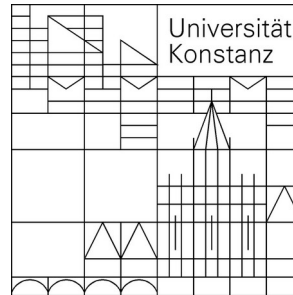


# *XDS usage - introduction and demonstration*

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# Outline

- 1) Introduction to XDS (XSCALE, XDSCC12, XDSGUI)
- 2) Process test data

# The *XDS* program suite

- Original author: Wolfgang Kabsch (Max-Planck-Institute Heidelberg)
- Since ~1986
- I joined 2007



# The XDS+ programs

- **XDS**: the main program - indexing, integrating, scaling, statistics
- **XSCALE**: scale several XDS intensity data sets together; zero-dose extrapolation; statistics
- **XDSCONV**: convert to MTZ / SHELX /... format (AIMLESS and CTRUNCATE are not needed!)

Programs independent from the XDS distribution:

- **XDS-Viewer**: inspect diagnostic images written by XDS, or (single) data frames (open source). *adxv* or *dials.image\_viewer* may be used instead.
- **XDSTAT**: additional statistics
- **XDSGUI**: graphical user interface for XDS, SHELX C/D/E, ARCIMBOLDO (open source)
- **XDSCC12**: (XDS) which frames are bad?  
(XSCALE) which data sets to re-index and merge?
- **XSCALE\_ISOCLUSTER** visualize relations and cluster

# Sources of information

- XDS main website: <https://xds.mr.mpg.de> ; download for Linux (WSL), Mac. complete, accurate, up-to-date documentation
- XDSwiki: <http://strucbio.biologie.uni-konstanz.de/xdswiki>  
Installation; data sets; documentation; download; links to e.g. Matthew J. Whitley's excellent tutorial given at CSHL 2018
- CCP4 bulletin board
- SBGrid talk (May 2020) at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3WU9NrILECo>
- Making a difference in multi-data-set crystallography: simple and deterministic data-scaling/selection methods. Assmann, G.M., Wang, M., Diederichs, K. (2020) Acta Cryst D76, 636 (serial crystallography, XDSCC12)

# Automatic processing with XDS

- beamline software (provides **XDS.INP**)
- scripts: **xia2** (CCP4), **autoPROC** (Globalphasing), **generate\_XDS.INP** (XDSwiki), **fast\_dp** (Diamond), *xdsme* (Soleil), *autoxds* (SSRL), *autoprocess* (CMCF), ...
- CCP4: *pointless*, *xdsconv* (type CCP4\_I+F, or CCP4, or CCP4\_I, or CCP4\_F)
- SHELX: *shelxc* reads XDS\_ASCII.HKL

# Principle of XDS processing

- There is one JOB= line in **XDS.INP** which specifies a list of tasks:

JOB= XYCORR INIT COLSPOT IDXREF DEFPIX INTEGRATE CORRECT

- data reduction is divided into tasks in a **modular** way
  - information storage/exchange/flow between tasks by data files which may be inspected/analyzed
  - each task needs the result from the previous tasks
  - fine-tuning of a task does *not* require previous tasks to be repeated
- each task writes its output file **<TASK>.LP**

