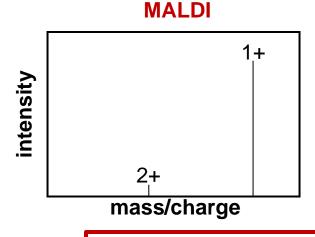
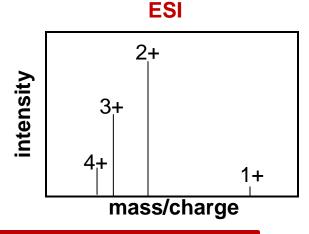
# Proteomics Informatics – Analysis of mass spectra: signal processing, peak finding, and isotope clusters (Week 3)

#### Charge-State Distributions

Peptide

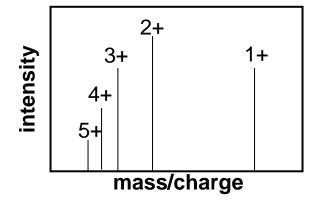




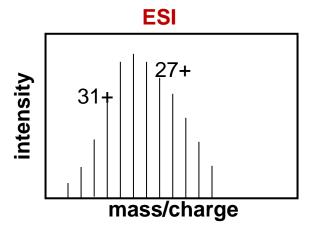
$$\frac{m}{z}=\frac{M+nH}{n}$$

M - molecular massn - number of chargesH - mass of a proton

**Protein** 



**MALDI** 



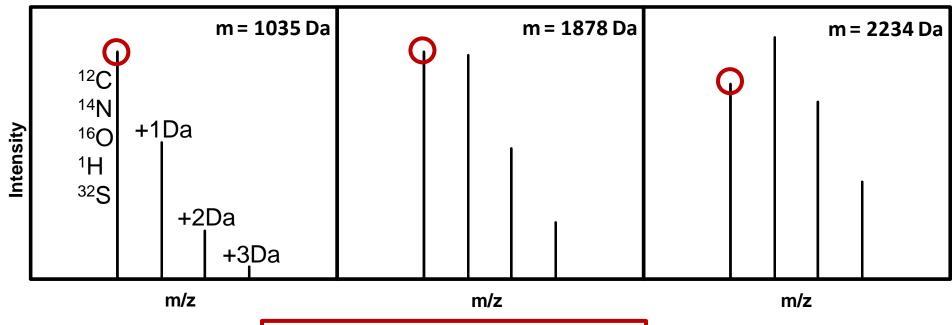
## Charge-State

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#### Example:

peptide of mass 898 carrying 1 H+ = 
$$(898 + 1) / 1 = 899 \text{ m/z}$$
  
carrying 2 H+ =  $(898 + 2) / 2 = 450 \text{ m/z}$   
carrying 3 H+ =  $(898 + 3) / 3 = 300.3 \text{ m/z}$ 

#### Isotope Distributions



0.015% <sup>2</sup>H 1.11% <sup>13</sup>C 0.366% <sup>15</sup>N 0.038% <sup>17</sup>O, 0.200% <sup>18</sup>O, 0.75% <sup>33</sup>S, 4.21% <sup>34</sup>S, 0.02% <sup>36</sup>S

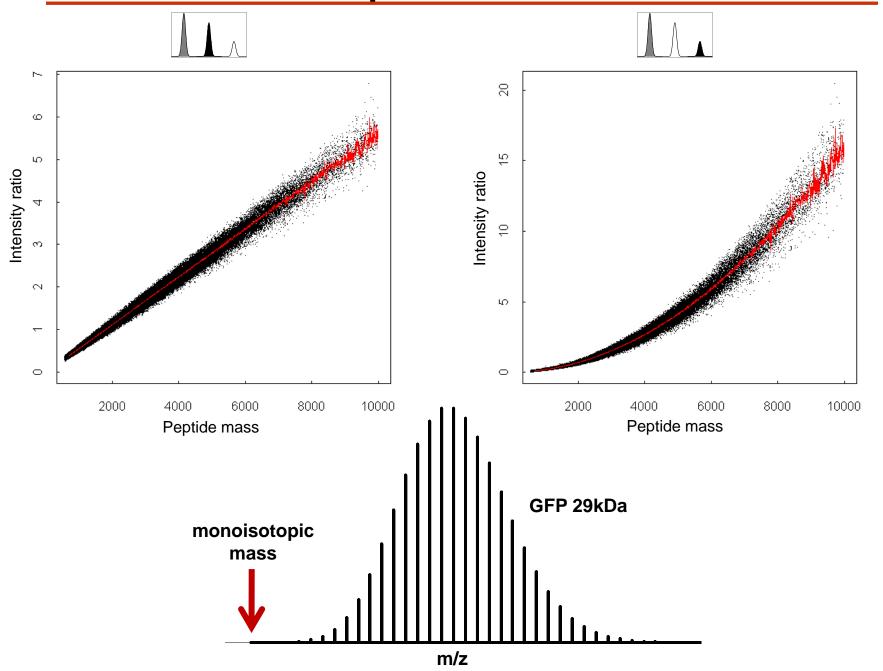
#### Only <sup>12</sup>C and <sup>13</sup>C:

p=0.0111

n is the number of C in the peptide m is the number of  $^{13}$ C in the peptide  $T_{\rm m}$  is the relative intensity of the peptide m  $^{13}$ C

$$T_m = \binom{n}{m} p^m (1-p)^{n-m}$$

## Isotope distributions

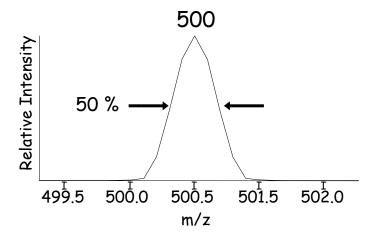


#### Resolution

$$R = \frac{M}{\Delta M} = resolving power$$

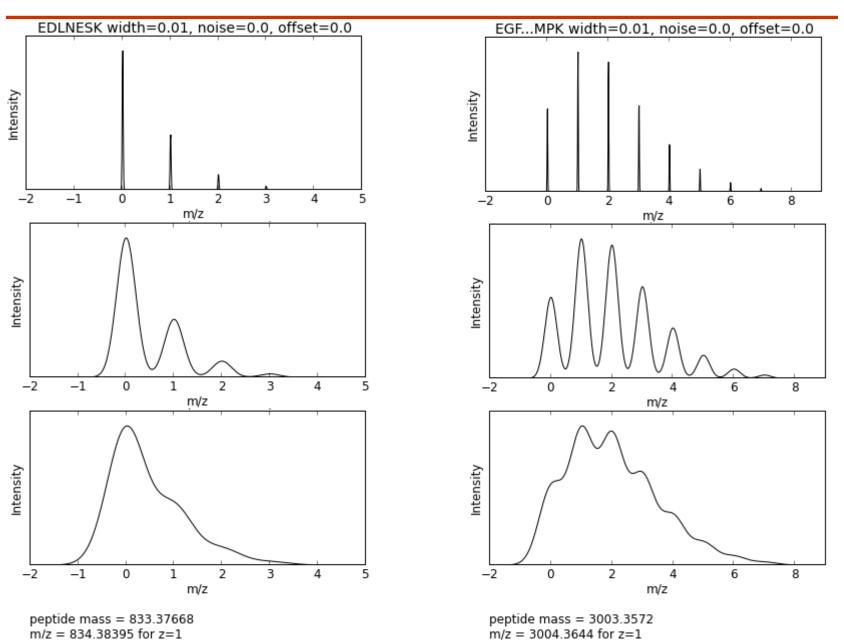
Resolution = minimum peak separation,  $\Delta M$ , which allows to distinguish two ion species

 $\Delta M$  = full width at half maximum (FWHM)



