

X-ray Cross Correlation Analysis

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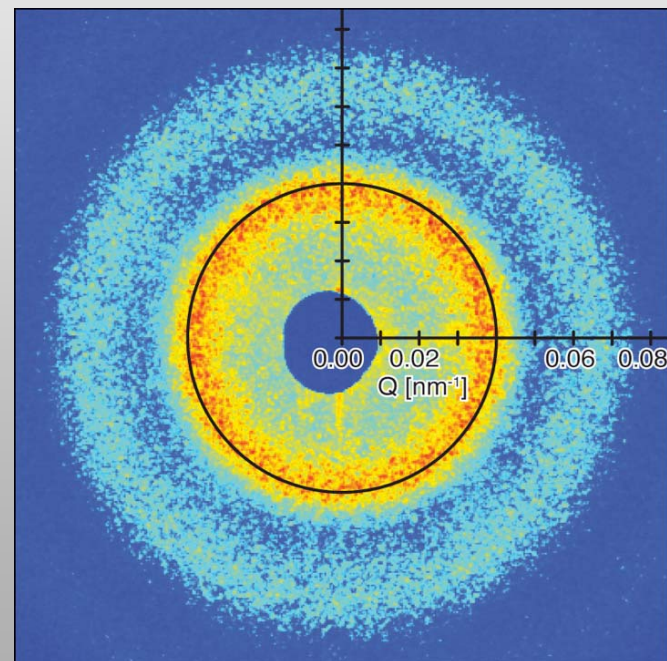
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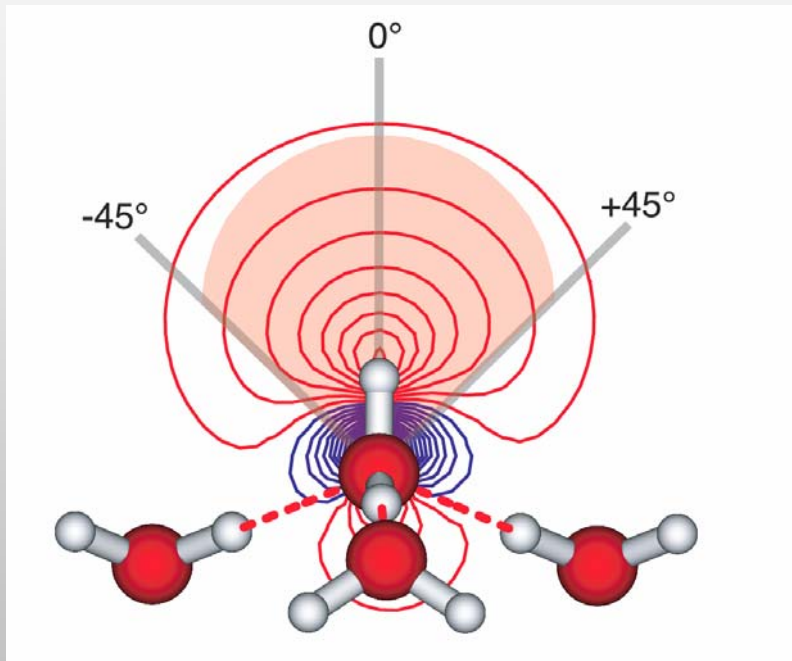




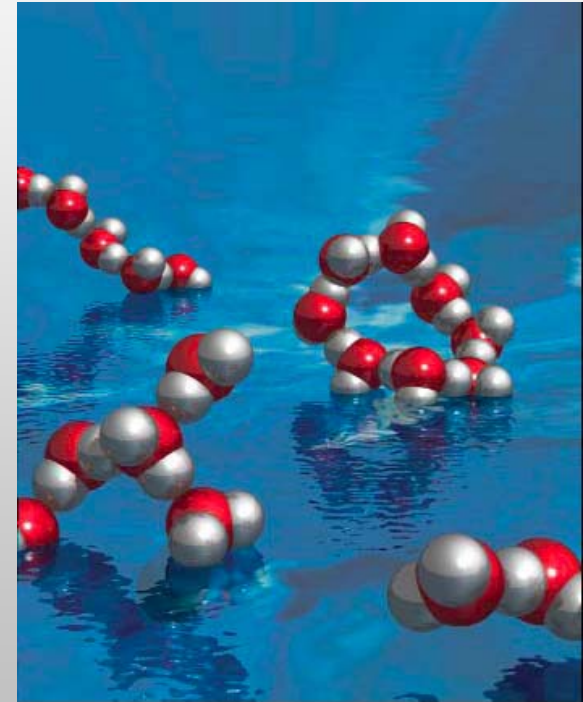
- Motivation
- Higher Order Correlation Functions and XCCA
- Proof of Principle Experiment
- Results
- Conclusions and Outlook

- Liquids and amorphous systems still among the oldest and least understood problems in cond. mat. physics
- Structure:
 - only pair-correlations
 - **no directional information**
- Dynamics:
 - **no directional information**
 - time-averaged, long wavelength collective behaviour
 - ultra-fast, local structural changes of interatomic distances
- Similar situation: solutions, nano-powders
- Theoretically:
 - Glass transition: freezing of density fluctuations $g_2(r)$
 - dynamical heterogeneities and correlation length treated as fluctuation of $g_2(r)$: $g_4(r)$
(Parisi, Franz, Donati, Glotzer)

- Most mysterious substance worldwide: H_2O
- Local order: Tetrahedral vs. rings and chains



