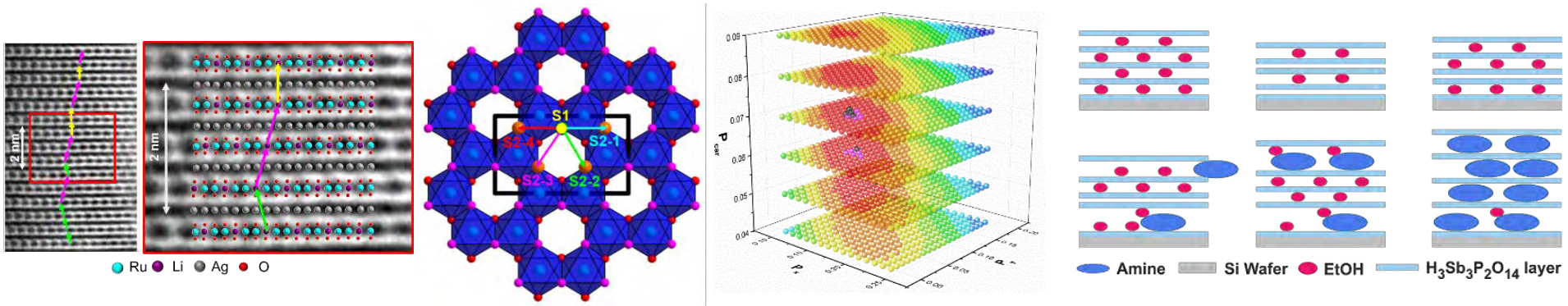
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Refinement of disordered inorganics



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How Stacking Faults effect Powder Diffraction Patterns

The crystalline state



***ideal* single crystal:**

Definition of crystal: a solid composed of atoms, ions, or molecules arranged in a pattern that is periodic in three dimensions.

***real* single crystals:**

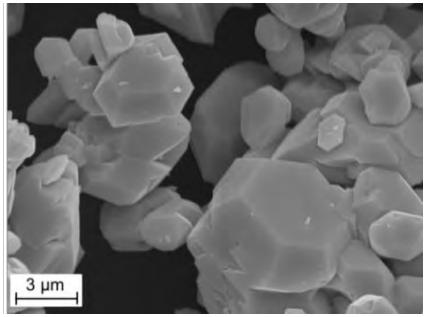


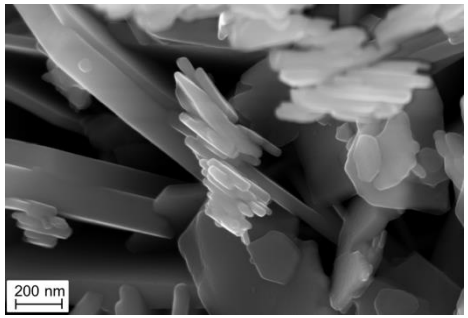
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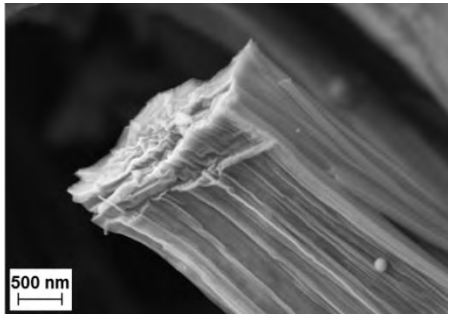
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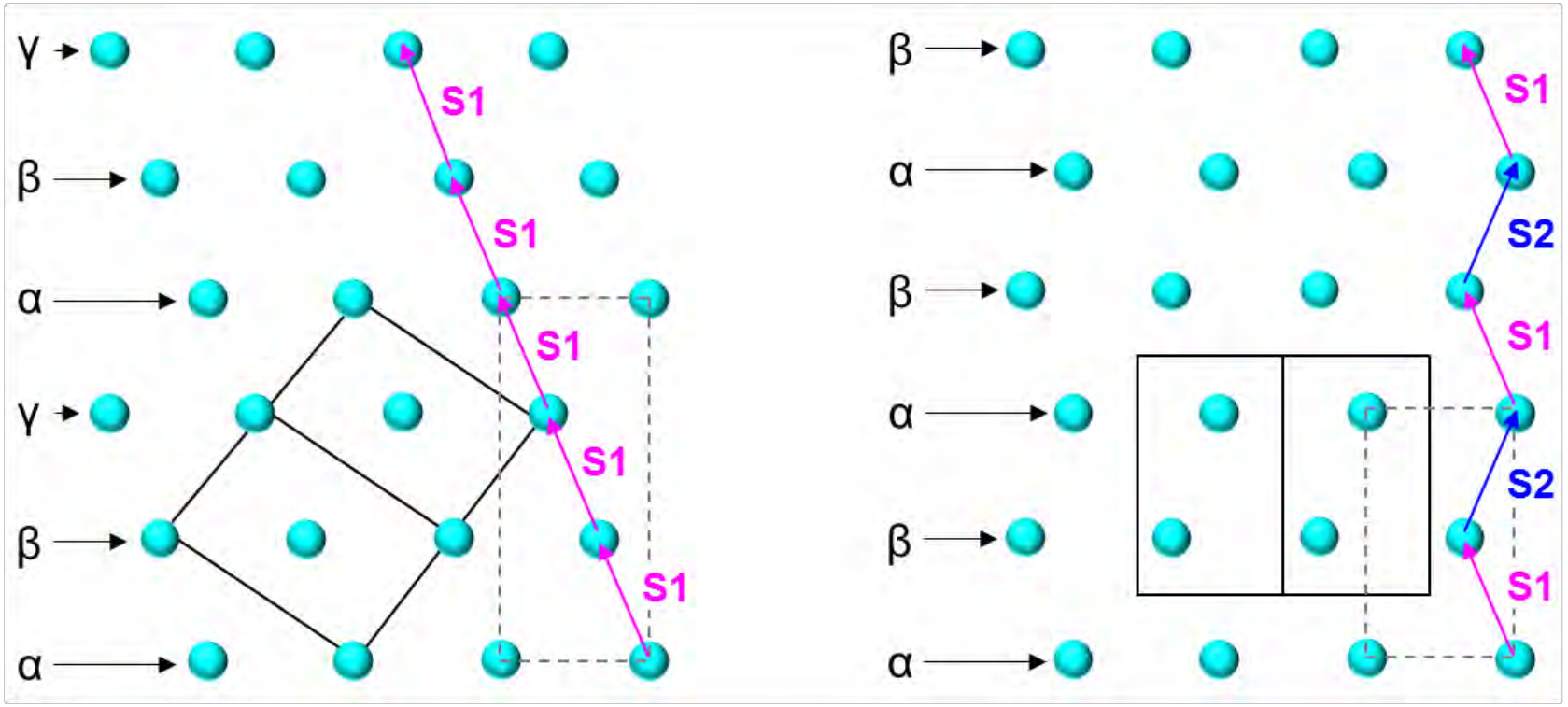






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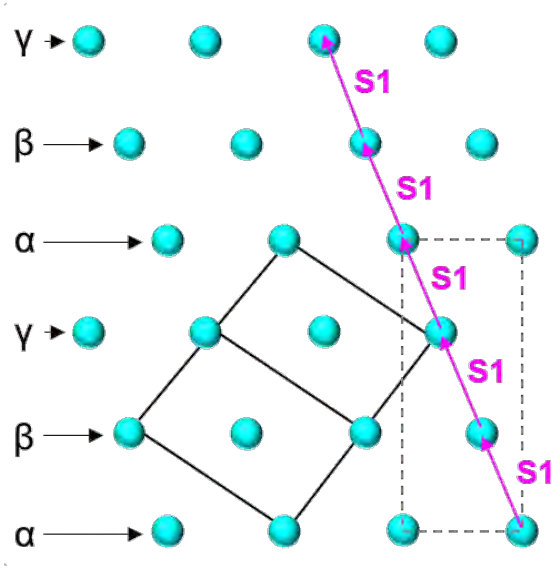
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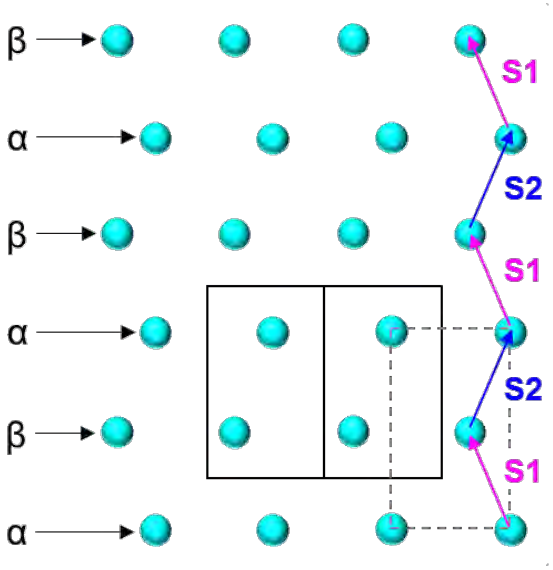
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unit cell transformation:

$a, b, c, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$

$a', b', c',$
$\alpha' = 90°, \beta' = 90°,$
$\gamma' = 90°$ or $120°$

$$\mathbf{Si} = \begin{pmatrix} s_{xi} \\ s_{yi} \\ s_{zi} \end{pmatrix}$$

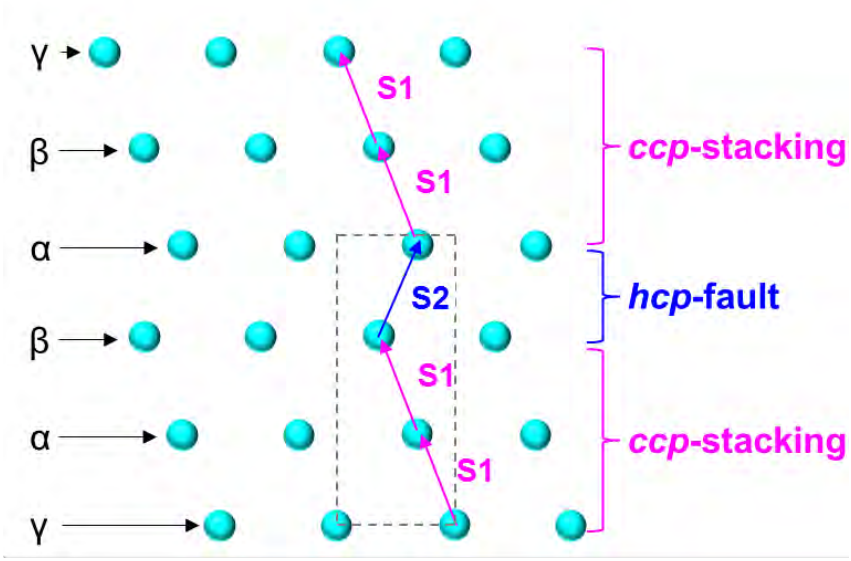
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Microstructural simulations using DIFFaX

The basic concepts

Example: *hcp*-faults in *ccp* Cu



Frequency of faults is described by a *transition probability* matrix:

transition from↓/ to→	S1	S2
S1	P_{11}	P_{12}
S2	P_{21}	P_{22}

global constraint: $\sum_{j=1}^{j=n} P_{ij}=1$

Fundamental Modes of *DIFFaX*

explicit: a XRPD pattern from *one* pre-defined or random sequence of layers and stacking vectors is simulated

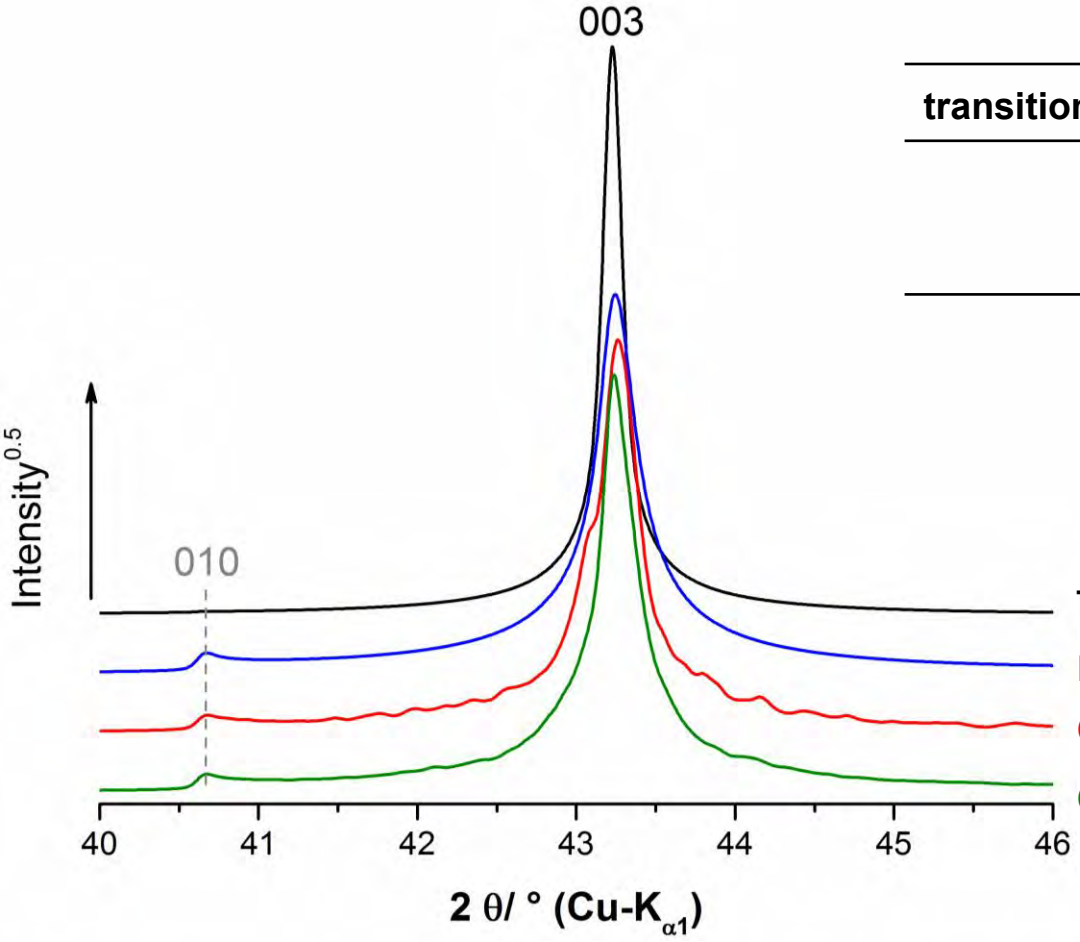
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faultless Cu

recursive mode, 500 layers

explicit mode, 500 layers

explicit mode, 5000 layers

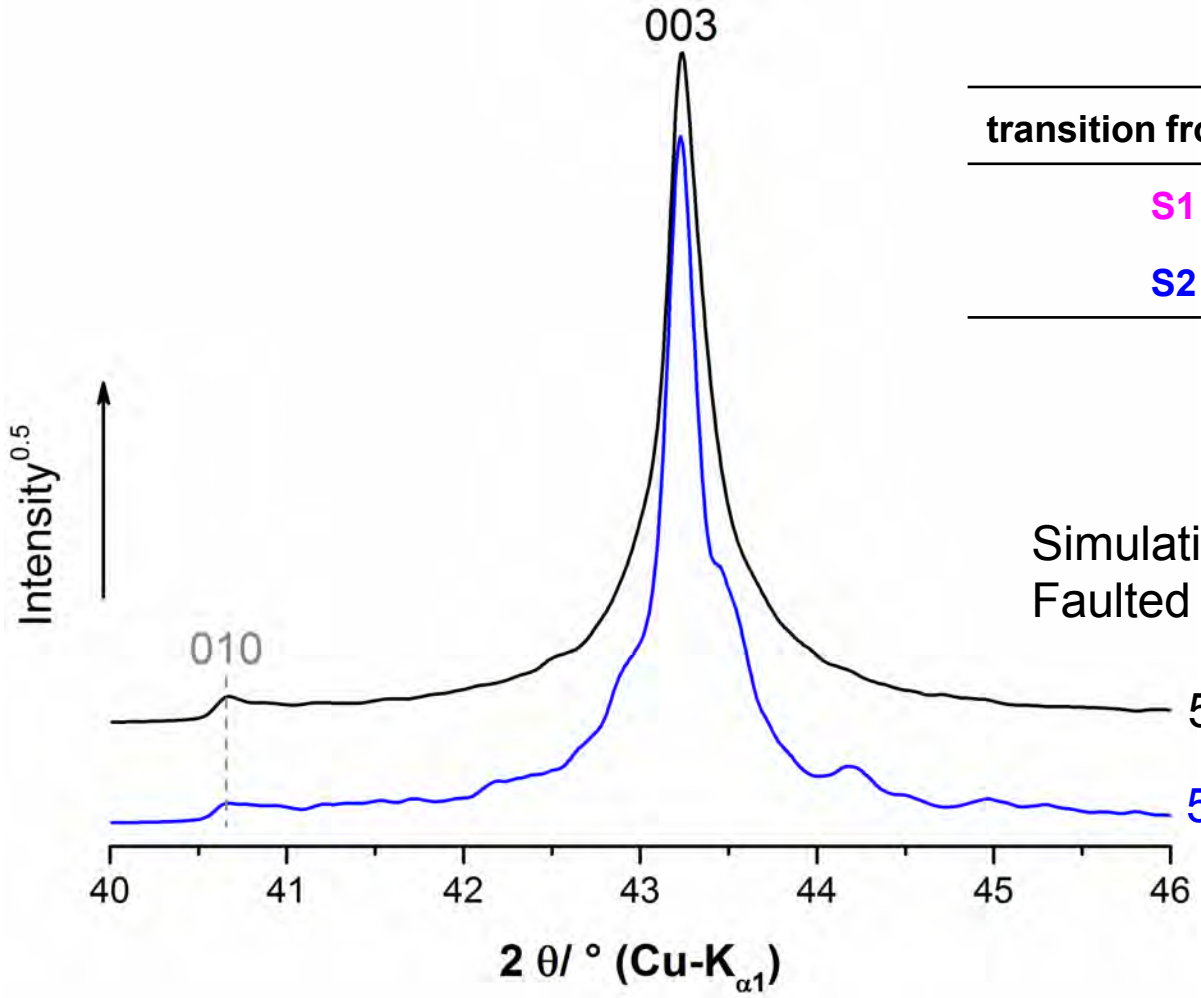
- for a large number of layers, the explicit mode creates similar results as the recursive mode!

