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Deep Inelastic Neutron Scattering

The high-energy side of neutron scattering

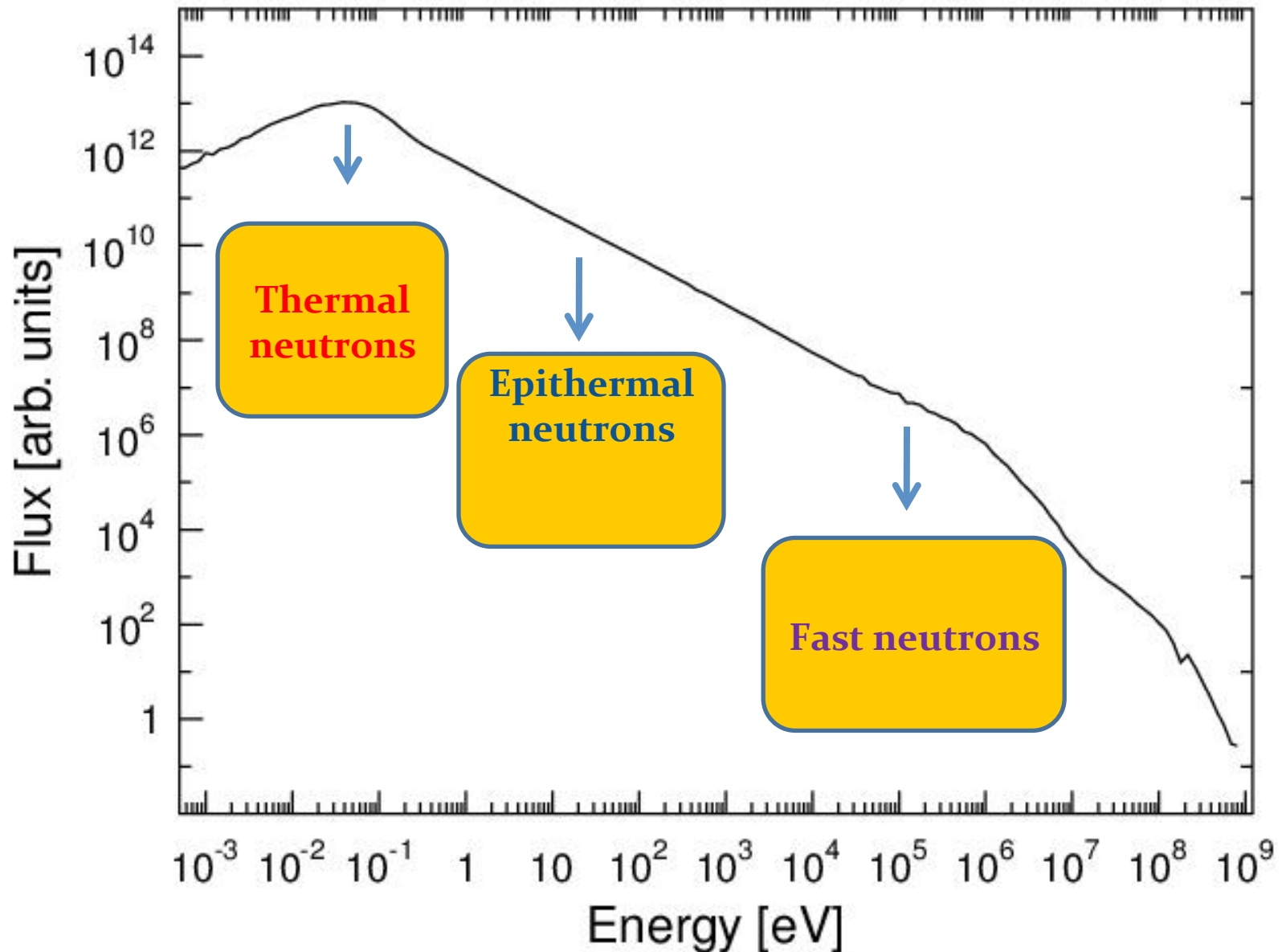
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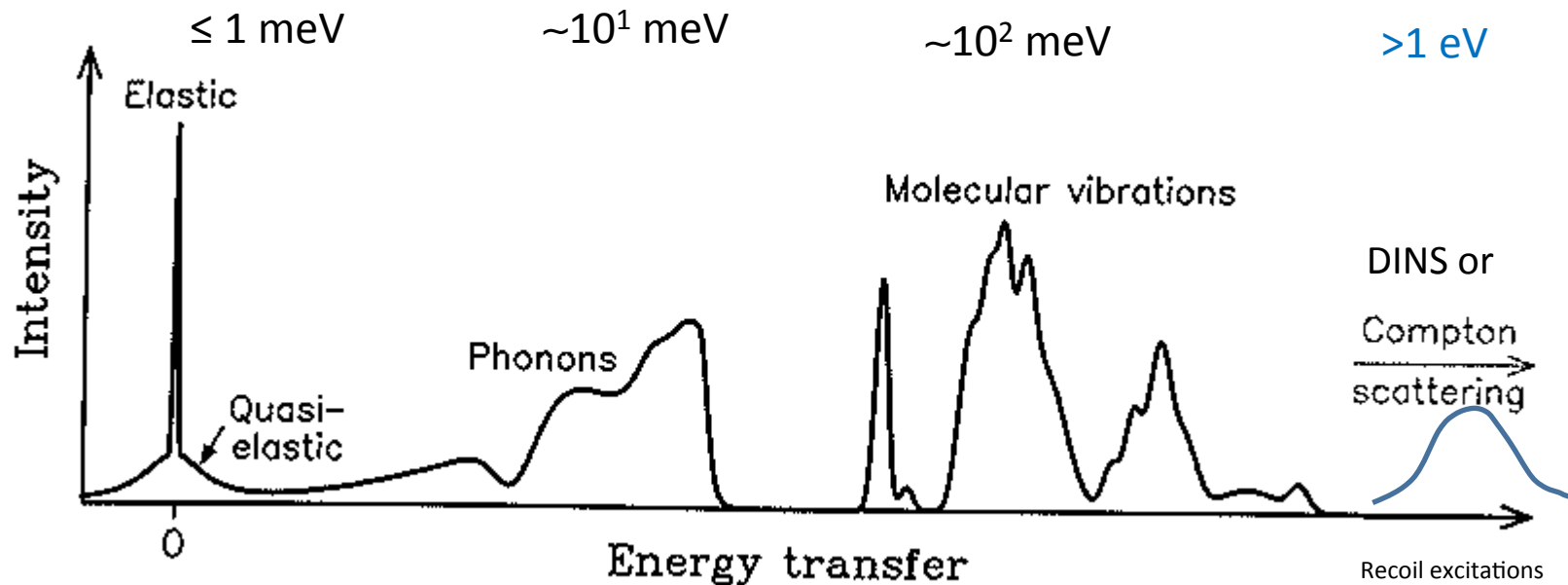
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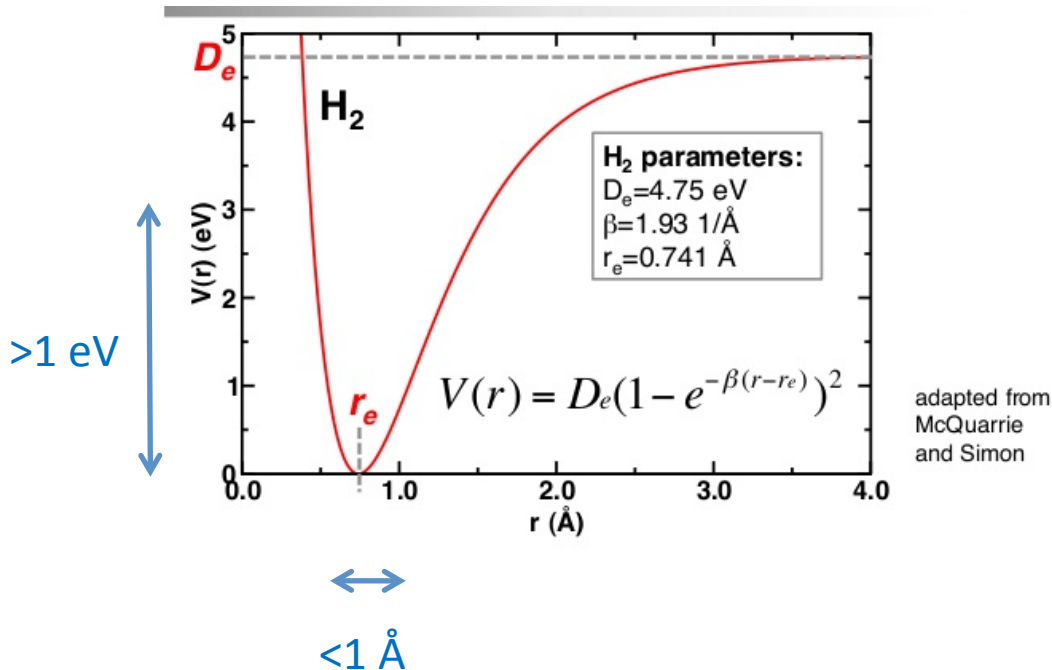
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H-H binding (Morse potential) in the H₂ molecule

