

# Ultrafast XPCS

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# Ultrafast Phenomena of interest for ultrafast (sub-ns) XPCS

**Atomic-scale dynamics in liquids and glasses on (sub-ns) timescales**  
fluctuations in glassforming liquids,.. water<sup>1)</sup>,...liquid metals<sup>2)</sup> ,..

## Surface fluctuations

capillary wave dynamics<sup>3)</sup> at large Q (beyond equilibrium hydrodynamics)

## Fluctuations in magnetic systems

ultrafast (de-)magnetization in rare earth systems (Gd<sup>4)</sup> ,..)

## Transient electronic structures and ultrafast dynamics in solids

- \* lattice relaxations in systems undergoing metal-insulator transitions (e.g. RTe<sub>3</sub> systems<sup>5)</sup> )
- \* coherent optical phonos (following photoexcitation): Bi<sup>6)</sup> , Sb, Te,...

## Non-equilibrium phenomena

(x-ray) pump -- probe

<sup>1)</sup> Sellberg et al., *Nature* 510, 381 (2014)

<sup>2)</sup> Hruszkewycz et al., *PRL* 109, 185 (2012)

<sup>3)</sup> Gutt et al., *Thin Solid Films*, 515, (2007)5532

<sup>4)</sup> Vaterlaus et al., *PRL*, 67, 3314 (1991)

<sup>5)</sup> Schmitt et al., *Science* 321, 5896 (2008)

<sup>6)</sup> Fritz et al., *Science* 315, 633 (2007)



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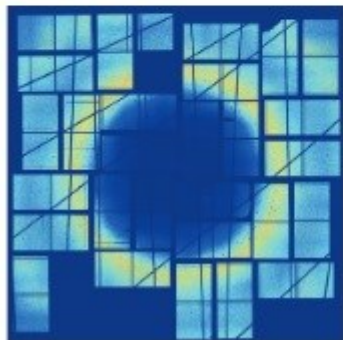
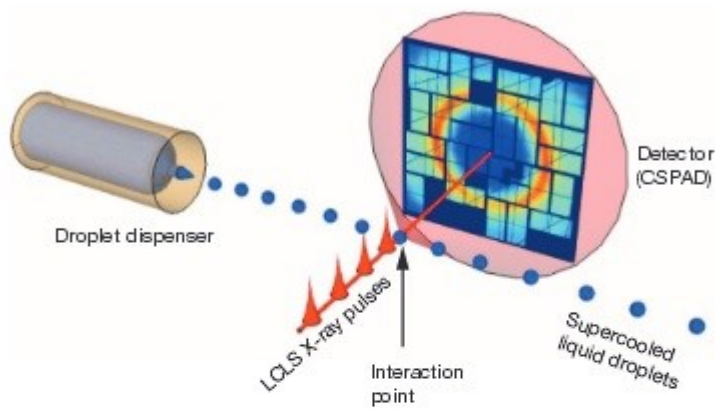
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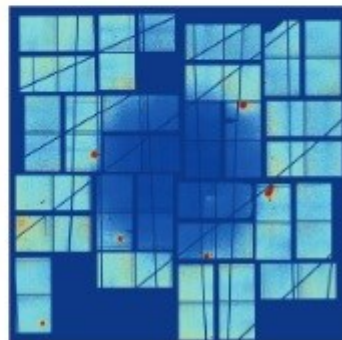
glassforming liquids....

water,...

liquid metals,..



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towards undercooled regime:

- highfrequency dynamics  $\approx 1$  ps
- can reach  $227 < T < 323$  K in droplets
- local order

J. Sellberg et al., Nature 510, 381 (2014)

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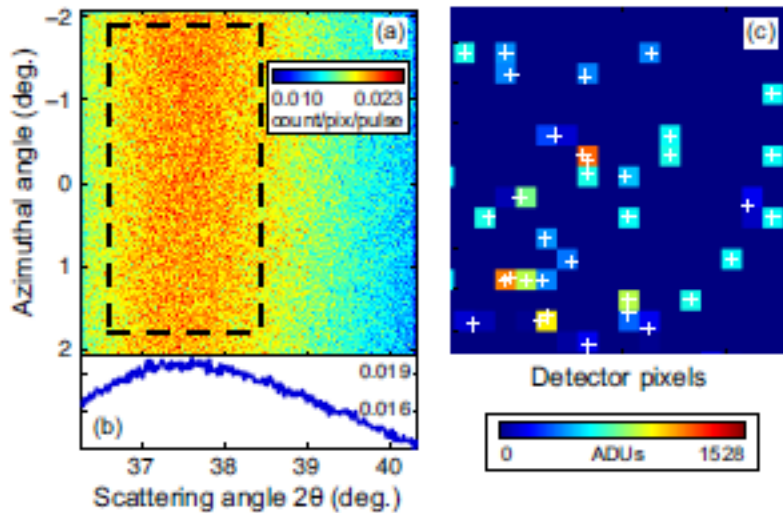
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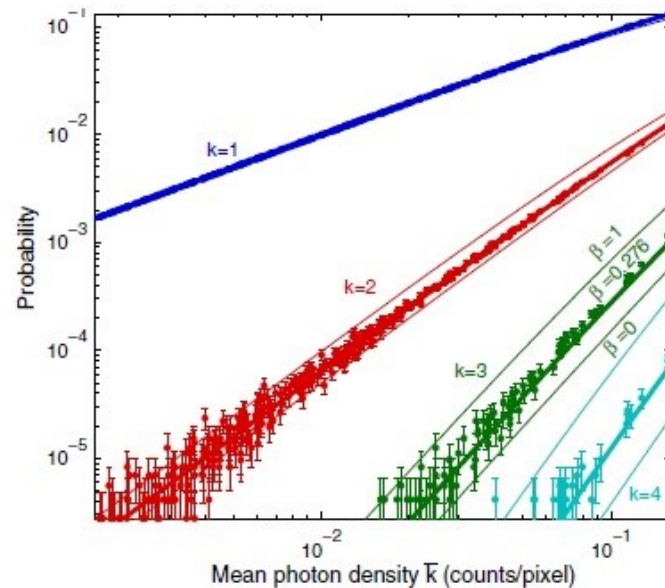
### Liquid Gallium

(a) Average scattering integrated over 309 pulses. Det. at  $L = 37$  cm from sample subtends angles including the main amorphous scattering ring at  $Q = 2.60 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$ .

(b) Average photon density vs. scattering angle.

$\beta = 0.276 \approx \beta^{\text{calc.}} = 0.307$ : Ga static on  $<70$  fs timescale

$$P(k) = P(k, M), M \rightarrow \text{contrast } \beta$$



*S. O. Hruszkewycz, M. Sutton, P. H. Fuoss, B. Adams, S. Rosenkranz, K. F. Ludwig Jr., W. Roseker, D. Fritz, M. Cammarata, D. Zhu, S. Lee,, H. Lemke, C. Gutt, A. Robert, G. Grübel, and G. B. Stephenson, PRL 109(2012)1865502*



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Expected time constants and scattering intensities for capillary waves on liquid water using a delay line unit

$k$ [ $\text{\AA}^{-1}$ ]	$\tau$ [s]	$\Delta E$ [meV]	Scattered photons per pulse	Scattered photons per second
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$10^{-2}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^3$
$10^{-1}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^1$
1	$10^{-12}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$

Intensities are calculated for  $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$  pixel size.

