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# Short Course on X-ray Absorption Fine Structure: Advanced Topics in Data Analysis and Modeling



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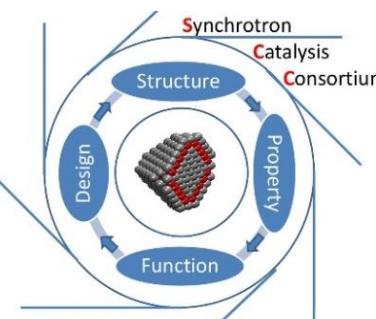
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At the cafeteria in Berkner Hall

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# Agenda at a glance

## Wednesday, Nov 1

9:00am	<b>A. Frenkel</b> Welcoming remarks
9:20am	<b>J. G. Chen</b> Synchrotron Catalysis Consortium (SCC)
9:50am	<b>A. Frenkel</b> Introduction and overview of XAFS
10:30am	<u>Break + photo</u>
11:00am	<b>A. Kuzmin</b> <i>The use of Molecular Dynamics simulations for the interpretation of EXAFS spectra</i>
12:00pm	<u>Adjourn for lunch</u>
1:00pm	<b>J. Timoshenko</b> Obtaining 3D structure from EXAFS spectra. <i>Part 1: Wavelet transform analysis</i>
1:30pm	<b>J. Timoshenko</b> Obtaining 3D structure from EXAFS spectra. <i>Part 2: Reverse Monte Carlo simulations and evolutionary algorithm</i>
2:30pm	<b>P. K. Routh</b> Resolving spectral mixtures: linear combination fitting, principal component analysis and MCR-ALS
3:30pm	<u>Break</u>
4:00pm	<b>N. Marcella</b> Machine Learning Analysis of XANES and EXAFS
5:00pm	<b>Q &amp; A: Instructors and participants</b>
6:00pm	<u>Adjourn for dinner</u>

## Friday, Nov. 3

9:00	Data analysis practicum Instructors: J. Timoshenko, A. Kuzmin, P. Routh, N. Marcella, R. Shimogawa, A. Frenkel
12:00pm	<u>Break for Lunch</u>
1:00pm	Data analysis practicum Instructors: J. Timoshenko, A. Kuzmin, P. Routh, N. Marcella, R. Shimogawa, A. Frenkel Discussion for all groups
5:00pm	<u>Adjourn</u>

## Thursday, Nov 2

9:00am	<b>A. Frenkel</b> EXAFS data analysis and modeling of mono- and bimetallic nanoparticles (demonstration)
10:00am	<b>J. Timoshenko</b> Software demonstration. <i>Part 1: Wavelet transform analysis</i>
10:30am	<u>Break</u>
11:00am	<b>J. Timoshenko</b> Software demonstration. <i>Part 2: Reverse Monte Carlo simulations and evolutionary algorithm</i>
12:00pm	<b>A. Kuzmin</b> Software demonstration for Molecular Dynamics simulations of EXAFS spectra: Part 1 <u>Adjourn for lunch</u>
12:30pm	<b>A. Kuzmin</b> Software demonstration for Molecular Dynamics simulations of EXAFS spectra: Part 2
1:30pm	<b>P. Routh</b> Python for XAFS ( <u>Colab, plotting, etc.</u> )
3:00pm	<b>P. Routh</b> Software demonstration for PCA and MCR-ALS
3:30pm	<u>Break</u>
4:00pm	<b>N. Marcella</b> Software demonstration for machine learning applications.
4:30pm	<b>Q &amp; A: Instructors and participants</b>
5:30pm	<u>Adjourn for dinner</u>