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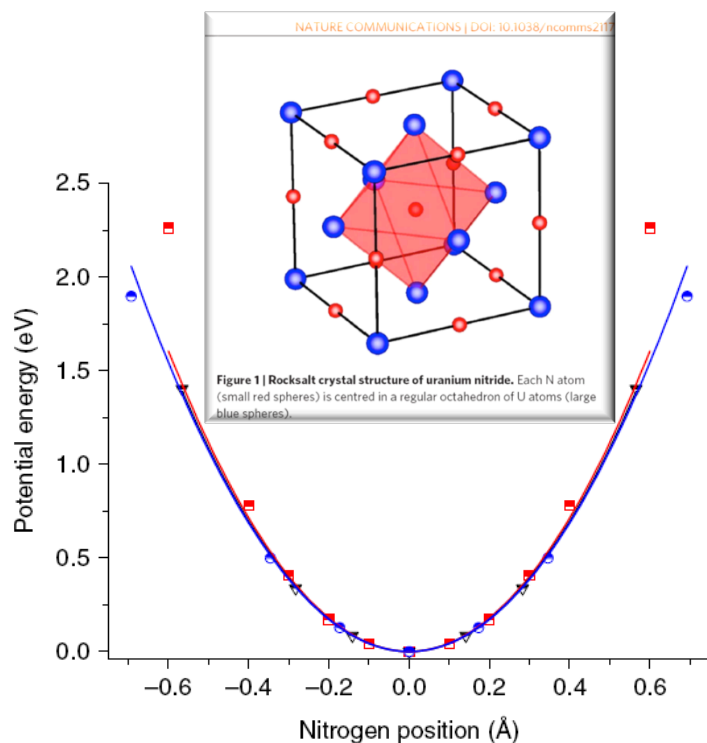


Figure 5 | DFT calculated potential energy of the N atoms in the system UN. The potential energy is shown for atomic displacements relative to the equilibrium position along the [100] (red squares), [110] (black triangles) and [111] (blue circles) directions. The solid lines are fits of the calculated small displacement limit values to parabolic (that is harmonic) potentials. The potential energy is very isotropic and harmonic over a wide range. Deviations are visible above 1 eV, especially along the [100] direction.

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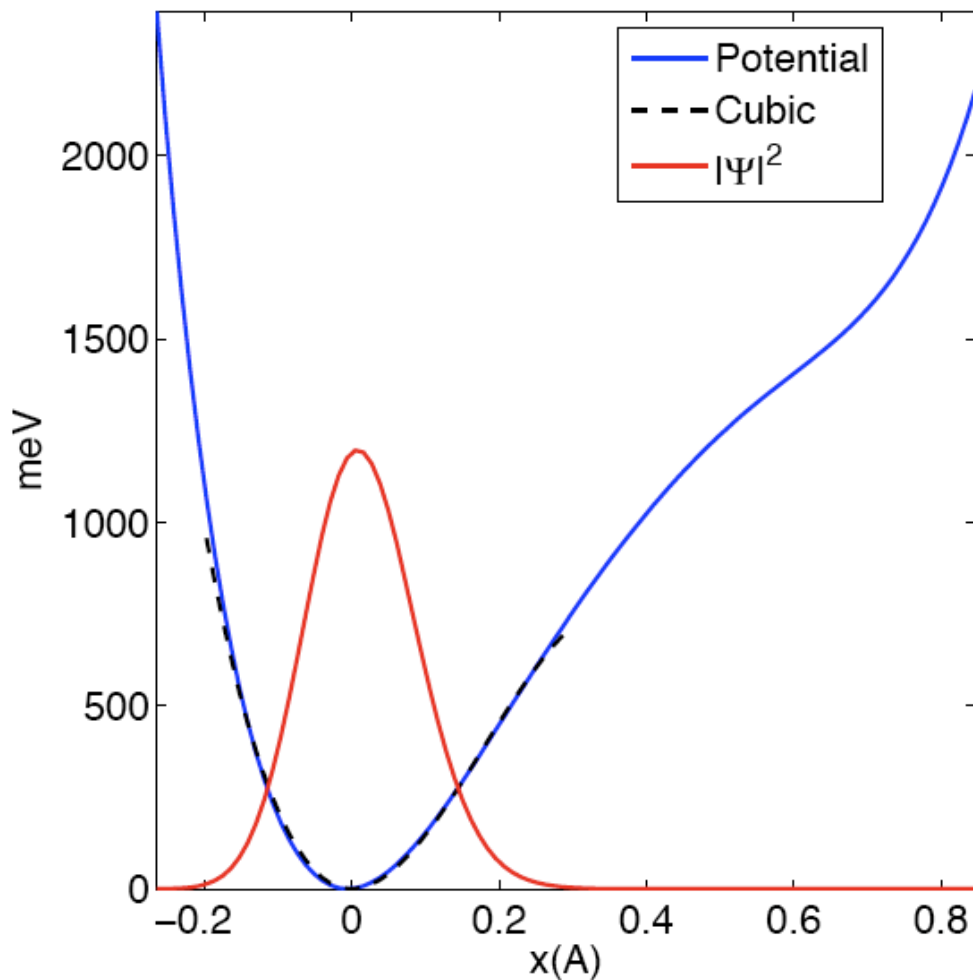
Quantum oscillations of nitrogen atoms in uranium nitride

