



Argonne  
NATIONAL  
LABORATORY

... for a brighter future



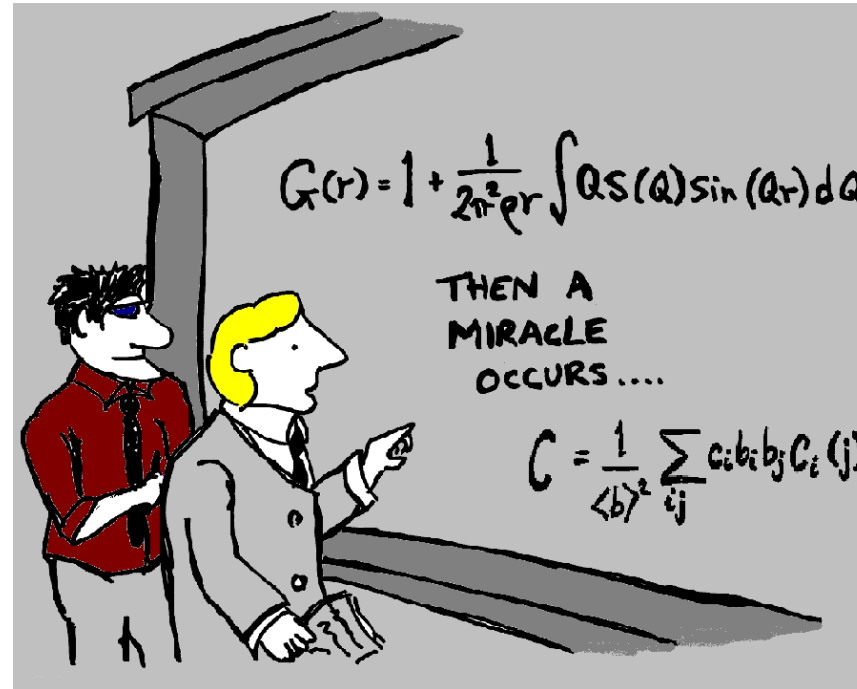
U.S. Department  
of Energy

UChicago ►  
Argonne<sub>LLC</sub>



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

A U.S. Department of Energy laboratory  
managed by UChicago Argonne, LLC



“I think you have to be a bit more explicit here in step two”

## Pair Distribution Function Analysis

Chris Benmore  
X-ray Science Division, Argonne National Lab.



# *Pioneers in the history of PDF*

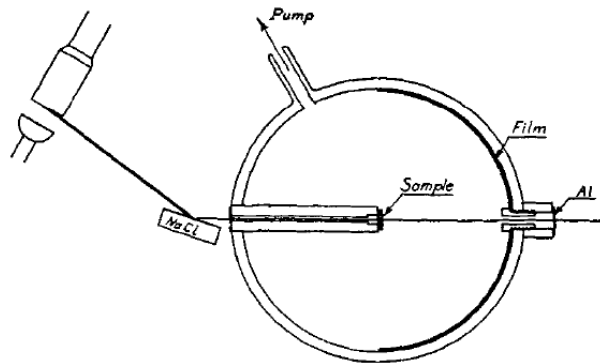


FIG. 1.—Vacuum camera with monochromator for making X-ray diffraction patterns of glass.



**Bertram Warren**



**John Enderby**

## ***X-ray determination of the Structure of Glass***

Warren BE. *J. Am. Ceram. Soc.* 17 (1934) 249.

## ***The partial structure factors of liquid Cu-Sn***

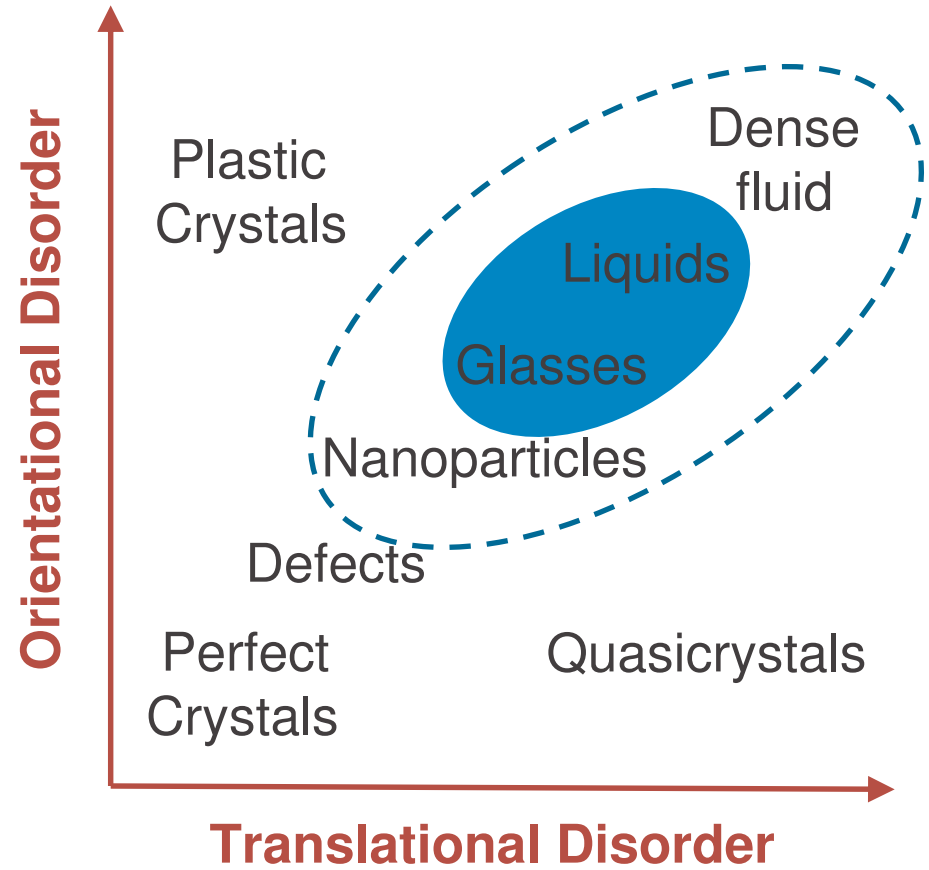
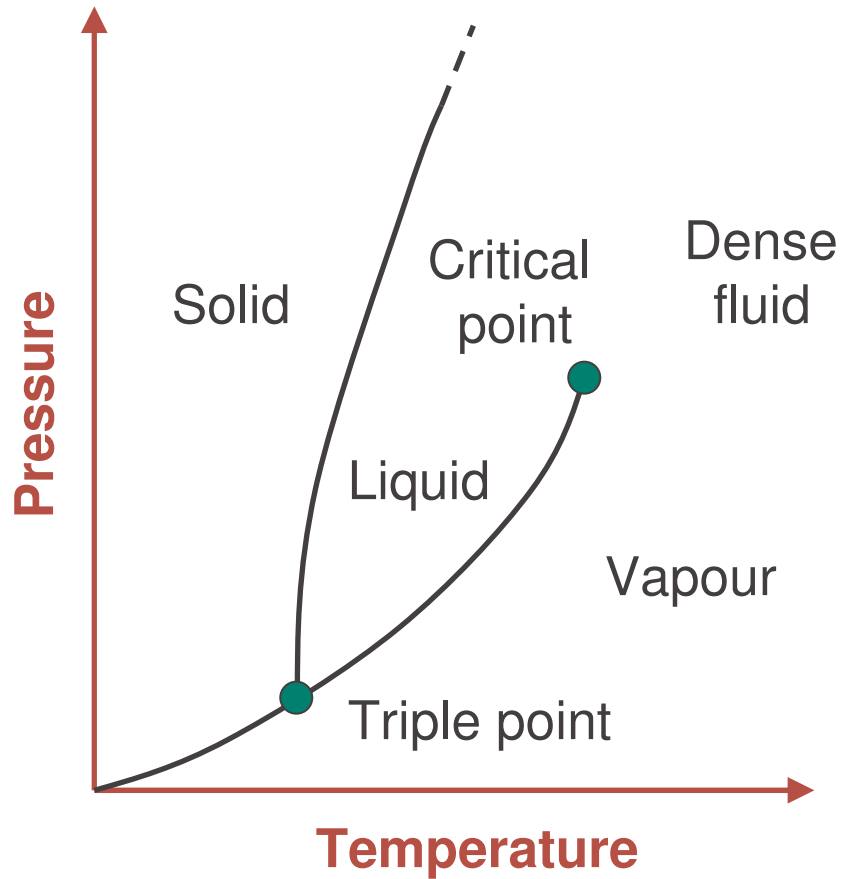
Enderby JE, North DM and Egelstaff PA.

*Phil. Mag.* 14 (1966) 961.



**Peter Egelstaff**

# Types of Disorder



# Order within Disorder



A formation of skydivers illustrates order on an intermediate length scale.

P.S. Salmon Nature Materials 1, 87–88 (2002)

“Each diver has a simple set of rules for bonding to the next, but there is sufficient flexibility for different patterns of ordering to be created on the scale of a few body lengths.”

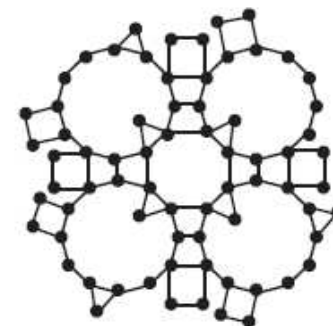
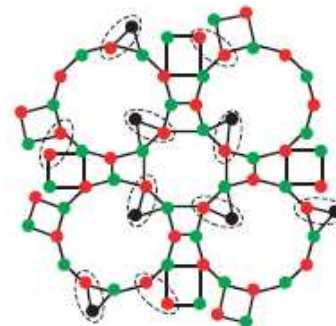
## Faber-Ziman formalism – element specific

Phil. Mag 11 (1965) 153.

$$S_{\text{Red-Red}}(Q)$$

$$S_{\text{Red-Green}}(Q)$$

$$S_{\text{Green-Green}}(Q)$$



## Bhatia-Thornton formalism

Phys. Rev. B 2 (1970) 3004.

$$S_{\text{Number-Number}}(Q) - \text{topology}$$

$$S_{\text{Concentration-Concentration}}(Q) - \text{chemical ordering}$$

$$S_{\text{Number-Concentration}}(Q)$$

# PDF in context with other common methods

## Experiment

### Neutrons/X-ray PDF

Good AVERAGE overview of structure  
Short range order (SRO)  
Medium range order (MRO)  
Neutron Diffraction Isotope Substitution

Crystallography

Long Range Order (LRO)

EXAFS, XANES

SRO, Element Specific, Small concs.

Anomalous x-ray

SRO, MRO. Element specific,  
Difficult to do accurately

Vibrational  
Spectroscopy

Inelastic N and X, Raman and Infrared.  
SRO, MRO. Need good structural model.

NMR

Isotope Specific. Speciation  $Q_n$

.....

## Simulation

### Inverse Methods:

Perfect fits to PDF data

Reverse Monte Carlo (RMC)  
Empirical Potential  
Structure Refinement  
(EPSR)

No predictive power  
Many constraints essential !

Classical  
Molecular Dynamics

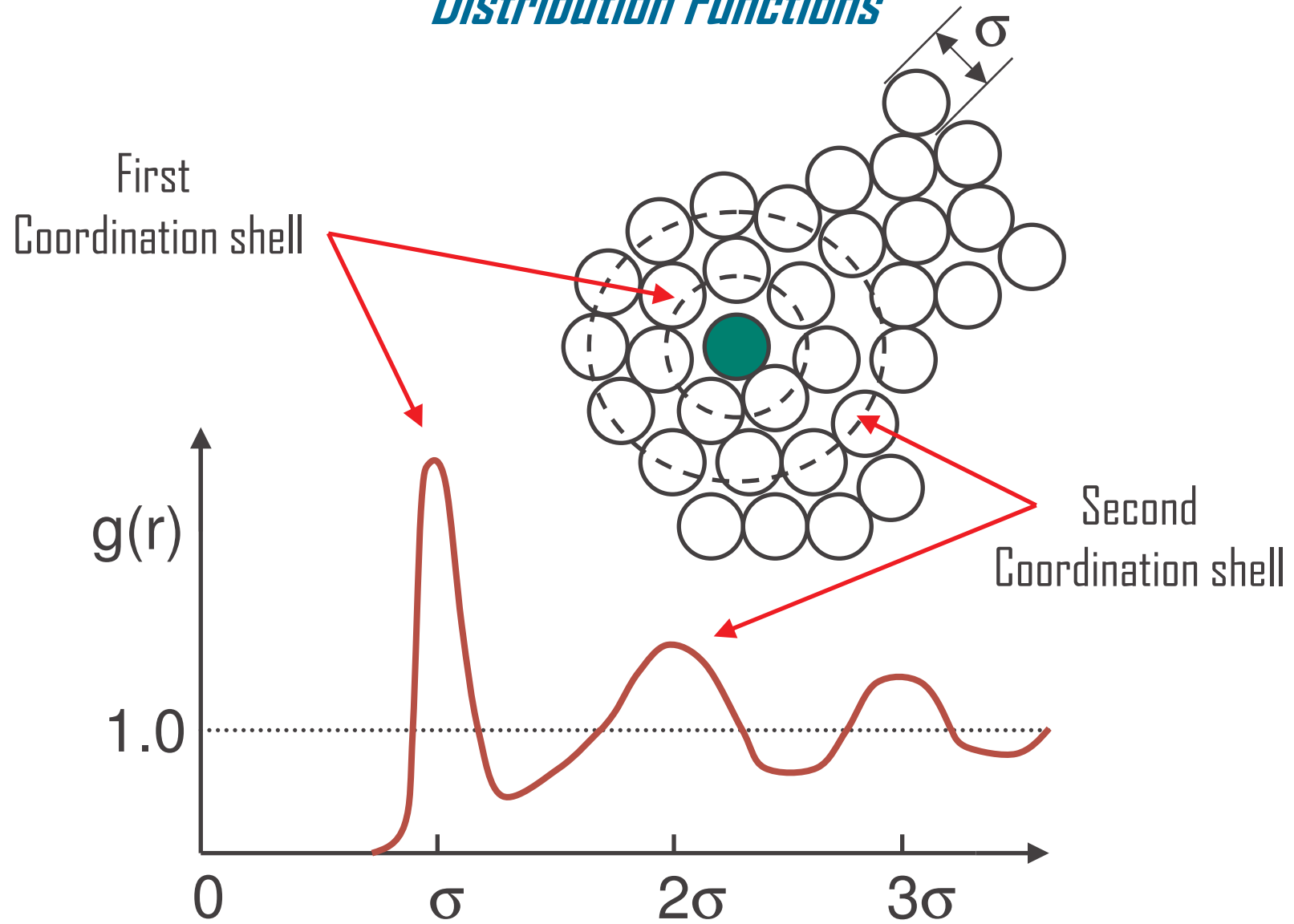
Essential physics, trends  
Fit to PDF sometimes poor

*Ab initio* simulations  
Density Functional  
Theory (DFT)

