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Learning about Reproducibility, Reliability and Limits of Data Interpretation from uStudies

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- Introduction
- Standardisation
- Comparative Measurements
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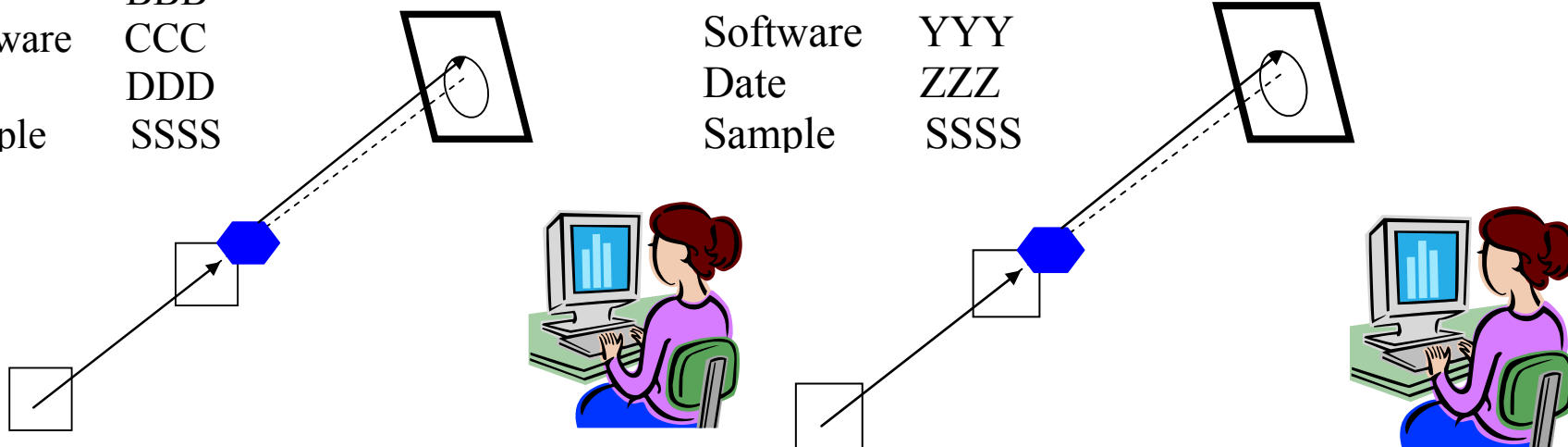


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What is reproducibility?

Instrument	AAA
User	BBB
Software	CCC
Date	DDD
Sample	SSSS

Instrument	WWW
User	XXX
Software	YYY
Date	ZZZ
Sample	SSSS



Do I get the same result? Has the sample changed?
How sure am I?

How do we obtain similar results?



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Reliability?

- Are we confident about our deductions from data?



Normally we need to communicate in terms of biology, chemistry, physics or materials science



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Are results consistent?

- Is the size (distribution) the same as that from electron microscopy, light scattering, GPC ?
- Does SAXS and SANS give the same result?
- Do I have the same conclusion from model fitting and inversion procedures?

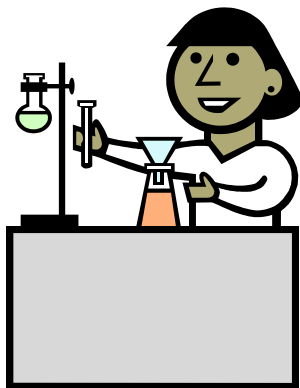
More than calibration!

Do we understand the differences?



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Different Questions?



User: Do I understand the data?
Are my results publishable?



Instrument scientist:
Why are results different? Can the user publish the data?



Facility Manager:
My instruments are the best?

Everyone needs to understand better!



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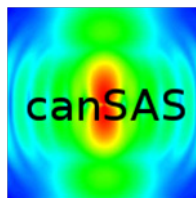
Why Standardisation?

Comparisons:

- Samples
- Instruments
- Procedures
- Techniques
- Software

**Provide understanding of
small-angle scattering!**

**Co-operation and comparison
helps this understanding**





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canSAS – up to now

Round Robin present samples

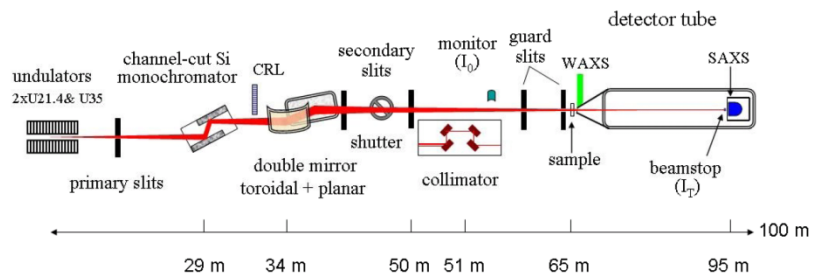
Glassy carbon

Polystyrene latex

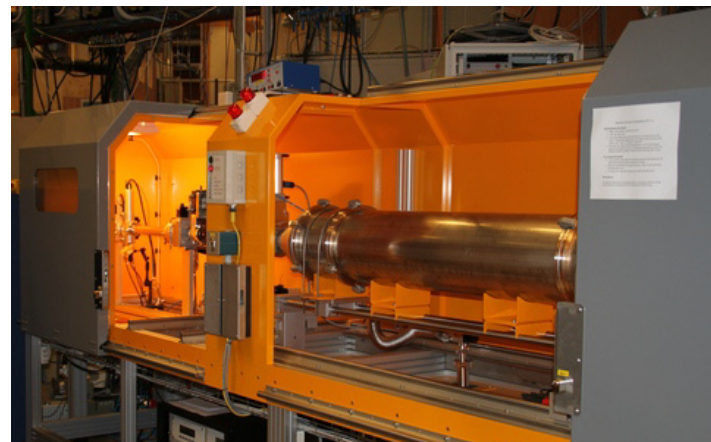


SAXS Instruments

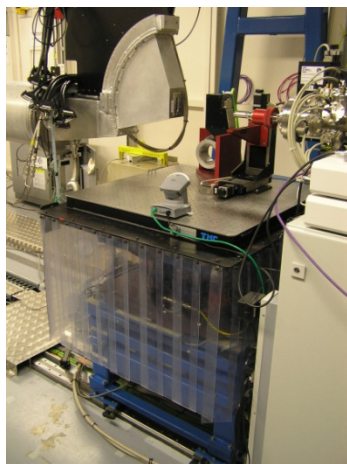
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ID02, ESRF, France



