

# Methoden moderner Röntgenphysik: Streuung und Abbildung

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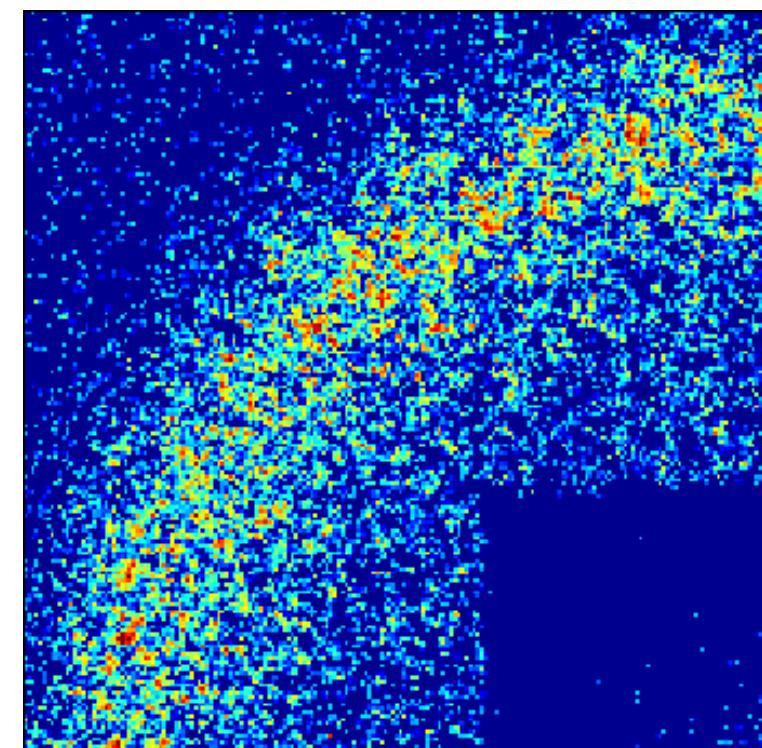
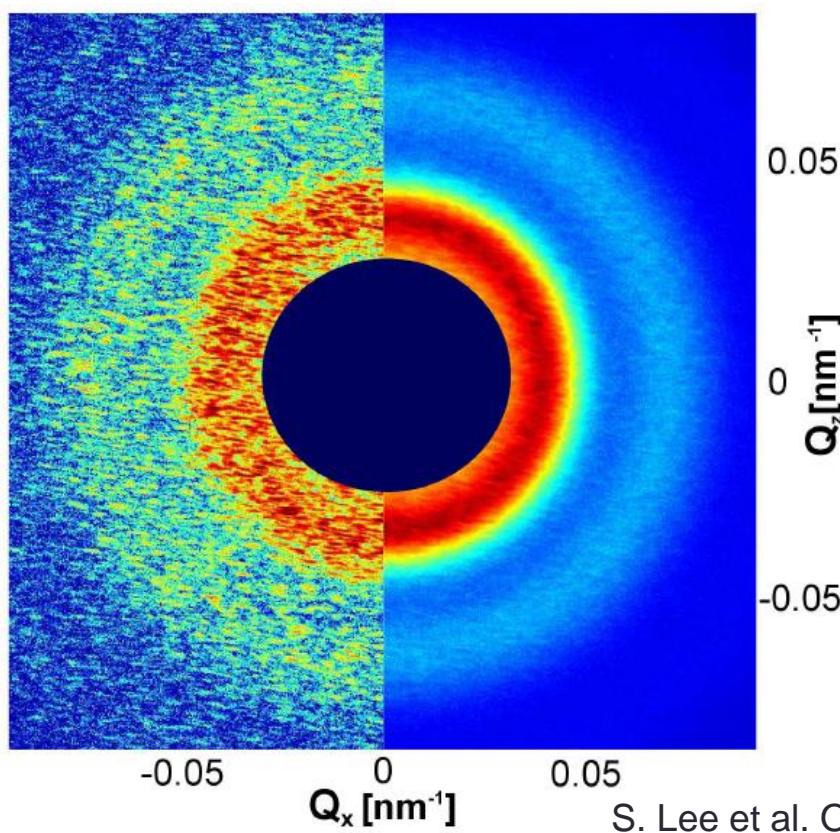


# Soft Matter – Timeline

- Di 07.05.2019 Soft Matter studies I: Methods & experiments  
*Definitions, complex liquids, colloids, storage ring and FEL experiments, setups, liquid jets, ...*
- Do 09.05.2019 Soft Matter studies II: Structure  
*SAXS & WAXS applications, X-ray cross correlations, ...*
- Di 14.05.2019 Soft Matter studies III: Dynamics  
*XPCS applications, diffusion, dynamical heterogeneities, ...*
- Do 16.05.2019 XPCS and XCCA simulation and modelling
- Di 21.05.2019 Case study I: Glass transition  
*Supercooled liquids, glasses vs. crystals, glass transition concepts, structure-dynamics relations, ...*
- Do 23.05.2019 Case study II: Water  
*Phase diagram, anomalies, crystalline and glassy forms, FEL studies, ...*

# Probing dynamics with coherent X-rays: X-ray photon correlation spectroscopy (XPCS)

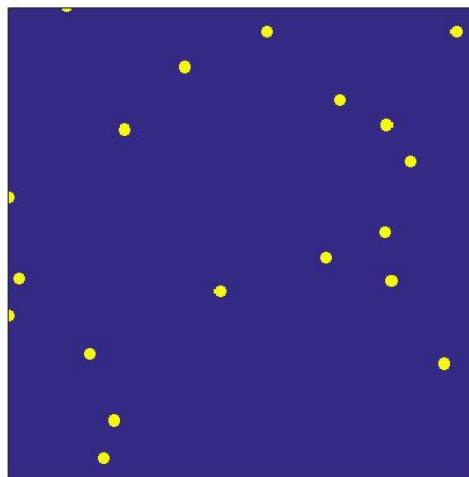
X-ray scattering from disordered samples: speckles  
→ structure decoded



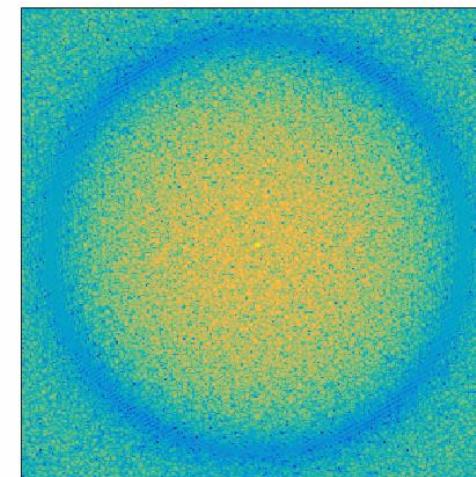
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## XPCS

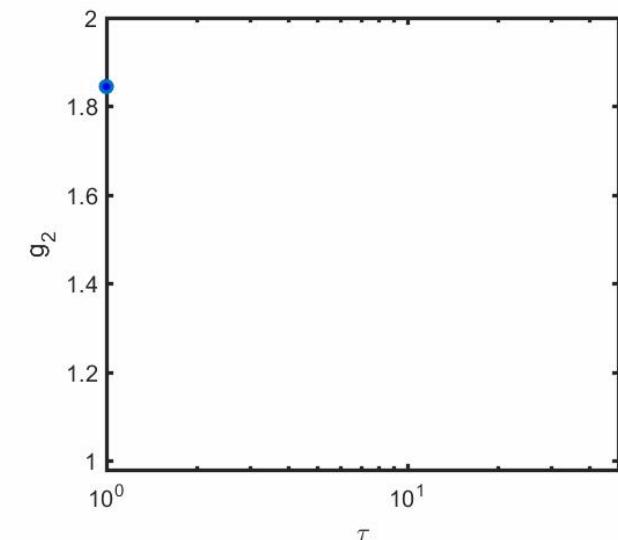
- **Time domain:** changing sample structure → change of speckle pattern
- Correlation function  $g_2(q, \tau) = \frac{\langle I(q,t)I(q,t+\tau) \rangle_t}{\langle I(q,t) \rangle_t^2} = 1 + \beta^2 |f(q, \tau)|^2$ , speckle contrast  $\beta = \text{std}(I)/\langle I \rangle$
- Intermediate scattering function  $f(q, \tau) = S(q, \tau)/S(q, 0)$



Diffusing particles



Speckle pattern

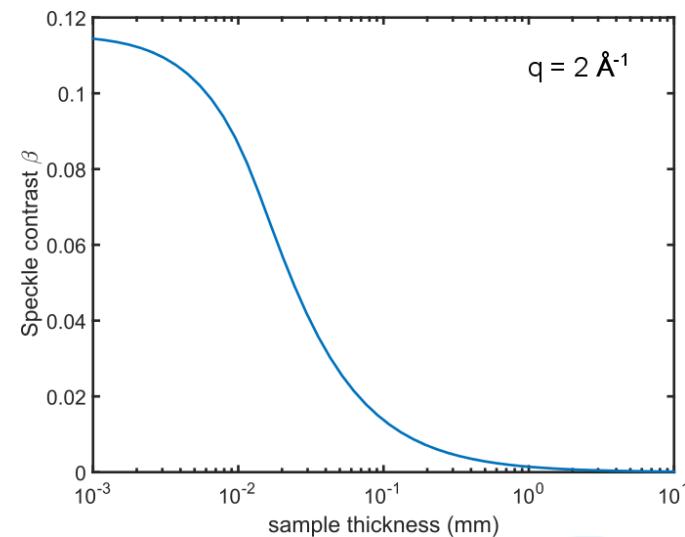
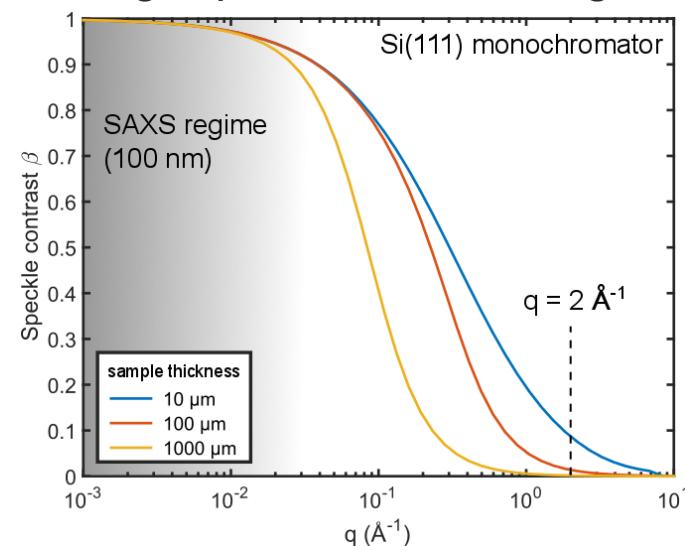


