Notes on MRC IMAGE PROCESSING software 2000

The MRC Image Processing package is currently freely available to academic workers, and although it is helpful if bugs are reported, no support or instruction is available. A list of users is kept, so please do not just copy the system without informing the MRC. Use of the programs is described in published papers, which are referred to in Crowther, Henderson and Smith, J. Struct. Biol. (1996) 116, 9-16. If you do require instruction from someone, the file: image2000/doc/outside_users.doc contains a list of users, so you should find someone close to you and ask to visit them so that you can learn from them.

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1. Overview and general philosophy

The system of image processing programs developed by past and present members of the Laboratory is used in various forms worldwide for determining the structure of macromolecular assemblies. The approach has been to study specimens with some form of symmetry, such as crystals or helical and icosahedral particles. Programs suitable for many kinds of 2-D and 3-D analysis have been written. The philosophy has been to write largely stand-alone FORTRAN programs for carrying out the various steps of processing. At the present time (November 2000), there are about 70 stand-alone programs, varying in length from a few lines to many thousands of lines of code. The unifying principle has been to use a standard format (MAPFORMAT) for images and Fourier transforms and postscript format for graphics files. These are also used in the crystallographic CCP4 system. In the later stages of some of the procedures, for example in high resolution electron crystallography, amplitudes and phases are put into a third standard format, that of MTZ which allows direct access to the X-ray crystallographic software in CCP4. Libraries of standard subroutines are available for reading, writing and manipulating files. A user program written to accept files in these three formats and producing output in the same three formats thus fits directly into the system, with no need for any modifications to existing structures. The libraries can be invoked at the linking step on a DEC/Alpha or Silicon graphics under UNIX. FORTRAN user codes will run under either system without modification. MAPFORMAT involves each image or transform having an initial header block 1024 bytes long, which specifies the type and size of the file, the maximum, minimum and mean densities and information about origins. Most importantly it also contains a label field which provides a history of processing operations that have been applied to the image; the convention is that each program adds a label containing a one line description of the operation and time of running. Programs producing graphical output use PLOT2K routines and the resulting postscript format files can be sent to a laserprinter, or viewed on a terminal, using programs such as ghostscript or xview which may be installation dependent. Thus apart from getting digitized data into the system and hard copy out, the system of programs can be used as a coherent whole, independent of the particularities of the installation.

- 2. The practical class
- 2.1 Aims and objectives

The aim of this class is to introduce you to the use of the MRC crystallographic image processing programs by working on a HIGH RESOLUTION projection image of an untilted, UNSTAINED crystal. You cannot expect to be an expert at the end of this session so you should spend some time with an experienced user, if you intend to use the programs in your research. Unfortunately there is unlikely to be any time for us to go into calculation of a 3D structure.

By the end of this session you should be able to:

- Display an image or Fourier transform on the screen using 'Ximdisp'
- Understand the information contained in the image header
- Perform various image manipulations using 'label'
- Calculate a Fourier transform
- Index a Fourier transform
- Filter an image
- Correct for lattice distortions in an image
- Extract amplitudes and phases from an image transform
- Correct for the effects of the phase CTF
- Determine plane group symmetry and phase origin by comparing phases
- Estimate the resolution and quality of your data
- Merge and average multiple measurements to produce a final list of amplitudes and phases
- Calculate a projection map using some programs from the X-ray crystallography programme suite, CCP4

2.2 A warning

The MRC programs are free, but the price you pay is that they are not supported and there is no user manual. NEVER assume that the data you output are correct without checking over them very carefully. Always check very carefully for error messages. The example we are using here is a well behaved one; other samples can be much more difficult to process.

2.3 Getting started

You will have to know some UNIX in order to run the programs. If you don't know any, don't panic- you should quickly pick up a few basic commands. Commands are shown in **bold**, filenames in *italic*.

2.3.1 Directory structure

You will need to be very organised with your book keeping if you come to process many images. It is a good idea to have a properly organised directory structure.

Type **Is** –**Ia** to show all your files

Various sub-directories have been set up:

./com contains scripts for processing

./data contains various data files for reading and writing and keeping permanently contains a digitised image and various intermediate image and transform files

Some documentation on the programs can be found in /software/image2000/doc and /software/ccp4-4.1.1/doc

2.3.2 The raw image

Go to the ./scratch directory by typing cd scratch

The image is called *highres.pic*

This is a low-dose image of a fragment of crystalline spore coat of a bacterium embedded in glucose and preserved at -160 °C.

