

XPCS at XFEL
or
How to measure $S(q,t)$
at XFEL sources

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Outline

- Speckles
- XPCS Modes at XFEL sources
- Split-Pulse technique
- Speckle sizes, signal to noise ratio and some implications for detectors
- Beam damage -
are non-destructive single shot measurements possible ?
- Single shot coherence - implications from the SASE process

Scientific Agenda

Measure

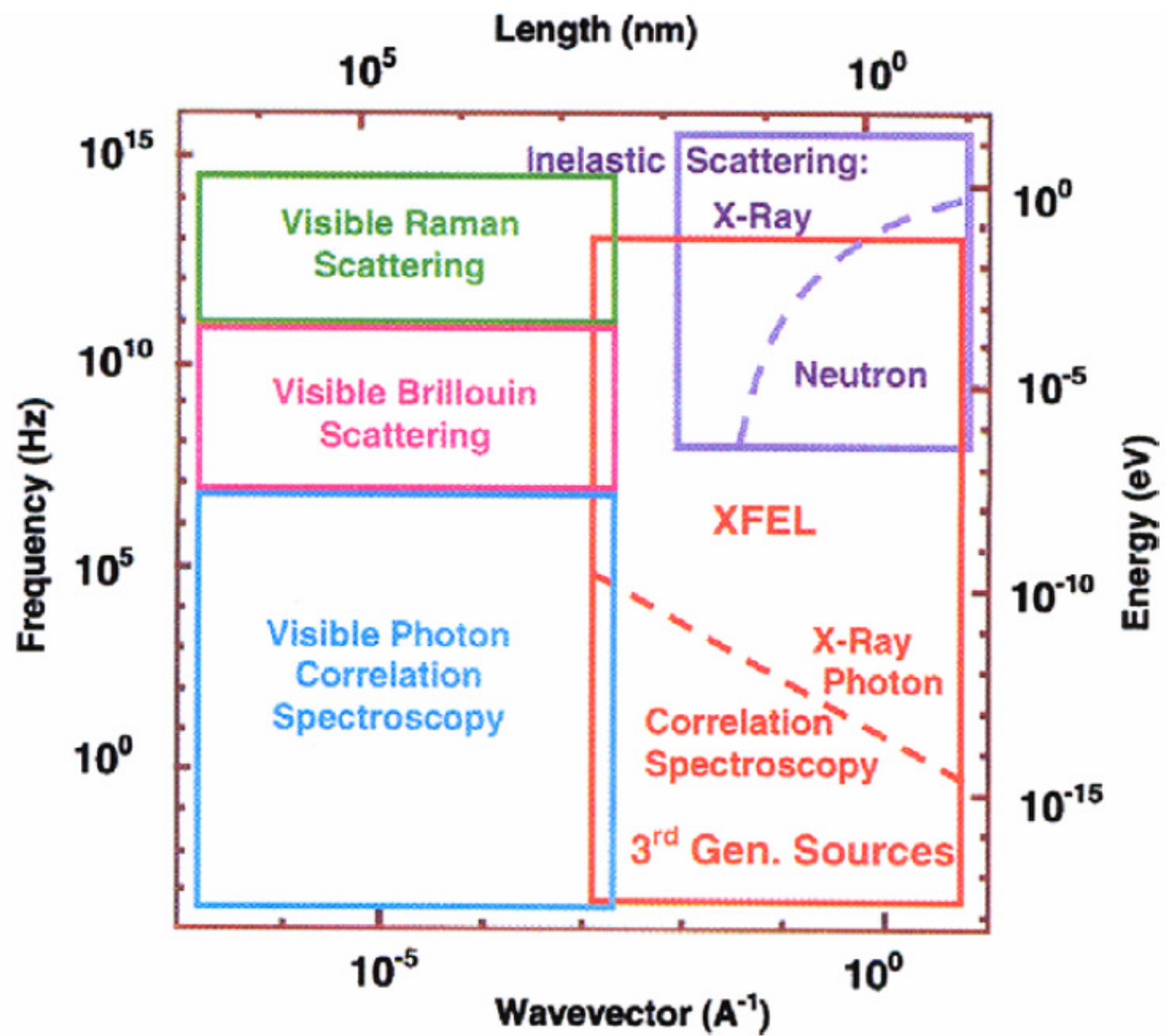
- $S(q,t)$
- local symmetries
- higher order correlations in time and space
- non-equilibrium processes
- rotational dynamics...

Systems

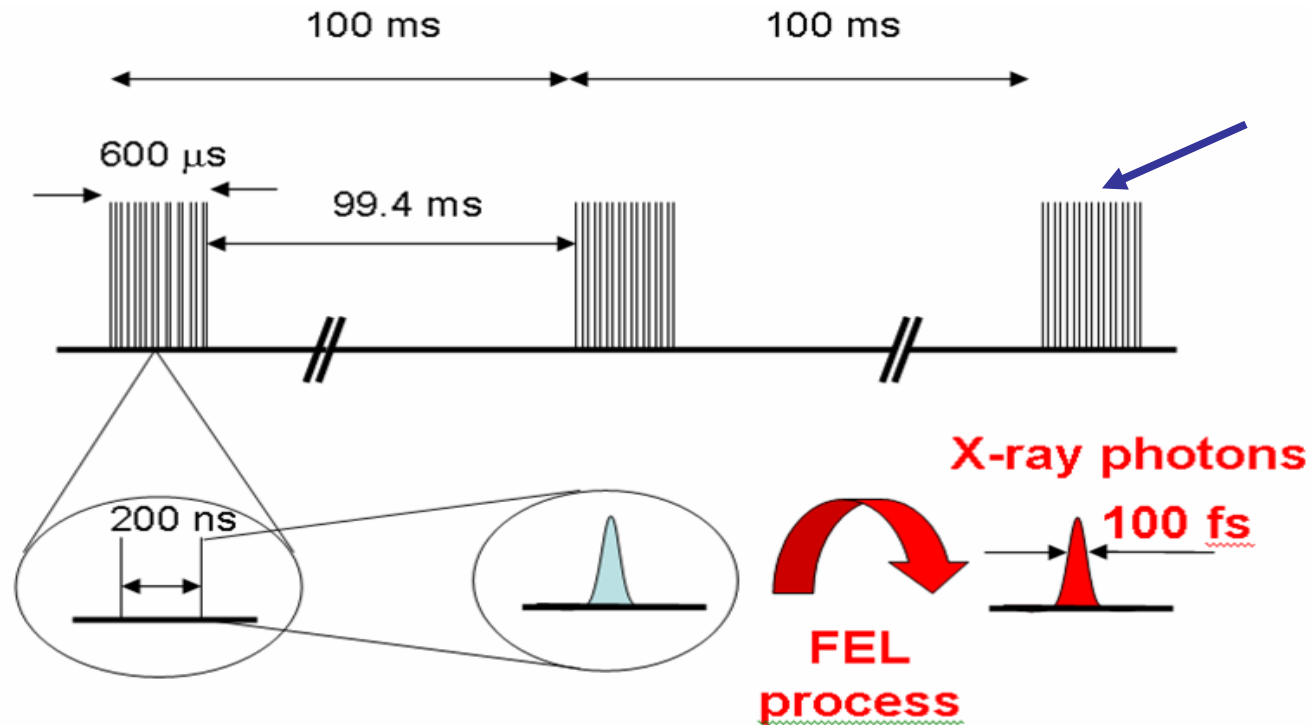
- magnetization dynamics
- structure and dynamics of fluids (e.g. water)
- phonon anomalies in low dimensional systems
- nucleation and phase transitions
- (slow) molecular scale dynamics in supercooled liquids
- short-lived, metastable fluctuations
- atomic scale diffusion in solids
- dynamics of biomolecules

