



# Simulated X-ray Diffraction and Machine Learning for Interpretation of Dynamic Compression Experiments



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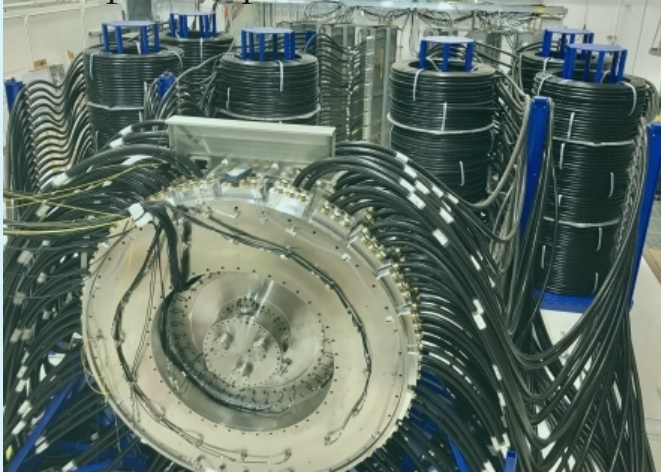
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# Dynamic compression experiment analysis using XRD: understanding the behavior of materials in extreme environments.

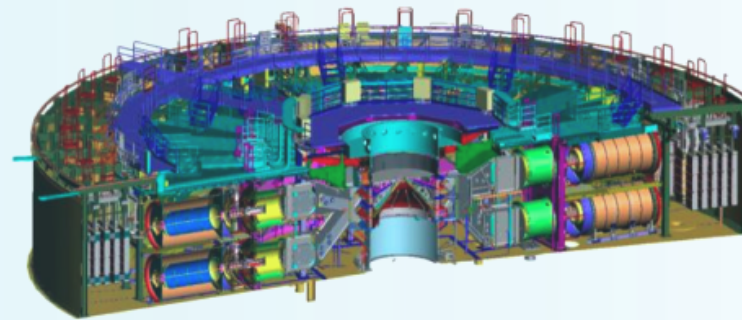


**Thor and Z** are pulsed-power accelerators which can drive shockless ramp waves to **pressures of 10s and 100s of GPa, respectively.**

Thor pulsed-power driver



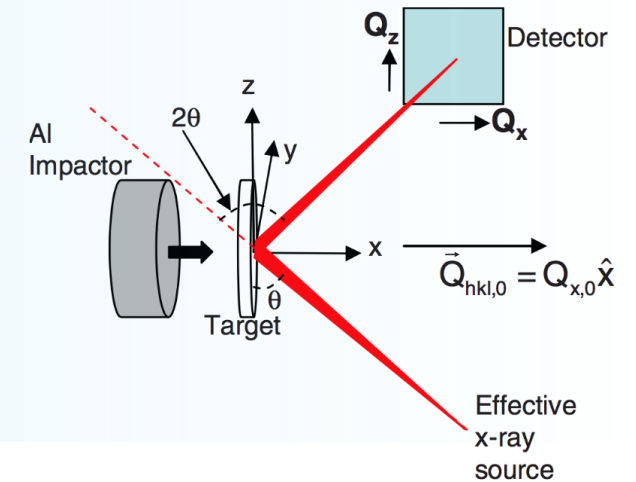
Z-machine at Sandia National Labs



33 m in diameter, 3 stories tall

22 MJ stored energy  
25 MA peak current  
100-600 ns rise time

X-ray diffraction geometry



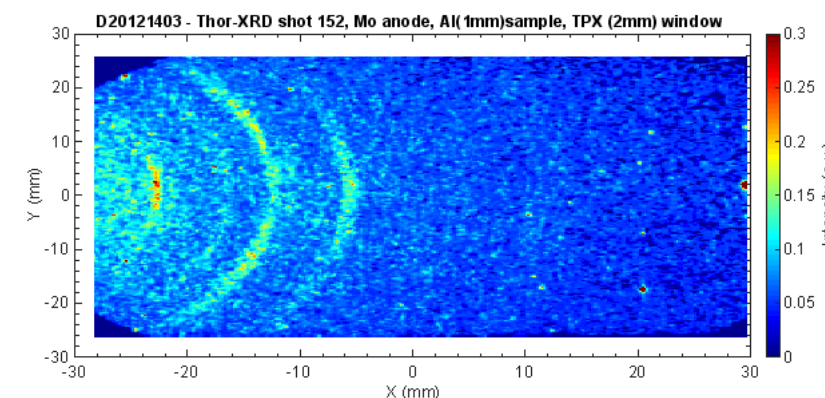
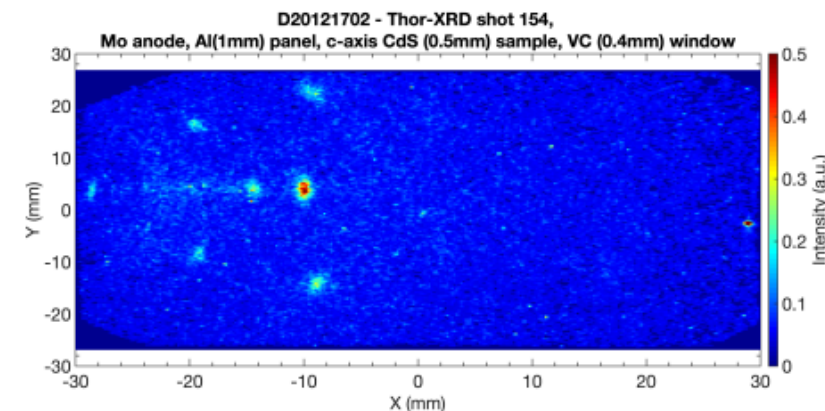
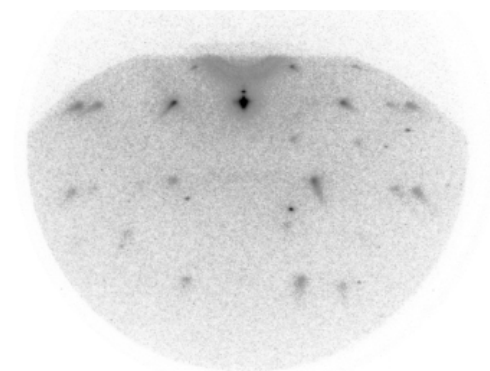
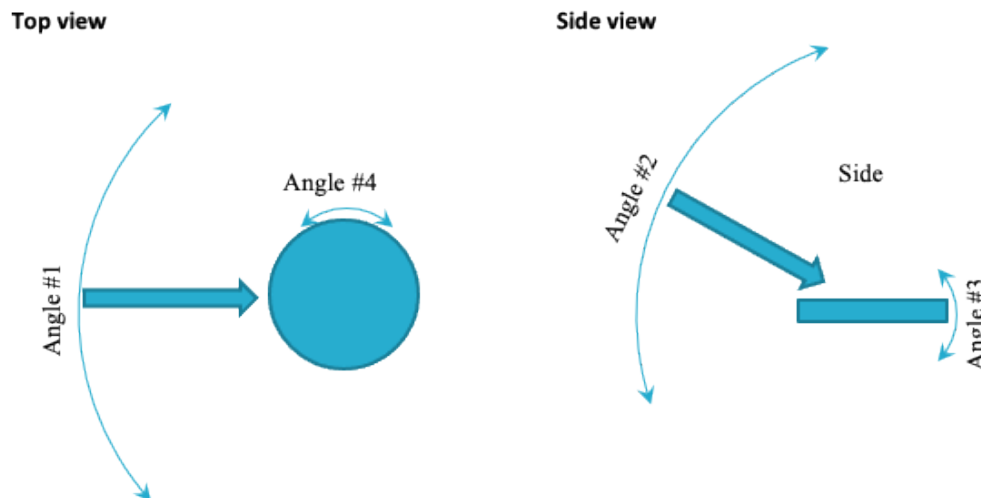
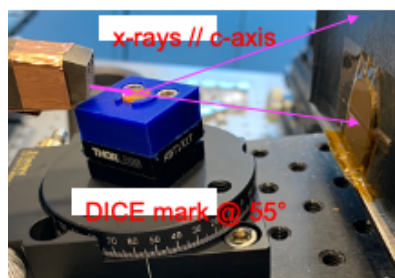
X-ray diffraction is key to deciphering the dynamic mechanisms and kinetics of phase transformation, because **it gives atomistic detail, structure & orientation.**



