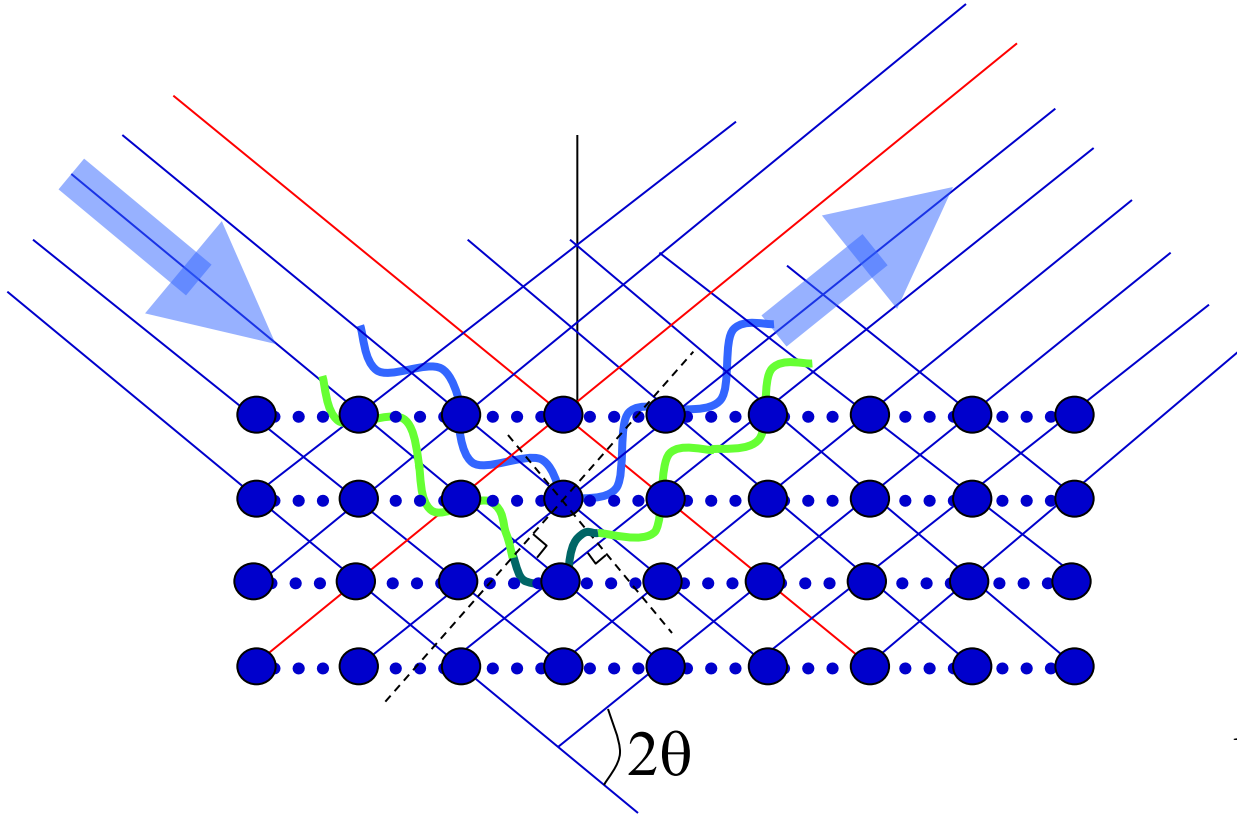


Small-Angle Scattering

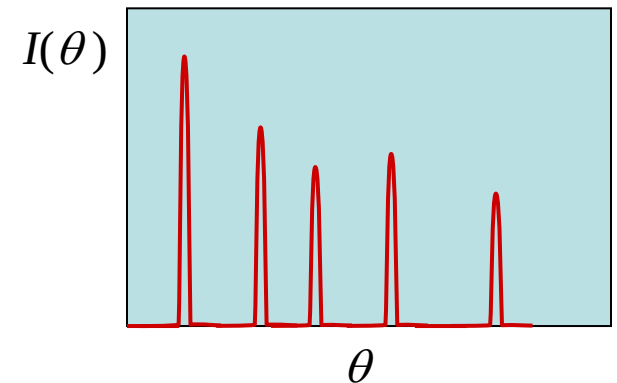
Basic Theory

Bragg Scattering

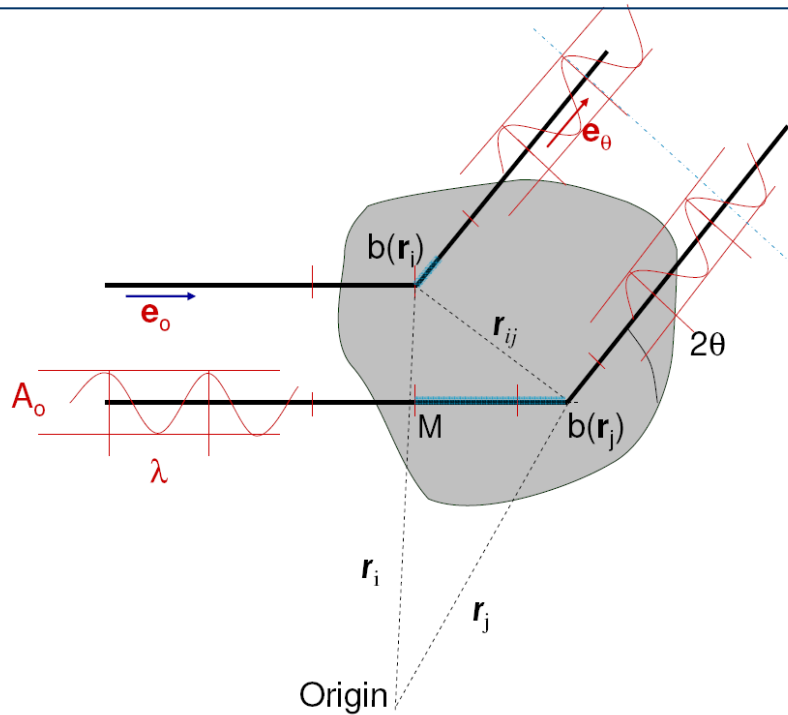
From the periodic lattice of a solid



$$n\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$$



Phase



$$\Delta\phi = |\mathbf{PN} - \mathbf{OM}| \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\Delta\phi = (\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\theta - \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_o) \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_o = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \mathbf{e}_o$$

$$\mathbf{k}_\theta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \mathbf{e}_\theta$$

$$\Delta\phi = \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{k}_\theta - \mathbf{k}_o) = \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{q}$$

$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{k}_\theta - \mathbf{k}_o$ is the **scattering vector**, or *momentum transfer*

$$q = |\mathbf{q}| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} |\mathbf{e}_\theta - \mathbf{e}_o| = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin(\theta)$$

Amplitude

Phase difference

$$\Delta\phi = \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{k}_\theta - \mathbf{k}_o) = \mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{q}$$

Amplitude

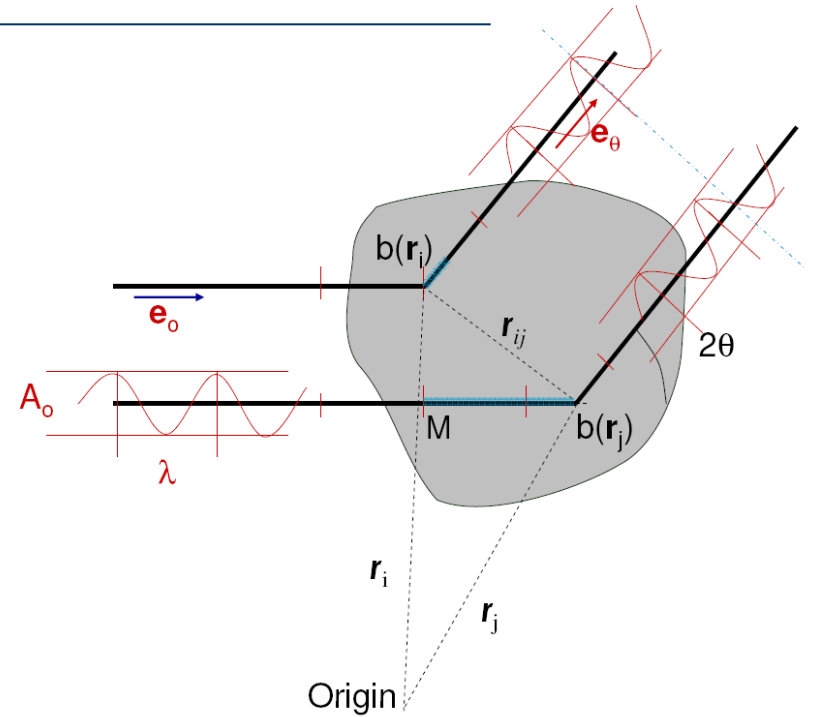
$$A(t, \mathbf{r}) = A_o \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})]$$

Scattering from site $\mathbf{r}_i$ into angle 2θ , or better
scattering vector $\mathbf{q}$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\mathbf{q})_{\mathbf{r}_i} &= A_o b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[i(\omega t - \Delta\phi - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})] \\ &= A_o b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})] \\ &= A_o b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i)] \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})] \end{aligned}$$

Sample

$$A(\mathbf{q}) = A_o \sum_{\text{sample}} b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i)] \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})]$$



Amplitude -> Intensity

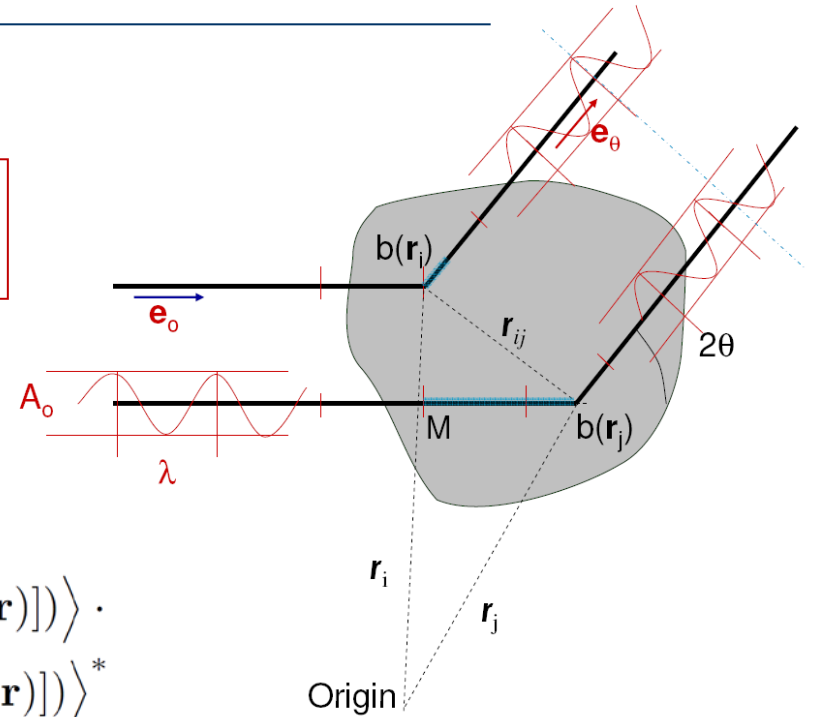
Scattering-Amplitude from sample $A(\mathbf{q})$

$$A(\mathbf{q}) = A_o \sum_{\text{sample}} b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i)] \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})]$$

Intensity

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I}(\mathbf{q}) &= A_o \left\langle \left(\sum b(\mathbf{r}_i) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i)] \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})] \right) \right\rangle \cdot \\ &\quad A_o \left\langle \left(\sum b(\mathbf{r}_j) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j)] \exp[i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{r})] \right) \right\rangle^* \\ &= A_o^2 \left\langle \sum_i \sum_j b(\mathbf{r}_i) b(\mathbf{r}_j) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})] \right\rangle \\ &= I_o \sum_i \sum_j \left\langle b(\mathbf{r}_i) b(\mathbf{r}_j) \exp[-i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})] \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

average



Measured Intensity $\tilde{I}(\mathbf{q})$

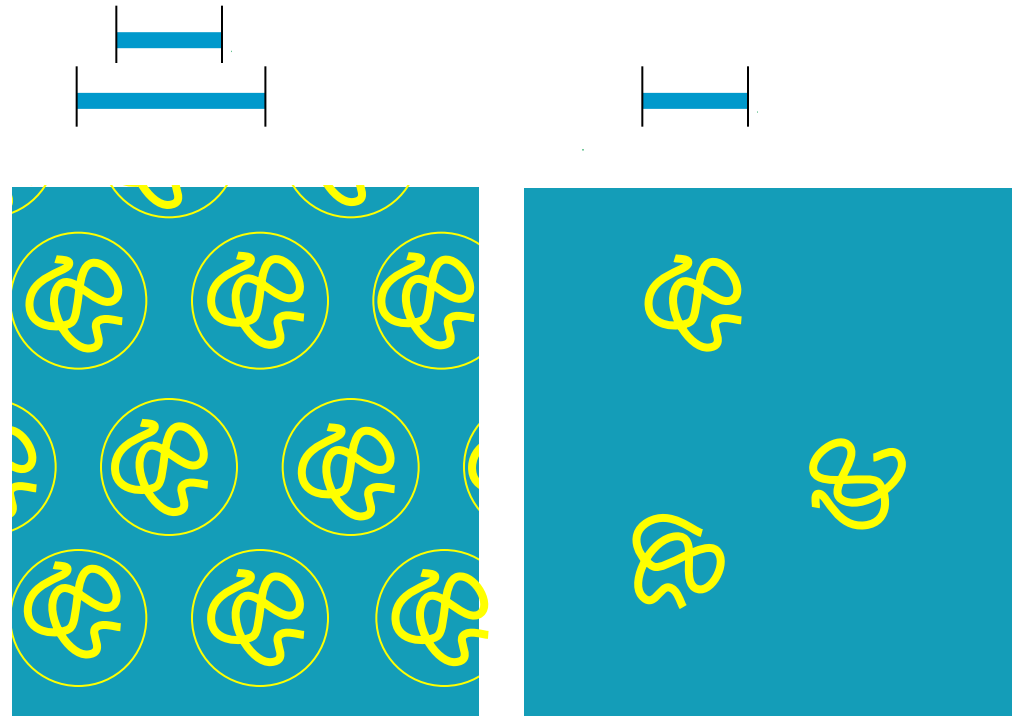
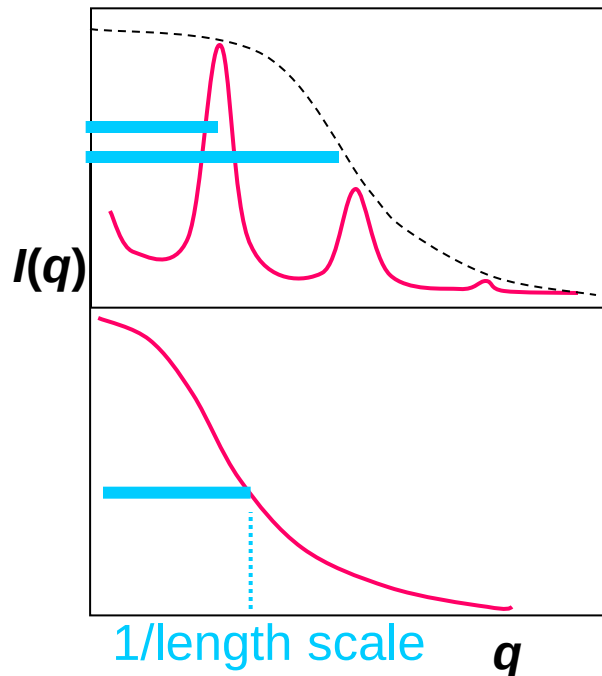
Scattering Function $I(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \tilde{I}(\mathbf{q})/I_o$

Small-Angle Scattering; Length scale

- Neutron: SANS 10-1000Å
- X-ray: SAXS 10-1000Å
- Light: SALS 0.1-100mm
 - type depending on
 - length scale
 - contrast
 - sample environment

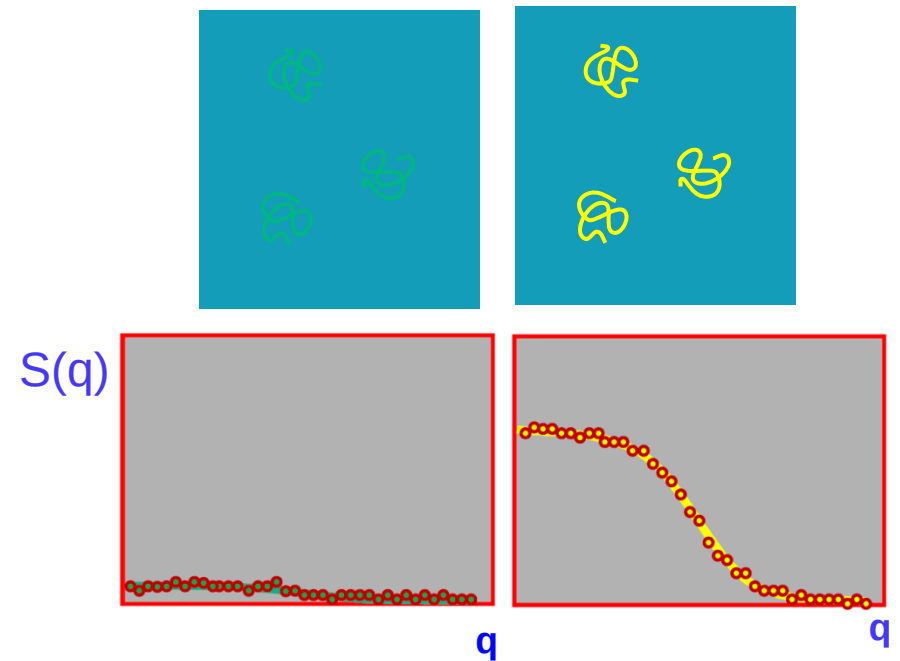
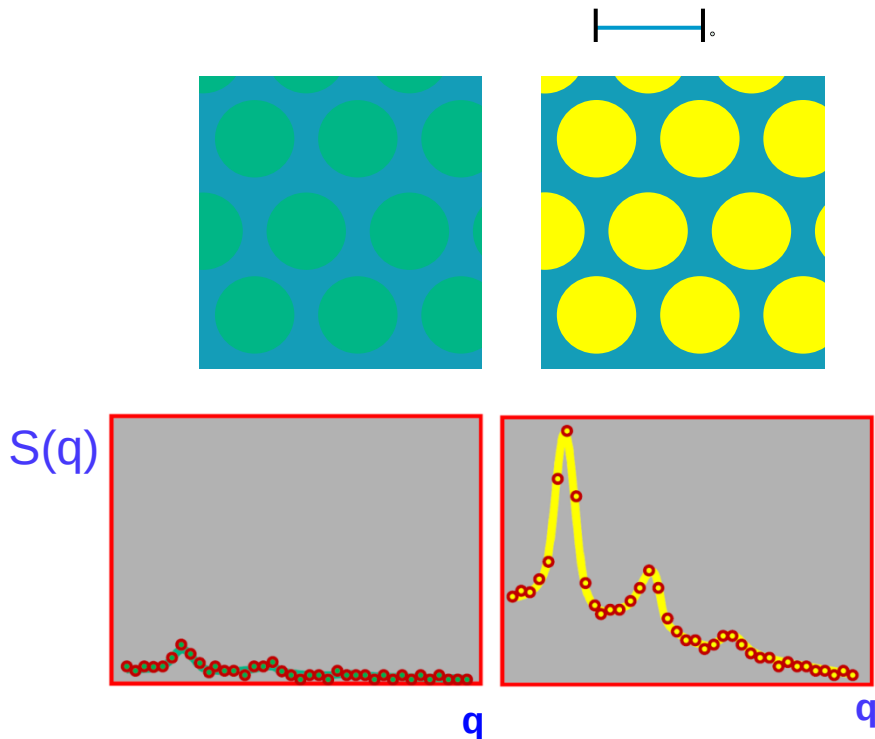
Scattered intensity
given by correlations

$$I(q) = \iint \rho_i \rho_j \exp(i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_{ij}) d^3 r_i d^3 r_j$$



Small-Angle Scattering, CONTRAST

- Neutron: SANS 10-1000Å
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Scattering
cross-section

neutrons

NEUTRONS

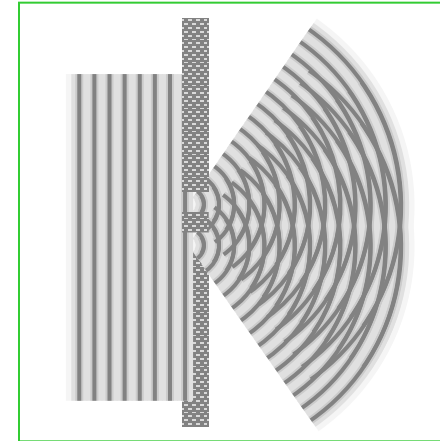
The interaction between matter and neutrons

The neutron treated as a planar wave with wavelength λ through the de Broglie relation

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{m_n v_n}$$

where the velocity v_n is given by the thermal energy $E_n = k_B T$ as

$$v_n = \sqrt{k_B T / m_n}$$

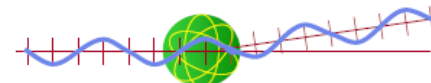


for thermal energies
the neutron velocity is of the order of
and the neutron wavelength of the order of

$T \sim 300\text{K}$,
 3000 m/s
 $1.4\text{\AA}$

The neutron scattering length

www.ncnr.nist.gov/resources/n-lengths



Nuclei	Coherent Scattering Length b_i	Incoherent Cross Section σ_{inc}
H	$-0.3739 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$80.26 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^1H	$-0.3741 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$80.27 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
$^2\text{H} = \text{D}$	$0.6671 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$2.05 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
C	$0.6646 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.001 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{12}C	$0.6651 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
N	$0.936 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.50 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{14}N	$0.937 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.50 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
O	$0.5803 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.0 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{16}O	$0.5803 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.0 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
Si	$0.4149 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.004 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{28}Si	$0.4107 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
Cl	$0.958 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{35}Cl	$1.165 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
Ca	$0.479 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0.05 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$
^{40}Ca	$0.480 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{cm}$	$0 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2$

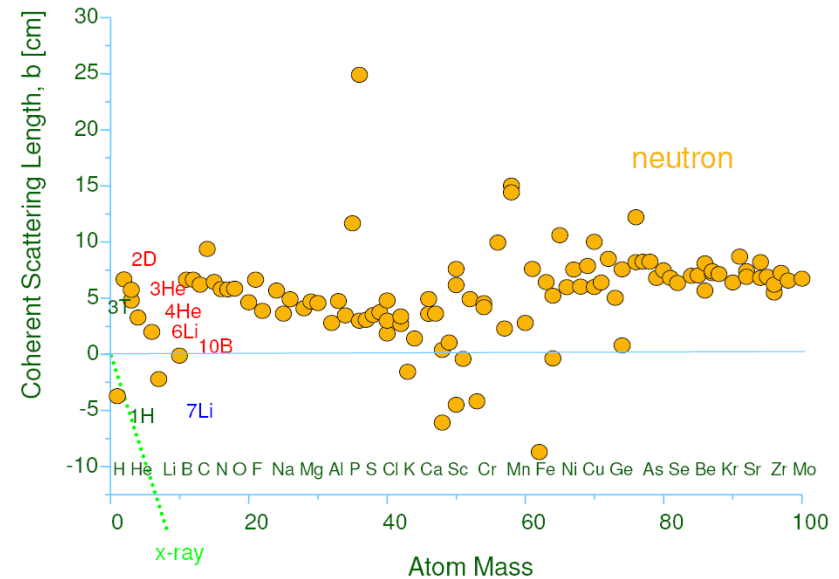
The interaction between matter and neutrons

1. Interaction with Nuclei

Two different interaction terms,
if the nucleus spin is finite

The average coupling gives
coherent scattering

The deviation from average
gives incoherent scattering

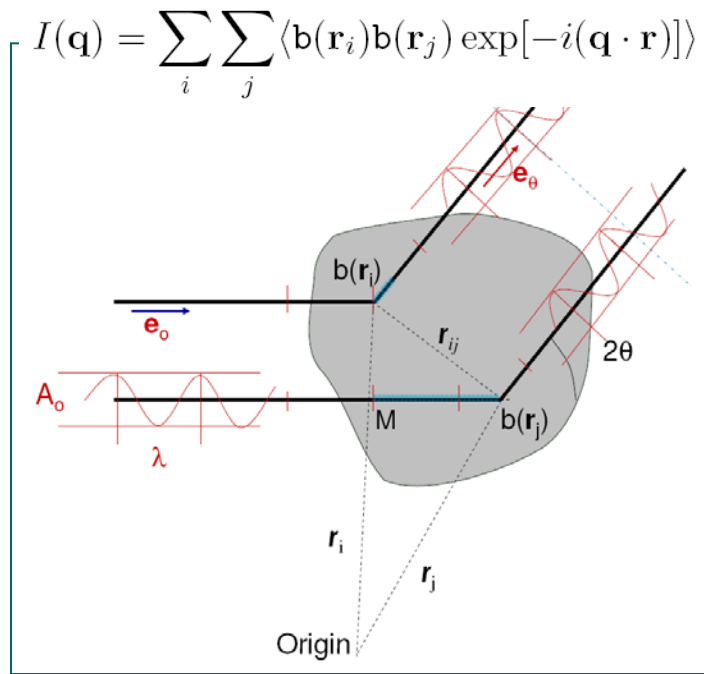


Nuclei	Coherent Scattering Length	Incoherent Cross Section
^1H	$-0.374 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$	$79.9 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$
^2D	$0.667 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$	$2.04 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$
^{16}O	$0.580 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$	$0.0009 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$
^{12}C	$0.665 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$	$0.001 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$

2. Interaction with Magnetic Moment (electrons)

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The neutron scattering length density



q small, i.e. r large for a given value of qr
 With maximum: $q_{\max} \sim 0.5 \text{\AA}^{-1}$,
 we have a lower-size resolution of the order of

$$r \sim 2\pi/q_{\max} \sim 10 \text{\AA}.$$

i.e. molecular, but not atomic scale resolution.

$$b_i \rightarrow \rho(\mathbf{r}_i) d\mathbf{r}_i$$

Define continuum parameter:

scattering length density

$$\rho = \frac{1}{V} \sum_V b_i = \frac{N_A \delta}{M_V} \sum_V b_i$$

Substitute scattering
 length with scattering
 length density:

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = \int_{\mathbf{R}_i} \int_{\mathbf{R}_j} \langle \rho(\mathbf{R}_i) \rho(\mathbf{R}_j) \rangle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}] d\mathbf{R}_j d\mathbf{R}_i$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \int_{\mathbf{r}} \langle \rho(\mathbf{R}) \rho(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{R}$$

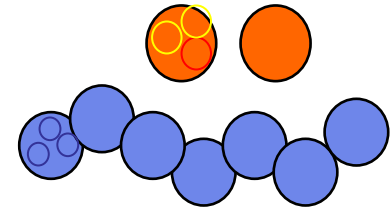
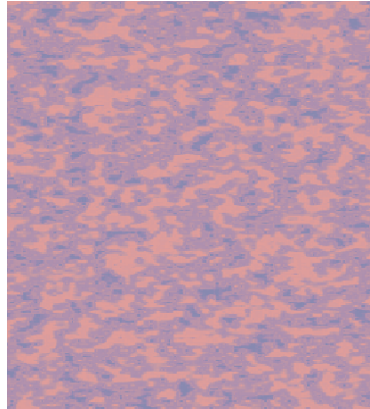
$$I(\mathbf{q}) = V \cdot \int \langle \rho(\mathbf{R}) \rho(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r}$$

$$= V \cdot \int \gamma(\mathbf{r}) \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r}$$

The scattering length density

Wide-angle diffraction high-resolution
(Atomic length scale)

Small-angle diffraction,
low-resolution
(Molecular length-scale)



$$\rho = \frac{1}{V} \sum_V b_i = \frac{N_A \delta}{M_V} \sum_V b_i$$

<http://sld-calculator.appspot.com/save>

<http://www.ncnr.nist.gov/resources/sldcalc.html>

<http://www.ncnr.nist.gov/resources/n-lengths/>

$$\rho_{\text{water}} = \frac{1}{V_{\text{water}}} (2b_{\text{H}} + b_{\text{O}})$$

$$\rho_{\text{water}} = 6.02 \cdot 10^{23} / \text{mol} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ g/cm}^3}{18 \text{ g/mol}} \cdot (2 \cdot (-0.374) + 0.580) \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$$

$$\rho_{\text{water}} = -5.62 \cdot 10^9 / \text{cm}^2$$

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Scattering Length Density Calculator

This calculator will stop working in newer installs of Java. Please update your bookmark to the newer version of SLD calculator developed by Paul Kienzie at <http://www.ncnr.nist.gov/resources/activation/>. This one calculates estimates of neutron activation and uses newer cross sections as well.