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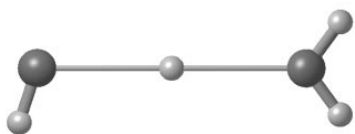
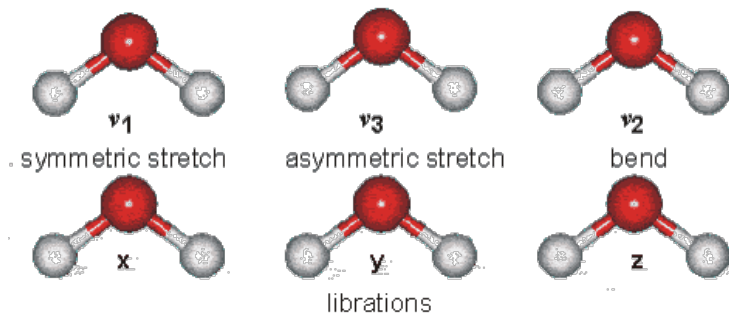
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Momentum distribution, vibrational dynamics, and the potential of mean force in ice

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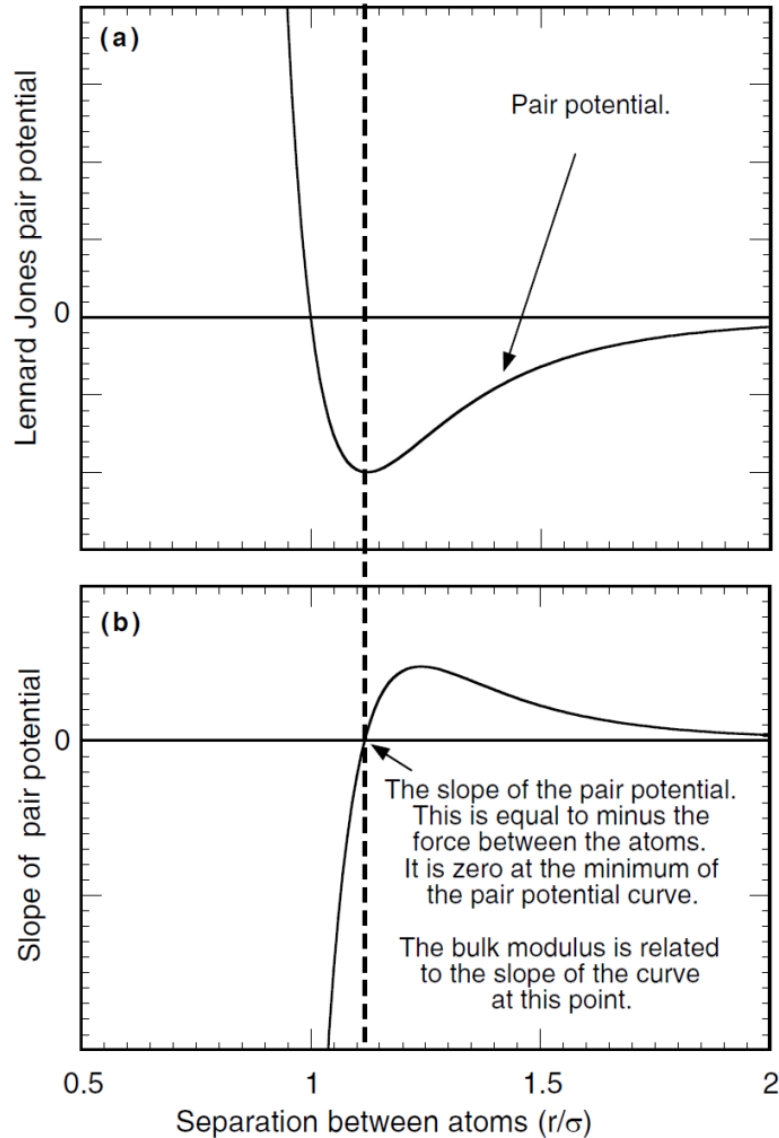
Most energetic vibration in water: stretching!



Potential energy surface of the proton along the bond

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Figure 7.5 (a) A pair potential curve and (b) its derivative. The bulk modulus is related to the slope of the first derivative at the point where the slope is zero.

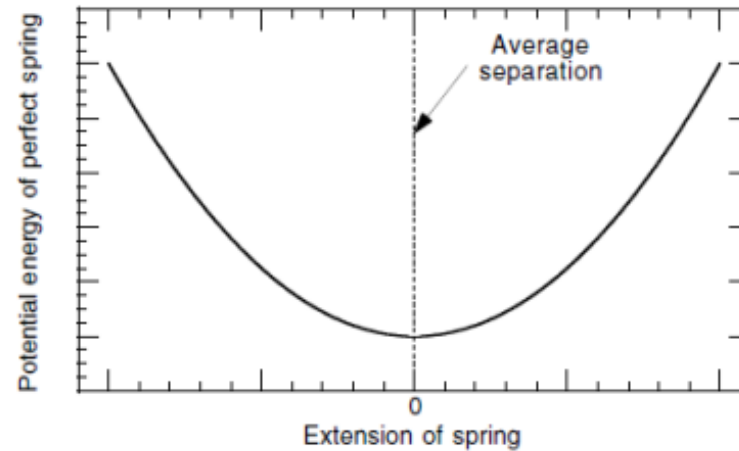


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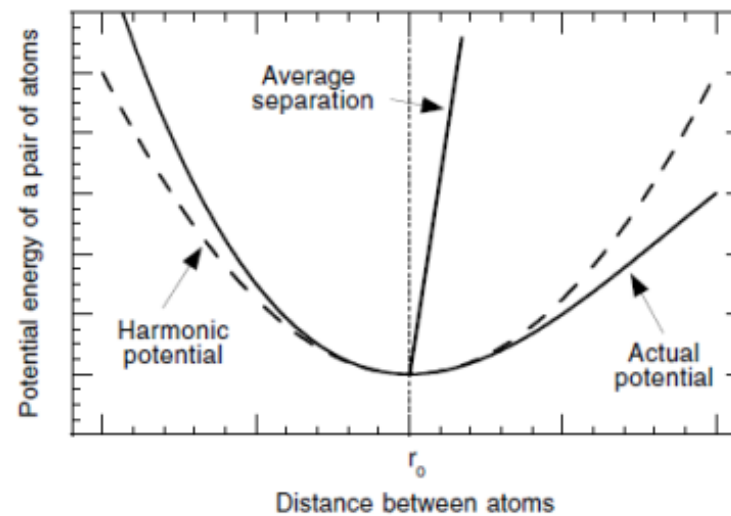
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Figure 7.7 The potential energy of interaction between atoms in a solid. (a) The *harmonic approximation*: How the energy would vary if the atoms were connected by 'perfect springs'. (b) The typical deviation from the harmonic approximation of a real interatomic potential. The sloping line indicates the increasing average separation as the average energy of oscillation (i.e. the temperature) is increased.

