



# Inelastic X-Ray Scattering



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## Scope & Outline

Main Goal:

- Introduce Capabilities & Put them in Context
- What properties can be measured?
- Why consider these techniques?

Outline:

- Introduction
- Instrumentation
- Non-Resonant Techniques
- Resonant Techniques (Briefly)

Huge & Complex Topic - Appropriate for a semester, not an hour...

Comment: Notes...

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# Table Of IXS Techniques/Applications

Technique	Comment	Energy Scale	Information
X-Ray Raman	(E)XAFS in Special Cases	$E_{in} \sim 10$ keV $\Delta E \sim 100-1000$ eV	Edge Structure, Bonding
Compton	Oldest Note: Resolution Limited	$E_{in} \sim 150$ keV $\Delta E \sim \text{keV}$	Electron Momentum Density Fermi Surface Shape
Magnetic Compton	Weak But Possible	$E_{in} \sim 150$ keV $\Delta E \sim \text{keV}$	Density of Unpaired Spins
RIXS Resonant IXS	High Rate Somewhat Complicated	$E_{in} \sim 4-15$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-50$ eV	Electronic Structure
NRIXS Non-Resonant IXS	Low Rate Simpler	$E_{in} \sim 10$ keV $\Delta E \sim <1-50$ eV	Electronic Structure
IXS High-Resolution IXS	Large Instrument	$E_{in} \sim 16-26$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-100$ meV	Phonon Dispersion
NIS Nuclear IXS	Atom Specific Via Mossbauer Nuclei	$E_{in} \sim 14-25$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-100$ meV	Element Specific Phonon Density of States (DOS)

Note:  $\Delta E$  = Typical Energy Transfer (Not Resolution)

Note also: Limit to FAST dynamics ( $\sim 10$  ps or faster)

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# Spectroscopy

## Absorption vs. Scattering

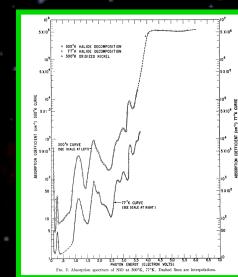


Absorption  
Spectroscopy

Optical, IR, NMR

Measure absorption as you  
scan the incident energy

When energy hits a resonance,  
or exceeds a gap, or... get a change



Optical Spect. NiO  
Newman, PR 1959

Free Parameters:  $E_1, \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{k}_1$   
→ In principle, 3+ dimensions  
but in practice mostly 1 ( $E_1$ )

Scattering  
Spectroscopy

IXS, Raman, INS

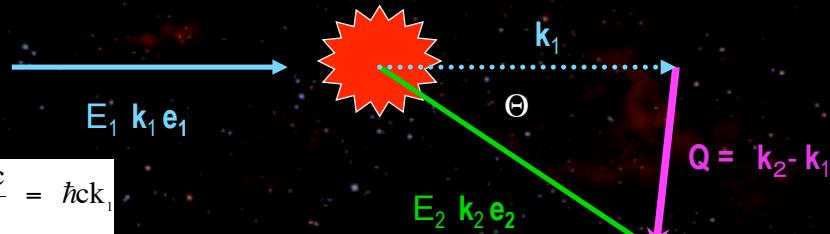
Free Parameters:  $E_1, \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{k}_1, E_2, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{k}_2$   
→ In principle, 6+ dimensions  
in practice, mostly 4:  $E_1 - E_2, \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1$

Scattering is much more complex, but gives more information.

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## X-Ray Scattering Diagram



$$E_1 = \hbar\omega_1 = \frac{hc}{\lambda_1} = \hbar c k_1$$

$$k_1 = |\mathbf{k}_1| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_1}$$

$$hc = 12.398 \text{ keV}\cdot\text{\AA}$$

Energy Transfer

$$E \text{ or } \Delta E = E_1 - E_2 = \hbar\omega$$

Note: For Resonant Scattering  
 $E_1$  and  $E_2$  and Poln.  
Are also important

Momentum Transfer

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q} &= \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1 \\ Q &= |\mathbf{Q}| \approx \frac{4\pi}{\lambda_1} \sin\left(\frac{\Theta}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Periodicity Probed

$$d = \frac{2\pi}{|\mathbf{Q}|}$$

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# Dynamic Structure Factor

It is convenient, especially for non-resonant scattering, to separate the properties of the material and the properties of the interaction of the photon with the material (electron)

$$I_{scattered}(\mathbf{Q},\omega) \propto \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} = r_e^2 \left( e_2^* \cdot e_1 \right)^2 \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1} S(\mathbf{Q},\omega)$$

$$\sigma_{Thomson} = r_e^2 \left( e_2^* \cdot e_1 \right)^2 S(\mathbf{Q},\omega)$$

Thomson Scattering  
Cross Section  
"A Scale Factor"

Dynamic Structure Factor  
"The Science"

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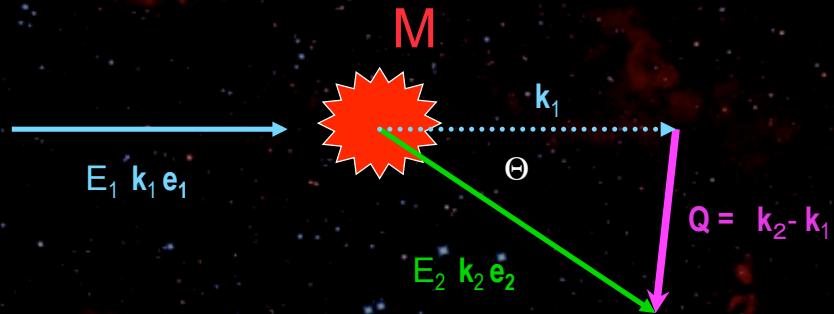
# Different Views of $S(\mathbf{Q},\omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} S(\mathbf{Q},\omega) &= \sum_{\lambda,\lambda'} p_\lambda \left| \left\langle \lambda' \left| \sum_{electrons} \sum_j e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_j} \right| \lambda \right\rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_{\lambda'} - E_\lambda - \hbar\omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int dt \, d^3r \, d^3r' \, e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \left\langle \rho(\mathbf{r},t=0) \rho^*(\mathbf{r}+\mathbf{r}',t) \right\rangle \rightarrow N \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{Modes} \left| \sum_d \frac{f_d(\mathbf{Q})}{\sqrt{2M_d}} e^{-W_d(\mathbf{Q})} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{qid} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{x}_d} \right|^2 \delta_{(\mathbf{Q}-\mathbf{q}),t} F_{\mathbf{q}}(\omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1-e^{-\hbar\omega/k_B T}} \text{Im}\{-\chi(\mathbf{Q},\omega)\} = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1-e^{-\hbar\omega/k_B T}} \frac{1}{v(\mathbf{Q})} \text{Im}\{-\epsilon^{-1}(\mathbf{Q},\omega)\} \end{aligned}$$

See Squires, Lovesy, Shulke, Sinha (JPCM 13 (2001) 7511)

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## Kinematics



Kinetic Energy Given to Sample:

$$E_{\text{recoil}} = \frac{p^2}{2M} = \frac{\hbar^2 Q^2}{2M}$$

Take:  $M=57 \text{ amu}$ ,  $Q/c = 7 \text{ \AA}^{-1} \rightarrow E_r = 2.3 \text{ meV}$

f-sum rule:  $\frac{\int d\omega \hbar\omega S(Q,\omega)}{\int d\omega S(Q,\omega)} = \frac{\hbar^2 Q^2}{2M}$

Compton Form:  $\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \frac{\hbar}{Mc}(1 - \cos \Theta)$        $\lambda_c = \frac{\hbar}{mc} = 0.0243 \text{ \AA}$

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## The IXS Spectrometer *An Optics Problem*

### Main Components

#### Monochromator:

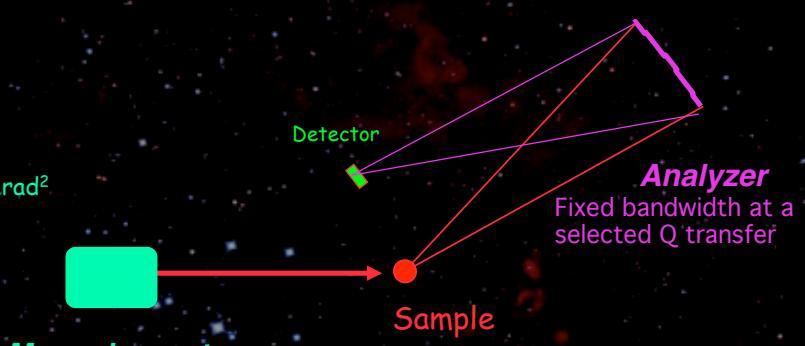
Modestly Difficult  
Only needs to accept  $15 \times 40 \mu\text{rad}^2$

#### Sample Stages

Straightforward  
Only Need Space

#### Analyzer:

Large Solid Angle  
Difficult



The Goal: Put it all together and  
Keep Good Resolution, Not Lose Flux

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## Basic Optical Concept

$$\text{Bragg's Law : } \lambda = 2d \sin(\Theta_B) \Rightarrow \Delta\theta = \tan(\Theta_B) \frac{\Delta E}{E}$$

Working closer to  $\Theta_B \sim 90$  deg. maximizes the angular acceptance for a given energy resolution...

Better energy resolution  
 -> Closer to 90 degrees  
 -> Large Spectrometer



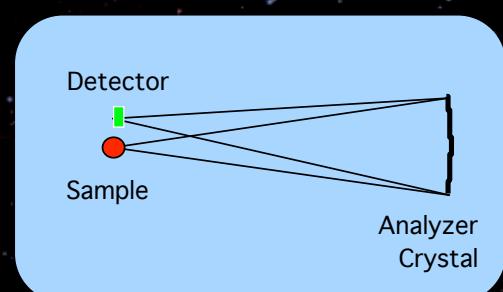
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## Analyzer Crystals

The more difficult optic...

### Require:

- Correct Shape (Spherically Curved,  $R=9.8$  m)
- Not Strained ( $\Delta E/E \sim \text{few } 10^{-8} \rightarrow \Delta d/d \ll \text{few } 10^{-8}$ )



**Method:** Bond many small crystallites to a curved substrate.

Note: For resolution >300 meV, bending can be OK.

1. Cut

2. Etch

3. Bond to Substrate

4. Remove Back



X-Rays  
 $10^4$  Independent Perfect Crystals

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# Analyzer Crystal



Collaborative R&D with NEC Fundamental Research Laboratory, H. Kimura, F. Yamamoto