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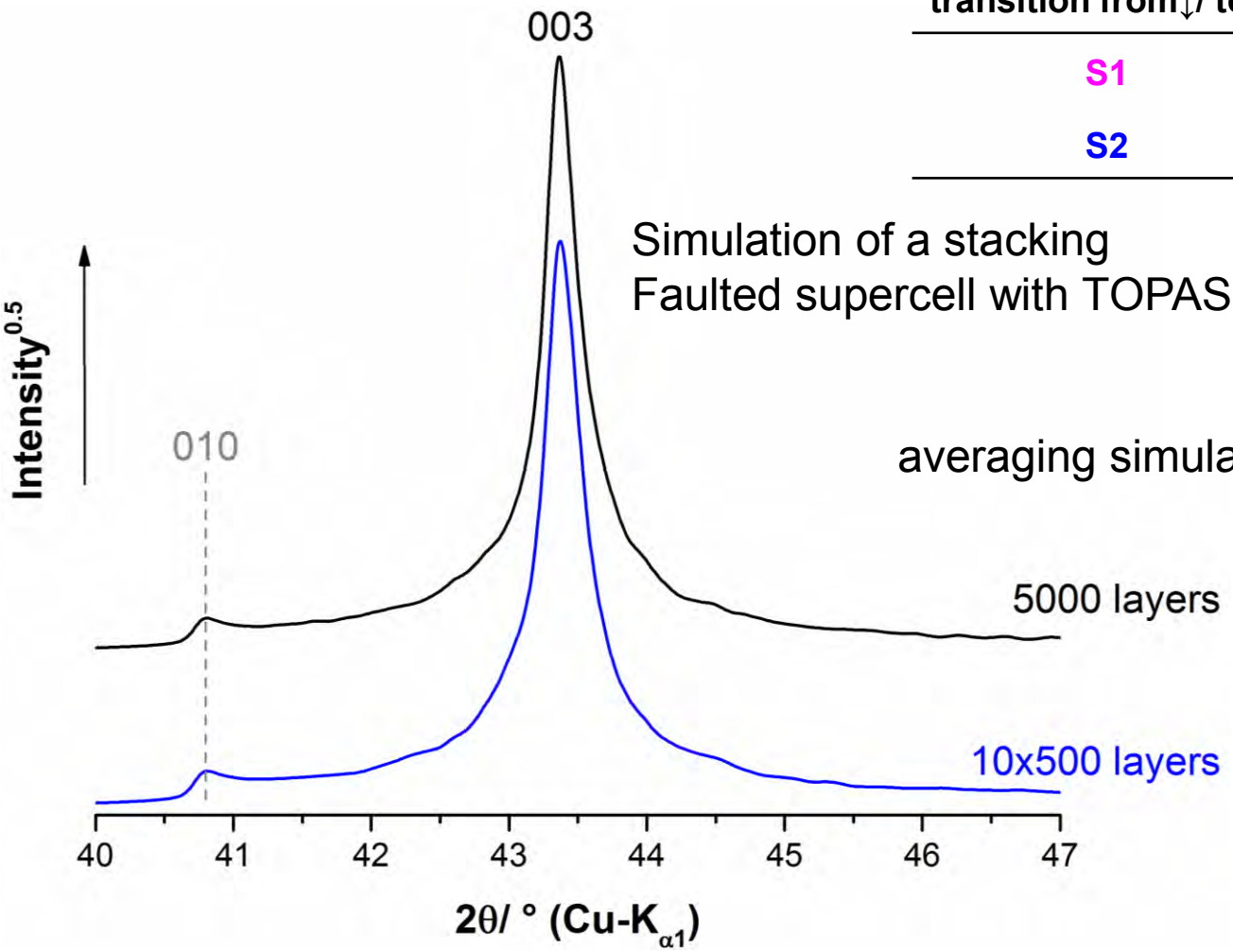
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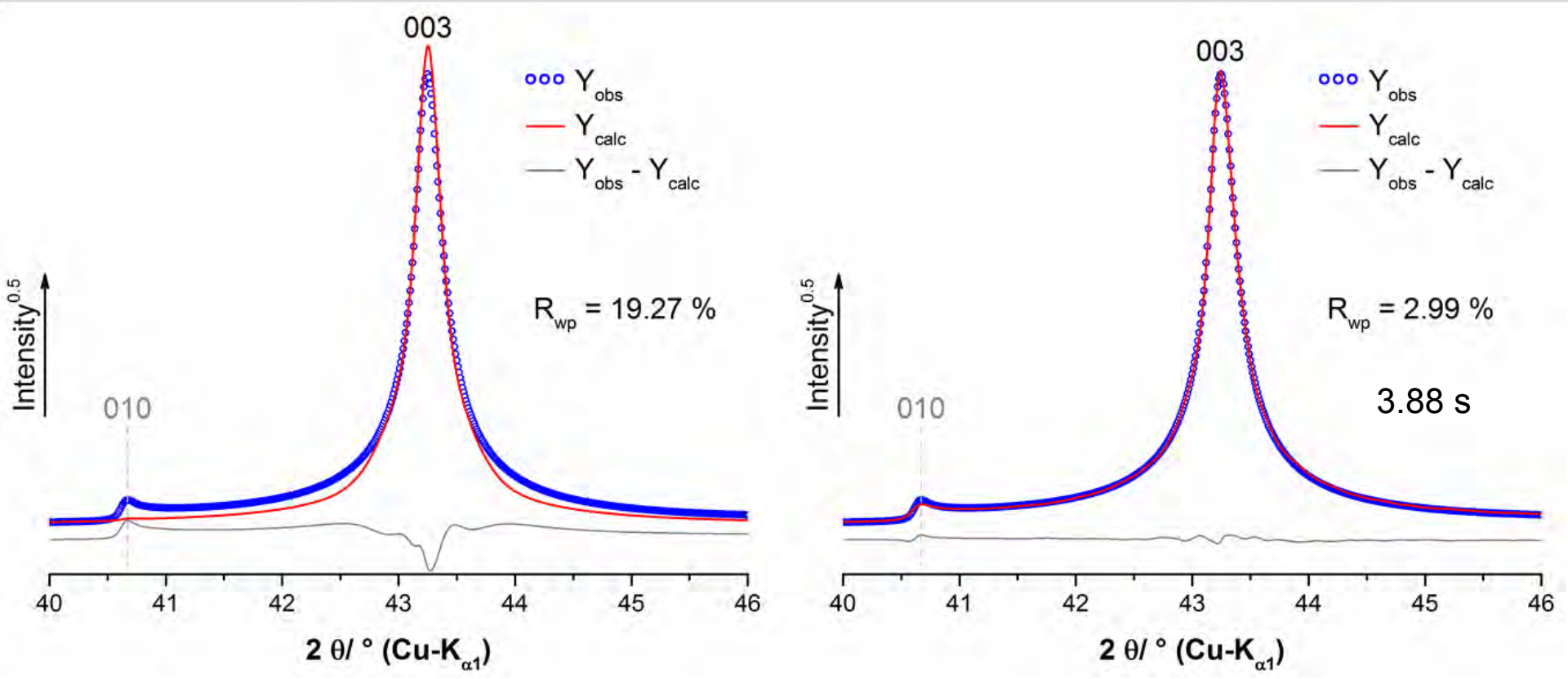
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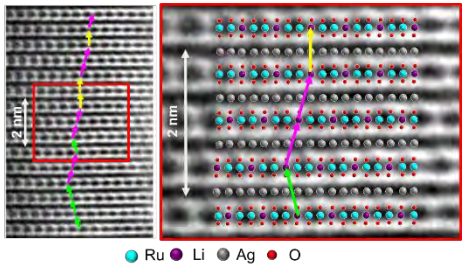
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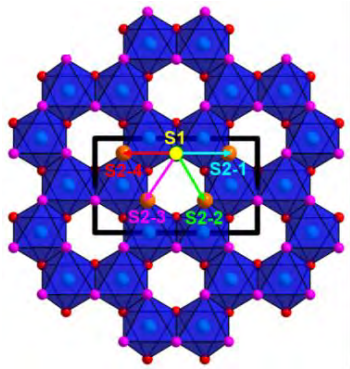
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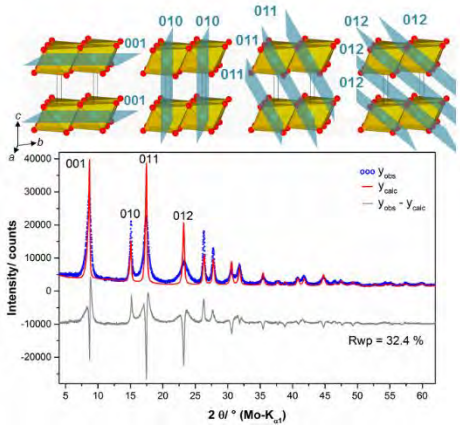
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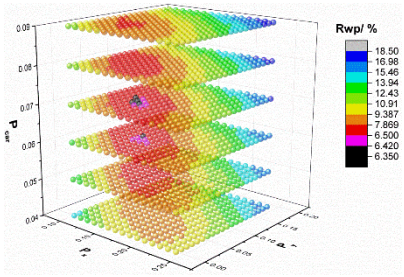
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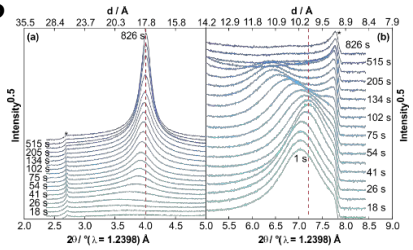


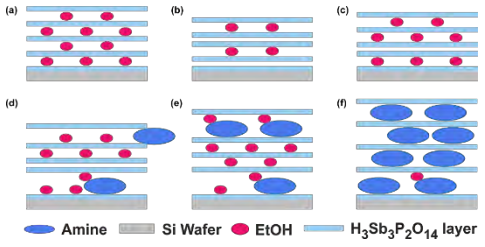
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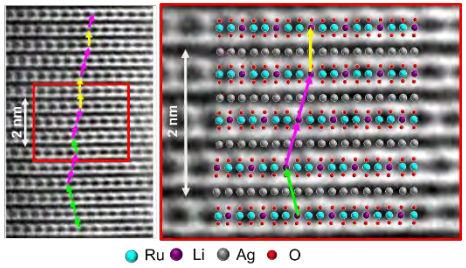


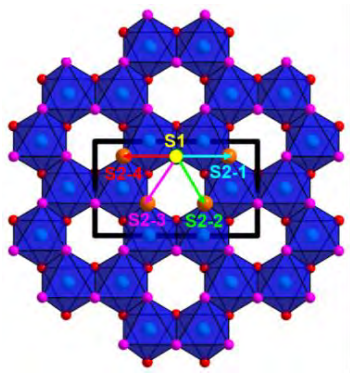
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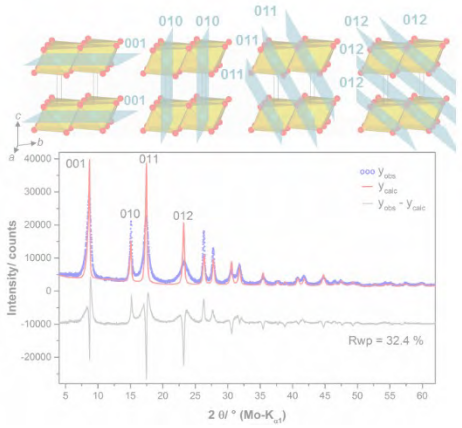
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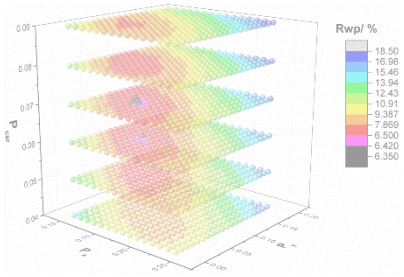
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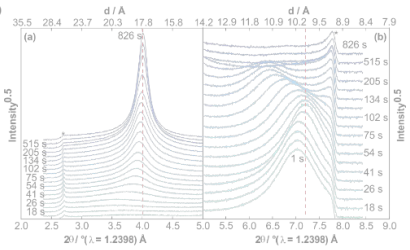


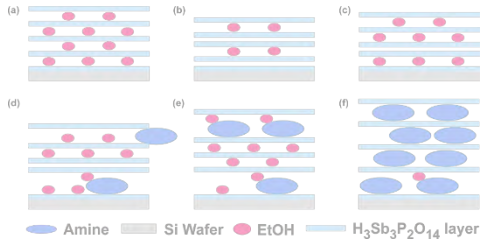
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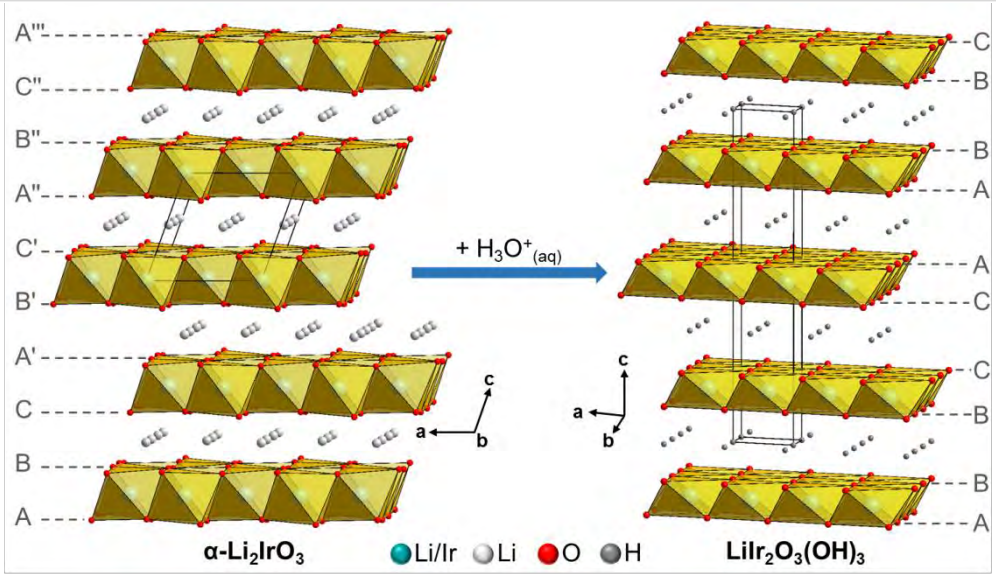


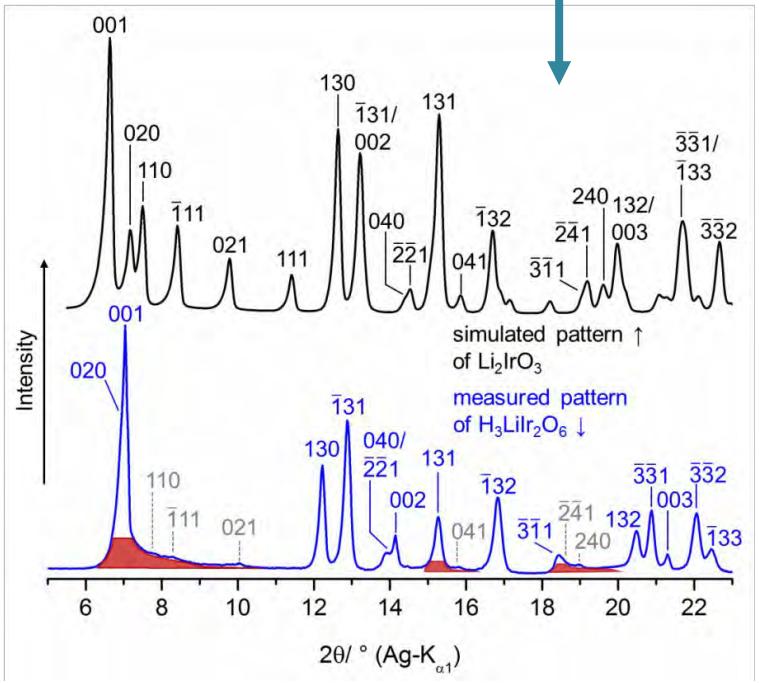
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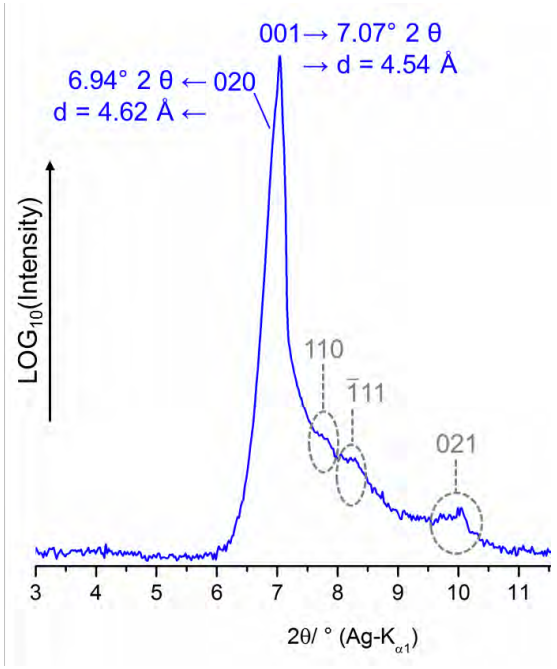
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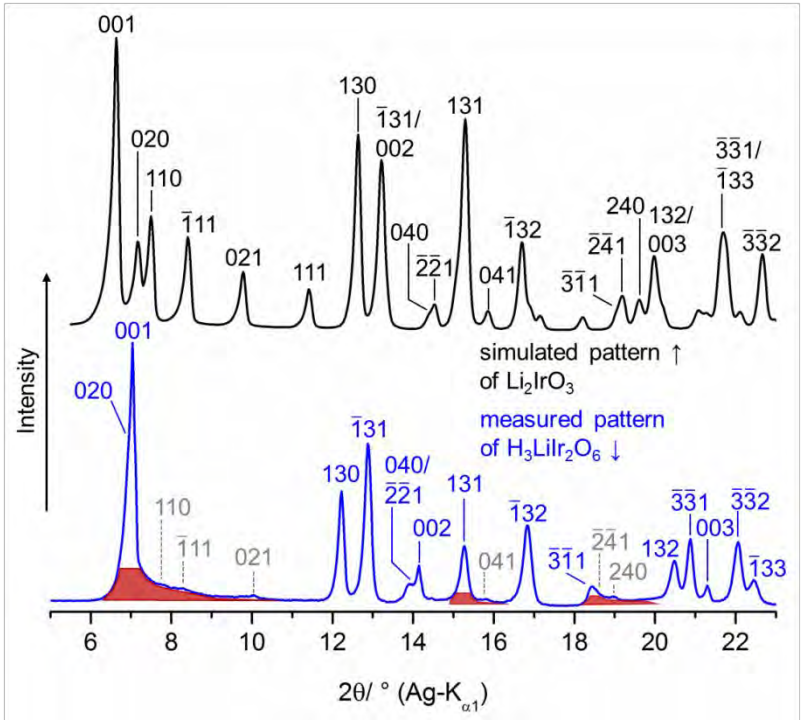
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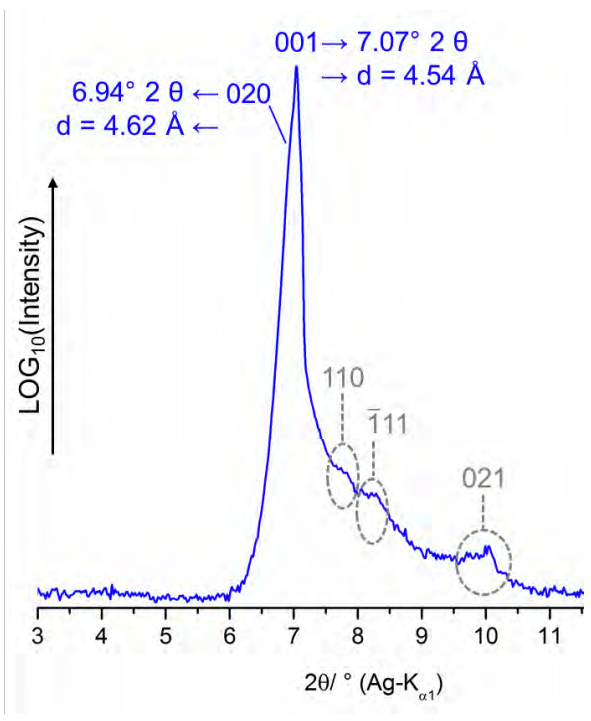


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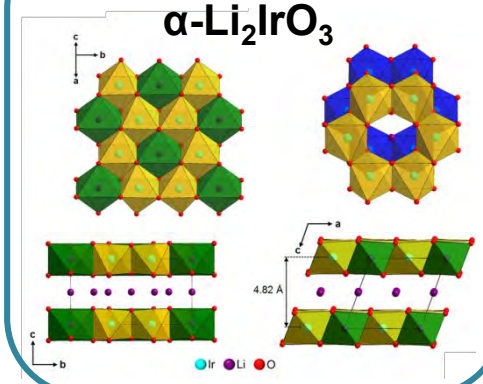
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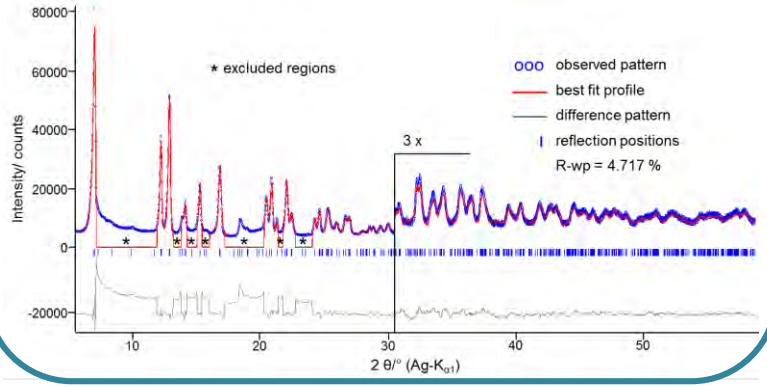
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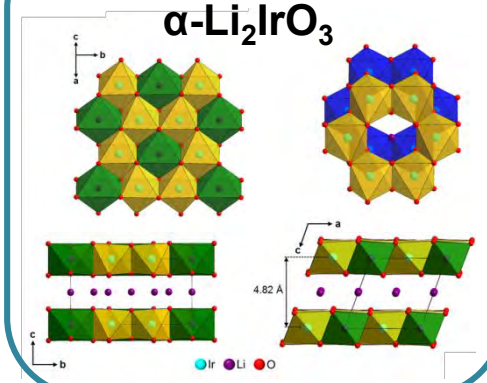
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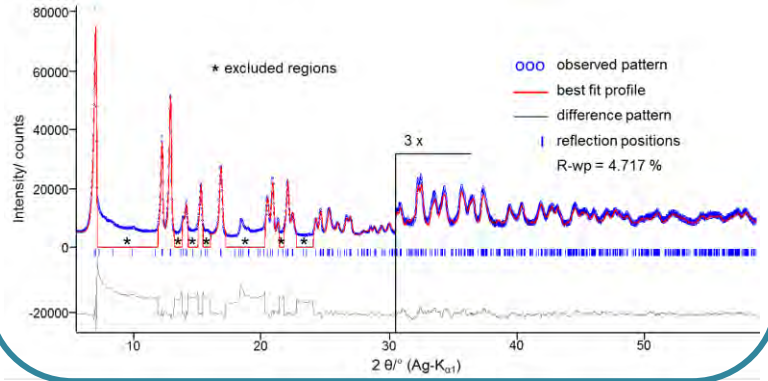
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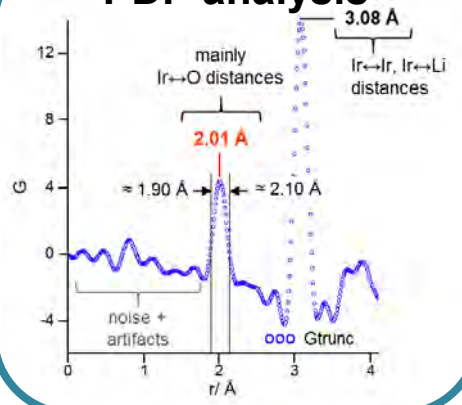
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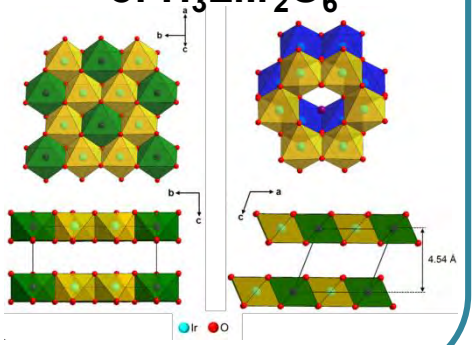
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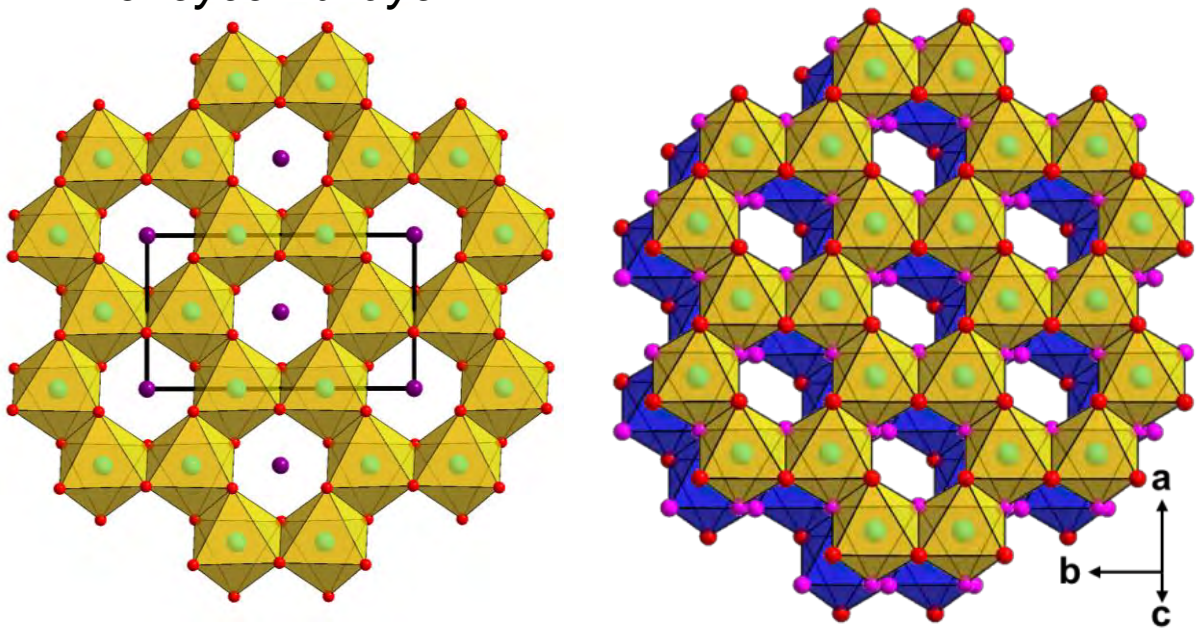
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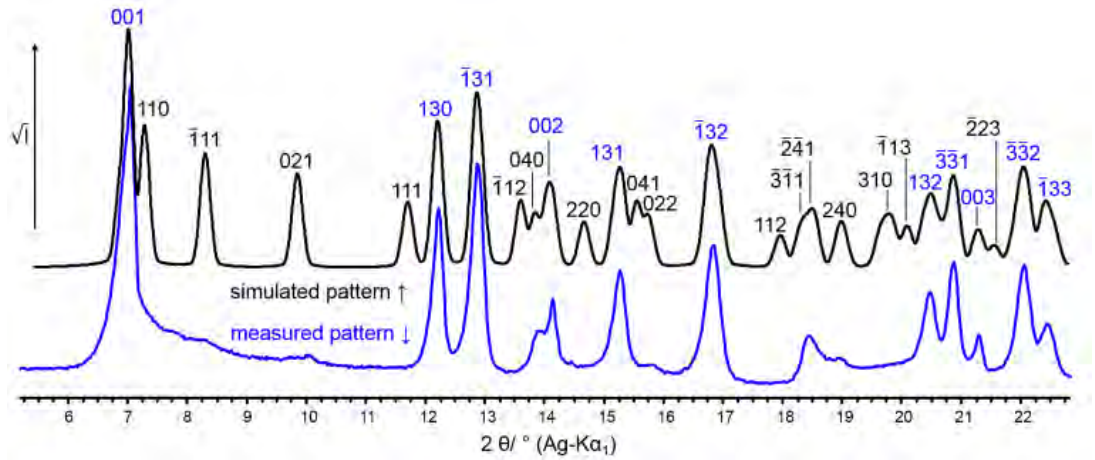
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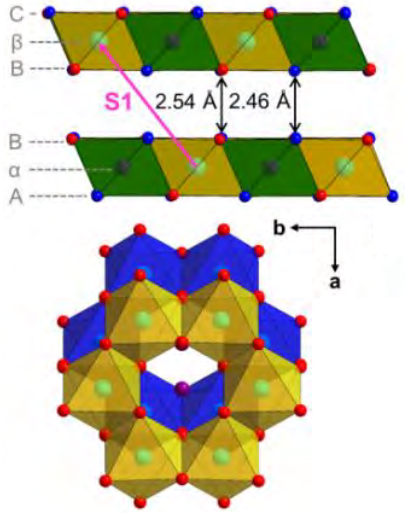
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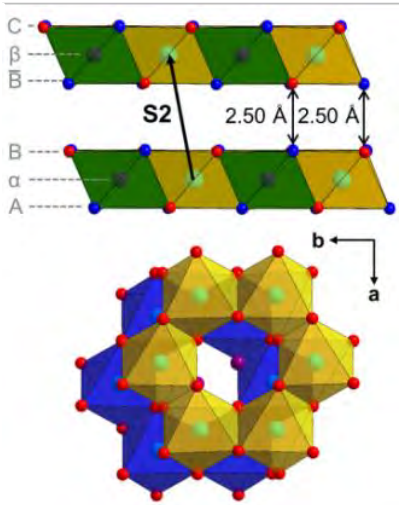