Error: Click for details

Usage notes:

NOTE: The above neutron cross section calculations are only for thermal neutron cross sections. I do not have any energy dependent cross sections. For energy dependent cross sections please go to the National Nuclear Data Center at Brookhaven National Lab.

$SLD = \frac{\sum_i b_i}{V_m}$, where b_i is the bound coherent scattering length of i th of n atoms in a molecule with molecular volume V_m .

The neutron scattering length density is defined as:

The corresponding quantity for x rays is obtained by replacing the b_i values in the expression by Zr_e , where $r_e = 2.81 \times 10^{-12}$ cm, is the classical radius of the electron, and Z is the atomic number of the i th atom in the molecular volume V_m .

To calculate scattering length densities enter a compound and a mass density and click "Calculate". The first calculation will take the longest because the program has to download all of the data tables of neutron and x ray scattering lengths, but it should be faster after that is performed.

Neutron scattering lengths and cross sections

H																	He				
Li	Be															B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg															Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr				
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe				
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn				
Fr	Ra	Ac																			
			Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu					
			Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr					

SLD Calculator

Web

Neutron & X-ray

Scattering Length Density Calculator

☒ Neutron

☐ X-ray

☐ All

Chemical Formula:

H2O

e.g., H2O(H[2]2O)9

Mass Density (ρ):

1

[g · cm⁻³]

Wavelength (λ):

10

Å (Optional for Info)

Calculate SLD !

Neutron SLD (β_n):

-5.6052e-07

- i

6.1854e-11

[Å⁻²]

X-ray (Cu Kα) SLD (β_{x-cu}):

- i

[Å⁻²]

X-ray (Mo Kα) SLD (β_{x-mo}):

- i

[Å⁻²]

Additional Info

Neutron Incoherent Cross Section:

5.6211

[cm⁻¹]

Neutron Coherent Cross Section:

0.003937

[cm⁻¹]

Neutron Absorption Cross Section:

0.12371

[cm⁻¹]

Neutron (e⁻¹) Penetration Depth:

0.17395

[cm]

Summary

Compound	ρ [gcm ⁻³]	λ [Å]	Re(β _n)[Å ⁻²]	Im(β _n)[Å ⁻²]	Re(β _{x-cu})[Å ⁻²]	Im(β _{x-cu})[Å ⁻²]
H2O	1	10	-5.6052e-07	-6.1854e-11		-

Links:

Our New Standalone Data Analysis App: [SciEnPlot](#)

Webapp: [Kiessig fringe thickness converter](#)

Data Sources of Periodic Table: [Neutron](#), [X-ray](#)

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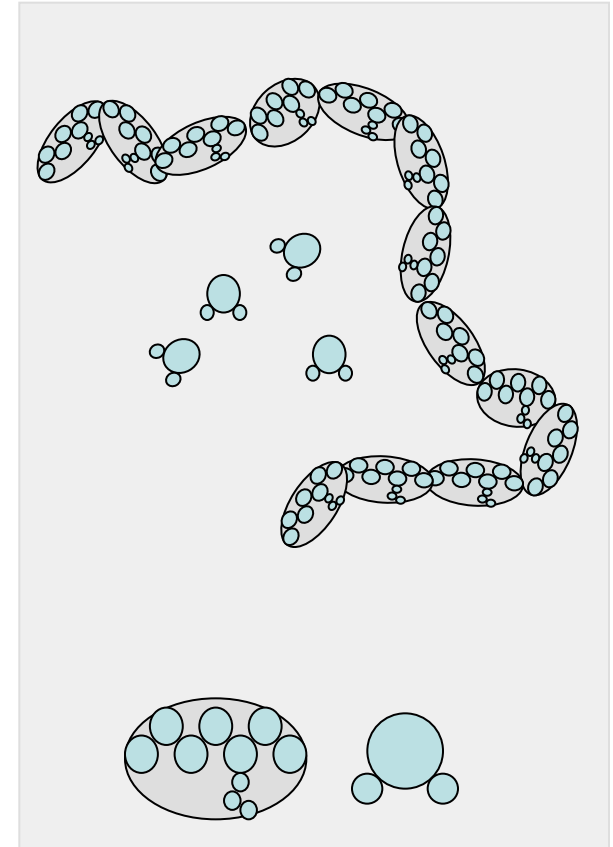
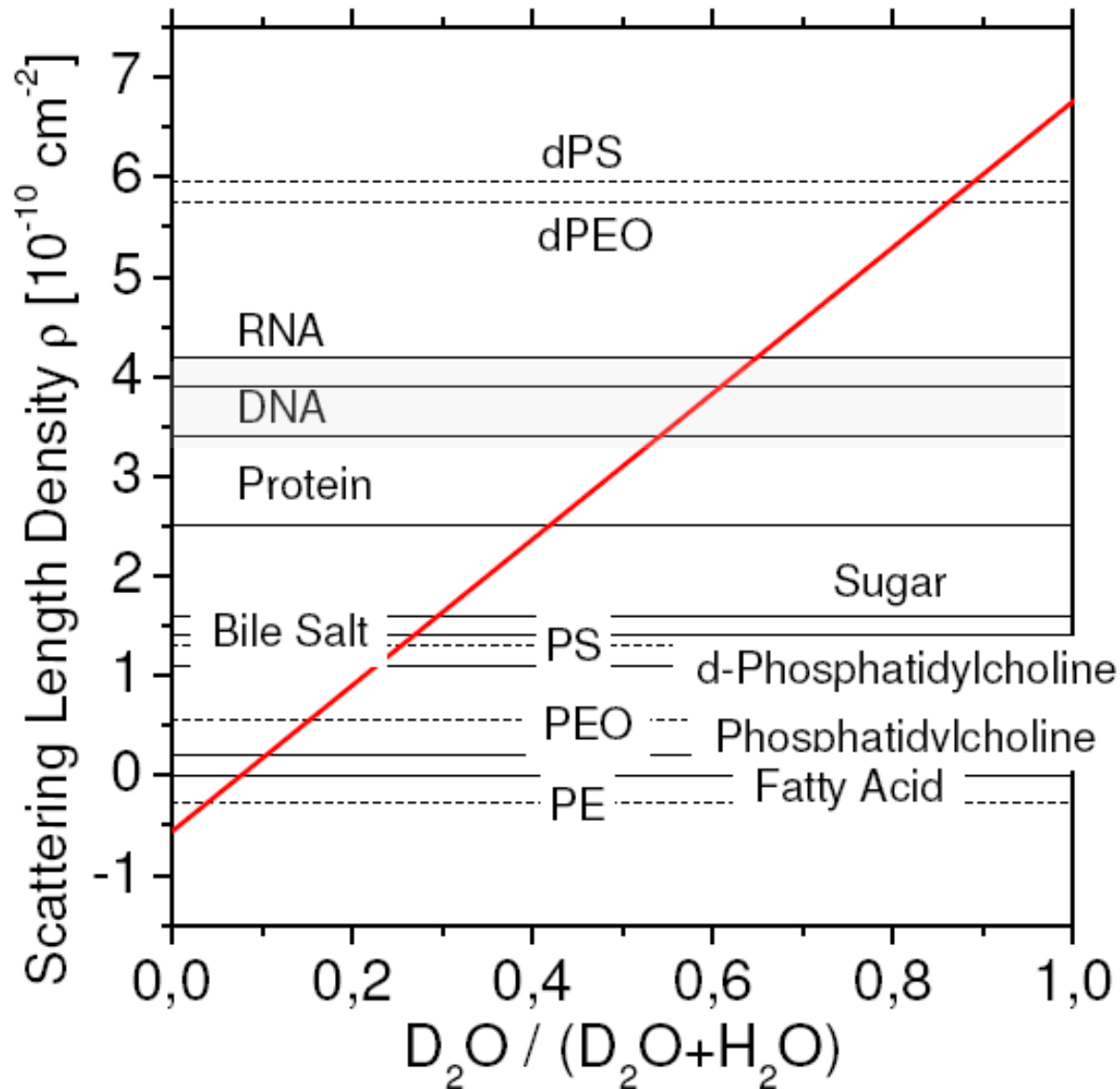
Uses a modified version of the [PeriodicTable](#) to fit with Google App

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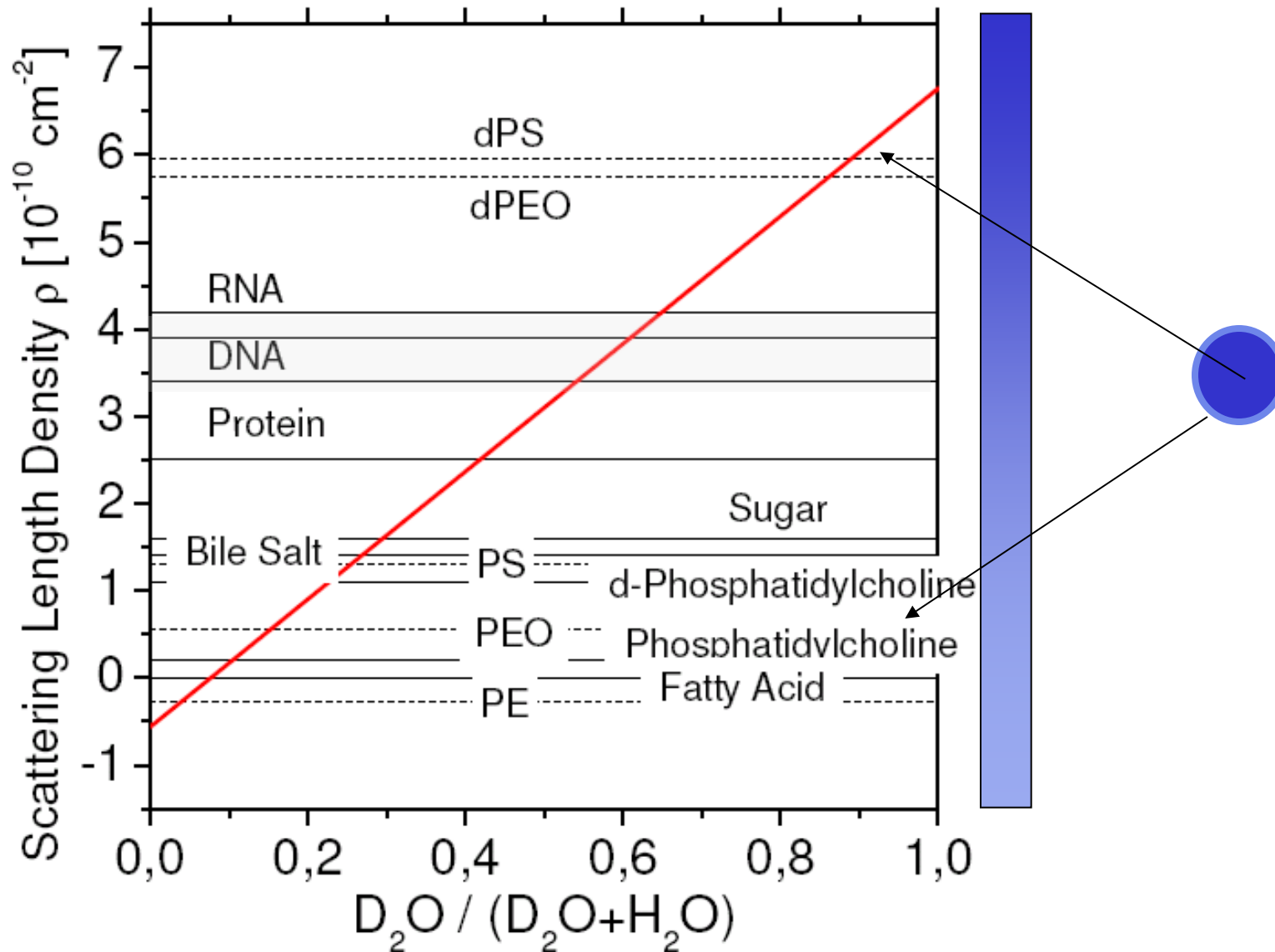
Scattering length density

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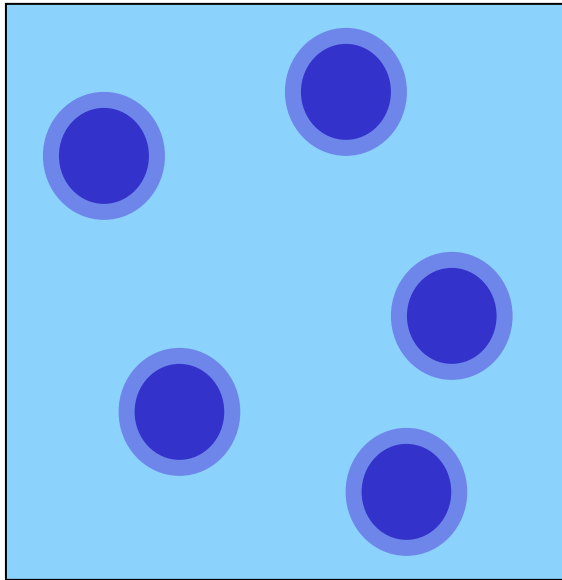


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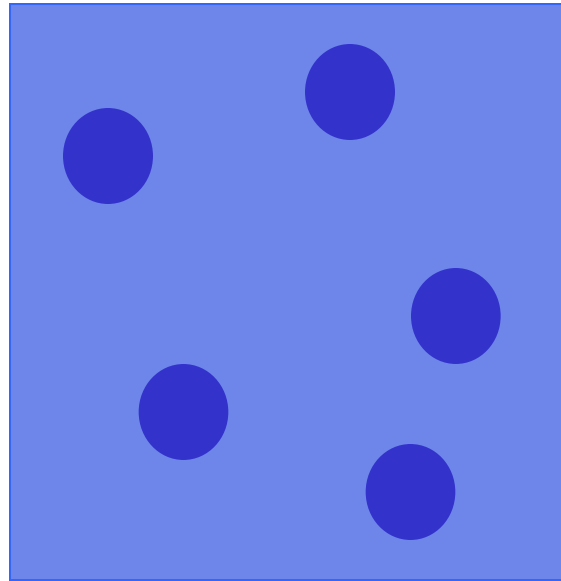
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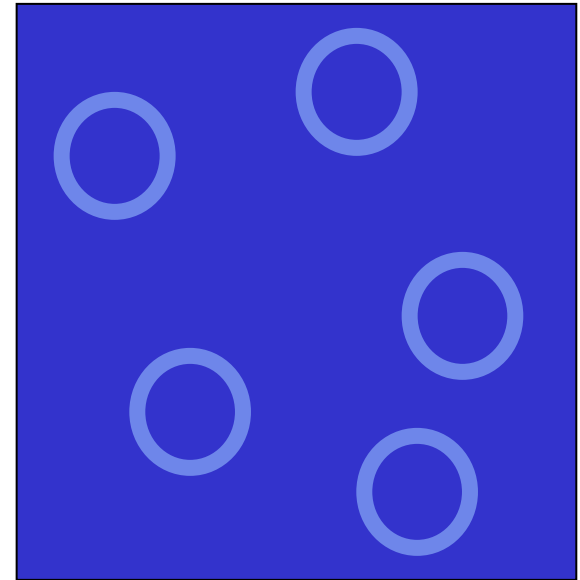
Contrast variation, - changing solvent



Mixed contrast

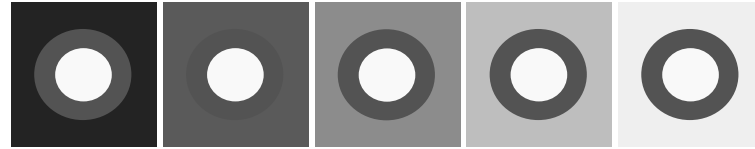


Bulk contrast



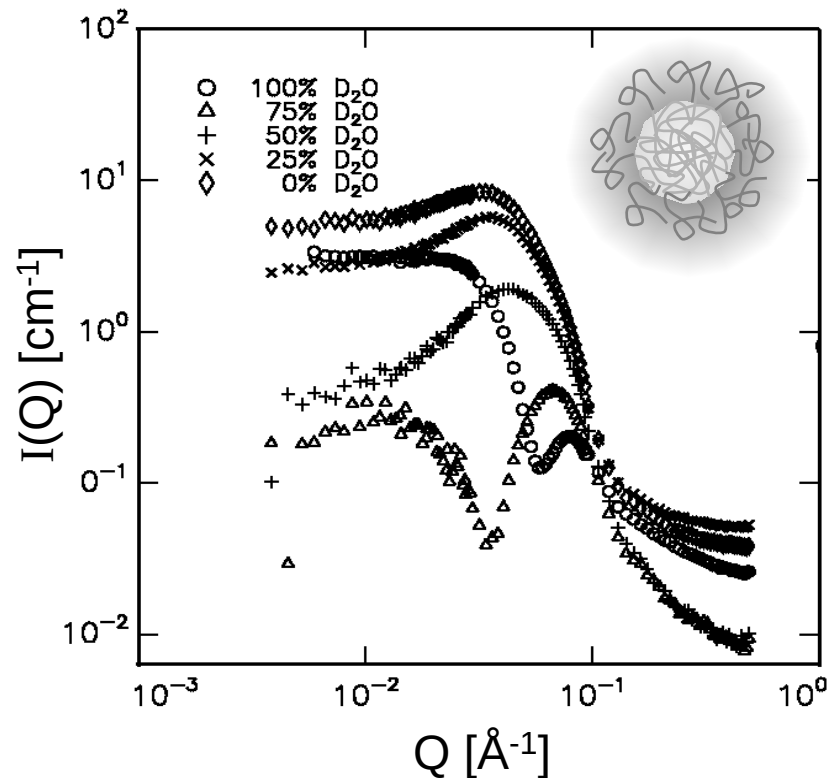
Interface contrast

Contrast variation changing solvent Example



Varying D₂O/H₂O ratio

Block copolymer
micelles
in water, measured
with different
D₂O/H₂O
compositions



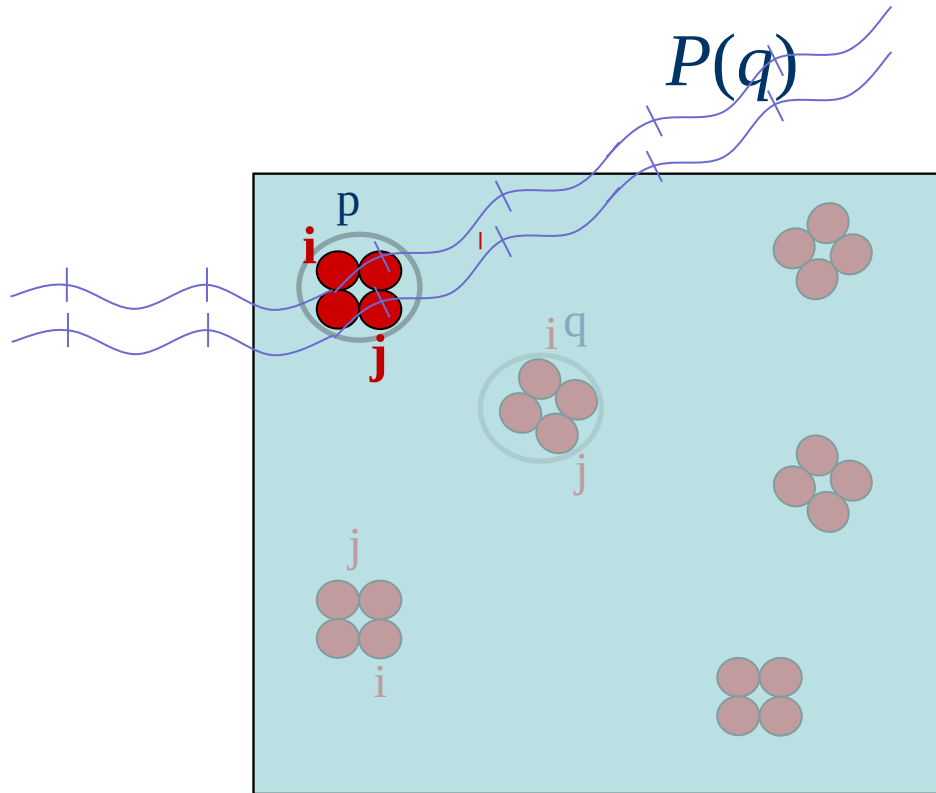
Scattering Function (Scattering Cross-Section)

Decomposed into

Pre-Factor
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Structure Factor

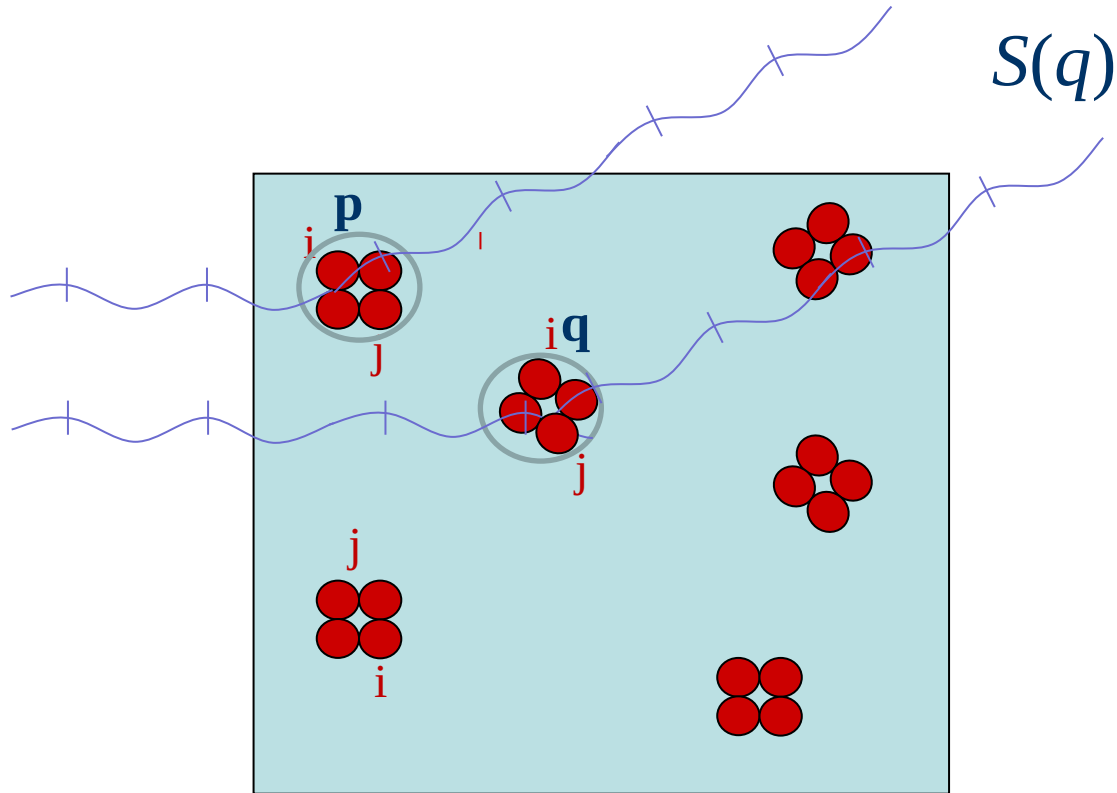
Decomposition into intra and inter correlations

n particles (p,q, ..) with
M subunits (i,j, ..) in each



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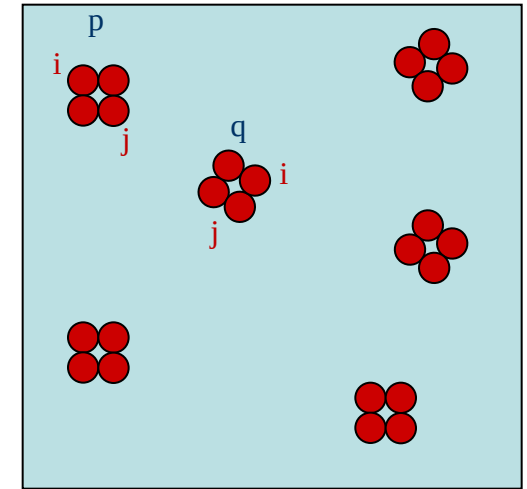
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Decomposition into intra and inter correlations

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assume spherical symmetry,
dilute mono-disperse ensemble



$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \cdot \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{i,j} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)] \right\rangle \left[\boxed{1} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{p \neq q} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_p - \mathbf{r}_q)] \right\rangle \right]$$

intra particle correlations
giving information on
particle shape

inter particle correlations
approach 1 for dilute systems

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \boxed{P(\mathbf{q})} \boxed{S(\mathbf{q})}$$

pre factor

form factor

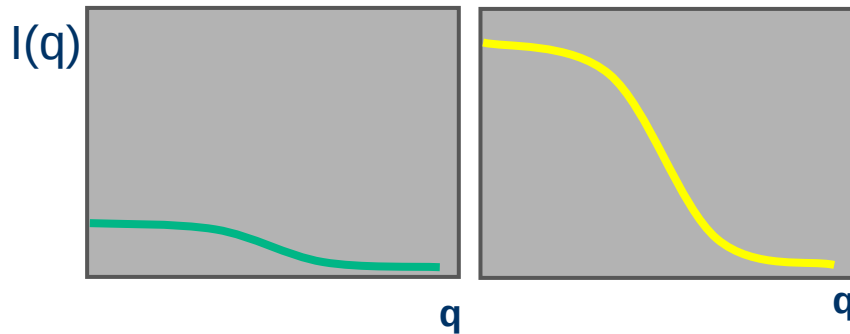
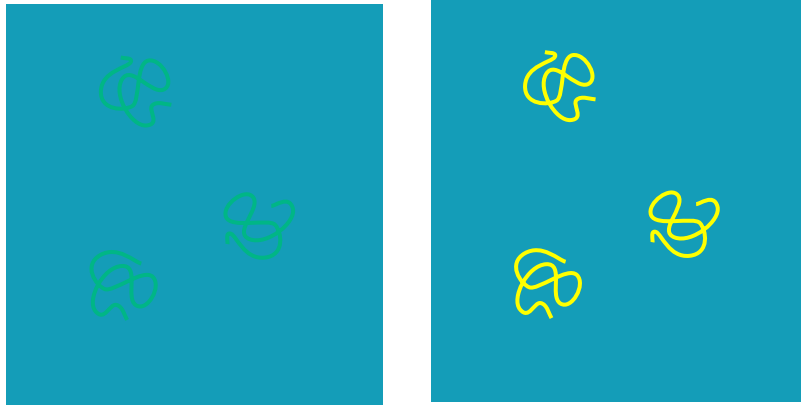
structure factor

$P(\mathbf{q})$ normalized: $P(0)=1$
 $S(\mathbf{q})=1$ for dilute suspensions

Pre-Factor

Pre-Factor

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 P(\mathbf{q})S(\mathbf{q})$$