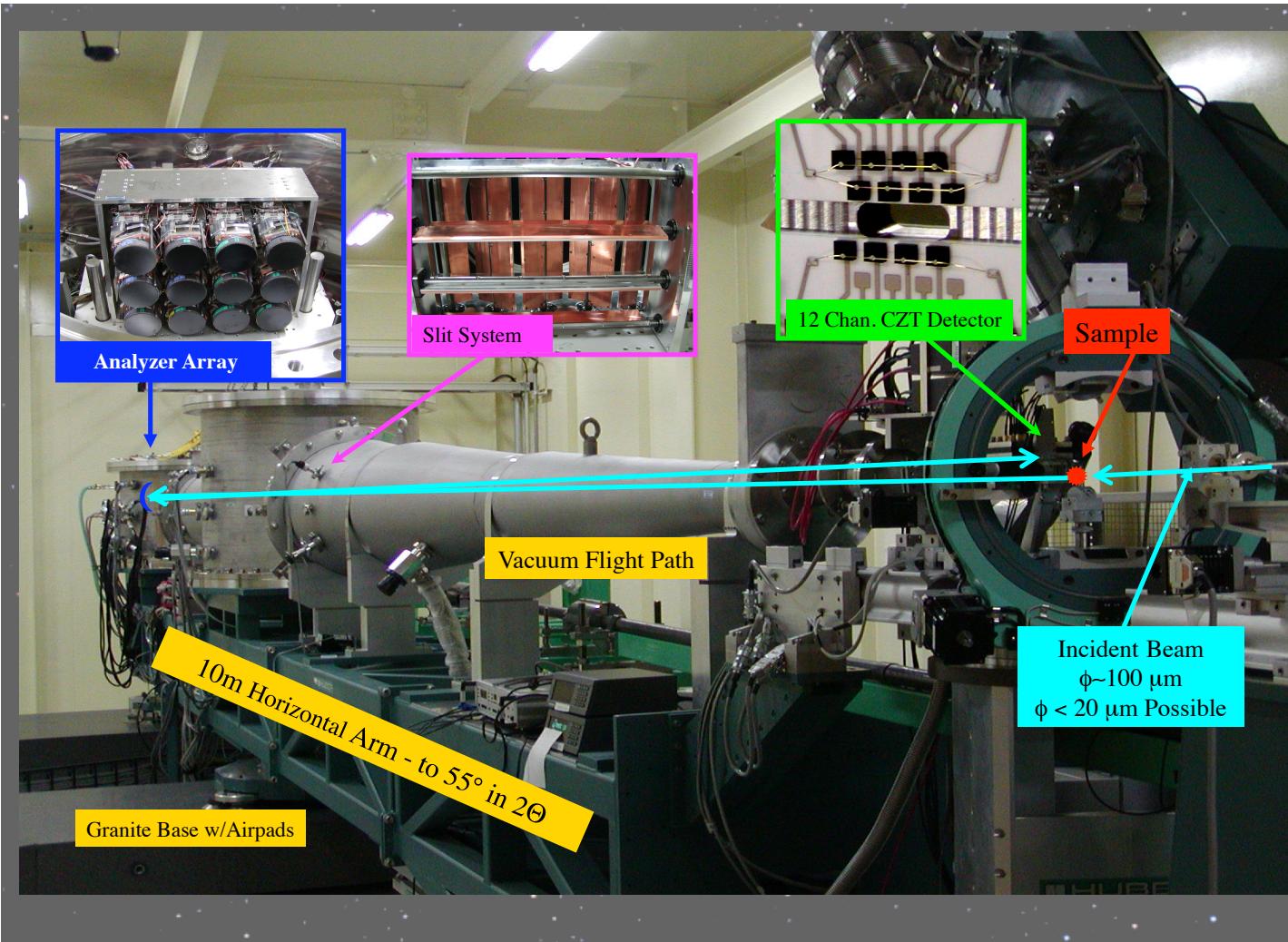
Present Parameters (9.8 m Radius, 10cm Diameter)

50 or 60  $\mu\text{m}$  blade, 2.9 mm depth, 0.74 mm pitch

Channel width (after etch):  $\sim 0.15$  mm

60 to 65% Active Area

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## Medium Resolution



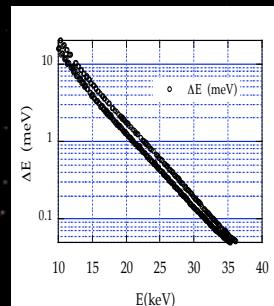
Medium Resolution Spectrometer:  
Arm Radius: 1 to 3 m  
Resolution: ~0.1 to 1 eV  
Used for RIXS and NRIXS

BL12XU      BL11XU

Note difference between RIXS and NRIXS

NRIXS: Choose the energy to match the optics

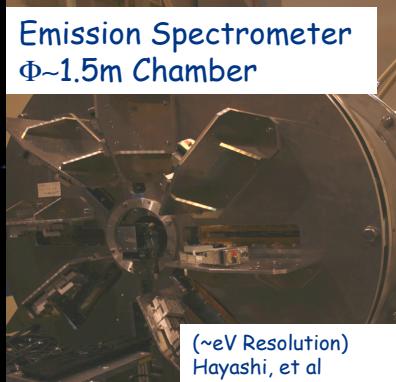
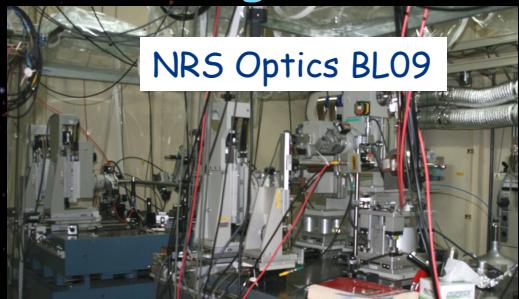
RIXS: Resonance chooses energy → usually worse resolution



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## Other Spectrometers @ SPring-8



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# Atomic Dynamics: Systems and Questions

## Disordered Materials (Liquids & Glasses):

Still a new field -> Nearly all new data is interesting.

How do dynamical modes survive the cross-over from the long-wavelength continuum/hydrodynamic regime to atomic length scales?

## Crystalline Materials:

Basic phonon model does very well -> Specific questions needed.

Phonon softening & Phase transitions (e.g. CDW Transition)

Thermal Properties: Thermoelectricity & Clathrates

Sound Velocity in Geological Conditions

Pairing mechanism in superconductors

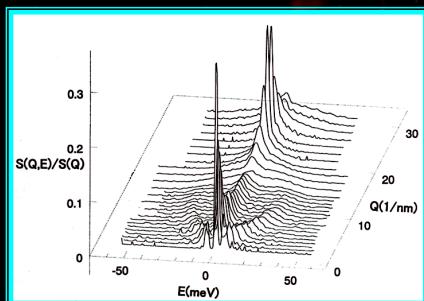
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# Disordered Materials Liquids & Glasses

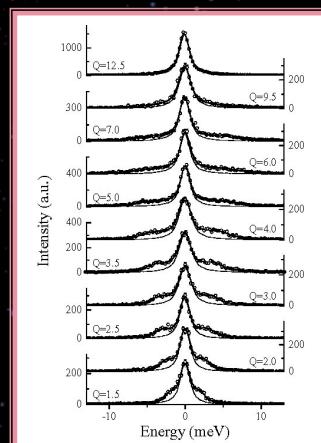
First Glance: Triplet response similar for most materials.

Dispersing Longitudinal Sound Mode

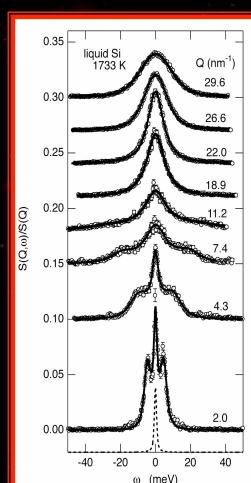
+ Quasi-Elastic peak



I-Mg (Kawakita et al.)



a-Se (Scopigno et al.)

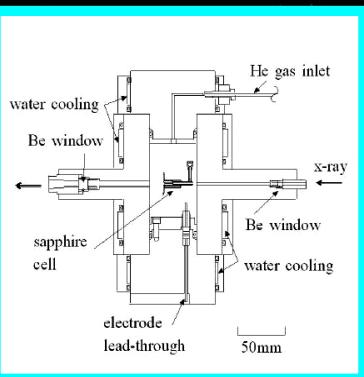


I-Si (Hosokawa, et al.)

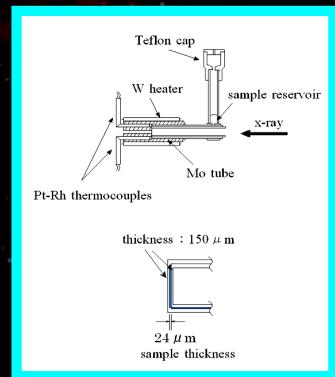
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# Metal to Insulator Transition in Liquid Mercury

Universal Phenomenon in Liquids:  
Expand a liquid metal enough and it becomes an insulator.



For Hg  
~1500 C & ~1.5 kbar



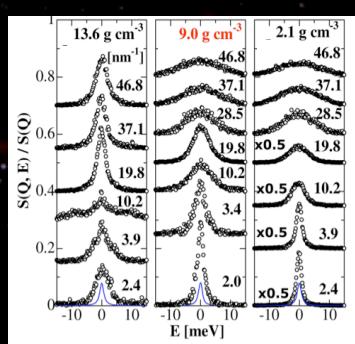
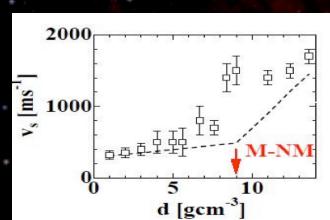
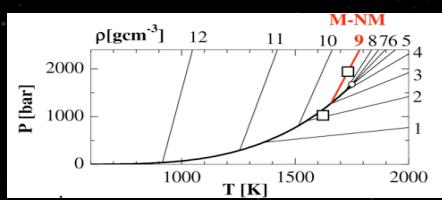
15 mm Be, 200 m He (STP), 0.15 mm Sapphire  
~ 20 microns Hg

D. Ishikawa, M. Inui, K. Tamura, et al.

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# "Fast Sound" at the Metal-Non-Metal Transition in Liquid Hg

Universal Phenomenon in Liquids:  
Expand a liquid metal enough and it becomes an insulator.



Suggests a change in the microscopic density fluctuations...

Probably general phenomenon...  
but no confirmation yet.  
(Next M-I transition under discussion)

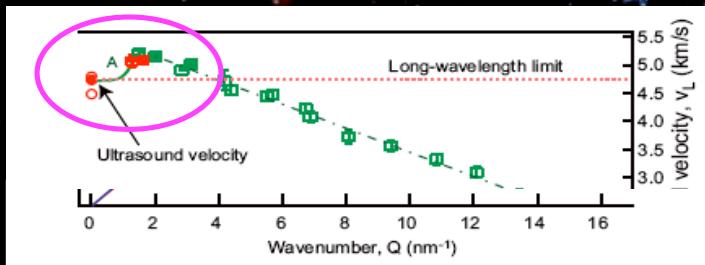
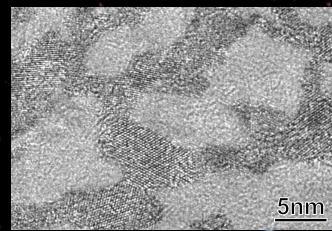
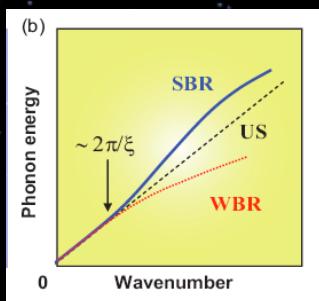
~2 months of beam time...

D. Ishikawa, et al, PRL 93 (2004) 97801

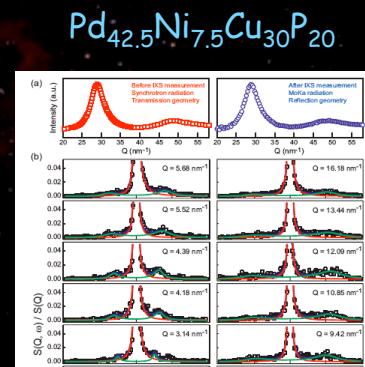
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# Elastic Inhomogeneity in a Glass

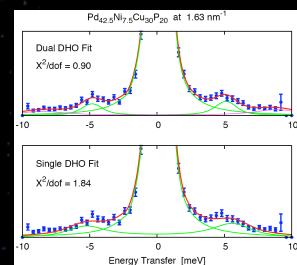
Ichitsubo, et al.



Fast sound a signature of elastic inhomogeneity.  
(Detailed analysis: possible failure of DHO Model)



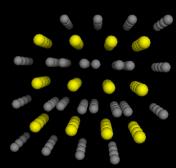
Note: ~1 Day/Spectrum @ Low Q  
Subsidiary Structure in Spectra



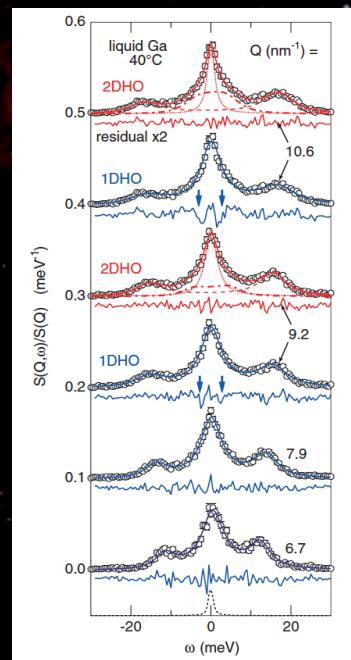
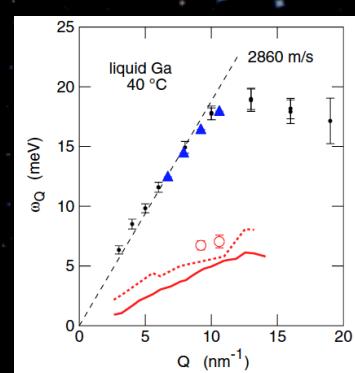
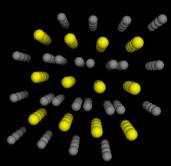
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# Shear Mode in a Simple Liquid

Pressure Wave in a Liquid: Always



Shear Wave  $\rightarrow$  Harder...