Resolution =  $M/\Delta M = 500/0.5 = 1000$ 

#### Resolution



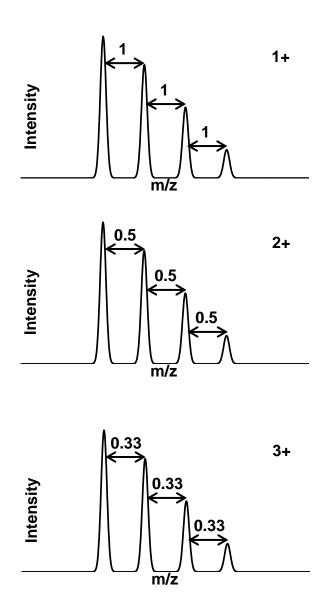
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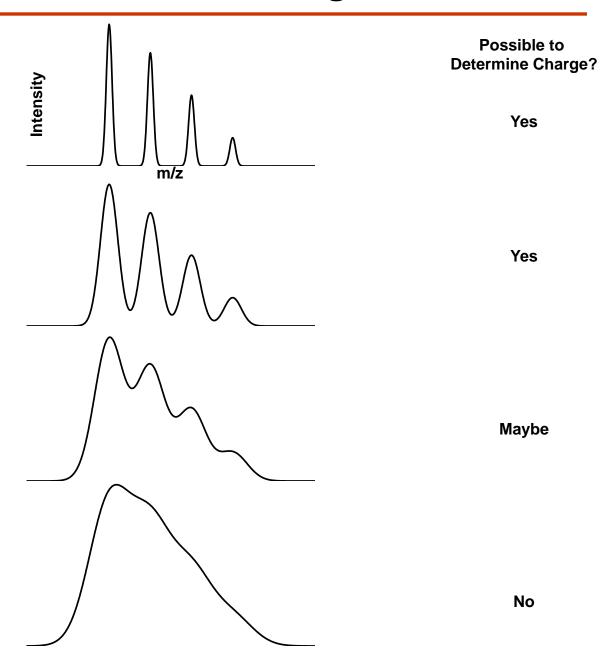
 What resolution do we need to differentiate a 1600 Da peptide that carries either an acetylation (+ 42.0100) or trimethylation (42.0464)?

R = 1600/0.0364 = 43,956

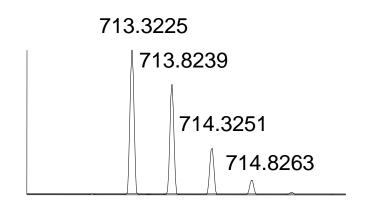
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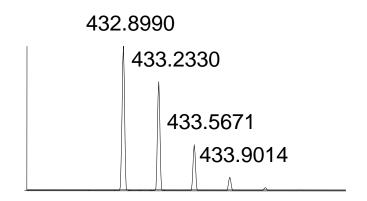