$g_2$  function

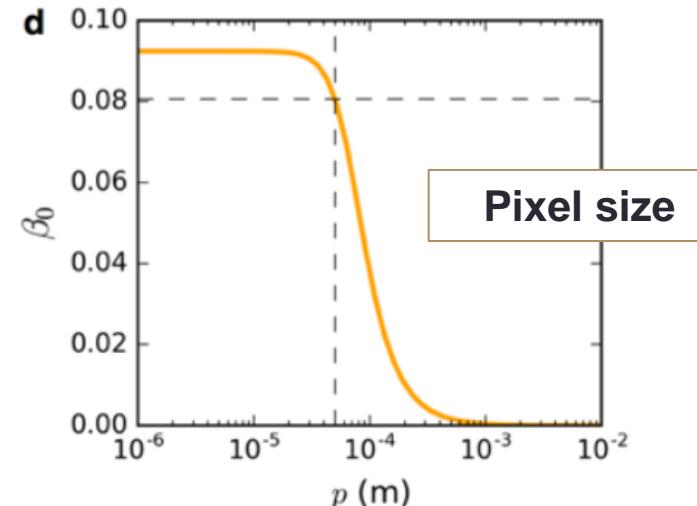
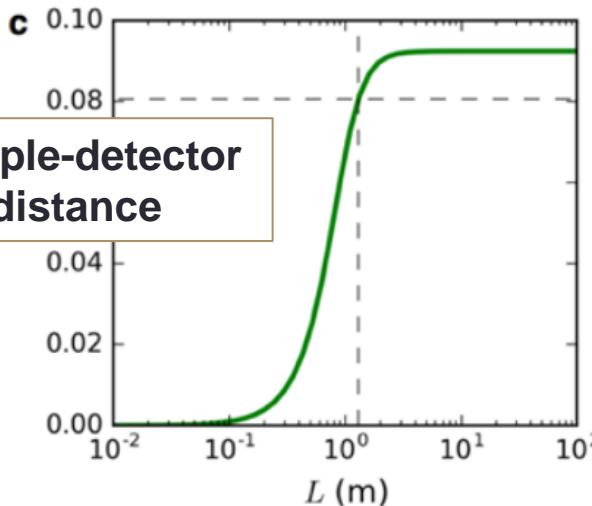
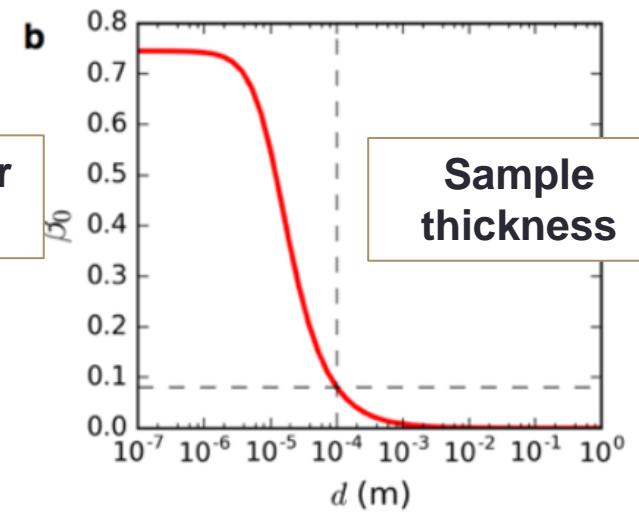
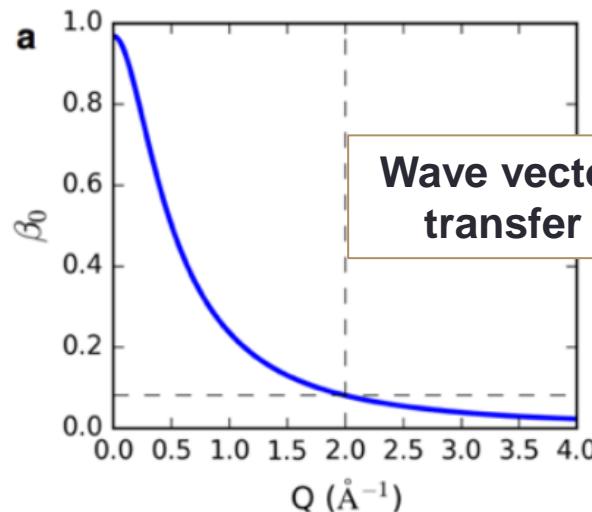
## XPCS experiments – requirements

- Degree of coherence → speckle contrast
- Need to resolve speckles
  - speckle size  $s \approx \frac{\lambda D}{b}$
  - using hard X-rays ( $\lambda \sim 10^{-10}$  m)
  - $\rightarrow \frac{bs}{D} = 10^{-10}$  m
  - $\rightarrow bs \sim 10^{-10}$  m<sup>2</sup> for  $D \sim 1$  m
- Statistics and q-dependence: 2D detectors (e.g. CCD)
  - Typical pixel sizes of  $\sim 10 - 100$  μm
  - Consequently beam sizes in the μm regime
- Limit of time scales by detector read-out
  - CCD: ~ seconds
  - Photon counting: >kHz

Large  $q \rightarrow$  molecular lengths



## XPCS experiments – requirements



Speckle contrast  
as a function of  
various  
parameters

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1917 (2018).

## Diffusion in Soft Matter

- Brownian motion: random movement of particles (pollen collision with water molecules (Einstein 1905))
- Omnipresent in soft matter systems
- Derivation (after Langevin, here only one direction  $x$ ):

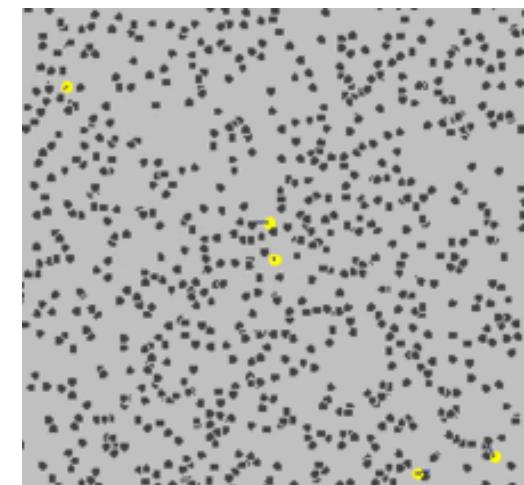
$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F - f \frac{dx}{dt}$$

(with force  $F$  and viscous friction  $F_R = -f \frac{dx}{dt}$ )

$$\Leftrightarrow m \frac{d}{dt} \langle v \rangle = \langle F \rangle - f \langle v \rangle \quad (\text{Averaging})$$

$\langle F \rangle = 0$  for random particle collisions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle v \rangle &= -\frac{f}{m} \langle v \rangle \\ \Rightarrow \langle v(t) \rangle &= v(0) \exp\left(-\frac{m}{f} t\right) \end{aligned}$$



Diffusion of particles

## Diffusion in Soft Matter

→ Mean drift velocity  $\langle v \rangle$  decays with time. Back to  $m \frac{d}{dt} v = F - fv$ . Multiply by instantaneous position  $r$  of a particle and average yields:

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle r^2 \rangle + \frac{f}{m} \frac{d}{dt} \langle r^2 \rangle = 2 \langle v^2 \rangle$$

Following the equipartition theorem ( $\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{3k_B T}{m}$ ) the equation can be solved with the result

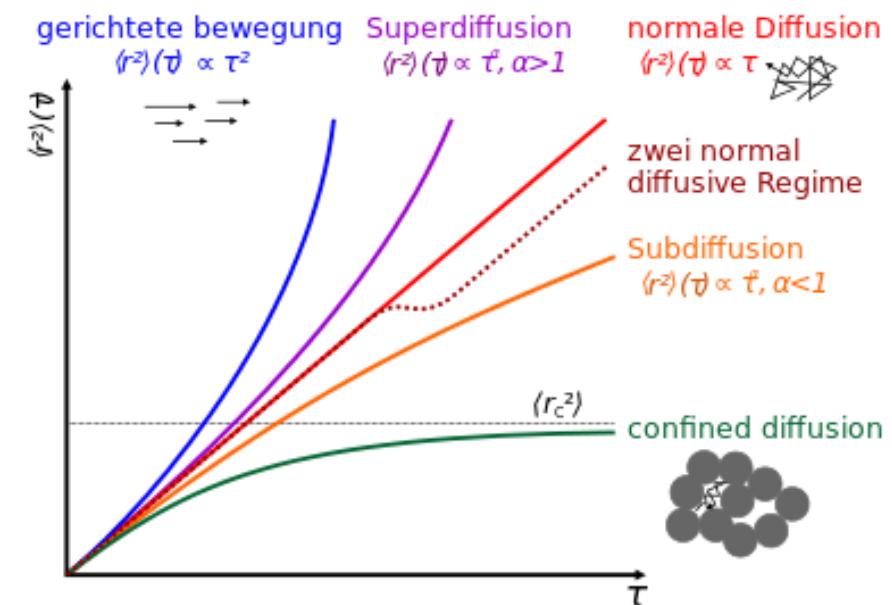
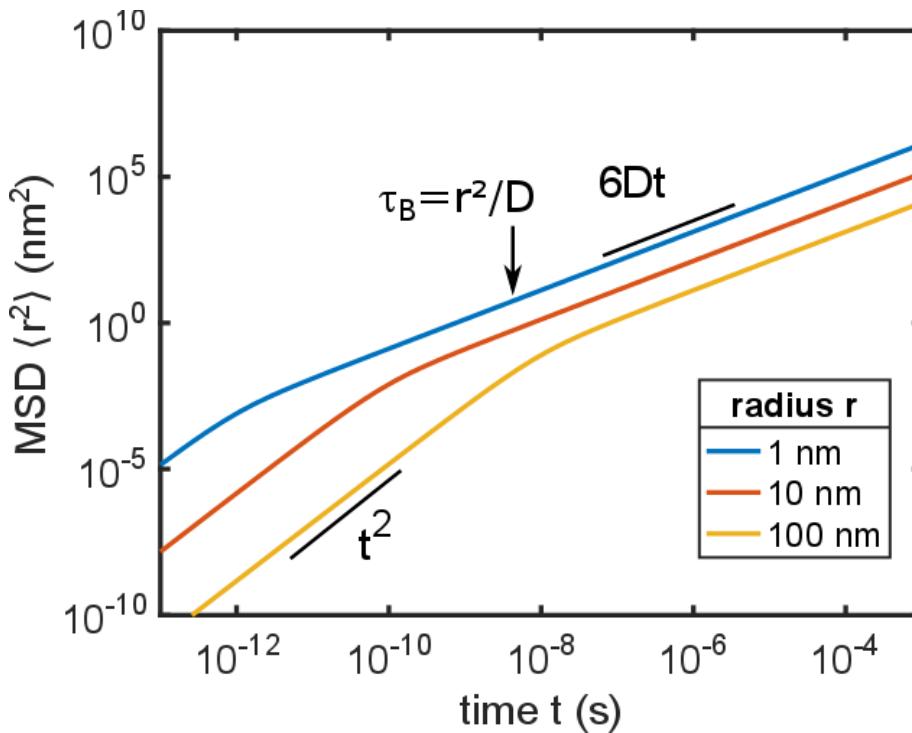
$$\langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{6k_B T m}{f^2} \left( \frac{f}{m} t - \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{f}{m} t\right) \right] \right)$$