(a)



(b)

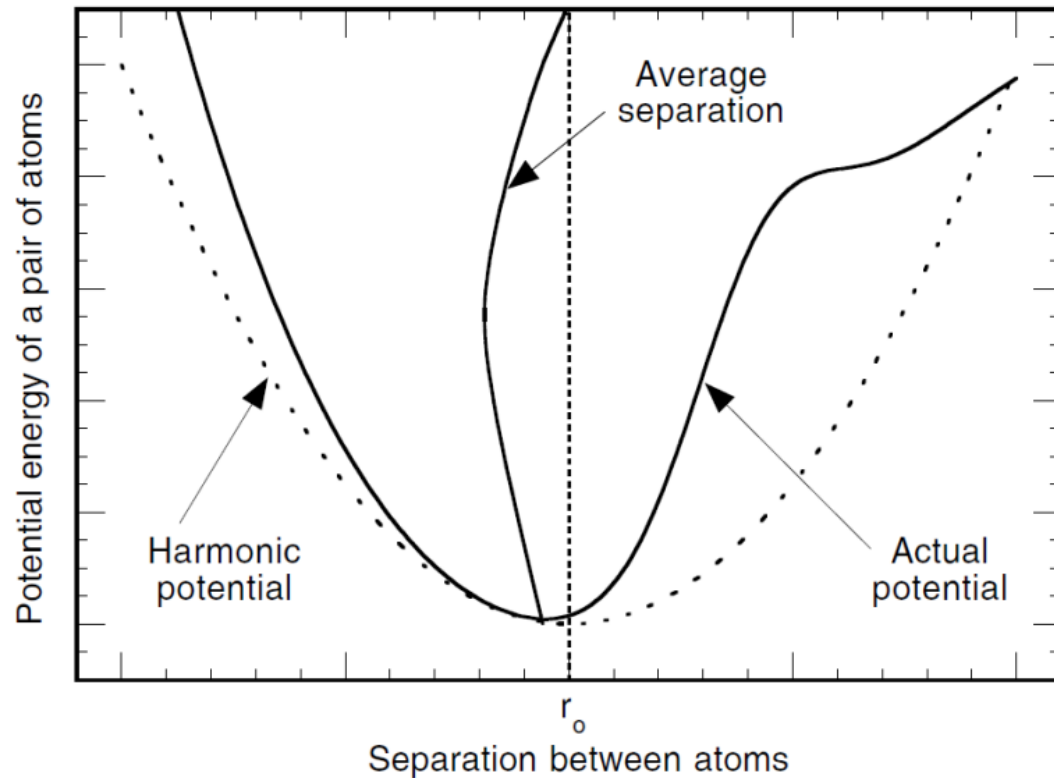


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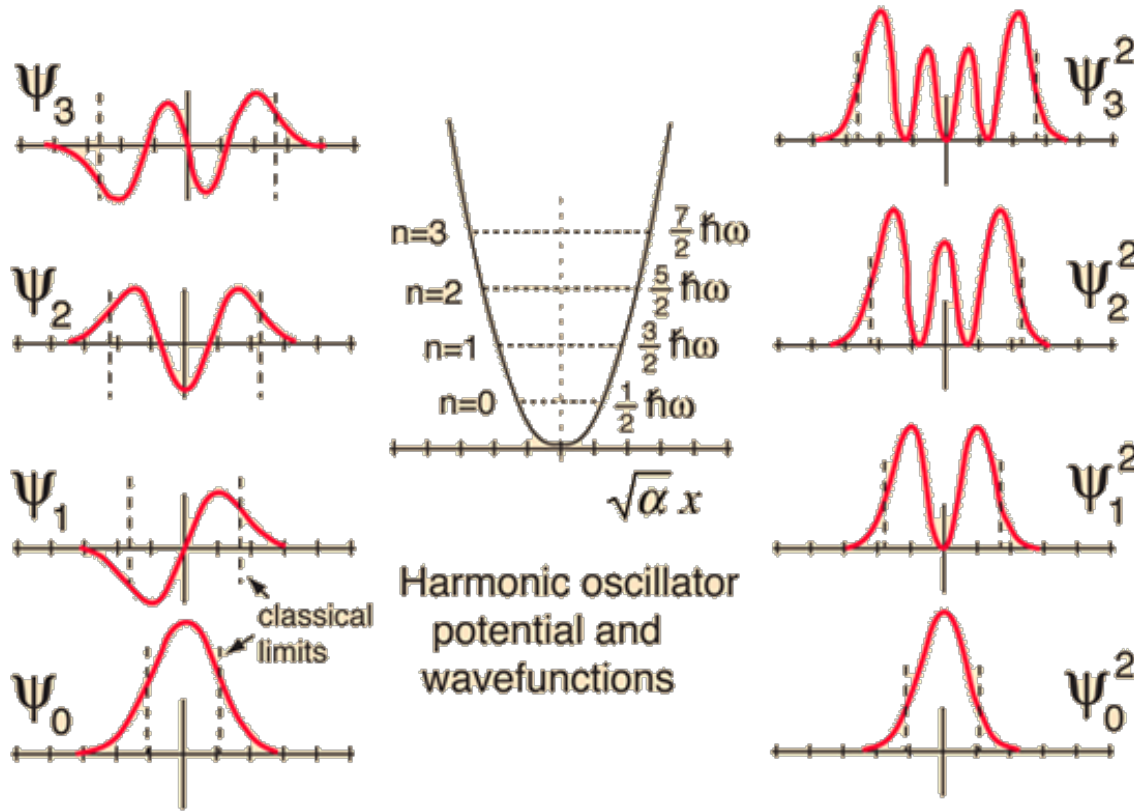
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Mechanical properties of solids and details of atomic binding

Figure 7.9 Schematic illustration of the potential energy of an Fe–Ni bond in an invar alloy (Table 7.8). The asymmetry of the potential (over a certain range) is opposite to that which occurs in normal bonds (Figure 7.7).