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Water

$\approx 1$  ps

Mercury

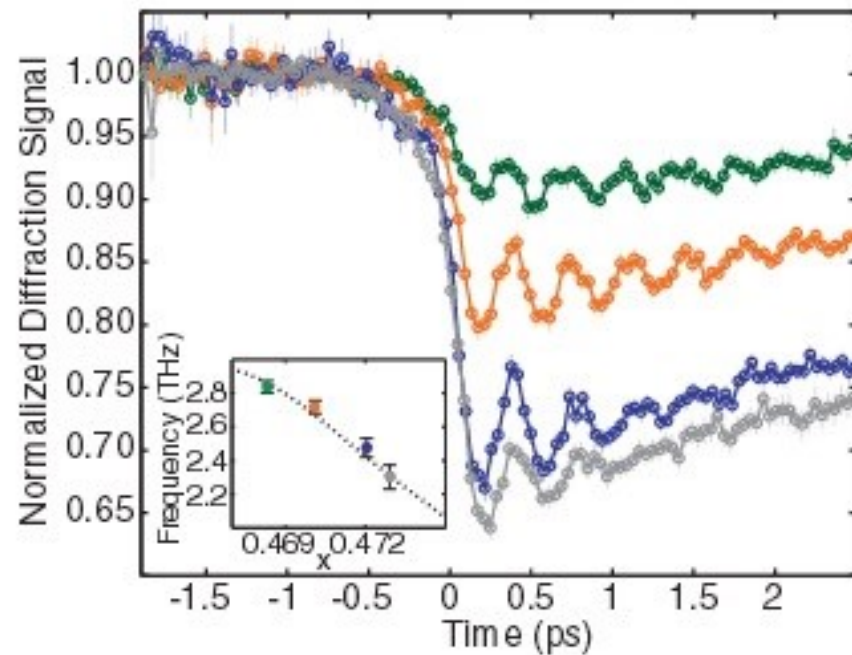
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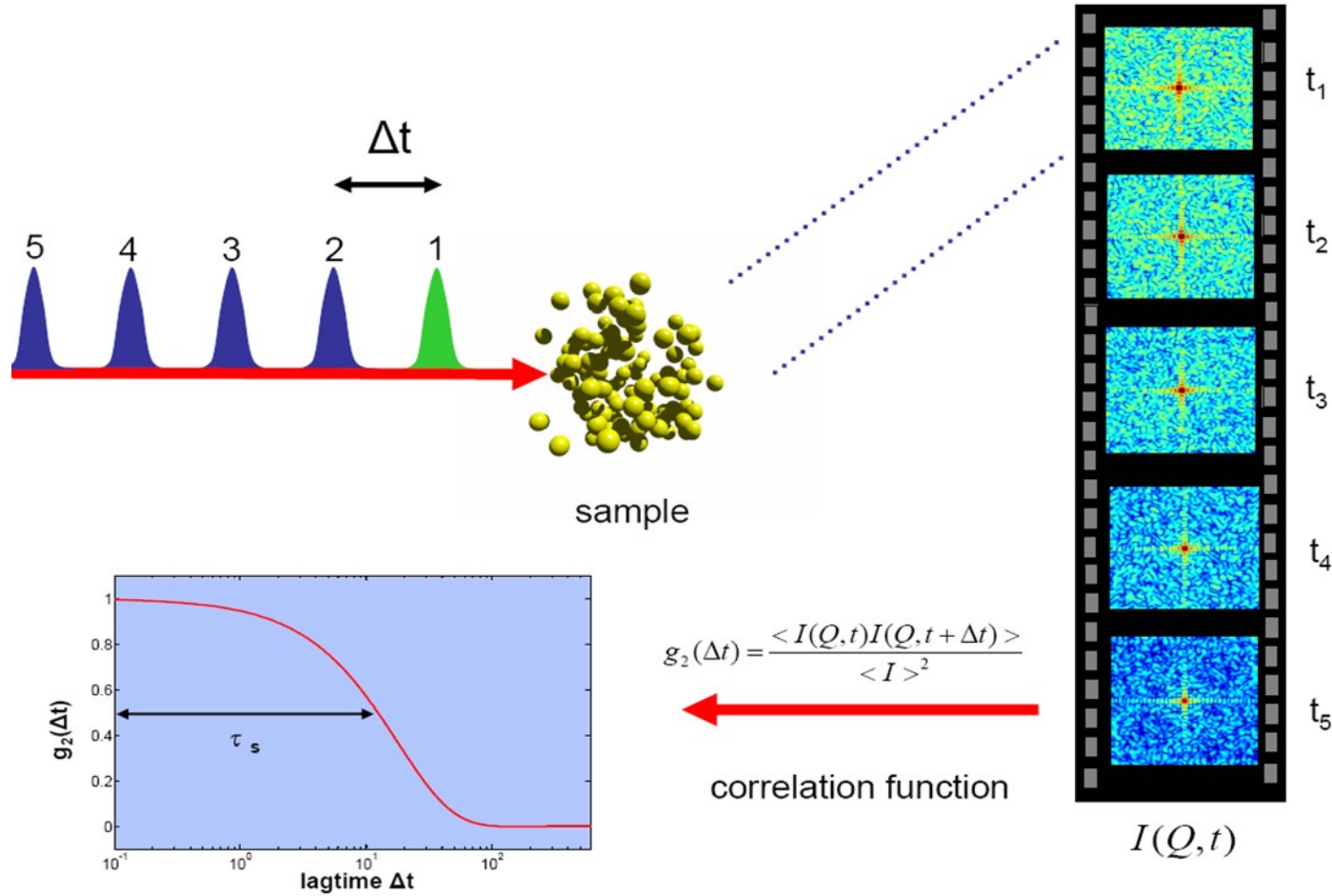
# Coherent optical phonons in Bismuth

**Fig. 1.** Bismuth (111) x-ray diffraction efficiency as a function of time delay between the optical excitation pulse and x-ray probe for excitation fluences of 0.7 (green), 1.2 (red), 1.7 (blue), and 2.3 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup> (gray). The zero-delay point was set at the half maximum of the initial transient drop. The inset displays the optical phonon frequency as a function of the normalized atomic equilibrium position along the body diagonal of the unit cell  $x$  as measured by x-ray diffraction. The dotted curve represents the theoretical prediction obtained from DFT calculations of the excited-state potential-energy surface (10).



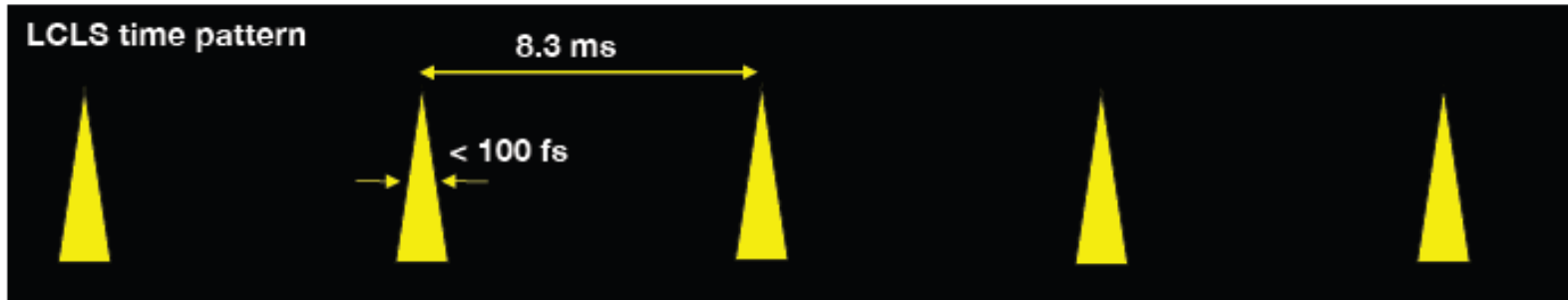
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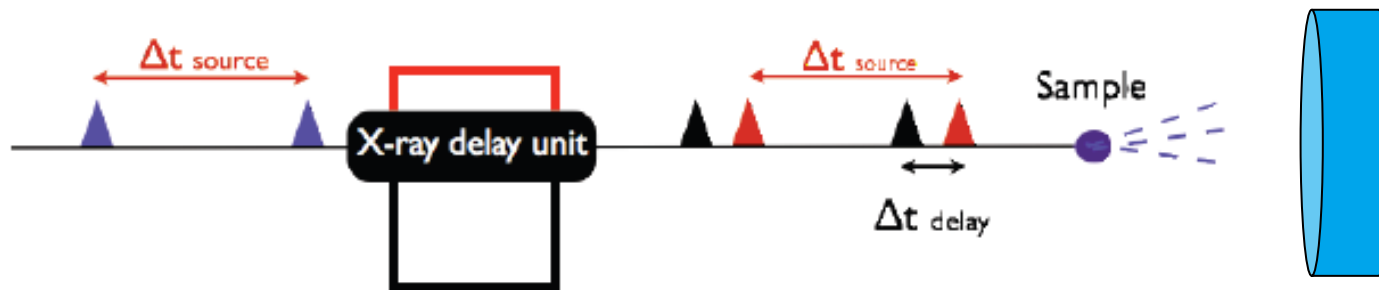


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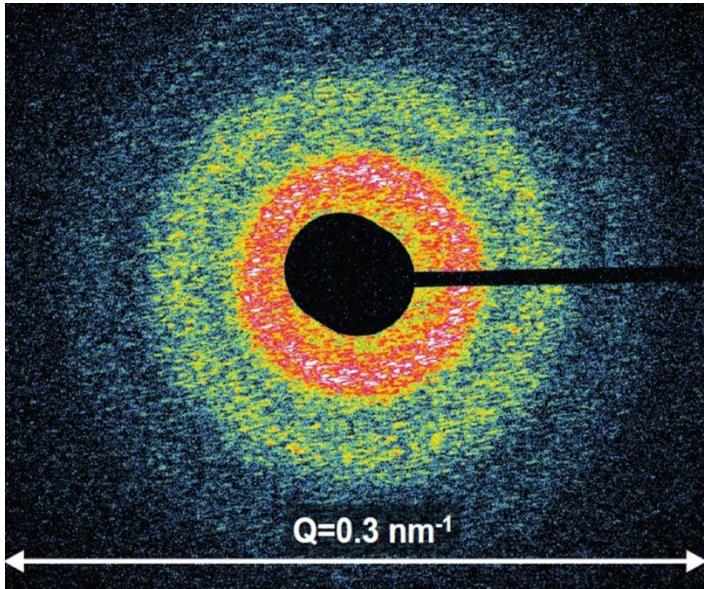
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# The importance of contrast



Compare n speckle patterns:

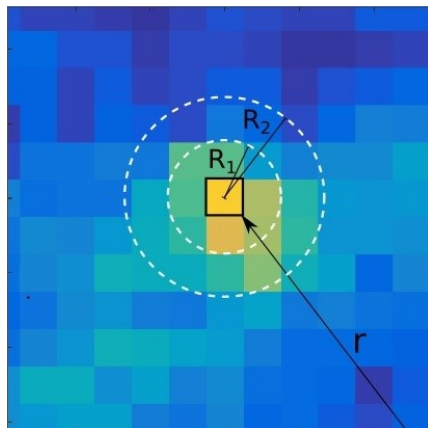
Speckle size:  $\lambda/d$

Contrast:  $\beta = \beta_t \beta_l(q)$

$$\beta_t = \sqrt{(\text{var}(I)/\langle I \rangle)} = 1/\sqrt{M} = \gamma(R=0)$$

