 1/N \sum_l \delta(r - r_l)$$

$$u(r) = Nu(r)^2$$

 Constraint

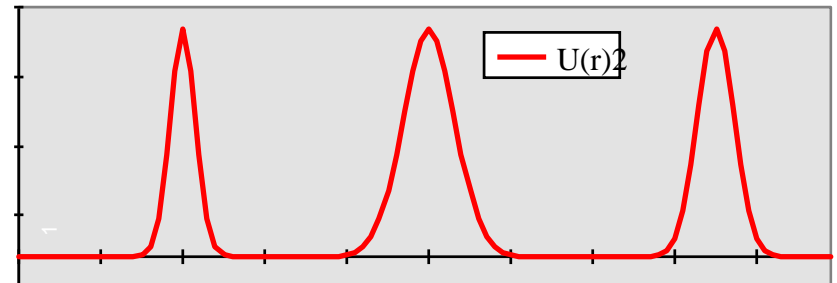
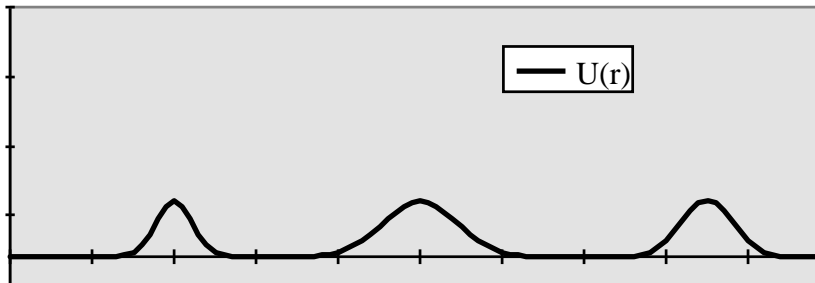


# Real/Reciprocal Space



$$U(\mathbf{h}) \approx \sum_{\mathbf{k}} U(\mathbf{k})U(\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{k})$$

$$U(\mathbf{r}) \approx U(\mathbf{r})^2$$




Reinforces strong (atom-like) features

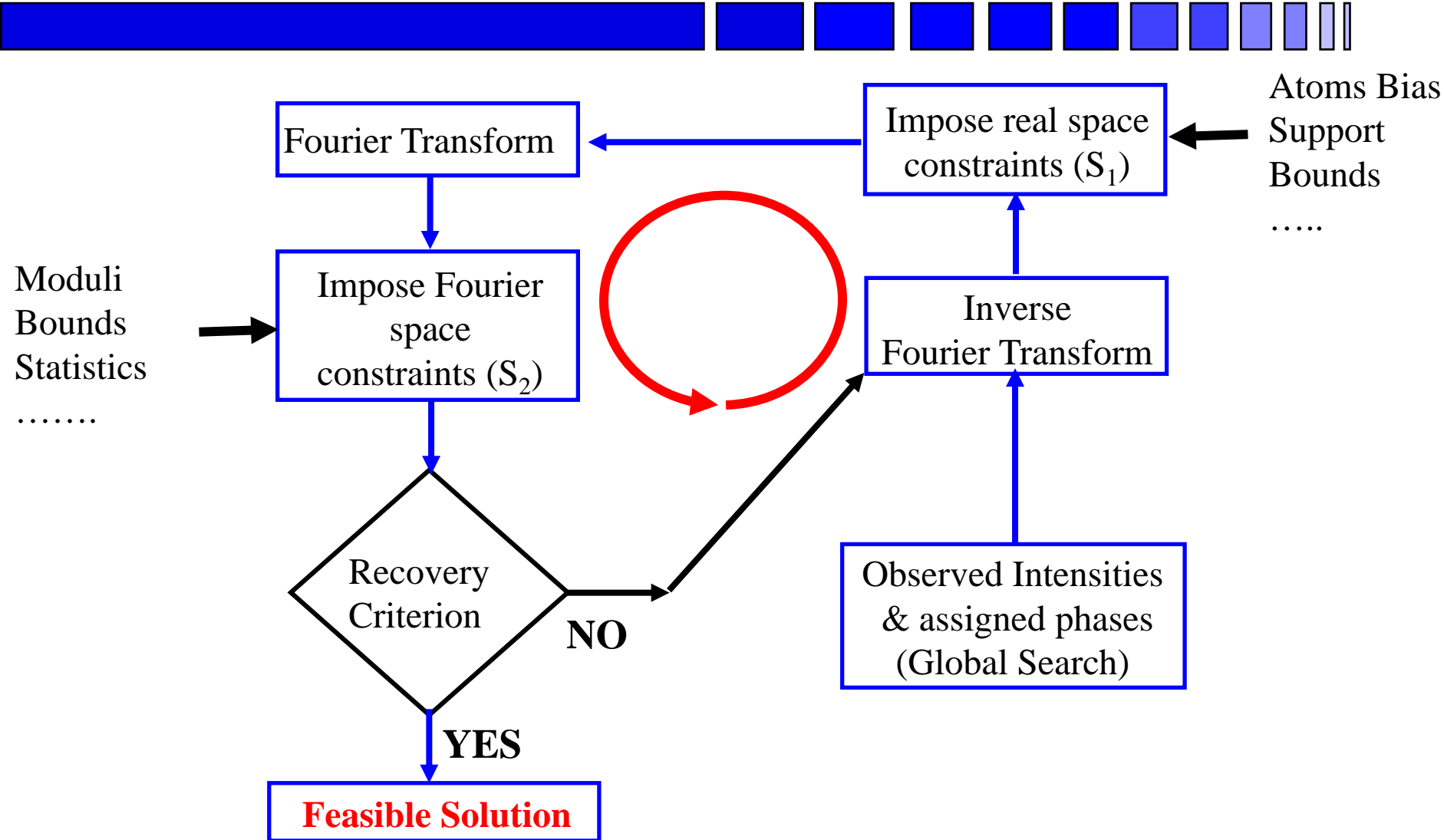
# Tangent Formula

- If  $U(r) = U(r)^2 = U'(r)$
- Important part is the phase
- $U(u) = |U(u)|\exp(i\theta)$ ; we know  $|U(u)|$  but not  $\theta$
- $\exp(i\theta) = \exp(i\theta')$ ;  $\tan(\theta) = \tan(\theta')$
- Replace old  $\theta$  by new one

# Tangent Formula

- 
1. Initial  $\rho(\mathbf{r})$
  2. Project onto “Real Space Constraint”  $\rho^2(\mathbf{r})$
  3. FFT
  4. Project amplitudes onto Observed
  5. FFT

# Algorithm Overview (Gerschberg-Saxton)



# Cochran Distribution ( $\Sigma_2$ ): I

- Definition:  $U(k) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \sum_m \exp(2\pi i k \cdot r_m)$
- Consider the product  
$$NU(k-h)U(h) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \sum_m \exp(2\pi i k \cdot r_m) \sum_l \exp(2\pi i h \cdot (r_m - r_l))$$

- If the atoms are randomly distributed,

$$\left\langle \sum_l \exp(2\pi i h \cdot (r_m - r_l)) \right\rangle = 1$$

(exponential terms average to zero if  $m \neq l$ )

$$N \langle U(k-h)U(h) \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \sum_m \exp(2\pi i k \cdot r_m) = U(k)$$