See talks of

P. Wochner, B. Stephenson, L. Cipelletti, B. Sepiol, H.Sinn, A. Madsen



XPCS at a FEL source:



200ns < t < 600 μ s

1ps < t < 10 ns:

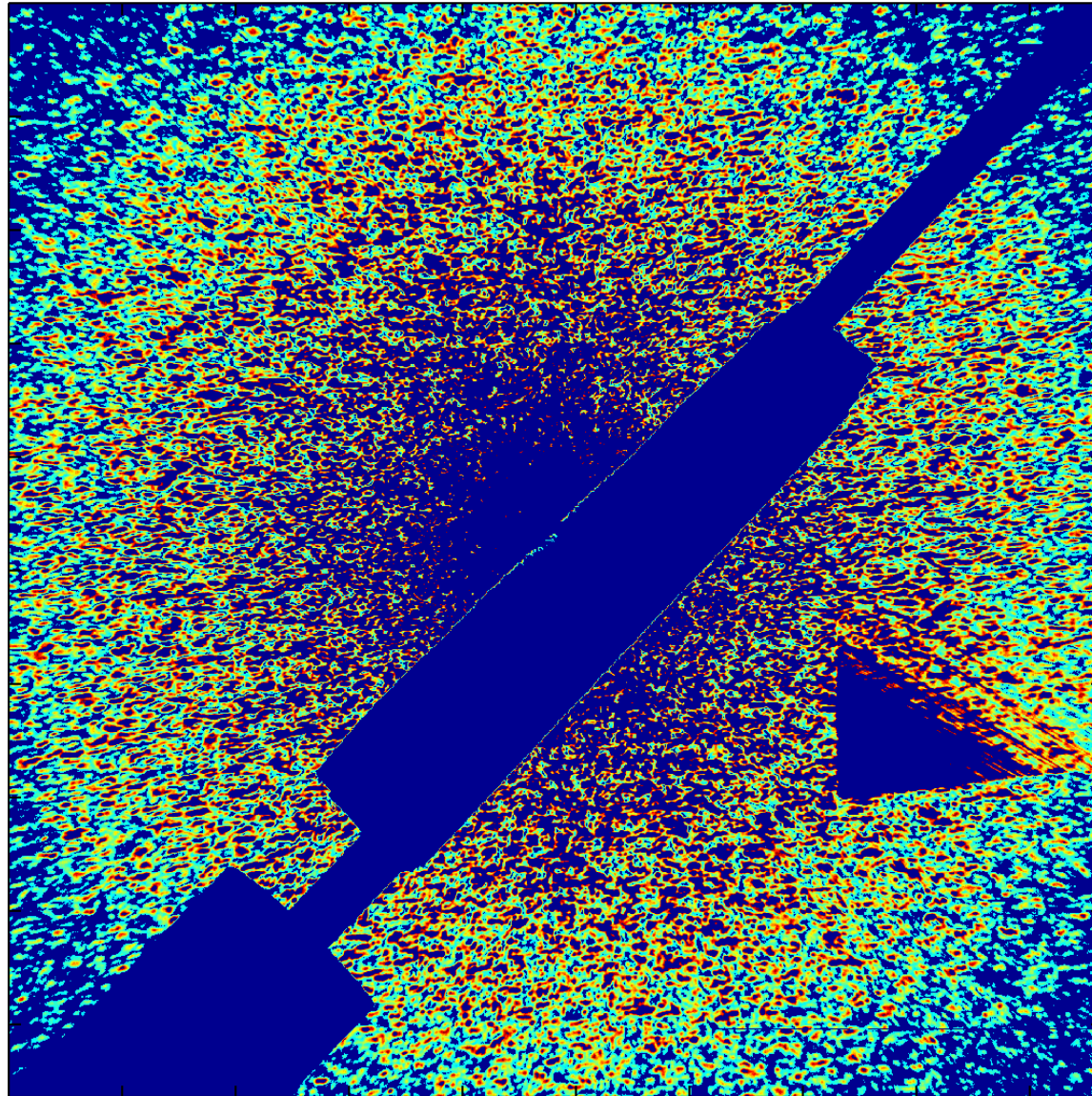
for “all” times:

”movie” mode

“delay-line” mode

“pump-probe” mode

Speckle pattern

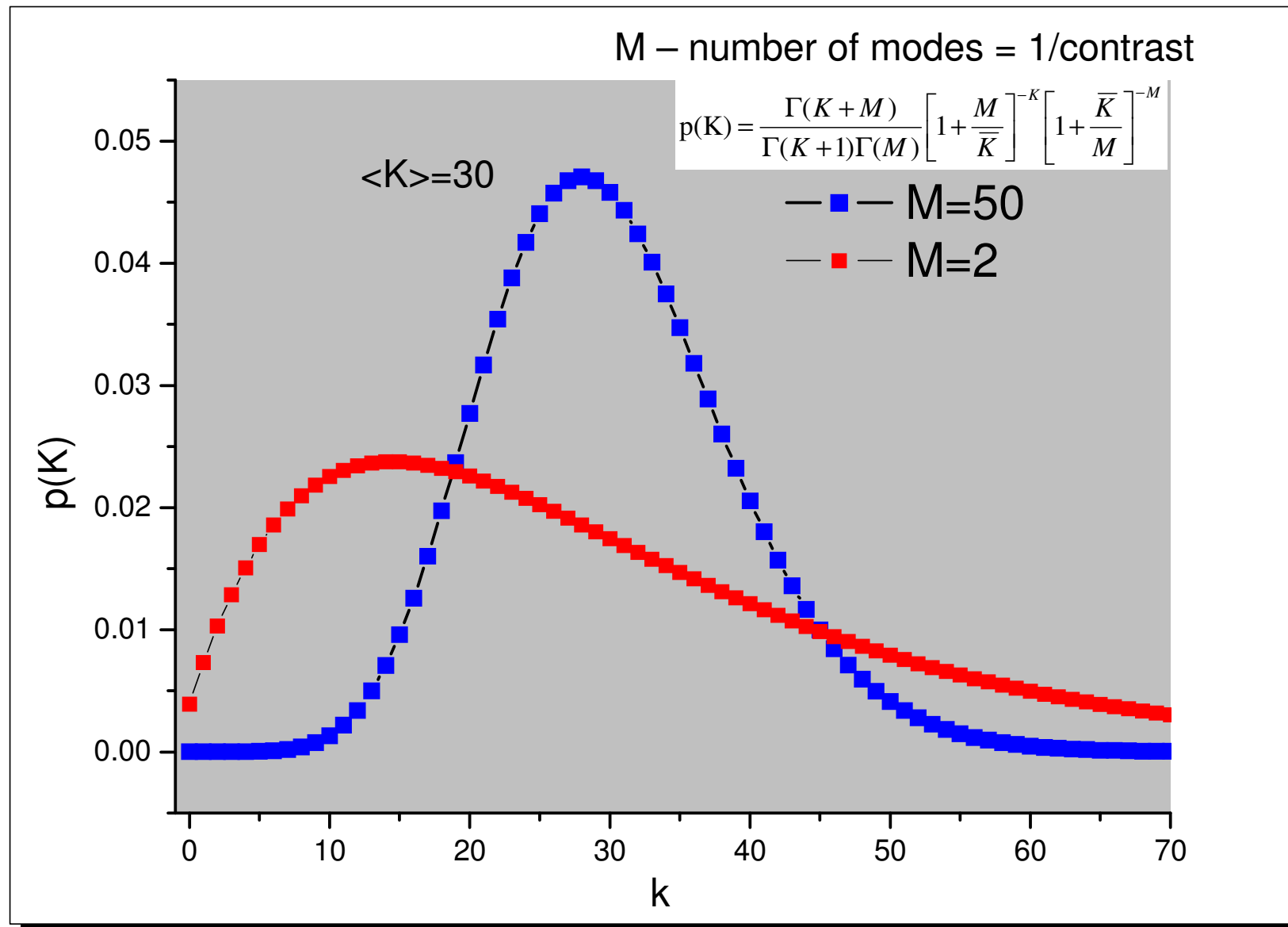


Speckle size $S = \frac{\lambda L}{D}$

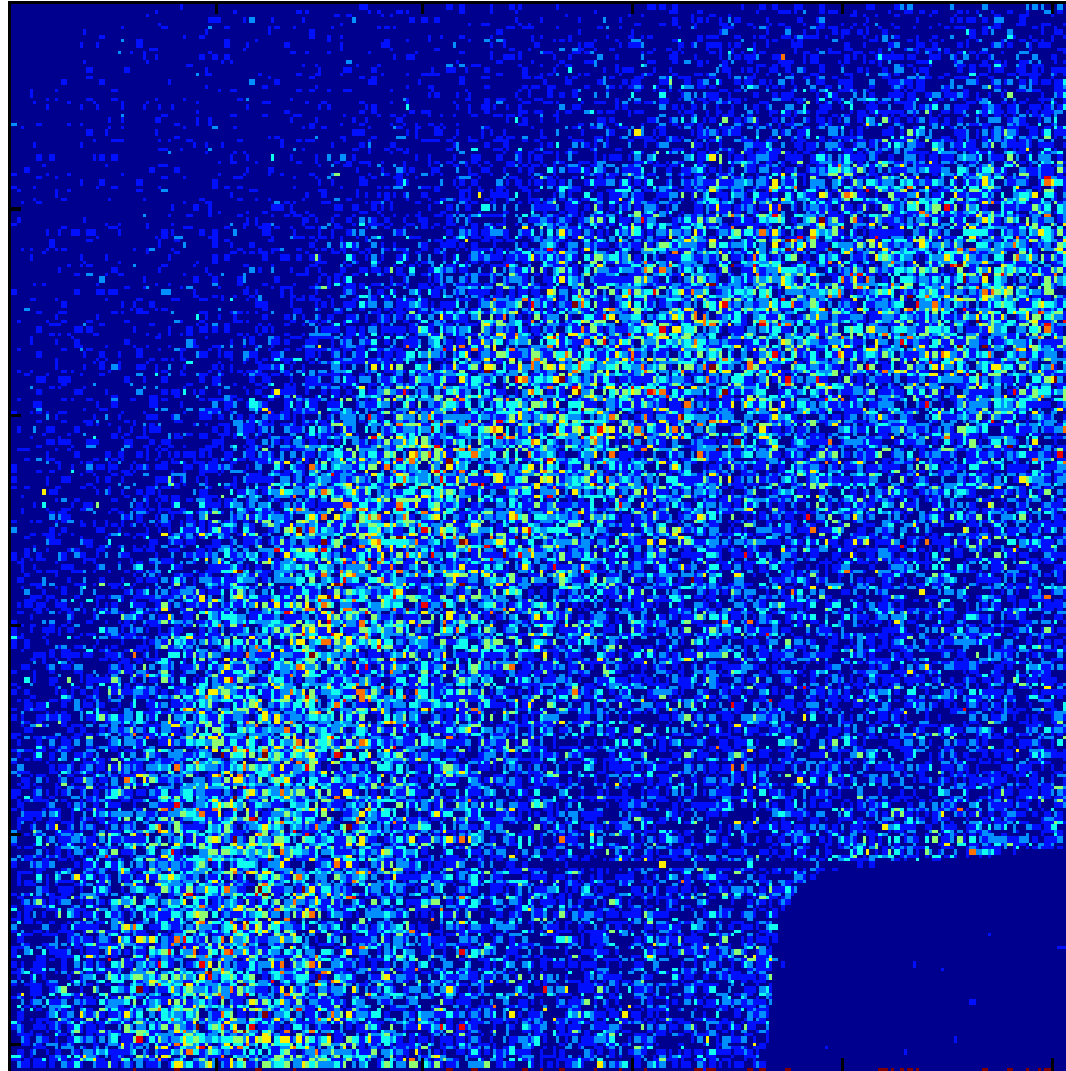
Contrast (visibility) $\beta(Q) = \frac{\sqrt{\langle I^2 \rangle - \langle I \rangle^2}}{\langle I \rangle}$

Influence of detector pixel size on contrast $\beta_{eff} = \beta \times \frac{1}{1 + (P/S)^2}$

Counting statistics of a speckle pattern

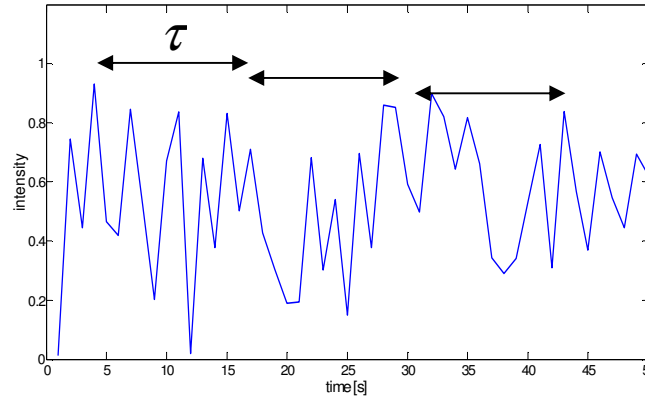


Fluctuating Speckle Pattern



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Intensity Autocorrelation Function