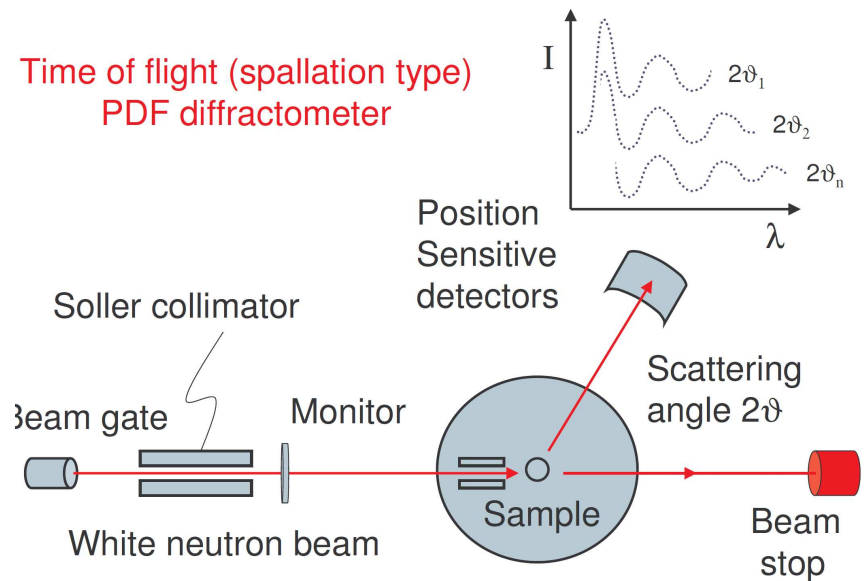
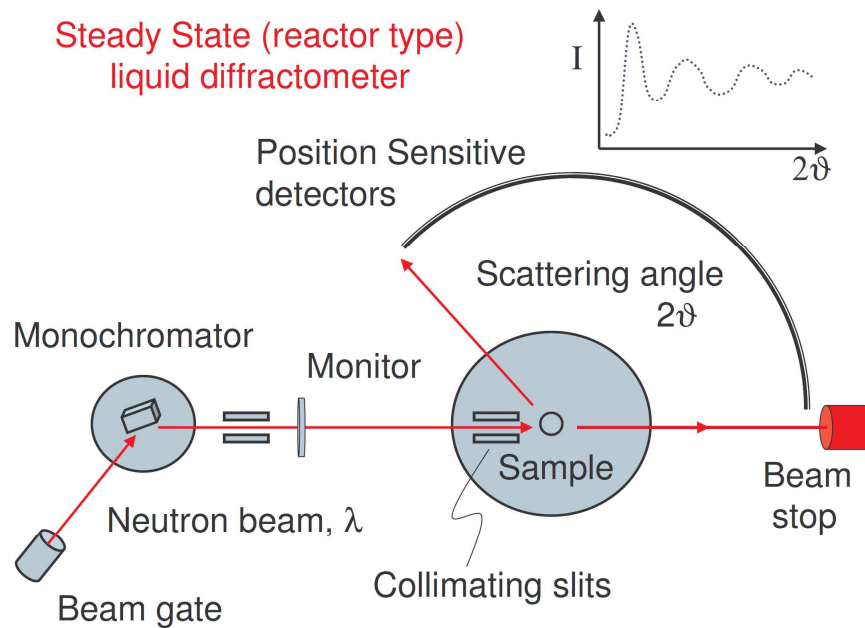
Accurate predictions  
Box size limit ?

.....

# Distribution Functions

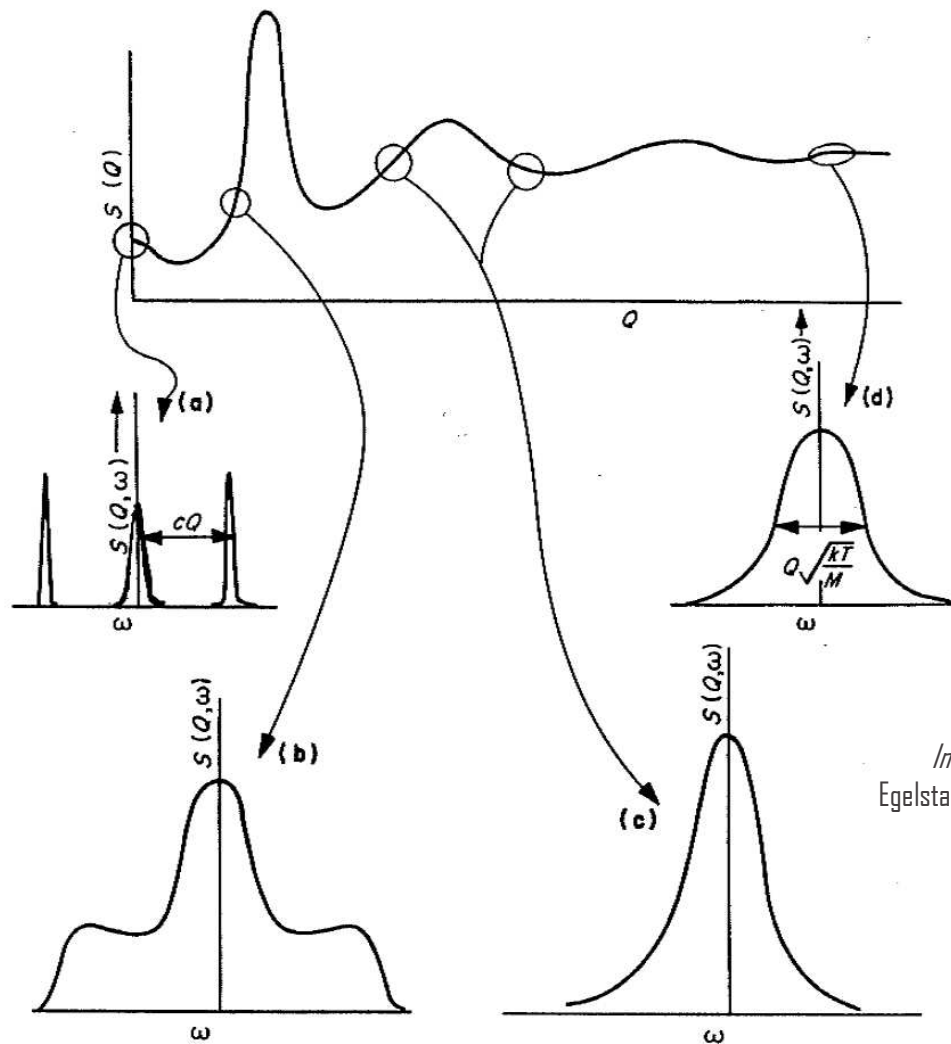


# Monochromatic PDF versus time-of-flight PDF



Chapter 12: Structure of glasses and melts in "Neutron Scattering in Earth Sciences".  
Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry, 63 (2006) 375-311.

# $S(Q, \omega)$ cuts along a liquid structure factor



*Introduction to the Liquid State.*  
Egelstaff PA. Oxford University Press, 1994.



# Neutron and X-ray differential cross sections

## Neutron

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{self}} + \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{Inelastic}} + \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{distinct}}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}^2 + P(\theta) + F_N(Q)$$

## X-ray

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{self}} + \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{Compton}} + \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{distinct}}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^2(Q) + C_X(Q) + I_X(Q)$$

# Neutron and X-ray Static Structure Factors

Neutron Nuclear function

$$S_N(Q) - 1 = \frac{F_N(Q)}{\left(\sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}\right)^2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c_{\alpha} b_{\alpha} c_{\beta} b_{\beta} (S_{\alpha\beta}(Q) - 1)$$

Coherent neutron scattering length

Distinct scattering

$$S_X(Q) - 1 = \frac{I_X(Q)}{\left(\sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(Q)\right)^2}$$

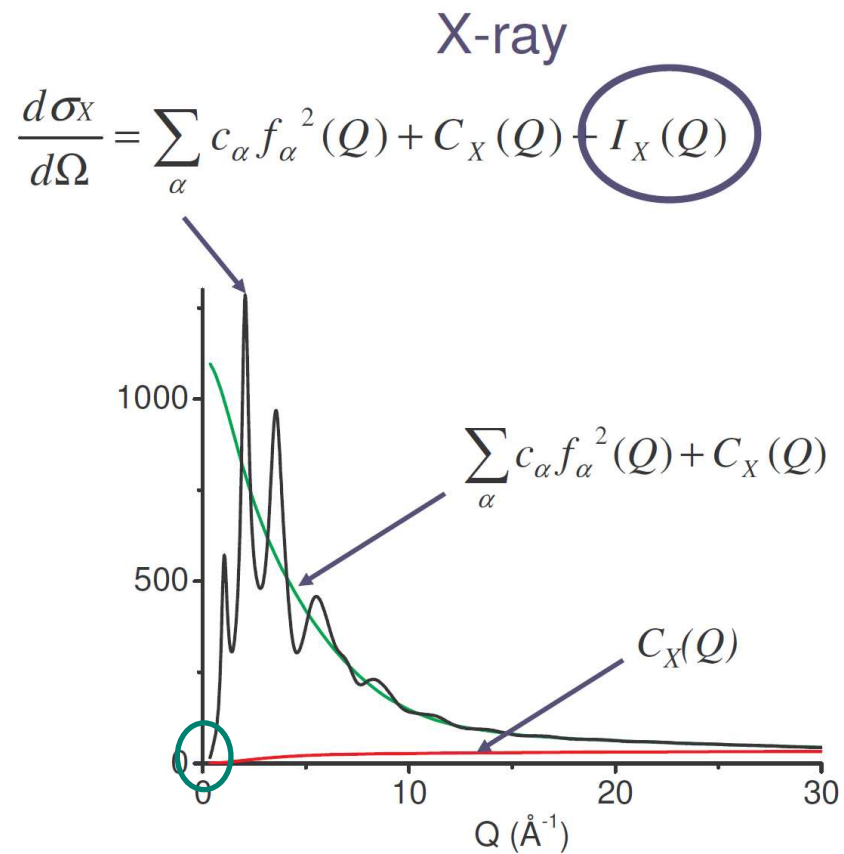
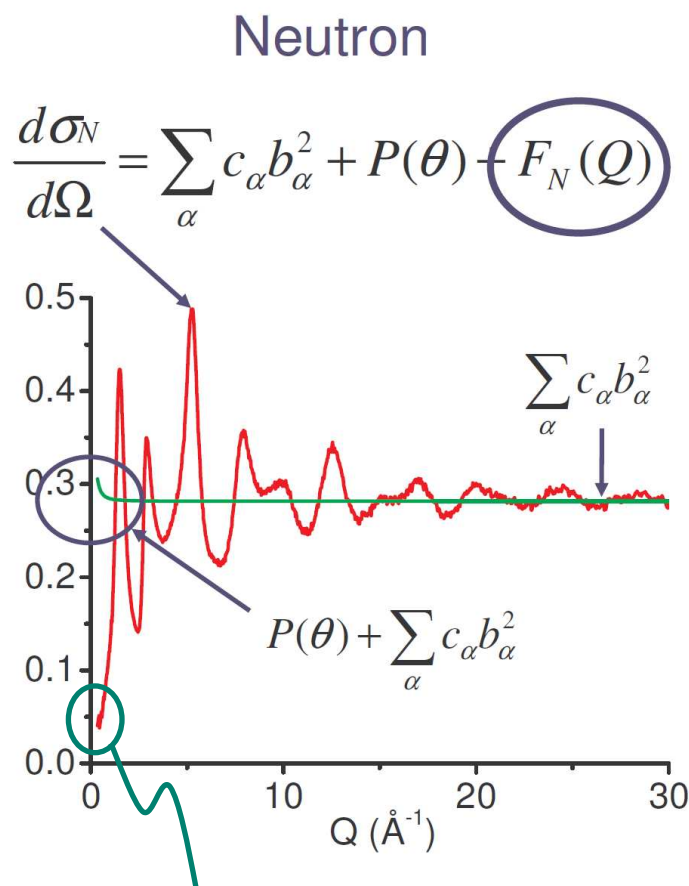
$$= \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(Q)\right)^2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(Q) c_{\beta} f_{\beta}(Q) (S_{\alpha\beta}(Q) - 1)$$