M mode-number

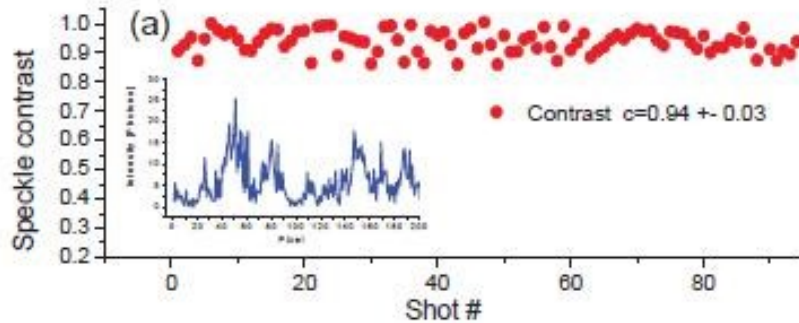
$\gamma$  mutual coherence function



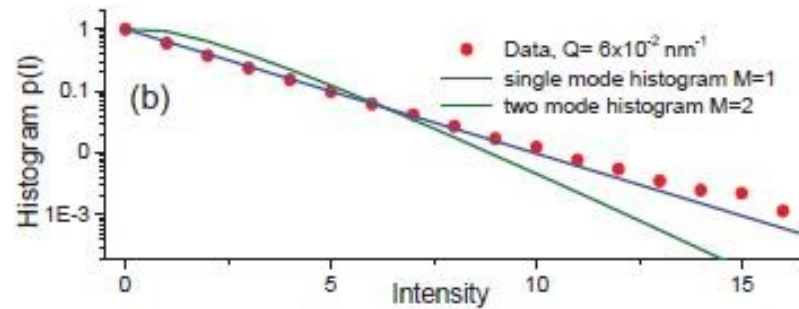
$$P(I) = \frac{\Gamma(I+M)}{\Gamma(M)\Gamma(I+1)} (1+M/\langle I \rangle)^{-1} (1+\langle I \rangle/M)^{-M}$$

$$g(R) = \langle I(r+R) I(r) \rangle / \langle I(r) \rangle^2 = |\gamma(R)|^2$$

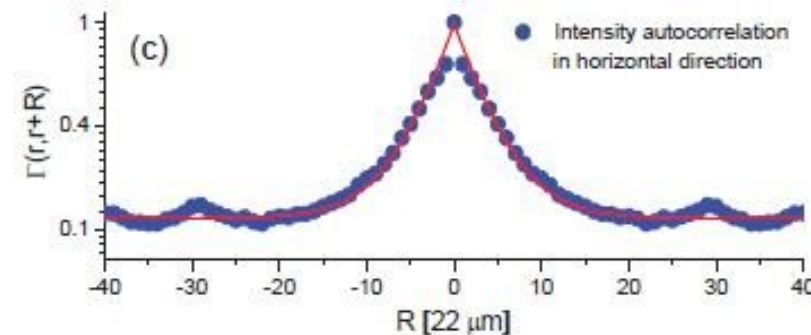
# The LCLS case (monochromatic)



$$\beta_t = 0.94(3)$$



$$P_M(I) = \frac{M^M I^{M-1}}{\Gamma(M) \langle I \rangle^M} e^{-i \frac{MI}{\langle I \rangle}}$$

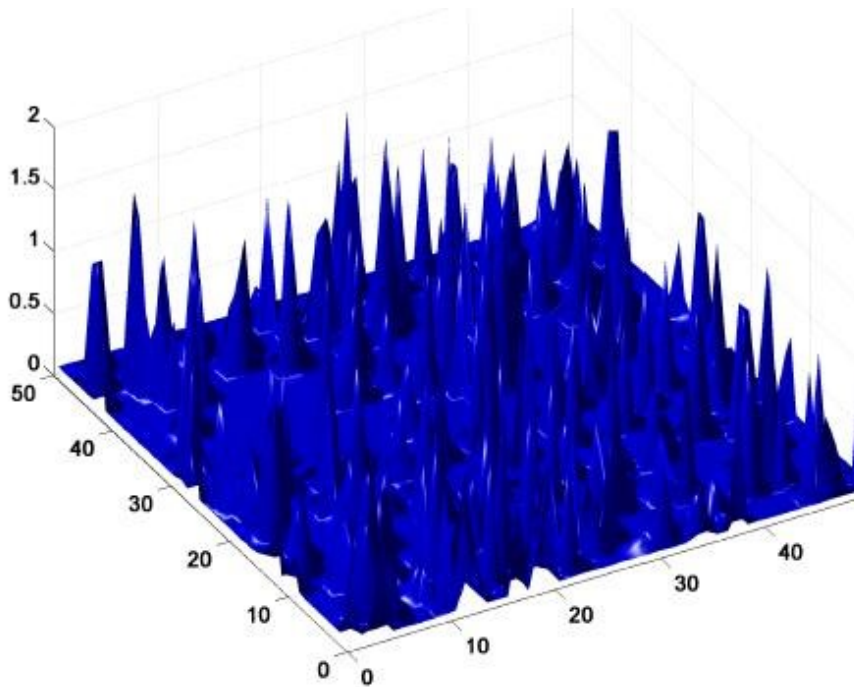


9 x 3.3  $\mu\text{m}^2$  beam

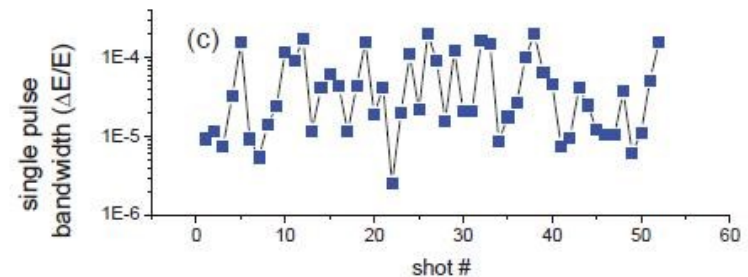
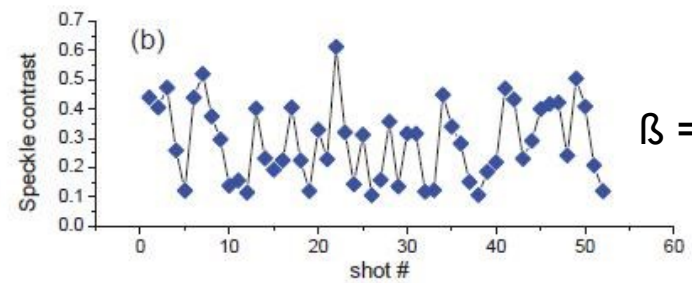
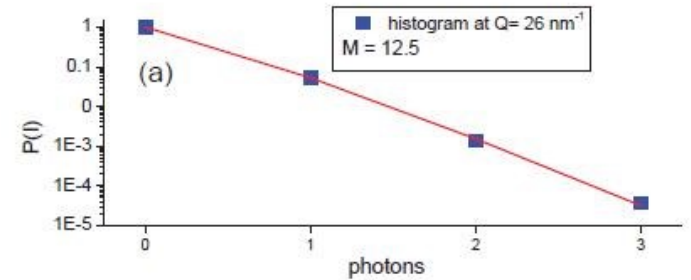
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# The first large Q attempt

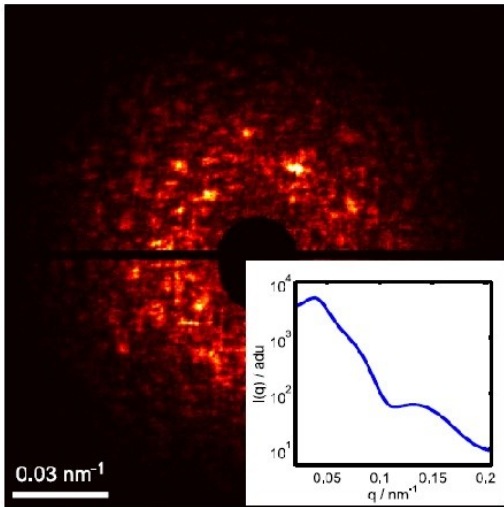


Single pulse speckle pattern from a Au nano-powder recorded at the Au(111) diffraction peak at  $Q=26 \text{ nm}^{-1}$

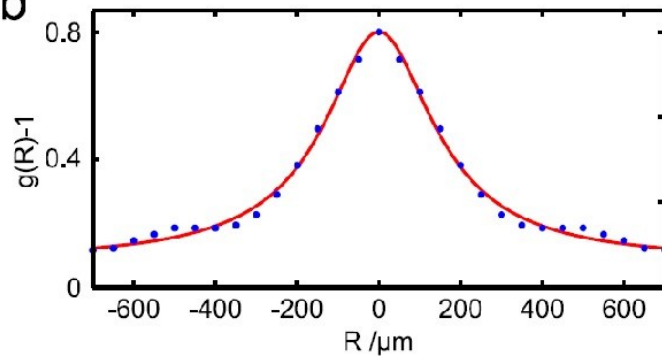


# The SACLA case (pink)

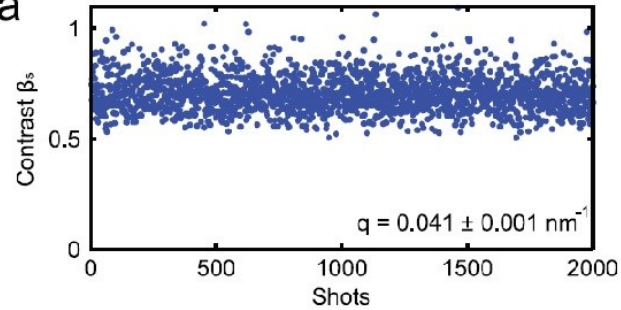
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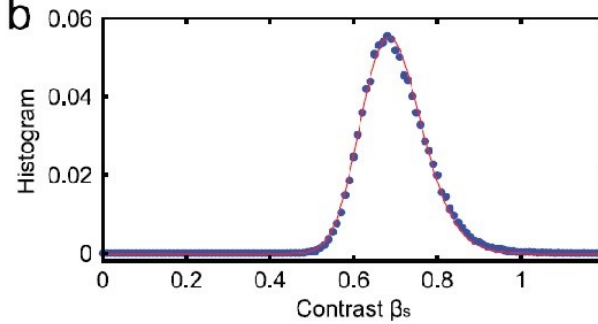
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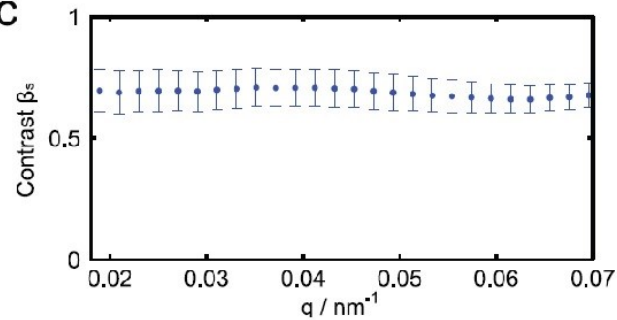
$$\beta = 0.70(8)$$

