

New Developments in ATSSAS 3.0

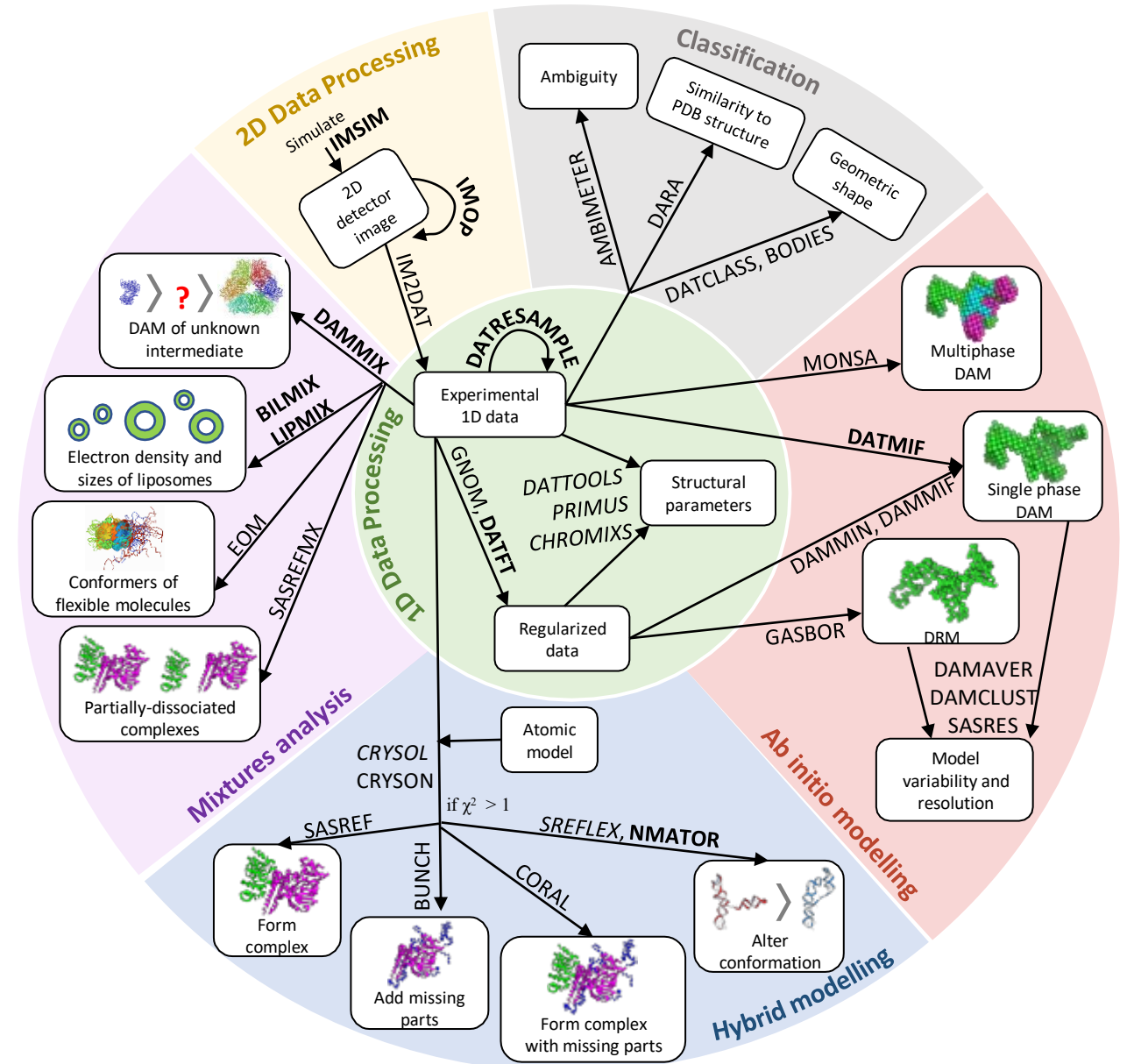
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ATSAS

- processing, visualization, analysis and modelling of small-angle scattering data



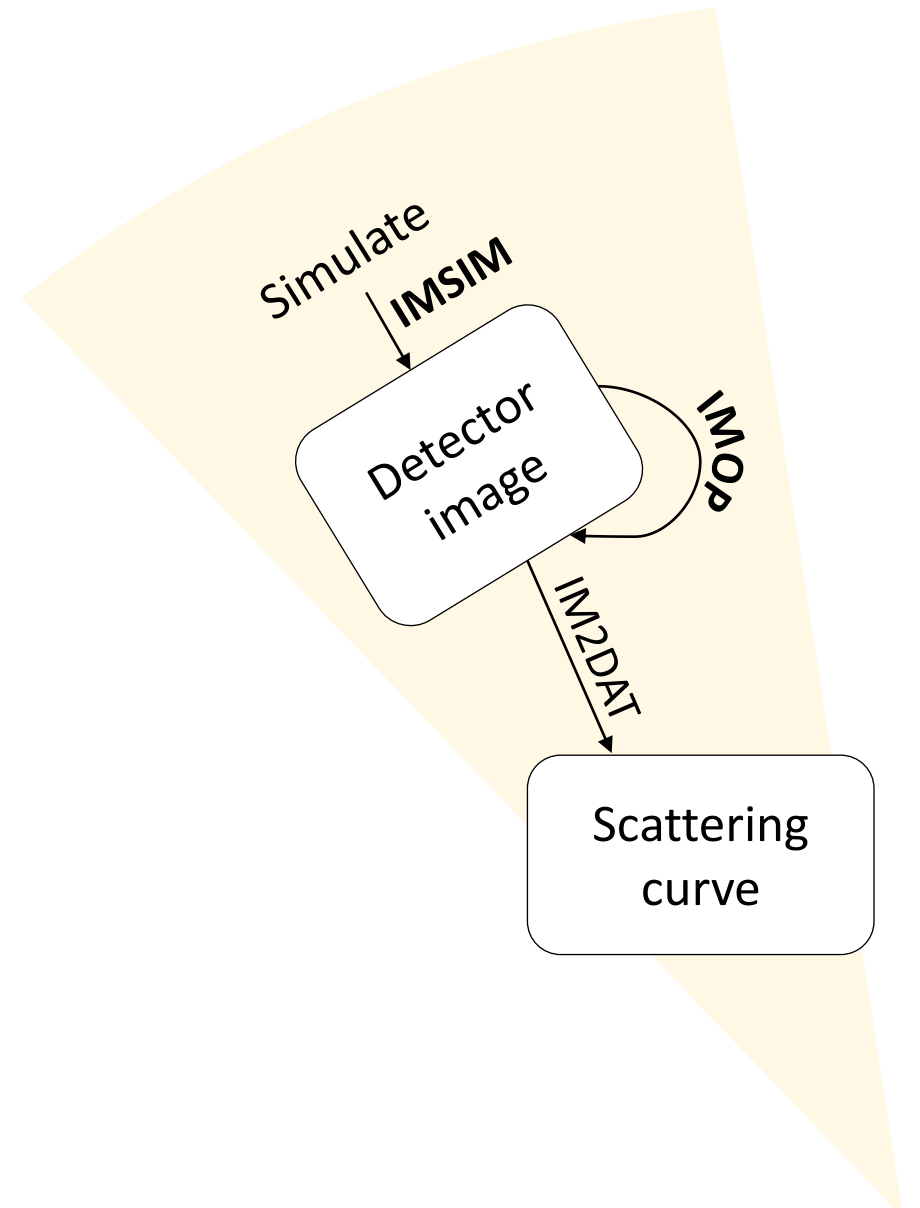
2D data processing

IM2DAT (formerly RADAVER)