19-11 Max Lab, Sweden



I22, Diamond, UK

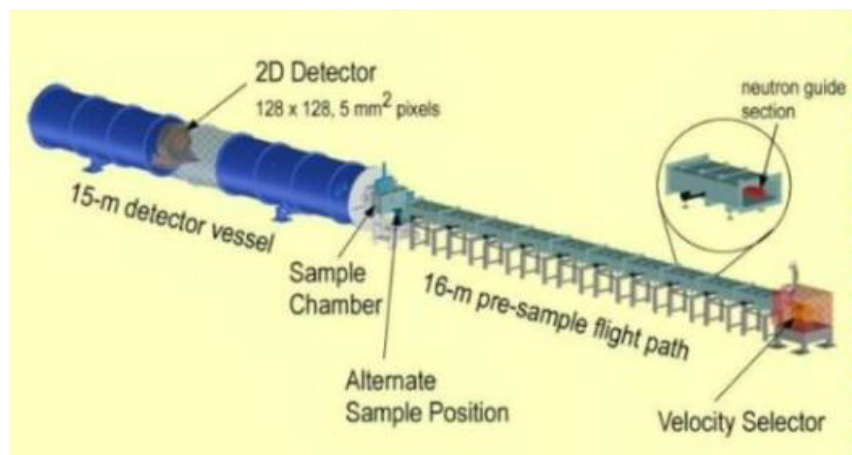


Australian Synchrotron



Neutron Instruments

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NG7, NCNR, USA

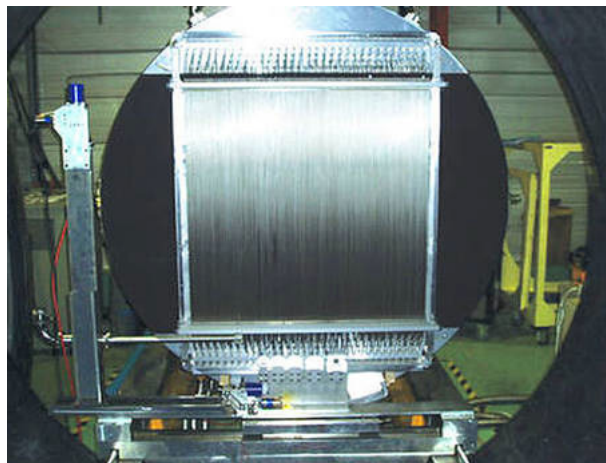


Quokka

Bragg Institute, Australia



SANS2D –ISIS, UK



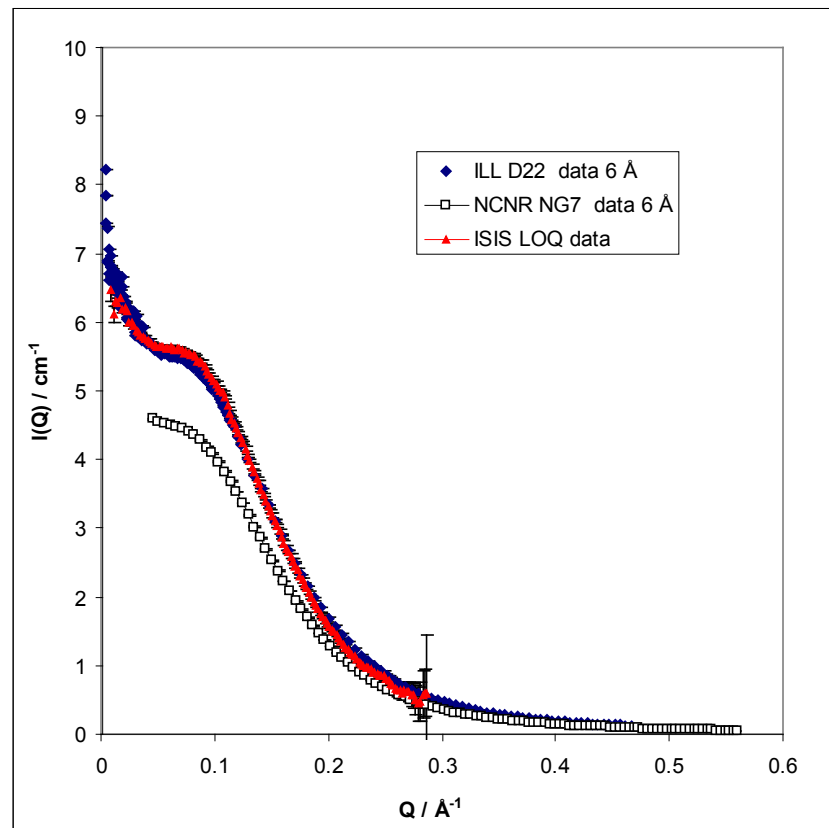
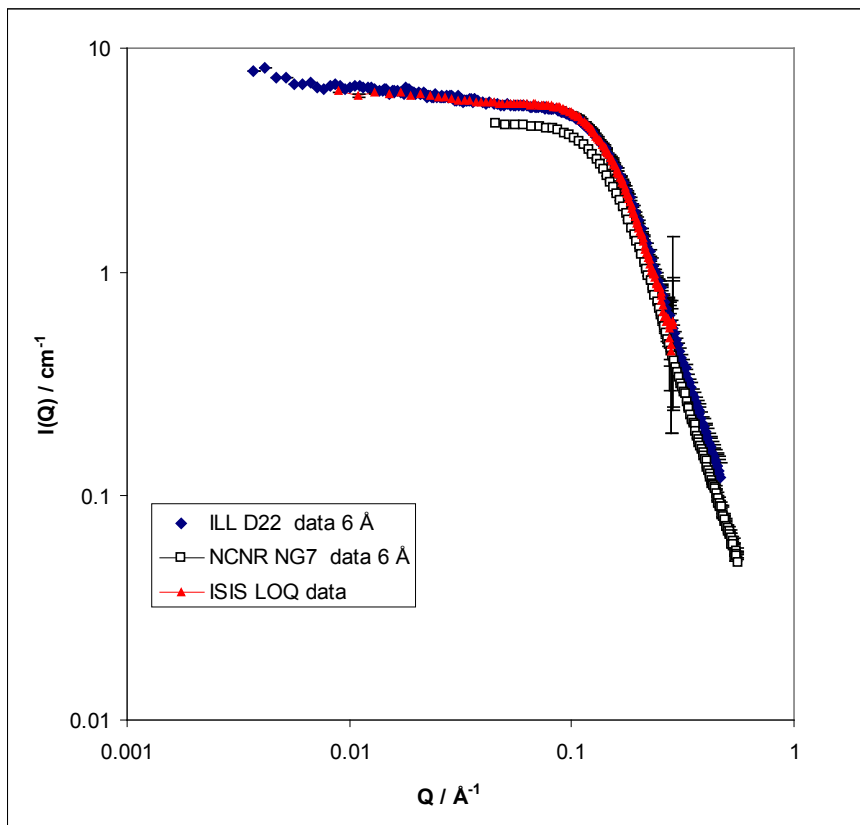
D22 and D11, ILL, Grenoble, France