- Pre-Factor given by
- Contrast Factor
 - Number of Particles
 - Mass of Particles

$$I(q) = n M^2(\Delta\rho)^2 P(q)$$

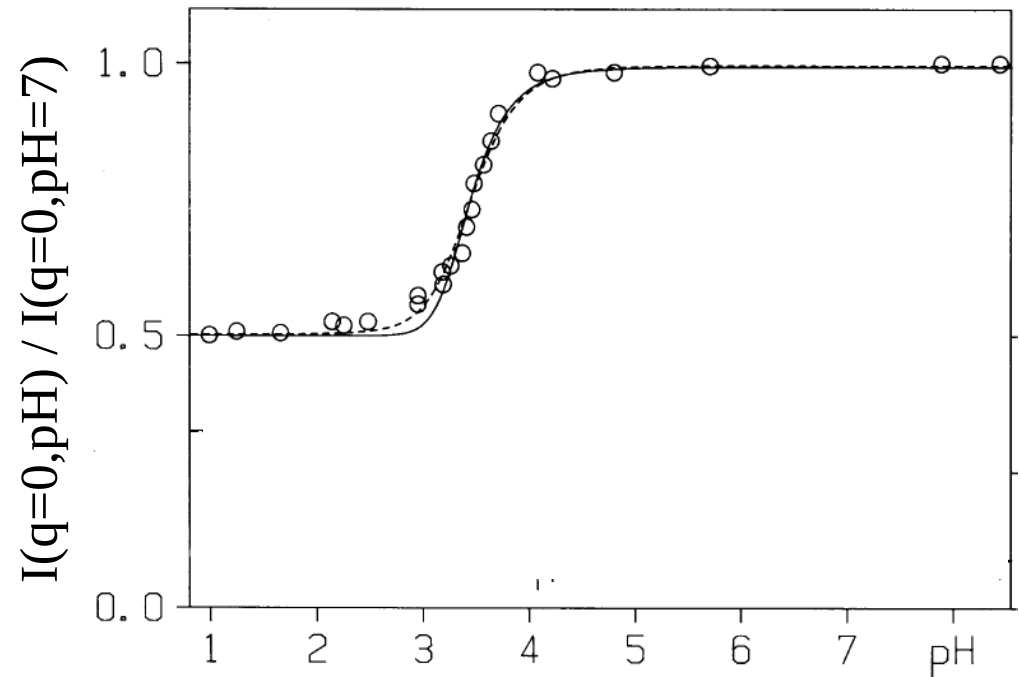
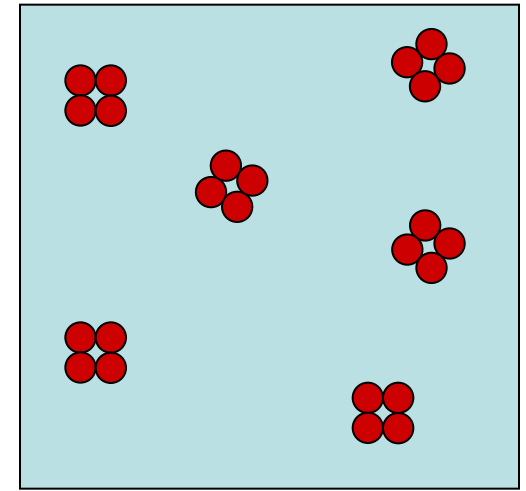
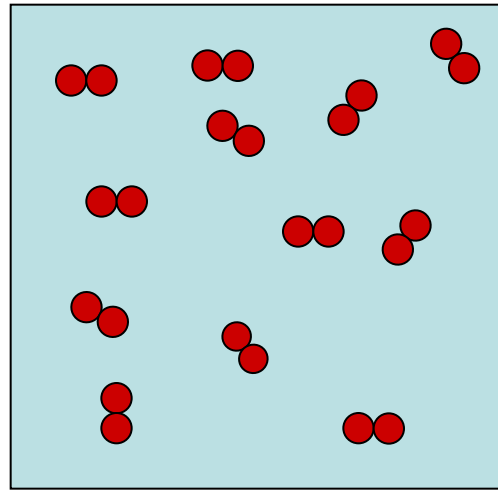
$$pH = 7 \rightarrow pH = 4$$

$$n \rightarrow 2n$$

$$I_{pH=4} \rightarrow$$

$$I_{pH=7} \cdot 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} I_{pH=7}$$

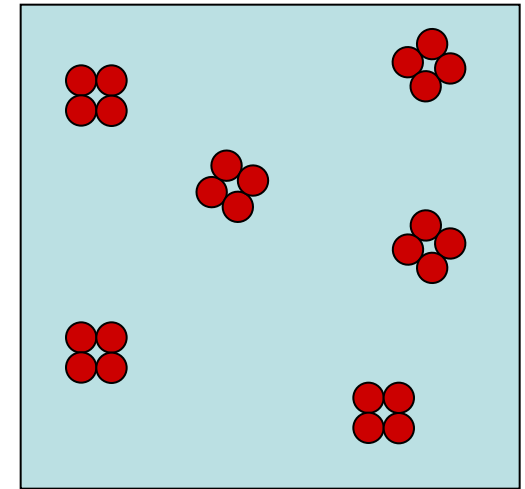


Form Factor

Decomposition into intra and inter correlations

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assume spherical symmetry,
dilute mono-disperse ensemble



$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{i,j} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)] \right\rangle}_{\text{intra particle correlations giving information on particle shape}} \left[\underbrace{1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{p \neq q} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_p - \mathbf{r}_q)] \right\rangle}_{\text{inter particle correlations approach 1 for dilute systems}} \right]$$

intra particle correlations giving
information on particle shape

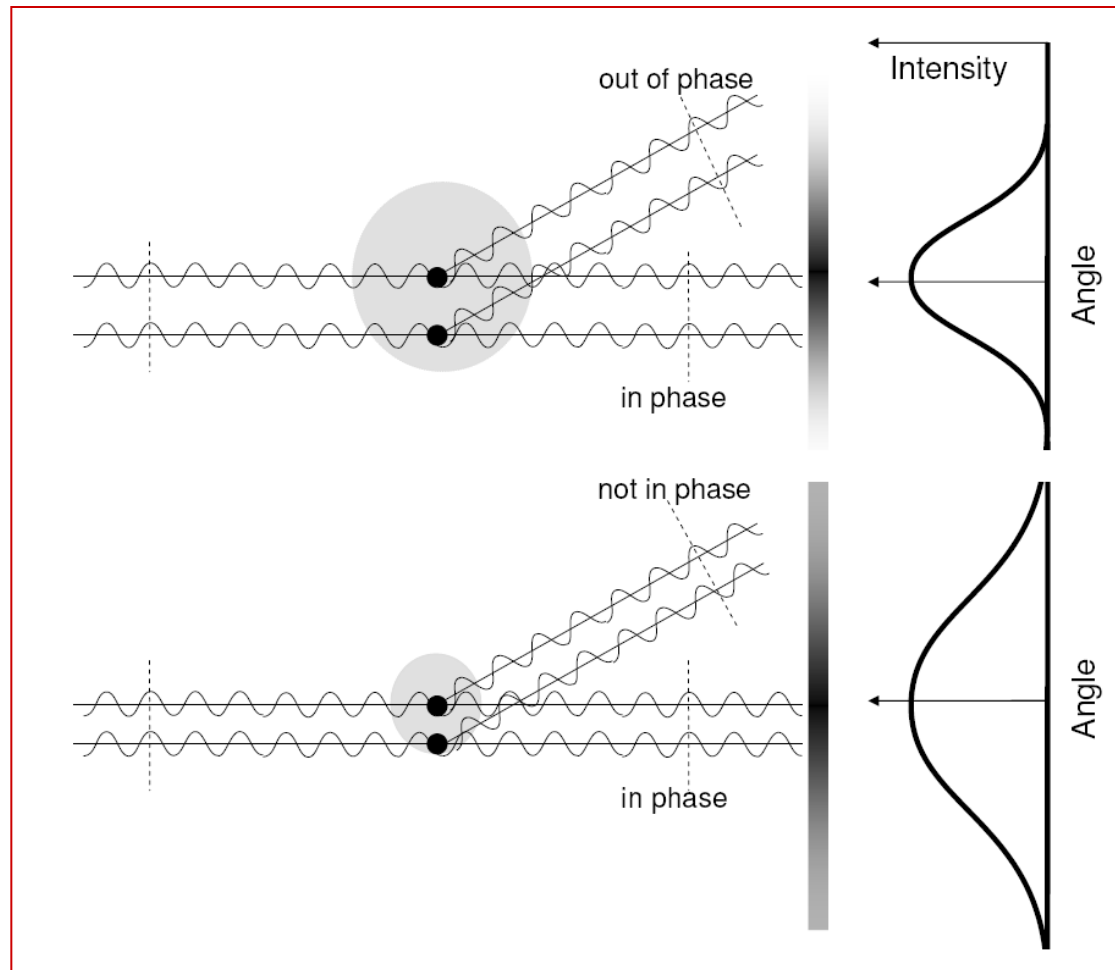
inter particle correlations
approach 1 for dilute systems

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \boxed{P(\mathbf{q})} S(\mathbf{q})$$

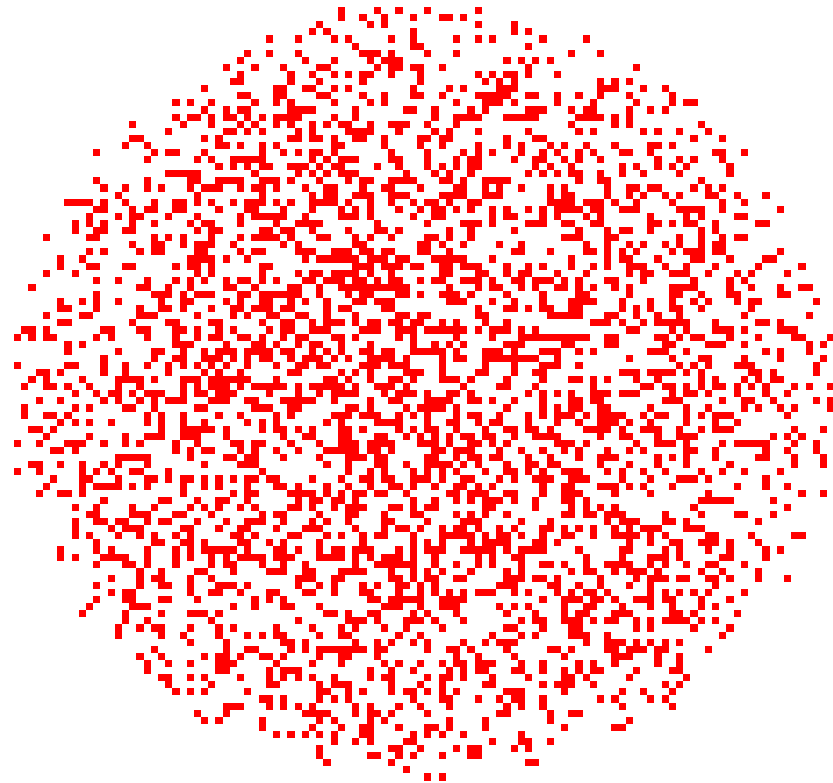
form factor

Form factor

$$P(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_i \sum_j \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)] \right\rangle$$



Calculate the Form factor of sphere



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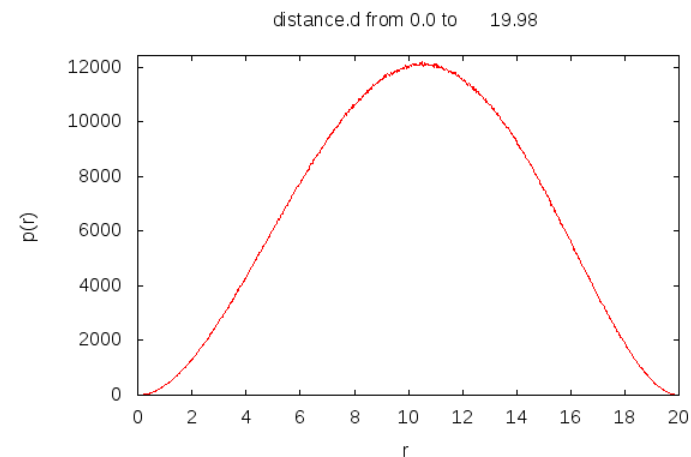
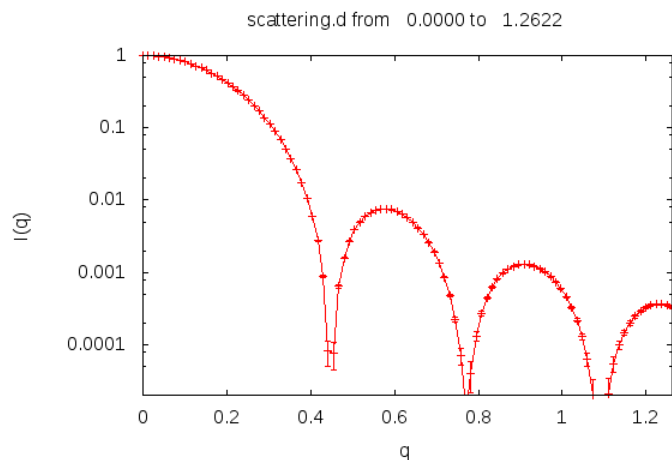
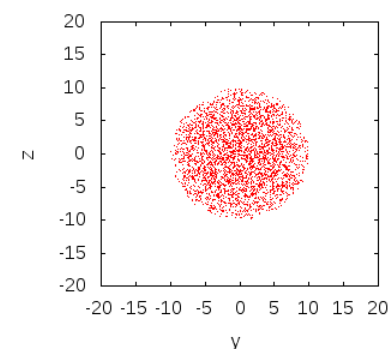
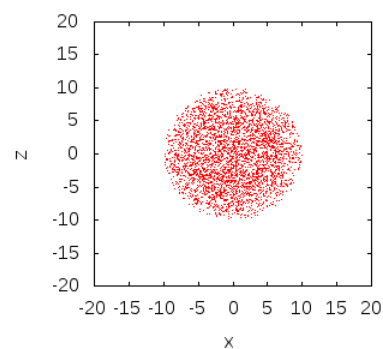
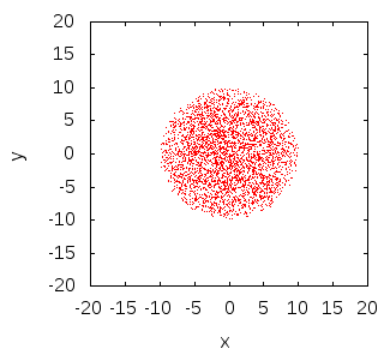
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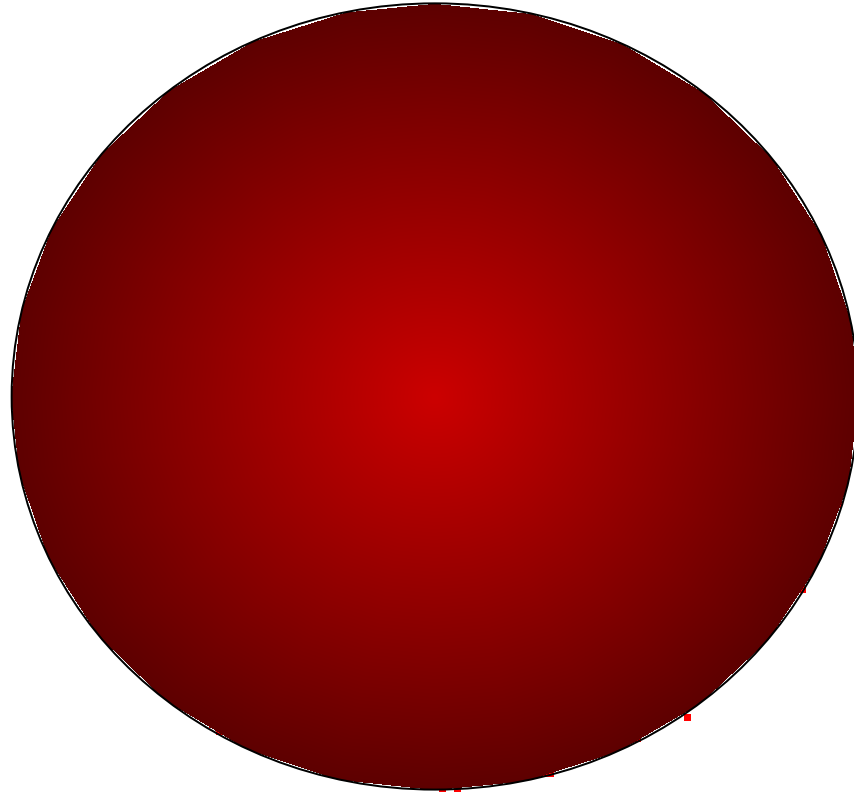
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Calculate the Form factor of sphere



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Problem:Scattering form factor for spheres

A sample of dilute, identical spheres with radius R dispersed in a solvent will scatter uniformly with the form factor

$$P_{\text{sphere}}(q) = \left(3 \frac{\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)}{(qR)^3} \right)^2.$$

Question 1

Show by direct integrations that this form is correct.

Hint [show]

Solution [show]

Question 2

Implement the obtained form factor in MatLab or a similar program and calculate and plot the form factor for spheres with radii, $R = 20 \text{ \AA}$, $R = 40 \text{ \AA}$, and $R = 80 \text{ \AA}$ as a function of q .

Question 3

Plot the form factor and observe the smearing due to a polydispersity if there is an uncertainty in these radii of the magnitude $\Delta R/R = 10 \%$ (assume a uniform distribution of sizes in the range $[R - \Delta R; R + \Delta R]$).

Solution [show]

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Problem: Scattering form factor for spheres

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Hint

[hide]

Use spherical coordinates or the Debye formula.

Problem: Scattering form factor for spheres

Solution

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$V = 4\pi R^3/3$ and $\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} = qr \cos(\theta)$. In spherical coordinates the volume element is $dV = r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{V} \int dV e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} &= \frac{3}{4\pi R^3} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\pi d\theta \int_0^R dr \quad r^2 \sin \theta e^{-iqr \cos \theta} \\
 &= \frac{3}{2R^3} \int_0^R dr \quad r^2 \int_{\cos \theta = -1}^{\cos \theta = 1} d(\cos \theta) e^{-iqr \cos \theta} \\
 &= \frac{3}{2R^3} \int_0^R dr \quad r^2 \left(\frac{e^{-iqr} - e^{iqr}}{-iqr} \right) \\
 &= \frac{3}{R^3} \int_0^R dr \quad r^2 \left(\frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} \right) \\
 &= \frac{3}{qR^3} \int_0^R dr \quad r \sin(qr) \\
 &= \frac{3}{qR^3} \left[\frac{-r \cos(qr)}{q} \right]_0^R + \int_0^R dr \quad \frac{\cos(qr)}{q} \\
 &= \frac{3}{qR^3} \left(\frac{-R \cos(qR)}{q} + \frac{\sin(qR)}{q^2} \right) \\
 &= 3 \frac{(\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR))}{(qR)^3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

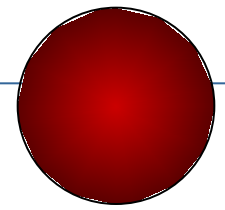
$$P_{\text{sphere}}(q) = \left| \frac{1}{V} \int dV e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \right|^2 = \frac{(\sin qR - qR \cos qR)^2}{(qR)^3},$$

where $P \rightarrow 1$ for $q \rightarrow 0$.

The total intensity from a particle of volume $V [\text{\AA}^3 = 10^{-24} \text{cm}^3]$ in a solvent giving the excess scattering length $\Delta\rho [\text{fm}/\text{\AA}^3] = 0.1 [\text{cm}/\text{cm}^3]$ is

$$I(q) = \phi V (\Delta\rho)^2 P.$$

Calculate the Form factor of sphere



Sphere

Use, that the scattering amplitude from a homogeneous volume V can be written

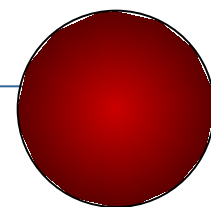
$$A(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{V} \int_{\text{sphere}} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r}$$

to calculate the form factor $P(q)$ of a homogeneous sphere of radius R .

You may need the integral formula

$$\int x \sin x dx = \sin x - x \cos x$$

Form factor of sphere



Sphere

$$A(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{V} \int_{\text{sphere}} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r}$$

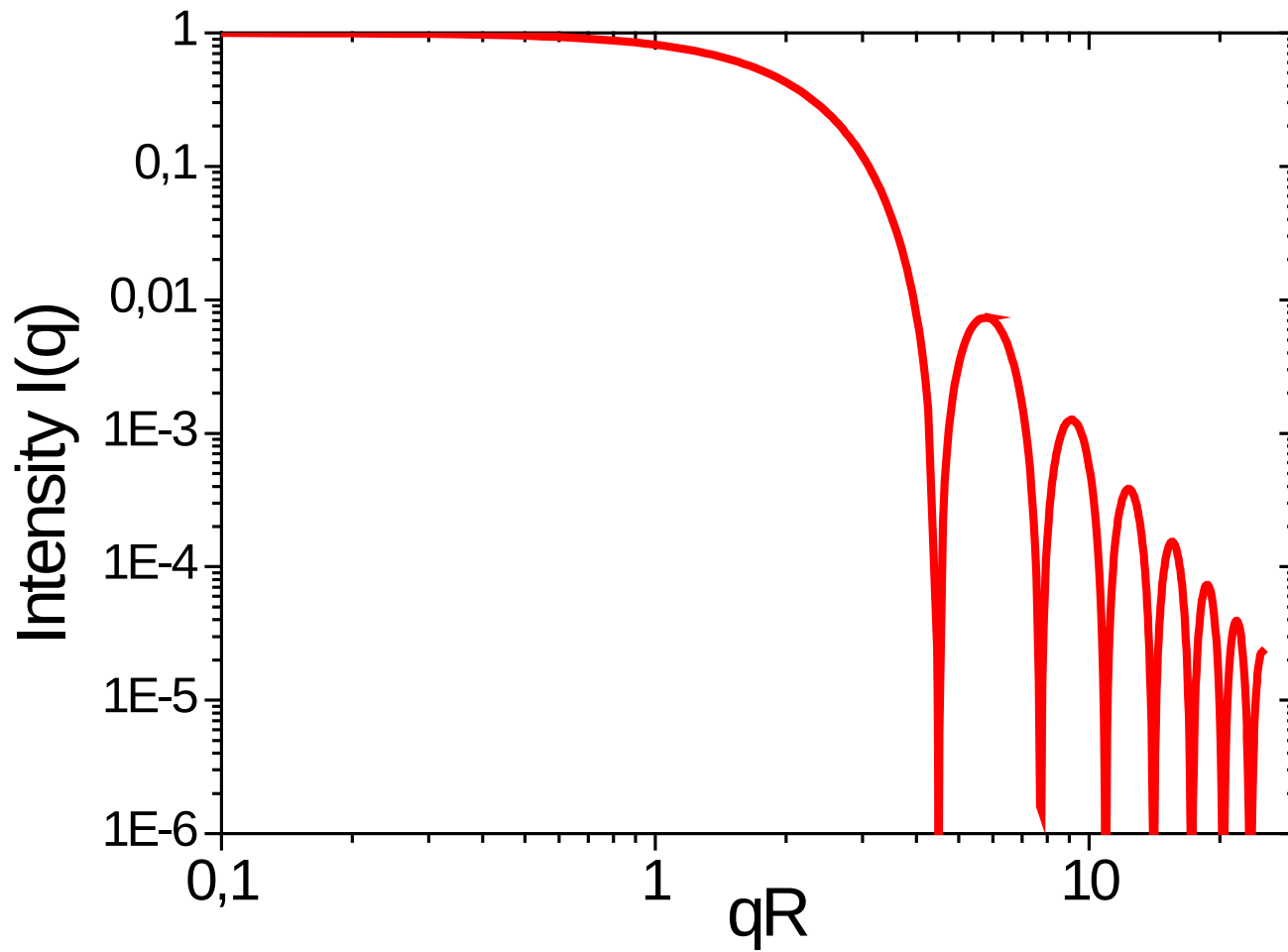
$$\begin{aligned} A(\mathbf{q}) &= \frac{1}{V} \int_V \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}] d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \int_{\phi} \int_{\theta} \int_r \exp[-iqr \cos \theta] r^2 dr \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{V} \int_{u=-1}^1 \int_{r=0}^R \exp[-iqr u] r^2 dr du \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{V} \int_{u=-1}^1 \int_{r=0}^R [\cos(qru) - i \sin(qru)] r^2 dr du \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{V} \left[\int_{r=0}^R [\sin(qru) + i \cos(qru)] r^2 dr \right]_{u=-1}^1 \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{V} \left[\int_{r=0}^R \frac{2}{qr} \sin(qr) r^2 dr \right]_{u=-1}^1 \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{V} \frac{1}{q^3} \int_{x=0}^{qR} \sin x x dx \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{V} \frac{1}{q^3} \left[\sin x - x \cos x \right]_{x=0}^{qR} \\ &= \frac{3}{(qR)^3} [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} = q r \cos(\theta) = q r u, \quad u = \cos(\theta)$$