- Azimuthal/radial averaging of 2D detector image into 1D scattering curve

New programs

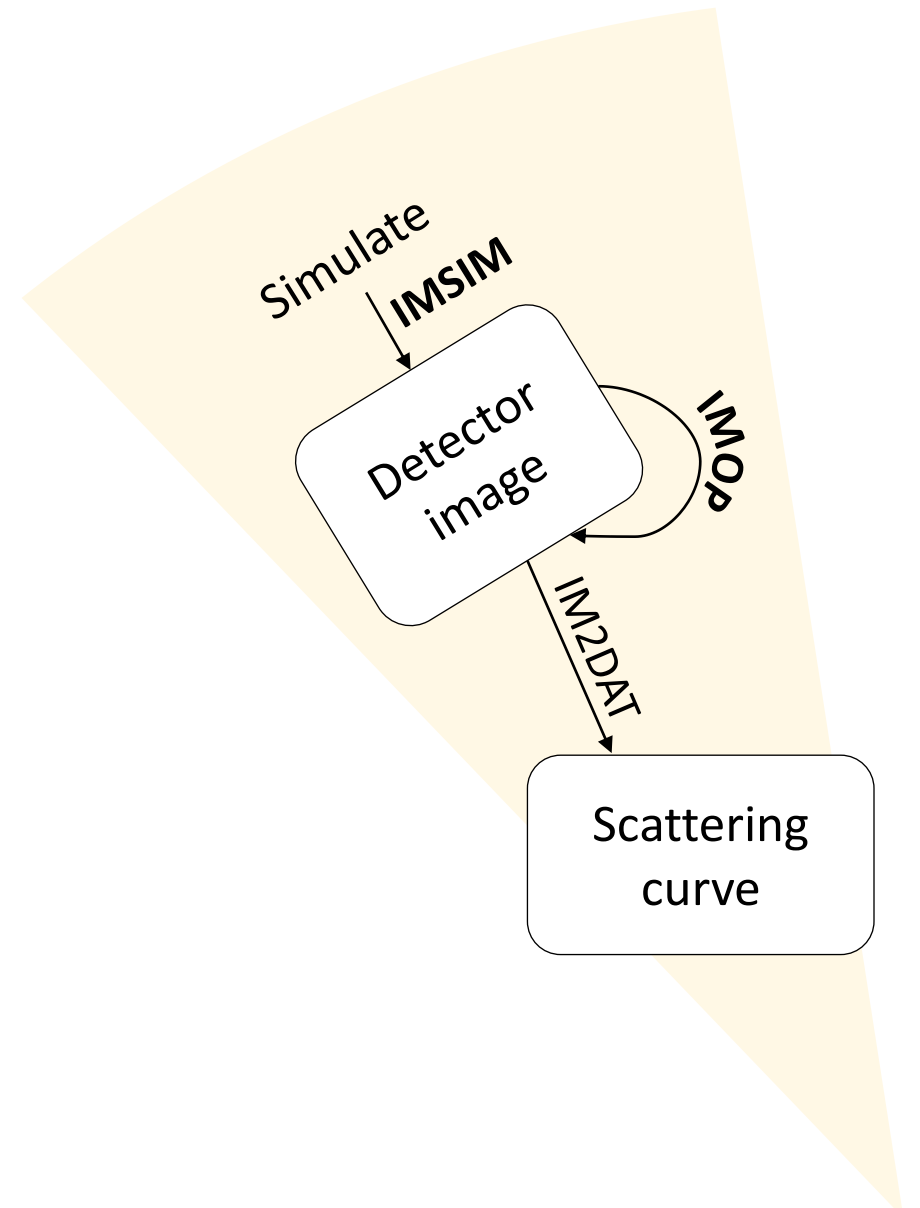
- IMOP
- IMSIM



2D data processing

IMOP (IMage OPerations)

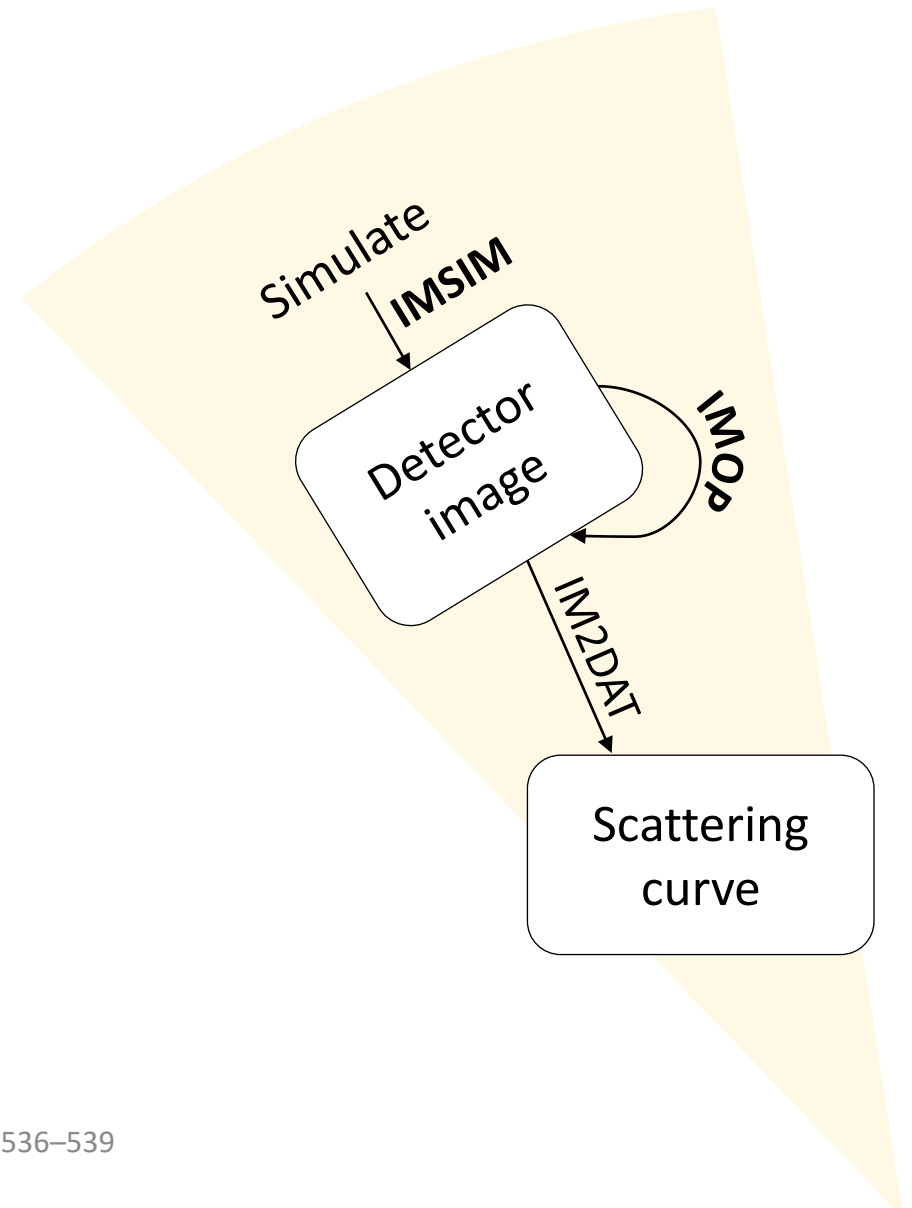
- Does operations on 2D images of equal size
 - Operators: ADD, SUB, AND, OR, XOR
- Application:
 - Applying a mask to a detector image
 - Validating 1D operations



2D data processing

IMSIM (IMage SIMulation)

- Simulates 2D SAXS patterns
 - Intensities and errors have same statistical properties as actual experimental data
 - Incorporates experimental parameters (solute concentration, detector, detector distance, wavelength, etc.)
- Applications:
 - To generate large, benchmarking datasets
 - For beamline setup
- Usage:
 - Input: .abs file from CRY SOL and experimental parameters
 - Example run in IMSIM [manual](#)