$$\beta_{\text{corr}} =$$
$$\beta_t = 0.79(9)$$

b



c

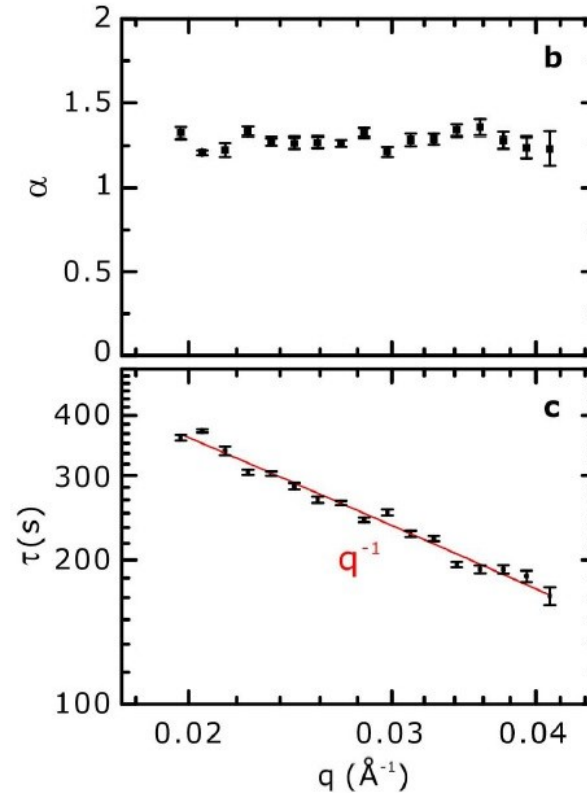
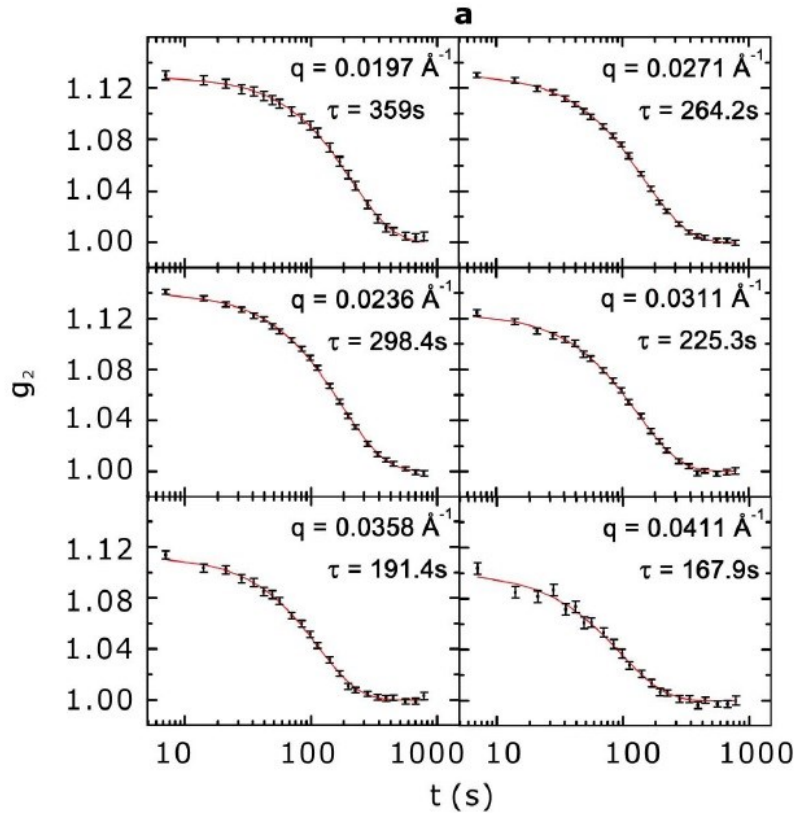


Lehmkuehler et al., Scientific Reports,  
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# Movie Mode @ LCLS

## Dynamics of nanoparticles in polymer melt



PI CCD with 7 s readout time

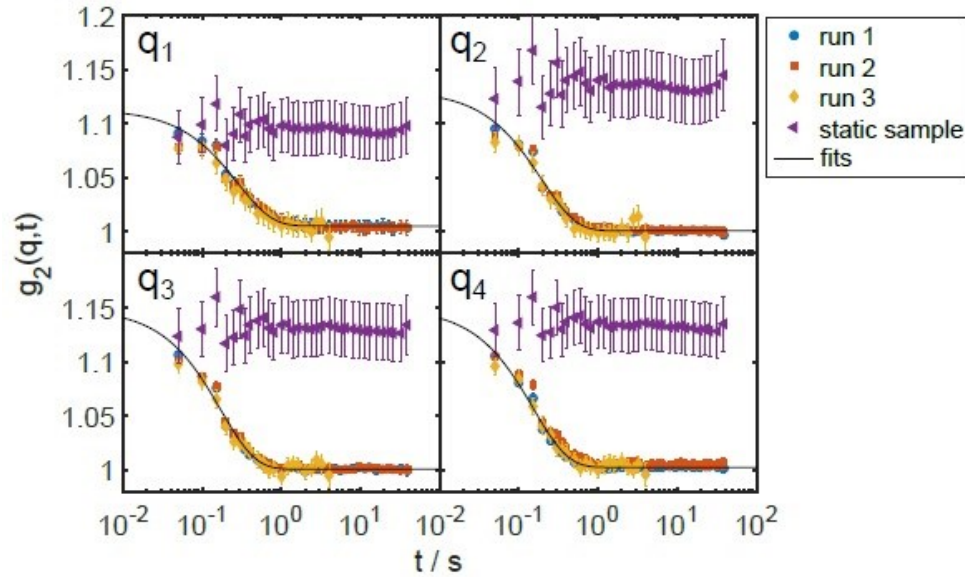
$\beta^{\text{dyn}}$ : 0.08 – 0.12

Carnis et al., Scientific Reports, 4, 6017;  
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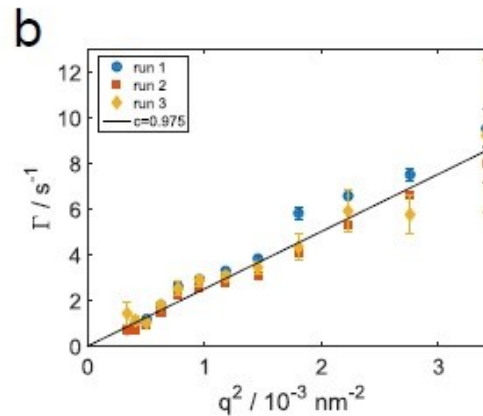
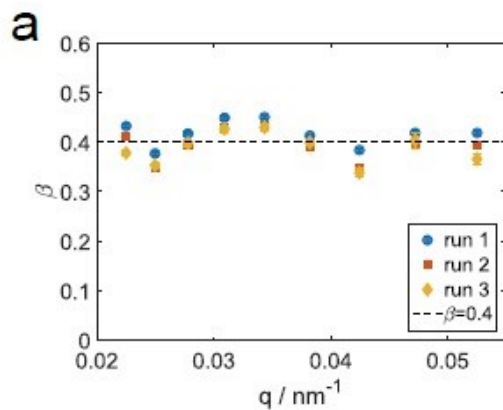
# Movie mode @ SACLA

## Dynamics of nanoparticles in glycerol/water



MPCCD in 20 Hz mode

$\beta^{\text{dyn}} : 0.09 - 0.13$



Lehmkuehler et al., to be published



# Static vs. dynamic contrast

## LCLS

8.96 keV  
monochromatic  $\Delta E/E = 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$

$$\beta = 0.94(3)$$

$$\beta_{\text{large } Q} = 0.26(2)$$

$$\tau_c = 2(1) \text{ fs}$$

$g_2(t)$  contrast: 0.08 – 0.12

$$\beta^{\text{dyn}} = \text{sqrt}(g_2(t)) = 0.28\text{-}0.34$$

$$\beta^{\text{dyn}} \approx 0.3$$

$$\beta^{\text{dyn}} / \beta \approx 3$$

## SACLA

8 keV  
pink  $\Delta E/E = 5 \times 10^{-3}$

$$\beta = 0.70(8) \quad \beta_{\text{corr}} = 0.79(9)$$

$$\tau_c = 0.1 \text{ fs}$$

$g_2(t)$  contrast: 0.09 – 0.13

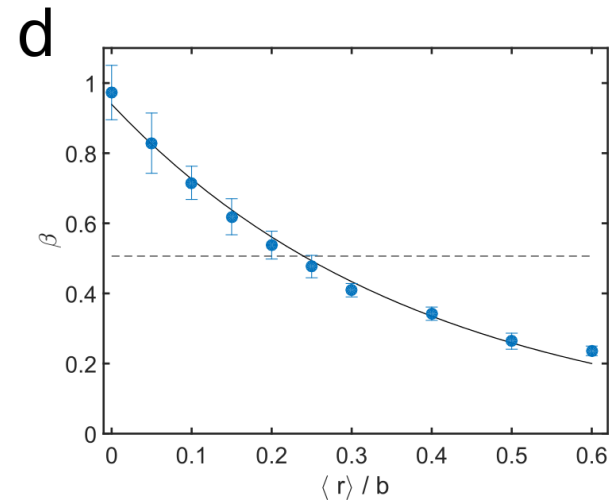
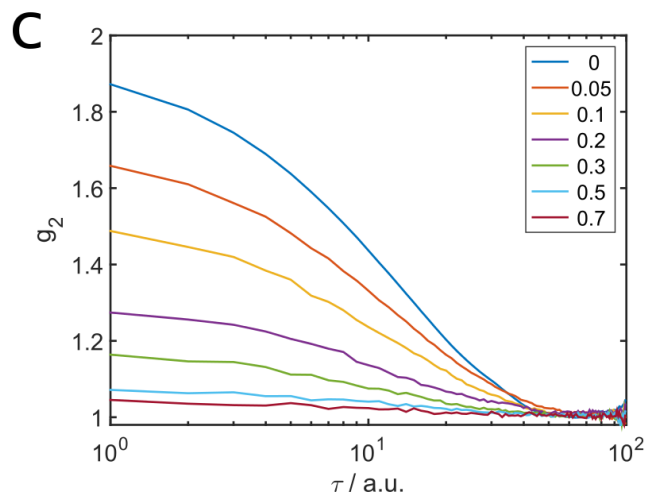
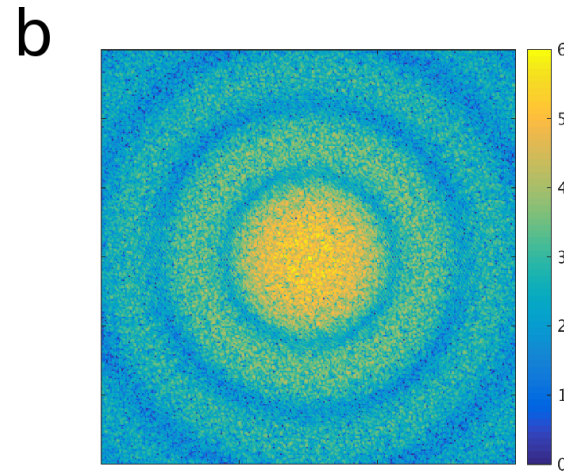
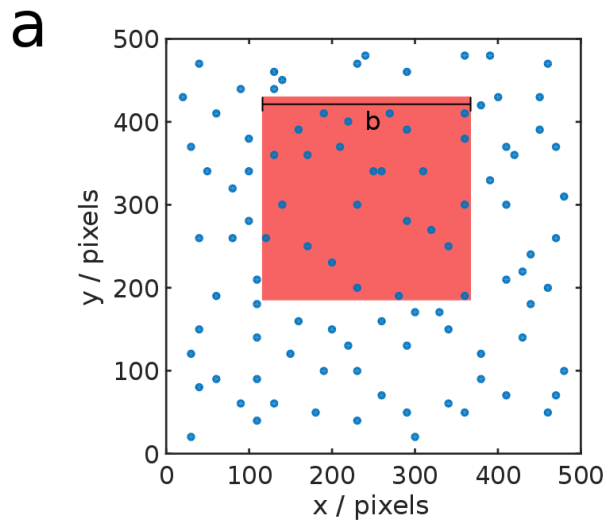
$$\beta^{\text{dyn}} = \text{sqrt}(g_2(t)) = 0.28\text{-}0.36$$