Quantum effects involved!



The Fourier Transform of

$$|\Psi|^2 \text{ is}$$

$n(p)$ Momentum distribution

The variance of $n(p)$ is

$$\langle E_K \rangle = \frac{\langle p^2 \rangle}{2M} \text{ Kinetic energy}$$

$$\langle E_K \rangle \gg 1.5k_B T !!$$

High energy (eV) neutrons can be used to probe the shapes and depths of potentials
 Knowledge of potentials is relevant for the description of mechanical, thermal, structural properties of materials!

Measurements of momentum distributions using inelastic neutron scattering

• Can we measure $\Psi(x), \Psi(p)$? No

• Deep Inelastic Neutron Scattering allows to measure $|\Psi(p)|^2$

• Not exactly- DINS can probe $n(p)$

• That is, the distribution (probability density) of atomic (nuclei) momentum being equal to p

The Fourier Transform of

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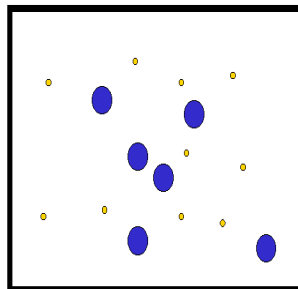
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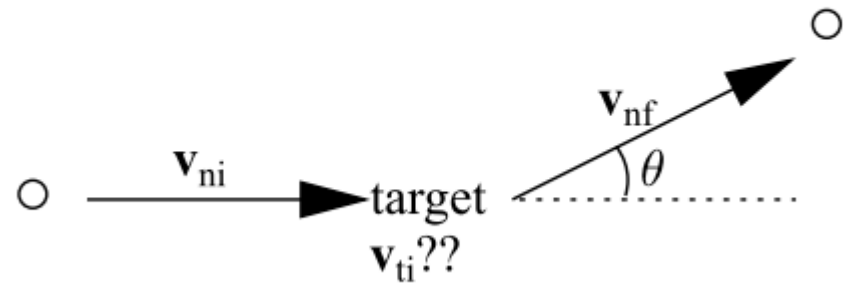
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Measurements of momentum distributions using inelastic neutron scattering

A classical analogue: we want to measure the momentum (or velocity) of an atom in the sample (target), which has velocity \mathbf{v}_{ti}

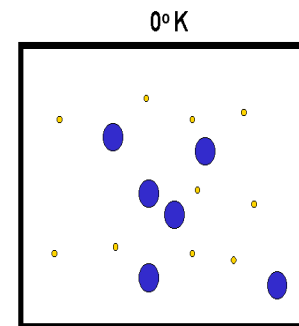
A neutron with velocity \mathbf{v}_{ni} is sent to the target and is scattered at an angle θ . The final velocity of the neutron is \mathbf{v}_{nf}



By measuring \mathbf{v}_{ni} , θ , \mathbf{v}_{nf} s we can derive \mathbf{v}_{ti}

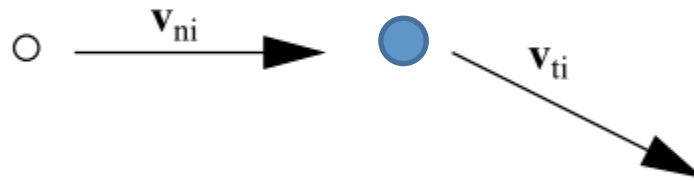
Repeat many times and sample the distribution of \mathbf{v}_{ti} for as many atoms as possible.

Typically we can “send” 10^7 neutrons/(cm² s)



Measurements of momentum distributions using inelastic neutron scattering

A classical analogue: an incident particle m_n and a target particle $m_t = m_n$ with initial velocities \mathbf{v}_{ni} and \mathbf{v}_{ti}



After the scattering m_n has velocity \mathbf{v}_{nf} , and we are able to measure only \mathbf{v}_{ni} , \mathbf{v}_{nf}

Measurements of momentum distributions using inelastic neutron scattering

Apply conservation of momenta and kinetic energy

$$\begin{aligned}m_n &= m_t = m \\ \mathbf{v}_{ni} + \mathbf{v}_{ti} &= \mathbf{v}_{nf} + \mathbf{v}_{tf} \\ v_{ni}^2 + v_{ti}^2 &= v_{nf}^2 + v_{tf}^2\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

And defining

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{v}_{ni} - \mathbf{v}_{nf} \\ \omega &= v_{ni}^2 - v_{nf}^2\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}_{ti} &= \mathbf{v}_{tf} \\ v_{ti}^2 + \omega &= v_{tf}^2\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Measurements of momentum distributions using inelastic neutron scattering

Squaring the first equation and substituting into the second

$$\begin{aligned}v_{tf}^2 &= v_{ti}^2 + (\Delta v)^2 - 2 \Delta \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{ti} & (4) \\v_{ti}^2 + \omega &= v_{ti}^2 + (\Delta v)^2 - 2 \Delta \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{ti}\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\omega = (\Delta v)^2 - 2 \Delta \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{ti} = (\Delta v)^2 - 2 \Delta v v_{ti} \cos \theta \quad (5)$$

where θ is the scattering angle!