$$\int x \sin x dx = \sin x - x \cos x$$

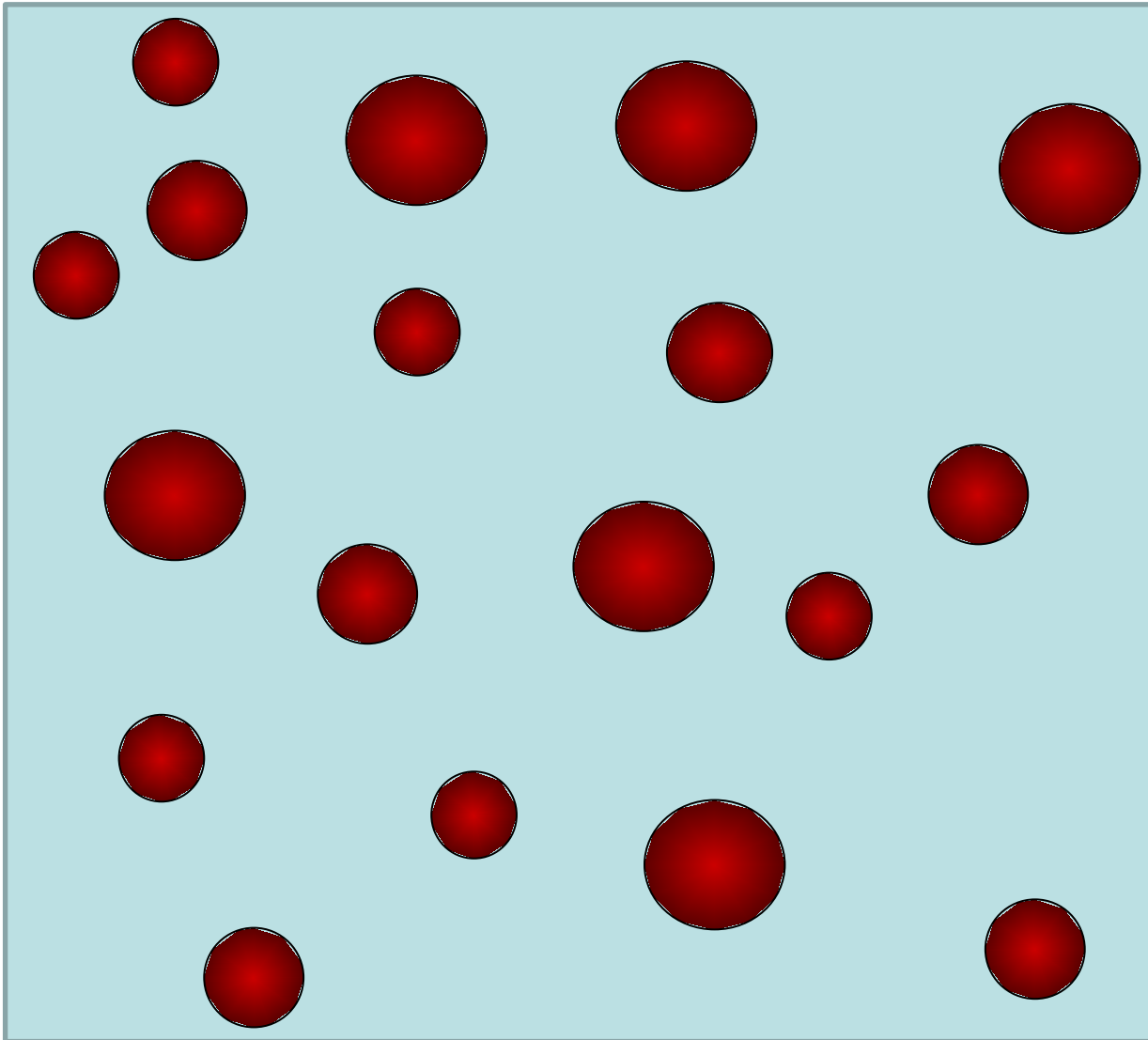
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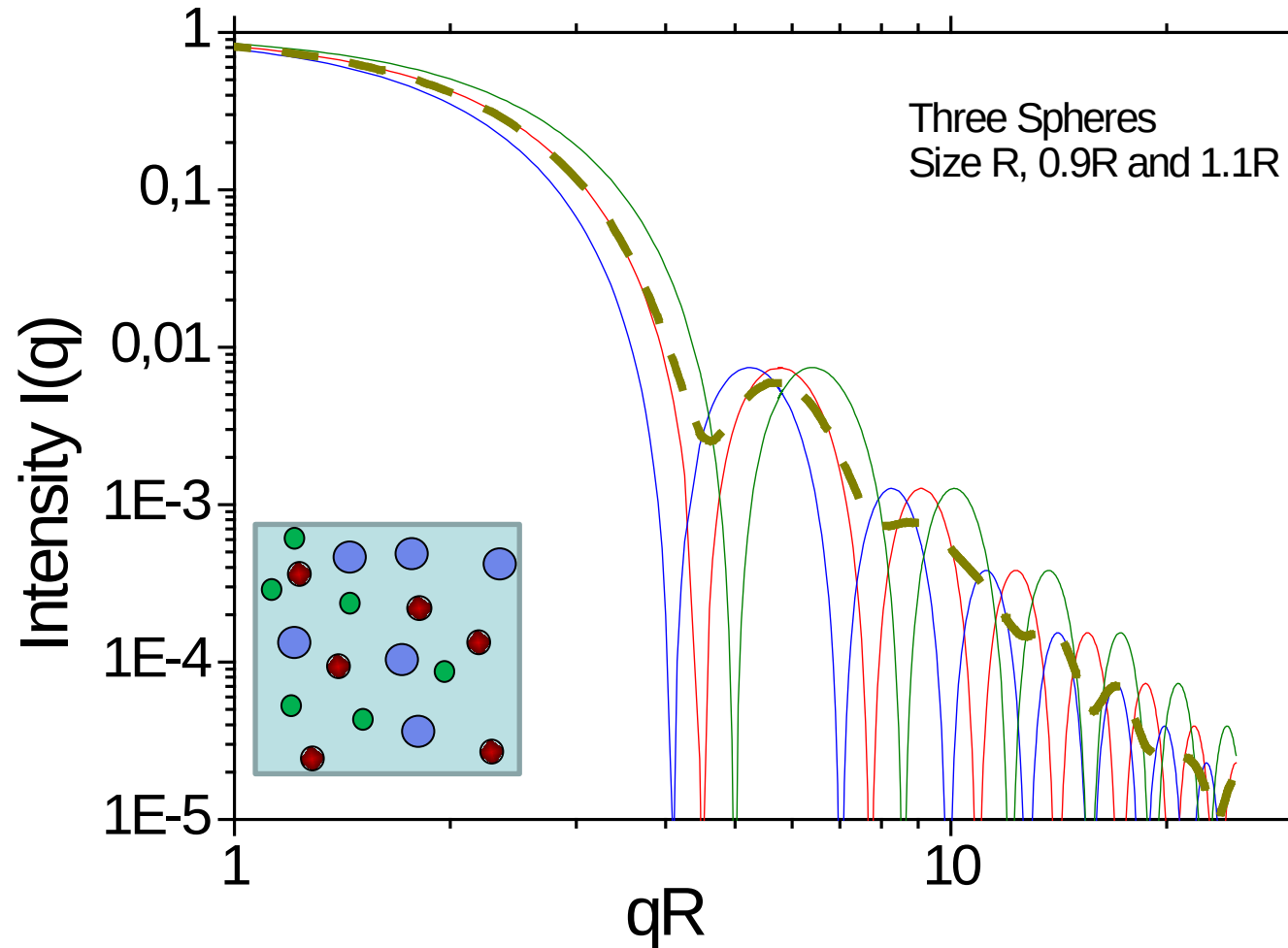
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Polydispersity



Polydispersity

$$I(q) = [\Delta\rho_1]^2 n_1 M_1^2 P(q, R_1) + [\Delta\rho_2]^2 n_2 M_2^2 P(q, R_2) + [\Delta\rho_3]^2 n_3 M_3^2 P(q, R_3)$$

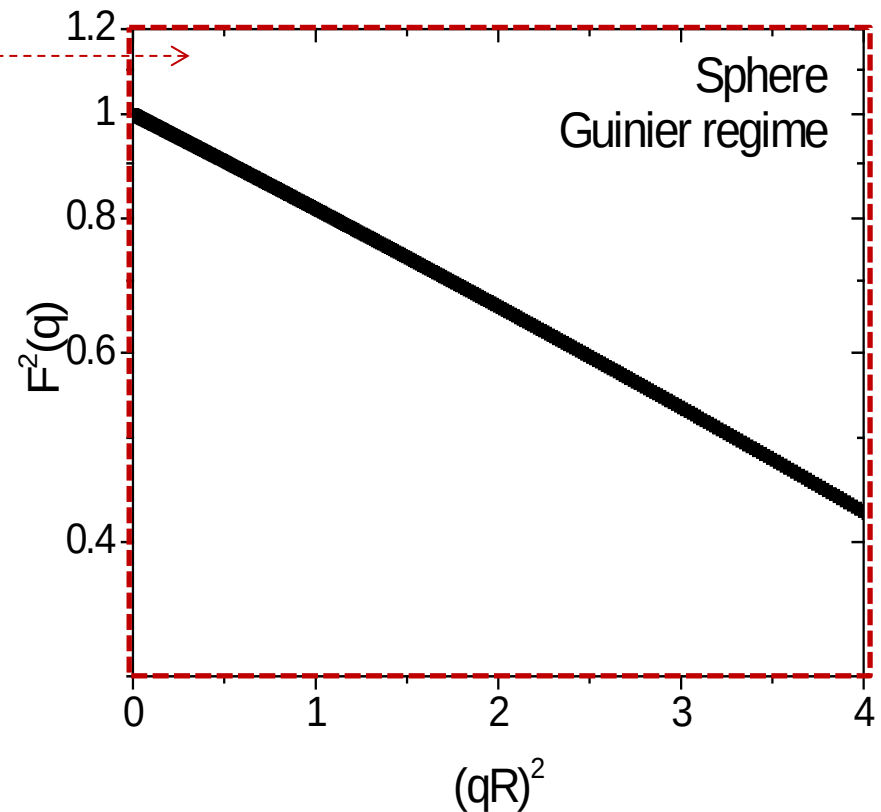
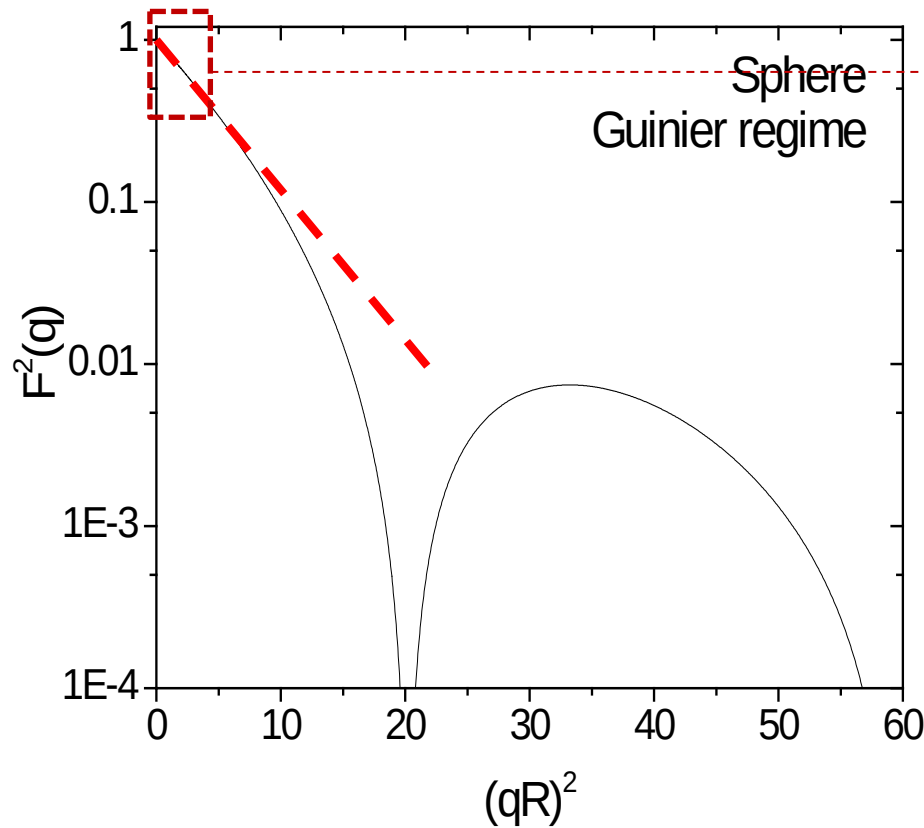


Guinier Approximation

Low-q approximation for the sphere

Formfactor of a sphere with radius R

$$P(q) = \left[\frac{3}{(qR)^3} [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)] \right]^2$$



Low-q approximation for the sphere

Low-q regime

$$P(q) = \left[\frac{3}{(qR)^3} [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)] \right]^2$$

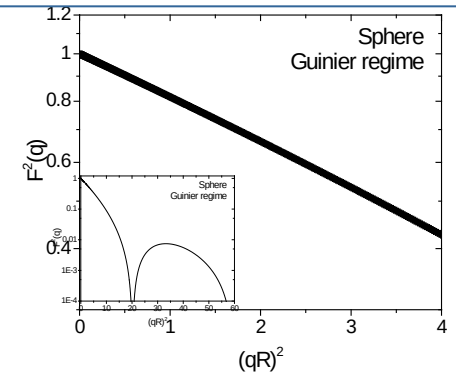
Use Taylor expansion

$$f(x) \approx f(0) + x * f'(0) + \frac{1}{2}x^2 f''(0) + \frac{1}{3!}x^3 f'''(0) + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 f^{(4)}(0) + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 f^{(5)}(0) + \dots$$

which on the sin- and cos-functions – to 5th order in x - gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(x) &\approx \sin 0 + x \cos 0 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \sin 0 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 \cos 0 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \sin 0 - \frac{1}{120}x^5 \cos 0 \\ &= x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{120}x^5 \end{aligned}$$

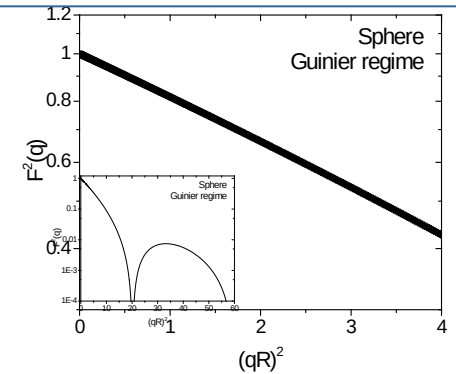
$$\begin{aligned} \cos(x) &\approx \cos 0 - x \sin 0 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \cos 0 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 \sin 0 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \cos 0 \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \end{aligned}$$



Low-q approximation for the sphere

Low-q regime

$$P(q) = \left[\frac{3}{(qR)^3} [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)] \right]^2$$



From the Taylor expansions we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(x) - x \cos(x) &\approx \left(x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{120}x^5 \right) - x \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{30}x^5 \end{aligned}$$

and thereby the amplitude of scattering

$$F_{sphere}(x) = 3 \frac{\sin(x) - x \cos(x)}{x^3} = 1 - \frac{1}{10}x^2 \quad x = qR$$

The form factor of spheres is then approached

$$P(q) = F^2(q) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{10}x^2 \right)^2 \approx 1 - \frac{1}{5}x^2 \approx \exp\left[-\frac{1}{5}x^2\right]$$

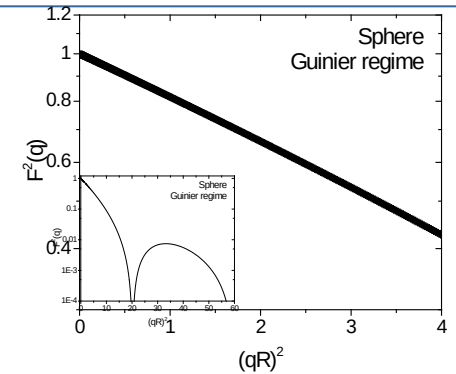
Guinier approximation

Low- q regime

$$P(q) = \left[\frac{3}{(qR)^3} [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)] \right]^2$$

From the Taylor expansions we then have

$$P(q) \approx \exp\left[-\frac{1}{5}q^2 R^2\right]$$



More generally, it can be shown that the linear

$$\ln(P) \sim q^2$$

relationship holds for all systems of spherical symmetry, as described by the radius of gyration R_g

$$P(q) \approx \exp\left[-\frac{1}{3}q^2 R_g^2\right]$$

The radius of a sphere is therefore related to the radius of gyration as

$$R_g^2 = \frac{3}{5}R^2$$

Guinier approximation

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = V \int \langle \rho(\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}') \rangle \exp(-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

which in **spherical symmetric** case become:

$$\begin{aligned} I(q) &= V \int \langle \rho(r' - r) \rho(r') \rangle r^2 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} dr \\ &\propto V \int \langle \gamma(r) \rangle r \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} dr \end{aligned}$$

for small qr -values:

$$\frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} = 1 - \frac{1}{3!}(rq)^2 + \dots$$

giving:

$$\begin{aligned} I(q) &\propto V \int \gamma(r) r^2 dr - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int \gamma(r) r^4 q^2 dr + \dots \\ &= V \int \gamma(r) r^2 dr \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} q^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{\int \gamma(r) r^4 dr}{\int \gamma(r) r^2 dr} + \dots \right) \\ &= V \int \gamma(r) r^2 dr \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} R_g^2 q^2 + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

Guinier Approximation

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and thus with $\exp(x) \sim 1 + x + \dots$

$$I(q) = \exp(-R_g^2 q^2 / 3)$$

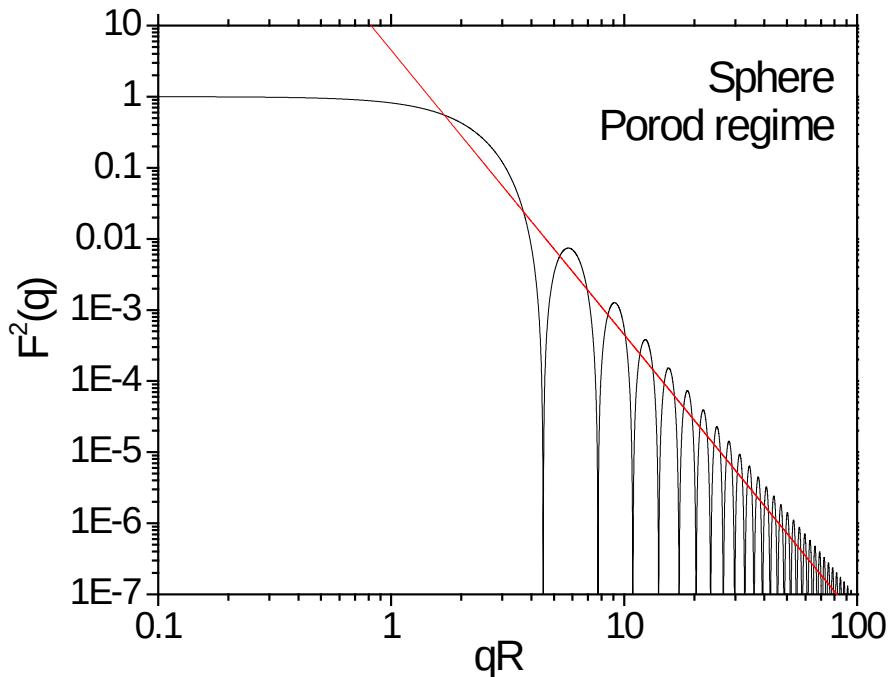
independent of particle form,
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High-q limit POROD REGIME

Porod Law for a sphere

Amplitude $F(q)$ squared

$$\begin{aligned} F^2(q) &= 9V^2 \left[\frac{\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)}{(qR)^3} \right]^2 \\ &= 9V^2 \left[\frac{\sin(qR)}{qR} - \cos(qR) \right]^2 \cdot (qR)^{-4} \\ &\rightarrow 9V^2 \cos^2(qR) \cdot (qR)^{-4} \quad \text{for } qR \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$



Averaging over the cosine oscillations, we have for

$$qR \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} F^2(q) &\rightarrow 9V^2 \langle \cos^2(qR) \rangle \cdot (qR)^{-4} \\ &= 9V^2/2 \cdot (qR)^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

and thereby

$$F^2(q) \rightarrow \frac{9}{2} V^2 \cdot (qR)^{-4} = 2\pi A \cdot q^{-4}$$

$A(R)$ being the surface area of the sphere

Porod Law - for two phase system

In the small r -regime (large q -regime)
the scattering can only depend on interphase properties.
In this small r -regime, $\gamma(r)$ can be Taylor expanded

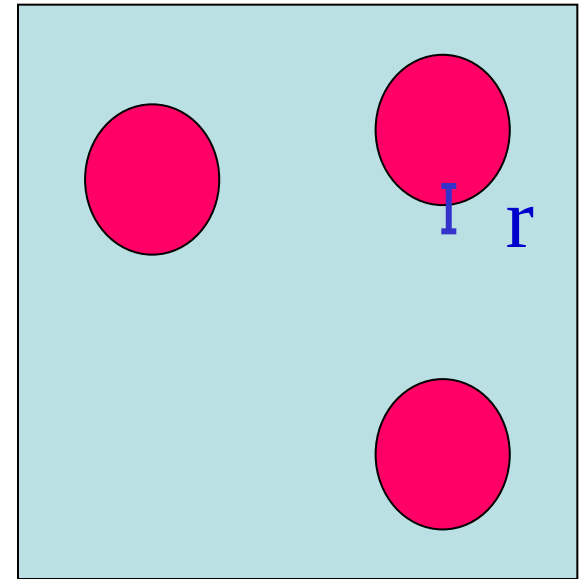
$$\gamma(r) \propto 1 + a_1 r + a_2 r^2 + \dots$$

Porod showed, that for a simple two-phase system, we have to first order in r

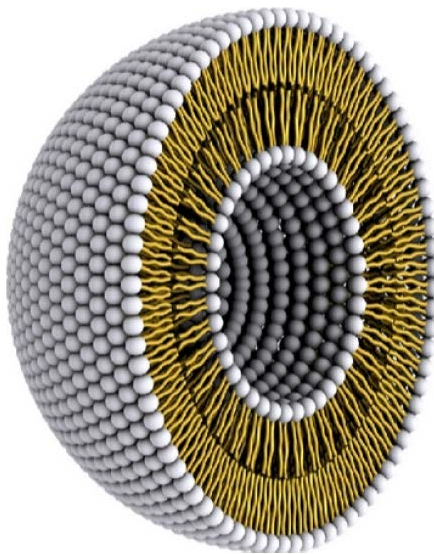
$$\gamma(r) \propto 1 - \frac{S}{4V} r$$

Giving the Porod Law

$$\begin{aligned} I(q) &\sim \int \gamma(r) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} dr \\ &\sim \int \left(1 - \frac{S}{4V} r\right) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} dr \\ &\sim \frac{S}{V} \boxed{q^{-4}} \end{aligned}$$



Spherical Shells (Micelles and Liposomes)



Form factor of Micelle modeled as Core - Shell Structure

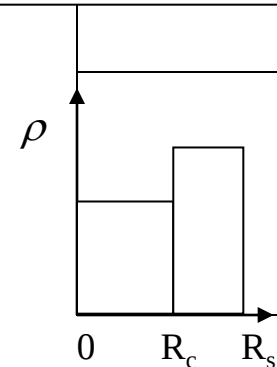
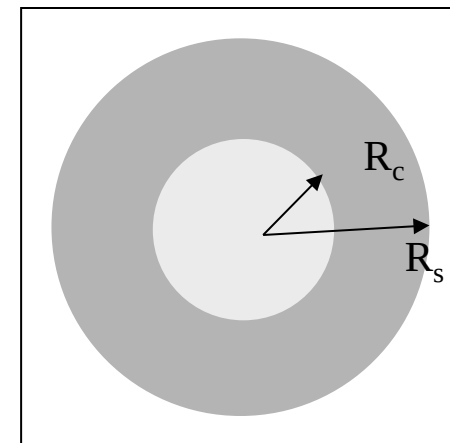
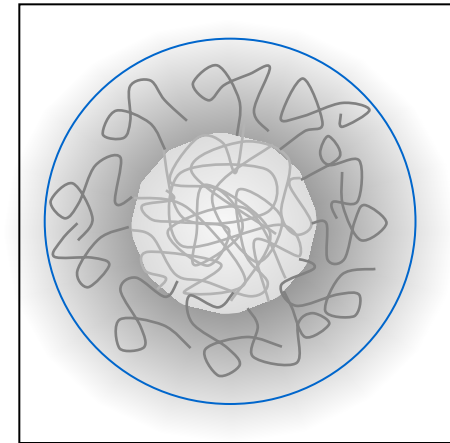
Form Factor Amplitude

$$A(q) = \int \rho(r) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr$$

Core-Shell particle:

$$A_{cs}(q) = \int_0^{R_c} \Delta\rho_c \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr + \int_{R_c}^{R_s} \Delta\rho_s \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{cs}(q) &= \Delta\rho_c \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \\ &\quad + \left(\Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_s} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr - \Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \right) \\ &= (\Delta\rho_c - \Delta\rho_s) \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr + \Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_s} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \\ &= \frac{(\rho_c - \rho_s) R_c^3 A_{sp}(q, R_c) + \Delta\rho_s R_s^3 A_{sp}(q, R_s)}{(\rho_c - \rho_s) R_c^3 + \Delta\rho_s R_s^3} \end{aligned}$$



Form factor of Spherical Shell Structure

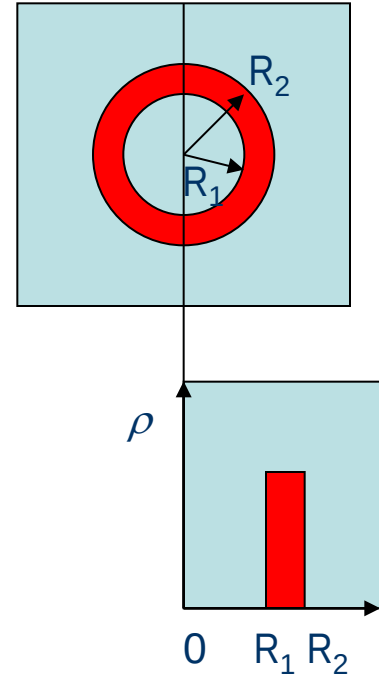
Amplitude

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{cs}(q) &= \Delta\rho_c \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \\
 &\quad + \left(\Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_s} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr - \Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \right) \\
 &= (\Delta\rho_c - \Delta\rho_s) \int_0^{R_c} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr + \Delta\rho_s \int_0^{R_s} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \\
 &= \frac{(\rho_c - \rho_s)R_c^3 A_{sp}(q, R_c) + \Delta\rho_s R_s^3 A_{sp}(q, R_s)}{(\rho_c - \rho_s)R_c^3 + \Delta\rho_s R_s^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Shell: $\Delta\rho_c = 0$

Giving,

$$A_s(q) = \frac{(\Delta\rho_s) \left(R_c^3 A_s(q, R_c) + R_s^3 A_s(q, R_s) \right)}{(\Delta\rho_s)(R_c^3 + R_s^3)}$$



Calculation of small-angle scattering intensities from a model of subunits [ref](#)

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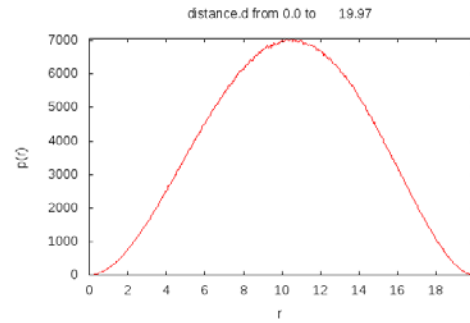
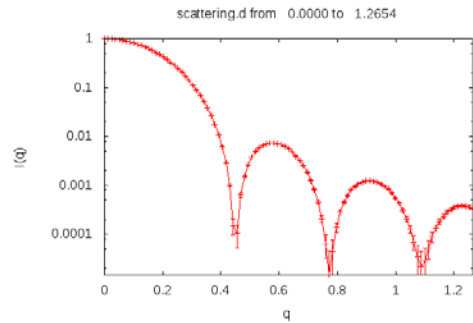
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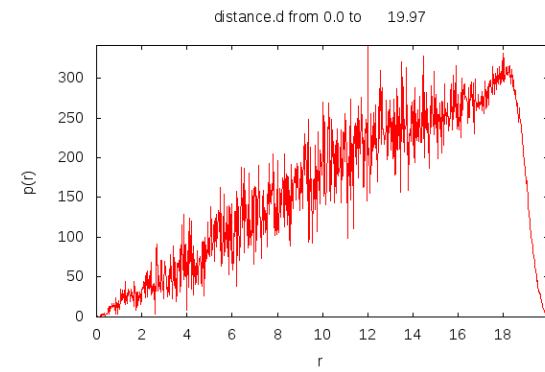
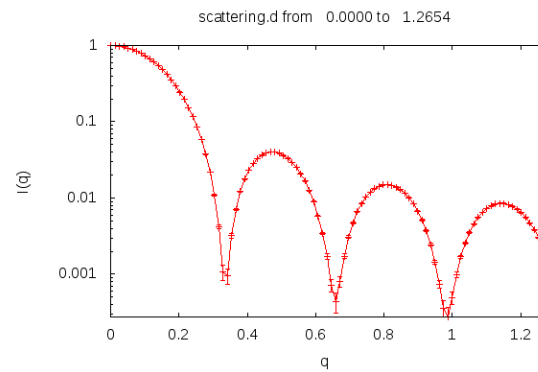
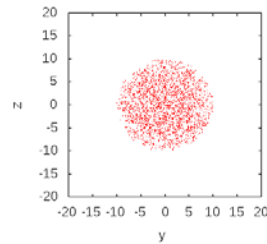
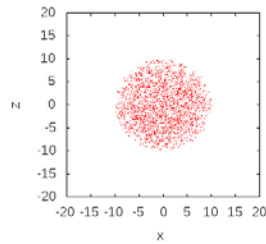
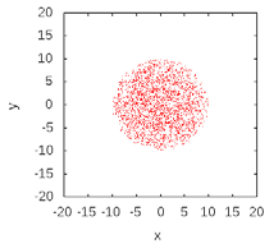
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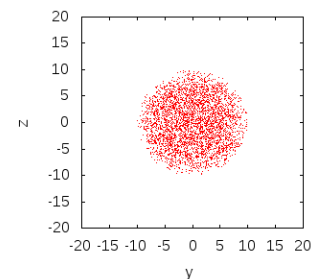
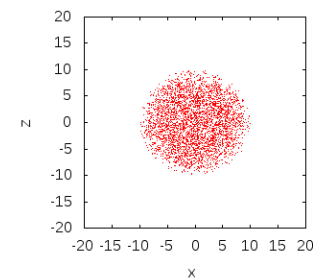
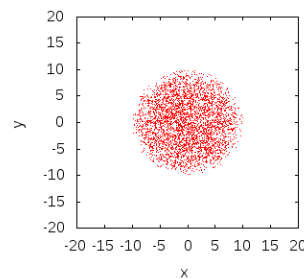


