

Bayesian inference and deterministic anisotropy for molecular geometry retrieval in gas-phase diffraction experiments

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Presentation Objective and Contents

We introduce a mathematically rigorous data driven approach to retrieve molecular frame geometries while reducing simulation requirements.

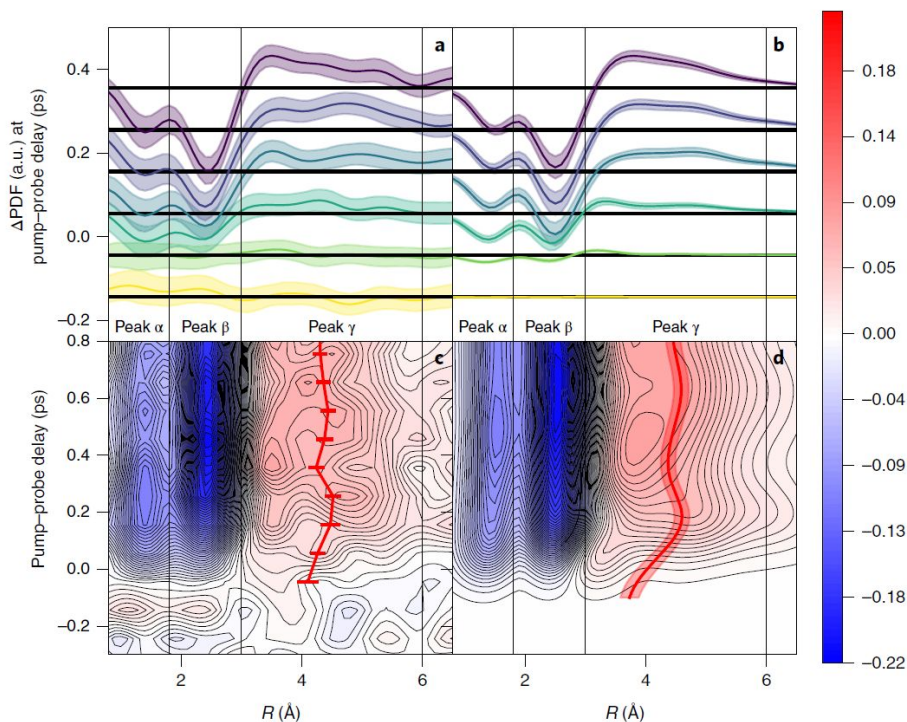
1. Current approaches and the curse of dimensionality
2. Anisotropy reveals the molecular frame (MF)
3. Bayesian Inference
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4. Future Application to Excited State Geometric Dynamics
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Current Molecular Geometry Retrieval Methods

Traditional and New Methods

Traditional Method

- Pair distribution function (PDF)
- Compare PDF, or diffraction, with theory to interpret the molecular geometry transience



Wolf, T J A et al. "The photochemical ring-opening of 1,3-cyclohexadiene imaged by ultrafast electron diffraction." *Nature chemistry* vol. 11,6 (2019): 504-509. doi:10.1038/s41557-019-0252-7

Data Focused/Driven Method

- Use ML to optimize primary features
- Employ kernel transformations from diffraction to PDF
- Use many simulated geometries to statistically improve precision

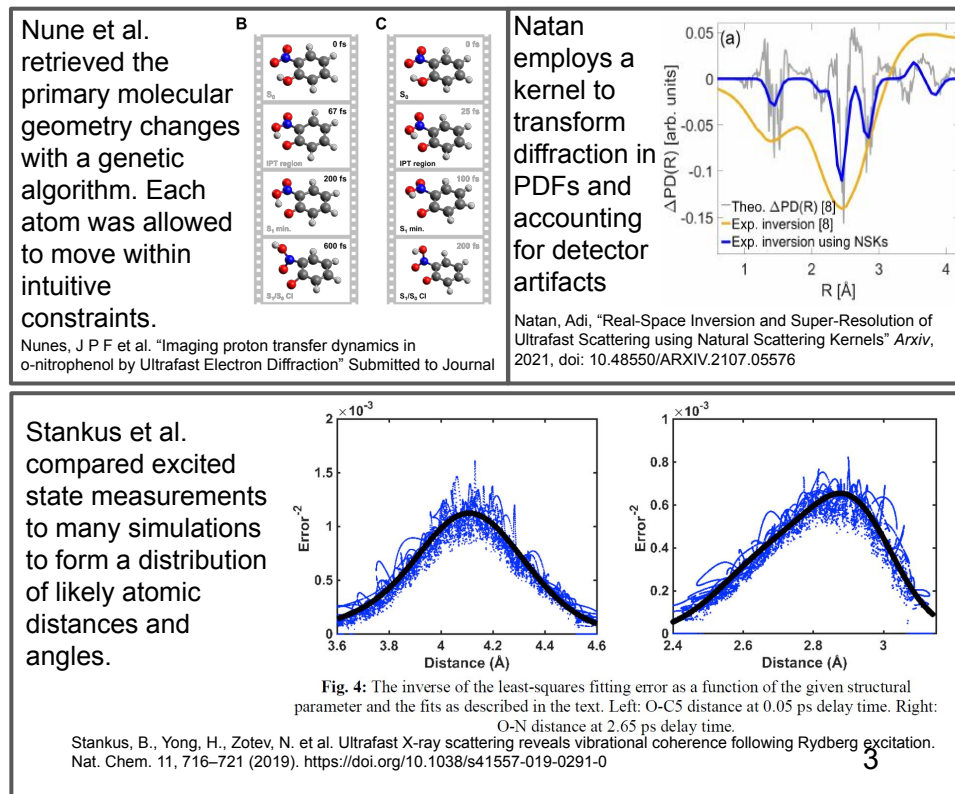


Fig. 4: The inverse of the least-squares fitting error as a function of the given structural parameter and the fits as described in the text. Left: O-C5 distance at 0.05 ps delay time. Right: O-N distance at 2.65 ps delay time.

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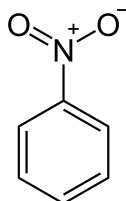
Curse of Dimensionality

The number of geometries to sample (S) grows exponentially, for a grid search

$$S = R^{3N-6}$$

R: Number of sample points per dimension
N: Number of atoms
V: Percent of volume

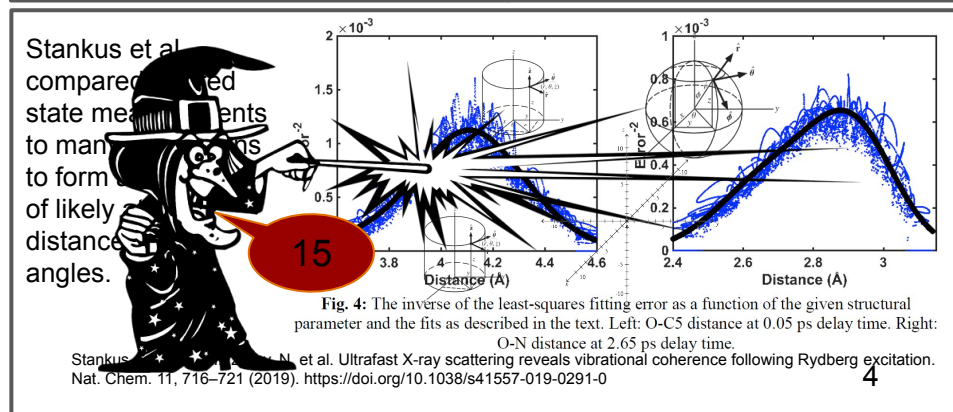
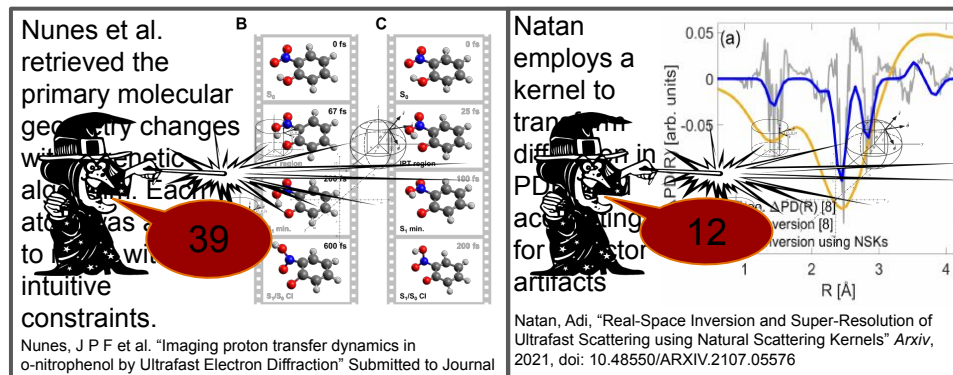
Nitrobenzene: 21 dimensions (ignoring H)



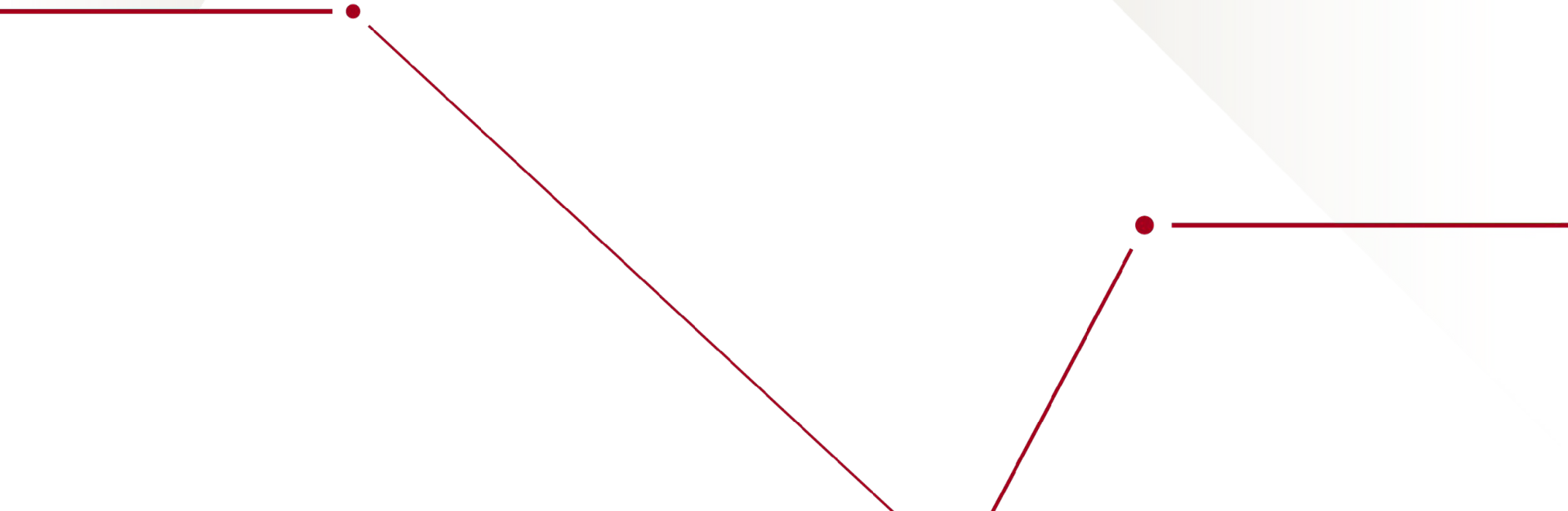
S	R
10^6	1.93
10^9	2.68
10^{21}	10

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Anisotropy Reveals the Molecular Frame (MF)



Anisotropy Reveals the Molecular Frame (MF) degrees of freedom.