1. MD-EXAFS
2. RMC-EXAFS
3. PCA/MCR-ALS
4. ML-EXAFS

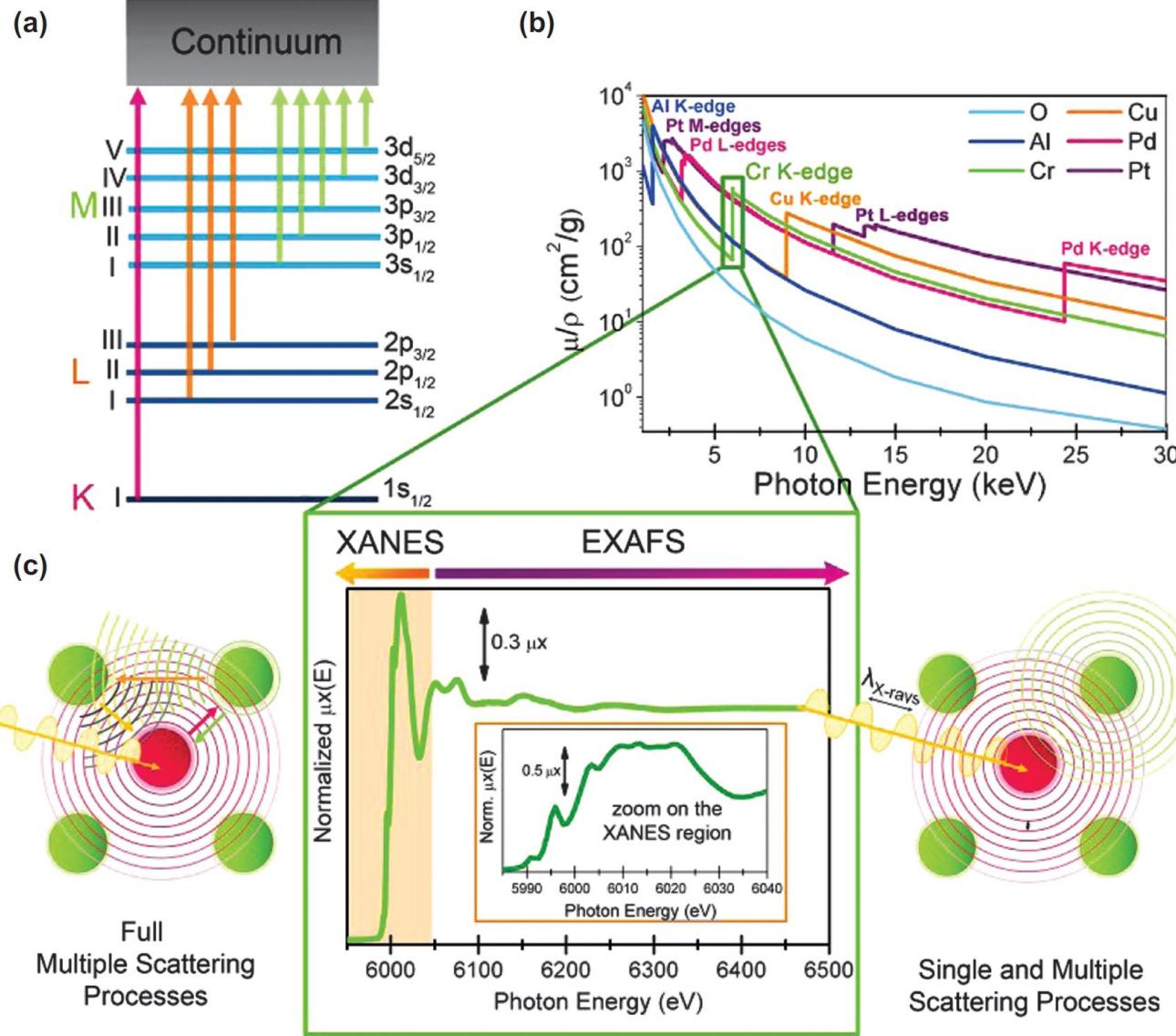
# Introduction and overview of XAFS

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# Absorption Coefficient and Fine Structure



XANES

$$\mu(E) \propto \sum_f^{E_f > E_F} \left| \langle f | H_{\text{int}} | i \rangle \right|^2 \delta(E - E_f + E_i)$$

$$H' = \vec{p} \cdot \hat{\varepsilon} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\rho(r, r', E) = \sum_f |f\rangle \langle f| \delta(E_f - E)$$

EXAFS

$$E = E_0 + \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

$$p = \hbar k = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$\psi_f = \psi_{out} + \psi_{sc}$$

$$\psi_{sc} \sim f(k) \frac{e^{ikr_j}}{r_j} \frac{e^{ik|\vec{r}-\vec{r}_j|}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}_j|}$$

$$\chi(k) = S_0^2 \sum_i N_i F_i(k) e^{-2\sigma_i^2 k^2} e^{-\frac{2r_i}{\lambda(k)}} \frac{\sin[2kr_i + 2\delta_l(k) + \theta_i(k)]}{kr_i^2}$$

## X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (XAFS)

X-ray Absorption Near Edge Structure (XANES)

Near Edge X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (NEXAFS)

Extended X-Ray Absorption Fine Structure (EXAFS)

### Information in XAFS data:

- Local atomic geometry
- Identities of nearest neighbors
- Coordination numbers of nearest neighbors
- Interatomic distances relative to the absorber
- Bond length disorder (static and dynamic)
- Charge states of absorbing elements

## Different levels of XAFS skill sets ≡ different levels of XAFS short courses

### Beginners

- Synchrotrons, beamlines
- Sample preparation
- Fundamentals of XAFS
- Theory of XANES
- Theory of EXAFS
- Basic principles of data analysis: XANES and EXAFS
- Software demonstration
- Data analysis practicum
- Beamline experiments (optional)

### Intermediate

- Fundamentals of XAFS
- Theory of XANES
- Theory of EXAFS
- Software demonstration
- Multiple scattering
- Complex systems
- Disordered systems
- New developments in analysis
- New developments in data modeling
- In situ/operando
- Data analysis practicum

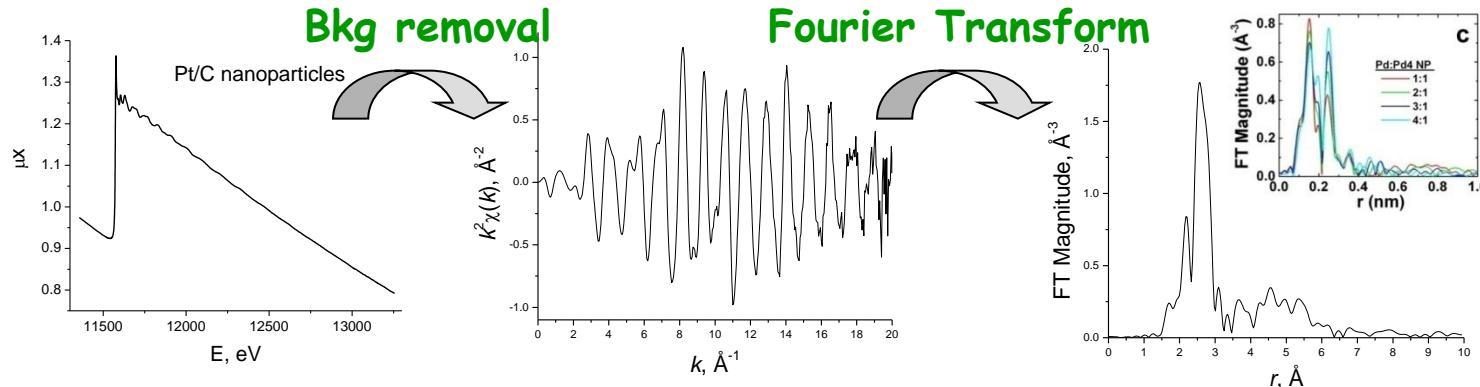
### Advanced

- MD-EXAFS
- RMC-EXAFS
- Wavelet Transform
- ML-EXAFS
- HERFD, RIXS
- Polarization dependence
- Pre-edge features
- Software demonstration
- Data analysis practicum

2023: in person

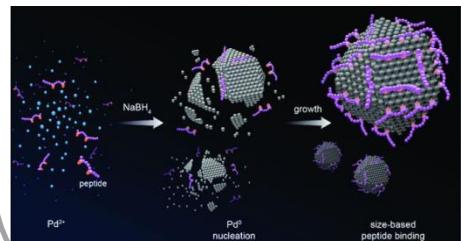
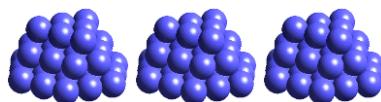
# Basic EXAFS data analysis