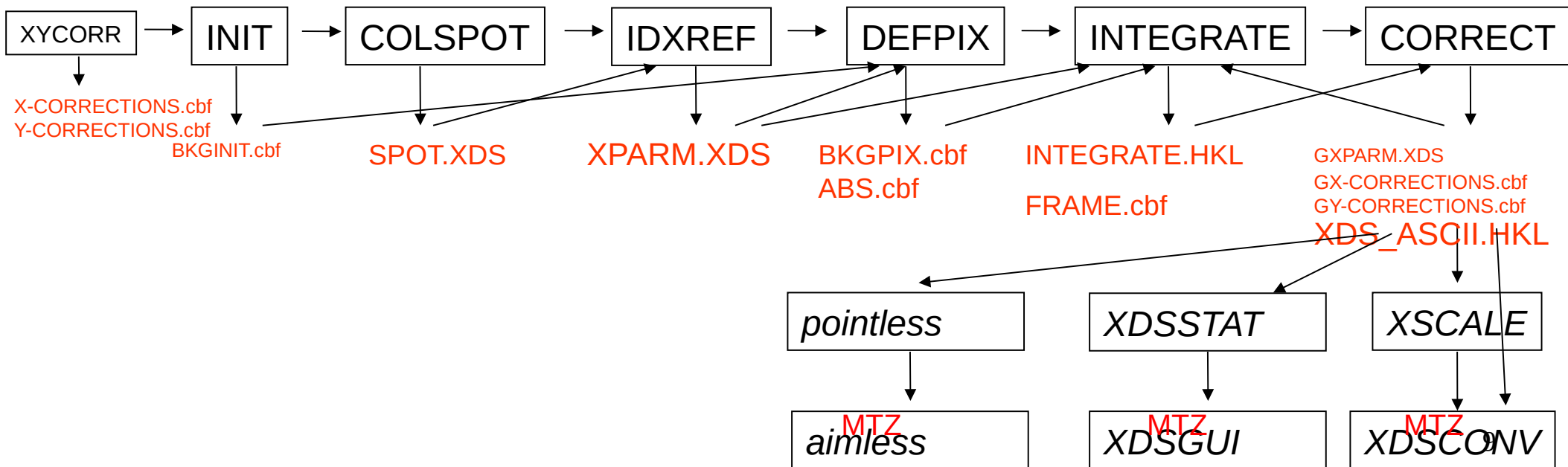
# The tasks are ...

- XYCORR : write positional correction files  
( **X-CORRECTIONS.cbf**, **Y-CORRECTIONS.cbf** )
- INIT : find background pixels (defaults usually OK)
- COLSPOT: find reflection positions
- IDXREF : "index" reflections; user may supply/choose spacegroup
- XPLAN [not required] : strategy for data collection
- DEFPIX : mask shadows on detector (use *XDSGUI!*)
- INTEGRATE : evaluates intensities on all frames, writes **INTEGRATE.HKL** and **FRAME.cbf**
- CORRECT : **scales**, rejects outliers, statistics, writes scaled, unmerged **XDS\_ASCII.HKL** (and other files)



# Information flow

|             |              |                    |            |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------|------------|
| NAME_TEMPLA | OSCILLATION_ | ORGX               |            |
| TE_OF_DATA_ | RANGE        | ORGY               | DATA_RANGE |
| FRAMES      | SEPMIN       | DETECTOR_DISTANCE  |            |
| DETECTOR    | STRONG_PIXEL | X_RAY_WAVELENGTH   |            |
|             |              | SPACE_GROUP_NUMBER |            |



# Example **XDS.INP**

```
JOB= XYCORR INIT COLSPOT IDXREF DEFPIX INTEGRATE CORRECT
ORGX=1546 ORGY=1552      !Detector origin (pixels); e.g. NX/2 NY/2
DETECTOR_DISTANCE=180    ! (mm)
OSCILLATION_RANGE=0.50   !degrees (>0)
X-RAY_WAVELENGTH=0.980243 !Angstroem
NAME_TEMPLATE_OF_DATA_FRAMES=frms/wga2-27_1_???.img      !No blanks allowed!
DATA_RANGE=1 360      !Numbers of first and last data image collected
BACKGROUND_RANGE=1 10 !Numbers of first and last data image for background
SPACE_GROUP_NUMBER= 19 !0 for unknown crystals; cell constants are ignored.
UNIT_CELL_CONSTANTS= 44.4 86.4 104.5 90 90 90 ! not required if spgr=0
REFINE(IDXREF)=BEAM AXIS ORIENTATION CELL DISTANCE
REFINE(INTEGRATE)=DISTANCE BEAM ORIENTATION CELL ! AXIS
ROTATION_AXIS= 1.0 0.0 0.0
INCIDENT_BEAM_DIRECTION=0.0 0.0 1.0
FRACTION_OF_POLARIZATION=0.99      ! SLS X06SA
POLARIZATION_PLANE_NORMAL= 0.0 1.0 0.0
DETECTOR=CCDCHESS      MINIMUM_VALID_PIXEL_VALUE=1      OVERLOAD=65000
DIRECTION_OF_DETECTOR_X-AXIS= 1.0 0.0 0.0
DIRECTION_OF_DETECTOR_Y-AXIS= 0.0 1.0 0.0
VALUE_RANGE_FOR_TRUSTED_DETECTOR_PIXELS= 7000 30000 !Used by DEFPIX
      !for excluding shaded parts of the detector.
INCLUDE_RESOLUTION_RANGE=50.0 1.3 !Angstroem; used by DEFPIX,INTEGRATE,CORRECT
```

