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Analytical Method for Observed Powder Diffraction Intensity Data Based on Maximum Likelihood Estimation

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$\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3\text{F}$ (fluoroapatite), PbSO_4 (anglesite), BaSO_4 (barite), $\text{Ln}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_3$

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→ **Use Appropriate Values for Experimental Errors !**

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(3) σ_r : Error proportional to intensity (Toraya 1998, 2000)

Incompleteness of count-loss correction (?) and/or peak profile model (?)

$$\sigma_r^2 = C_r y_{\text{calc}}^2$$

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How can we optimize the statistical model including two unknowns C_p & C_r in variance to fit experimental data ?

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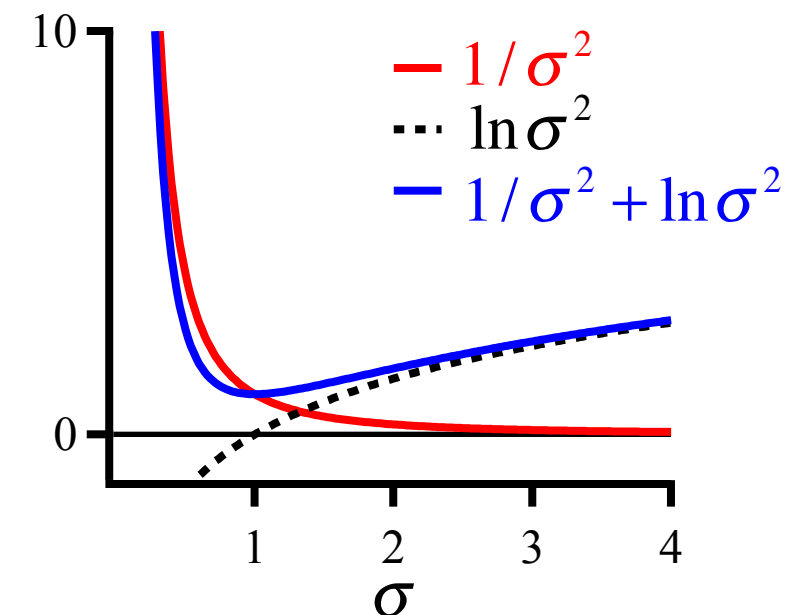
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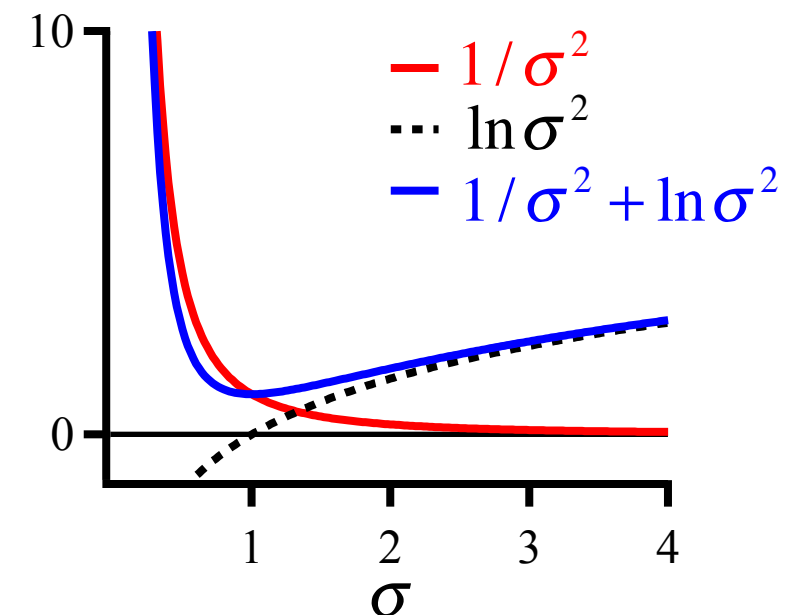
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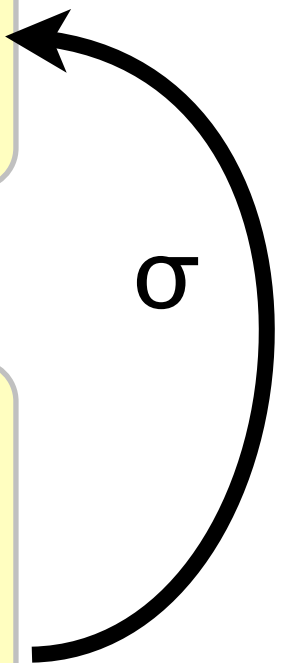
Optimization of structure and profile models
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$\Delta, \{y_1, \dots, y_M\}$

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Maximum-likelihood solution of structure, profile and error models will be obtained, when no change is observed on further iteration (typically 2~3 iterations are needed).

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Optimization
(with MIN)

