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Intermultiplet transitions in Pr: Monte Carlo simulations of High Energy Inelastic Neutron Scattering experiments

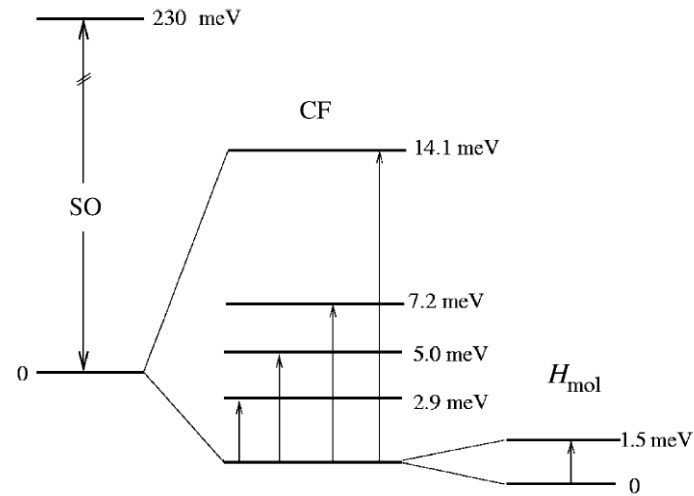
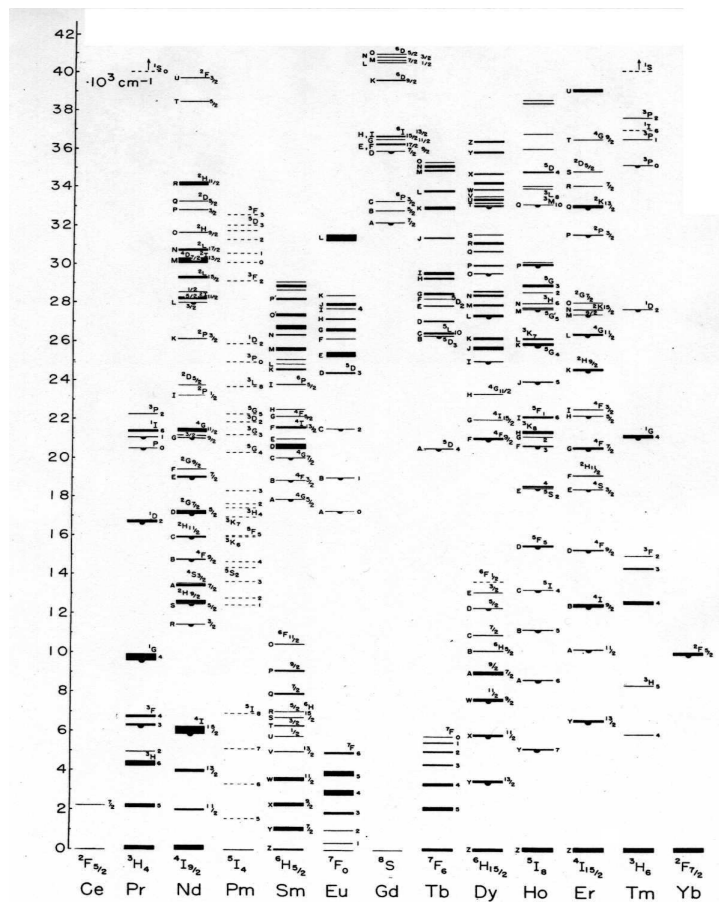
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Intermultiplet transitions of rare-earths metals and compounds extend in the eV range. High energy Inelastic Neutron Scattering measurements allow to complement and extend optical measurements into the eV range, including their wavevector dependence. A tutorial on Monte Carlo simulation codes allowing to predict the performances of eV spectrometers for intermultiplet transition experiments is presented.

Typical splitting of levels in a rare-earth system due to the 4f electrons lie in the hundreds of meV to eV range.



Typical splitting of levels in a rare earth system due to spin-orbit (SO), crystal-field (CF), and exchange interaction (H_{mol}). Scheme reproducing approximately the situation of Nd^{3+} ions in NdCu_2 .

Kinematic range:

$$\frac{\hbar^2 Q^2}{2m} = E_0 + E_1 - 2\sqrt{E_0 E_1} \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

where m is the neutron mass.

Kinematical restrictions to high energy - low wavevector transfers.