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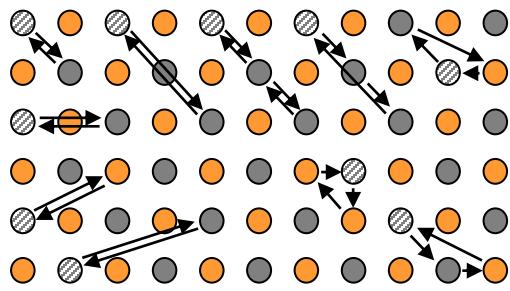


## II. Deciding on the model and refinement parameters

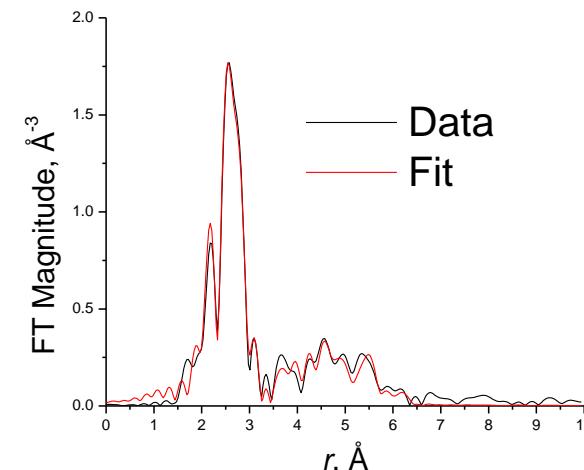
**Structural modeling**  
(different for homogeneous and heterogeneous systems)



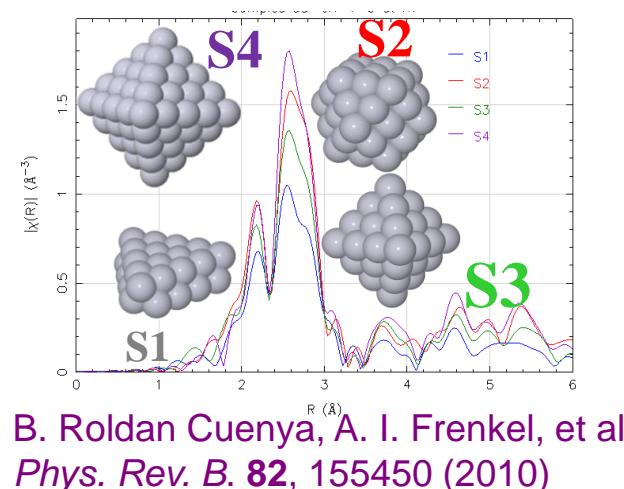
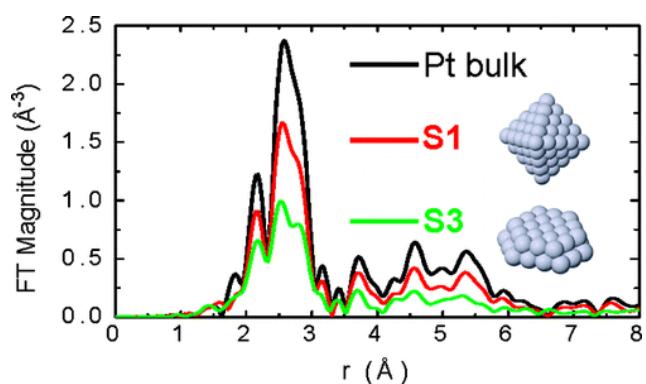
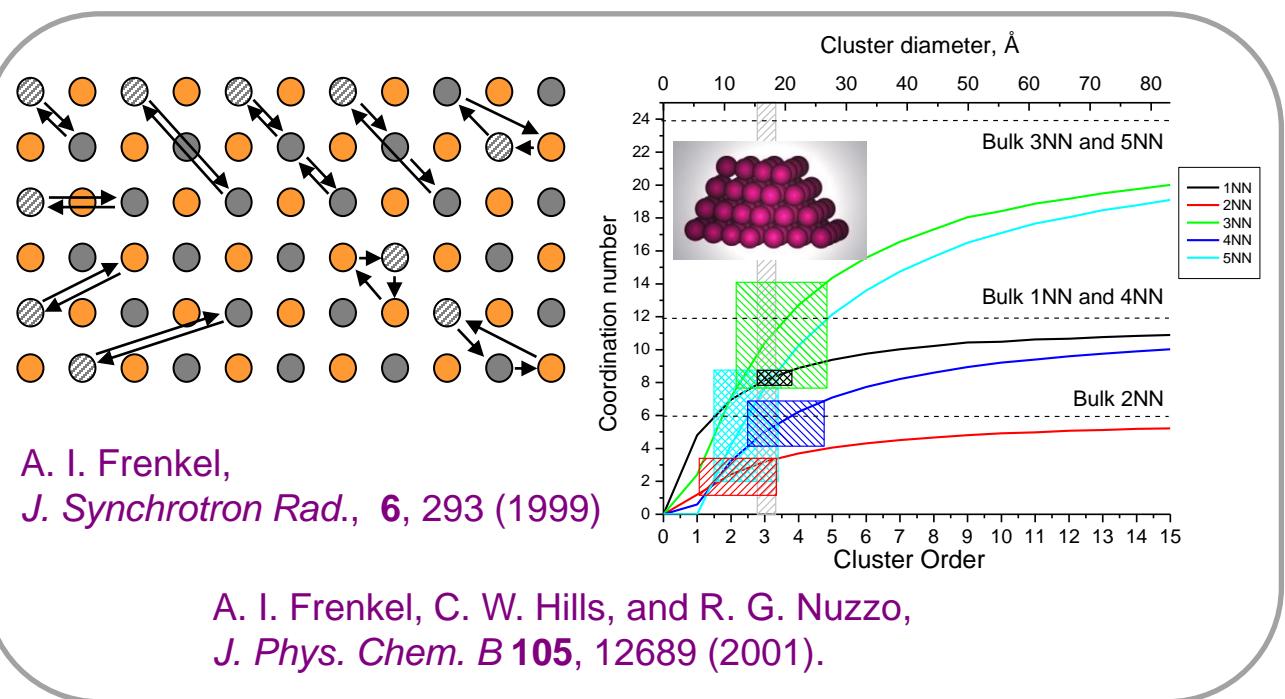
**Path expansion and FEFF modeling**  
 $f(k)$ ,  $\delta(k)$ ,  $\lambda(k)$