## Isotope Clusters and Charge State



## What is the Charge State?

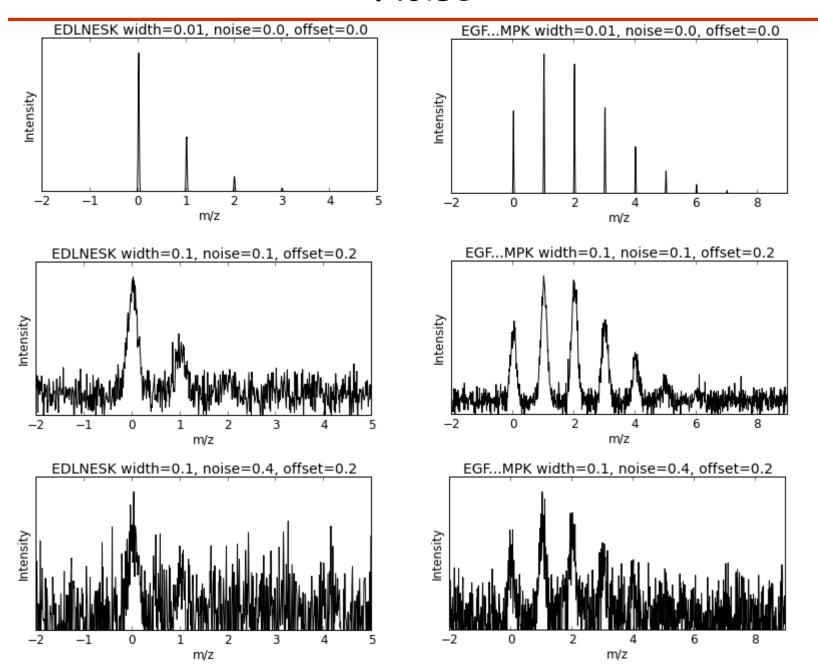




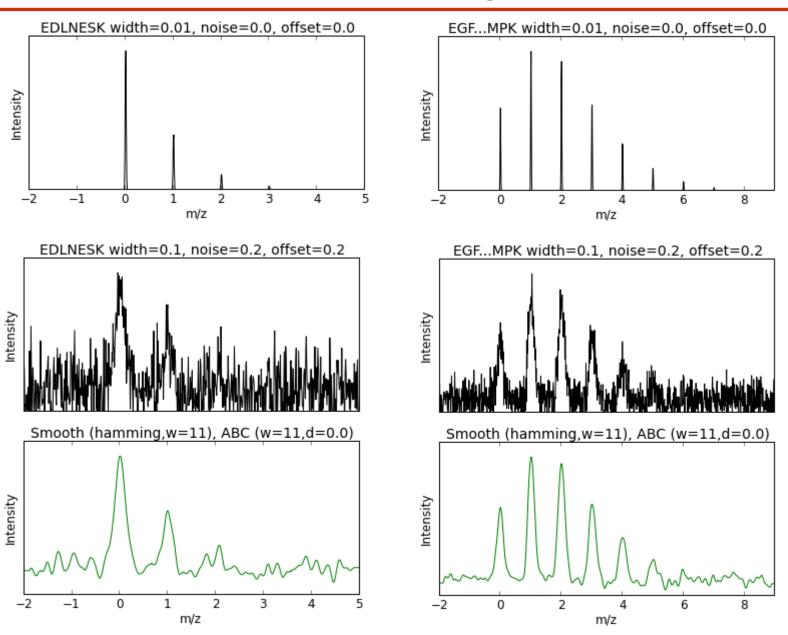
 $\Delta$  between the isotopes is 0.5 Da

 $\Delta$  between the isotopes is 0.33 Da

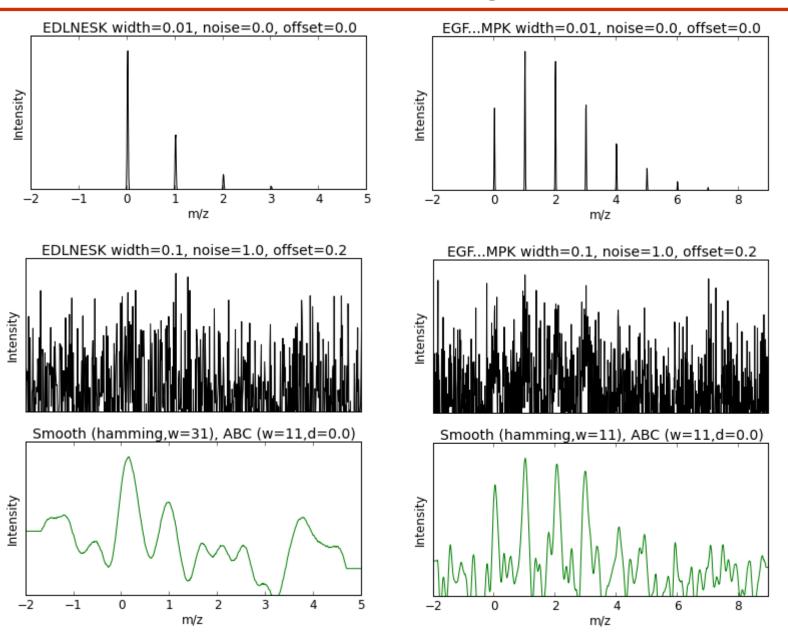
#### Noise



## Smoothing



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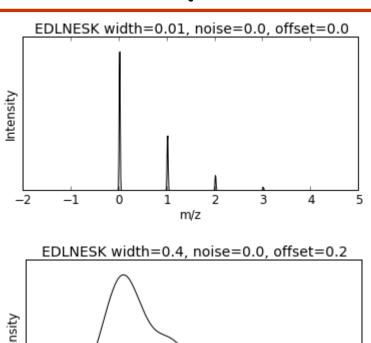