Hosokawa, et al, PRL (2009)

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# Phonons in a Crystal

## Normal Modes of Atomic Motion

Must have enough modes so that each atom in a crystal can be moved in either x,y or z directions by a suitable superposition of modes.

If a crystal has  $N$  unit cells and  $R$  atoms/Cell then it has  $3NR$  Normal Modes

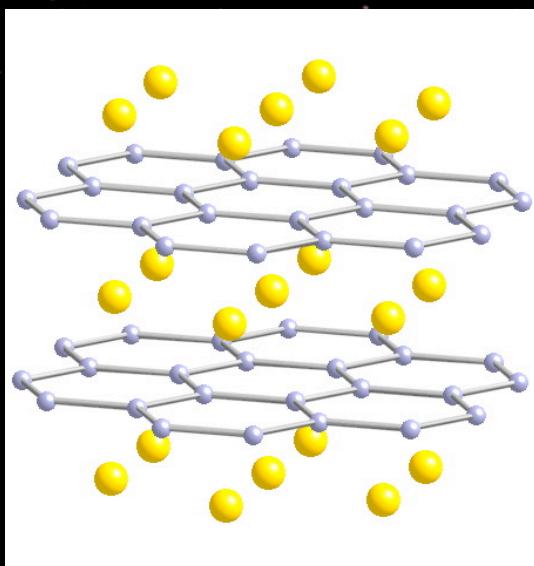
Generally: Consider the unit cell periodicity separately by introducing a continuous momentum variable,  $\mathbf{q}$ .

->  $3R$  modes for any given  $\mathbf{q}$

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# MgB<sub>2</sub> As An Example

Layered Material  
Hexagonal Structure



B Layer  
Mg Layer

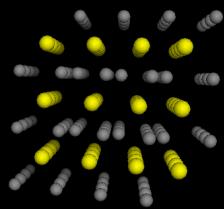
B-B Bond is Short & Stronger

Mg-Mg Bond is Longer & Weaker

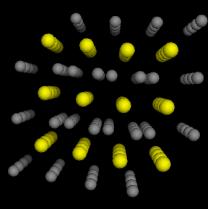
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# Acoustic and Optical Modes

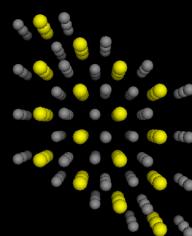
Acoustic Modes are Continuum (Smooth) Modes



LA Mode  
Compression Mode



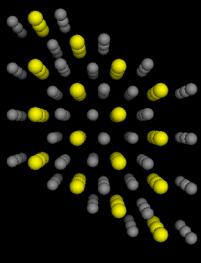
TA Mode  
Shear Mode



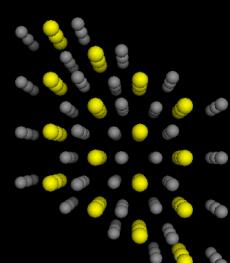
Optical Mode  
Atoms in one unit cell  
move against each-other

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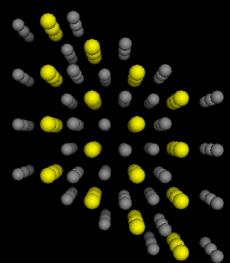
# Dispersion of an Optical Mode



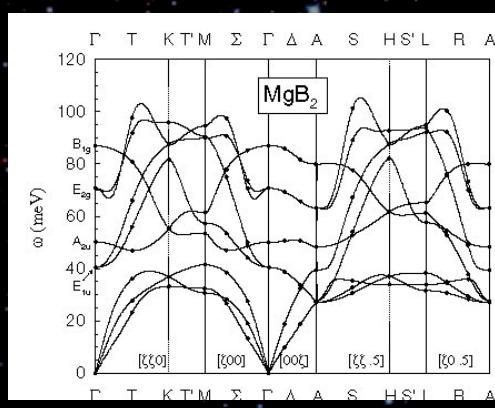
(0 0 0)



(0.25 0 0)



(0.5 0 0)



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# Phonons in a Superconductor

Conventional superconductivity is driven by lattice motion.

"Phonon Mediated" - lattice "breathing" allows electron pairs to move without resistance.

Original Picture: **Limited** interest in *specific* phonons...

Now: Lots of interest as this makes a huge difference.

Particular phonons can couple very strongly to the electronic system.

How does this coupling appear in the phonon spectra?

Softening: Screening lowers the energy of the mode  
(abrupt change  $\leftrightarrow$  Kohn Anomaly)

Broadening: Additional decay channel (phonon- $\rightarrow$ e-h pair)  
reduces the phonon lifetime

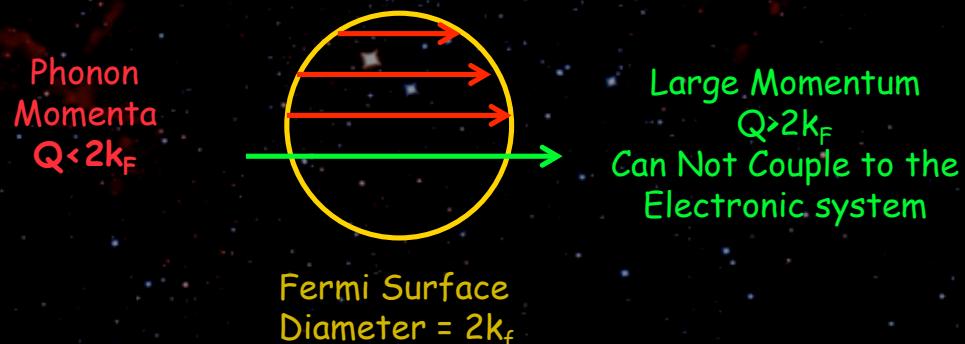
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# Electron Phonon Coupling

& Kohn Anomalies

On the scale of electron energies, a phonon has nearly no energy.  
A phonon only has momentum.

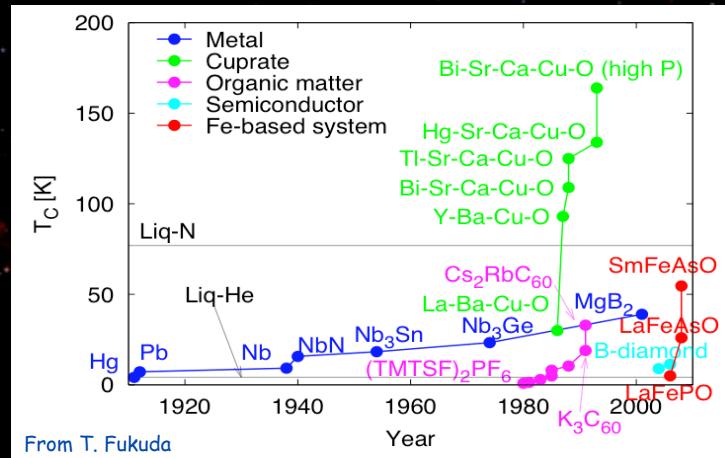
So a phonon can move electrons from one part of the Fermi surface to another, but NOT off the Fermi surface.



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# Superconductors @ BL35XU

Systems Investigated at BL35XU include  
 MgB<sub>2</sub>, Doped MgB<sub>2</sub>, CaAlSi, B-Doped Diamond  
 Hg1201, LSCO, YBCO, LESCO, Tl2212, BKBO, NCCO,  
 Bi2201, Bi2212, Nickelates, Oxychlorides  
 Fe-As Systems: LaFeAsO, PrFeAsO, BaKFeAs

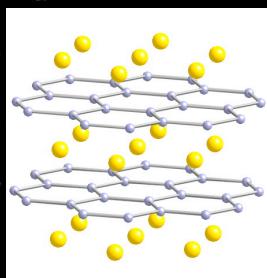


Dark Blue Line: Conventional, Phonon-Mediated Superconductors

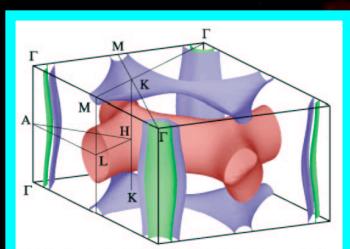
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## MgB<sub>2</sub>

High T<sub>c</sub> (39K)  
 Nagamatsu, et al, Nature 410, (2001) 63.



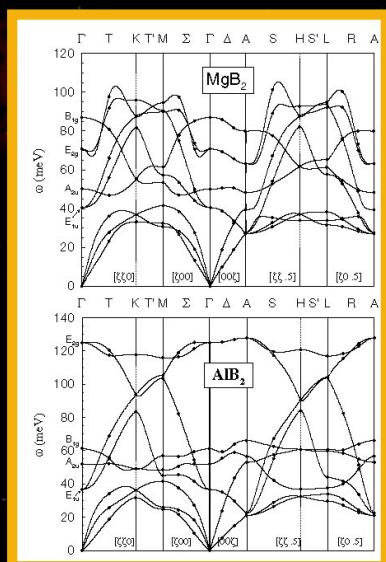
Electronic Structure



Kortus, et al, PRL 86 (2001)4656

Simple Structure...  
 straightforward calculation.

### Phonon Structure



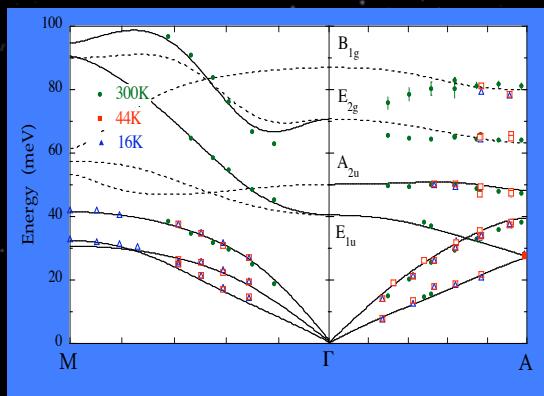
Bohnen, et al. PRL. 86, (2001) 5771.

BCS (Eliashberg) superconductor with mode-specific electron-phonon coupling.

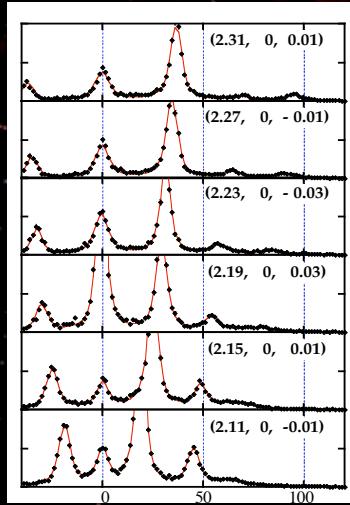
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# Electron-Phonon Coupling in MgB<sub>2</sub>

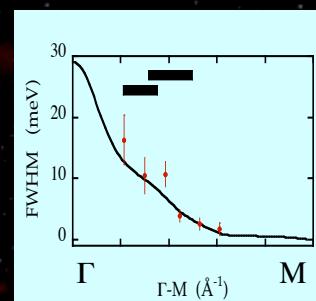
## Dispersion



## Spectra



## Linewidth



Clear correlation between  
linewidth & softening.  
Excellent agreement with LDA Pseudopotential calculation.

PRL 92(2004) 197004: Baron, Uchiyama, Tanaka, ... Tajima

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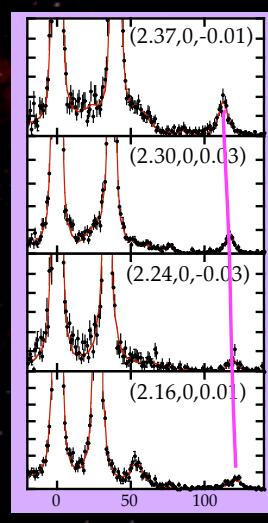
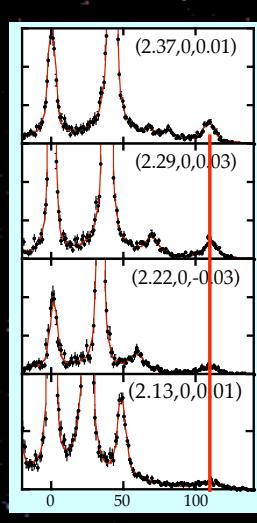
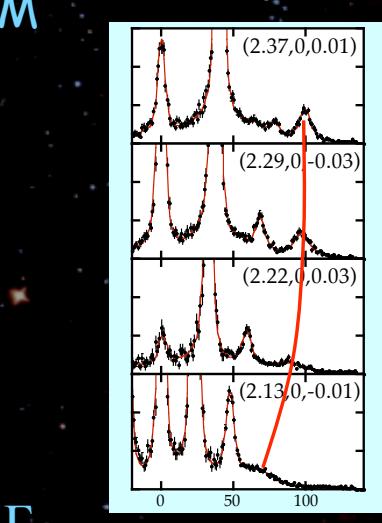
# Carbon Doped Mg(C<sub>x</sub>B<sub>1-x</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

M

2% C, T<sub>c</sub>=35.5K

12.5% C, T<sub>c</sub>=2.5K

AlB<sub>2</sub> (Not SC)



$\Gamma$

Phonon structure correlates nicely with T<sub>c</sub> for charge doping.  
(Electron doping fills the sigma Fermi surface)

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## More Superconductors

Similar types of results for  
Mn Doped  $MgB_2$   
 $CaAlSi$   
Boron Doped Diamond

Extrapolation to the High  $T_c$  Copper Oxide Materials....