# Cochran Distribution: II

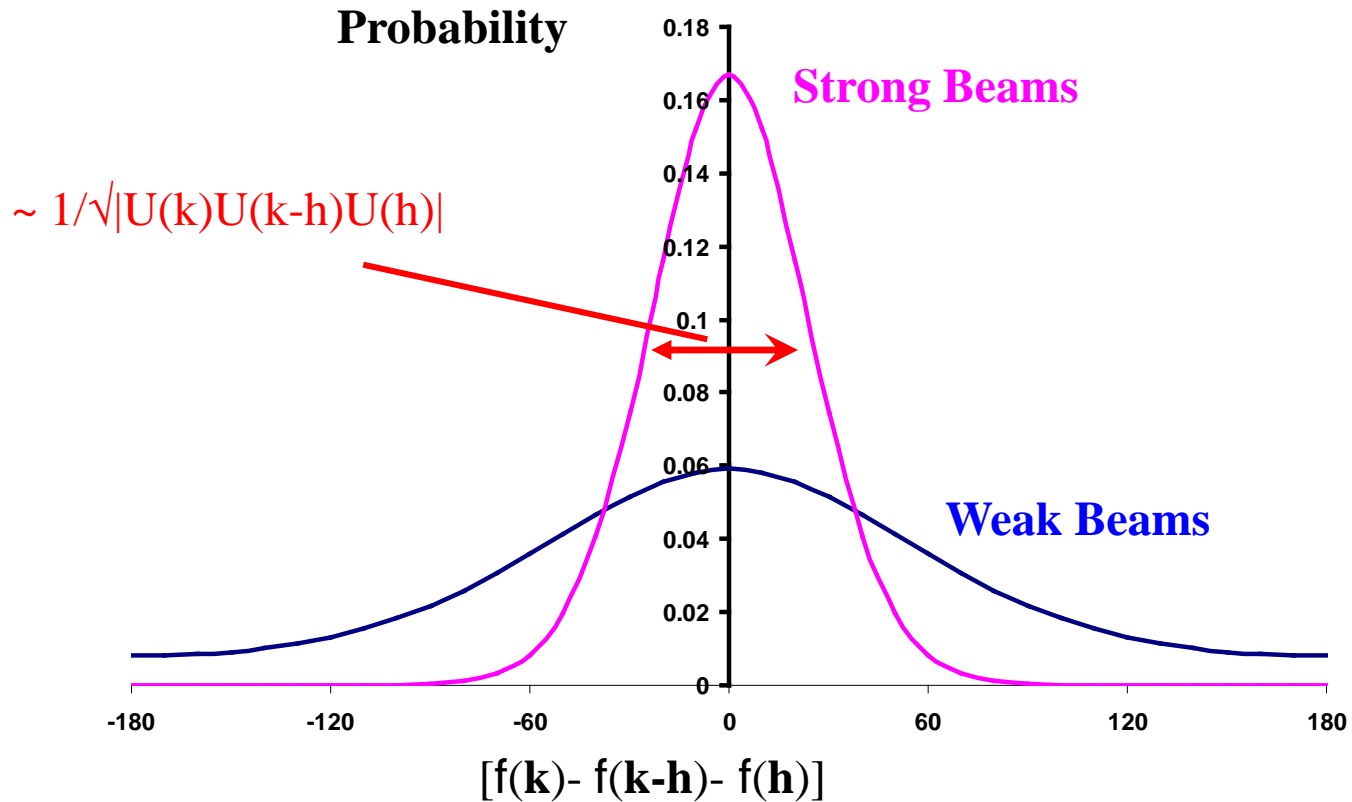
- Consider next

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |NU(k-h)U(h) - U(k)|^2 \quad \text{Average is zero} \\
 & = |U(k)|^2 + N^2|U(k-h)U(h)|^2 \quad \text{Known} \\
 & \quad - 2N|U(k)U(k-h)U(h)|\cos(\phi(k) - \phi(k-h) - \phi(h)) \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\
 & \quad \quad \text{Known} \quad \quad \quad \text{Average must be } 2n\pi
 \end{aligned}$$

# Cochran Distribution: III

- We have a distribution of values. The Central Limit theorem: all distributions tend towards Gaussian. Hence a probability:
- $P(U(\mathbf{k}) - NU(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{h})U(\mathbf{h}))$ 
  - $\sim C \exp(-|U(\mathbf{k}) - NU(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{h})U(\mathbf{h})|^2)$
  - $\sim C \exp(2|U(\mathbf{k})U(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{h})U(\mathbf{h})| \cos[\phi(\mathbf{k}) - \phi(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{h}) - \phi(\mathbf{h})])$

# Form of Distribution



Note: this is more statistics than the presence of atoms

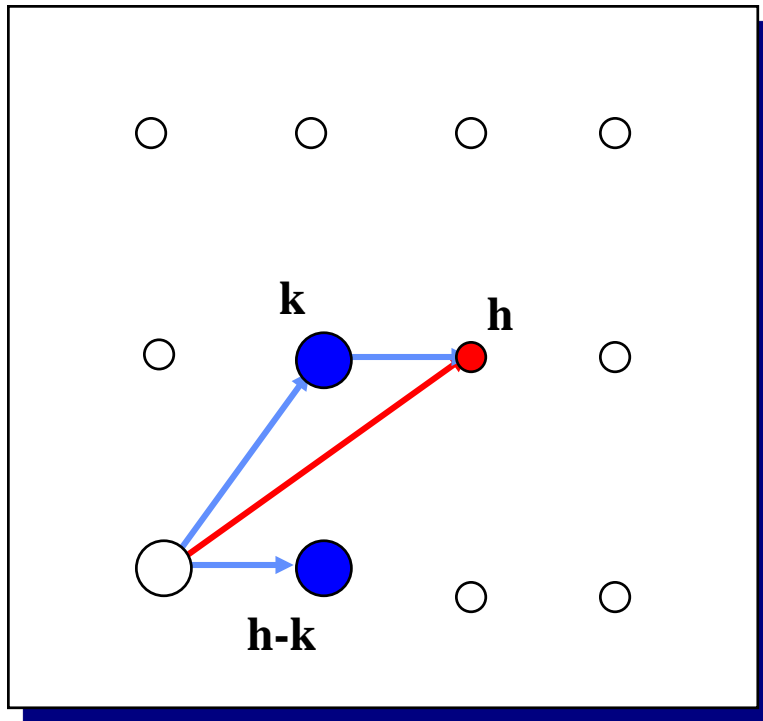




# $\Sigma_2$ Triplet

For reflections  $\mathbf{h-k}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{h}$ :