# Dynamic compression experiment analysis using XRD: challenges associated with in-situ XRD



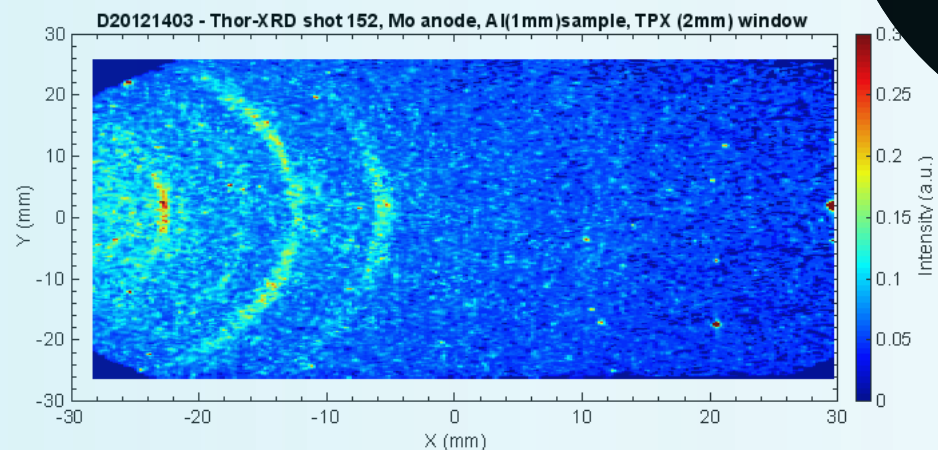
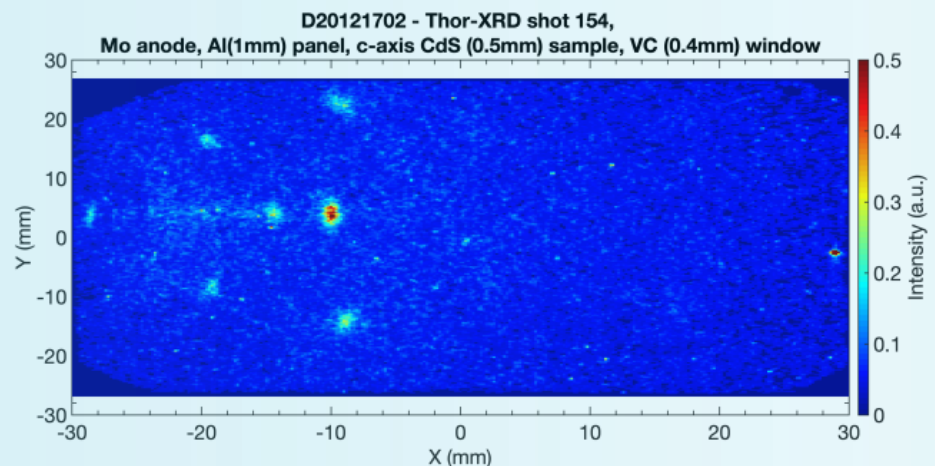
18-4-063 – DCS c-axis 1.683 km/s impact



Analyzing XRD data is not trivial for many reasons:

- X-ray source can present collimation and has relatively broad spectra.
- The data obtained is sparse (one shot from Thor/Z generates one pattern).
- Noise is present in the obtained patterns from various sources (e.g., window, tamper, machine produced, etc.) .

# Data-driven paradigm shift: optimizing interpretation of experimental XRD data .

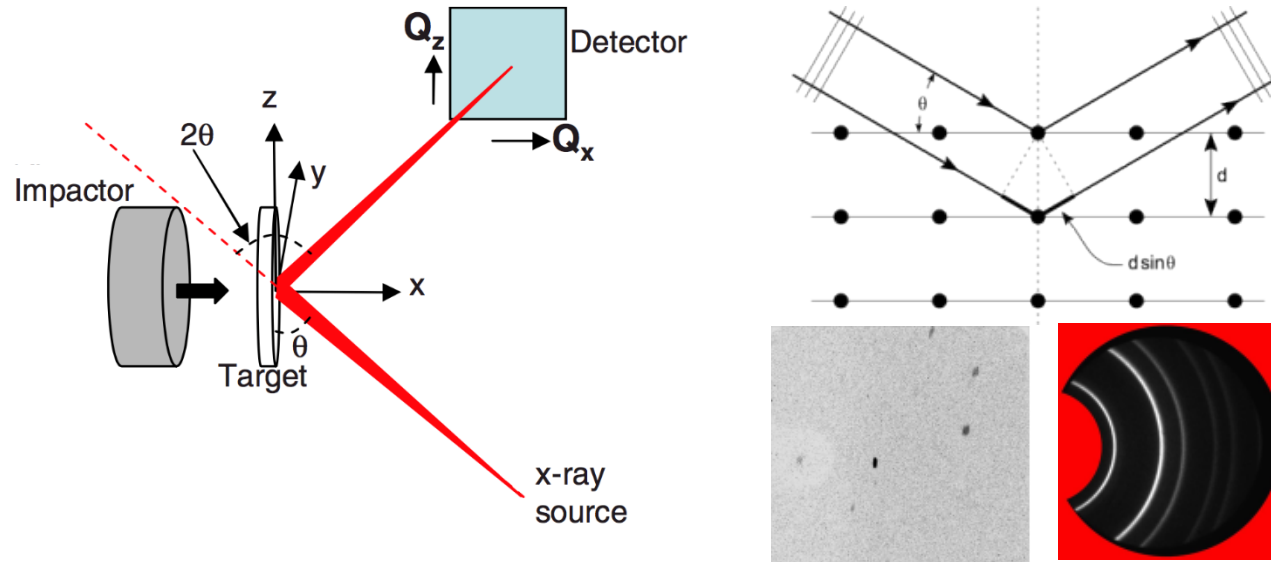


1) Orientation and lattice identification.

2) Denoising of Experimental Data.