## III. Fitting theoretical EXAFS signal to the data

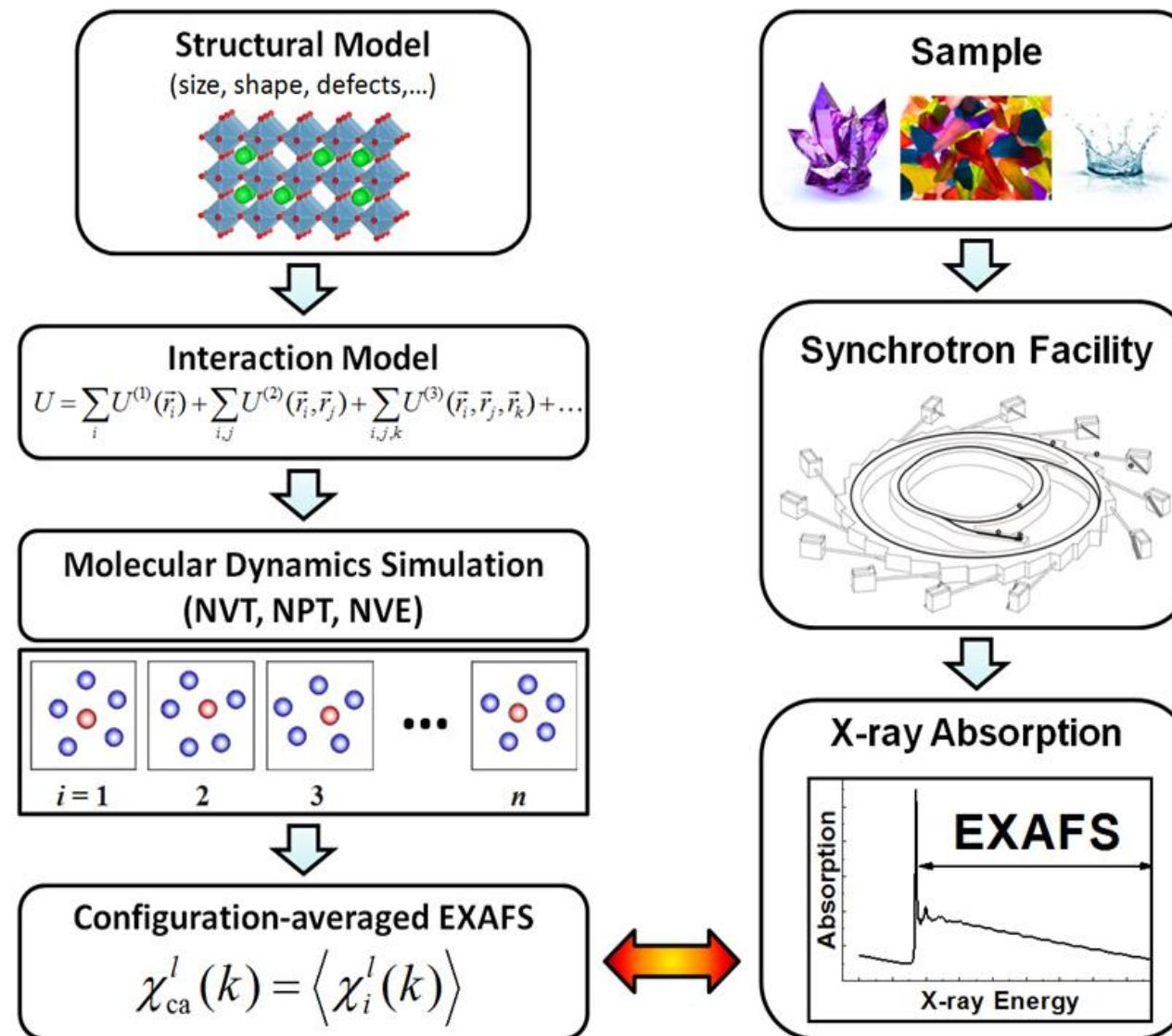


# Multiple Scattering (MS) in EXAFS: Nanoparticles

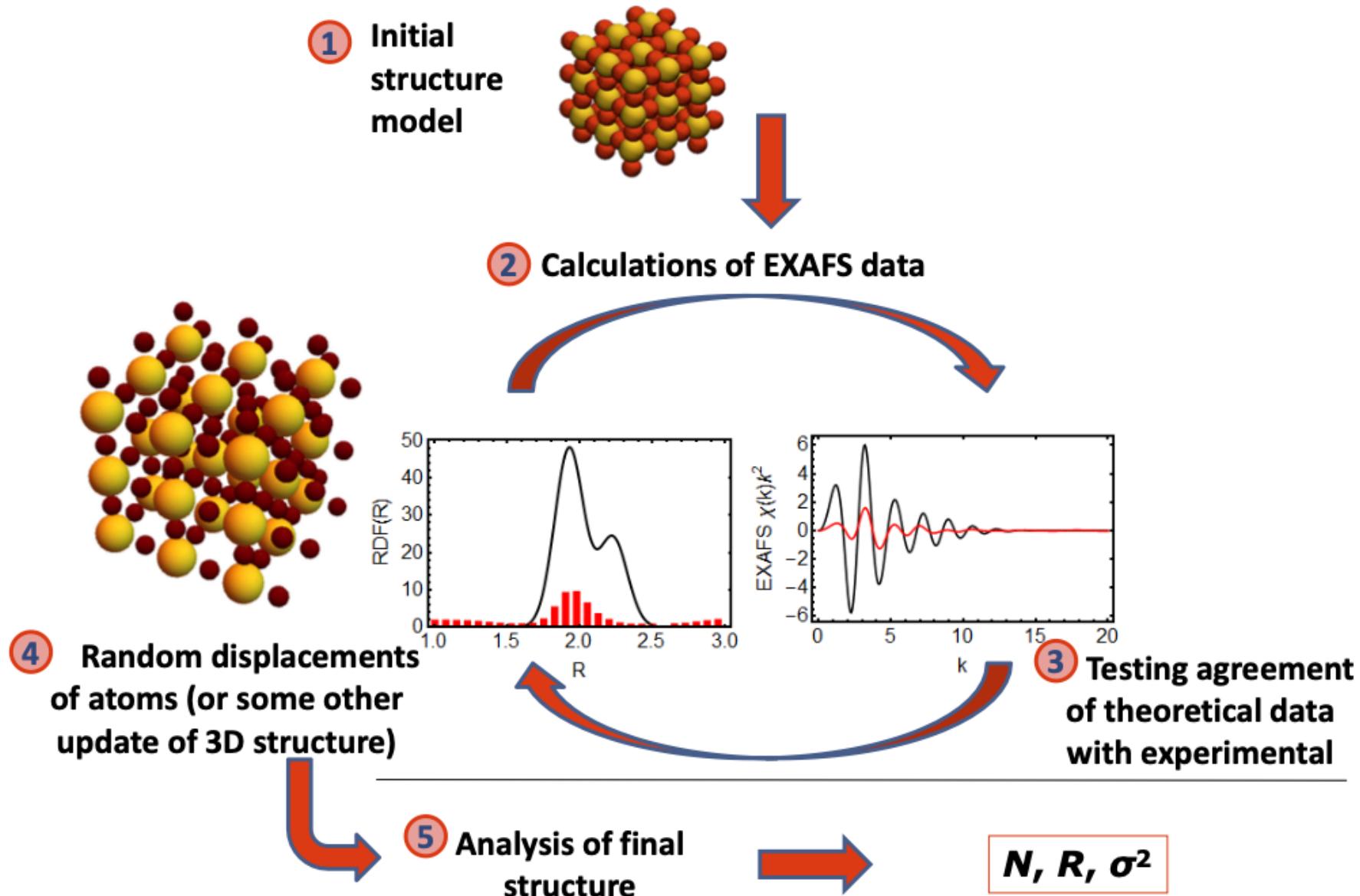


# Advanced analysis: Molecular Dynamics (MD) – EXAFS