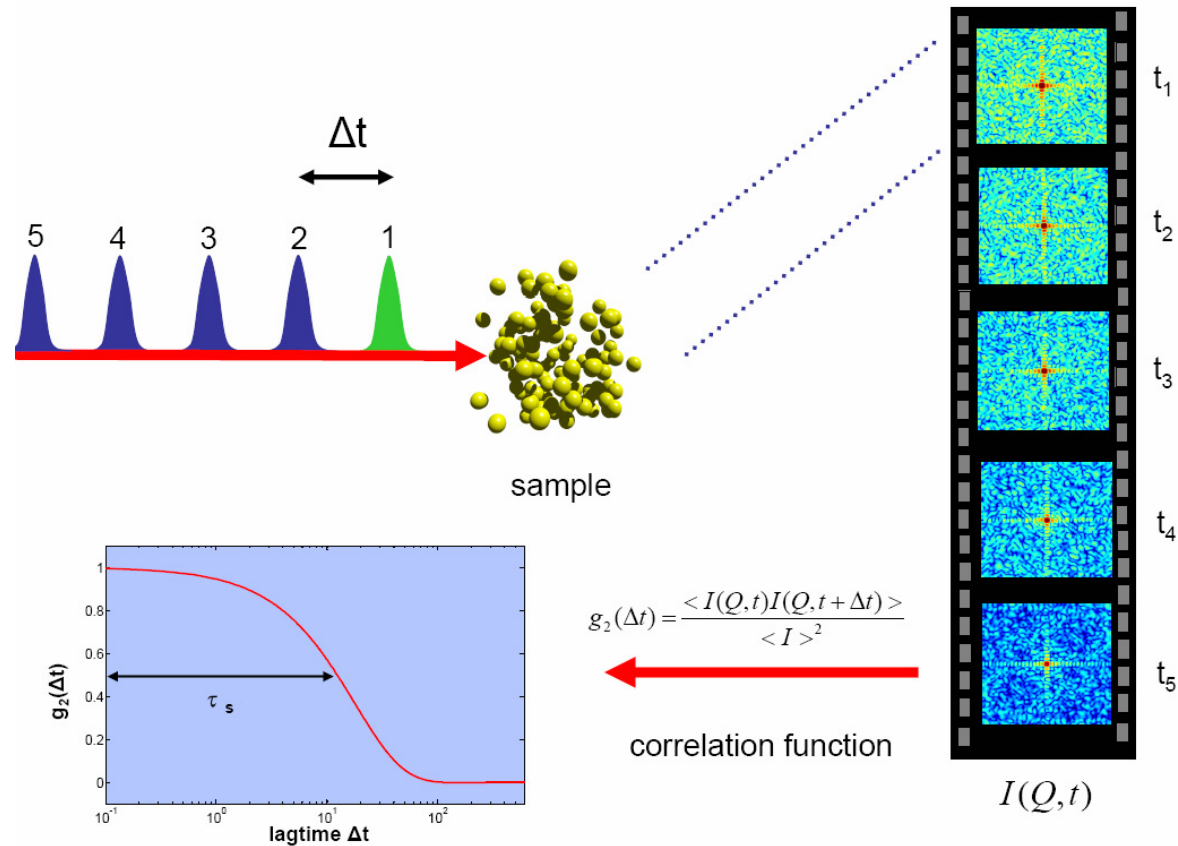
$$\langle I(q, t_1) I(q, t_1 + \tau) \rangle = \langle \rho(q, t_1) \rho^*(q, t_1) \rho(q, t_1 + \tau) \rho^*(q, t_1 + \tau) \rangle$$

$$\langle I(q, 0) I(q, \tau) \rangle = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T I(q, t) I(q, t + \tau)$$

$$g_2(q, \tau) = \frac{\langle I(q, 0) I(q, \tau) \rangle}{\langle I(q, 0) \rangle^2} \approx 1 + \beta |f(q, \tau)|^2 \quad \text{Siegert relation}$$

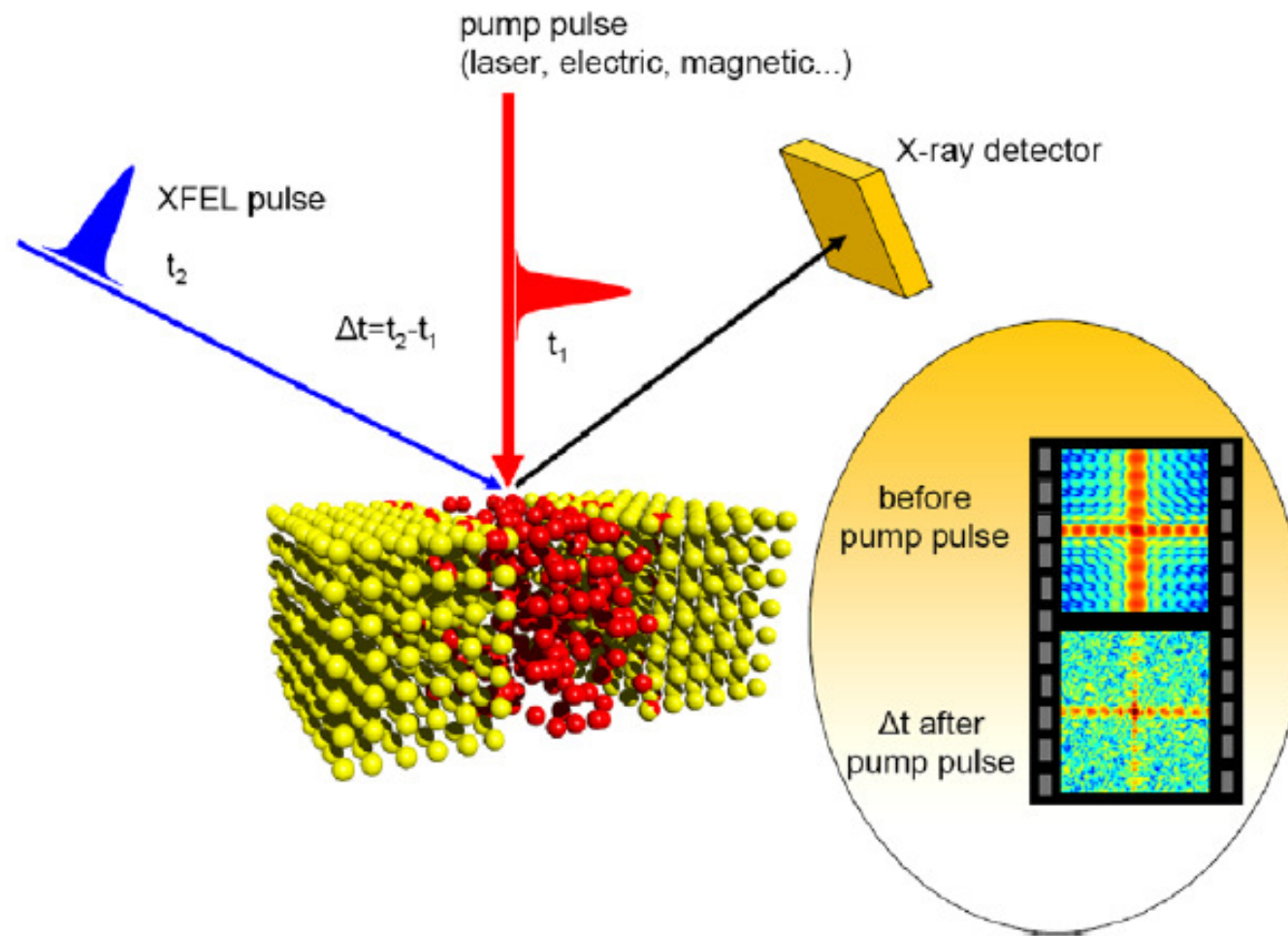
$f(q, t)$ Intermediate scattering function