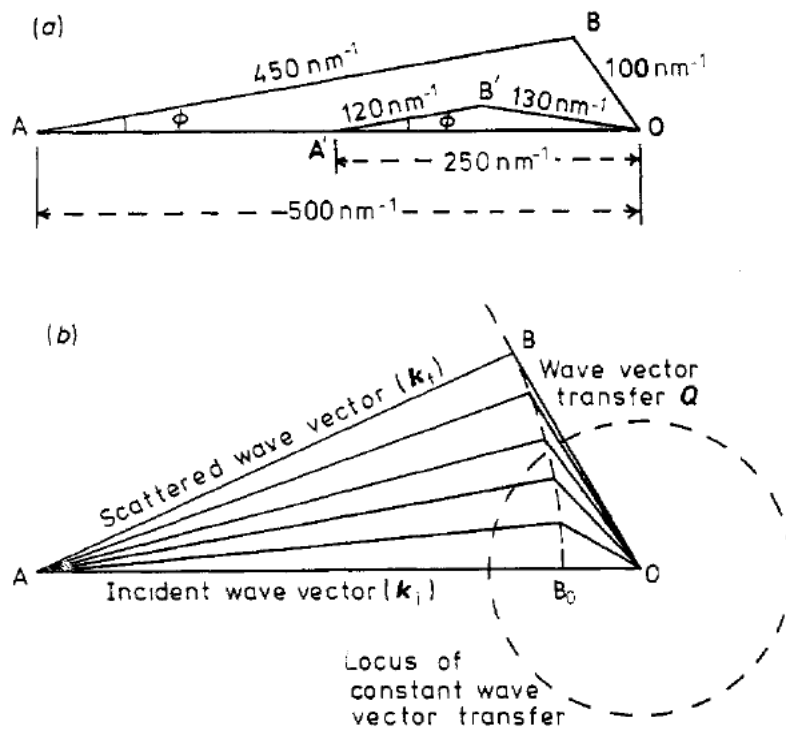


Figure 1 Vector scattering diagrams.

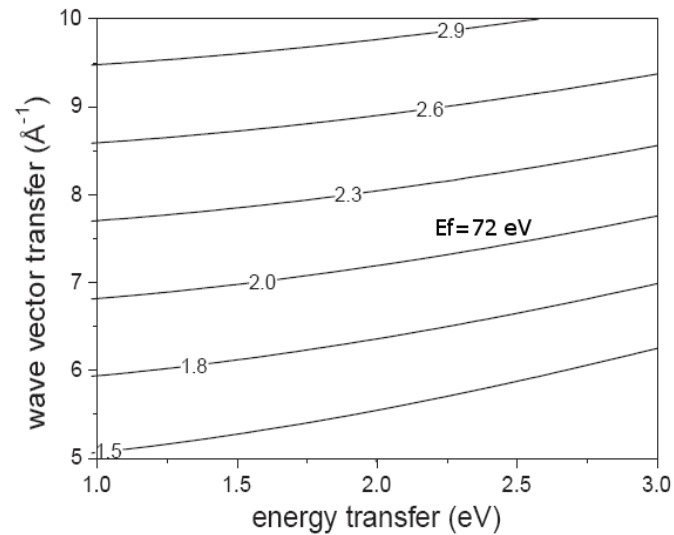
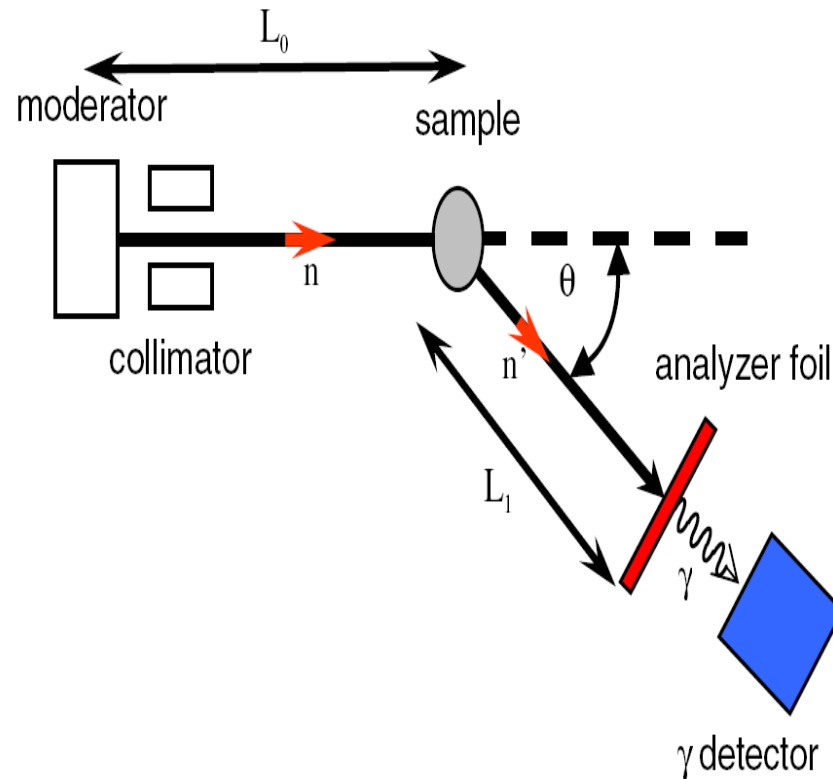