## (A. Kuzmin)



# Advanced analysis: Reverse Monte Carlo (RMC) – EXAFS (J. Timoshenko)

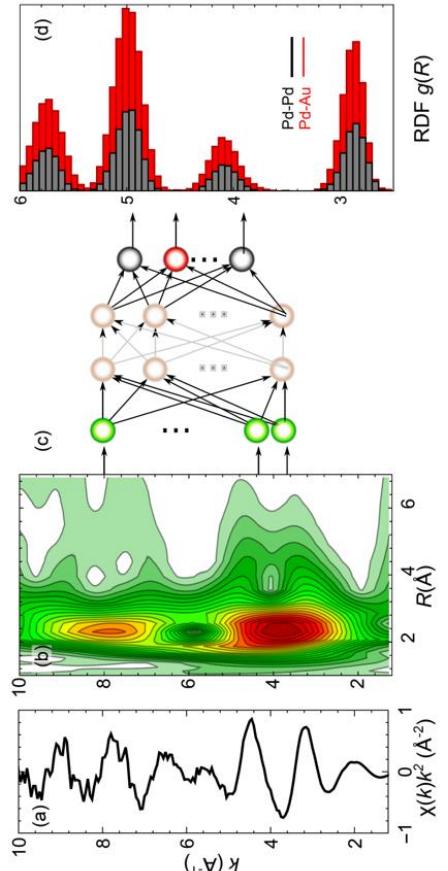
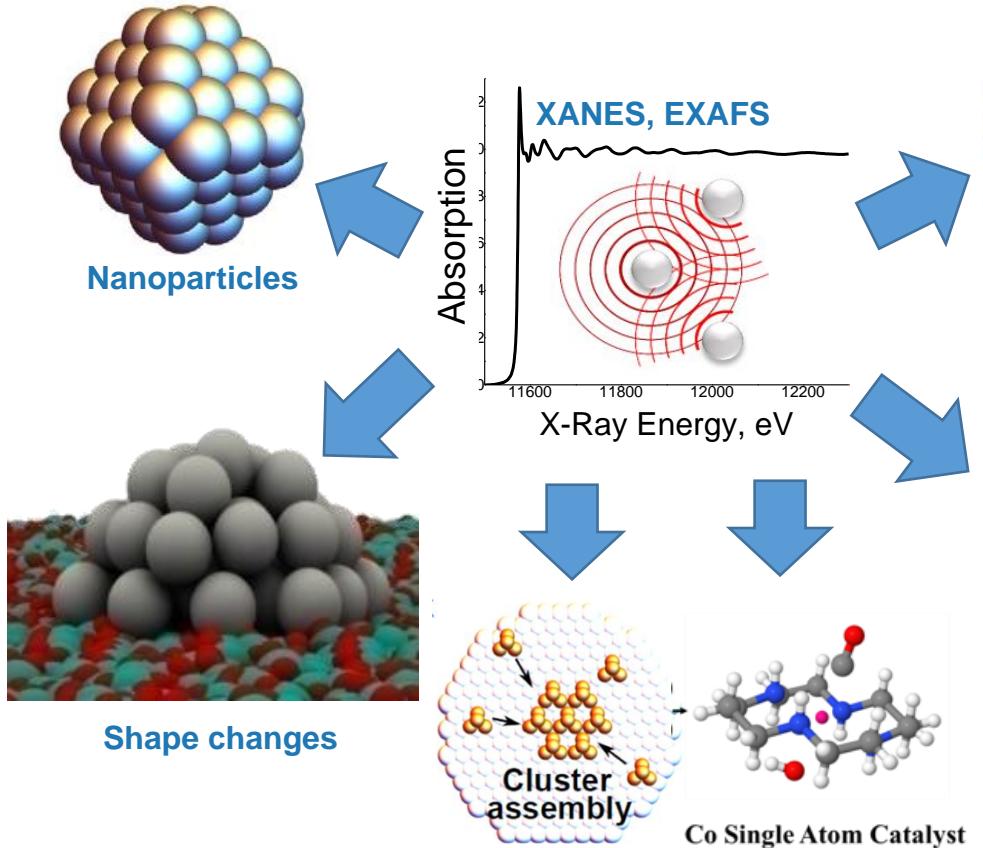
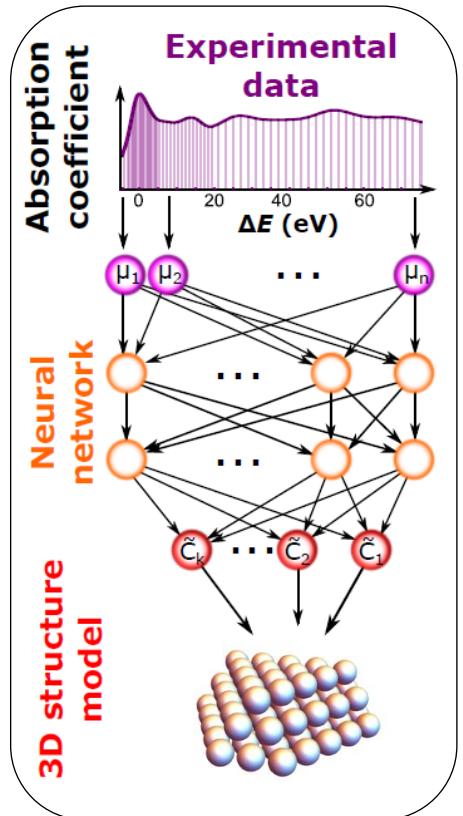
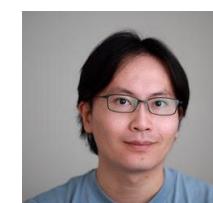