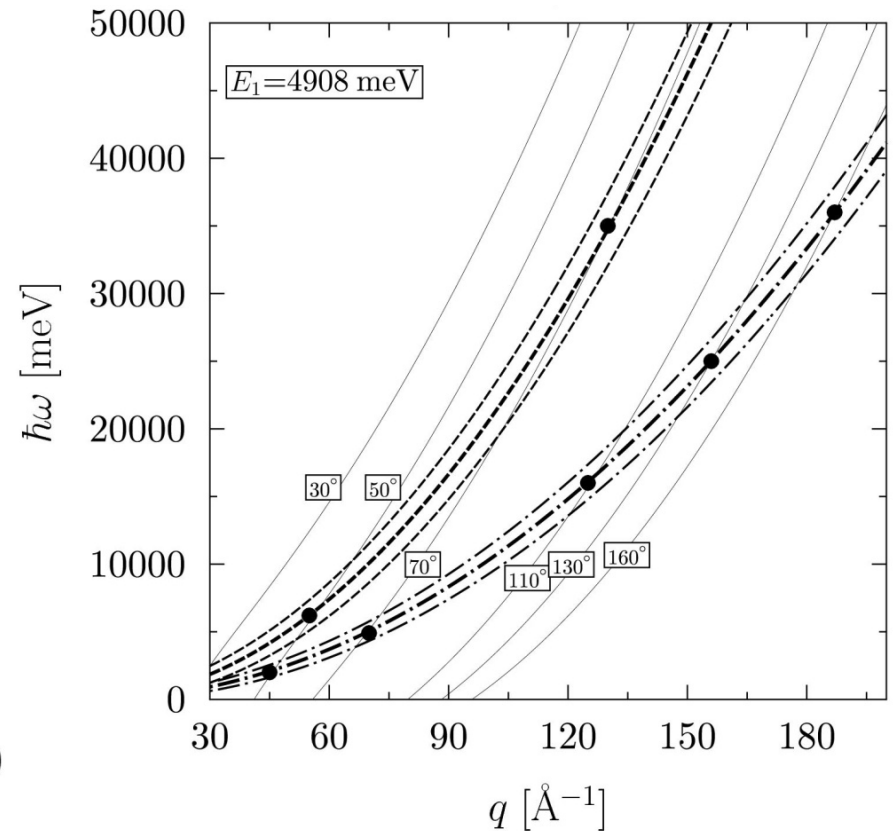
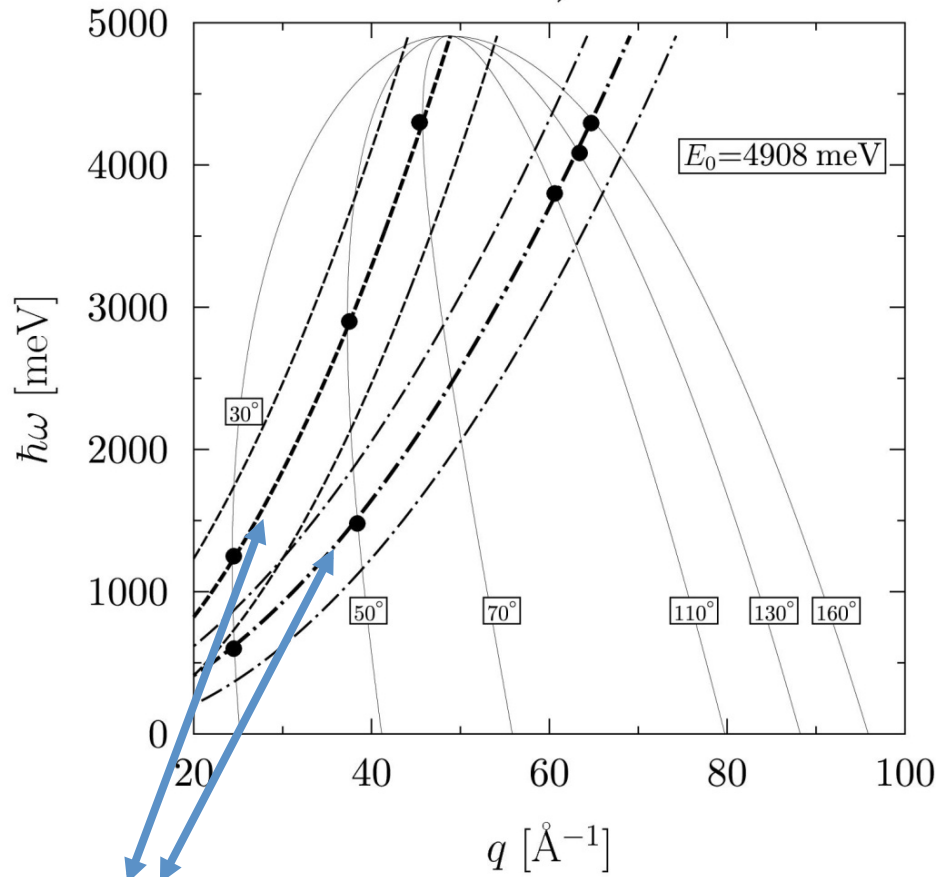
Can be generalised to the case $m_t \neq m_n$

In neutron scattering formalism:

$\omega \rightarrow$ energy transfer; $\Delta \mathbf{v} \rightarrow$ wave vector transfer; $(\Delta v)^2 \rightarrow$ recoil energy $\hbar^2 q^2 / (2 m_t)$

Can a neutron scattering instrument put in practice the billiard-ball experiment?

Wave vector and energy transfers using inelastic neutron scattering at eV energies: detector trajectories+proton and deuteron recoil trajectories

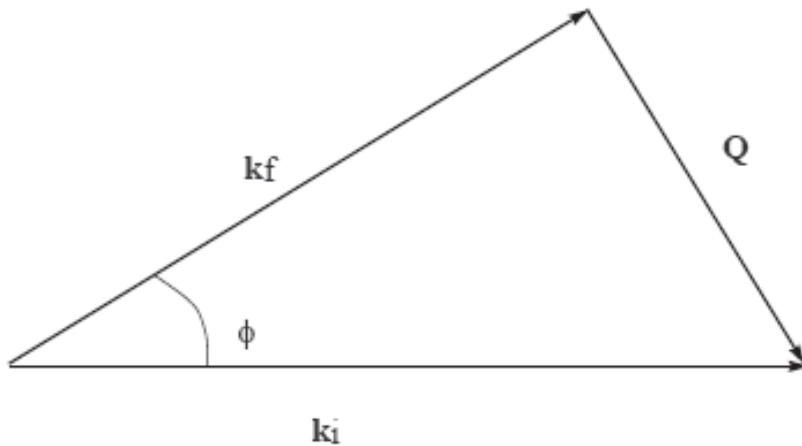


Recoil lines
+
Broadening

Direct geometry

Inverse geometry

Kinematic of scattering in the Impulse Approximation



$$\hbar\omega = \frac{(\hbar\mathbf{k}_i - \hbar\mathbf{k}_f)^2}{2M} + \frac{(\hbar\mathbf{k}_i - \hbar\mathbf{k}_f) \cdot \hbar\mathbf{p}}{M}$$

$$\hbar\omega = \frac{\hbar^2 Q^2}{2M} + \frac{\hbar\mathbf{Q} \cdot \hbar\mathbf{p}}{M}$$

Measurements of momentum distributions using (deep) inelastic neutron scattering: two steps

$$Y_{jj'}(\mathbf{Q}, t) = \langle e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'}(t)} \rangle$$

- 1) Wave vector transfers in excess of 20 \AA^{-1} : incoherent approximation $\rightarrow j=j'$
- 2) Energy transfers in excess of 1 eV: short-time behaviour of the correlation function

Impulse approximation (IA): at the basis of
Deep Inelastic Neutron Scattering

Short-time behaviour

$$Y_{jj'}(\mathbf{Q}, t) = \langle e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'}(t)} \rangle$$

The operator $e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}}$ couples the plane wave of the neutron with the position of the nucleus in the target system. The generic atom j has a position represented by the quantum mechanical operator \mathbf{R}_j . When the incident neutron energy is well in excess of the maximum energy available within the response spectrum of the target, the correlation function is approximated by its behavior at short times. The approximation involves a short time ($t \rightarrow 0$) expansion of the atomic position operator :

$$\mathbf{R}_{j'}(t) = \mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{t}{M_{j'}}\mathbf{P}_{j'} \quad (12)$$

where \mathbf{P} is the momentum of the struck nucleus of mass M .

