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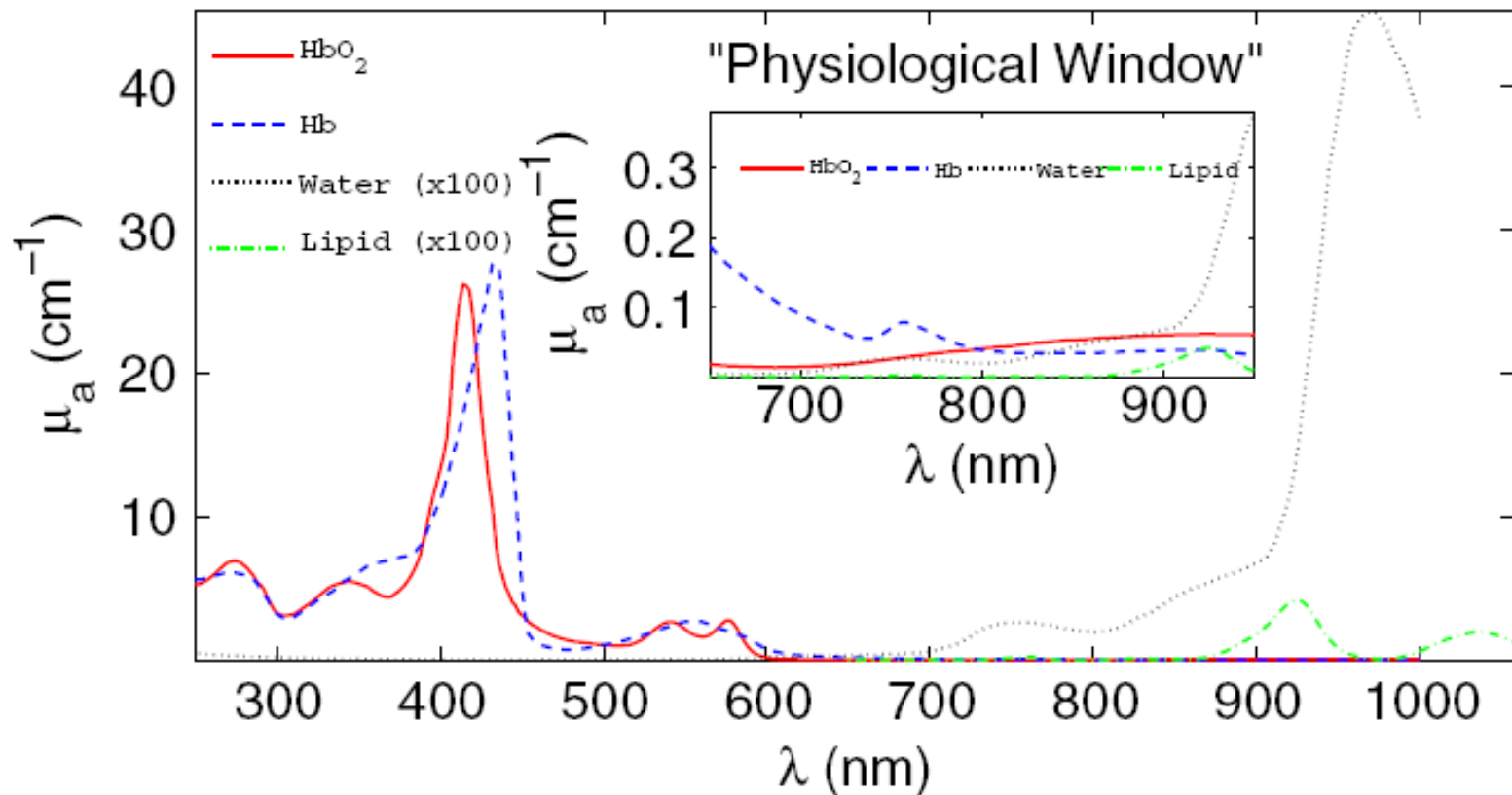
Division of Nuclear Physics and Elementary Particles

PhoSim: A Simulation Package
Designed for Macroscopic and Microscopic Studies
In the Time-Resolved Optical Tomography

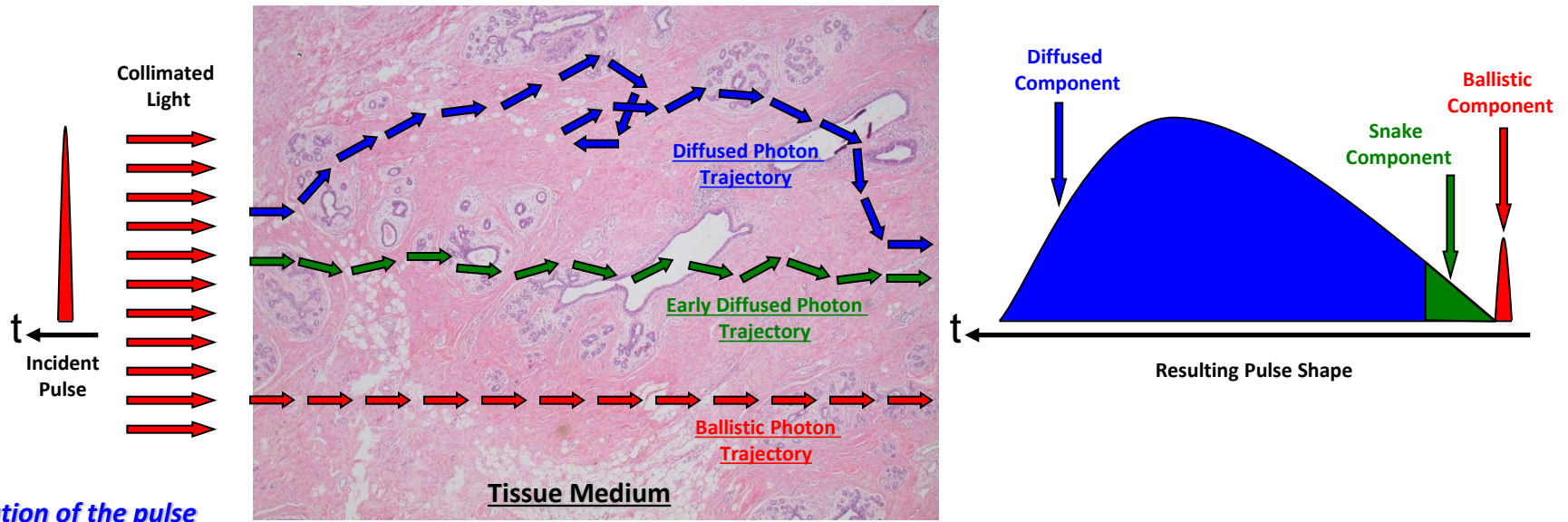
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Principle of Optical Imaging

Discovery of the Physiological Window for the light absorption in tissues by Jöbsis (μ_a , absorption coefficient)

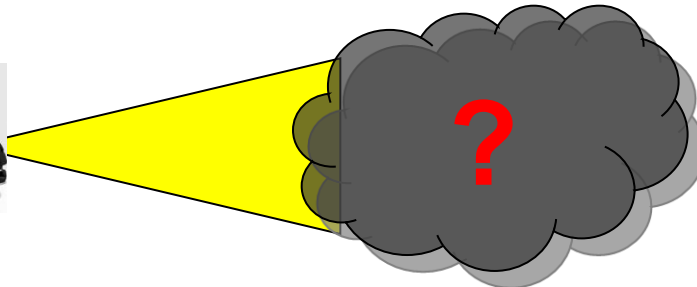


Time-Resolved Photon Propagation



The duration of the pulse depends on the physical width of the medium under investigation!!!

