Potential for Ultrafast X-ray Intensity Fluctuation Spectroscopy

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(001) Cu₃Au peak



Sutton et al., The Observation of Speckle by Diffraction with Coherent X-rays, Nature, **352**, 608-610 (1991).

Why Coherence?

Coherence allows one to measure the dynamics of a material (X-ray Intensity Fluctuation Spectroscopy, XIFS).

$$\langle I(\vec{Q},t)I(\vec{Q}+\delta\vec{\kappa},t+\tau)\rangle = \langle I(Q)\rangle^2 + \beta(\vec{\kappa}) \frac{k^8}{(4\pi R)^4} V^2 I_0^2 \left| S(\vec{Q},t) \right|^2$$

where the coherence part is:

$$\beta(\vec{\kappa}) = \frac{1}{V^2 I_0^2} \int_V \int_V e^{i\vec{\kappa} \cdot (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)} \left| \Gamma(\vec{0}, \vec{r}_2^{\perp} - \vec{r}_1^{\perp}, \frac{\vec{Q} \cdot (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)}{\omega_0}) \right|^2 d\vec{r}_1 d\vec{r}_2$$

and $\beta(\vec{0}) \approx \frac{V_{coherence}}{V_{scattering}}$ with widths $\lambda/V^{\frac{1}{3}}$ Reference: M. Sutton, Coherent X-ray Diffraction, in Third-Generation Hard X-ray Synchrotron Radiation Sources: Source Properties, Optics, and Experimental Techniques, edited by. Dennis M. Mills, John Wiley and Sons, Inc, New York, (2002).

SAXS of Au particles in PS



Time fluctuations in coherent scattering.

Define correlation function:

$$g^{(2)}(\vec{Q},\tau) - 1 = \frac{\langle I^2(\vec{Q},t) \rangle - \langle I(\vec{Q},t) \rangle^2}{\langle I(\vec{Q},t) \rangle^2}$$
$$= \beta \left| g^{(1)}(\vec{Q},\tau) \right|^2$$
$$= \beta e^{-2\tau/\tau_Q}$$

Two-time correlation functions

Au in polystyrene

Cu₃Au











Conventionally brightness has the form:

$$B(\vec{r},\hat{s},\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \frac{I_0 H(\mathbf{v})}{\sigma_{s_h} \sigma_{s_v} \sigma_h \sigma_v} e^{-(\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_h^2} + \frac{y^2}{2\sigma_v^2})} e^{-(\frac{s_x^2}{2\sigma_{s_h}} + \frac{s_y^2}{2\sigma_{s_v}})}$$

where $\hat{s} = (s_x, s_y, 1) = (x/z, y/z, 1)$, the σ 's are the beam sizes and angular spreads and H(v) is frequency spectrum.

Brightness is coherence:

$$B(\vec{r},\hat{s},\mathbf{v}) = k^2 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int \Gamma(\vec{v}) e^{ik\hat{s}_{\perp}\cdot\vec{v}} d\vec{v}$$

So mutual coherence function is:

$$\Gamma(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \mathbf{v}) = \frac{I_0 H(\mathbf{v})}{2\pi\sigma_h \sigma_v} e^{-(\frac{(x_1 + x_2)^2}{8\sigma_h^2} + \frac{(y_1 + y_2)^2}{8\sigma_v^2})} e^{-(\frac{(x_2 - x_1)^2}{2\rho_h^2} + \frac{(y_2 - y_1)^2}{2\rho_v^2})}$$

where ρ_i are coherence lengths and $\rho_i = 1/(k\sigma_{s_i})$.

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X-Ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy

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Scientific Applications

Frontiers of the technique are compiled in the following subsections:

- Phase Transitions and Domain Wall Dynamics
- Dynamics of Complex Fluids
- Dynamics at Surfaces
- Dynamics of Lattice Defects and Disordered Systems
- Ultrasoft Modes in Soft Condensed Matter and Biological Systems

"Real" Equation of Everything

Langevin dynamics (Models A through J):

$$\frac{\partial \Psi_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)}{\partial t} = \{F, \Psi_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)\}_{PB} - M_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \Psi_{\nu}} + \eta_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)\}_{PB}$$

$$= -\int \{\Psi_{\mu}(\vec{x},t), \Psi_{\nu}(\vec{x}',t')\}_{PB} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \Psi_{\nu}} d\vec{x}' - M_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \Psi_{\nu}} + \eta_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)\}_{PB}$$

$$= V_{\mu}(\vec{x},t) - M_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \Psi_{\nu}} + \eta_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)$$

where

$$\langle \eta_{\mu}(\vec{x},t) \rangle = 0$$

and (generalized Einstein-Stokes/fluctuation-dissipation) $\langle \eta_{\mu}(\vec{x},t)\eta_{\nu}(\vec{x}',t')\rangle = -2M_{\mu\nu}k_bT\delta(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')\delta(t-t')$

Reference: Section 8.6.3 Principles of condensed matter physics, Chaikin and Lubensky (1995).