Display the image by typing **Ximdisp** and responding to the prompts. **<return>** enters default values. Try entering different parameters to see the effect.

The image should appear featureless to the eye- this is typical of cryoEM images.

Type header highres.pic

- ** What is the size of the image in pixels?
- ** Where is the image origin?

2.4 Preparing the image for processing

Type histo highres.pic showps HISTO.PS

The image has various pieces of dirt and scratches that can be suppressed by removing density outliers.

** What density cutoffs would you use?

Type cd ../com nedit fftir.com

It should look like this:

```
#!/bin/csh -x
set image = "highres"
                                       # image name
set cutoffs = "68,98"
                                       # OD cutoffs determined from HISTO output
set scratch = "../scratch"
                                           # working directory
          = "2,2,1"
                                       # pixel compression factor for large images
set red
cd ${scratch}
  FFTIMGRED - taperedge, cutoff, and initial pixel averaging and FFT.
      taperedge is often needed to eliminate transform stripes arising
#
      from discontinuities at the image edge
#
      Cutoffs help to reduce the effects of bits of dust and hairs.
setenv IN ${scratch}/${image}.pic
setenv OUT ${scratch}/${image}.tap
time taperedgek.exe << 'eot'</pre>
           ! IAVER, ISMOOTH, ITAPER 20,20,200
20,20,200
20,20,200
             ! JAVER, JSMOOTH, JTAPER
'eot'
/bin/rm -f YPLOT.PLT
label.exe << eot</pre>
${image}.tap
              ! other options
3
              ! cutoff over and underflows
${image}.cut
${cutoffs}
eot
/bin/rm -f ${scratch}/${image}.tap
label2:
label.exe << eot</pre>
${image}.cut
              # average adjacent pixels
${image}.red
${red}
              # compression factor
eot
#
       FFTRANS
       Calculate Fourier transform
setenv IN ${scratch}/${image}.red
setenv OUT ${scratch}/${image}.fft
```

```
fftrans.exe
#
/bin/rm ${scratch}/${image}.red
/bin/rm ${scratch}/YPLOT.PS
#
# FFTPRELIM to allow the transform to be examined on graphics device.
#
label.exe << eot
${scratch}/${image}.fft
5         ! convert to intensities
${scratch}/${image}.int
0
eot
#</pre>
```

The script *fftir.com* runs a series of FORTRAN programs to prepare the image for processing. The parameters that usually have to be changed are set as shell variables at the top of the script.

Enter the cutoff values that you determined.

** What do the various FORTRAN programs in this UNIX script do?

Finish editing the script

Run the script by typing fftir.com >& fftir.log &

When all programs have finished you can examine the 'log' of the job, fftir.log

Some of the individual programs in the script can also be run interactively. Try typing **label** and seeing what you can do with it in response to the prompts.

2.5 Indexing a diffraction pattern

You should now have a Fourier transform of the compressed image, ./scratch/highres.fft

Display this with **Ximdisp**, chosing the density limits to make the diffraction spots visible.

Select **lattice refinement** from the menu and try selecting half a dozen spots to calculate a lattice. Save the results to *highres.lat*. Hint: the lattice should look something like this, with about 60° between h anf k



Display the lattice and write down all the spots visible above background in one half of the transform (h,k) is equivalent to -h,-k

In ./data create a file called highres.spt and enter all the spots thus:

```
0 3
0 4
0 5
0 6
1 3
...
```