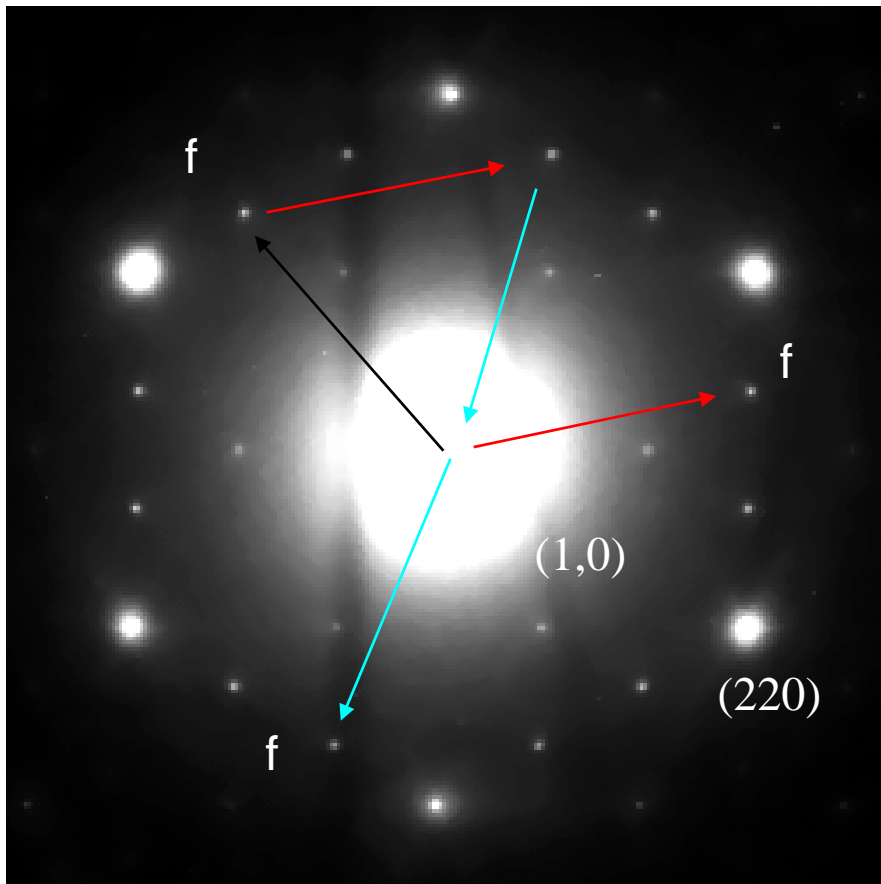
$$\phi(\mathbf{h}) \approx \phi(\mathbf{k}) + \phi(\mathbf{h-k})$$

W. Cochran (1955). Acta. Cryst. **8** 473-8.



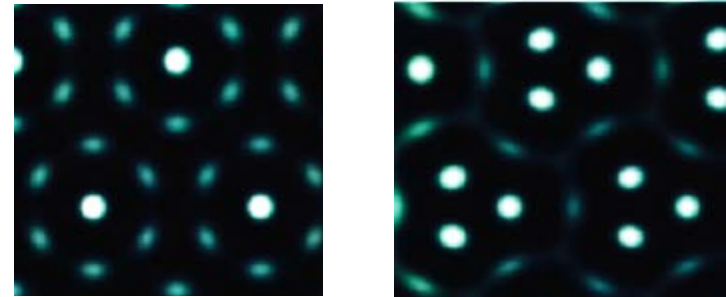
-  = known structure amplitude and phase
-  = known structure amplitude and unknown phase

# Example: Si(111) $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}$ Au

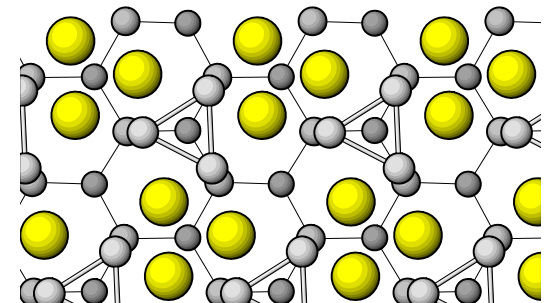


Only one strong reflection

- $3\phi \sim 360n$  degrees
- $\phi=0, 120$  or  $240$
- $\phi=0$  has only 1 atom
- $120$  or  $240$  have 3



Other  
information  
3 Au



# TED data

- Why can DM sometimes (not always) work with transmission electron diffraction data?
- Answer: statistical projection of dynamical intensities onto kinematical is valid in many cases

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# Statistics in a 1s model



Kinematical

$$\Sigma_0:$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{g}) + \phi(-\mathbf{g}) = 0$$

$$|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{g})| = |\mathbf{F}(-\mathbf{g})|$$

$$\Sigma_2:$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{g}) + \phi(\mathbf{h}-\mathbf{g}) + \phi(-\mathbf{h}) \sim 2n\pi$$

Dynamical

$$\Sigma_0:$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{g}) + \phi(-\mathbf{g}) \sim \omega$$

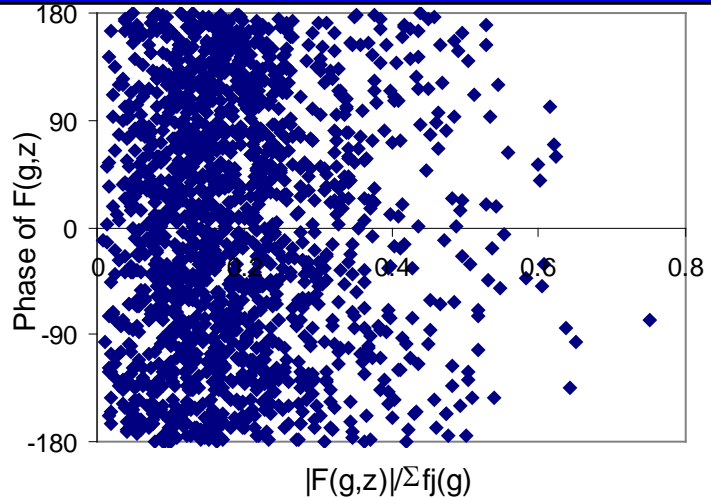
$$|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{g})| \sim |\mathbf{F}(-\mathbf{g})|$$

$$\Sigma_2:$$

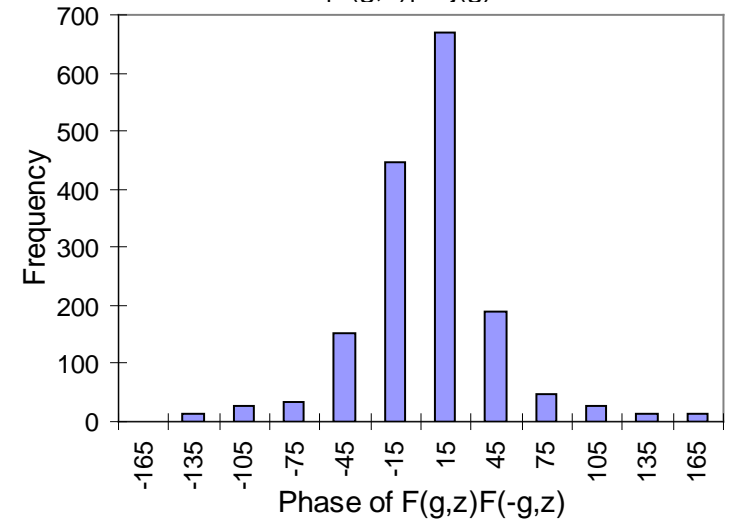
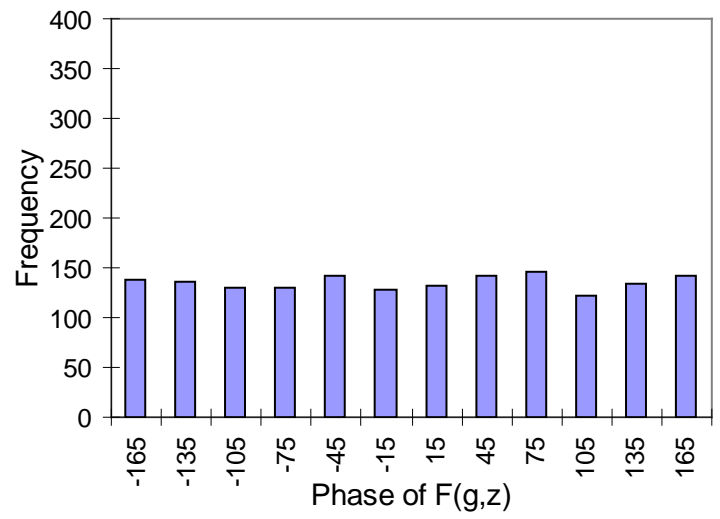
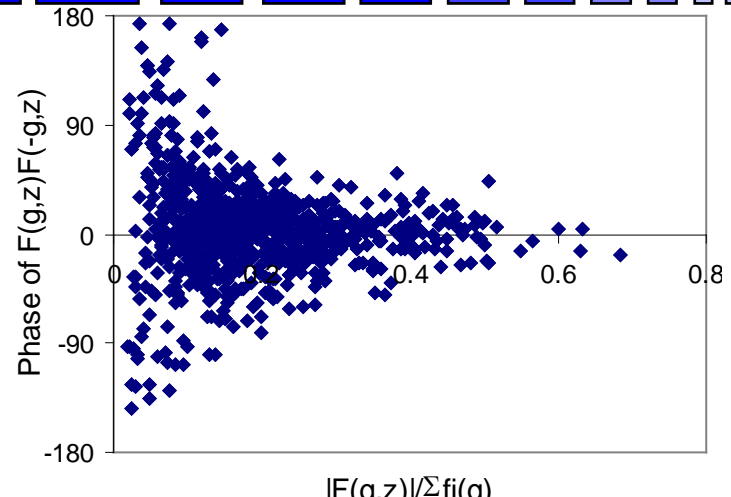
$$\phi(\mathbf{g}) + \phi(\mathbf{h}-\mathbf{g}) + \phi(-\mathbf{h}) \sim \zeta$$