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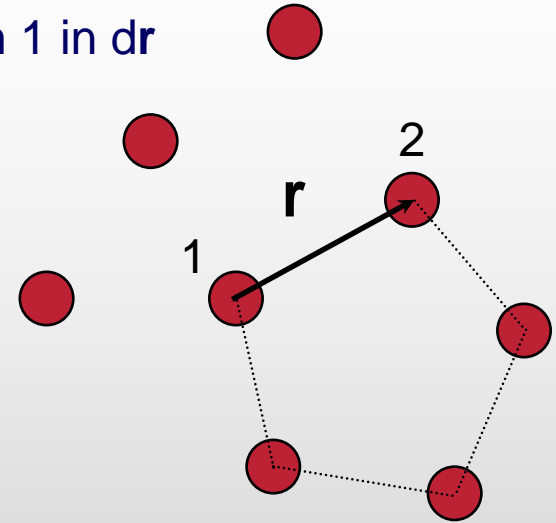
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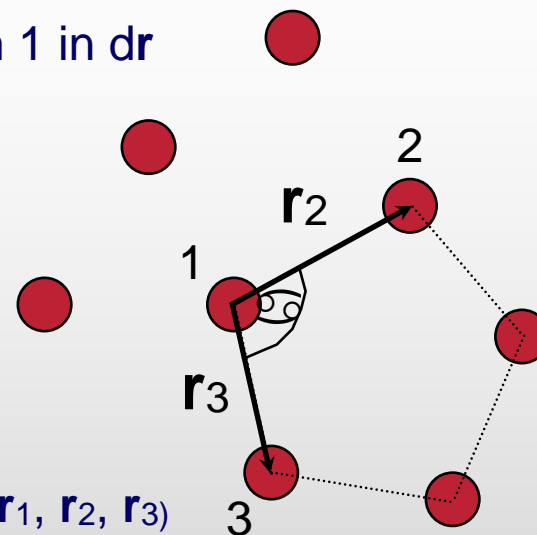
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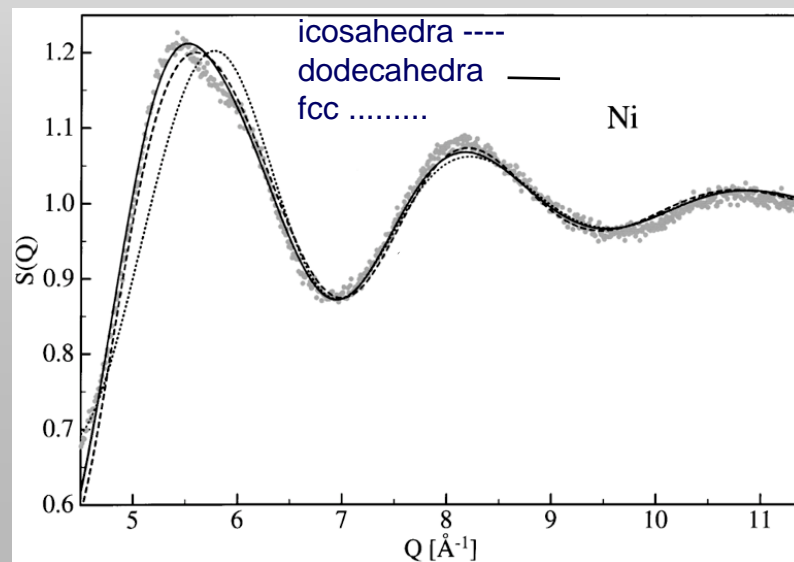
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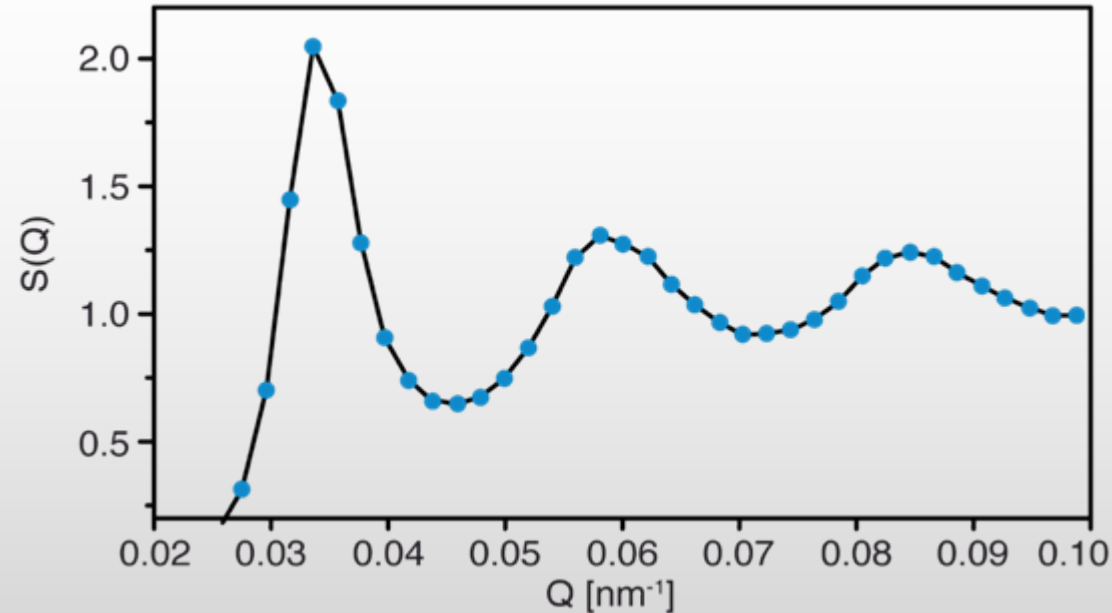
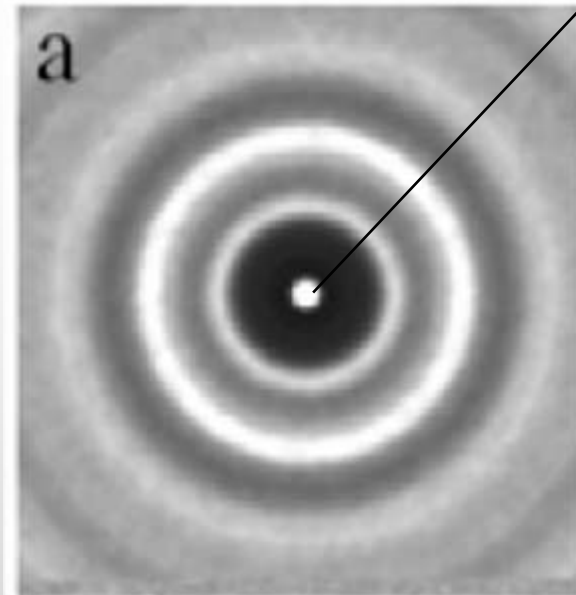
- $g_2(\mathbf{r})$ independent of bond angles
- analogous: 3-point and n-point distribution function $g_3(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3)$
- but **depend on angles**



$$n_0 \int g_3(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3) d\mathbf{r}_3 = (N-2) g_2(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$$