Different Samples – Different Comparisons

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C4 – Glassy Carbon



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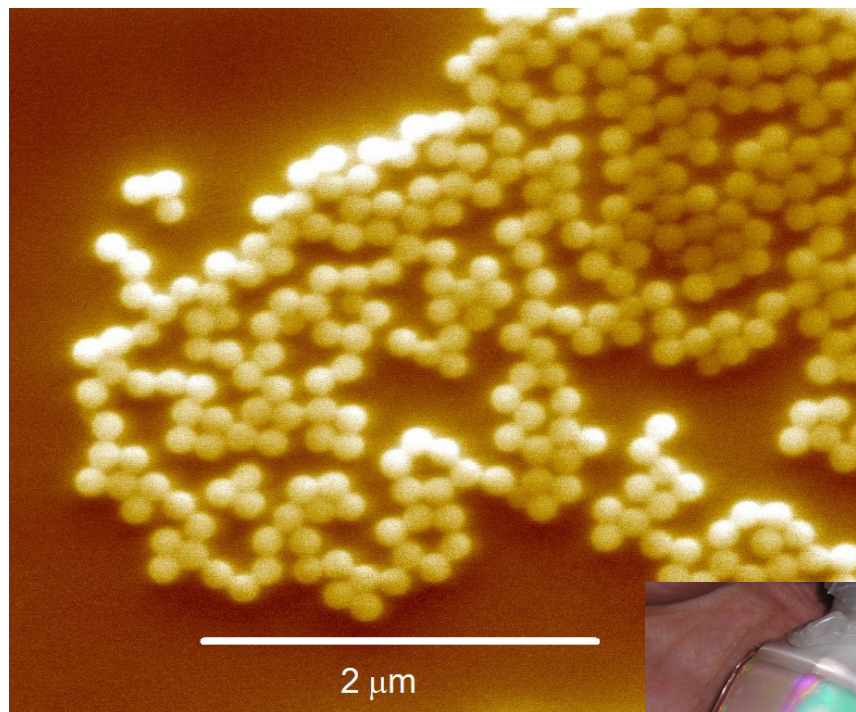
Contribution from Scott Barton



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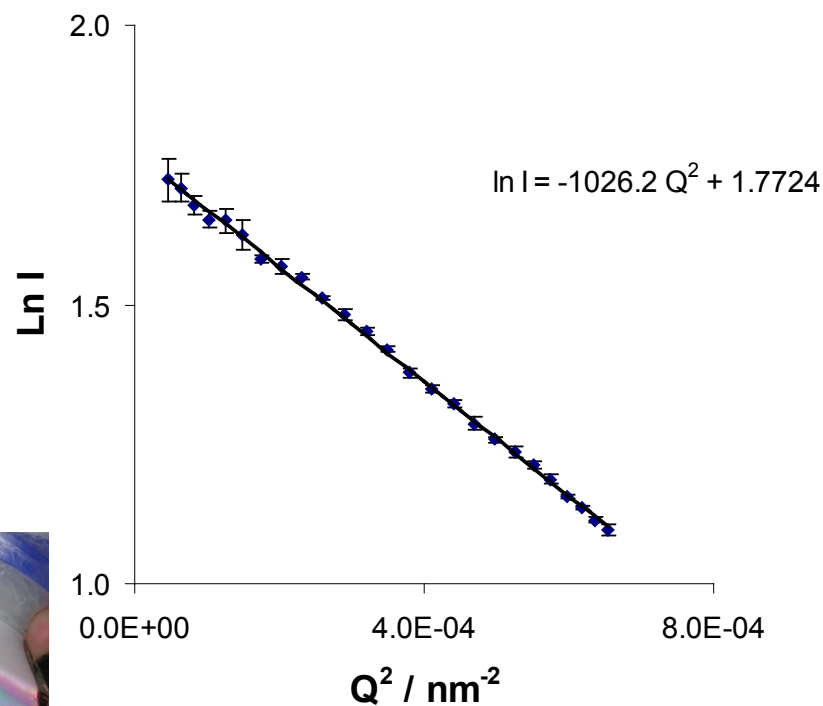
Round Robin Sample