XPCS at a FEL source: Movie Mode

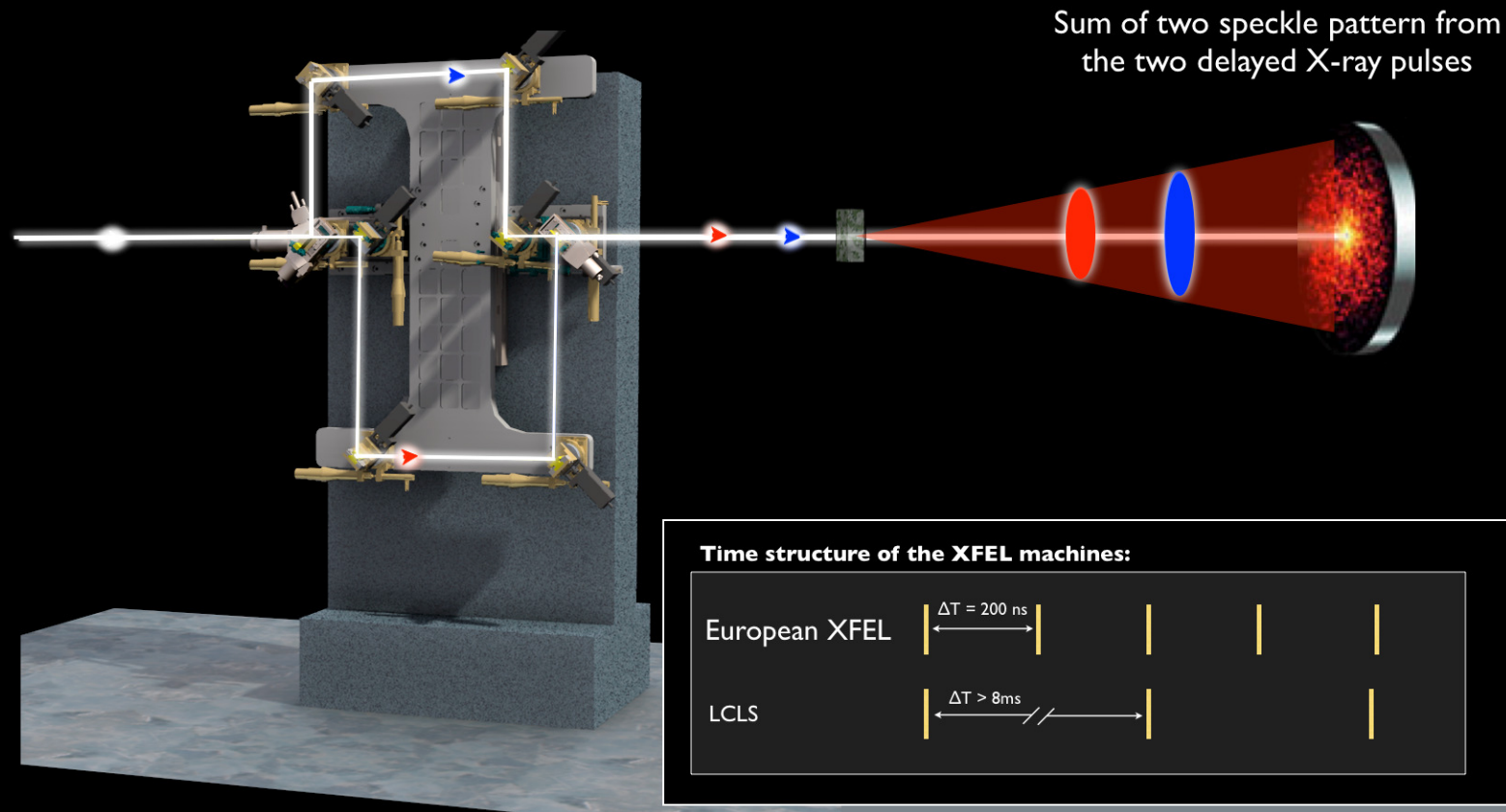


**→ Detectors with
frame rate 200 ns**

XPCS at FEL sources: pump and probe mode



Split and delay concept at XFEL sources



Concept G. Grübel, G.B. Stephenson, C. Gutt, H. Sinn, T. Tschentscher, NIM B 262, 357 (2007)
Split and delay line W. Roseker et al. Optics Letters 34, 1768 (2009)

Movie Mode

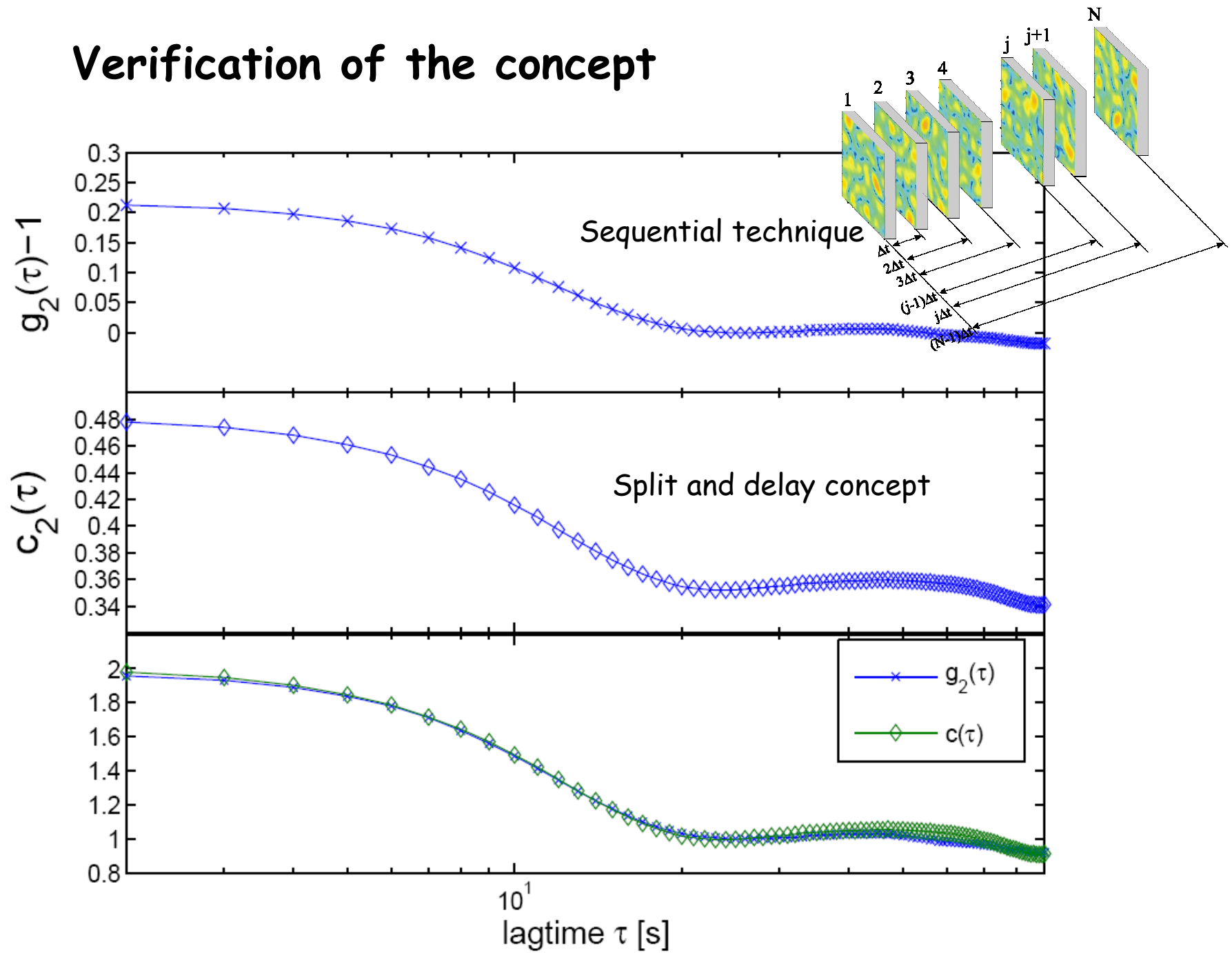
$$g_2(\tau) = \frac{\langle I(t)I(t+\tau) \rangle}{\langle I(t) \rangle^2} = 1 + |f(\tau)|^2$$