- N-2 different arrangements with same $g_2(\mathbf{r})$





Traditional approach:

$$S(\mathbf{Q}) = \left\langle \left| \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \right\rangle$$

- Ensemble or configuration (and time) average $\langle \dots \rangle$

- $g_2(\mathbf{r})$ 2-point (pair) distribution function $g_2(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = n_0^{-2} \left(\langle \rho(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}') \rangle - \delta(\mathbf{r}) \right)$

$$S(\mathbf{Q}) = 1 + \int (g_2(\mathbf{r}) - 1) e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r}$$

- Major breakthrough: beyond 2-point correlation functions

- Eliminate intrinsic spatial and temporal averaging

Coherence

Snap shot

- Construct new correlation function “by hand”

- Speckle intensity $I(\mathbf{Q}, t) = \int \int e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{s})} \rho(\mathbf{r}, t) \rho(\mathbf{s}, t) d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{s}$

- Speckle width $\Delta Q \approx \lambda / D_b$ (D_b beam size)

- Intensity-Intensity correlation function (appropriate average)

$$\begin{aligned} C(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{Q}', t, t') &= \langle I(\mathbf{Q}, t) I(\mathbf{Q}', t') \rangle \\ &= \int \int \int \int e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{s}) - i\mathbf{Q}'\cdot(\mathbf{r}'-\mathbf{s}')} \rho_4(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, t, \mathbf{r}', \mathbf{s}', t') d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{s} d\mathbf{r}' d\mathbf{s}' \end{aligned}$$

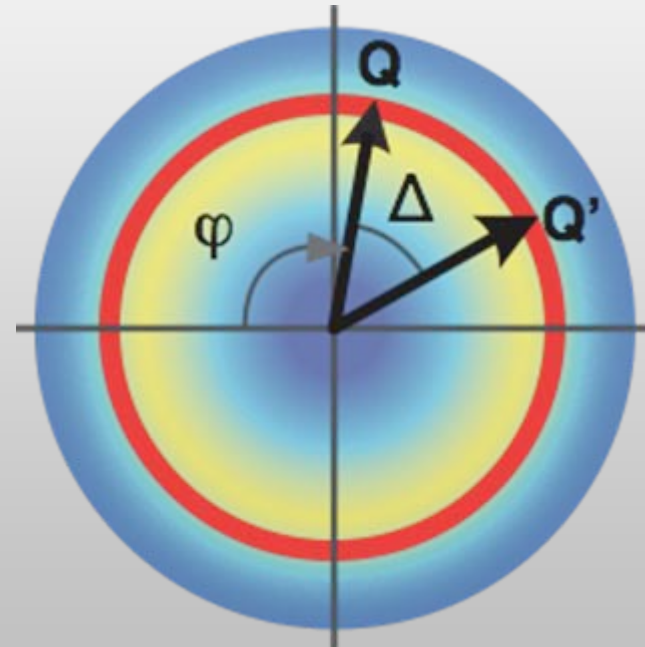
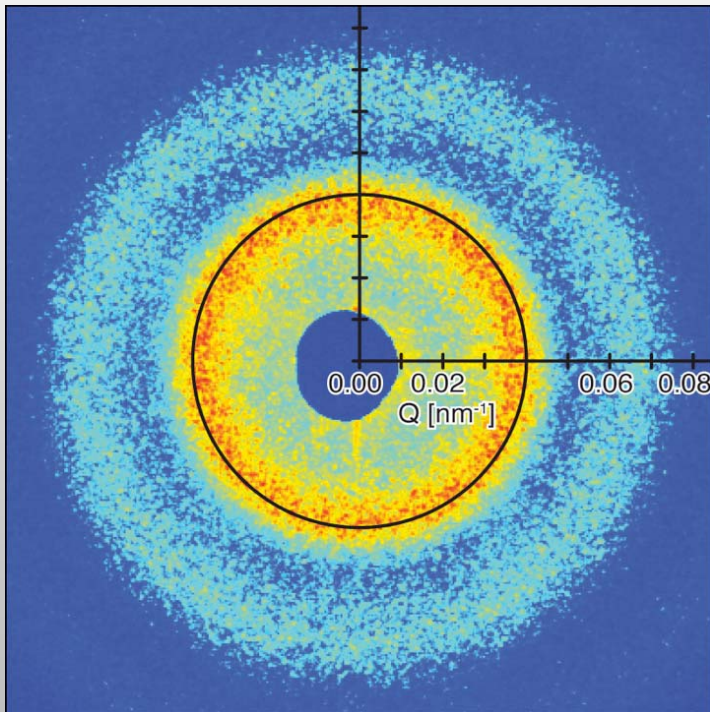
- $\rho_4(\mathbf{r})$ 4-point correlation function

$$\rho_4(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, t, \mathbf{r}', \mathbf{s}', t') = \langle \rho(\mathbf{r}, t) \rho(\mathbf{s}, t) \rho(\mathbf{r}', t') \rho(\mathbf{s}', t') \rangle = f(g_2, g_3, g_4)$$