- Anisotropy provides constraints on molecular frame (MF) degrees of freedom.
- Combining many measurements (constraints) allows one to retrieve the MF.
- Application in photo-electron spectroscopy
 - V. Makhija, et. al., (2016), arXiv:1611.06476 [physics.atom-ph]
 - C. Marceau, et. al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 083401 (2017)
 - M. Gregory, et. al., (2020), arXiv:2012.04561 [physics.chem-ph]
- Use a stretched NO_2 : an asymmetric top

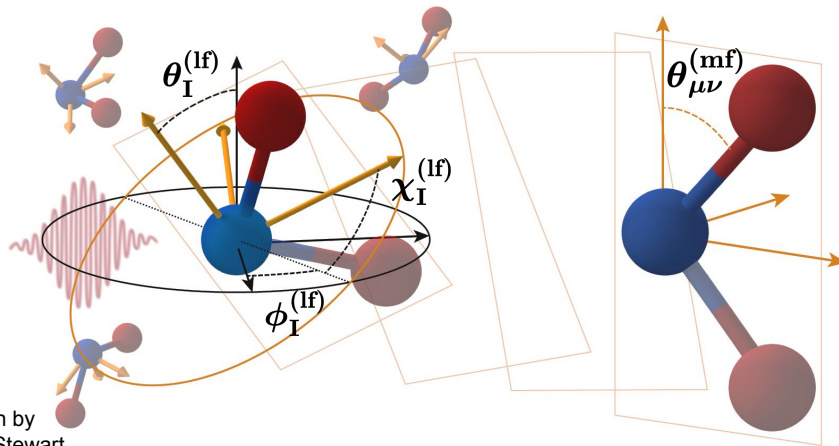
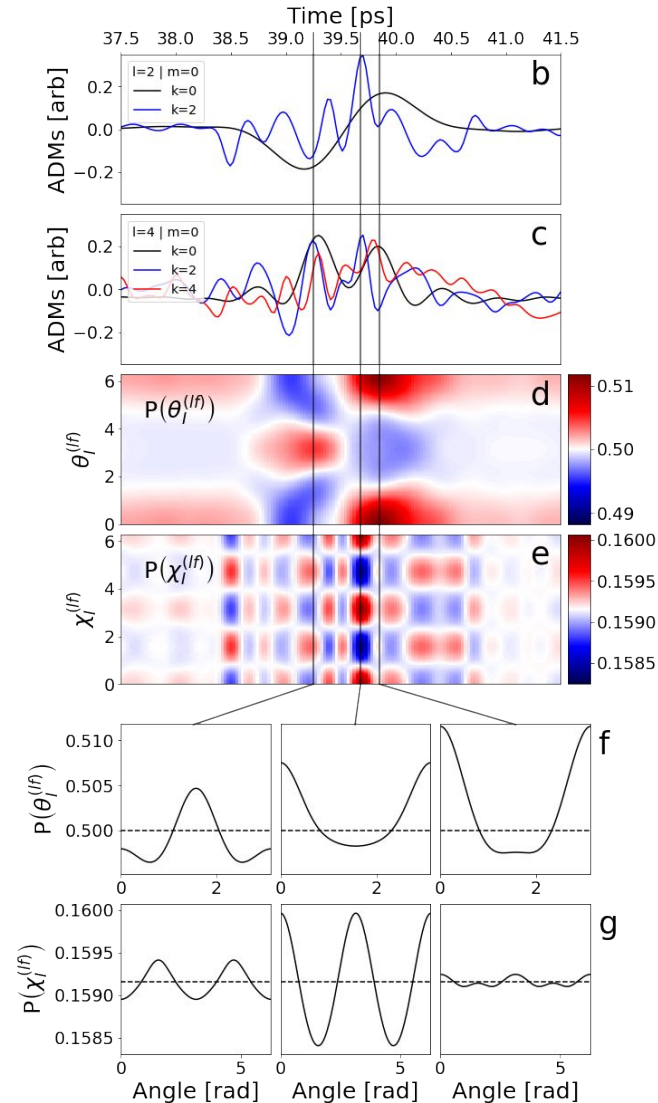


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NO₂ rotational wavepacket anisotropy signature

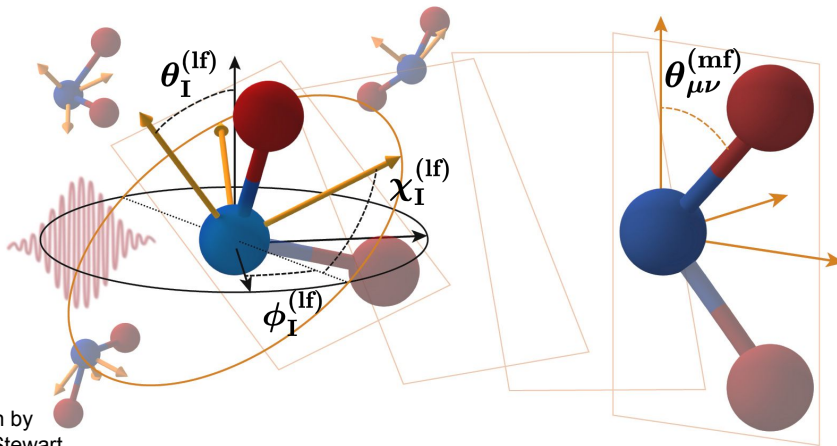
Accessing the MF via Deterministic Anisotropy

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Independent atom approximation

$$\langle I(\mathbf{q}) \rangle(t) = \mathcal{I} \left(\sum_{\mu} |f_{\mu}^*(q)|^2 + \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) \sum_l i^l 8\pi^2 \sqrt{4\pi (2l+1)} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times \sum_{m,k} (-1)^{k-m} \underbrace{Y_l^{-m}(\theta_q^{(\text{lf})}, \phi_q^{(\text{lf})})}_{\text{Lab Frame}} \langle \Psi(t) | \underbrace{D_{mk}^l(\phi_I^{(\text{lf})}, \theta_I^{(\text{lf})}, \chi_I^{(\text{lf})})}_{\text{Ensemble Anisotropy}} \underbrace{j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})})}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} | \Psi(t) \rangle \right\} \right)$$

- **Measurement:** Lab frame anisotropy
- **Simulation:** Ensemble anisotropy
- **Result:** Molecular frame geometry
 - Explicit dependence on MF geometric angles
 - Each pair-wise contribution is labelled

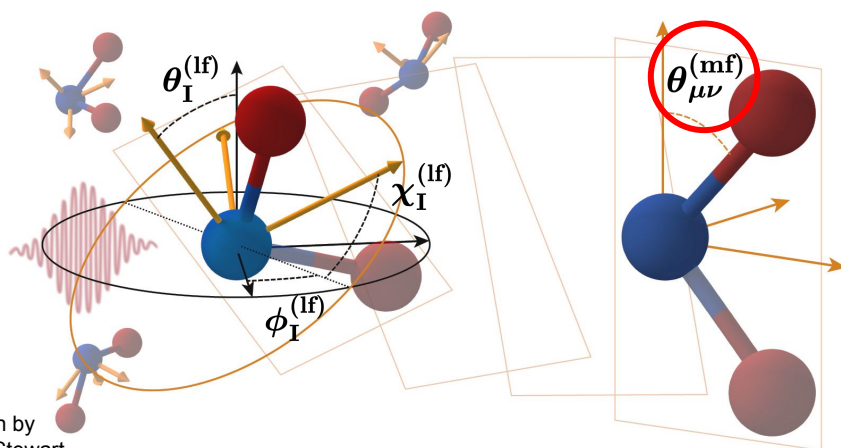


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Explicit dependence on molecular frame angles provides an opportunity to develop methods that extract these angles, and hence a unique geometry, from data alone.

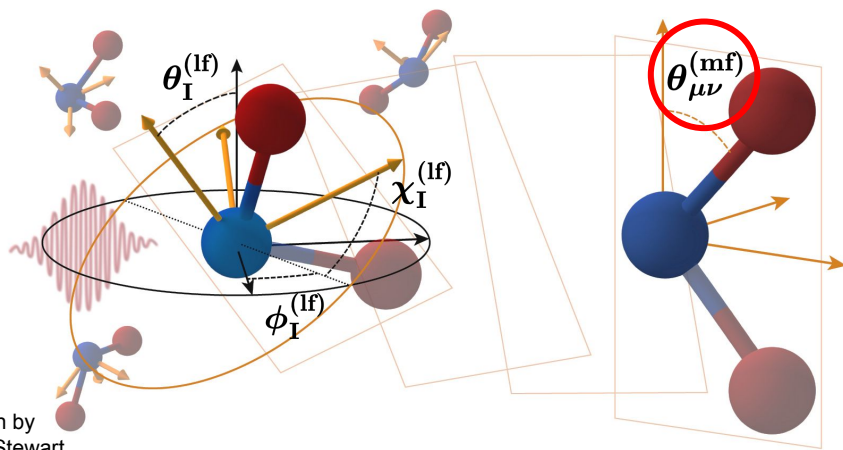
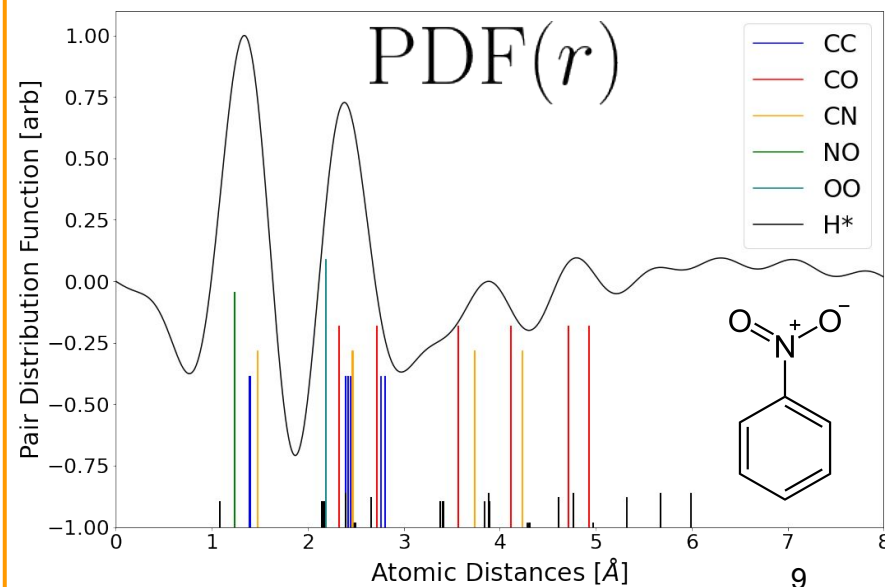


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PDF access distances only



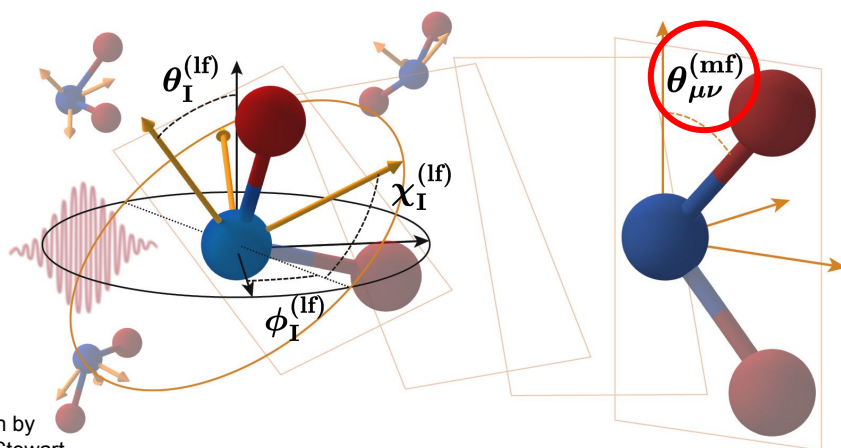
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Lab Frame
Ensemble Anisotropy
Molecular Frame Geometry

Independent atom approximation



Must know the ground state rotational constants and static polarizability to simulate the ensemble anisotropy

Accessing the MF via Deterministic Anisotropy Rigid Rotor

Rigid Rotor Approximation

$$\langle I(\mathbf{q}) \rangle_{\text{rigid}}(t) = \mathcal{I} \left(\sum_{\mu} |f_{\mu}(q)|^2 + \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) \sum_l i^l 8\pi^2 \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times \sum_{m,k} (-1)^{k-m} \underbrace{Y_l^{-m}(\theta_q^{(\text{lf})}, \phi_q^{(\text{lf})})}_{\text{Lab Frame}} \underbrace{\langle \Psi(0) | j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) | \Psi(0) \rangle}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_{mk}^l(t)|_{\text{rigid}}}_{\text{Anisotropy}} \right\} \right)$$

Remove LF Y_l^m by fitting measured anisotropy

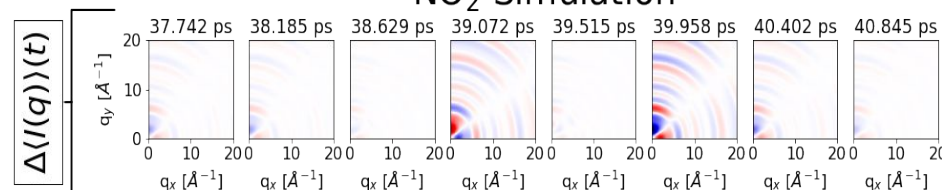
$$B_l^m(q, t) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) i^l 8\pi^2 \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \right. \\ \left. \times \sum_k (-1)^{k-m} \underbrace{j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})})}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_{mk}^l(t)|_{\text{rigid}}}_{\text{Anisotropy}} \right\}$$

Remove time dependence by fitting ADMs

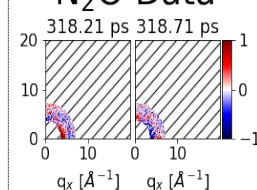
$$C_{lmk}(q) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \underbrace{j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})})}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \right\}$$

$$M_{lmk}(q) = \frac{C_{lmk}(q)}{\sum_{\mu} |f_{\mu}(q)|^2}$$

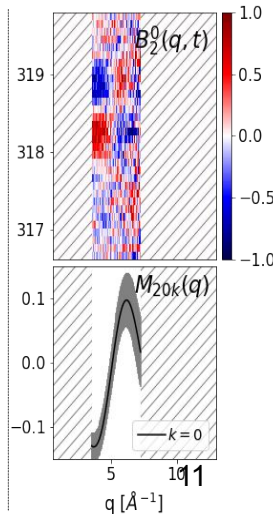
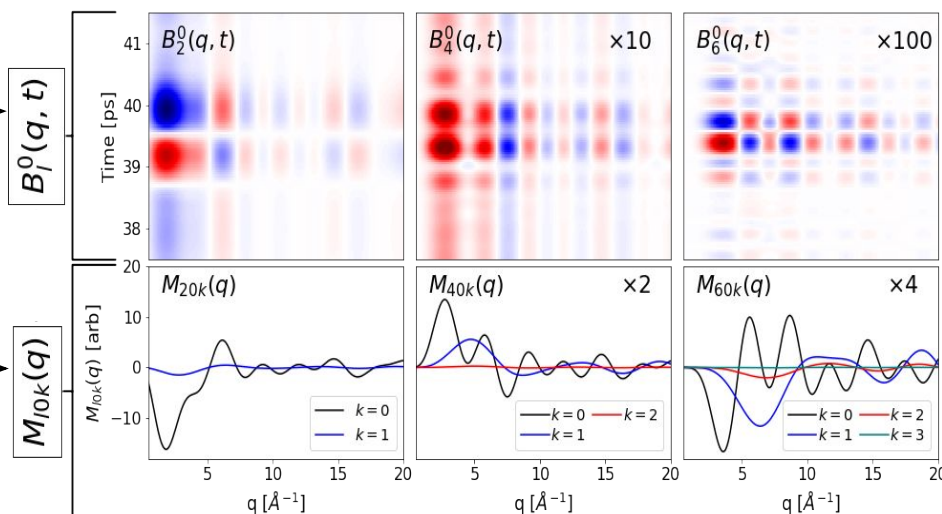
NO₂ Simulation