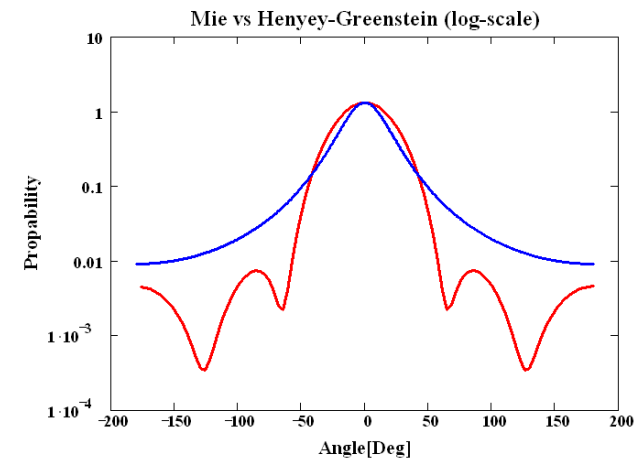
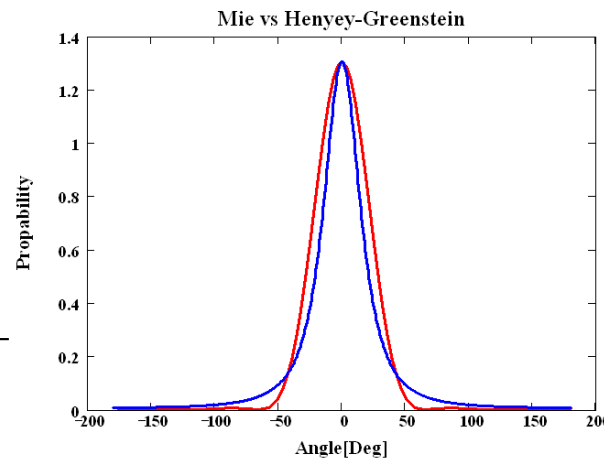
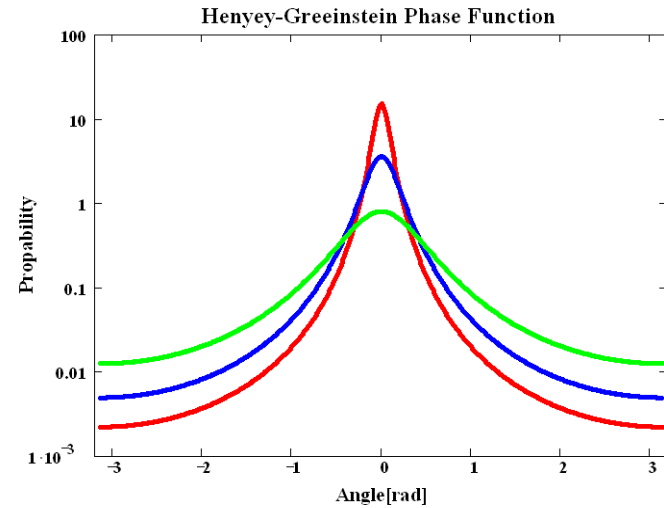
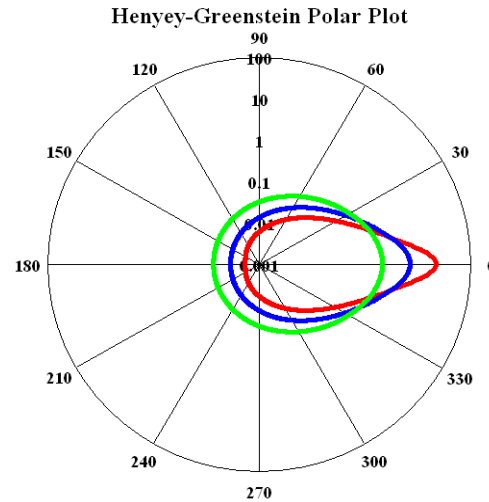
The Main Analogy



PhoSim an Algorithm Dedicated to TROT Modalities

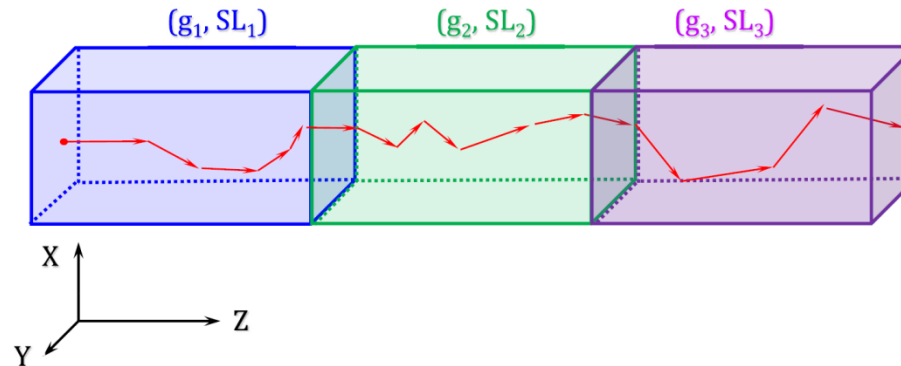
- *PhoSim*, can resolve the Mie multiple scattering problem by utilizing the Henyey-Greenstein Phase Function.
- This is extremely useful, since it only depends on one parameter g ($-1 \leq g \leq 1$), that represents the average cosine of scattering.

$$P(\theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1 - g^2}{[1 + g^2 - 2g \cos\theta]^{3/2}}$$

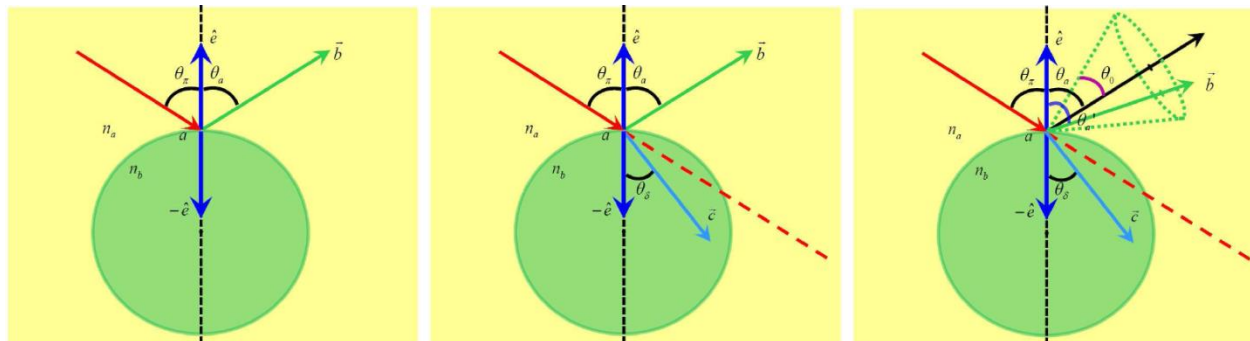


PhoSim's capabilities

- **Creation of multi-layer (tissue) environments:**
Variation of the g parameter, the Scattering Length (SL) and the index of refraction n_i for propagation areas.