$\langle \dots \rangle$ to be defined

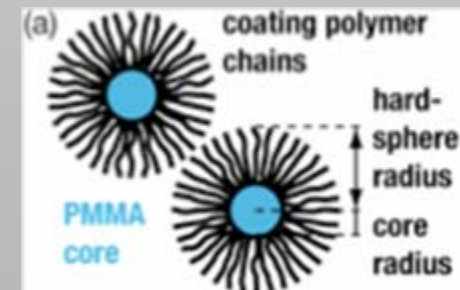
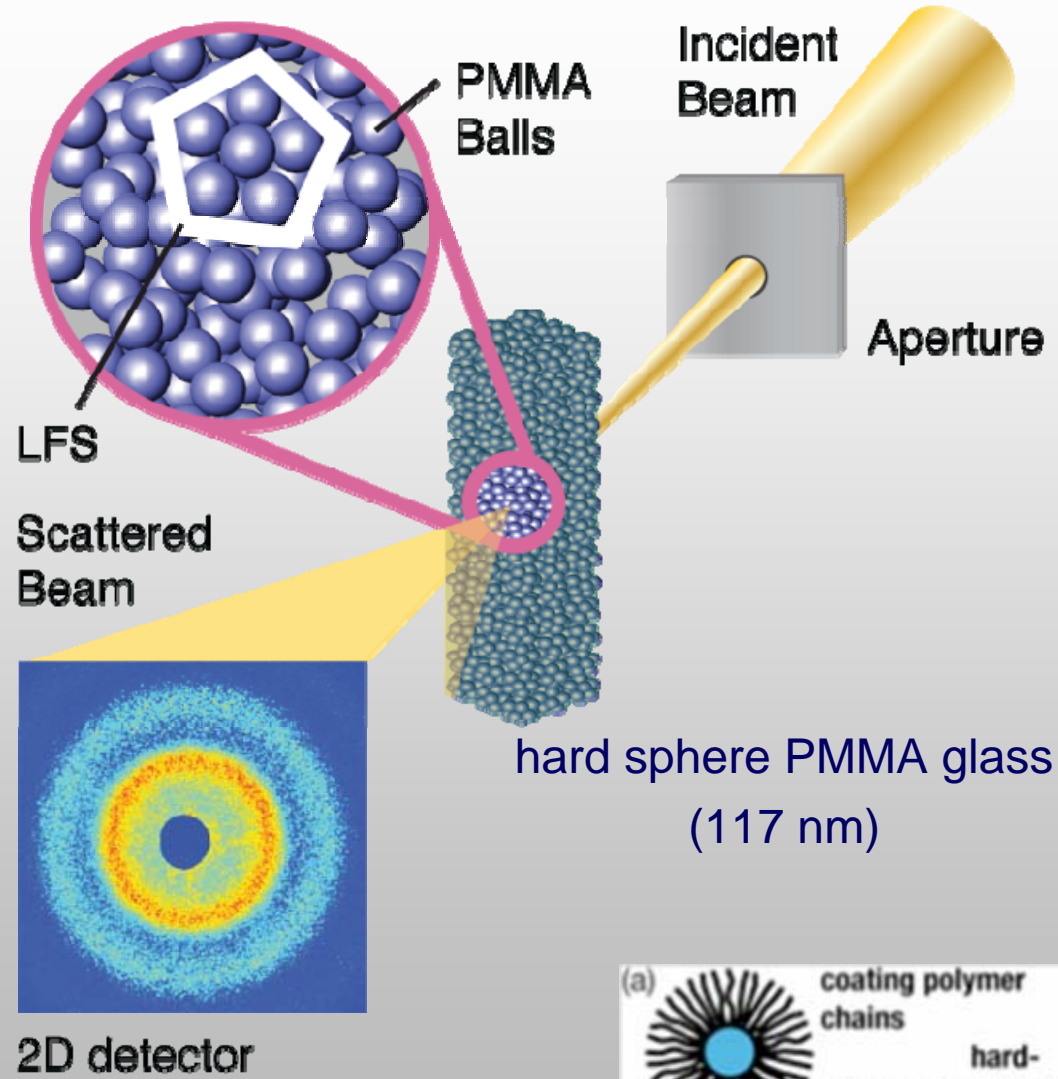
- $\langle \dots \rangle$ for local orientational correlations (instantaneous $t = t'$):

$$C_Q(\Delta) = \frac{\langle I(Q, \varphi) I(Q, \varphi + \Delta) \rangle_\varphi - \langle I(Q, \varphi) \rangle_\varphi^2}{\langle I(Q, \varphi) \rangle_\varphi^2}$$



- for medium range orientational correlations: $|Q| \neq |Q'|$
- time dependent: $t \neq t'$

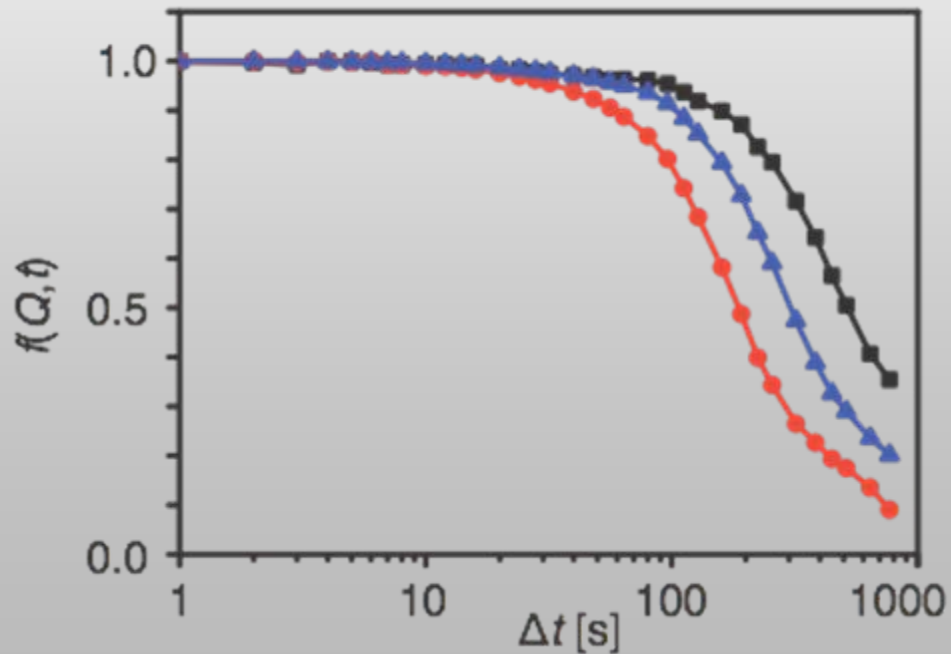
- Beamline ID10A, ESRF
- Energy 8.03 keV
- Vertical focusing by CRL
- Aperture: 10 μm
- Flux : 3.6e9 ph/s at 56 mA
- Coherent fraction ~ 30%
- CCD camera, 22 μm pixel size