Short-time behaviour $\mathbf{R}_{j'}(t) = \mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{t}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{P}_{j'}$ (12)

$$Y_{jj'}(\mathbf{Q}, t) = \langle e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} e^{(i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{it}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{P}_{j'})} \rangle \quad (13)$$

Remember that

$$[R_{\alpha j'}, P_{\beta j}] = i\hbar \delta_{jj'} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad (14)$$

and making use of the operator identity:

$$e^{A+B} = e^A e^B e^{1/2[A,B]}, \quad (15)$$

which holds when $[A, B]$ commutes with both A and B , then the exponentials in eq. 13 can be written

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} e^{(i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{it}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{P}_{j'})} &= \\ = e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j + i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{it}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{P}_{j'} + 1/2[\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j, (i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j'} + \frac{it}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{P}_{j'})]} & \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

$$(17)$$

The commutator in the above equation involves position operators at the same time ($=0$), and commutation following eq.12.

Short-time behaviour

The result is:

$$Y_{jj'}(\mathbf{Q}, t) = e^{\frac{i\hbar t Q^2}{2M_j} \delta_{jj'}} \langle e^{i\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{R}_{j'} - \mathbf{R}_j) + \frac{it}{M_{j'}} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}_{j'}} \rangle \quad (18)$$

Large Q behavior: considering that the spatial scale of the scattering event is given by $1/Q$, we can assume that correlations between the positions of different nuclei are absent and the incoherent approximation holds. The exponentials containing position operators of different nuclei in the above correlation function will oscillate rapidly from atom to atom and cancel out on average.

$$Y_j(\mathbf{Q}, t) = e^{\frac{i\hbar t Q^2}{2M_j}} \langle e^{\frac{it}{M_j} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}_j} \rangle \quad (19)$$

Short-time behaviour: Dynamical structure factor

$$S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{N 8\pi^2 \hbar} \sum_j \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{(-i\omega t + \frac{i\hbar t Q^2}{2M_j})} \langle e^{\frac{it}{M_j} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}_j} \rangle \quad (20)$$

$$\left\langle e^{\frac{it}{M_j} \vec{Q} \cdot \vec{P}_j} \right\rangle = \int d\vec{p} n(\vec{p}) e^{\frac{it}{M_j} \vec{Q} \cdot \vec{p}}$$

That is, the average is taken over the distribution of individual momenta \mathbf{P}_j , that is $n(\vec{p})$

Short-time behaviour: Dynamical structure factor

After some calculations

$$S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)_{IA} = \frac{1}{4\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\mathbf{p} n(\mathbf{p}) \delta\left(\omega - \frac{\hbar Q^2}{2M} - \frac{\hbar}{M} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{p}\right)$$

For a single target atom of mass M at rest, the scattering will be centred at

$$\delta\left(\omega - \frac{\hbar Q^2}{2M}\right)$$

That is, $S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$ will be peaked at

$$\hbar\omega_R = \frac{\hbar^2 Q^2}{2M}$$

NOT ALL THE TARGET ATOMS WILL BE AT REST, AND A PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION (PDF) OF ATOMIC MOMENTUM WILL WEIGHT THE PEAK OF $S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$ TO ACCOUNT FOR THE SPREAD OF ATOMIC MOMENTA

Energy and wave vector transfer are coupled in DINS!

Now, since ω and \mathbf{Q} are closely related in the IA scattering regime it is useful to introduce a new variable y which couples wavevector and energy transfer (G. B. West, *Phys. Rep.*, **18**, 263 (1975).):

$$y = \frac{M}{\hbar^2 Q} (\hbar\omega - \hbar\omega_R) \quad (36)$$

and, considering that

$$\hbar\omega = \frac{\hbar^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{Q})^2}{2M} - \frac{\hbar^2 \mathbf{p}^2}{2M} \quad (37)$$

, then y just represents the component of atomic wavevector along the scattering direction (i.e. $y = \mathbf{p} \cdot \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}$).

Units : inverse Angstroms!

Energy and wave vector transfer are coupled in DINS!

Rearranging in terms of the new variable

$$S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)_{IA} = \frac{M}{4\pi\hbar^2 Q} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp_x dp_y n(p_x, p_y, y)$$

Introduce a new function: the “Neutron Compton Profile” (NCP)

$$J(y) = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 Q}{M} S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)_{IA}$$