Kinematical Theory for electrons is “wrong”, but statistically “right” in many cases, **BUT NOT ALL** (see C252)

# $\Sigma_0$ dynamical distribution

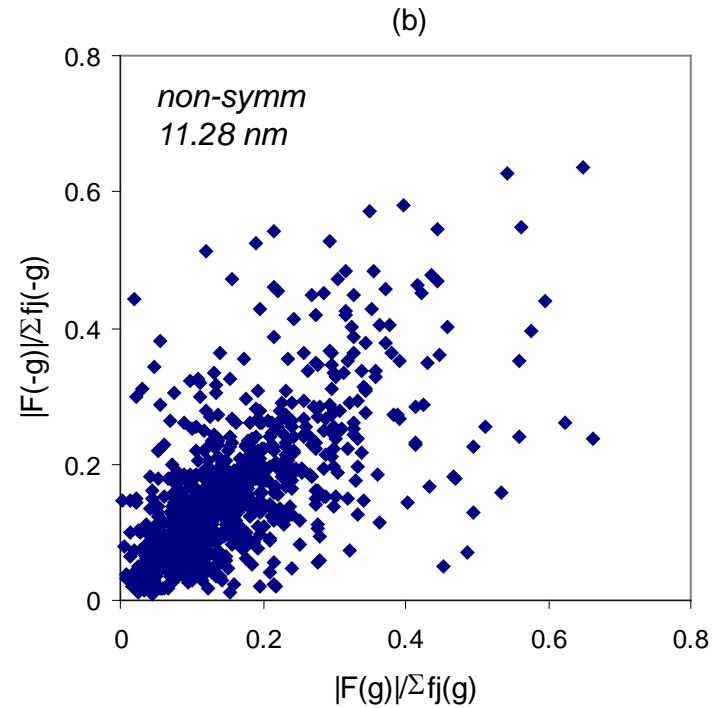
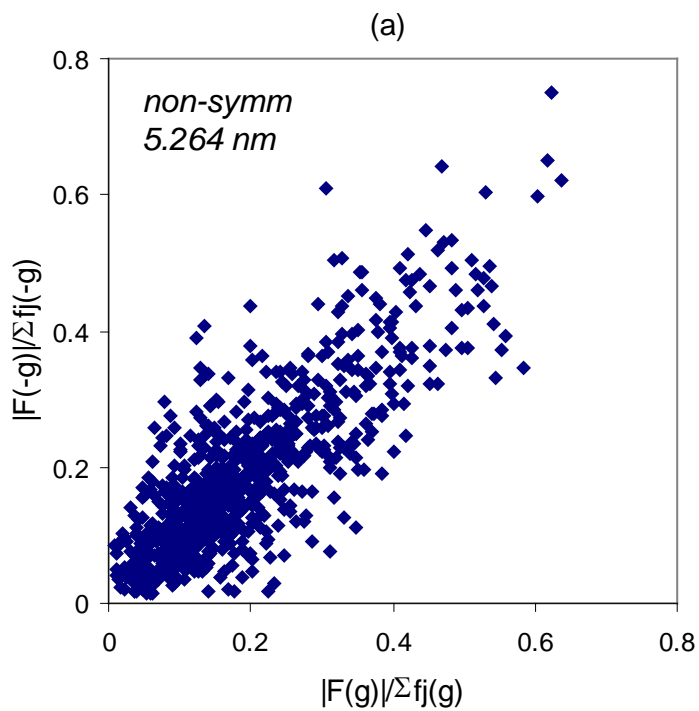


*non-symm*  
*5.264nm*



# $\Sigma_0$ dynamical distribution

Freidel symmetry is statistical



# Inequalities

$$|\text{Sum } a_i b_i|^2 < \text{Sum } |a_i|^2 \text{ Sum } |b_i|^2$$

$$a_i = 1/\text{sqrt}(N)\cos(2\pi k r_i) ; b_i = 1/\text{sqrt}(N)$$

$$\text{Sum } a_i b_i = U(k)$$


$$\text{Sum } 1/N = 1 \text{ for } N \text{ atoms}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sum } |a_i|^2 &= 1/N \text{ Sum } \cos(2\pi k r_i)^2 \\ &= 1/2N \text{ Sum } (1 + \cos(2\pi [2k] r_i)) \\ &= 1/2 + U(2k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } U^2(k) < 1/2 + U(2k)/2$$

If  $U(k)$  is large – can set  $U(2k)$

# Quartets

- 
- Phase relationships involving 4 terms for weak reflections
    - Positive and Negative
    - Rarely useful with TEM



# Maximum Entropy

- Constraint on amplitudes – non-convex

$$\sum \{I_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{k}) - |F_e(\mathbf{k})|^2\}^2 / \sigma(\mathbf{k})^2 < \text{tolerance}$$

- Bregman projections<sup>1</sup> are generalizations of projections for any convex function
- Positivity constraint via a Bregman projection *IS<sup>1</sup>* maximization of entropy
- Overall problem is non-convex, requires a multisolution approach

<sup>1</sup>Y. Censor and S. A. Zenios, Parallel Optimization Theory, Algorithms and Applications, Oxford University Press, 1997

# Shake & Bake

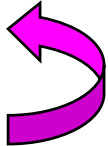
- Set of potentials due to non-overlapping atoms