X-ray form factor

X-ray pseudo-nuclear function

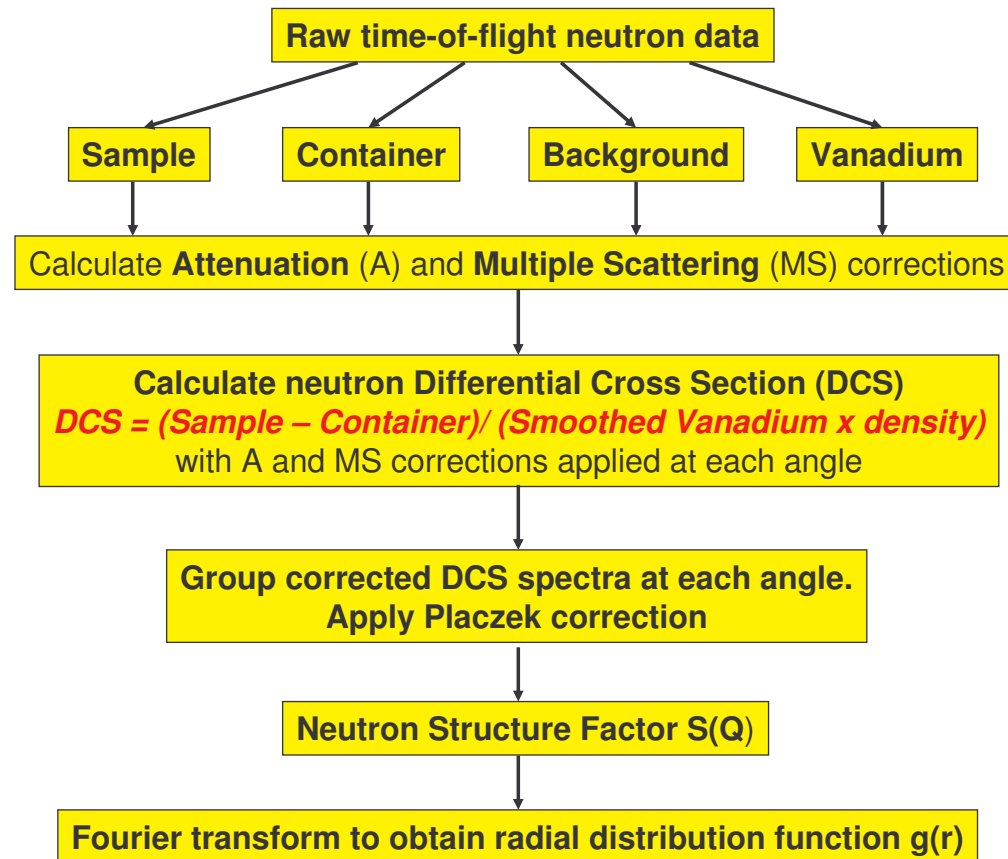
De-convolute electron cloud

# Neutron and X-ray differential cross sections

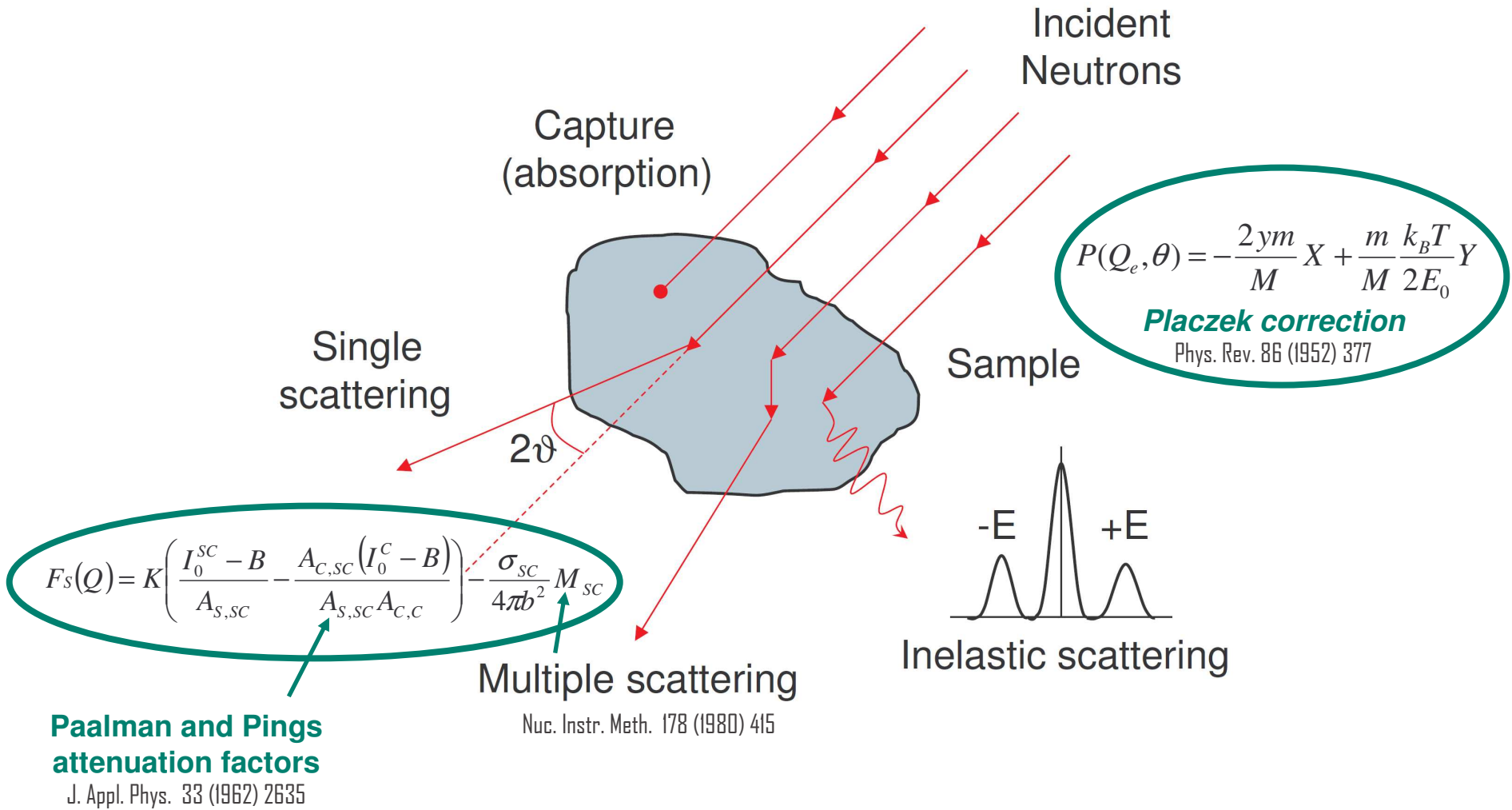


Related to isothermal compressibility for a liquid :  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(Q=0) = \rho K_B T \chi_T \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}^2$

## *Outline of time-of-flight neutron analysis procedure*

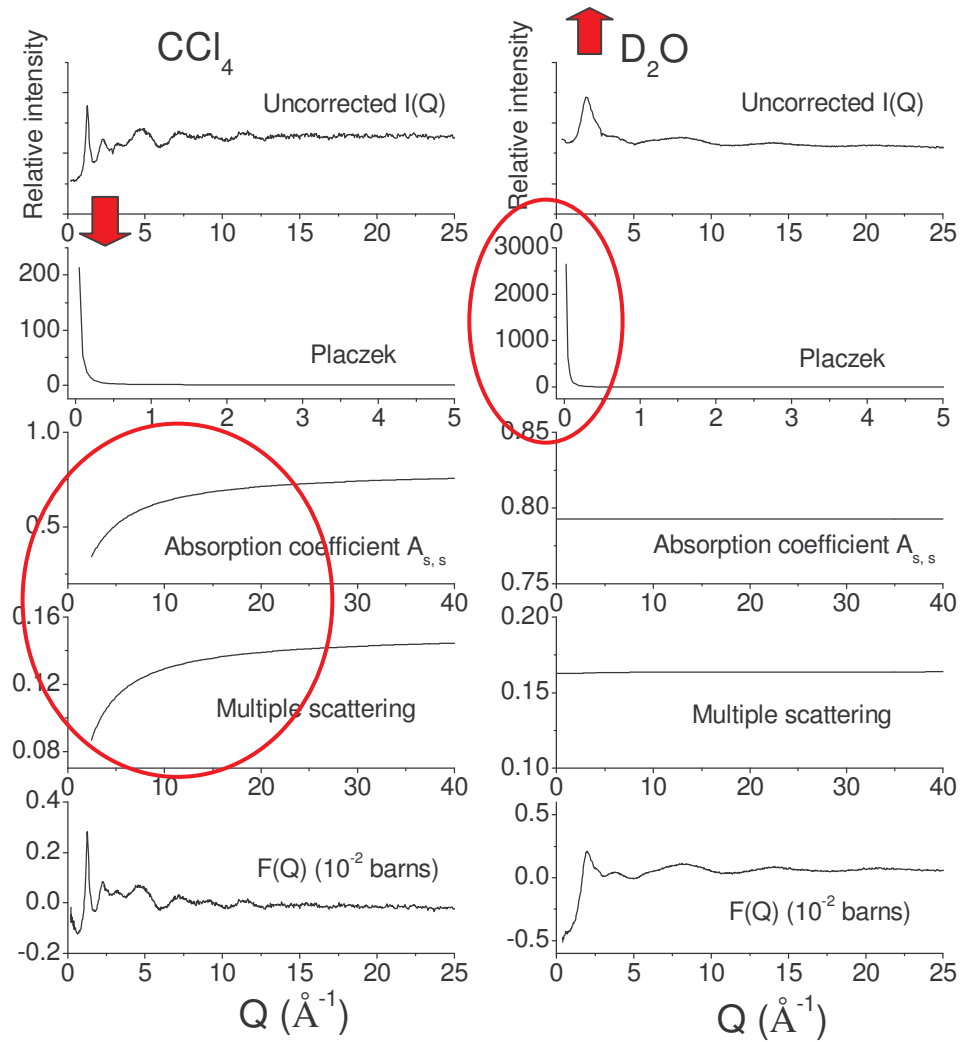


# Neutron diffraction corrections



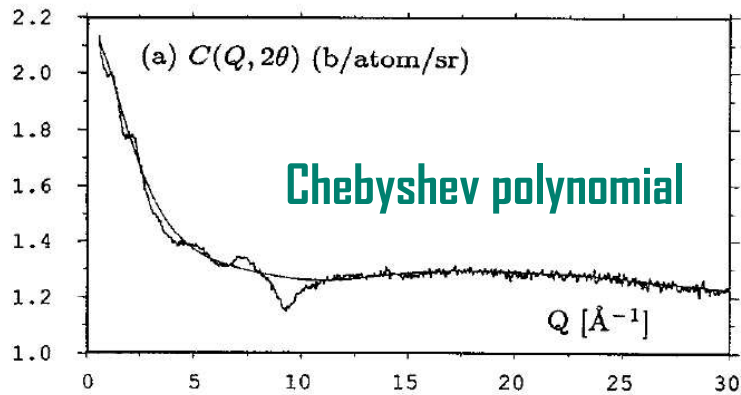
Ideal neutron PDF experiment designed so that attenuation and multiple scattering effects are ~10%

# How do the corrections effect the measured data ?

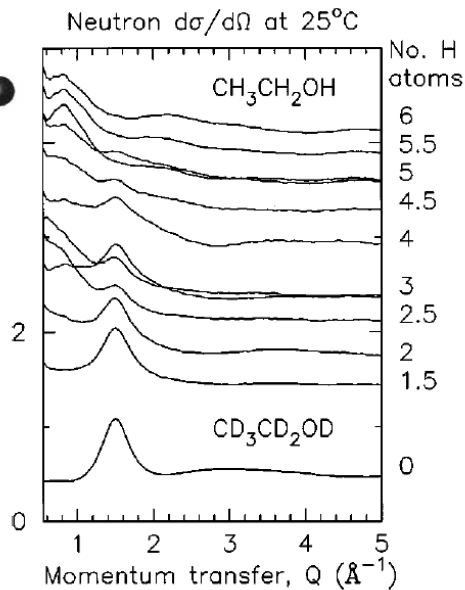
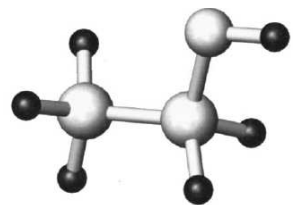
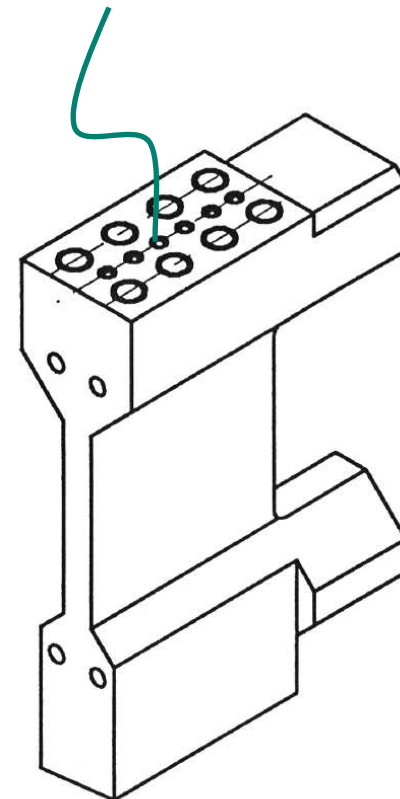


*Time-of-Flight Neutron Total Scattering  
Data Analysis implemented  
in the software suite ISAW.  
Nucl. Instrum. Methods. A  
562 (2006) 422-432.*

# Proton recoil and Vanadium normalization



Vanadium rods  
same geometry as sample



Hydrogen Placzek  
Correction

Check: cross-sections  
at all angles overlap

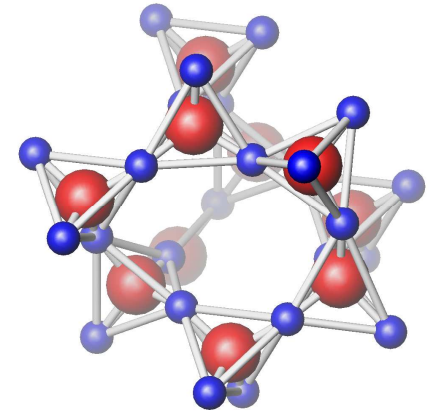
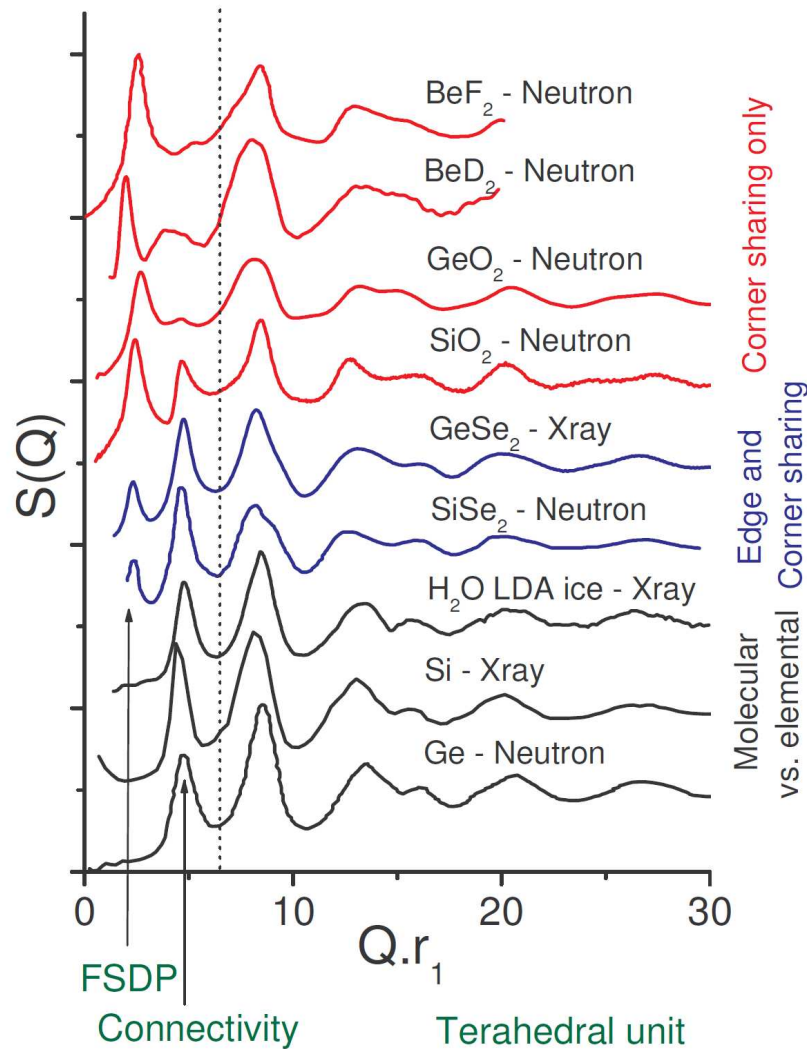
A.K. Soper  
J. Chem. Phys. 97 (1992) 1320.  
J. Chem. Phys. 106 (1997) 247.  
J. Chem. Phys. 112 (2000) 5877.