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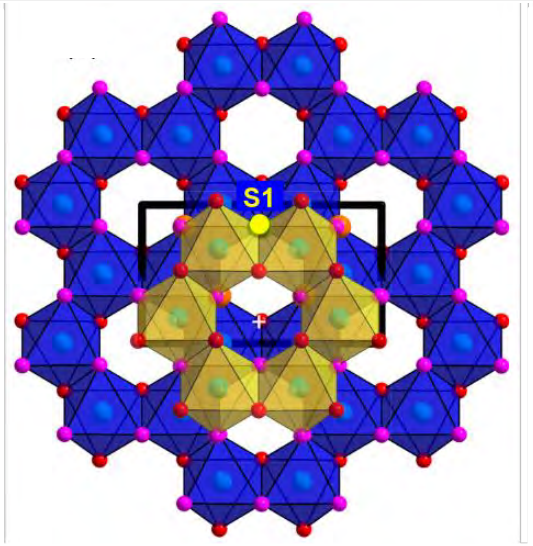


- alternative stacking order of the ideal structure:



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Derivation of the of the stacking vectors



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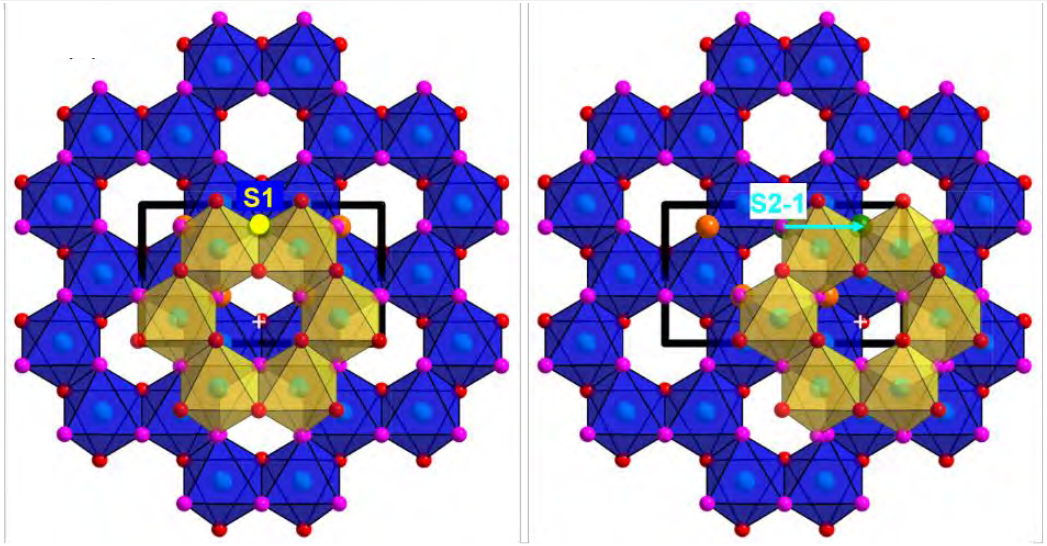
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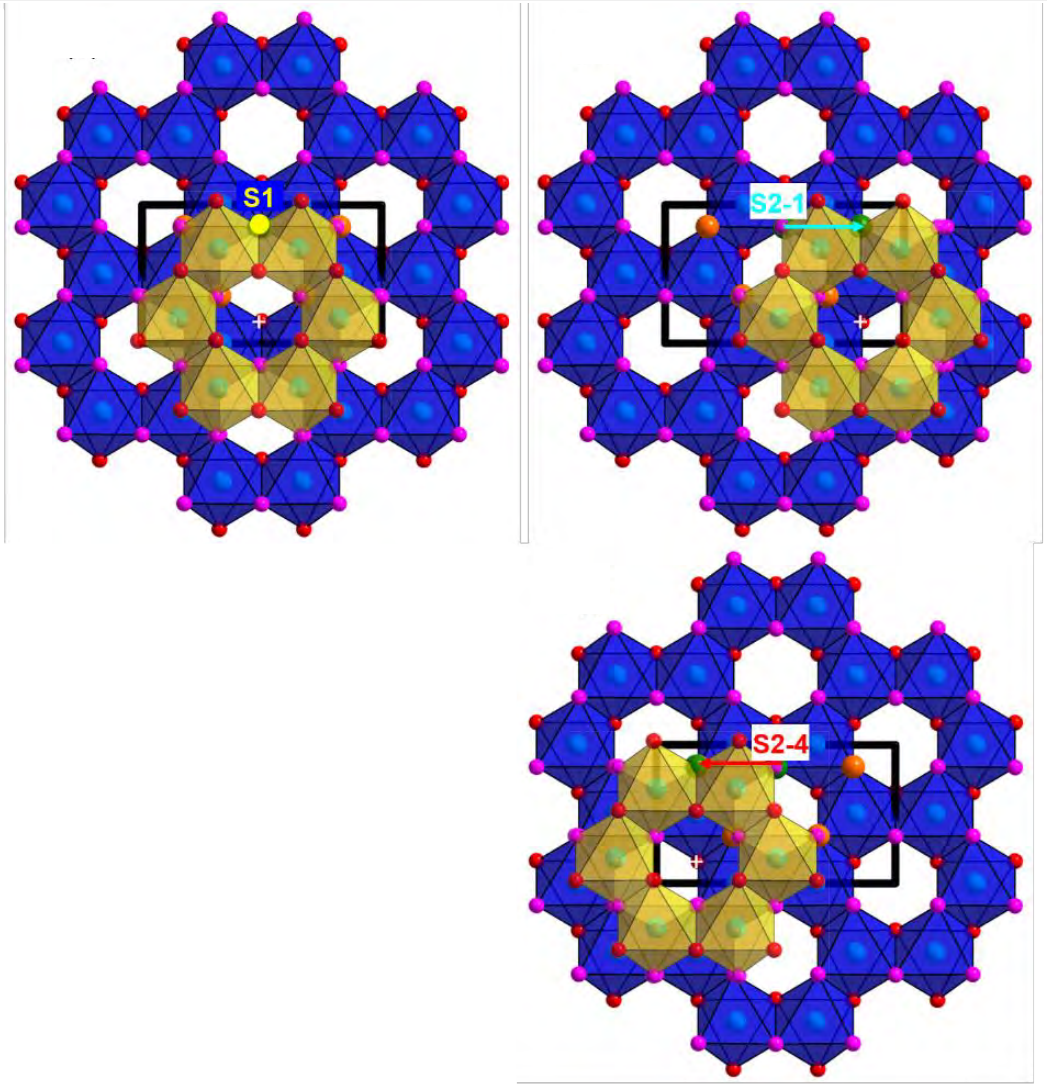
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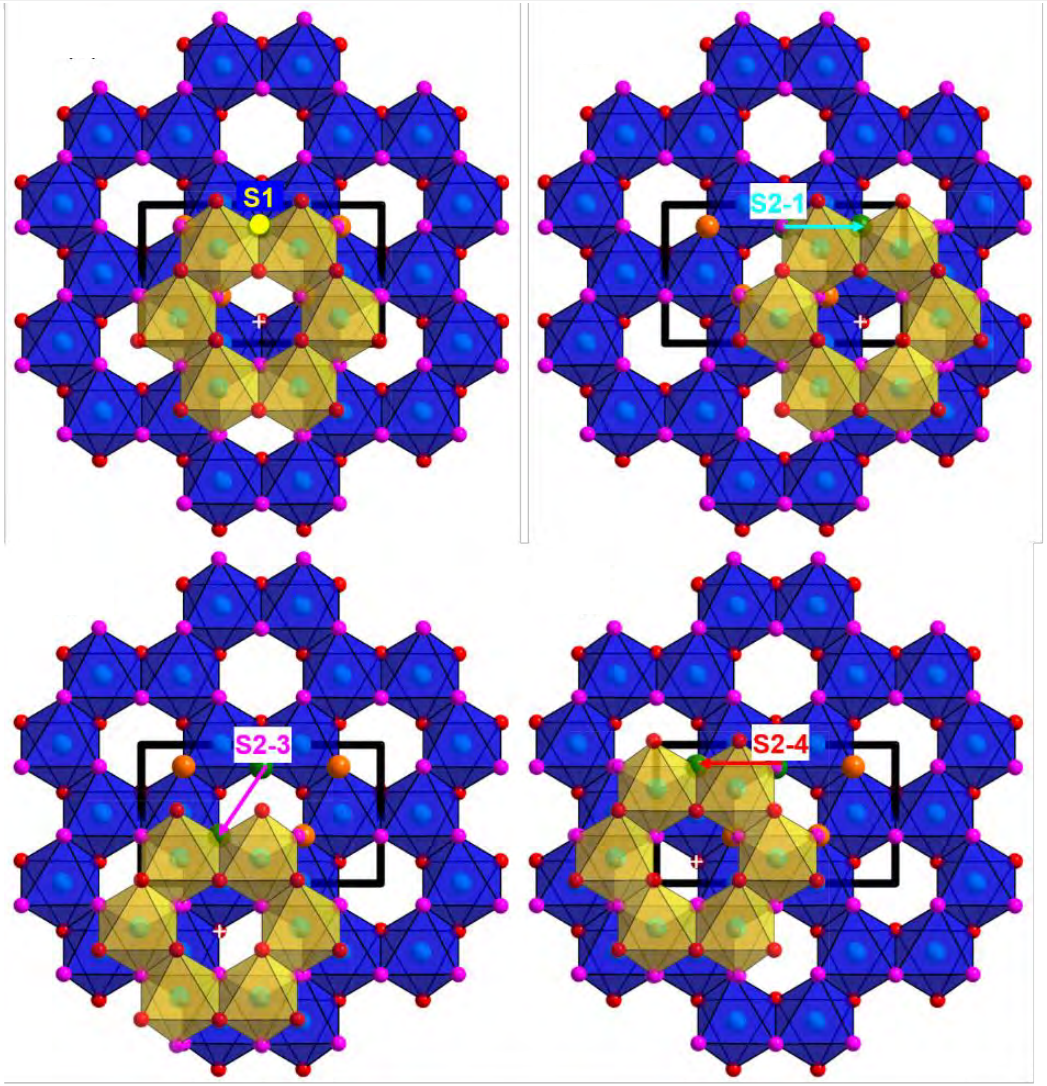
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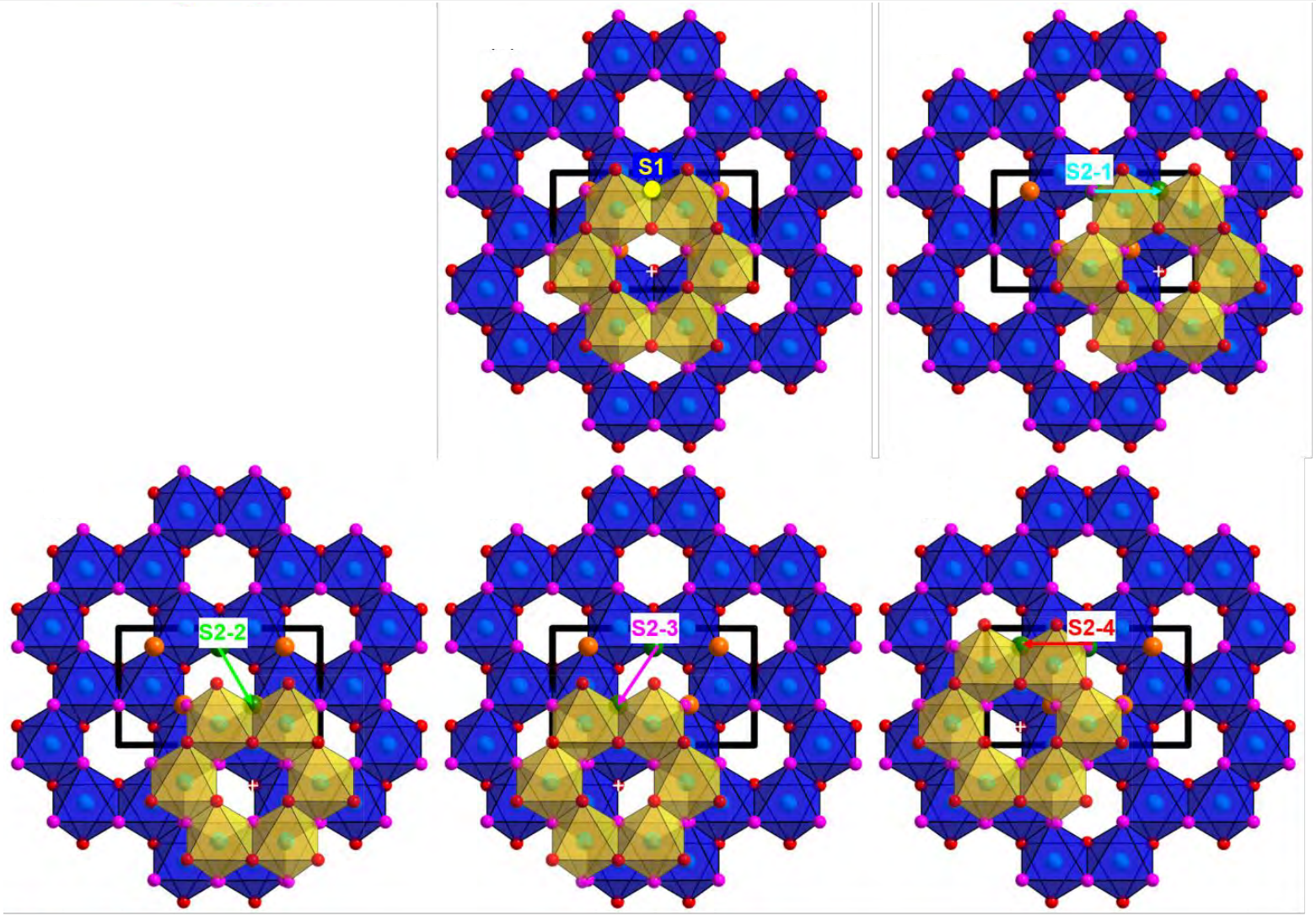
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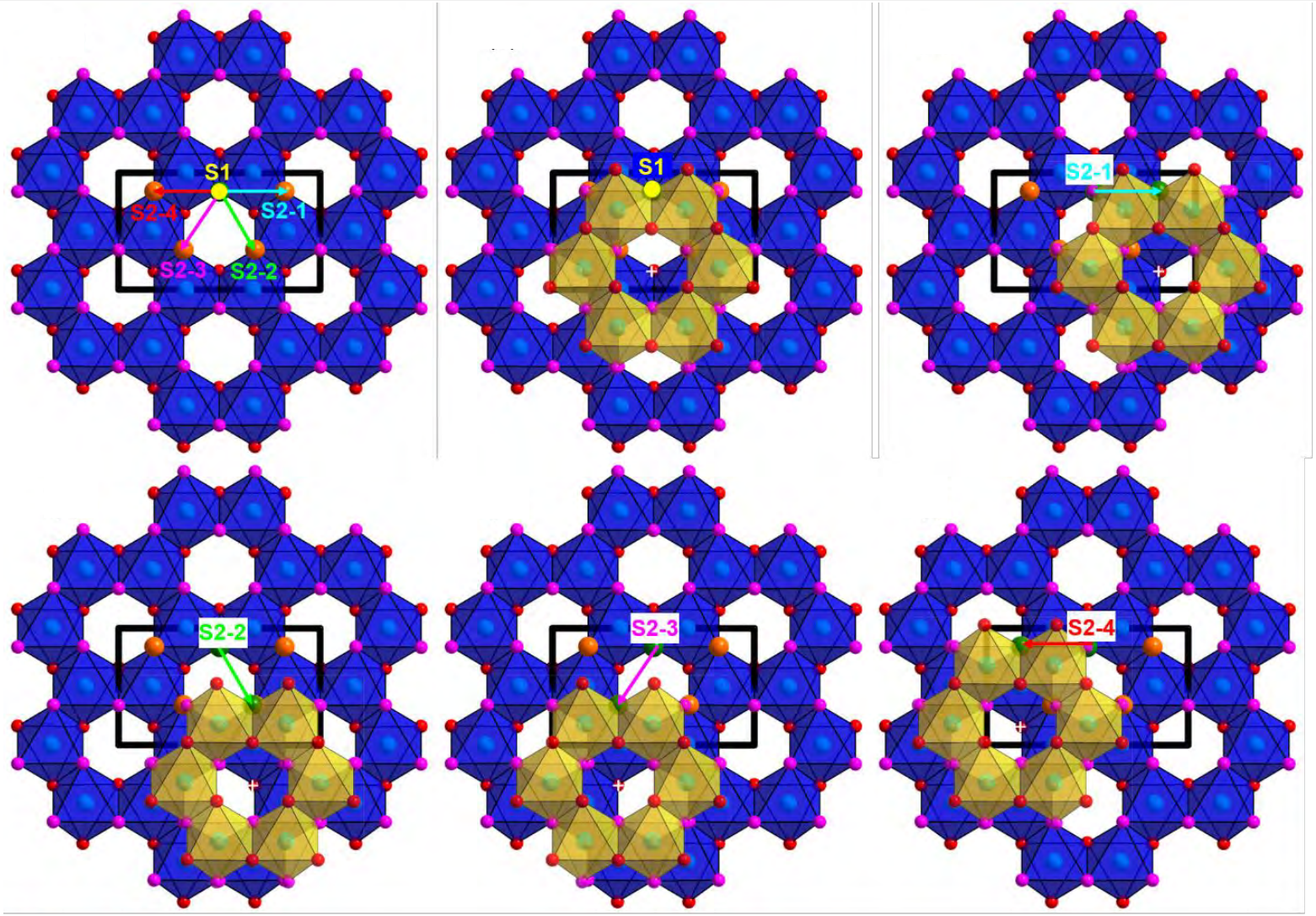
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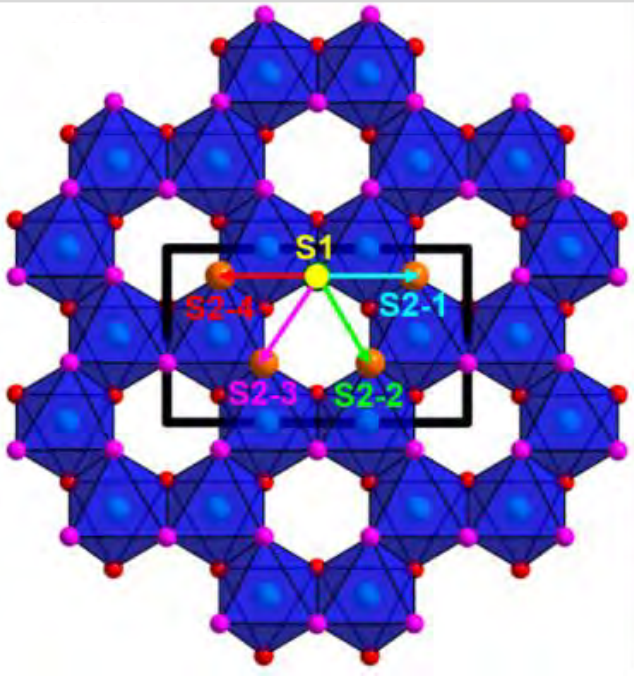
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Creation of a transition probability matrix