In the last decade: increased interest to XANES for advanced characterization:

- Machine learning-assisted inversion of XANES
- Speciation of heterogeneous mixtures using XANES

# From Spectrum to Structure: using Machine Learning

(N. Marcella, P. Routh, R. Shimogawa)



N. Marcella, P. Routh, S. Xiang,  
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R. Shimogawa, Y. Liu, J. Timoshenko

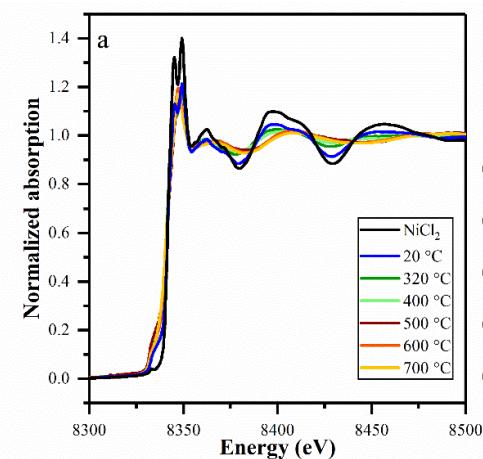
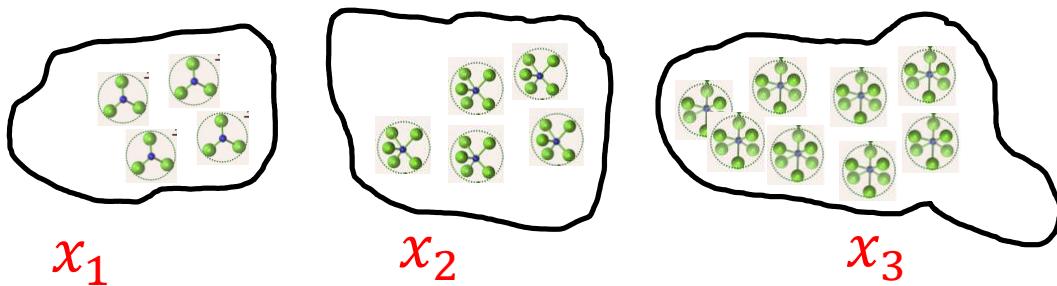
# Speciation of metal complexes (Prahlad Routh)



$$M = x_1 M_1 + x_2 M_2 + x_3 M_3 + \dots$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots = 1$$

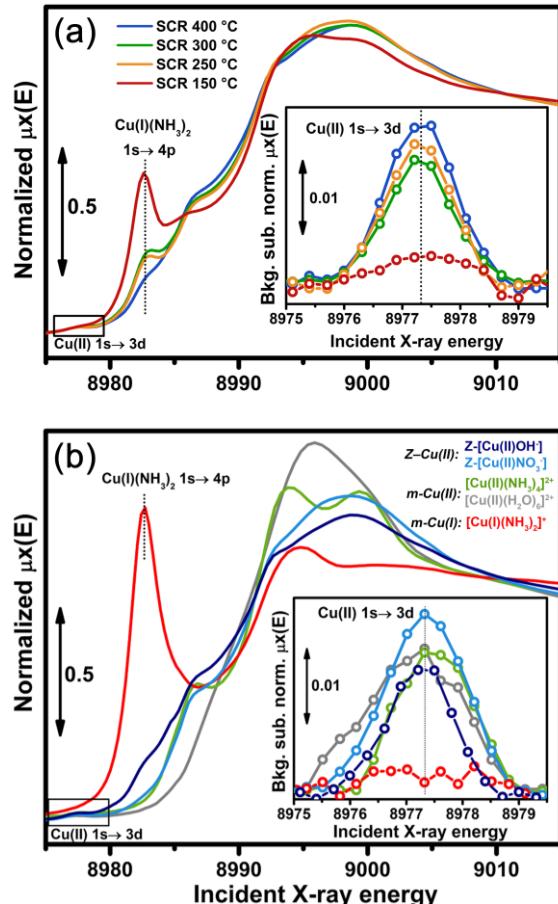
$$\mu(E) = x_1 \mu_1 + x_2 \mu_2 + x_3 \mu_3 + \dots$$



- ❖ Linear combination fitting
- ❖ Principal component analysis
- ❖ MCR-ALS
- ❖ Under development:  
MCR-ALS + Machine Learning