# Interpreting Structure Factors

**Tetrahedral glasses**  
 $r_1$  = first peak position in real space

**FSDP – First Sharp Diffraction Peak : Intermediate Range Order**

**SSDP – Second Sharp Diffraction Peak : Extended Range Order**

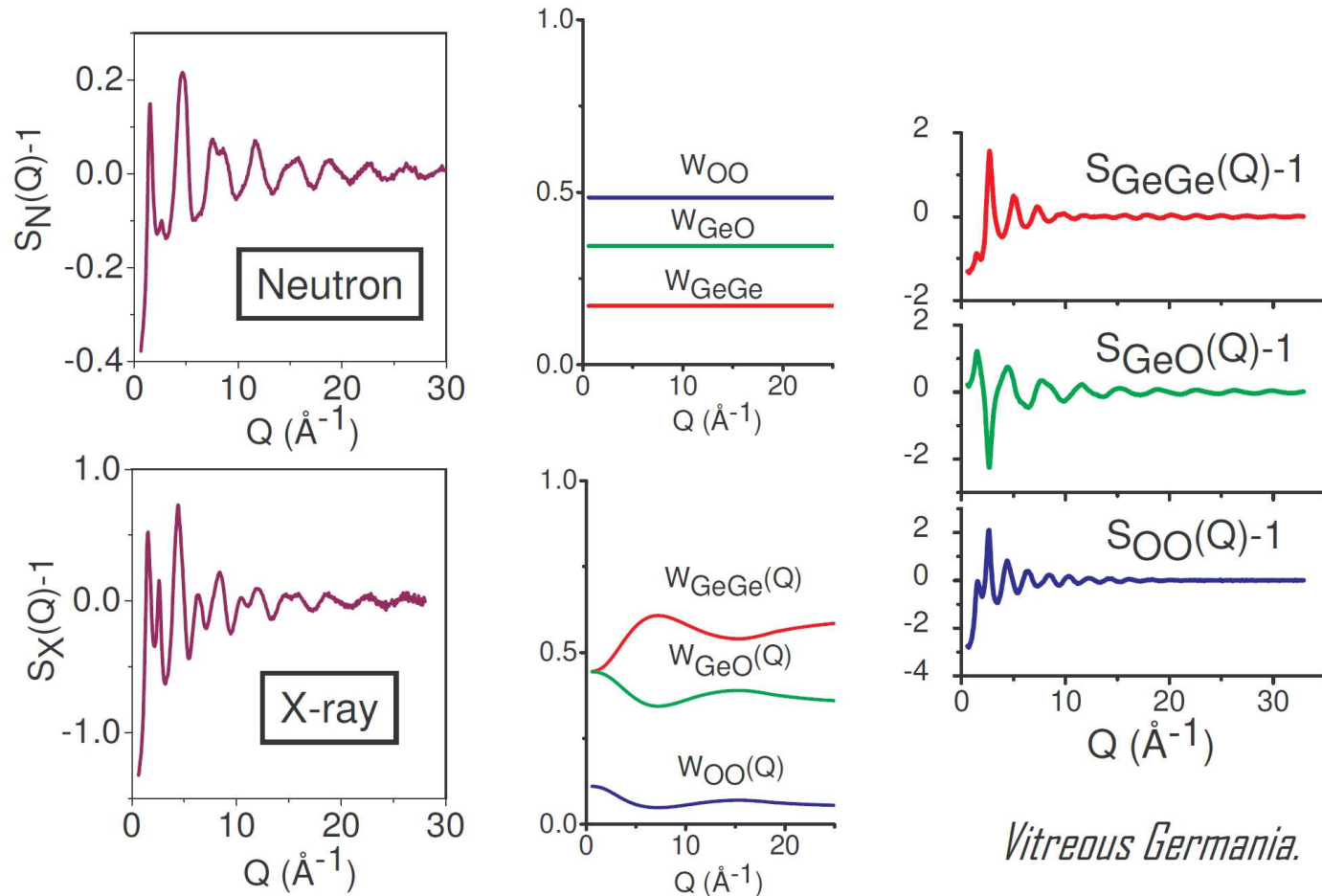


Phys. Rev. B. 72 (2005) 132201.



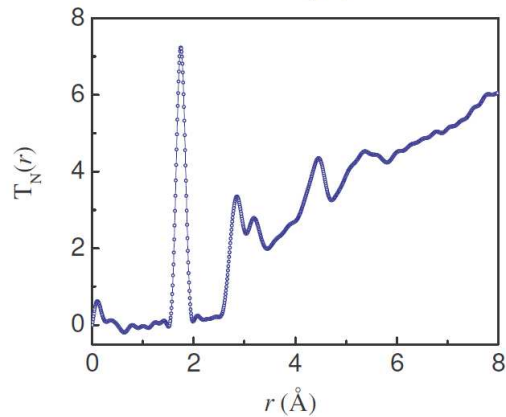
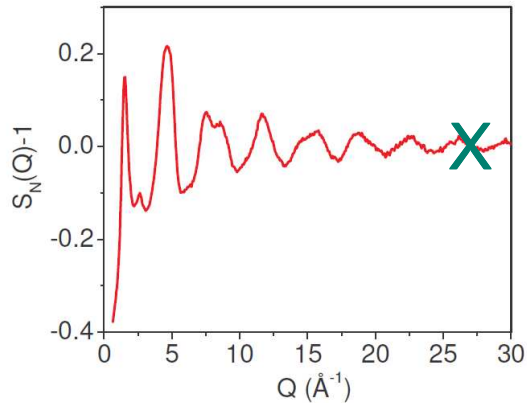
# Weighted Partial Structure Factors

$$\text{Total Structure Factor, } S(Q) = \text{Weighting factors, } W_{\alpha\beta}(Q) \times \text{Partial Structure Factors, } S_{\alpha\beta}(Q)$$



# The Miracle step

Neutron



$$g(r) = 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi^2 \rho r} \int Q i(Q) \sin(Qr) dQ$$

$$g(r) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow 0$$

$$g(r) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

Radial distribution function

$$T(r) = 4\pi r \rho g(r)$$

Total distribution function

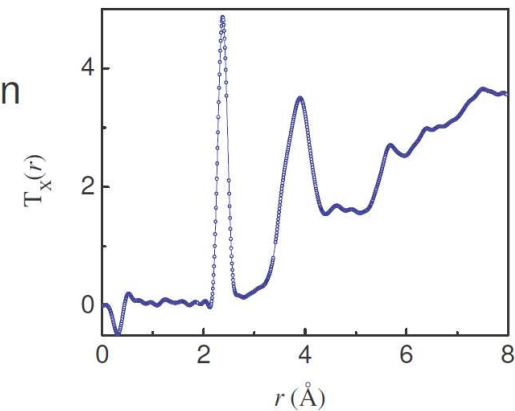
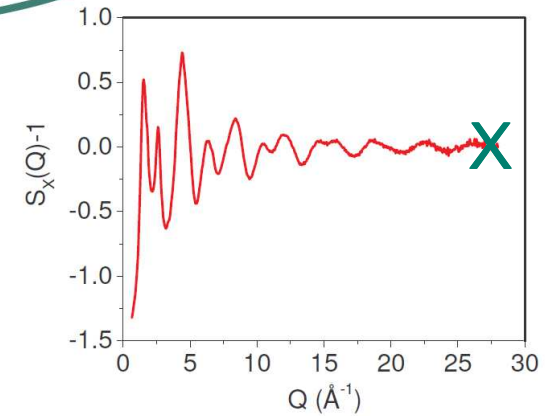
$$D(r) = 4\pi r \rho [g(r) - 1]$$

Differential distribution function

$$\text{Sin}\left(\frac{\pi Q}{Q_{\max}}\right) \left(\frac{\pi Q}{Q_{\max}}\right)^{-1}$$

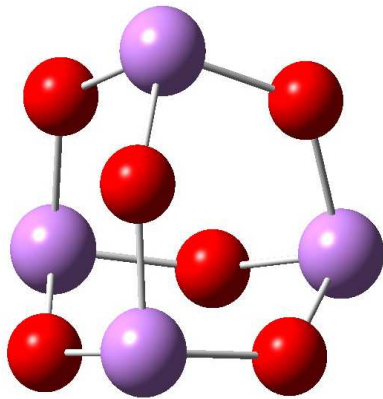
Lorch modification function

X-ray

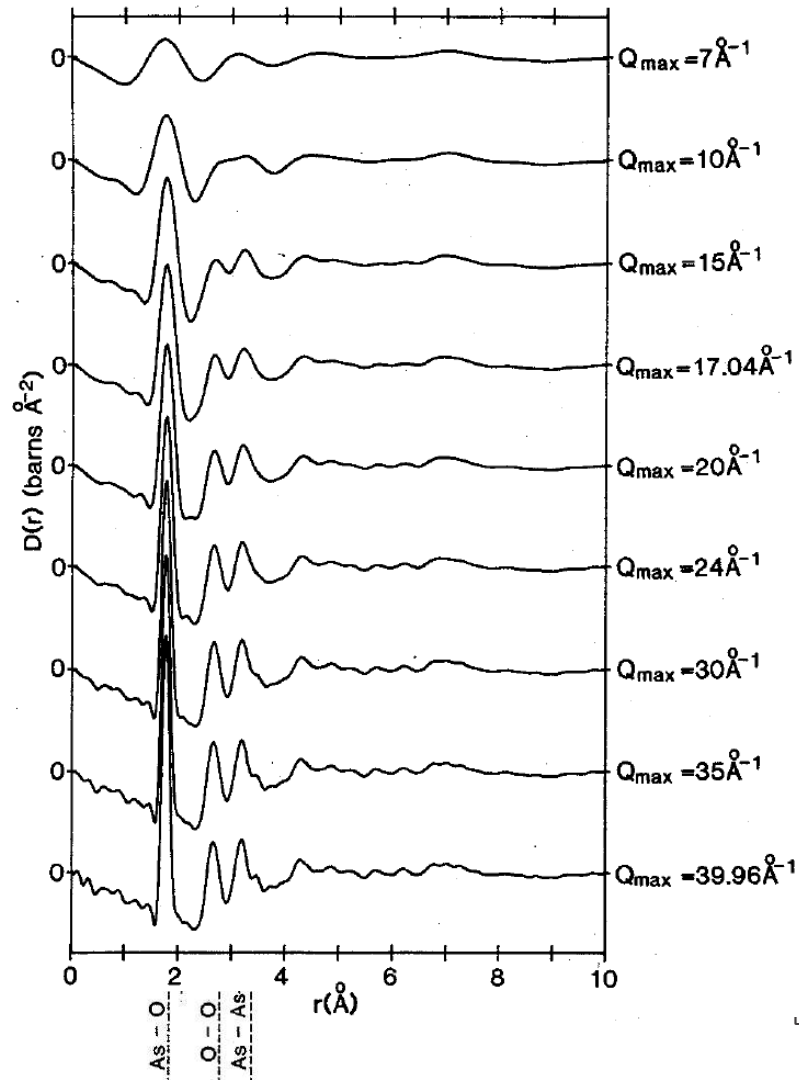


Truncate at a positive node to minimize Fourier artifacts

# A question of resolution - the effect of $Q_{\max}$

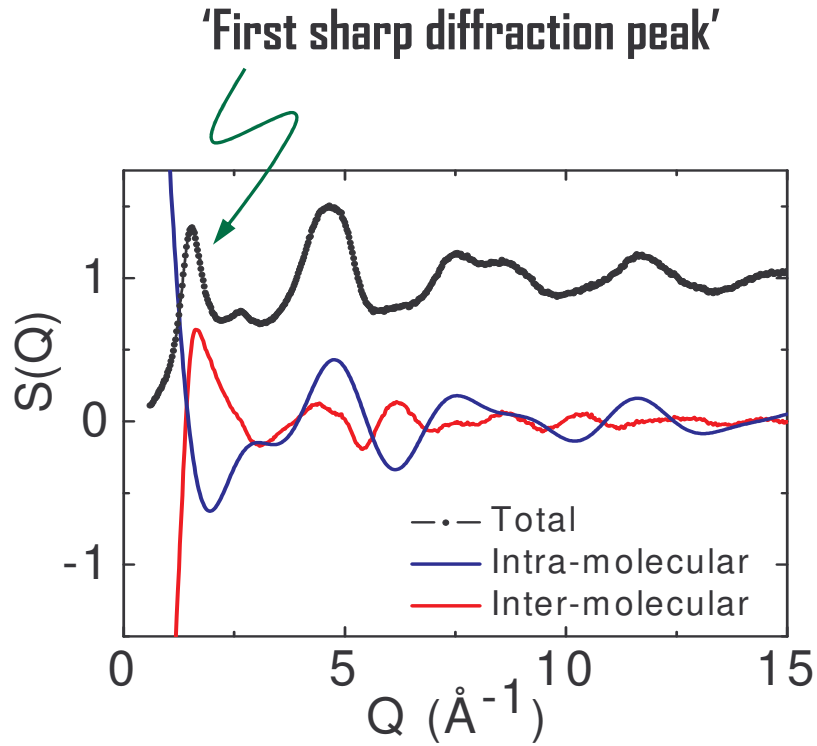


$\text{As}_4\text{O}_6$  molecule

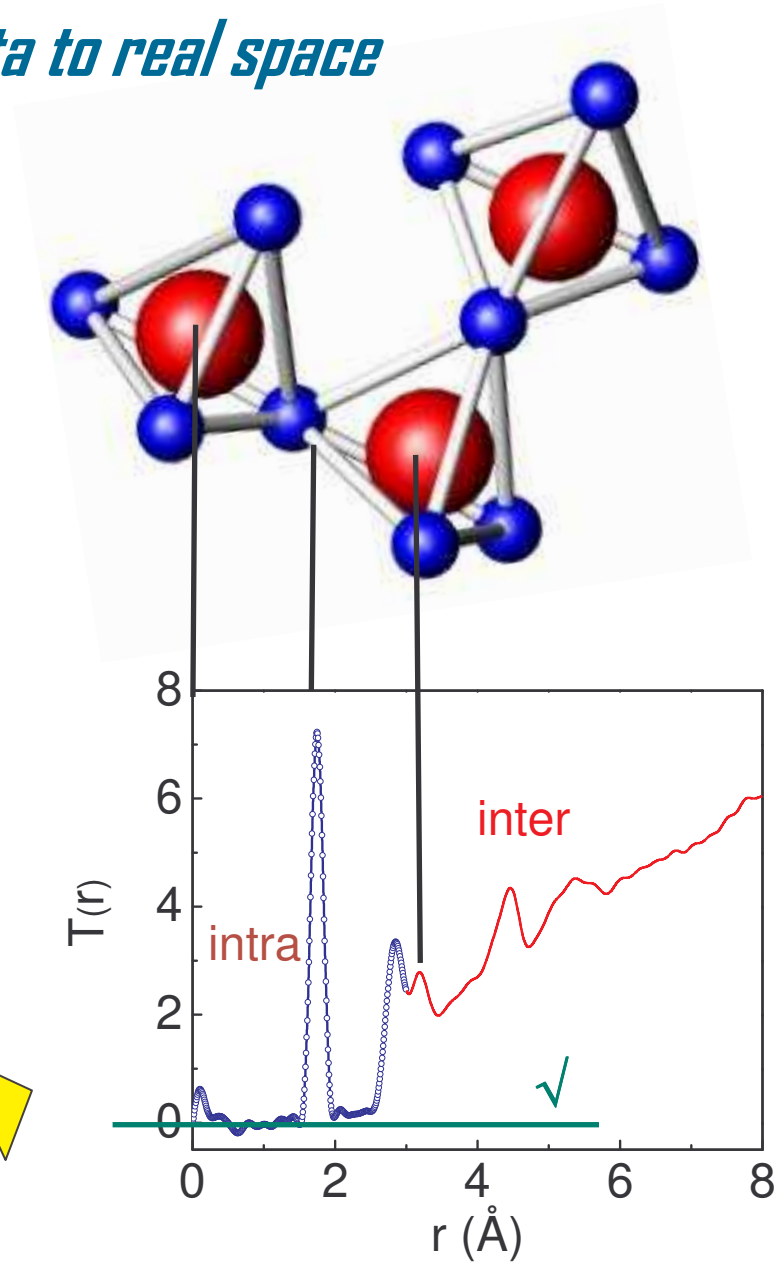
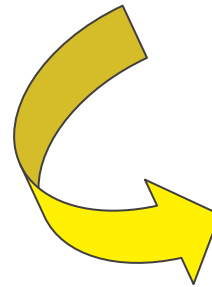