Fig. 3. Contour plot of equal scattering angle as a function of wave vector transfer and energy transfer for a fixed final neutron energy of 72 eV (lanthanum resonance).

Inverse geometry (E_1 fixed) unlimited in energy loss.

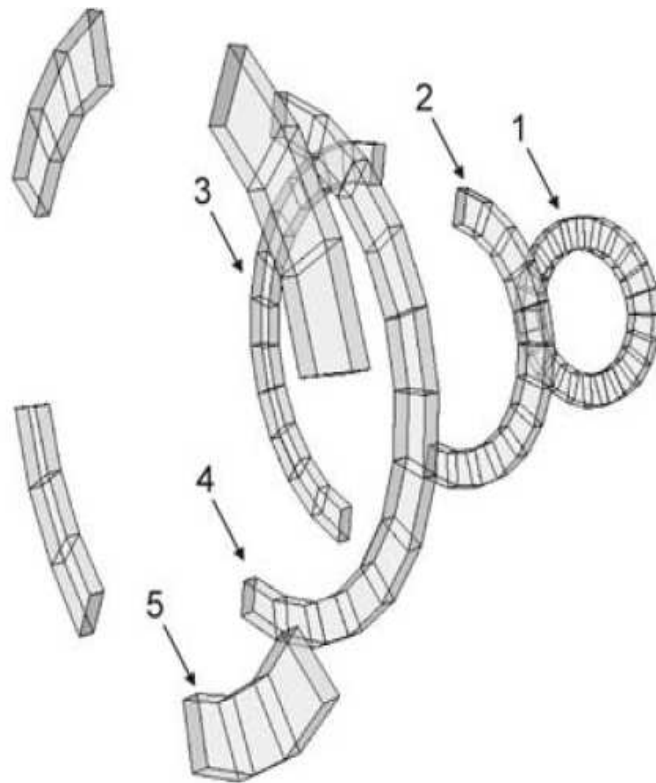
This means final energy in the ≥ 10 eV: i.e. detection and energy selection technologies for eV neutrons. VESUVIO spectrometer.

