

# Spectrometer Alignment via Machine Learning

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MLP as  
Surrogate model

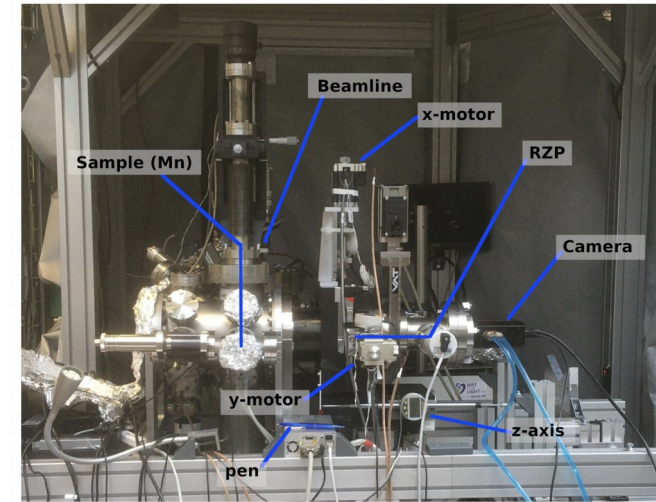
# Aim

- Manual Spectrometer Alignment is slow – automate process.
- 3 motors (x, y, z) – find perfect position.
- Use NN trained only with simulation data (Ray-UI).
- Find offset between Simulation and Experiment.

# Challenge

- Experiment data is 'dirty' - noise, backlash, camera pos.
- Parameter Space not fully explorable.
- Mismatch between simulation and reality.

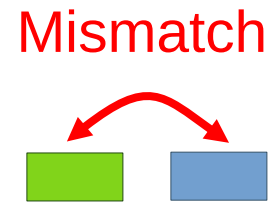
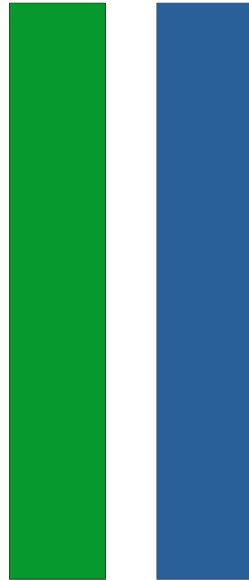
## SPECTROMETER



# EXPERIMENT VS SIMULATION

High dimensional  
experiment data.

Simulation  
data.

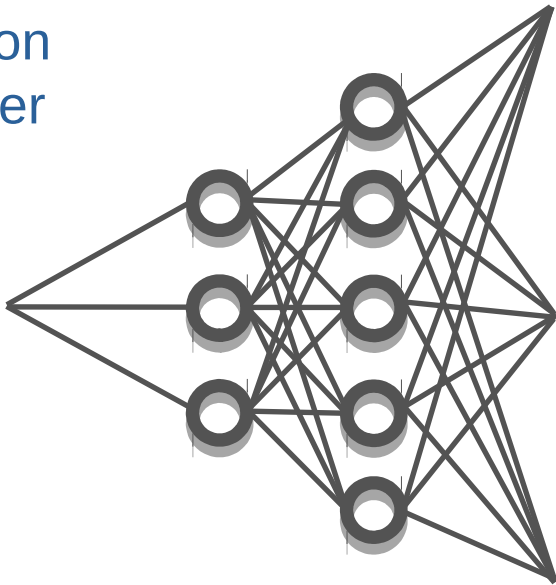


Low dimensional  
desired information.

Simulation  
parameter.

# SURROGATE MODEL: RAY-TRACING

Simulation  
parameter  
( $x, y, z$ )