- $V(r) = \sum_j v(r-r_j)$

- Not convex

- $U(r) = \lambda \sum_j v(r-r_j) + (1-\lambda) \sum_j v(r-r_j')$

- Iteration

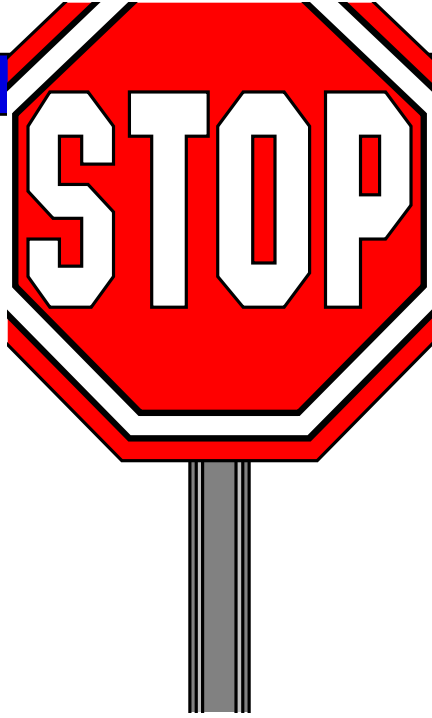
- Project (replace)  $x$  by atoms  Iterate

- $|X| = |X_{\text{observed}}|$

# Charge-Flipping

- Potential is positive, and always “peaky” or zero
- Small noise (+ve & -ve) is “wrong”
- Flip the sign of anything  $< \text{tol}$ 
  - Comparable to an overprojection
  - Also relates to compressive sensing

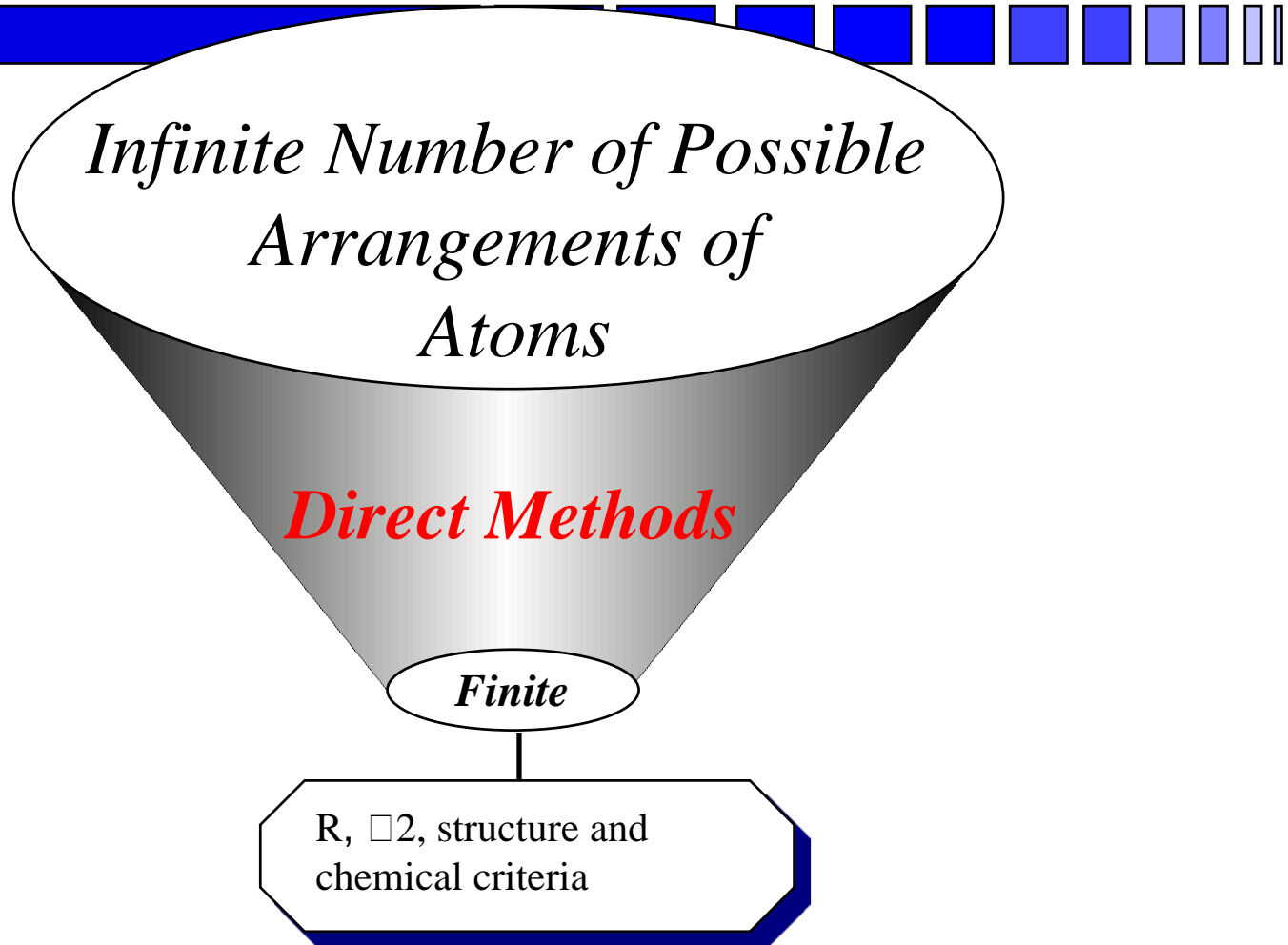
# Caveat: Not Physics




This is probability, not an exact “answer”