CRYSOL for anomalous scattering

CRYSOL: evaluates scattering from atomic structures

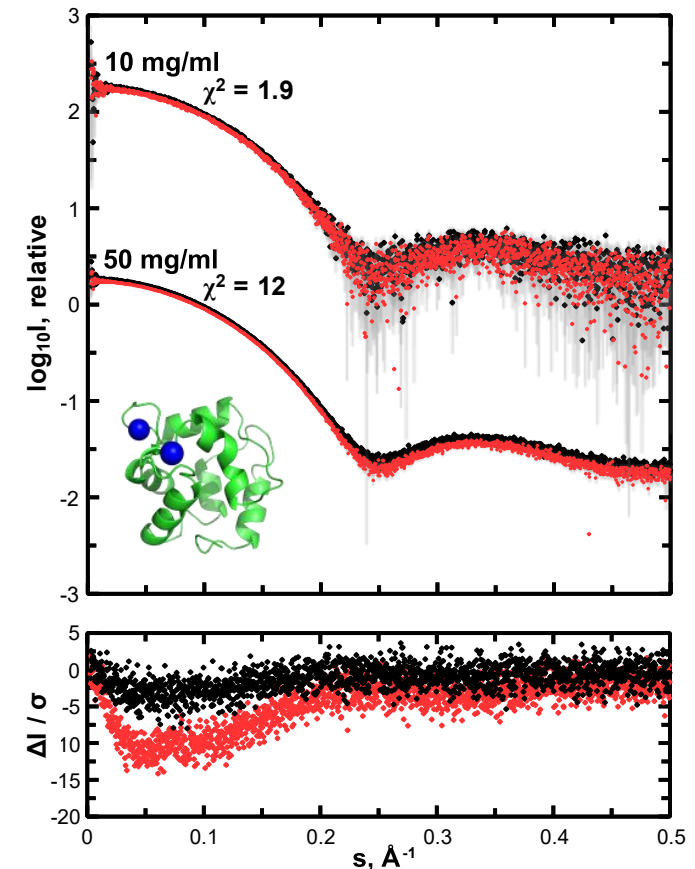
Anomalous scattering

- absorption events occurring at wavelengths near an atom's absorption edge
- can be used to extract distances between absorbing atoms

Usage:

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crisol -en <incoming energy in eV> -el <element name> <PDB file>
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CRYSOL → IMSIM → IM2DAT