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O1-H-O1 contact	P_{11}, S1	P_{12}, S2-1	P_{13}, S2-2	P_{14}, S2-3	P_{15}, S2-4
O1-H-O2 contact-1	P_{21}, S1	P_{22}, S2-1	P_{23}, S2-2	P_{24}, S2-3	P_{25}, S2-4
O1-H-O2 contact-2	P_{31}, S1	P_{32}, S2-1	P_{33}, S2-2	P_{34}, S2-3	P_{35}, S2-4
O1-H-O2 contact-3	P_{41}, S1	P_{42}, S2-1	P_{43}, S2-2	P_{44}, S2-3	P_{45}, S2-4
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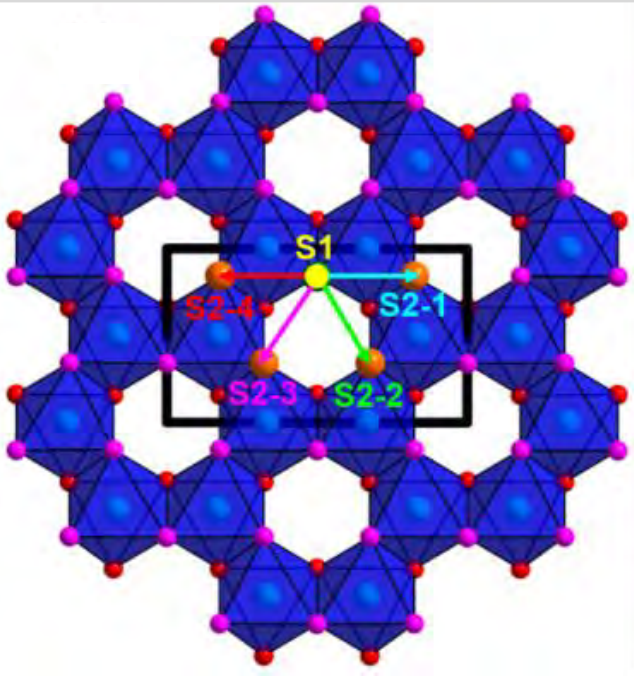
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Parameter reduction

assumption:
all alternative stacking orders are equally favorable

↓

global fault probability:
P_x

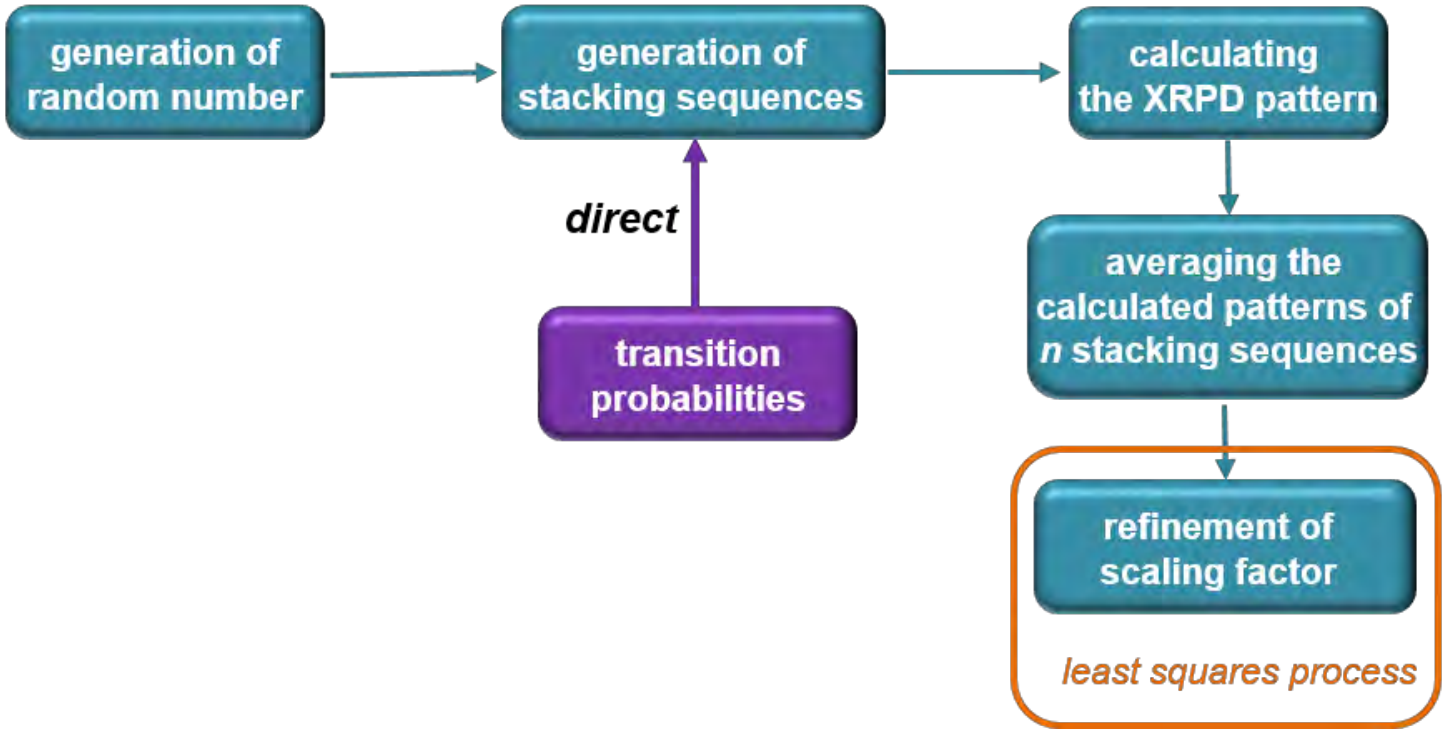


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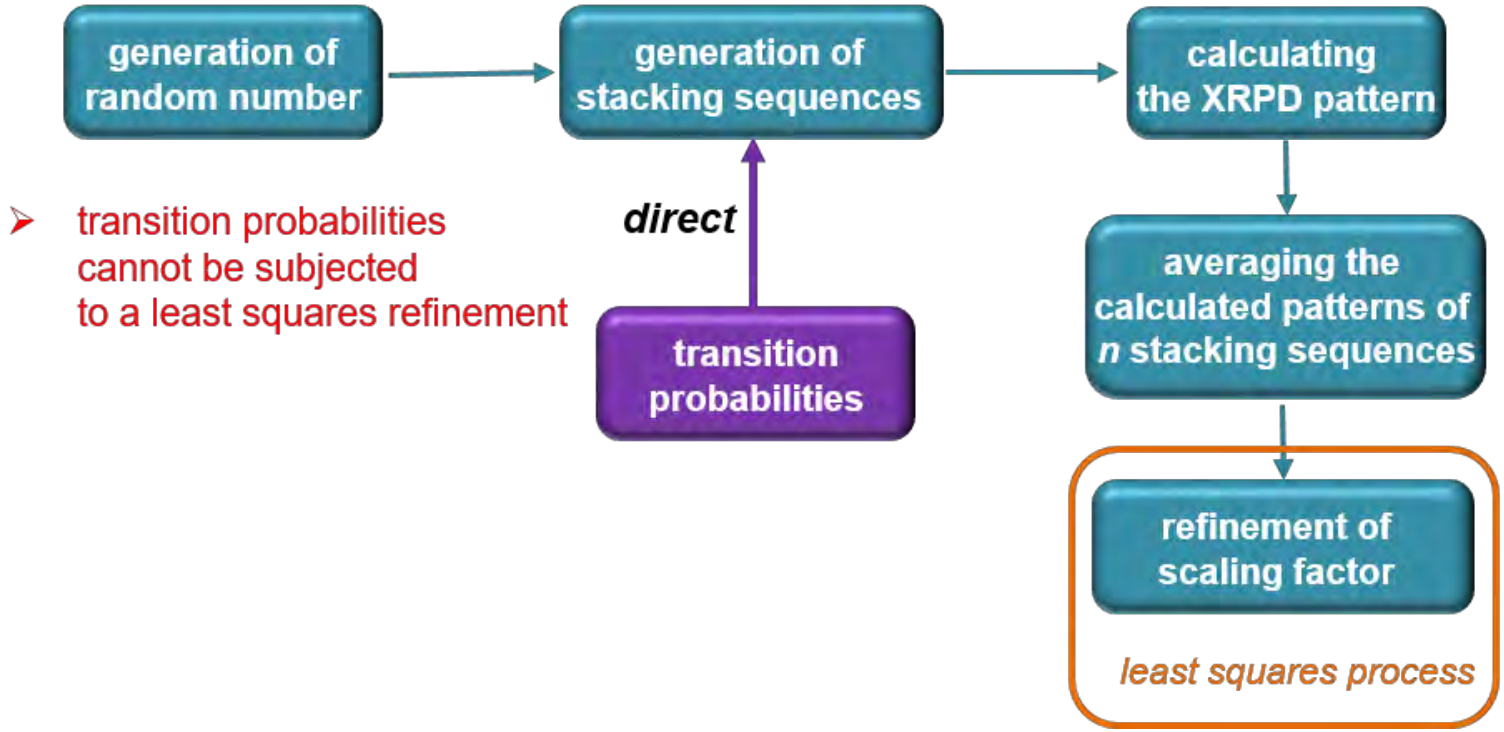
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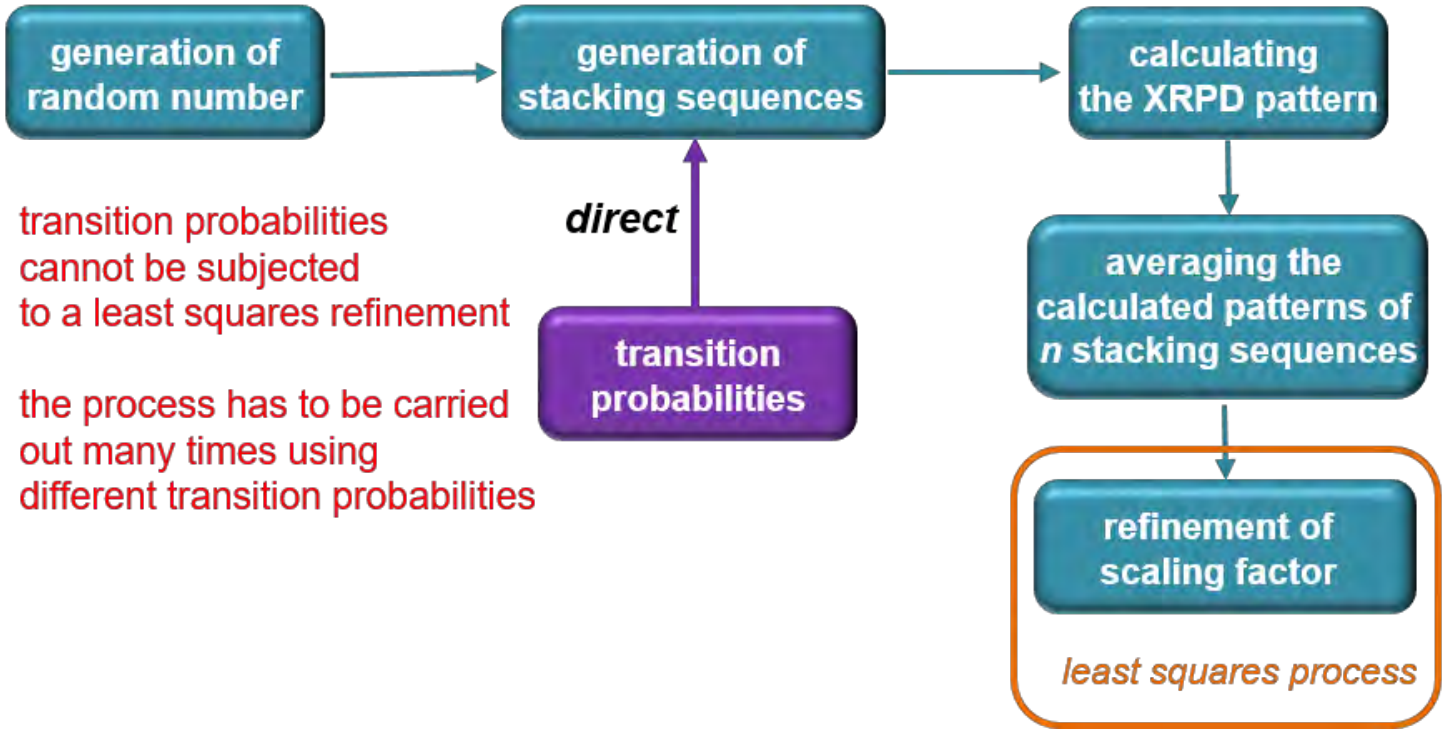


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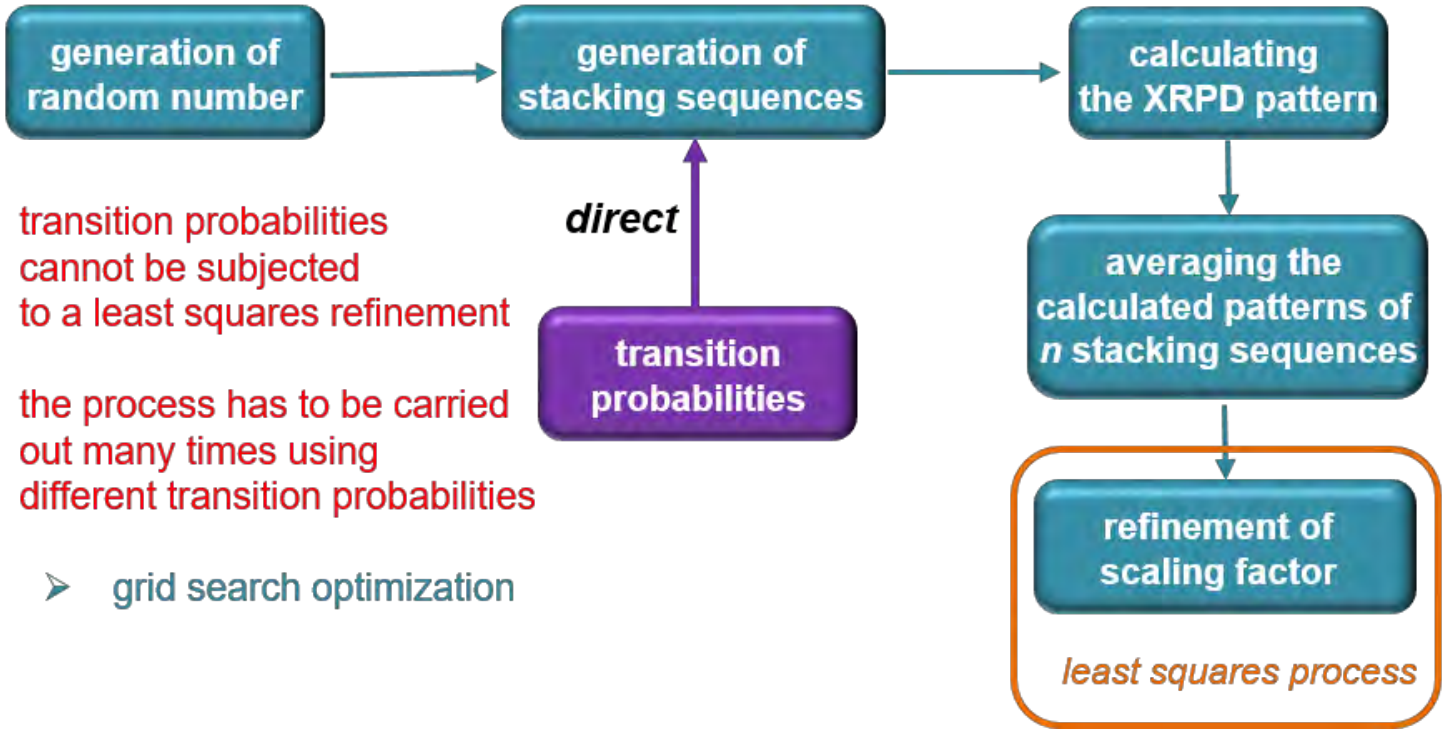


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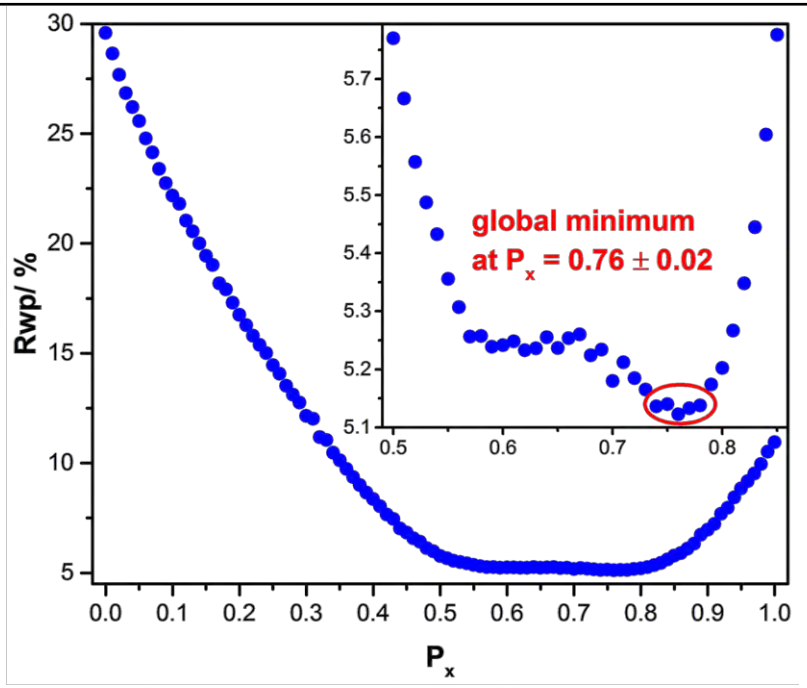


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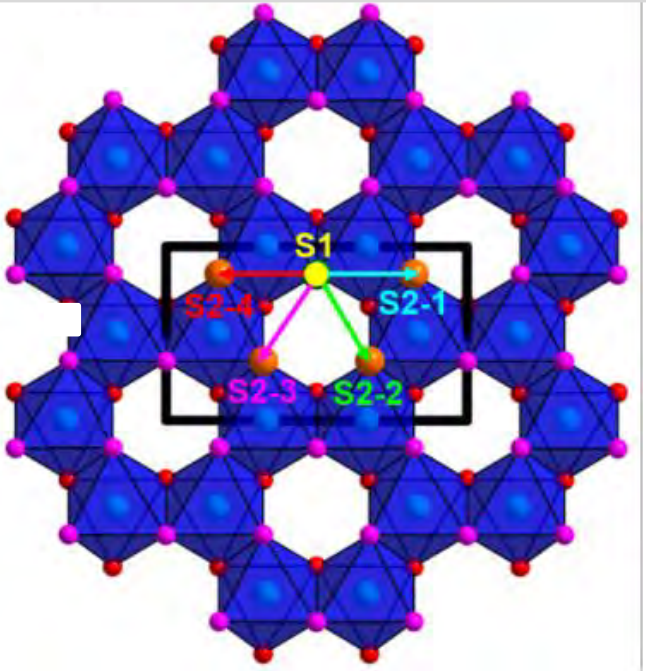
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Interpretation of the result

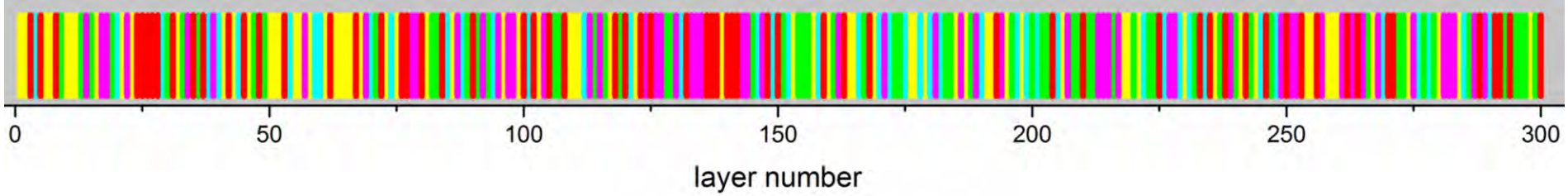
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| S1 | S2-1 | S2-2 | S2-3 | S2-4

stacking order
c-direction

- extension of the coherently stacked sections ≤ 2.4 nm in *c*-direction!

