

# Imaging and dynamics using scattered coherent X-rays

**School on X-ray Imaging Techniques at the ESRF**

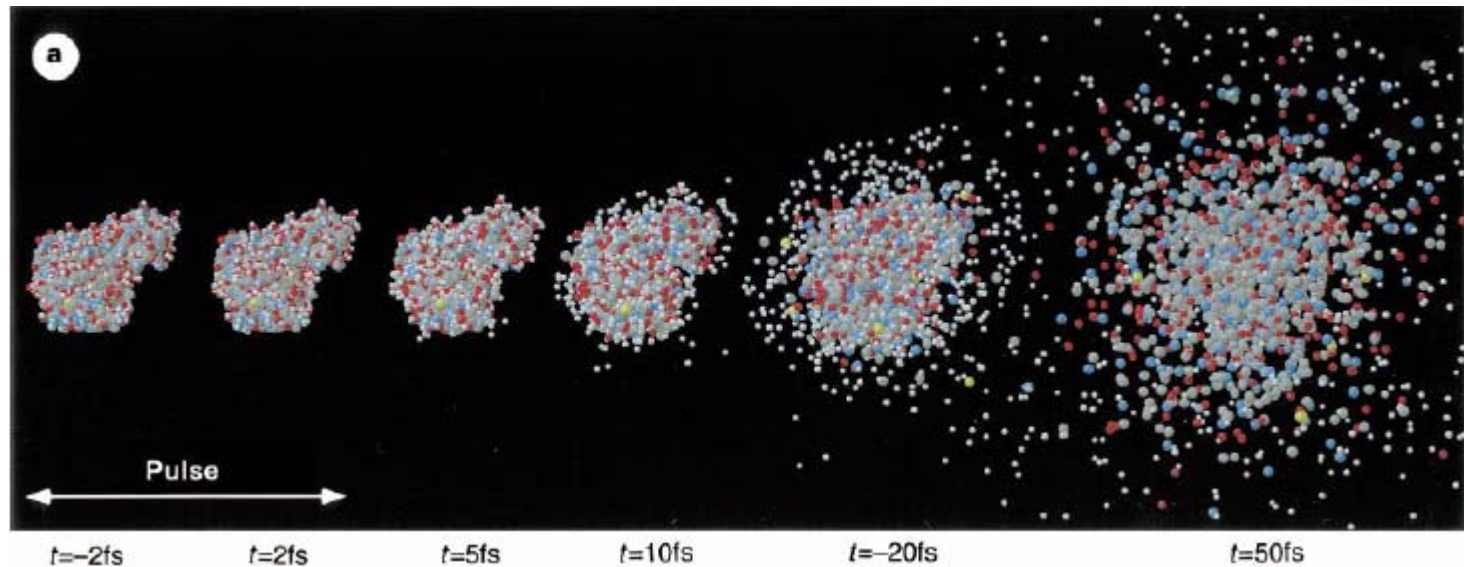
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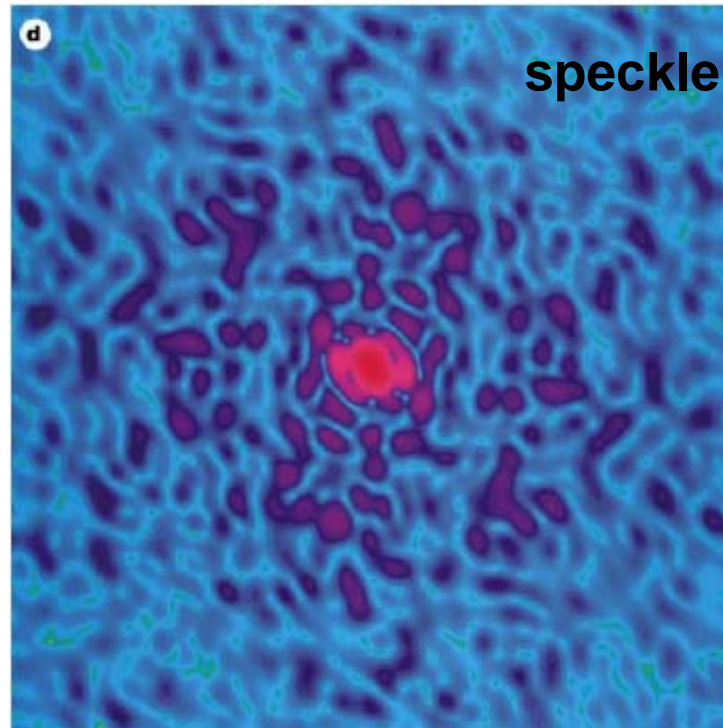
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Coulomb explosion of T4 lysozyme

R. Neutze *et al.*, *Nature* **406**, 752 (2000)

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Simulated coherent scattering image of a single T4 lysozyme molecule.

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## Outline

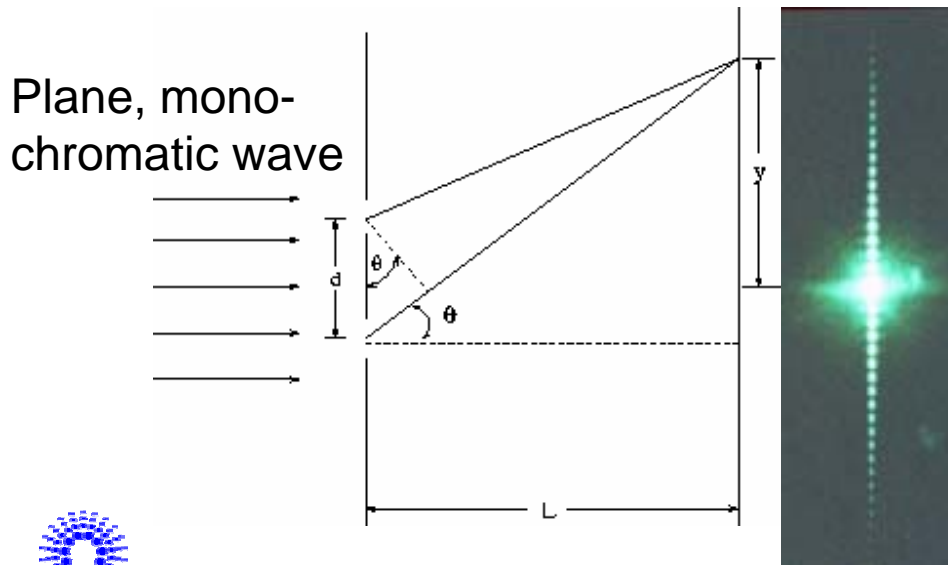
- **Coherence**
- **Scattering with Coherent X-rays**
- **Coherent Diffraction Imaging (CDI, XDM)**
- **X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS)**
- **Outlook (X-ray laser sources)**

# Coherence ?

- Quantum mechanics → probability amplitudes
- Optics → interference
- X-ray and neutron scattering

**It's all about probability amplitudes and interference !!!**

Young's double slit experiment (Thomas Young, 1801)



$$P = |\sum_j \Phi_j|^2$$

$\Phi$ : probability amplitude

$$\Phi_j \sim \exp[-i(\omega t - k l_j)]$$

$$\omega = ck, \quad k = 2\pi/\lambda, \quad l_j(L, y)$$

$$I(y) \rightarrow P(y) \sim \cos^2(\pi y/\Delta)$$

$$\Delta = \lambda L/d = \lambda/\Theta$$

$$\text{Far field: } \Theta \ll \lambda/d$$

# Reasons for losses in visibility/interference/coherence

- 1) Incoherent superposition of probability amplitudes  $P = \sum_j |\Phi_j|^2$   
(distinguishable alternatives, uncertainty principle)
- 2) Intensity interference is only observed if event is repeated many times; repetition under non-ideal conditions washes out the visibility

***Using a (partially) coherent X-ray source 2) is a major limitation***

Non-ideal conditions:

- $E_{in}$ ,  $E_{out}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_{in}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_{out}$  not well defined in the experiment
- Disorder in the scattering sample
- Limited resolution (temporal and spatial)
- The source is chaotic.....

# Light sources

- Chaotic sources (spontaneously emitted photons)

Light bulb

Laboratory X-ray generators

Synchrotron and Neutron sources

Radioactive nuclei



- One-mode sources (stimulated emission, Glauber light)

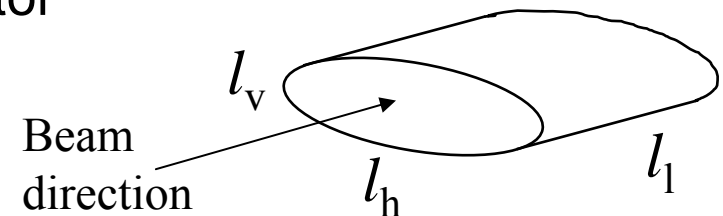
Unimodal lasers



Decisive parameter :  $N_C$ =photons pr. coherence volume

$N_C \sim 10^{-3}$  for typical ESRF undulator

$N_C \sim 10^7$  for typical optical laser



Coherence volume  $V_c : \pi l_h l_v l_l / 4$

horizontal, vertical and longitudinal (temporal) coherence length

# Chaotic source (ESRF undulator)

(spontaneous, independent emission in all modes)

## Longitudinal (or temporal) coherence

After time  $t \gg \tau_0$  the field amplitudes from a chaotic source are no longer correlated due to the wavelength spread

$$\tau_0 \sim 1/\Delta\nu = \lambda^2/(c\Delta\lambda)$$

Longitudinal coherence length  $l_1 = c\tau_0 \sim \lambda^2/(\Delta\lambda)$  ( $\sim 1\mu\text{m}$ )

## Transverse (spatial) coherence

Analogy with Young's double slit experiment :

Transverse coherence length (v,h) :  $l_{v,h} \sim \lambda L/d_{v,h}$  ( $\sim 5\text{-}200\mu\text{m}$ )



# Important source parameters

Brilliance  $B = \text{photons/sec} / [\text{source area} \times \text{solid angle} \times \text{bandwidth}]$

Lateral coherence area  $A_t = \pi l_h l_v / 4 = (\lambda L)^2 / (4\pi d_h d_v)$

$N_c = \text{photons in } V_c$  ( $V_c = A_t \times l_l$ )