- **Insertion of optical spherical objects:**



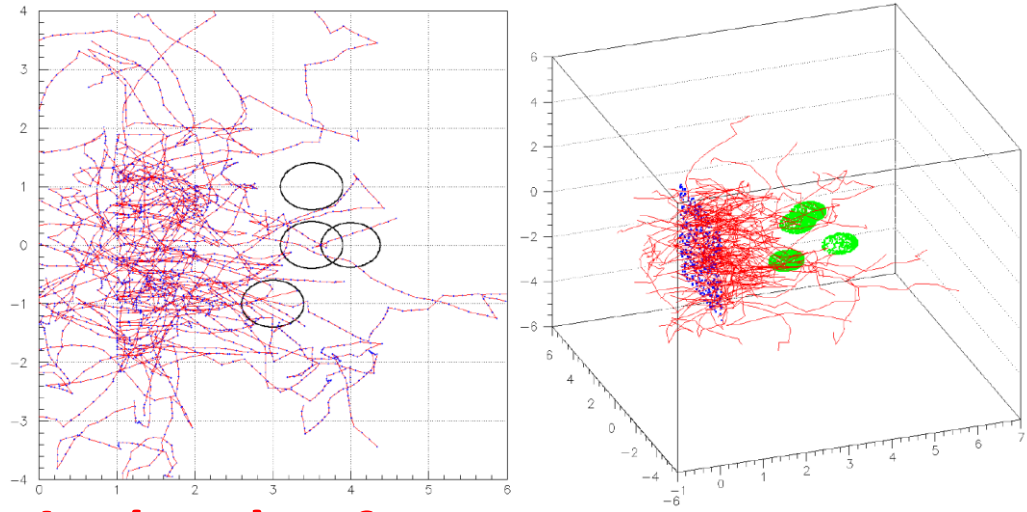
Perfect reflectors

Classical Optical
Objects

Diffusers

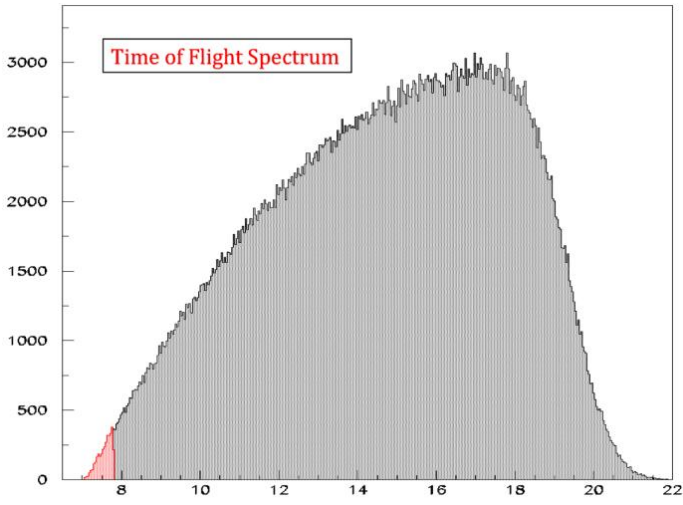
- **Ray-tracing:**

PhoSim can ray-trace every event throughout the different simulated tissue materials.



