

X-Ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy

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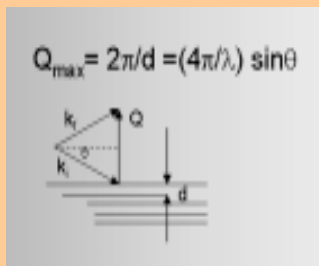
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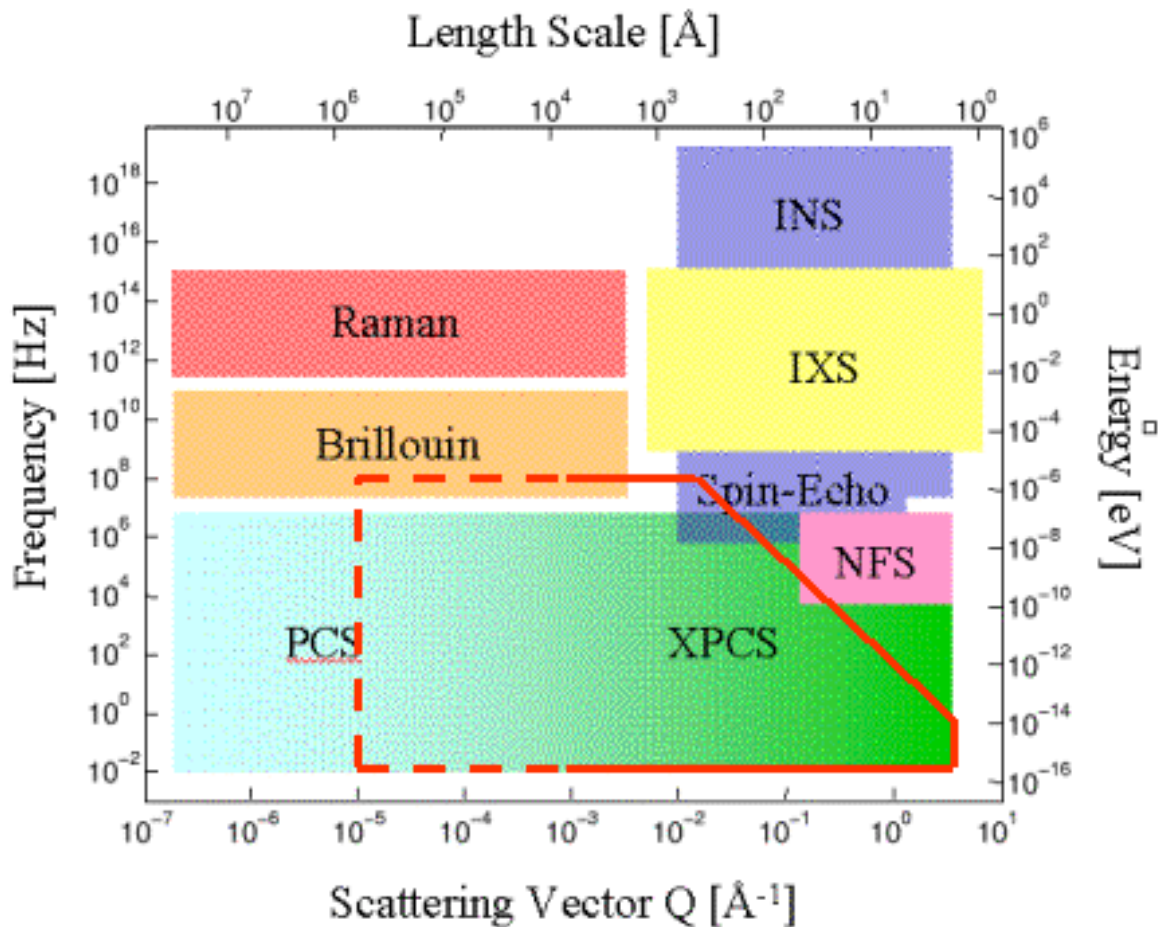
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- Dynamics on short lengthscales



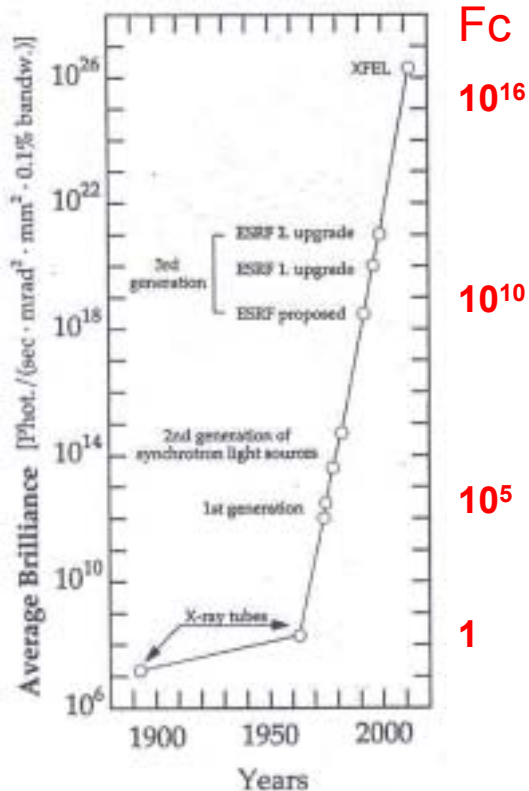
- No multiple scattering
- Opaque materials



Coherence is one of the most prominent features of third and future fourth generation light sources.

$$F_c = (\lambda/2)^2 \cdot B(\text{rilliance})$$

Coherence Parameters: $\lambda = 1 \text{ \AA}$
 Transverse coherence length: $\xi_t = \lambda R_s / 2d_s \approx 10 \text{ \mu m}$
 Longitudinal coherence length: $\xi_l = \lambda(\lambda/\Delta\lambda) \approx 1 \text{ \mu m}$
 Contrast (degree of coherence): $\beta = \beta(\Delta\lambda/\lambda, \dots)$



Applications:
 Scattering with coherent X-rays
 Structure: speckle reconstruction
 Dynamics: **X-ray photon correlation spectroscopy (XPCS)**
 (Phase Contrast) Imaging

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If coherent light is scattered from a disordered system it gives rise to a random (grainy) diffraction pattern, known as “speckle”. A speckle pattern is an interference pattern and related to the exact spatial arrangement of the scatterers in the disordered system.

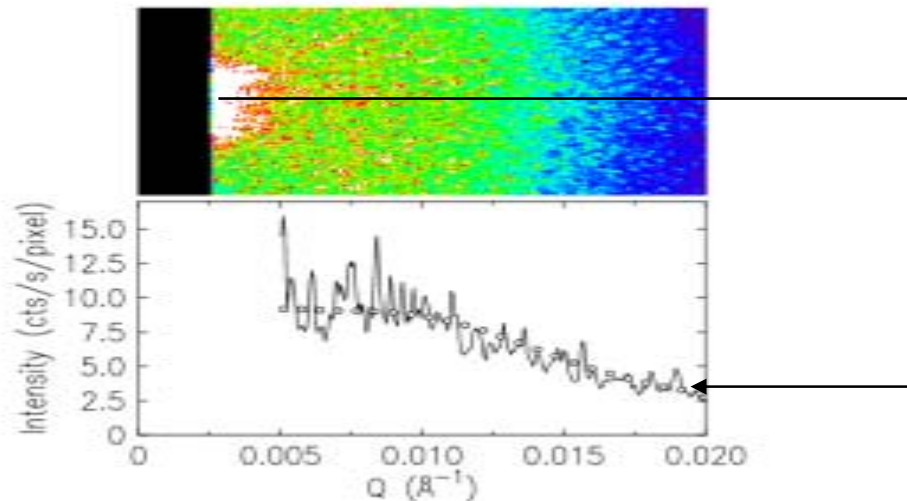
$$I(Q,t) \propto S_c(Q,t) \propto \left| \sum_j e^{iQR_j(t)} \right|^2$$

j in coherence volume $c = \xi_t^2 \xi_l$

Incoherent Light:

$$S(Q,t) = \langle S_c(Q,t) \rangle_{V \gg c} \quad \text{ensemble average}$$

Aerogel
 $\lambda = 1 \text{ \AA}$
 CCD (22 μm)



Abernathy,
 Grübel, et al.