All one can say is that the “correct” answer will be among those that are found

# How is it implemented?

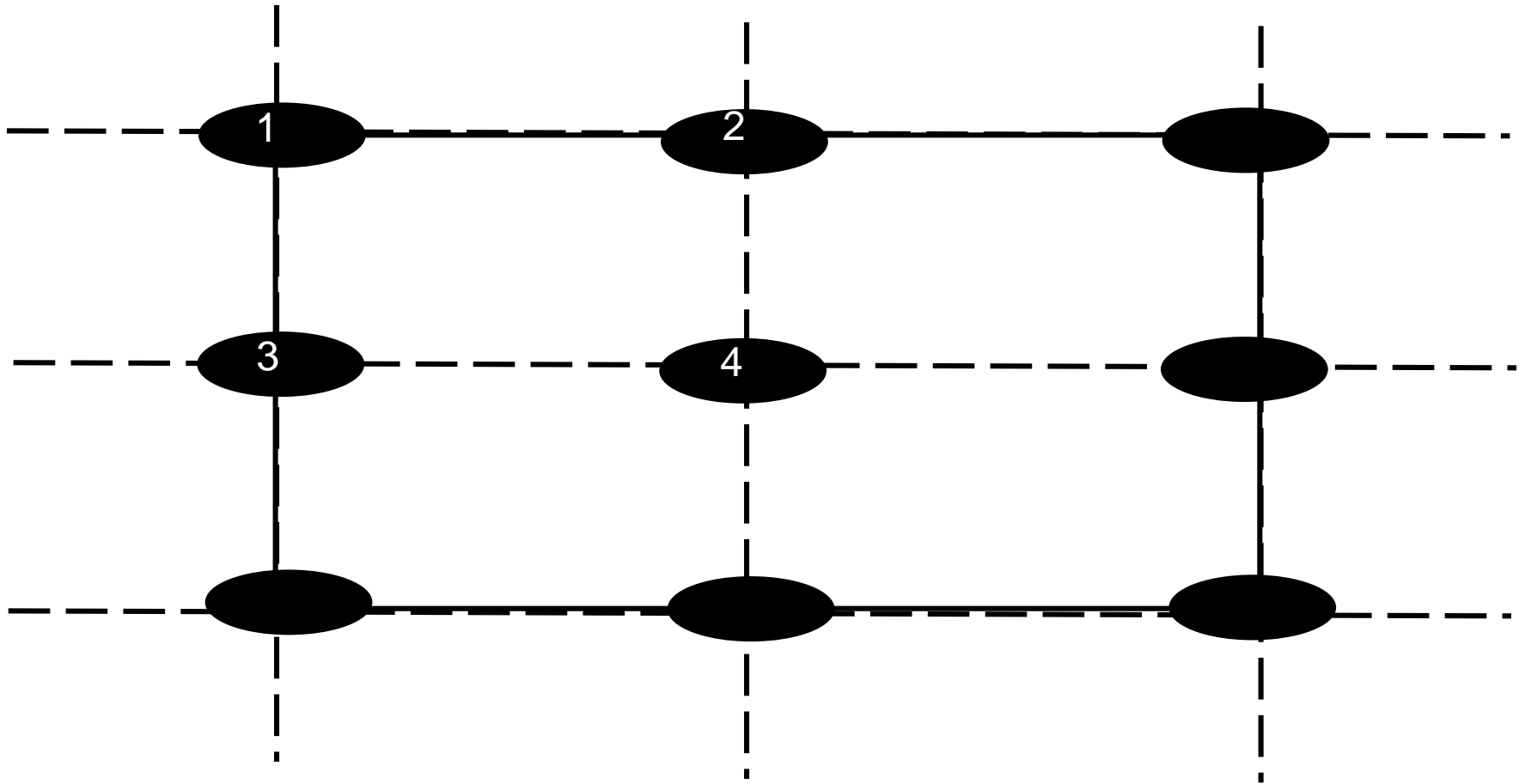


# Implementation

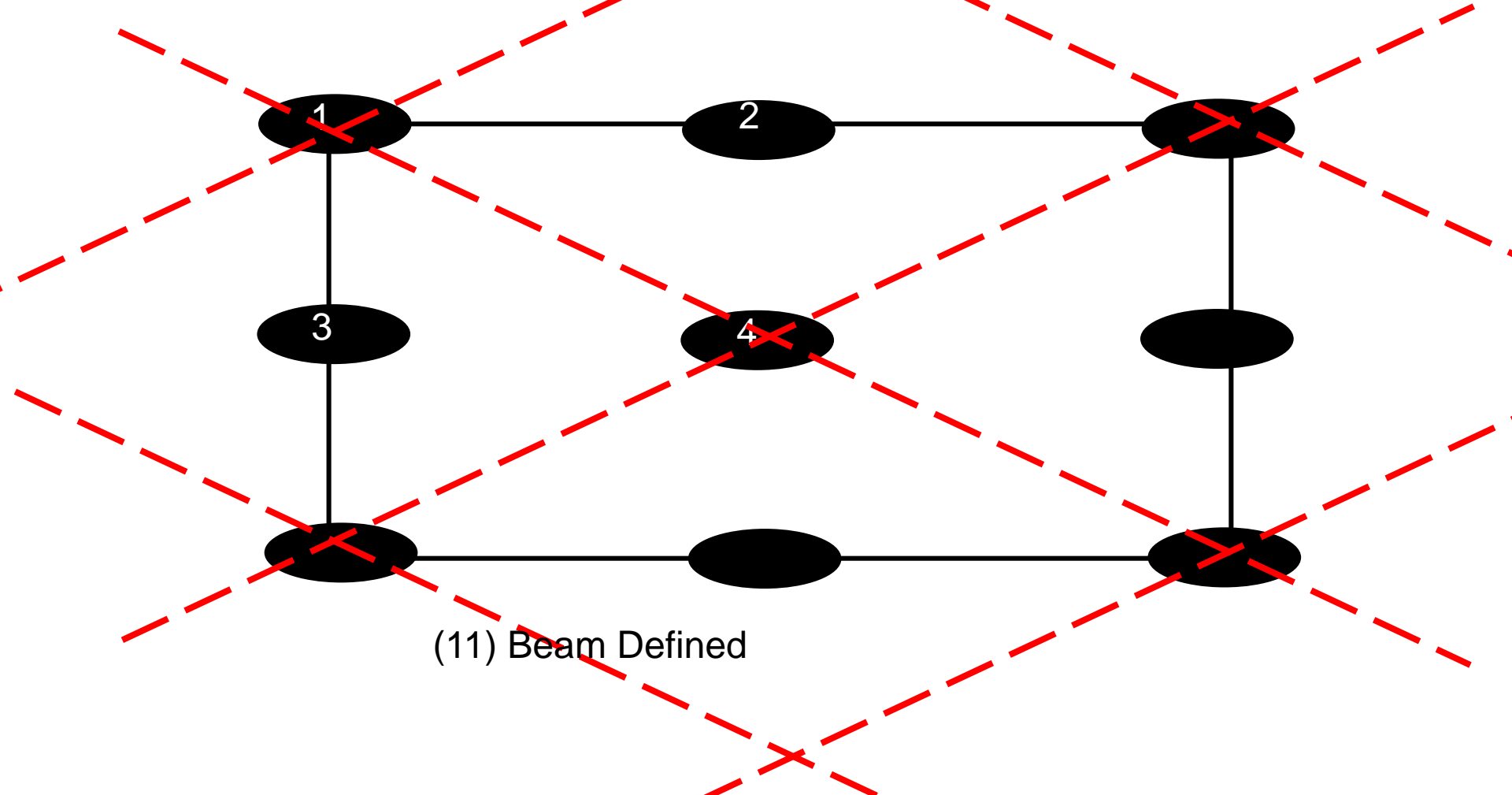
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1. Guess phases for some reflections
  2. Generate from these phases for others and improved phases for initial set
  3. Test consistency of predicted amplitudes and phases
  4. Iterate, so long as consistency is improving