Sphere
Radius 10

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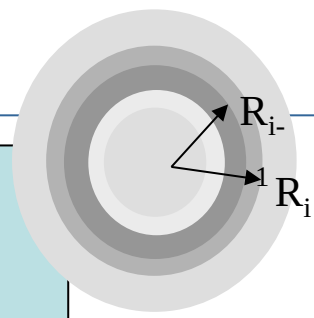


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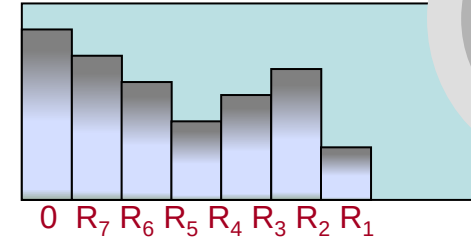
Shell
Radius 10
Thickness 1

Form factor of Spherical Shell Structure



Amplitude

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(q) &= \int_0^\infty \rho(r) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr \\
 &= \int_0^{R_1} \rho_1 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr + \int_{R_1}^{R_2} \rho_2 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr + + \\
 &= \int_0^{R_1} \rho_1 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr + \left[\int_0^{R_2} \rho_2 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr - \int_0^{R_1} \rho_2 \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr \right] + +
 \end{aligned}$$



giving, as in the calculation for a dense sphere

$$F(q) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}} \left[\rho_1 V(R_1) F_s(q, R_1) + \sum_{i=2}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) F_s(q, R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) F_s(q, R_{i-1}) \right) \right]$$

where

$$\mathcal{V} = \rho_1 V(R_1) + \sum_{i=2}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) \right)$$

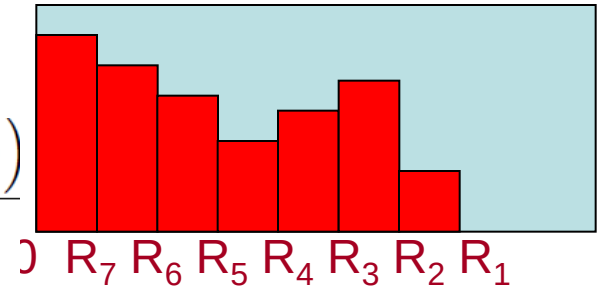
if we define $\rho_o = 0$ and $R_0 = 0$ the equation can be generalized to

$$F(q) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) F_s(q, R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) F_s(q, R_{i-1}) \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) \right)}$$

Form factor of Spherical Shell Structure

Amplitude

$$F(q) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) F_s(q, R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) F_s(q, R_{i-1}) \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left(V(R_i) - V(R_{i-1}) \right)}$$



Inset expression for spherical form factor:

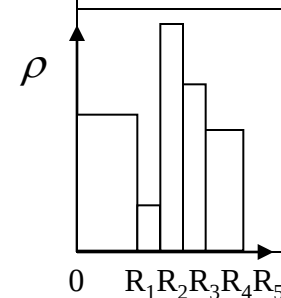
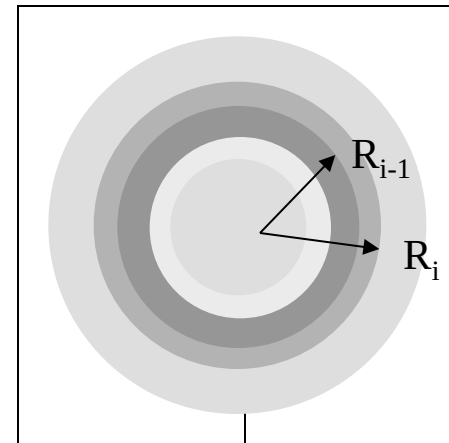
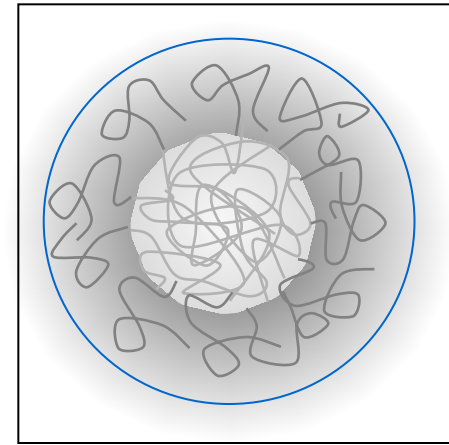
$$F(q) = \frac{3 \sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left[\left(\sin(qR_i) - qR_i \cos(qR_i) \right) - \left(\sin(qR_{i-1}) - qR_{i-1} \cos(qR_{i-1}) \right) \right]}{\sum_{i=1}^N \left(\rho_i \left[(qR_i)^3 - (qR_{i-1})^3 \right] \right)}$$

and thereby the scattering intensity

$$I(q) = F^2(q) = \left[\frac{3 \sum_{i=1}^N \rho_i \left[\left(\sin(qR_i) - qR_i \cos(qR_i) \right) - \left(\sin(qR_{i-1}) - qR_{i-1} \cos(qR_{i-1}) \right) \right]}{\sum_{i=1}^N \left(\rho_i \left[(qR_i)^3 - (qR_{i-1})^3 \right] \right)} \right]^2$$

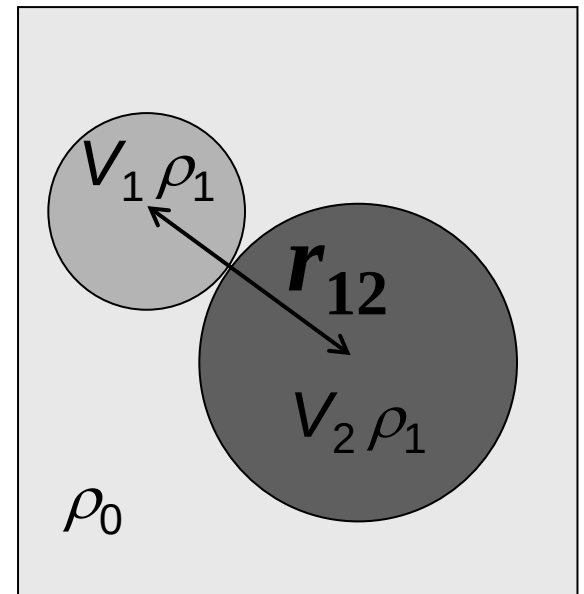
Form factor of Micelle modeled as Spherical Shell Structure

COMPOUND PARTICLE
build up of sub-units
(concentric spheres /
shells)



Form factor of Particle modeled as Two Spheres

COMPOUND PARTICLE
build up of sub-units
(concentric spheres /
shells)



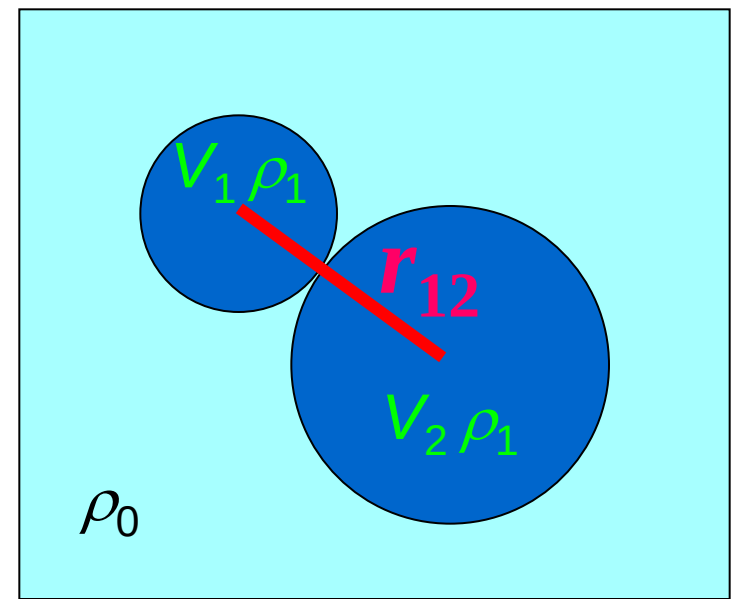
Compound particles:

examples:

nucleosomes, protein/DNA complexes

ribosomes: protein/RNA complexes

$$\begin{aligned} I(\mathbf{q}) &= \int_V \int_V \langle \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}) \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}') \rangle e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \\ &= \left\langle \left| \int_V \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$



With $V = V_1 + V_2$

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = \left\langle \left| (\rho_1 - \rho_0) \int_{V_1} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} + (\rho_1 - \rho_0) \int_{V_2} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \right\rangle$$

Giving

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\rho_1 - \rho_0)^2 \left[F_1^2(\mathbf{q}) + F_2^2(\mathbf{q}) + F_1(\mathbf{q}) F_2(\mathbf{q}) \frac{\sin(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12})}{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12}} \right]$$

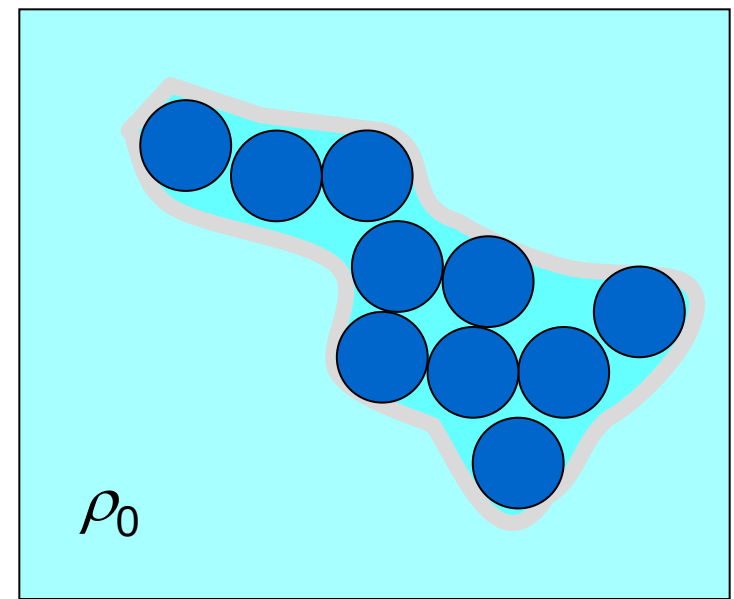
Compound particles:

Modelled as an assembly of uniform subunits

examples:

nucleosomes, protein/DNA complexes

ribosomes: protein/RNA complexes



$$I(\mathbf{q}) = \int_V \int_V \langle \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}) \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}') \rangle e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$$

$$= \left\langle \left| \int_V \delta\rho(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \right\rangle$$

With

Monte Carlo type of

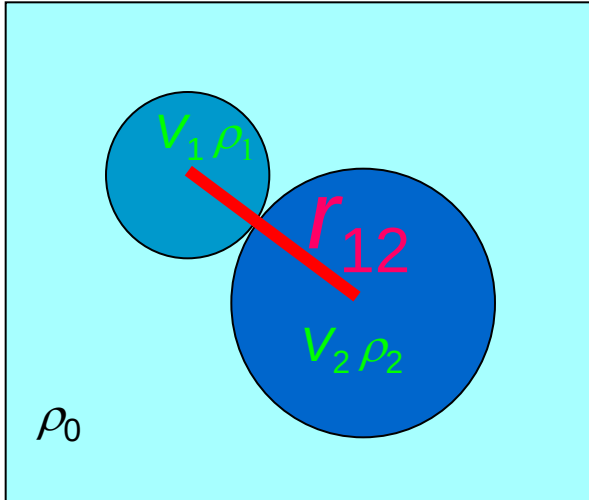
$$I(\mathbf{q}) = \left\langle \left| (\rho_1 - \rho_0) \int_{V_1} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} + (\rho_2 - \rho_0) \int_{V_2} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \right|^2 \right\rangle$$

Giving

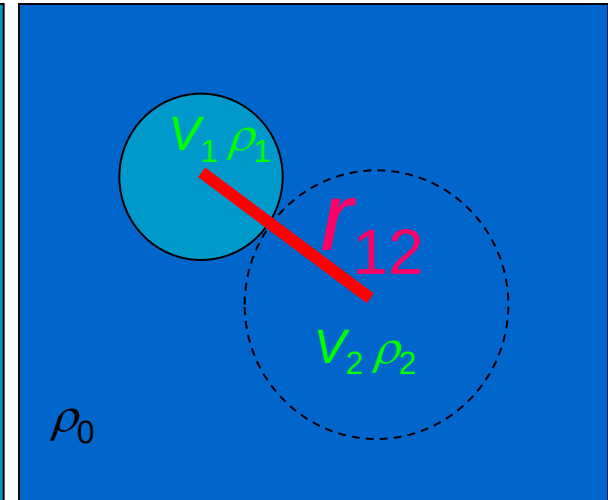
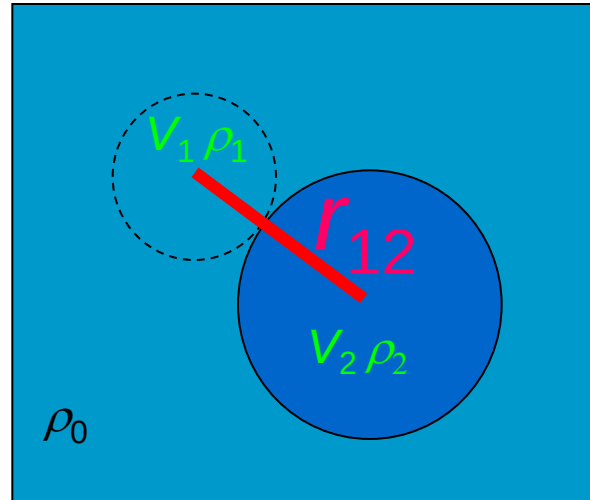
$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\rho_1 - \rho_0)^2 [F_1^2(\mathbf{q}) + F_2^2(\mathbf{q}) + F_1(\mathbf{q})F_2(\mathbf{q}) \frac{\sin(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12})}{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12}}]$$

Compound Particle

Using contrast variation



$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\rho_1 - \rho_0)^2 F_1^2(\mathbf{q}) + (\rho_2 - \rho_0)^2 F_2^2(\mathbf{q}) + (\rho_1 - \rho_0)(\rho_2 - \rho_0) F_1(\mathbf{q}) F_2(\mathbf{q}) \frac{\sin(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12})}{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{12}}$$

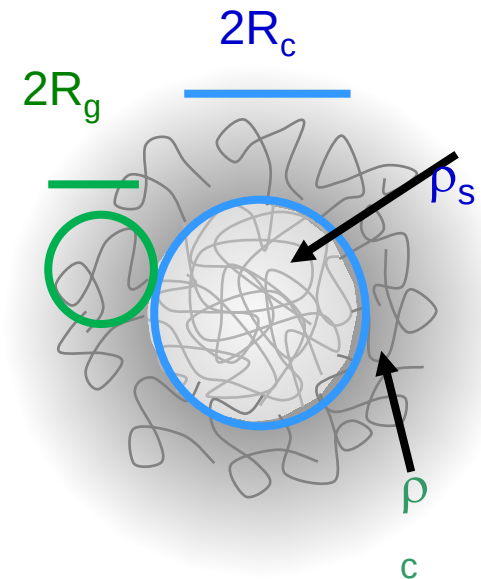
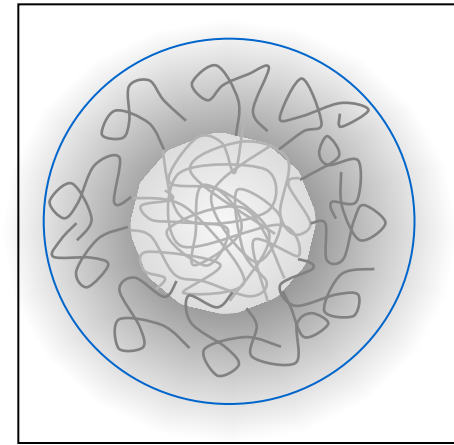


$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\rho_1 - \rho_0)^2 F_1^2(\mathbf{q}) \quad I(\mathbf{q}) = (\rho_2 - \rho_0)^2 F_2^2(\mathbf{q})$$

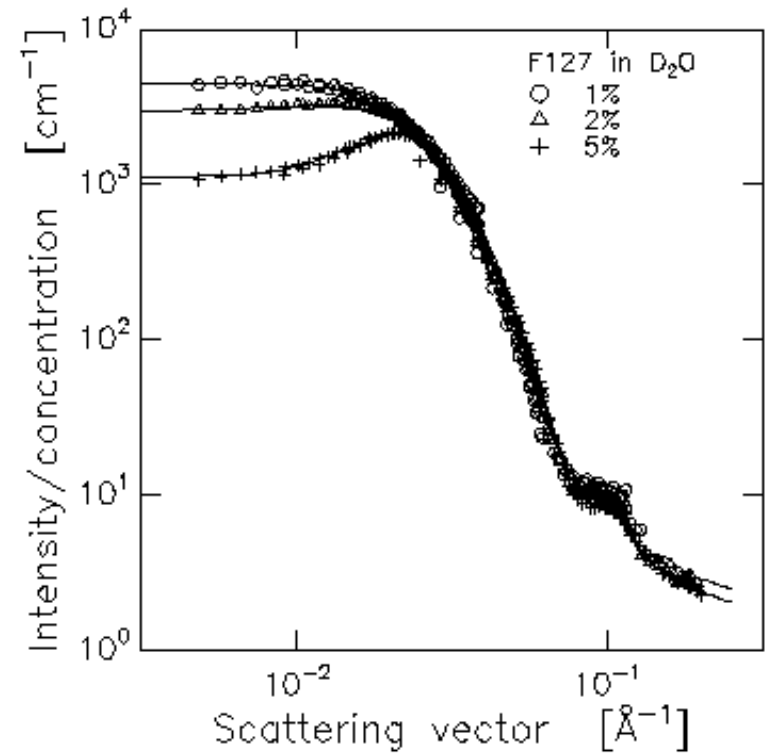
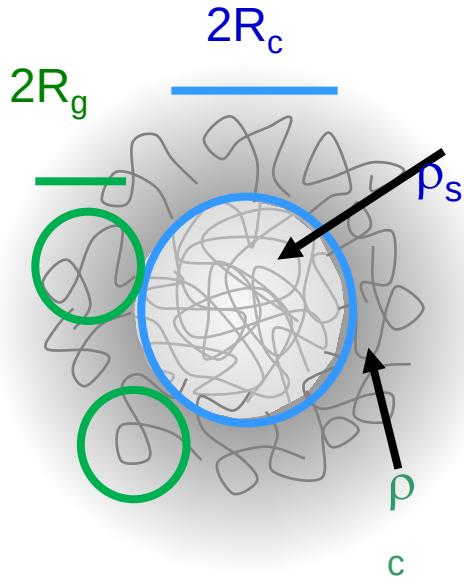
Measurements in the three conditions gives
the structure of the individual subunits,
and the distance r_{12}

Form factor of Micelle modeled as Sphere + Corona with Coils

COMPOUND PARTICLE
build up
spheres + coils



Compound particle: Form factor of Micelle



$$F_{mic}(q) = n^2 \rho_s^2 F_s(q) + n \rho_c^2 F_c(q) + n(n-1) \rho_c^2 S_{cc}(q) + 2n \rho_s \rho_c S_{sc}(q)$$

with

$$F_c(q) = x^{-2}(e^{-x} + x - 1), \quad x = (qR_g)^2$$

Gaussian chain

$$F_s(q) = [3(qR_c)^3 \{\sin(qR_c) - qR_c \cos(qR_c)\}]^2 = \Phi_s^2$$

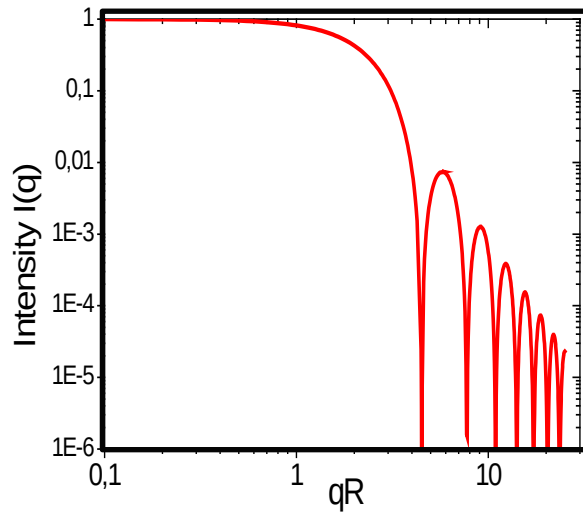
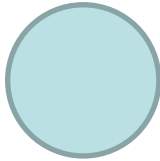
Solid Sphere

$$S_{cc}(q) = \Phi_s x^{-1}(1 - e^{-x}) \sin(qR) / qR$$

$$S_{sc}(q) = x^{-2}(1 - e^{-x}) [\sin(qR) / qR]^2$$

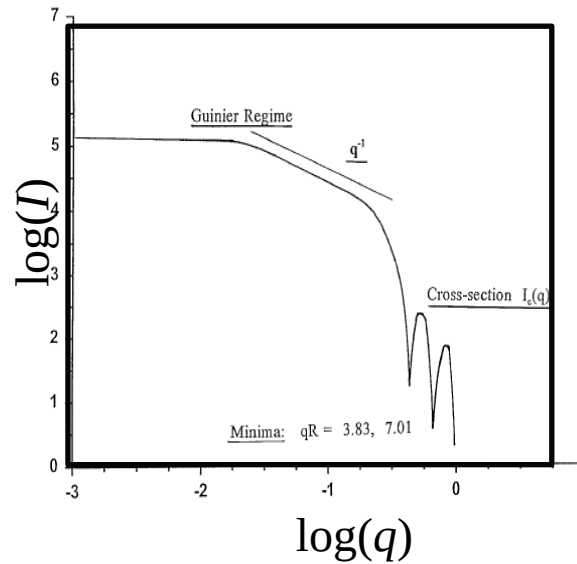
Form Factor of Simple Objects

Sphere



$$qR_{min,1} = 4.49$$

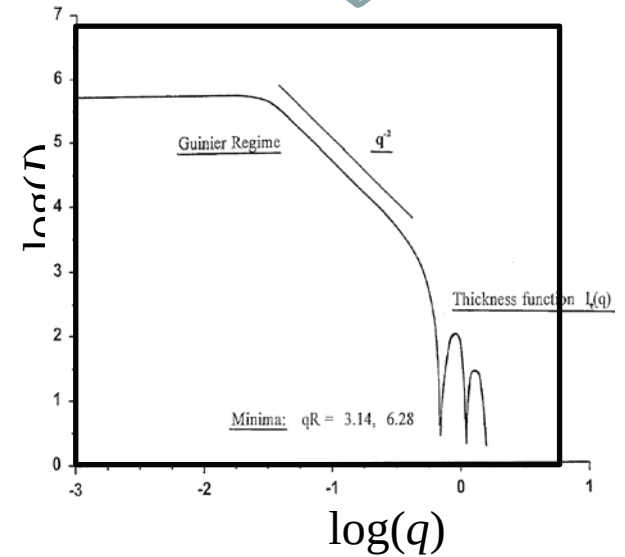
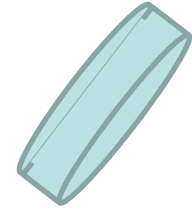
Rod



$$qR_{min,1} = 3.38$$

Cylinder

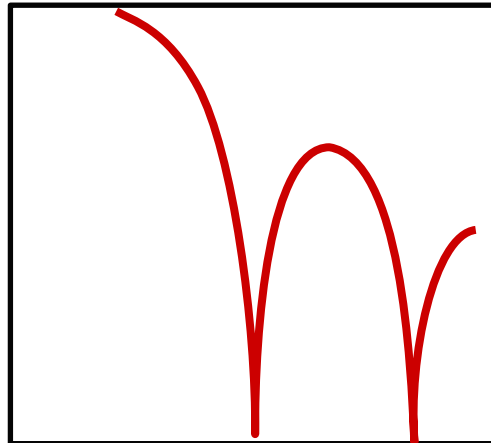
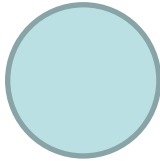
Disc



$$qR_{min,1} = 3.14$$

Cylinder

Sphere

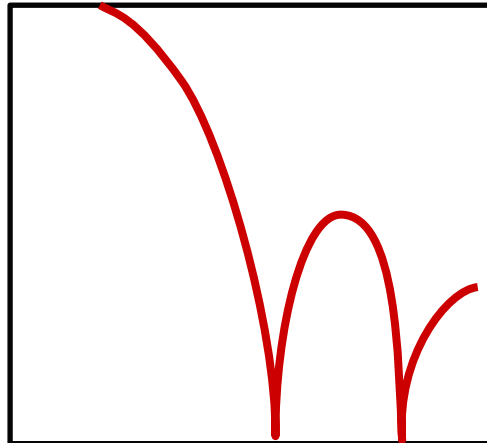


$$qR_{min,1} = 4.49$$

$$qR_{min,2}/qR_{min,1} = 1.72$$

$$qR_{min2}-qR_{min1}=3.20$$

Rod

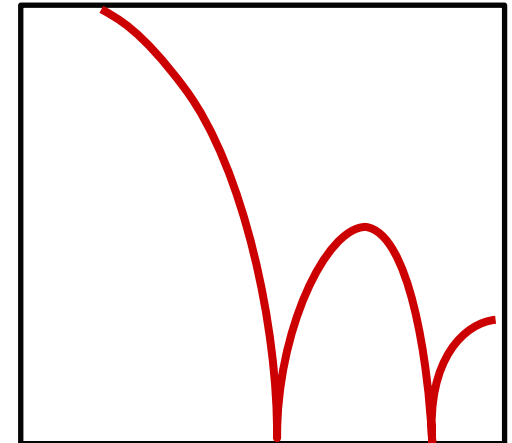
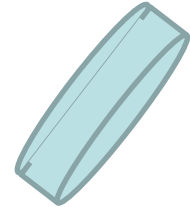