J. Synchrotron
 Rad. 5, 37, 1998

$$G(Q,t) = \langle I(Q,0) \cdot I(Q,t) \rangle / \langle I(Q) \rangle^2 = \alpha \operatorname{Re} \{ g_1(Q,t) \} + \beta g_2(Q,t) + (1 - \beta)$$

$$g_1(Q,t) = \langle \rho(Q,0) \cdot \rho^*(Q,t) \rangle$$

$\rho(Q,t)$: FT (electron density)

$$g_2(Q,t) = \langle \rho(Q,0) \cdot \rho^*(Q,0) \cdot \rho(Q,t) \cdot \rho^*(Q,t) \rangle$$

Gaussian fluctuations ($g_2=1+|g_1|^2$), no optical mixing ($\alpha = 0$):

$$G(Q,t) = 1 + \beta(Q) |g_1(Q,t)|^2$$

$$g_1(Q,t) \equiv f(Q,t) = F(Q,t) / F(Q,0)$$

normalized intermediate scattering function

$$F(Q,t) = (1/(Nf^2(Q))) \sum_n \sum_m \langle f_n(Q) f_m(Q) \exp(iQ[r_n(0) - r_m(t)]) \rangle$$

$F(Q,0) = S(Q)$ static structure factor

Diffusive Processes:

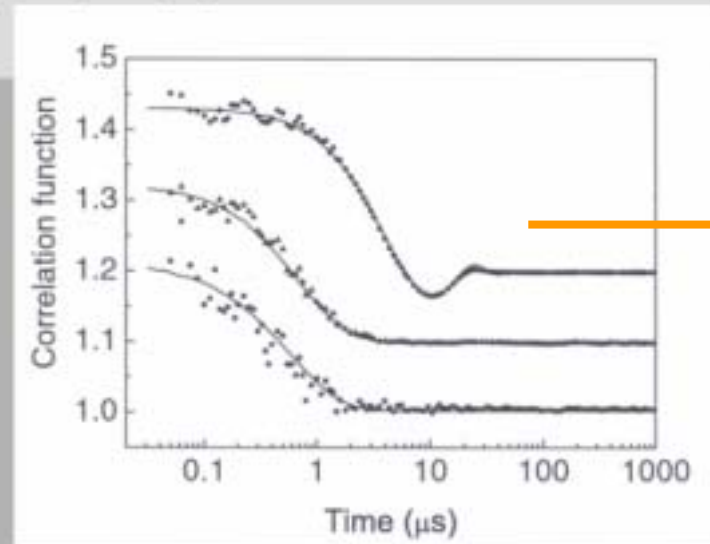
Monodisperse, non-interacting scatterers:

$$F(Q,0)=1, \quad \langle [r(0)-r(t)]^2 \rangle = 6 D_0 t$$

$$f(Q,t) = \exp(-\Gamma t), \quad \Gamma = D_0 Q^2$$

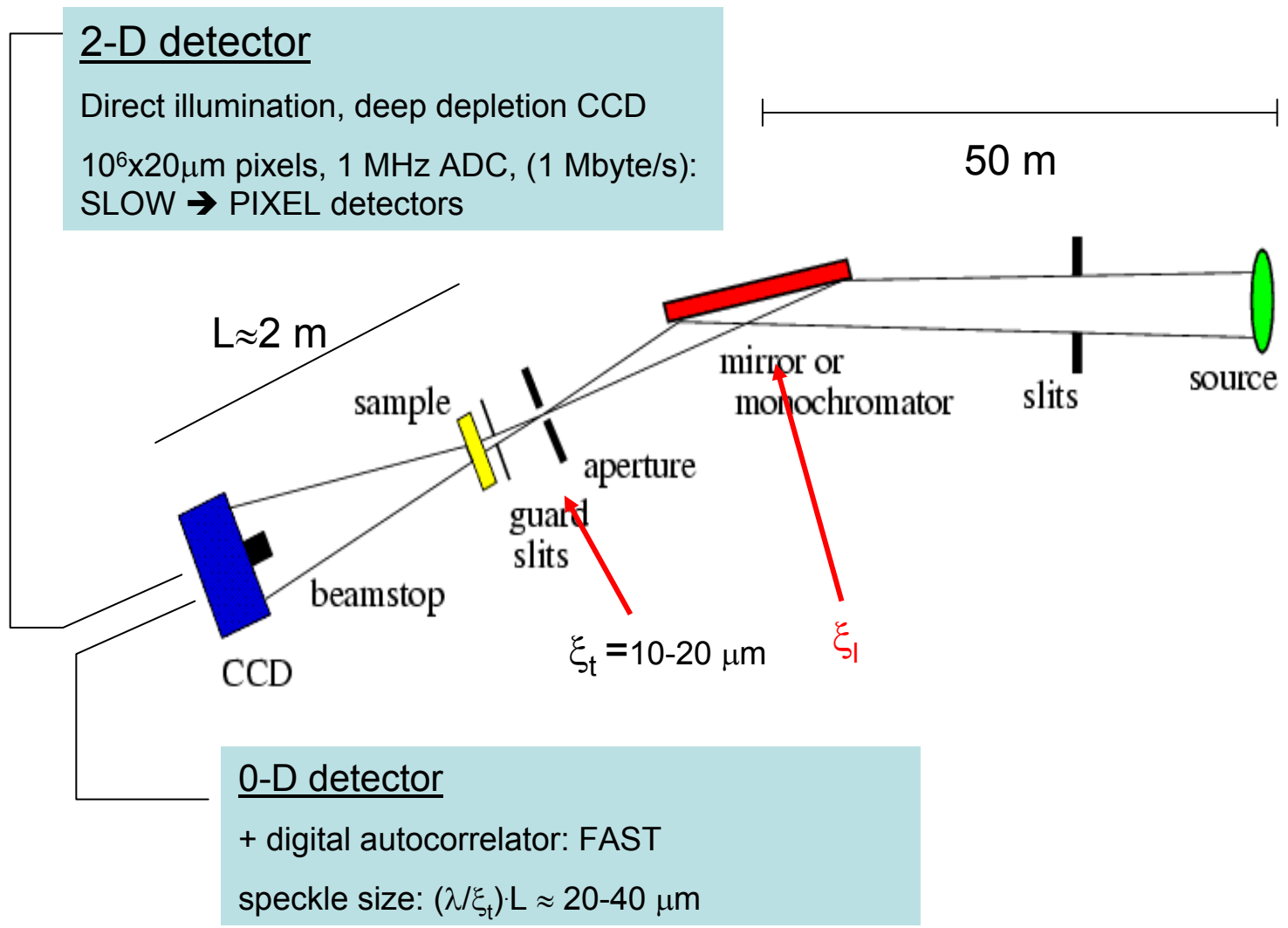
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Livet
Gutt

→ Falus



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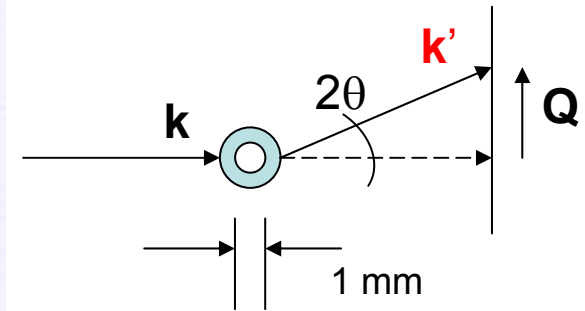
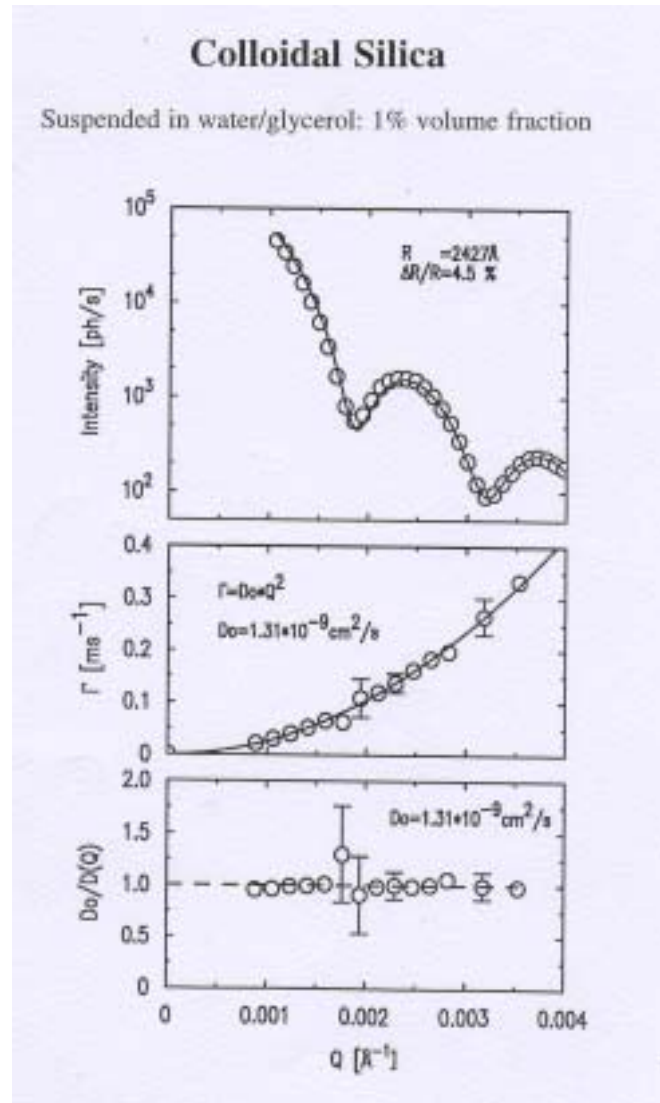
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$$I \sim |F(Q)|^2 S(Q)$$