2.6 Unbending an image

Edit the file ./com/job4000.com

```
#!/bin/csh -x
       Image processing for compressed 4000 X 4000 image
      NORMALLY ONLY NEED TO CHANGE THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS FOR DIFFERENT IMAGES
            = "17.7.01"
set title = " Highresolution map"
           = "70.786,28.962,10.465,75.572"  # lattice from Ximdisp
set cell
set image = "highres"
set filmno = "101"
set saved = "../data"
set spots = "../data"
set scratch = "../scratch"
set resol1 = "600.0 6.0"
                                  # resolution for MMBOX of compressed image
            = "64,64"
set axes
                                                  # unit cell axes in Angstrom
set gamma = "120.0"
           = "5"
set rad1
                                                    # 1st mask radius
            = "6"
set rad2
                                                    # 2nd mask radius
set smbox = "987,1012,987,1012"
set vert1 = "850 850"
                                                   # 26 x 26 box
                                                     # coordinates for reference box in
first cycle
set vert2 = "1150 850"
set vert3 = "1150 1150"
set vert4 = "850 1150"
set vert1a = "900 900"
                                                 # coordinates for second cycle
set vert2a = "1100 900"
set vert3a = "1100 1100"
set vert4a = "900 1100"
            = "1000 1000"
                                          # origin for compressed image
set orig
           = "2000 2000"
set orig2
                                                   # origin for uncompressed FFT
set size = "2000 2000"
set red = "2,2,1"
                                                    # size of compressed image
                                                    # compression factor
set nocells = "-80,80,-80,80"
                                                 # number of cells to search
cd ${scratch}
#goto stage2
#goto stage3
#goto stage4
#goto cycle2
```

```
MMBOX - preliminary
time mmboxa.exe << eot
${image}.fft
${filmno}
                 ${title} ${date} preliminary
                                  ! Use grid units?
                                  ! Generate grid from lattice?
Υ
Ν
                                  ! Generate points from lattice?
2 0 0 40 40 15 15
                                  ! IPIXEL, IOUT, NUMSPOT, NOH, NOK, NHOR, NVERT
                                  ! XORIG, YORIG
${orig}
${resol1} 1 ${axes} 100.0 ${gamma}
                                         ! RINNER, ROUTER, IRAD, A, B, W, ABANG
                                         ! Lattice vectors
${cell}
eot
#
    JOBA
#
   MASKTRAN - JOBA
      Apply mask to FT of compressed image
setenv IN ${image}.fft
setenv OUT ${image}.msk
setenv SPOTS ${spots}/${image}.spt
time masktrana.exe << eot</pre>
1 T T ! ISHAPE= 1(CIRC),2(GAUSS CIRC),OR 3(RECT) HOLE, IAMPLIMIT(T or F)
             ! RADIUS OF HOLE IF CIRCULAR, X,Y HALF-EDGE-LENGTHS IF RECT.
${cell} -20 20 -20 20 200 1 !A/BX/Y,IH/IKMN/MX,RMAX,ITYPE
#
     FFTMSK - JOBA
      Reverse FT to calculate filtered image
setenv IN ${image}.msk
setenv OUT ${image}.flt
time fftrans.exe
exit
stage2:
     LABEL FOR SMALL BOX IN CENTRE - JOBA
      Used to calculate reference correlation peak profile
time label.exe << eot
${image}.flt
box${image}.flt
${smbox}
eot
      CALCULATE AUTOCORRELATION PEAK OF SMALL BOX, 20 TIMES OVERSAMPLED
setenv IN box${image}.flt
setenv OUT auto${image}.cor
time autocorrl.exe << eot
20
eot
/bin/rm -f box${image}.flt
      EXTRACT CENTRAL 100 X 100 BOX FROM PROFILE
time label.exe << eot
auto${image}.cor
auto${image}.map
210,310,210,310
/bin/rm -f auto${image}.cor
```

```
#
     BOXIMAGE - JOBA
#
      Box out reference box for performing
#
      cross-correlation search against filtered image
setenv IN ${image}.flt
setenv OUT ref${image}.flt
time boximage.exe <- eot