default
anomalous

10 mg/ml
50 mg/ml

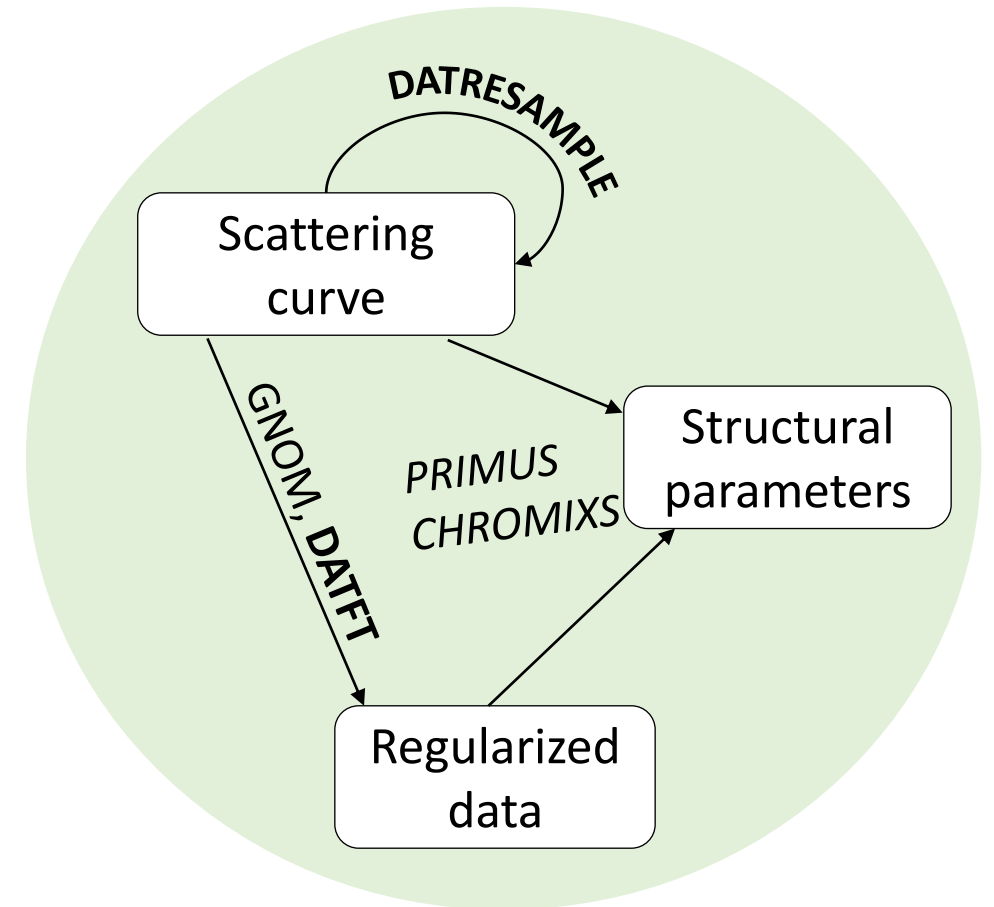
Tools for scattering curves

GUI updates

- CHROMIXS
- PRIMUS

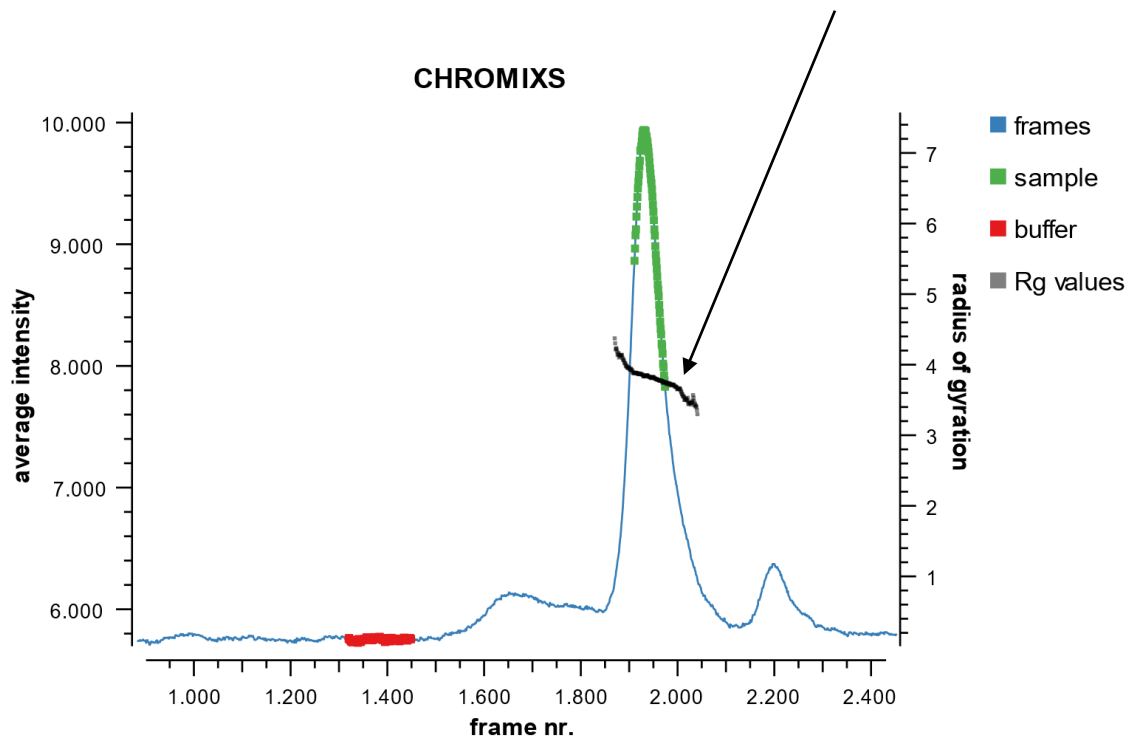
New programs

- DATRESAMPLE
- DATFT

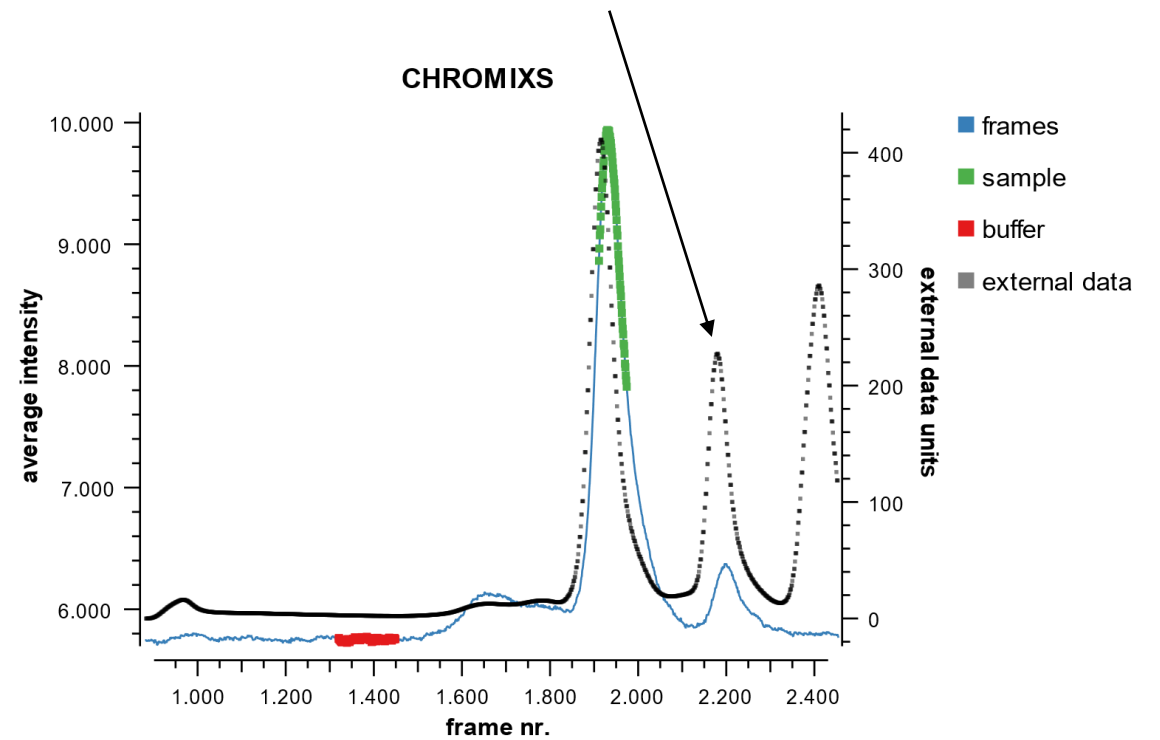


GUI updates: CHROMIXS

(1) Calculate Rg or MW for selected set of frames

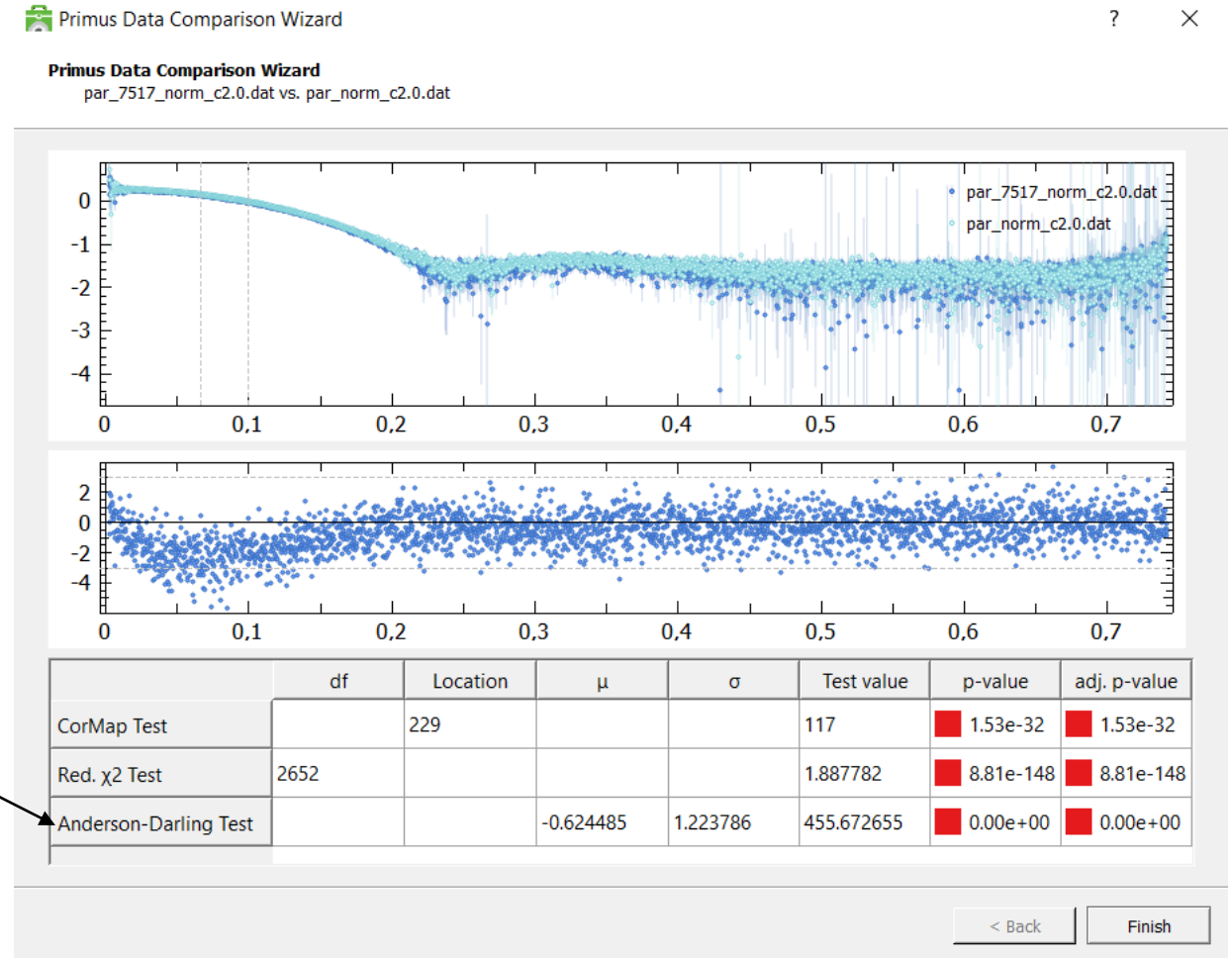


(2) Load complementary time course data (e.g. UV absorbance)



GUI updates: PRIMUS

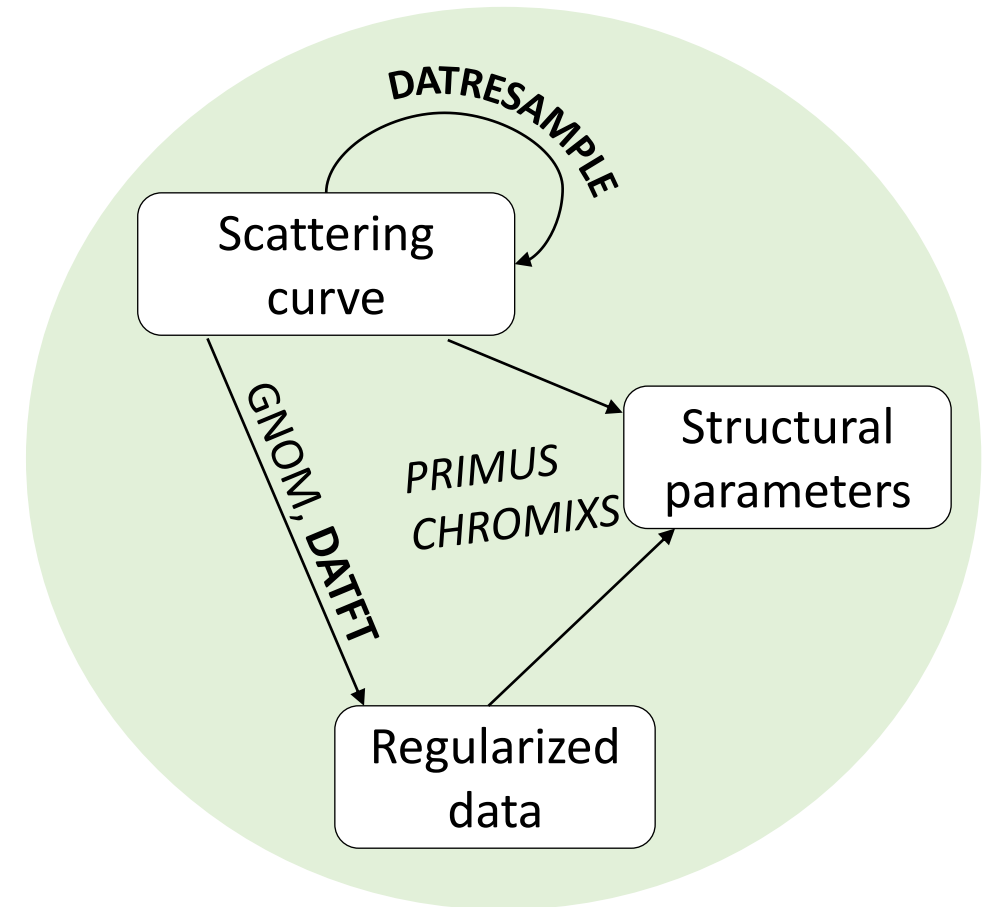
- Updated to Qt5
 - Improved display
 - Configurable graphics export
- Added data comparison test (Anderson-Darling)