1. Much More Complex
2. Calculations Fail so interpretation is difficult

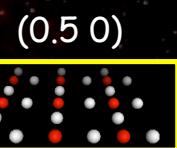
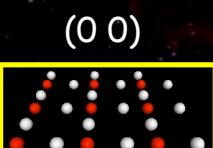
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## Phonons in the Cuprates...

Everyone has their favorite mode, or modes, usually focus on Cu-O planes

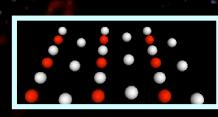
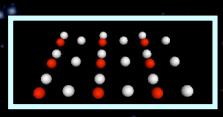
In-Plane Mode:

Stretching mode

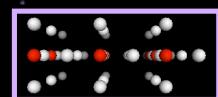
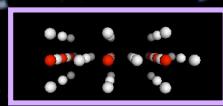


Out of Plane Modes:

Buckling Mode



Apical Mode



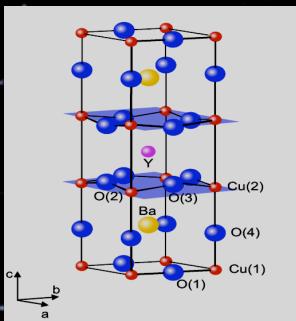
At the level of phonon spectra, the anomaly of the Bond Stretching Mode is very large

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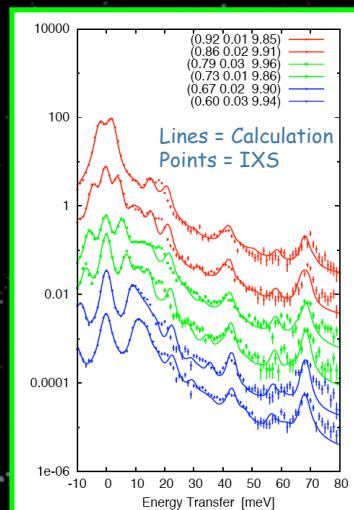
# Copper Oxide Superconductors Remain Challenging...

De-Twinned YBCO:  
 $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$

$T_c = 91 \text{ K}$

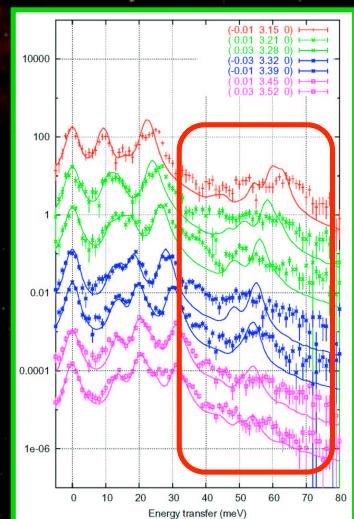


C-axis modes



Beautiful Agreement

In-Plane Modes



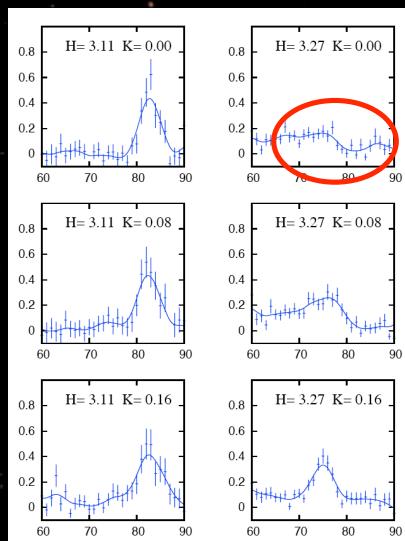
Problems

Shows Bond Stretching Anomaly  
Is Huge ( $>>$  Buckling Anomaly)

Compare IXS to Calculation

At low T (~30K) Bohnen, et al.  
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$\text{La}_{1.48}\text{Nd}_{0.4}\text{Sr}_{0.12}\text{CuO}_4$



Phonon anomaly (blurring) is highly localized in momentum space...

Expt done by a neutron scatterer because  
he could not get good enough  
resolution using neutrons

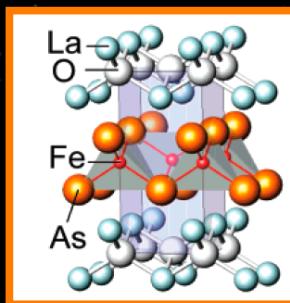
Forces a reinterpretation of some Neutron  
data (Reznik, Nature, 2006)

Note: IXS Q Resolution  
Analyzer array  
Count rate limited.

D. Reznik, et al, Accepted  
2.5 days

# Fe-As Superconductors

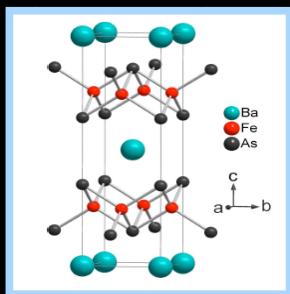
From February 2008



"1111" System

$\text{LaFeAsO}_{1-x}\text{F}_x$   
Kamihara, et al.

$T_c$  up to 56 K



"122" System

$\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$   
Rotter, et al.

$T_c$  to 38 K

Common Features:

Fe Planes with Tetrahedral As

Parent (non SC) Shows Magnetic Order  
And

Tetragonal  $\rightarrow$  Orthorhombic  
Transition at  $\sim 140$  K

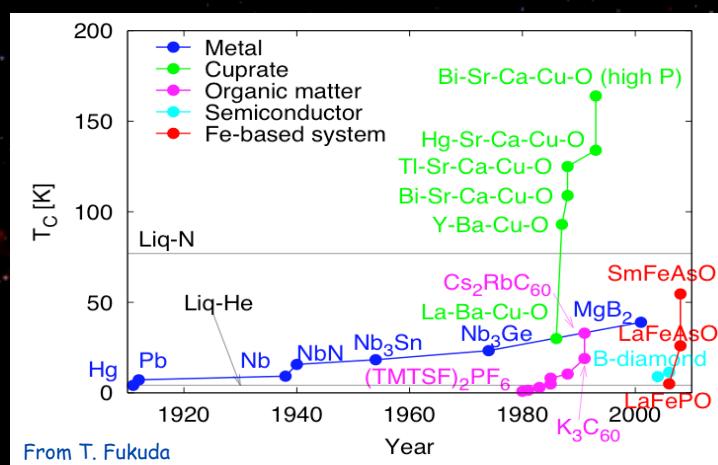
Superconductors Remain  
Tetragonal

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# Superconductors @ BL35XU

Systems Investigated at BL35XU include

MgB<sub>2</sub>, Doped MgB<sub>2</sub>, CaAlSi, B-Doped Diamond  
Hg1201, LSCO, YBCO, LESCO, Tl2212, BKBO, NCCO,  
Bi2201, Bi2212, Nickelates, Oxychlorides  
Fe-As Systems: LaFeAsO, PrFeAsO, BaKFeAs



Dark Blue Line: Conventional, Phonon-Mediated Superconductors

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# Phonon Calculations (LaFeAsO)

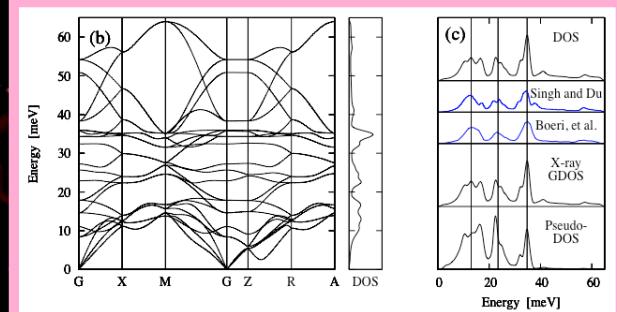
Using the Tetragonal Non-Magnetic Structure  
Appropriate for Super-conducting materials

**Conclusion from Calculation: Not a phonon mediated superconductor**

Various Calculations Consistent.

Singh & Du, *PRL* **100**, 237003 (2008).

Boeri, Dolgov, & Golubov, *PRL* **101**, 026403 (2008).



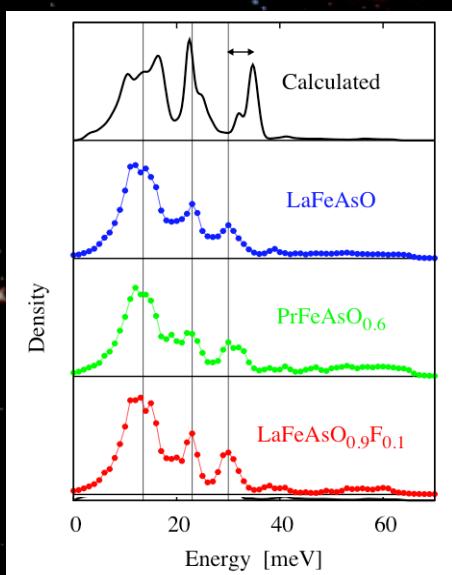
Present calculations  
(Nakamura & Machida)  
VASP (PAW method)  
GGA & PHONON  
Direct method

**But... these calculations do NOT agree with experiment**

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# Phonon Density of States

The First Indication of Disagreement with Simple Models



Reasonable Agreement Except  
Highest Energy Peak

Similar data published simultaneously  
INS @ SNS (Christianson, et al)  
IXS @ ESRF (LeTacon et al)  
All show significant (~5 meV) softening

Softened peak is primarily Fe-As modes.

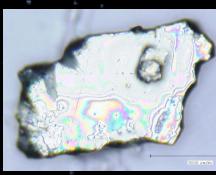
This discrepancy is large by the standards of modern ab-initio, pseudo-potential calculations

RIKEN, JAEA, JASRI, AIST, JST  
Fukuda, et al, *JPSJ L* **77** (2008)

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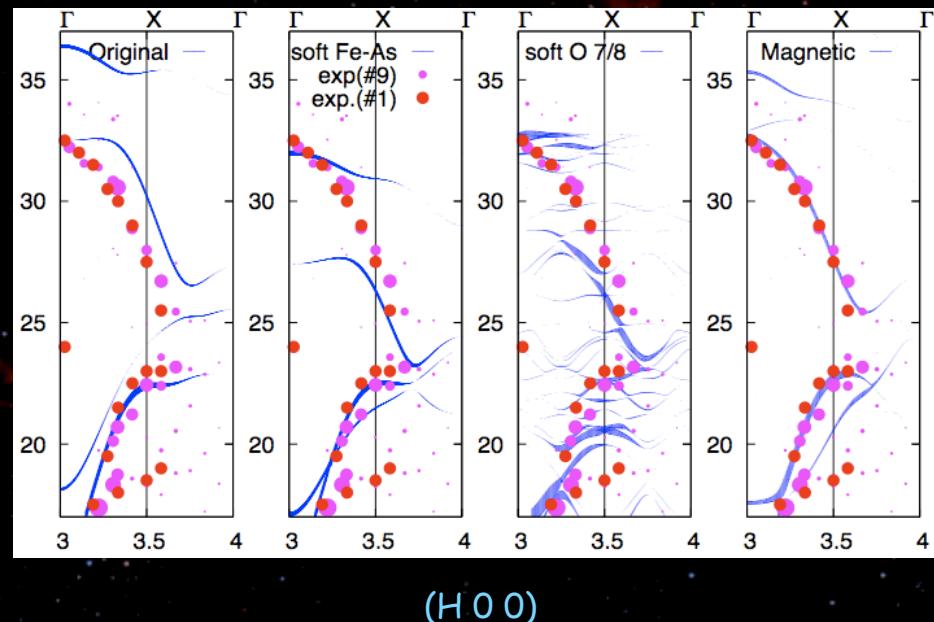