      ! NOVERT, VERTEX COORDS GIVEN IN GRID UNITS RELATIVE TO (0,0) ORIGIN.
0 0
             ! ORIGIN FOR LATER USE (E.G. IN FOURIER TRANSFORM)
${vert1}
${vert2}
${vert3}
${vert4}
eot
/bin/rm ${image}.flt
exit
stage3:
    FFTREF - JOBA
      Calculate FT of reference box
setenv IN ref${image}.flt
setenv OUT ref${image}.fft
time fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f ref${image}.flt
#
  TWOFILE - JOBA
#
    Multiply two files together
                                  : FILE1 * Complex Conjugate of FILE2
     ICOMB = 2
         First image on stream 1 (IN1)
         Second image on stream 2 (IN2)
         Product output on stream 3 (OUT)
      Performs FFT (filtered image) X FFT (reference box)
      equivalent to convolution in real space
setenv IN1 ${image}.msk
setenv IN2 ref${image}.fft
setenv OUT cor${image}.fft
time twofile.exe << eot</pre>
             ! ICOMB = 2
2 0 0 ${orig}! IORIGIN, OXA, OYA, OXB, OYB Origin shifts to FFT's.
eot.
/bin/rm -f ${image}.msk
/bin/rm -f ref${image}.fft
/bin/rm -f boximage.tmp
    FFTCOR - JOBA
#
#
      Reverse FFT gives cross-correlation map
setenv IN cor${image}.fft
setenv OUT cor${image}.cor
time fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.fft
exit
stage4:
      OUADSERCHK - JOBA
#
      Use autocorrelation profile to search for cross-correlation peaks
setenv PROFILE auto${image}.map
setenv PROFDATA prof${image}.dat
time quadserchk.exe << eot
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```
0.7
                        ! IPASS, NRANGE
cor${image}.cor
${size}
                              ! SIZE OF TRANSFORM (ISIZEX, ISIZEY)
${cell},F
                        ! Lattice vectors, LREAL
${nocells}
                         ! NUMBER UNIT CELLS TO SEARCH
                        ! RADIUS OF CORR SEARCH
6,6
                        ! POSN OF START SEARCH ORIGIN 0,0 IS ORIGIN
${orig}
                        ! YES/NO FOR DETAILED PRINTOUT
28.0 28.0 45.0
                               ! RADLIM IN PROFILE GRID UNITS
ent
/bin/mv CCPLOT.PS OUAD1.PS
/bin/rm -f auto${image}.map
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.cor
    CCUNBEND - JOBA -- remember to change both titles on each run.
#
      Correct lattice distortions in raw image based on
#
      deviations of correlation peaks from predicted lattice positions
#
setenv CCORDATA prof${image}.dat
time ccunbendk.exe << eot
${image}.cut
0,1,60,25,F,40,F !ITYPE,IOUT,IMAXCOR,ISTEP,LTAPER,RTAPER,LTABOUT
30,52,0.00001,0.13,45 !IKX,IKY,EPS,FACTOR,TLTAXIS
${title} SIMPLE UNBEND, ${date}, ${image} PASS 1
cor${image}.pic
UNBENT PASS 1
ent
/bin/mv CCPLOT.PS CCUNB1.PS
/bin/rm prof${image}.dat
#
#
     FFTCORRED
# Compress corrected image
label.exe << eot</pre>
cor${image}.pic
            # average adjacent pixels
cor${image}.red
${red}
           # compression factor
eot.
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.pic
setenv IN cor${image}.red
setenv OUT cor${image}.fft
fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.red
     MMBOX - JOBA
time mmboxa.exe << eot
cor${image}.fft
${filmno}
               ${title} ${date} PASS 1
                               ! Use grid units?
                               ! Generate grid from lattice?
Υ
Ν
                               ! Generate points from lattice?
2 0 0 40 40 15 15
                               ! IPIXEL, IOUT, NUMSPOT, NOH, NOK, NHOR, NVERT
${orig}
                               ! XORIG, YORIG
${resol1} 1 ${axes} 100.0 ${gamma}
                                    ! RINNER, ROUTER, IRAD, A, B, W, ABANG
${cell}
                                     ! Lattice vectors
ent
exit
cycle2:
```

```
CYCLE 2
MASKTRAN1 - JOBB- reference map
      Calculate highly averaged image from 1st unbent image
#
      giving high signal:noise
setenv IN cor${image}.fft
setenv OUT ref${image}.msk
setenv SPOTS ${spots}/${image}.spt
time masktrana.exe << eot