$$\beta_{\text{corr}}^{\text{dyn}} = 0.40$$

$$\beta^{\text{dyn}} / \beta \approx 2$$



# Simulations: shot-to-shot movements ?



contrast as a  
function of

mean  
displacements  $\langle r \rangle$   
in units of the  
beamsize  $b$



# Questions I:

**How is a superconducting machine doing in terms of shot-to-shot contrast ?**

**NOTE: Single shot contrast looks good.**

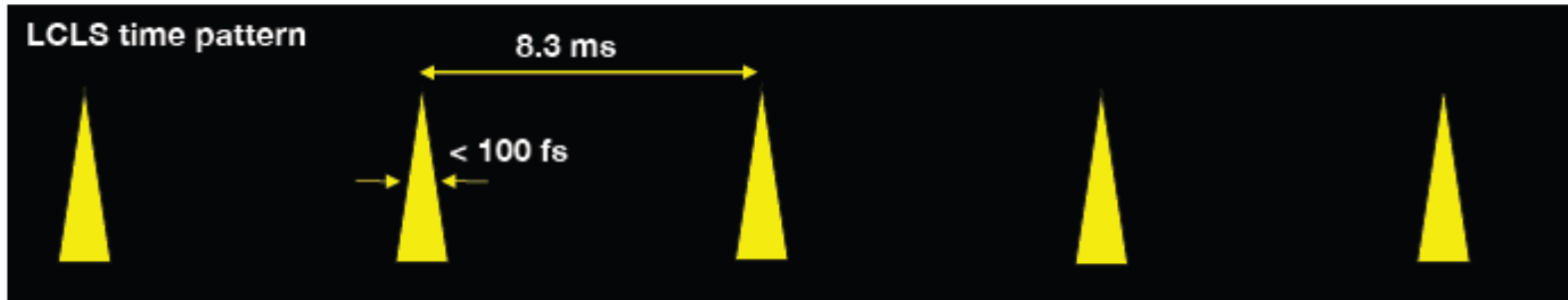
**Is movie-mode feasible?**

**Detectors for movie mode?**

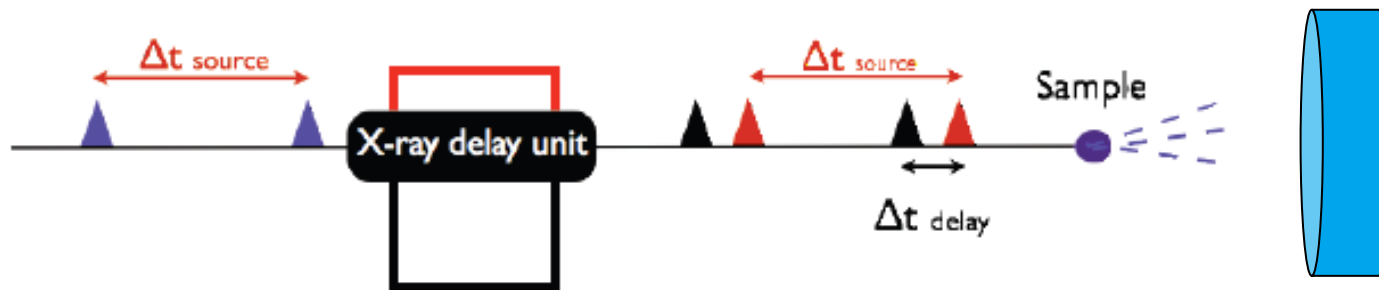


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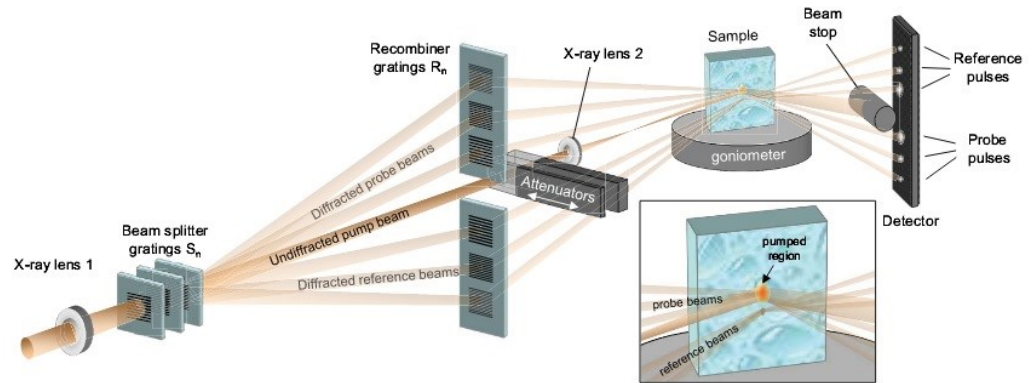
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# Split-and Delay concepts

- Wavefront splitting (used in soft x-ray regime)
- Diffraction gratings ( $\Delta t < \text{ps}$ )



David et al., Sci. Rep. 5, 7644;  
DOI:10.1038/srep0764(2015)

- Amplitude splitting ( $0 < \Delta t < 3 \text{ ns}$ )

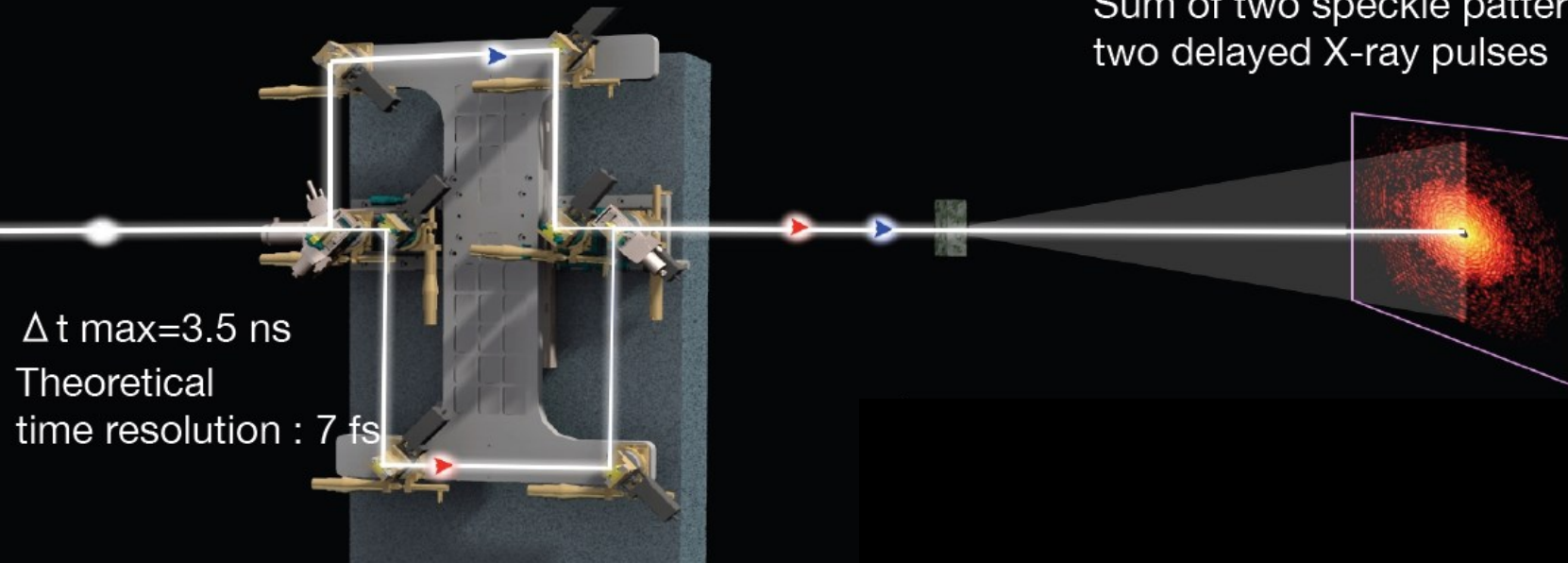
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# Split-and-delay XPCS

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 $E = 8.4 \text{ keV}$   
 $E = 12.4 \text{ keV}$