J. Non-Cryst. Sol III (1989) 123.

# Inversion of data to real space

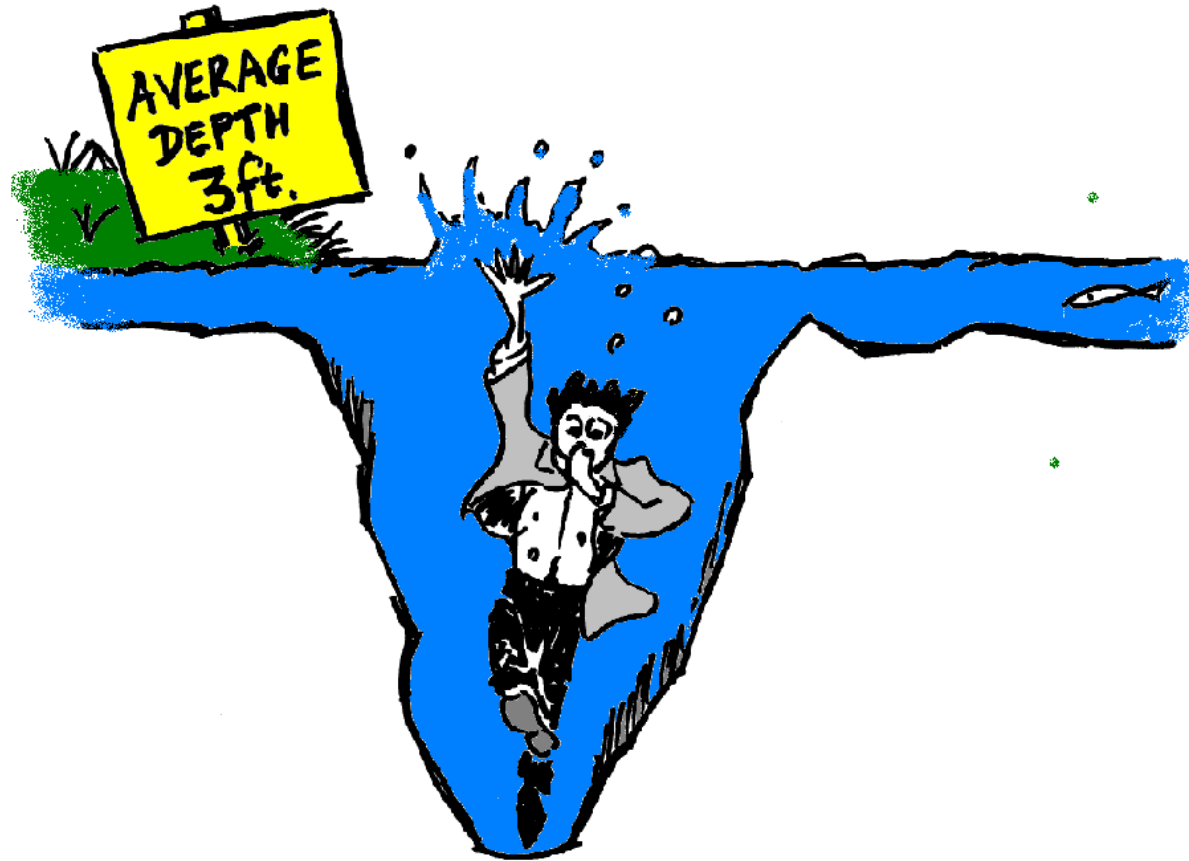


Sine Fourier  
Transformation  
 $S(Q) \rightarrow T(r) = 4\pi r \rho(r) g(r)$



## *Flaw of Averages*

*PDF measures the AVERAGE structure i.e. coordination number*







# Naturally occurring nuclides for NDIS

Identified by feasibility of Neutron Diffraction Isotopic Substitution experiment

1 H																	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	104 Rf	105 Ha	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118
* 58 Ce			59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu		
** 90 Th			91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr		

$\Delta b = 0.10$  fm  
**NOT** 0.46 fm  
**Scratched!**

J. Phys. Condens. Matt.  
 20 (2008) 045221

-  Second order difference  $\Delta b > 10$  fm
-  First order difference  $\Delta b > 1$  fm
-  Feasible using *NOMAD* at *SNS*
-  Other

Isotopic Substitution and Partial Structure Factors  
 J. Enderby. World Scientific p16. ISBN 981-02-1463-4.

# Partial Structure Factors for glassy $\text{SiO}_2$

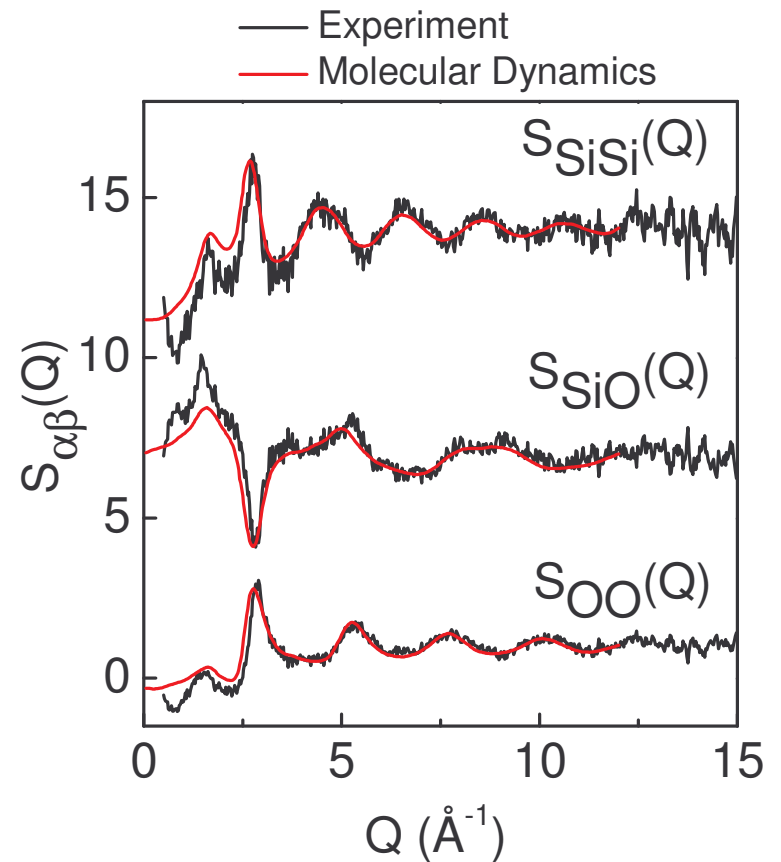
Matrix for extracting partial structure factors from two neutron  $^{\text{Nat}}\text{Si}$  and  $^{29}\text{Si}$  and one high energy x-ray experiment.

$$\begin{bmatrix} {}^{\text{Nat}}I_N(Q) \\ {}^{29}I_N(Q) \\ I_X(Q) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\text{Si}^{\text{Nat}}}^2 b_{\text{Si}}^2 & 2c_{\text{Si}^{\text{Nat}}}c_{\text{O}^{\text{Nat}}} b_{\text{Si}}b_{\text{O}} & c_{\text{O}^{\text{Nat}}}^2 b_{\text{O}}^2 \\ c_{\text{Si}^{29}}^2 b_{\text{Si}}^2 & 2c_{\text{Si}^{29}}c_{\text{O}^{29}} b_{\text{Si}}b_{\text{O}} & c_{\text{O}^{29}}^2 b_{\text{O}}^2 \\ c_{\text{Si}}^2 f_{\text{Si}}^2(Q) & 2c_{\text{Si}}c_{\text{O}} f_{\text{Si}}(Q)f_{\text{O}}(Q) & c_{\text{O}}^2 f_{\text{O}}^2(Q) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} S_{\text{SiSi}}(Q) - 1 \\ S_{\text{SiO}}(Q) - 1 \\ S_{\text{OO}}(Q) - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_X(Q) = \langle F \rangle^2 \cdot S_X(Q) = S_X(Q) \sum_{i,j=\text{Si,O}} c_i c_j f_i(Q) f_j(Q)$$

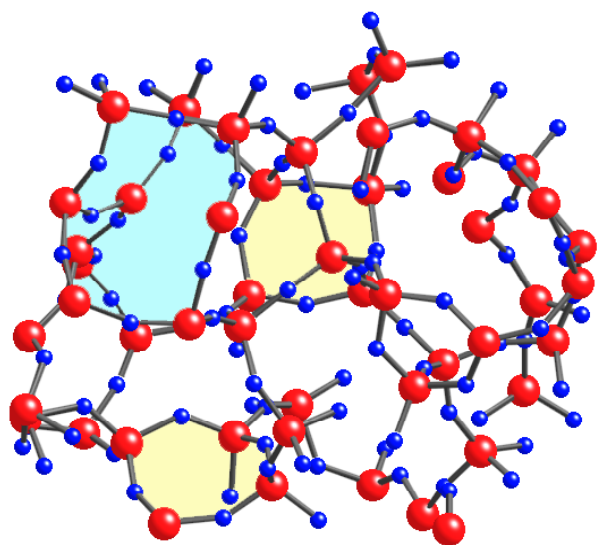
$$I_N(Q) = 4\pi \bar{b}^{-2} \cdot S_N(Q)$$

$$b(^{\text{Nat}}\text{Si}) = 4.1491(10) \text{ fm and } b(^{29}\text{Si}) = 4.80(5) \text{ fm} \\ \Delta b = 0.65 \text{ fm}$$

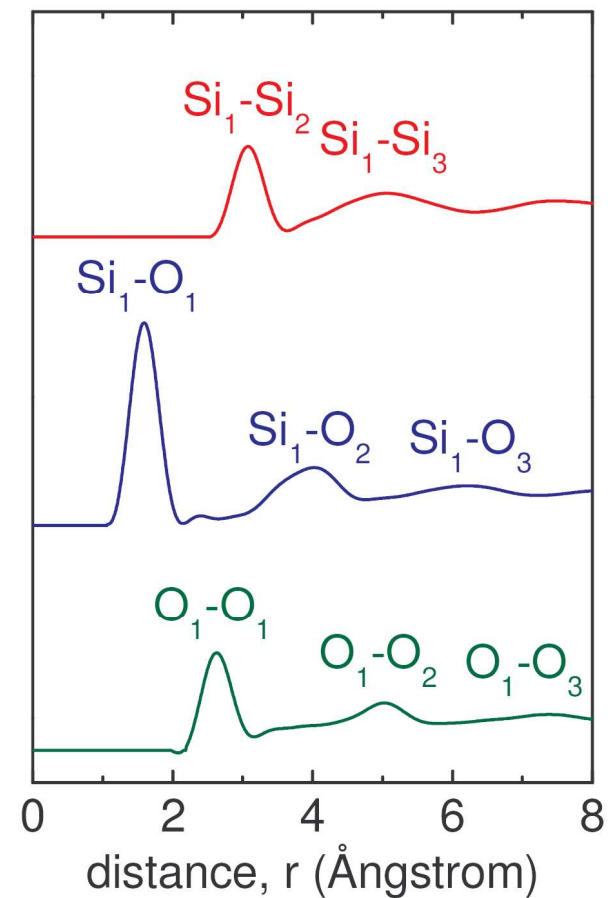
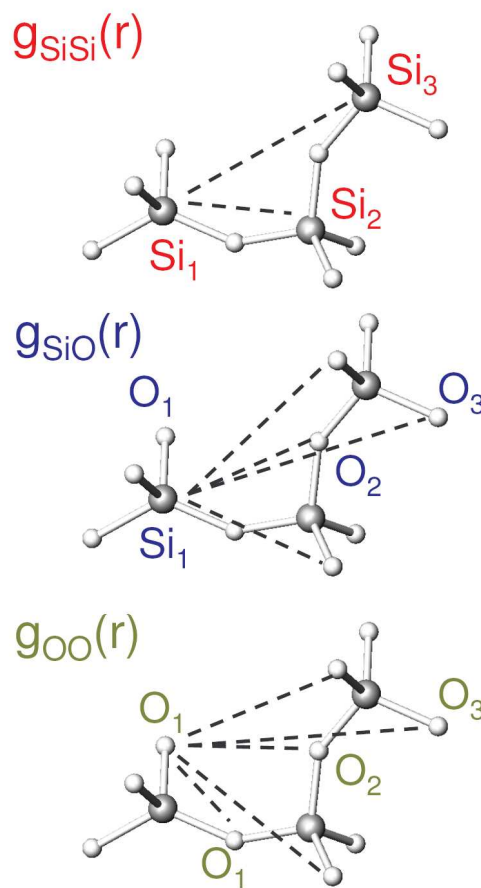


Phys. Rev. B. 78 (2008) 144204.