# Single Crystal Dispersion



$\text{PrFeAsO}_{1-y}$   
150 × 100 × 20  $\mu\text{m}^3$

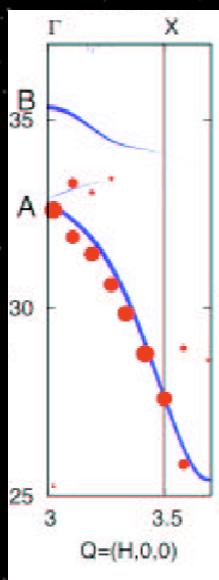
Ishikado, Kito,  
& Eisaki (at AIST)



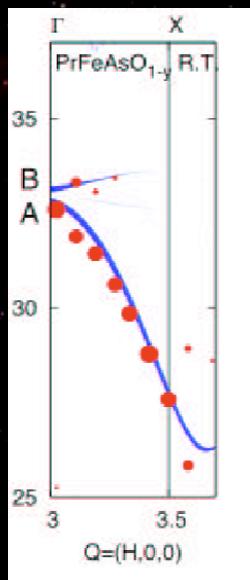
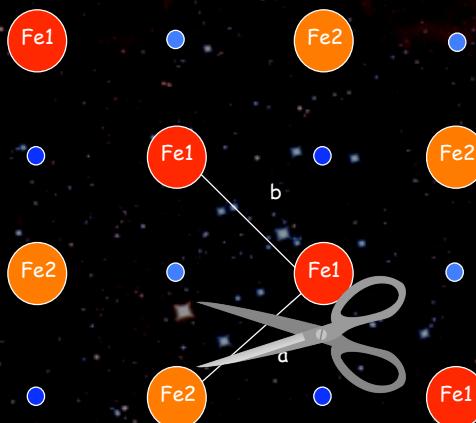
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# Modifying the Model...



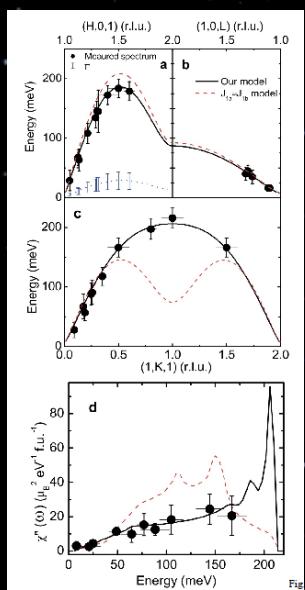
Original LSDA



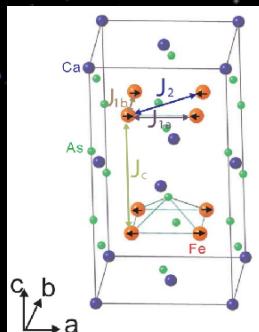
"Clipped"

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# Strong Asymmetry of Magnetic Interaction



Fits to Dispersion in Ca122



$$SJ_{1a} = 49.9 \pm 9.9$$

$$SJ_{1b} = -5.9 \pm 4.5$$

Zhao, et al , Nat. Phys. 5 (2009) 555

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# A Short-Lived Magnetic Structure?

Magnetic calculations agree more nearly with experimental results.

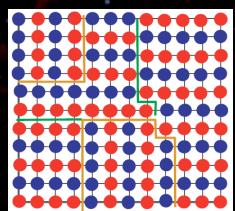
Increasing evidence for (and speculation about) fluctuating magnetism

Upper limit for lifetime:  $\sim$  ns from Mossbauer (Kitao, et al, JPSJ)

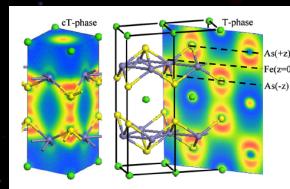
Related work on 122 materials: (Zbiri, et al., PRB, Hahn, et al PRB)

Larger effects, but not superconducting samples (& esp. c-axis modes)

Theory:



Model of anti-phase domains  
Mazin&Johannes, Nat. Phys. (Feb)



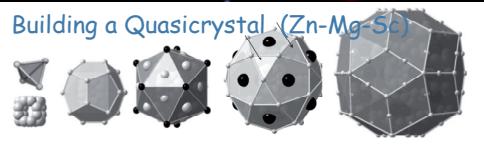
Bonding & Lattice constants & Magnetism  
Yildirim, PRL (Jan), arXiv

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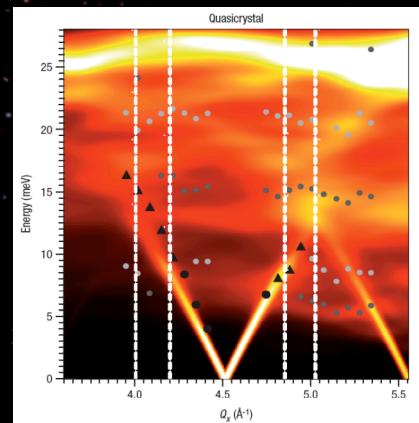
# Phonons in a Quasicrystal

Mostly like a solid but some glassy character.



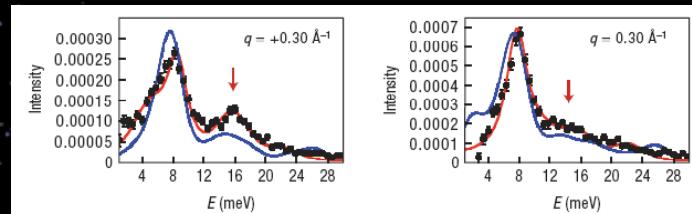
Periodic (BCC)  $\rightarrow$  Crystalline Approximant  
Aperiodic  $\rightarrow$  Quasicrystal

Compare to crystalline approximant &  
Simulation (2000 atoms/cell)



General Trend: Blurring out  
past a cutoff energy  
"Pseudo-Brillouin" zone size

De Boissieu, et al.  
Nature Materials, Dec 2007



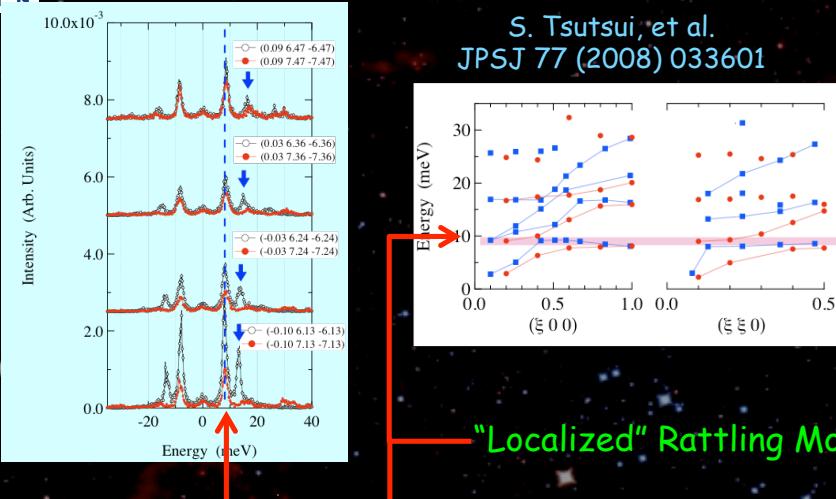
Red: Fits, Blue: Simulation  
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## SmRu<sub>4</sub>P<sub>12</sub>



S. Tsutsui, et al.  
JPSJ 77 (2008) 033601

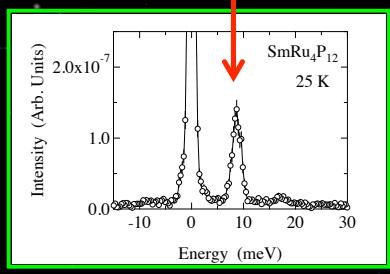


"Localized" Rattling Mode

Localized Nature Confirmed by IXS  
(No Frequency Dispersion, Weak Intensity Dispersion,  
BUT Note Anticrossing!)

Sm Mode confirmed by (Sm specific)  
Nuclear Inelastic Scattering

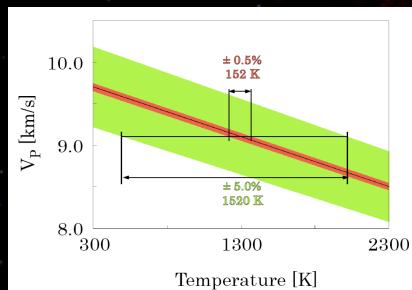
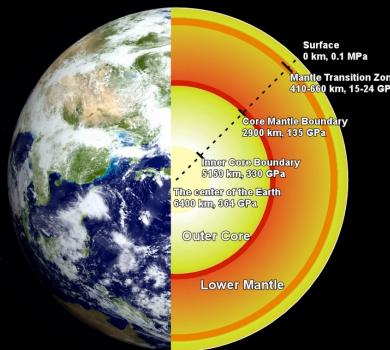
Anti-Crossing Subsequently Confirmed  
Christensen et al, Nature Materials



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# Elastic Constants in Geological Conditions

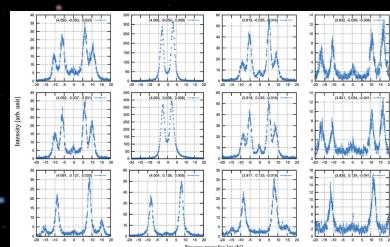
Required for Modeling Earth's Interior & Interpreting Seismic Data ( $v \rightarrow T$ )  
... but this is difficult to measure for samples in a DAC



MgO  
5% Uncertainty in  $v$   
 $\rightarrow 750\text{K}$  in  $T$

Precision/Accuracy 0.2/0.8% using  
Christoffel's Eqn & 12 Analyzer Array  
H. Fukui, et al., JSR

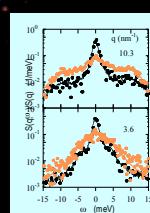
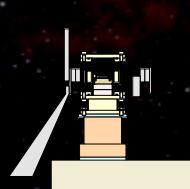
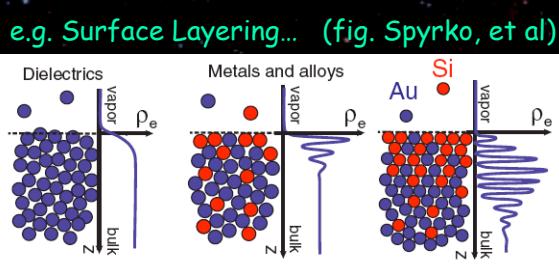
~1 Order Improvement Over Previous IXS



One Scan with 12-Analyzers  
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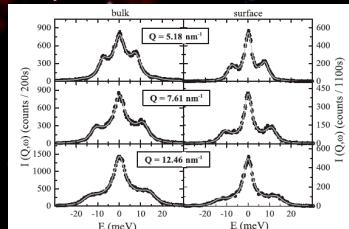
# Liquid Surfaces

Surface Dynamics are different than bulk...  
Surface Sensitivity (~5nm) is possible at Extreme Grazing Incidence

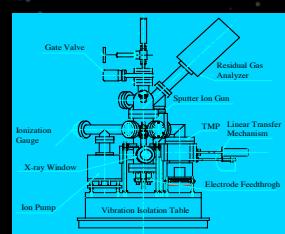


Favorable Tests in Air...  
UHV Chamber now being commissioned.  
(D. Ishikawa)

## Liquid Indium (ESRF)



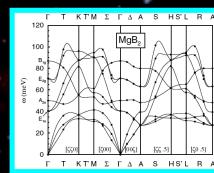
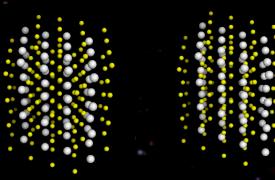
Reichert, et al, PRL 2007



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# Atomic → Electronic Dynamics

## Atomic Dynamics

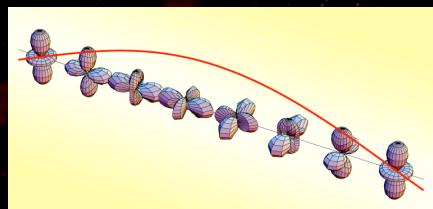


Correlated atomic motions (phonons) play a role in many phenomena  
(e.g. superconductivity, CDWs, phase transitions, thermoelectricity, magneto-elastic phenomena etc)

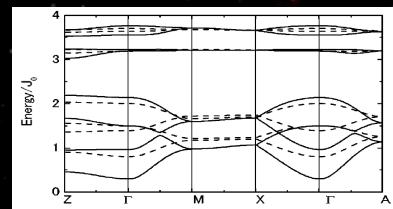
## Electronic Excitations... A New Field

High (~10 meV) Resolution  
at Large Momentum Transfers

Orbitan Movie  
S. Maekawa



1 electron → Very Weak



Calculated Orbiton Dispersion  
Ishihara

Key is to see momentum dependence (dispersion) → Not Yet.