Coherent solid angle  $\Omega_C = A_t / L^2 = \lambda^2 / (4\pi d_h d_v) = \lambda^2 / 16A_s$

$$N_c = B \times \tau_0 \times A_s \times \lambda^2 / 16A_s \times \Delta\nu / \nu = B \lambda^3 / (16\pi c)$$

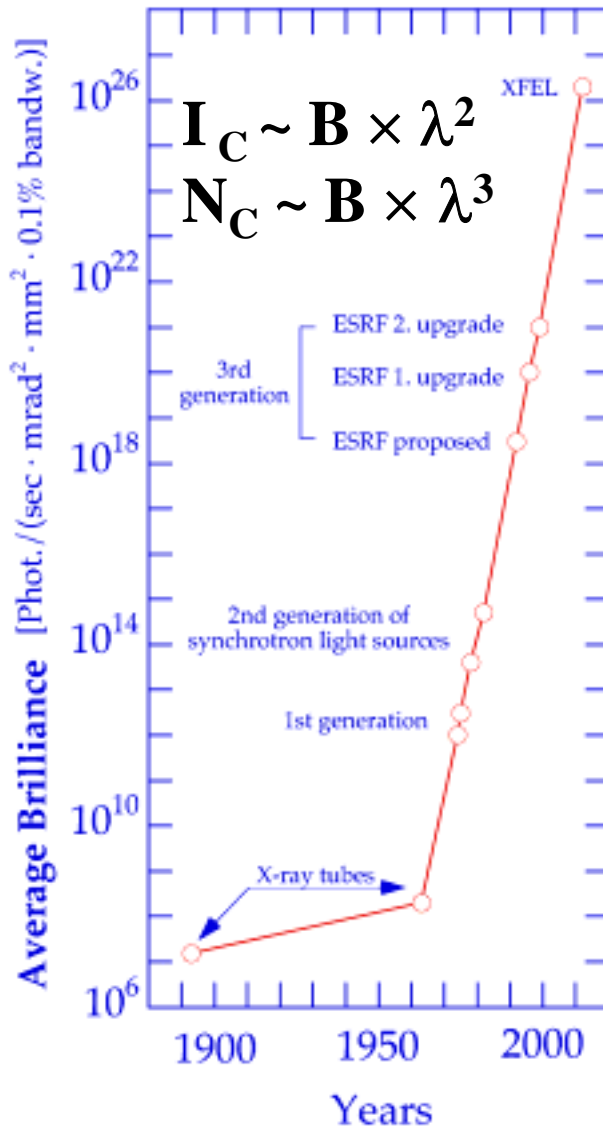
Coherent intensity

$$I_c = (N_c / V_c) \times c \times A_t = B \times (\lambda/4)^2 \times (\Delta\lambda/\lambda) \quad (\sim 10^{10} \text{ ph/s})$$

**Coherent photons scale with  $\lambda^3$ , intensity with  $\lambda^2$  !**

**Coherent scattering is Brilliance-hungry !**

# Coherent X-rays from a partially coherent source



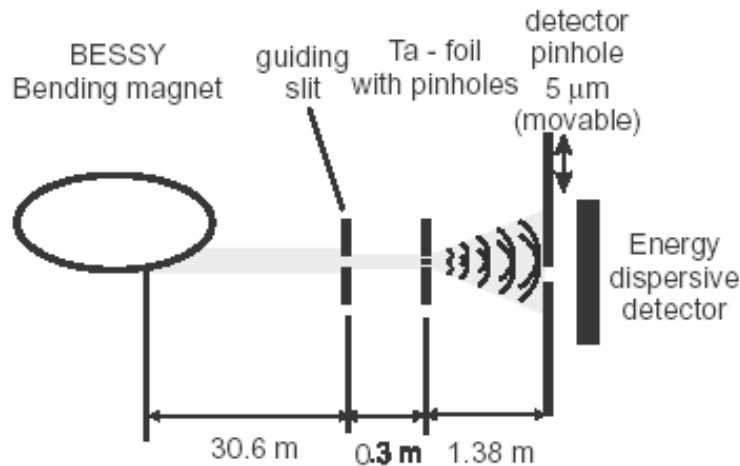
$B=10^{20} \rightarrow \sim 10^{14}$  ph/s/mm<sup>2</sup> (monochromatic)  
 Low divergence ( $\sim 10$   $\mu$ rad)  
 Small source size ( $\sim 25$   $\mu$ m)

ESRF beamlines using coherence in experiments:

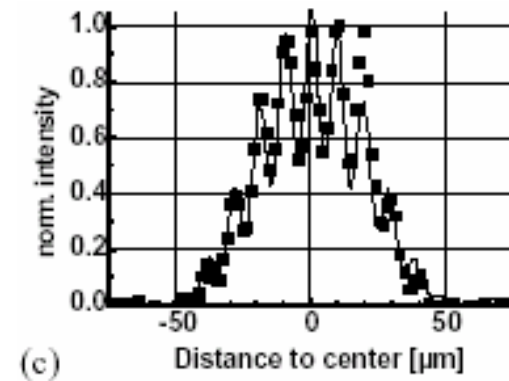
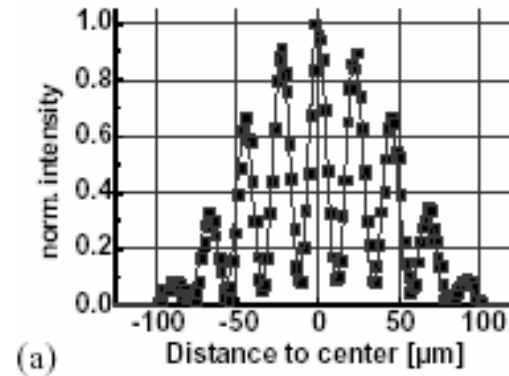
ID01, ID10, ID17, ID19,  
 ID20, ID21, ID22, and more...

# Partially coherent light: Coherence lengths

Example: Young's double slit experiment with X-rays



Leitenberger *et al. Physica B* 336, 36 (2003)



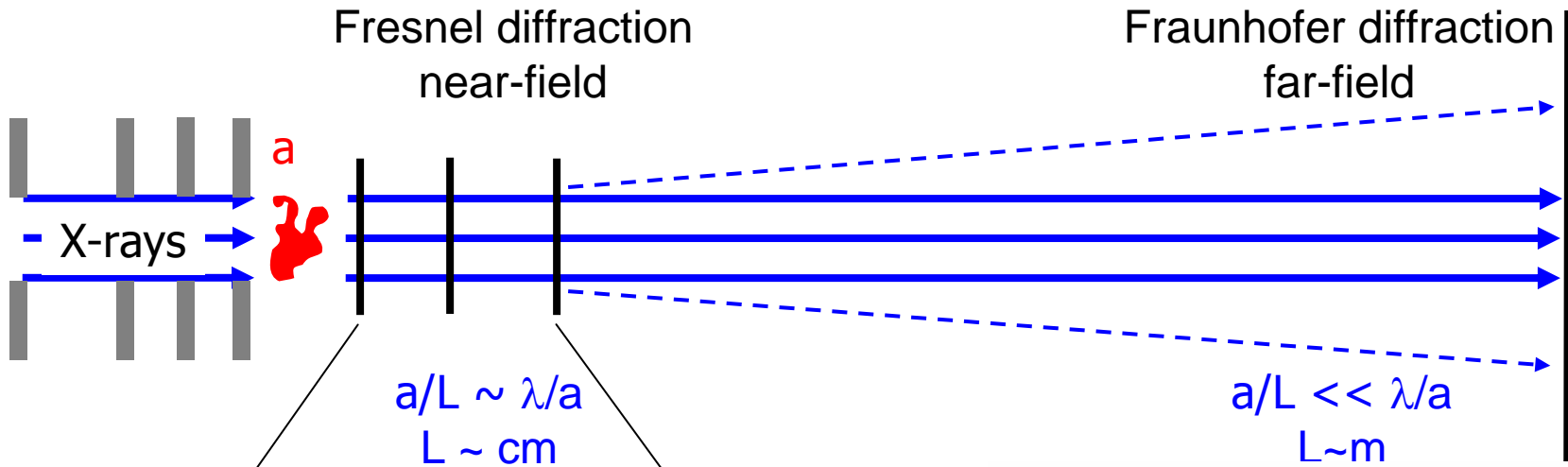
$$\Delta y = \lambda L / d$$

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Longitudinal coherence length  $l_1 = c\tau_0 \sim \lambda^2 / \Delta\lambda$  ( $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$ )

Contrast  $\beta \approx (\text{coherence volume}) / (\text{scattering volume})$

# Different regimes of coherent X-ray imaging/diffraction

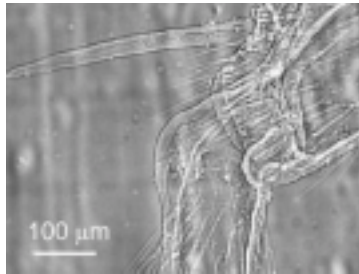


Absorption



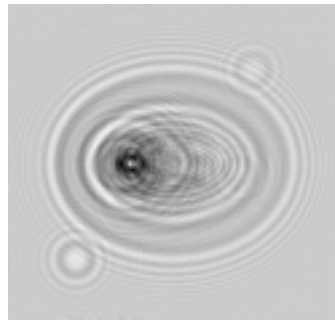
Röntgen (1895)