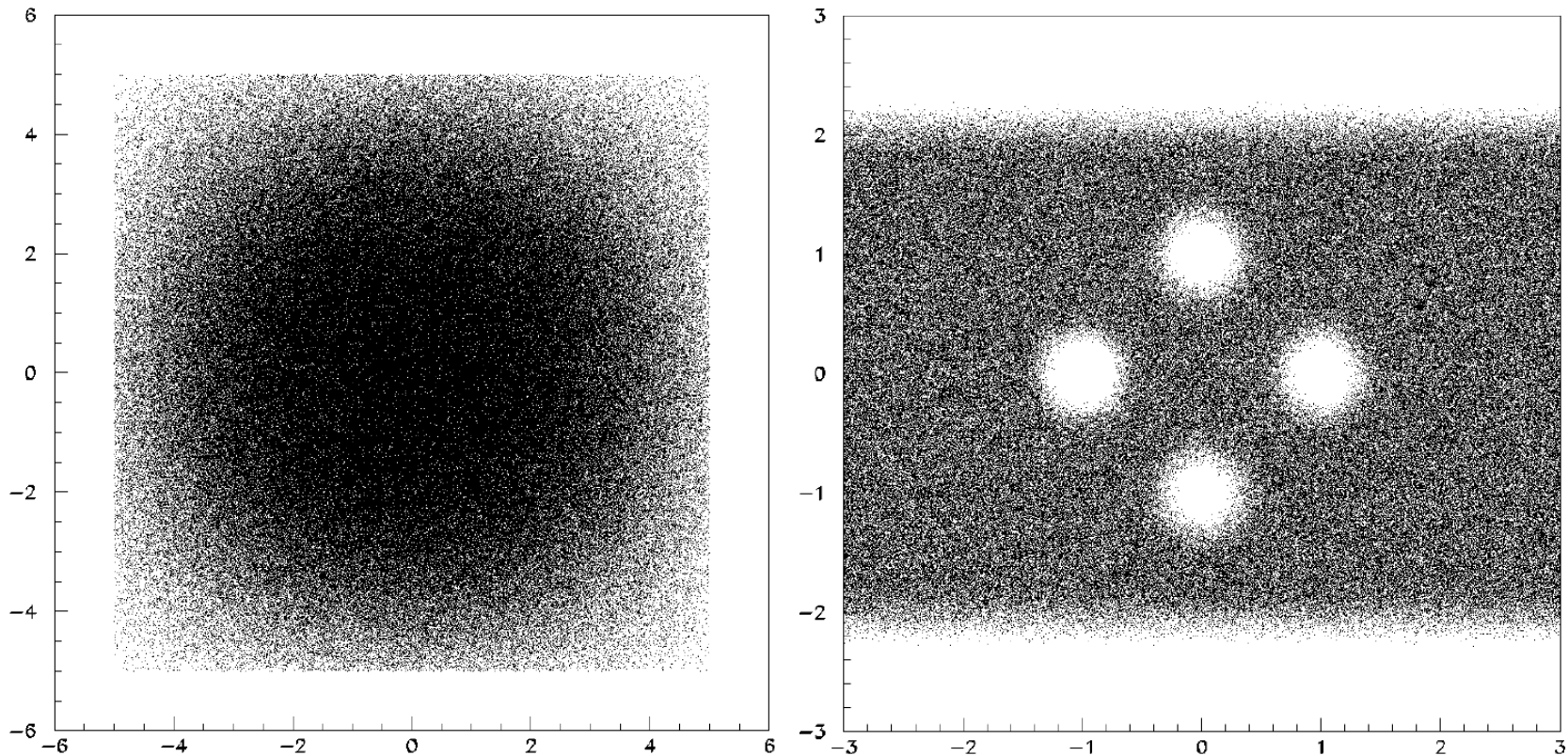
- **Time-of-Flight (ToF) Information:**

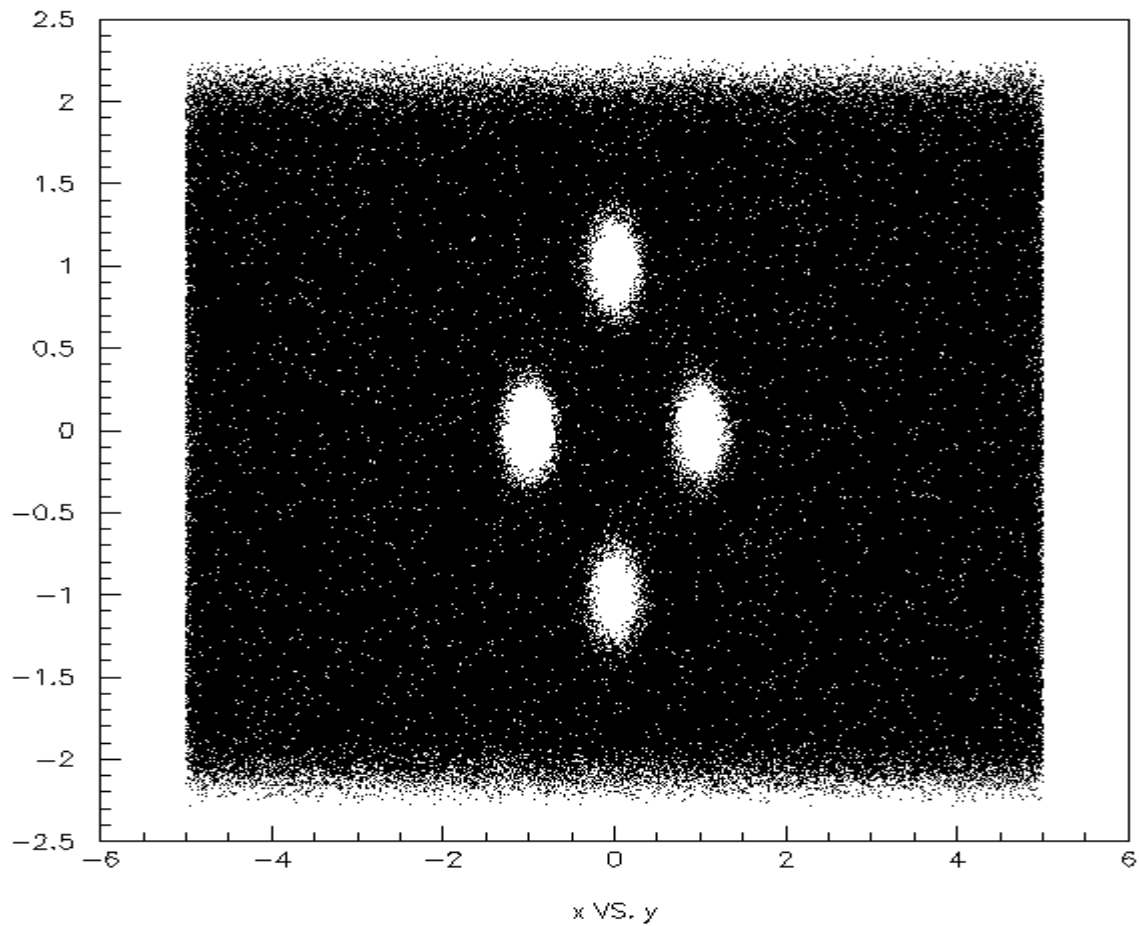
Calculates the (ToF) for each photon using its optical path segments and the refraction index of the medium.



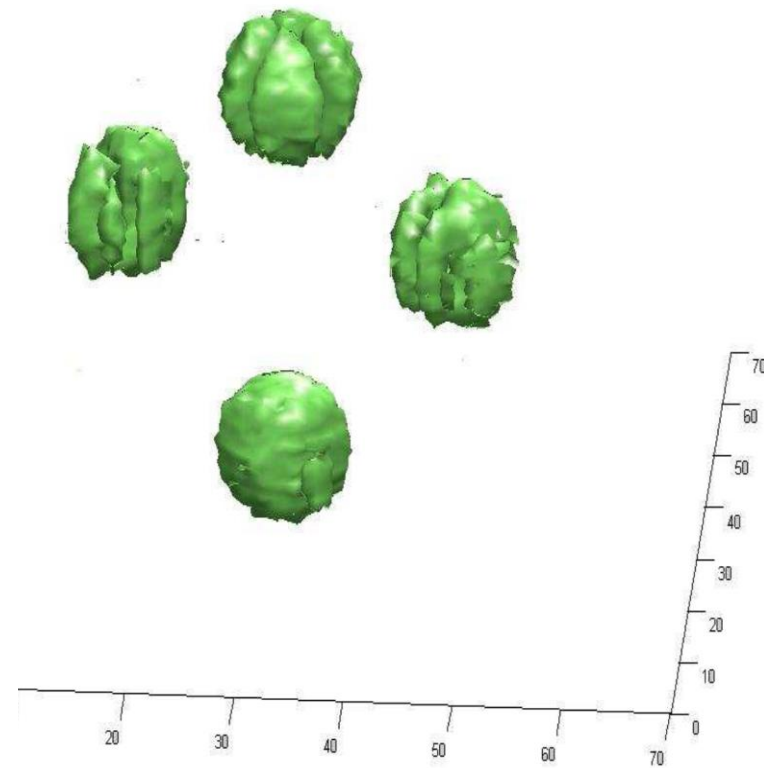
PLANAR IMAGING AND TOMOGRAPHIC CAPABILITIES

- The Time of Flight information provided for simulated rays allows a proper event filtering on the detected data (planar images).