New tools for scattering curves

DATRESAMPLE

- From a single scattering curve, randomly resamples additional scattering curves representing the same sample
- Applications
 - Resampled scattering curves can be used to estimate variance of point estimates (e.g. D_{\max} , V_p)
 - To generate a large benchmark dataset



New tools for scattering curves

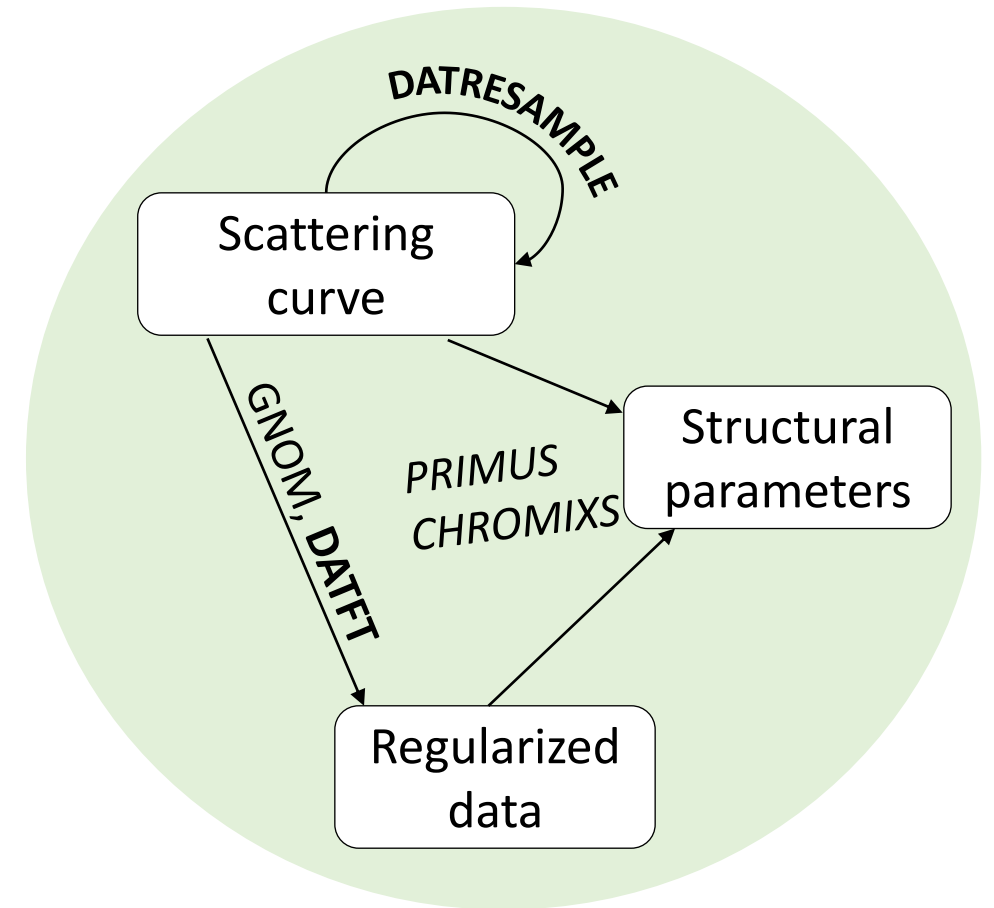
DATFT

- Computes $P(r)$ through direct Fourier transform

$$P(r) = \frac{r}{2\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} sI(s) \sin(sr) ds$$

where at high s , $I(s) = s^{-4}$

- Use case
 - Low-noise experimental data on equidistant s grid.



New tools for scattering curves

- Auxiliary tools

- **PDDFFIT**

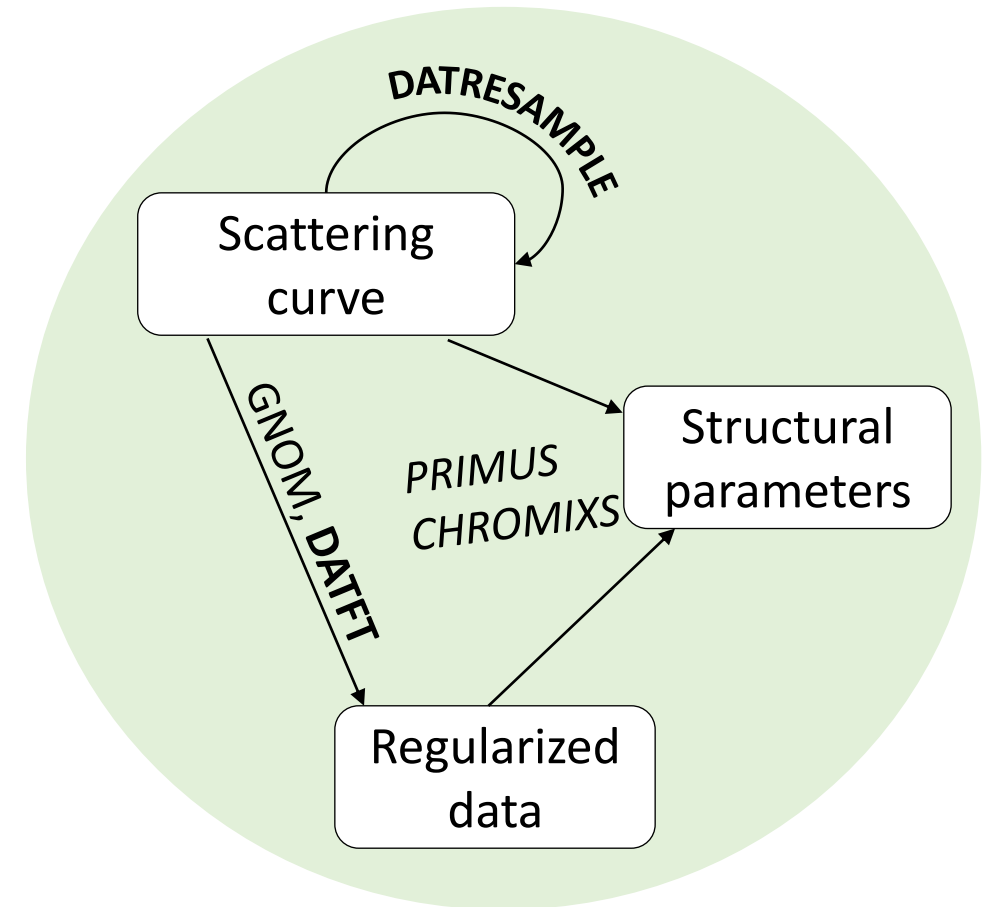
- determines whether $P(r)$ is consistent with the experimental data