Phase contrast

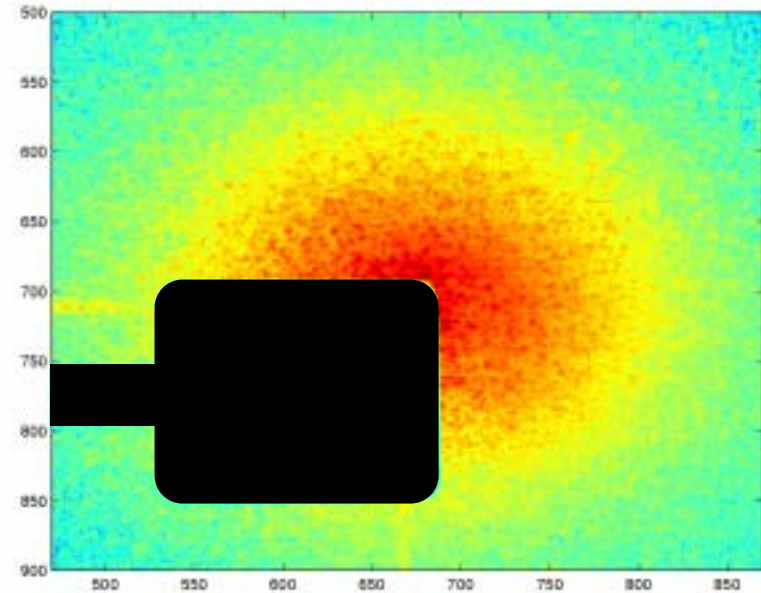


Koch *et al.* (1998)

In-line holography



Zhang (2003)



# Image reconstruction in the different regimes

- **Absorption regime**

Easy reconstruction based on attenuation  
3D tomographic reconstruction, inverse Radon transformation

- **Phase contrast regime**

Edge enhanced contrast  
Transport-of-intensity (TIE) equation  
Holotomographic reconstruction (Talbot effect)

- **In-line holographic regime**

Holographic reconstruction  
Twin images

- **Diffraction imaging**

Phase retrieval by iterative procedure (phase problem)  
Real space  $\leftrightarrow$  reciprocal space, application of constraints  
Requires oversampled diffraction pattern

# X-ray scattering

X-rays are scattered by electrons

## Scattering lengths

Free electron:  $r_0$  (Thomson radius  $r_0=2.82e-5 \text{ \AA}$ )

Atom:  $f(\mathbf{Q},E) r_0$  (atomic form factor  $f(\mathbf{Q},E)$ )

$$f(\mathbf{Q},E)=f^0(\mathbf{Q})+f'(E)+if''(E)$$

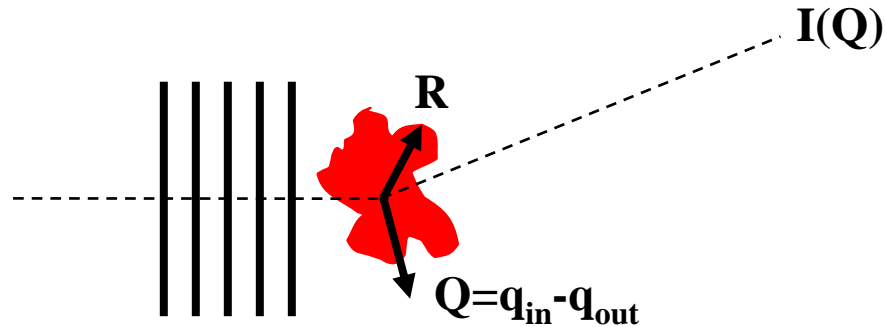
$$f^0(\mathbf{Q})\rightarrow Z \text{ for } Q\rightarrow 0$$

$$f^0(\mathbf{Q})=\text{FT}\{\rho(\mathbf{r})\}$$

Connection with refraction:  $n = 1-\delta+i\beta = f(\mathbf{Q},E)\rho_a r_0 \lambda^2/2\pi$

More atoms:  $F(Q)=\sum f_j(\mathbf{Q},E) \exp(i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_j)$

# The phase problem

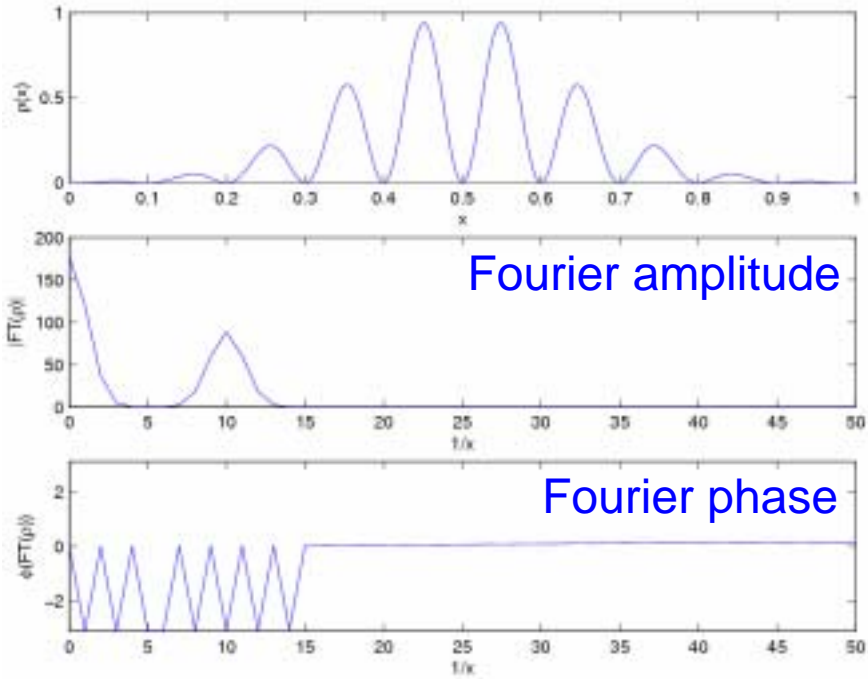


$$E(\mathbf{Q}) \sim \int \rho(\mathbf{R}) \exp[i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}] d\mathbf{R}$$

$$I(\mathbf{Q}) = E(\mathbf{Q})E^*(\mathbf{Q}) = |E(\mathbf{Q})|^2$$

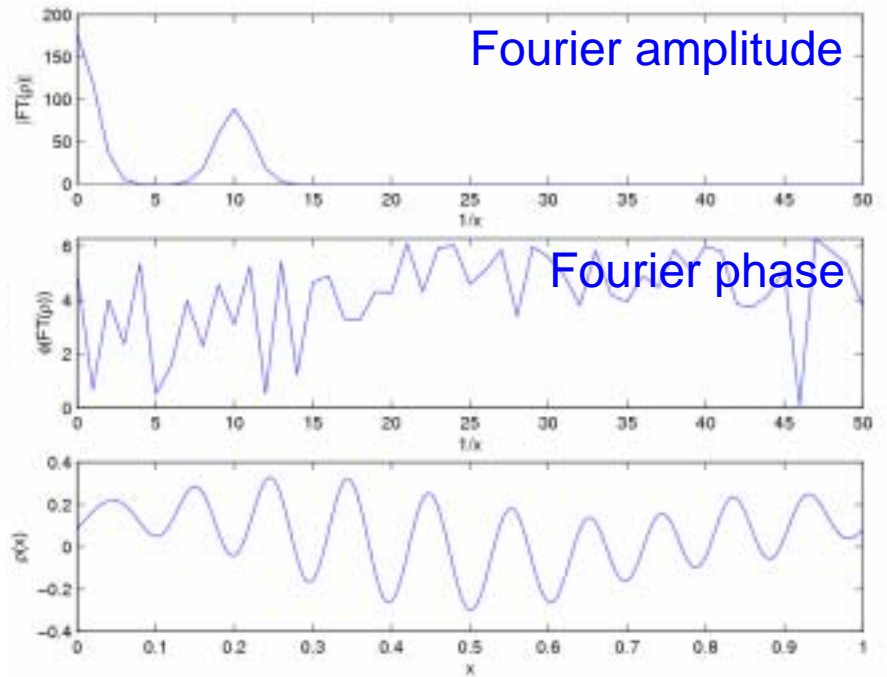
$\rho(\mathbf{R})$  Real space  $\leftarrow\leftarrow\leftarrow \rightarrow\rightarrow\rightarrow$  Reciprocal space  $E(\mathbf{Q})$   
FT<sup>-1</sup> FT

# Phase matters



Fourier amplitude

Fourier phase



Fourier amplitude

Fourier phase



# Iterative methods in diffraction imaging

## Algorithms:

Gerchberg & Saxton (1972)

HIO (Fienup, Miao)

Difference map (Elser)

Shrinkwrap (Marchesini *et al.*)

Curved wavefront approaches (Nugent)

PIE, Faulkner & Rodenburg (2004)

## Methodology:

Support, beam vs object (Stadler, Zuo)

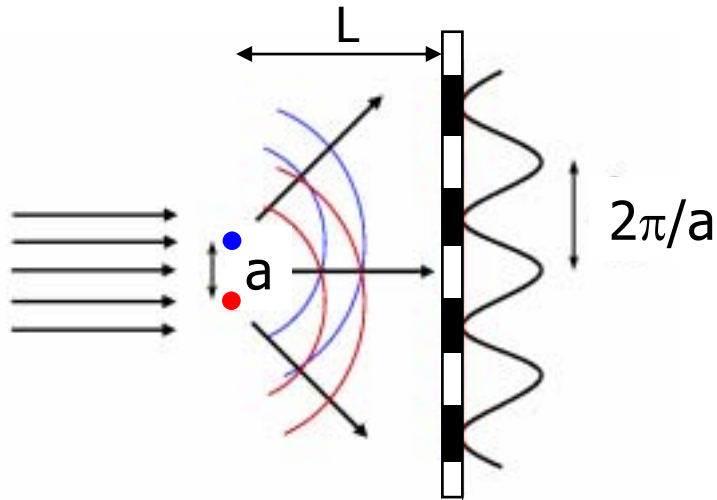
Reference wave (Eisebitt, Nugent)

Beamstops (Chapman, Jacobsen, Zuo)

Detectors (Nishino, Chapman)

Radiation Damage (Jacobsen, Chapman)  
(electrons or X-rays, imaging or diffraction ?)