First Attempt via IXS: NJP 2004

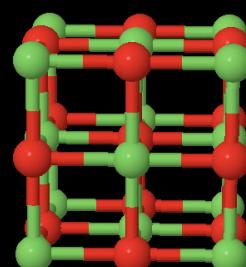
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# d-d Excitations in NiO

First something simple...

There exist well-defined excitations in the charge transfer gap of NiO

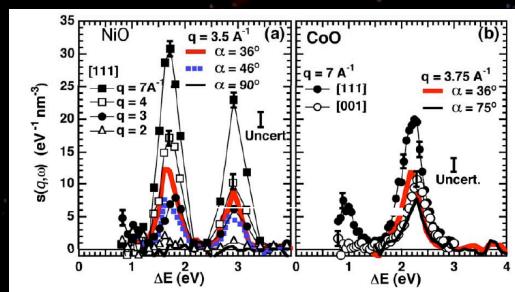
Antiferromagnet ( $T_N$  523K), (111) Spin order



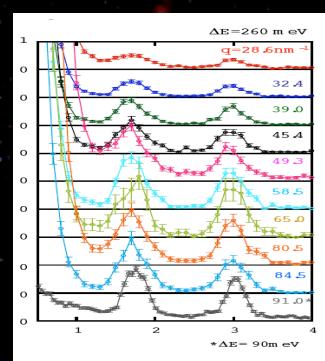
Long and Distinguished History

First (resonant) IXS experiments (Kao, et al)

Non-Resonant IXS,  $\Delta E \sim 300$  meV



Larson, et al., PRL 99 (2007) 026401

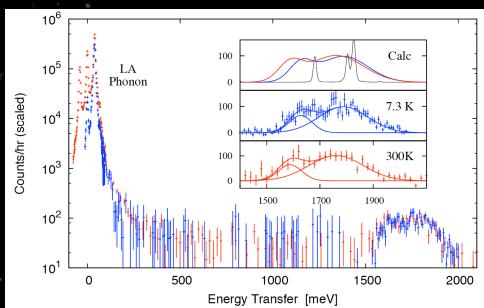


Cai, Hiraoka, et al, BL12XU  
Unpublished

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# High Resolution Experiment

7 meV resolution at 1800 meV energy transfer



d-d Excitation in NiO  
Baron et al, Fall 07, 3 Days/Spectrum

Cleaner "Optical Spectroscopy" due to

1. Non-resonant interaction  $S(Q, \omega)$
2. Large  $Q$  &  $Q$  dependence
  - > selects multipole order.
  - > atomic correlations.

Linewidth -> information about environment

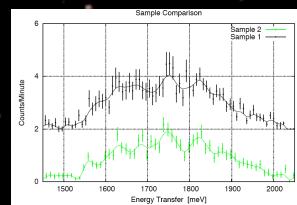
Spin fluctuations

Lattice interactions (Franck-Condon)

Collective interaction -> dispersion  
(d-d excitations -> "orbiton")

Relevance to correlated materials...

Gaps (Mott, Charge Transfer) and  
Mid-IR band in high Tcs  
f-electron transitions, etc



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# Momentum Resolved Optical Spectroscopy

Conventional Optical Spectroscopy:

(Absorption, Reflectivity)

Information on electronic energy levels but *without* information on inter-atomic correlations or atomic structure

With x-rays, the short wavelength allows direct probe at atomic scale:

*Is an excitation collective or local (does it disperse)?*

*What is the atomic symmetry of an excitation?*

*How does it interact with the surrounding environment?*

Resonant experiment vs non-resonant IXS experiment.

Non-resonant experiment is simpler and can have higher resolution  
... but badly flux limited

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# NRIXS

## MgB<sub>2</sub> Collective Excitation

PRL 97, 176402 (2006)

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week ending  
27 OCTOBER 2006

### Low-Energy Charge-Density Excitations in MgB<sub>2</sub>: Striking Interplay between Single-Particle and Collective Behavior for Large Momenta

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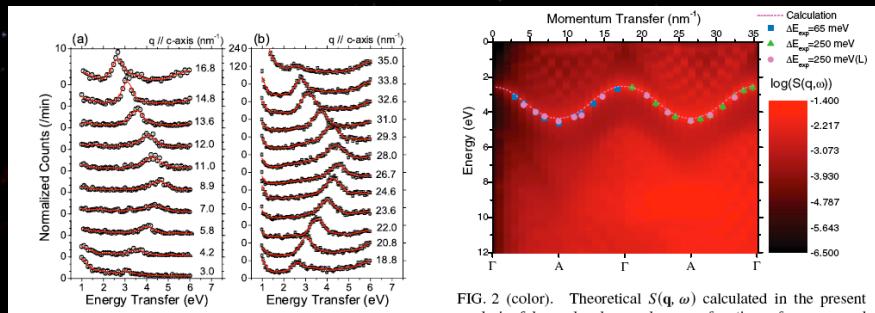


FIG. 1 (color online). NIXS spectra at various momentum transfers  $q \parallel c^*$  axis showing the low-energy collective mode, where  $q = 8.9 \text{ nm}^{-1}$  corresponds to the first boundary of the extended BZ. The total energy resolution was 65 meV for (a), and 250 meV for (b).

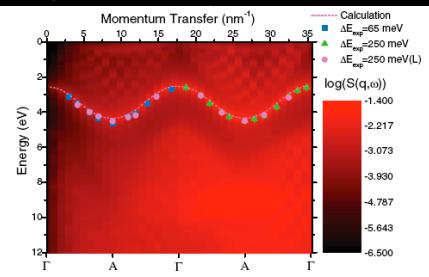
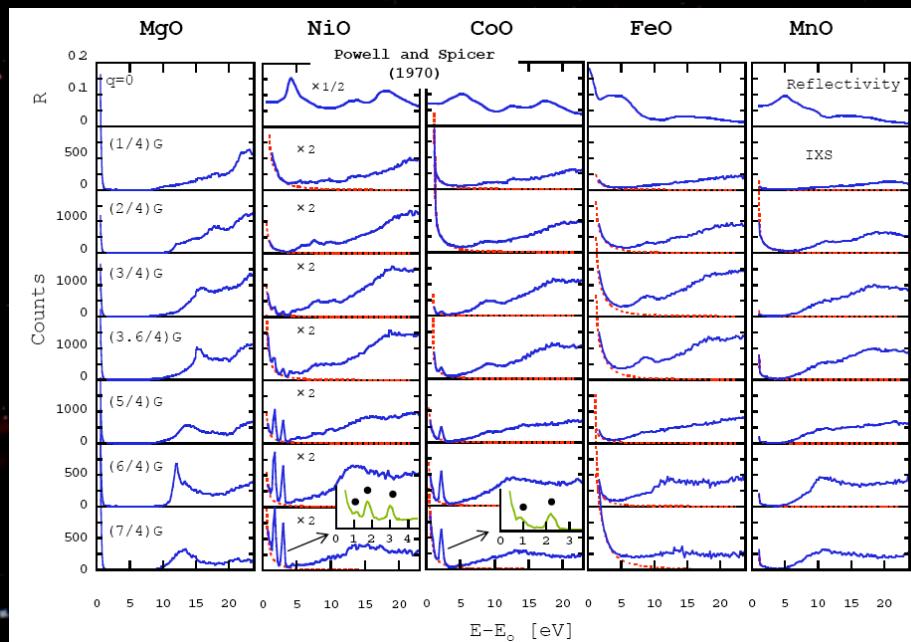


FIG. 2 (color). Theoretical  $S(q, \omega)$  calculated in the present work in false color log scale as a function of energy and momentum transfer showing the cosine energy dispersion of the low-energy collective mode. Filled squares and triangles mark the energy positions obtained from the NIXS spectra shown in Fig. 1, whereas filled circles are data from another set of spectra taken with a total energy resolution of 250 meV.

Excitation repeats from one zone to the next...

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# Larger Energy Range



Hiraoka et al

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# RIXS & NRIXS

30 to 300 meV resolution

Both are Methods of Probing Electronic Structure

**RIXS** = Resonant IXS = Near an absorption edge

**NRIXS** = Non-Resonant IXS

RIXS: Higher Rate

Poorer Resolution (Optics must match resonance)

Element Specific (Somewhat)

More Complicated Data

NRIXS: Lower Rate

Higher Resolution (Choose energy to match optics)

Simpler & Cleaner Data

## Slightly Different Experimental Setup

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# RIXS → 2 Orbiton

This is different...

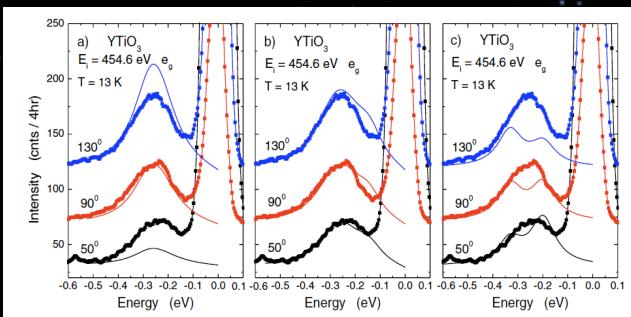
PRL 103, 107205 (2009)

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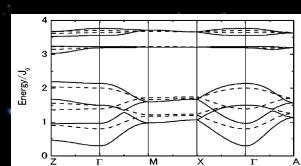
### Momentum Dependence of Orbital Excitations in Mott-Insulating Titanates

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### Ti L-Edge RIXS at the SLS

Signal from "2-orbiton", some  
evidence of changes with Q  
Nice,  
...but not real orbiton dispersion.



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# 2-Magnon Peak?

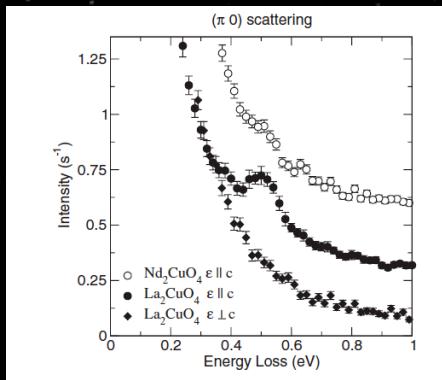
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## Observation of a 500 meV Collective Mode in $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$ and $\text{Nd}_2\text{CuO}_4$ Using Resonant Inelastic X-Ray Scattering

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B. Liang,<sup>6</sup> R. L. Greene,<sup>6</sup> D. Casa,<sup>7</sup> and T. Gog<sup>7</sup>



Copper K-Edge RIXS

120 meV resolution, APS, Sector 9

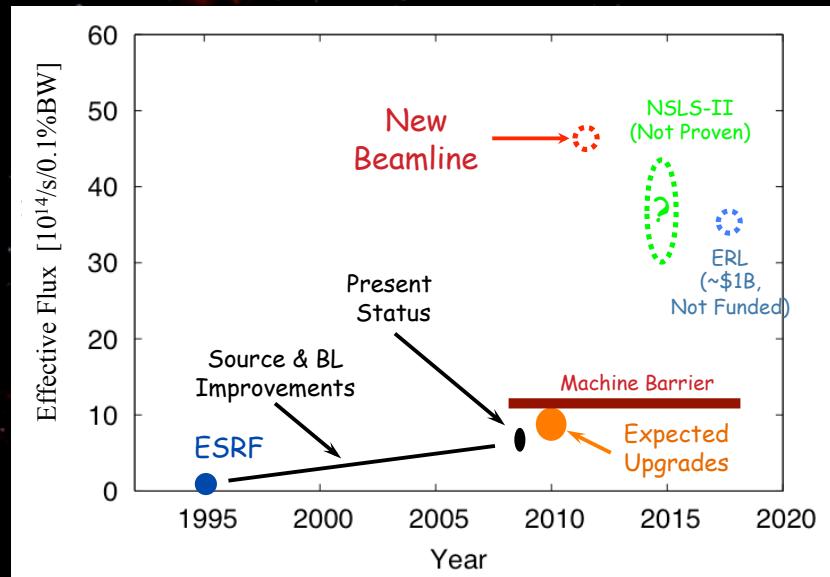
Q Dependence (over zone)  
and polarization dependence

d-d Excitation or 2-Magnon?