Split-Pulse technique

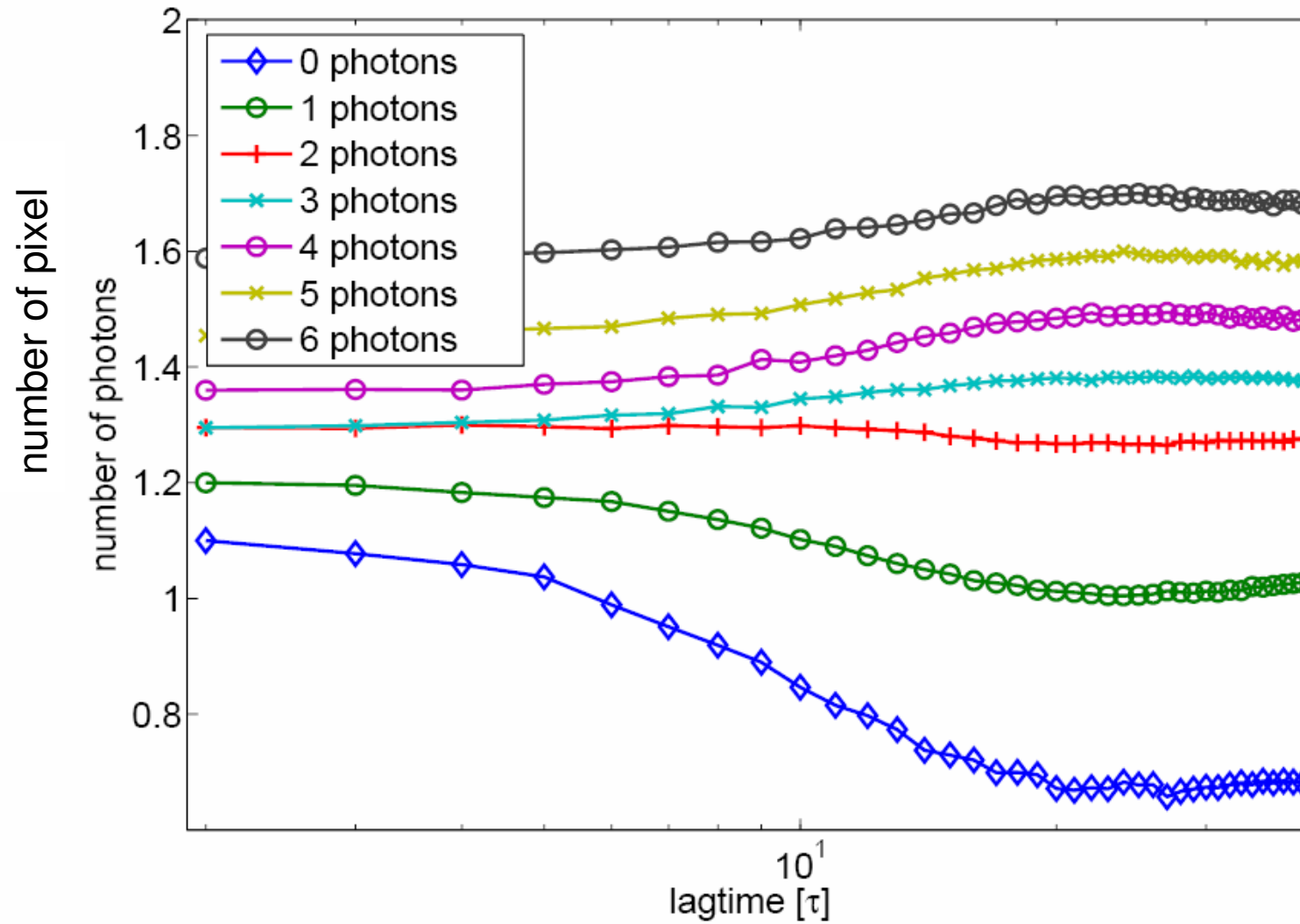
$$S(\tau) = I(t) + I(t+\tau)$$

$$c_2(\tau) = \frac{\langle S(\tau)^2 \rangle - \langle S(\tau) \rangle^2}{\langle S(\tau) \rangle^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + |f(\tau)|^2 \right)$$