PS3 Polystyrene latex in D₂O



SEM 5 keV uncoated
latex on Si wafer

8% - Diffracts light



Static light scattering – ALV
HeNe laser $R_g = 56$ nm

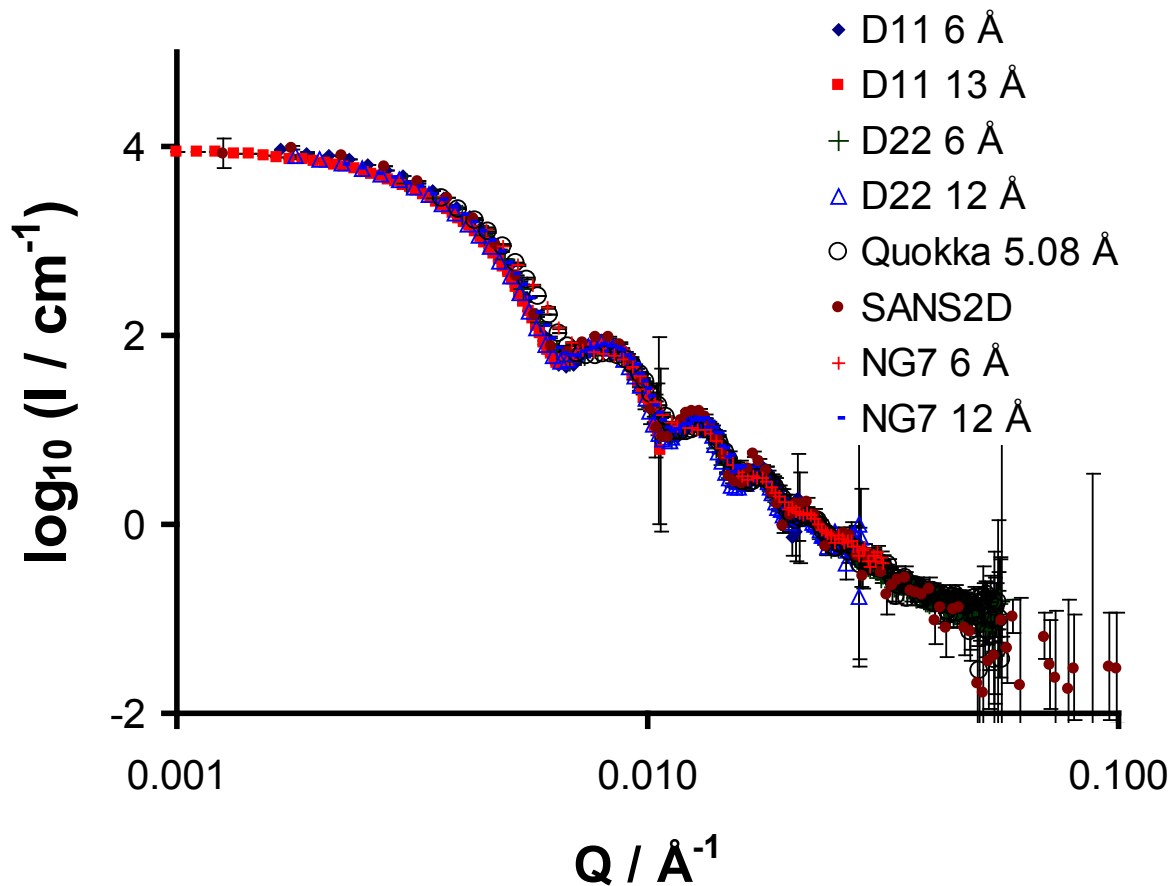
$R = 716 \text{ \AA} \pm 2 \text{ \AA}$



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0.43% Latex in D₂O

1 mM NaCl

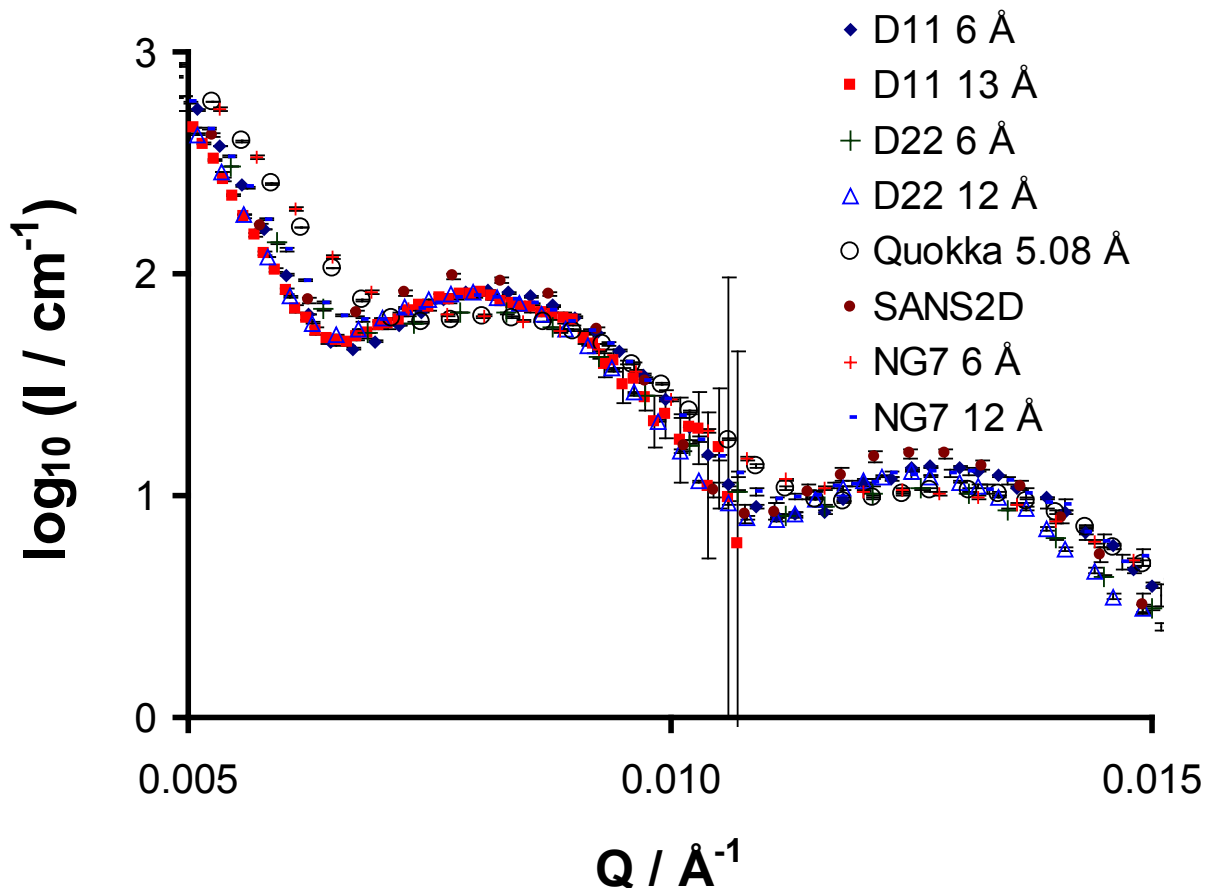




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Differences – Measured data

0.43% Latex in D₂O 1mM NaCl



Are some
data wrong?