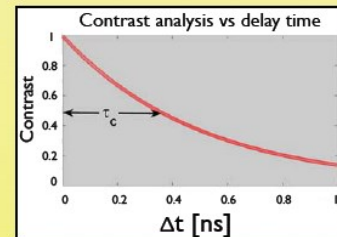
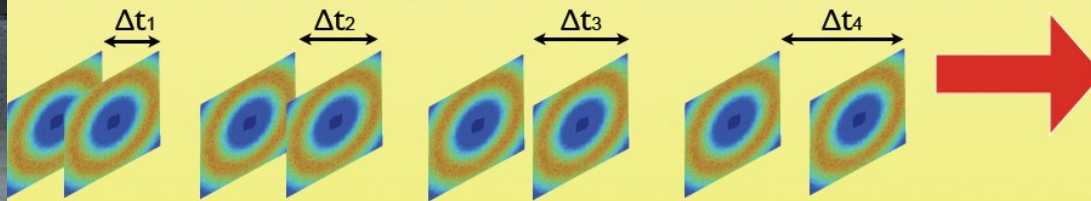
Eight Silicon perfect crystals  
arranged in  $90^\circ$  geometry

Sum of two speckle patterns from the  
two delayed X-ray pulses



Beam splitting is  
accomplished  
using  
20  $\mu\text{m}$  thin Si  
crystals

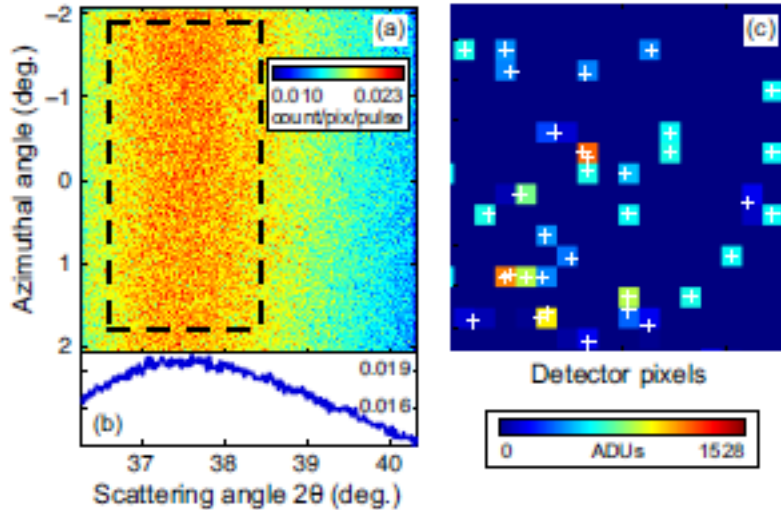
Measurement of the **contrast** encoded in the sum of two scattering pattern as a function of the time  $\Delta t$



XFEL: Technical Design Report, DESY (2006)



# Contrast Analysis in the low intensity limit



## Liquid Gallium

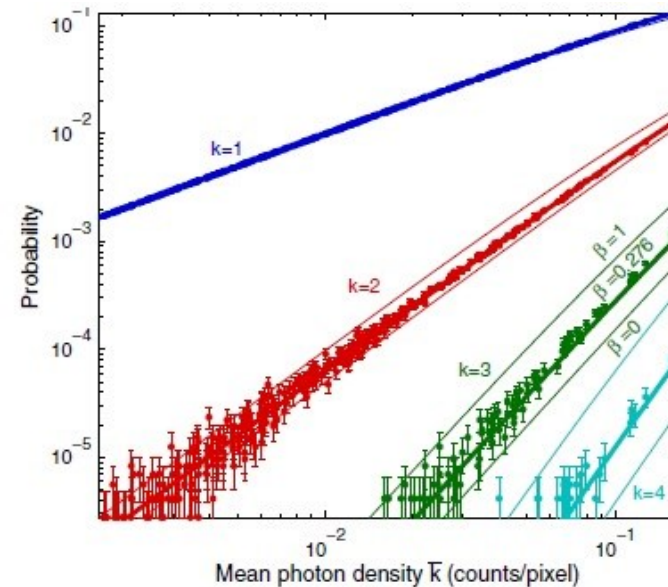
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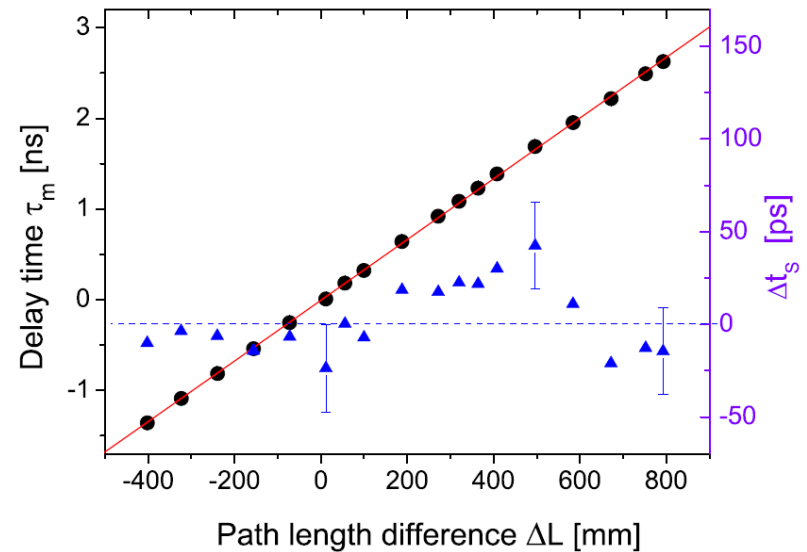
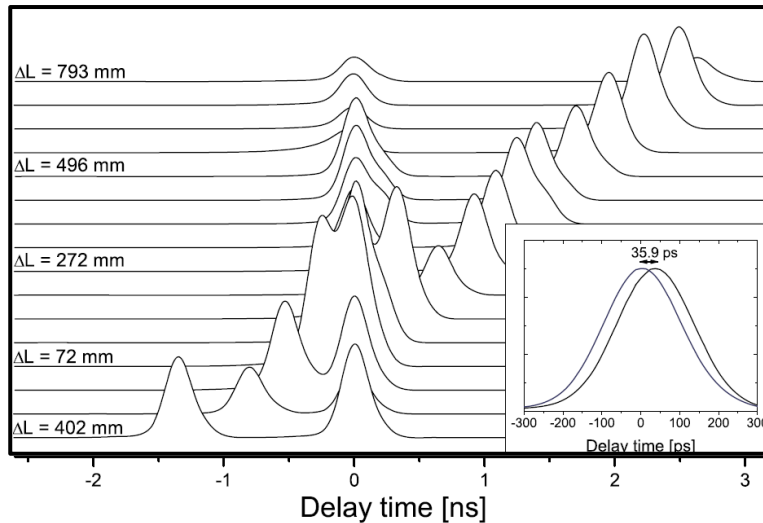
$$P(k) = \frac{\Gamma(k+M)}{\Gamma(M)\Gamma(k+1)} (1+M/\langle k \rangle)^{-k} (1+\langle k \rangle/M)^{-M}$$

$k$  number of photons per pixel  
 $\langle k \rangle$  mean photon density/pixel  
 $M$  number of modes  
 $\beta = 1/M$  contrast



# Delay time measurements (ESRF)

## Measure delayed pulses vs storage ring bunch clock



Roseker et al. Optics Letters, 34/12, 1768 (2009);  
J. Synchr. Rad. 18, 481 (2011)