Verification of the concept

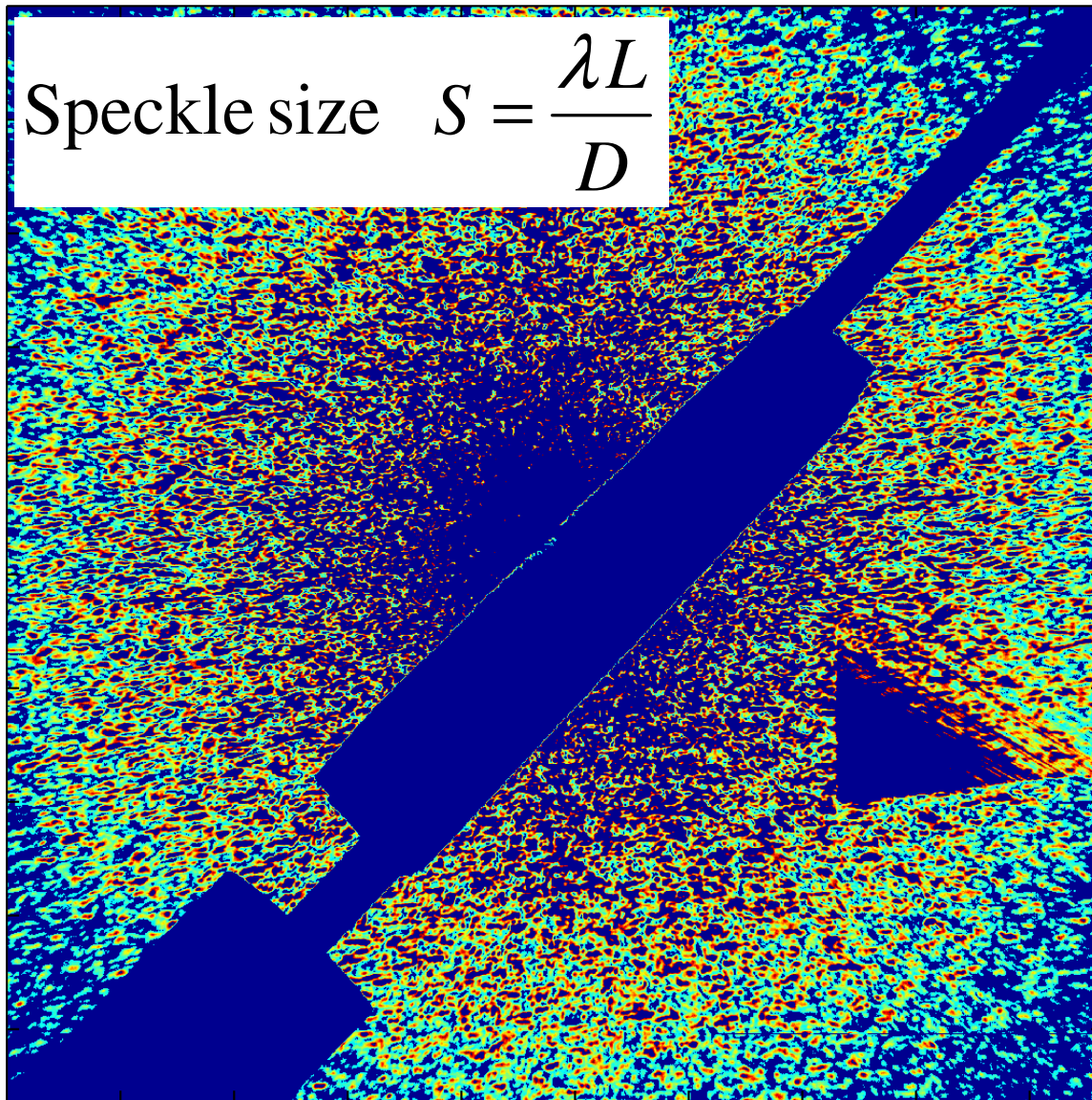


Analysis of the photon statistics



Speckles

Speckle size $S = \frac{\lambda L}{D}$



- No need to oversample speckle pattern
 - Need to put beam twice on the same sample spot
- > reduce heat load via unfocussed beam sizes
- > need to detect beam damage, e.g.
as today via fluctuations in $S(q,t)$

Consequence of beam sizes

Detector distance [m]	Sample size [microns]	Speckle size [microns]
2	40	5
4	20	20
20	25	80
20	40	50
20	80	25

Signal to noise ratio in XPCS

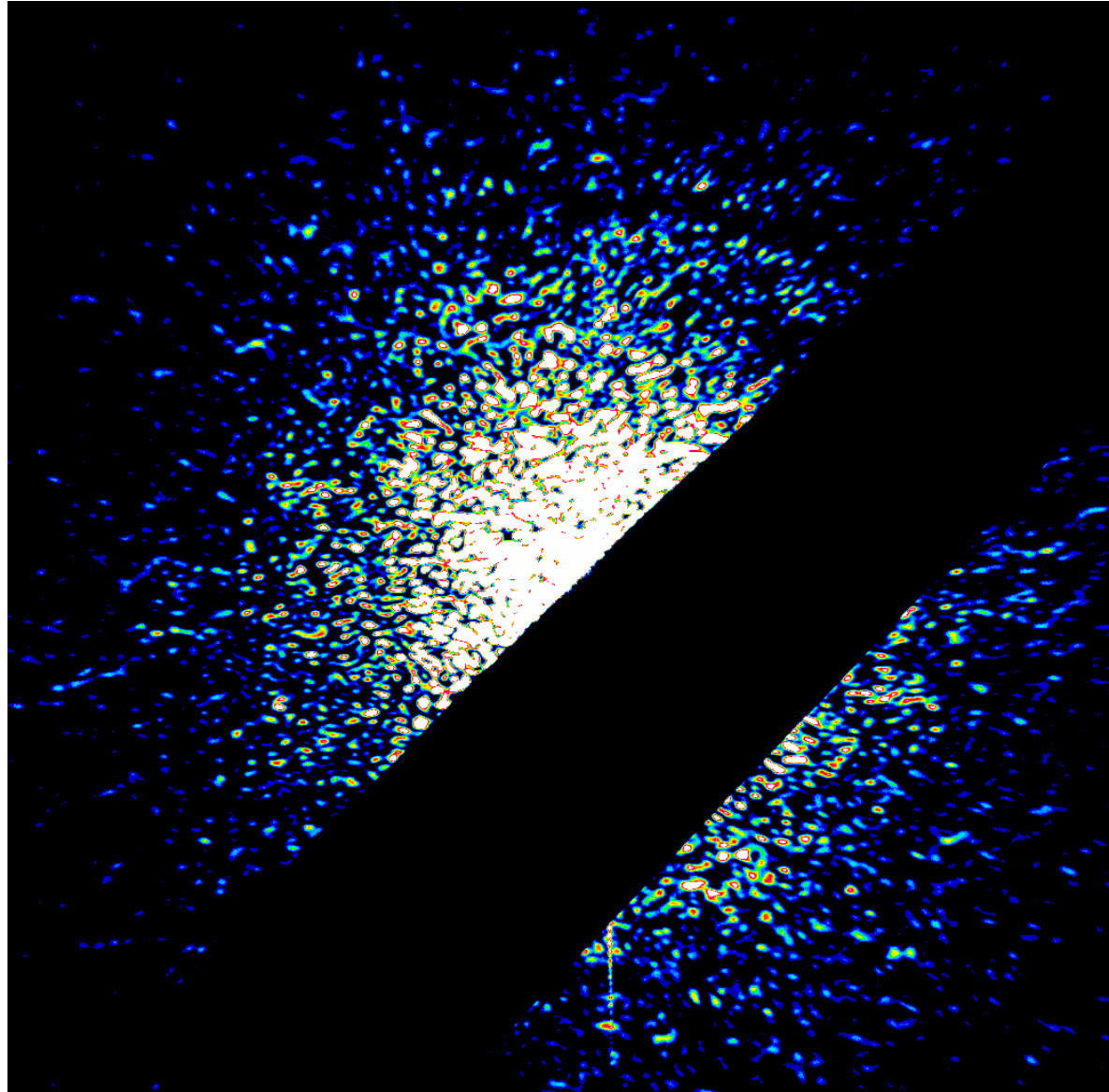
$$SNR \propto \beta(Q) \frac{N_{Pulses}}{1 + (P/S)^2}$$