$$qR_{min,1} = 3.38$$

$$qR_{min,2}/qR_{min,1} = 1.83$$

$$qR_{min2}-qR_{min1}=3.18$$

Disc



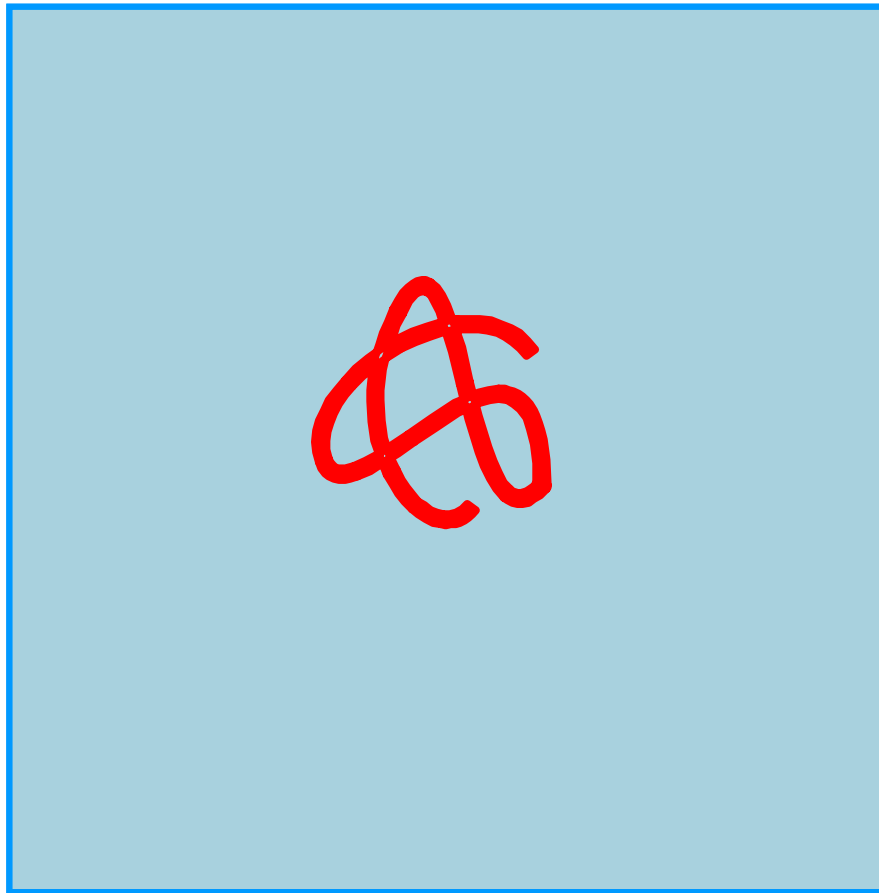
$$qR_{min,1} = 3.14$$

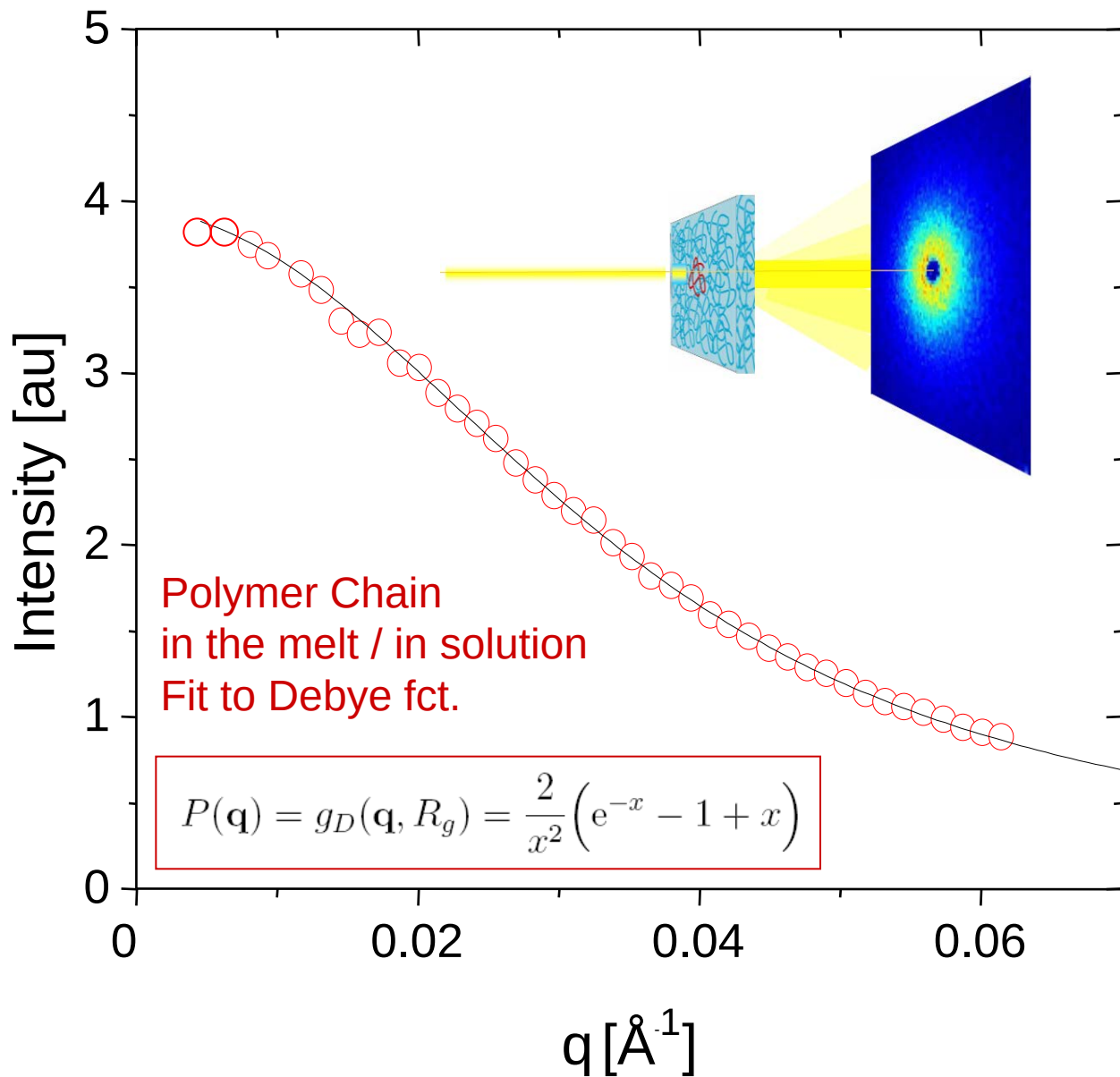
$$qR_{min,2}/qR_{min,1} = 2.00$$

$$qR_{min2}-qR_{min1}=3.14$$

Form factor of Polymer Chain

in solution





Low- q approximation for a polymer coil

Form factor for Gaussian polymer coil

$$P(q) = \frac{2}{x^2} \left[e^{-x} - 1 + x \right] \quad \text{with } x = q^2 R_g^2.$$

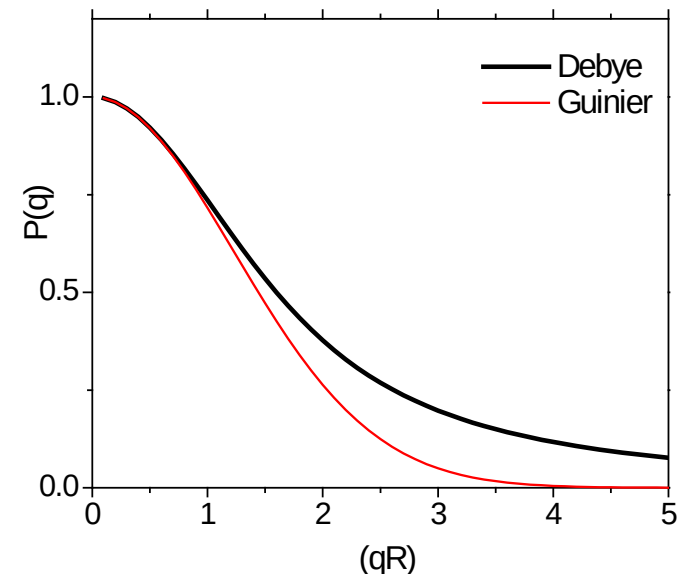
in the low- q regime $x \ll 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} P(q) &= \frac{2}{x^2} \left[e^{-x} - 1 + x \right] \\ &\approx \frac{2}{x^2} \left[1 - x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots - 1 + x \right] \\ &\approx 1 - \frac{1}{3}x \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{3}q^2 R_g^2 \end{aligned}$$

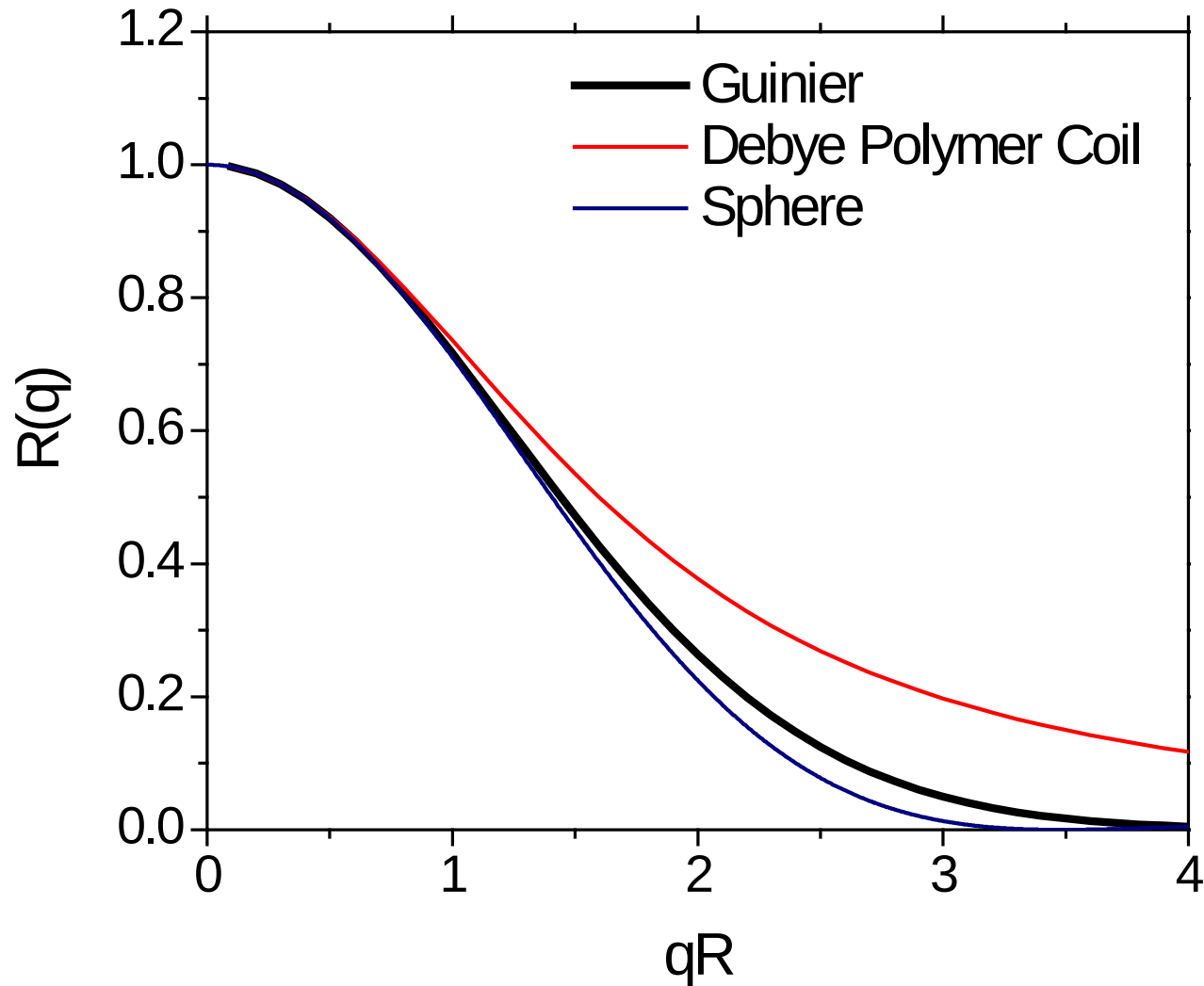
which may be rewritten in exponential approximation:

$$P(q) \approx \exp\left[-\frac{1}{3}q^2 R_g^2\right]$$

i.e. in the usual Guinier form



Guinier Approximation



High- q approximation for a polymer coil

Form factor for Gaussian polymer coil

$$P(q) = \frac{2}{x^2} [e^{-x} - 1 + x] \quad \text{with } x = q^2 R_g^2.$$

in the low q -regime, $x \ll 1$ ($x < 1$):

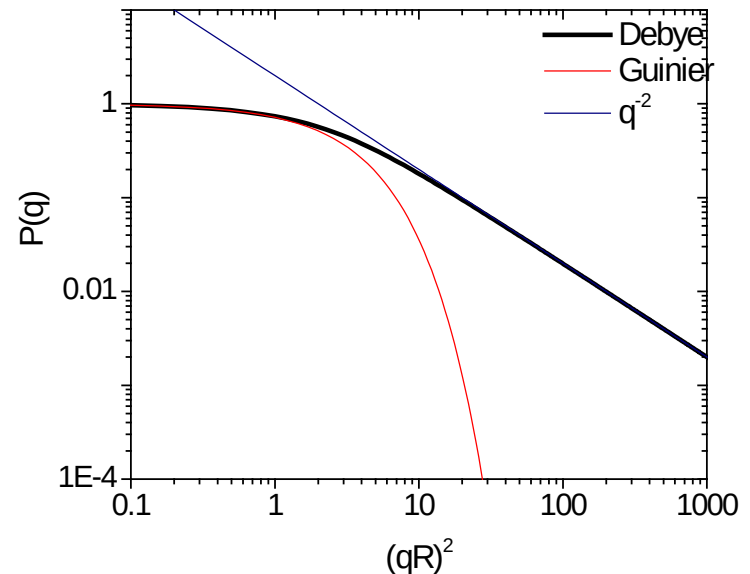
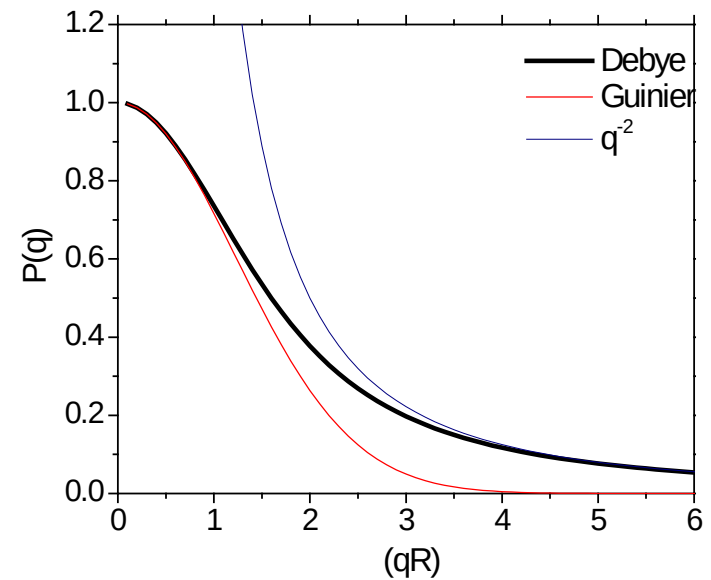
$$P(q) \approx \exp\left[-\frac{1}{3}q^2 R_g^2\right]$$

in the high q -regime, $x \gg 1$ ($x > 10$):

$$P(q) \approx \frac{2}{x^2} [0 - 1 + x] = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$P(q) = 2R_g^{-2} q^{-2}$$

i.e. fractal with fractal dimension 2.



Form factor of Mass Fractal



The mass scale with radius as:

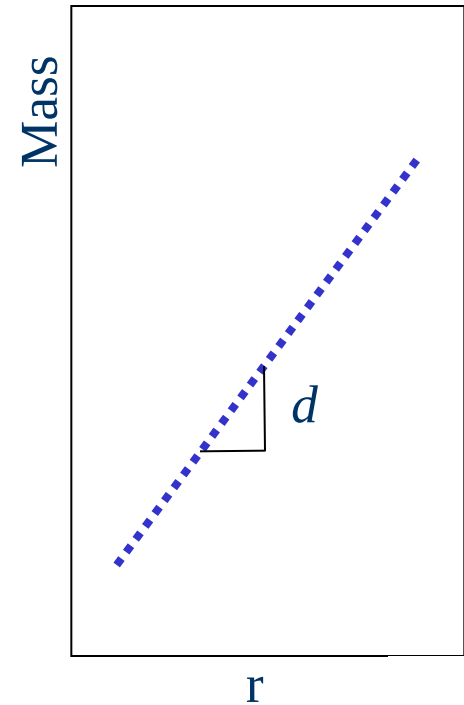
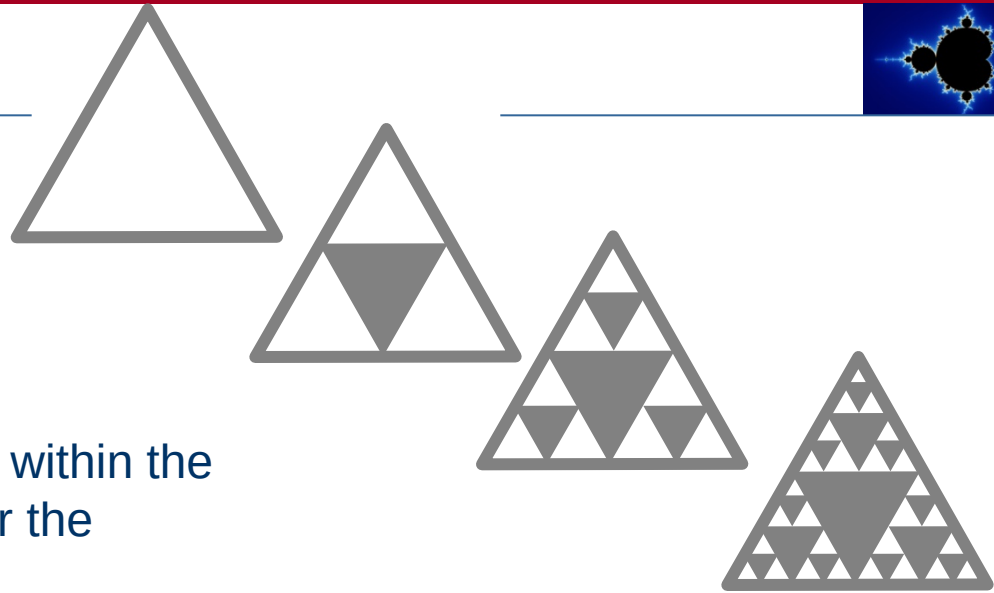
$$M \propto r^d$$

Assume that system obey the fractal law within the 3D Euclidian volume, give the formula for the correlation function:

$$\gamma(r)$$

Calculate thereby the Scattering Function using the formula:

$$I(q) = \int \gamma(r) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr$$



Form factor of Mass Fractal

The mass (scattering power) scale with radius as:

$$M \propto r^d$$

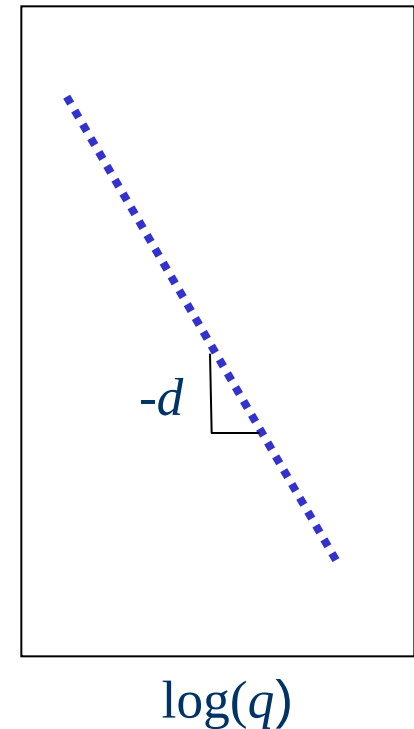
and thereby the correlation function

$$\gamma(r) \propto M/V \propto r^{d-3}$$

which inset into the equation for scattering gives

$$\begin{aligned} I(q) &= \int \gamma(r) \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} r^2 dr \\ &\sim \int (qr)^{d-3+2} \frac{\sin(qr)}{qr} d(qr) \cdot q^{-d+3-2-1} \\ &= \text{cst} \cdot q^{-d} \end{aligned}$$

$\log(I)$



$\log(q)$

Form factor of Mass Fractal

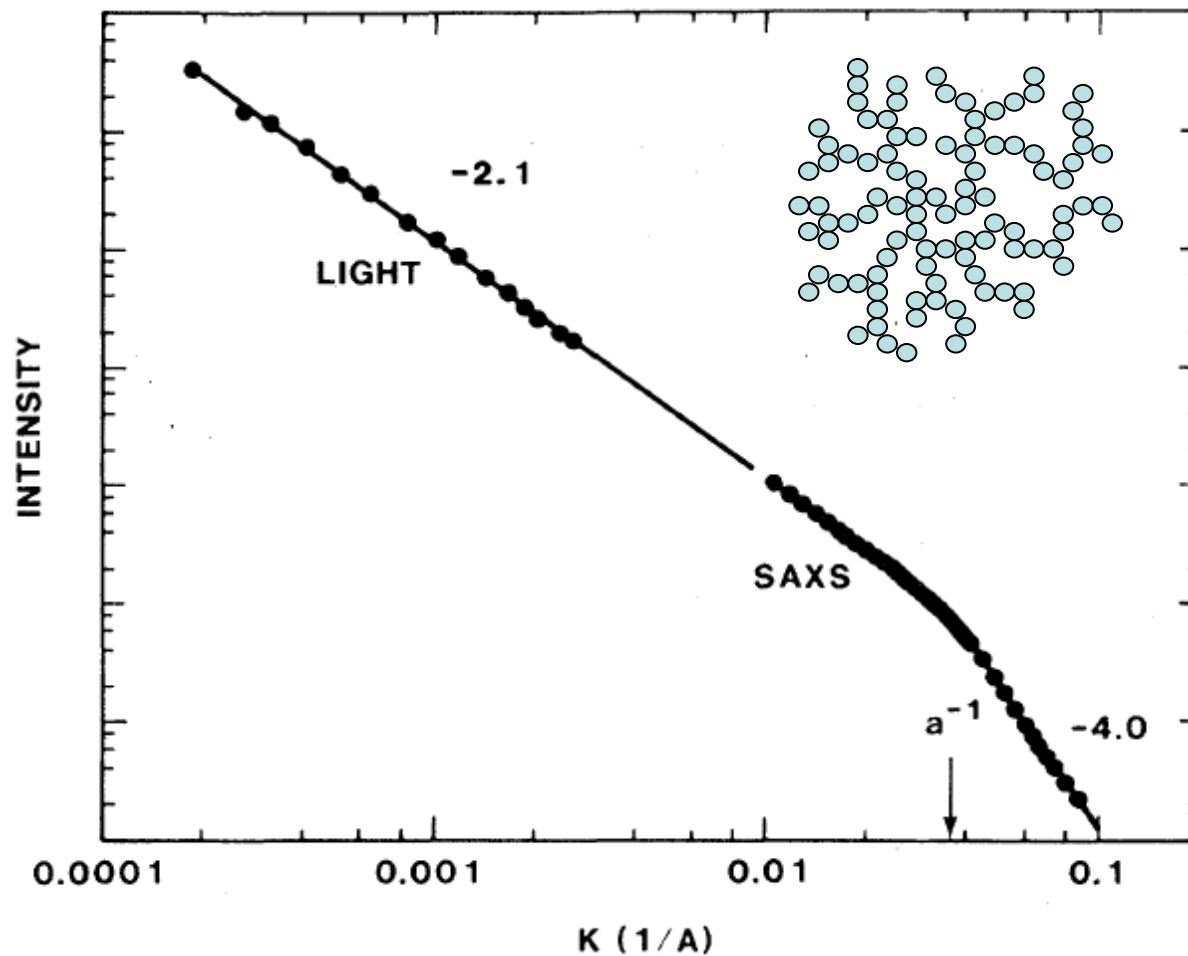
Colloidal aggregates
diffusion limited aggregation

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Fractal Geometry of Colloidal Aggregates

Dale W. Schaefer and James E. Martin

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Fractals

$$I(q) \sim q^{-d}$$

Mass-fractal $1 < d < 3$

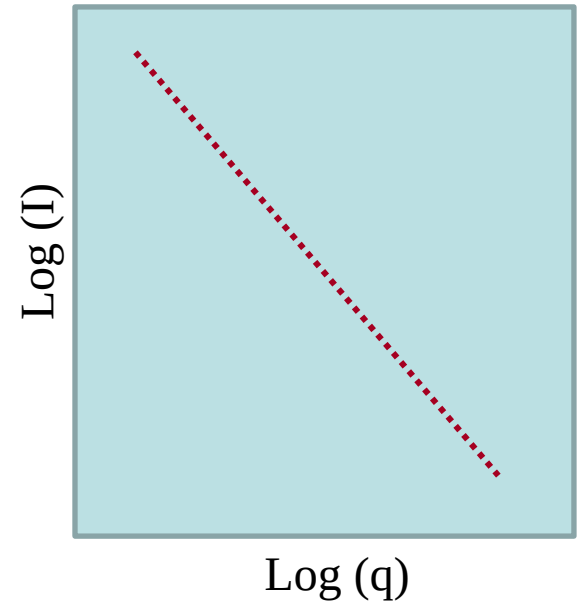
$$I(q) \sim q^{-d} = q^{-d_m}$$

Surface Fractal $3 < d < 4$

$$I(q) \sim q^{-d} = q^{-(6-d_s)}$$

with surface fractal dimension d_s

$$2 \leq d_s < 3$$



Small-Angle X-Ray-Scattering Investigation of Submicroscopic Porosity with Fractal Properties

Harold D. Bale^(a) and Paul W. Schmidt

Bale and Schmidt showed that the Porod law can be generalized to non-smooth surfaces, to the form

$$I(q) \propto q^{-(6-d_s)}$$

with the surface fractal:

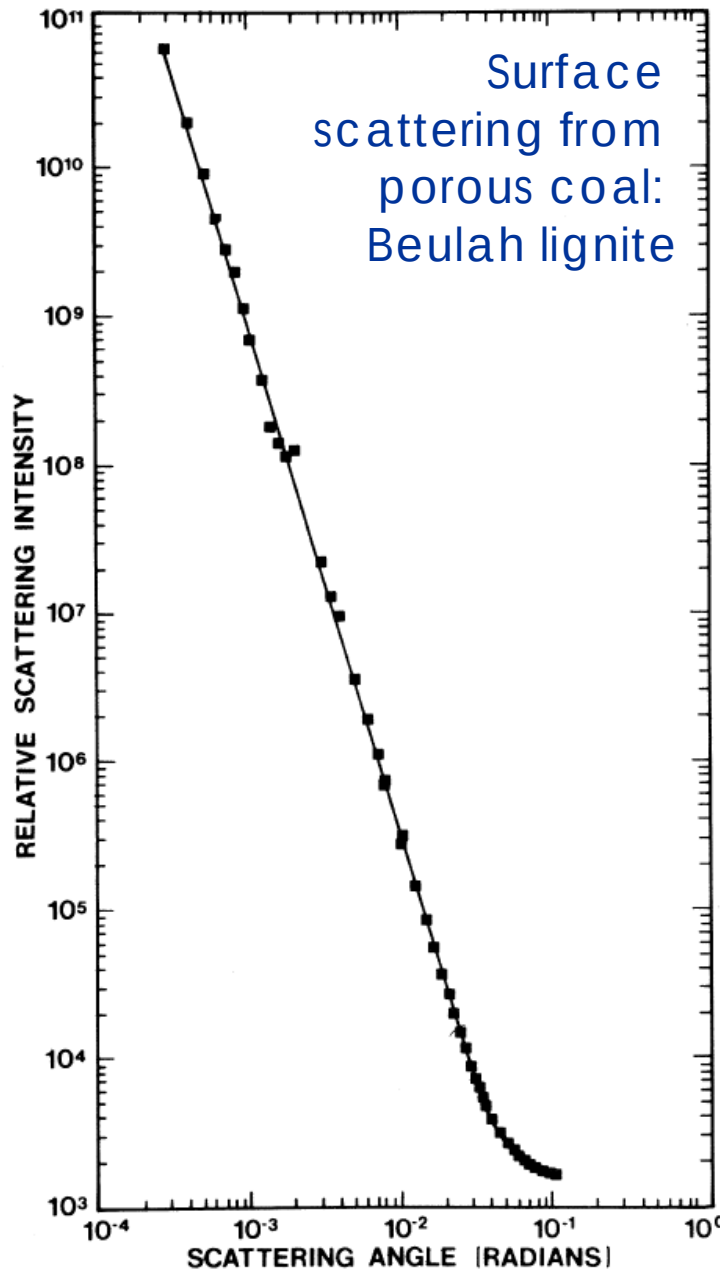
$$2 \leq d_s < 3$$

Linear in log-log plot:

$$I(q) \sim q^{-3.44}$$

corresponding to a surface fractal dimension:

$$d_s = 6 - 3.44 = 2.56$$

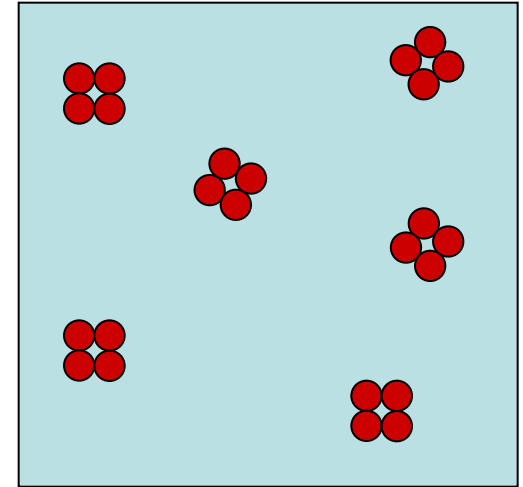


Structure Factor

Decomposition into intra and inter correlations

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{p=1}^n \sum_{q=1}^n \left\langle (\Delta\rho)^2 \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{p,i} - \mathbf{r}_{q,j})] \right\rangle$$

assume spherical symmetry,
dilute mono-disperse ensemble



$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{i,j} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)] \right\rangle}_{\text{intra particle correlations}} \left[1 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{p \neq q} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_p - \mathbf{r}_q)] \right\rangle}_{\text{inter particle correlations}} \right]$$

intra particle correlations
giving information on
particle shape

inter particle correlations
approach 1 for dilute systems

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 \boxed{P(\mathbf{q})} \boxed{S(\mathbf{q})}$$

pre factor

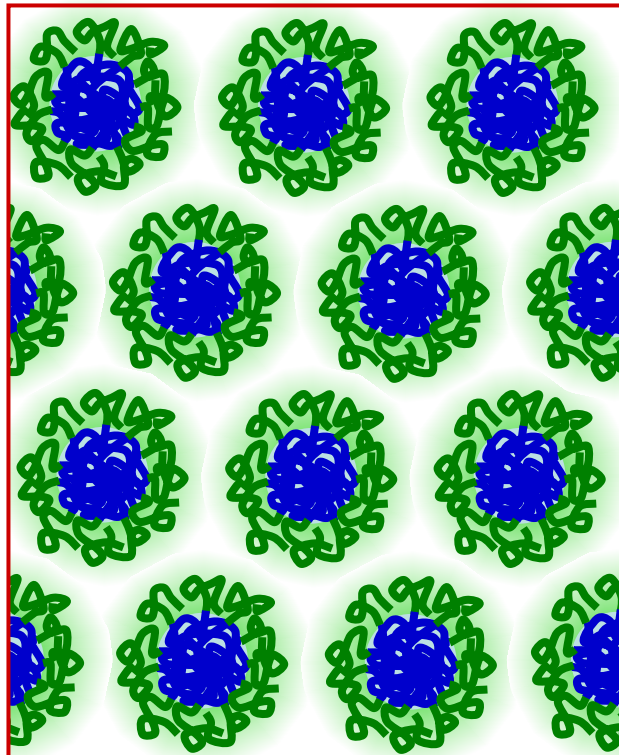
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structure factor