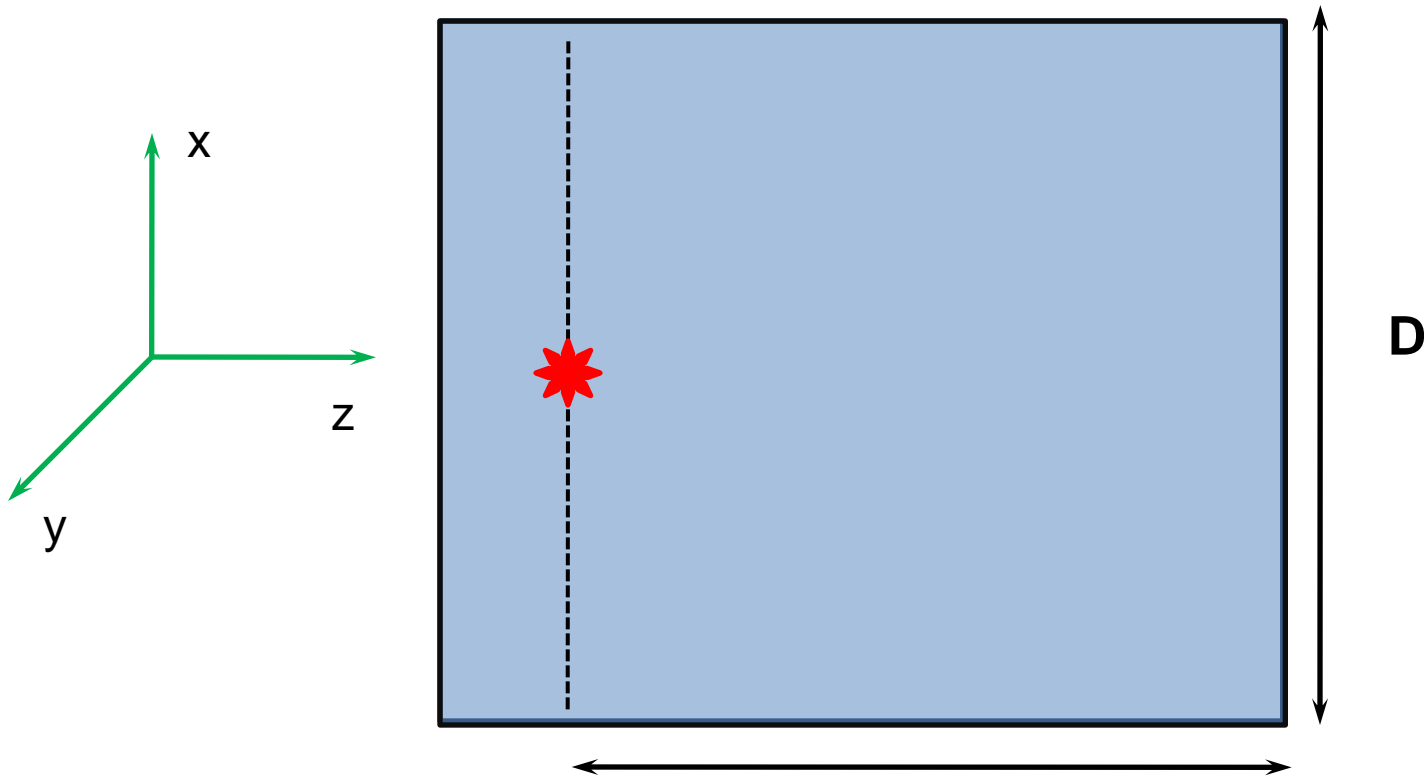
Planar Images



3D Reconstruction

Efficiency Measurements For Point Source

$$\text{Efficiency} = \epsilon = N_{\text{int}}/N_{\text{det}}$$

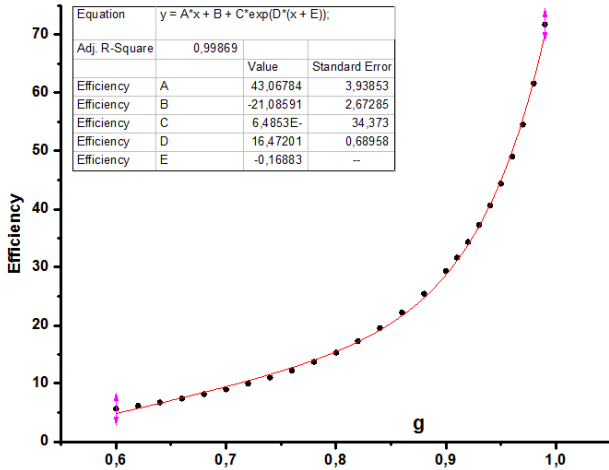


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and the

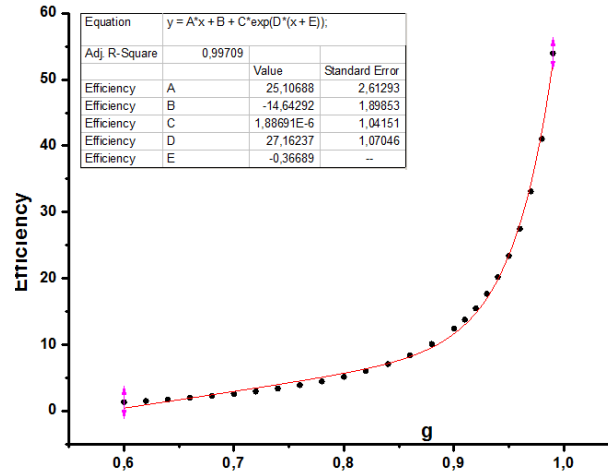
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Efficiency vs g-Factor

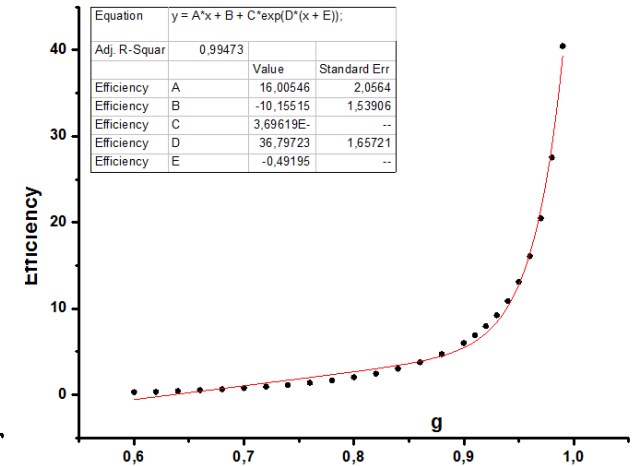
05 Scatterings



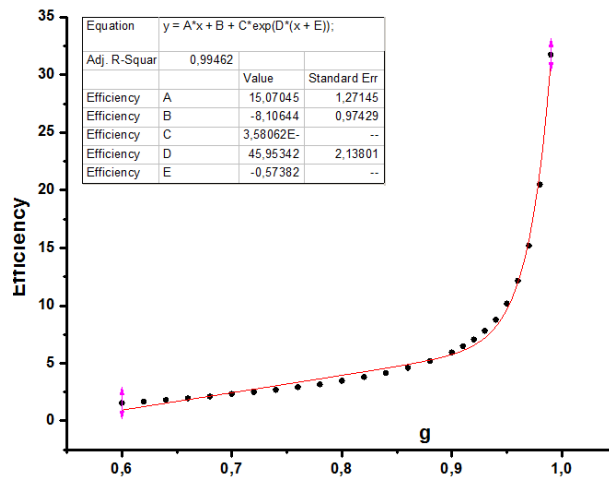
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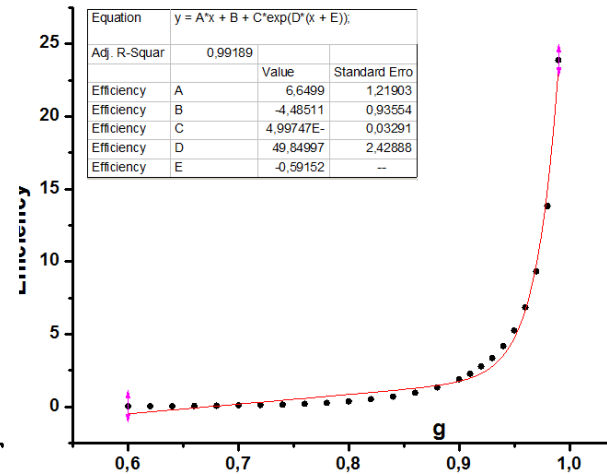
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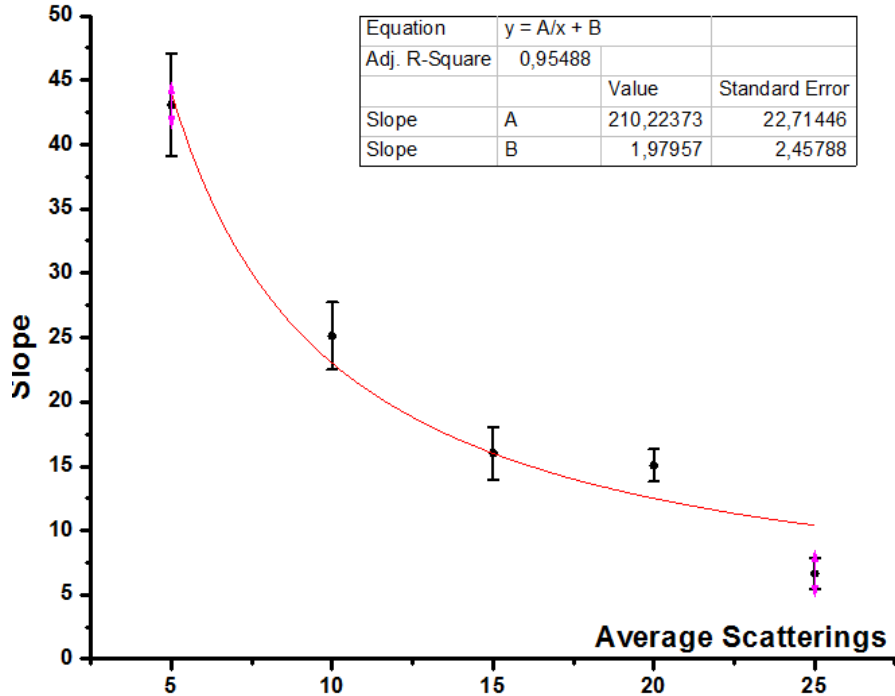
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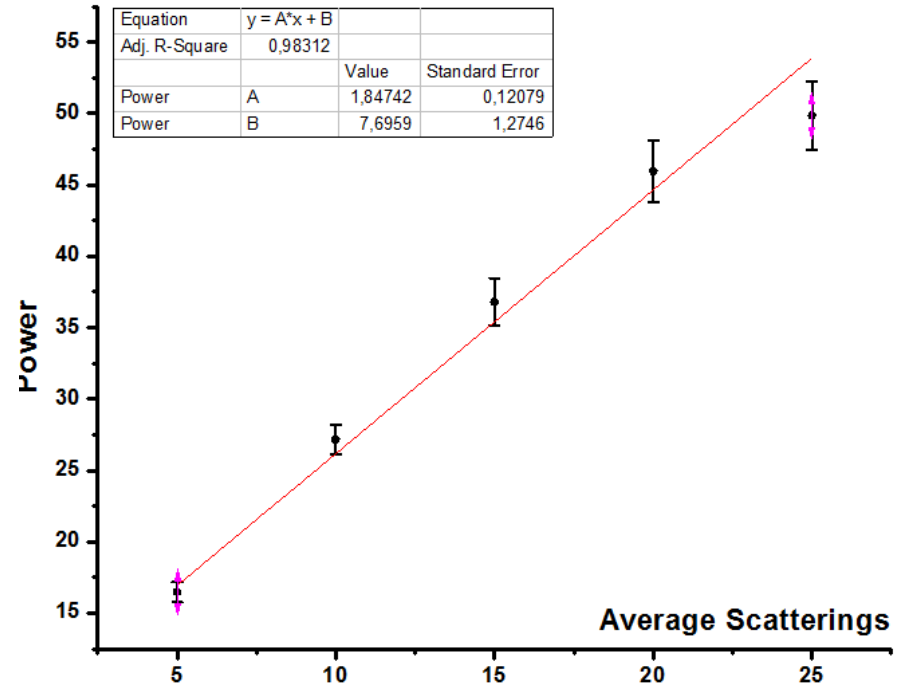
Slope Vs Average Numbers of Scattering



Slope (**A**) depicted in each of the previous graphical fits vs the Average Number of Scattering.