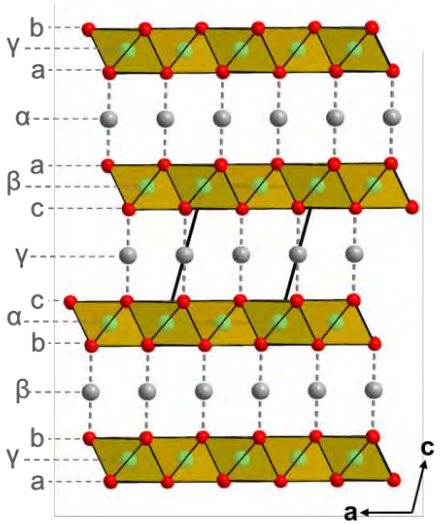


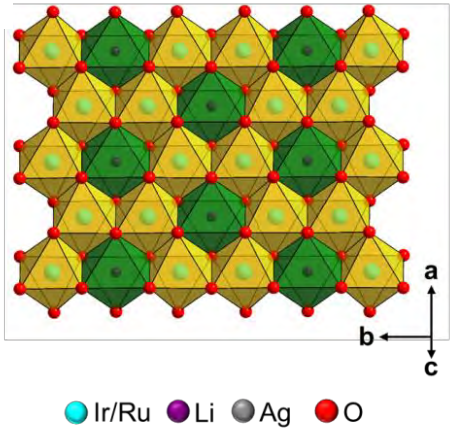
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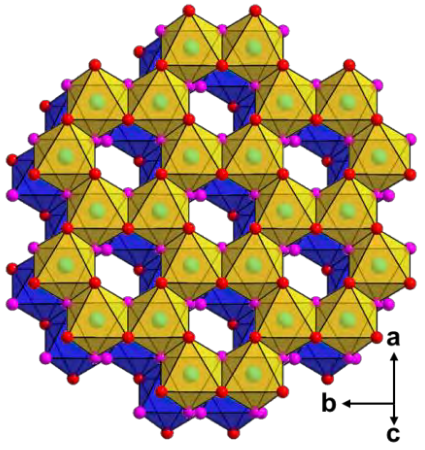
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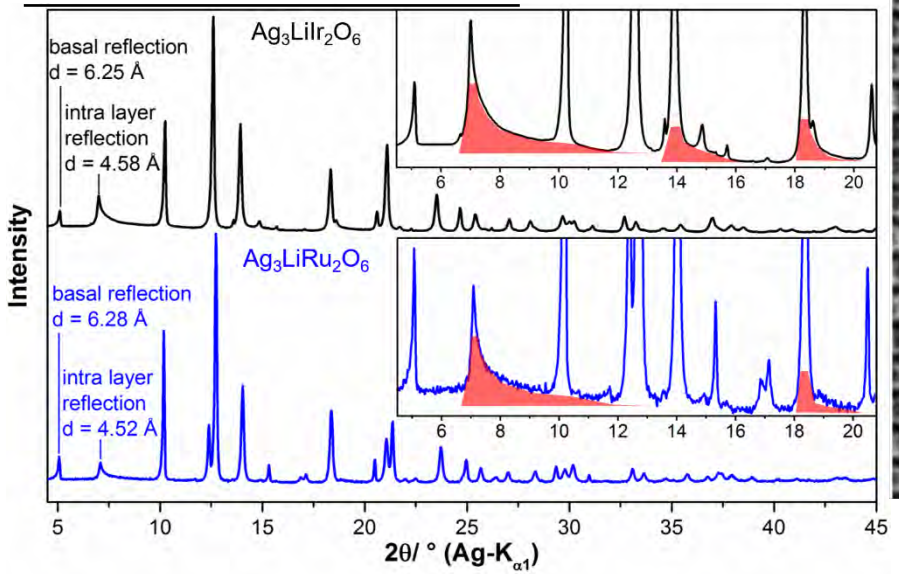
$Ag_3LiIr_2O_6$ / $Ag_3LiRu_2O_6$

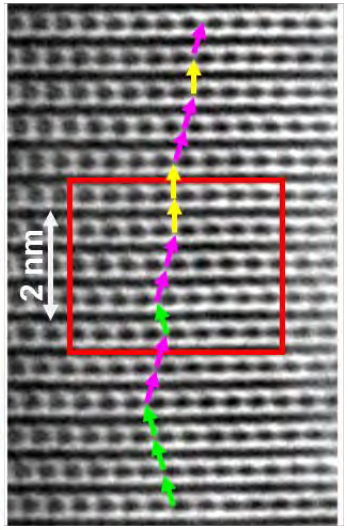
	$Ag_3LiIr_2O_6$	$Ag_3LiRu_2O_6$
	*C*2/*m* (12)	*C*2/*m* (12)
Z	2	2
a **/Å**	5.287(1)	5.226(1)
b **/Å**	9.151(2)	9.036(1)
c **/Å**	6.503(1)	6.527(1)
α **/°**	90	90
β **/°**	106.1(1)	105.7(1)
γ **/°**	90	90
V **/Å³**	302.32(9)	296.66(6)

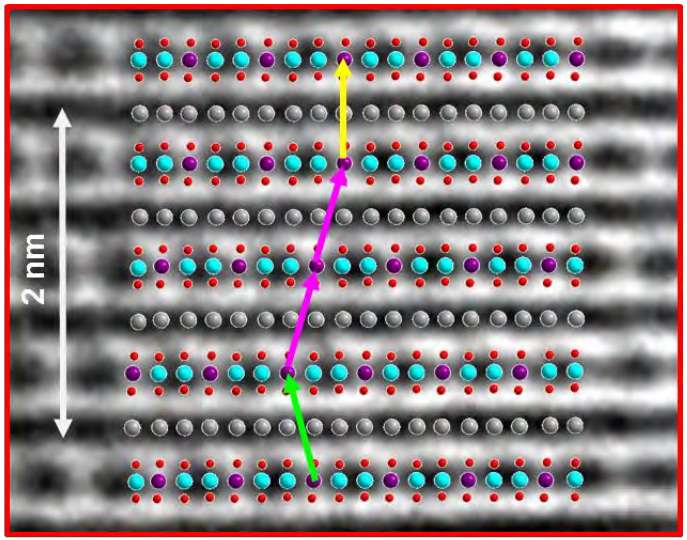












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More Honeycomb Compounds - $Li_3HoBr_{6-x}I_x$

intra- vs. interlayer disorder

$HoBr_3 + 3\text{-}x\ LiBr + x\ LiI \xrightarrow{1000\ °C} Li_3HoBr_{6-x}I_x\ (x \leq 3)$

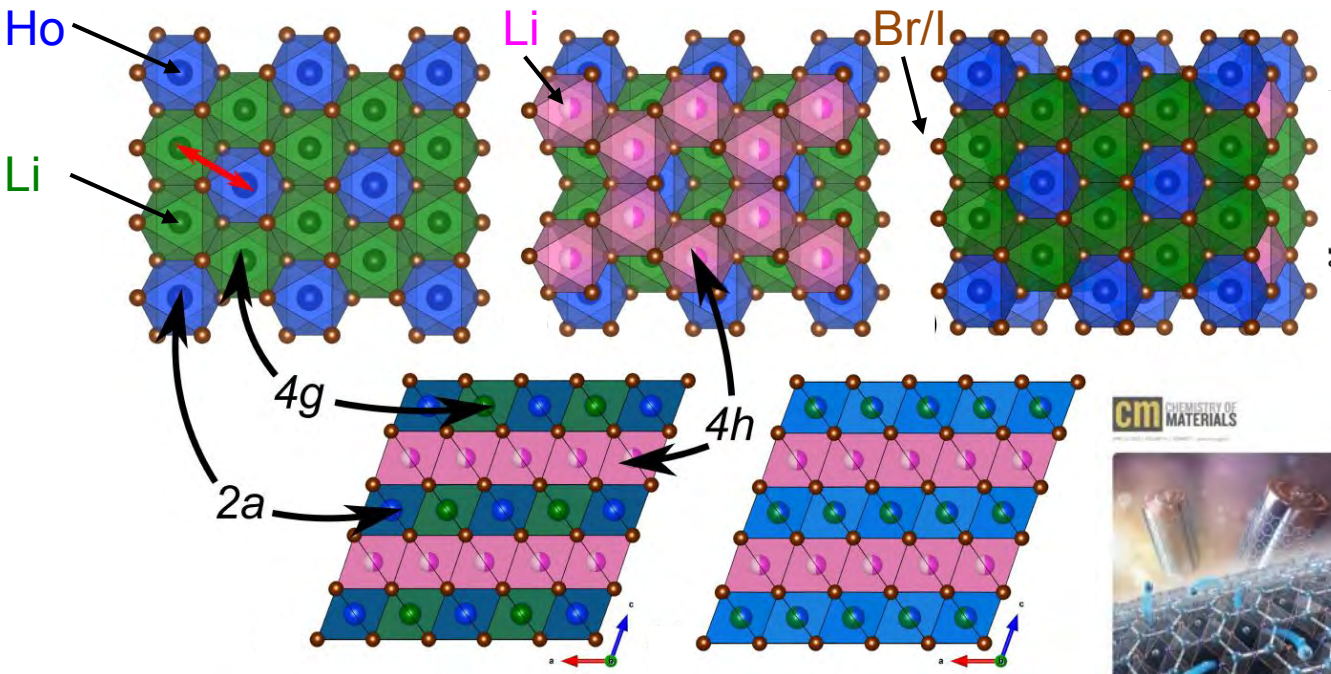
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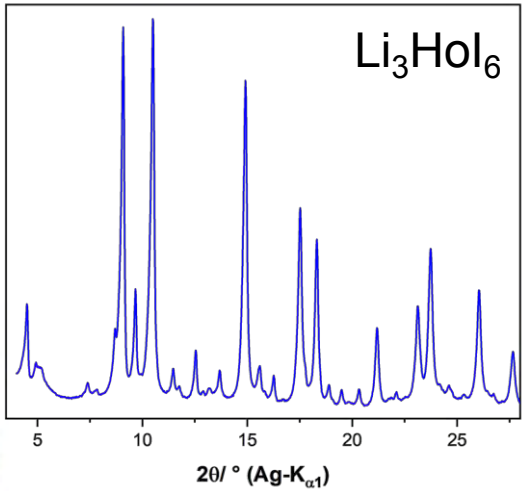


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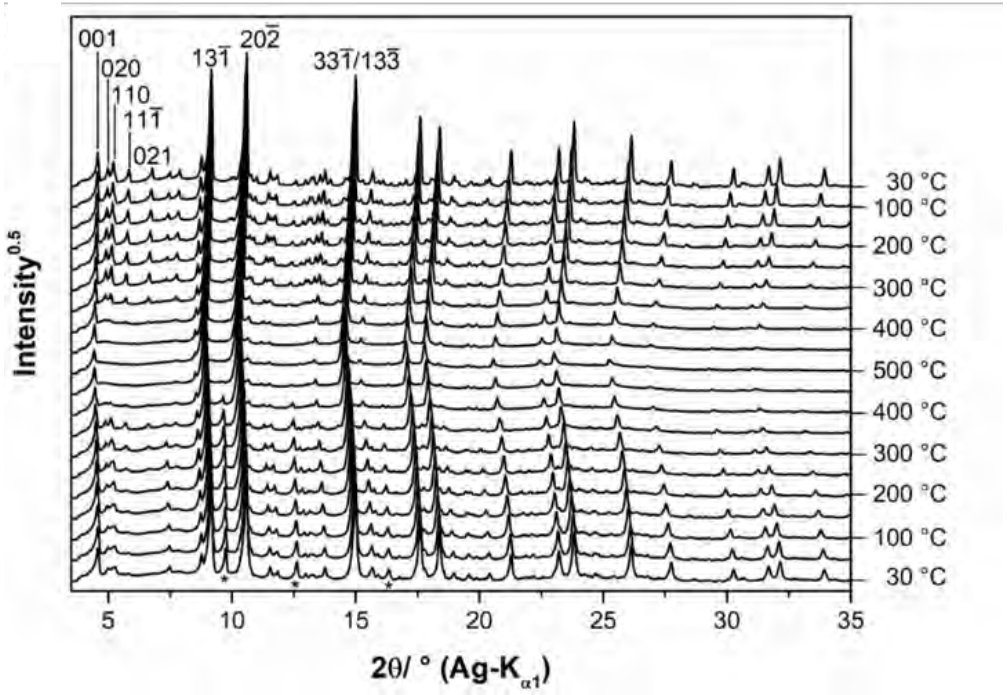


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Heating of Li_3HoI_6:

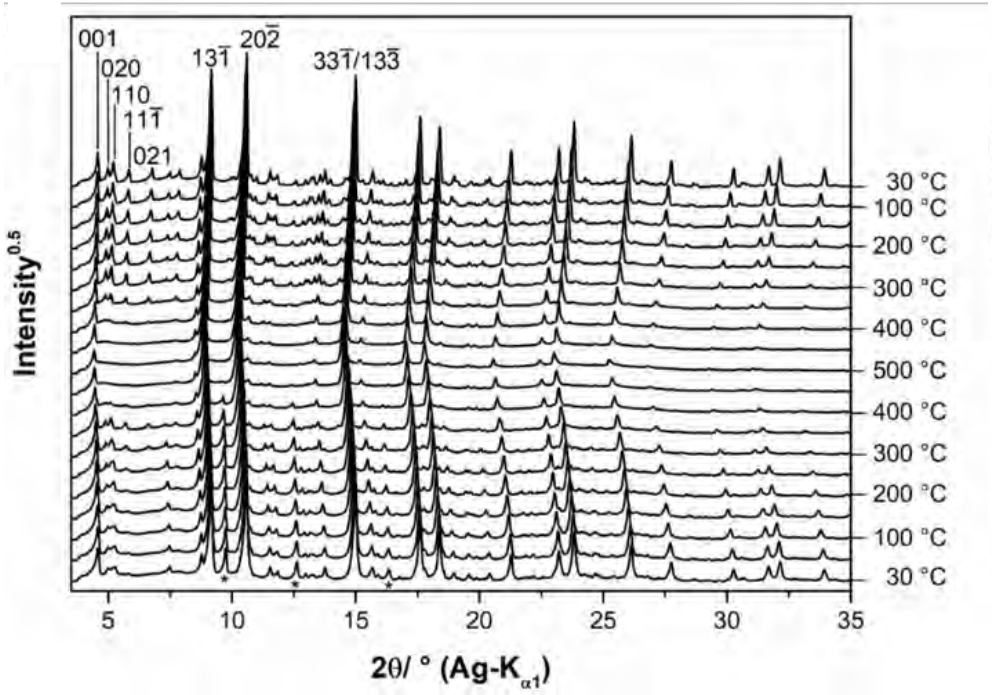


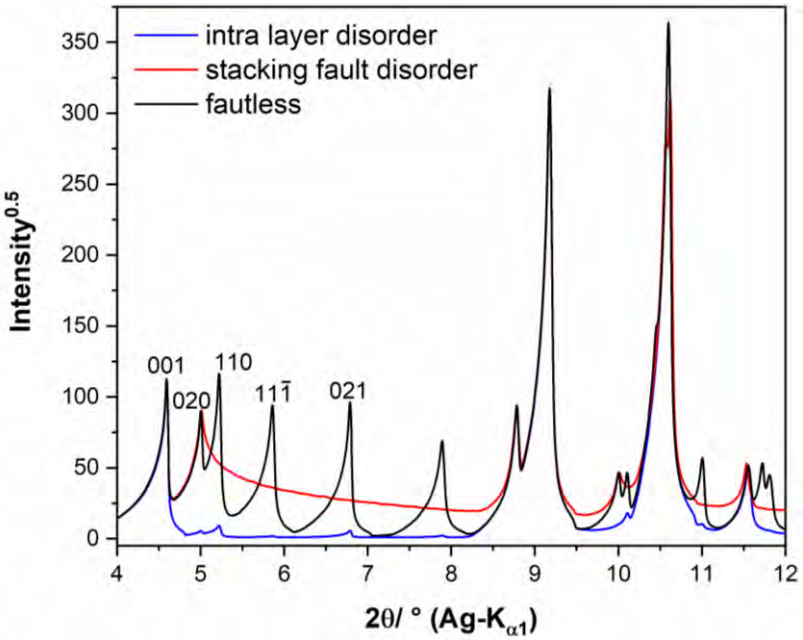
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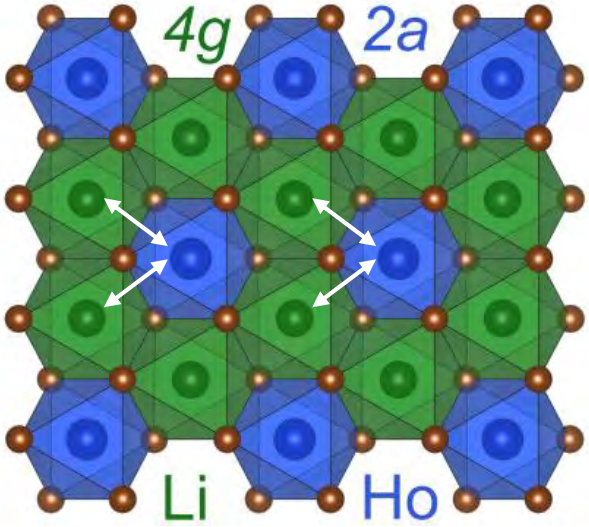
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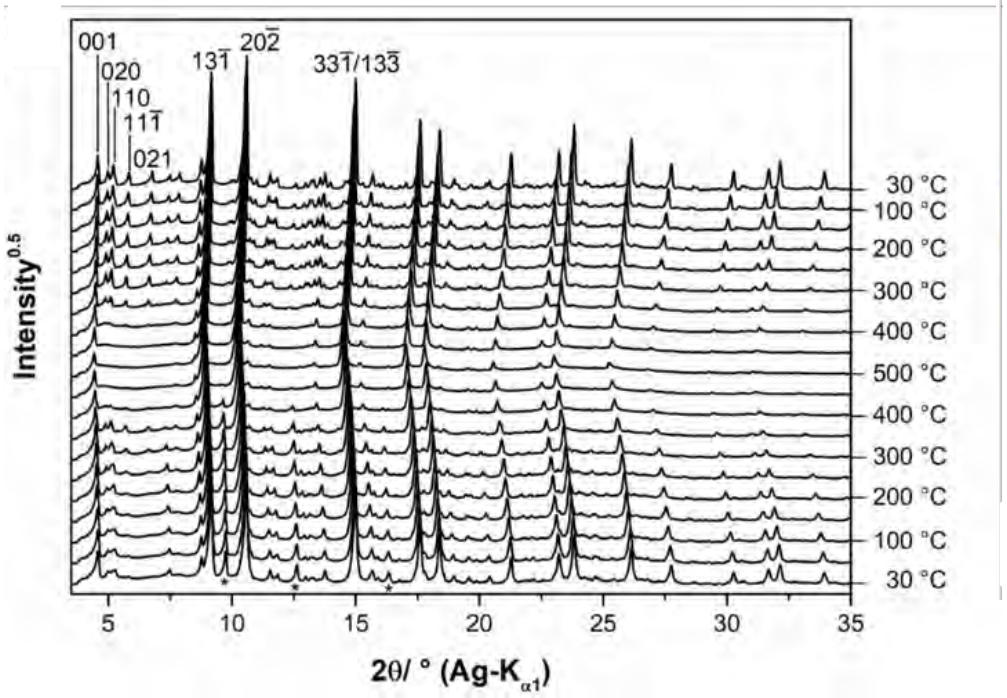
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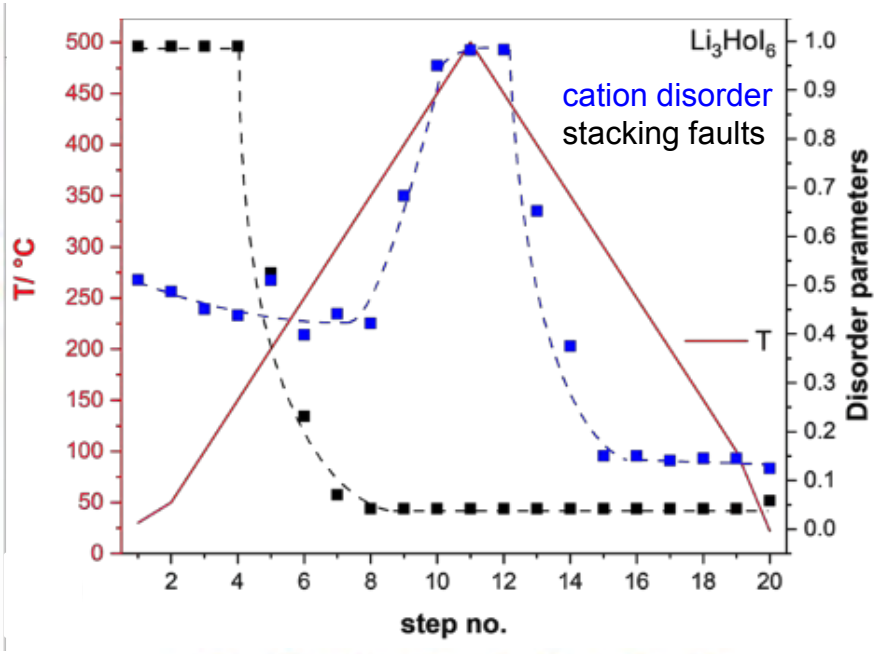


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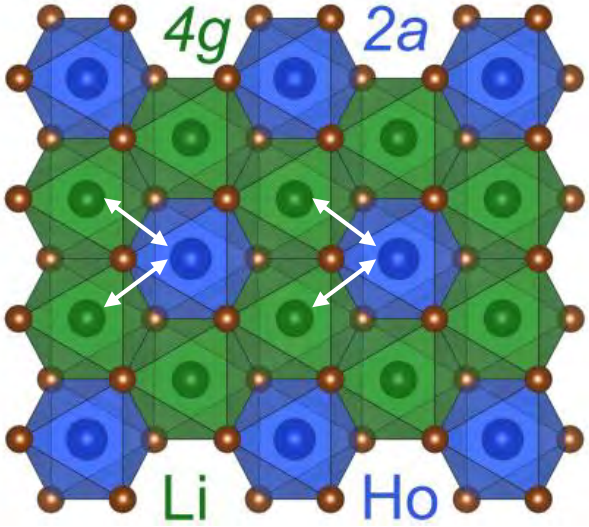
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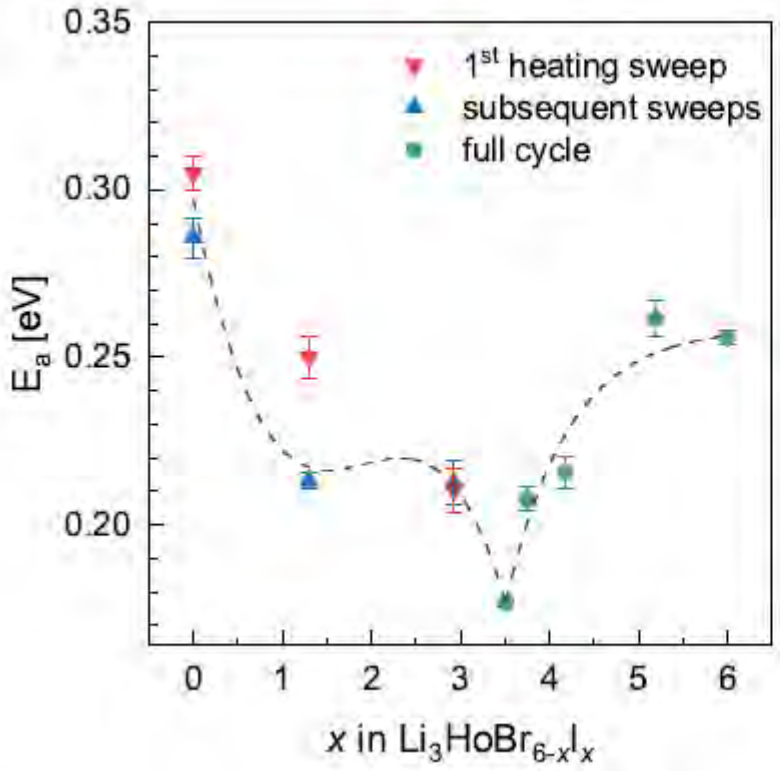
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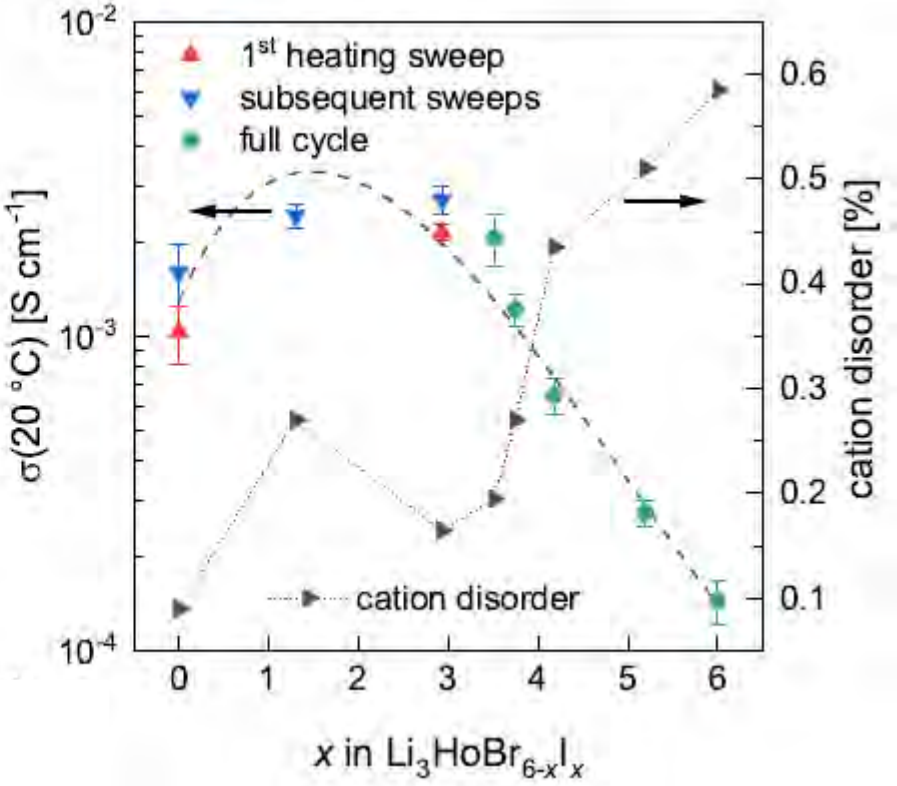