$$\sim [(\sin QR - QR \cos QR) / (QR)^3]^2$$

$$\Gamma = D_0 Q^2$$



$$Q = k' - k$$

$$Q = 2k \sin \theta$$

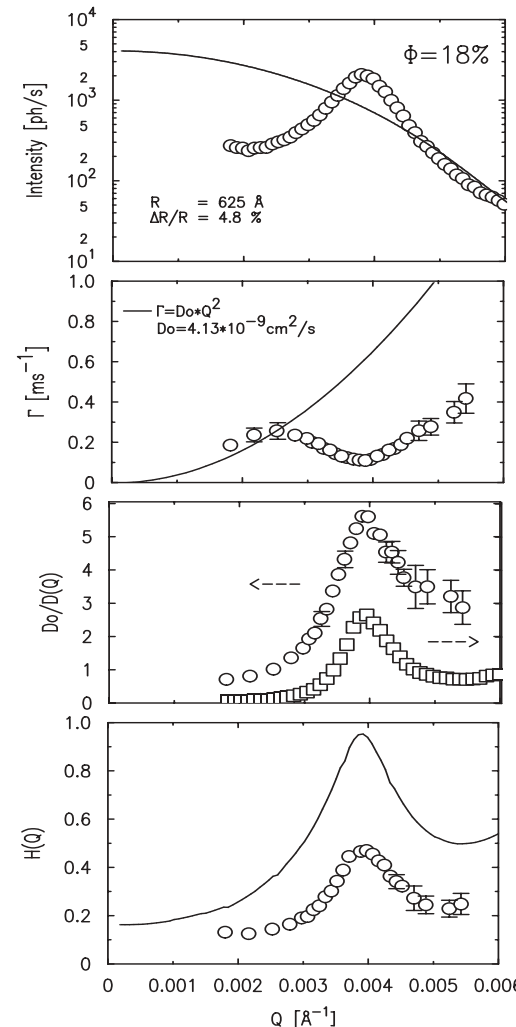
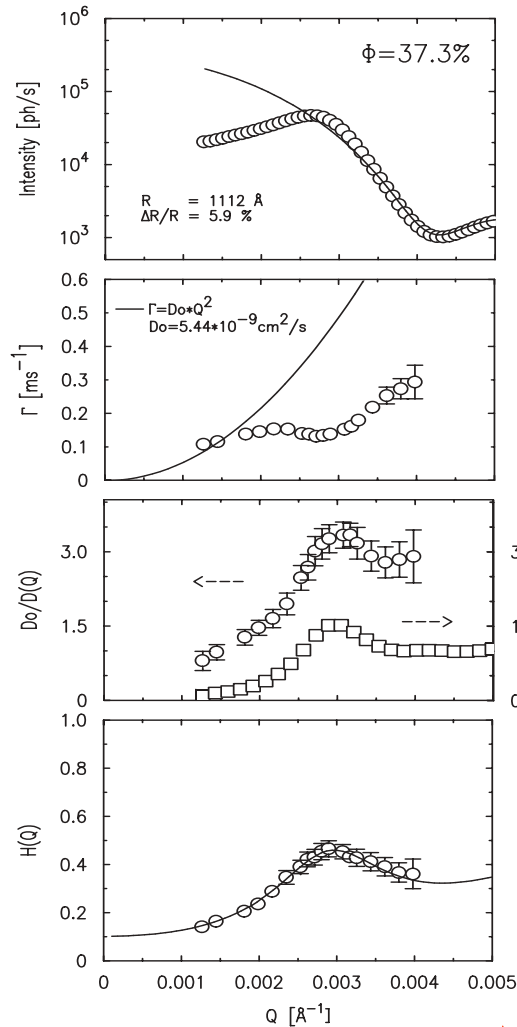
$$k = 2\pi/\lambda$$

G. Grübel, A. Robert, D. Abernathy
8th Tohwa University International
Symposium on "Slow Dynamics in
Complex Systems", 1998, Fukuoka, Japan

Poly-methylmetacrylate
37% volume fraction in cis-decaline
sterically stabilized (**hard-spheres**)

Poly-octafluoropentylcrylate
18% volume fraction in H₂O/glycerol
charge-stabilized (**soft-spheres**)

Robert Scheffold



“caging“
(deGennes
narrowing)

δ-γ expansion

$$|F(Q)|^2$$

$$\Gamma = DoQ^2$$

$$S(Q) = I(Q) / |F(Q)|^2$$

δ-γ expansion

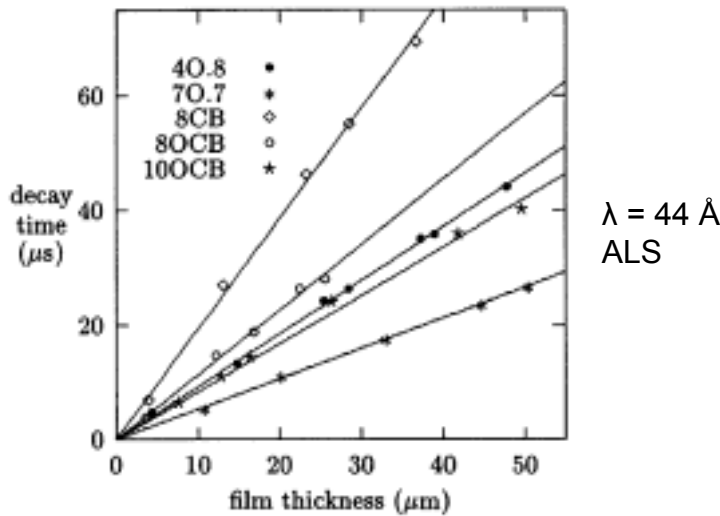
$$H(Q) = S(Q) / [Do/D(Q)]$$

no model

↑ QR=5.6

Motivation: Study thermally driven layer fluctuations in freely suspended films of smectic liquid crystals

Price, Sorensen, Kevan, Toner, Poniewierki & Holyst, PRL 82,755(1999)



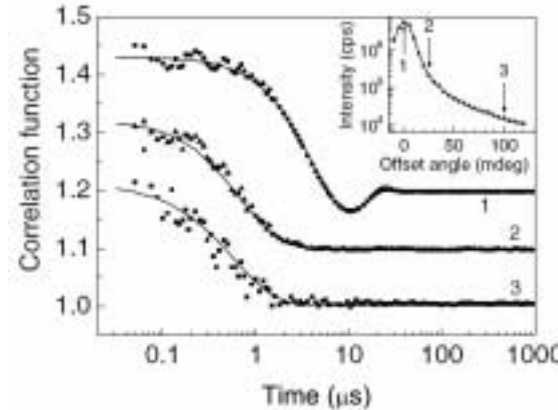
$$\tau = \left(\frac{\eta}{2\gamma} \right) L$$

- η layer sliding viscosity
- γ surface tension
- L layer thickness

Fera et al. PRL 85,2316 (2000)

Sikharulidze et al. PRL 88,115503 (2002)

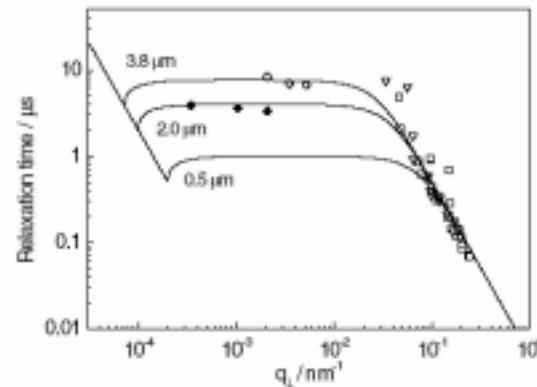
→ Sikharulidze



$\lambda = 1.54 \text{ \AA}$, ESRF
 $2.83 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$
 FPP
 $q_z = 2.18 \text{ nm}^{-1}$

- (1) $q_x = 0$
- (2) $q_x = 0.95 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ nm}^{-1}$
- (3) $q_x = 3.8 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ nm}^{-1}$

Sikharulidze et al. PRL 91,165504(2003)



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- NSE ($\lambda=9 \text{ \AA}$)
- ▽ NSE ($\lambda=15 \text{ \AA}$)
- ◆ XPCS ($\lambda=0.9 \text{ \AA}$)

NOTE: heterodyning, sub- μs , overlap NSE

Synopsis:

Every liquid is subject to thermally excited capillary (surface) waves. Harmonic waves with $f = \omega_p + i\Gamma$ depending on wavevector q , surface tension γ , the dynamic viscosity η , and the density ρ of the liquid. The dispersion relation is given by:

$$D(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \mathbf{gq} + \gamma \mathbf{q}^3 / \rho - (\omega + 2i\nu \mathbf{q}^2)^2 - 4\nu^2 \mathbf{q}^4 (1 - i\omega / (\nu \mathbf{q}^2))^{1/2}$$

$\nu = \eta / \rho$: kinematic viscosity

$$S(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = -2k_B T (\mathbf{q} / \rho \omega) \cdot \text{Im} D(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) / |D(\mathbf{q}, \omega)|^2$$

Small damping limit ($\gamma \rho / 4 \eta^2 \mathbf{q}_{||} > 0.145$):

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_0 = (2\eta / \gamma) \mathbf{q}_{||}^2 \quad \omega = \omega_0 = \sqrt{(\gamma / \rho) \mathbf{q}_{||}^3}$$

“propagating waves”