The best fitting curve in this case was:
 $y = A/x + B$

Power Vs Average Numbers of Scattering

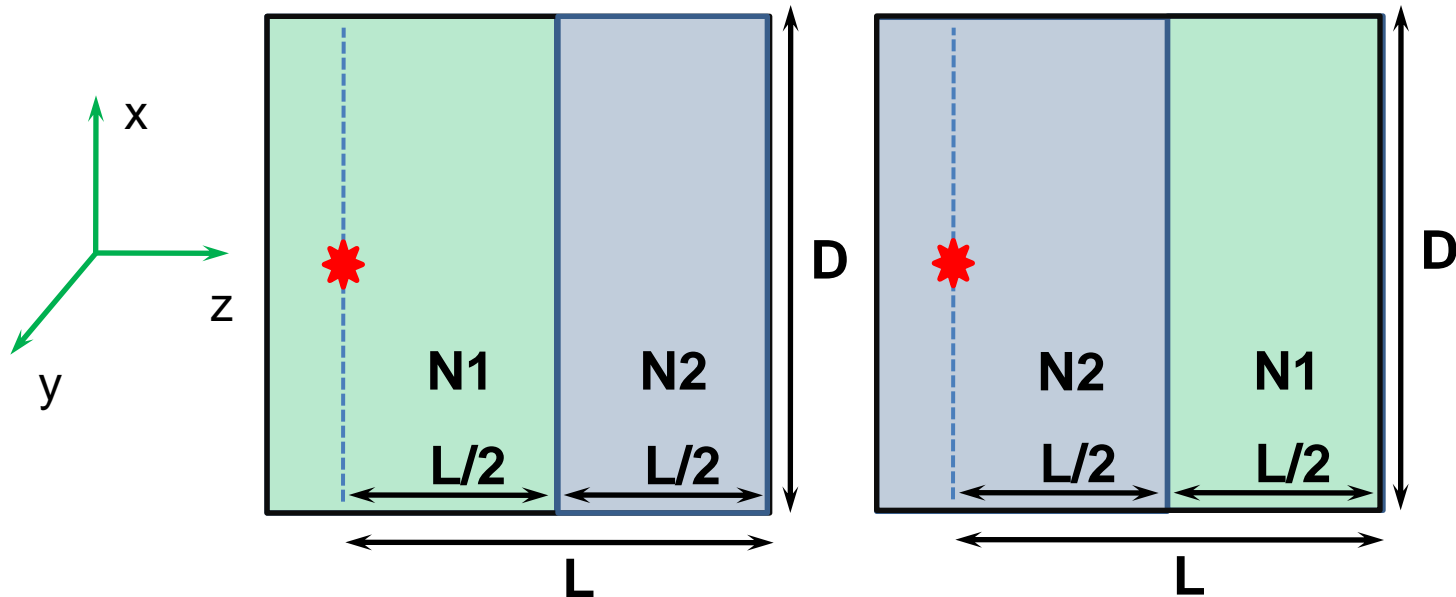


Power of the exponential (**D**) depicted in each of the previous graphical fits vs the Average Number of Scattering.

The best fitting curve in this case was a linear equation: $y = Ax + B$

Efficiency Measurements for Two Volumes

- Efficiency calculation of two different materials for the same g but for different scattering lengths SL_1 and SL_2 .
- For the first volume the average number of scatterings N_1 was the 40% of the total ones N .
- The efficiency was also calculated when the volumes were commuted as depicted in the following picture.



In all the following simulations $D/L=1$

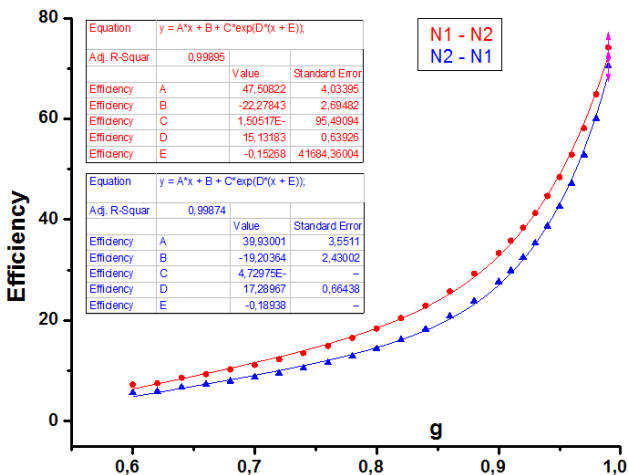
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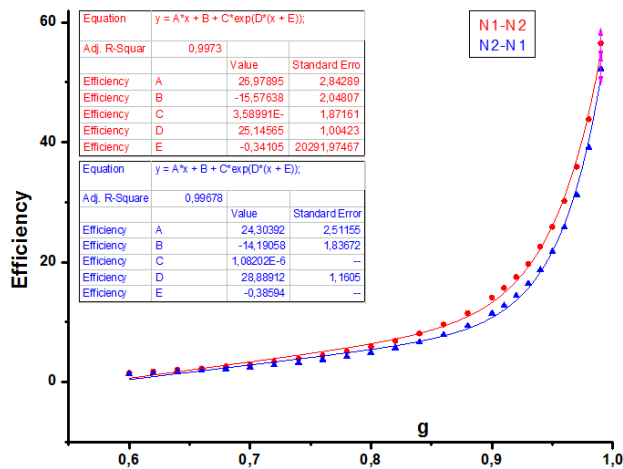
Efficiency vs g-Factor for Interchanged Volumes