# Correct sampling



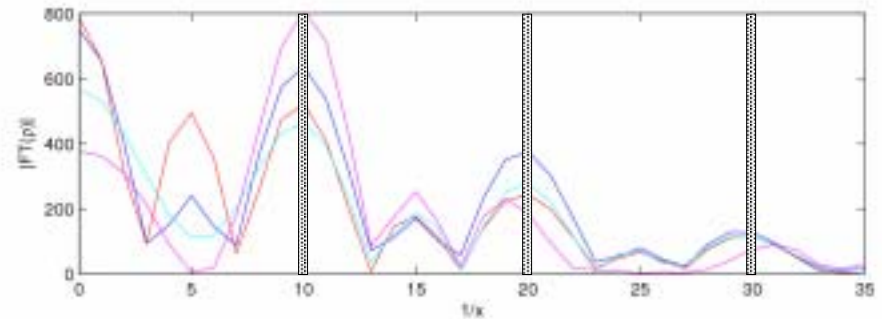
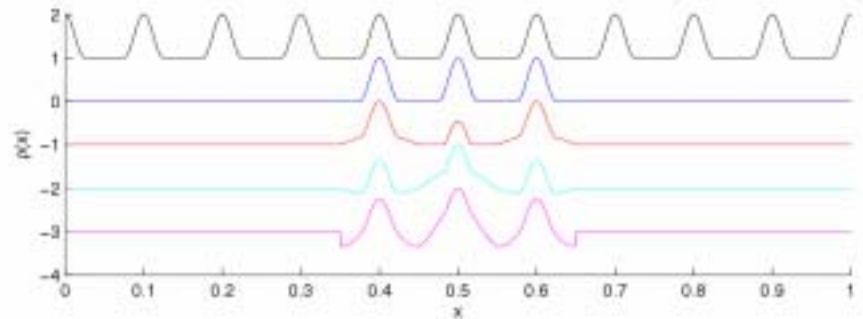
Sampling at frequency  $2\pi/a$  is **NOT ENOUGH** to resolve fringes

Minimum oversampling is 2 (regardless of dimension)

- $\Delta Q < 2\pi/a * (1/2)$  (1D case)
- $\Delta Q < 2\pi/a * (1/2)^{1/2}$  (2D case)
- $\Delta Q < 2\pi/a * (1/2)^{1/3}$  (3D case)

Pixel size  $X < \lambda L/2a$  (1D case)

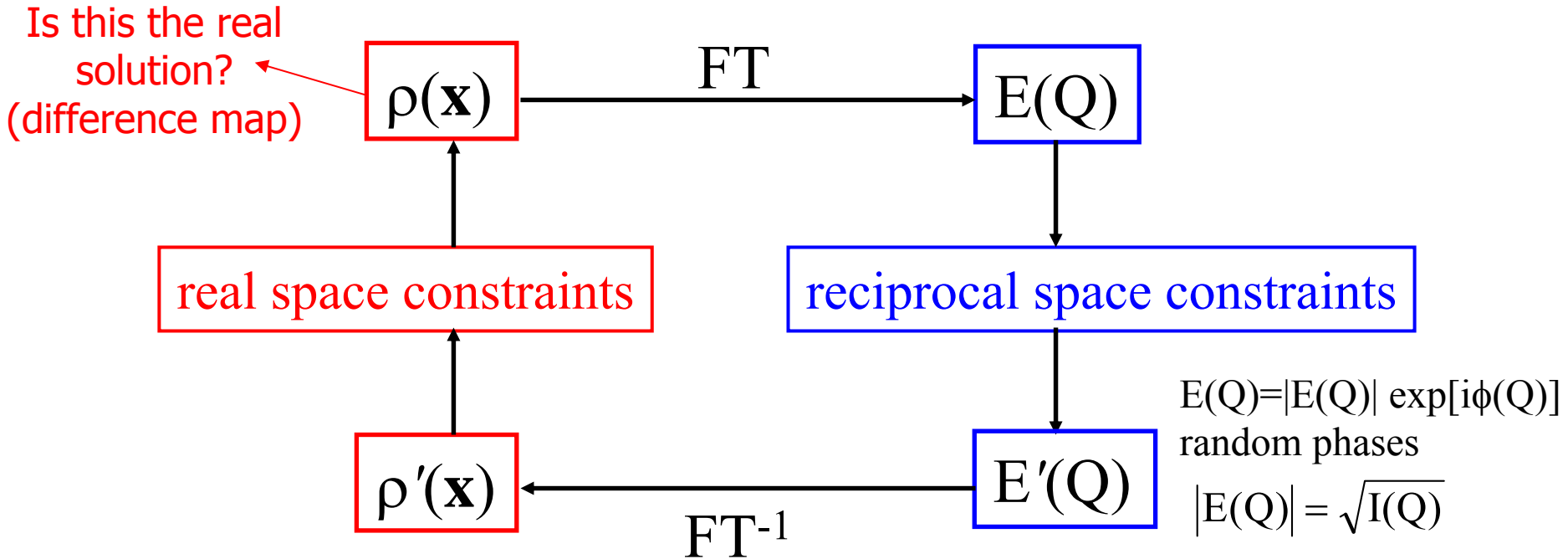
## Finite size effects



# Iterative phase retrieval algorithm

J.R. Fienup, *Appl. Opt.* **21**, 2758 (1982)

R. W. Gerchberg and W. O. Saxton, *Optik* **35**, 237 (1972)



## Real space constraints

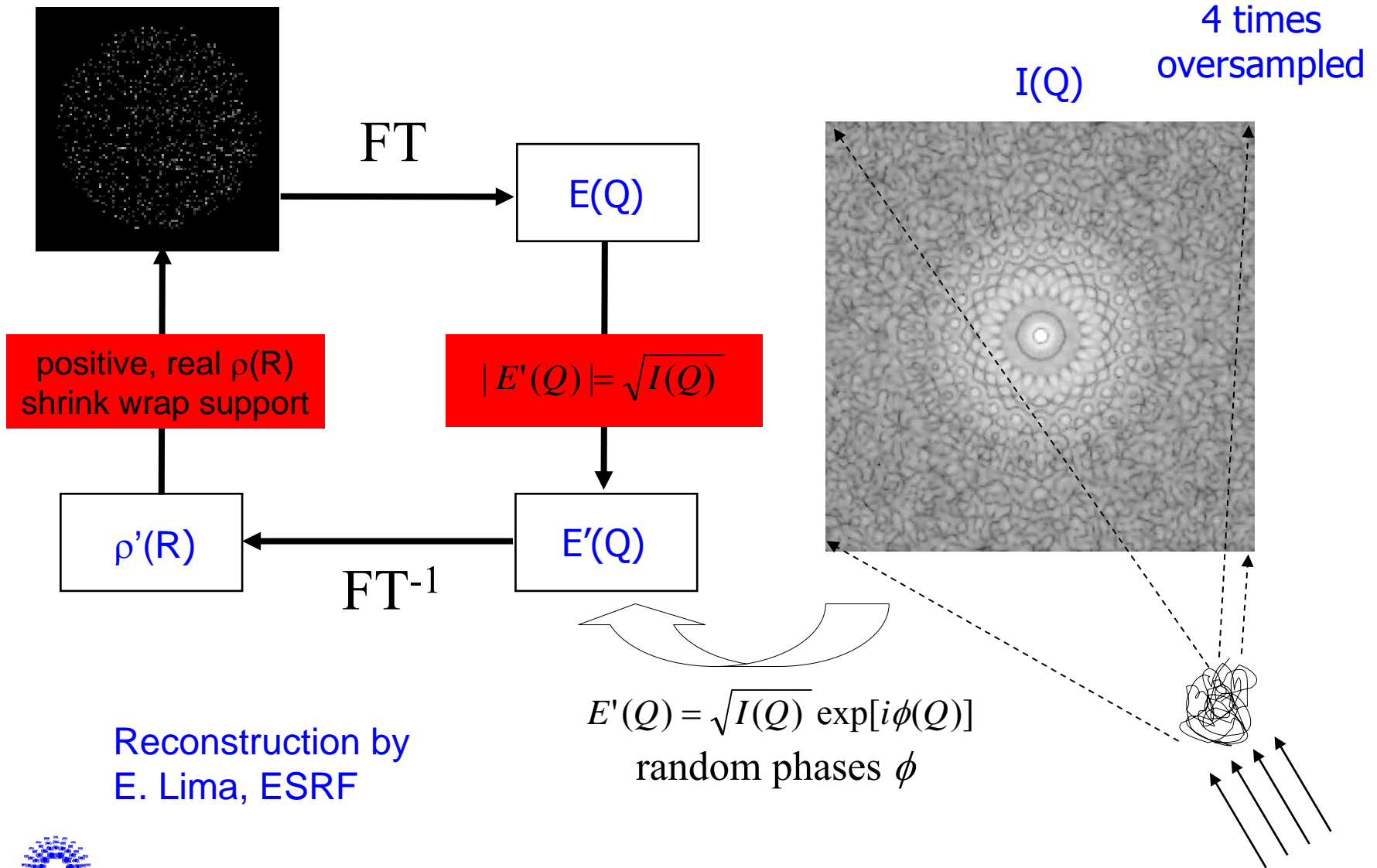
- Finite support (acf, shrink wrap)
- Real  $\rho$  (centro-symmetric  $I(Q)$ ) ?
- positive  $\rho$  (sample thickness) ?