- **OUT2POFR**

- extracts $P(r)$ from GNOM .out file

- **OUT2FIT**

- extracts fit between experimental and regularized data from GNOM .out file



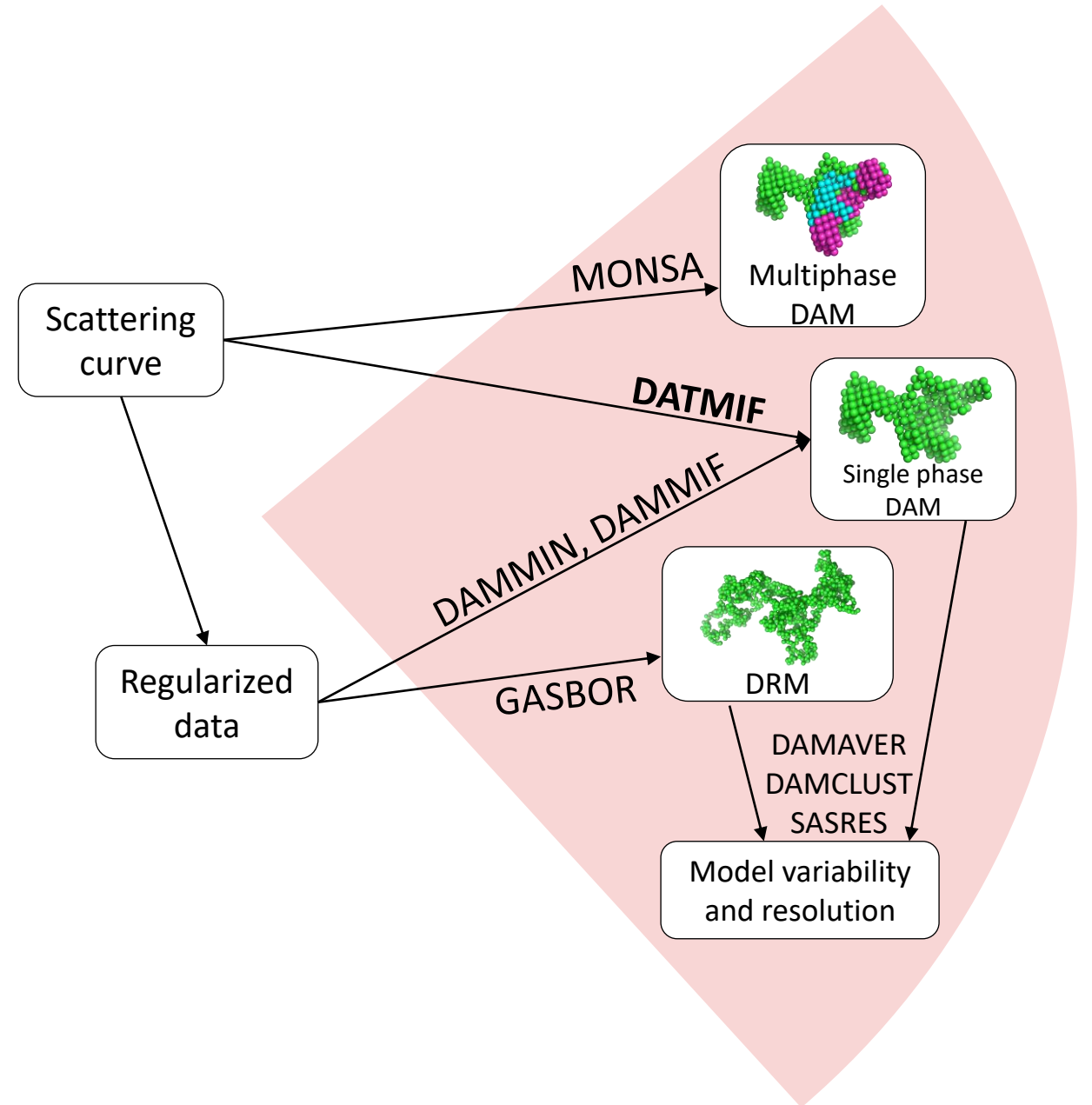
Ab initio modelling

DATMIF

- bead modelling using experimental data directly
- Can be used to cross-validate bead models from other methods

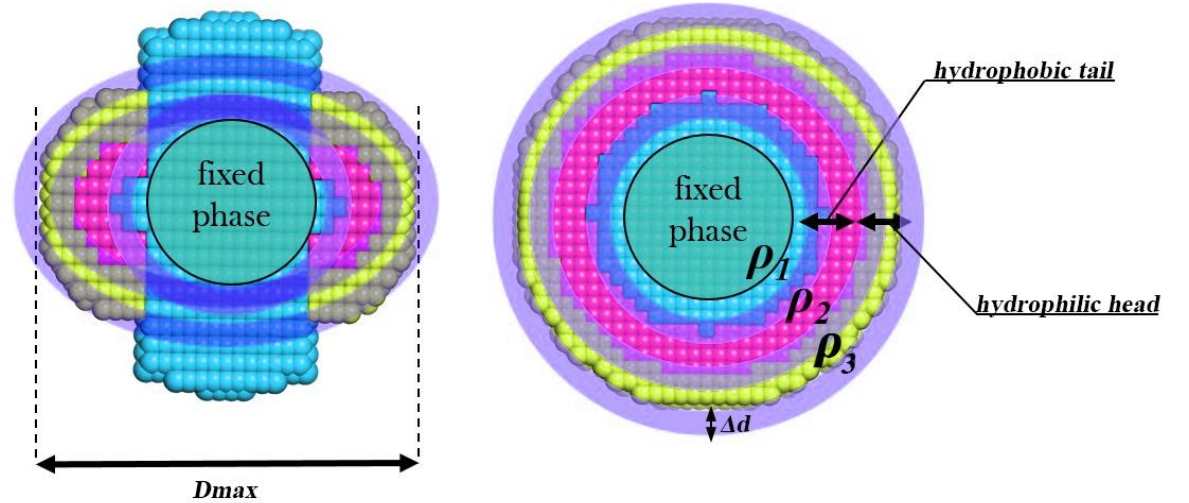
Usage

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datmif --dmax=<Dmax> <SAS datfile>
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Ab initio modelling

- Auxiliary tool: **DAMEMB**
 - Builds initial bead model of a membrane protein, for further refinement by MONSA
 - Thickness of the detergent phases may be specified



Hybrid modelling

SREFLEX

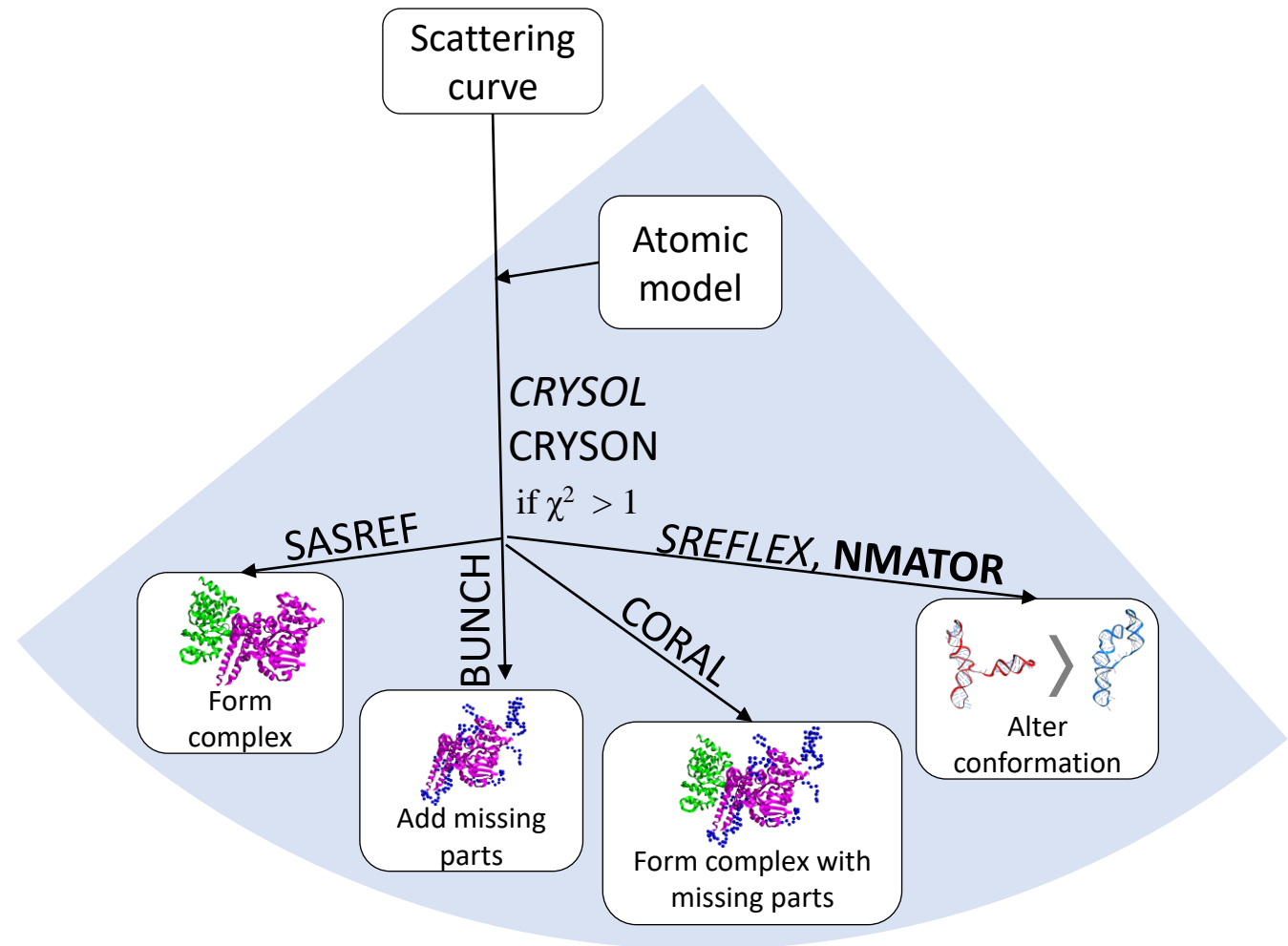
- Models conformational change as a set of coordinated movements in Cartesian space