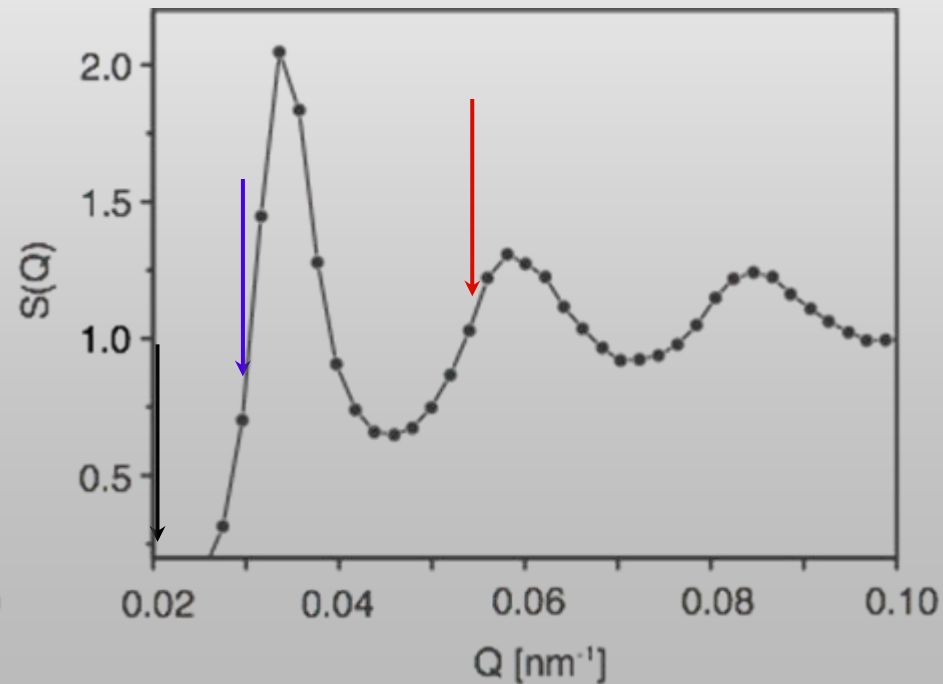
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Temporal auto-correlation function

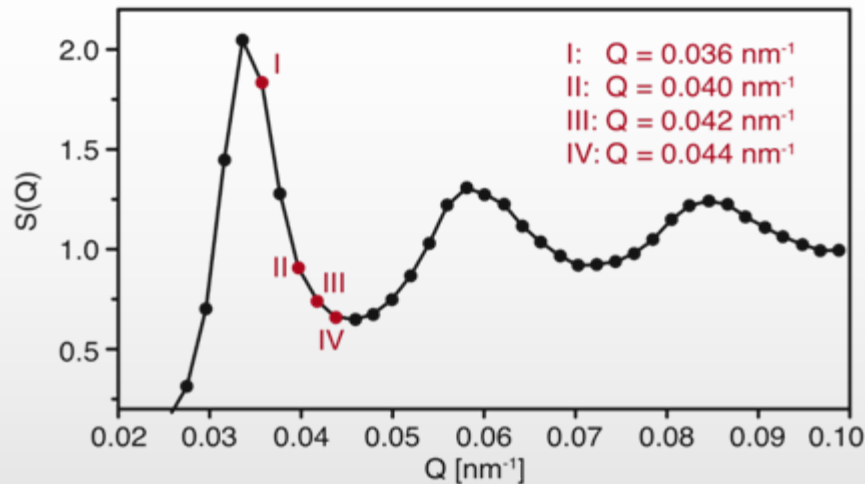
$$f(Q, \Delta t) = \frac{\langle I(Q, t)I(Q, t + \Delta t) \rangle_t}{\langle I(Q) \rangle_t^2}$$



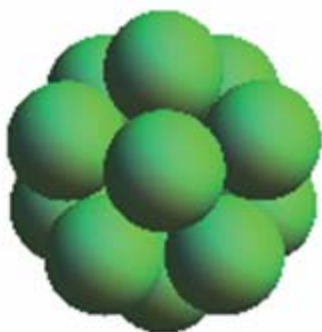
Structure factor $\langle S(Q) \rangle_{er}$