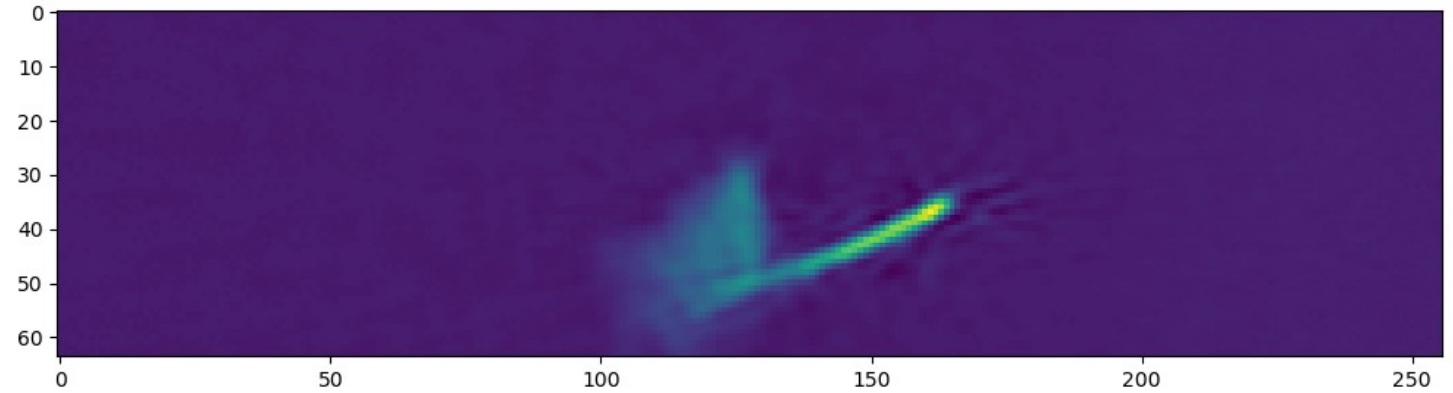
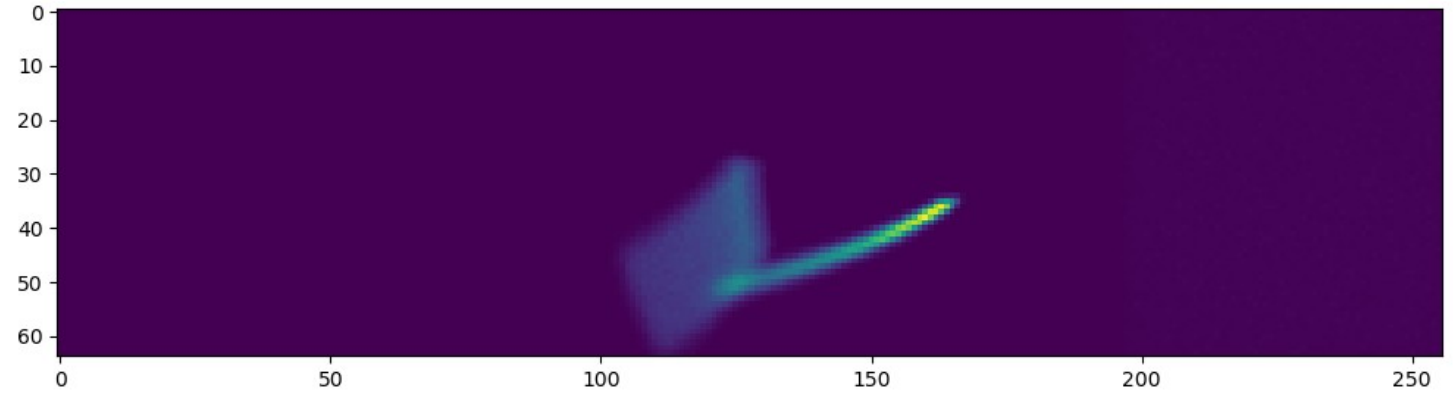


Small MLP for fast  
inference.

Simulation  
Data (image)



Simulation



Prediction

# EXPERIMENT PROCEDURE

## Function to minimise

$$\text{diff} = \sum_{i=1}^N (\text{Image}_i^{\text{exp}} - \text{NN}(T_i^{\text{exp}} + T^{\text{off}}, C^{\text{off}}, \text{RZP}^{\text{off}}, \text{Ratio}))^2$$

## Process

- Record N images and their corresponding T\_exp (10).
- Use Optimiser to minimise diff by searching for T\_off.
- Result of T\_off => Absolute position of perfect alignment.

### Parameters:

- T\_exp = x,y,z coords experiment
- T\_off = offset to determine
- C\_off = camera offset
- Ratio = ratio of Oxygen to Manganese

10 images  
and coords

Basin Hopping Optimiser

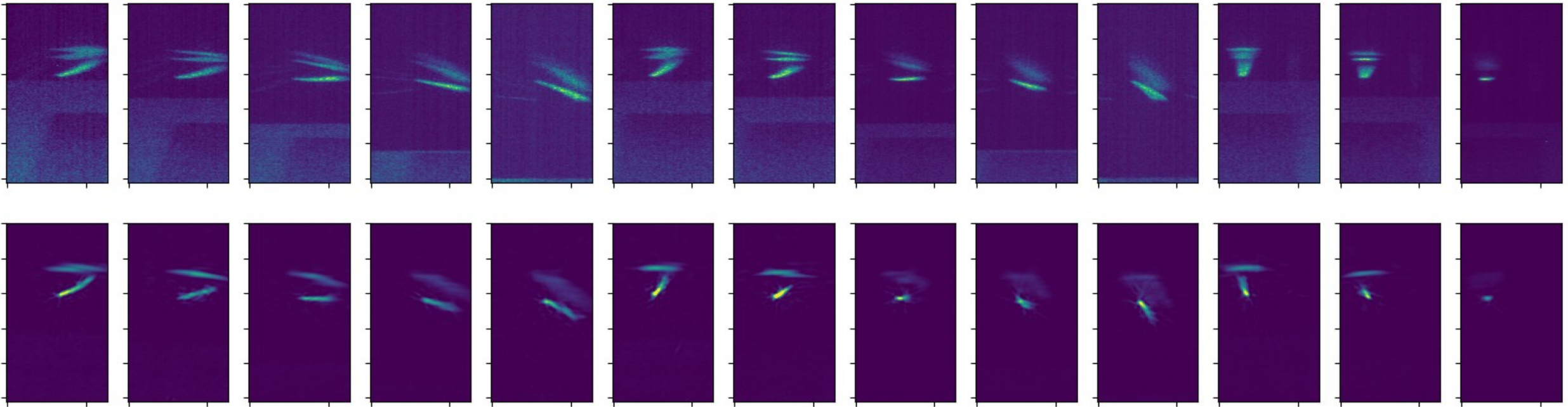


x,y,z perfect  
alignment

# APPLICATION OF SURROGATE MODEL

Experiment

Precision: ~0.01mm  
Runtime: ~10 min



Optimiser



## OUTLOOK

- Improve runtime.
- Test robustness with different setups (Iron, multi-RZP, -1 Order).
- Publish
- Use ML to optimise design of new Spectrometer
  - Find optimal setups for large design space by optimising design parameters to maximise specific design goals – intensity, separation, number of photons.
  - Reduce cost.