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Presenting Data

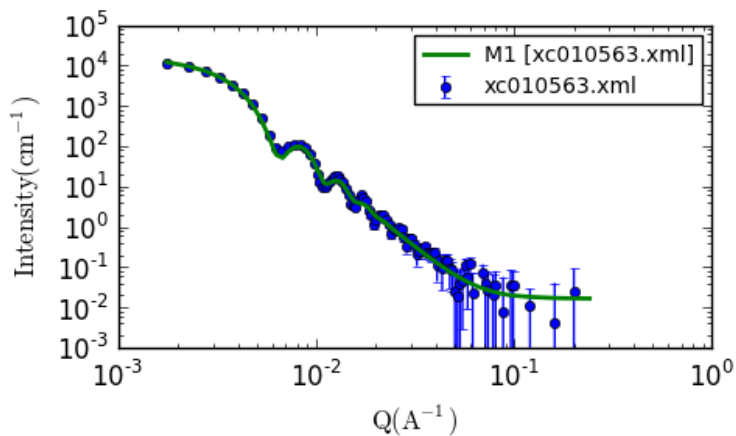
Conclusions

- Logarithmic scales do not show everything well!
- Data are not necessarily wrong but perhaps misinterpreted
- Need more information – better description of metadata and uncertainties

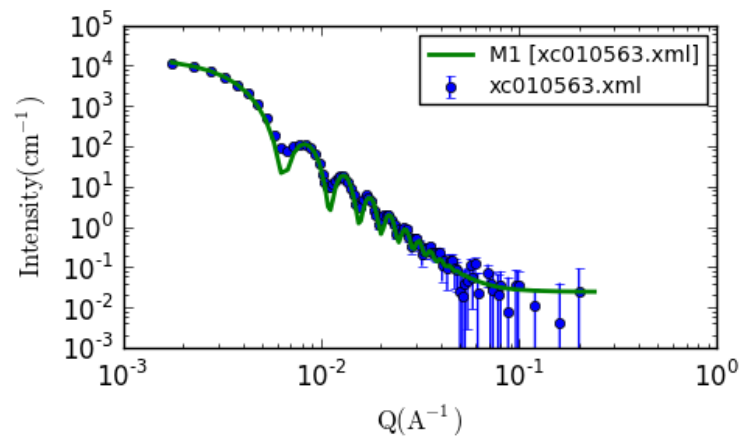
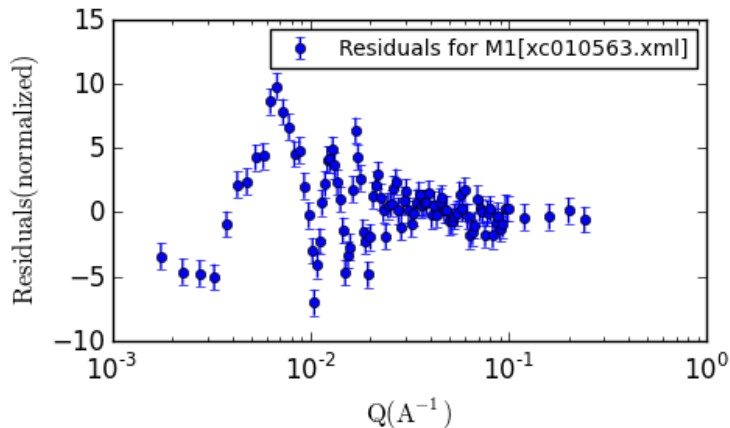


Simple Fits – SasView Spheres

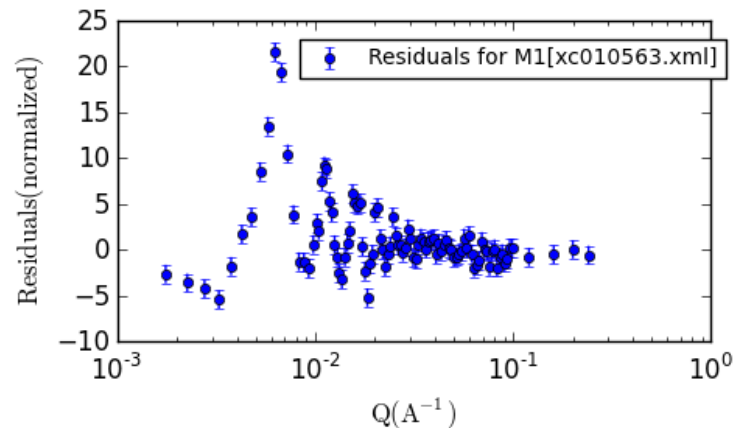
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Polydispersity: 8%



3%



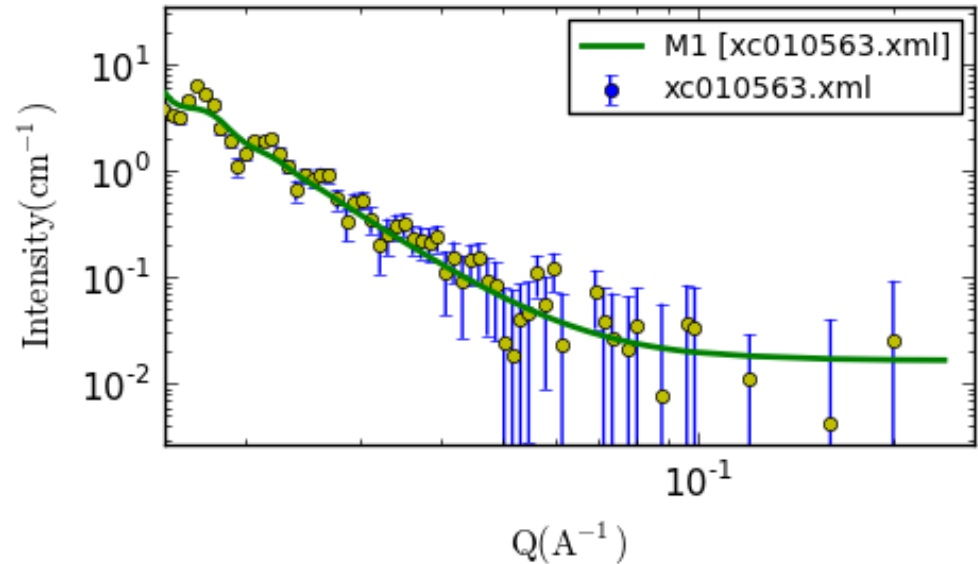
SANS2D data: Which fit is better? Both show systematic deviations!