Update: pool mode

- Can generate a pool of conformations for flexibility/mixtures analysis

Usage

sreflex -P <max # of conformers> <PDB file>



Hybrid modelling

NMATOR

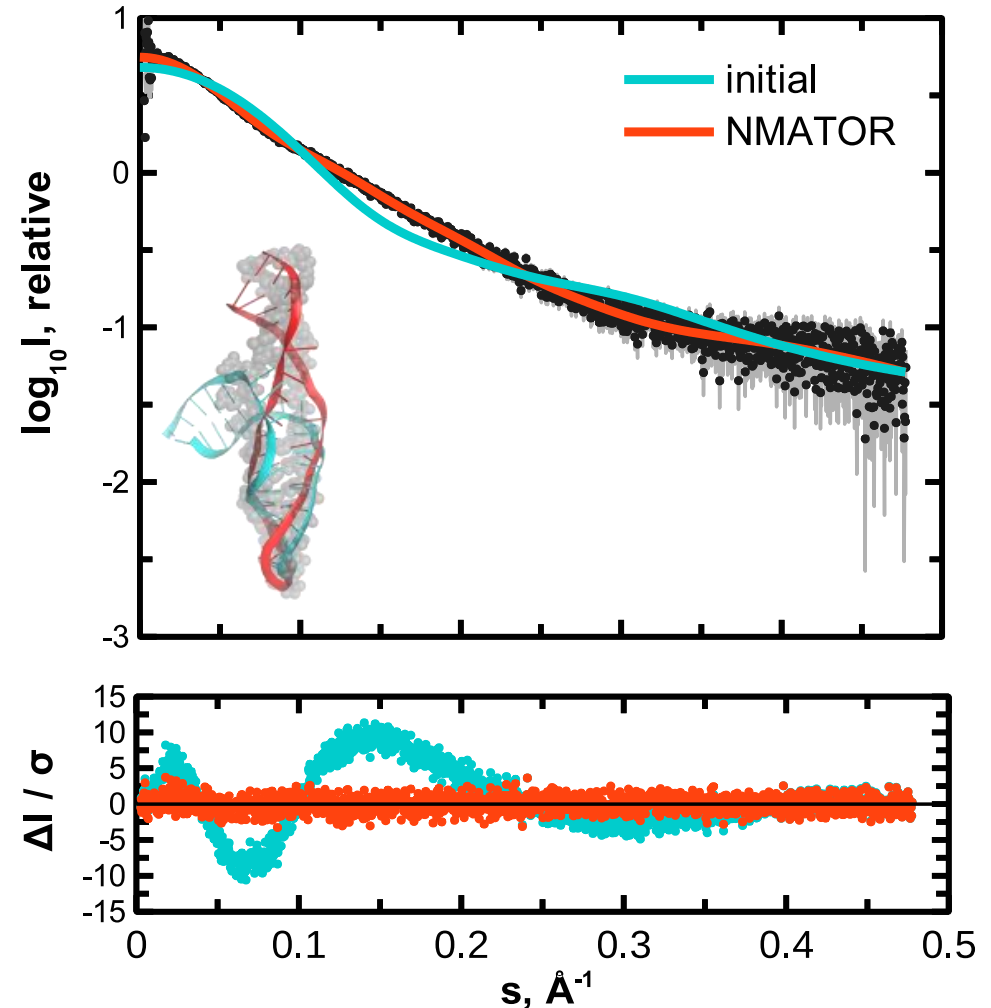
- **N**ormal **M**ode **A**nalysis in **T**ORsion angle space
- Models conformational change as a set of bulk dihedral angle rotations

Use cases

- single-strand RNA molecules, or cases that are too “broken” in SREFLEX

Usage

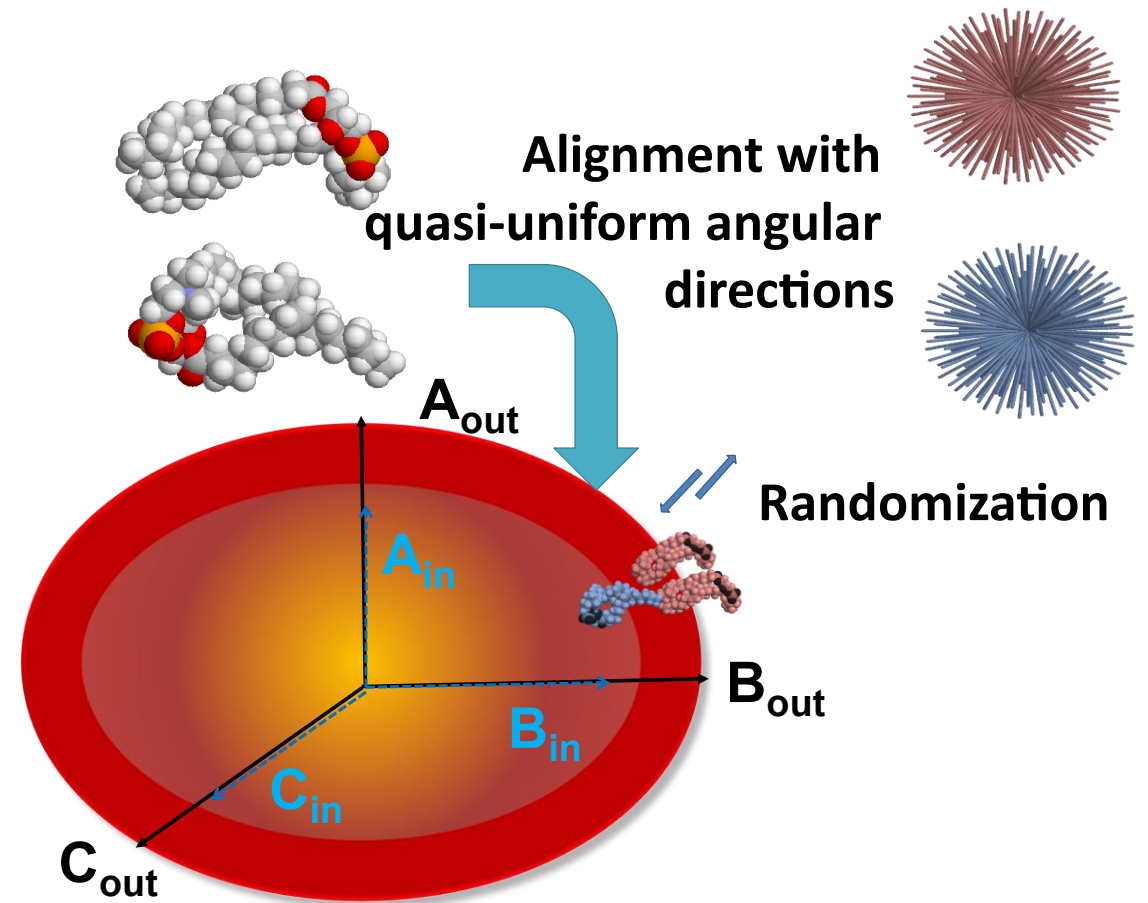
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Hybrid modelling