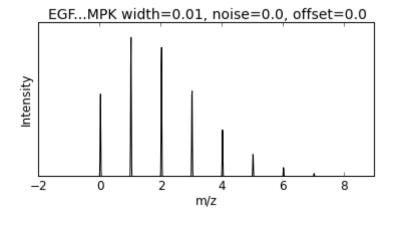
## Adaptive Background Correction (Unsharp masking)

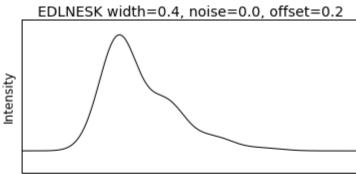
$$I'(l,d,w) = \frac{d}{2w+1} \sum_{k=l-w}^{k=l+w} I(k)$$

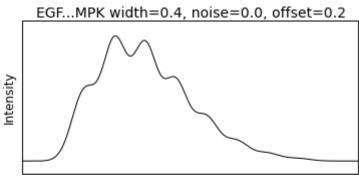


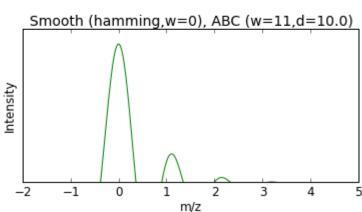
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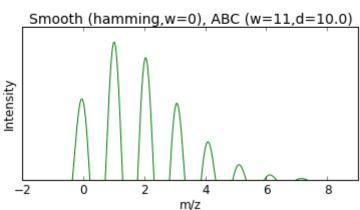