# Simulated XRD: using LAMMPS to obtain realistic XRD patterns.

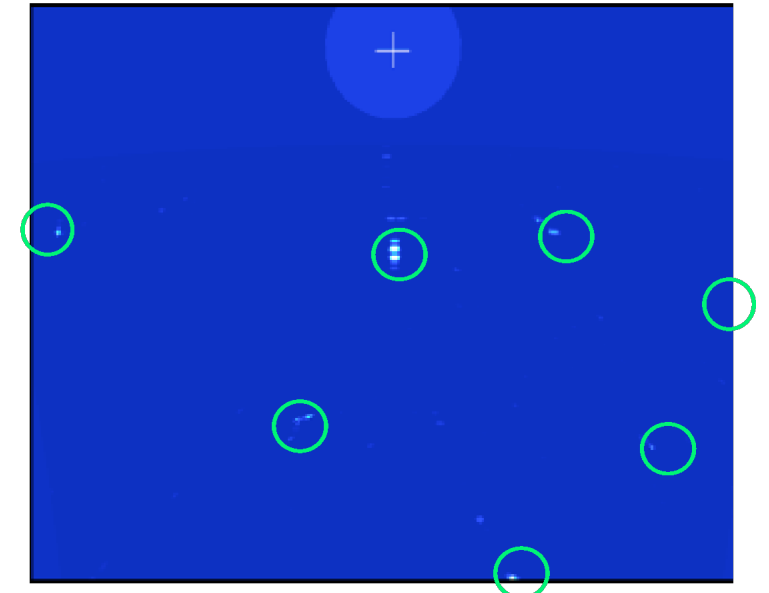
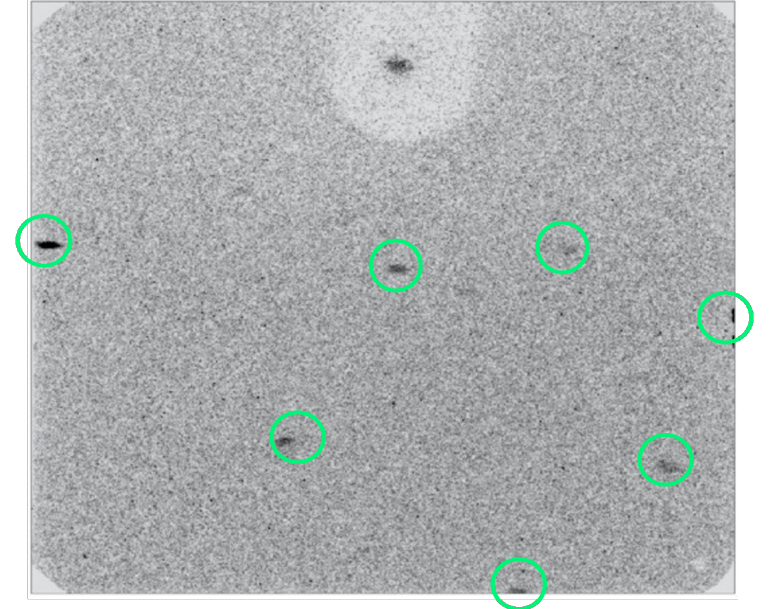
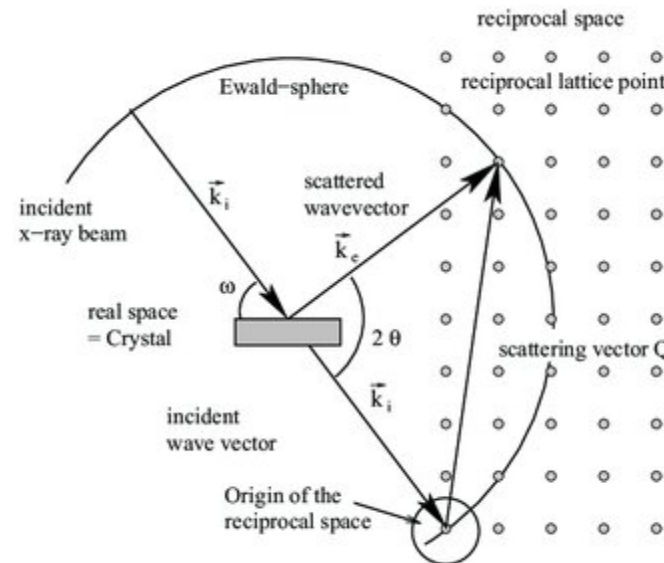


Constructing the Reciprocal space lattice in LAMMPS

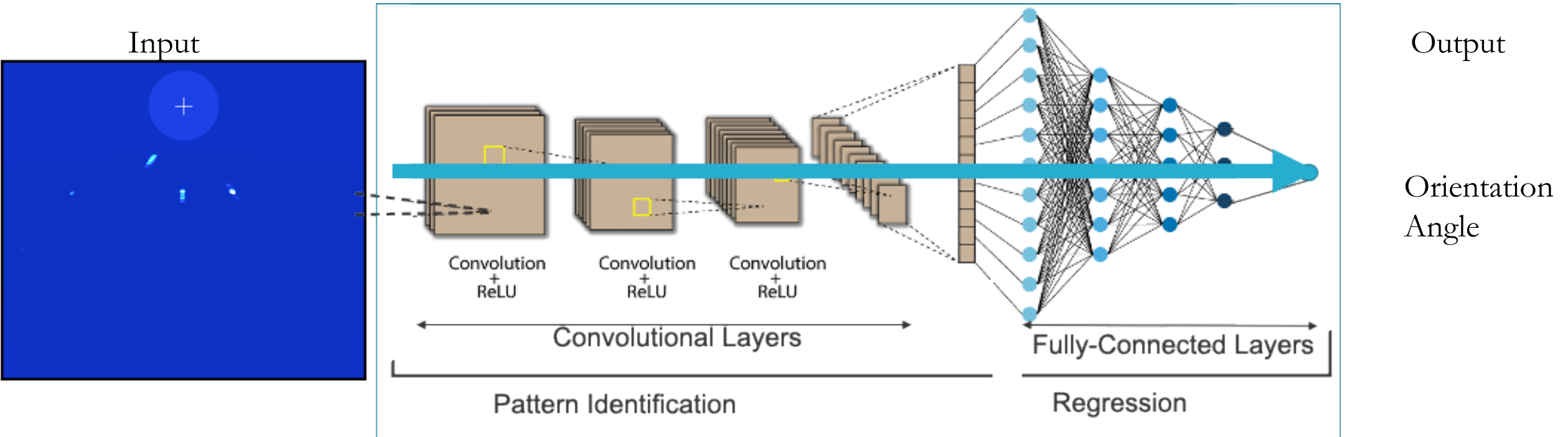
$$F(\mathbf{K}) = \sum_{j=1}^{\text{\#atoms}} f_j(\theta) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j)$$

$$I_x(\mathbf{K}) = Lp(\theta) \frac{F(\mathbf{K}) F^*(\mathbf{K})}{N}$$

$Lp(q)$  is the Lorentz-polarization factor  
And  $f_j$  are the atomic scattering factors