Auxiliary tool: **ELLIP**

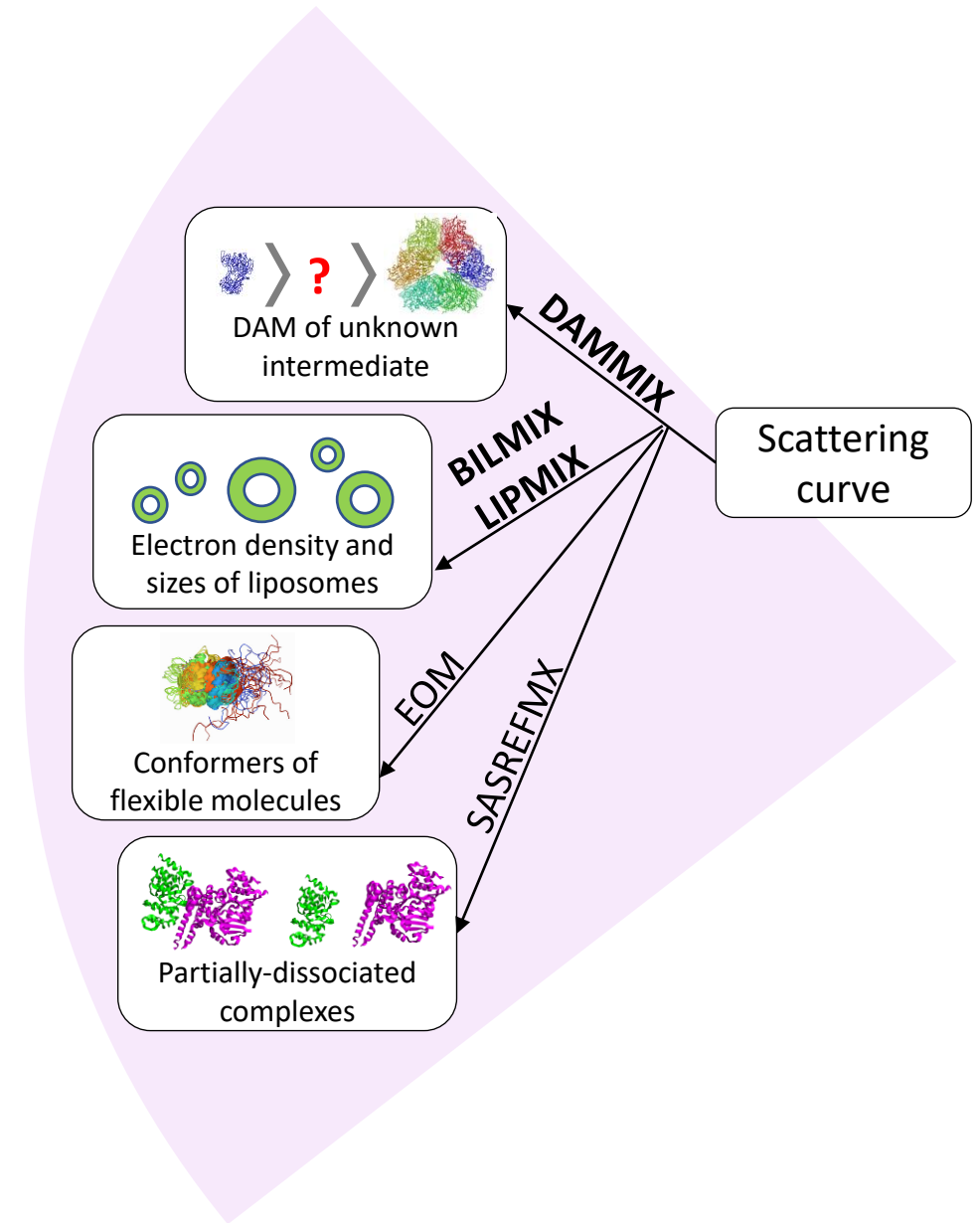
- Builds ellipsoidal liposomes (or other bicellar systems) from atomic structure of building blocks



Mixtures analysis

New programs

- DAMMIX
- BILMIX
- LIPMIX

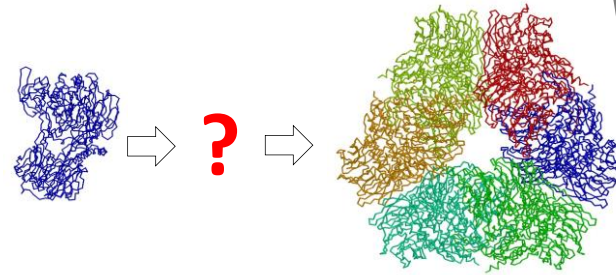


Mixtures analysis

DAMMIX

- Builds *ab initio* model of an intermediate, given known endpoints and SAS time course data

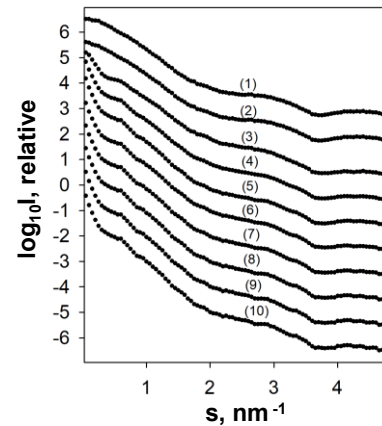
Evolving system



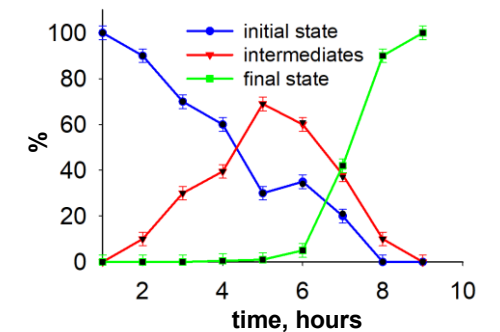
Shape of intermediate



SAS data from different time points



Volume fractions

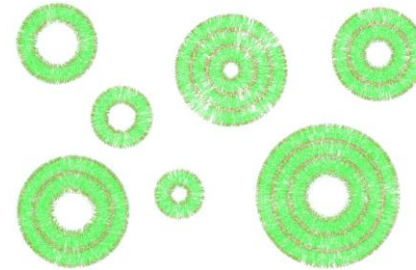


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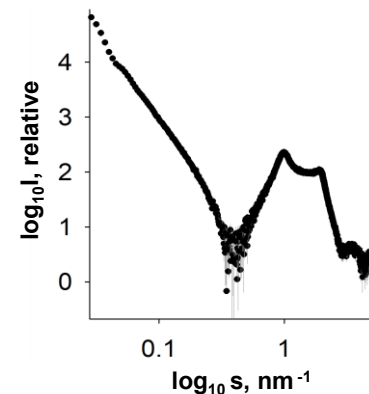
LIPMIX and BILMIX

- model the size distribution ($D_v(r)$) and electron density profiles ($\rho(z)$) of liposomes
- BILMIX: for anisotropy
- LIPMIX: for multi-layered liposomes

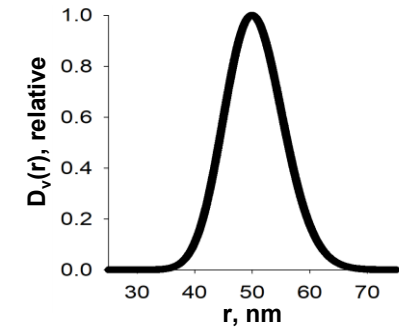
Lipid mixture



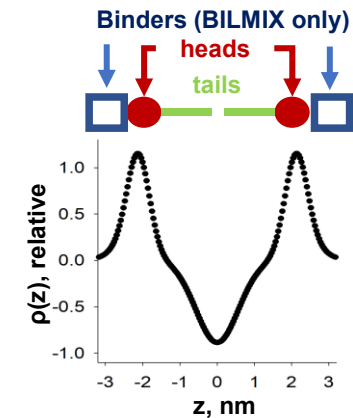
Experimental SAS data



Vesicle size distribution



Bilayer electron density



mmCIF support

- Native read support: BUNCH, NMATOR
- CIF2PDB
 - Converts mmCIF files to PDB format to facilitate use by other ATSAS programs

Summary

New programs

- data simulation
- specialized modelling applications (nonproteins and/or mixtures)

Technical updates

- Improved GUI (Primus)
- Partial mmCIF support

Access:

- Download: <https://www.embl-hamburg.de/biosaxs/software.html>
- Run on cluster ([ATSAS Online](#))
- Feedback welcome at [SAXIER forum](#)