Give me Δ & $\{y_1, \dots, y_M\}$, as OUTPUT, and Allow σ as INPUT

Rietveld method

$\Delta, \{y_1, \dots, y_M\}$

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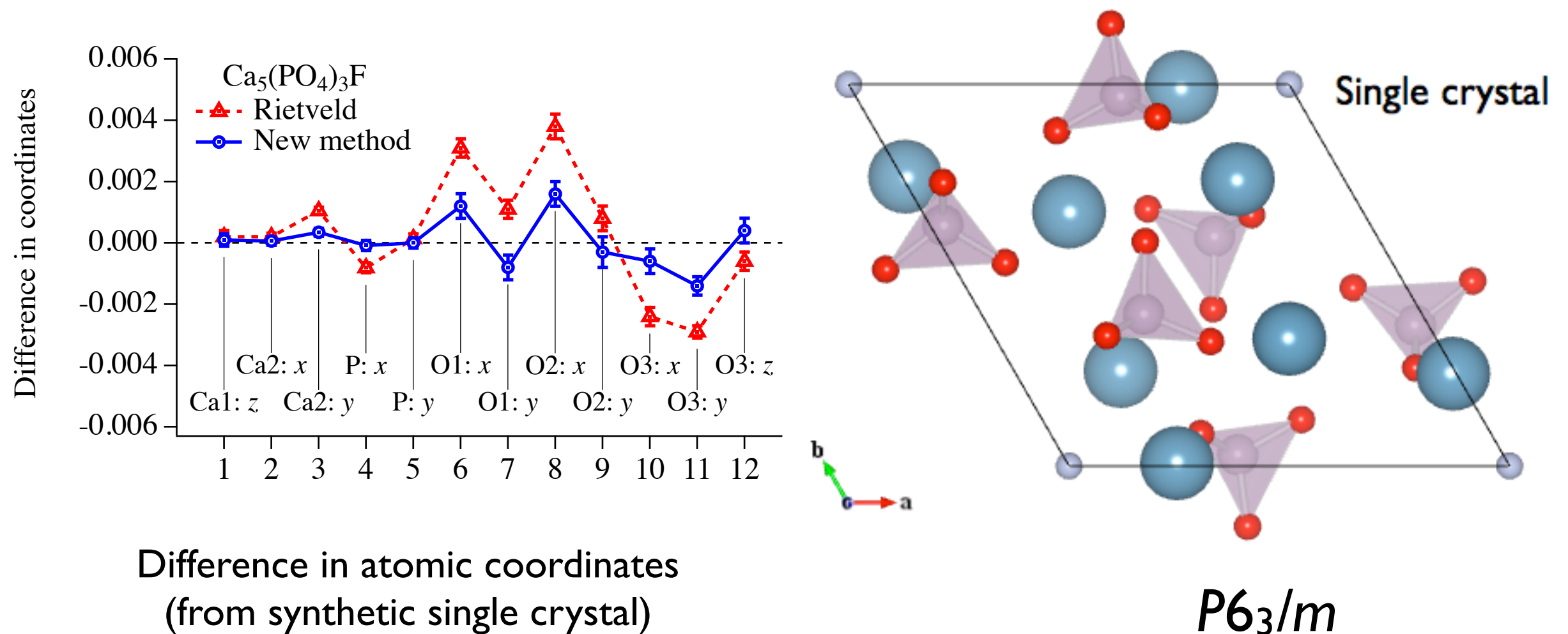
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Ida-Izumi cycle (!)

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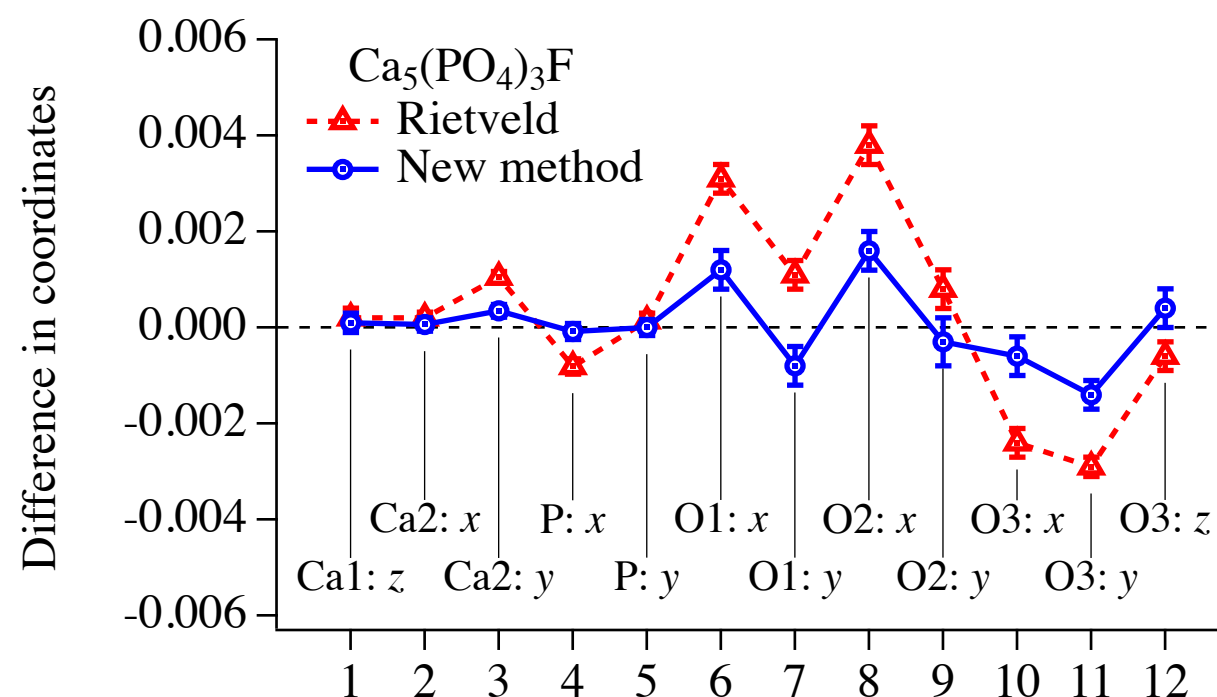