Which fit is better?

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- Better (when choosing from 2) but neither is best!
- 8% polydispersity has smaller χ^2 but misses all large Q features
- Need more information



Fit with 8% polydispersity

R either 687 Å or 703 Å

(polydispersity 8% or 3%)



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Model Fitting

Need to include:

Resolution

Polydispersity

Multiple scattering

Interactions ?

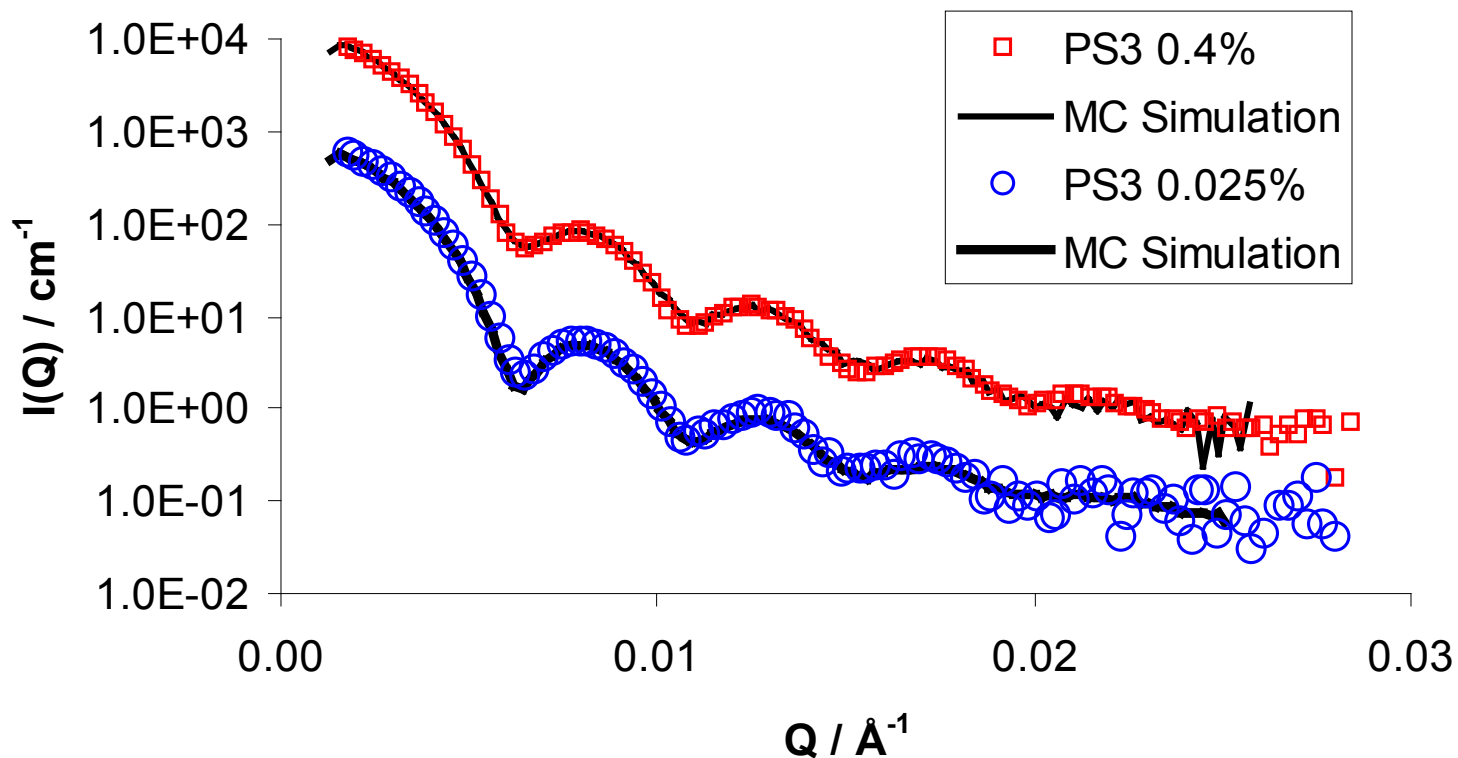
Effects are similar but not identical

Variation with Q and concentration is different



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Monte Carlo Simulation

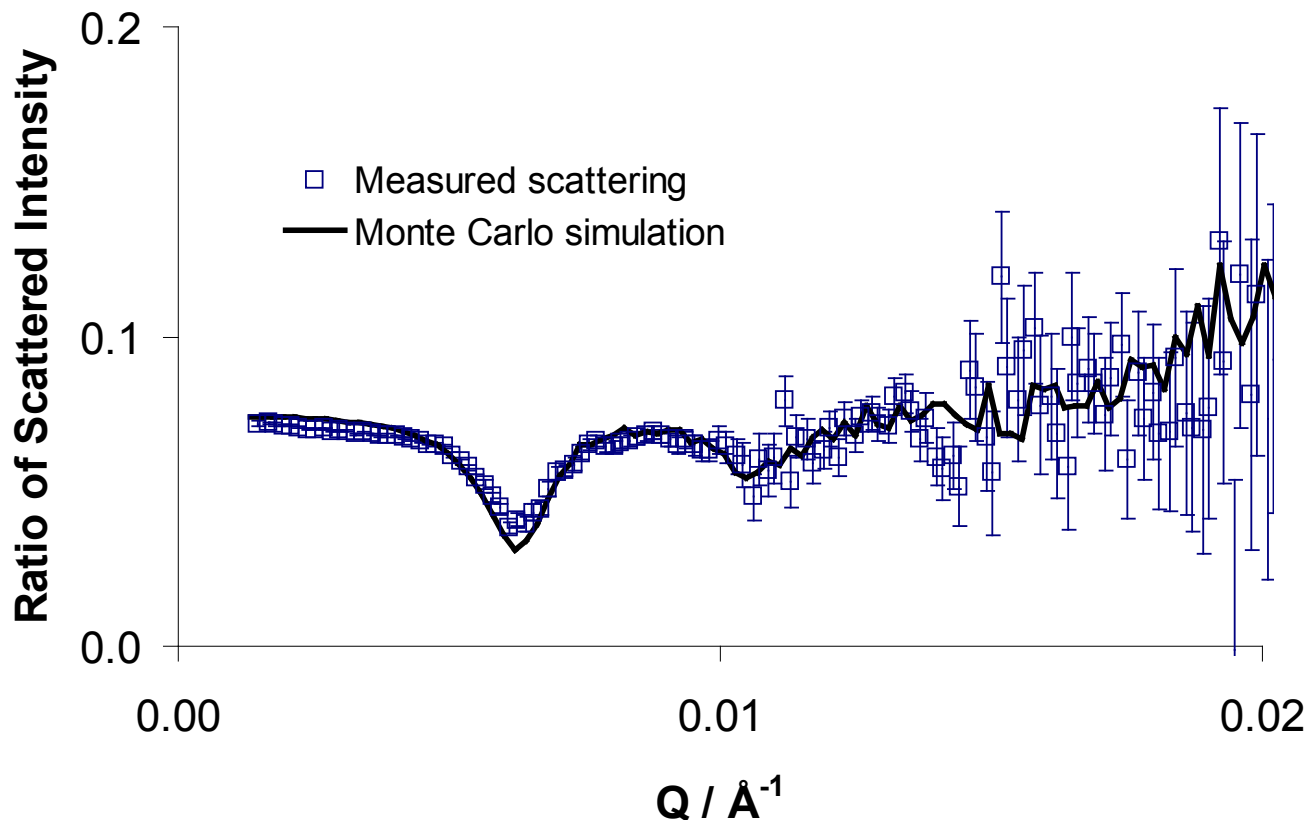


D22 data MC simulated with NCNR IGOR programs (J. G. Barker, S. G. Kline et al)



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Compare Ratio - Data & MC



Monte Carlo modelling can account for smearing by multiple scattering