1) Resonant detector configuration



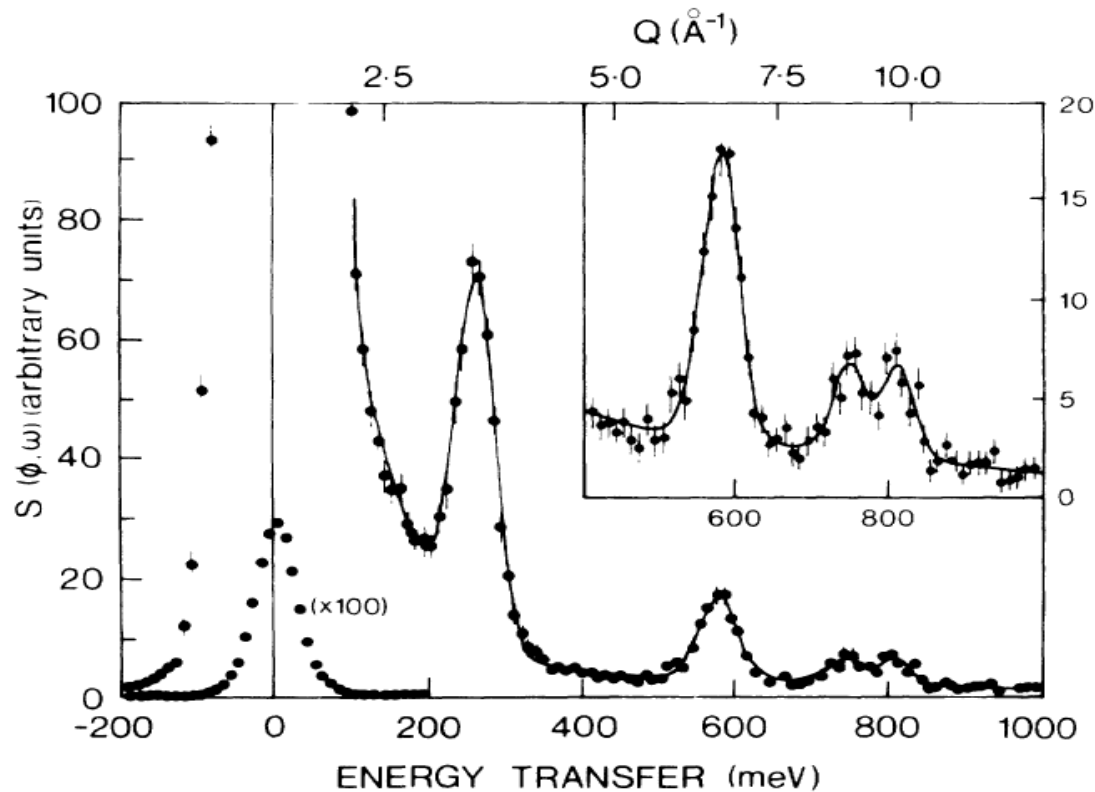
VESUVIO spectrometer.

2) Very Low Angle Detector bank



Scattering angles in the range $1^\circ \leq \phi \leq 4^\circ$

Background: Intermultiplet transitions observed in metallic Pr in the range: $0 \leq \hbar\omega \leq 1600$ meV; $1 \leq Q \leq 15 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$; (A.D. Taylor et al., PRL, 61, 1309 (1988)). Transition $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^1G_4$ @1170 meV was not observed.



Proposed experiment using the VLAD detector on VESUVIO.

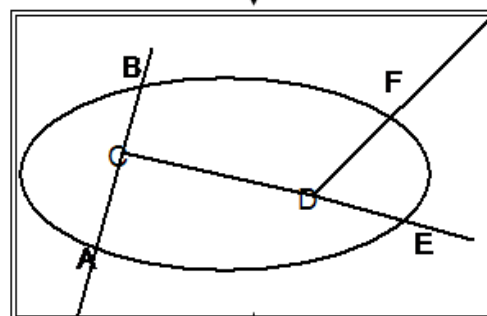
Assessment of experiment through a Monte Carlo simulation of the scattering spectra. USE of DINSMS code (J. Mayers et al. NIM-A 481, 454 (2002)).

VESUVIO spectrometer

Source: Time-energy distribution

Assign initial weight
1 neutron=weight 1

collimation



Attenuation:
Scattering,
absorption
transmission

•Increment TOF and weight

Analyzer- E1

Detector

Final weight in time bin

$$\frac{\partial^2 \sigma}{\partial \Omega \partial E_1} = \frac{\sigma}{4\pi} \frac{k_1}{k_0} S(q, \omega)$$

Tutorial task: simulate scattering spectra from Pr using VLAD detector bank on VESUVIO. Estimate $Q, \hbar\omega$ range accessed on each fixed-angle element.

- 1** 1 Fortran source code file - 1 executable
- 2** 1 command file
- 3** 1 instrument parameter file
- 4** output: ascii files of time of flight - intensity spectra

Notes on source code: 1) energy analyser: ^{238}U resonant filter

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WITH NUMBER DENSITY OF 1.456E20 ATOMS/SQ CM.
modificata 3/6/2003
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PARAMETER(N=2665)
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Notes on source code: 2) γ detectors for tagging in time the radiative resonant absorption in ^{238}U filter. 3) Partial differential cross section: nuclear+magnetic scattering.