## Reciprocal space constraints

$$|E(q)| \rightarrow \sqrt{I(q)}$$

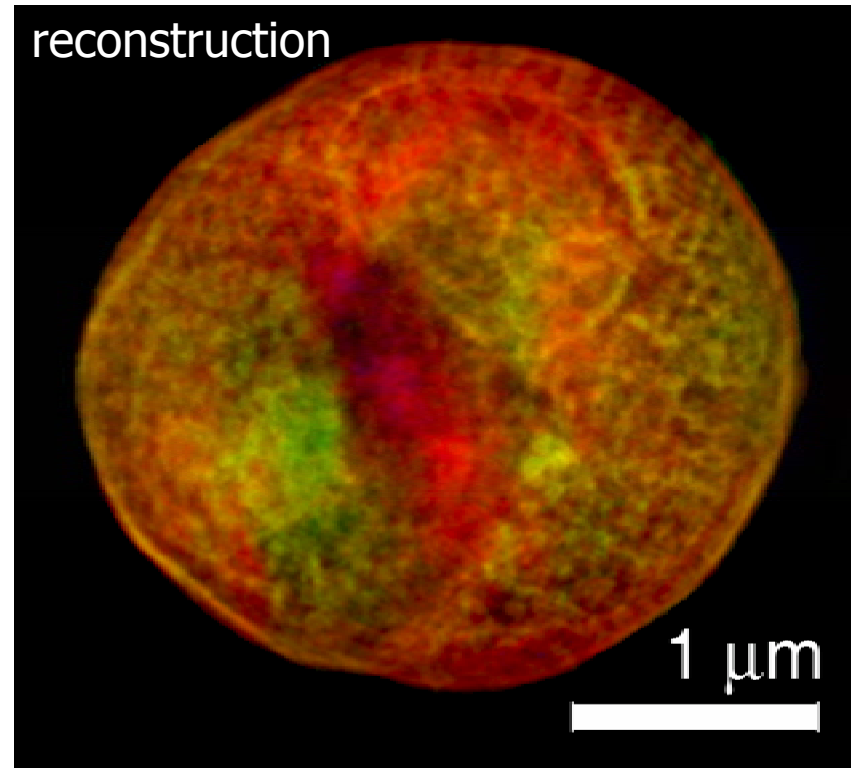
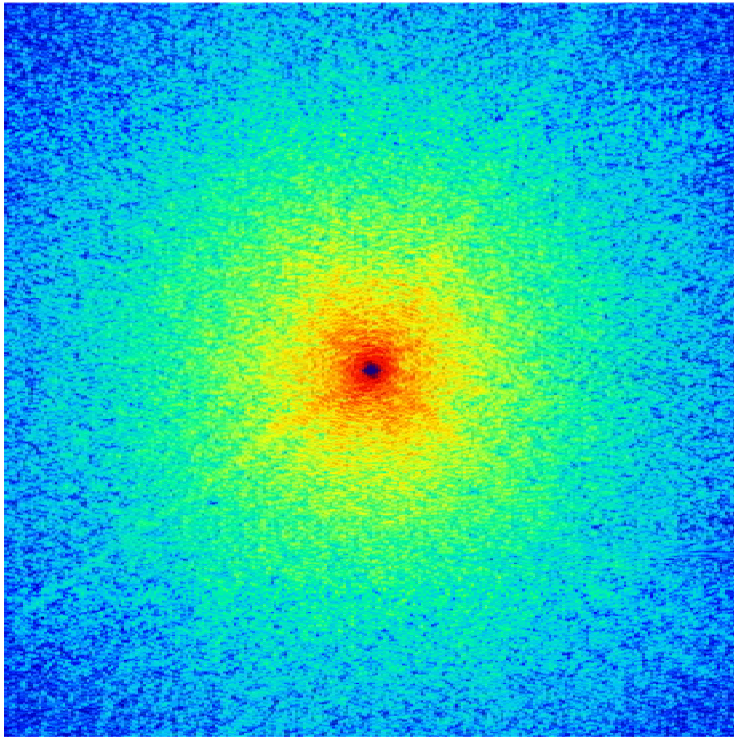
R. Millane *et al.*, *J. Opt. Soc. Am.* **A14**, 568 (1997)

# Iterative phase retrieval algorithm



# Coherent scattering from a yeast cell

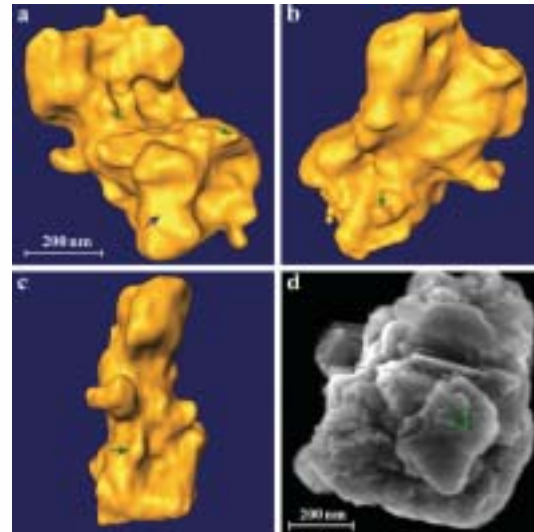
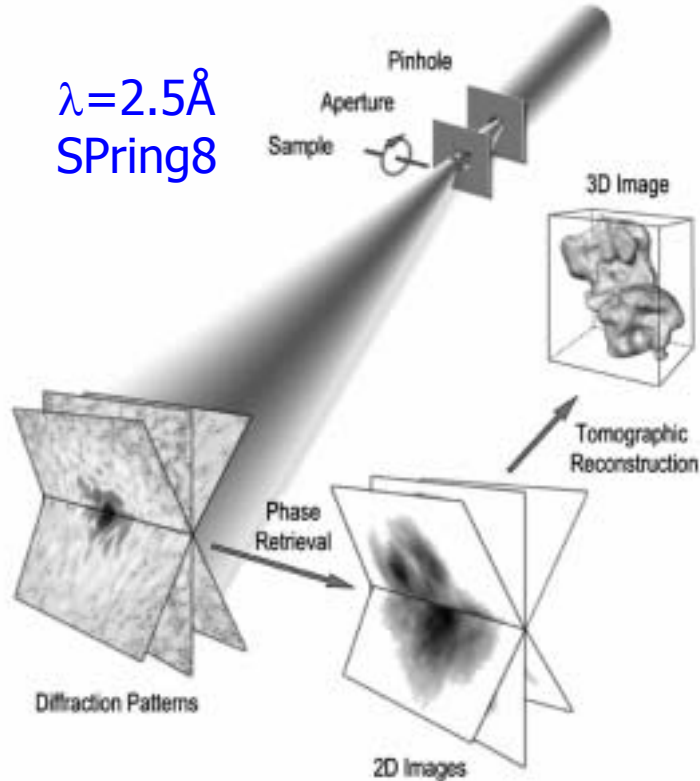
Speckle pattern,  $\lambda=16.5\text{\AA}$  (ALS)



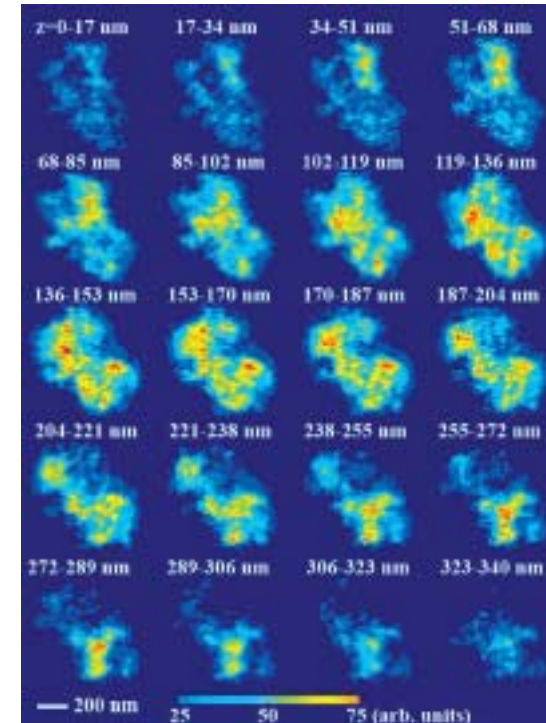
No shrink warp, "hand drawn" support  
Averaging iterates (Elser & Thibault, Cornell)  
Difference map algorithm  
Resolution  $\sim 30\text{nm}$

D. Shapiro *et al*, PNAS **102**, 15343 (2005)

# Tomographic reconstruction of core-shell structures



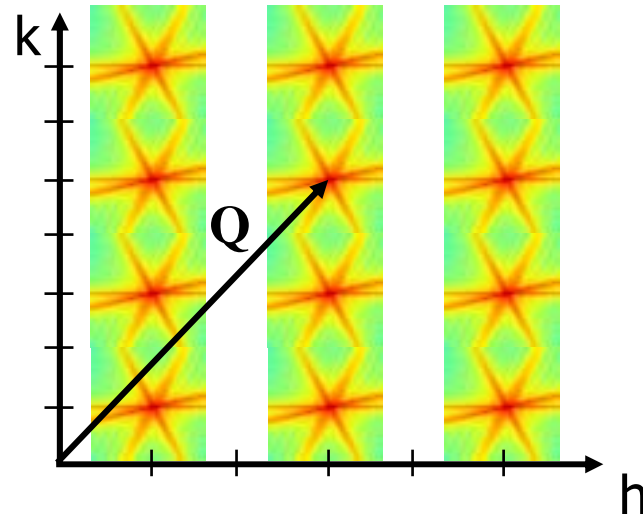
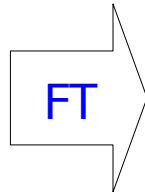
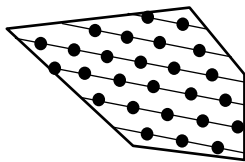
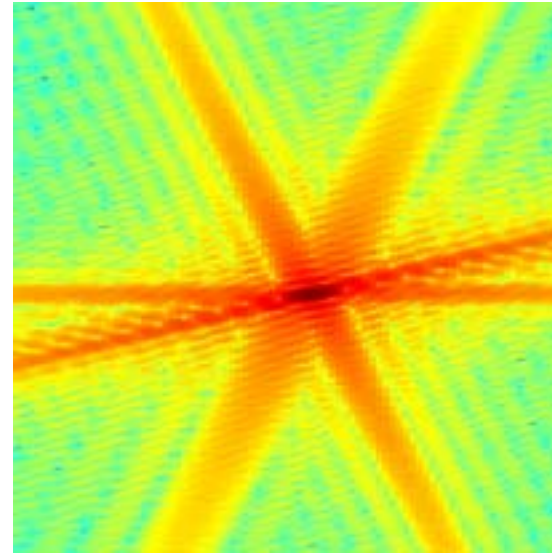
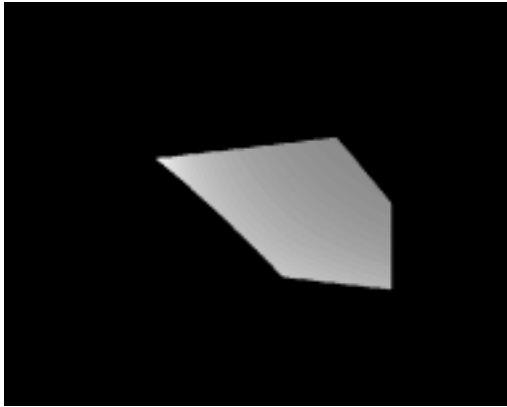
$\sim 7 \text{ nm}$  resolution