# Data-Driven Analysis I: Determining the Crystal Lattice and Orientation Angle using Deep Learning (DL).



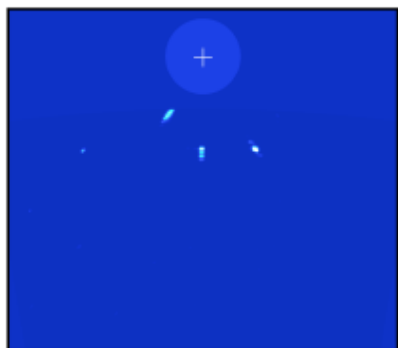


# Data-Driven Analysis I: Incorporating Physics into the DL-based model.



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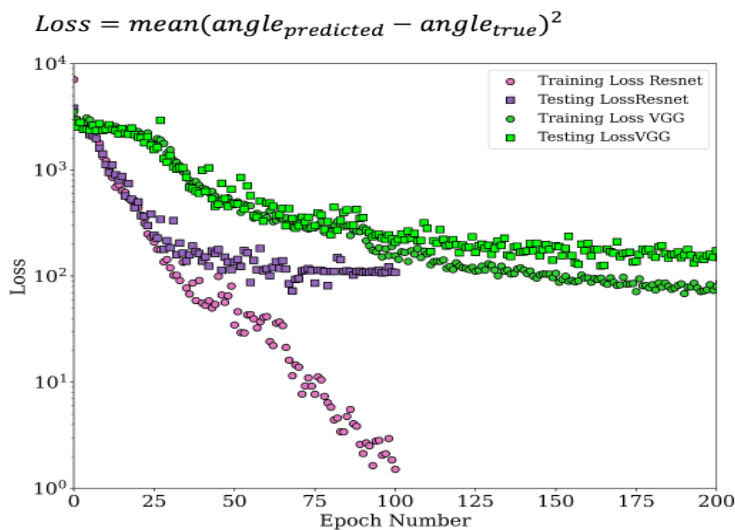
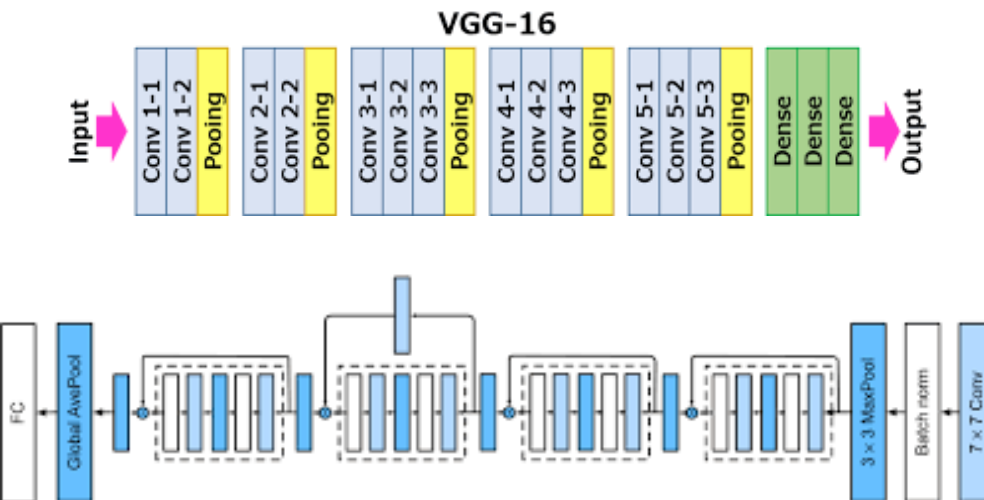
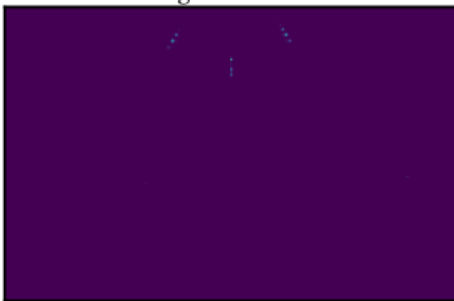
20k+ images – four angle



Angle1=0

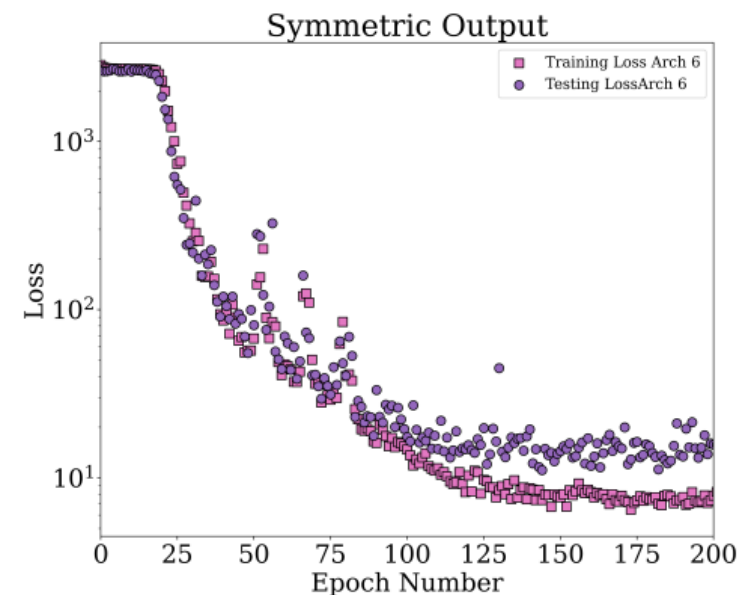
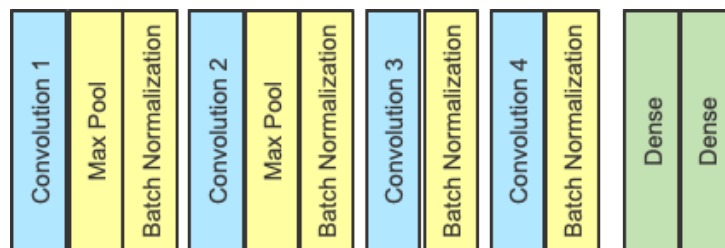


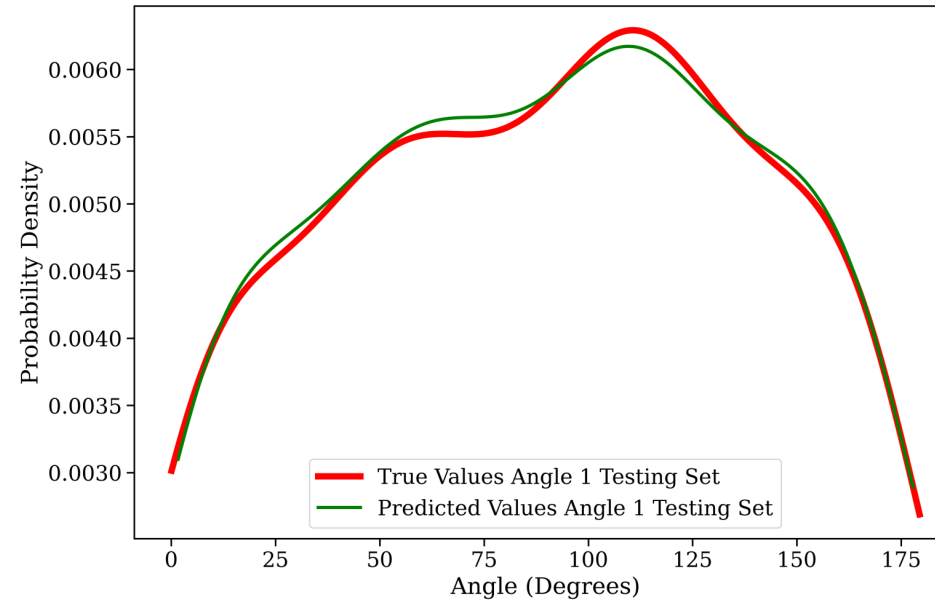
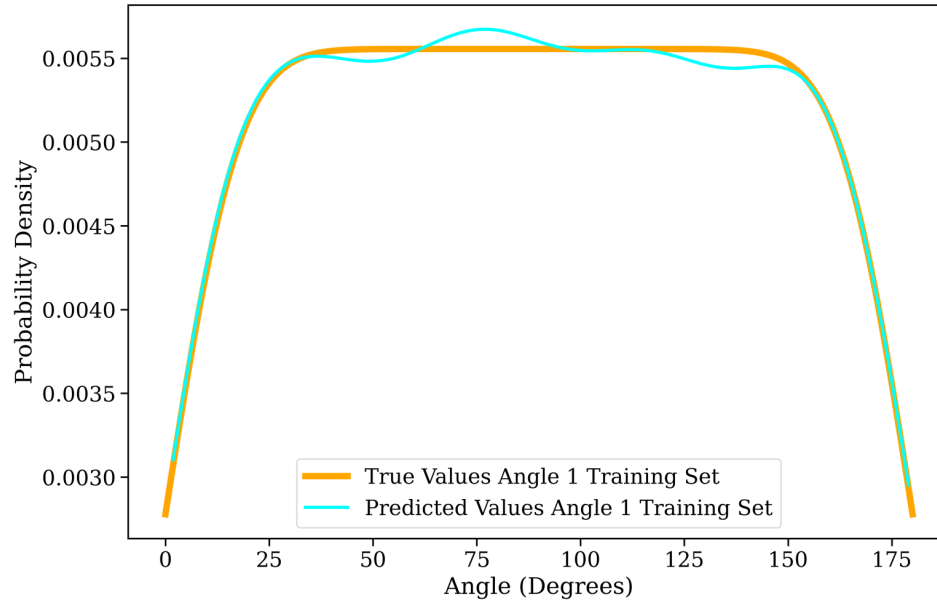
Angle1=360