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The impact of disorder on ion conductivity:





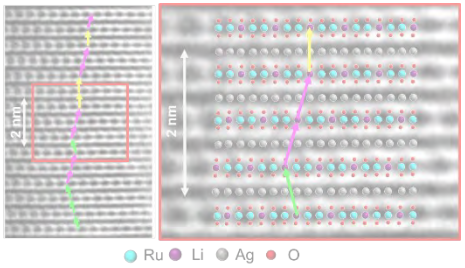
- intralayer cation disorder rather impacts ion conductivity than interlayer stacking fault disorder

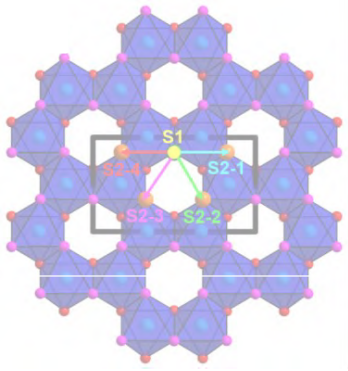
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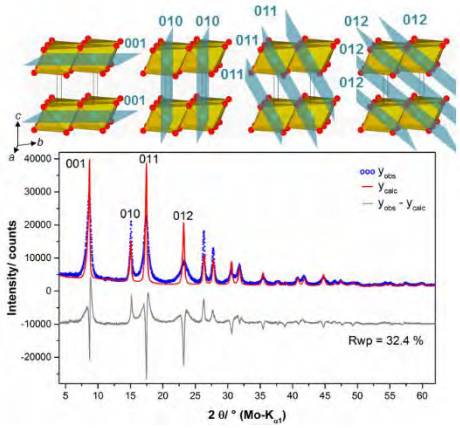
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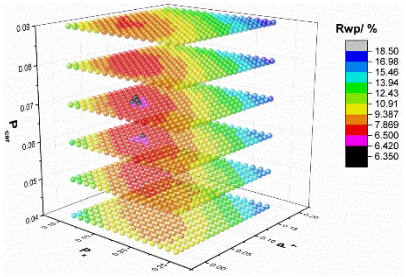
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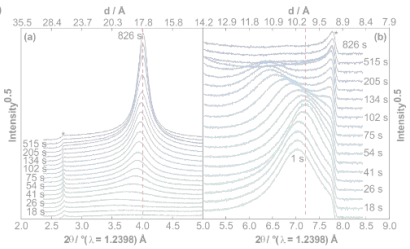


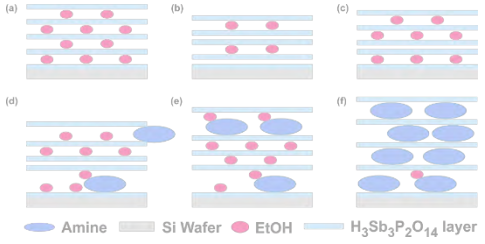
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   a) NCA precursors – optimization of multiple parameters





3. Excursus into thin films
   a) spin coated $H_3Sb_3P_3O_{14}$ thin films





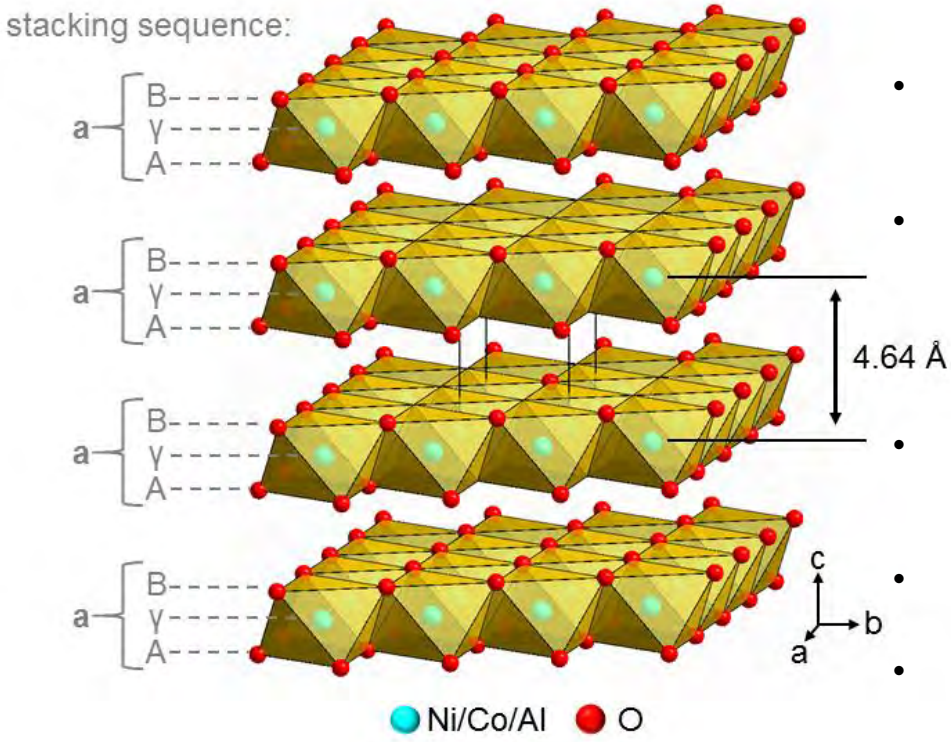
4. Conclusions and Outlook

Brucite-type materials

NCA precursors – optimization of multiple parameters

NCA and NCM Battery material precursor

- "(Ni, Co, Al/Mn)$(OH)_2$ compounds"



- layered double hydroxide (LDH) phase
- cation sublattice (NCA): 90 % Ni, 5 % Co, 5 % Al
- cation sublattice (NCM): 85 % Ni, 10 % Co, 5 % Mn
- brucite-type lattice
- space group $P\bar{3}m1$

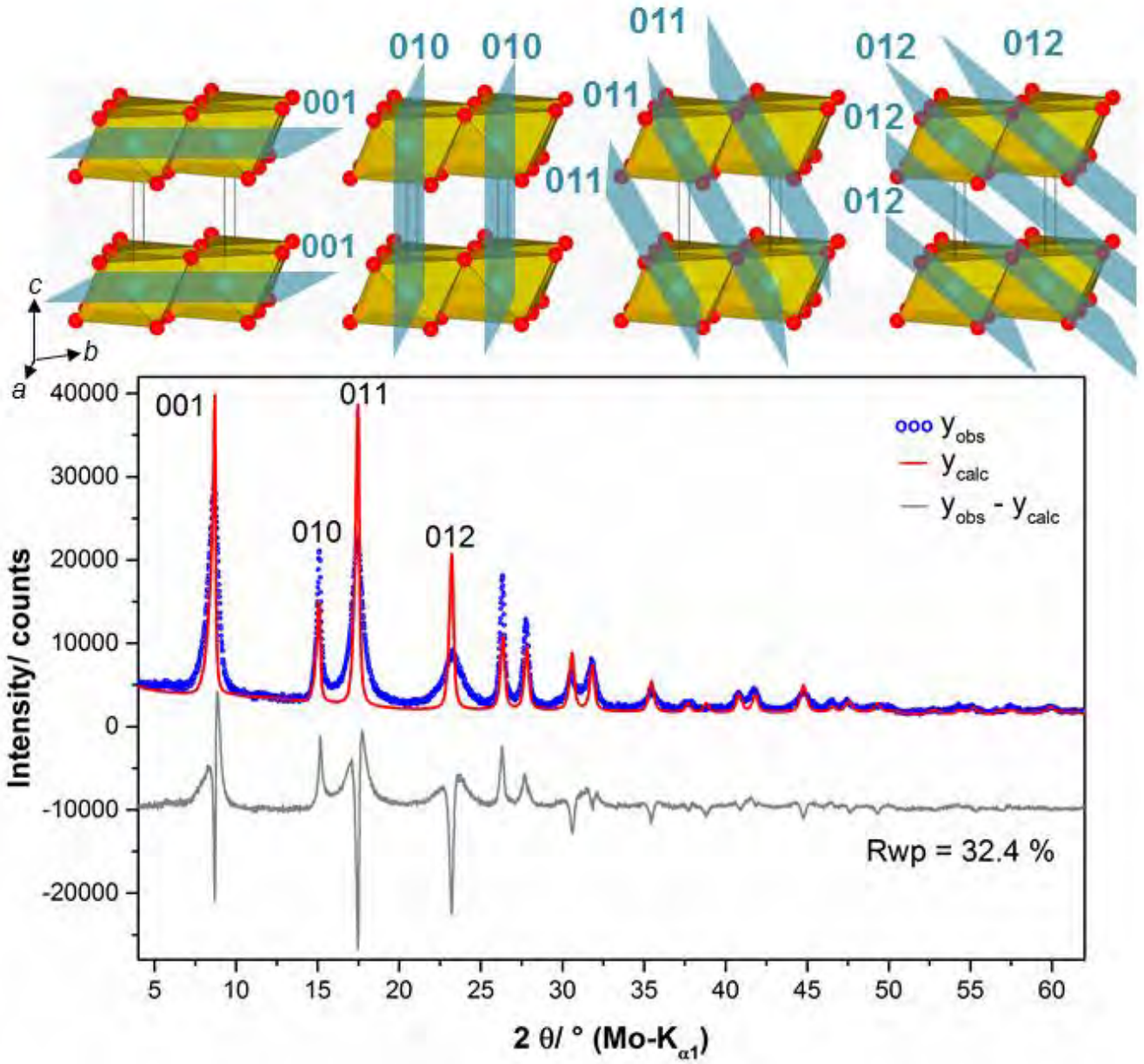


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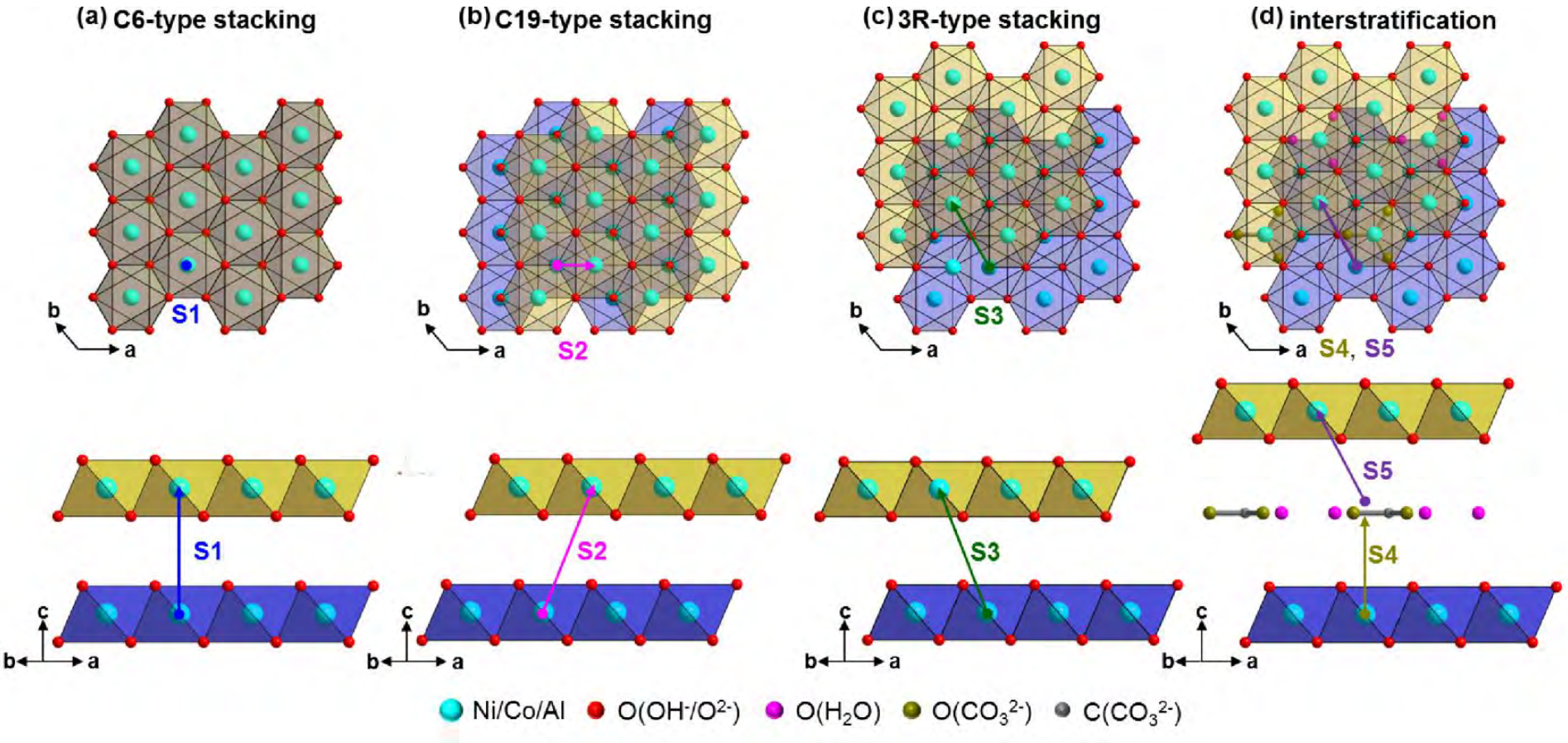
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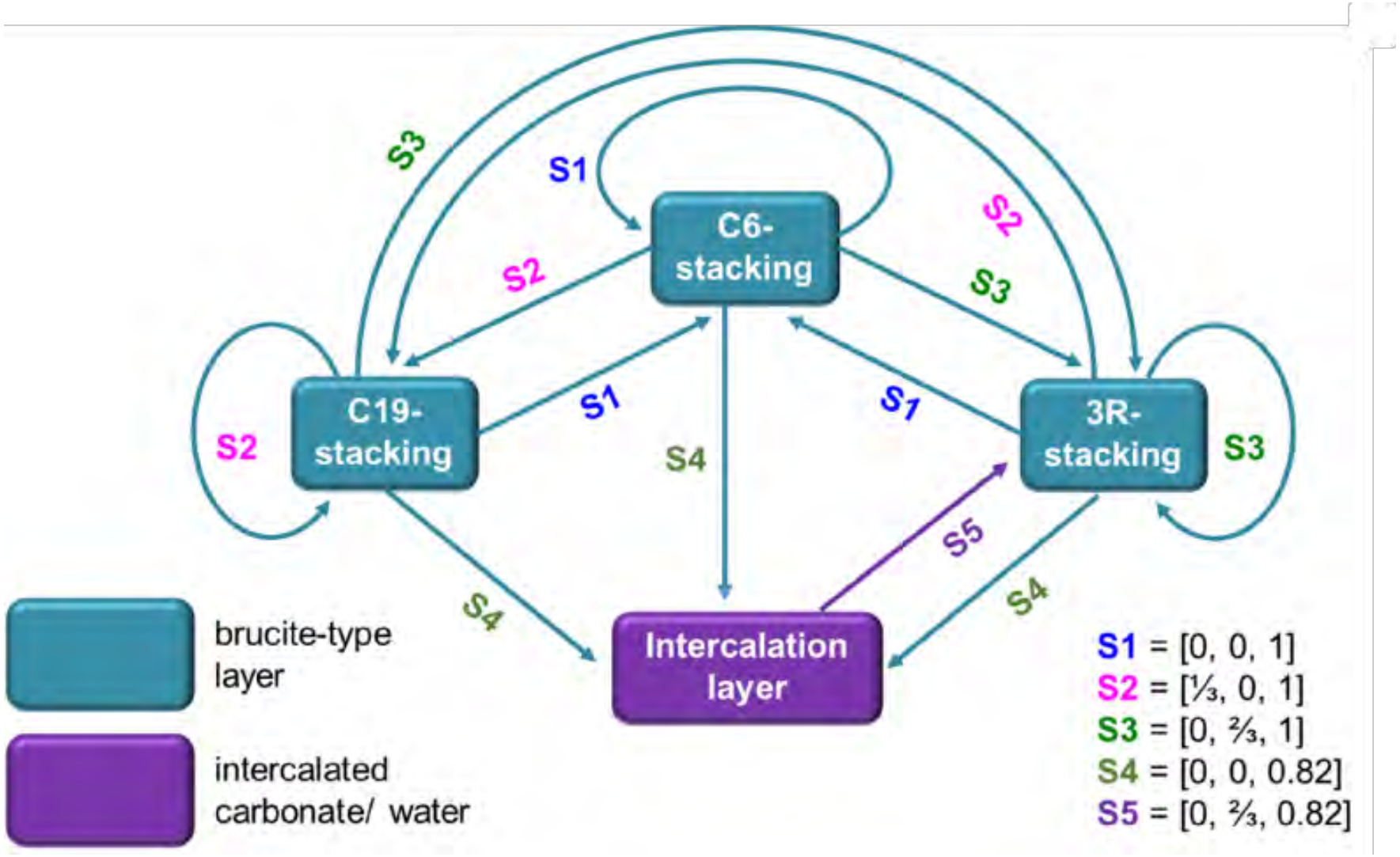
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Defining possible transitions



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Building a microstructural model

to→ /from↓	C6-stacking	C19-stacking	3R-stacking	Inter-calation
C6-stacking	$1-P_x-P_y-P_{car}$ **S1**	P_x, **S2**	P_y, **S3**	P_{car}, **S4**
C19-stacking	$1-P_x-P_y-P_{car}$ **S1**	P_x, **S2**	P_y, **S3**	P_{car}, **S4**
3R-stacking	$1-P_x-P_y-P_{car}$ **S1**	P_x, **S2**	P_y, **S3**	P_{car}, **S4**
Inter-calation	0	0	0	1, **S5**

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NCA precursors – optimization of multiple parameters