For  $t \gg \frac{m}{f}$  we obtain with Stoke's law (friction of spheres,  $f = 6\pi R \eta$ )

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = \left( \frac{k_B T}{\pi R \eta} \right) t = 6Dt \text{ with diffusion coefficient } D = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi \eta R}$$

## Diffusion in Soft Matter

Mean squared displacement  $\langle r^2 \rangle$  – particles in water



Characteristic time  $\tau_b = \frac{R^2}{D}$  to move by one radius (here  $4.5 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ s}$  for  $R = 1 \text{ nm}$ )

## Diffusion in Soft Matter – XPCS

Intermediate scattering function  $f(q, \tau) = S(q, \tau)/S(q, 0)$  with

$$f(q, \tau) = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \exp(i\mathbf{q} \cdot [\mathbf{r}_i(0) - \mathbf{r}_j(\tau)]) \right\rangle$$

For diffusion, only single particle properties are probed  $\rightarrow$  cross terms  $i \neq j$  average out and  $S(q) = 1$   $\rightarrow$  we obtain

$$f(q, \tau) = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^N \exp(i\mathbf{q} \cdot [\mathbf{r}_i(0) - \mathbf{r}_i(\tau)]) \right\rangle$$

And finally (cf. Physica 32, 415 (1966)) the result for diffusion

$$f(q, \tau) = \exp(-Dq^2\tau)$$



## Diffusion by XPCS – Notes

- In XPCS, correlation function for diffusion:

$$g_2(q, \tau) = 1 + \beta^2 |f(q, \tau)|^2 = 1 + \beta^2 \exp(-2Dq^2\tau)$$

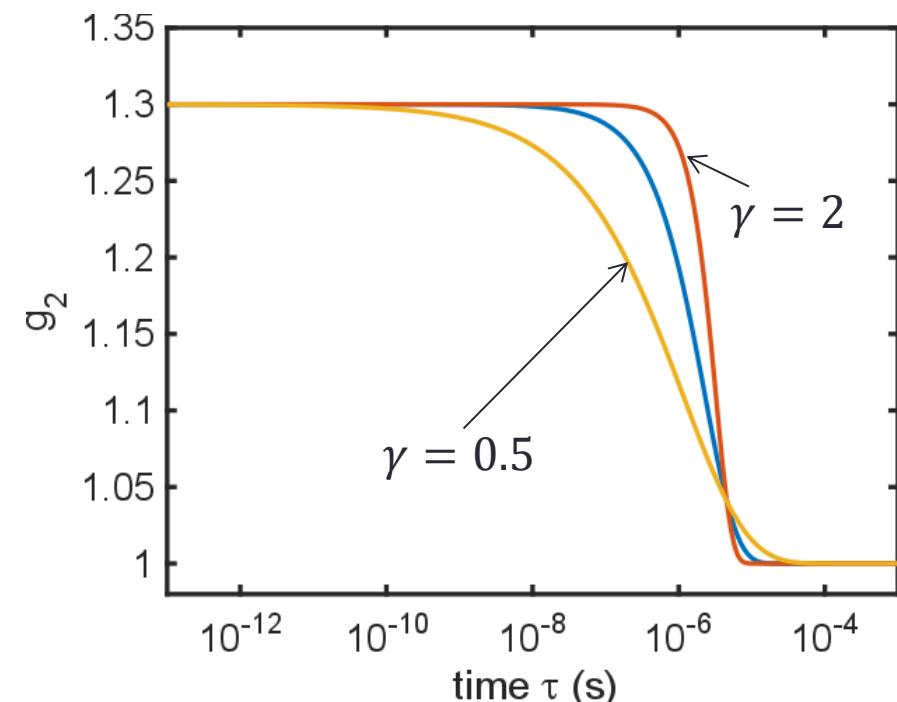
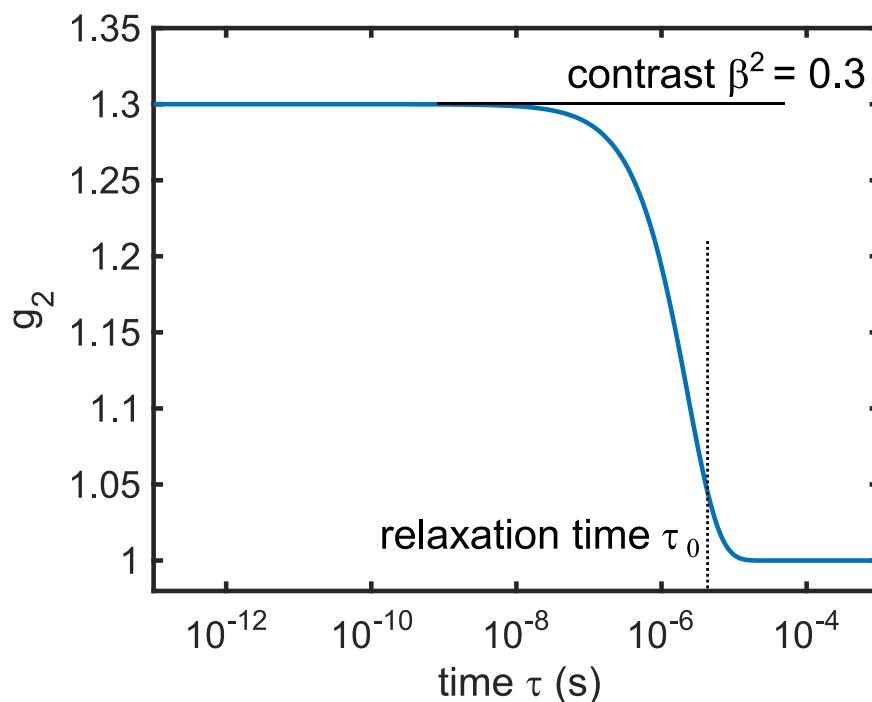
- Relaxation time  $\tau_0 = \frac{1}{\Gamma} = \frac{1}{Dq^2} \rightarrow$  characteristic  $\tau_0 \propto q^{-2}$

- Measuring  $g_2$  allows to obtain particle size  $R = \frac{k_B T \tau_0 q^2}{6\pi\eta}$  when solvent properties are known  $\rightarrow$  Dynamical light scattering
- On the other hand, known particles can be used to probe solvent properties, in particular viscosity  $\eta \rightarrow$  microrheology



## XPCS – correlation functions

Spherical particles with  $R = 10 \text{ nm}$  in water



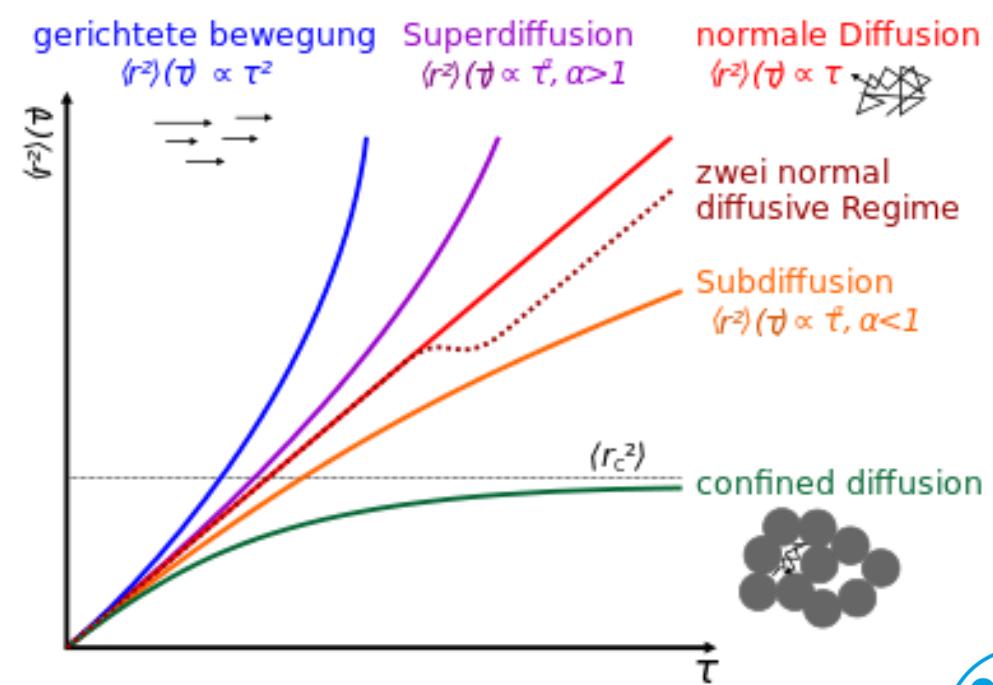
- Stretched and compressed correlation functions: Kohlrausch-Williams-Watts function  $f(q, \tau) = \exp(-(\Gamma\tau)^\gamma)$
- Measure of width of distribution of (local) relaxation times