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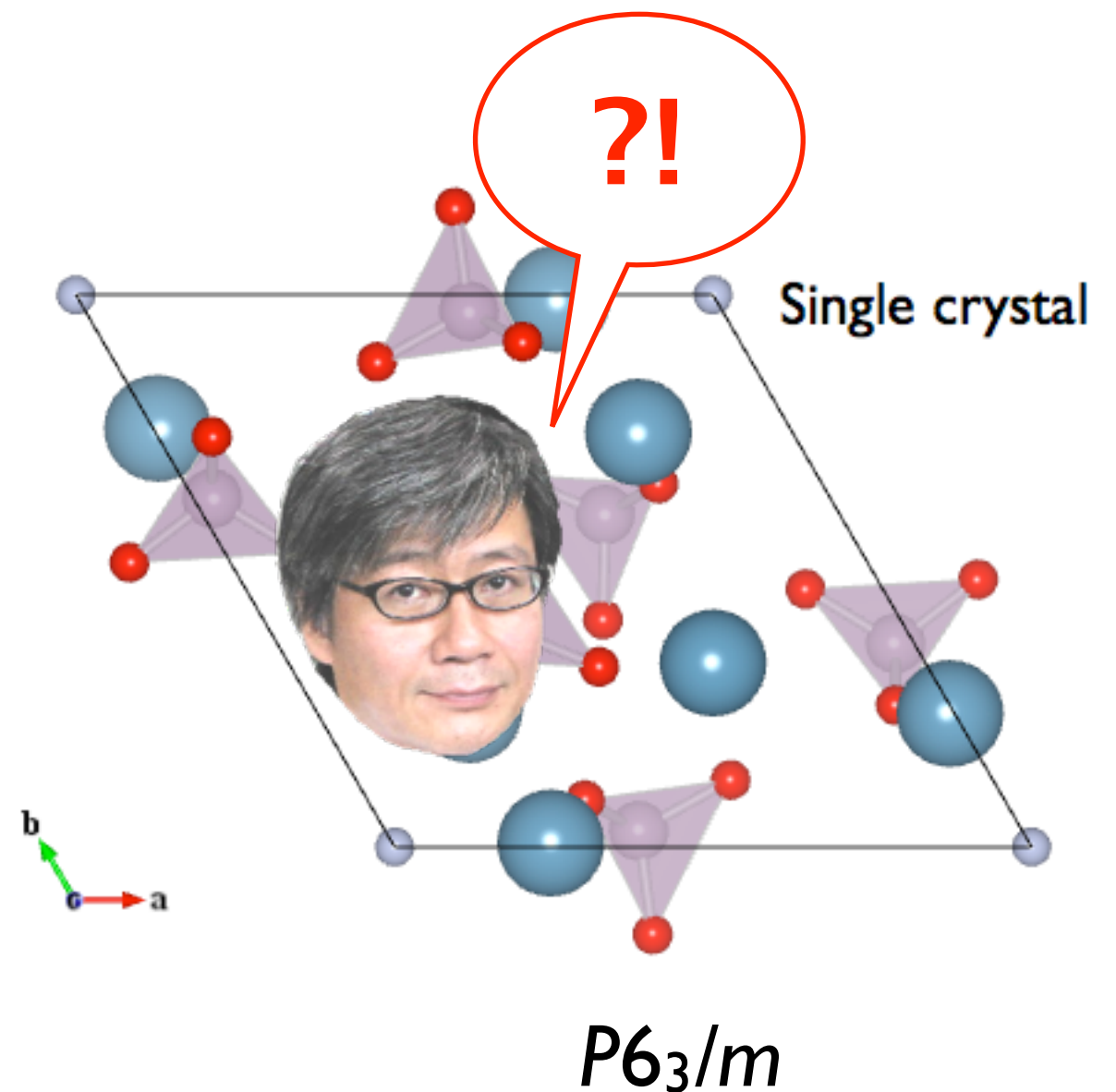
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Difference in atomic coordinates
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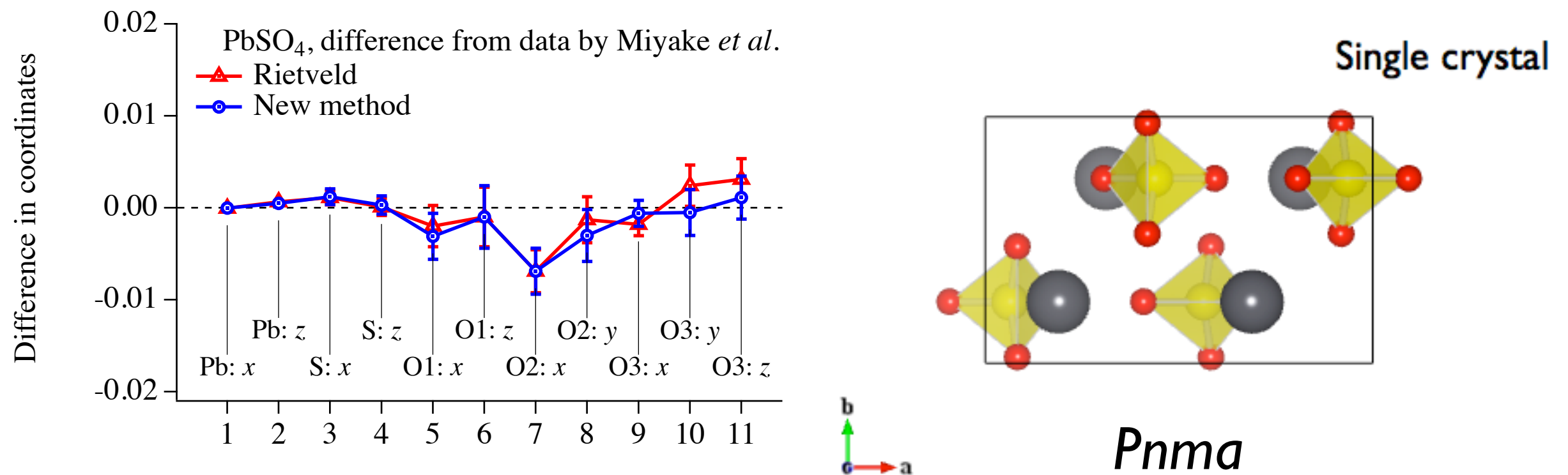