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## IXS Beamline Evolution

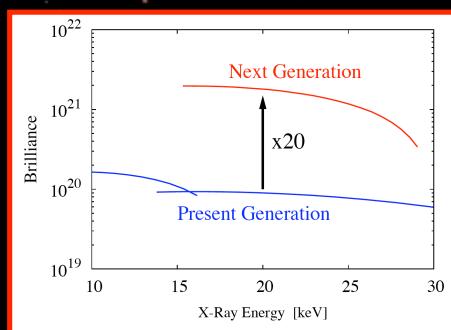
For meV Resolution at 20 keV



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## A Next Generation Beamline

Dramatic Improvement to Source and Spectrometer  
allows new science...



New Field: Electronic excitations

Also many expts now flux limited:  
Phonons in complex materials  
Extreme environments (HT, HP liquids)  
High pressure DAC work (Geology)  
Excitations in metal glasses  
Super-cooled liquids  
etc

### Improvements

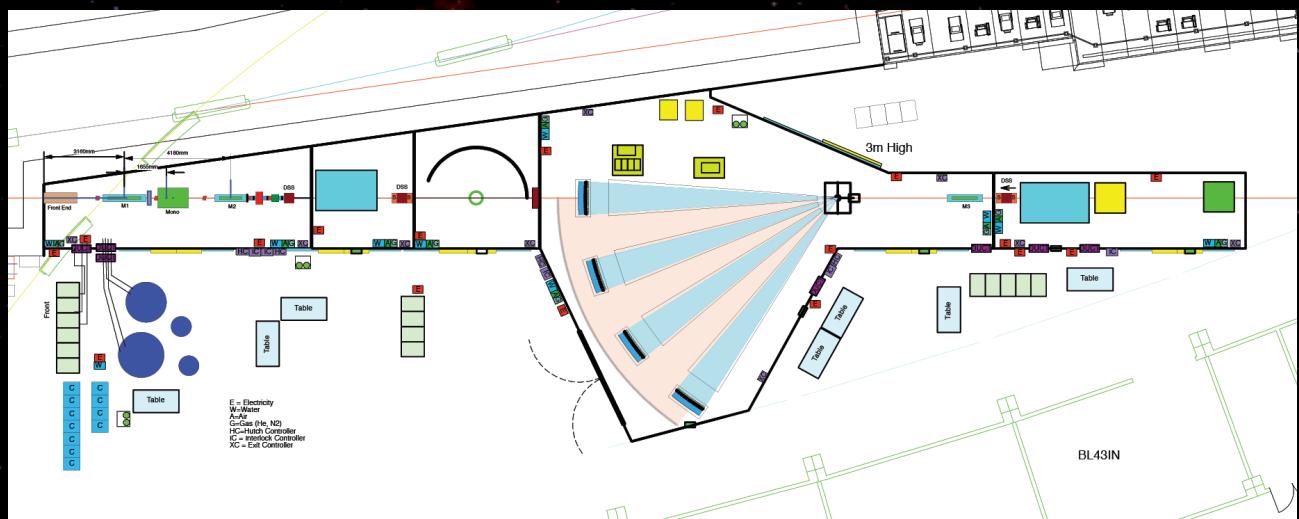
Flux On Sample: x10  
Parallelization: x3  
Small Spot Size: x5



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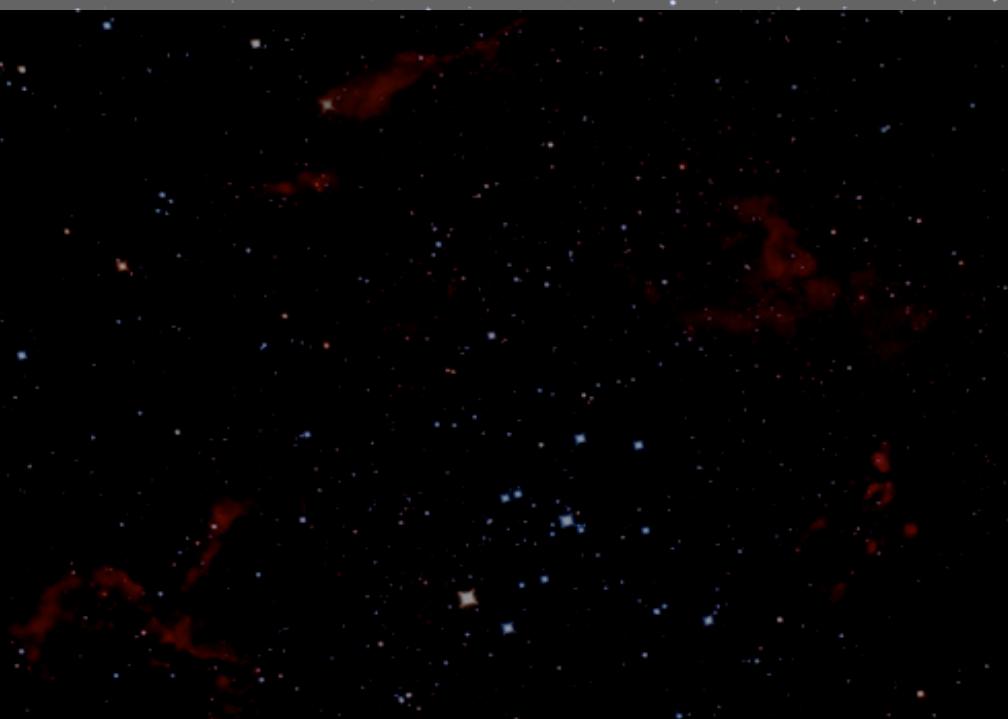


# RIKEN Quantum NanoDynamics Beamline



Si Reflection Order	(888) EE <sup>a</sup>	(888)	(999)	(11 11 11)	(13 13 13)
Energy (keV)	15.816	15.816	17.794	21.747	25.702
Resolution (meV)	40	6	3	1.5	1 (0.7) <sup>b</sup>
Flux ( $10^{14}/s/0.1\%$ )	68	68	64	50	30 (40) <sup>b</sup>
BL35 ( $10^{14}/s/0.1\%$ )	4.9	4.9	7.1	5.9	4.7
Q Max ( $\text{\AA}^{-1}$ ) <sup>c</sup>	16	16	18	22	26

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# X-Ray Raman Scattering

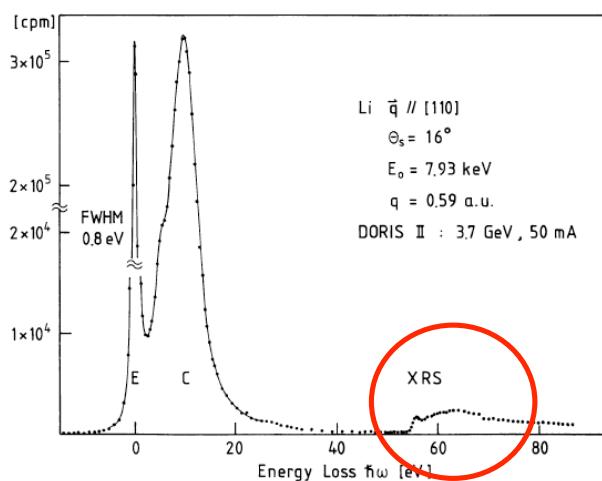


Fig. 1. Raw experimental data for Li single crystal obtained in the dispersion compensating case. The X-ray Raman spectrum (XRS) has an edge like onset at the binding energy of the Li  $K$ -electron of about 55 eV. E and C denote the quasielastically scattered Rayleigh line and the  $S(q, \omega)$  profile from the valence electrons, respectively.

Nagasawa, et al, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 58 (1989) pp. 710-717

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# X-Ray Raman Scattering (Example of Ice Under Pressure)

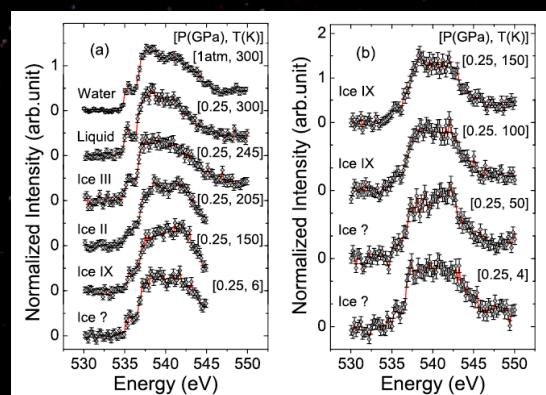
Suppose you would like to measure the structure of the oxygen k-edge (at 532 eV) of a sample inside of a high pressure cell with 1mm thick diamond windows?

Diamond:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\text{abs}} &< 0.5 \text{ um } 500 \text{ eV} \\ I_{\text{abs}} &\sim 2 \text{ mm } 10 \text{ keV} \end{aligned}$$

Easier at 10 keV than 0.5 keV

Note: need dipole approx. ( $Q.r < 1$ ) to be good to compare with usual XAFS.



## Ordering of Hydrogen Bonds in High-Pressure Low-Temperature $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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# Compton Scattering

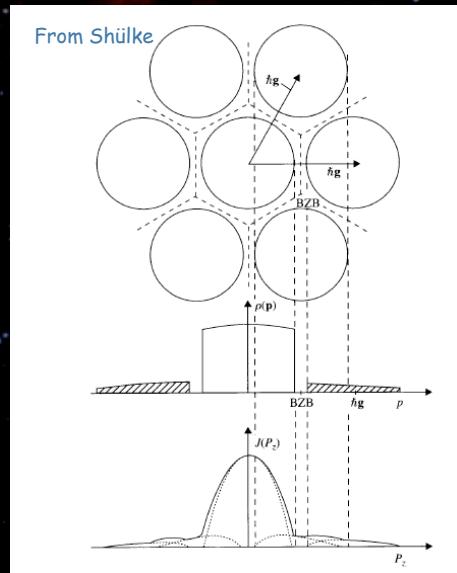
For very large  $Q$  and  $\Delta E \ll E$  one can take

$$\begin{aligned} S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) &= \frac{m}{\hbar Q} \iint dp_x dp_y \rho(p_z = p_Q) \\ &\equiv \frac{m}{\hbar Q} J(p_Q) \end{aligned}$$

Typical:  $Q \sim 100 \text{\AA}^{-1}$   
 $E > 100 \text{ keV}$

Ie: Compton scattering projects out the electron momentum density.

Typical of incoherent scattering...



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# Three-Dimensional Momentum Density Reconstruction

Three-dimensional momentum density,  $n(\mathbf{p})$ , can be reconstructed from  $\sim 10$  Compton profiles.

$$J(p_z) = \iint n(\mathbf{p}) dp_x dp_y$$

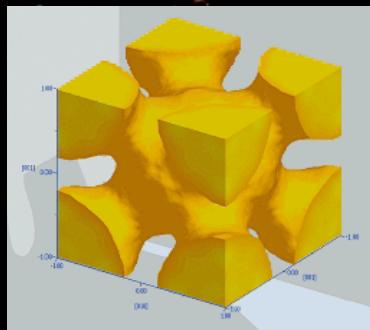
## Reconstruction:

- Direct Fourier Method
- Fourier-Bessel Method
- Cormack Method
- Maximum Entropy Method

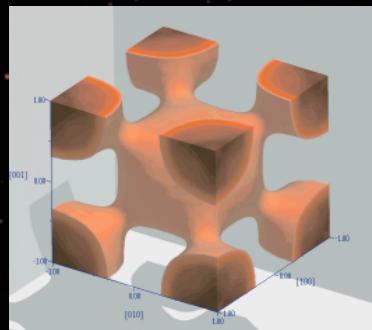
Momentum density,  $n(\mathbf{p})$

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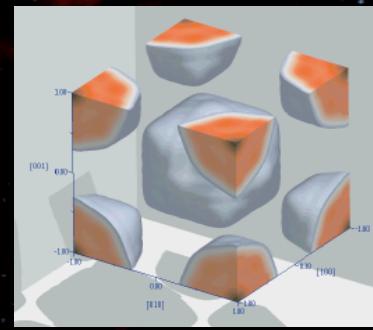
## Fermi surfaces of Cu and Cu alloys



Cu-15.8at%Al



Cu



Cu-27.5at%Pd

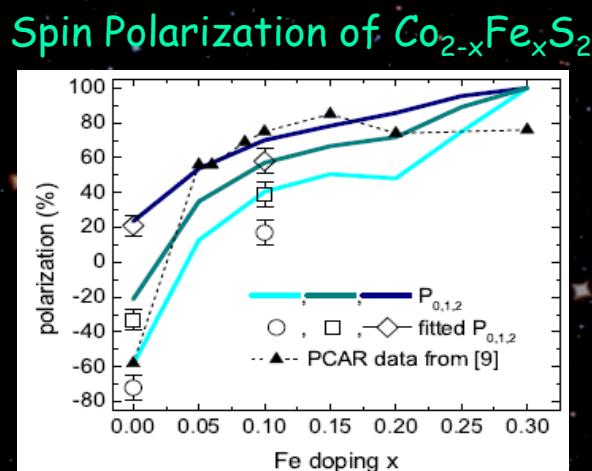
Determined by Compton scattering at KEK-AR

J. Kwiatkowska *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B 70, 075106 (2005)

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## Spin Polarization by Magnetic Compton Scattering

Magnetic Compton scattering combined with *ab initio* electronic structure calculation is used to evaluate the degrees of spin polarization,  $P_n$ .