**Bold keyword/parameter pairs are required. Complete documentation at**  
[xds.mr.mpg.de/html\\_doc/xds\\_parameters.html](http://xds.mr.mpg.de/html_doc/xds_parameters.html)

# Example **XSCALE.INP**

```
!===== EXAMPLE 3: specific reindexing of input data sets
!
!      Use of specific reindexing of input data sets for resolving
!      indexing ambiguities in the scaled output data set. This
!      happens if the crystal's space group symmetry is lower than
!      its lattice symmetry.
!
RESOLUTION_SHELLS= 100 10 6 4 3 2 1.9
SPACE_GROUP_NUMBER=78
UNIT_CELL_CONSTANTS=57.39 57.39 106.9    90 90 90
OUTPUT_FILE=scaf8_all_merged.hkl
MERGE=TRUE FRIEDEL'S_LAW=FALSE
STRICT_ABSORPTION_CORRECTION=TRUE
INPUT_FILE= ../xds-1_2/XDS_ASCII.HKL
REIDX_ISET= -1  0  0  0  0  1  0  0  0  0 -1  0
INPUT_FILE= ../xds-2_1/XDS_ASCII.HKL
INPUT_FILE= ../xds-3_1/XDS_ASCII.HKL
INPUT_FILE= ../xds-1_4/XDS_ASCII.HKL
INPUT_FILE= *../xds-5_1/XDS_ASCII.HKL
```

**Bold** keyword/parameter pairs are required. Complete documentation at [xds.mr.mpg.de/html\\_doc/xscale\\_parameters.html](http://xds.mr.mpg.de/html_doc/xscale_parameters.html)

Output file **XSCALE.LP** shows level of systematic error **ISa** before/after scaling.

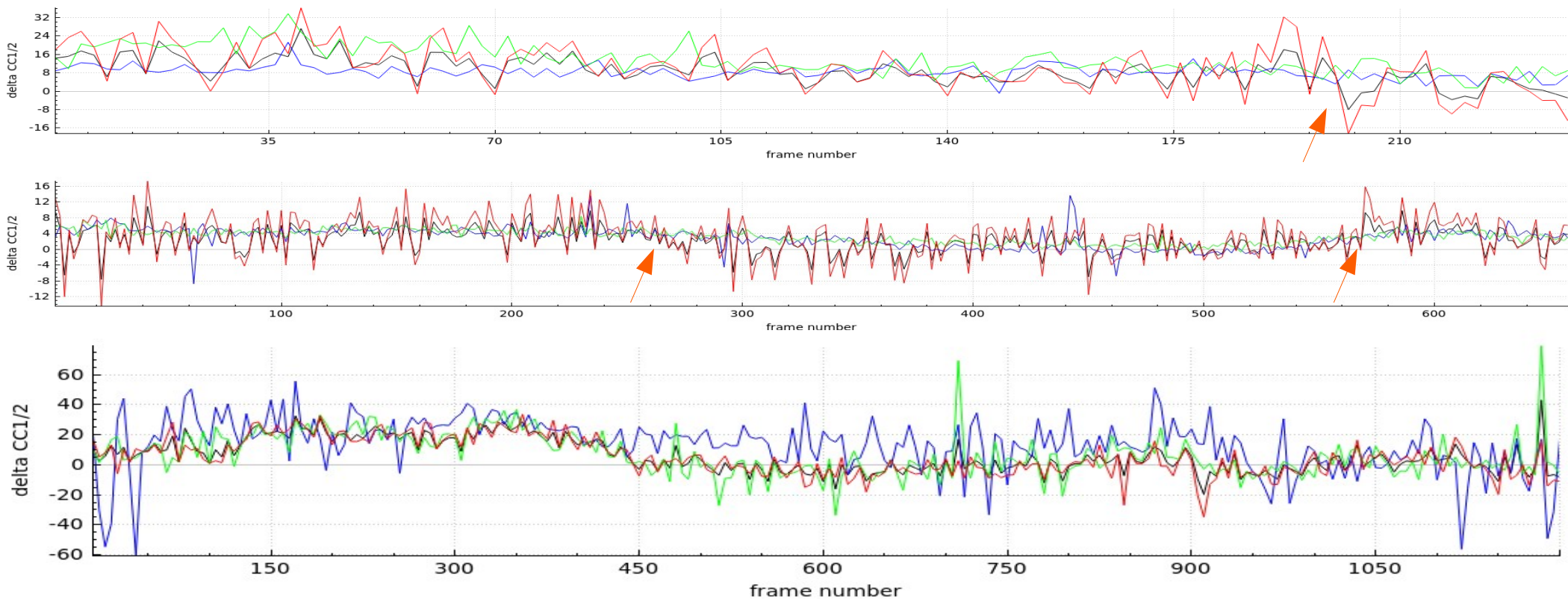
# Example XDSCONV.INP

```
! UNIT_CELL_CONSTANTS= 10 20 30 90 90 90
! SPACE_GROUP_NUMBER= 96
! GENERATE_FRACTION_OF_TEST_REFLECTIONS=0.05

INPUT_FILE=XDS_ASCII.HKL
OUTPUT_FILE=temp.hkl CCP4_I+F ! or CCP4_I or CCP4_F or SHELX or CNS
FRIEDEL'S_LAW=FALSE ! store anomalous signal in output file even if weak
```