Large damping limit ($\gamma \rho / 4 \eta^2 \mathbf{q}_{||} < 0.145$):

$$\Gamma = (\gamma / 2\eta) \mathbf{q}_{||}$$

$$\omega = 0$$

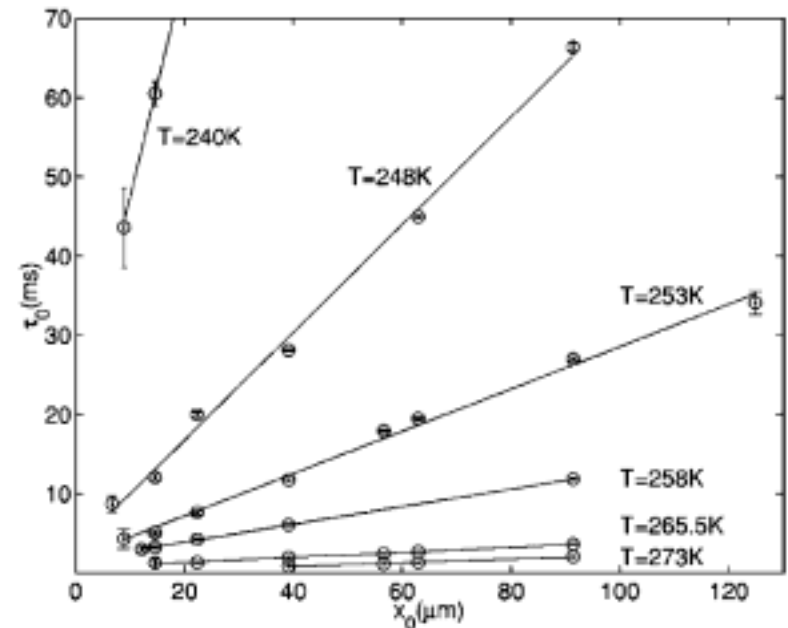


$$\tau_0 = (1/\pi) (\eta / \gamma) x_0$$

“overdamped waves”

Glycerol ($\lambda = 1.548 \text{ \AA}$) @ID10A

Seydel, Madsen, Tolan, Grübel, Press, PRB61,73409(2001)

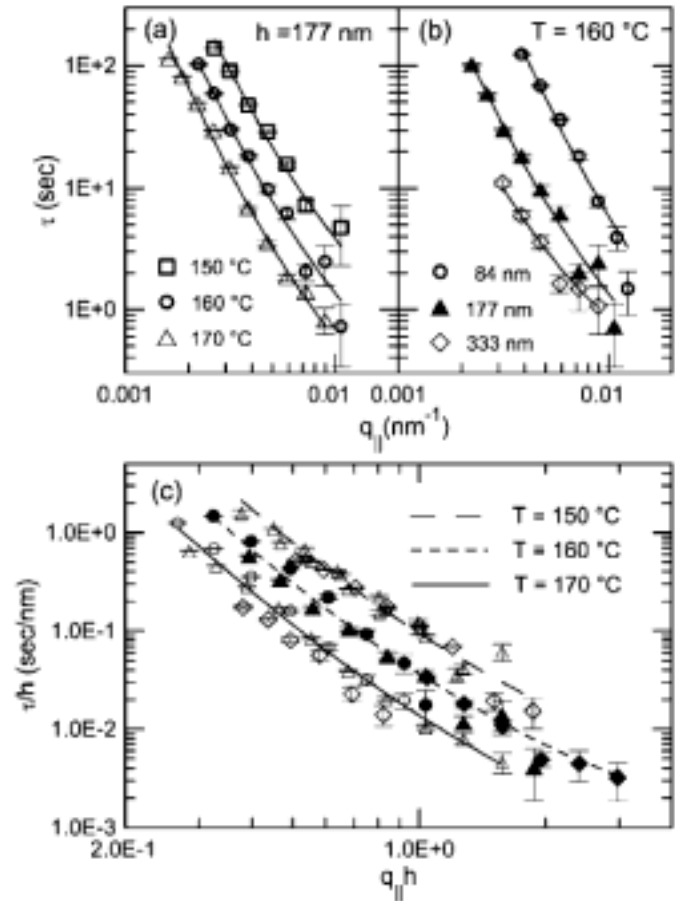
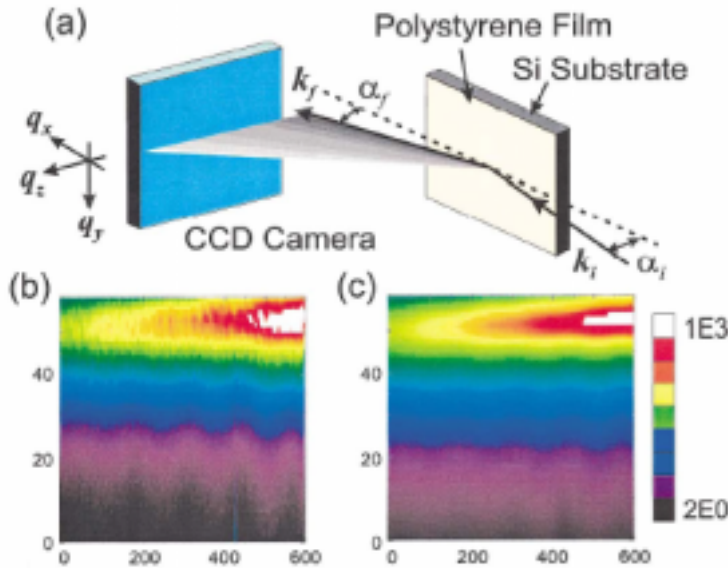


Surface Dynamics of Polymer Films

Test the validity of models for film thicknesses h approaching the typical length scales of polymer chains ($h \rightarrow R_g$)

$$\tau \approx (2\eta/\gamma q_{\parallel}) (H/F)$$

$$H = \cosh^2(q_{\parallel}h) + q_{\parallel}^2 h^2, \quad F = \sinh(q_{\parallel}h) \cosh(q_{\parallel}h) - q_{\parallel}h$$



Kim, Rühm, Lurio, Basu, Lal, Lumma, Mochrie, Sinha,
PRL 90,68302 (2003) @ APS 8-ID

→ Lurio

Goal:

Study capillary waves at the transition from propagating to overdamped behaviour.

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Model Calculation: Glycerol/Water

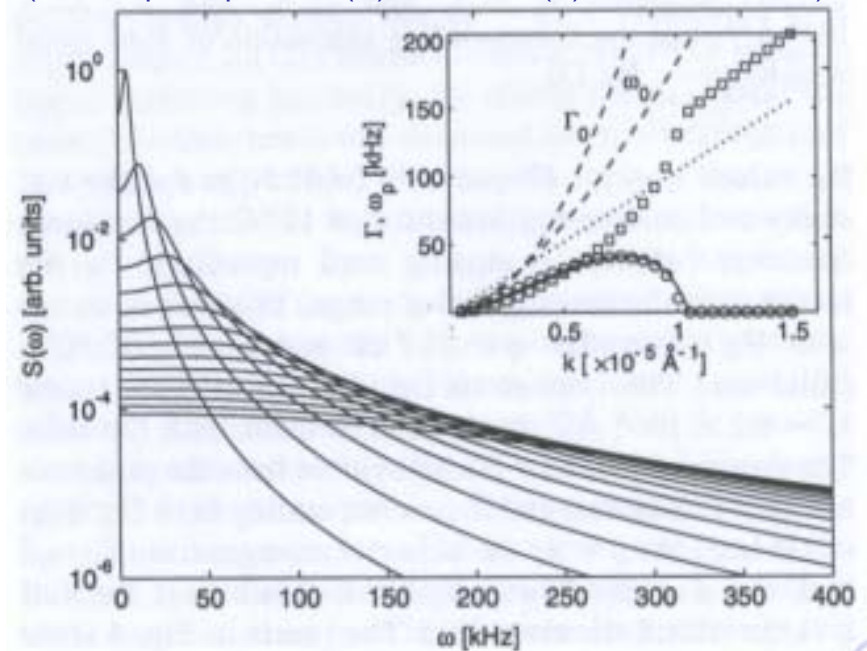
(linear response theory; Jäckle et al; J. Phys.C.M. 7(1995)4351)

$$\rho = 1156\text{kg/m}^3; \eta = 18.8\text{cp}; \sigma = 0.039\text{N/m};$$

$$q = 1,2,3,4,\dots,10^{-6} \text{ \AA}^{-1};$$

$$\omega_p \text{ (o)}; \quad \Gamma \text{ (}\square\text{)},$$

(Extract peak-position (ω) and width (Γ) from calculation)



Experiment:

65wt% Glycerol/Water

Measure capillary wave spectrum with a coherent x-ray beam (XPCS) in grazing incidence geometry (surface sensitivity).

The measured correlation function is a combination of homo- and heterodyne terms:

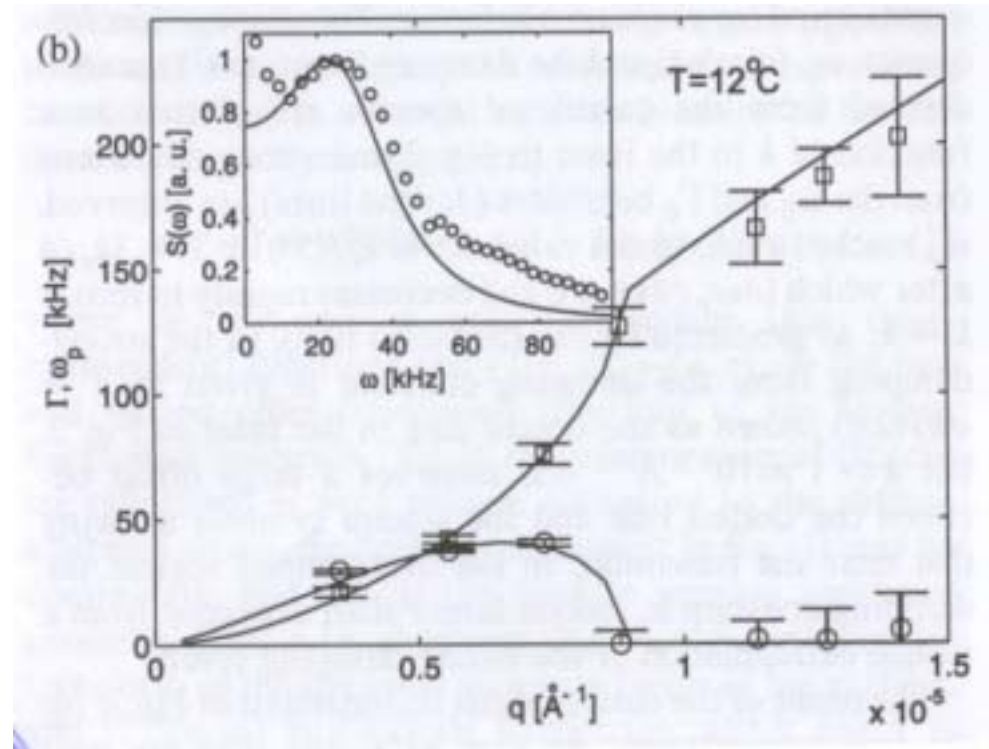
$$g_2(q, \tau) = \alpha \text{Re}\{g_1(q, \tau)\} + \beta g_2(q, \tau) + \gamma;$$

$$g_1(q, \tau) = \exp(-\Gamma_0 \tau) \cos(\omega_0 \tau) \text{ (in the small damping limit).}$$