Different Scattering Lengths

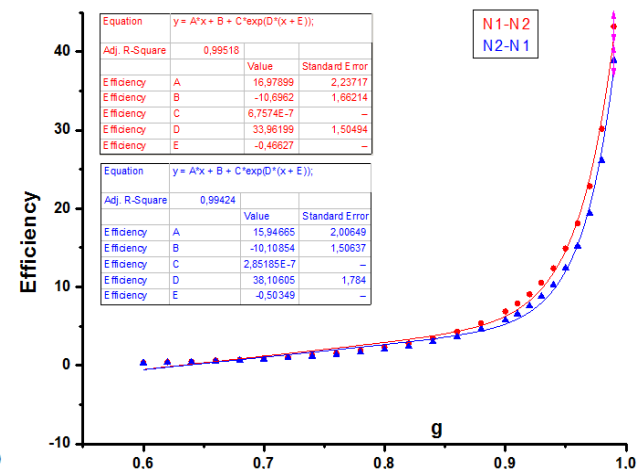
$N_1 = 2$ $N_2 = 3$



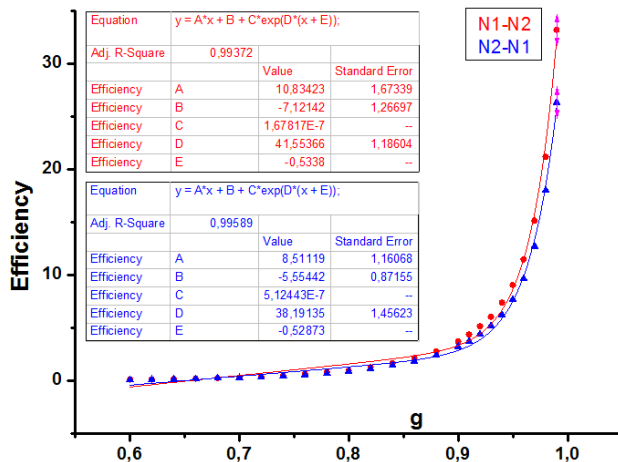
$N_1 = 4$ $N_2 = 6$



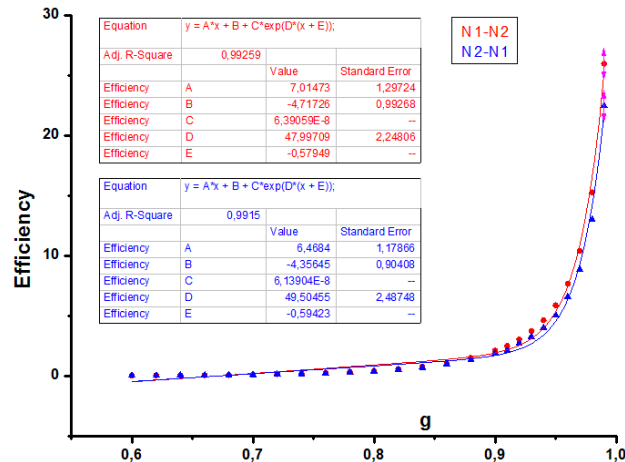
$N_1 = 6$ $N_2 = 9$



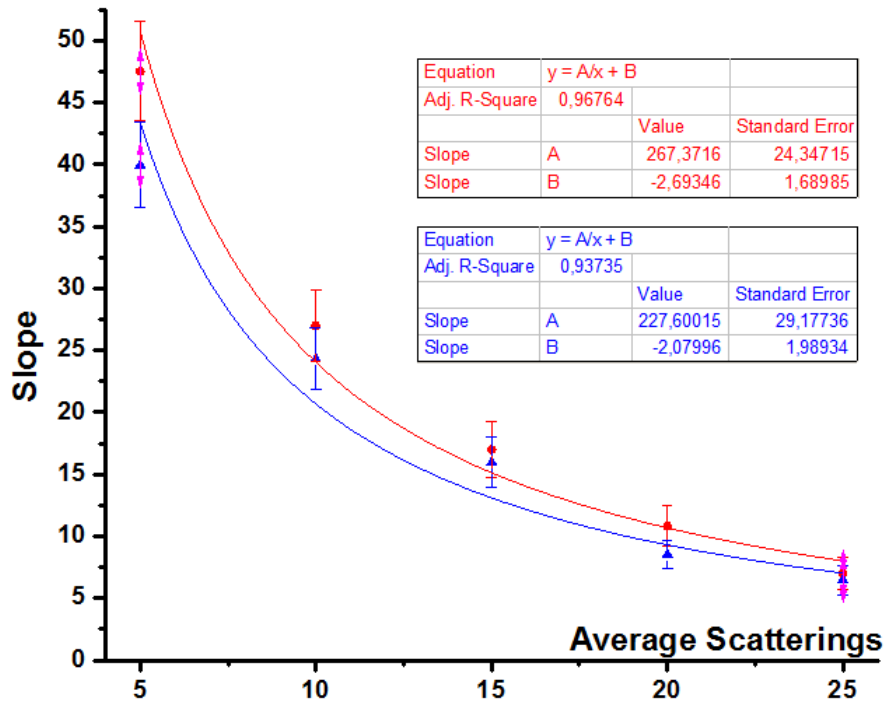
$N_1 = 8$ $N_2 = 12$



$N_1 = 10$ $N_2 = 15$

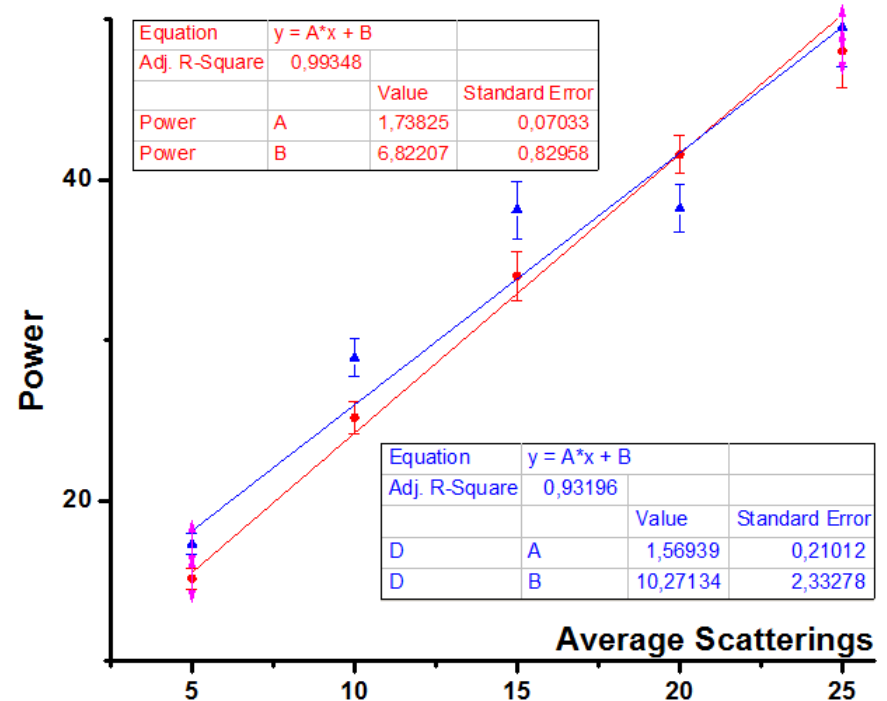


Slope Vs Average Numbers of Scattering



The best fitting curve in this case was:
 $y = A/x + B$

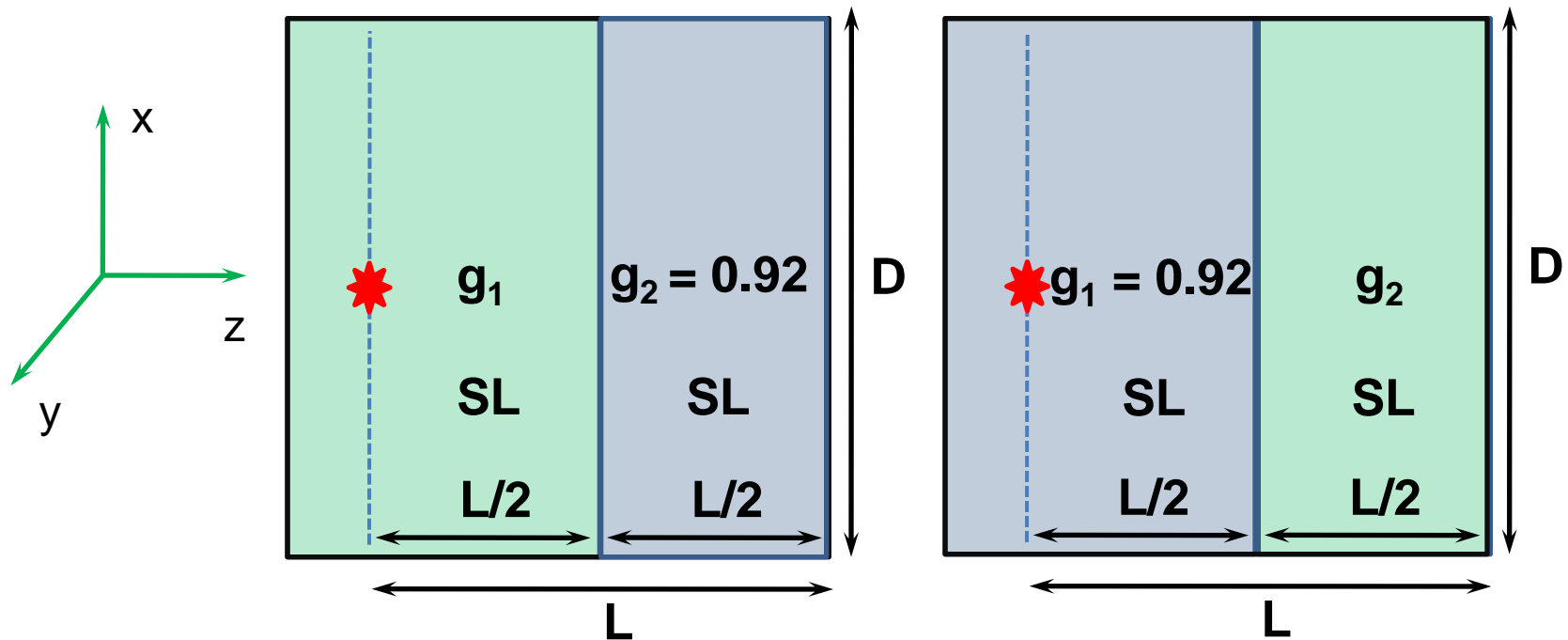
Power Vs Average Numbers of Scattering



The best fitting curve in this case was a linear equation:
 $y = Ax + B$

Efficiency Measurements for Two Volumes

- Efficiency calculation for two different materials having always the **same scattering lengths $SL_1 = SL_2$** but for **different average cosines g_1 and g_2** . (for simplicity we keep the average cosine in one of the two volumes constant with 0.92).
- With **red** color charts correspond to the first case scenario (left) depicted in the figure while the **blue** ones to the second.



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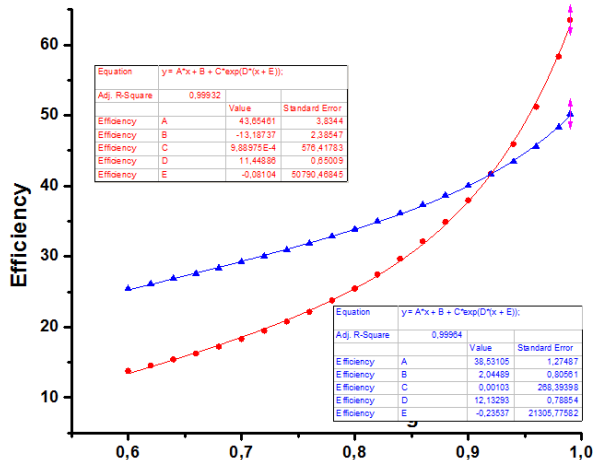
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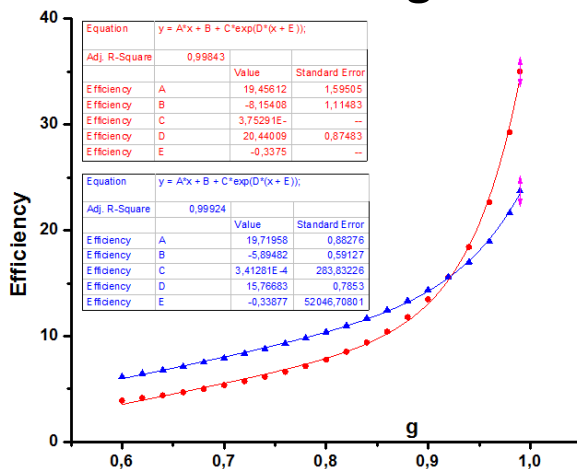
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Same Scattering Lengths

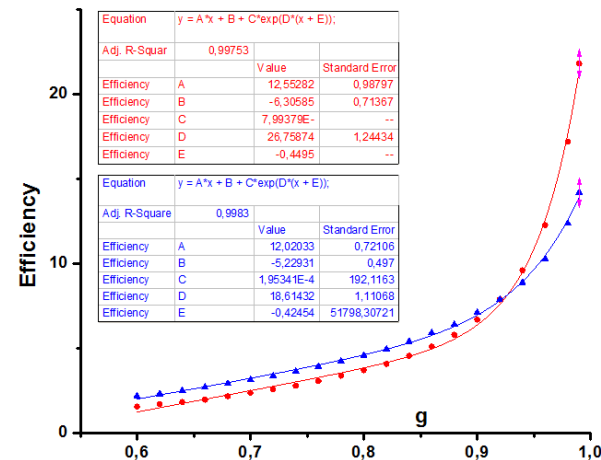