**Bold** keyword/parameter pairs are required. Complete documentation at [xds.mr.mpg.de/html\\_doc/xdsconv\\_parameters.html](http://xds.mr.mpg.de/html_doc/xdsconv_parameters.html)

***XDSCC12***: calculates  $\Delta CC_{1/2,i} = CC_{1/2,with\_i} - CC_{1/2,without\_i}$



## Examples of single data sets (plots from *XDSGUI*)

three resolution ranges (blue=low green=medium red=high) - i refers to batches of width  $1^\circ$

- find bad frame ranges
- radiation damage

# xdsc12 for data from XSCALE

overall CC1/2: 99.784 nref= 29744 (but the overall CC1/2 is meaningless!)

<CC1/2>: 68.971 (frequency-weighted average of CC1/2 in resolution shells)

CC1/2 in resolution shells:

|      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 97.8 | 92.9 | 81.3 | 52.7 | 33.4 | 12.5 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

CC\* in resolution shells:

|      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.4 | 98.1 | 94.7 | 83.1 | 70.7 | 47.1 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

frequency, i.e. number of unique reflections in resolution shells:

|     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 970 | 1741 | 2257 | 2669 | 3005 | 3336 | 3604 | 3904 | 4104 | 4154 |
|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

headings for lines starting with a,b,c:

a: <CC1/2> of each dataset:

a: reflections of this dataset only      reflections of all datasets

a: set    nref    with without    delta    nref    with without    delta

b: delta-CC1/2 in resolution shells

c: # reflections for delta-CC1/2

|   |   |       |        |        |        |       |        |        |        |
|---|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| a | 1 | 27910 | 66.807 | 60.517 | 10.560 | 28672 | 66.486 | 60.349 | 10.249 |
|---|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|

|   |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |       |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| b | 30.906 | 29.045 | 30.431 | 27.944 | 34.663 | 27.727 | 23.134 | 14.772 | 13.087 | 5.266 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|

