

Using coherent X-rays to probe dynamical properties of materials at ESRF-EBS



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Measurements of speckles correlations in complex systems ...

X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS): temporal correlations \rightarrow **Dynamics**



... and imaging of biological systems

Coherent X-ray Diffraction Imaging (CXDI): 2D & 3D reconstructions



X-ray Cross Correlation Analysis (XCCA): spatial correlations → Structure







XPCS allows to measure slow relaxation processes in complex systems





XPCS uses the partial **coherent properties** of X-rays in 3rd generation synchrotrons



F. van der Veen & F. Pfeiffer, J. Phys. Cond. Mat. 1998





Coherent Radiation



The intensity fluctuations are related to the constructive and destructive interference between the two waves

http://micro.magnet.fsu.edu/primer/java/interference/doubleslit/



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Information on the dynamics can be obtained by measuring a series of speckles patterns and quantifying **temporal correlations of intensity fluctuations** at a given wave-vector q

$$time$$

$$\int g_2(Q,t) = \frac{\langle I(Q,0)I(Q,t) \rangle}{\langle I(Q) \rangle^2} = 1 + A(Q) |F(Q,t)|^2$$

$$A Madsen A Fluerasu and B Ruta Springer 2015 @Lyon 1 @CCS$$



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Scientific activity with XPCS at ID10

XPCS: (saxs, waxs, gi-xpcs)

- Supercooled liquids and glasses
- Soft materials (gels, colloids, ...)
- Fluctuations at ordering phase transitions
- Driven dynamics by external fields T, E, B
- Interface dynamics in soft matter systems
- Atomic diffusion in alloys

Energy range: 7,8,10 & 21 keV

Time resolution [2D det.]: \approx ms - 10⁴ s

Probed length scales: 8.10⁻⁴ - 3 Å⁻¹







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Relaxation processes in colloidal suspensions





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The slow down of the dynamics toward an arrested state corresponds to a continuous shift of the decay time toward longer time scales and the emerging of different relaxation processes.





Multi-scales and techniques approach: **Dynamic Light Scattering** \rightarrow early aging regime $\tau_1 \& \tau_2$ (Q [6.2 x 10⁻⁴ - 2.1 x 10⁻³] Å⁻¹) **Neutron Spin Echo** \rightarrow early & full aging regime τ_1 (Q [1.3 x 10⁻² - 1.3 x 10⁻¹] Å⁻¹) **X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy** \rightarrow full aging regime τ_2 (Q [3.1 x 10⁻³ - 2.2 x 10⁻¹] Å⁻¹) **Molecular Dynamics** \rightarrow early & full aging regime $\tau_1 \& \tau_2$ (around the structure factor peak)







Colloidal suspensions of Laponite in D₂O



Cw=3.0 % in D₂O at different waiting time and for Q [6.2 x 10^{-4} -2.1 x 10^{-3}] Å⁻¹

$$g^{(2)}(Q,\tau) - 1 = a \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_1}\right) + (1-a) \exp\left(-\left(\frac{t}{\tau_2}\right)^{\beta}\right)$$

Diffusive dynamics of both the microscopic and the structural relaxation time



F. A. Melo Marques/B. Ruta et al. Soft Matter, 2015



Colloidal suspensions of Laponite in D₂O

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Full-aging regime XPCS





Cw=3.0 % in D₂O at different waiting time and for Q [3.1 x 10⁻³-2.2 x 10⁻¹] Å⁻¹ (glass transition at $t_w \approx 600$ min)

Kohlrausch-Williams-Watts (KWW) $g^{(2)}(\vec{Q},t) - 1 = b \left| \exp \left(-\left(\frac{t}{\tau_2}\right) \right) \right|$

Discontinuous hopping $\tau_2 \approx Q^{-1}$ of caged particles

Agreement with MD simulations



F. A. Melo Marques/B. Ruta et al. Soft Matter, 2015



Nanoscopic dynamics in biominerals





Ca1-xMgxCO3·nH2O (x=0 - ACC, x=1 - AMC)



Study of the effect of different additives on the control of the crystallization kinetics

Mg-doped ACC reveal aging phenomena concomitant to dehydration of the structure

A. Koishi/B. Ruta/A. Fernandez Martinez (in preparation)





Nanoscopic dynamics of amorphous calcium carbonate (ACC)

Ca1-xMgxCO3·nH2O (x=0 - ACC, x=1 - AMC)



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The Extremely Brilliant Source upgrade









Main parameters for XPCS







EBS will break new ground for XPCS

- Up to 10.000 times faster time scales
- Up to 100 times larger signal to noise ratio
- Extension into hard x-rays beyond 10 keV





XPCS at ESRF - EBS



Adapted from O. Shpyrko J. Synch, Rad. 2014



Dynamics in biological & soft systems

Fast dynamics + High Energy (≈100ns-1s)



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Ex. Lipid bilayers in presence of nanoparticles (with different philicity): incorporation of hydrophobic nanoparticles, membrane deformations

[Nano Lett. 2010 10 3733]