Calculations for R = 705 Å 4% polydispersity



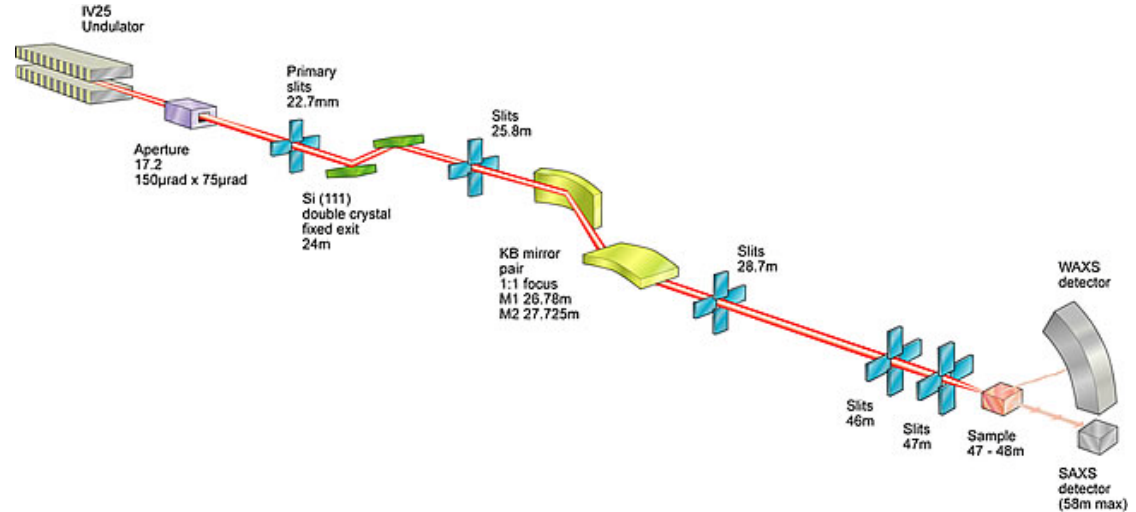
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Analysis Methods

- Guinier analysis – limited fit information and needs low Q – no resolution.
- Modeling scattering – multiple data sets and detailed knowledge of instrument/resolution needed. Only limited multiple scattering.
- Monte Carlo – needs precise instrument geometry. Background is difficult but MC can include coherent multiple scattering.



SAXS – Is it different?



Diamond Light Source

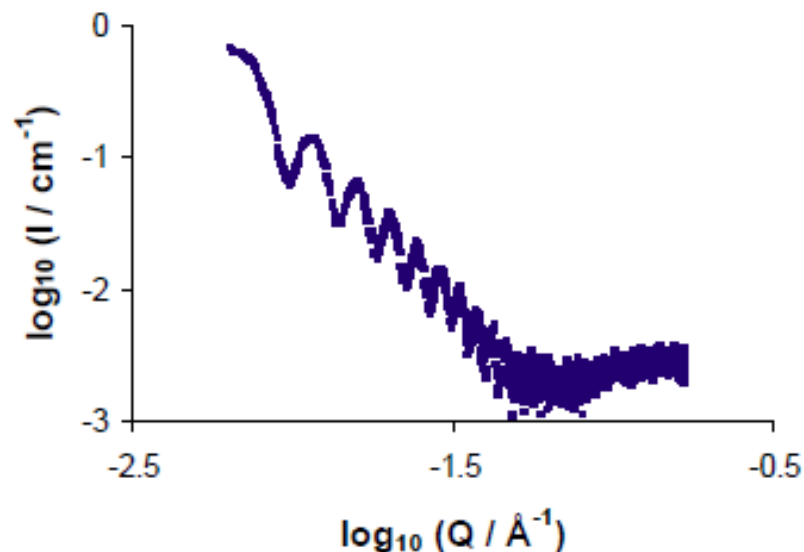
- I22 12.4 keV Pilatus 2M detector
- Sample detector distance 9.2 m



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SAXS – I22 Diamond

- PS3 Latex in D₂O
- 0.5 wt%
- Contrast between polystyrene and water is small $\sim 0.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ \AA}^{-2}$