J. Miao *et al*, PRL **97**, 215503 (2006)

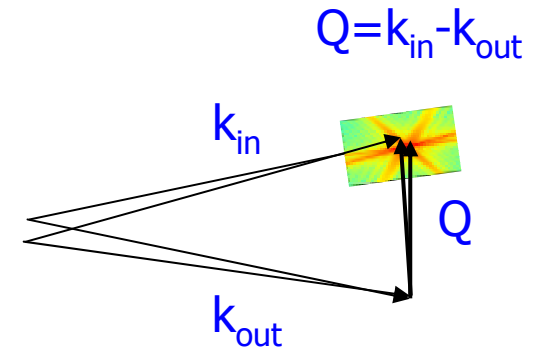
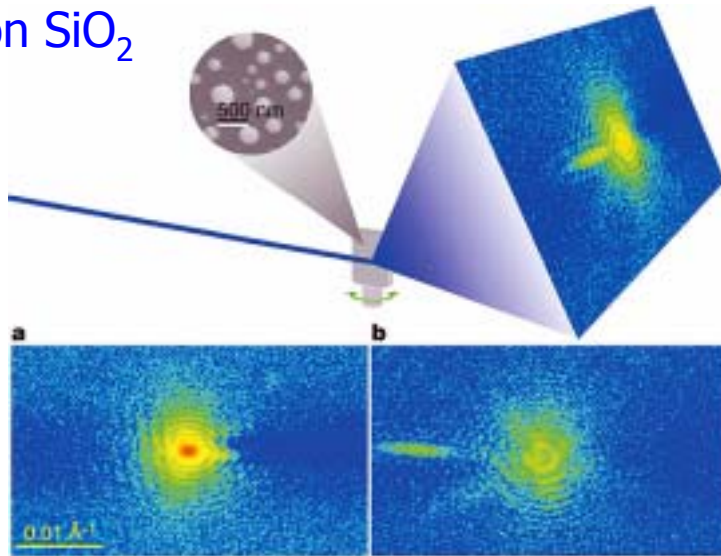
GaN (core) – Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (shell)  
structure clearly visible

# Diffraction imaging of small crystals



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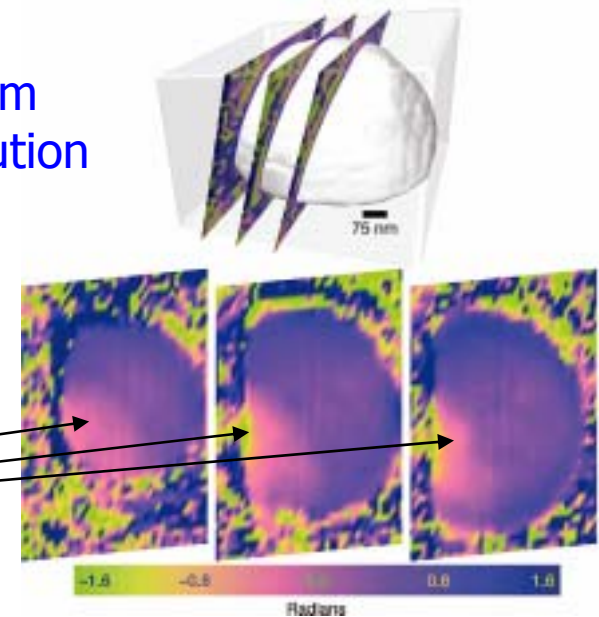
Pb on SiO<sub>2</sub>



40nm  
resolution

Rocking through the (111) reflection  
of a Pb nanocrystal

Phase bulge indicates strain inside  
the nano-crystals arising from the  
contact forces at the interface

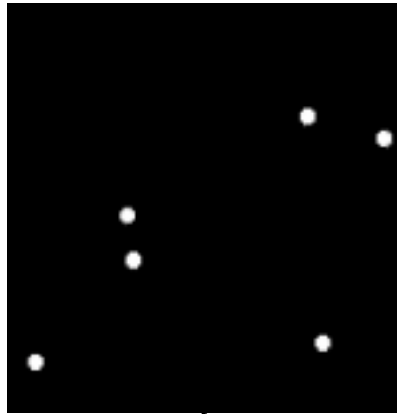


M. A. Pfeifer *et al*, Nature **442**, 63 (2006)



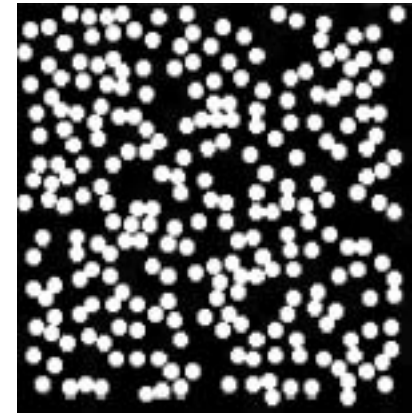
# What about dynamics?

real space



**dilute**  
 $\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle = 2D_0 t$   
 Brownian motion

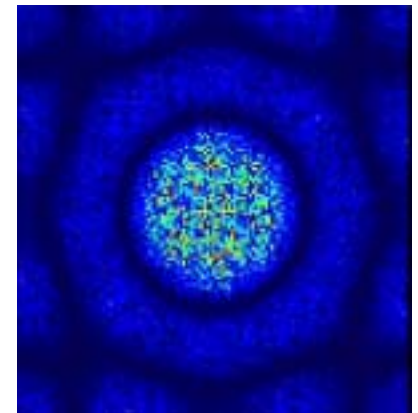
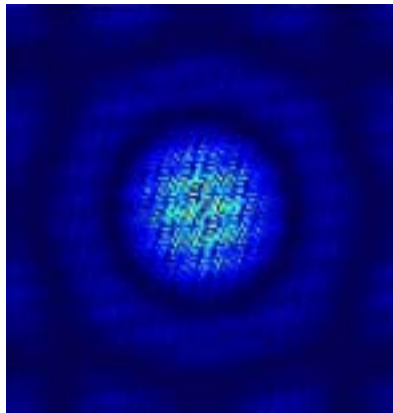
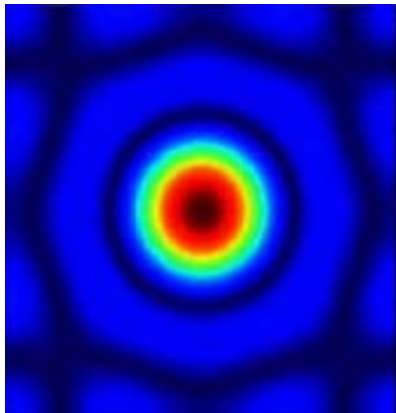
**concentrated**  
 $\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle \neq 2D_0 t$



reciprocal space

in-coherent

coherent

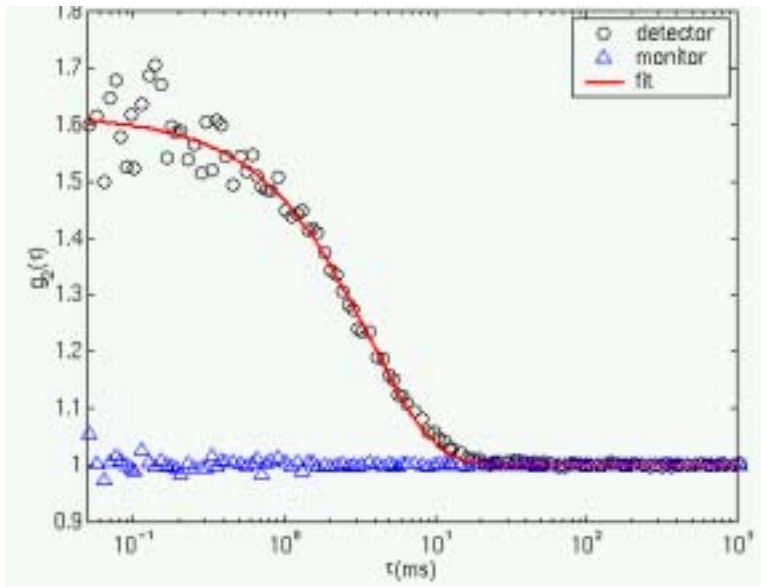
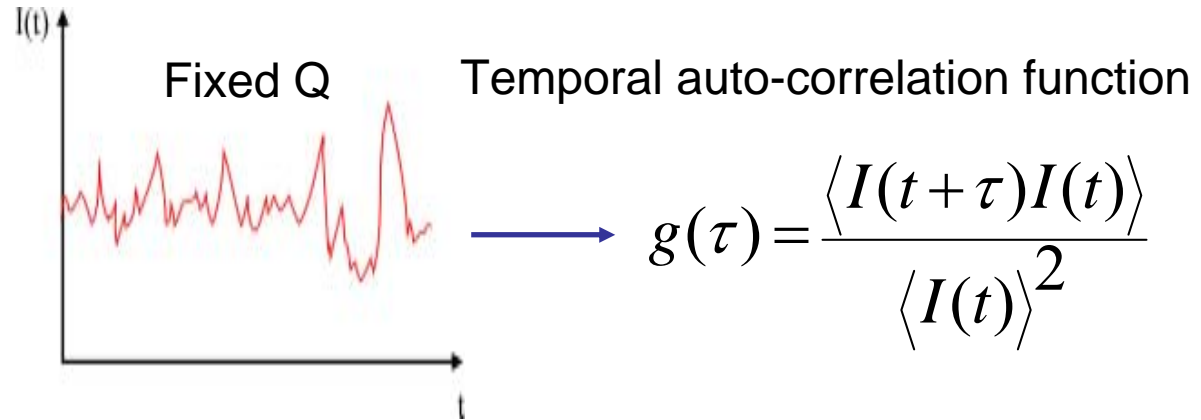
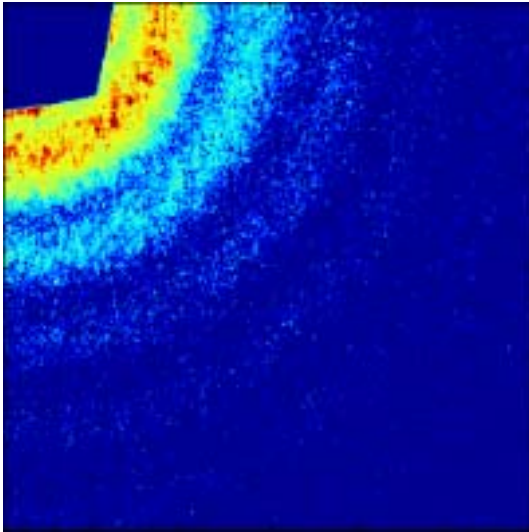