## XPCS – correlation functions

### Q-dependencies

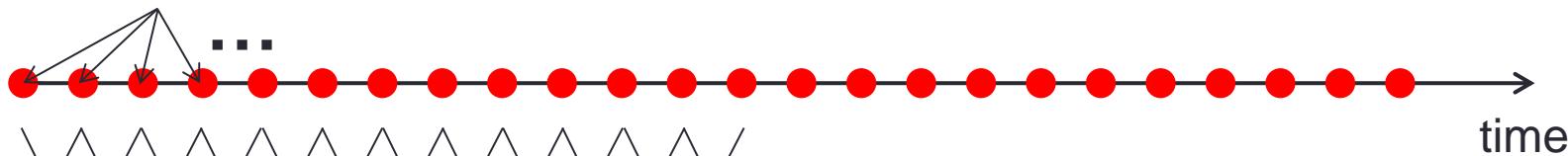
- Diffusion:  $\tau_0 \propto q^{-2}$ ,  $\langle r^2 \rangle \propto \tau$
- More general ( $\tau_0 \propto q^{-\delta}$ ):  $\langle r^2 \rangle \propto \tau^\alpha \rightsquigarrow r \propto \tau^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \rightsquigarrow \tau \propto q^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \Rightarrow \alpha\delta = -2$
- Diffusion:  $\delta = 2$
- Subdiffusion:  $\delta > 2$
- Superdiffusion:  $\delta < 2$
- Balistic motion:  $\delta = 1$

→ The analysis of both exponents  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  provides information on the type of dynamics



## XPCS – instantaneous correlation function

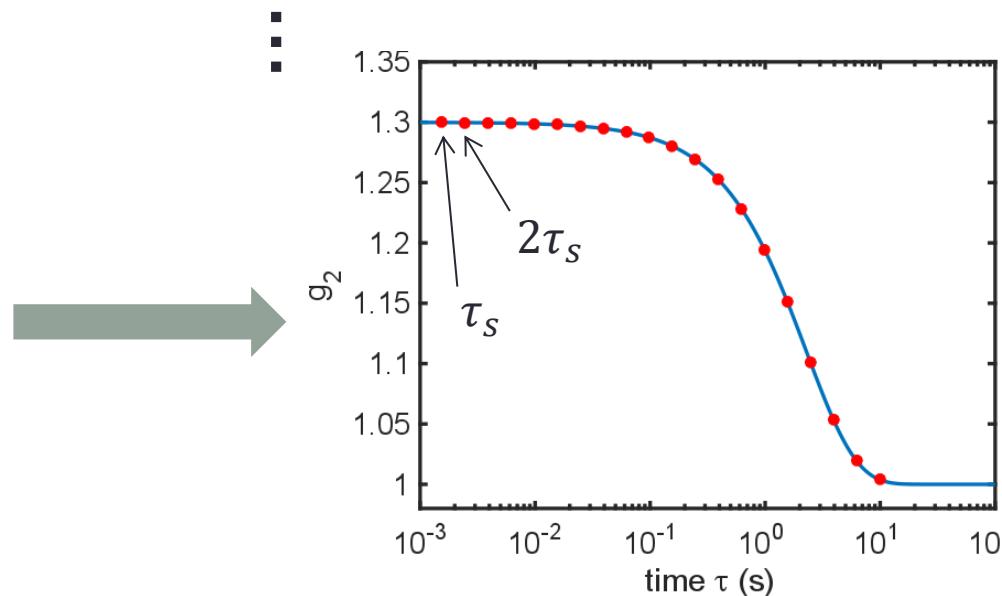
Measured speckle patterns



Correlate & average → Shortest lag time  $\tau_s$



Correlate & average → 2nd shortest lag time  $2\tau_s$

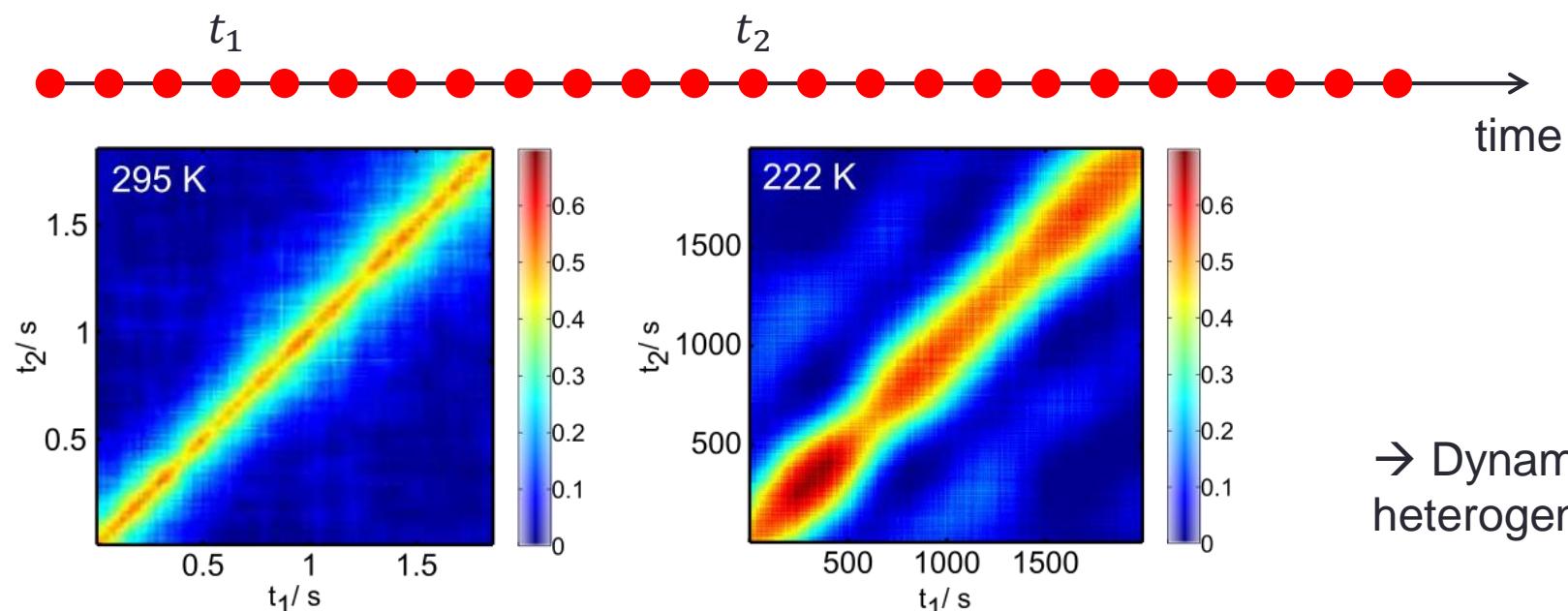


→  $g_2(q, \tau)$  averaged over pairs of same lag time  $\tau$  (...and pixels!) taken during the experimental run

## XPCS – instantaneous correlation function

But: sample may change during the measurement

- Two-time correlation function  $C_I(q, t_1, t_2) = \frac{\langle I(q, t_1)I(q, t_2) \rangle}{\langle I(q, t_1) \rangle \langle I(q, t_2) \rangle}$
- $t_1, t_2$  are points in experiment time, e.g.:



→ Dynamical heterogeneities!

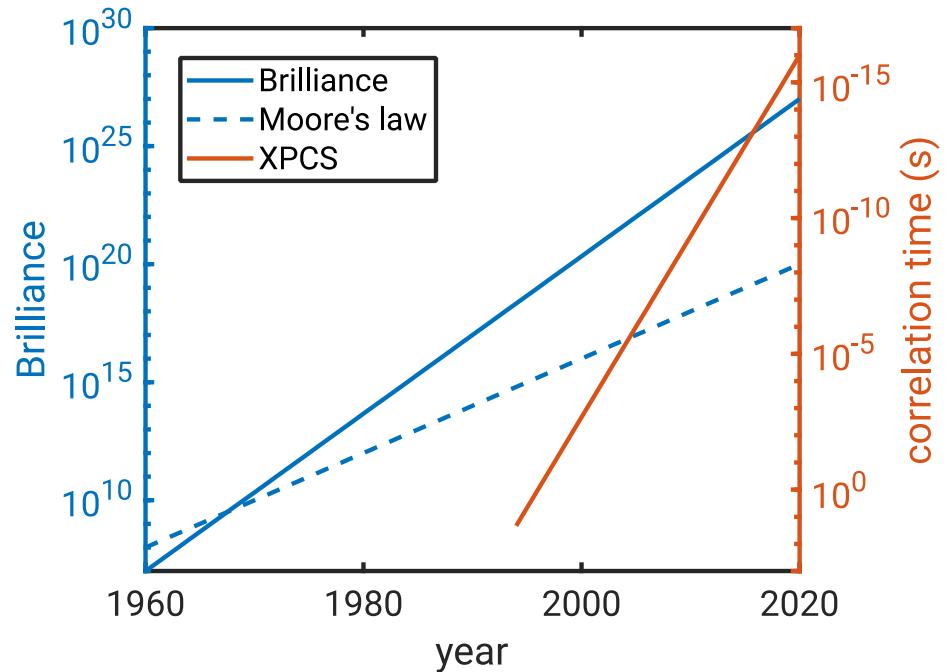
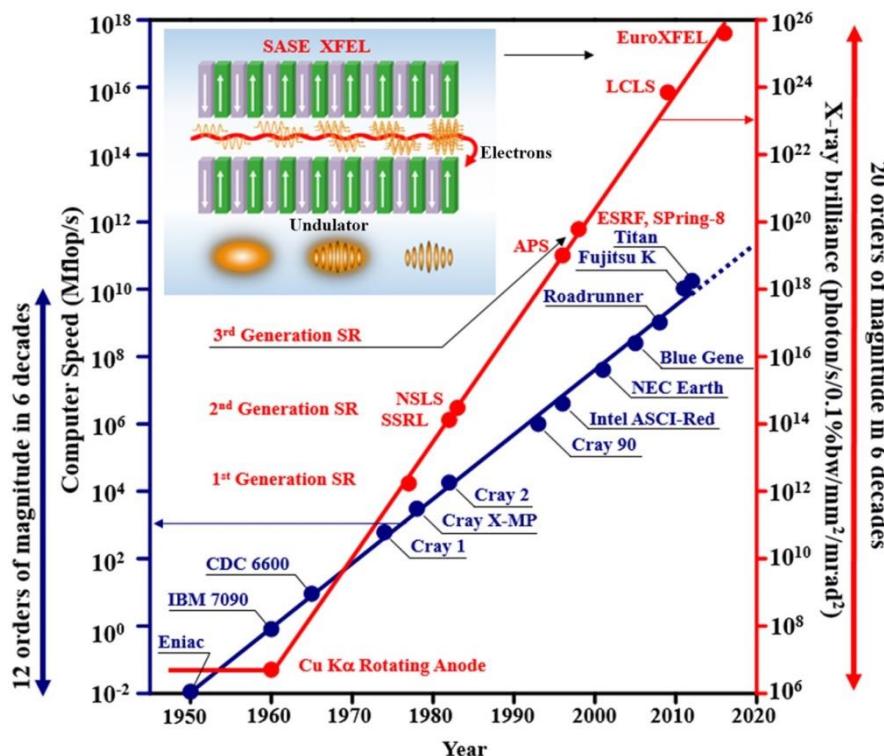
- Sample ages along  $t_1 = t_2$  diagonal  $t_{age} = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{2}$
- Lag time  $\tau = |t_2 - t_1|$