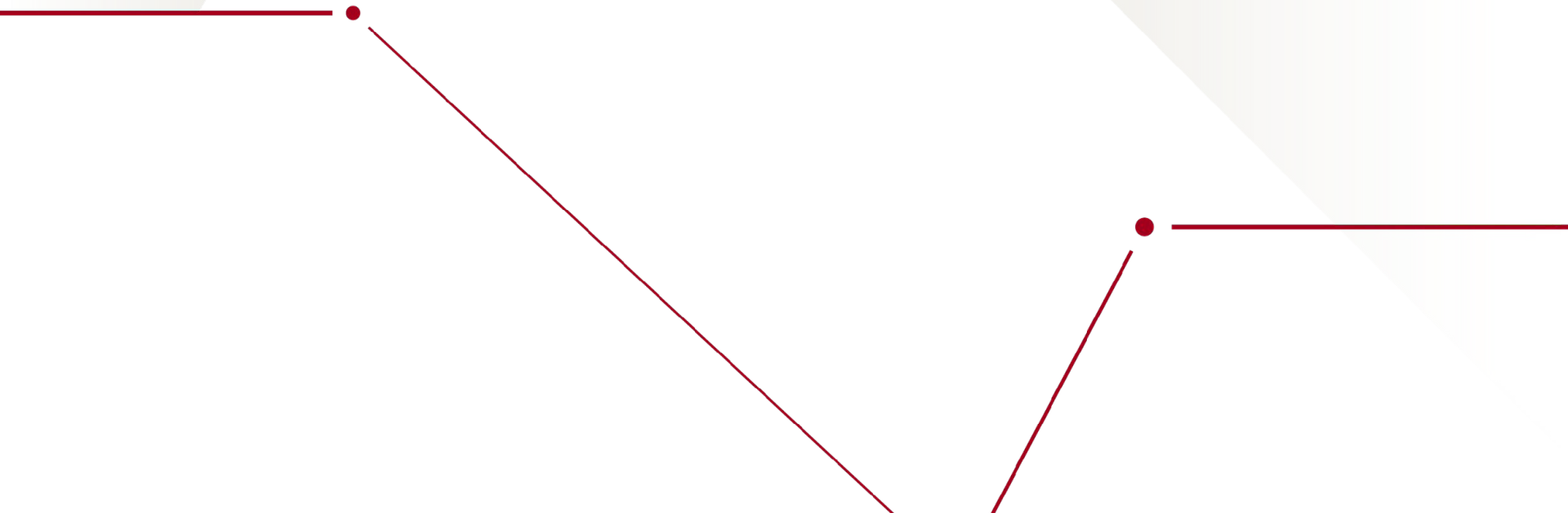
N₂O Data



Extracting Molecular Frame Information



Bayesian Inference



Modeling $|\Psi(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})})|^2$ and Search Parameters

- What we have

- Relation between measurement and molecular frame geometry

- What we want

- Invert $C_{lmk}(q)$ for $|\Psi(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})})|^2$
- ~10 eqn / ~10 terms / ~300 variables / embedded in 3N-6 dims

- How we do it

- Model $|\Psi(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})})|^2 \approx P(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, C)$
- Retrieve $P(\boldsymbol{\theta}|C)$

$$C_{lmk}(q) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 d\mathbf{r}}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \right\}$$

$$C_{lmk}^{(\text{calc})}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) P(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|C) d\mathbf{r}}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \right\}$$

$$P(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|C) \approx |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$P(\boldsymbol{\theta}|C) = \int P(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|C) d\mathbf{r}$$

Delta Distribution:

$$P^{(\delta)}(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|C) = \delta(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\text{delta})} - \mathbf{r})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\text{delta})} = [\langle \text{NO}^{(1)} \rangle, \langle \text{NO}^{(2)} \rangle, \langle \angle \text{ONO} \rangle]$$

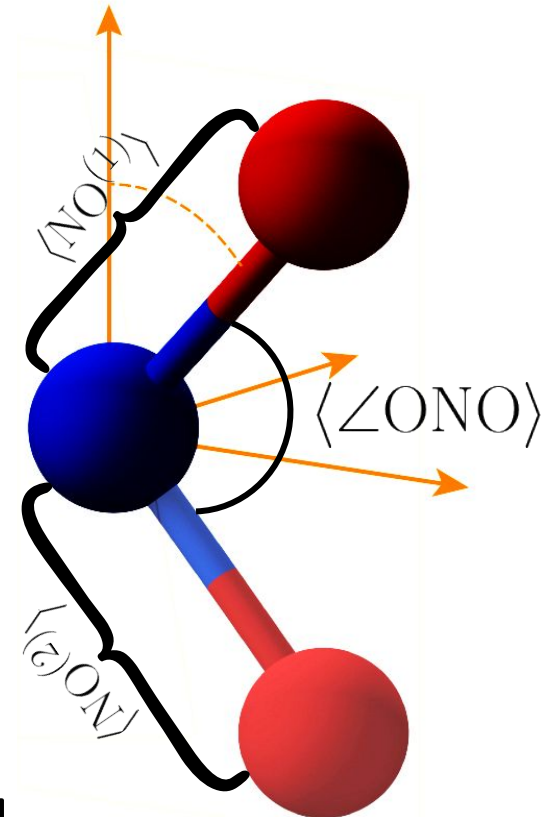
Normal Distribution:

$$P^{(\mathcal{N})}(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^{N_{\text{dof}}}} \prod_{i=0}^{i < N_{\text{dof}}} \frac{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_{\text{dof}}} \left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})} - \mathbf{r}_i}{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \right)^2 \right\}}{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\text{gauss})} = [\langle \text{NO}^{(1)} \rangle, \sigma(\text{NO}^{(1)}), \langle \text{NO}^{(2)} \rangle, \sigma(\text{NO}^{(2)}), \langle \angle \text{ONO} \rangle, \sigma(\angle \text{ONO})]$$

Modeling $|\Psi(r^{(mf)})|^2$ and Search Parameters

- The Θ parameterization allows for novel measurements
 - Degrees of freedom to specify a unique geometry
 - Bond distances and angles
 - Width of the wave packet $\sigma(\dots)$



$$P(\mathbf{r}, \Theta | C) \approx |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$P(\Theta | C) = \int P(\mathbf{r}, \Theta | C) d\mathbf{r}$$

Delta Distribution:

$$P^{(\delta)}(\mathbf{r}, \Theta | C) = \delta(\Theta^{(\text{delta})} - \mathbf{r})$$

$$\Theta^{(\text{delta})} = [\langle NO^{(1)} \rangle, \langle NO^{(2)} \rangle, \langle \angle ONO \rangle]$$

Normal Distribution:

$$P^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}, \Theta | C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^{N_{dof}} \prod_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \left(\frac{\Theta_{2i}^{(\text{gauss})} - \mathbf{r}_i}{\Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\Theta^{(\text{gauss})} = [\langle NO^{(1)} \rangle, \sigma(NO^{(1)}), \langle NO^{(2)} \rangle, \sigma(NO^{(2)}), \langle \angle ONO \rangle, \sigma(\angle ONO)]$$

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Retrieve $P(\theta|C)$

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Molecular Frame Geometry

$$C_{lmk}^{(calc)}(q, \Theta) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(mf)}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(mf)}) P(r, \Theta|C) dr \right\}$$

Molecular Frame Geometry

Evaluate ~10 Equations, with
~10 terms, and ~300
measurements for each
geometry

Delta Distribution:

$$\Theta^{(\text{delta})} = [\langle \text{NO}^{(1)} \rangle, \langle \text{NO}^{(2)} \rangle, \langle \angle \text{ONO} \rangle]$$

Normal Distribution:

$$P^{(N)}(r, \Theta|C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^{N_{dof}} \prod_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \left(\frac{\Theta_{2i}^{(\text{gauss})} - r_i}{\Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \right)^2 \right\}$$

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Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm

Efficient, unbiased,
data-driven sampling of Θ

$$P(\Theta|C) = [\Theta_0, \dots, \Theta_N]$$

$$P(\Theta'|\Theta) = \frac{P(\Theta'|C)}{P(\Theta|C)}$$

$$= \min \left[\frac{P(C|\Theta')P(\Theta')}{P(C|\Theta)P(\Theta)}, 1 \right]$$

Select Θ' nearby Θ and calculate expected $C_{lmk}(q)$

$$P^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}, \Theta|C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^{N_{dof}} \prod_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_{dof}} \left(\frac{\Theta_{2i}^{(\text{gauss})} - \mathbf{r}_i}{\Theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \right)^2 \right\}$$

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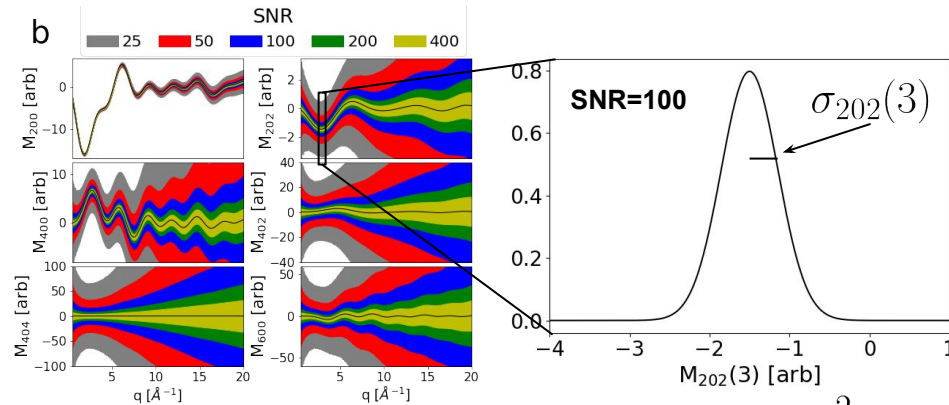
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$$\times \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) P(\mathbf{r}, \Theta|C) d\mathbf{r}}_{\text{Molecular Frame Geometry}} \left. \right\}$$

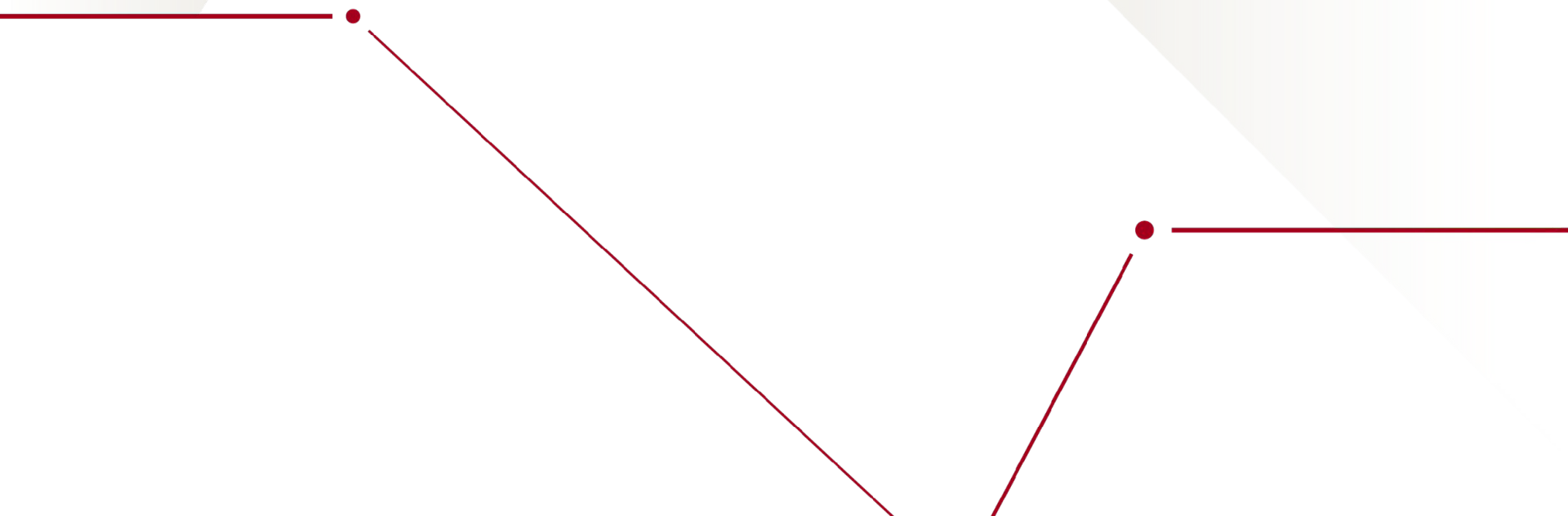
Compute probabilistic formulation
of data and compare with
probabilistic measurement.