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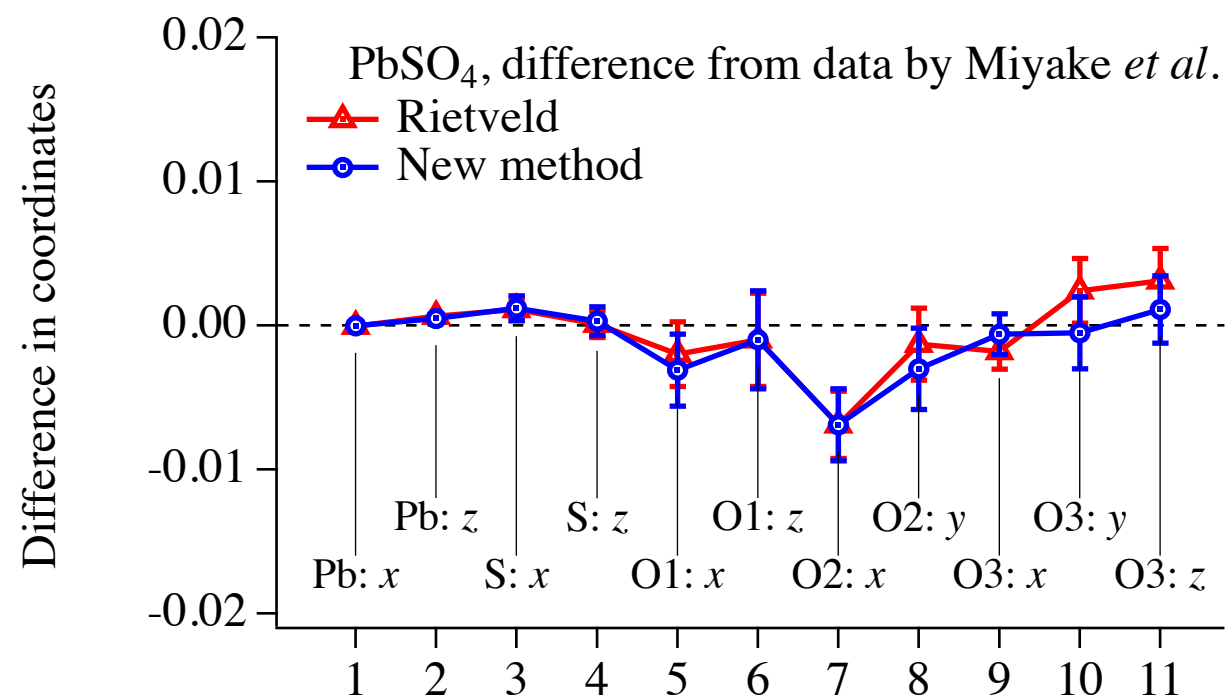
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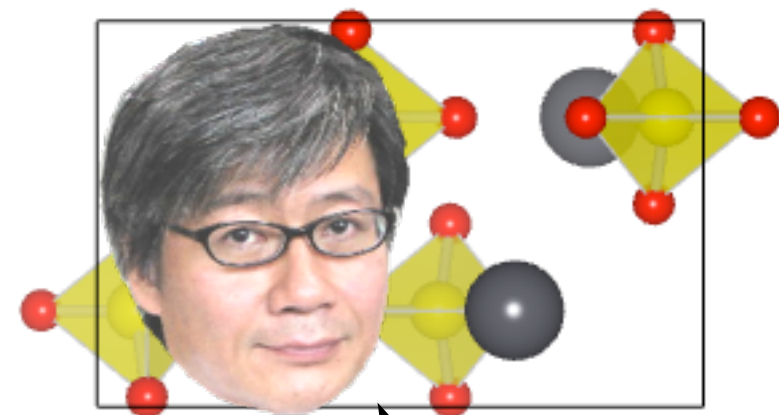
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Disappointed ?



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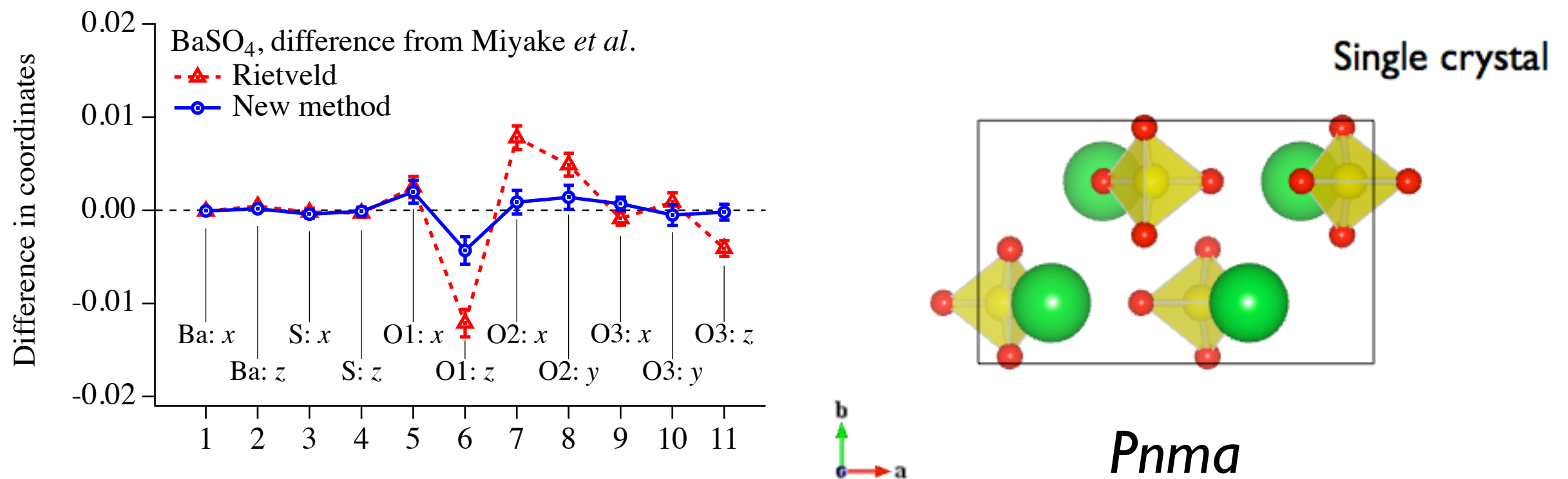
Not at all !