## XPCS – signal to noise

- Reasonable definition  $SNR = \frac{g_2 - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(g_2)}}$
  - $\text{var}(g_2) = \frac{g_2}{N_p \langle n_c \rangle} = \frac{g_2}{n_x n_y T t_a I^2}$ 
    - $N_p$  number of correlated pairs averaged for  $g_2$
    - $\langle n_c \rangle$  mean number of counts per exposure time
    - Using count rate  $I$  per pixel, accumulation time  $t_a$ , number of pixels  $P = n_x n_y$ , total experimental duration  $T$ .
  - $SNR = \frac{g_2 - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(g_2)}} = \sqrt{PTt_a/g_2} \cdot I(g_2 - 1)$ 
    - Substitute  $g_2$  with the limit of  $\tau \rightarrow 0$ :  $g_2 = \beta^2 + 1$
    - Low contrast limit:  $\sqrt{g_2} \approx 1$
- $SNR = \beta^2 I \sqrt{PTt_a}$
- Consequence: Increase of  $I$  by 10 → accessible time scale 100x smaller!

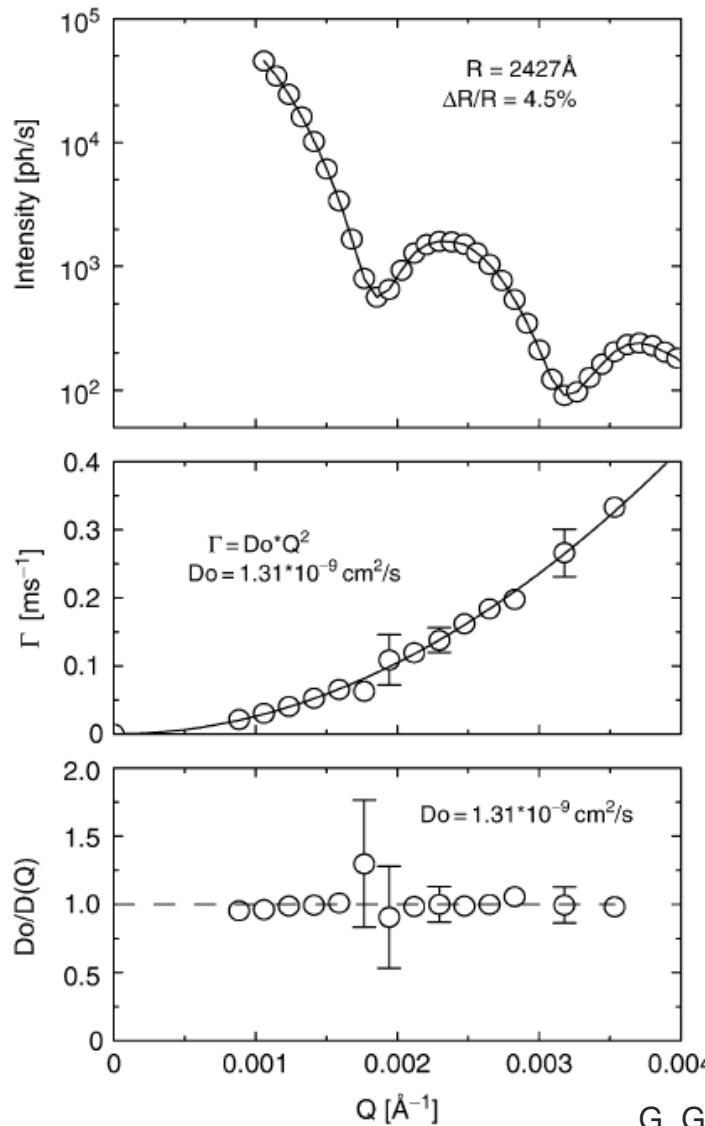
see P. Falus et al. J. Synchr. Rad. 13, 253 (2006)





- Today:  $\tau_c \geq 1 \mu\text{s}$
- Next-generation storage rings:  $10^4$  gain in  $\tau_c \Rightarrow \tau_c \approx \text{ns}$
- European XFEL (avg. Brilliance):  $10^{10}$  gain in  $\tau_c \Rightarrow \tau_c \approx \text{fs}$ 
  - Limitations by pulse length and repetition rate

## XPCS example 1 – dynamics in colloidal systems

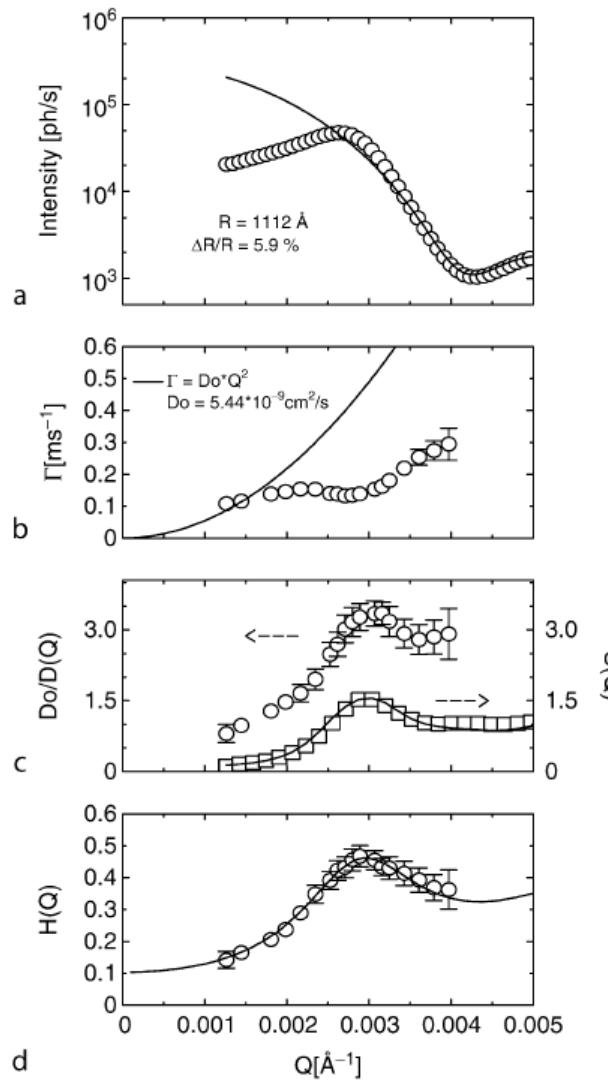


### $\text{SiO}_2$ colloids in glycerol/water

- Low concentration: volume fraction 1%
- SAXS: Formfactor
- XPCS: diffusion with  $\Gamma \propto q^2$

G. Grübel et al. In "Soft Matter Characterization", Springer (2008)

## XPCS example 1 – dynamics in colloidal systems



### PMMA particles in decalin

- High concentration: volume fraction 37%
- SAXS: Structure factor
- XPCS results deviate from  $\Gamma \propto q^2$
- Effective diffusion constant  $D(q) = D_0 H(q)/S(q)$  for short times, hydrodynamic function  $H(q)$
- $H(q) = 1 \Rightarrow D(q) = D_0/S(q)$ : de Gennes narrowing, i.e. slowing down around next-neighbour distances.