P pixel size
S speckle size

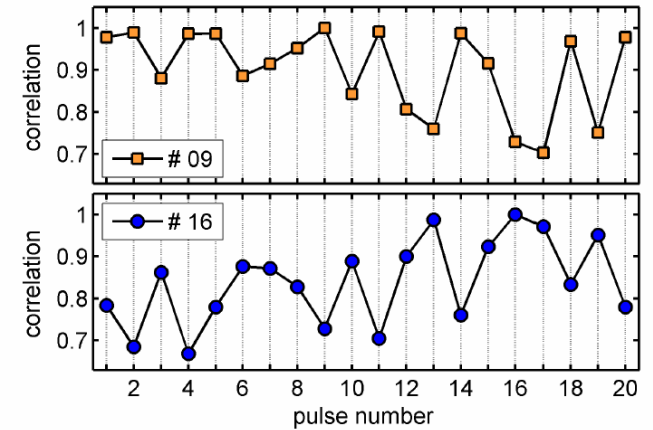
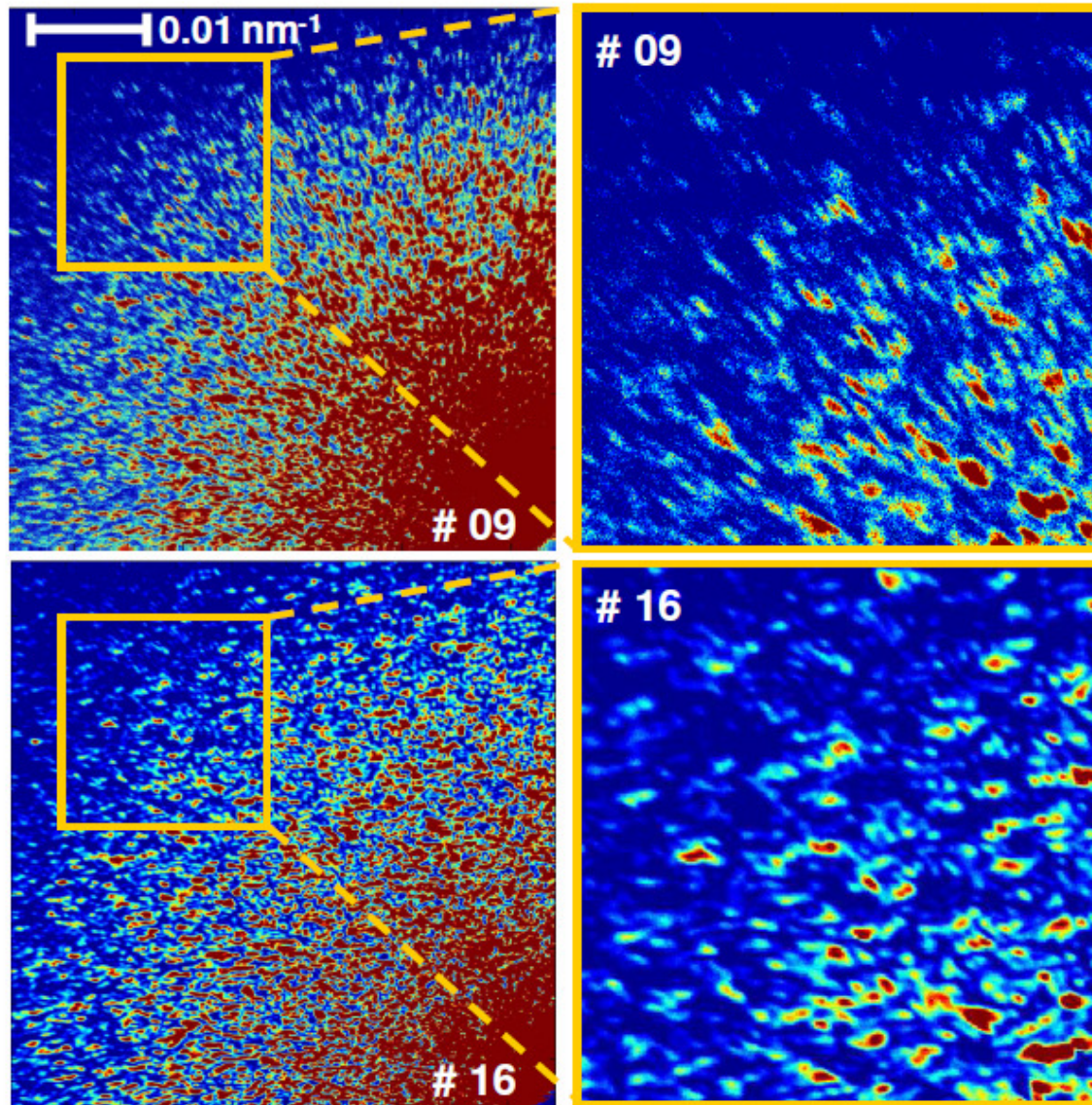
**Wanted: high contrast and many pixels =>
pixel size similar to speckle size**

Can we record single shot pattern
without frying the sample ?

Series of 30 fs single shot images
FLASH @ 20.8 nm



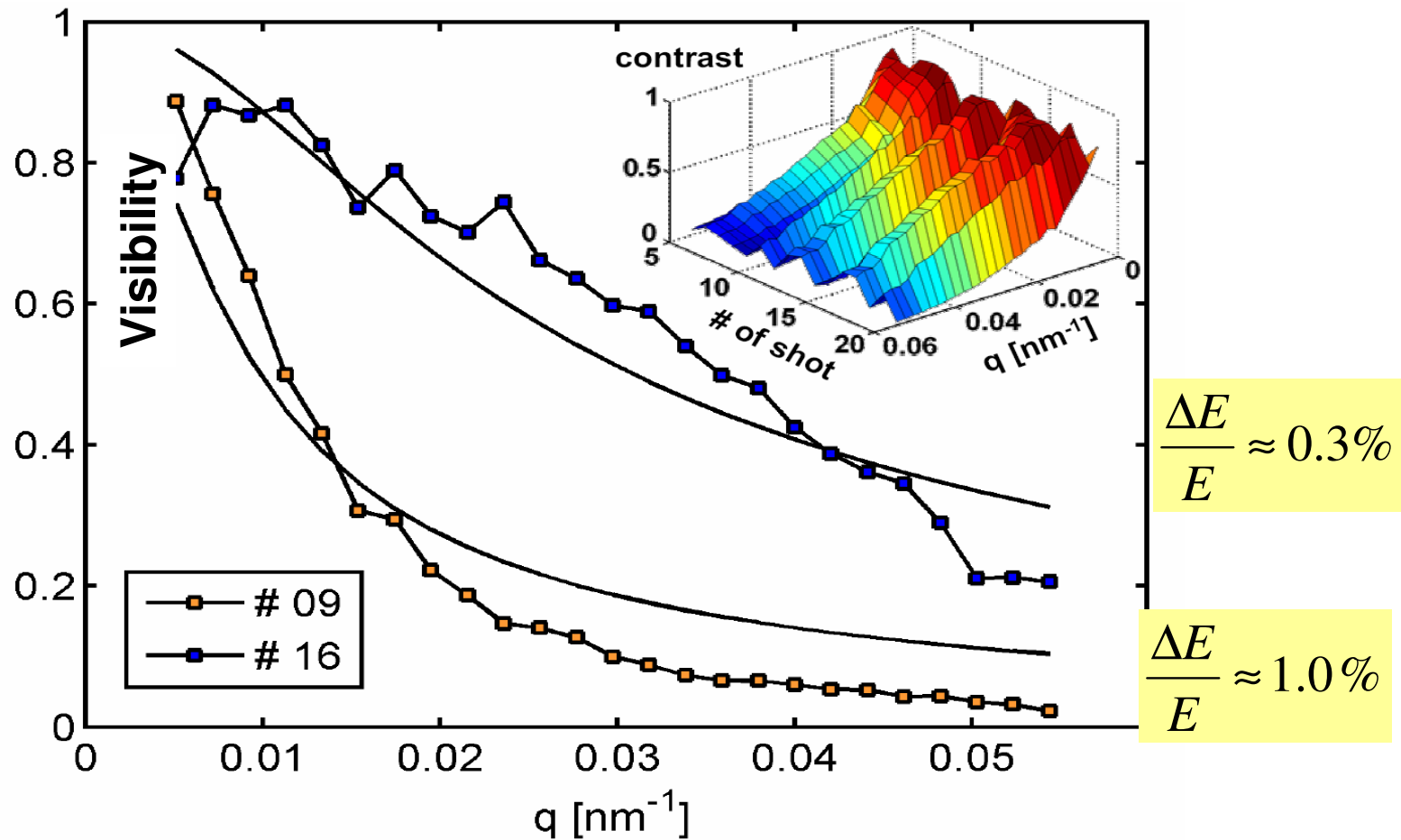
Destruction-free single shot speckles at FLASH



Elongated and grainy speckles

Speckle visibility and the SASE process

$$V = \frac{1}{1 + W^2 q^2 \left(\frac{\Delta E}{E}\right)^2}$$



Conclusion

XPCS schemes at XFEL

Delay line is existing and tested at synchrotron sources

XPCS experiments at XFEL are limited by SNR ->
pixel size of detectors will be a of central importance

beam damage is a function of energy density – strongly
dependent on sample composition and beam size