- Exploits mean measurement
- Exploits experimental variation

$$P(C|\Theta) = \prod_{lmk,q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{lmk}(q) \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} \sum_{lmk,q} \left(\frac{C_{lmk}(q) - C_{lmk}^{(\text{calc})}(q, \Theta)}{\sigma_{lmk}(q)} \right)^2 \right\}$$



Application to simulated NO_2 and measured N_2O

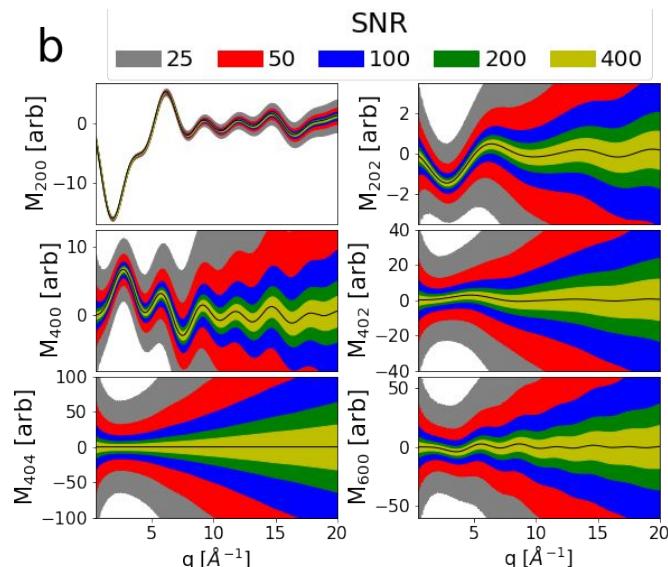
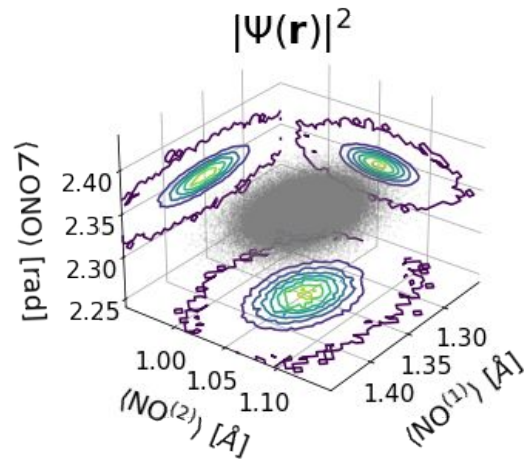


Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution

Algorithm Input

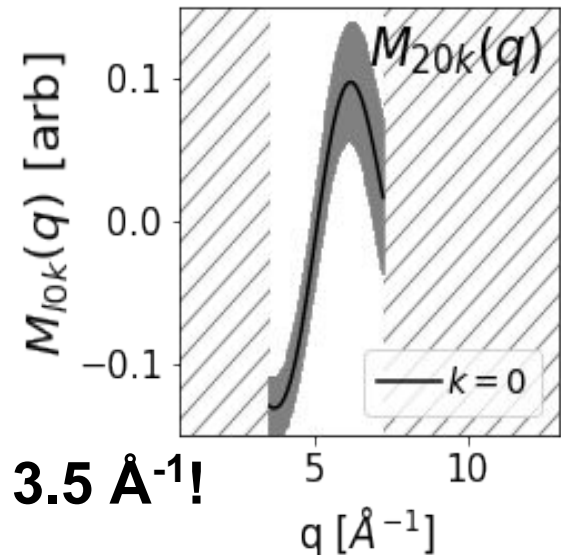
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Simulated NO_2



Measured N_2O

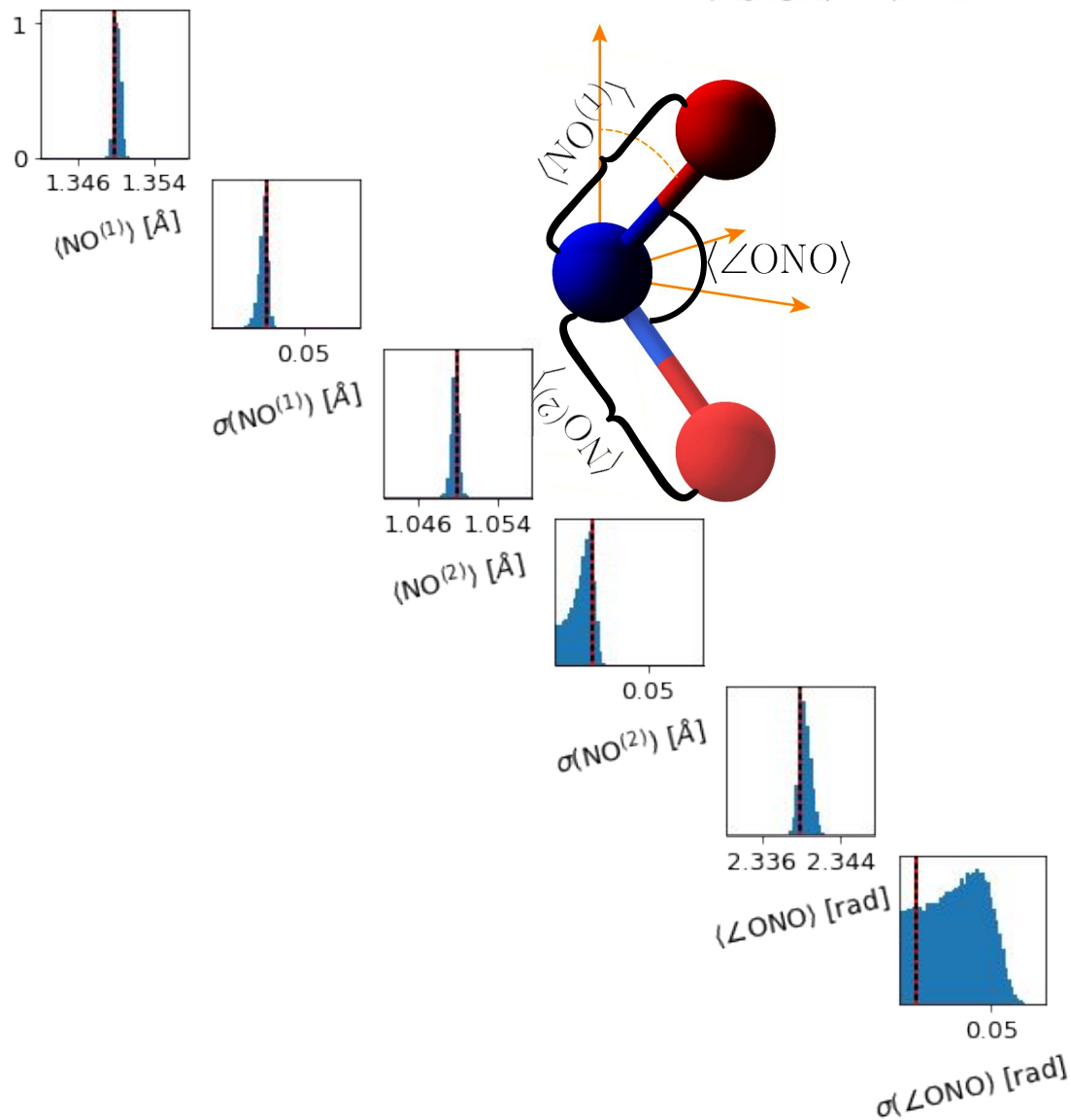
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Only 3.5 Å^{-1} !

Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution

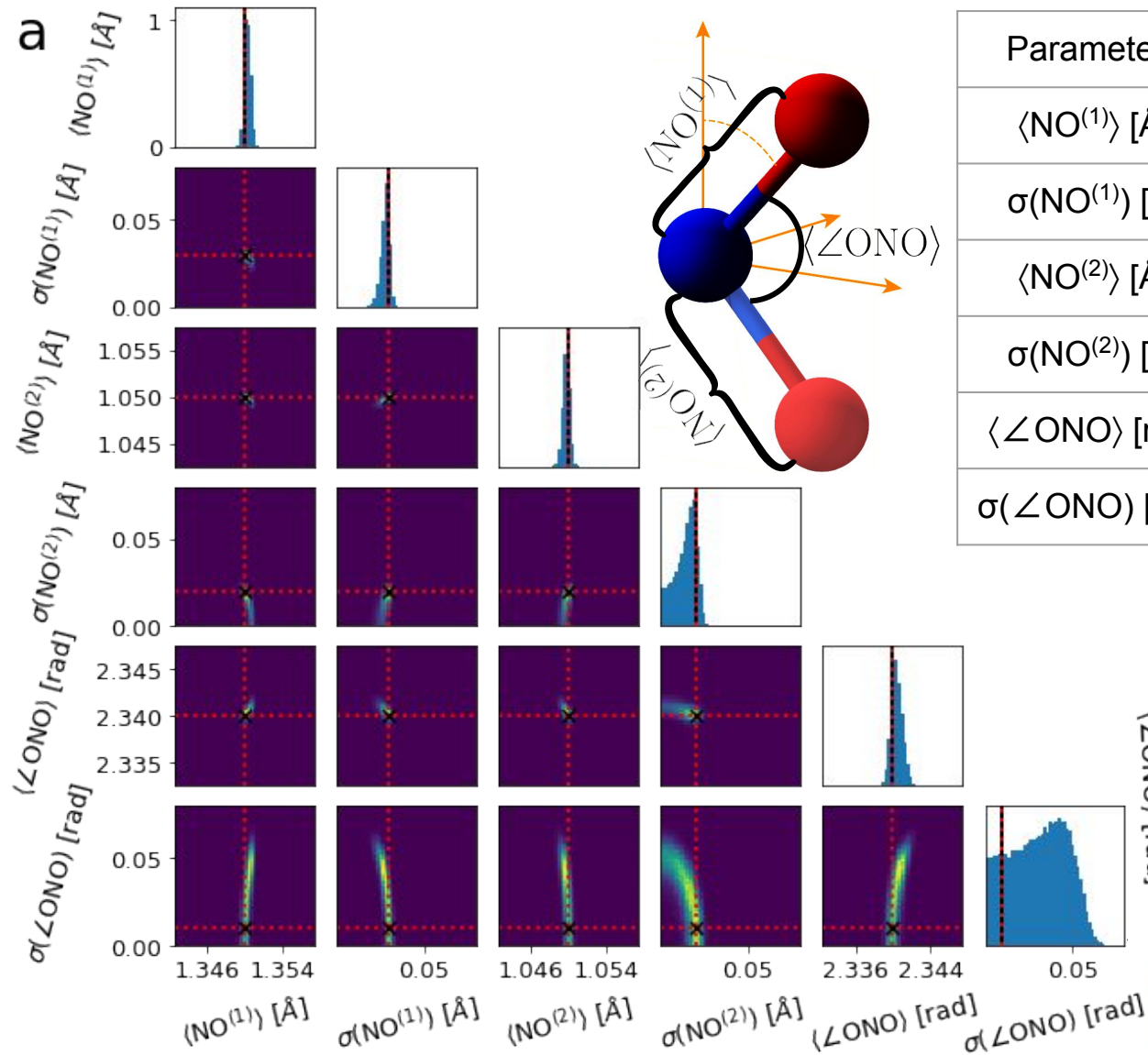
Results: $P(\theta|C)$



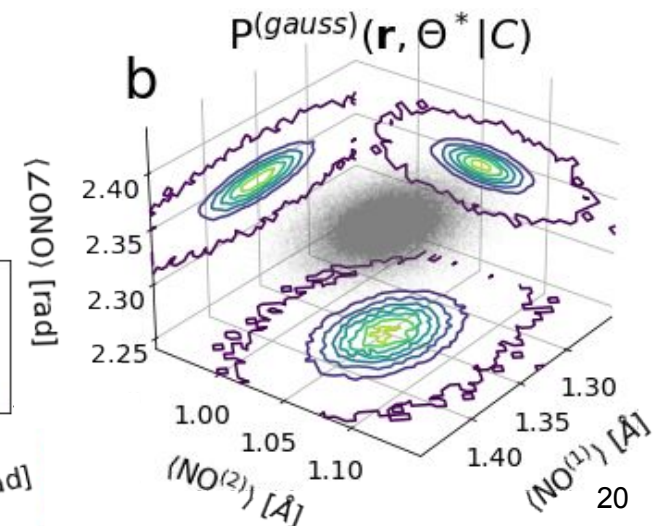
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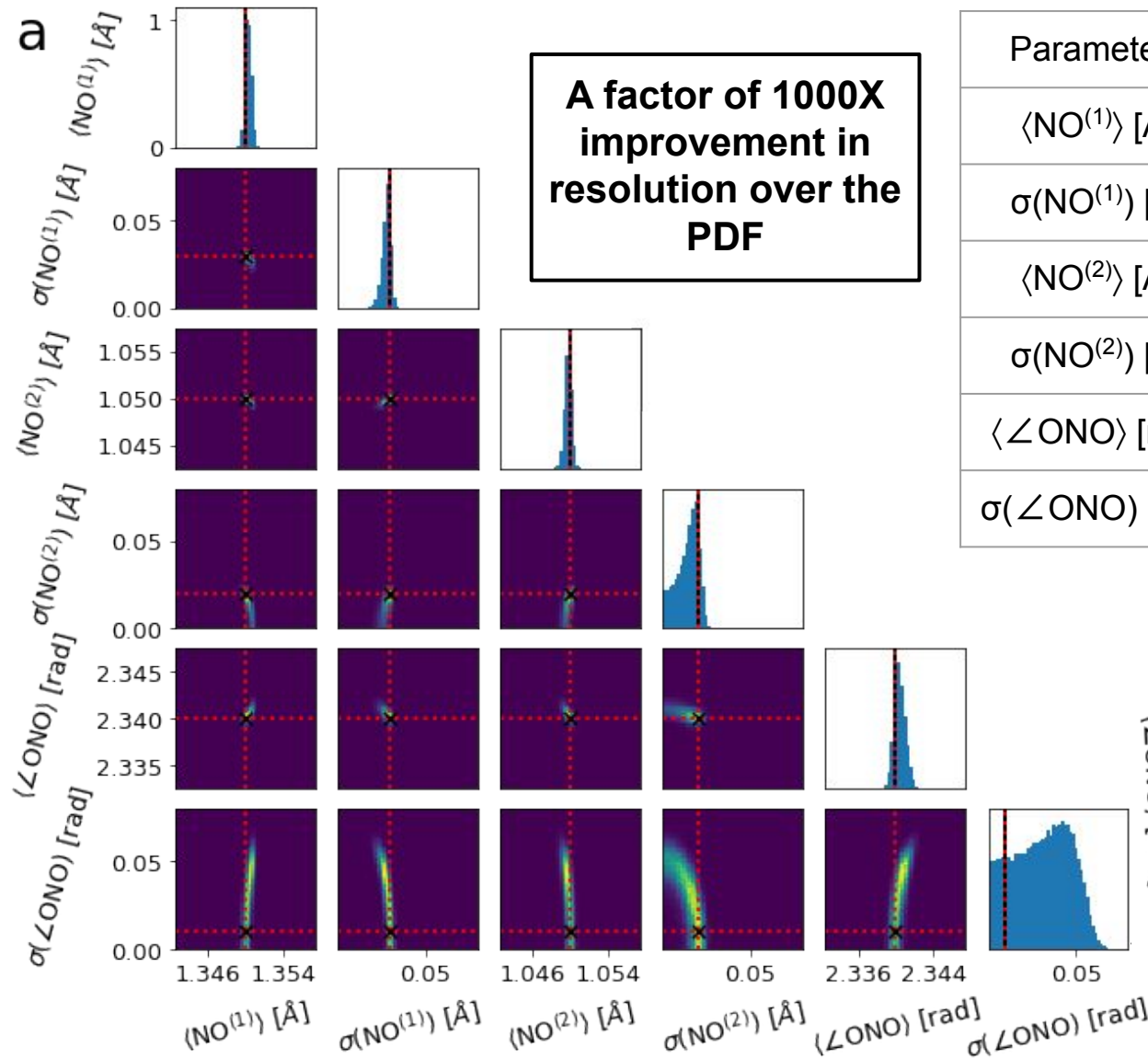
Parameters	Input	Retrieved	Resolution
$\langle NO^{(1)} \rangle$ [Å]	1.35	1.35	0.00029
$\sigma(NO^{(1)})$ [Å]	0.03	0.03	0.0019
$\langle NO^{(2)} \rangle$ [Å]	1.05	1.05	0.00029
$\sigma(NO^{(2)})$ [Å]	0.02	0.02	0.0054
$\langle \angle ONO \rangle$ [rad]	2.34	2.34	0.00047
$\sigma(\angle ONO)$ [rad]	0.01	0.0101	0.015



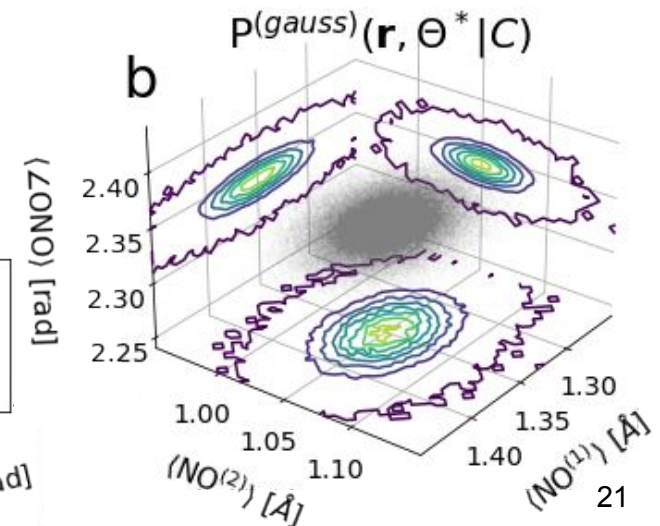
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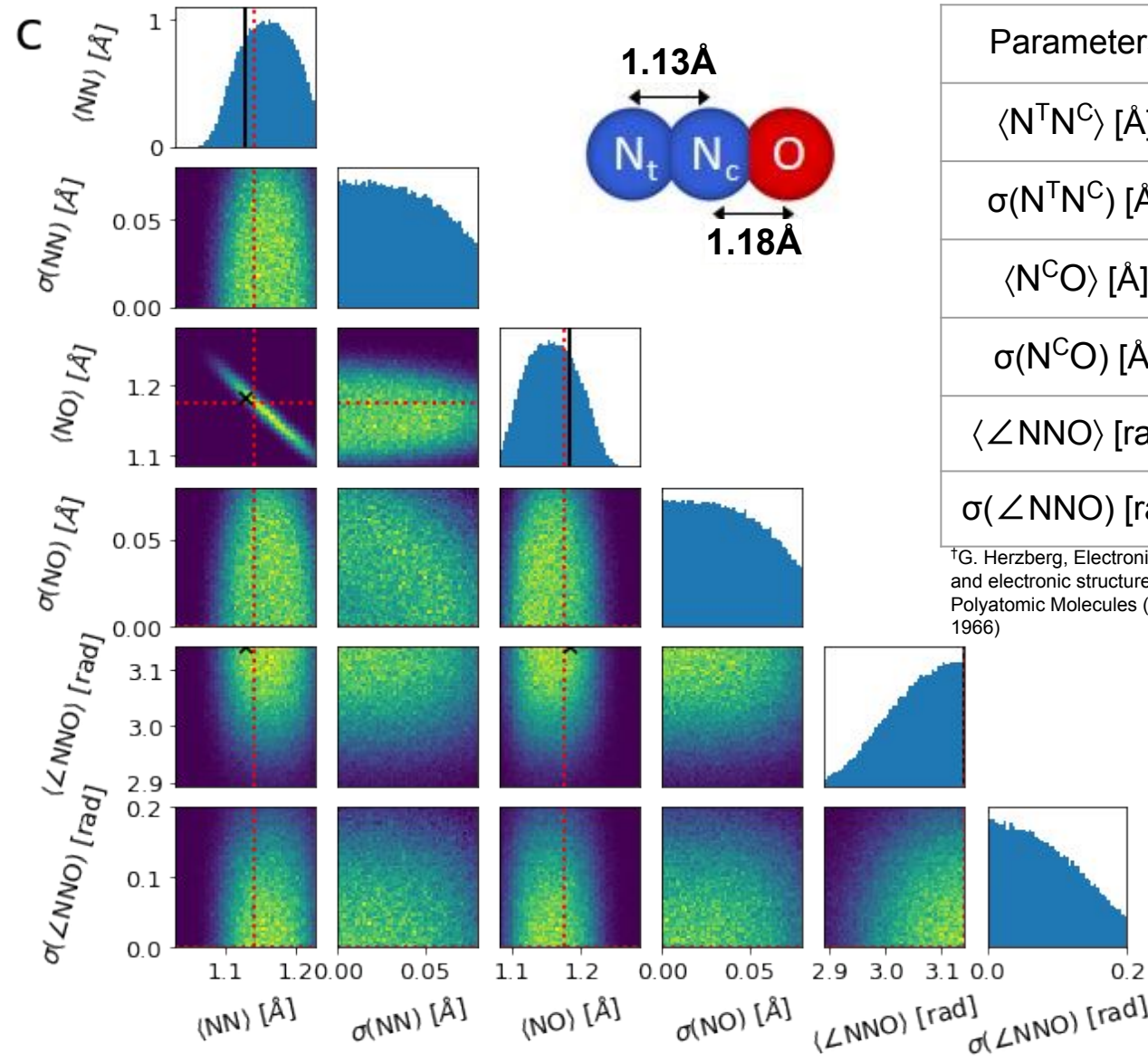
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Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution

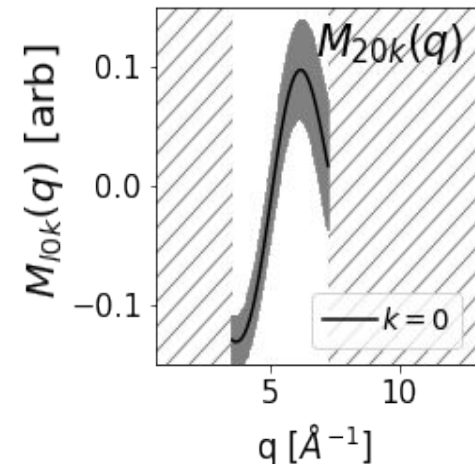
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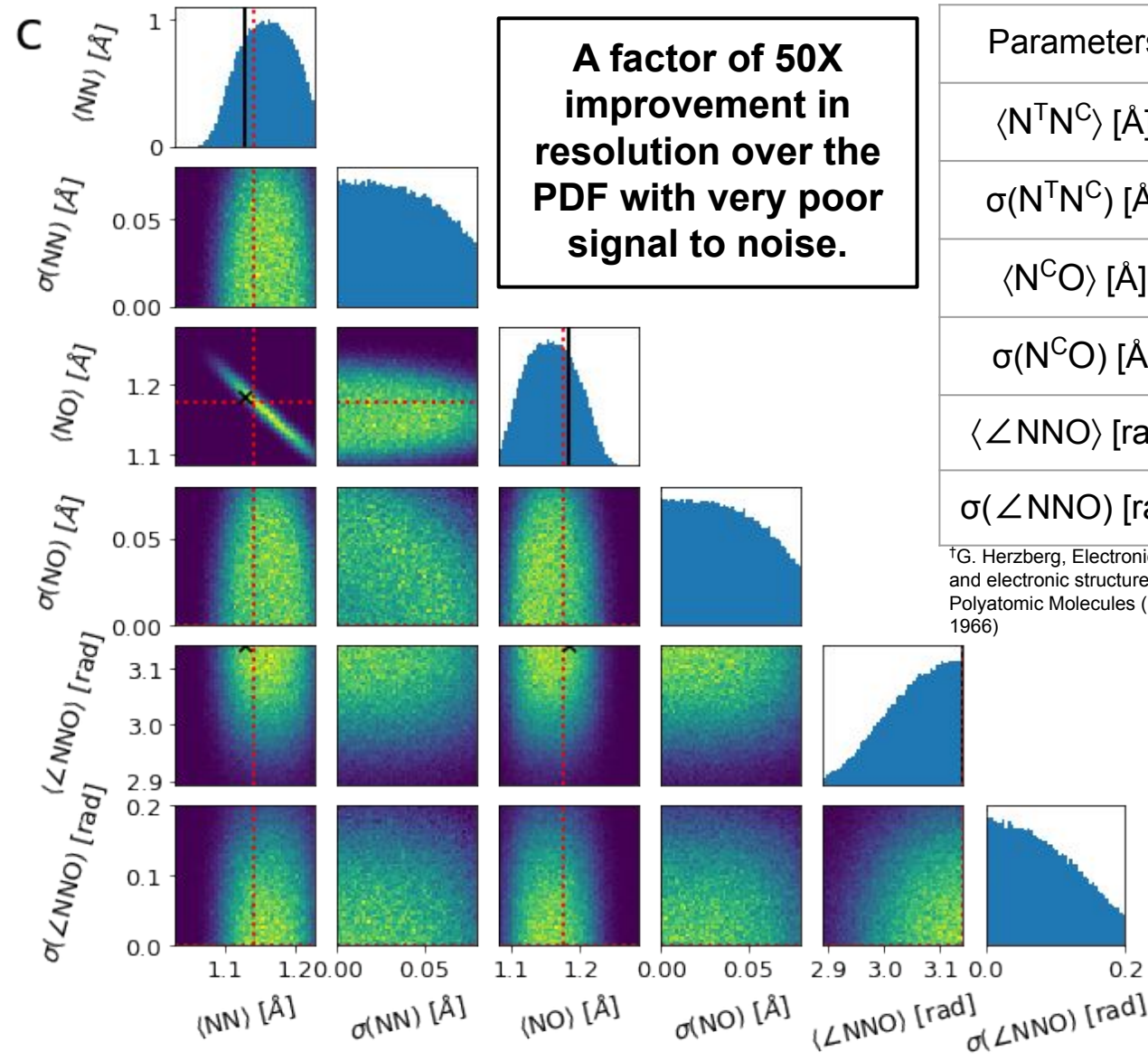
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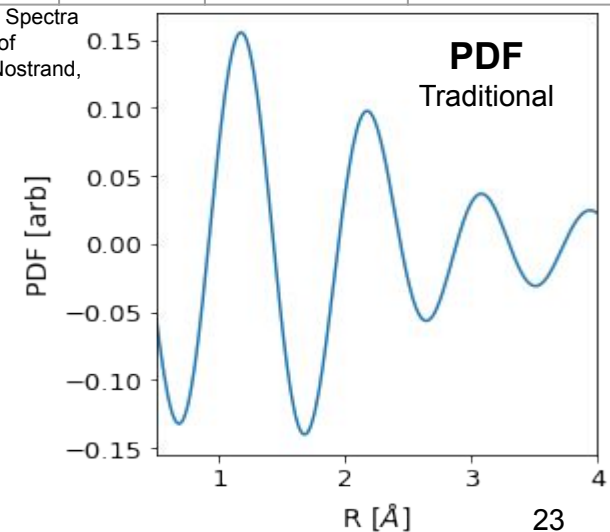
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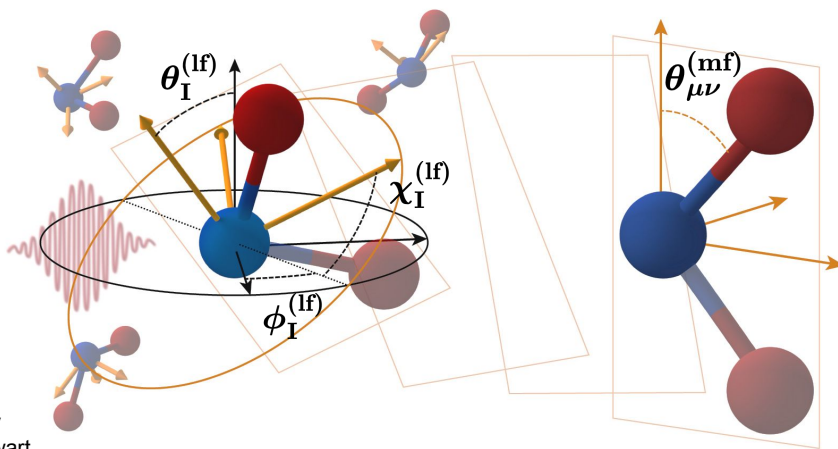
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Retrieving Excited State Dynamics