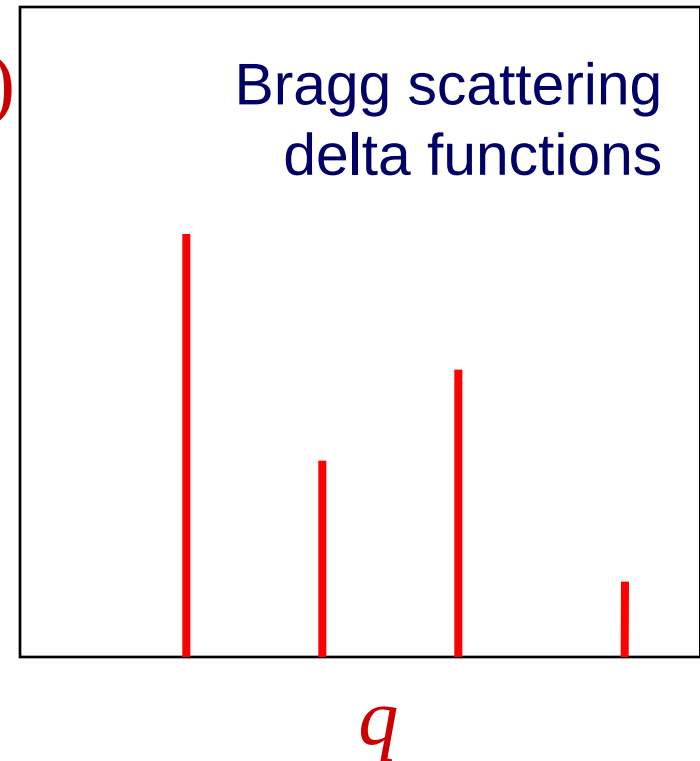
Structure factor

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 P(\mathbf{q})S(\mathbf{q})$$

Ordered, crystalline structure



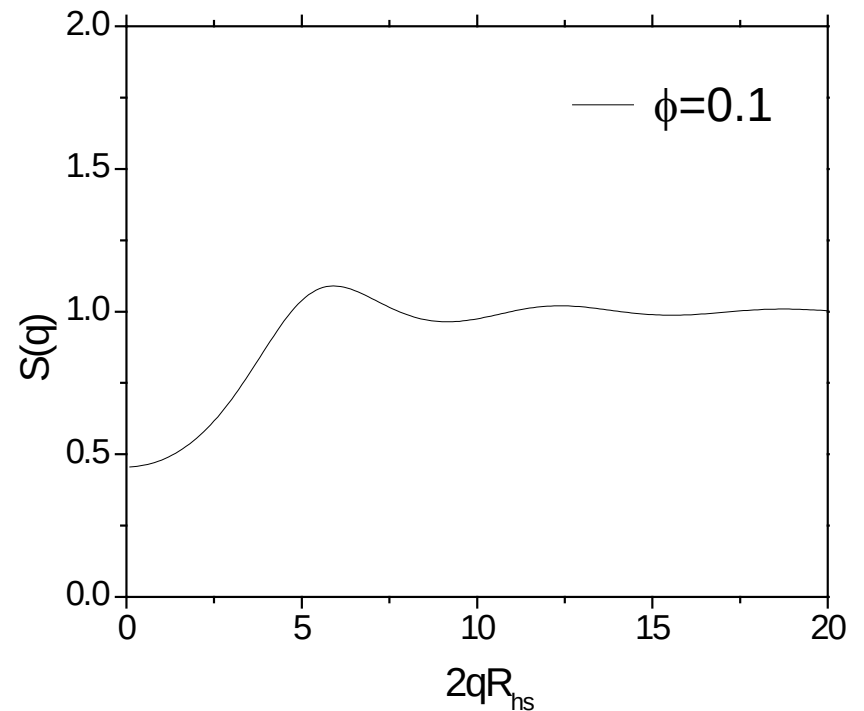
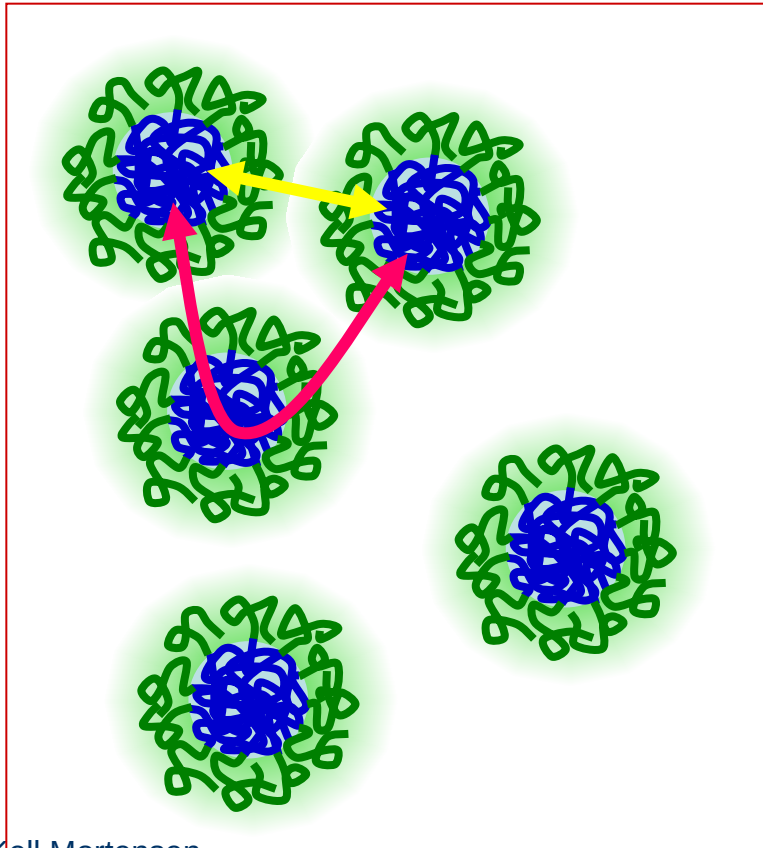
$I(q)$



Structure factor

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = (\Delta\rho)^2 nM^2 P(\mathbf{q})S(\mathbf{q})$$

$$S(\mathbf{q}) = \left[1 + \sum_{p \neq q} \left\langle \exp[-i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_p - \mathbf{r}_q)] \right\rangle \right]$$



Structure factor

$$S(q) = 1 + 4\pi N \int h(R) \sin(qR)/qR R^2 dR$$

↑
 $h(R)$ correlation function

Ornstein Zernike Approximation

$$h(R_{12}) = c(R_{12}) + n \int c(R_{13}) h(R_{23}) dR_3$$

↖ ↗
 $c(R)$ direct short range correlation

Percus Yevick Approximation

$$c(R) = [e^{-\Phi/kT} - 1] e^{\Phi/kT} [h(R) + 1], \quad \Phi = \Phi(R)$$

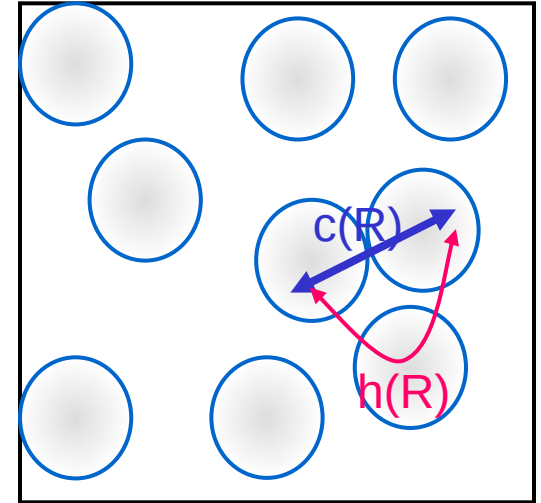
Hard-sphere interaction

$$c(R) = [\alpha + \beta (R/R_{hs}) + \gamma (R/R_{hs})^2], \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma \text{ function of volume fraction } \phi$$

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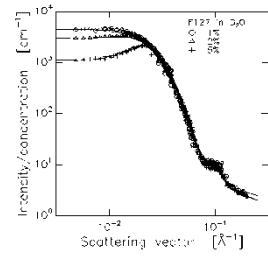
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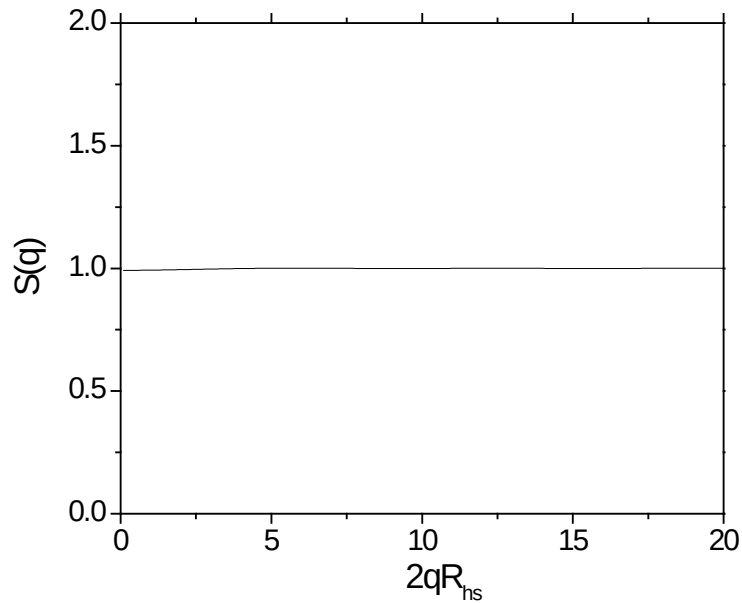
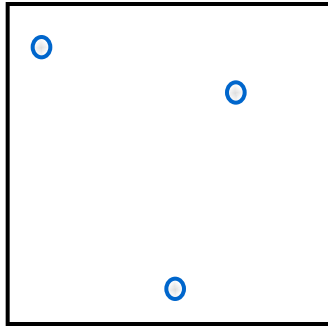


Structure factor

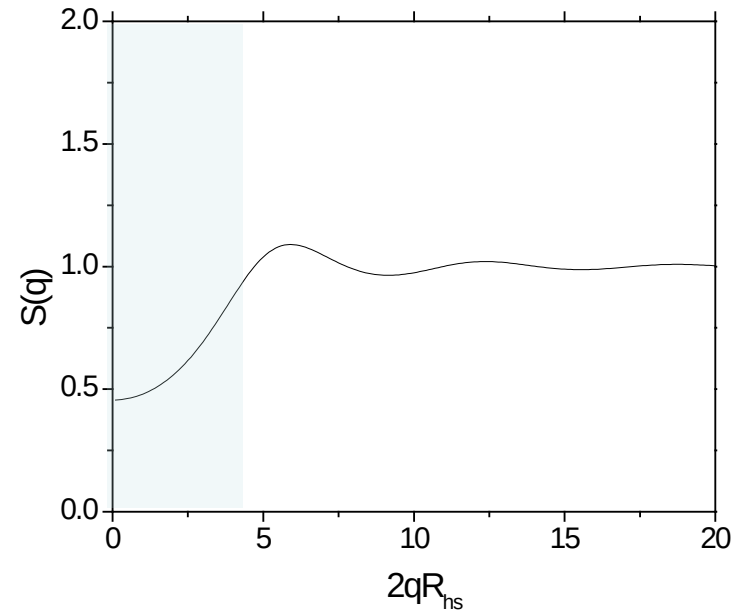
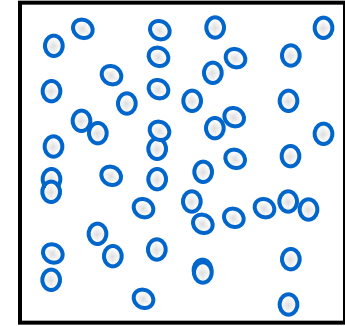
Hard-sphere Percus-Yevick



Volume
fraction
0.1%



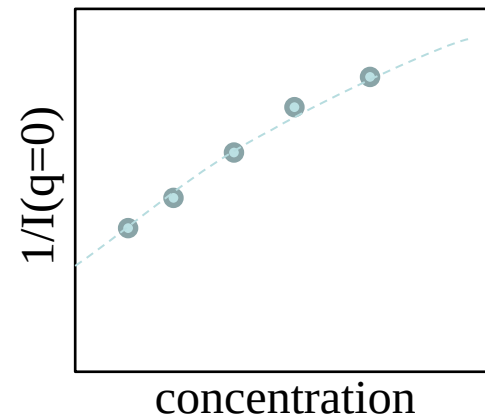
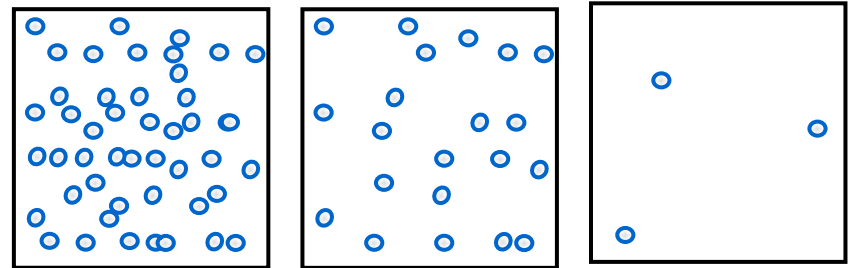
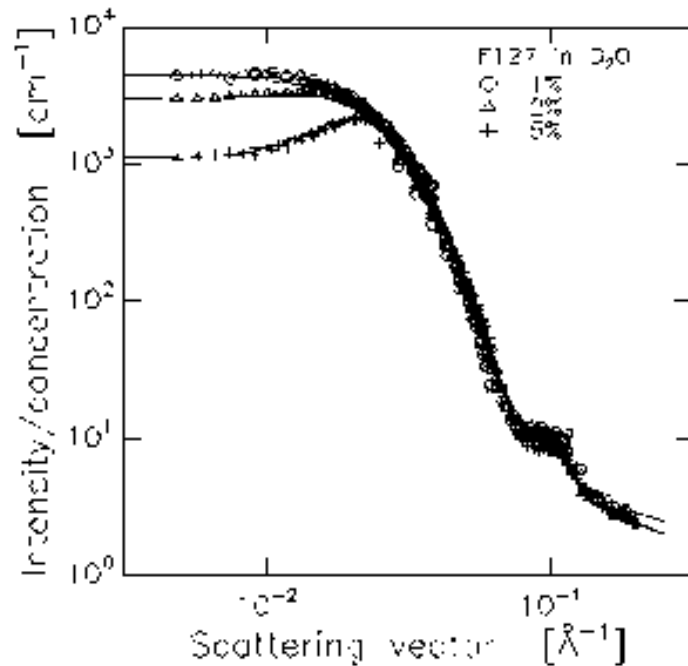
Volume
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10%



Correlation Hole

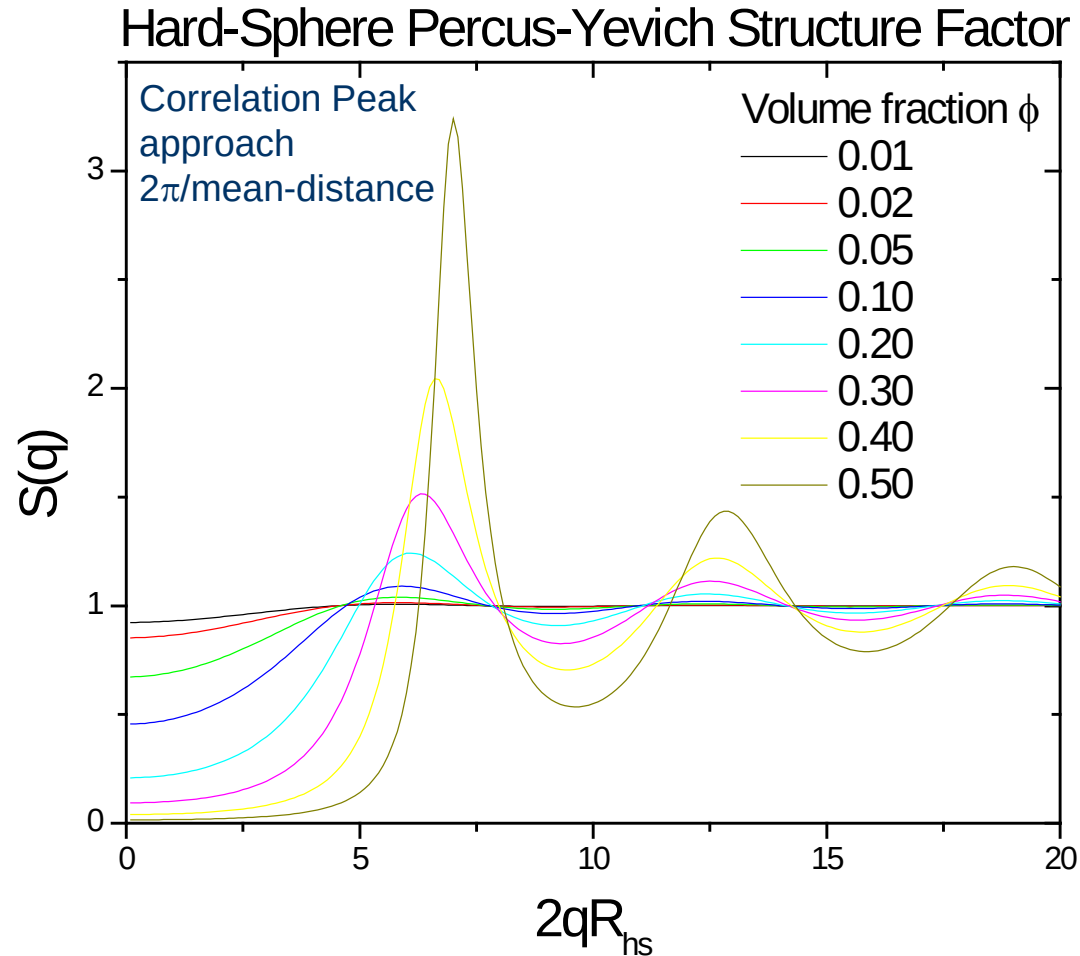
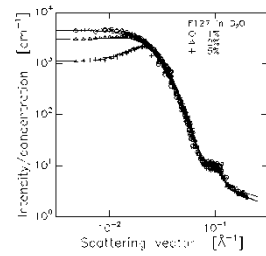
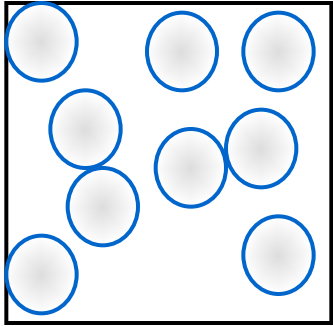
Structure factor

Measure a concentration series to get the correct form factor and zero- q intensity (Molar mass)



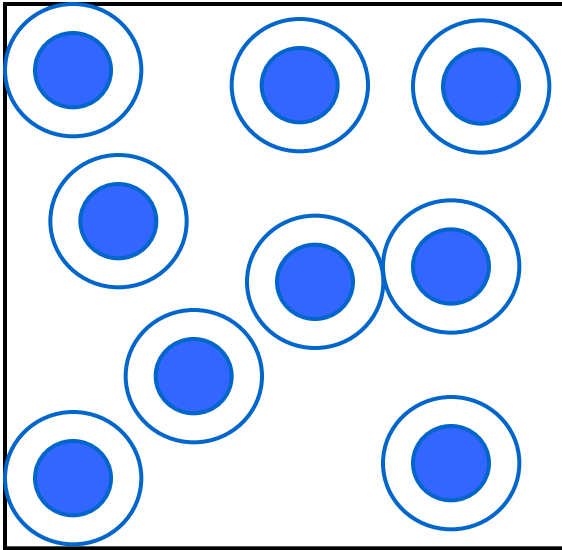
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Hard-sphere Percus-Yevick

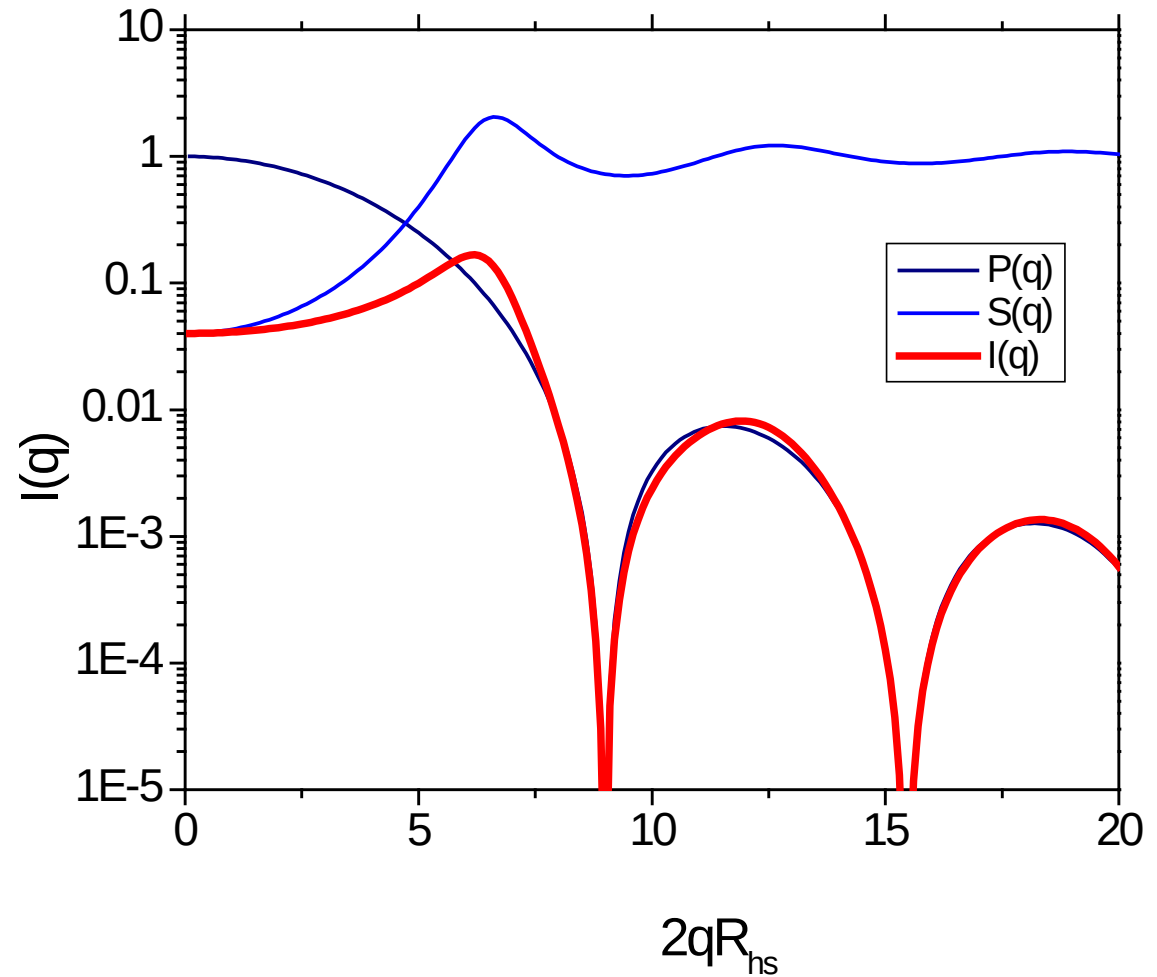


Scattering Function Hard-sphere Percus-Yevick

$$I(\mathbf{q}) = b^2 P(\mathbf{q})S(\mathbf{q})$$



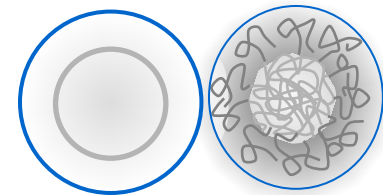
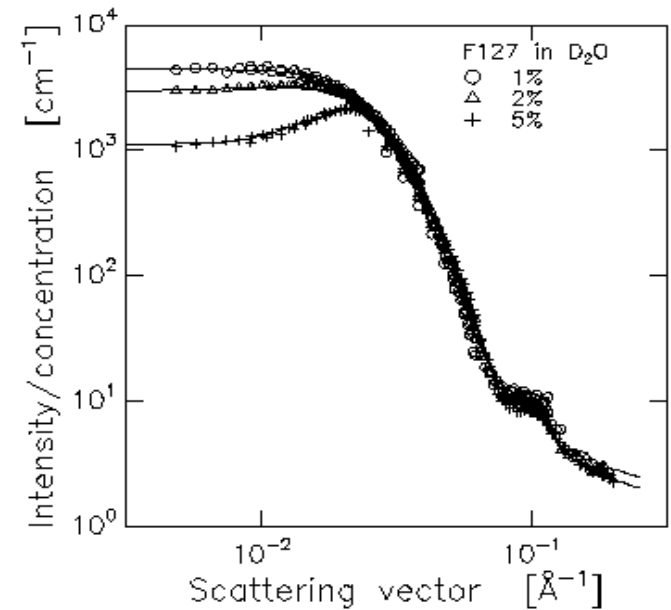
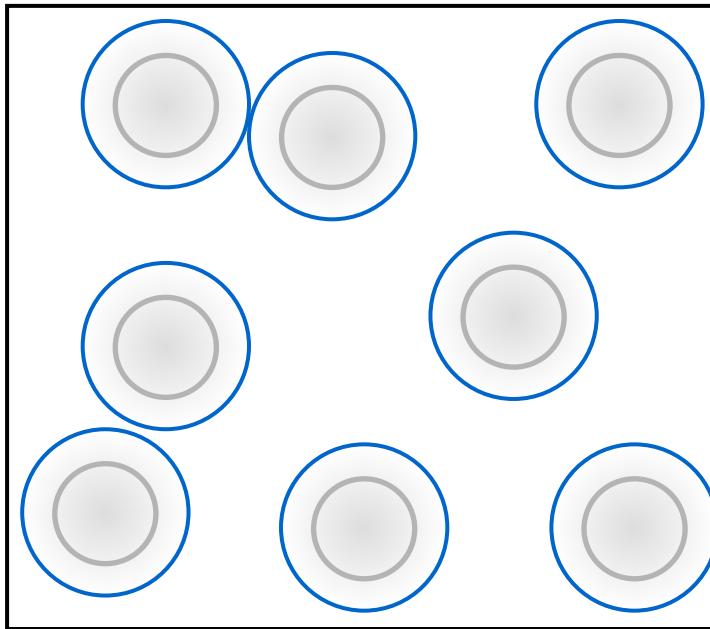
$$R_{\text{hs}} = 2R_c$$
$$\phi = 0.4$$