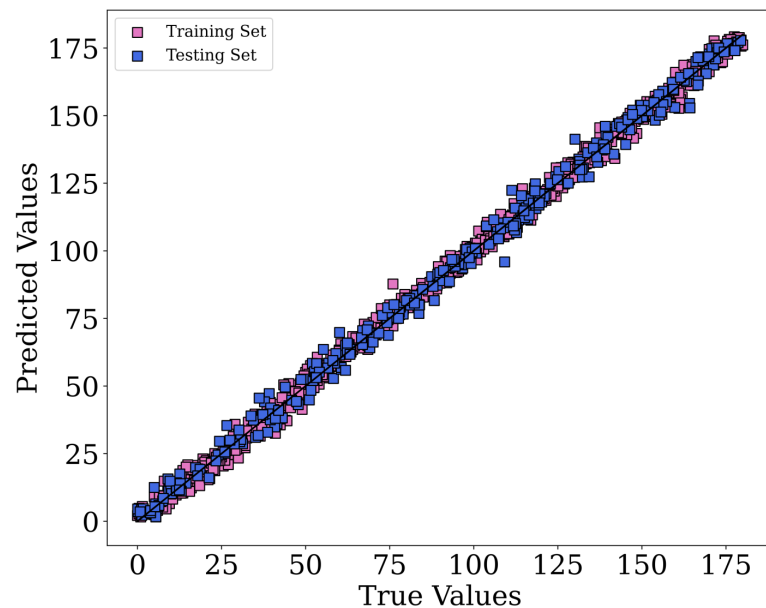
Input:

- 720 images – one angle
- Manually incorporate symmetry
- Constrain model to predict value between 0 and 180





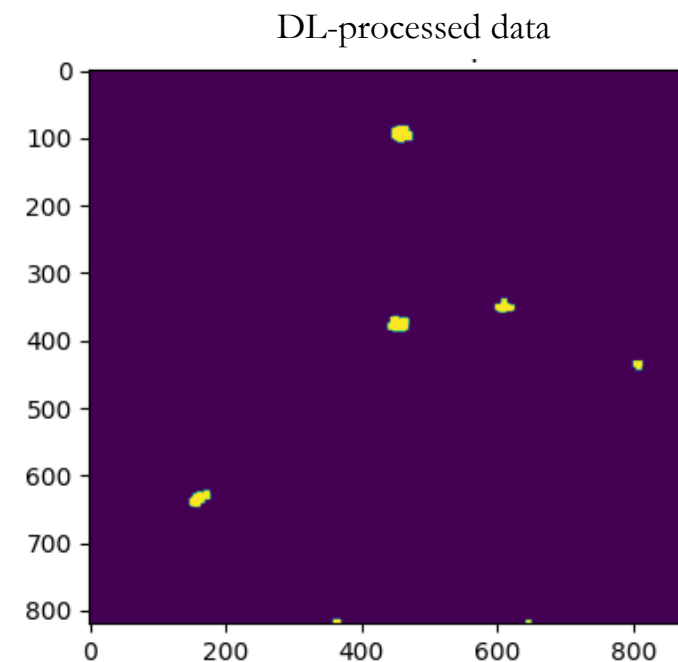
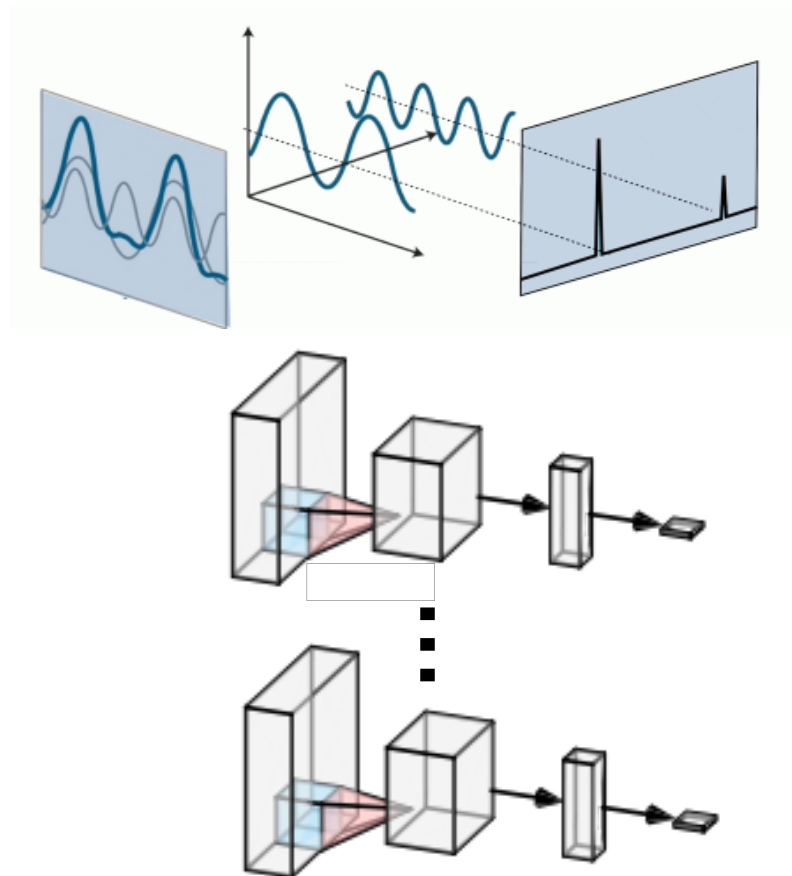
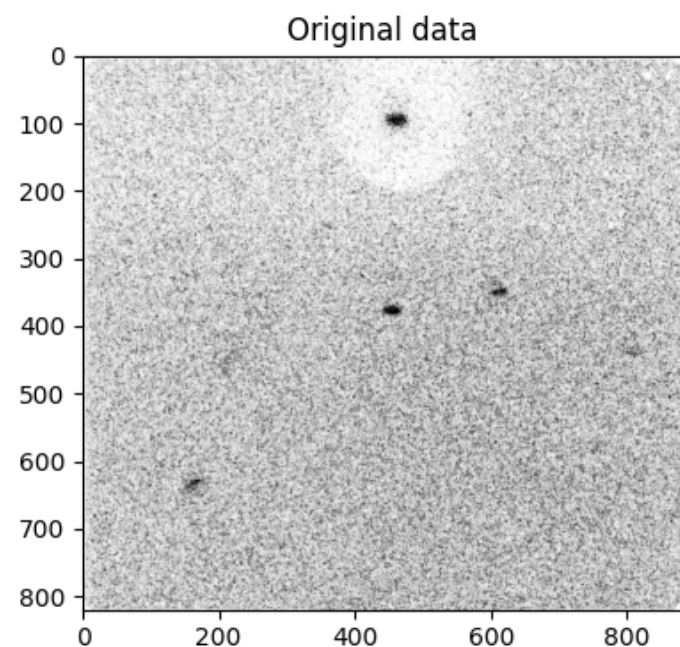
Test Set consists of 300 XRD patterns generated from angles between 0 and 360 on which the model has not been trained.