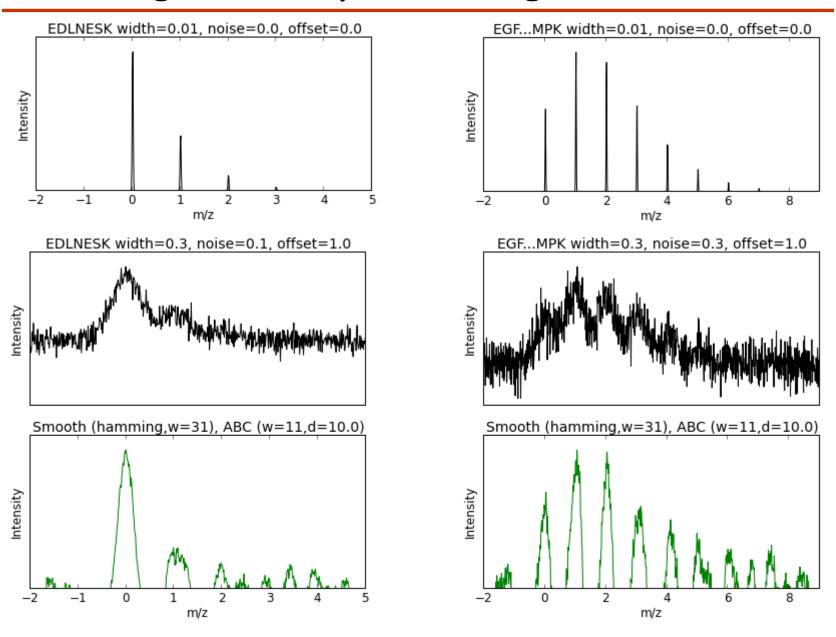




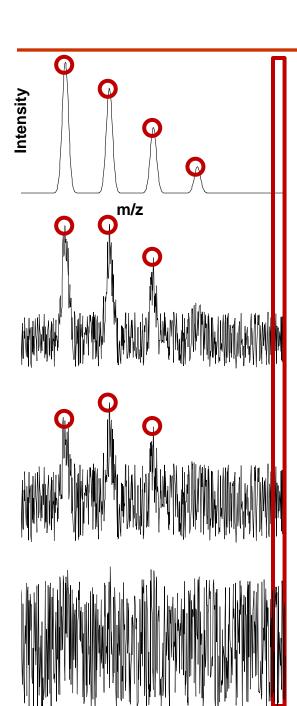




## Smoothing and Adaptive Background Correction



## Peak Finding



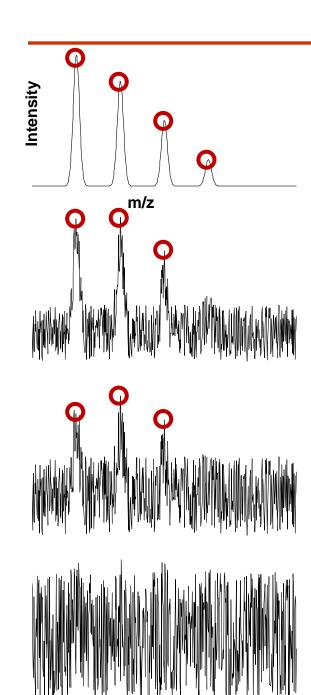
#### Find maxima of

$$S(l) = \sum_{k=l-w}^{k=l+w} I(k)$$

#### The centroid m/z of a peak

$$\frac{\sum_{k=l-w}^{k=l+w} I(k) \cdot \frac{m}{z}(k)}{\sum_{k=l-w}^{k=l+w} I(k)}$$

#### Peak Finding

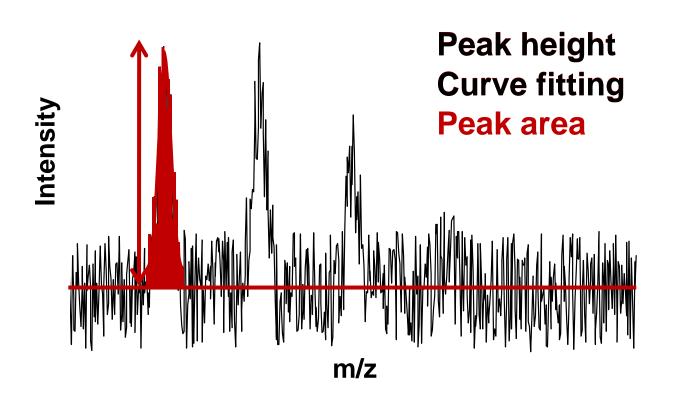


The signal in a peak can be estimated with the RMSD

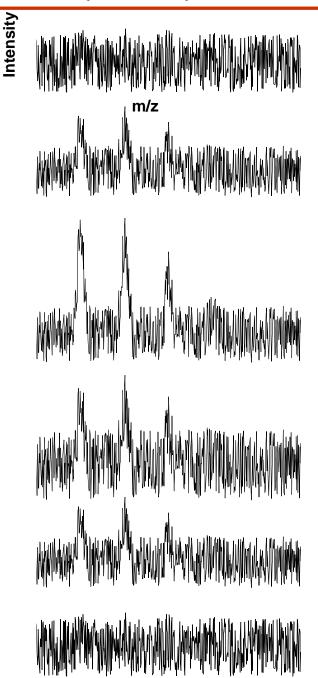
$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{|k-l|< w/2} (I(k) - \langle I \rangle)^2}{w/2}}$$

and the signal-to-noise ratio of a peak can be estimated by dividing the signal with the RMSD of the background