1 T T ! ISHAPE= 1(CIRC),2(GAUSS CIRC),OR 3(RECT) HOLE, IAMPLIMIT(T or F)
      ! RADIUS OF HOLE IF CIRCULAR, X,Y HALF-EDGE-LENGTHS IF RECT.
${cell} -9 9 -9 9 200 1 !A/BX/Y,IH/IKMN/MX,RMAX,ITYPE
eot
#/bin/rm -f cor${image}.fft
    FFTMSK - FFTRANS1 - JOBB
setenv IN ref${image}.msk
setenv OUT ref${image}.flt
time fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f ref${image}.msk
     LABEL FOR SMALL BOX IN CENTRE - JOBB
time label.exe << eot
ref${image}.flt
box${image}.flt
${smbox}
setenv IN box${image}.flt
setenv OUT auto${image}.cor
time autocorrl.exe << eot
time label.exe << eot
auto${image}.cor
1
auto${image}.map
210,310,210,310
eot.
/bin/rm -f box${image}.flt
/bin/rm -f auto${image}.cor
    BOXIMAGE - JOBB
      Normally select smaller reference box
      to follow finer detail of image distortions
      but gives less signal:noise
setenv IN ref${image}.flt
setenv OUT refb${image}.flt
time boximage.exe << eot
      ! NOVERT, VERTEX COORDS GIVEN IN GRID UNITS RELATIVE TO (0,0) ORIGIN.
            ! ORIGIN FOR LATER USE (E.G. IN FOURIER TRANSFORM)
${vert1a}
${vert2a}
${vert3a}
${vert4a}
/bin/rm -f ref${image}.flt
  FFTREF - FFTRANS2 - JOBB
setenv IN refb${image}.flt
setenv OUT ref${image}.fft
time fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f refb${image}.flt
   MASKTRAN2:
   MASKTRAN2 - original image to be searched - JOBB
```

```
#
      Less averaged version of original raw image
#
      shows more local distortions but has less
#
      signal:noise
setenv IN ${image}.fft
setenv OUT ${image}.msk
setenv SPOTS ${spots}/${image}.spt
time masktrana.exe << eot
1 T T ! ISHAPE= 1(CIRC),2(GAUSS CIRC),OR 3(RECT) HOLE, IAMPLIMIT(T or F)
            ! RADIUS OF HOLE IF CIRCULAR, X,Y HALF-EDGE-LENGTHS IF RECT.
${cell} -9 9 -9 9 200 1 !A/BX/Y,IH/IKMN/MX,RMAX,ITYPE
eot
# TWOFILE - JOBB
 Multiply two files together
                                 :
                                       FILE1 * Complex Conjugate of FILE2
  ICOMB = 2
        First image on stream 1 (IN1)
#
         Second image on stream 2 (IN2)
#
         Product output on stream 3 (OUT)
setenv IN1 ${image}.msk
setenv IN2 ref${image}.fft
setenv OUT corel${image}.fft
time twofile.exe << eot</pre>
             ! ICOMB = 2
2 0 0 ${orig}! IORIGIN, OXA, OYA, OXB, OYB Origin shifts to FFT's.
eot.
/bin/rm -f ${image}.msk
/bin/rm -f ref${image}.fft
/bin/rm -f boximage.tmp
    FFTCOR - FFTRANS3 - JOBB
setenv IN corel${image}.fft
setenv OUT cor${image}.cor
time fftrans.exe
/bin/rm -f corel${image}.fft
       QUADSERCHK - JOBB
setenv PROFILE auto${image}.map
setenv PROFDATA prof${image}.dat
time quadserchk.exe << eot
                             ! IPASS, NRANGE
0.7
cor${image}.cor
                                  ! SIZE OF TRANSFORM (ISIZEX, ISIZEY)
${size}
${cell},F
                                   ! Lattice vectors
${nocells}
                             ! NUMBER UNIT CELLS TO SEARCH
6,6
                             ! RADIUS OF CORR SEARCH
                                      ! POSN OF START SEARCH ORIGIN 0,0 IS ORIGIN
${orig}
                             ! YES/NO FOR DETAILED PRINTOUT
28.0 28.0 45.0
                                   ! RADLIM IN PROFILE GRID UNITS
ent
/bin/rm -f auto${image}.map
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.cor
/bin/mv CCPLOT.PS QUAD2.PS
    CCUNBEND - JOBB -- remember to change both titles on each run.
setenv CCORDATA prof${image}.dat
time ccunbendk.exe << eot
${image}.cut
0,1,60,25,F,40,F
                   !ITYPE,IOUT,IMAXCOR,ISTEP,LTAPER,RTAPER - essential except TAPER
30,52,0.00001,0.13,45
                         !IKX,IKY,EPS,FACTOR,TLTAXIS -only FACTOR with nonbicubic
${title} SIMPLE UNBEND, ${date}, ${image} PASS 2
cor${image}.pic
UNBENT PASS 2, ccunbende, SIMPLE UNBEND ${date}
/bin/mv CCPLOT.PS CCUNB2.PS
/bin/rm -f cor${image}.fft
/bin/rm -f prof${image}.dat
/bin/rm -f ${image}.fft
setenv IN cor${image}.pic
```