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Results (3/4) BaSO₄ (powder data attached to *RIETAN-FP*)

Comparison with single-crystal data

Spherical 0.15 mm Φ (Miyake *et al.* 1978), 0.33 $\times$ 0.25 $\times$ 0.15 mm³ (Lee *et al.* 2005)



Difference in atomic coordinates
(from results by Miyake *et al.*)

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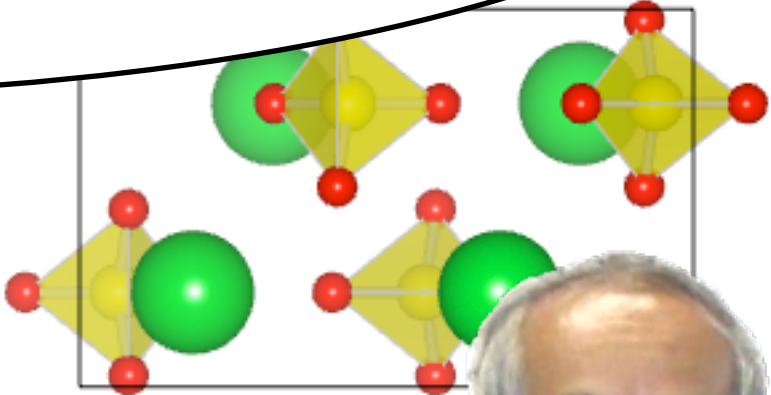
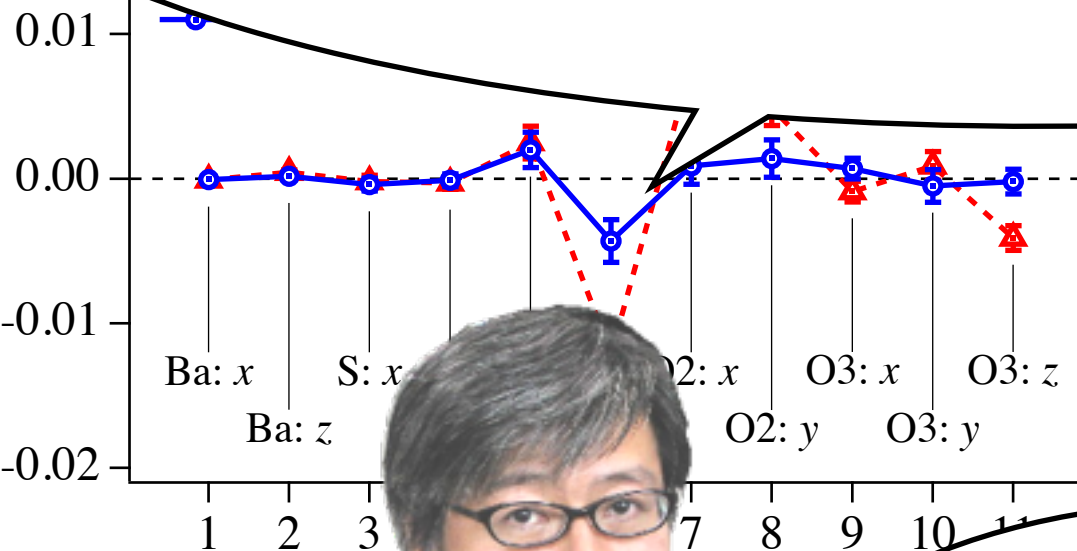
(Maximum Likelihood Estimation: < 1920)
+ (Particle Statistics: 1948)
= (NEW method) ?



twitter

single crystal

Difference in coordinates



Pnma

Difference in atomic coordinates
(from results by Miyake)

You may call it a NEW method !!



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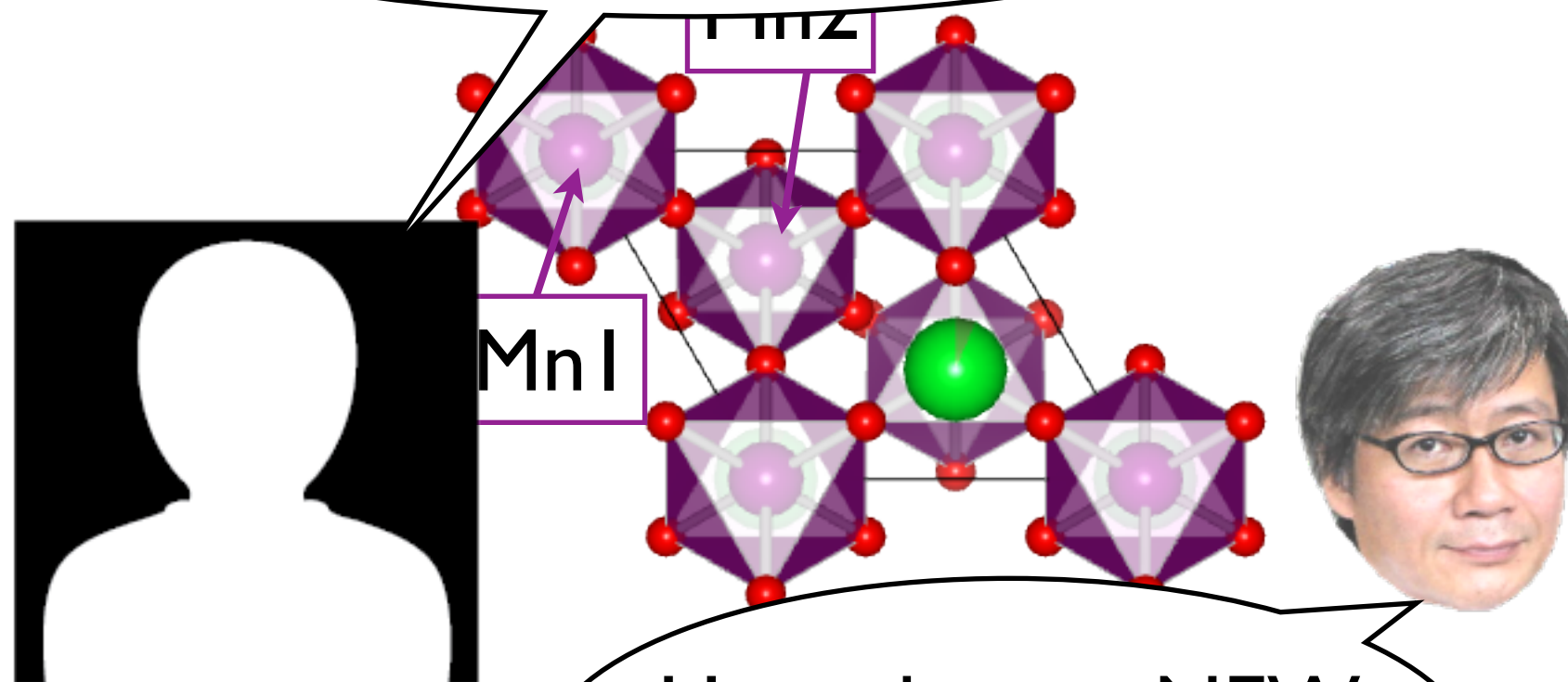
single-crystal