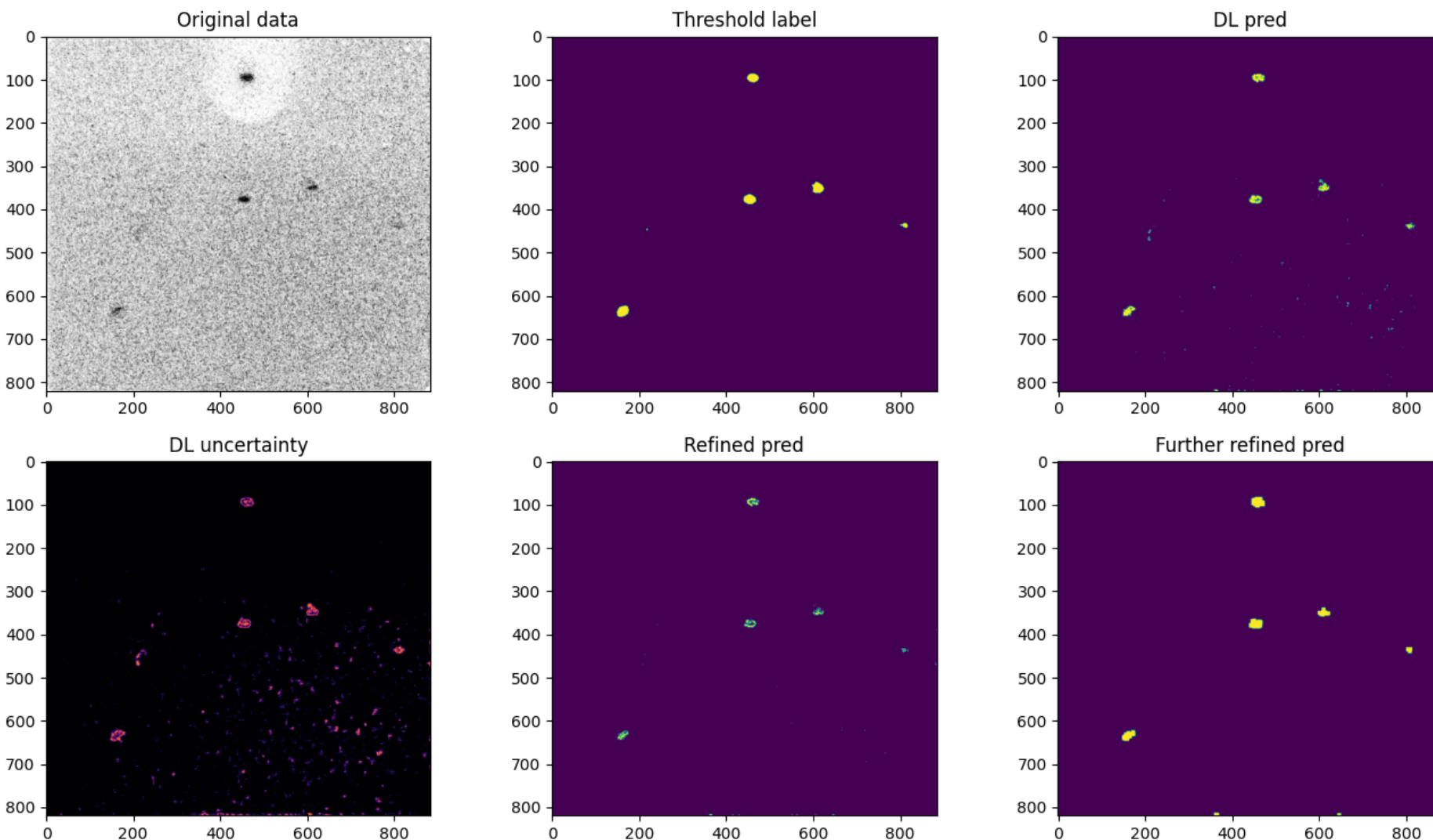


- Successful training of a single-angle ML tool is proof of concept, moving to two and four angle models present scaling challenges.
- Automate symmetry identification to reduce the data necessary.
- Using uncertainty as a our objective we can train an adaptive model that in an automatic way samples the regions of the input domain needed to establish a robust model with an optimal resolution.



## Data-Driven Analysis II: Removing experimental noise using Deep Learning.





**DL segmentation predictions provide per-pixel uncertainty estimates.** We remove noise from the prediction by removing pixels whose predictions were uncertain (bottom, center).

Martinez, C., et al. (2019). Segmentation certainty through uncertainty: Uncertainty-refined binary volumetric segmentation under multifactor domain shift. In Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF CVPRW.

Gaps in the prediction are filled with standard image processing methods (bottom, right).

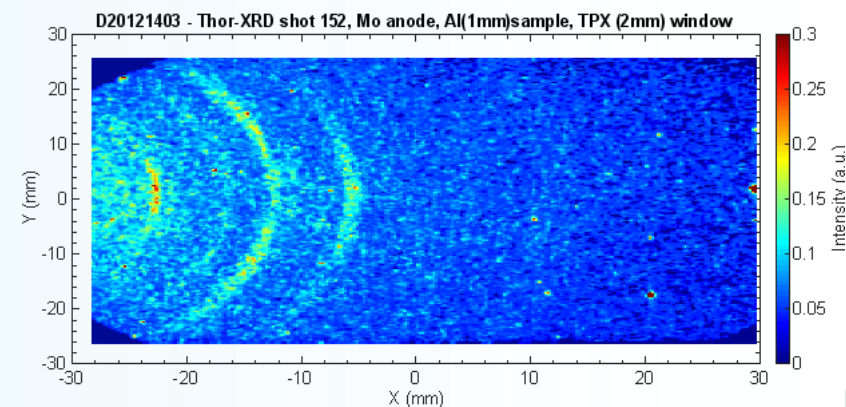
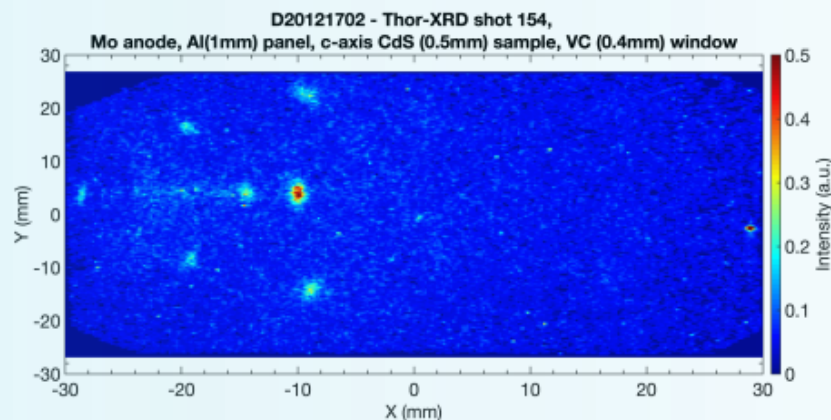
## Conclusions: ML-enhanced interpretation of XRD patterns from dynamic compression experiments.



ML and computational data-driven techniques **enable the development of robust tools to enhance and better interpret dynamic X-ray diffraction data** produced from Sandia's Pulsed Power Platforms (Thor and Z).

