

ISIS SANS Training Course

**Tuesday, 1 February 2022 - Thursday, 10 February 2022
Programme**

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Tuesday 01 February 2022

Webinars: Introduction (13:30-14:30)

time title

13:30 Introduction to neutron scattering

Presenter: ROGERS, Sarah

- Introduction to the course
- Introduction to ISIS SANS Group current staff
- Introduction to Neutron Scattering
- ~ Basics of neutron interactions
- ~ Types of experiments carried out
- ~ Why do we do neutron scattering
- ~ How neutrons are made: spallation and reactor
- ~ Time-of-flight and wavelength distribution
- Introduction to experimental hall and the SANS beamlines
- The future of neutron scattering

Break (14:30-15:00)

Flash Presentations: Participant Presentations (15:00-15:50)

1-2 minute single slide presentations about research.

Break (15:50-16:10)

Flash Presentations: Participant Presentations (16:10-17:00)

1-2 minute single slide presentations about research.

Wednesday 02 February 2022

Webinars: Small-angle neutron scattering (SANS) (13:30-15:00)

time title

13:30 Small-angle neutron scattering (SANS) part 1

Presenter: SMITH, Gregory

- SAS from different kinds of radiation (light, electrons, X-rays, neutrons)
- Momentum transfer vector, Q. How to vary Q. Relationship between Q, scattering angle, and real-space distance
- Monochromatic vs time-of-flight SANS.
- Scattering length density (SLD).
- SANS instruments.
- Instrument resolution.
- SANS variants
- ~ Total scattering
- ~ VSANS. USANS.
- ~ SESANS.

14:00 Small-angle neutron scattering (SANS) part 2

Presenter: SMITH, Gregory

- Reducing data
- ~ Going from 2D detector image to normalised 1D data.
- ~ Absolute cross section per unit volume.
- ~ General data correction sequence.
- ~ ISIS data reduction sequence in Mantid.
- ~ Measurements at ISIS to achieve normalised data.

- Understanding data
- ~ Calculating absolute cross section per unit volume.
- ~ Form factors and structure factors.
- ~ Scattering invariant.

14:30 Small-angle neutron scattering (SANS) part 3

Presenter: SMITH, Gregory

- Advantages of using neutrons to study materials.
- Science that can be done with SANS.
- Materials that can be studied with SANS.
- Case studies from ISIS SANS Group.

Break (15:00-15:30)

Demos: Mantid (15:30-17:00)

time title

15:30 Mantid

Presenter: CAVALCANTI, Leide

- Organising a Batch File after the measurements
- Open Mantid in IDAaaS and Reduce Data
- Show file types
- Manage plots
- Add runs
- Slice wavelength ranges
- Use Algorithms
- Run a Python Script

Thursday 03 February 2022

Webinars: Data Analysis (14:00-14:50)

time title

14:00	SANS/SAXS Data analysis <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i> - Purpose of data analysis - Data formats (including content, types, why they matter) - Options for data analysis - Model-fitting 101 (incl objectives, priors, optimisers, measures of fit quality) - SasView collaboration - Where to get SasView
14:45	Q&A <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i>

Break (14:50-15:00)

Demos: SasView (15:00-16:30)

time title

15:00	SasView <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i> - Tour of the GUI - Ways to load data (files/projects/analyses, using change name) - Plotting & plot options - Linear plots - Fitting ~ P(Q) (including resolution smearing) ~ 2 column data, 3 column data, 4 column data ~ P(Q)*S(Q) (including radius effective & structure factor modes) ~ Simultaneous fitting (incl changing optimiser & using a GPU) ~ Batch fitting ~ Non-neutron data fitting - Creating models ~ Using Add/Multiply to combine 2 existing models ~ Combining more than 2 existing models ~ Creating a simple function model ~ Using an existing model as a template ~ Writing a model from scratch - Correlation function analysis - Other tools
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Break (16:30-16:35)

Webinars: Data Analysis (16:35-17:00)

time title

16:35	Q&A <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i>
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Friday 04 February 2022

Advanced measurement and data analysis methods: Webinars and Demos (13:30-17:00)

time title

13:30	Introduction to SESANS <i>Presenter: DALGLIESH, Robert</i>
14:00	Multiple scattering in MuScatt/SASfit <i>Presenter: SMITH, Gregory</i>
14:30	SASSIE: atomistic modelling <i>Presenters: DOUTCH, James, MAHMOUDI, Najet</i>
15:00	Break
15:30	Free-Form Modelling <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i>
16:00	McSAS software <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i>
16:30	ffsas software <i>Presenter: KING, Stephen</i>

