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A Tool for Processing Image Tilt Pairs: **ApTiltPicker**

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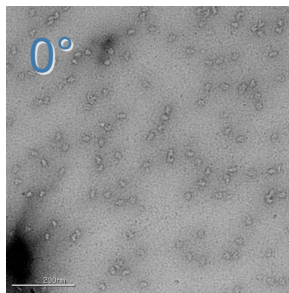
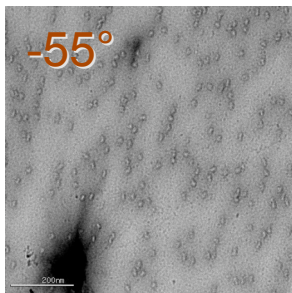


From image tilt pairs to reconstruction

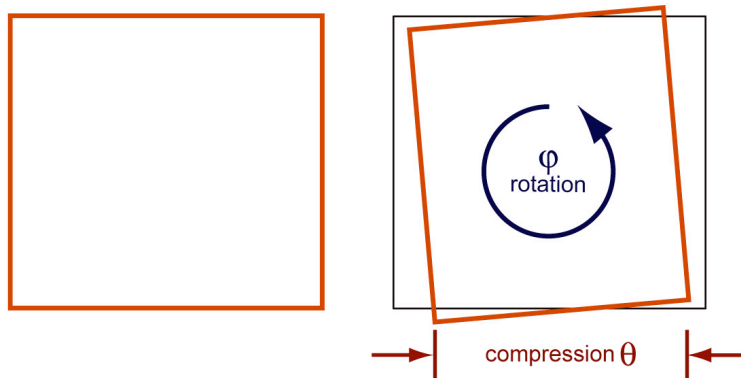
Processing Image Tilt Pairs:

- Particle picking and association*
- Tilted CTF correction
- Two-dimensional alignment and classification
- Reconstruction

** now semi-automated*



Relating Image Tilt Pairs



Affine Transformation Matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\varphi) & \sin(\varphi) \\ -\sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\varphi) & \sin(\varphi) \\ \cos(\theta) \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\theta) \cos(\varphi) \end{pmatrix}$$

Four parameters: **x and y translation**,
tilt angle, and **in-plane rotation**

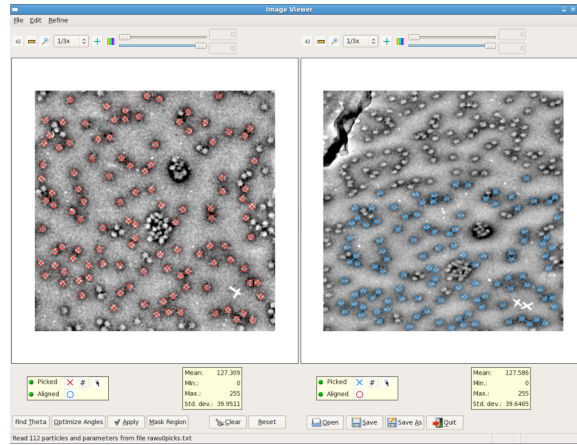
Designing a new tilt picker

- Though very powerful, the existing SPIDER WEB tilt picker requires an 8-bit display and could be not easily be automated.
- **Goal:** to build a new picker from *Leginon* graphical interface that mimics the features of WEB

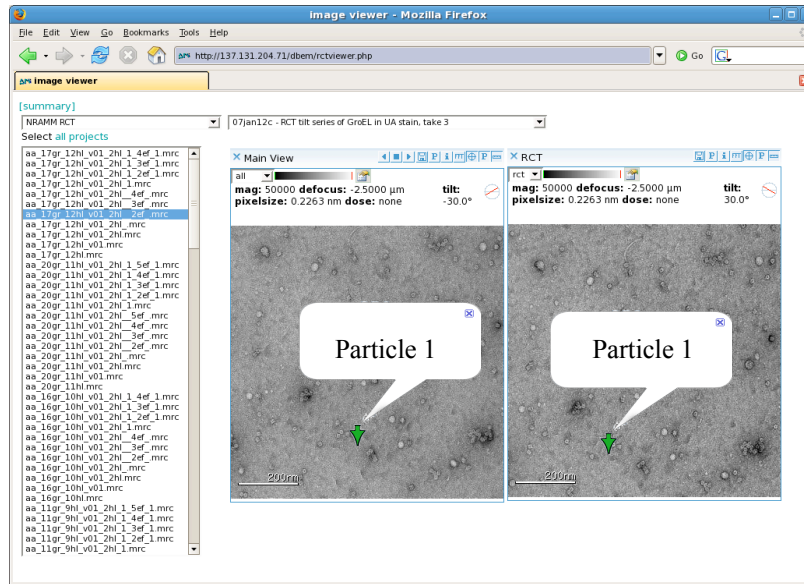
Simple Tilt Picker

- **Leginon** for two images
- First develop *database-free* version

- No database required
- Pick particles by hand
- Calculate tilt parameters
- Save results to a file



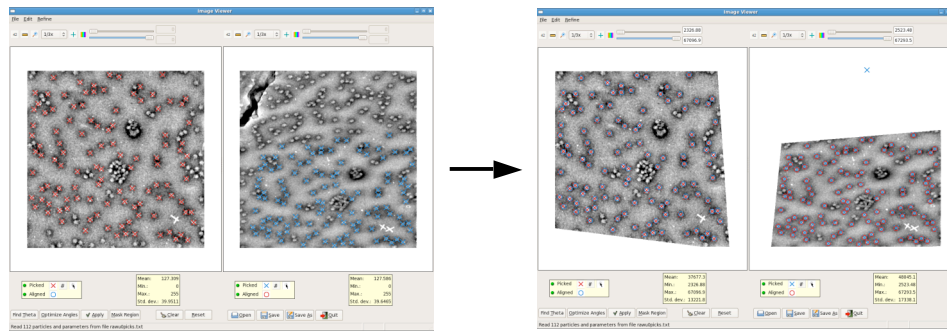
Semi-automated methods for particle matching



Gordon conference proposal

Streamlined Tilt Picker

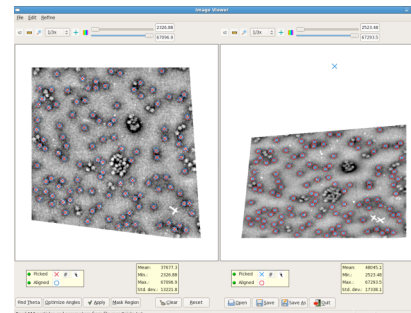
- Second develop a “pipeline” version
 - Import tilt angle from DB
 - Manually pick 1 particle pair!
 - Import particles from DB
 - Calculate tilt parameters
 - Save picks and parameters to DB



Appion Tilt Picker is Available Now!

- Visit: <http://appion.org>
- Free and open source
- Minimal requirements:
 - Python -- scripting language
 - Numpy & Scipy -- numerical processing for python
 - wxPython -- cross platform GUI
 - Python imaging library (PIL) -- image tools library

(all available under recent Fedora & Ubuntu Linux distros)



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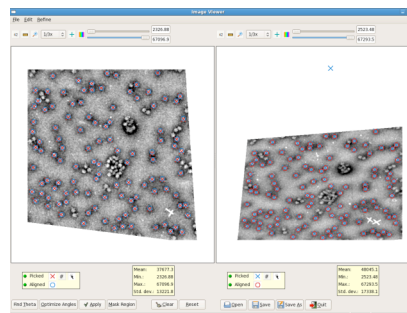


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