$\langle I(Q) \rangle$

$I(Q,t) \rightarrow$  dynamic structure factor  
 $\Gamma = D_0 Q^2$  (brownian)

$I(Q,t)$   
 $\Gamma = D(Q) Q^2$

# X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy

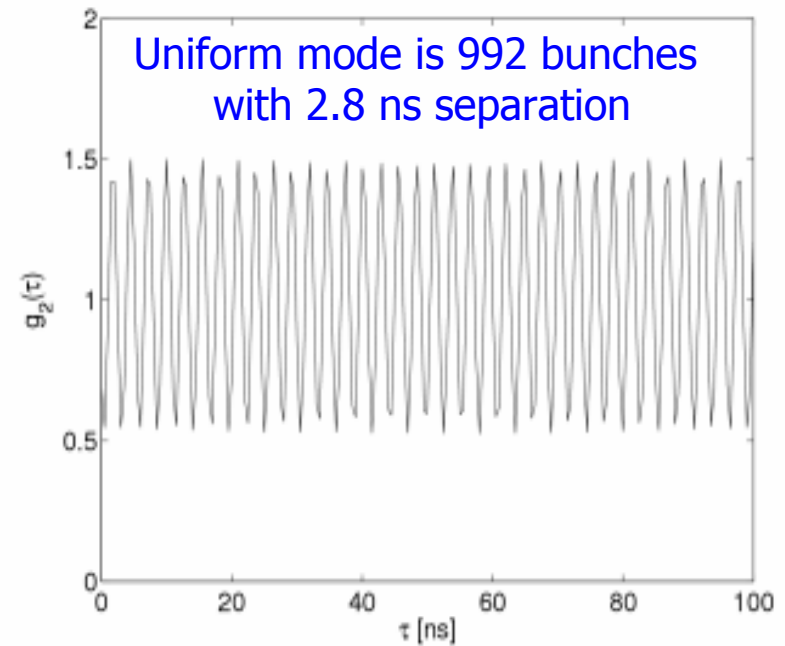
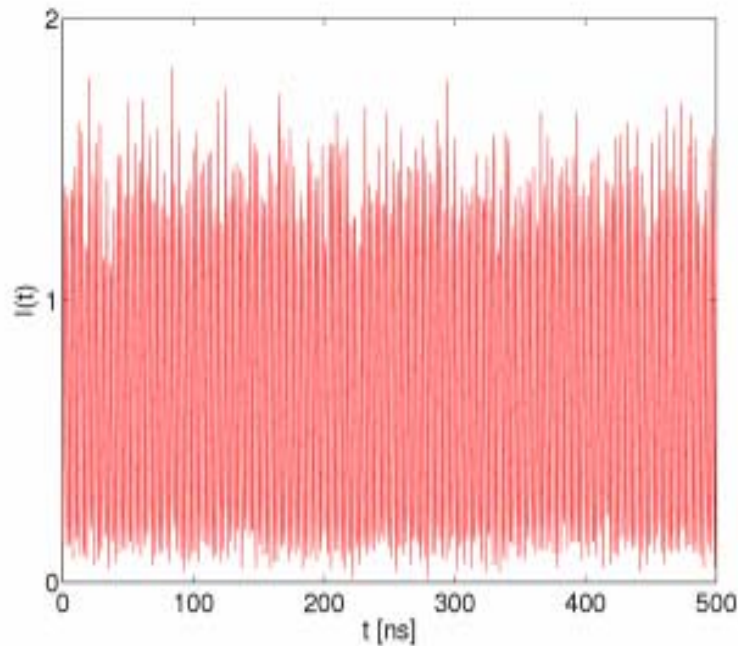


$$g(\tau) \sim \exp(-\Gamma \tau)$$

Relaxation rate  $\Gamma$  vs Q

# Intensity fluctuations from the ESRF storage ring

~850 m circumference, 6 GeV, 32 straight sections

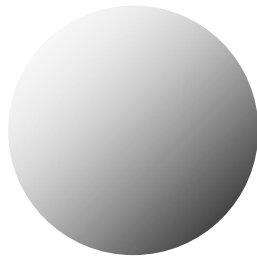


Data taken with APD detector and 2GHz scaler board

# XPCS experiment: nanoparticle dynamics in a glass

## Samples

Nano-spheres in a glass forming solvent



Silica,  $R=250\text{nm}$ ,  $\phi\sim 1\%$  (vol.)

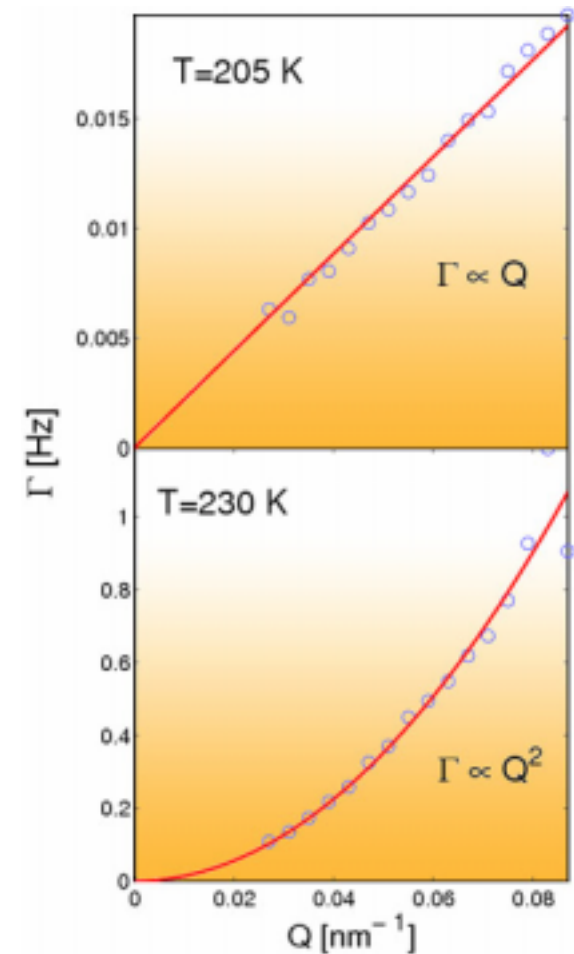


Silica,  $R=16\text{nm}$ ,  $\phi\sim 20\%$  (vol.)

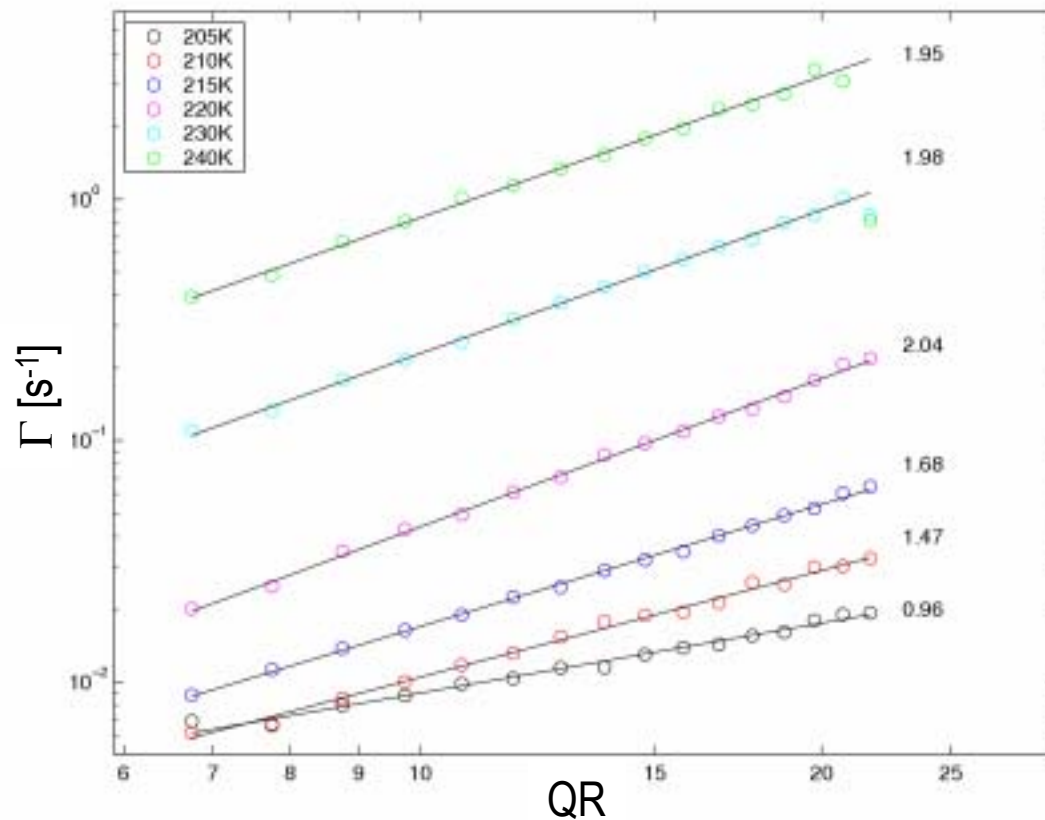
Solvent: Propanediol ( $T_G \sim 170\text{K}$ )

Liquid at elevated temp. ( $\eta \sim 0.1 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$  @  $290\text{K}$ )