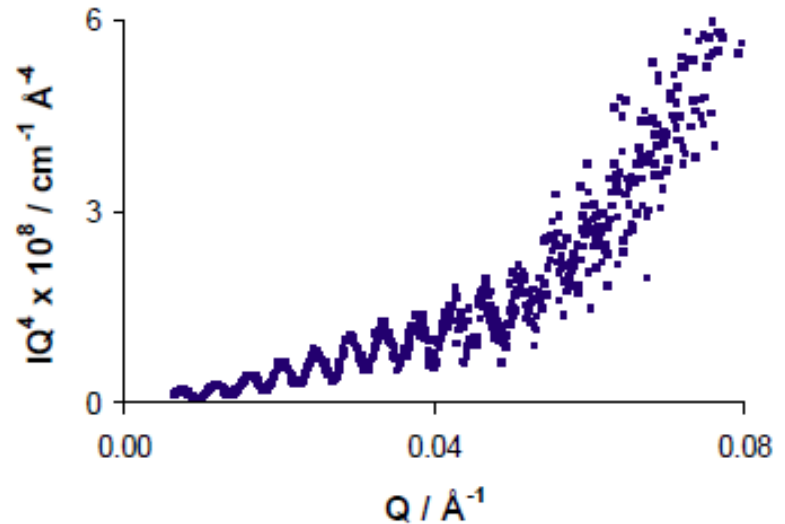


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$$I \sim Q^{-3}$$

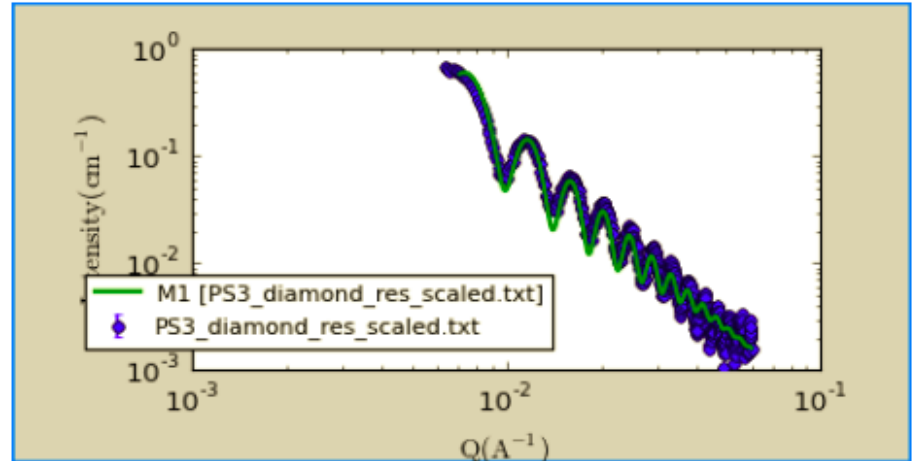




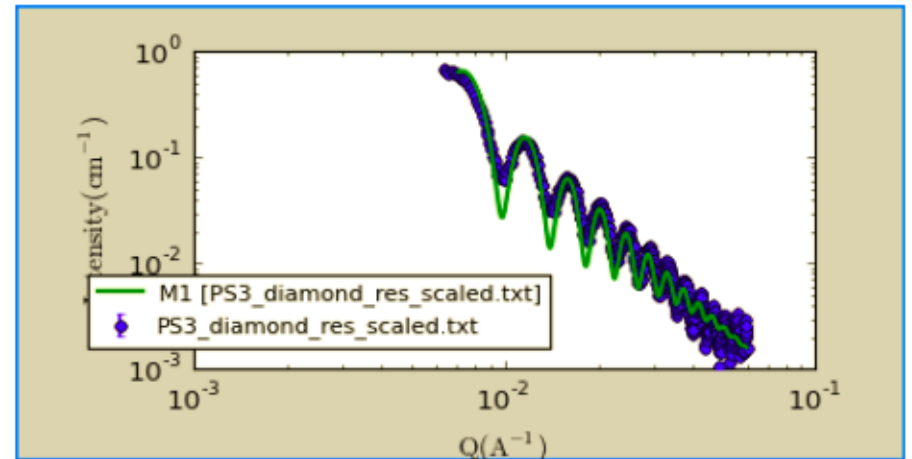
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Fitting SAXS Data

- 20 Å shell with 13% higher electron density
- Ionisable groups from synthesis



Fit with constant dQ resolution of 0.00042 Å⁻¹



Calculated model with same parameters and no resolution smearing



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SAS Lessons & Conclusions

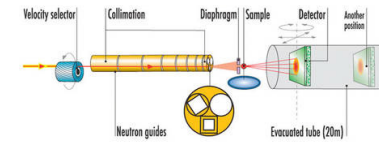
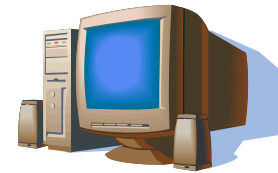
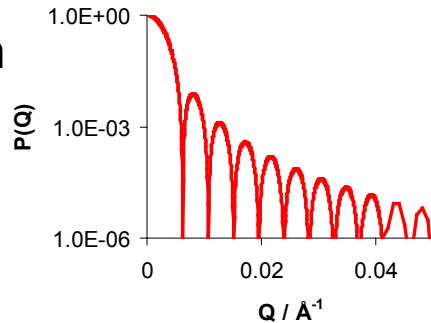
- Resolution
 - Often poorly measured & documented
 - Become important as people use monodisperse samples
- Multiple Scattering
 - Can be confused with resolution & polydispersity
 - Simple Double Scattering calculations useful



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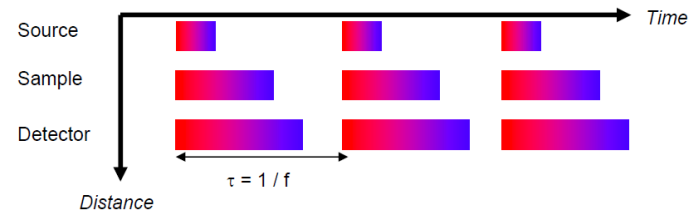
Conclusions – What have we learnt?

Data that can be modelled reliably helps comparisons



Compare instruments and software

Systematic deviations are often the largest source of uncertainty in interpretation



- ToF and const λ measurements provide beneficial comparisons
- SAXS & SANS comparison desirable



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Recommendations

- Regular comparisons of instruments and procedures as well as software are helpful
- Data formats and publishing standards need to include uncertainty from systematic effects as well as counting statistics
- Do not be tempted to scale data to 'match' without allowing for resolution!
- Descriptions of data are essential - e.g. how is resolution described, σ , FWHM etc.?



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