# Linear Combination Fitting

$$\mu(E) = x_1\mu_1 + x_2\mu_2 + x_3\mu_3 + \dots$$



500 ppm NO, 500 ppm NH<sub>3</sub>  
10% O<sub>2</sub>, 5% H<sub>2</sub>O



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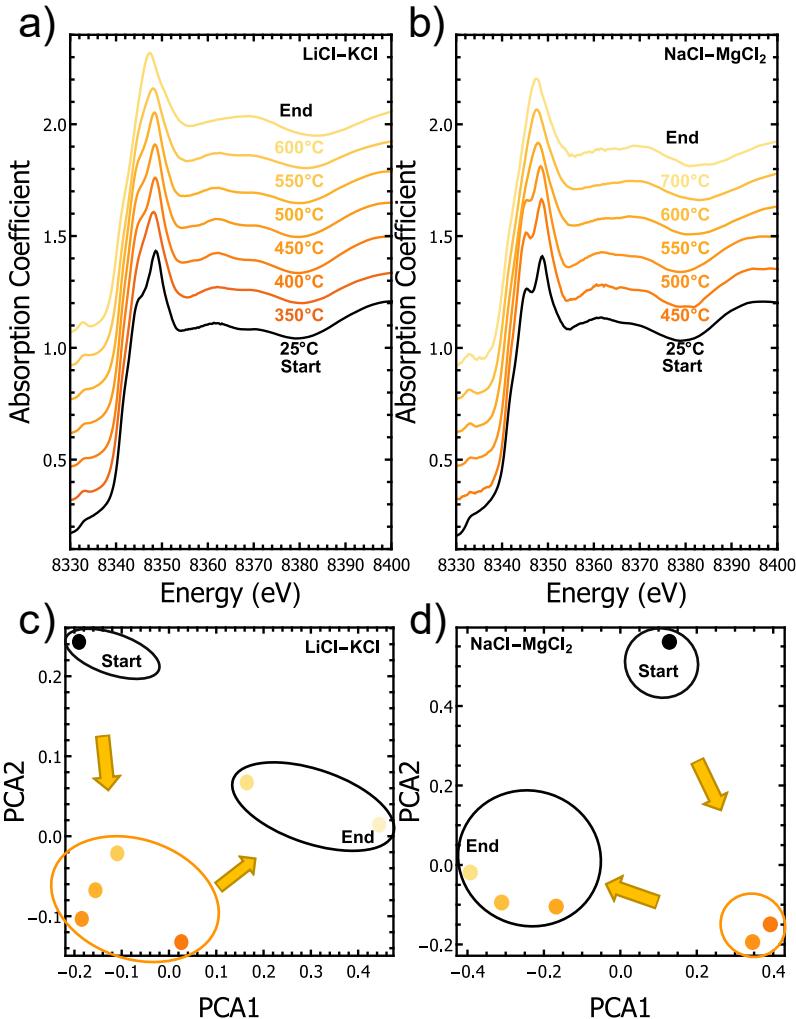
## The Cu-CHA deNO<sub>x</sub> Catalyst in Action: Temperature-Dependent NH<sub>3</sub>-Assisted Selective Catalytic Reduction Monitored by Operando XAS and XES

Kirill A. Lomachenko,<sup>†,‡</sup> Elisa Borfecchia,<sup>\*,†</sup> Chiara Negri,<sup>†</sup> Gloria Berlier,<sup>†</sup> Carlo Lamberti,<sup>†,‡</sup> Pablo Beato,<sup>§</sup> Hanne Falsig,<sup>§</sup> and Silvia Bordiga<sup>†</sup>

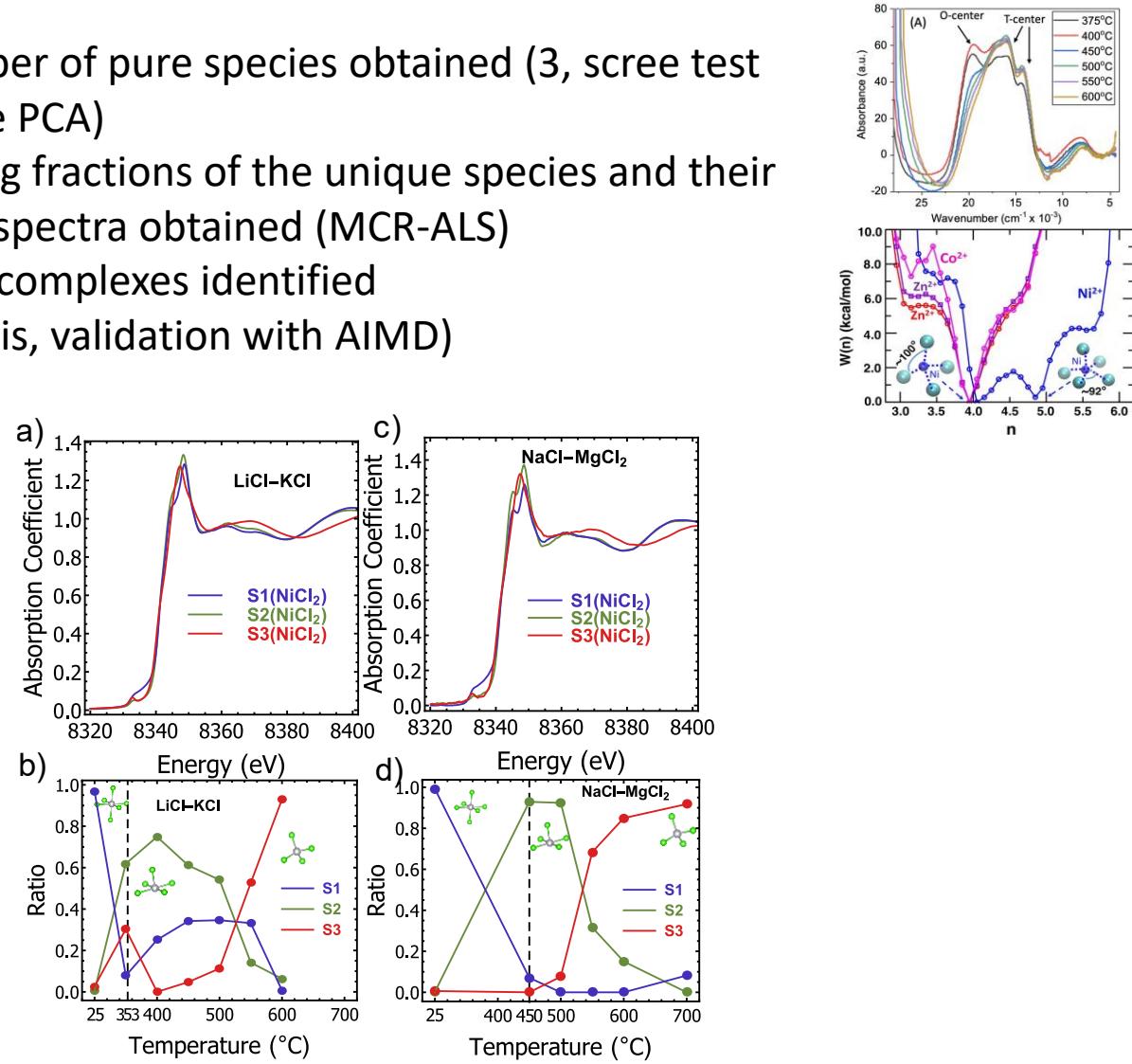
Cu-type (Dominant) Cu-species	Z-Cu(II)	m-Cu(II)	m-Cu(I)	
Molecular geometry				
XAS data collection conditions	50%O <sub>2</sub> /He 400 °C	1000 ppm NO/10%O <sub>2</sub> /He 200 °C	Solution phase RT	Solution phase RT
Pertinent Cu-CHA <i>in situ</i> states	ca. 80% total Cu	1000 ppm NO/10%O <sub>2</sub> /He 200 °C	1200 ppm NH <sub>3</sub> /He 200 °C ca. 75% total Cu	Hydrated, RT ca. 100% total Cu  1000 ppm NO/ 1200 ppm NH <sub>3</sub> /He 200 °C ca. 100 % total Cu