$R=250\text{nm}$ ,  $\phi\sim 1\%$   
XPCS data



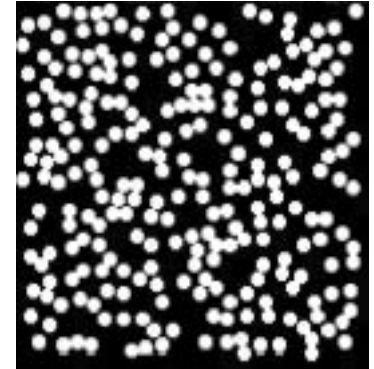
# Results, $R=250\text{nm}$ , $\phi\sim 1\%$



# Higher concentrations....

Higher concentration  $\rightarrow$  deviations from Brownian motion

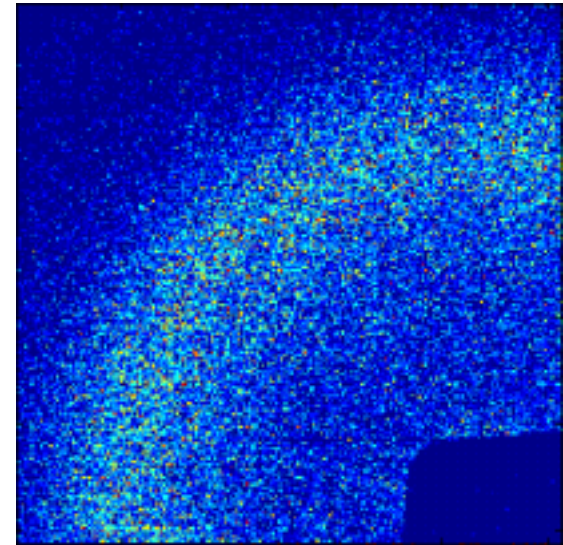
$S(Q=Q_{\max}) > 1 \rightarrow$  at  $Q=Q_{\max}$  the dynamics is slower than simple Brownian motion (“de Gennes narrowing”)



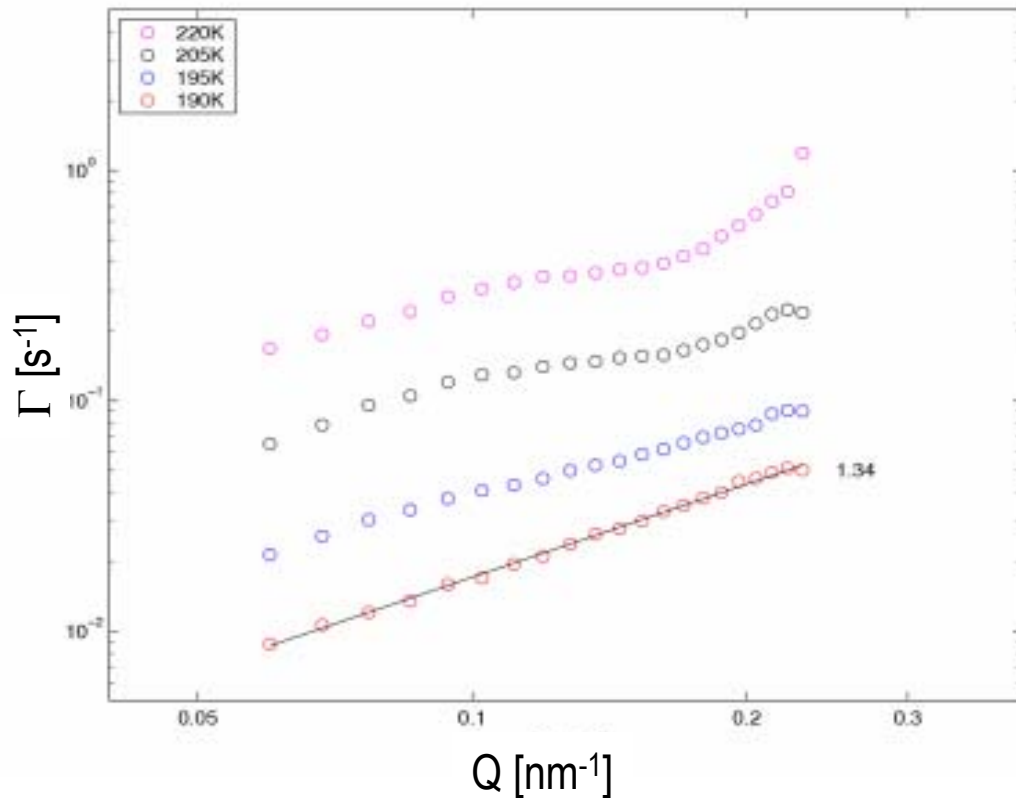
**At higher concentrations inter-particle interactions start playing a role**

Smaller particles  $\rightarrow$  different lengthscales probed  $\rightarrow$  dynamics is faster

$R=16\text{nm}$ ,  $\phi\sim 20\%$   
ring-of-scattering  
at  $Q_{\max} \sim 0.2 \text{ nm}^{-1}$



# Results, $R=16\text{nm}$ , $\phi\sim 20\%$



“de Gennes narrowing” disappears  
for  $T \rightarrow T_G$  (collective motion)

Conclusion:

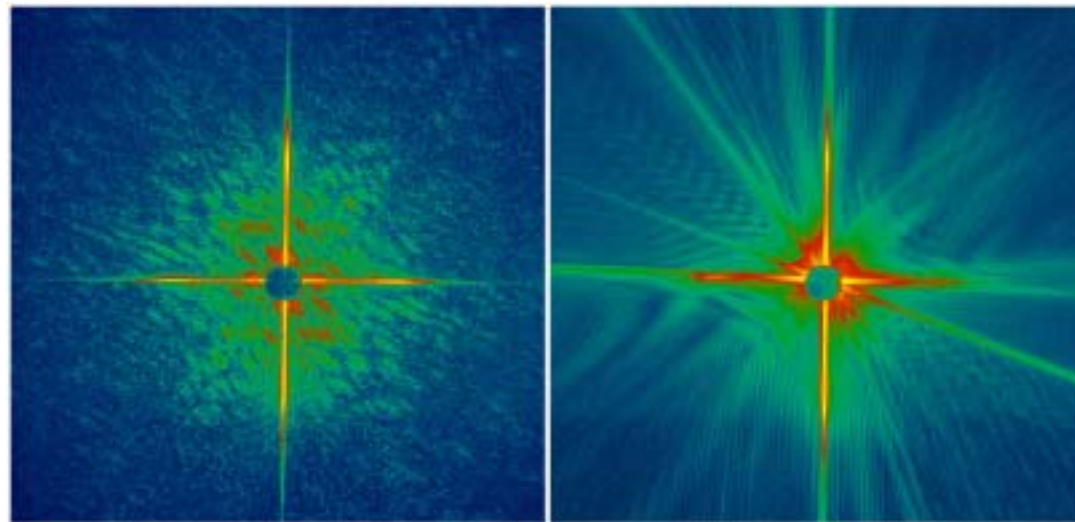
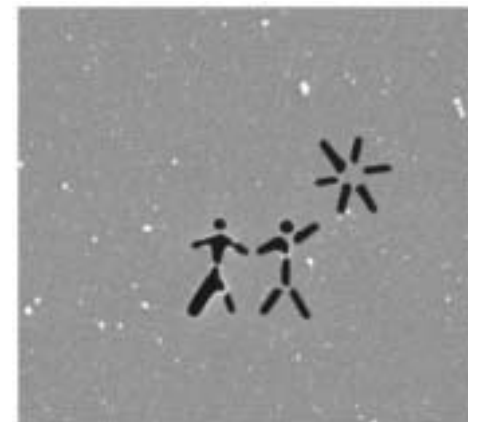
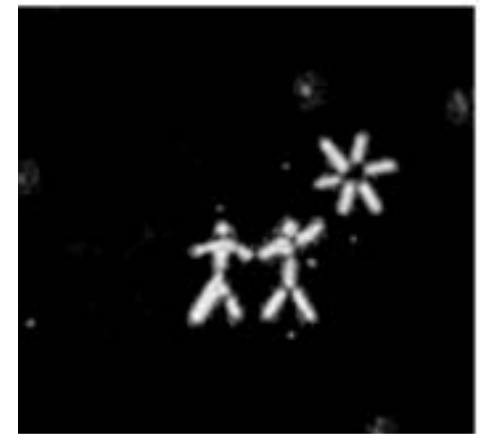
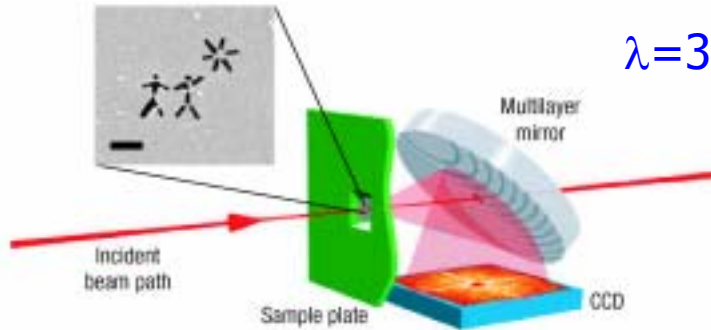
Intermittent dynamics ( $n=1$ ) driven  
by stress relaxations of the solvent  
become important much before  $T_G$

Localized stress relaxations  
seem to lead to collective dynamics

<http://www.esrf.fr/news/spotlight/spotlight39/spotlight39xpcs/>

# Time resolved reconstruction (merging Coherent Diffraction Imaging and XPCS)

FLASH VUV-Laser (DESY, Hamburg)  
 $\lambda=32\text{nm}$ , 25fs pulse duration,  $10^{12}$  ph/pulse



H. Chapman *et al*, Nature Physics **2**, 839 (2006)



# Outlook

The future has already started

## **Pulsed X-ray lasers**

- First 25 fs CDI experiment at the FLASH VUV laser
- LCLS (Stanford) & European XFEL coming online (~2009-2013)

## **Continuous coherent X-ray sources**

- Energy recovery linac (Cornell, APS,??)

## **CDI/XPCS at ESRF**

- XPCS activities continue, probably with more beamlines involved
- CDI is taking off (ID01, ID10 + more?)
- Scientific cases for CDI (SAXS/WAXS)
- Coherence is a "hot" topic in the forthcoming "purple book"