Monday 07 February 2022

Webinars: Real-space analysis of SANS data (13:30-15:00)

time title

13:30	SANS of biological systems <i>Presenters: DOUTCH, James, MAHMOUDI, Najet</i> - Contrast variation: isotopic and perdeuteration - Sample preparation - Examples of biological complexes ~ Dilute protein solutions; globular and IDP in lipid mimics ~ Protein complexes ~ Protein/nucleotides complexes ~ Lipid nanoparticles - Analysis of biological SANS ~ Theory of real-space analysis ~ Shape reconstruction ~ Atomistic and coarse-grained modelling ~ Integrative approaches to solution structure analysis
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Break (15:00-15:30)

Demos: Real-space software (15:30-17:00)

time title

15:30	Real-space software <i>Presenters: DOUTCH, James, MAHMOUDI, Najet</i> - Scatter: Guinier plots, Porod volume, Kratky plots, Invariant analysis - ATSAS: calculation of P(r), DAMMIN and DAMMIF - MuLCH: basis spectra decomposition from contrast-variation series - p(r) in SasView.
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Tuesday 08 February 2022

Webinars: Scattering from magnetic and ordered systems (13:30-15:00)

time title

13:30	Scattering from ordered and magnetic systems part 1 <i>Presenter: HONECKER, Dirk</i> - Orientational distributions of particles ~ Measure the degree of orientational order ~ 2D inversion method to analyse anisotropic small-angle scattering ~ Revisit structure factor of particle assemblies (Self-assembly, partially ordered arrays of particles, mesocrystals) - Small-angle diffraction (skyrmions, flux-line lattices) ~ Ewald sphere and area detector ~ Rocking Scans ~ Correlation function analysis (What is in the peak width, instrumental resolution)
14:15	Scattering from ordered and magnetic systems part 2 <i>Presenter: ALBA VENERO, Diego</i> - The different kinds of scattering (coherent, incoherent, elastic, inelastic, nuclear spin incoherent) - Introduction to Neutron Spin, Polarisation and Magnetic Scattering - Halpern Johnson vector - Examples

Break (15:00-15:30)

Demos: Magnetic/ordered software (15:30-17:00)

time title

15:30	Mantid <i>Presenter: ALBA VENERO, Diego</i> Mantid: reducing data, selecting ROI, normalise runs, compare intensities of different diffraction spots, angular cuts.
16:15	SasView <i>Presenter: HONECKER, Dirk</i> - 2D plotting & options (e.g. sector averaging...) - 2D fitting (structural data extracting orientational distribution, batch fitting of magnetic field dependent data field) - Introduction General Scattering Calculator

Wednesday 09 February 2022

Webinars: Experimental practicalities (13:30-15:00)

time title

13:30	Experimental practicalities part 1 <i>Presenter: SMITH, Gregory</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Preparing for measurements~ Importance of preliminary information and being prepared.~ Complementary techniques. Simultaneous SAXS and SANS.~ Time scales. Kinetic SANS, histogram and event modes. - Contrast variation~ Neutron SLDs. Isotopic variation. Isotope effects.~ Deuteration chemistry. Other isotopic labeling.~ Simultaneous data fitting.
14:15	Experimental practicalities part 2 <i>Presenter: SMITH, Gregory</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Things to check during measurements~ Wavelength slicing in ToF SANS.~ Incoherent and inelastic scattering.~ Balancing scattering and attenuation. - Sample environments~ What kind of samples can be studied.~ Simple sample holders for SANS (cuvettes or no cuvettes, cans). Compare to SAXS (capillaries).~ Simple perturbations.~ Advanced sample environments.

Break (15:00-15:30)

Demos: How to get beamtime? (15:30-17:00)

time title

15:30	How to get beamtime? <i>Presenter: DALGLIESH, Robert</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- How ISIS FAPs work and how to target a proposal for them as an audience.- Modes of access.- Discussing experiments with local contacts.- What to include in a proposal. What makes a good proposal.
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Thursday 10 February 2022

Q&A: Feedback and Q&A with SANS Group (13:30-15:00)

Feedback and Q&A with SANS team.