The parameters that most often need changing can be edited at the top of the script. You should have obtained X,Y values for your h,k axes similar to those entered for the variable 'cell'.

The script can be run in stages by activating any one of the 'goto' lines. A preceding '#' prevents the following text from being interpreted as a command. (The whole script can be run as one job by removing all 'exit' commands.)

Try running the job in stages by removing '#' for the stage in question and replacing '#' in front of all other goto commands.

Run the job each time by typing job4000.com >& job4000.log &

Examine the output in job4000.log. The program mmbox.exe at the start determines the amplitude and phase of each predicted spot.

** What is the average intensity peak height of all the spots relative to the background? Note this down.

** How many spots have IQ 1 and IQ 2? Note this down.

You will notice various image files are created in ./scratch at different stages and some of them are then later deleted. Try examining the various files as you go along, using **Ximdisp**.

** What are the following images for: highres.msk, highres.flt, refhighres.flt, corhighres.cor, corhighres.pic?

In 'stage4' you determine the lattice distortions by searching for peaks in the cross-correlation map (program quadserchk.exe). A graphical representation with distortion vectors magnified 20 times is shown in the two pages of QUAD1.PS, which you can view on the screen or print out.

The programme ccunbendk. exe corrects for the distortions and the results can be seen in CCUNB1.PS

- ** By looking at the results of mmbox. exe at the end of stage4, how much has the signal-to-noise been improved?
- ** Cycle2 performs a second round of unbending. How do the filtered image and reference image differ from the first cycle?
- ** Why is the final Fourier transform, ./scratch/corhighres.fft, larger than the one you started with, ./scratch/highres.fft?

2.7 Determining the amplitudes and phases

Type mmbox.com >& mmbox.log &

From *mmbox.log* make a note of the central peak height and IQ values.

Try editing *mmbox.com* to try different resolution ranges.

```
#!/bin/csh -x
      Output amplitudes and phases from uncompressed, unbent image
      NORMALLY ONLY NEED TO CHANGE THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS FOR DIFFERENT IMAGES
           = "16.7.01"
set date
set title = " Highresolution map"
set cell = "70.786,28.962,10.465,75.572"
set image = "highres" # f
                                                  # lattice from Ximdisp
                                          # filename
set filmno = "101"
                                          # film number
set saved = "../data"
set scratch = "../scratch"
set resol1 = "600.0 4.0"
                                          # resolution
            = "64,64"
set axes
                                                 # unit cell axes in Angstrom
set gamma = "120.0"
set orig2 = "2000,2000"
                                                 # gamma
                                        # phase origin
cd ${scratch}
      MMBOX
time mmboxa.exe << eot
cor${image}.fft
${filmno}
                 ${title} ${date}
Υ
                  ! Use grid units?
                    ! Generate grid from lattice?
                    ! Generate points from lattice?
2 1 0 40 40 15 15 ! IPIXEL, IOUT, NUMSPOT, NOH, NOK, NHOR, NVERT
${saved}/raw${image}.aph
${orig2}
         ! XORIG, YORIG
${resol1} 1 ${axes} 100.0 ${gamma} ! RINNER,ROUTER,IRAD,A,B,W,ABANG
                           ! Lattice vectors
${cell}
eot
```

** Can you estimate the resolution of the data?

Run *mmbox.com* to output all data to the resolution limit. The data can be examined in ./data/rawhighres.aph.