The developed tools will **dramatically improve our atomic-scale understanding** and predictive capability of phase transition behavior.

Opens new research avenues by **enabling new state-of-the-art experiments** to probe phase transitions, microstructural evolution, and transformation mechanisms.



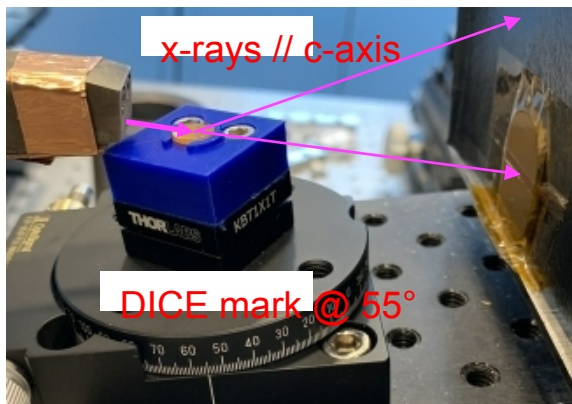




Questions?

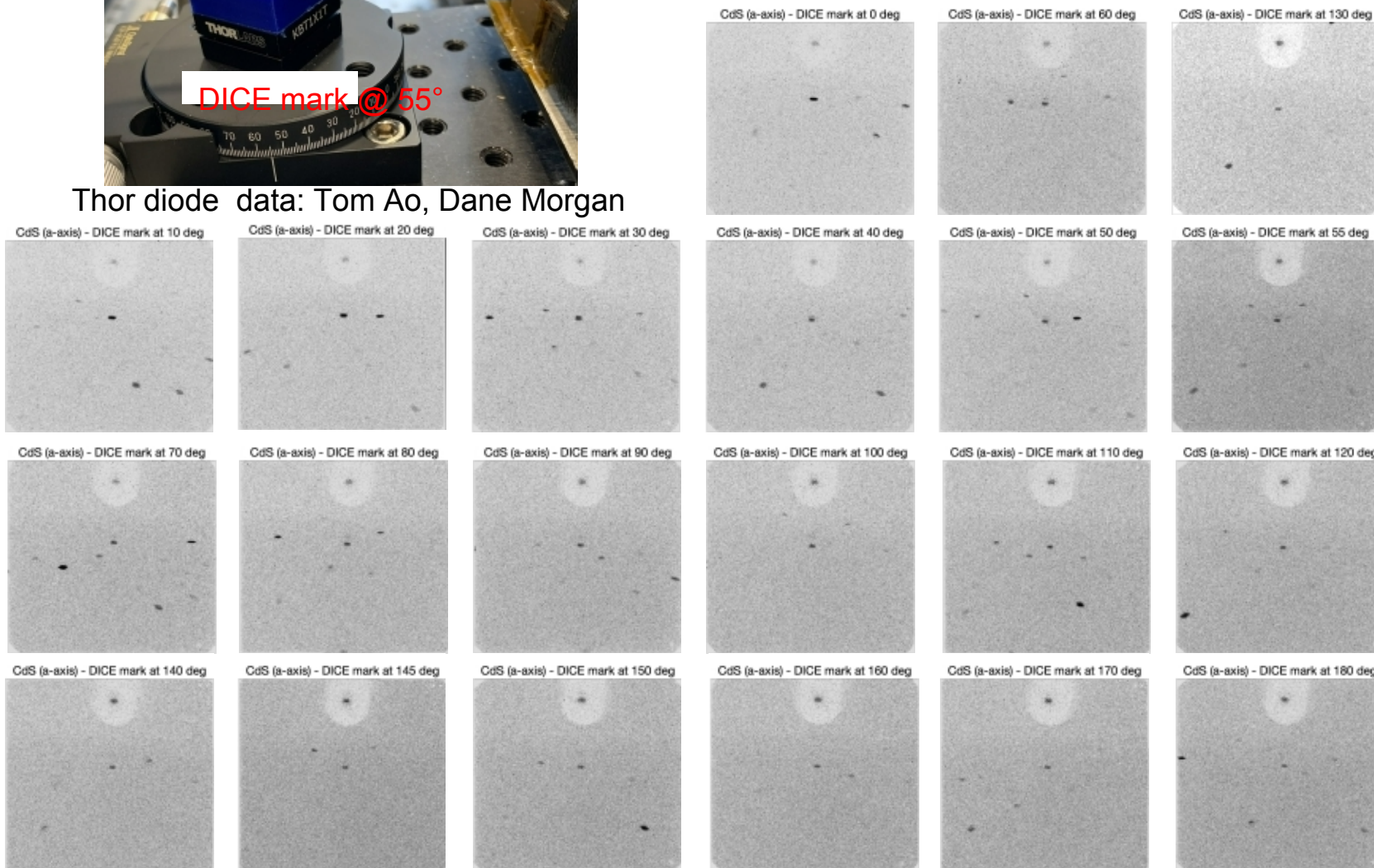


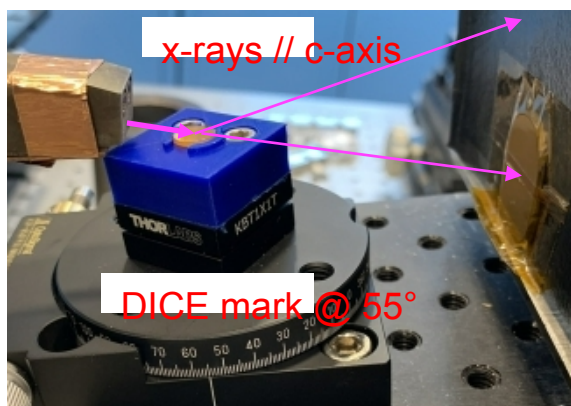
# Simulations comparable to Experiments



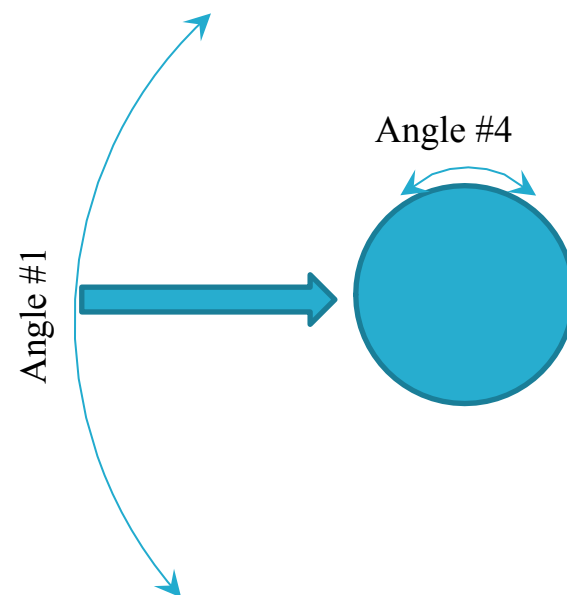
Thor diode data: Tom Ao, Dane Morgan

Ambient 180 rotation of CdS with a Molybdenum 17.6 keV  $k\alpha$  line source

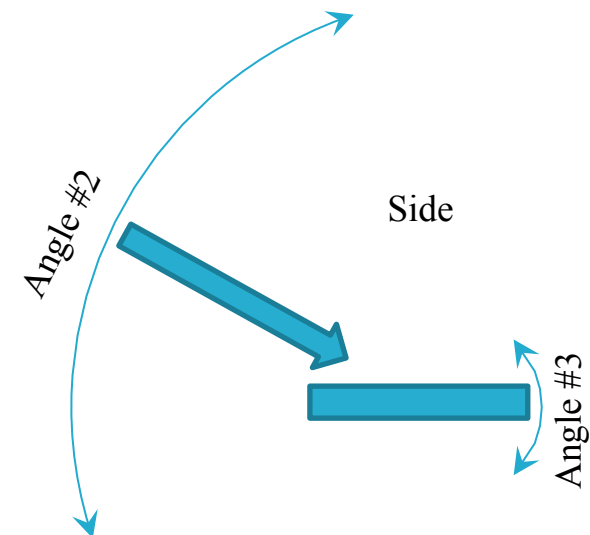




Top view



Side view

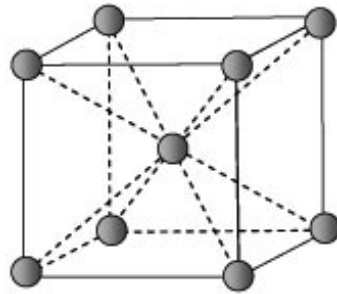




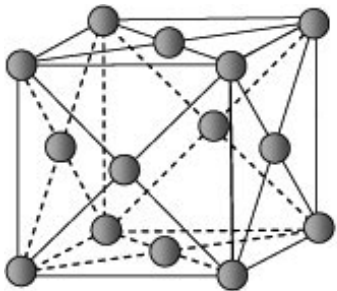
# Crystallography of solids & x-ray diffraction principles



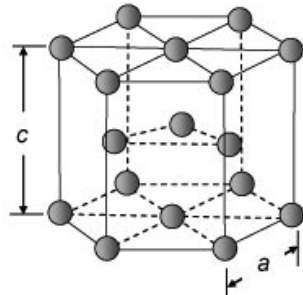
- Beam of x-rays strikes a crystal & scatters
- From angles and intensities of diffracted beams, 3-dimensional picture of the crystal is obtained