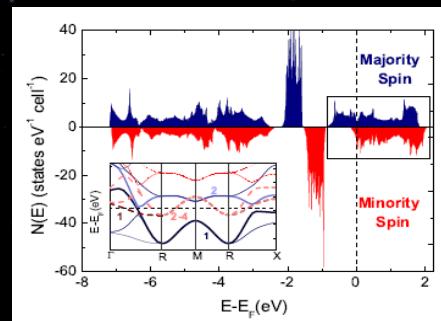


C. Utfield *et al.*, PRL Accepted

$$P_n = \frac{N_\uparrow v_{F,\uparrow}^n - N_\downarrow v_{F,\downarrow}^n}{N_\uparrow v_{F,\uparrow}^n + N_\downarrow v_{F,\downarrow}^n}$$

$N_{\uparrow/\downarrow}$  : Spin-dependent DOS  
at Fermi level

$v_{F,\uparrow/\downarrow}$  : Fermi velocity



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# Nuclear Inelastic Scattering

First Demonstrated (Clearly) by Seto et al 1995

Mössbauer Resonances Exist in Different Nuclei...

Isotope	Transition energy (keV)	Lifetime (ns)	Alpha	Natural abundance (%)
<sup>181</sup> Ta	6.21	8730	71	100
<sup>169</sup> Tm	8.41	5.8	220	100
<sup>83</sup> Kr	9.40	212	20	11.5
<sup>57</sup> Fe	14.4	141	8.2	2.2
<sup>151</sup> Eu	21.6	13.7	29	48
<sup>149</sup> Sm	22.5	10.4	~ 12	14
<sup>119</sup> Sn	23.9	25.6	~ 5.2	8.6
<sup>161</sup> Dy	25.6	40	~ 2.5	19

Resonances have relatively long lifetimes so that if one has a pulsed source, one can separate the nuclear scattering by using a fast time resolving detector.

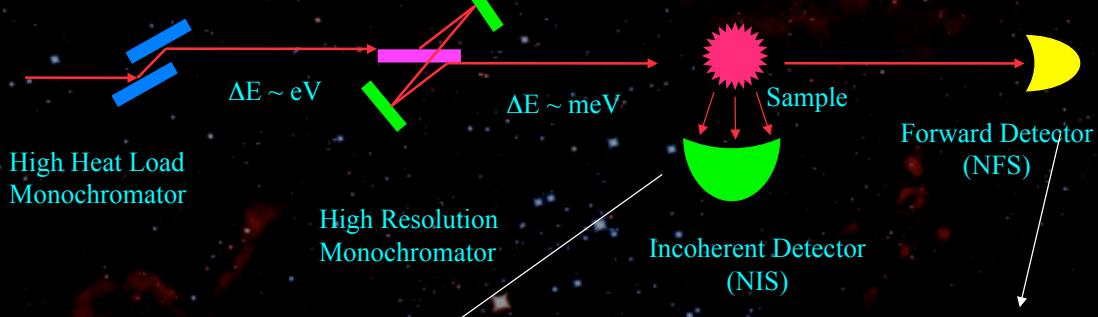


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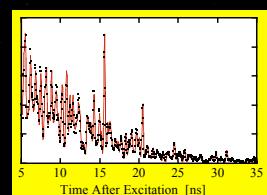
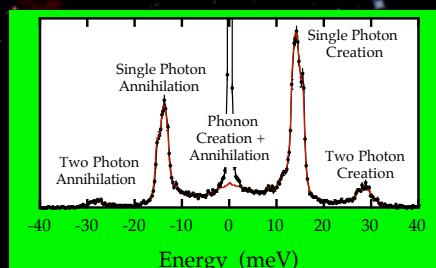
## NIS Setup

Use a narrow bandwidth monochromator  
The nuclear resonance becomes the analyzer.

1.  $E_{in} = E_{res}$
2.  $E_{in} + E_{phonon} = E_{res}$
3.  $E_{in} - E_{phonon} = E_{res}$



Element-Specific  
Projected  
Phonon DOS



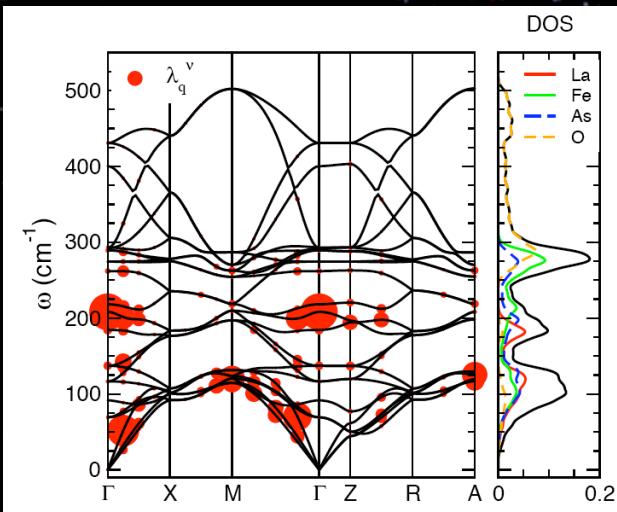
Time Domain  
Mossbauer Spectroscopy

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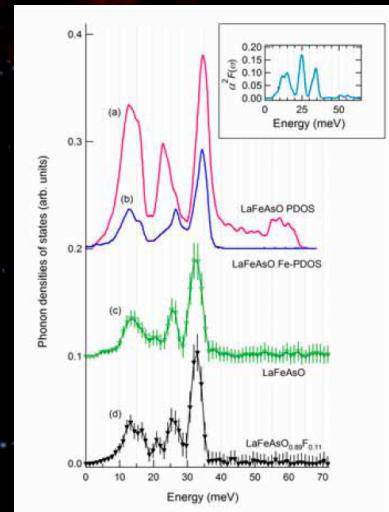
# NIS Gives the Partial Projected DOS

Example of the Fe-As Superconductors

Partial= Element Specific      Projected= Weakly Directional       $I \sim \epsilon \bullet k_i$



Calculation: Boeri et al



Measurement: Higashitaniguchi et al

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## NIS: Good and Bad

Important things to note:

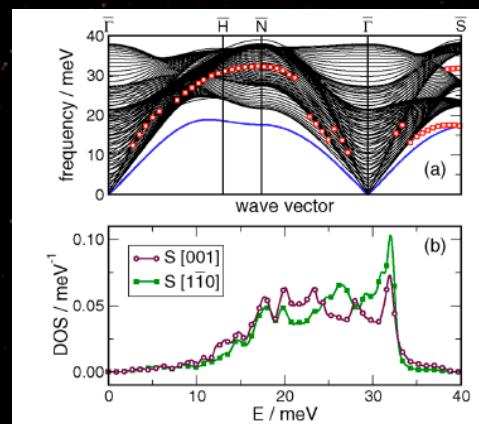
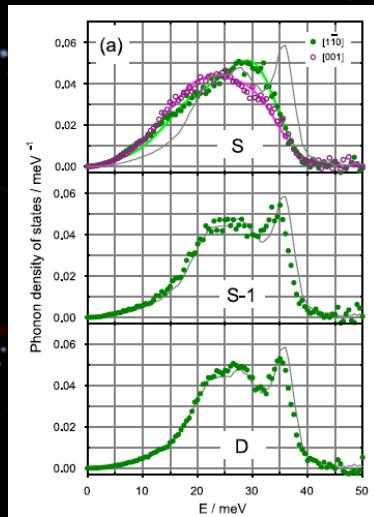
1. Element and isotope selective.
2. Gives Projected Density of states NOT Dispersion  
(But it does this nearly perfectly)

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# NIS Example: Surface DOS

Slezak et al PRL 99 (2007) 066103

$^{57}\text{Fe}$  monolayers near the surface of  $^{56}\text{Fe}$



Note projection!

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# NIS Example: Biological Macro-Molecules

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e.g.

### Long-Range Reactive Dynamics in Myoglobin

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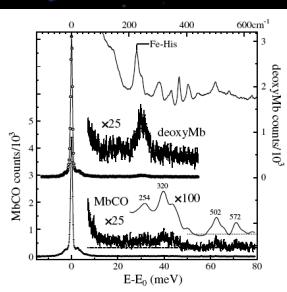


FIG. 1. NRVS data recorded from frozen solutions of  $^{57}\text{Fe}$ -enriched MbCO (solid circles) at  $110 \pm 5\text{ K}$  and deoxyMb (open circles) at  $35\text{--}70\text{ K}$ . Temperatures were estimated from the relative intensity of photon creation and annihilation peaks. The MbCO (deoxyMb) spectrum is the sum of 20(16) independent scans sampled every  $0.2\text{ meV}$  over an energy range extending from  $-15\text{ meV}$  to  $80(35)\text{ meV}$  with a total accumulation time of  $180(60)\text{ s}$ . The relative frequency region of the MbCO spectrum is scaled up by an additional factor of 4, subjected to an 11-point smooth, and displayed as a solid curve. The solid curve at the top of the figure is the resonance Raman spectrum of deoxyMb at  $100\text{ K}$ .

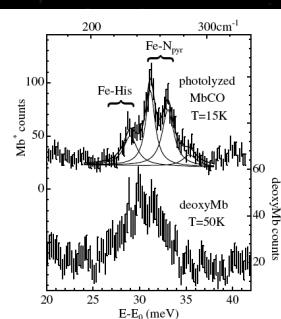


FIG. 2. Comparison of the  $250\text{ cm}^{-1}$  mode clusters of deoxyMb and  $\text{Mb}^*$ . The  $\text{Mb}^*$  data were recorded under continuous illumination. The temperature of a sensor mounted in the sapphire sample block was  $15\text{ K}$ .  $\sigma_0$  is the nuclear cross section and  $\Gamma_n$  is the linewidth of the recoilless resonance. The excitation probability per unit energy

Where element specificity can help a lot.

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# Table Of IXS Techniques/Applications

Technique	Comment	Energy Scale	Information
X-Ray Raman	(E)XAFS in Special Cases	$E_{in} \sim 10$ keV $\Delta E \sim 100-1000$ eV	Edge Structure, Bonding
Compton	Oldest Note: Resolution Limited	$E_{in} \sim 150$ keV $\Delta E \sim \text{keV}$	Electron Momentum Density Fermi Surface Shape
Magnetic Compton	Weak But Possible	$E_{in} \sim 150$ keV $\Delta E \sim \text{keV}$	Density of Unpaired Spins
RIXS Resonant IXS	High Rate Somewhat Complicated	$E_{in} \sim 4-15$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-50$ eV	Electronic Structure
NRIXS Non-Resonant IXS	Low Rate Simpler	$E_{in} \sim 10$ keV $\Delta E \sim <1-50$ eV	Electronic Structure
IXS High-Resolution IXS	Large Instrument	$E_{in} \sim 16-26$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-100$ meV	Phonon Dispersion
NIS Nuclear IXS	Atom Specific Via Mossbauer Nuclei	$E_{in} \sim 14-25$ keV $\Delta E \sim 1-100$ meV	Element Specific Phonon Density of States (DOS)

$\Delta E$  = Typical Energy Transfer (Not Resolution)

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