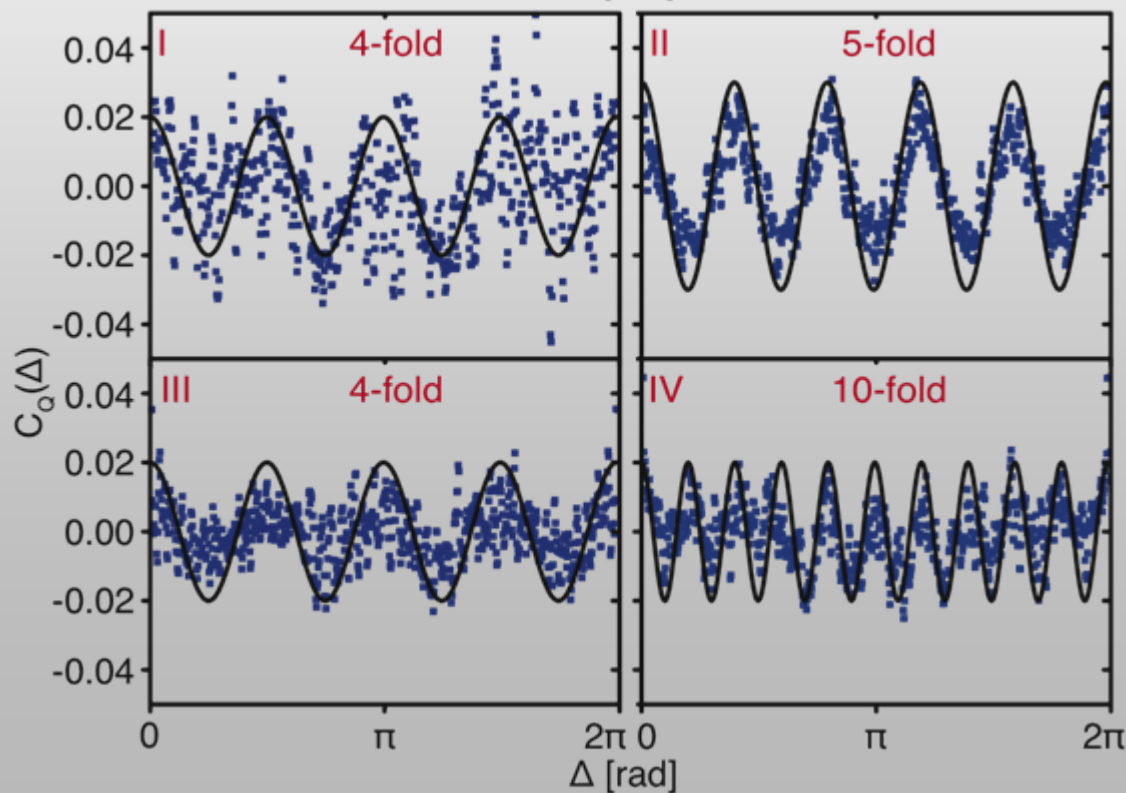
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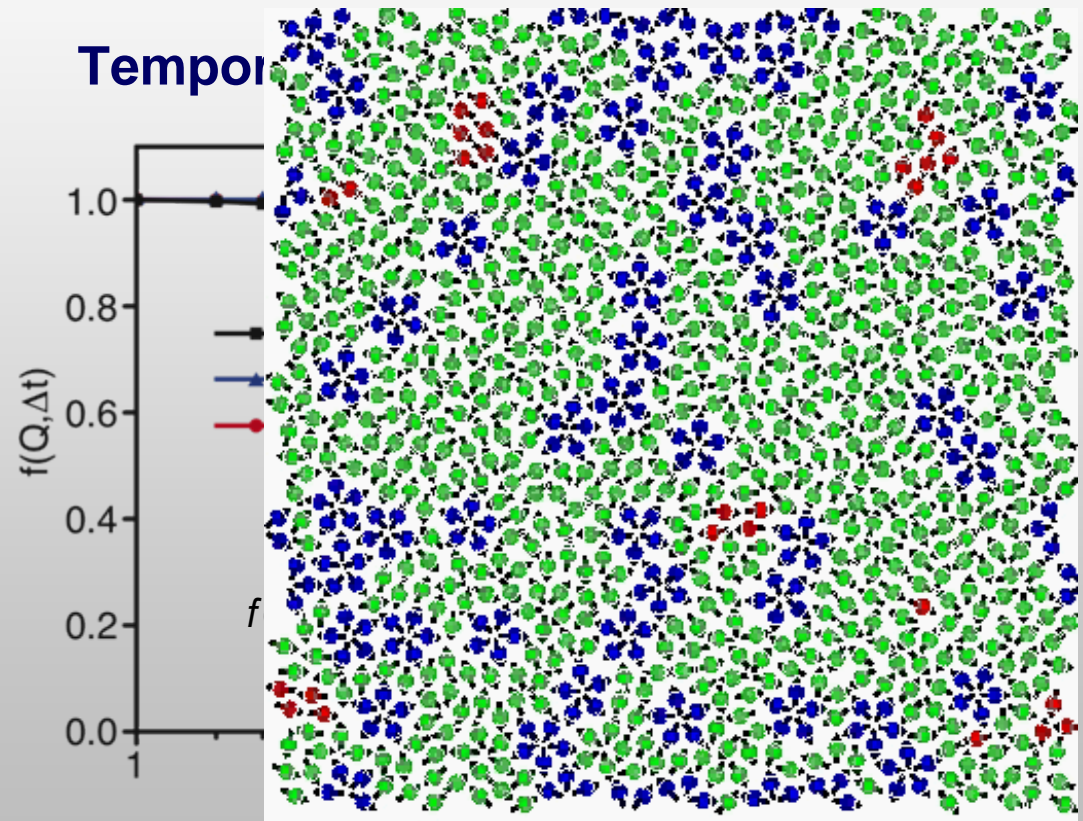
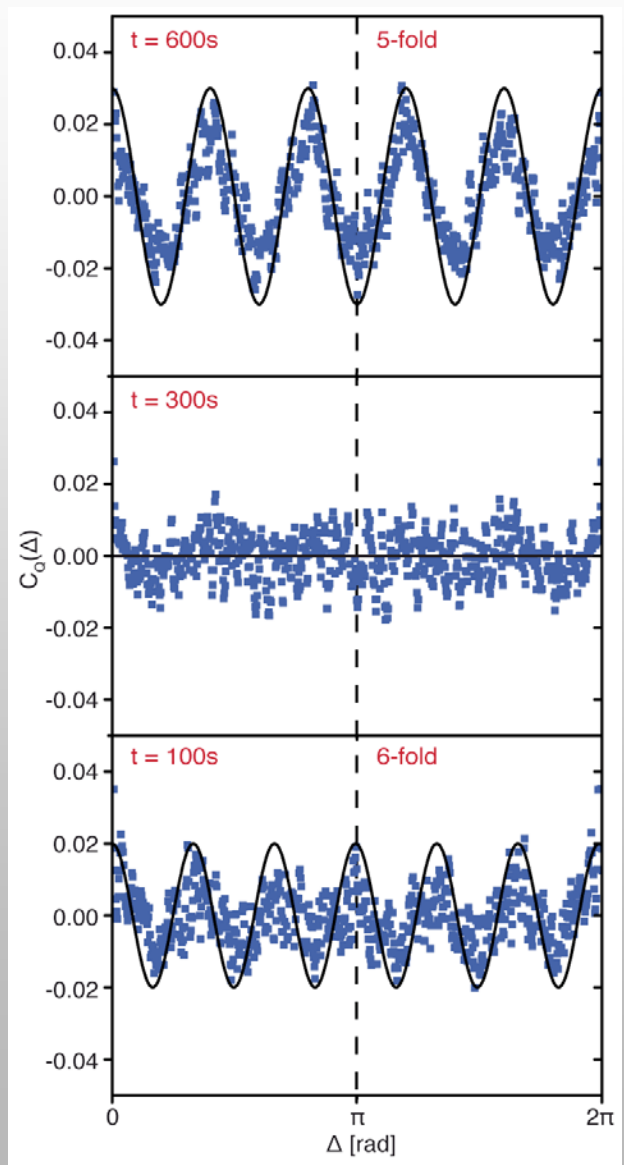
Icosahedral