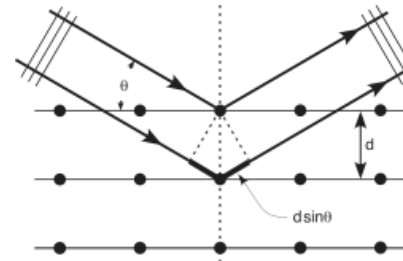
Body centered cubic (bcc)



Face centered cubic (fcc)



Hexagonal close-packed (hcp)



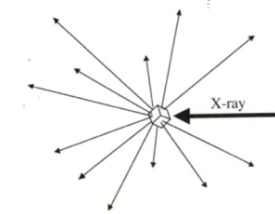
## **Bragg's Law:**

Coherent reflections will occur for wavelength and crystal  $d$ -spacings that satisfy the condition:

$$n\lambda = 2d\sin\theta$$

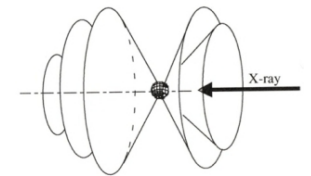
The scattering angle (half-angle of the Debye-Scherrer cone) is:

$$\varphi = 2\theta$$



## **Laue Spots:**

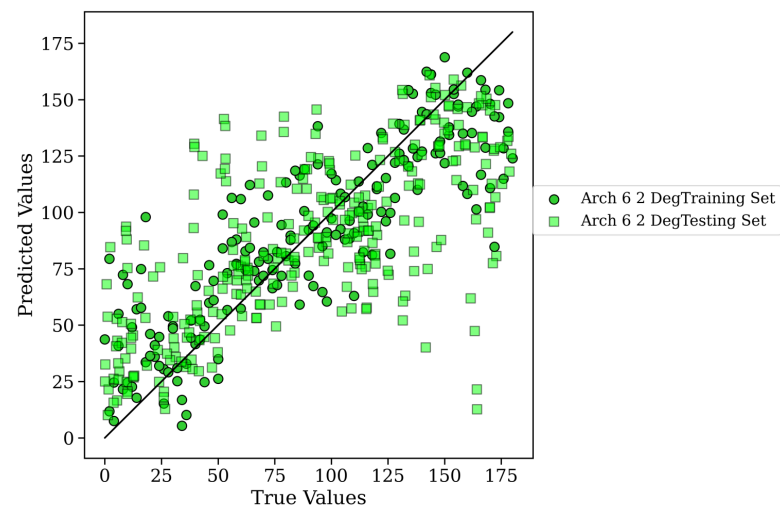
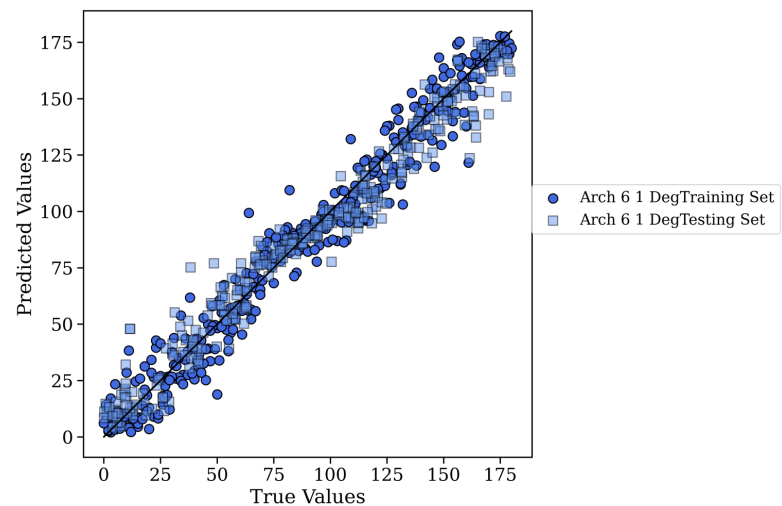
Illuminate a single crystal sample with a **continuum** x-ray beam, discrete reflections called **Laue spots** are observed.



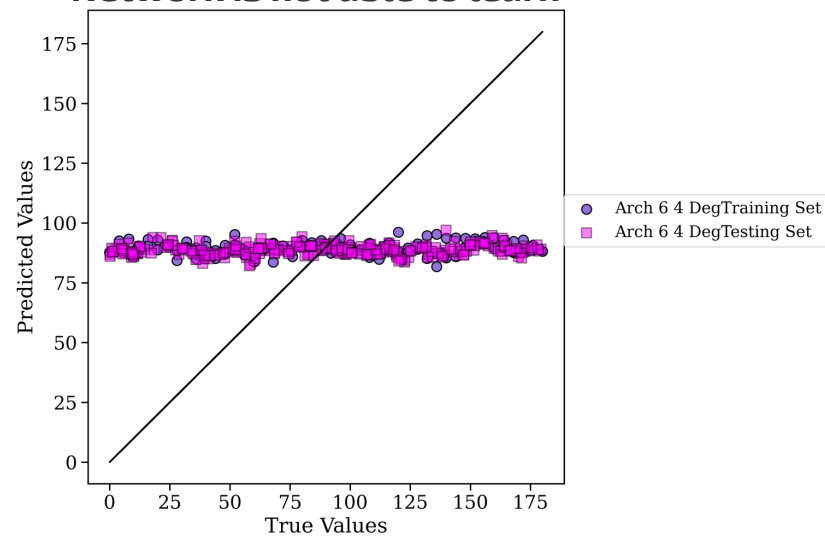
## **Debye-Scherrer Cones:**

Illuminate a polycrystalline sample with a **monochromatic** x-ray beam, scattering patterns called **Debye-Scherrer cones** are observed.

## Network is able to learn



## Network is not able to learn



## Network becomes a "look-up" table