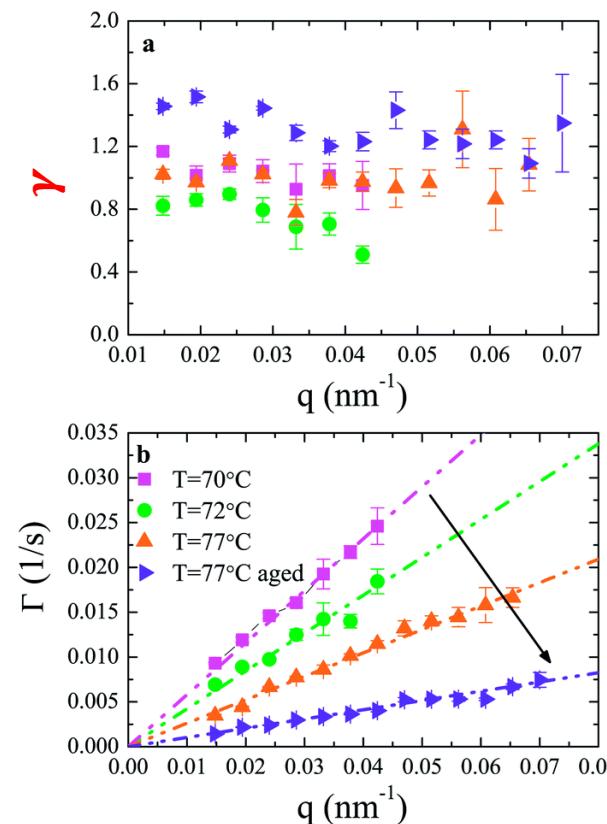
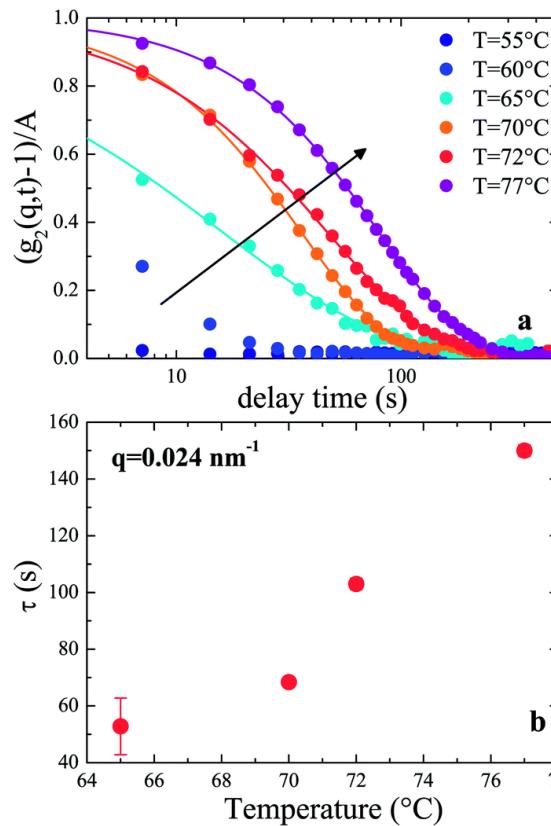
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## XPCS example 2 – microrheology

### Tracer particles to measure solvent properties

- Weak scattering signal from solvent
- Large q-region has to be probed (low speckle contrast)
- Slower dynamics in SAXS regime
- Indirect access to solvent properties only
- Length scale of several 10 nm given by the tracer particle size
- Low tracer particle concentrations, so that  $S(q) = 1$  for the particles → avoid any particle-solvent interactions

## XPCS example 2 – microrheology



B. Ruta et al. Soft Matter 10, 4547 (2014)

Glass transition studies: → Lecture 15

- $\text{SiO}_2$  particles as tracer for gelation of methylcellulose in water
- Gel-gel-transition: Turbid gel for  $T \geq 60 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$
- Stretched ( $\gamma < 1$ ) to compressed ( $\gamma > 1$ ) transition (KWW exponent!)
- Hyper-diffusive & compressed at high temperatures → stress-dominated

## XPCS example 3 – directed motion

Sample undergoes (shear) flow

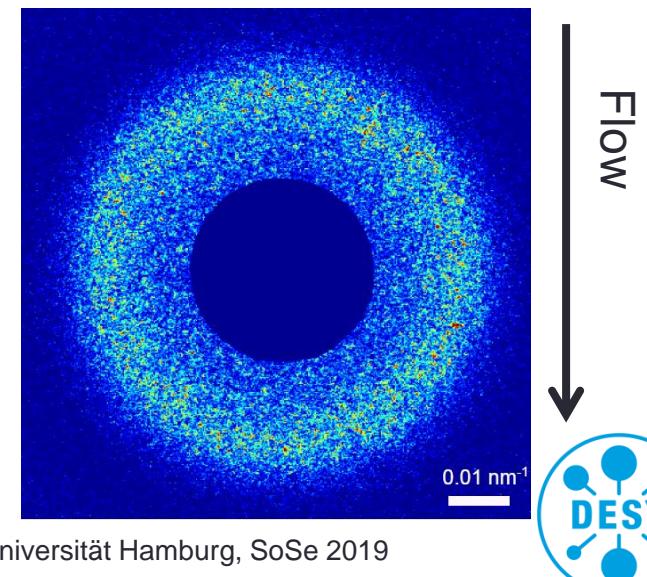
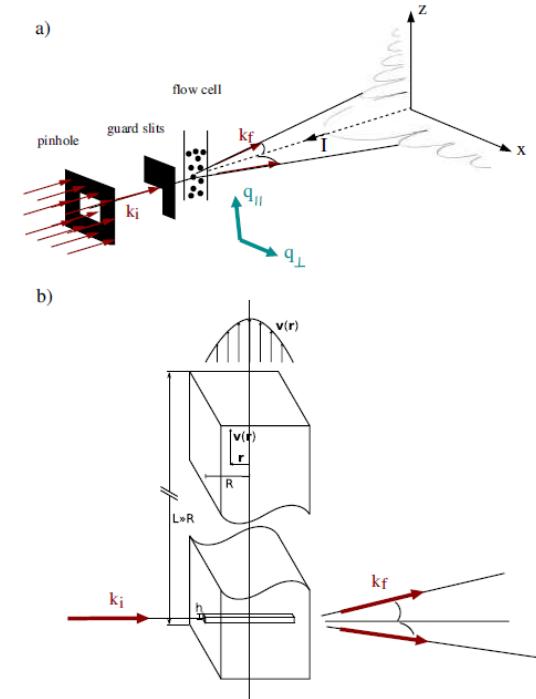
- Flowing sample to avoid radiation damage
- Sedimentation of particles
- $f(q, \tau)$ : product of diffusive and advective contributions  

$$f(q, \tau) = f_d(q, \tau) \cdot f_a(q, \tau) = \exp(-\Gamma t) \cdot f_a(q, \tau)$$
- $f_a(q, \tau)$  can become complicated

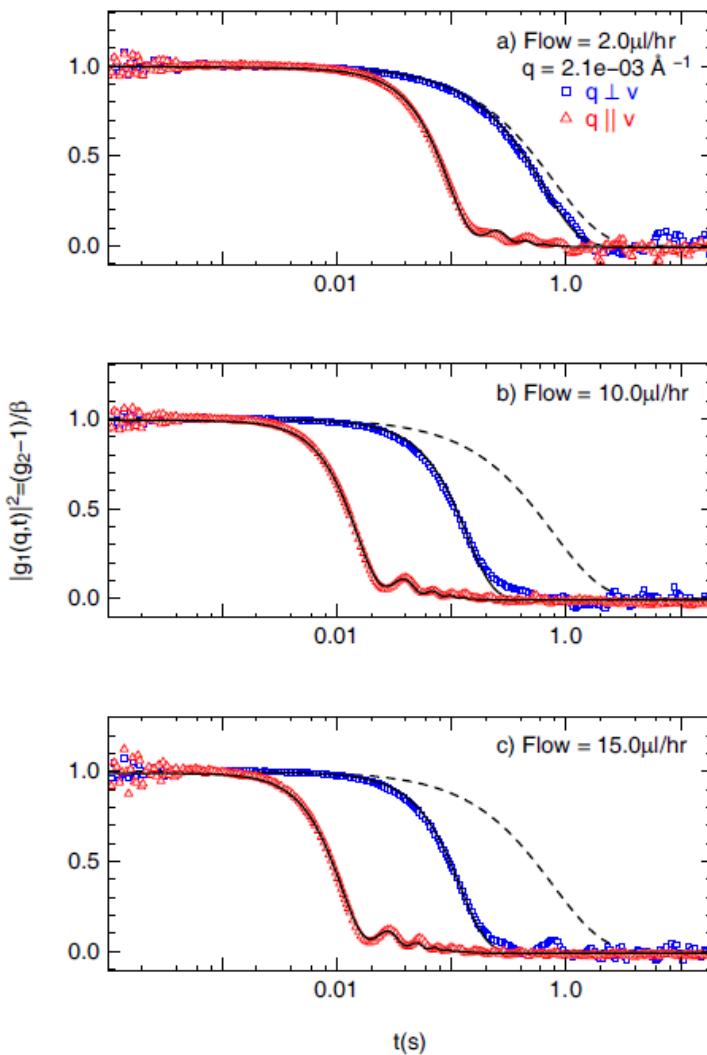
Perpendicular to flow it simplifies to  

$$g_{2,\perp}(q, \tau) = 1 + \beta^2 \exp(-2\Gamma\tau) \exp(-(\nu_{tr}t)^2)$$
,  
 transit-induced frequency  $\nu_{tr}$

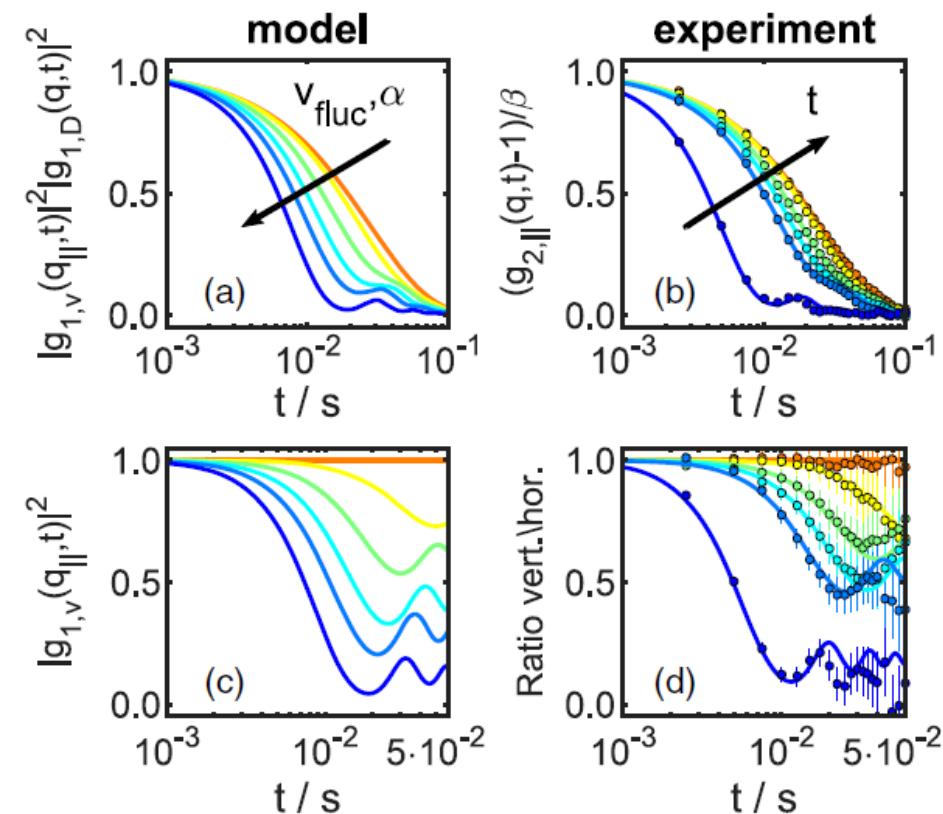
In flow direction: oscillating behaviour