# Partial Pair Distribution Functions of vitreous Silica

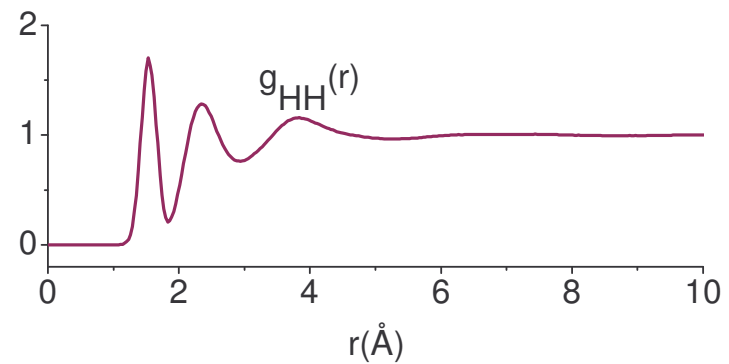
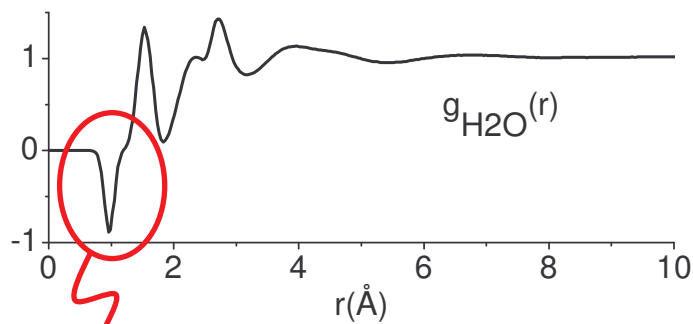
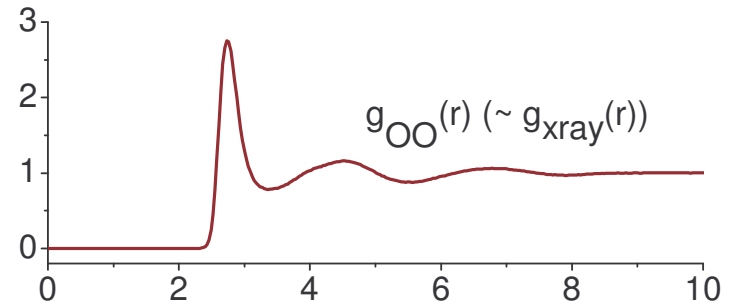
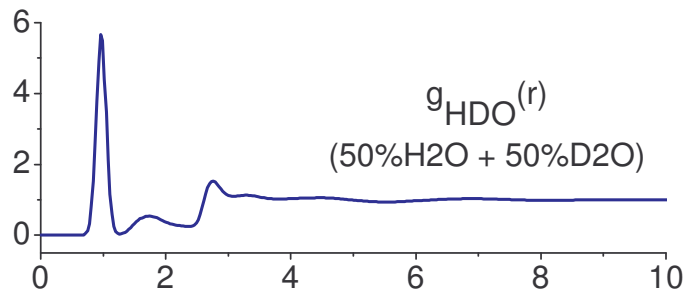
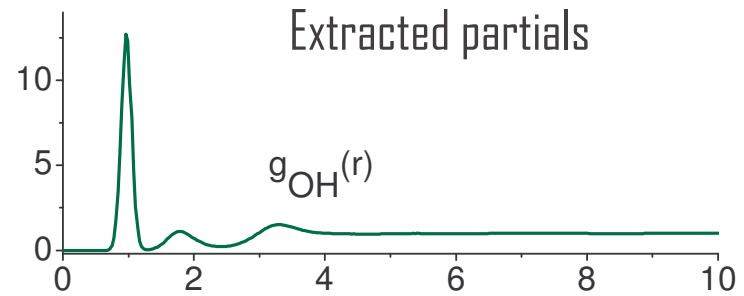
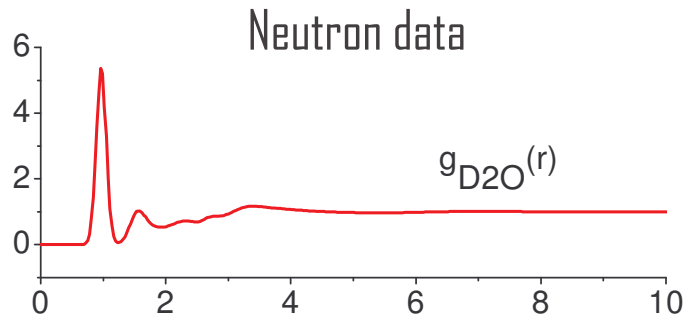


Courtesy of Shinji Kohara



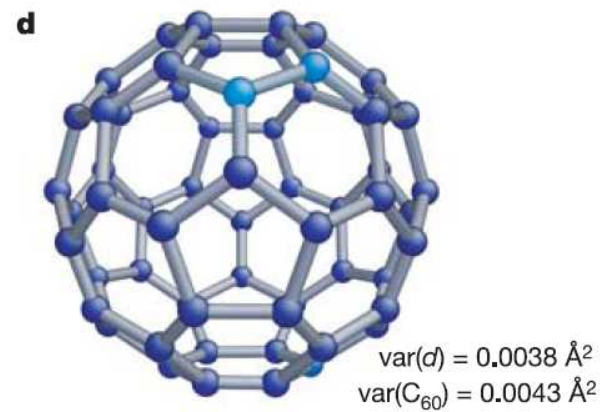
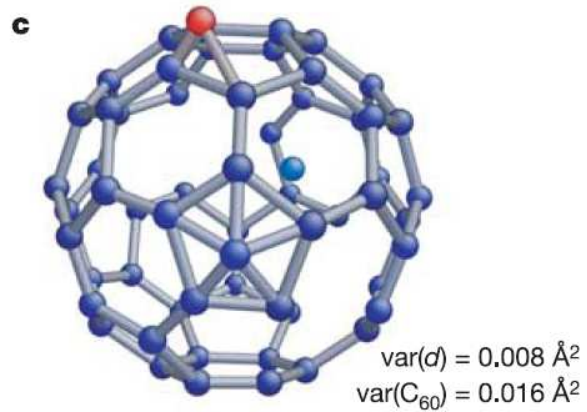
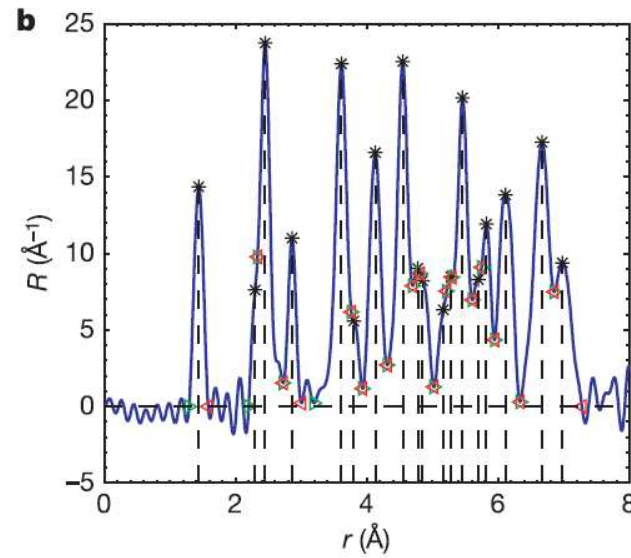
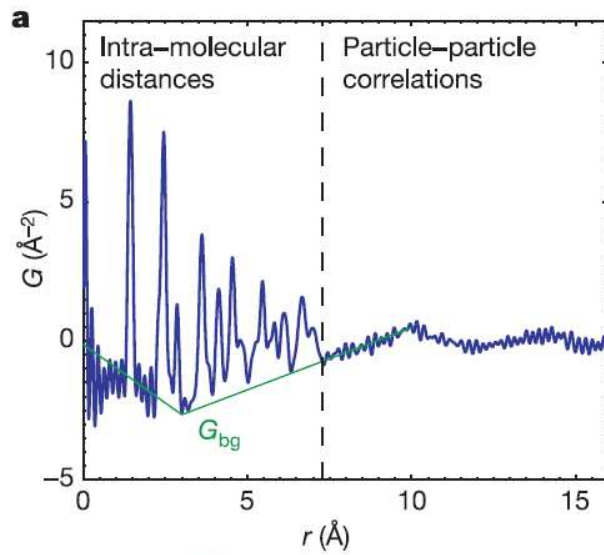


# H/D substitution : Partial Structure Factors for water



$b_H = -3.74 \text{ fm}$

# Solving the Nanoproblem



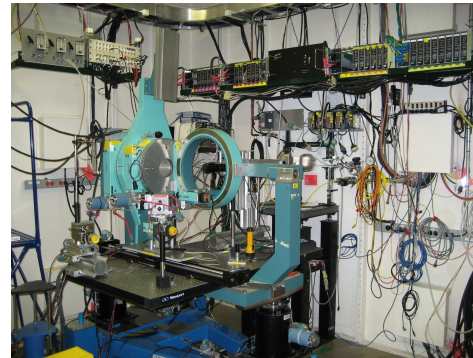
Nature 440 (2006) 655.

# High energy x-ray beamlines at APS

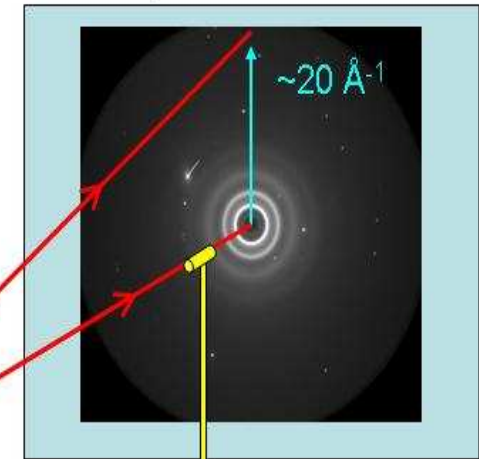
11-ID-C



1-ID



Large area detector

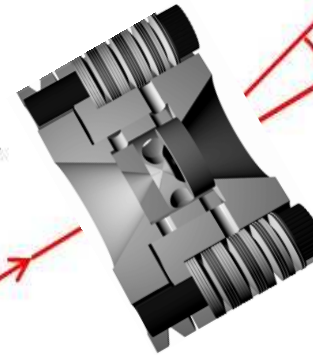


Diffracted beam

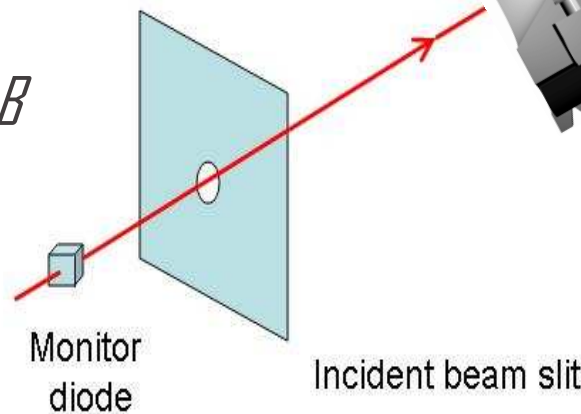
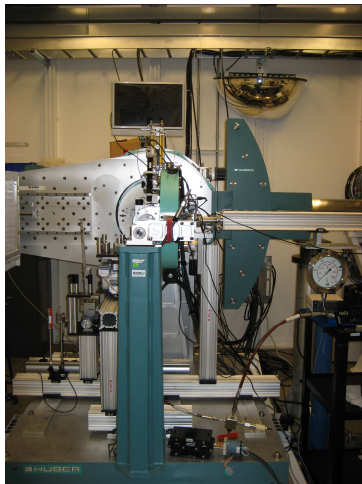
$2\theta$

Beam stop

High energy incident  
x-ray beam  $E_i = 100 \text{ KeV}$

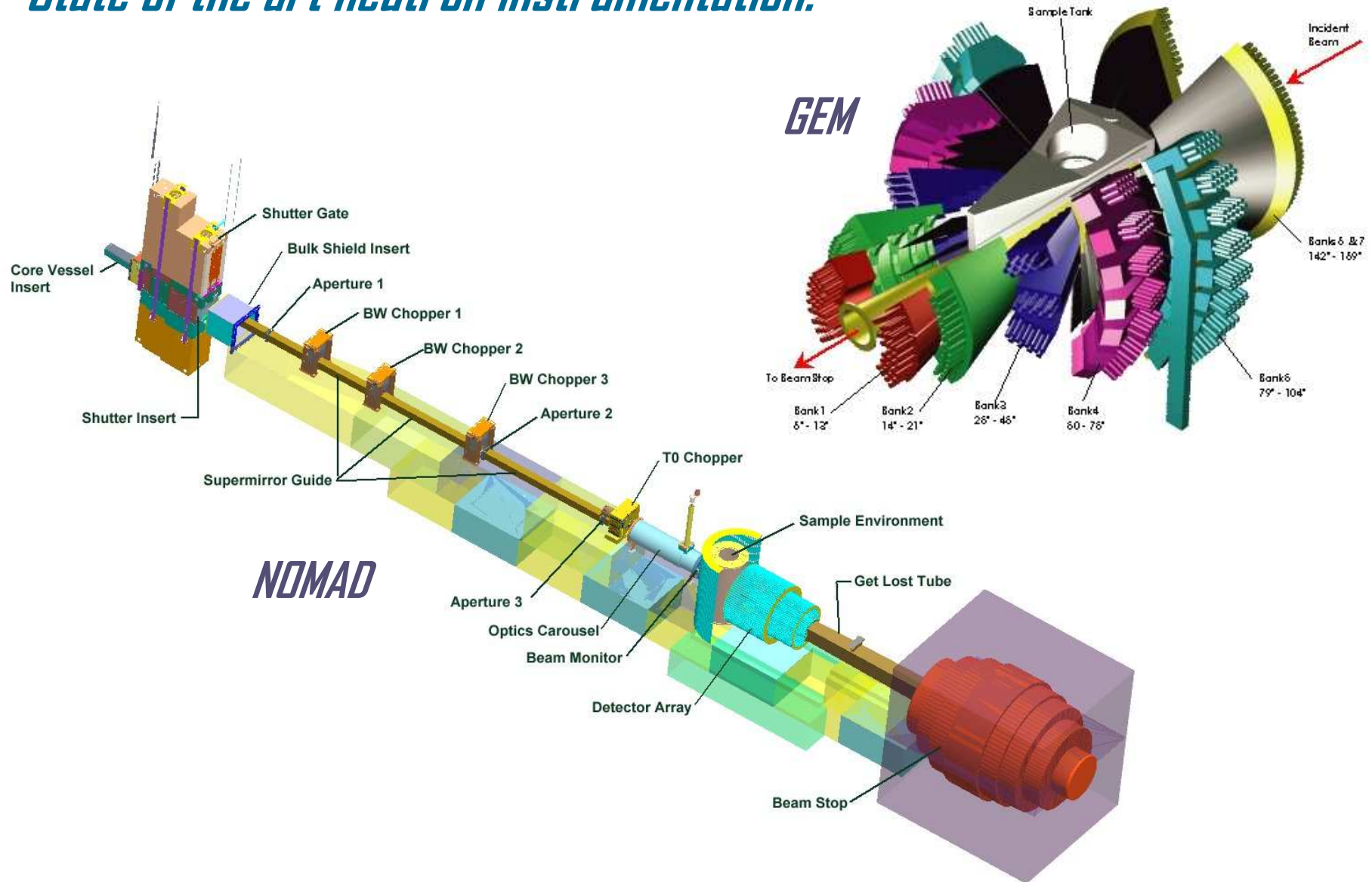


11-ID-B

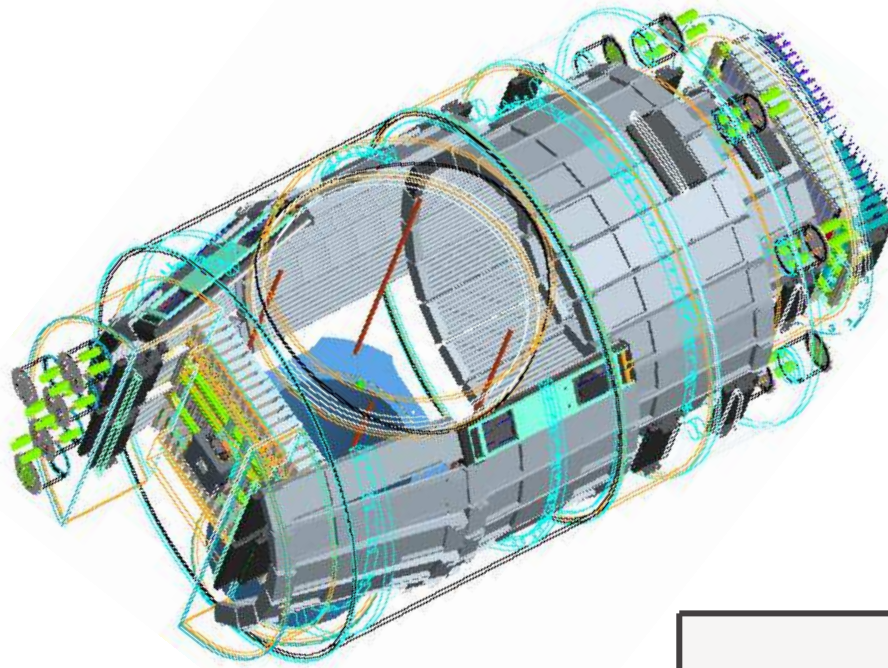


Incident wavelength  $\lambda_i \sim 0.1 \text{ \AA}$   
Scattering angle  $2\theta \sim 20^\circ$   
Q-range  $\sim 0.5 \text{ to } 20 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$