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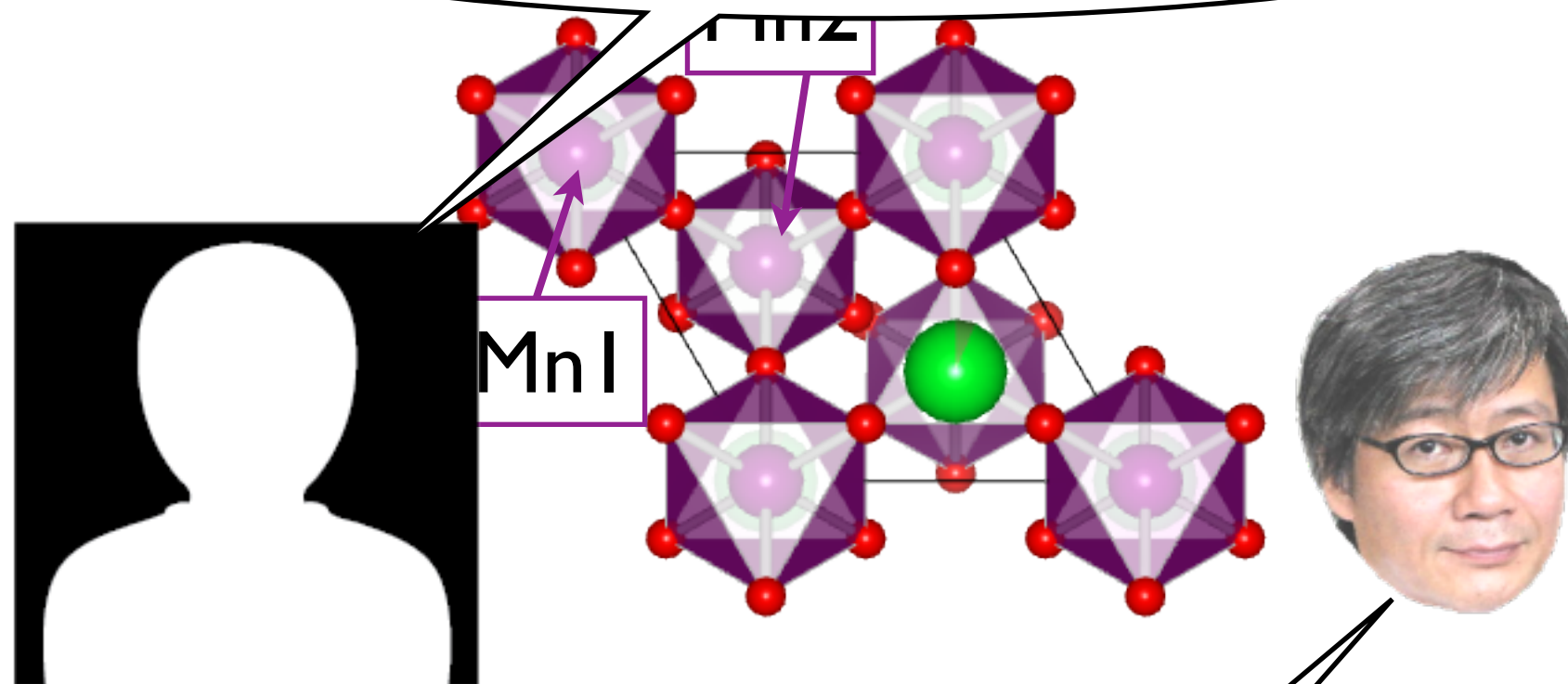
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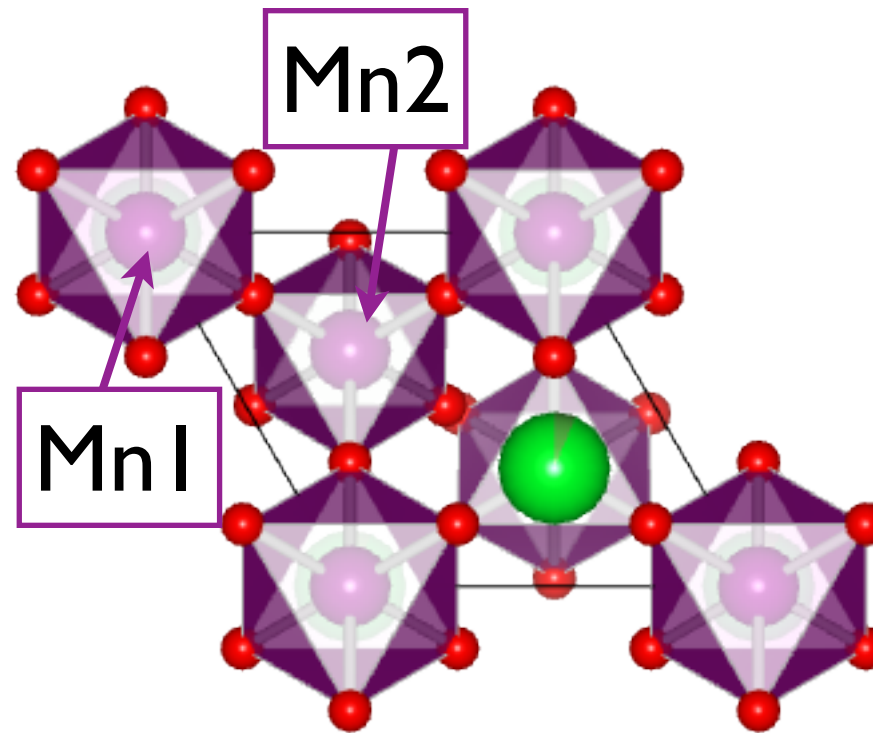
Give me the Rietveld results, anyway.