The reference signal for the heterodyne case is the specular reflectivity

$T=12 \text{ C}$

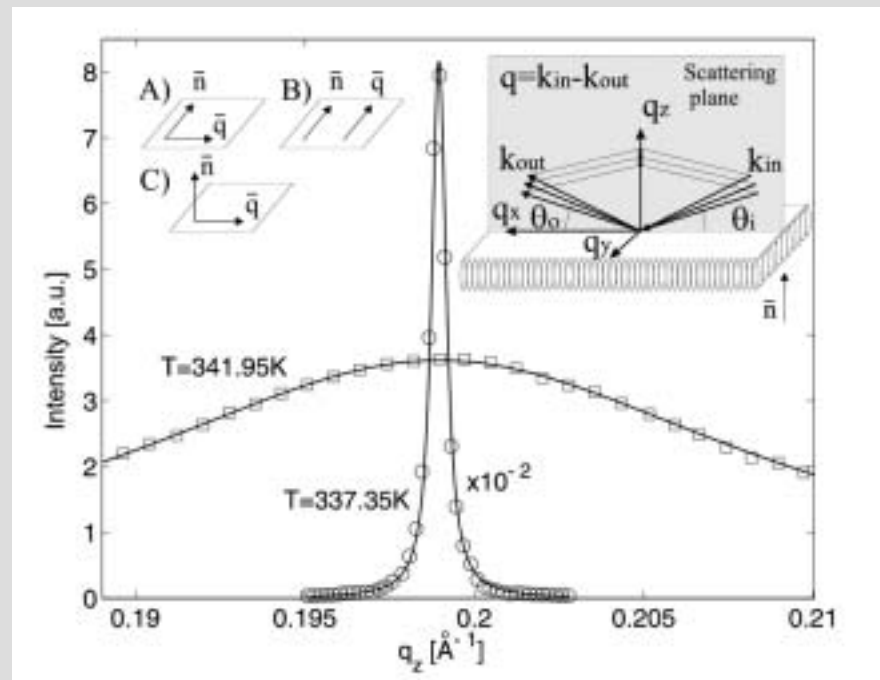
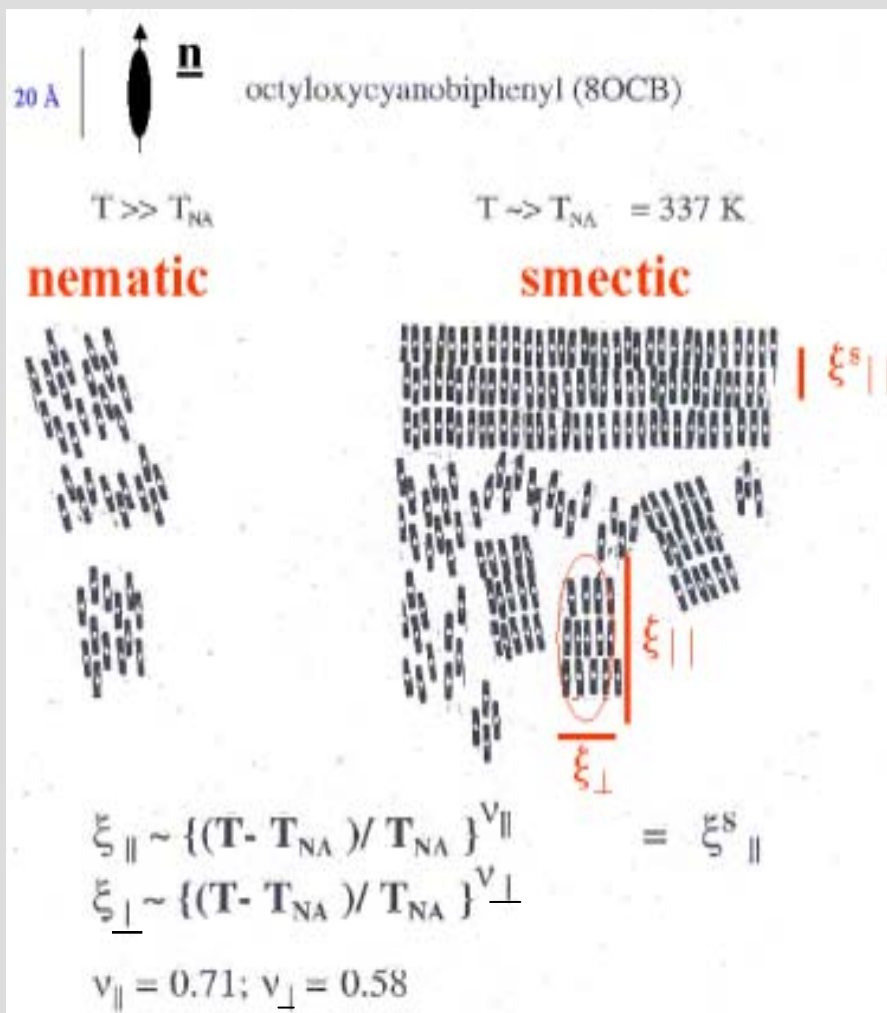
$$q_c = 4\sigma\rho/5\eta^2;$$



Madsen, Seydel, Sprung, Gutt, Tolan, Grübel, PRL 92, 96104 (2004)

Viscosity of a Liquid Crystal near the Nematic-SmecticA Transition

A. Madsen, J. Als-Nielsen and G. Grübel, PRL,90,85701(2003)



References: Pershan and Als-Nielsen, PRL52,759(1984)

Pershan, Braslau, Weiss, Als-Nielsen, PRA35,4800(1987)

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Dynamics:

viscosity is anisotropic: η_1, η_2, η_3

depending on the relative orientations: $\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{v}, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$

described by Leslie coefficients $\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_5$,
or parameters $v_1 \dots v_5$ (Harvard notation)
($v_4 = v_5 = 0$ for incompressible fluids)

Theory: (N-SmA transition)

$$\eta_1 \sim \exp(E_A/kT)$$

$$\eta_2 \sim \exp(E'_A/kT)$$

$$\eta_3 = c(T - T_{NA}/T_{NA})^{-\beta} + \text{non.div.}$$

Predictions:

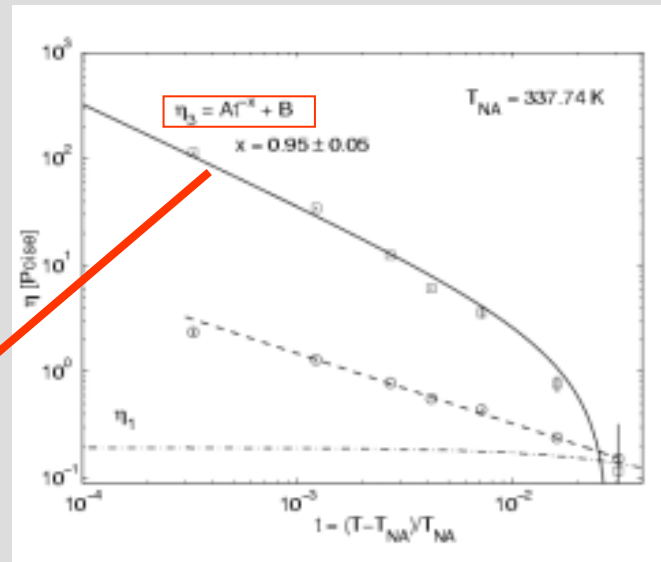
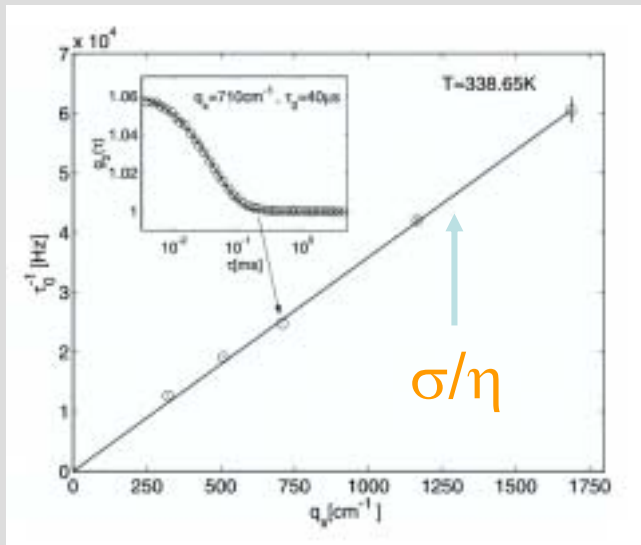
$$\beta = 3v_{\parallel} - 2v_{\perp} \quad [1]$$

$$\beta = 1/3 \quad [2]$$

$$\beta = 1/2 \quad [3]$$

- [1] Hossein, Swift, Chen, Lubensky, PRB19,432(1979)
- [2] Jähnig, Brochard, J.Phys.,35,301(1974); deGennes, Sol. State Comm., 10,753(1972)
- [3] Langevin, J.Phys.37,101(1975)