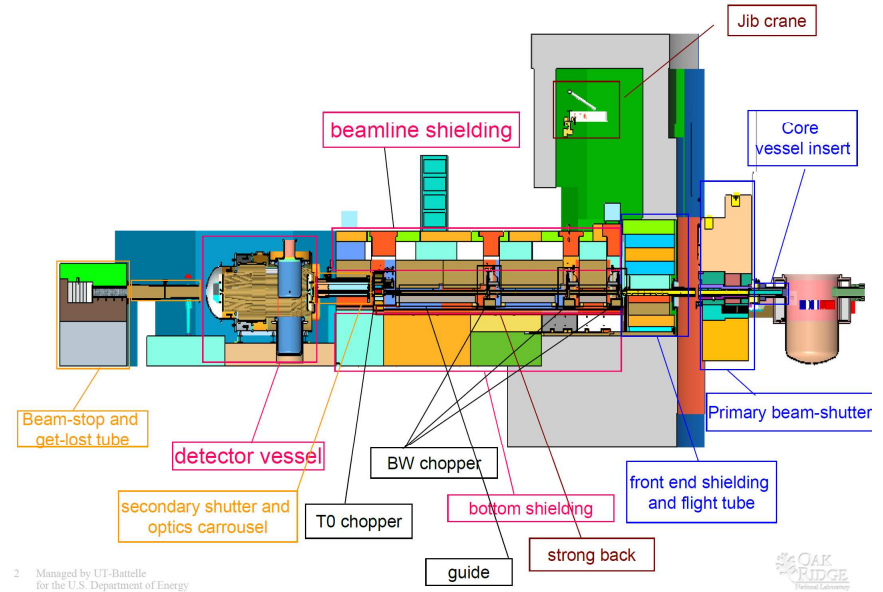
# State of the art neutron instrumentation.



# Nanoscale Ordered Materials Diffractometer



Courtesy of Joerg Neufeind



2 Managed by UT-Battelle for the U.S. Department of Energy



Online in 2011

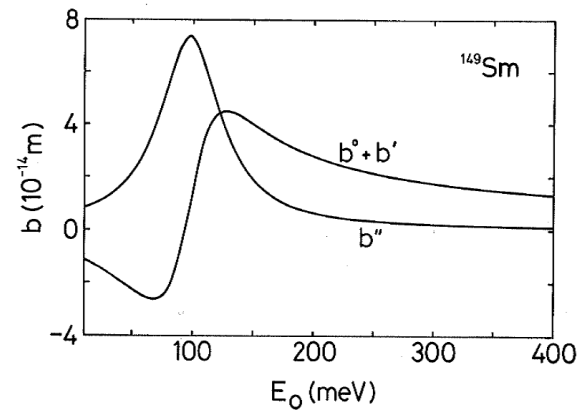
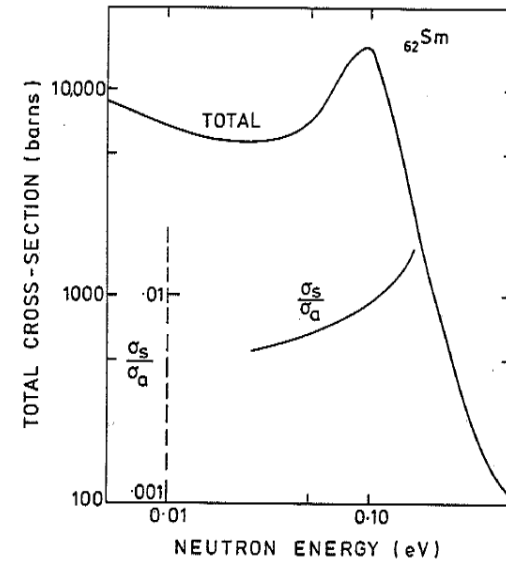
	D4c (ILL)	GEM (ISIS)	DRACULA (ILL Project)	NOMAD Project
Time averaged flux ( $10^8$ n/cm <sup>2</sup> )	0.4	~0.02	~1	~1.7 (1.4MW)
Detector coverage (strad)	0.11	4.0	1.5	~10
Product ( $10^6$ )	4.4	8	150	1700

# Anomalous neutron diffraction - new possibilities at SNS

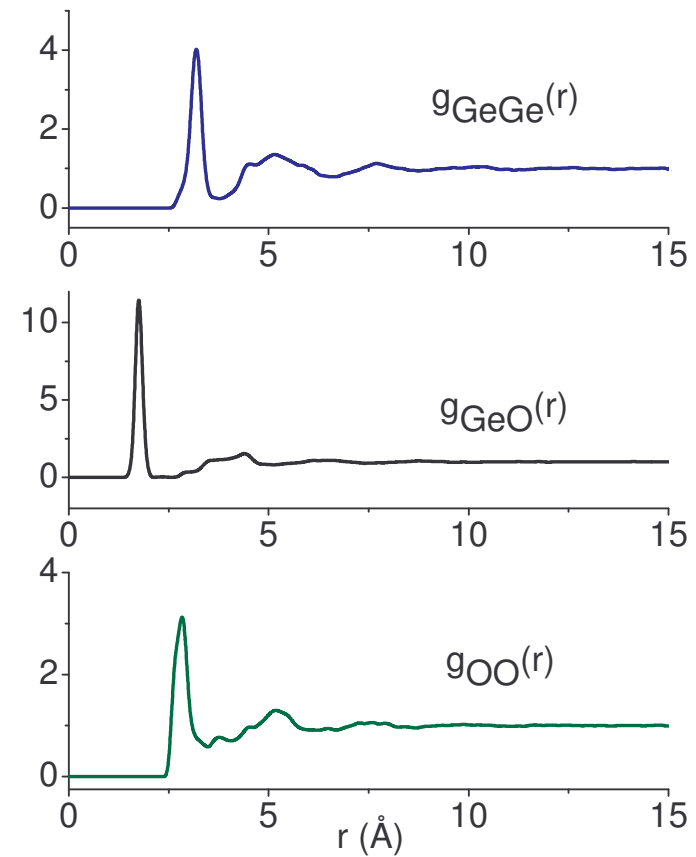
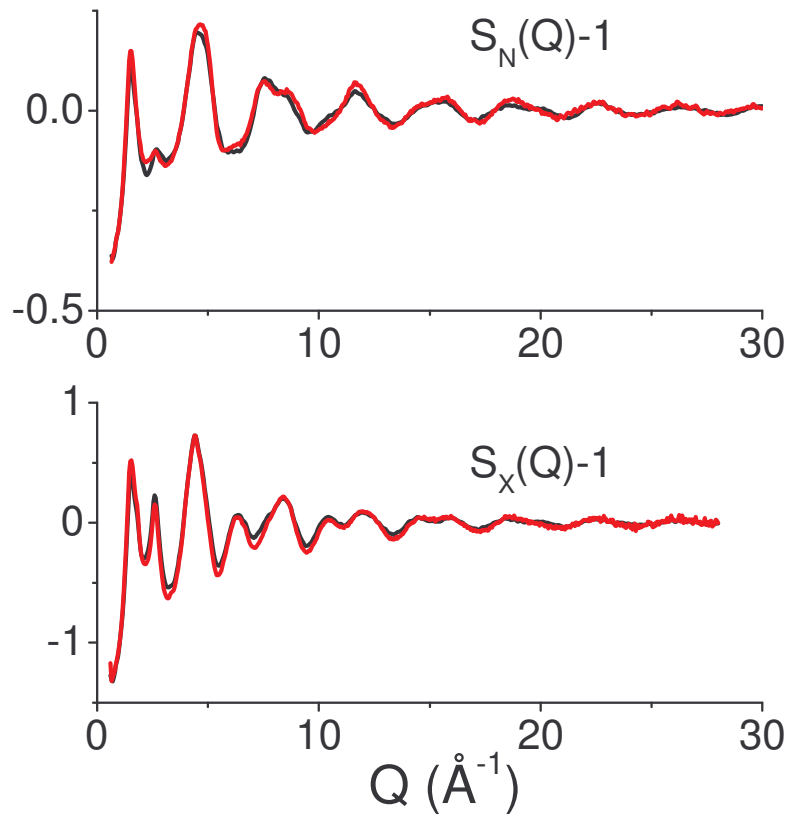
1 H																	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	104 Rf	105 Ha	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118

* 58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu
** 90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr

Anomalous Neutron Diffraction of Disordered Materials  
R Sinclair. World Scientific p107. ISBN 981-02-1463-4.



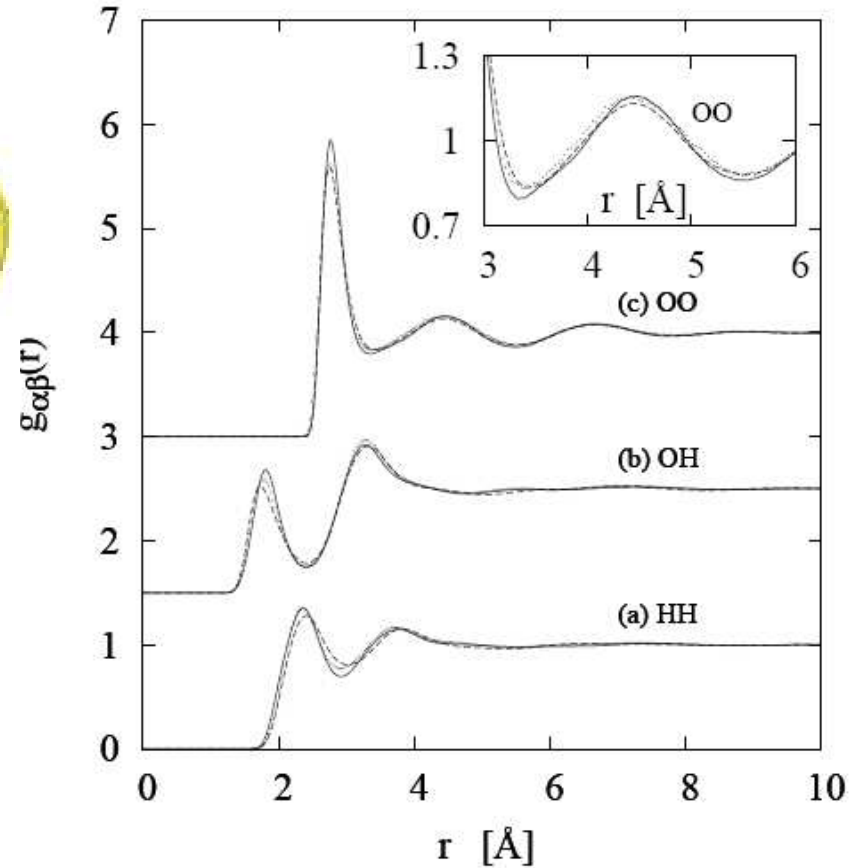
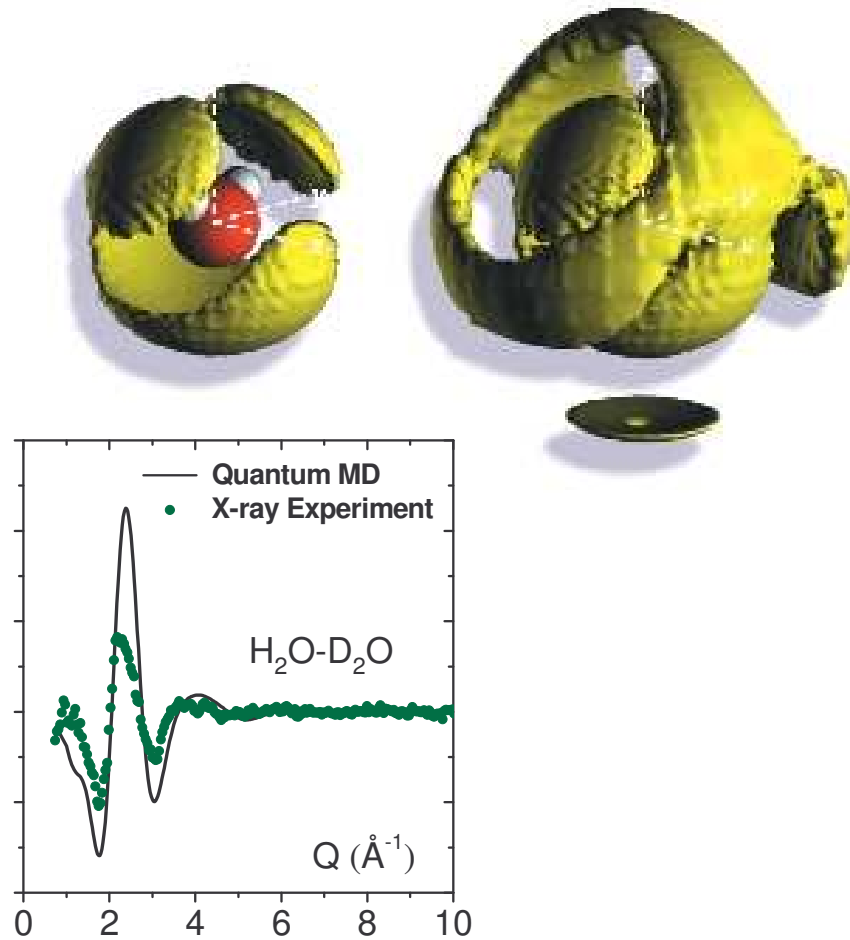
# Reverse Monte Carlo Modeling of Neutron and X-ray data



Best (essential ?) to use more than one structure factor plus chemical constraints