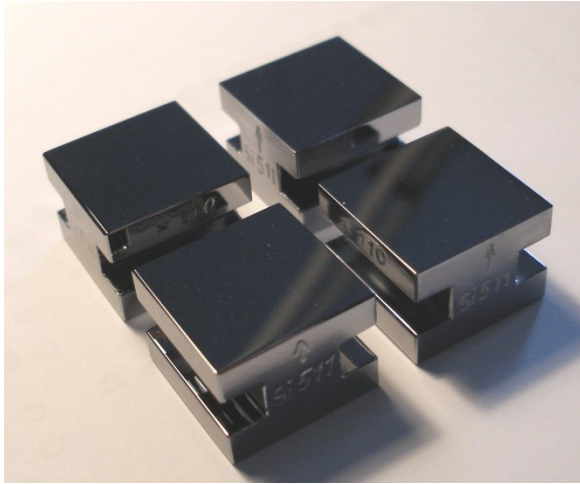
$$\Delta t_{\max} = 2.62 \text{ ns}$$

$$\Delta t_{\text{res}} = 16.7 \text{ ps}$$



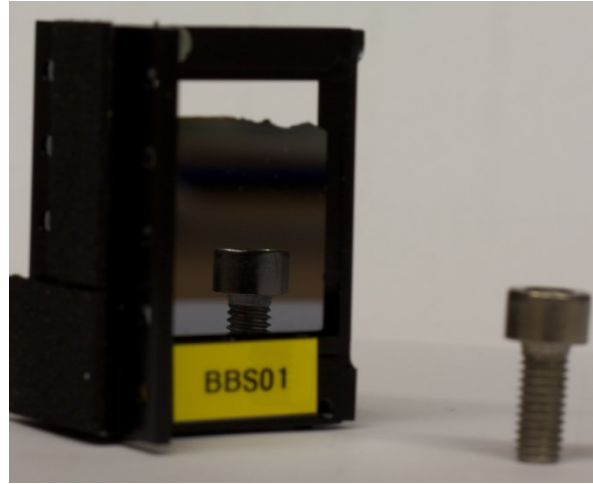
# Crystal optics

Bragg optics employed in the delay line



**Thickness: 5mm**

Beam splitter developed at HASYLAB



**Wedge shape: 20-200  $\mu\text{m}$**

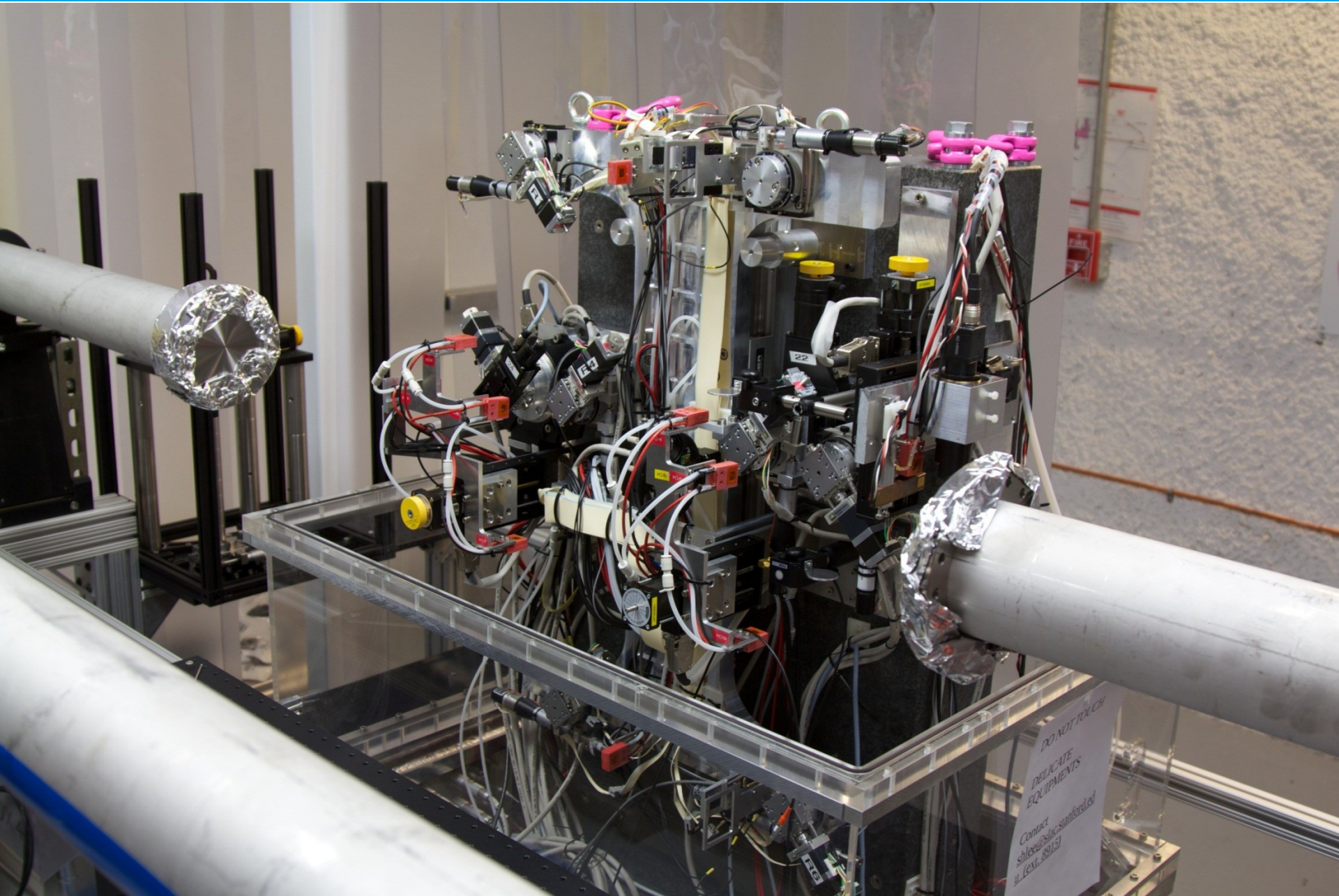
Beam splitter developed at SPring-8



**10-15  $\mu\text{m}$  membrane**

**Courtesy: Makina YABASHI**

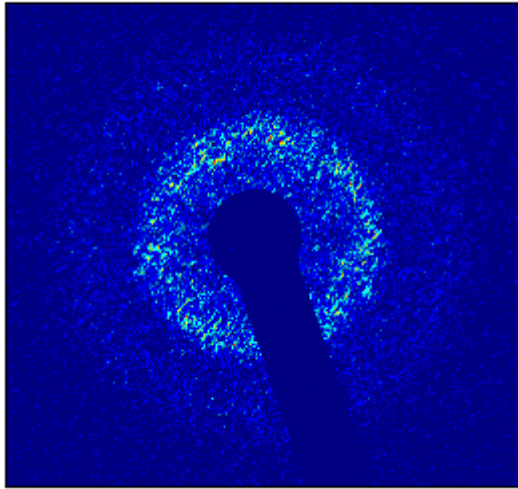
# Delay Line at XCS - LCLS



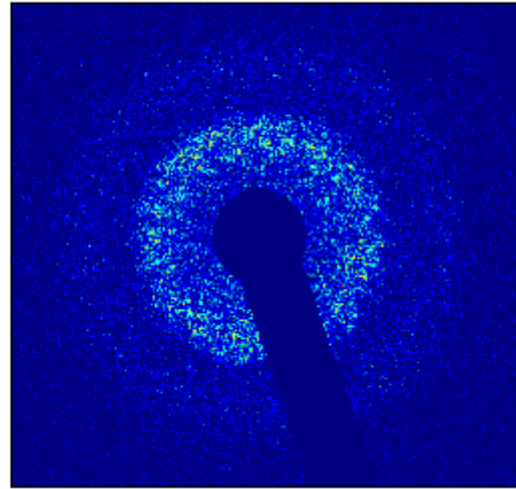


# (Single shot) speckle images and contrast

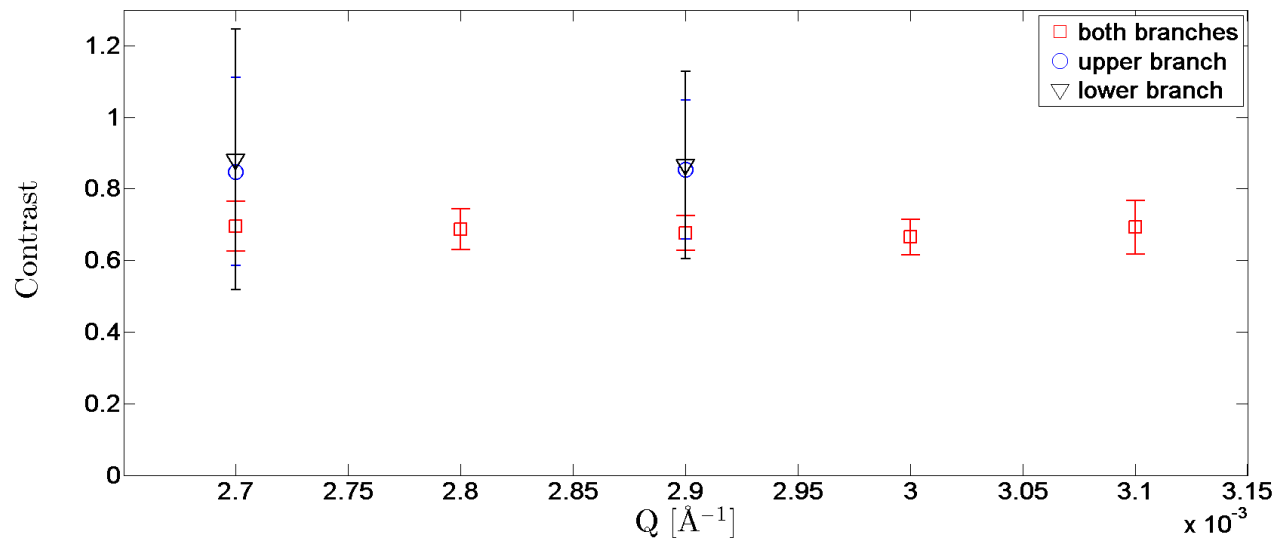
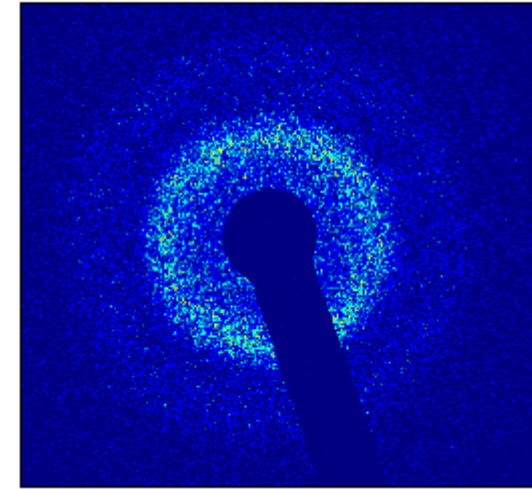
Upper branch



Lower branch



Both branches

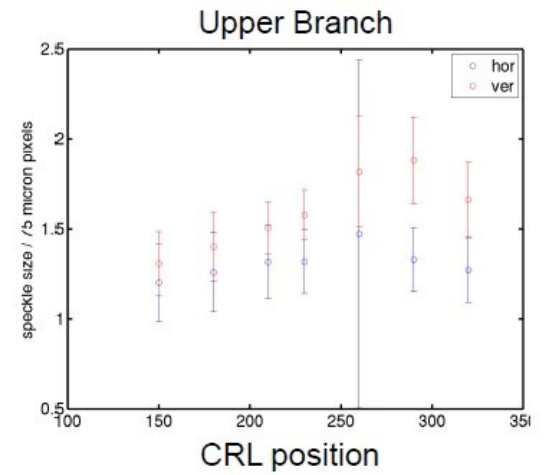
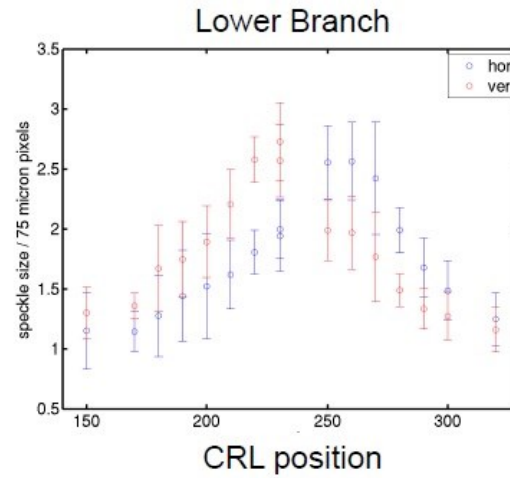
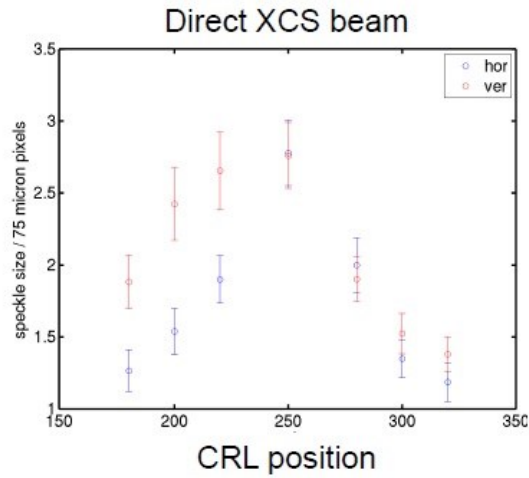