Viscosity of a Liquid Crystal near the Nematic-SmecticA Transition



XPCS: overdamped modes

$$\eta_3 \sim (T - T_{NA} / T_{NA})^{-\beta}$$

$$\beta = 0.95(2)$$

in agreement with theory [1]:

$$\beta = 3v_{\parallel} - 2v_{\perp} = 0.94$$

$$v_{\parallel} = 0.70; v_{\perp} = 0.58 \text{ (static data)}$$

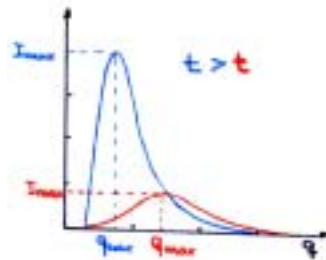
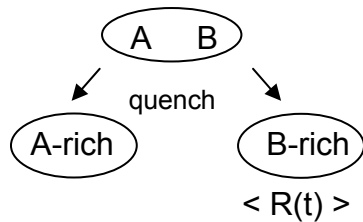
η / σ diverging

σ constant [1]; data reflect temperature dependence of viscosity

- Out-plane movements ($\zeta \parallel n$) within the smectic layers are strongly damped (η_3 critical).
- The smectic layers remain viscous in-plane (η_2 non-critical)

Non-equilibrium Dynamics

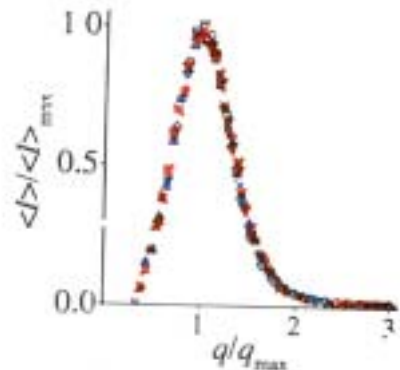
Domain coarsening in phase separating systems (glasses, alloys,...) e.g. after quenching, aging...



Mullins J. Appl. Phys. 59, 1341, 1986
Guston, San Miguel, Sahni: „Phase Transitions and Critical Phenomena“

Dynamic Scaling: $\langle R(t) \rangle \propto t^{-n}$

$n=1/3$ conserved order parameter (model B)
 $n=1/2$ non-cons. order parameter (model A)

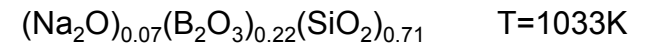


$$\langle I \rangle (q,t) / \langle I \rangle_{max} = F(q/q_{max})$$

- XPCS:** investigate fluctuations around the average scaling behaviour: $\tau = \tau(q,t)$
- Al Li:** Livet et al. (ID10) PRE(2001),63,36108
- Cu₃Au:** Fluerasu et al. PRL(2005),94,55501

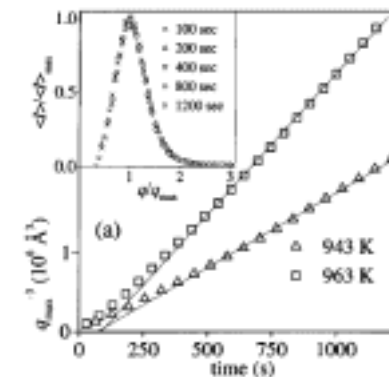
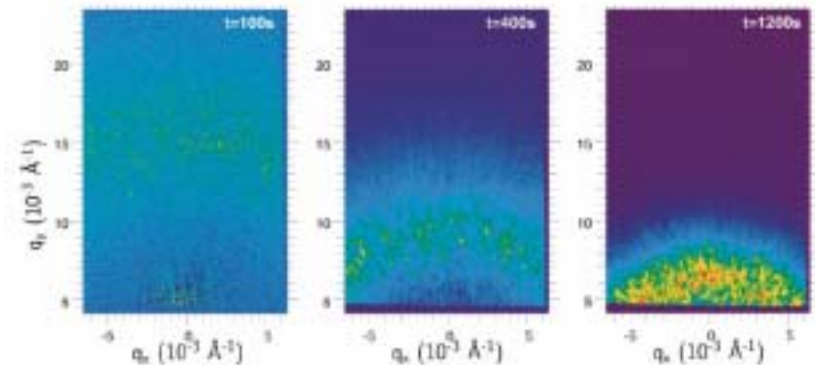
Phase – separating Glass

Malik et al., PRL 81, 5832, 1998



quench

(B₂O₃)-rich (SiO₂)-rich 943K < T < 963K



$$\langle R(t) \rangle \sim t^{-n}$$

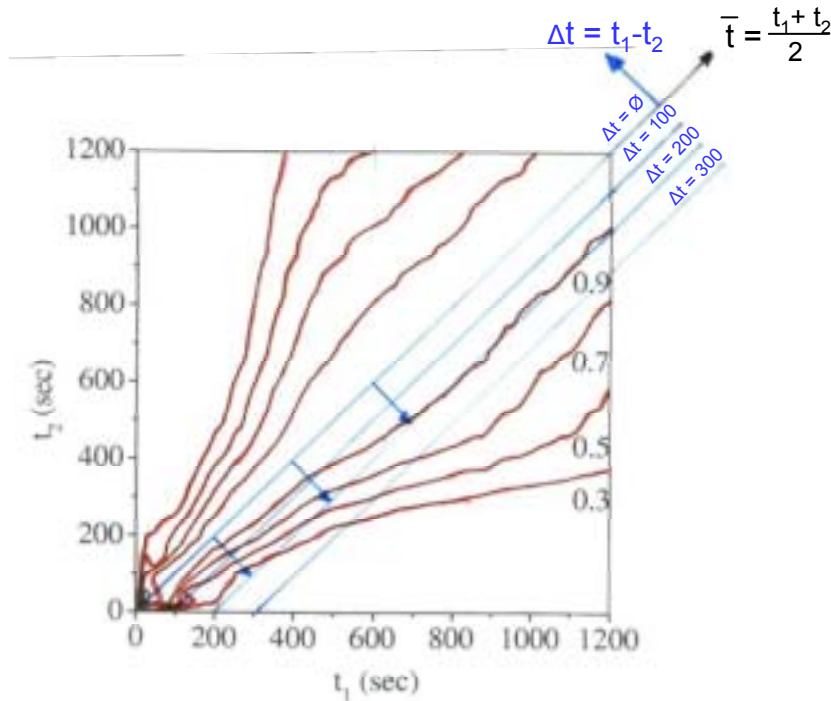


$$q_{max} = [A(t-t_0)]^{-n}$$

$$n=1/3$$

Two time correlation function:

$$C(q, t_1, t_2) = \frac{\langle I(t_1) I(t_2) \rangle - \langle I(t_1) \rangle \langle I(t_2) \rangle}{[\langle I^2(t_1) \rangle - \langle I(t_1) \rangle^2]^{1/2} [\langle I^2(t_2) \rangle - \langle I(t_2) \rangle^2]^{1/2}}$$



$$\tau = \tau(t)$$

→ Ludwig, Sutton

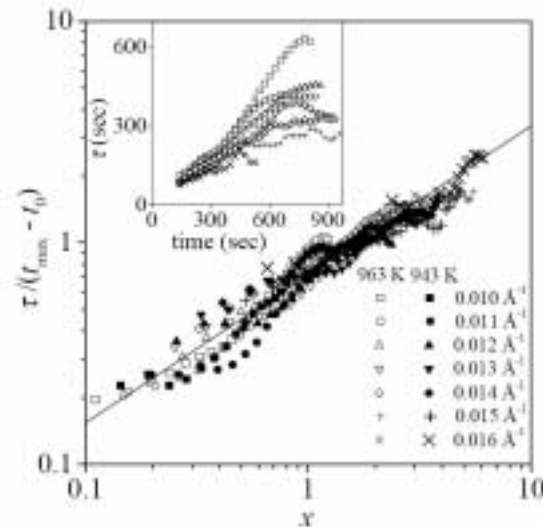
Fluctuations $\tau = \tau(q, t)$

Prediction:

Brown et al. PRE 56,6601,1997

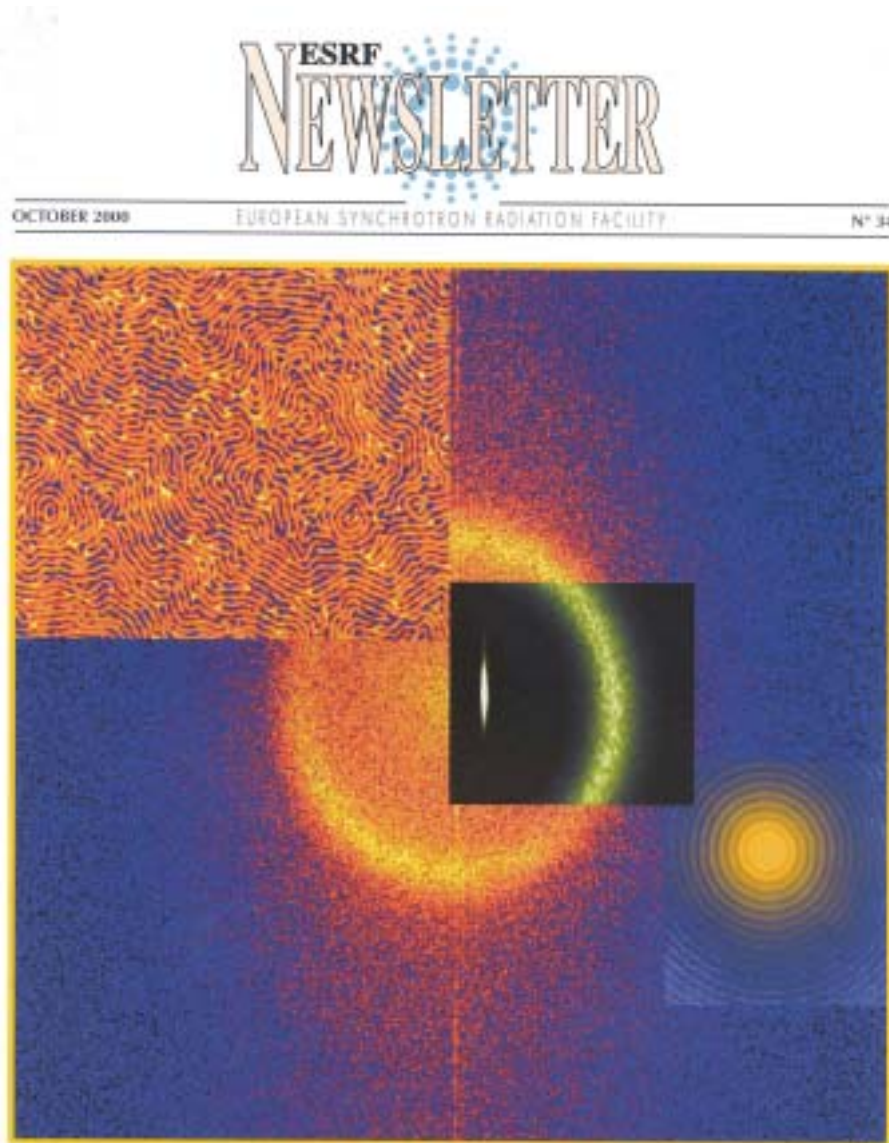
$$\tau(q, t) = [t_{\max}(q) - t_0] \left\{ a \frac{[t - t_0]}{[t_{\max}(q) - t_0]} \right\}^{(1-n)} \sim \frac{1}{q} t^{2/3}$$

$$B [t_{\max}(q) - t_0] = q^{-1/n}$$



$$a = 0.72(2) \quad (1-n) = 0.65(4) \quad \hat{=} 1 - 1/3$$

Malik et. al., PRL 81,5832,1998



→ Eisebitt
Chesnel

Magnetic Force Microscopy image and magnetic x-ray speckle from (meandering) magnetic stripe domains in a 350Å thick film of GdFe₂. Data from ID12B (ESRF) with $\lambda=11\text{\AA}$ (Gd-M_v).

J.F. Peters, M.A. deVries, J. Miguel, O. Toulemonde and J.Goedkoop, ESRF Newslett. 34, 15 (2000)

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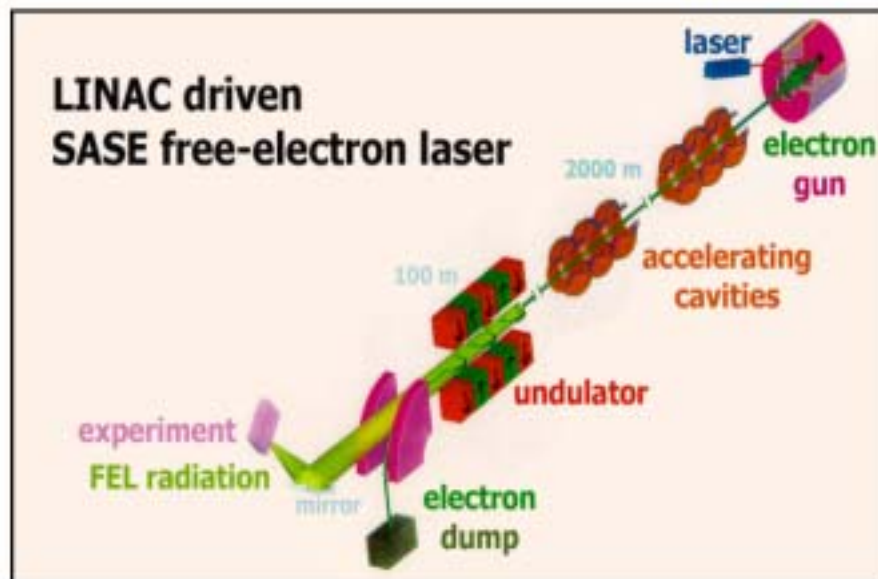
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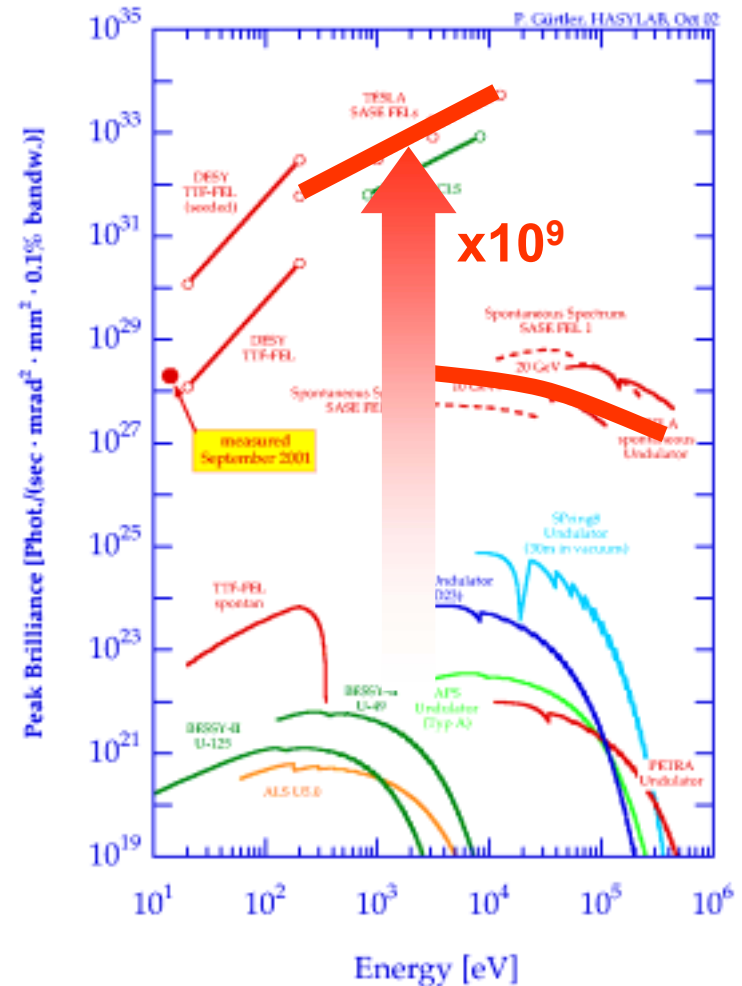
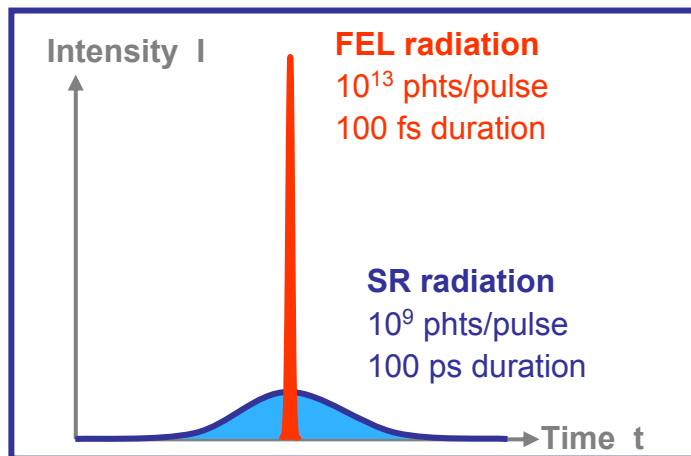


X-ray FEL radiation (0.2 - 14.4 keV)

- ultrashort pulse duration 100 fs
- extreme pulse intensities 10^{12} - 10^{14} ph
- coherent radiation $\times 10^9$
- average brilliance $\times 10^4$

Spontaneous radiation (20-200 keV)

- ultrashort pulse duration <200 fs
- high brilliance



Atoms, ions, molecules, and clusters



- **Multiple ionization and multiphoton events**
- **Creation and spectroscopy of excited states (hollow atoms, Rydberg states, Laser states, ...)**
- **Dynamics, electronic & geom. cluster properties**

Plasma physics



- **Generation of solid-density plasmas**
- **Plasma diagnostics**

Condensed-matter physics



- **Ultrafast dynamics**
- **Electronic structure**
- **Disordered materials & soft matter**

Materials sciences



- **Dynamics of hard materials**
- **Structure and dynamics of nanomaterials**

Chemistry



- **Reaction dynamics in solid, liquid systems**
- **Analytical solid-state chemistry**
- **Heterogenous catalysis**

Structural biology



- **Single molecule/particle imaging**
- **Dynamics of biomolecules**

Optics and nonlinear phenomena



- **Nonlinear effects in atoms and solids**
- **High field science**

Coherence

Ultrashort pulses

Pulse intensities

Average brilliance

Third generation, storage ring based, sources permit novel scattering and imaging techniques based on coherent X-rays. Among them is:

X-Ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS).