## XPCS example 3 – directed motion



S. Busch et al. Eur. Phys. J. E 26, 55 (2008)



Particle sedimentation

J. Möller et al. PRL 118, 198001 (2017)



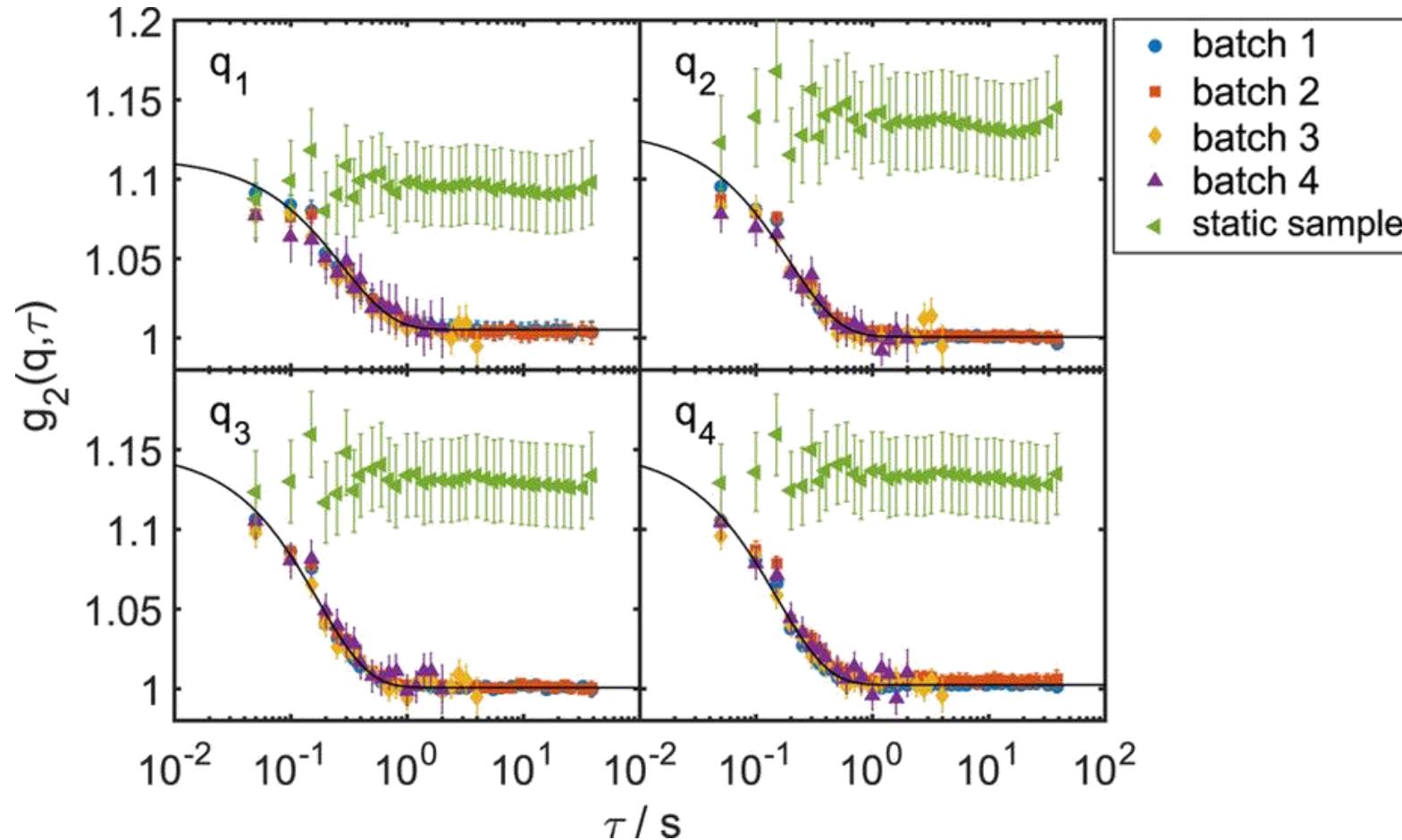
## XPCS example 4 – XPCS at FEL

Parameter	Storage ring	FEL
Time Structure	Continuous	Pulses
Coherence	Partial	Full
Intensity	Stable	Fluctuations
Position / pointing	Stable	Fluctuations
Energy spectrum	Stable	Fluctuations
Time lag	Detector- and flux-limited ( $\geq 10^{-6}$ s)	Repetition rate  (60/120 Hz: LCLS/SACLA >MHz: E-XFEL)

### State-of-the-art detectors at storage rings

Maxipix (ESRF)	~ 300 Hz
Lambda (PETRA III, APS)	~ >2 kHz
Eiger (PETRA III, NSLS-II, ESRF)	~ kHz

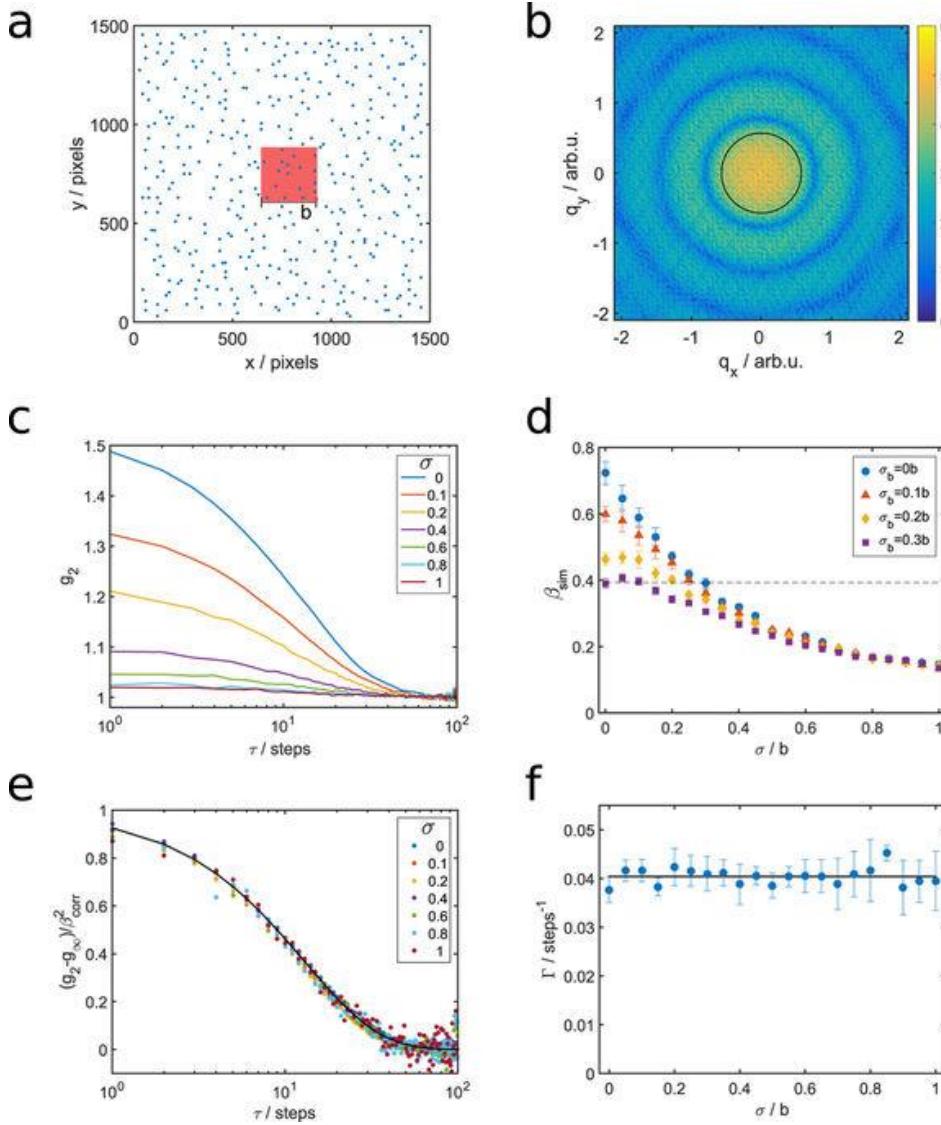
## XPCS example 4 – XPCS at FEL



Diffusion of nanoparticles in glycerol and static sample with 20 Hz rep. Rate

FL et al. Sci. Rep. 5, 17193 (2015)