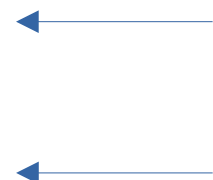
|   |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| c | 912 | 1654 | 2173 | 2527 | 2803 | 3169 | 3394 | 3679 | 3849 | 3750 |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

|   |   |       |        |        |        |       |        |        |        |
|---|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| a | 2 | 25492 | 68.433 | 61.215 | 12.423 | 26174 | 70.905 | 63.097 | 14.130 |
|---|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|

|   |        |        |       |        |        |        |        |        |        |       |
|---|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| b | 27.445 | 18.627 | 5.799 | 14.503 | 25.465 | 32.858 | 31.704 | 23.753 | 13.638 | -.254 |
|---|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|

|   |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| c | 858 | 1486 | 2064 | 2349 | 2517 | 2928 | 3153 | 3435 | 3317 | 3385 |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

output for two datasets  
in P1 that scale quite  
well



# xdsccl12 writes a sorted XSCALE.INP.rename\_me

```
SPACE_GROUP_NUMBER=      1
UNIT_CELL_CONSTANTS=      53.00      59.93      61.34  99.975 105.633 119.747
OUTPUT_FILE= temp.ahkl
PRINT_CORRELATIONS= FALSE
SAVE_CORRECTION_IMAGES= FALSE
FRIEDEL'S_LAW= FALSE

! median of delta-cc1/2 "only" values=      11.492
! noise (MAD) of these values=      0.932
! median of delta-cc1/2 "all" values=      12.189
! noise (MAD) of these values=      1.941
! median of delta-cc1/2-ano "only" values=      -2.201
! noise (MAD) of these values=      2.699
! median of delta-cc1/2-ano "all" values=      -2.010
! noise (MAD) of these values=      2.614
! input files sorted by deltacc12_only (highest first):
! deltacc12 only / all:   12.4231   14.1301 deltacc12-ano only /all:   -4.9002   -4.6243
INPUT_FILE=../xds_14_2/XDS_ASCII.HKL
! deltacc12 only / all:   10.5600   10.2488 deltacc12-ano only /all:    0.4976    0.6043
INPUT_FILE=../xds_14_3/XDS_ASCII.HKL
```

output for two datasets  
in P1 that scale quite  
well

# For important data, do not rely on automatic data processing

There are no clear-cut criteria for the quality of data set (“Table 1” is almost useless).  
Synchrotrons typically run multiple pipelines, and the user has to choose ...

What can go wrong in automatic data processing?

- does not handle radiation damage (discard frames towards the end of the data set)
- does not handle shadowed areas of detector
- does not handle indexing problems (multiple lattices, ice, ...) flexibly
- does not optimize processing

Automatic processing with GlobalPhasing's *autoPROC*, CCP4's *xia2*, HZB's *XDSAPP* is rather reliable for good data! **Difficult data sets typically benefit from human insight.**



# Manual processing with *XDSGUI*

- problems in phasing and refinement  
often due to bad / wrong data processing
- visually inspect frames; mask shadows
- optimize parameters, frame range,  
resolution cutoff ..
- presents tables as plots
- interfaces to *XDS* through its files, e.g. **XDS.INP**
- user – extensible / modifiable commands

# Manual checks are easily performed with *XDSGUI*

- before running *XDS*: check frames (*adxv*, *Albula*, *XDSGUI* ...)
- **Frame** tab: FRAME.cbf for match obs/calc, and masked areas
- **IDXREF** tab: for ice rings / indexed vs un-indexed reflections
- look at **indexing in reciprocal space**: **tools** tab/Further analyses/spot2pdb-coot command; see XDSwiki:XDSGUI#tools
- **statistics** tab: *XDSCC12* and *XDSSTAT*

# Optimize data processing

- XDSwiki:Optimisation#Re-INTEGRATEing\_with\_the\_correct\_spacegroup.2C\_refined\_geometry\_and\_fine-slicing\_of\_profiles  
XDSwiki:Optimisation#using\_the\_refined\_values\_for\_beam\_divergence\_and\_mosaicity\_for\_re-integration
- **tools** tab: “Saving and comparing good results” and “Optimizing data quality”. After changing parameters, run “JOB=DEFPIX INTEGRATE CORRECT”, compare and save if better/restore old if worse.
- consider use of *StarAniso* if anisotropy is strong (i.e. visible)  
... may make the difference between interpretable and non-interpretable map, substructure solution, ...

# Summary

Data processing is the crucial link between your experiment and your structure

- \* garbage in – garbage out!
- \* for important data, do not rely on automatic data processing alone
- \* manual checks are easily performed with *XDSGUI*
- \* try to optimize data processing – this converts noise to signal, and may enable structure solution, and/or improve refinement
- \* understand statistics (next talk)