XPCS today covers timescales down to about 100 ns up to moderately large momentum transfers.

Fields of activity: Dynamics of complex fluids

Critical Dynamics

2-D systems

Non-equilibrium dynamics

Exploit: Anomalous scattering

Polarization

Develop: 2-D detector technologies to reach atomic resolution
and time scales down to 1 ns.

Future XFEL sources will provide fully (spatially) coherent beams with a time averaged coherent flux: $\langle F_c \rangle \cong 10^{16}$ ph/s and 10^{12} photons/bunch:

The high flux of photons/100 fs bunch will allow **single “shot” experiments.**

XPCS might be extended in the **ns - ps regime.**

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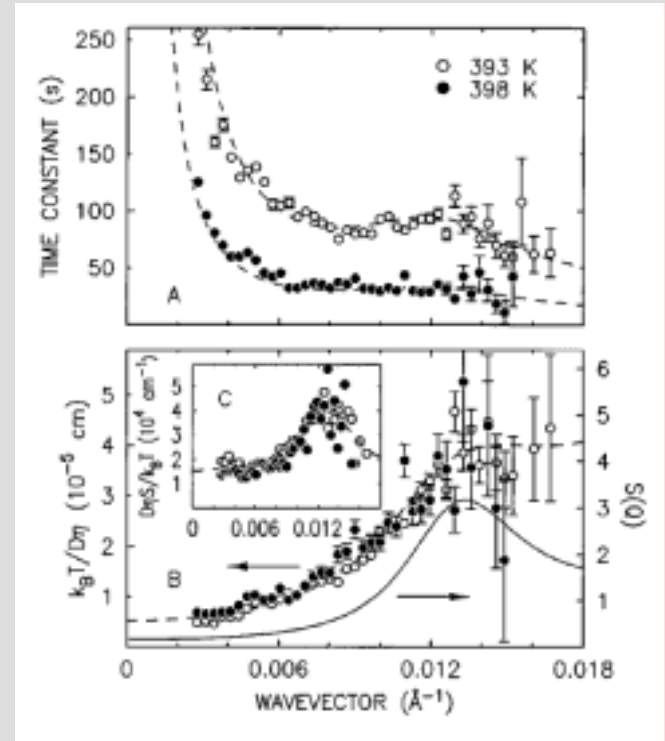
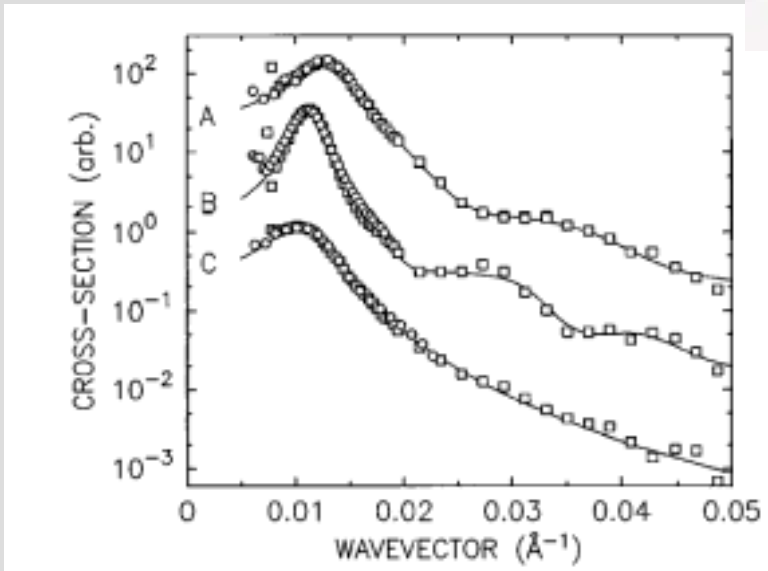
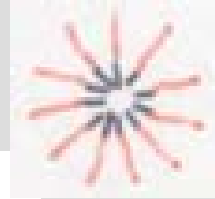
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Dynamics of Block Copolymer Micelles

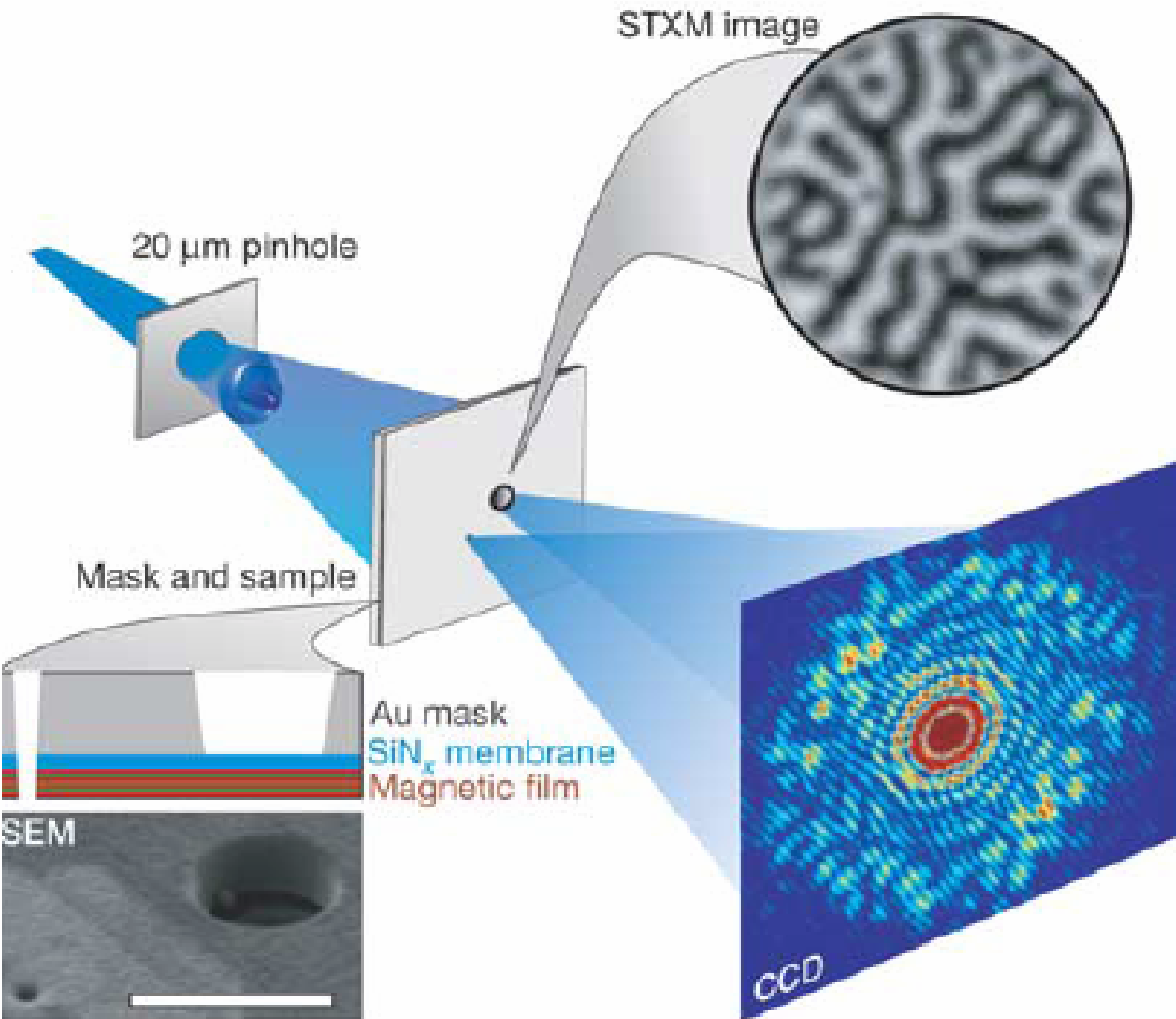
- Study of molecular scale dynamics of block copolymer melts.
- Samples: Polystyrene polyisoprene block copolymers in a polystyrene monopolymer matrix ($T_g \sim 360\text{K}$)
 - Spherical micelles (radius $\sim 240 \text{ \AA}$, PI core $\sim 180 \text{ \AA}$)
 - Cylindrical (worm-like) micelles



- The spherical micelles show Q-dependent diffusion, which is expected for densely packed spheres.
- The data taken at different temperatures collapse on a single curve when scaled by the viscosity of the homopolymer matrix and the temperature.

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$D(q) \neq S(q)$ not constant
(hydrodynamic interactions between particles, mediated by suspending medium are important)



Random magnetic (stripe) domains in a $[\text{Co}(4)\text{Pt}(7)]_{50}$ ML sample, illuminated together with a reference aperture ($1.5 \mu\text{m}$) at the Co L_{III} edge absorption edge with a 778 eV (1.59 nm) 20 μm coherent soft x-ray beam.

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