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_1} = \frac{k_1}{k_0} \sigma_n S_n(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) + \frac{k_1}{k_0} r_0^2 G(\mathbf{Q}; \mu, \nu) \delta(\hbar\omega + E_\mu - E_\nu) \quad (2)$$

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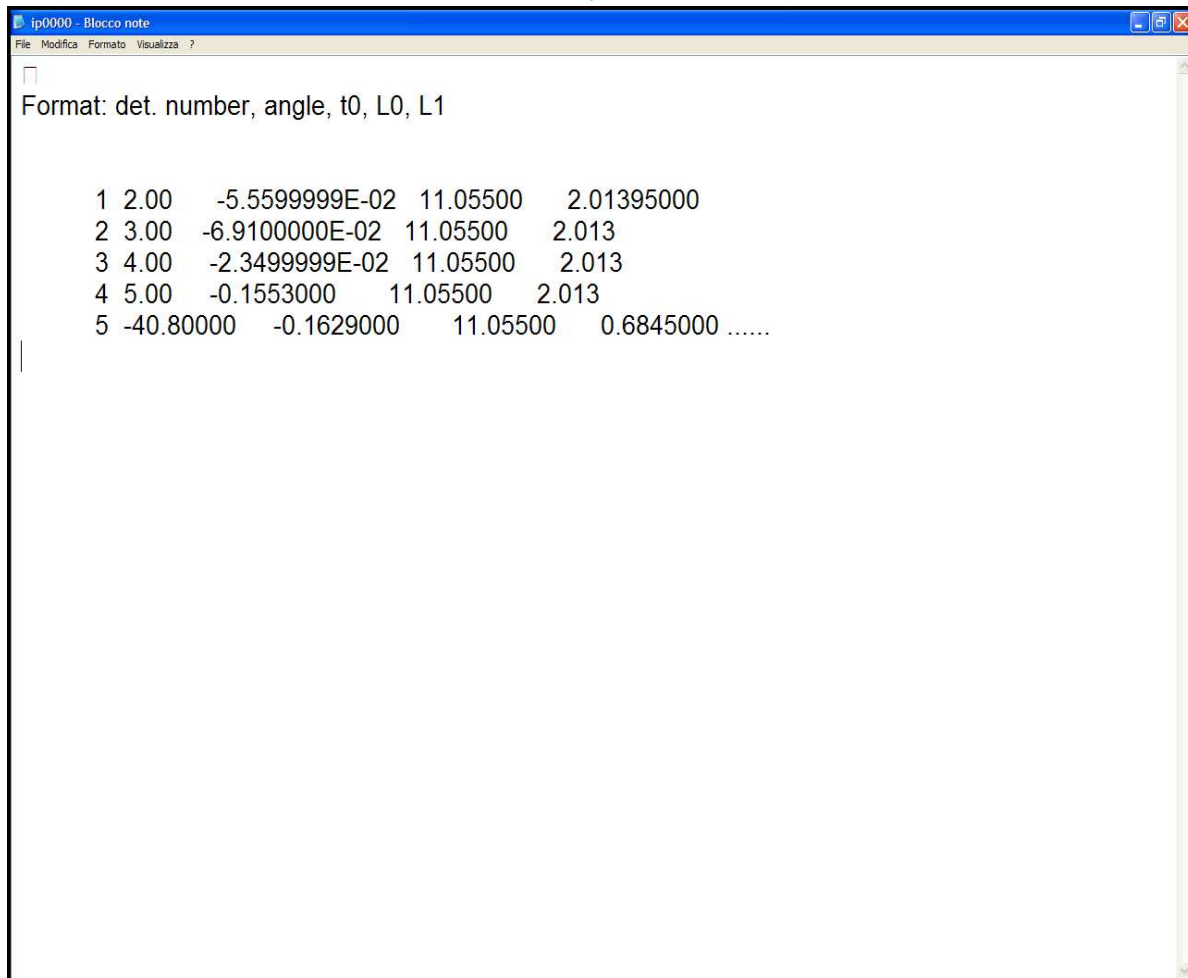
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  REAL M(NM),SIG(NM),B(NM),K0,K1,J
  REAL j1,j2,j3,jj
  real acca3,acca4,acca6,x2medio,x