$$\langle I(\mathbf{q}) \rangle_{\text{sep}}^{(2)}(t, \tau) = \mathcal{I} \left(\sum_{\mu} |f_{\mu}(q)|^2 + \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) \sum_l i^l 8\pi^2 \sqrt{4\pi (2l+1)} \sum_{m_1, m_2} (-1)^{m_1 - m_2} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times Y_l^{-m_2}(\theta_q^{(\text{lf})}, \phi_q^{(\text{lf})}) \tilde{A}_{m_1 m_2}^l(n, n'; \tau) \left\langle \psi_{\text{el-vib}}^{n'}(t) \left| j_l(q \Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-m_1}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) \right| \psi_{\text{el-vib}}^n(t) \right\rangle \right\} \right)$$

- Separation of rotational and vibrational time scales
- Independent atom approximation
- **Measurement:** Lab frame anisotropy
- **Simulation:** Ensemble anisotropy
- **Result:** Molecular frame geometry
 - Explicit dependence on MF geometric angles
 - Each pair-wise contribution is labelled



Rotational dynamics is of order a few to 10 picoseconds and vibrational or isomerization dynamics of interest are often on the femtosecond timescale. If sufficient rotation occurs outside of the ground state geometry one can use $C_{000}(\mathbf{q}, t)$ which is independent of anisotropy but does not have an explicit dependence on the molecular frame angles.

- Directly probe $|\psi(\mathbf{r}^{(mf)})|^2$ in a high dimensional space
 - Rigorously retrieve distribution of geometry parameters in high dimensions
 - **MHA: efficient, unconstrained, and unbiased geometric search**
- Generally applicable to current experiments and (potentially) excited state dynamics
 - **Choice of model (Normal, ...) allows novel measurements like width**
 - Can use induced anisotropy from excitation dipole and $C_{000}(q,t)$
- High resolution (roughly 100-1000 times better than PDF)
 - **Simulation resolutions distances/angles: Order 1 - 0.1 pm / ~1 mrad**
 - **Data with LMK=[2,0,0] and $q=[3.5,7] \text{ \AA}^{-1}$ distances/angles: ~4 pm / 6 mrad**
 - High signal to noise is more important than q range
- **Potentially turn ultrafast gas phase diffraction into a discovery oriented technique without requiring excited state simulations**
 - This analysis only requires knowledge of the ground state geometry and ensemble anisotropy simulations which are much more tractable than excited state dynamics

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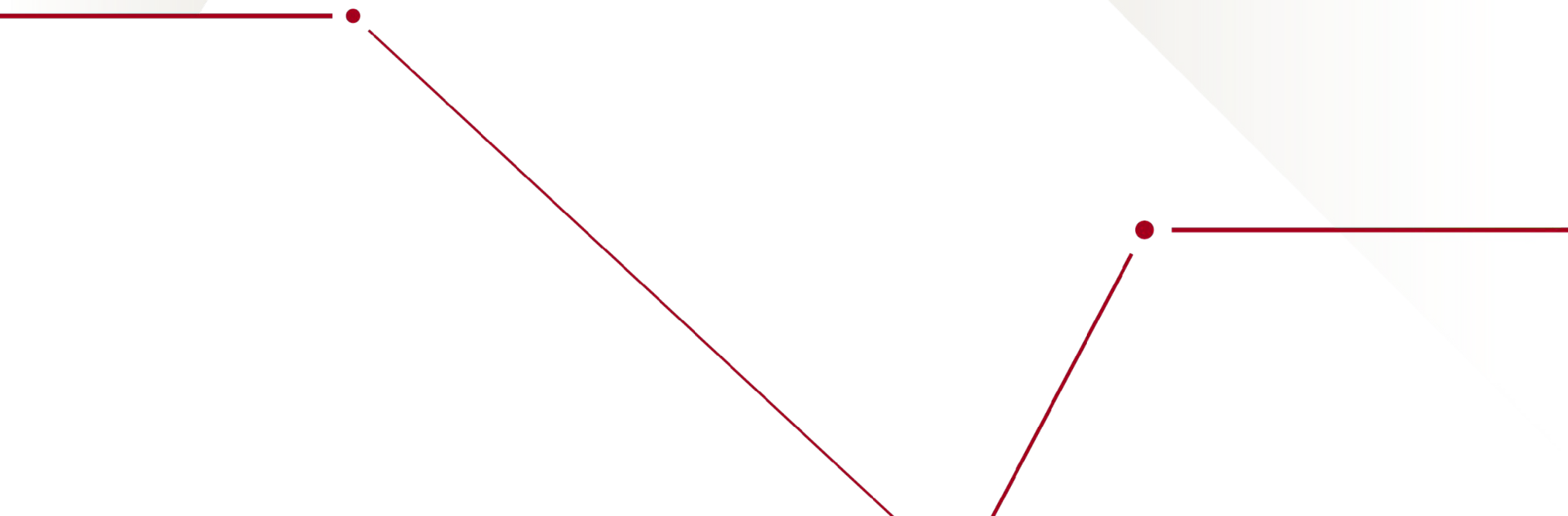
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Accessing the MF via Deterministic Anisotropy

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Independent atom approximation

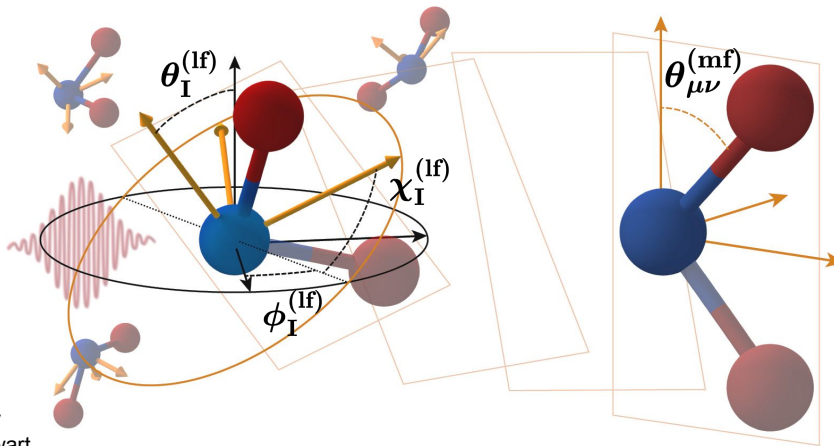
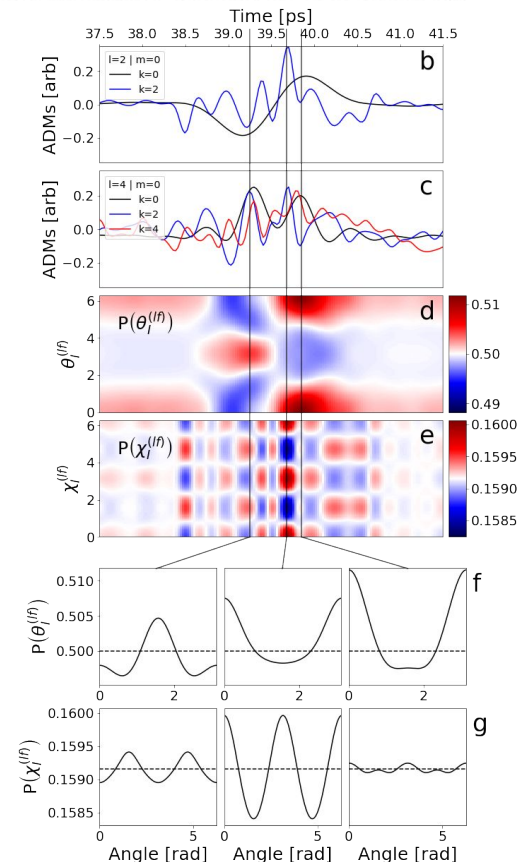


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Anisotropy Reveals the Molecular Frame (MF) degrees of freedom.

- Anisotropy provides constraints on molecular frame (MF) degrees of freedom.
- Combining many measurements (constraints) allows one to retrieve the MF.
- Application in photo-electron spectroscopy
 - V. Makhija, et. al., (2016), arXiv:1611.06476 [physics.atom-ph]
 - C. Marceau, et. al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 083401 (2017)
 - M. Gregory, et. al., (2020), arXiv:2012.04561 [physics.chem-ph]
- Use a stretched NO_2 : an asymmetric top

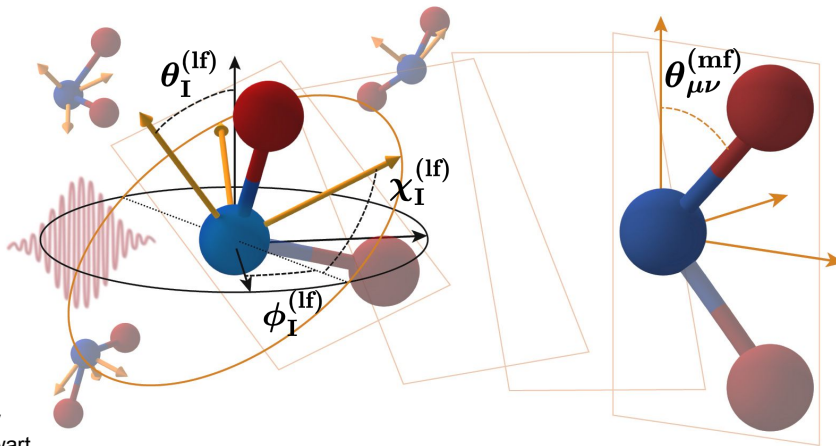
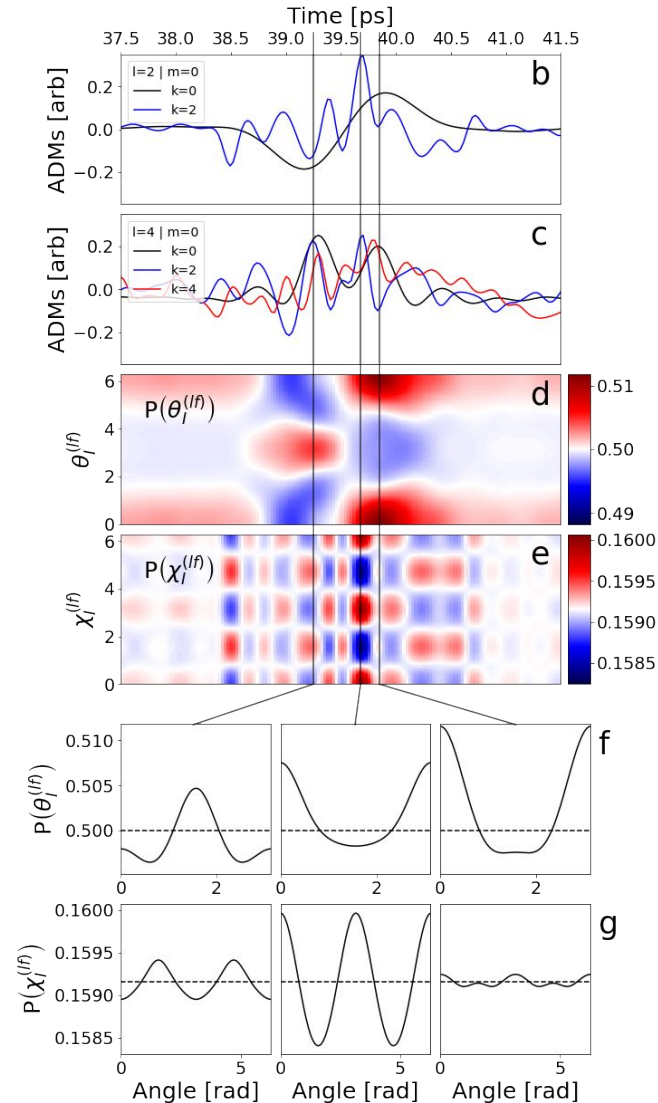


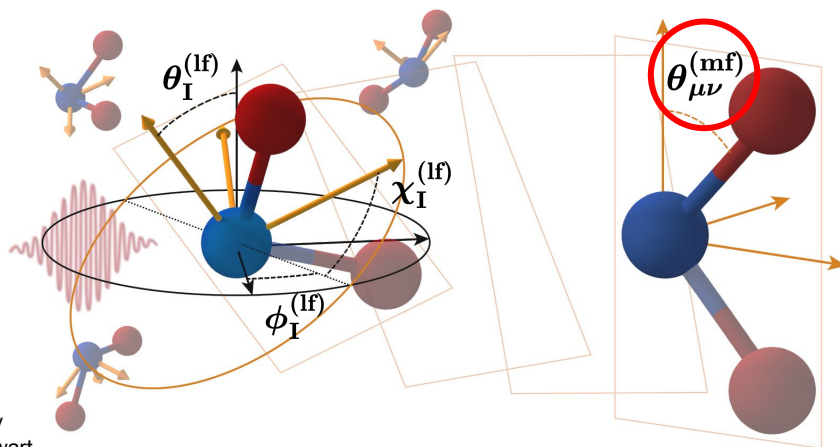
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Explicit dependence on molecular frame angles provides an opportunity to develop methods that extract these angles, and hence a unique geometry, from data alone.

Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution

Delta Distribution and Systematic Error

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Delta Distribution Systematic Error

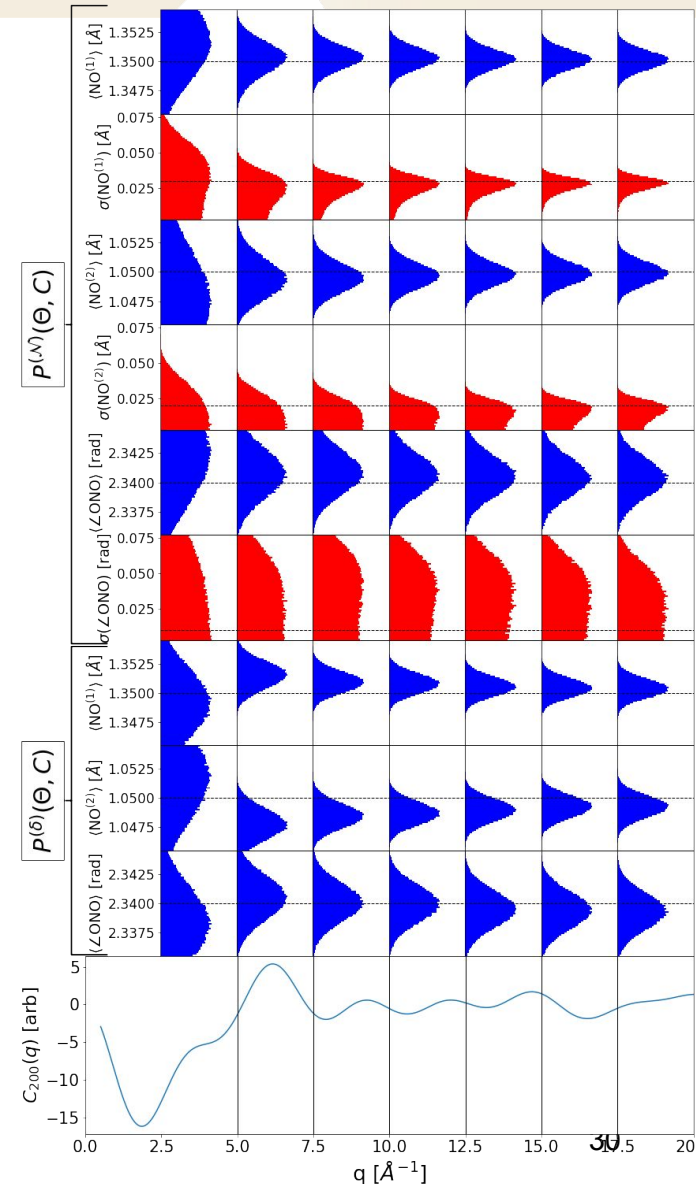
- Assumes signal from ensembles and a single geometry are comparable
- Accuracy is roughly 1000 times worse
- At \leq picometer resolution, the correct value can be 2-3 standard deviations of $P(\theta|C)$

Normal Distribution Mitigates this Systematic

- Normal distribution $P(\theta|C)$ distributions are closely centered around the expected value
- The 1d mode does not change with q range

Why use the delta distribution?

- It is of order 100 times faster
- Provides sufficient accuracy for debugging analysis



Convergence: Autocorrelation Time (τ)

Criteria for each chain (1000 chains are used)

- At least 100 τ in length
- $\Delta\tau/\tau < 0.01$

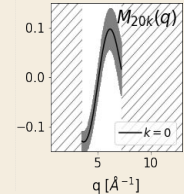
Autocorrelation Time

- Number of steps needed for geometries to be uncorrelated

- Expectations: $E_{p(\theta)} [f(\theta)] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_n^N f(\theta^{(n)})$ $\text{SEM} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Var}_{p(\theta)}[f(\theta)]}{N}}$

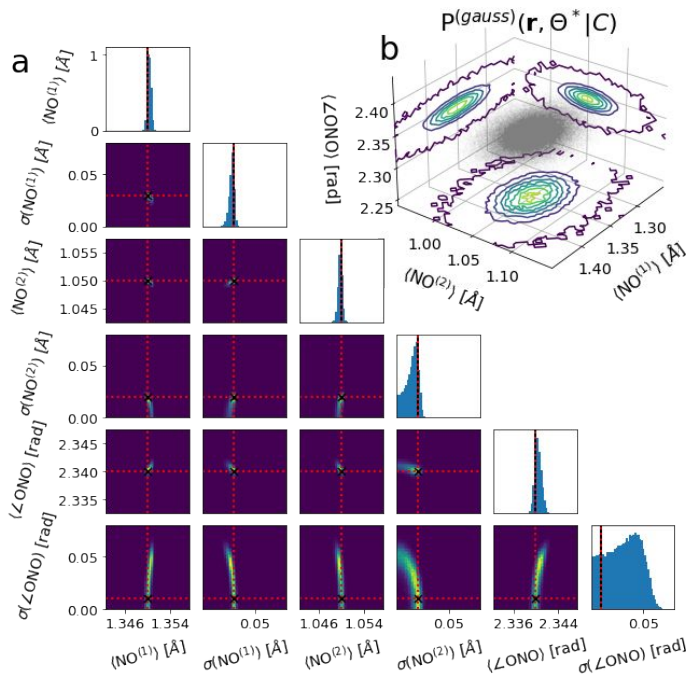
- Correlation Effects: $\text{SEM} = \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{N} \text{Var}_{p(\theta)}[f(\theta)]}$

Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution Results



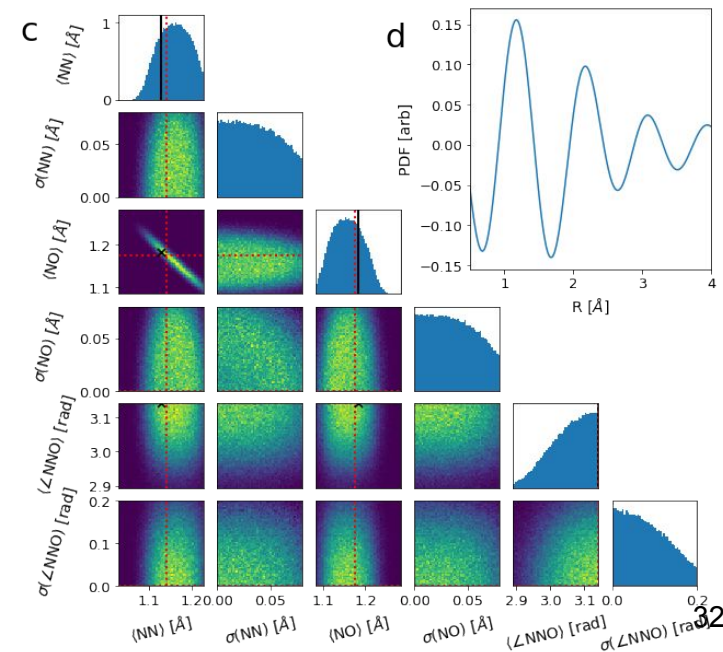
Simulated NO₂

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Measured N₂O

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$\sigma(\text{NN}) [\text{\AA}]$		0.081	0.028
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Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution

Experimental Parameters

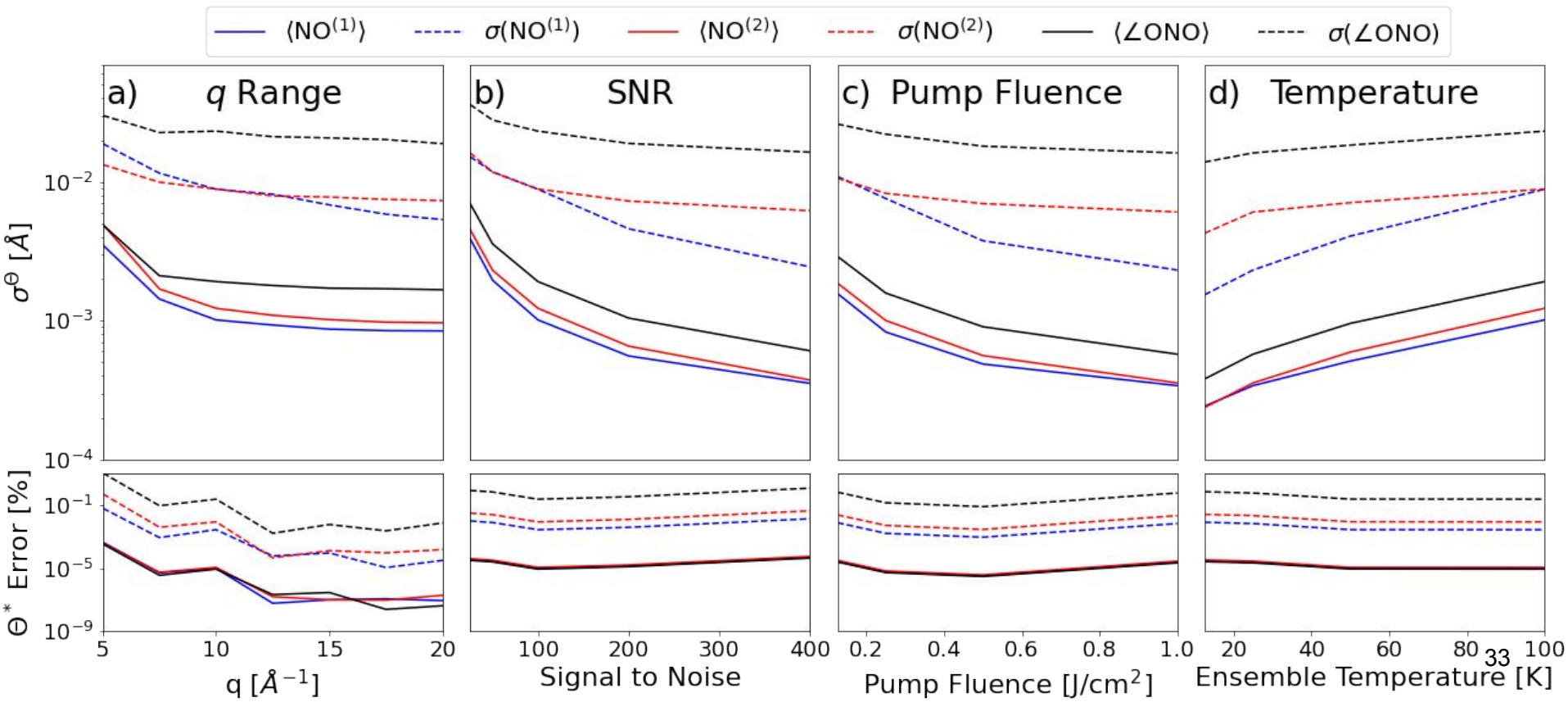
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q : 0.5 - [5, 20] \AA^{-1}
 SNR: 100
 Fluence: 1 J/cm^2
 Temp: 100 K

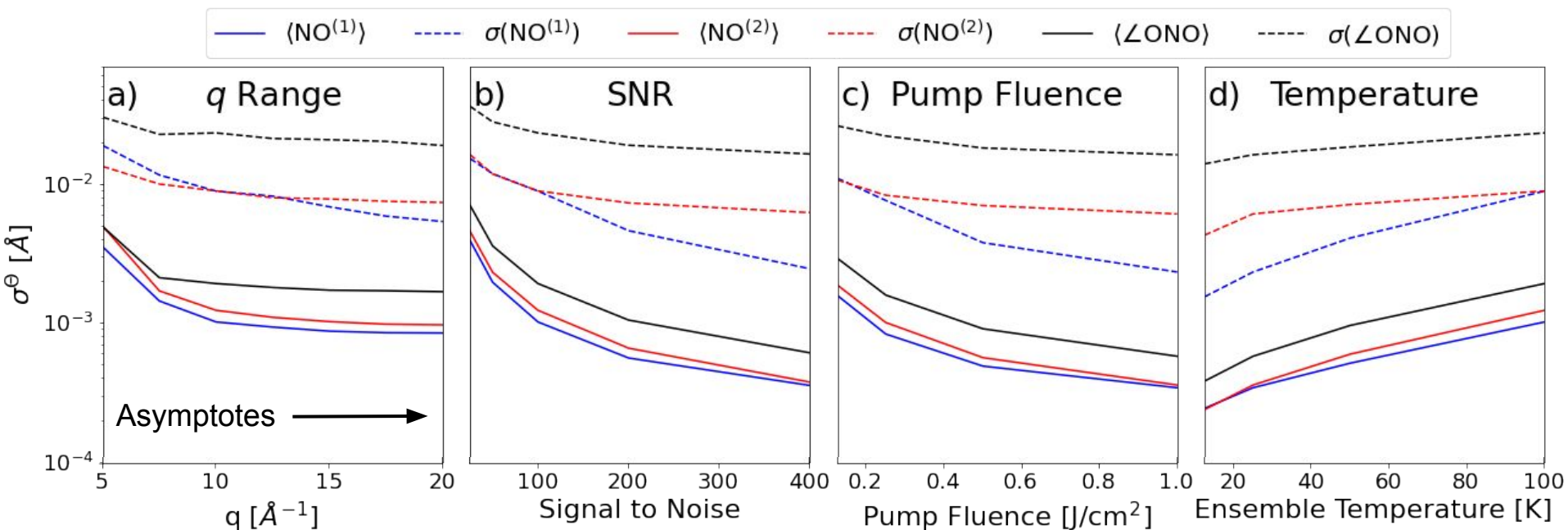
q : 0.5 - 10 \AA^{-1}
 SNR: [25, 400]
 Fluence: 1 J/cm^2
 Temp: 100 K