- **Dynamical & spatial heterogeneity** are ubiquitous in nature
 - Supercooled liquids and glasses
 - Domain fluctuations and avalanches in high-Tc superconductors and magnetic systems
 - Polymers and biomaterials

ESRF - EBS:

- 1. Dynamics from (sub-)µs to s
- 2. Length scales: from single particles to particle clusters
- 3. Structure-dynamics correlations by combined XPCS and XCCA





Dynamical (left) and spatial (right) heterogeneity in simulations of 2D glass transitions

Courtesy of F. Lehmkühler, Desy, Hamburg, Germany



- Most soft materials are **water-based** (particles dispersed in water):
 - (bio-)macromolecules, polymers, gels, colloids, membranes, ...
- Typically nanometer dimensions \rightarrow (sub-)microseconds time scales

Unaccessible by state-of-the-art XPCS – two approaches to overcome limitations



Courtesy of F. Lehmkühler, Desy, Hamburg, Germany



Multi-step, non-classical nucleation pathways involving amorphous precursors occurs in a wide variety of biological and engineered systems: phosphates, carbonates, sulphates, iron oxides...



XPCS at EBS can provide unique information on the '**frequency of structural re-organization**', which is directly involved in the kinetic pre-factor of the kinetic barrier to nucleation.

Courtesy of A. Fernandez Martinez, IST - Terre, Grenoble





Dynamics at Extreme Conditions



P. Gallo et al. Chem. Rev. 2016 Mischima et al. Nature 1985

Dynamical evolutions during polyamorphic transitions

Hierarchical densifications in metallic glasses



Q. Luo et al. Nat. Commun. 2015 H. W. Sheng et al. Nat. Materials 2007



Nucleation in magmas



Crystallization in magmas strongly affects viscosity, and thus magma flow.

Determining the microscopic mechanism of crystallization can lead to an *a priori* assessment of the volcanic risk. Volcanos are among the most productive

glassmakers on Earth.

Magmas are mainly silicate melts.



Courtesy of M. Zanatta, Padova University, Italy



Nucleation in magmas









It's time to think...

- protein dynamics in living cells
- dynamics under confinement
- dynamics of polymers,
- macromolecules, membranes, foams, ...
- dynamics at buried interfaces
- polyamorphism (LL/GG phase transitions)
- dynamics at extreme conditions



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XPCS at ESRF- EBS will have the world leading position

with unique outstanding properties for many years!!!













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ESRF Upgrade – XPCS at diffraction limited storage rings

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Program of the CDR1- Beamline for coherence applications EBS Science Workshop - ESRF, 8th December 2016

Presentation of the CDR1 part I

09:00 h	Introduction	B. Ruta, ESRF/ILM – Lyon, France
09:20 h	Technical design of the new beamline	F. Zontone, ESRF
10:00 h	Experimental end-station and detectors	Y. Chushkin, ESRF

10:30 h Coffee break

Presentation of the CDR1 part II

11:00 h	Alternative scenarios	Y. Chushkin, ESRF
11:20 h	Comparison between the different projects	B. Ruta, ESRF/ILM – Lyon, France
11:40 h	Open discussion	

12:30 h Lunch

Future scientific possibilities

14:00 h	Soft matter in motion - challenges and opportunities for XPCS at the ESRF-EBS	
	C. Gutt, University of Siegen, Germany - PI of the EOI	
14:30 h	Future scientific possibilities with XCCA at EBS	
	F. Lehmkühler, DESY, Hamburg, Gemany	
14:45 h	Dynamics of soft matter at interfaces	
	L. Cristofolini, Parma University, Italy	
15:10 h	Dynamics of complex fluids- investigating concentrated protein solutions	
	P. Holmqvist, Lund University, Sweden	
15:35 h	Nanoscale dynamics in high temperature superconductors	
	A. Ricci, DESY, Hamburg, Gemany	
16:00 h	Coffee break	
Future scientific possibilities and closing discussions		

16:30 h Structural fluctuations in hard condensed matter G. Beutier, Simap, Grenoble, France

- 16:55 h Toward imaging of mesoscopic architecture of cell DNA. Modelling and X-ray imaging experiments - J. Uličný, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice , Slovakia
- 17:20 h Open Discussion

December 2016

48 participants:

• 30 different institutes

 9 countries: Germany, France, Italy, England, Sweden, Slovakia, Russia, Japan, United States







Coherence: a key feature of the EBS upgrade



ESRF Orange Book

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Molecular dynamics simulations show intermittent dynamics at submicron scales in lipid membranes (time scale below 10 microseconds) depending on the «crowding» of the film

Protein Crowding in Lipid Bilayers Gives Rise to Non-Gaussian Anomalous Lateral Diffusion of Phospholipids and Proteins

Jae-Hyung Jeon, Matti Javanainen, Hector Martinez-Seara, Ralf Metzler, and Ilpo Vattulainen Phys. Rev. X **6**, 021006 – Published 12 April 2016

Top: protein poor membrane Bottom: protein rich membrane

In the crowded environment, faster dynamics (red) is observed.

(scales in nm)





