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This can be applied to density matrix eigenvalues to define LOCC equivalence and relative degrees of entanglement

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Measurement of mixed states



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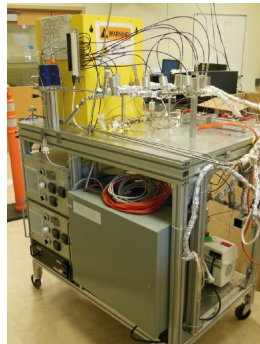
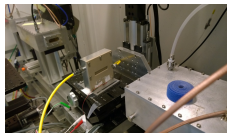
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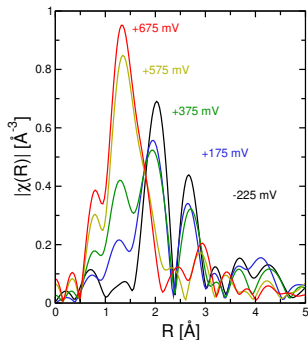
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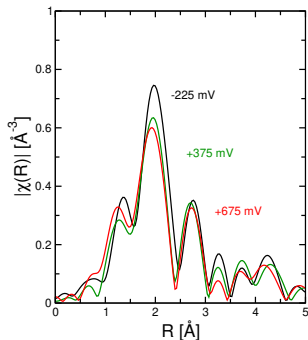


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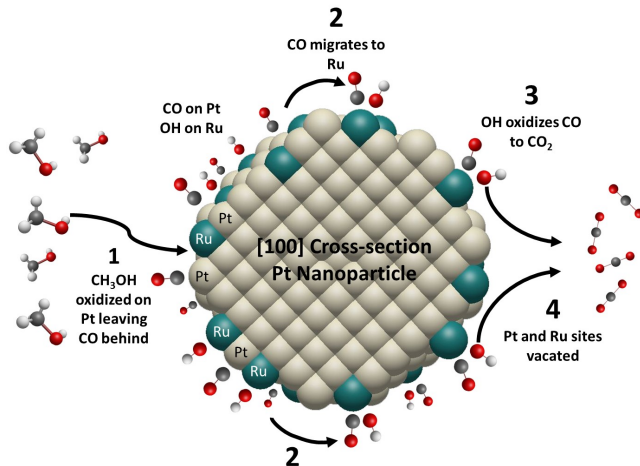
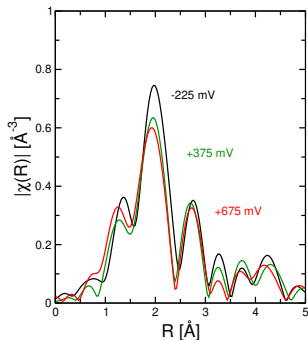


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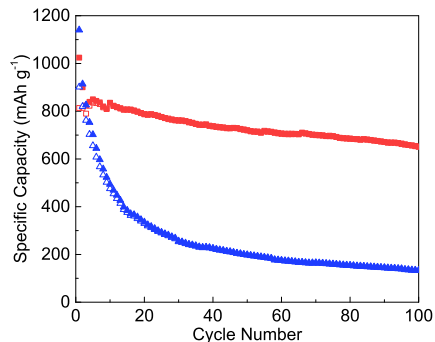


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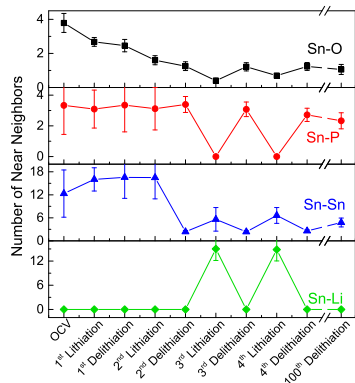


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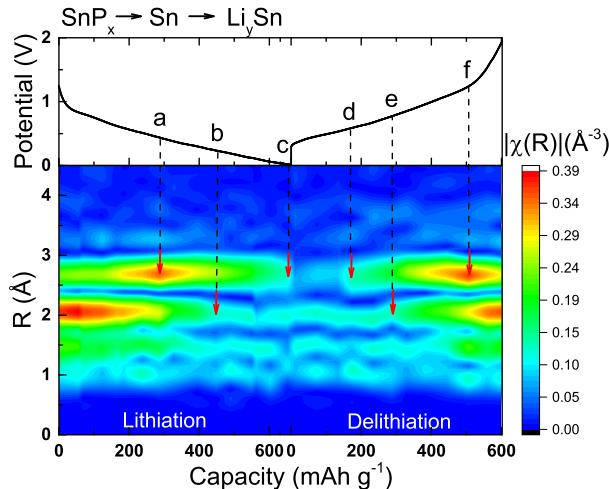
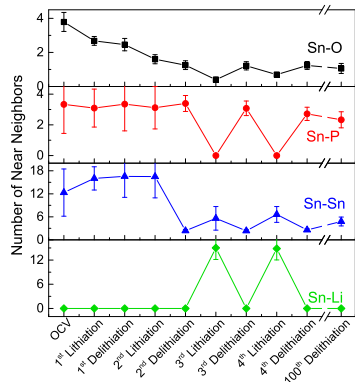


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