Structure Factor:

$$I(q) = nM^2 \Delta\rho^2 P(q) S(q)$$

$$I(q) = nM^2 \Delta\rho^2 P(q, R_c) S(q, R_h, \phi)$$



Structure factor

$$S(q) = 1 + 4\pi N \int h(R) \sin(qR)/qR R^2 dR$$

$\uparrow$
 $h(R)$ correlation function

Ornstein Zernike Approximation

$$h(R_{12}) = c(R_{12}) + n \int c(R_{13}) h(R_{23}) dR_3$$

$c(R)$ direct short range correlation

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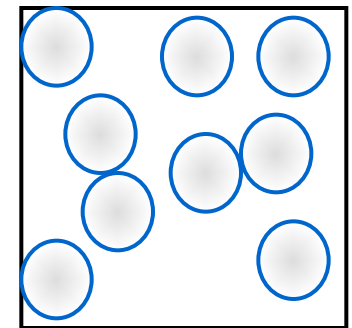
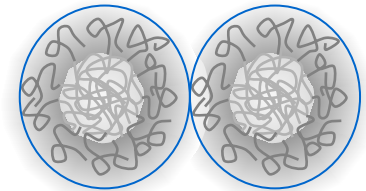
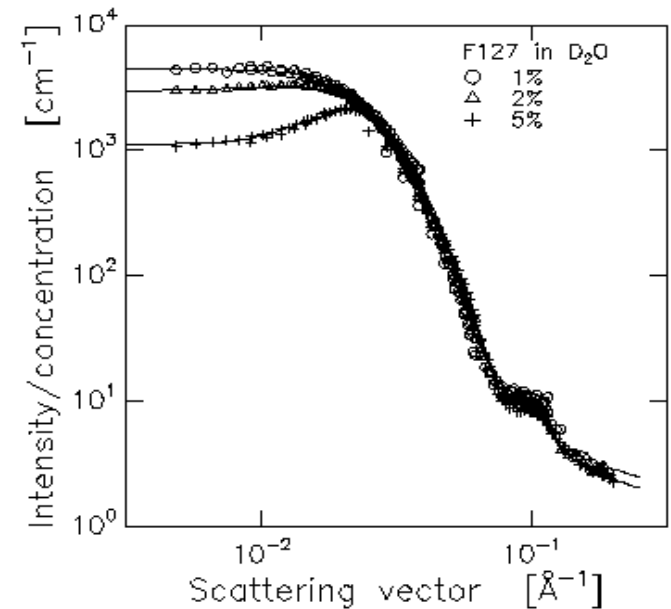
α, β, γ function of volume fraction ϕ

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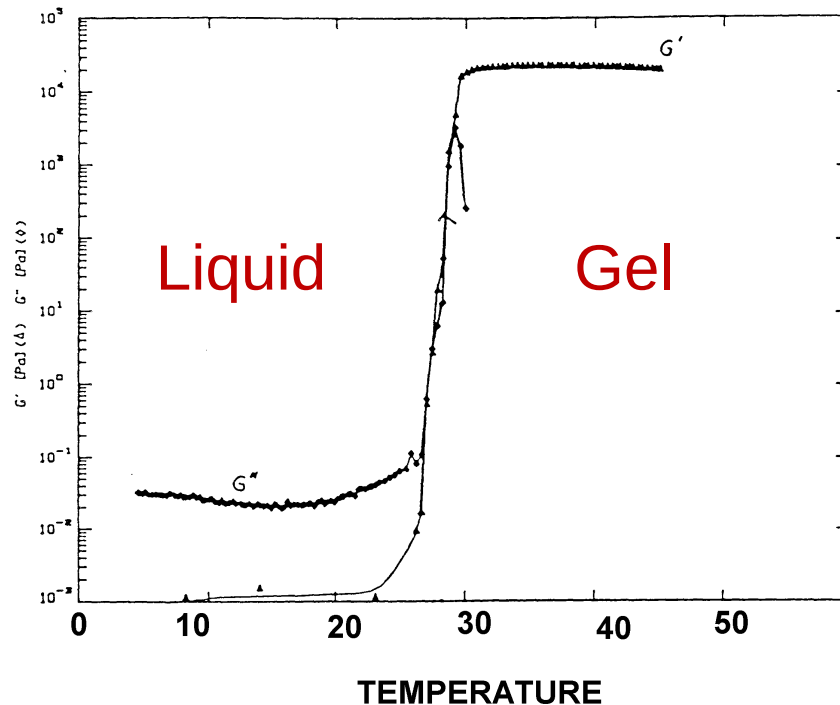
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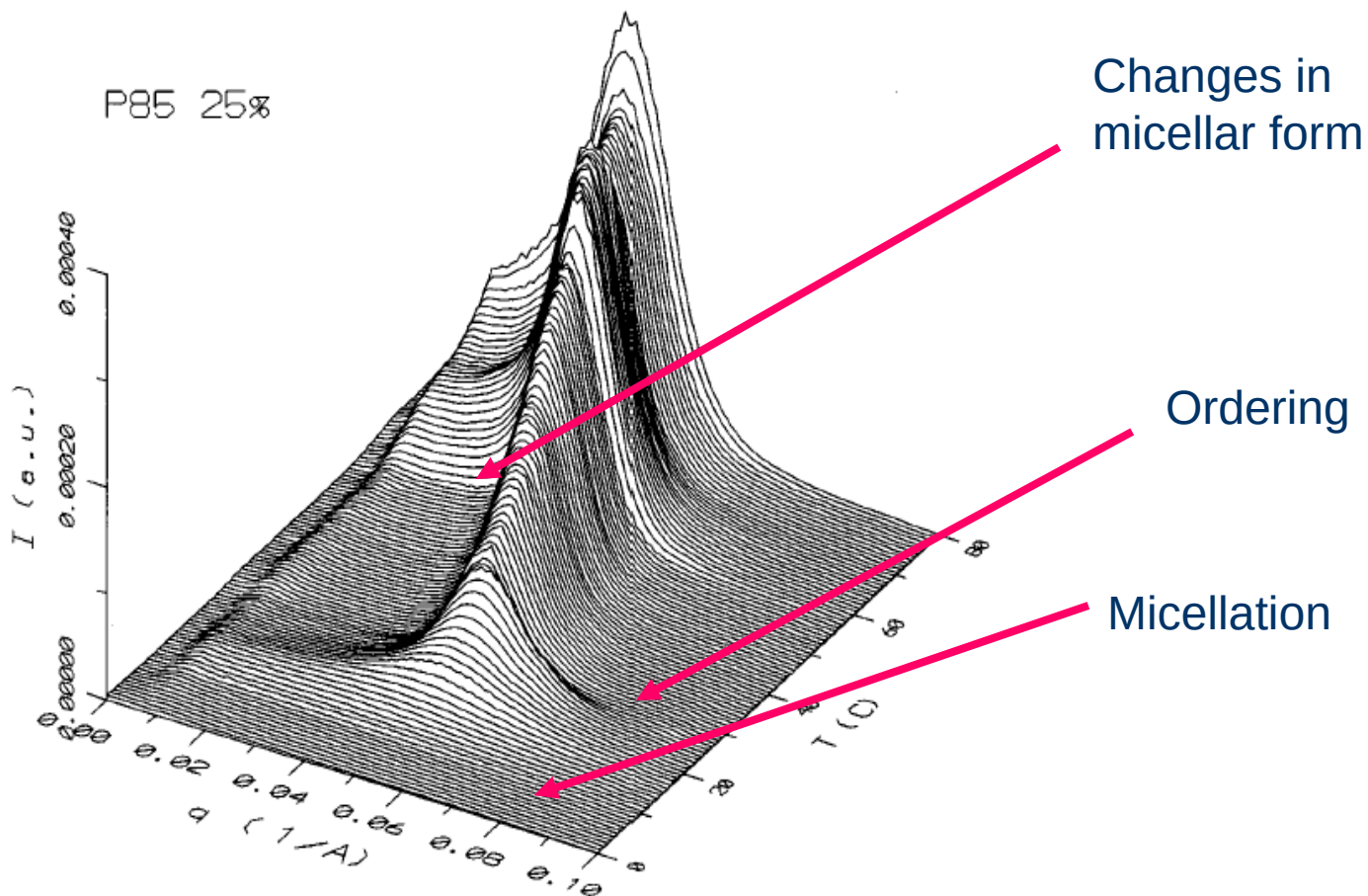
Measured Scattering Function as a function of temperature

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Micellar parameters

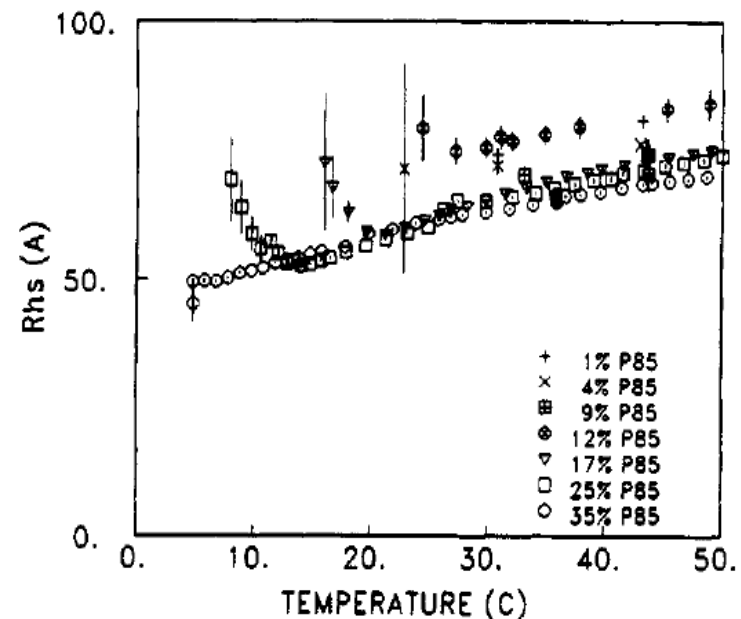
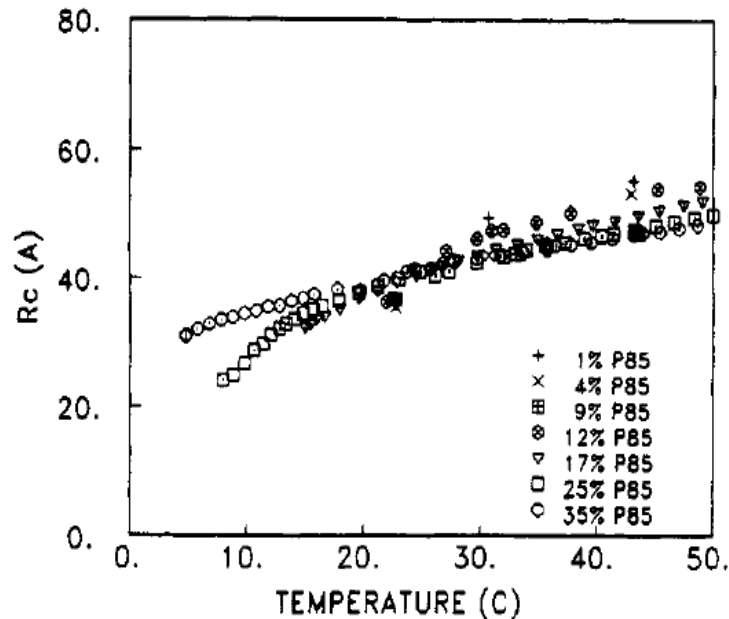
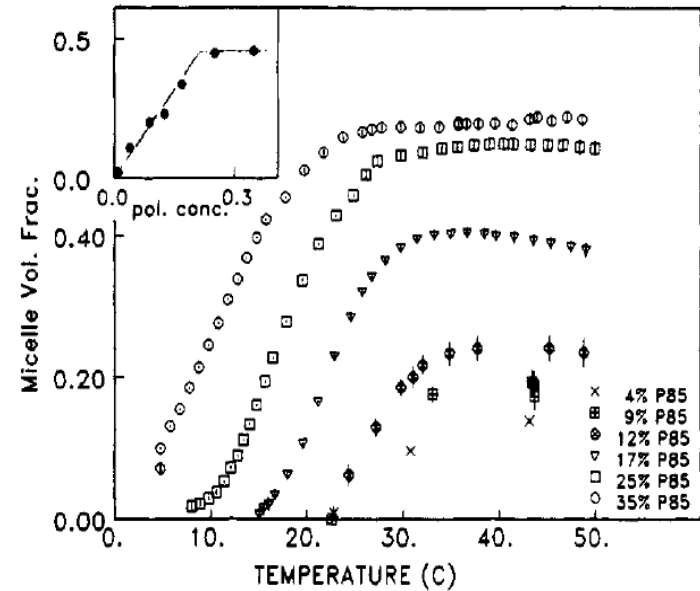
as a function of temperature
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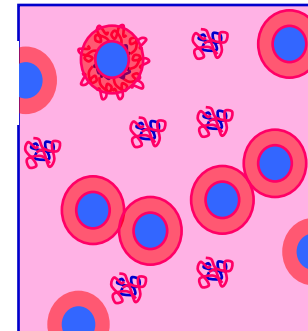
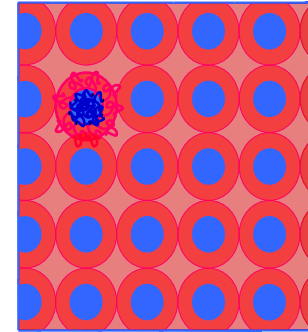
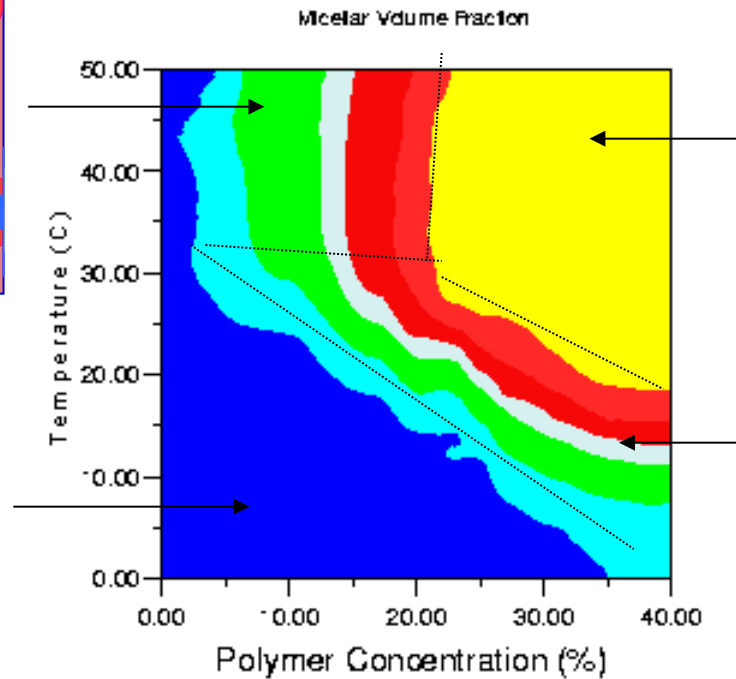
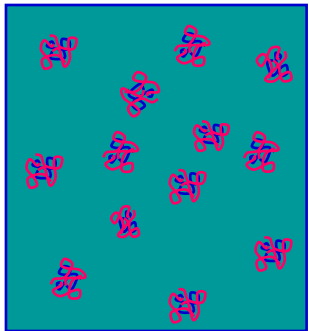
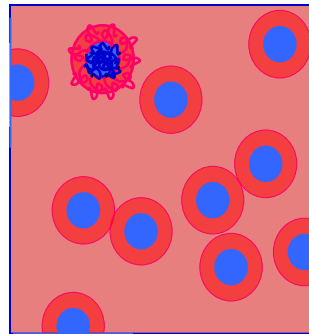
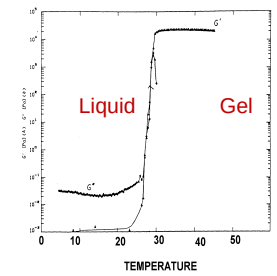
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i.e. $I(q)$ function of R_c , R_{hs} and f



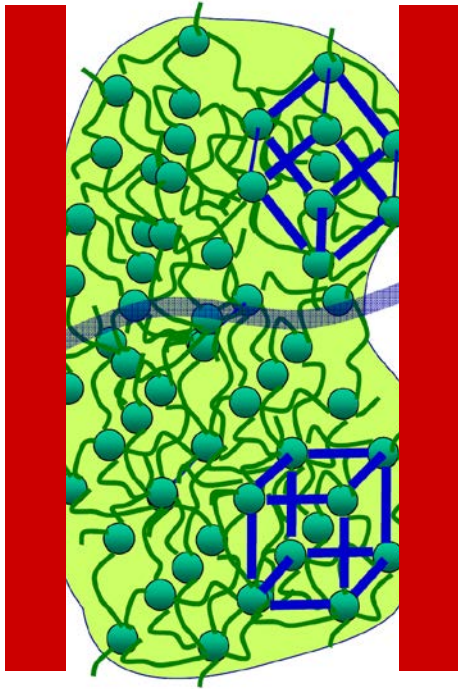
PEO-PPO-PEO Block copolymer in water



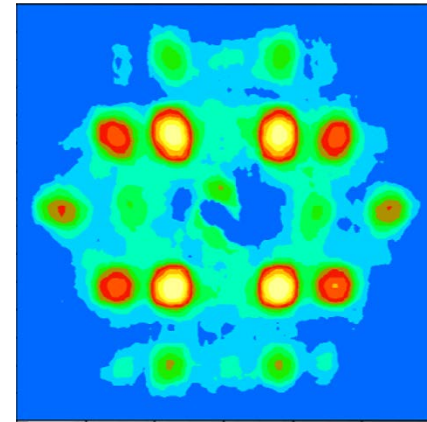
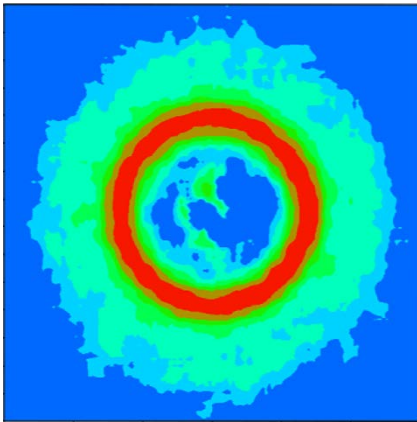
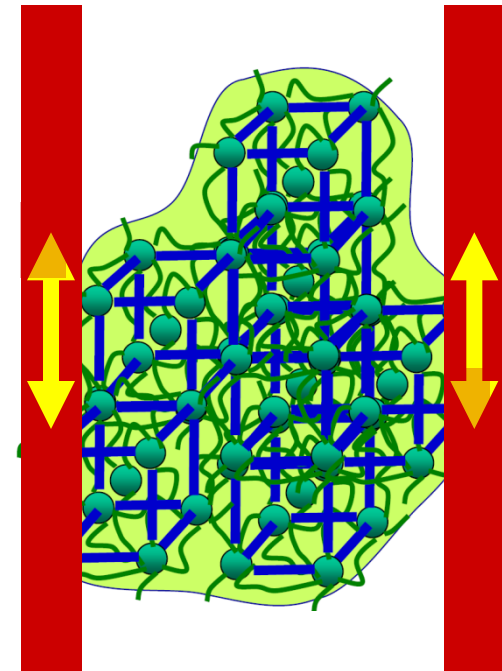
Experimental micellar volume fraction, as obtained from SANS data, and schematic interpretation.

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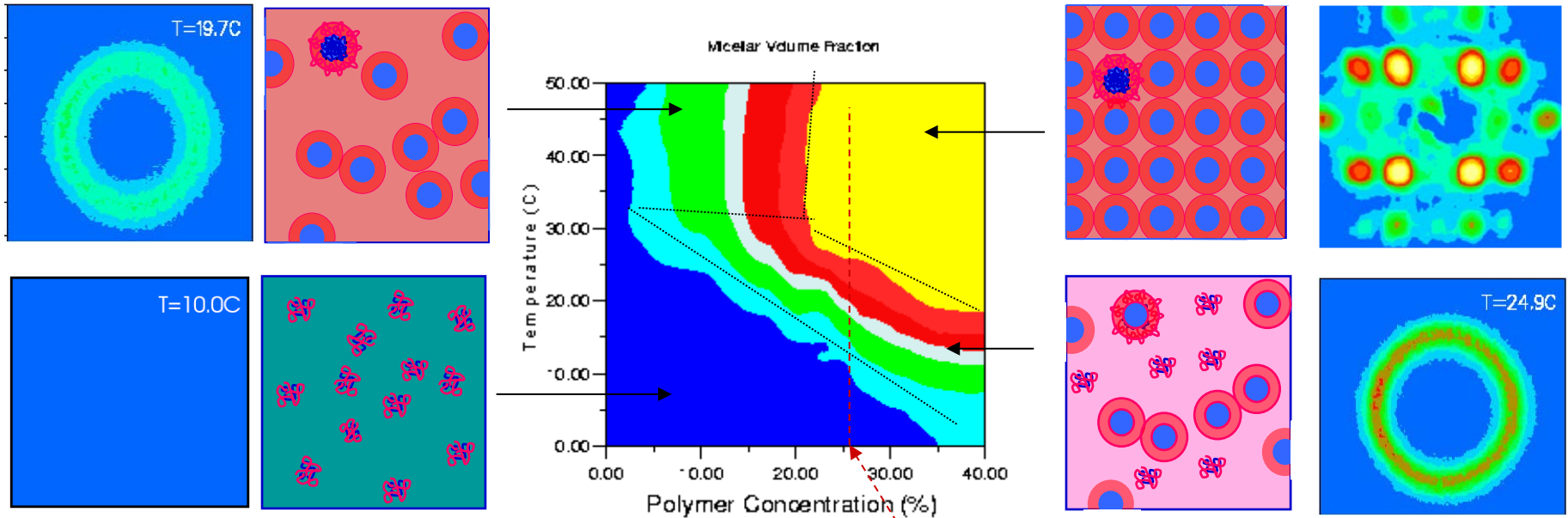
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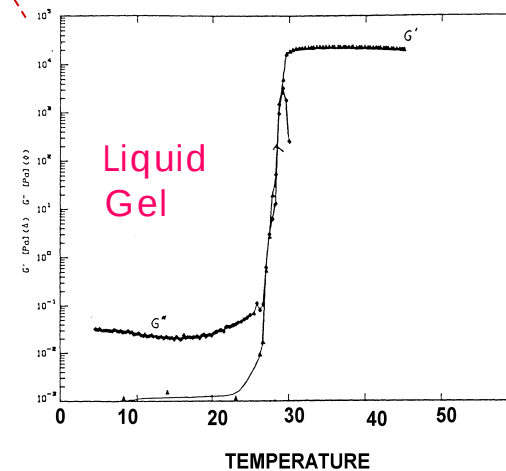
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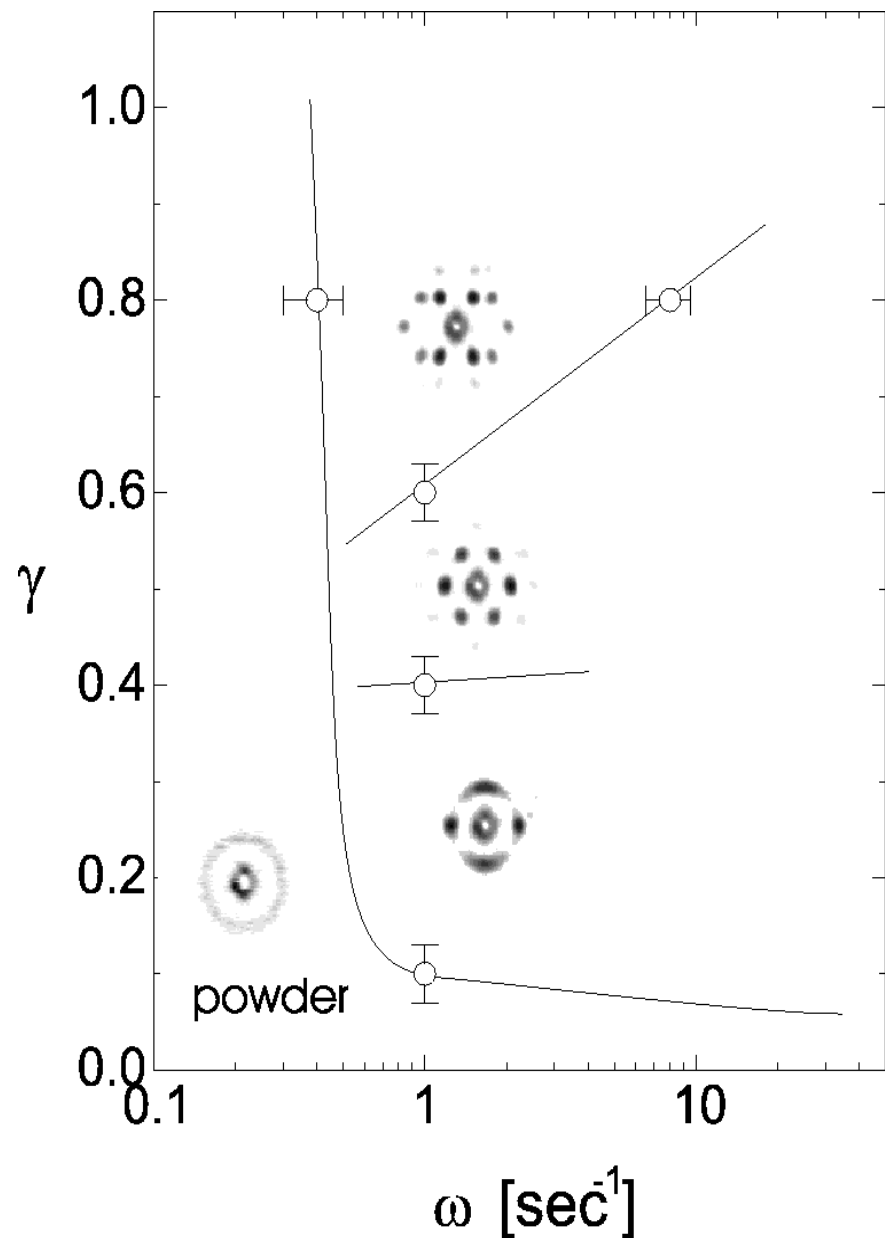
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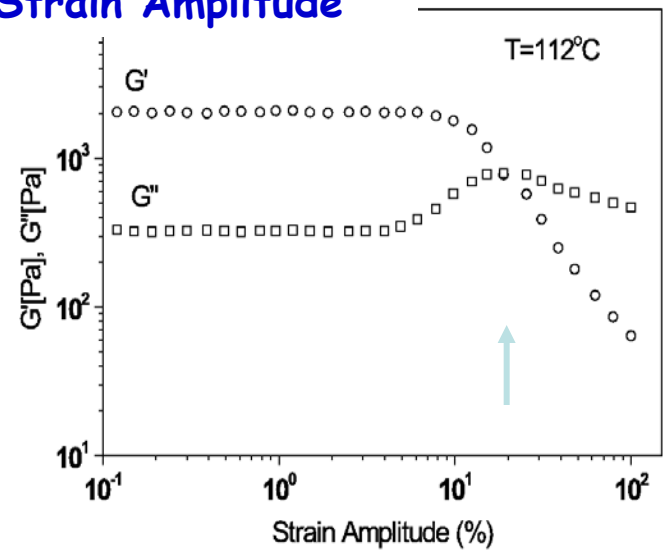
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Shear-controlled texture



Strain Amplitude



Frequency sweep