OK

Results (4/4) $\text{La}_x\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{MnO}_3$

$\text{La}_{0.03}\text{Sr}_{0.97}\text{MnO}_3$, $P6_3/mmc$



SPring-8 BL19B2

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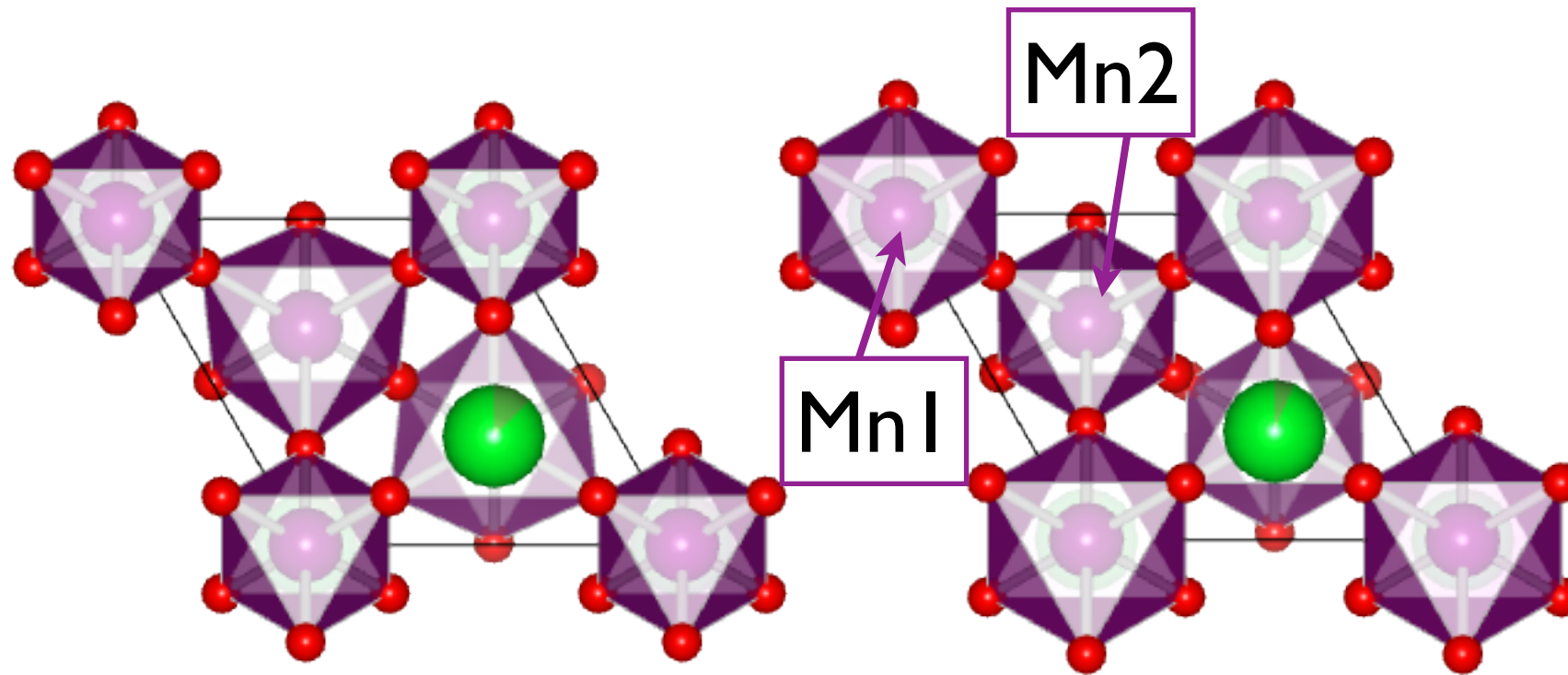
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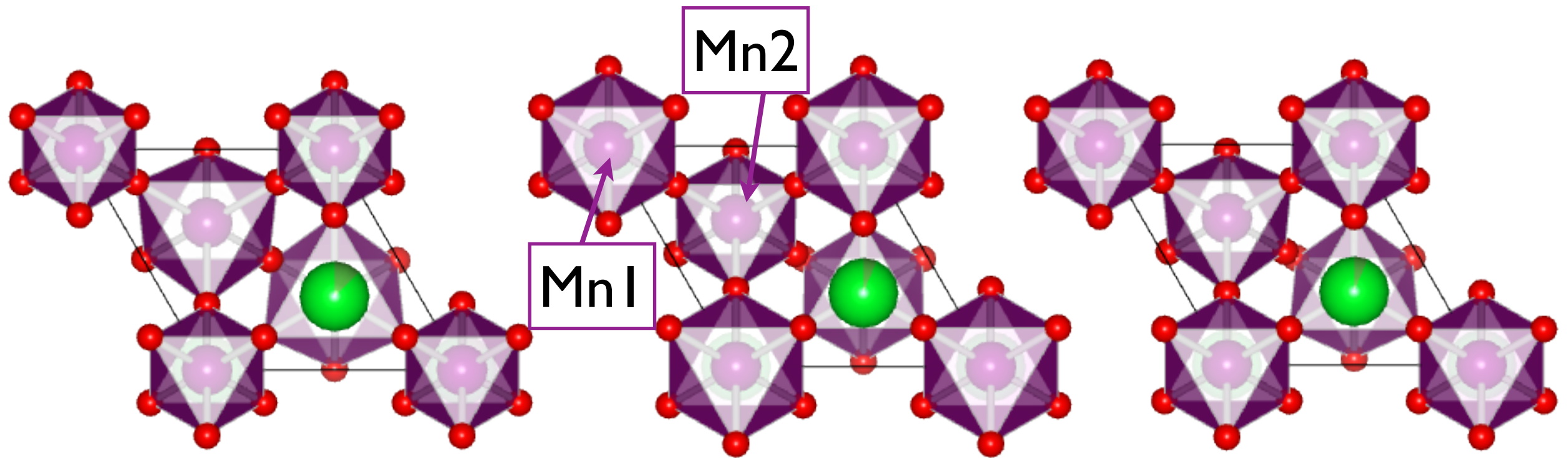
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$\text{BVS}(\text{MnI}) = +4.65$