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 Fluence: [0.12, 1] J/cm^2
 Temp: 100 K

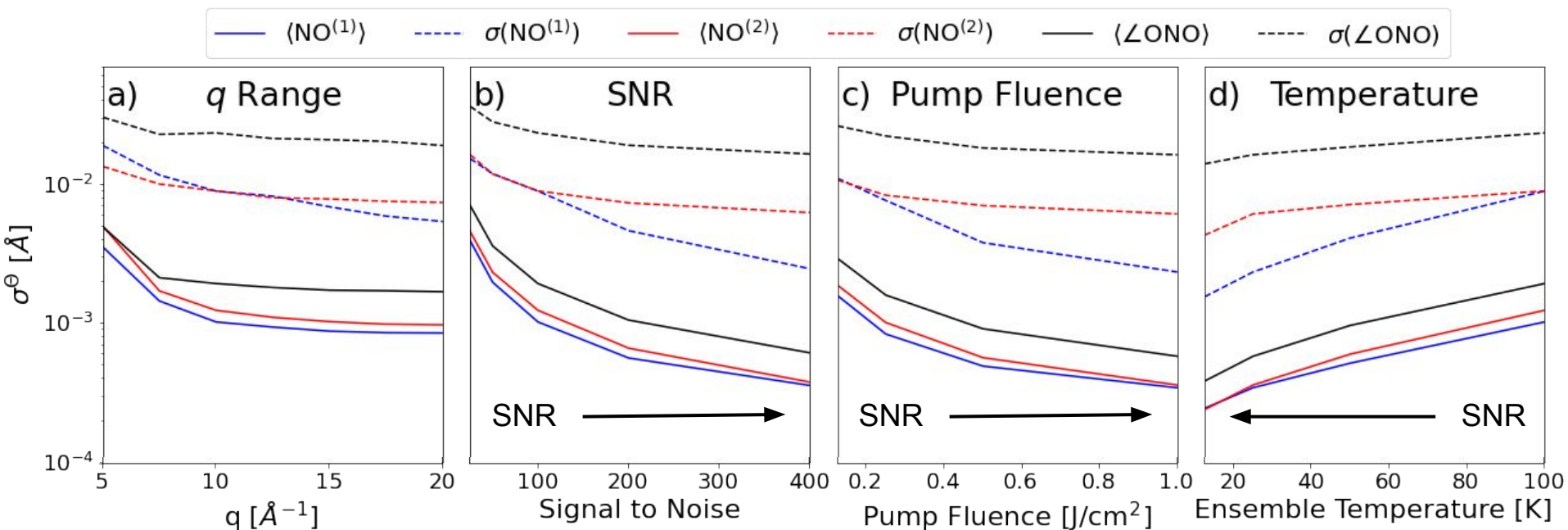
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 SNR: 100
 Fluence: 1 J/cm^2
 Temp: [12.5, 100] K



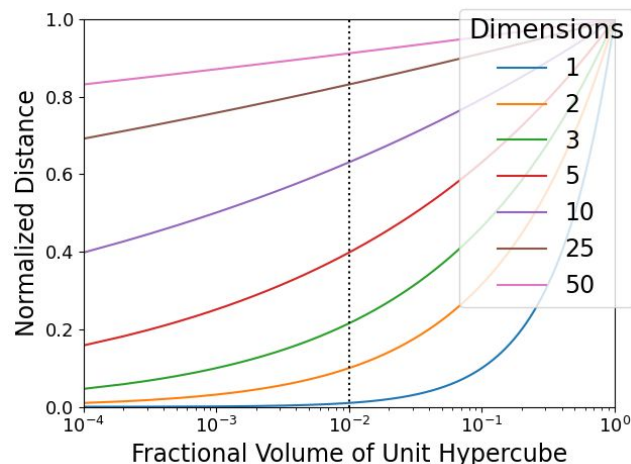
Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution Experimental Parameters



Retrieving the MF Geometry Probability Distribution Experimental Parameters



Curse of Dimensionality



Assumptions

1. Grid Search
2. Ignore hydrogens
3. Know atom pair-wise distances within 1 Å

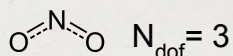
Degrees of freedom: $N_{\text{dof}} = 3N_{\text{atoms}} - 6$

Number of samples: N_s

Number of sample per dimension: N_s/D

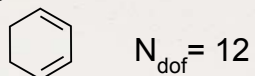
Sampled volume given SS step size: $V_s | \text{SS}$

NO₂



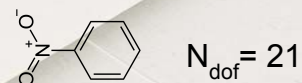
N_s	N_s/D
10^6	100
10^7	215
10^8	464

Cyclohexadiene



N_s	N_s/D	$V_s 0.1$	$V_s 0.25$
10^6	3.16	$10^{-5}\%$	5.96%
10^7	3.83	$10^{-4}\%$	59.6%
10^8	4.64	$10^{-3}\%$	>100%

Nitrobenzene

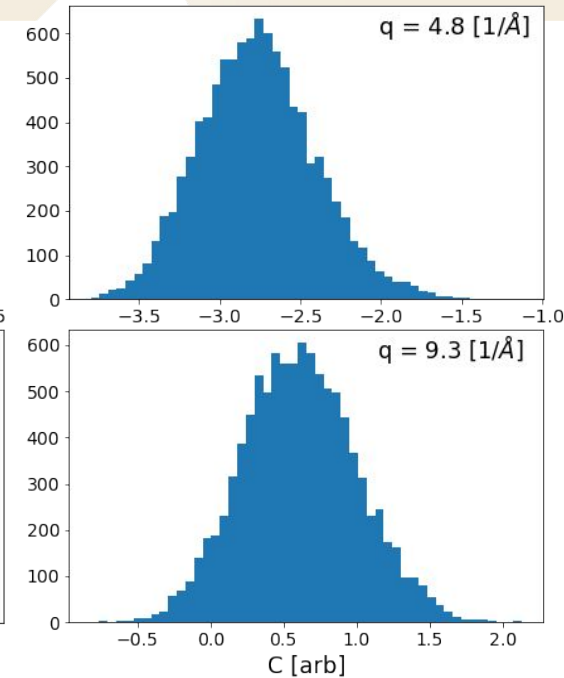
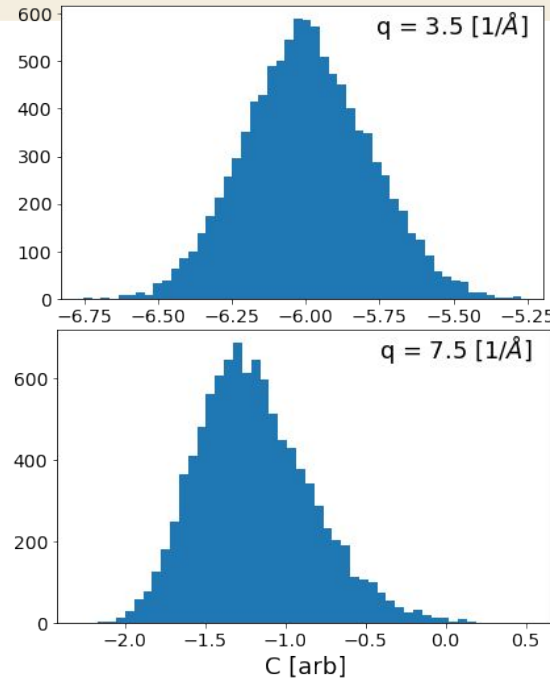


N_s	N_s/D	$V_s 0.1$	$V_s 0.25$
10^6	1.93	$10^{-14}\%$	$2.3 \times 10^{-5}\%$
10^7	2.15	$10^{-13}\%$	$2.3 \times 10^{-4}\%$
10^8	2.40	$10^{-12}\%$	$2.3 \times 10^{-3}\%$

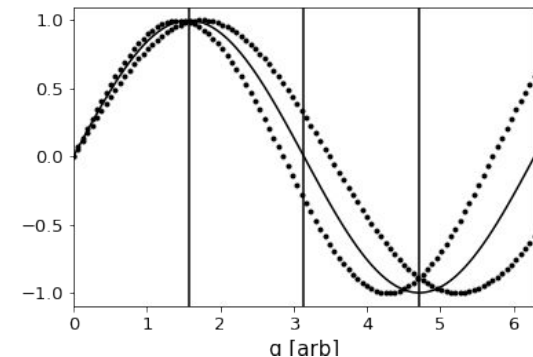
Systematic Errors in Retrieving Geometric Parameters

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- Systematic errors are caused by non-gaussian $C_{lmk}(q)$ distributions
- Gaussian distributions of geometries lead to non-gaussian distributions due to sinusoids.



$$P(C|\mathbf{r}^{(mf)}) = \prod_{lmk,q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{lmk}(q)\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} \left(\frac{C_{lmk}^{(data)}(q) - C_{lmk}^{(calc)}(q, \mathbf{r}^{(mf)})}{\sigma_{lmk}(q)} \right)^2 \right\}$$



Bayesian Inferencing

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Delta Distribution:

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When finding θ one can make novel measurements

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When finding one

Evaluate ~20 Equations with order 100 terms for each geometry

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Reframing the Problem

What we have: Molecular frame representations for the nuclear geometry with explicit dependence on pair-wise distances and angles

$$C_{lmk}(q) = \int f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2$$

$$C_{lmk}(q) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^*(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right.$$

Metropolis Hastings Algorithm

$$\times \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q \Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) \left. \right\}^{(\text{mf})}$$

Metropolis Hastings Algorithm

What we want: Invert the integral equation for $|\psi(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})})|^2$

How we do it: Approximate $|\psi(\mathbf{r}^{(\text{mf})})|^2$ with a chosen distribution.

Model parameter (θ) distribution $P(\theta|C)$

Evaluate ~20 Equations with order 100 terms for each geometry

When finding one

Delta Distribution:

$$P^{(\delta)}(\mathbf{r}, \theta | C) = \delta(\theta - \theta^{(\text{delta})})$$

$$\theta^{(\text{delta})} = [\langle \text{NO}^{(1)} \rangle, \langle \text{NO}^{(2)} \rangle, \langle \angle \text{ONO} \rangle]$$

Normal Distribution:

$$P^{(\mathcal{N})}(\mathbf{r}, \theta | C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^{N_{\text{dof}}} \prod_{i=0}^{N_{\text{dof}}-1} \theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{N_{\text{dof}}-1} \left(\frac{\theta_{2i}^{(\text{gauss})} - \mathbf{r}_i}{\theta_{2i+1}^{(\text{gauss})}} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\theta^{(\text{gauss})} = [\langle \text{NO}^{(1)} \rangle, \sigma(\text{NO}^{(1)}), \langle \text{NO}^{(2)} \rangle, \sigma(\text{NO}^{(2)}), \langle \angle \text{ONO} \rangle, \sigma(\angle \text{ONO})]$$

Bayesian Inferencing

Metropolis Hastings Algorithm

- Inverts the system of equations to solve for the joint $P(\boldsymbol{\theta}|C)$ distribution
- **Unbiased** sampling method designed for high dimensional spaces

$$C_{lmk}(q) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^{*}(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) \boxed{|\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2} d\mathbf{r} \right\}$$

Molecular Frame Geometry

Bayesian Inferencing

$$C_{lmk}^{(\text{calc})}(q, \boldsymbol{\Theta}) = \mathcal{I} \sum_{\mu, \nu: \mu \neq \nu} \text{Re} \left\{ f_{\mu}(q) f_{\nu}^{*}(q) (-1)^{k-m} i^l 8\pi^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} \int j_l(q\Delta r_{\mu\nu}) Y_l^{-k}(\theta_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}, \phi_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{mf})}) \boxed{P(\mathbf{r}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}|C)} d\mathbf{r} \right\}$$

Molecular Frame Geometry

Method

1. Select neighboring $\boldsymbol{\theta}$
2. Add new $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ to $P(\boldsymbol{\theta}|C)$ with probability $P(C|\boldsymbol{\theta})_{\text{New}}/P(C|\boldsymbol{\theta})_{\text{Prev}}$

$$P(C|\boldsymbol{\Theta}) = e^{L(\boldsymbol{\Theta})} \left[\prod_{lmk,q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{lmk}(q) \sqrt{2\pi}} \right] \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} \sum_{lmk,q} \left(\frac{C_{lmk}(q) - C_{lmk}^{(\text{calc})}(q, \boldsymbol{\Theta})}{\sigma_{lmk}(q)} \right)^2 \right\}$$

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