Problem 2: optimization of the transition probabilities

```
num_runs 1000300
seed
…
str
…
prm px = …;
prm py = …;
prm pcar =…;
   generate stack sequences
     {
…
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- When P_x, P_y and P_{car} should be varied 0.00 to 1.00 in 0.01 increments

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- ≈ 10,000,300 Rietveld refinements

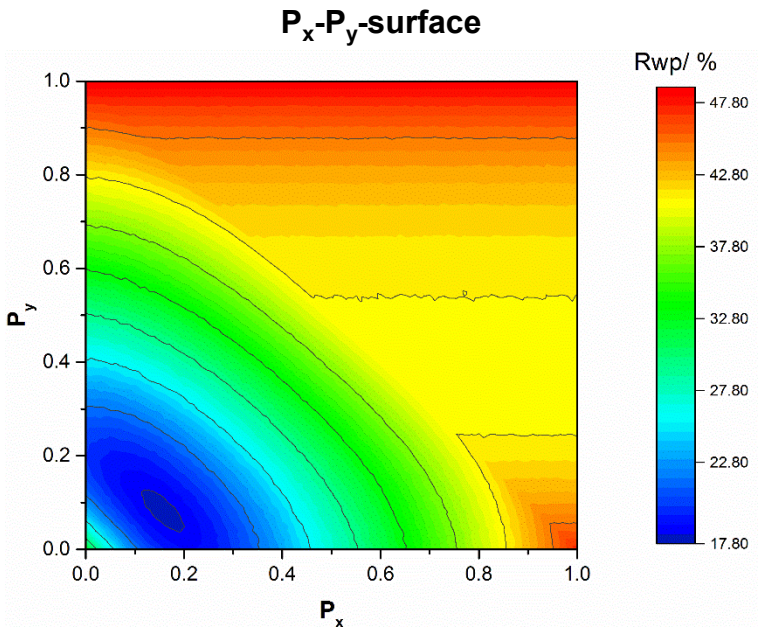
➢ **≈ 58 days!**

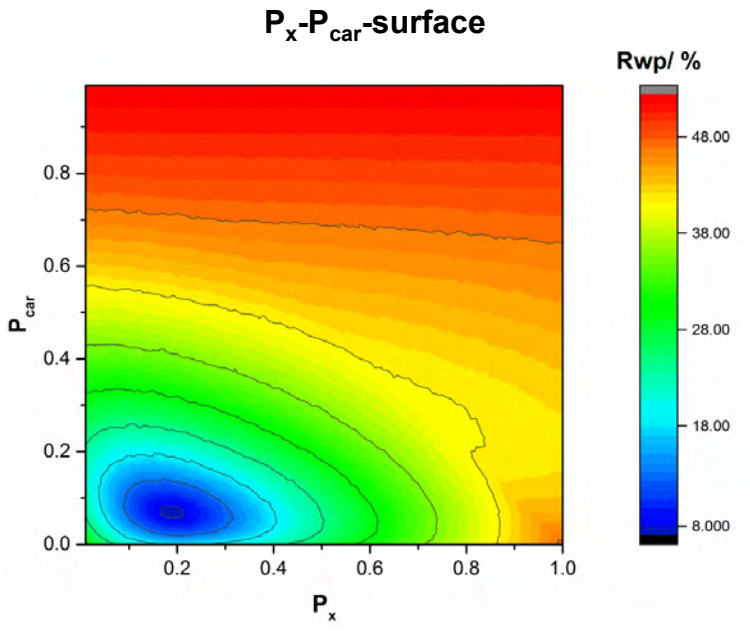
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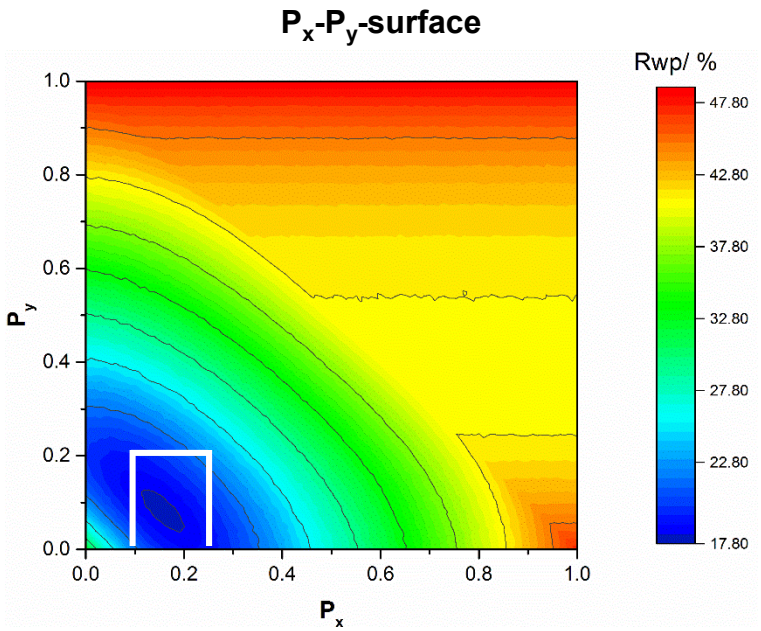


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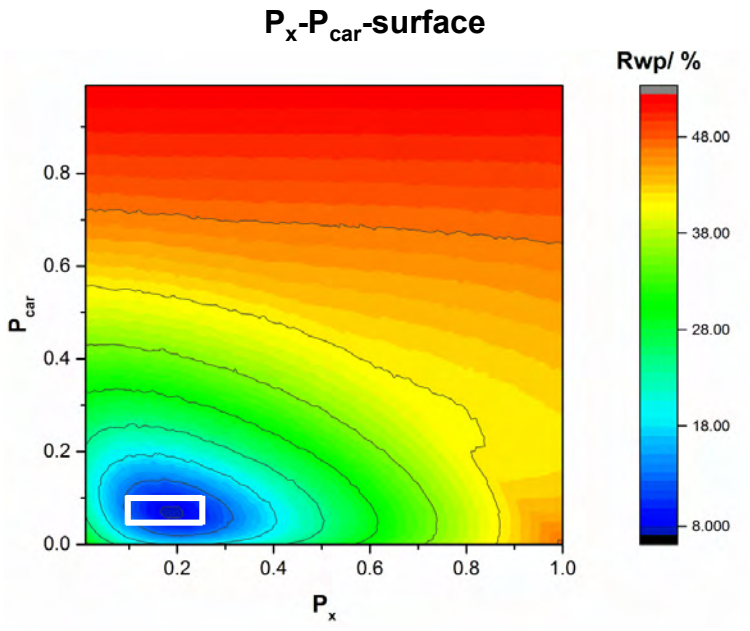
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global minimum within $0.10 \leq P_x \leq 0.24 \cup 0.00 \leq P_y \leq 0.19$

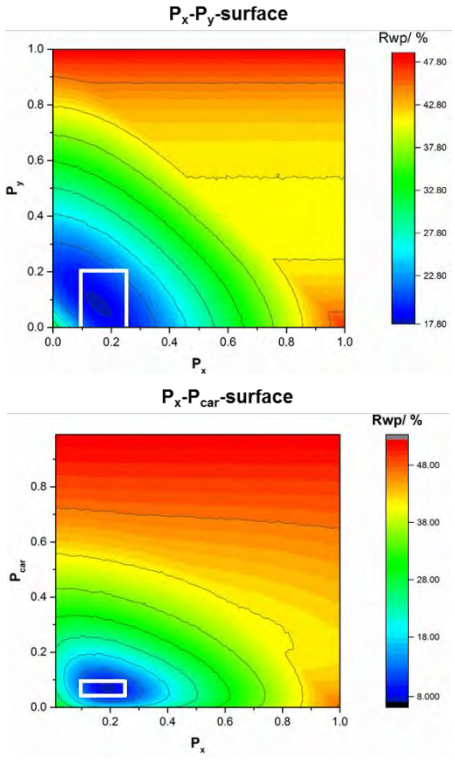


global minimum within $0.10 \leq P_x \leq 0.24 \cup 0.04 \leq P_{car} \leq 0.09$

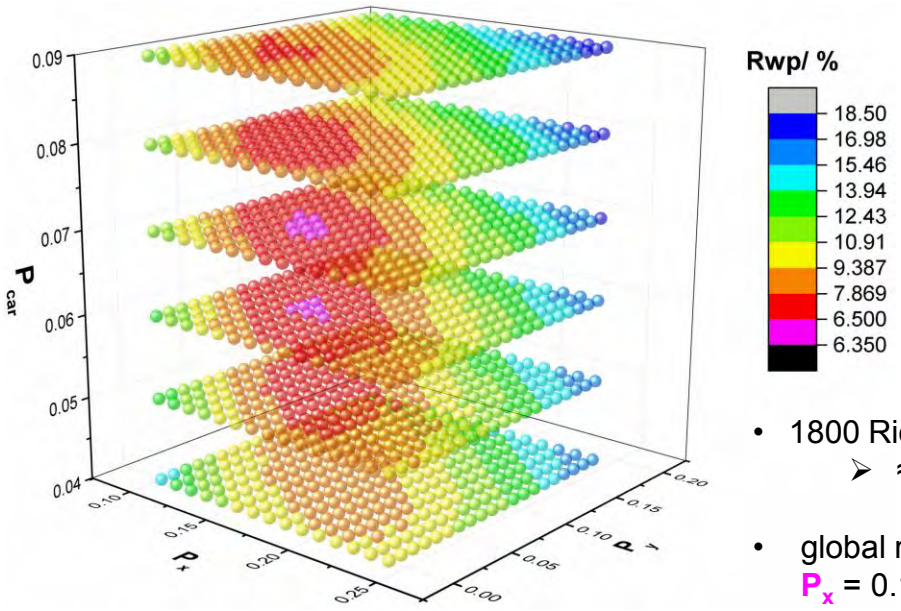
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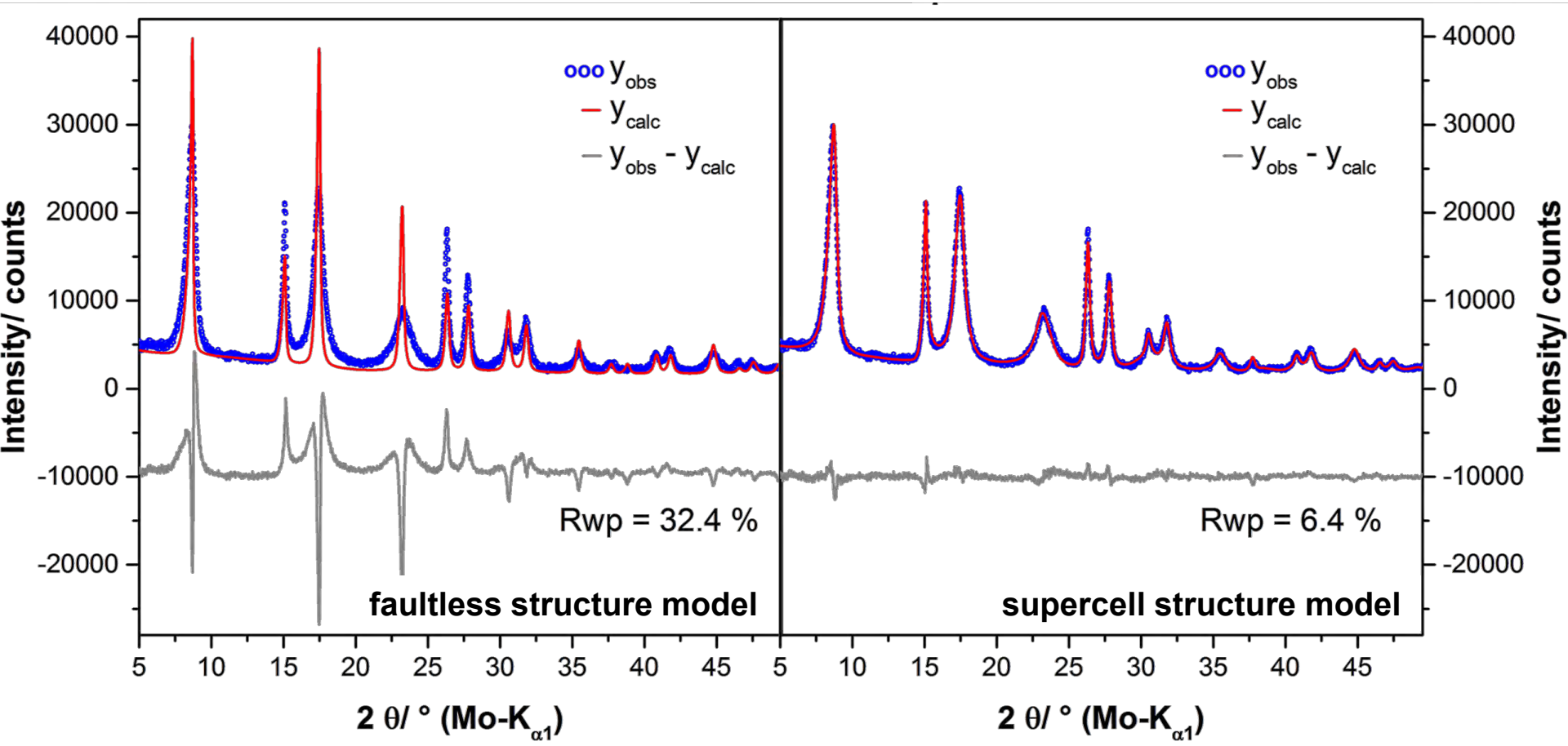
- Narrowing down the 3-dimensional grid to:
  $0.10 \leq P_x \leq 0.24 \cup 0.00 \leq P_y \leq 0.19 \cup 0.04 \leq P_{car} \leq 0.09$ → 1800 grid points



- 1800 Rietveld refinements
  - ≈ 2.5 h
- global minimum at:
  $P_x = 0.15$, $P_y = 0.06$, $P_{car} = 0.07$

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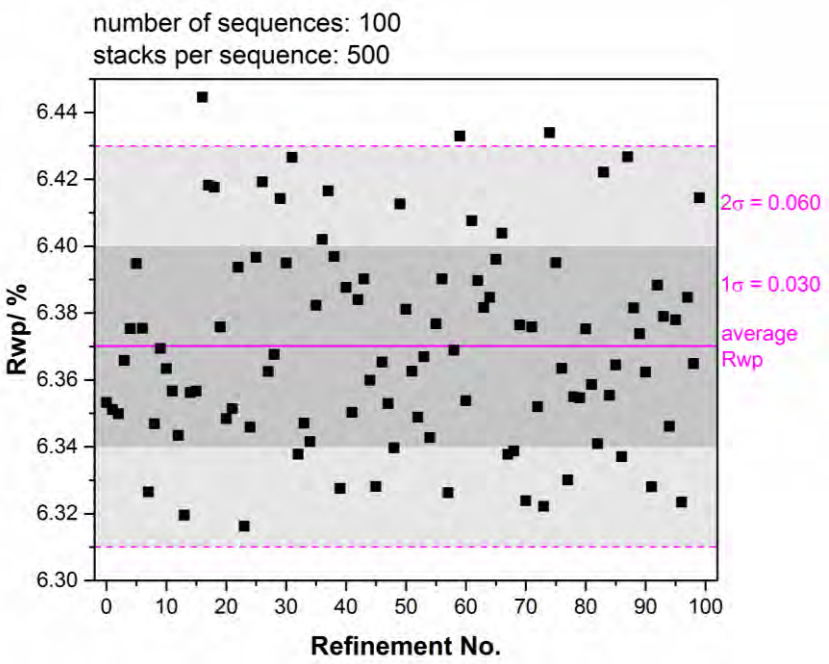
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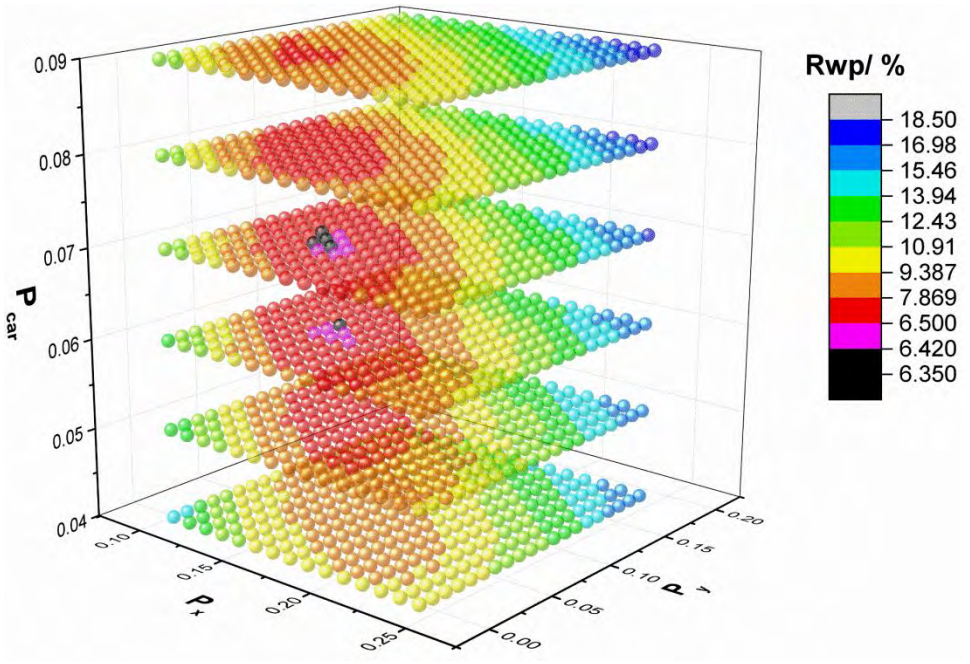


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Problem 2: optimization of the transition probabilities

Scattering of the results





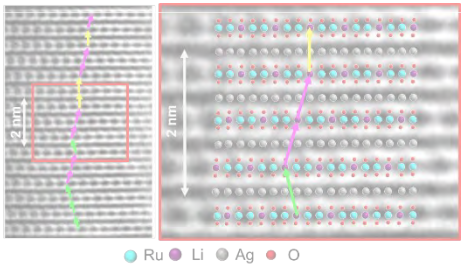
- Minimum at: P_x = 0.15**(1)**, P_y = 0.06**(1)**, P_{car} = 0.07**(1)**, Rwp = 6.4 %

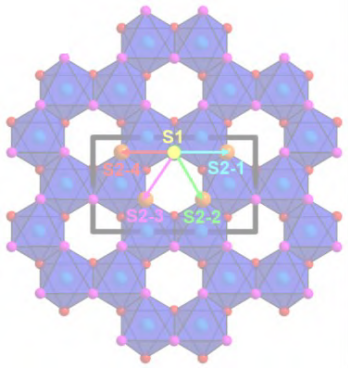
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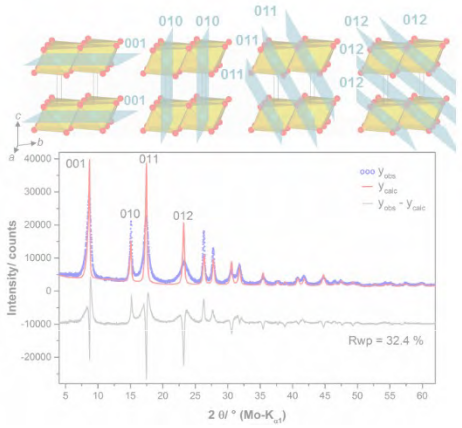
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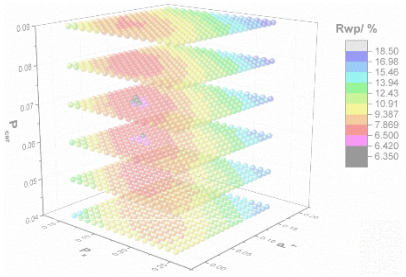
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   a) $H_3LiIr_2O_6$, $Ag_3Li(Ir/Ru)_2O_6$
      – derivation of the layer constitution
   b) $Li_3HoBr_{6-x}I_x$ – intra- vs. Interlayer disorder



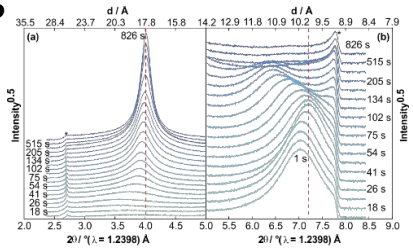


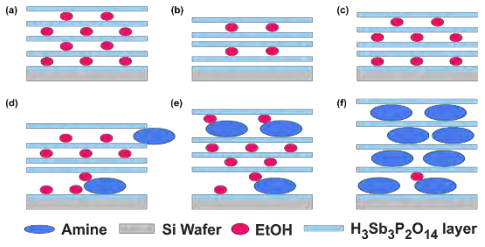
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3. Excursus into thin films
   a) spin coated $H_3Sb_3P_3O_{14}$ thin films

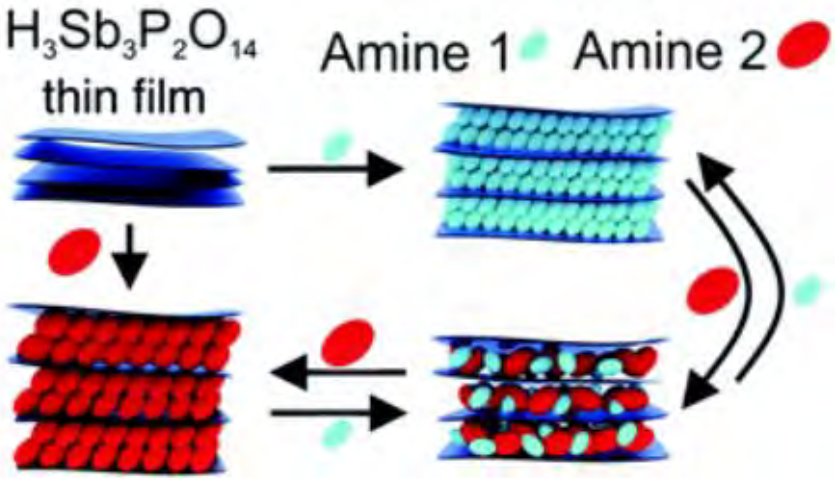




4. Conclusions and Outlook

3D-networks and thin films

spin coated $H_3Sb_3P_3O_{14}$ thin films



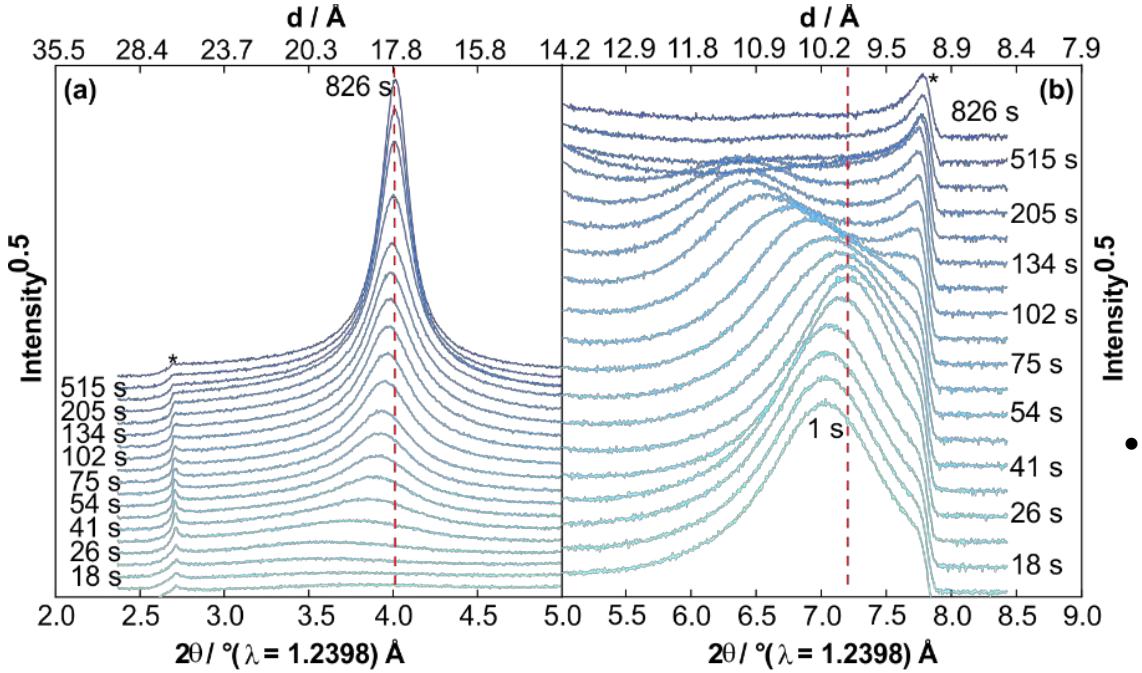


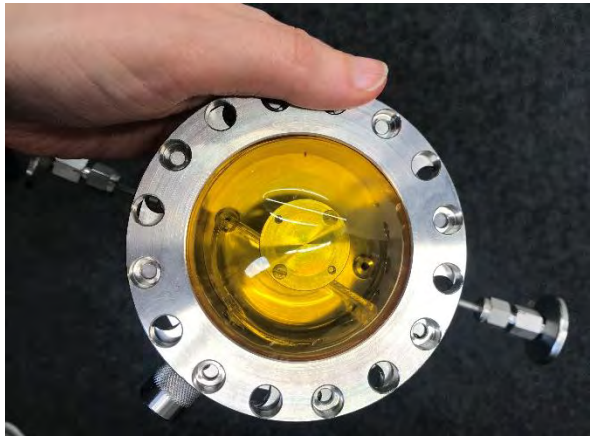
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- *in situ* monitoring of amin intercalation