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SPring-8 BLI9B2

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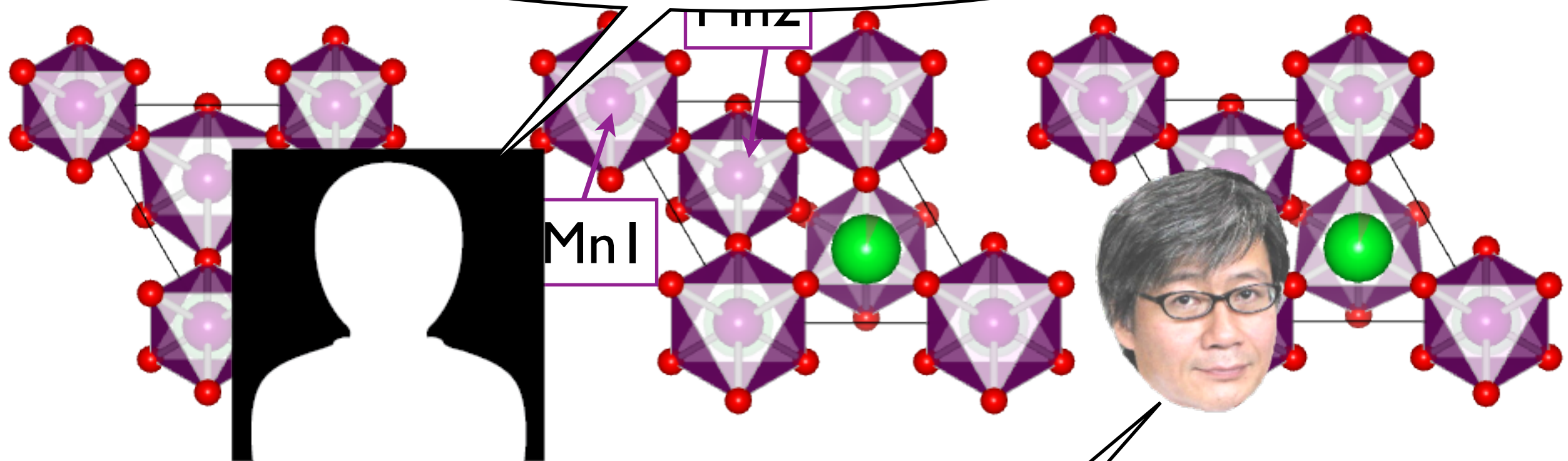
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La_{0.03}Sr_{0.97}

I adopt the results of your
NEW method.



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La_{0.1}Sr_{0.9}MnO₃

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SPring-8 BL10B2
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Rie

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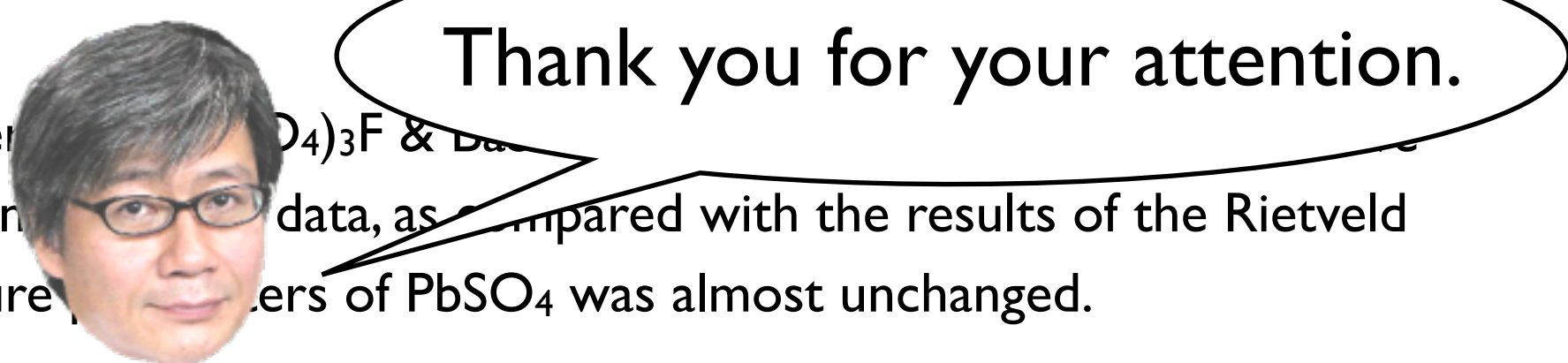
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Appendix: Background/Theory

Statistical analysis of experimental data

Bayesian inference

↓ application of mode

Maximum A Posteriori estimation

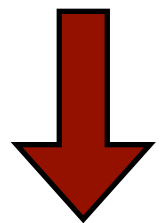
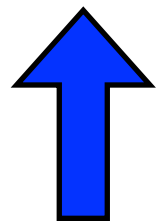
↓ uniform prior distribution

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

↓ experimental error known

Least Squares Method

general



special

Appendix 2: $\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3\text{F}$, PbSO_4 , BaSO_4

Likelihood estimator = probability that observed dataset should appear

	$\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3\text{F}$	PbSO_4	BaSO_4
P_{Rietveld}	10^{-14698}	10^{-17386}	10^{-9567}
$P_{\text{Ida-Izumi}}$	10^{-13654}	10^{-15305}	10^{-8682}
$P_{\text{Ida-Izumi}} / P_{\text{Rietveld}}$	10^{1044}	10^{2081}	10^{885}

The statistical model of the newmethod is $10^{885} \sim 10^{2081}$ times more likely than that used in Rietveld analysis