*   write(6,*) ' pdcs. e0=',e0,' e1=',e1,' th=',th
  RT2PI=SQRT(2.0*ACOS(-1.0))
  K0=SQRT(E0/2.0717)
  K1=SQRT(E1/2.0717)
  Q=SQRT(K0**2+K1**2-2.0*K0*K1*COS(TH))
  W=E0-E1
  w0M1=417.
  gdip=0.0016+0.0984*exp(-Q/2.009)
  gnodip=-0.00933/(1+exp((Q-3.85)/0.63))+0.00933
  peak1=EXP(-(w-261.)**2/(20.**2))/(20.*RT2PI)
  peak2=EXP(-(w-578.)**2/(20.**2))/(20.*RT2PI)
  peak3=EXP(-(w-747.)**2/(20.**2))/(20.*RT2PI)
  peak4=EXP(-(w-809.)**2/(20.**2))/(20.*RT2PI)
  peak5=EXP(-(w-1170.)**2/(20.**2))/(20.*RT2PI)
  sqwmag=gdip*peak1+gnodip*(peak2+peak3+peak4+peak5)
* n.b. w0M1 e' per M=1 amu
  PDCS=0.0
* 4.18036=hbar^2 in meV*amu*A^2
  .....

  SQW=M(I)*J/(4.18036*Q)
  PDCS=PDCS+B(I)**2*(K1/K0)*SQW
  PDCS=PDCS+0.29*sqwmag

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Notes on instrument parameter file:



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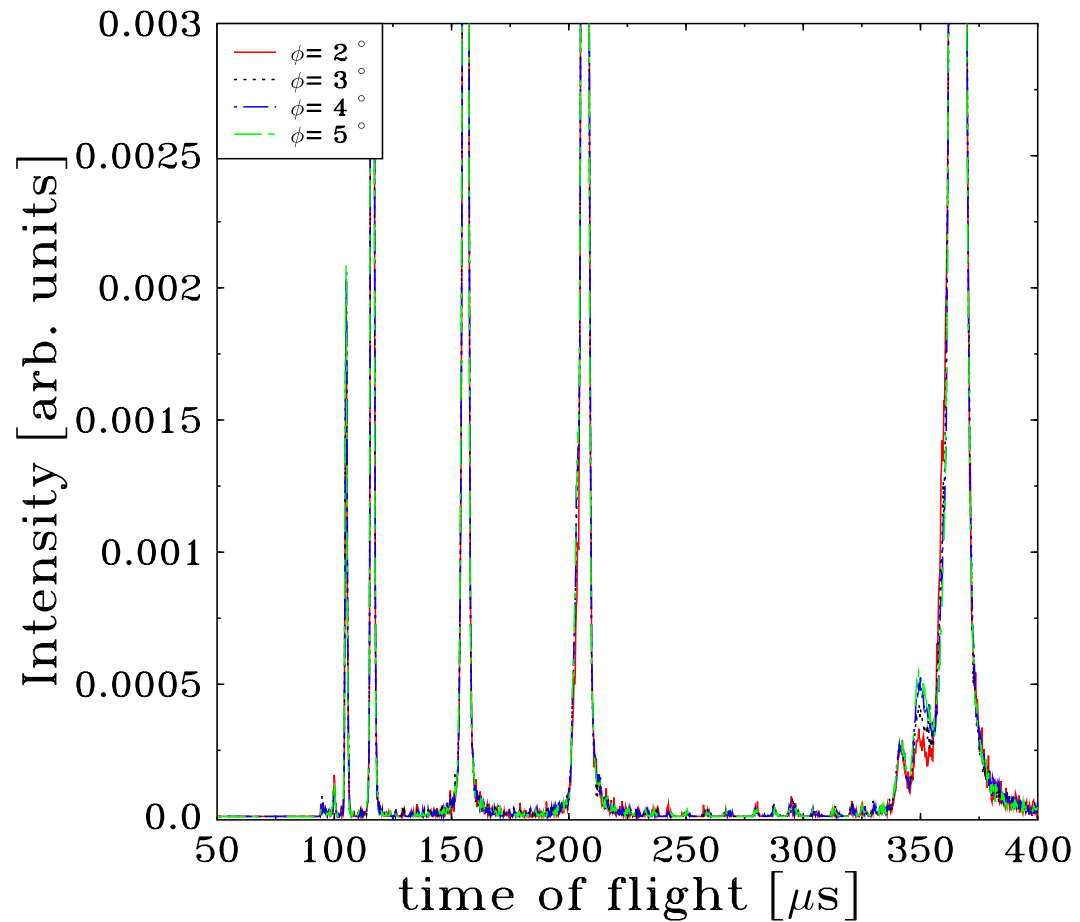
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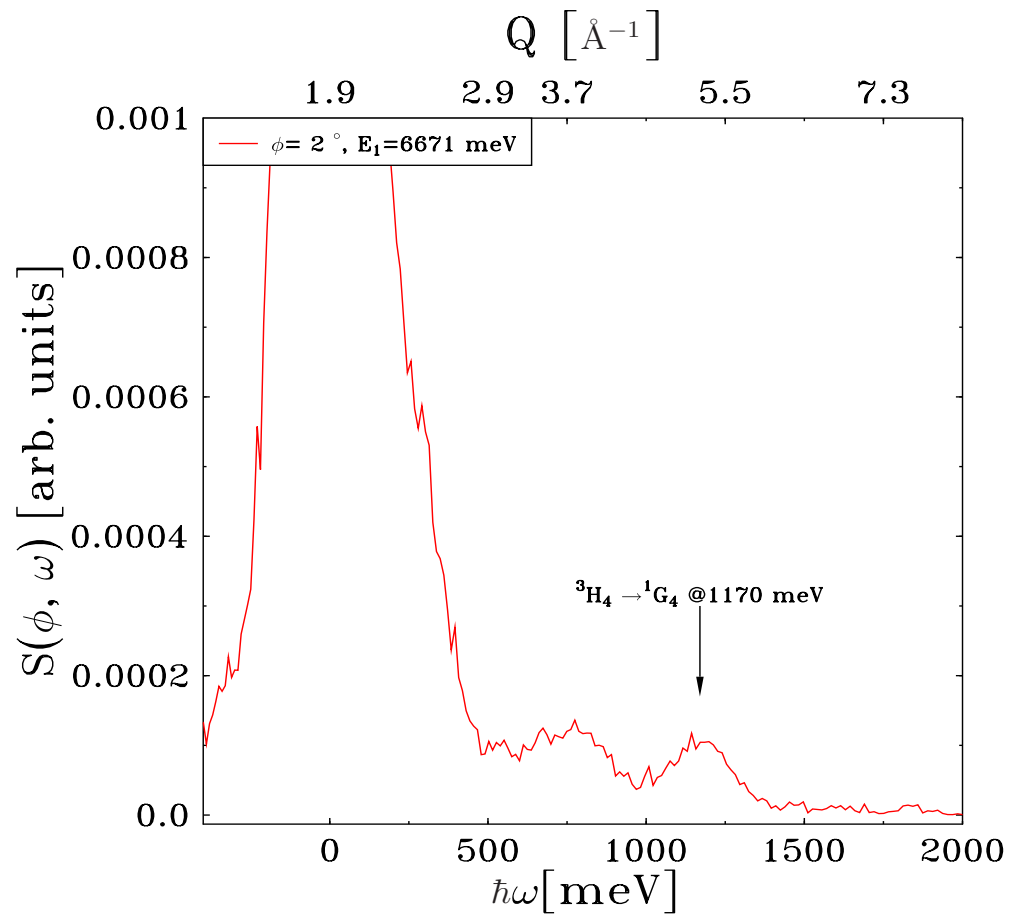
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0001      ! No of instrument parameter file.
1 1      ! First and last detectors
66671. 100      ! Final energy and HWHM of res fn (meV)
0.3 2.1      ! Dt0 in microsec, DL0 in cm.
50 400 0.25      ! Minimum and maximum tof+ channel width (micro-sec)
1.5 2.0      ! Radius of umbra and penumbra in c.m.
3.5 3.5 1.0      ! Height, width and depth of detector in cm.
1      ! Sample geometry. 1=slab,2=cylinder'
0      ! Sample angle
10.0 10.0 0.2      ! R and Height of cylinder or thickness, ht,width of slab.
1      ! Number of different atomic masses.
140. 10. 20. 1.      ! Mass, xsect, s.d. of J(y),no atoms Pb
11.3      ! Density of sample in gm/cubic cm.
6.0e6      ! Number of events
1      ! Maximum order of scattering
tutorial_pr      !name of output file
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Example of a time of flight spectrum:

Pr-simulation $\phi=2^\circ, 3^\circ, 4^\circ, 5^\circ$; ^{238}U energy analyzer



Example of an $S(\phi, \omega)$ spectrum:



- Simulate tof spectra
- Transform into $S(\phi, \omega)$
- Adjust simulation parameters
- Estimate Q-dependence