** What are the different columns in rawhighres.aph?

Examine the file ./com/ctfapply.com.

```
#!/bin/csh -x
# CORRECT RAW AMPLITUDES AND PHASES
 FOR CTF
need to change only parameters that follow.
         = "highres"
set image
set filmno = "101"
         = "high resolution image"
set title
         = "../data"
set data
       = "16.7.01"
set date
         = "4000"
set size
                                      # image size
         = "62060"
set magni
                                       # magnification
         = "7.0"
                                       # pixel size in microns
set step
       = '...
= "2.0"
                                 # spherical aberration
set cs
        = "200.0"
set kv
                                      # voltage
set defocus = "3900 4600 40.0"
                                     # defocus and astigmatism angle
        = "70.786,28.962,10.465,75.572"
set cell
                                     # axes from Ximdisp
set realuv = "64.0 64.0"
                               # a,b
        = "120.0"
set angle
                                      # gamma
set scratch = "../scratch"
cd ${scratch}
CTFAPPLY
CTFAPPLY Takes the original image and applies a CTF correction using
           defocus and input amplitudes and phases.
setenv IN
         ${data}/raw${image}.aph
setenv OUT ${data}/ctf${image}.aph
time ctfapplyk.exe << eot
${cell} ${size} ${step} ${magni}
                             ! AX, AY, BX, BY, ISIZE, DSTEP, XMAG
                              ! DFMID1, DFMID2, ANGAST, CS, KV
${defocus} ${cs} ${kv}
               ${image} DF=${defocus}, ${date}, ${title}
     ${filmno}
eot
```

This corrects for the effects of the ctf. The results can be displayed or printed from ./scratch/CTFPLOT.PS.

** Does the defocus and astigmatism seem to be correct? If not, try different values.

The corrected data are written to ./data/ctfhighres.aph

2.8 Determining the symmetry

Run ./com/allspace.com in the same way that you ran all the other jobs above.

```
#!/bin/csh -x
      ALLSPACEA
      Perform internal phase comparison
      between symmetry-related spots for
      all plane groups
cd ../data
setenv IN ctfhighres.aph
time allspacea.exe << eot
AT.T.
т т т 4000
                                  ! SEARCH, REFINE, TILT, NCYC
             ! ORIGH,ORIGK,TILTH,TILTK
! STEPSIZE, PHASE SEARCH ARRAY SIZE
0. 0. 0. 0.
64.0 64.0 120.0 150.0 4.0 2.0 200! A, B, GAMMA, RIN, ROUT, CS, KV
                               ! ILIST, ROT180, IQMAX
F 0 7
eot
```

- ** What is the symmetry of the crystal?
- ** By how much must the phase origin and beam tilt be corrected for in this symmetry group?