In equilibrium F has no linear term in Ψ so equation of motion becomes:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{x},t)}{\partial t} = -M\left(\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial \Psi^2}\right)_{eq} \Psi + \eta(\vec{x},t)$$

or

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{Q},t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{Mk_bT}{S(\vec{Q})}\Psi + \eta(\vec{Q},t)$$

Where the structure factor is:

$$S(\vec{Q},t) = \langle \Psi^{\dagger}(\vec{Q},t)\Psi(\vec{Q},t)\rangle$$
$$= k_b T / \left(\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial \Psi^2}\right)_{eq}$$

Signal to Noise

Signal is $g_2 - 1 = \beta$ and variance of is $var(g_2) \sim 1/(\bar{n}^2 N)$. So:

$$\frac{s}{n} = \beta \bar{n} \sqrt{N}$$
$$= \beta I \tau \sqrt{\frac{t_{total}}{\tau} N_{speckles}}$$
$$= \beta I \sqrt{\tau t_{total} N_{pixels}}$$

Note 1: This is linear in number of photons (as opposed to \sqrt{n}). Note 2: For fixed $s/n \sim \alpha I \sqrt{\tau/\alpha^2}$. Thus an α -fold increase in intensity is an α^2 -fold increase in time resolution. Need very fast detectors.

Reference: Area detector based photon correlation in the regime of short data batches: data reduction for dynamic x-ray scattering, D. Lumma, L.B. Lurio, S.G.J. Mochrie, and M. Sutton, Rev. Sci. Instr. **71**, 3274-3289 (2000).



More explicitly:

$$\frac{s}{n} \approx \beta B_0 dx dx' dy dy' \frac{\Delta E}{E} \frac{1}{V} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} L \sqrt{N_{sp}}$$

$$\approx \beta B_0 f_x f_y \lambda^2 \frac{\Delta E}{E} \frac{1}{V} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} f_z \frac{\lambda^2}{\Delta \lambda} \sqrt{N_{sp}}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{max(1, f_i)^3} B_0 f_x f_y f_z \lambda^2 \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} \frac{1}{V} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega \Delta \lambda} \sqrt{N_{sp}}$$

$$\approx B_0 \lambda^3 \frac{1}{V} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sqrt{N_{sp}}$$

$$\approx f B_0 \lambda^3 \frac{1}{V} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sqrt{N_{sp}} \quad (if any f_i < 1).$$

Note: should be a $\lambda^3/8$ as normally use $\lambda/2$.

Detector Resolution

Speckle size (width of $\beta(\vec{\kappa})$) is given by diffraction limit of beam:

$$\Delta heta pprox rac{\lambda}{d_{coh}} pprox rac{d_{coh}}{R_{det}}$$

to resolve on detector. Thus

$$R_{det} = \frac{d_{coh}^2}{\lambda}$$

Problem if horizontal and vertical lengths are too different or if any coherence length is too long. Similarly, don't want too large a mismatch between speckle size and the "diffraction width" of sample peak. Focus for a virtual source, for 1.5\AA , a $100\mu\text{m}$ source at 10m gives $d_{coh} = 15\mu\text{m}$. Ideally optics could tune coherence lengths. For a small crystal:

 $\frac{1}{V}\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_0^2 \frac{|\bar{\mathbf{F}}|^2}{v_c} N \left[\frac{\sin(N_x q_x a/2)}{N_x \sin(q_x a/2)} \frac{\sin(N_y q_y b/2)}{N_x \sin(q_y b/2)} \frac{\sin(N_z q_z c/2)}{N_z \sin(q_z c/2)} \right]^2$

For a correlation volume:

$$\frac{1}{V}\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_0^2 \frac{|\mathbf{F}|^2}{v_c^2} \xi^3 \frac{1}{1 + (\xi q)^2}$$
Typical values of $\frac{|\mathbf{\bar{F}}|^2}{v_c}$ are $(e^2/\text{\AA}^3)$:
Si(111)–18 Ge(111)–100 Pb(111)–400
NaCl(002)–38 Fe₃Al(1/2 1/2 1/2)–.5

For a TDS of 3 μ m NaCl:

$$L\frac{1}{V}\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = .001d\Omega$$

= 4 × 10⁻¹³ for 22µm pixel at a meter
= 10⁻¹¹ for .1 mR

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But potentially have $4\pi/(.1mR)^2 = 10^9$ speckles.

Reference: Theory of X-ray Diffraction in Crystals, W.H. Zachariasen, Dover (1994).





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SW Carbon Nanotubes



Manzoni et al., PRL 94 207401 (2005).

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Experiment 1: X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS)

LCLS

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Heating and XPCS Signal from Single Pulse

Shaded areas show feasibility regions e.g. for liquid or glass (green) or nanoscale cluster (yellow)

See analysis in LCLS: The First Experiments

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