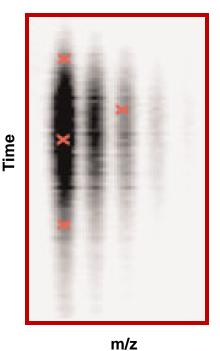
## Estimating peptide quantity



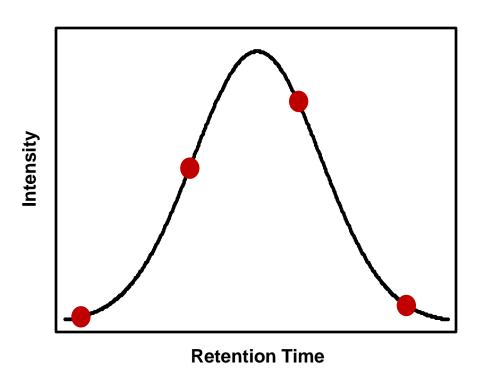
#### Time dimension



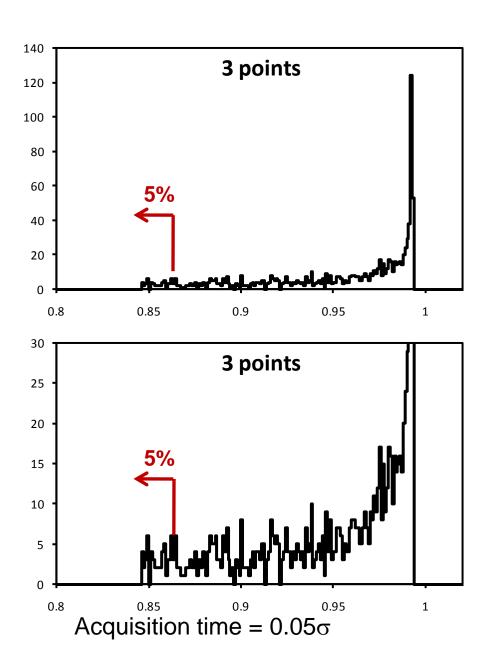
Time



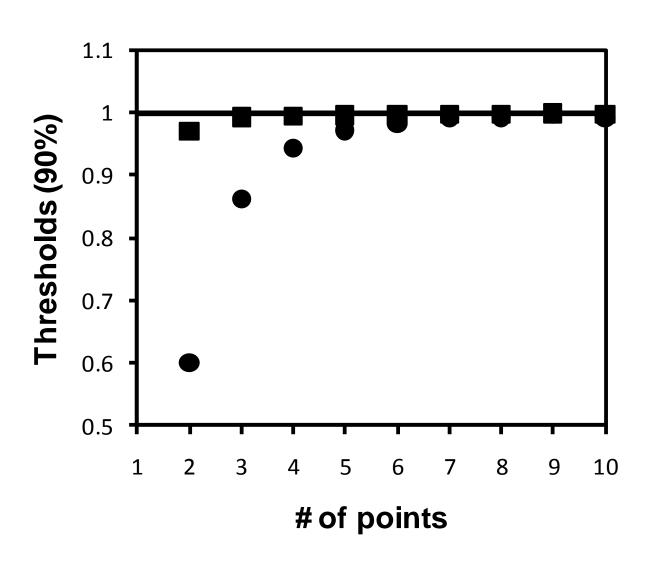
# Sampling



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## What is the best way to estimate quantity?

Peak height

- resistant to interference

- poor statistics

Peak area

- better statistics

- more sensitive to interference

Curve fitting

- better statistics

- needs to know the peak shape

- slow

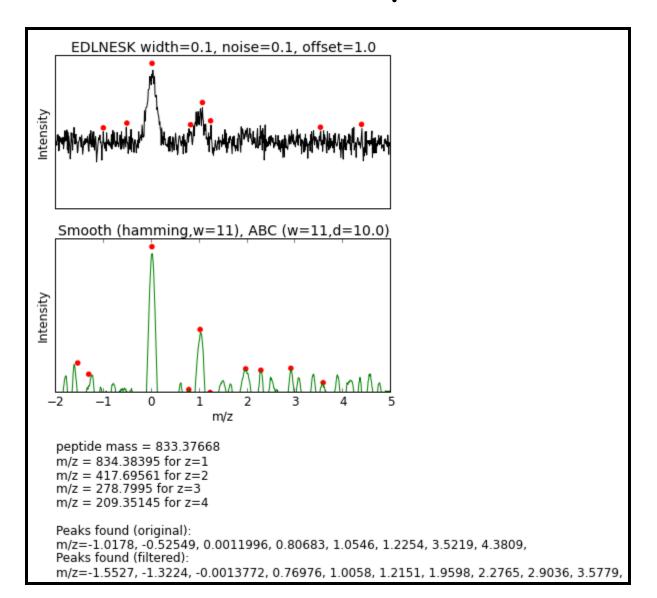
#### Web Tool

http://10.193.36.101/plot-filter-cgi/plot\_filter.pl or http://10.193.36.219/plot-filter-cgi/plot\_filter.pl

peptide: EDLNESK
Peak width: 0.1
Points per m/z unit: 100
Noise: 0.1
Offset: 1
Apply filters
Smoothing: hamming ▼ width: 11
Adaptive Background Correction: width: 11 , strength: 10
Find peaks
Plot

#### Web Tool

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