# Multivariate Curve Resolution-Alternating Least Squares (MCR-ALS)

$$\mu(E) = x_1\mu_1 + x_2\mu_2 + x_3\mu_3 + \dots$$



- Number of pure species obtained (3, scree test of the PCA)
- Mixing fractions of the unique species and their pure spectra obtained (MCR-ALS)
- Ni-Cl complexes identified (UV-Vis, validation with AIMD)



# Information in XAFS data:

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- Local atomic geometry
- Coordination numbers of nearest neighbors
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- Bond length disorder (static and dynamic)
- Charge states of absorbing elements

## Materials properties

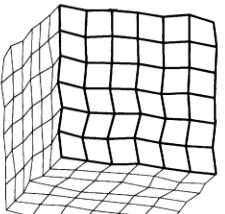
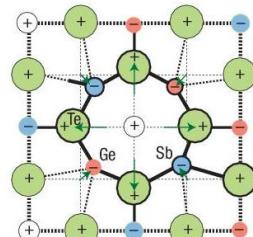


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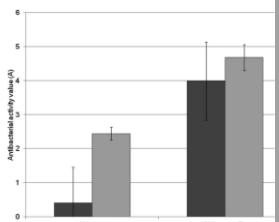
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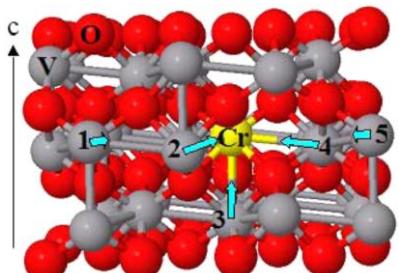


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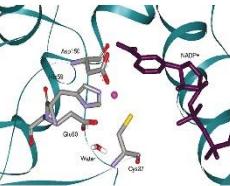
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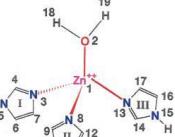


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## Structural biology

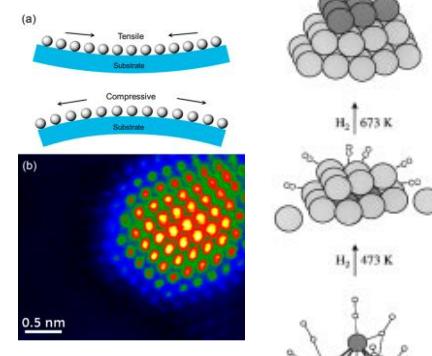


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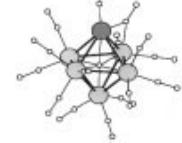


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## Catalytic mechanisms

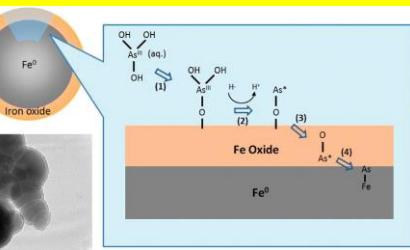


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## Environmental science

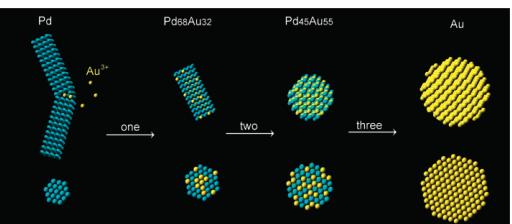


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## Nanoparticles

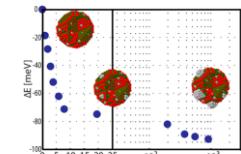


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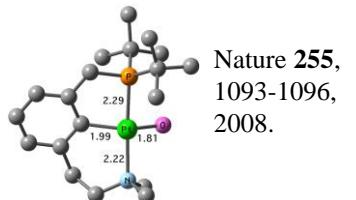


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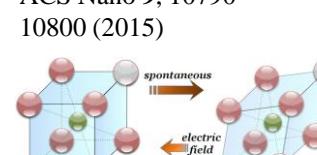
## Novel materials



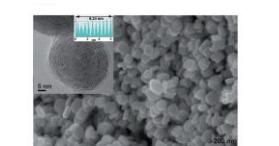
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IXAS: The International X-ray Absorption Society

<https://xrayabsorption.org/>

SCC: Synchrotron Catalysis Consortium at BNL:

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## Hands-on session