Cluster



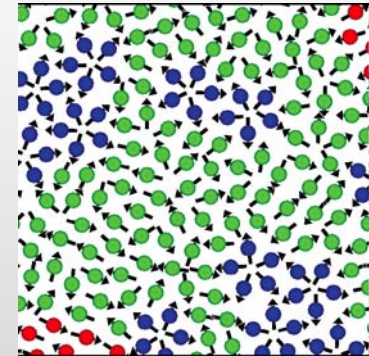
- “Fast” hard sphere PMMA system (117 nm): dynamical heterogeneity



$$\langle I(\varphi)I(\varphi + \Delta) \rangle_{\varphi} = \langle \rho_Q(\varphi)\rho_Q^*(\varphi)\rho_Q(\varphi + \Delta)\rho_Q^*(\varphi + \Delta) \rangle_{\varphi}$$

- **Hypothesis:**

- **Sample = Ensemble of random clusters (LFS)**
- $\rho_Q^i(\varphi)$ **structure factor of cluster i**

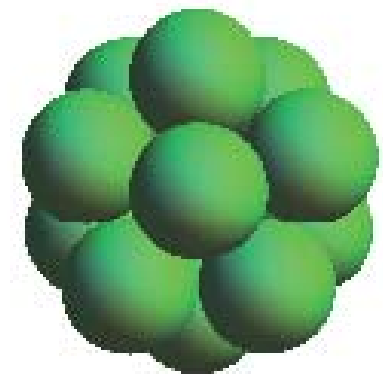
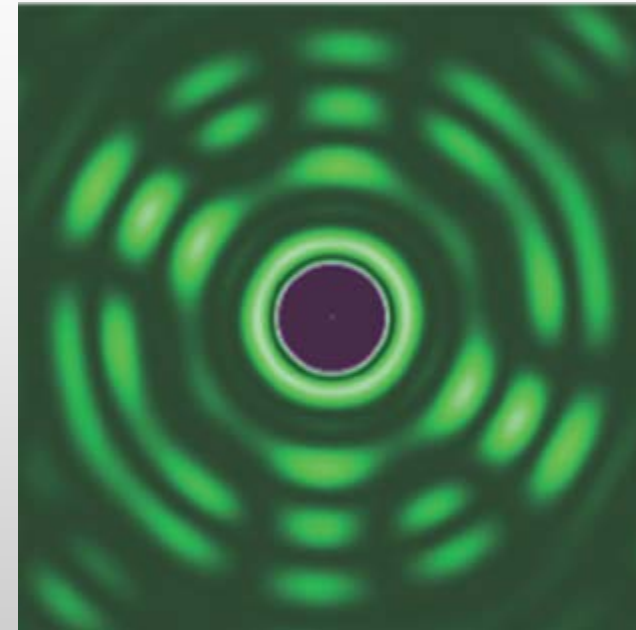
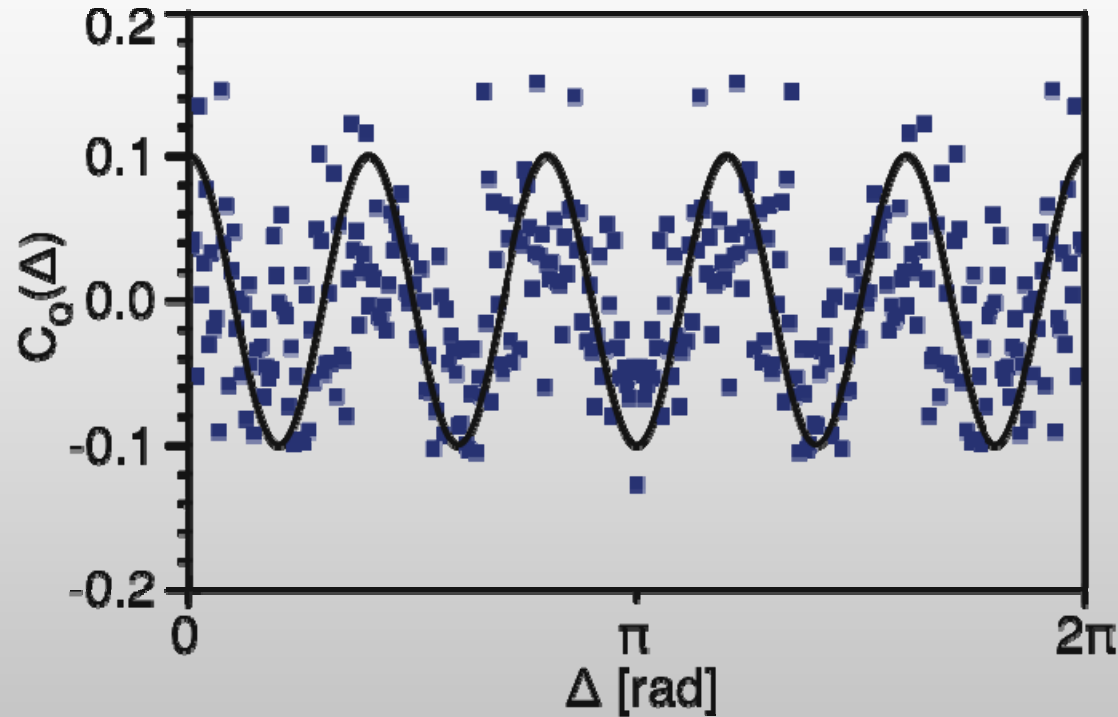


$$C_Q(\Delta) \sim \sum_{i=\text{clusters}}^N \left| \langle \rho_Q^i(\varphi)\rho_Q^{i*}(\varphi + \Delta) \rangle_{\varphi} \right|^2$$