**Dried PMMA colloids**



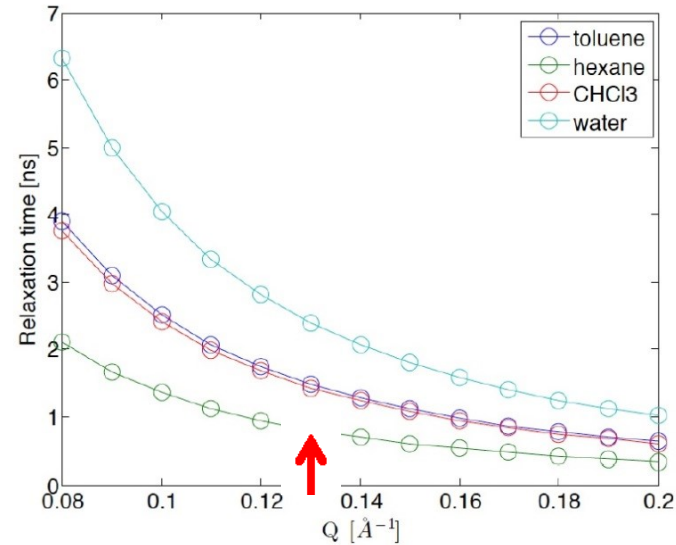
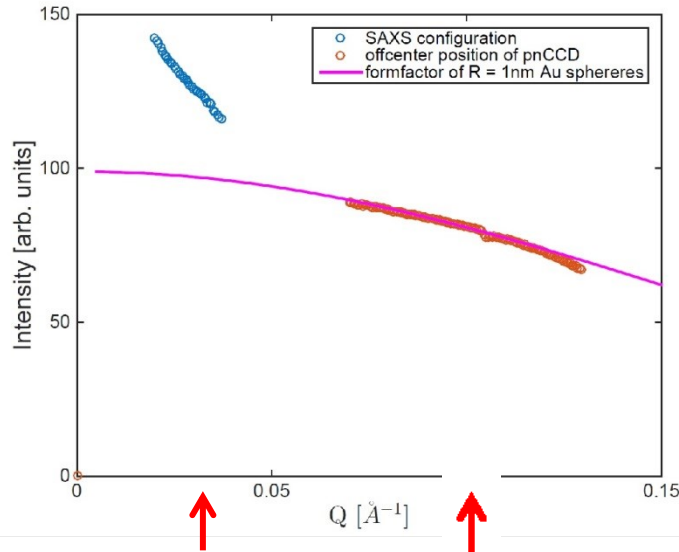
# Focussing

Be aware of astigmatism !!



# A prototype experiment (XCS/LCLS)

Colloidal gold particles ( $R=1\text{nm}$ ) in hexane  
Set delay line to  $\Delta t = 1.3\text{ ns}$

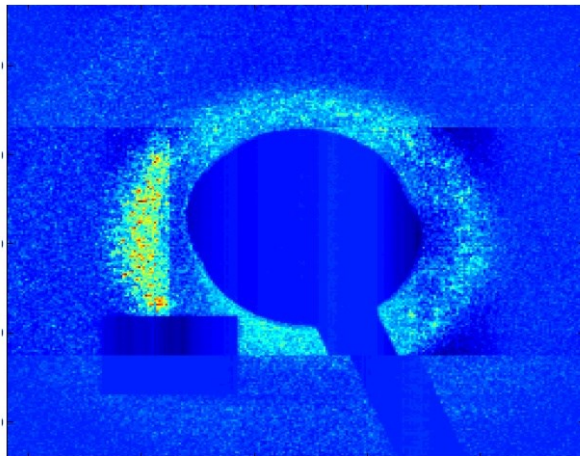


Take data at  $0.035\text{ \AA}^{-1}$  (static) and  $0.13\text{ \AA}^{-1}$  (dynamic)

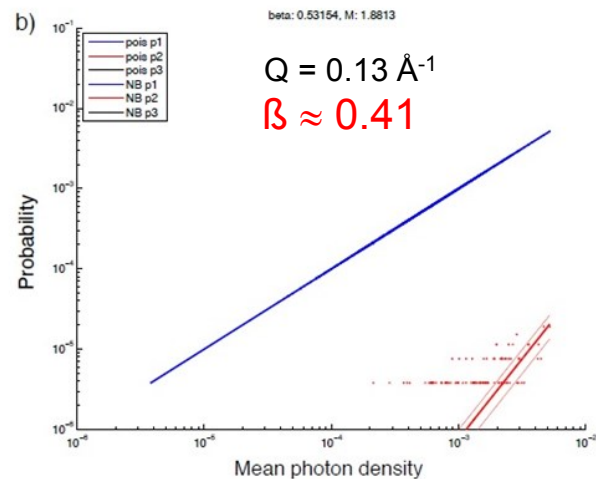
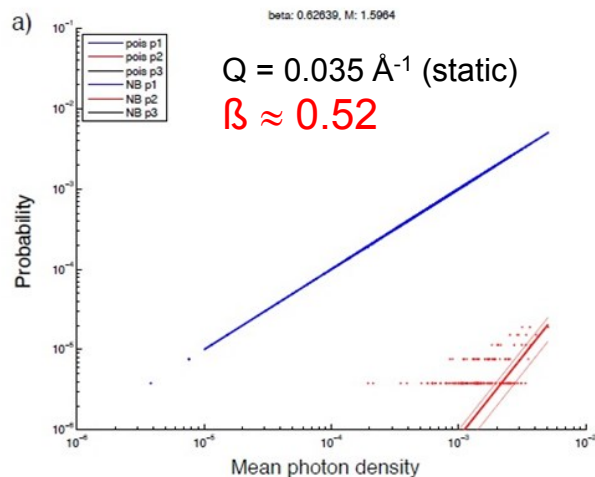
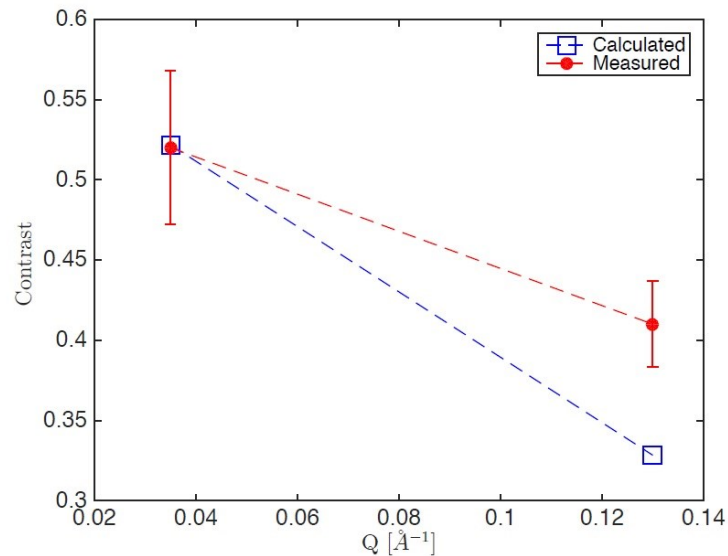
Take  $21 \times 10^4$  frames and  $27 \times 10^4$  frames  
About 10% of the frames show 1:1 splitting ratio

Expect 0.05 ph/pulse/speckle (@ $5 \times 10^7$  ph/pulse)  
Get 0.003 ph/pulse/speckle

# A prototype analysis: the first 2 points ( $\Delta t=1.3$ ns)



Use droplet algorithm on 1:1 split frames  
pnCCD (1024x2024); 4.3 m, 75 micron pixel



# Split-and Delay:

The concept “works”

**Split- and delay device is a pre-requisite for fast XPCS at E-XFEL**

overcome limitations of 1<sup>st</sup> generation device (variable energy)  
need optics effort (thin X-tals)  
commissioning time  
implementation in control system  
delicate analysis of week data sets

**Need performing beamline optics and diagnostics**

non bw related losses are unacceptable  
reliable focussing scheme  
avoid pointing instabilities

**Need performing pulse-picking schemes**

combine with beam multiplexing

**Need XPCS detector**

the specs have been discussed before !

**Need performing DAC system with rapid user access**



# Plan for “day 1” experiments:

## Coherence characterization

single shot contrast ( $\Delta E/E$ ), flux, focus, positional stability, bunch length...

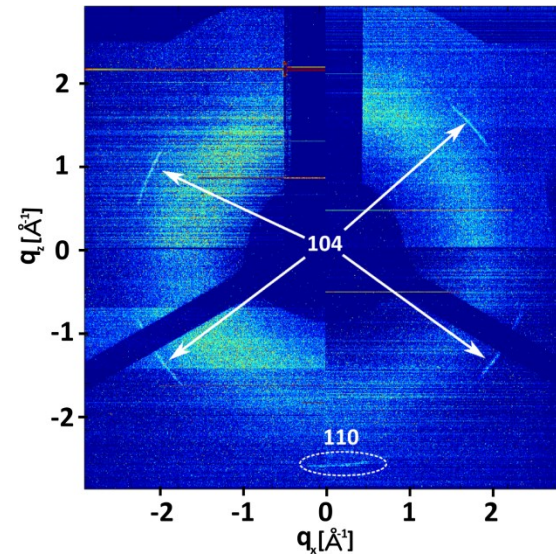
## Movie mode experiment

## Prototype (x-ray pump) - (x-ray probe)

will design small local setup for “day 1”

## Early single shot jet experiment

can provide jet for “day 1+”



Hematite spindles  
in water droplets  
(sum of 2000  
single frames)

# The end