Note: permuting phases has lower dimensions than permuting atom positions

# Origin Definition c2mm



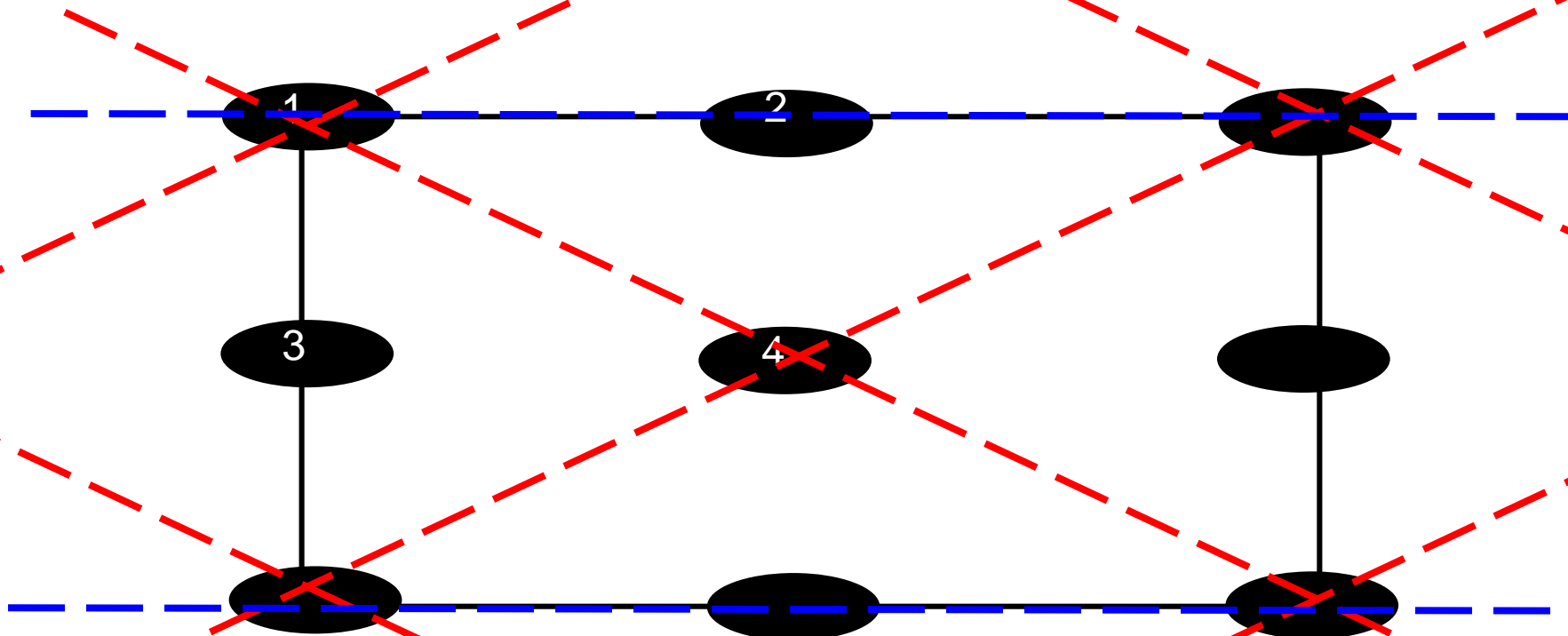
# Origin Definition c2mm



(11) Beam Defined

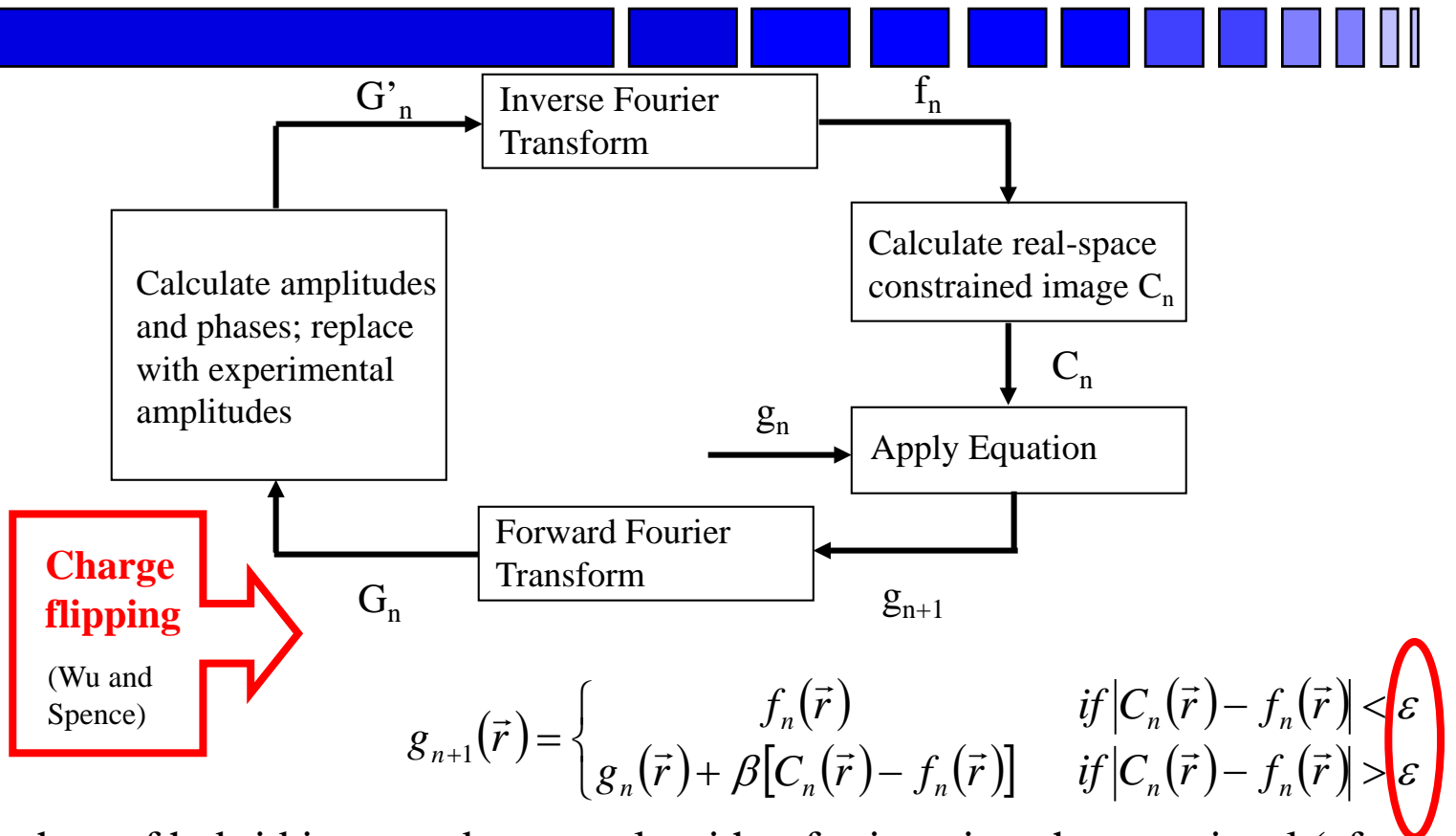


# Origin Definition p2mm



(11) & (10) Beam Defined

# The Algorithm

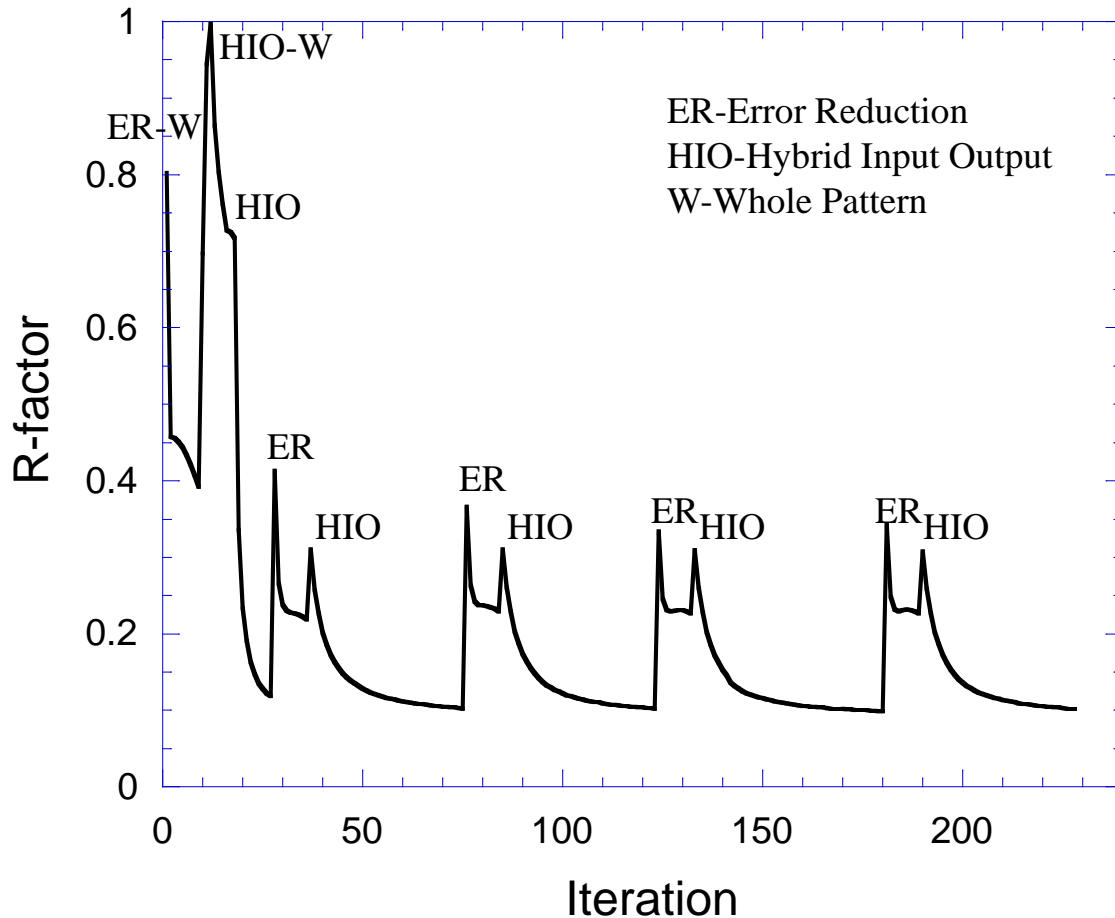


The flow chart of hybrid input and output algorithm for iterative phase retrieval (after Millane and Stroud, 1997).

# Convergence and the Missing Central Beam



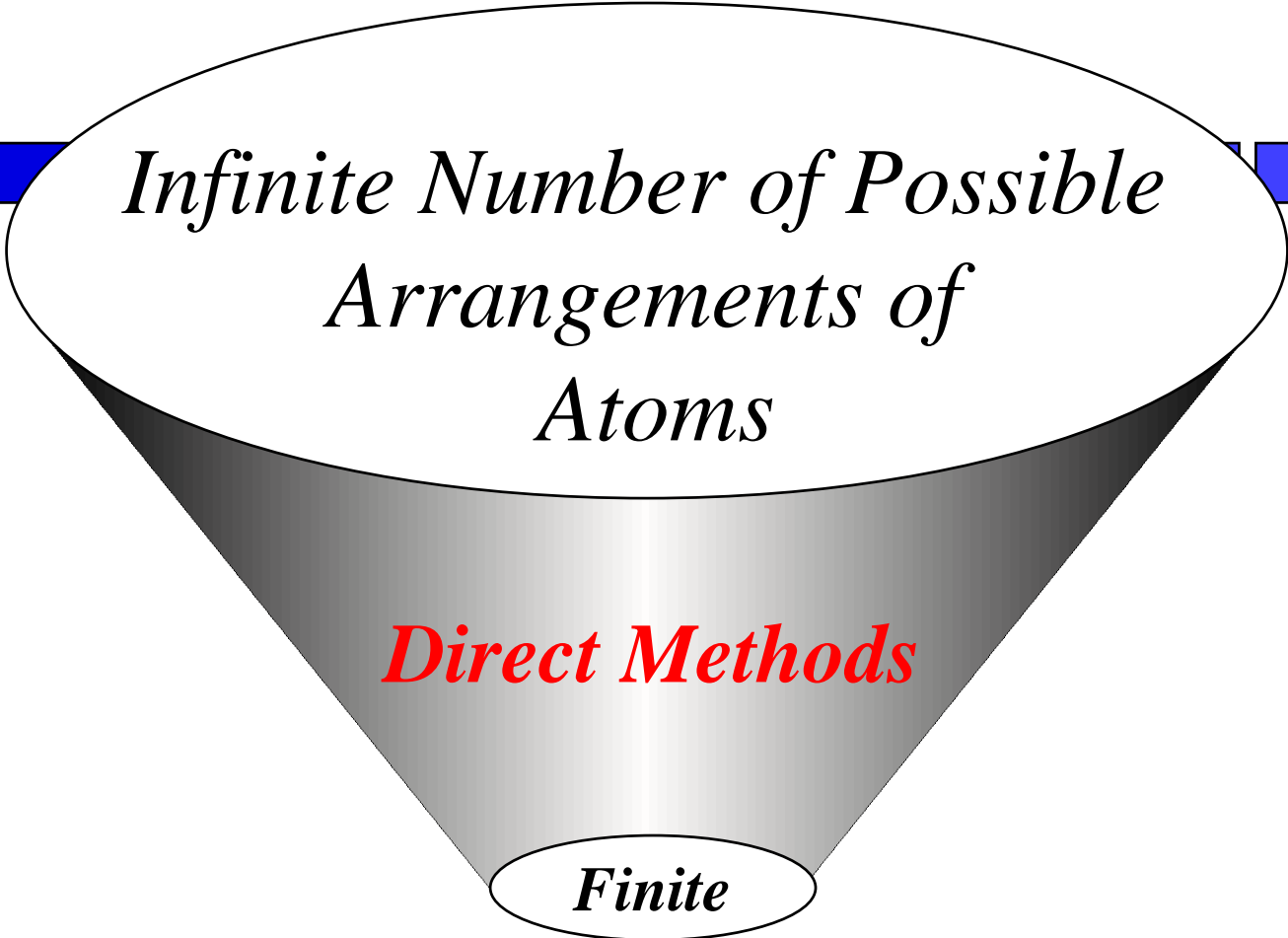
DW-4 Seed = 211



$$R = \frac{\sum \left| |F^{Exp}| - |F^R| \right|}{\sum |F^{Exp}|} 100\%$$

- Missing central beam from IP saturation
- Use low mag. TEM image
- Reconstruction start with the whole pattern
- Finish with as recorded diffraction pattern

# Implementation

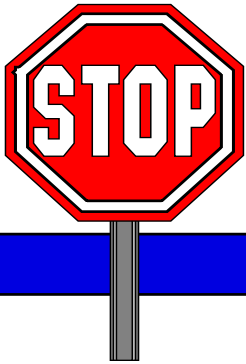


*Infinite Number of Possible  
Arrangements of  
Atoms*

*Direct Methods*

*Finite*

R,  $\chi^2$ , structure,  
DFT and chemistry




## What do D.M. give us

- With the moon in the right quarter -- real space potential/charge density
- In other cases:
  - Atom positions may be wrong (0.1-0.2 Å)
  - Peak Heights may be wrong
  - Too many (or too few) atoms visible
- But... this is often (*not always*) enough to complete the structure

*Chris Gimore*

# Sufficient Conditions

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1. Kinematical Scattering
  2. Intensity mapping:  $I(\mathbf{k}) > I(\mathbf{k}')$  iff  $|F(\mathbf{k})| > |F(\mathbf{k}')|$ 
    - Small deviations from kinematical
    - Precession diffraction
  3. Scattering dominated by one type of atom

# Four basic elements are required to solve a recovery problem



1. A data formation model

*Imaging/Diffraction/Measurement*

2. A priori information

*The presence of atoms or similar*

3. A recovery criterion:

*A numerical test of Goodness-of-Fit*

4. A solution method.

*Mathematical details*