# Empirical Potential Structure Refinement

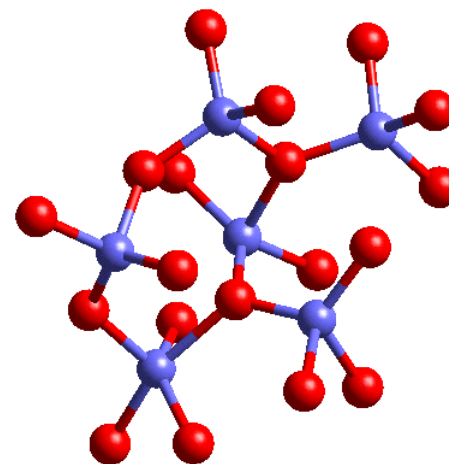
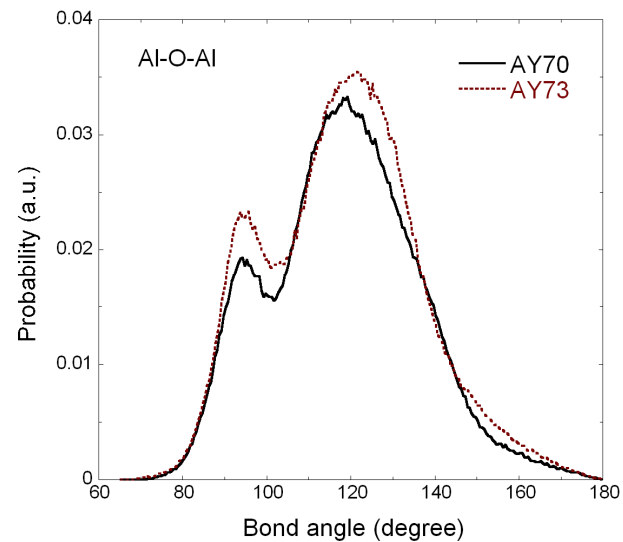
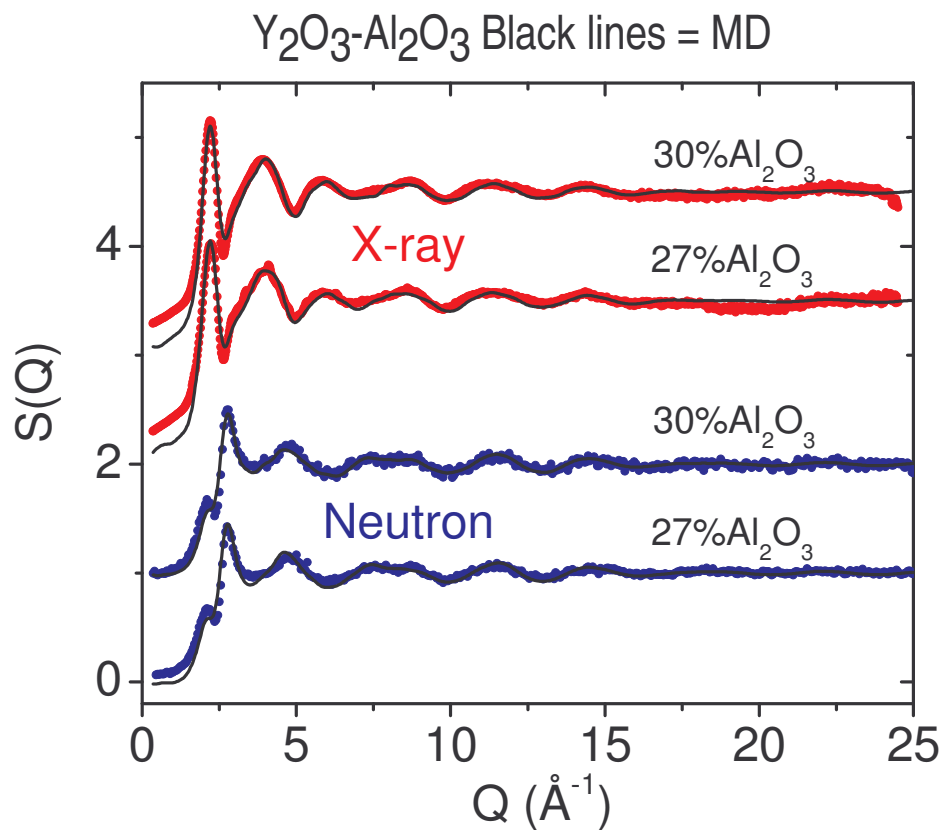
## Quantum isotope effects in water



Phys. Rev. Lett., 101 (2008) 065502.



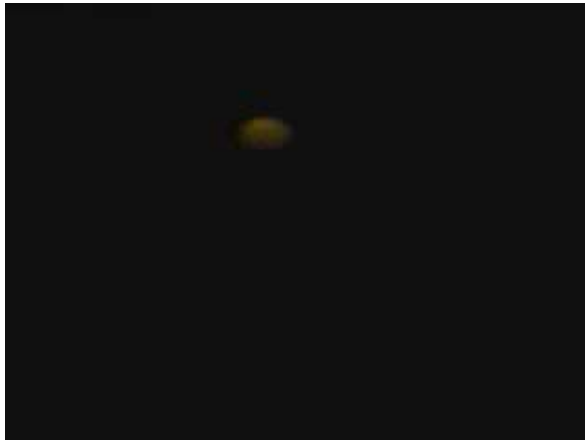
# Molecular dynamics Simulations



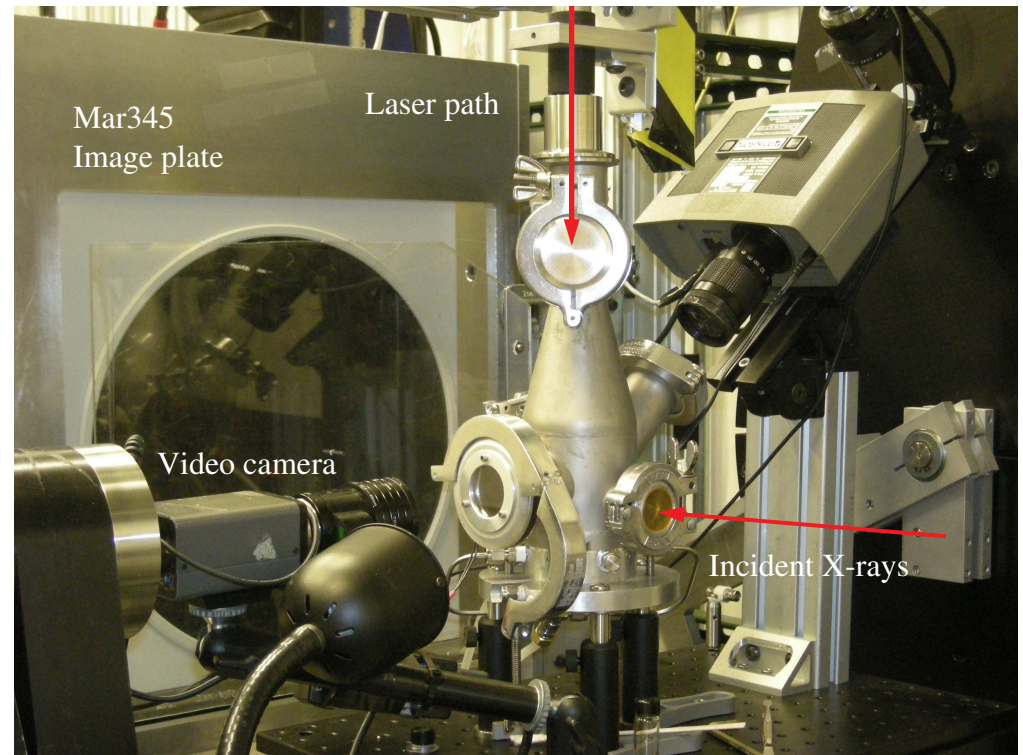
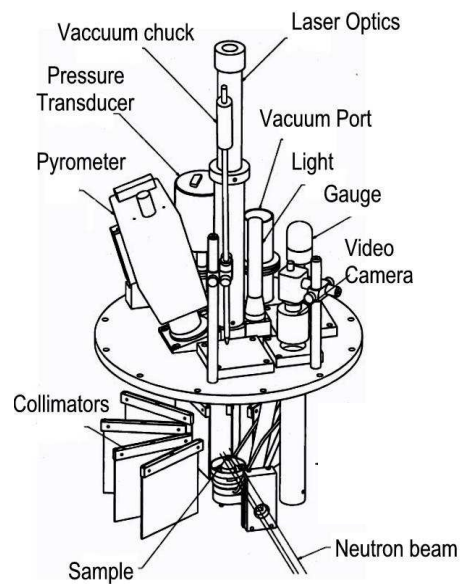
## Tetrahedral oxygen triclusters in Ytria-Alumina glasses

J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 21 (2009) 205102.

# Specialized Sample Environments : Levitator

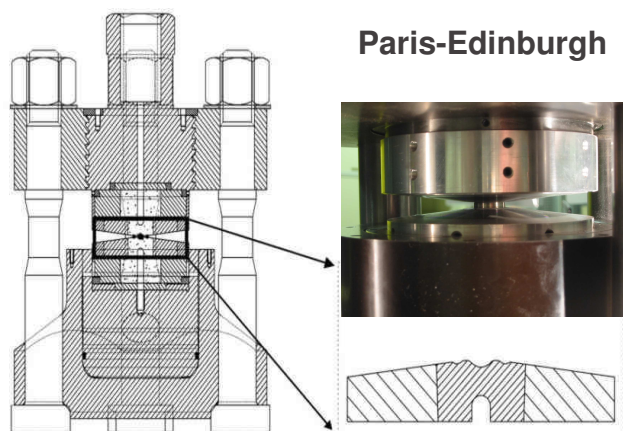


$T_{max} = 300^{\circ}C.$   
Supercool liquids several hundreded degrees.

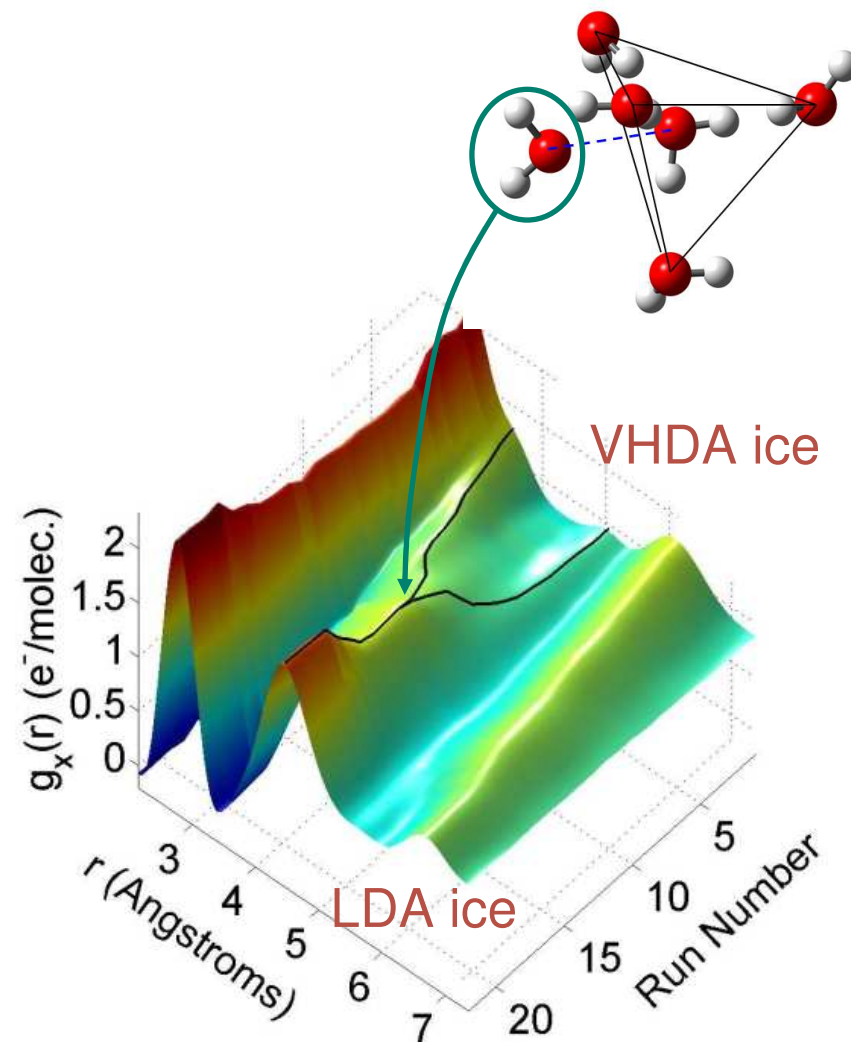


Phys. Rev. Lett., 98 (2007) 057802.

# Specialized Sample Environments : High Pressure



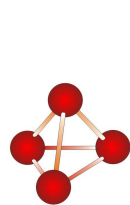
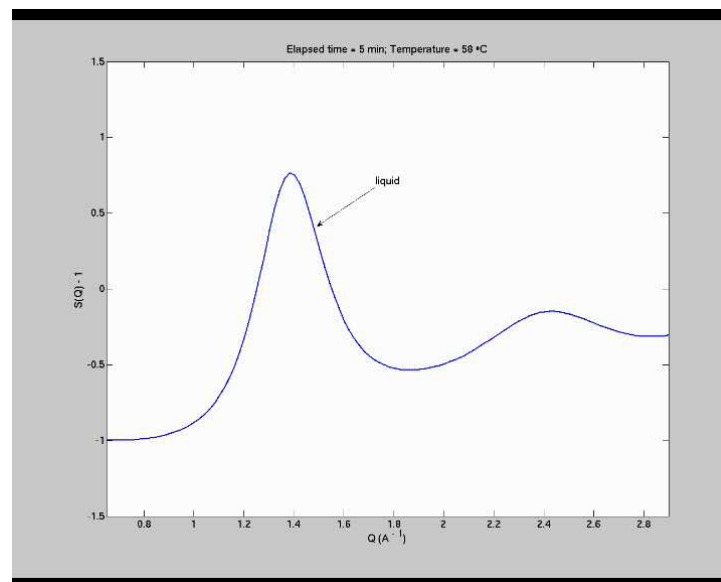
Phys. Rev. Lett., 97 (2006) 115503.  
Science 297 (2002) 1320.



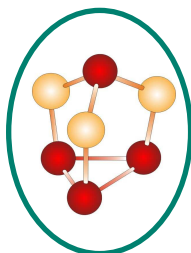
# Time Resolved Measurements : Chemical Reactions



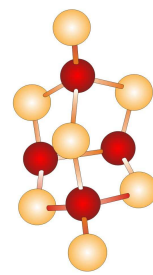
Courtesy of Eugene Bychkov



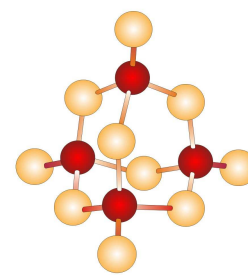
P<sub>4</sub>



P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>3</sub>



P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>7</sub>



P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>10</sub>

## *Last slide*



### **Chris's PDF guidelines**

Real space peak position = bond length

Peak area  $\propto$  coordination number

Model disagrees with data = it's wrong!

No peaks = no atoms