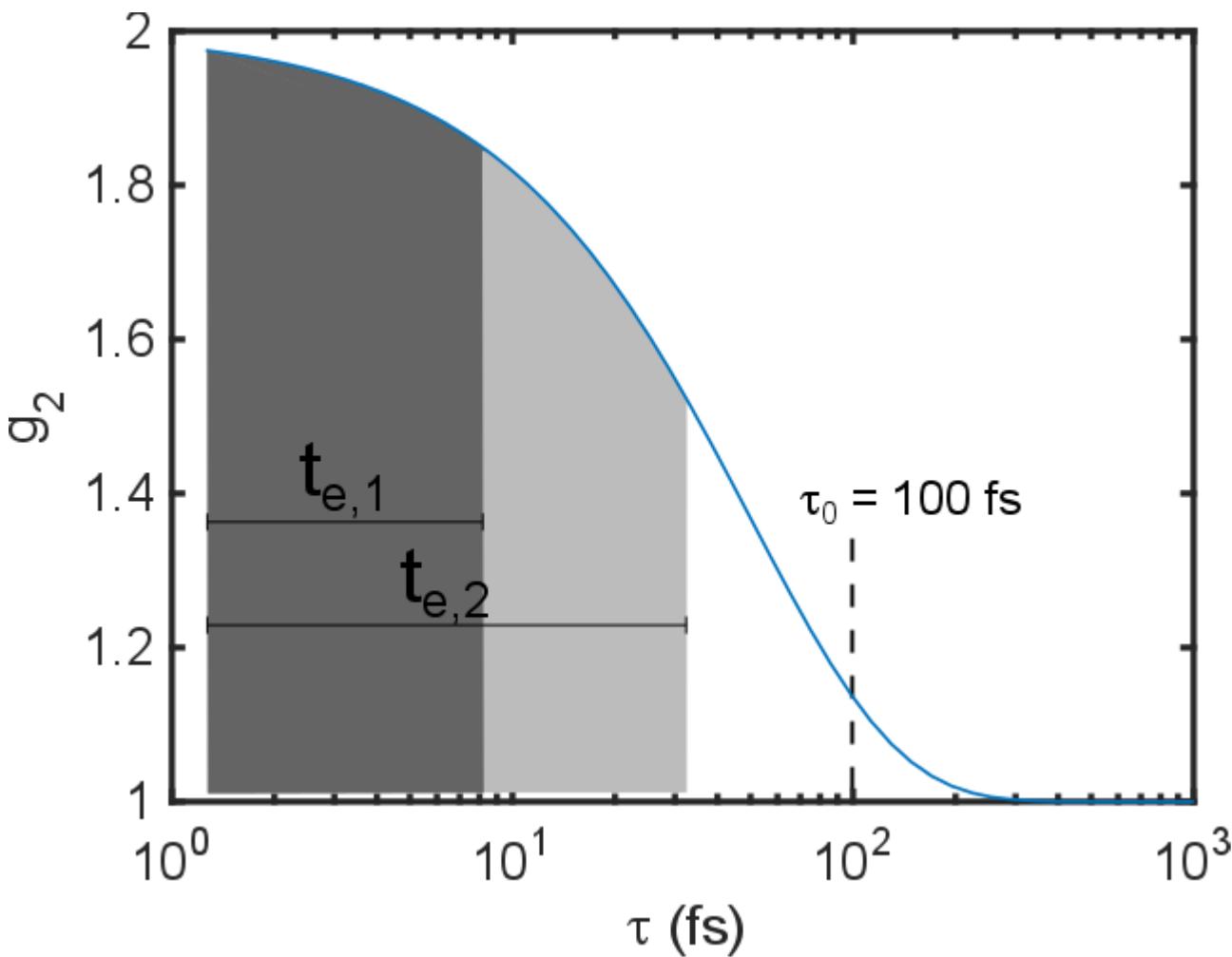
## XPCS example 4 – XPCS at FEL



- XPCS simulations
- Moving beam & beam size modifications on shot-to-shot basis
- Extracted relaxation rates well-described by diffusion
- Drop of effective contrast

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## XPCS example 5 – ultrafast XPCS: XSVS



- So far: short exposure time  $t_e \ll \tau_0$
- Dynamics change during exposure → reduction of contrast
- Typical FEL pulse length:  $\tau_0 = 100 \text{ fs}$

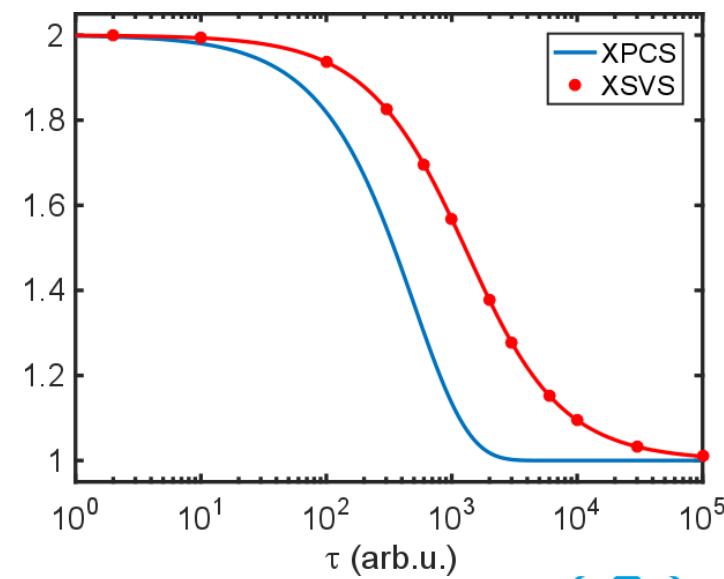
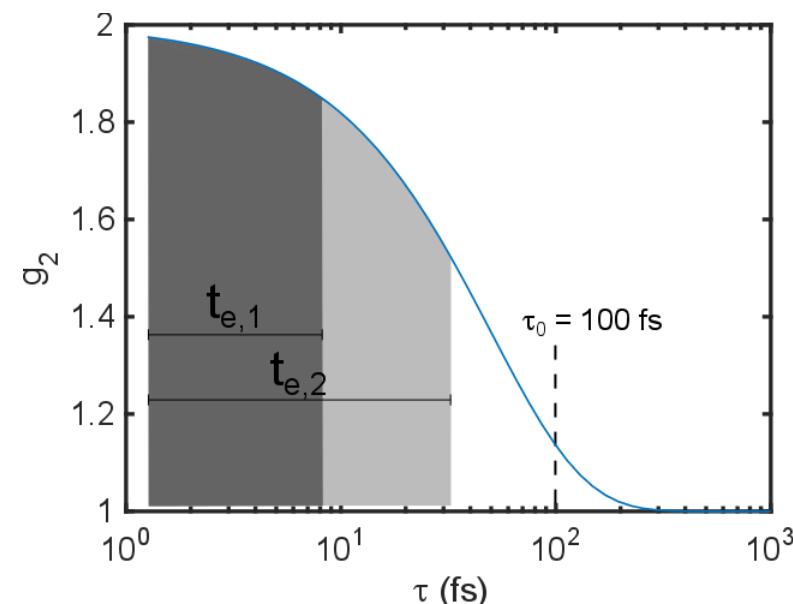
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### Finite pulse lengths

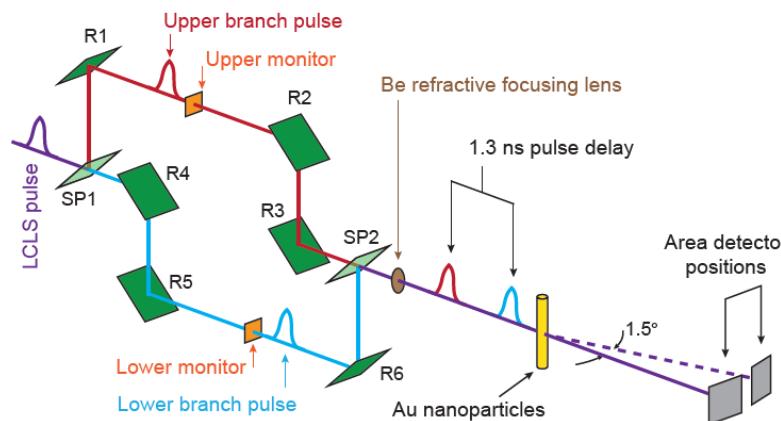
- Contrast as function of exposure ( $\beta^2 = \frac{\langle I^2 \rangle}{\langle I \rangle^2} - 1$ )

$$\beta^2(q, t_e) = \frac{2\beta_0^2}{t_e} \int_0^{t_e} \left(1 - \frac{\tau}{t_e}\right) |f(q, \tau)|^2 d\tau$$

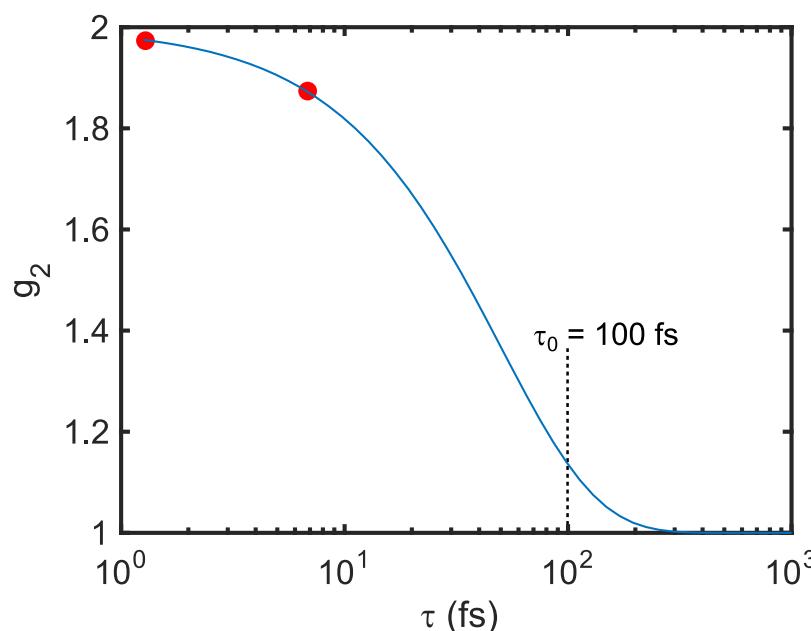
- For diffusion, this can be solved analytically  
 (→ Exercise!)
- Limited by accessible exposure times
  - Pulse lengths (FEL)
  - Detector read out & flux (storage rings)
- FEL: pulse lengths variations & split-pulse applications



## XPCS example 5 – ultrafast XPCS: double shot



- Split FEL pulse in two and delay one of them
- Speckle pattern: sum of two patterns
- XSVS-type of analysis
- Typically low count rates → obtain contrast from distribution functions of intensity



W. Roseker et al. Nature Comm. 9, 1704 (2018)

## XPCS: further examples

- Glass dynamics and glass transition ( $\rightarrow$  lecture 15)
- In general, large  $q$  experiments
  - Water ( $\rightarrow$  lecture 16)
  - Domain wall dynamics
  - Network glasses ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , ...)
  - ...
- Liquid surfaces: capillary waves  $\rightarrow$  oscillating ISF
- ...
- Relation to neutron spin echo and dynamic light scattering

## Accessible timescales for XPCS



Sequential XPCS at storage ring and FEL sources:  $\tau \gtrsim 0.1$  ms

XSVS at FEL sources:  $\tau \sim$  pulse lengths  $\sim 0\text{-}100$  fs

Split-pulse XPCS:  $\tau \leq 1$  ns

Sequential XPCS at European XFEL:  $600\text{ }\mu\text{s} \geq \tau \geq 220\text{ ns}$

XPCS at DLSR:  $\tau \leq$  sub- $\mu$ s