2.9 Calculating a map

Typically you would want many independent measurements of each reflection before calculating a map, usually by processing several images. The script ./com/fourp3.com has been set up to calculate a projection map from just one image. However, it could be adapted to combine data from several images.

```
#!/bin/csh -x
COM-FILE TO CALCULATE A PROJECTION MAP WITH
  p3 SYMMETRY
usually need to change only parameters that follow.
set image
          = "highres"
set filmno = "101"
          = "../data"
set ctf
         = "high resolution image"
set title
         = "../data"
set saved
set scratch = "../scratch"
        = "17.7.01"
set date
set realuv = "64.0 64.0"
set angle = "120.0"
set grid
          = "60 60 60"
          = "0 59 0 59"
set uc
         = "0 119 0 119"
set ucno
set resol = "600.0 4.0"
         = "200."
set kv
         = "2.0"
set cs
cd ${scratch}
# ORIGTILTK
     Sets image to correct phase origin and applies
     beam tilt correction
     For multiple images, can refine each image phase origin
     against the phases of all the preceding images. Need to repeat cards
     from FILM NUMBER to RESOLUTION LIMITS for each film. Check SCL is
#
     set correctly
time origtiltk.exe << eot</pre>
13 0 F F 0 ${realuv} 100. ${angle} 0 15 !ISPG,NPRG,NTL,NBM,ILST,A,B,W,ANG,IPL,MNRF
1001 0 30 7 61 F F
                           !IRUN, LHMN, LHMX, IQMX, IBXPHS, NREFOUT, NSHFTIN
      100 DUMMY
${ctf}/dummy.aph
```

```
${filmno} ${title}
                               !Film number, title
${ctf}/ctf${image}.aph
 F
45.0 0.0 1
                            ! TAXA, TANGL, IORIGT
                           OH, OK, STEP, WIN, SGNXCH, SCL, ROT180, REVHK, CTFREV
-43.1 42.3 0.0 0.07 0 1.0 0 0
${cs} ${kv} -0.52 -1.84
                                 ! cs, kv, tx, ty
                            ! resolution limits
${resol}
eot.
/bin/mv fort.3 ${scratch}/${image}-merg.aph
#
  AVRGAMPHS
#
     2000 version has a bug. This is an earlier version
#
#
     Vector sum of structure factors
ln ${scratch}/${image}-merg.aph fort.1
time ../LOCAL/avrgamphs.exe << eot
F
1001,-0.01,0.01
${realuv} ${angle}
eot
/bin/mv fort.2 ${scratch}/${image}-avrg.aph
/bin/rm SUMMARY
/bin/rm fort.1
#
  F2MTZ - to convert aph-file to mtz-file
#
     All subsequent programs from CCP4
#
     crystallography package
setenv HKLOUT ${scratch}/${image}-avrg.mtz
f2mtz << eof
TITLE ${title} ${filmno} ${date}
CELL ${realuv} 100. 90 90 ${angle}
SYMMETRY P3
LABOUT H K L AMP PHASE FOM
CTYPOUT H H H F P W
FILE ${scratch}/${image}-avrg.aph
SKIP 1
END
enf
FFTBIG - to calculate a map of unit cell
setenv HKLIN ${scratch}/${image}-avrq.mtz
setenv MAPOUT ${scratch}/temp.map
fftbig << eot
LABIN F1=AMP PHI=PHASE W=FOM ##
PROJECTION
SCALE F1 1.0 0.0
RESOLUTION ${resol}
TITLE ${title} ${filmno} ${date}
GRID ${grid}
AXIS Y,X,Z
XYZLIM ${uc} 0 0
RHOLIM 250.0
HKLMAX ,,20
eot.
```

```
#
 EXTEND - to extend the map
extend MAPIN ${scratch}/temp.map MAPOUT ${scratch}/${image}.map << eof
xyzlim ${ucno} 0 0
/bin/rm ${scratch}/temp.map
setenv PUBLIC FONT84 /software/ccp4-4.1.1/lib/font84.dat
# NPO - to create a contour plot
npo MAPIN ${scratch}/${image}.map PLOT ${scratch}/${image}.plt << eof-pluto</pre>
TITLE ${title} ${filmno}, ${date}
CELL 64.0 64.0 100.0 90.0 90.0 120.0
MAP
CONTRS -500 TO 500 BY 20
SECTNS 0 0
MODE BELOW 0 DASHED 1 0.15 0
GRID 0.1
COLOUR BLACK
PLOT Z
eof-pluto
PLOT - to create a ps-file of contour plot
pltdev -i ${scratch}/${image}.plt -o ${scratch}/${image}.ps
exit.
```

You should have determined that the image has some internal symmetry meaning that each Fourier term has more than one measurement. These measurements can be averaged together. In order to do this, the correct phase origin and beam tilt must be set. The program <code>origtiltk.exe</code> does this and outputs a set of merged reflections for each symmetry-independent Fourier term. Edit the script, to set your image to the correct phase origin (OH, OK) and beam tilt (tx, ty). Set the resolution to your highest estimate.

Run fourp3.com and examine the log file.

The program avrgamphs. exe averages the measurements for each Fourier term.

- ** From the table of phase residuals, what do you estimate the true resolution to be?
- ** If this is not as high as your earlier estimate from *mmbox.log*, can you think of any reasons why?

The remaining programs in *fourp3.com* are not from the MRC suite. They are from the CCP4 X-ray crystallography suite. These programs use a KEYWORD input of parameters. The job outputs a projection map *./scratch/highres.ps*. Try displaying or printing this.

** The map has had symmetry applied, can you print the same map without symmetry averaging of the data?

Try printing the map at different resolutions such as 20, 7, or 4 Å.

Try applying an artificial temperature factor in fftbig by editing SCALE F1 1.0 {temp. factor e.g. -150}

- ** What is the effect?
- ** What can you infer about the structure of this protein complex?