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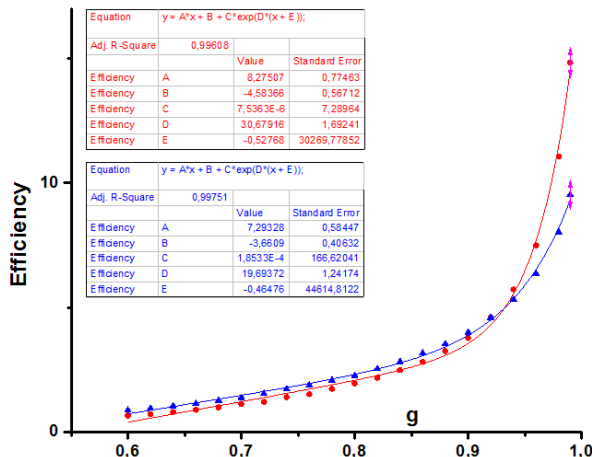
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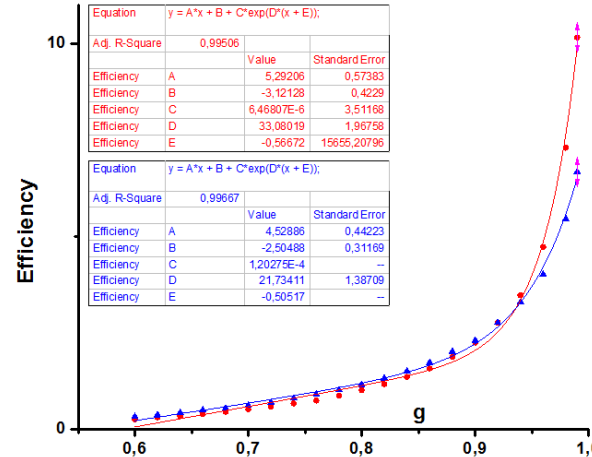
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Results and Discussion

- We can observe that the efficiency, in every case, follows an exponential declination for high values of \mathbf{g} ($0.99 \rightarrow 0.88$) and for the lower values ($\mathbf{g} < 0.88$), a linear declination despite the average number of scattering (ANoS) or the orientation of different materials used. Therefore it is safe to use the following function

$$\varepsilon = Ag + B + Ce^{D(g+E)}$$

in order to approximate our results and thus derive a general rule that we could use. Where ε is the efficiency and \mathbf{g} is the average cosine, all the other (A, B, C, D, E) are constants to be calculated.

- Another important discovery derived from the second and the third simulation cases:

If a two layer volume (and it is safe to guess, a higher layered one) is to be probed by near infrared radiation in order to increase the detection efficiency the area with the fewer ANoS or the greater \mathbf{g} value or the one with the better combination of \mathbf{g} and ANoS leading to less diffusion, must be used as the starting point.

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Thank you



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