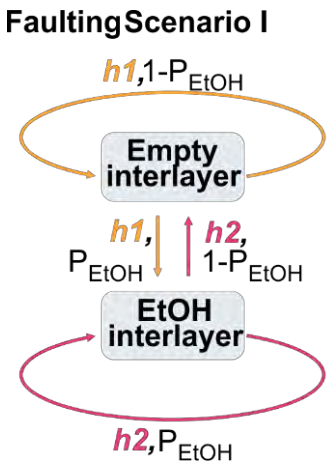


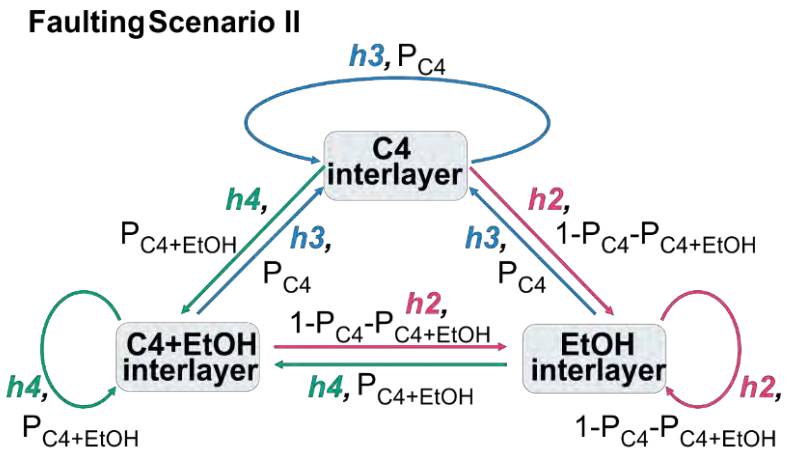
- home built cell, amine dissolved in **EtOH**, intercalation via gas transport

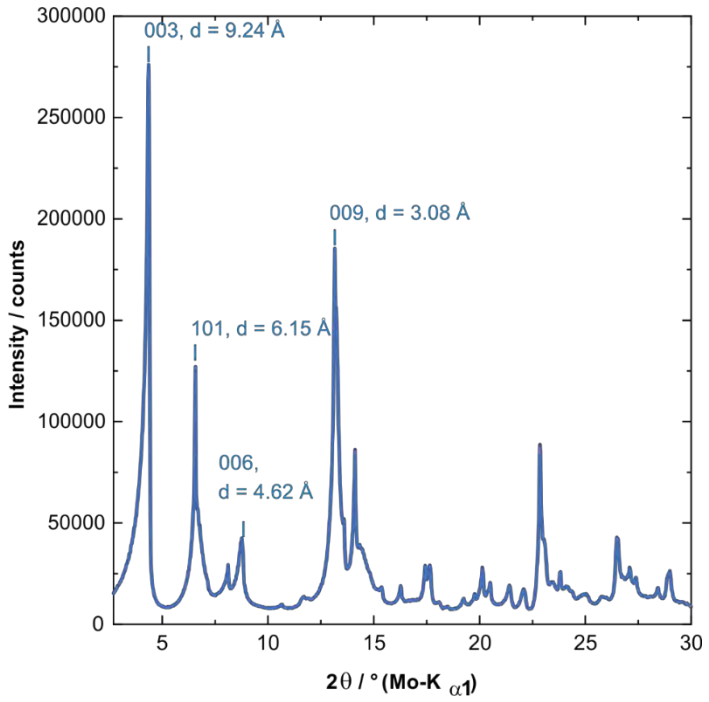
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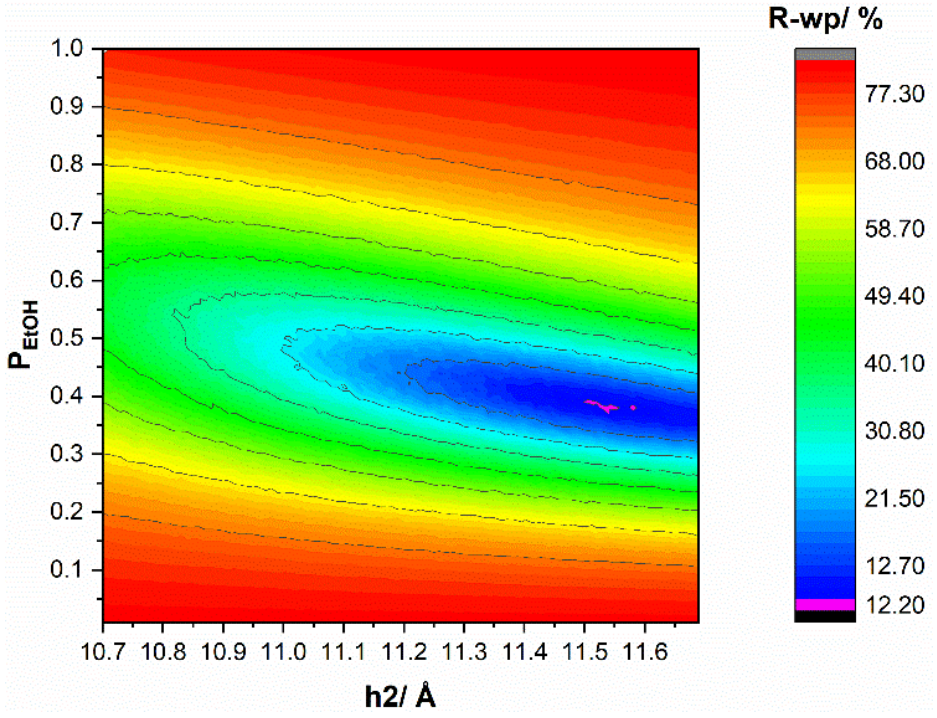
spin coated $H_3Sb_3P_3O_{14}$ thin films

- intercalation of EtOH, amin or of both EtOH and amin possible
- only the interlayer distance of the prestine amin (h1) was known





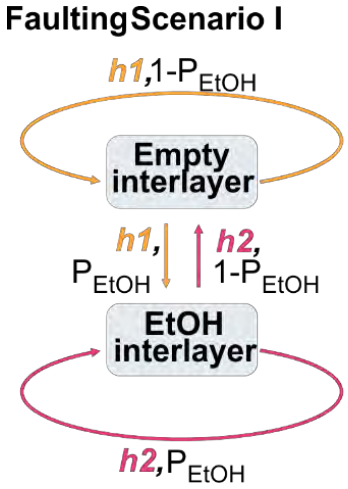


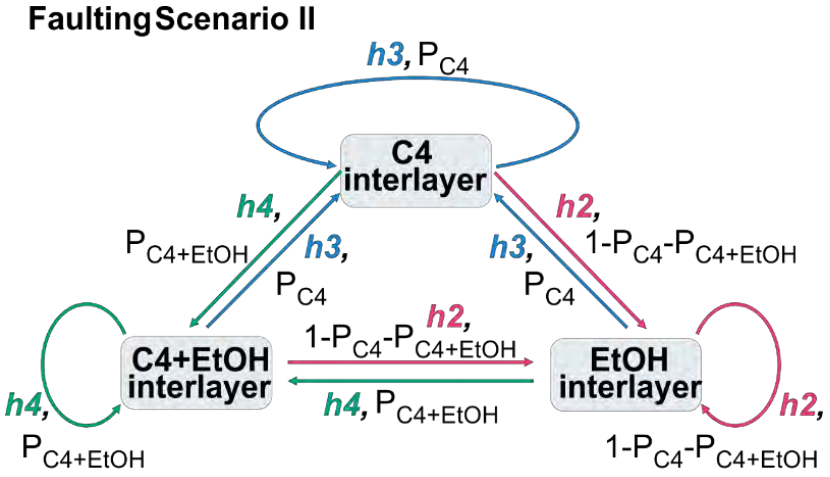


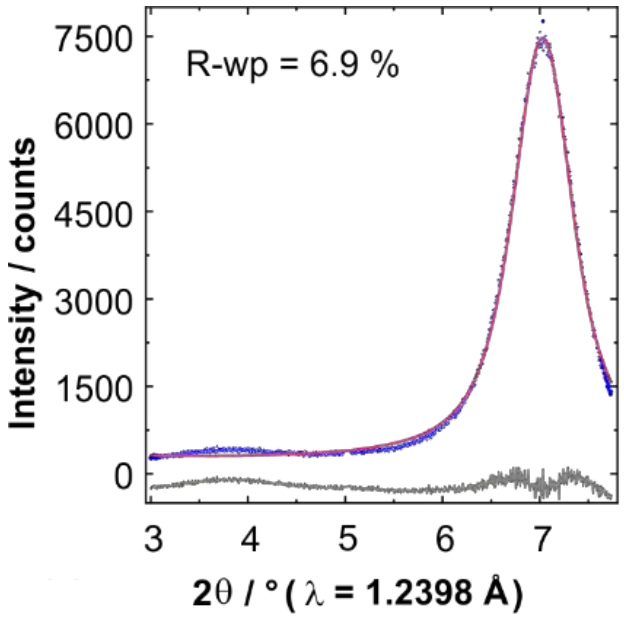
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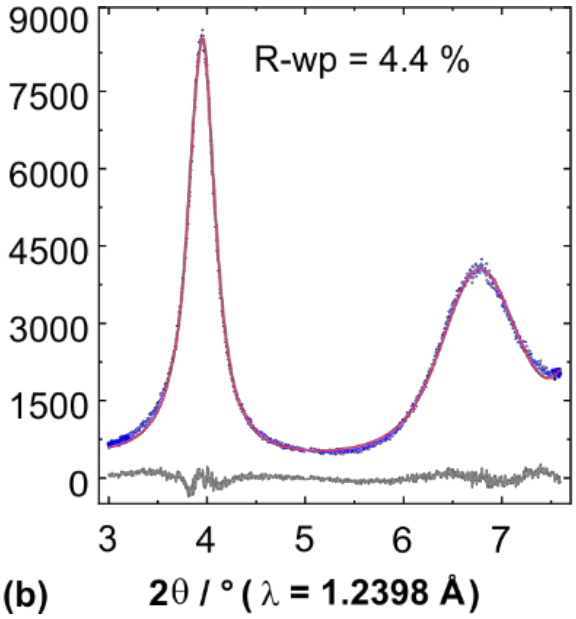
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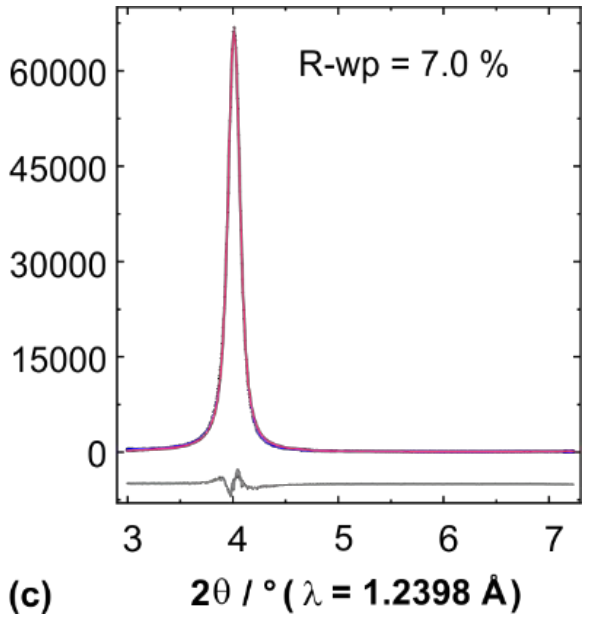
- after derivation of the interlayer distances all patterns were refined using a two phase model







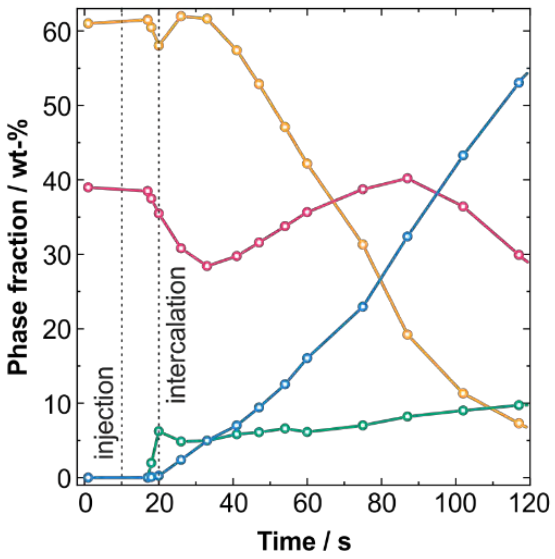


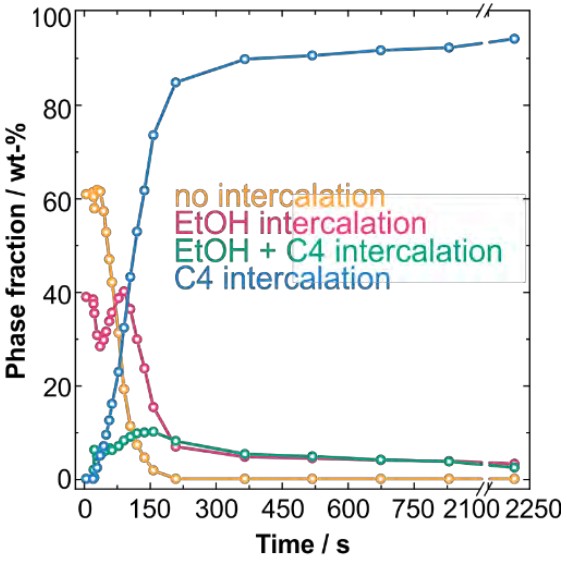


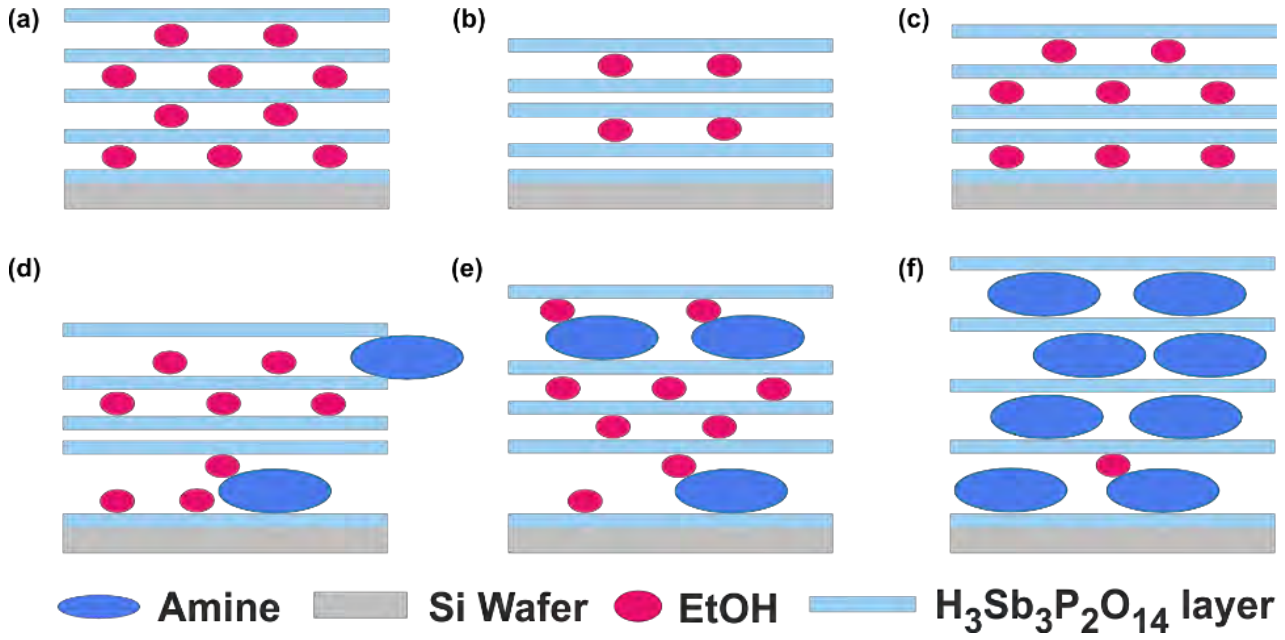
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a) initally EtOH is present from spin coating

b) deintercalation of EtOH by evaporation (EtOH)

c) injection amin solution (in EtOH) → EtOH saturation of the atmosphere → EtOH reinterclation

d) intercalation of amin in EtOH intercalated layers

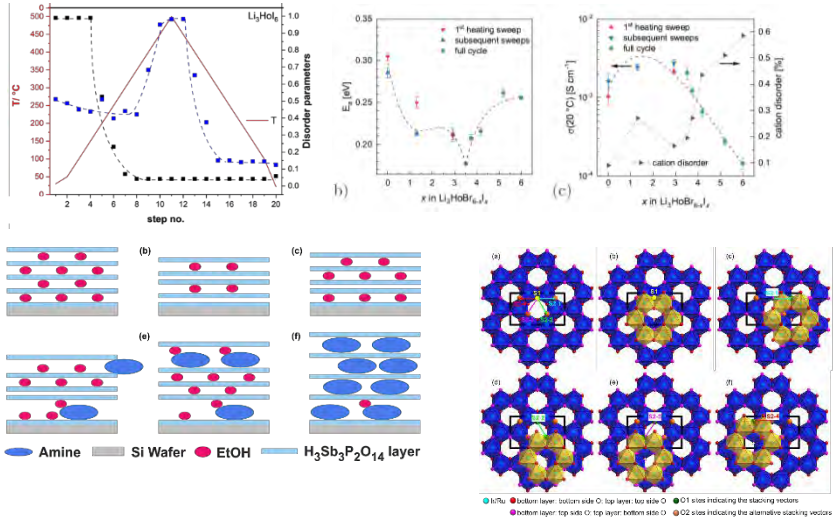
e) extrusion of EtOH from double intercalated layers

f) final state

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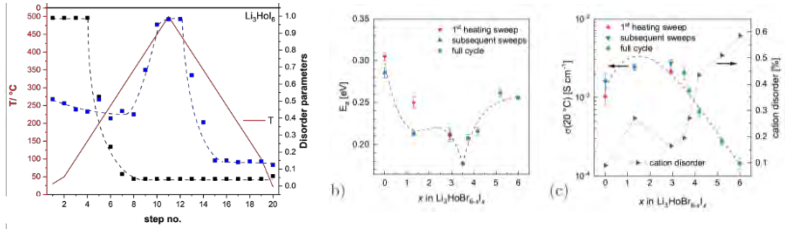
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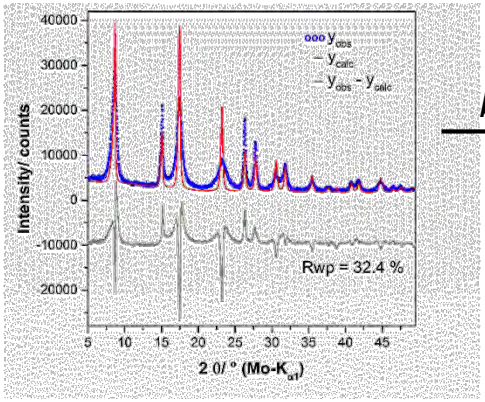


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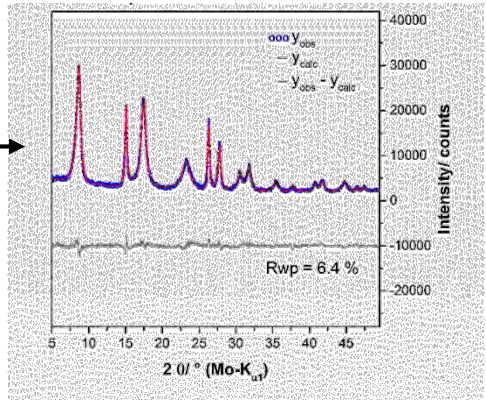


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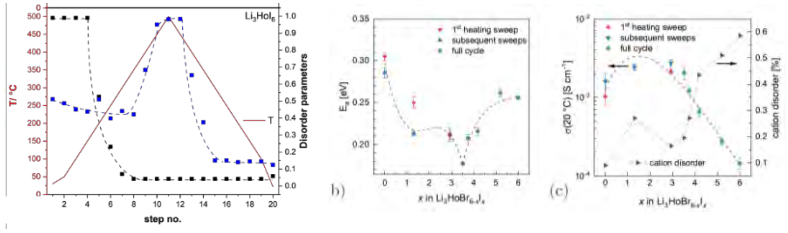


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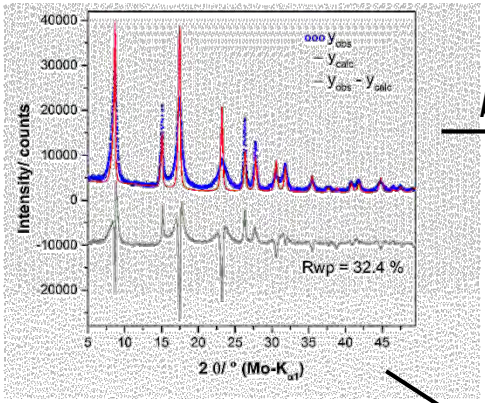


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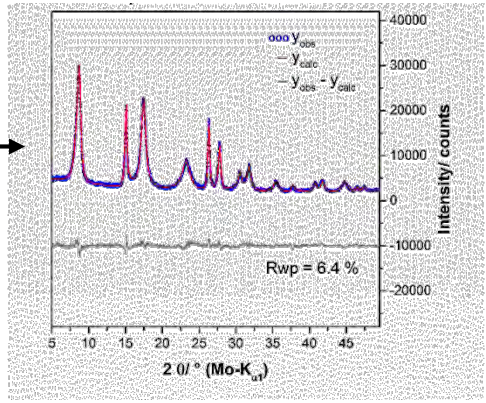


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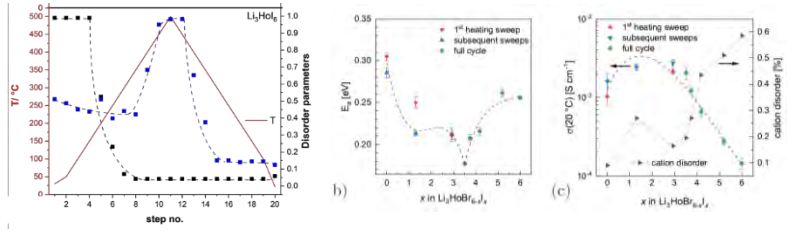
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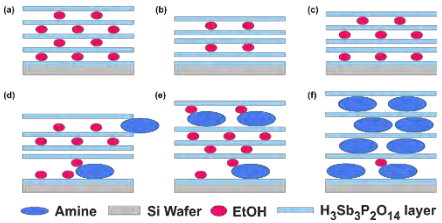
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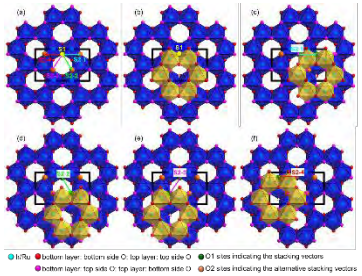


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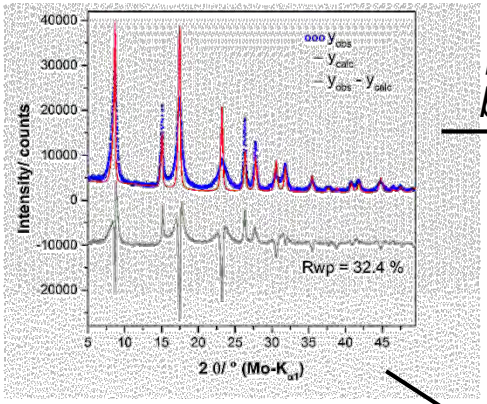






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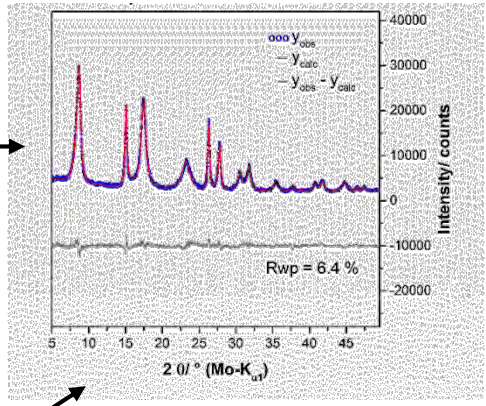


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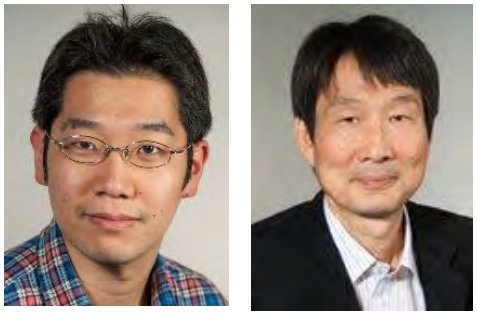
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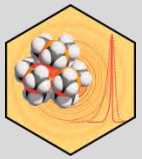
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