- **Angular auto-correlation function of individual cluster**
- **In general:** correlation of pair-correlations = Medium-range correlations

- **8000 random icosahedral cluster on a lattice**

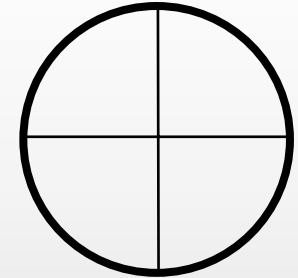
- **Single icosahedral cluster**



$$C_Q(\Delta) \sim \langle I(Q, \varphi) I(Q, \varphi + \Delta) \rangle_{\varphi} - \langle I(Q, \varphi) \rangle_{\varphi}^2$$

- **XCCA with XFEL will revolutionize studies of liquids (H₂O):**
 - XCCA with single lasershots (100 fs)
- **XCCA opens a new world for structural analysis of disordered systems**
 - Glasses
 - transient complex molecular solutions and reactions in solutions
 - nano-powders
- **Sophisticated Cross-correlators $C_{Q,Q}(\mathbf{Q}, t)$:**
 - time-dependent mid-range orientational correlations
- **Q-space Formalism (mode-coupling): Interaction potentials**

- **NEED: 2D - Pixel detector with low dynamic range + fast readout**
 - @ $2\theta=20^\circ$ & distance 2m: $U=4.3\text{m}$
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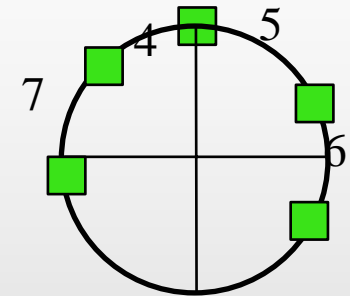


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- **Limited number of detectors (wide-angle range)**

- **Limited statistics (intensity range): LCLS, XFEL**
 - single shot measurement: each snapshot different configuration
 - due to dynamics or radiation damage
- **Solution:**
 - correlate each shot (XCCA)
 - extract angular correlations from thermodynamic ensemble
- **Frequent shots with complete readout or storage on chip**

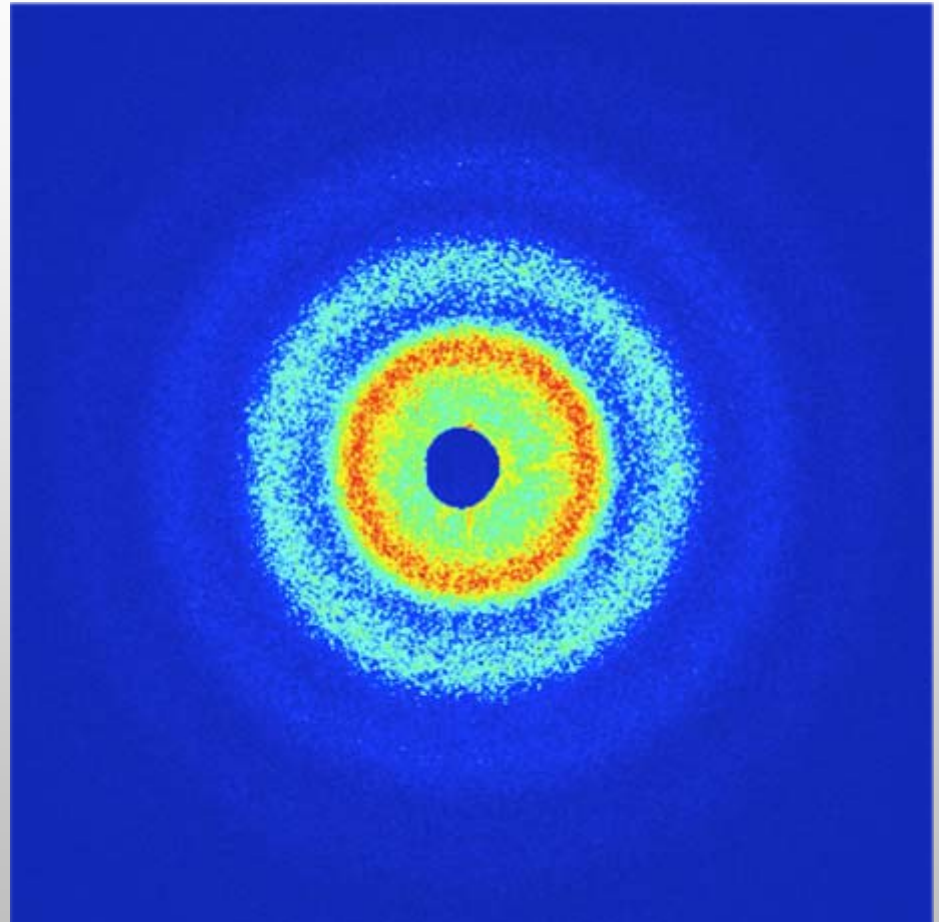
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- **Hypothesis: Icosahedral clusters (LFS)**
- **form factor expansion:** in icosahedral harmonics and orthogonal rotator functions
- e.g. icosahedron: $l=0, l=6, l=10, l=12 \dots$



$$\rho_i(\mathbf{Q}) = 4\pi f_{sphere}(\mathbf{Q}) \sum_{l,\tau} i^l g_l j_l(QR) \sum_{\gamma} S_l^{\gamma}(\Omega_{\mathbf{Q}}) U_l^{\gamma,\tau}(\omega_i)$$

- **Conclusion:**
 - form factor g_l can select dominant Q-ranges.
 - medium-range correlation length will also influence the Q-dependence