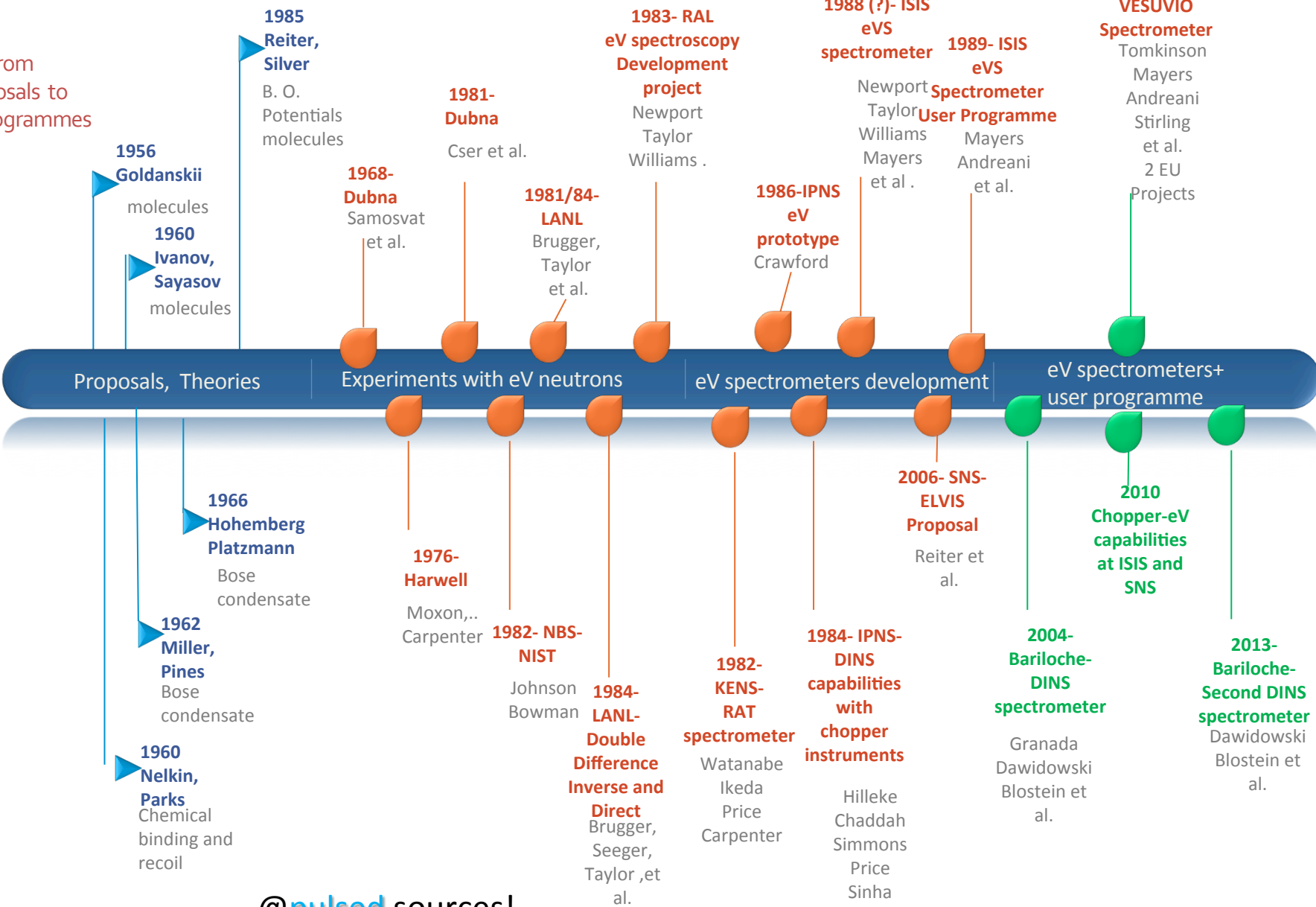
For isotropic systems

$$J(y) = \int_{|y|}^{\infty} dp p n(p)$$

$J(y)$ symmetric and maximum for $y=0$

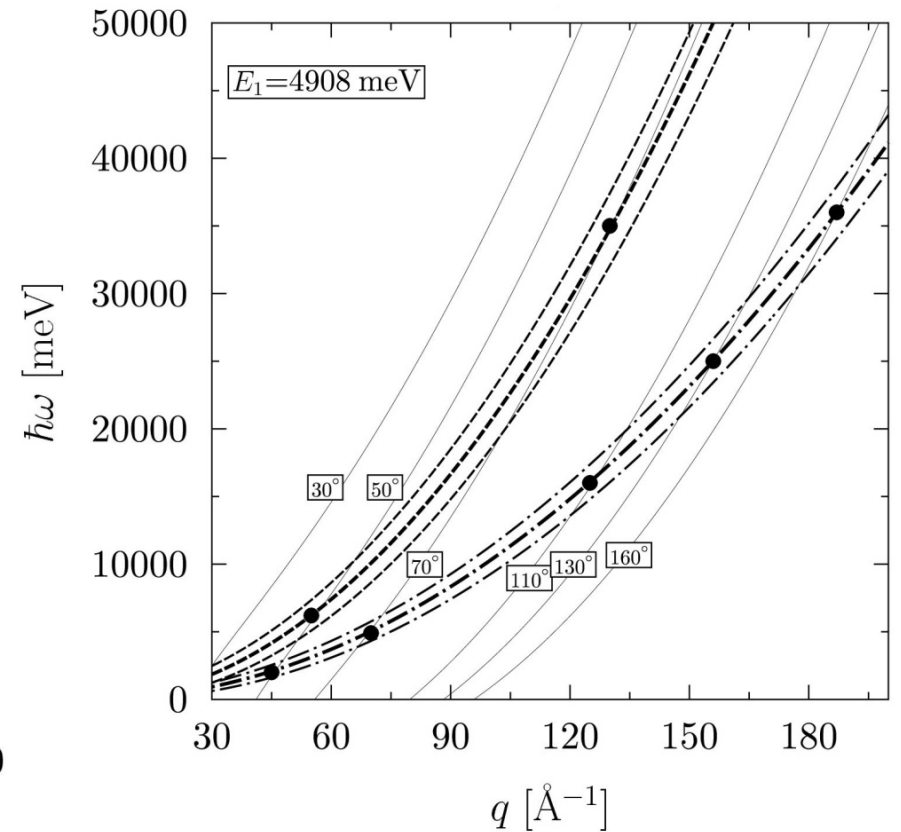
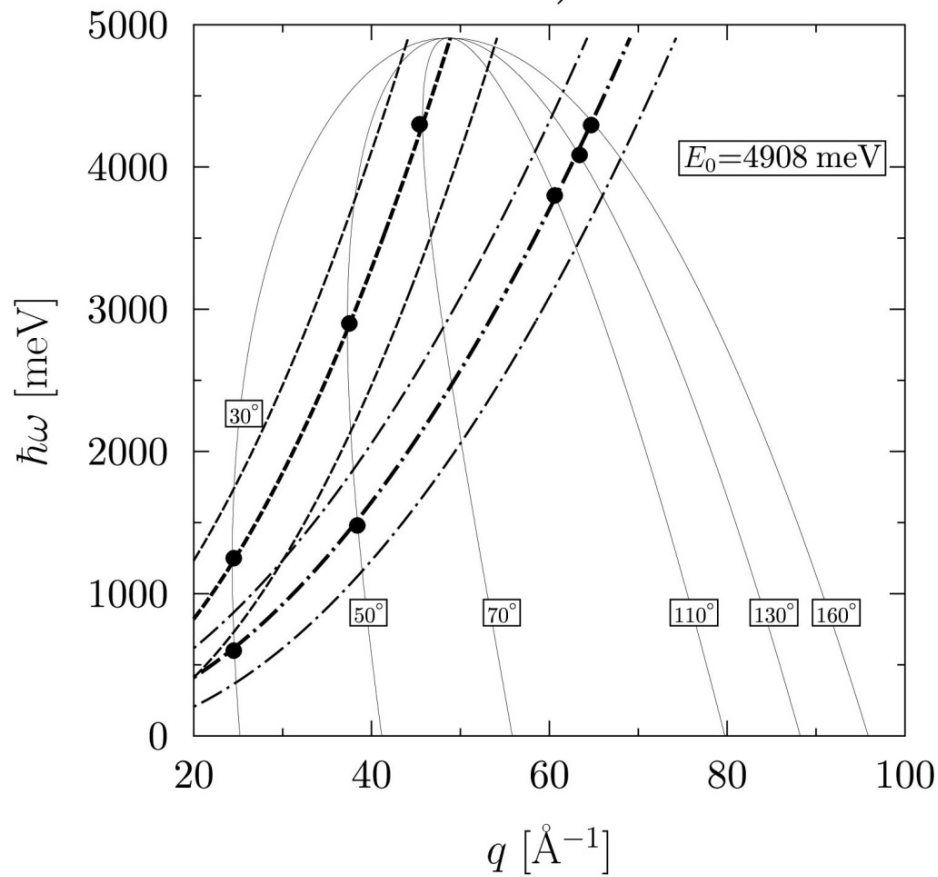
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From Proposals to User Programmes



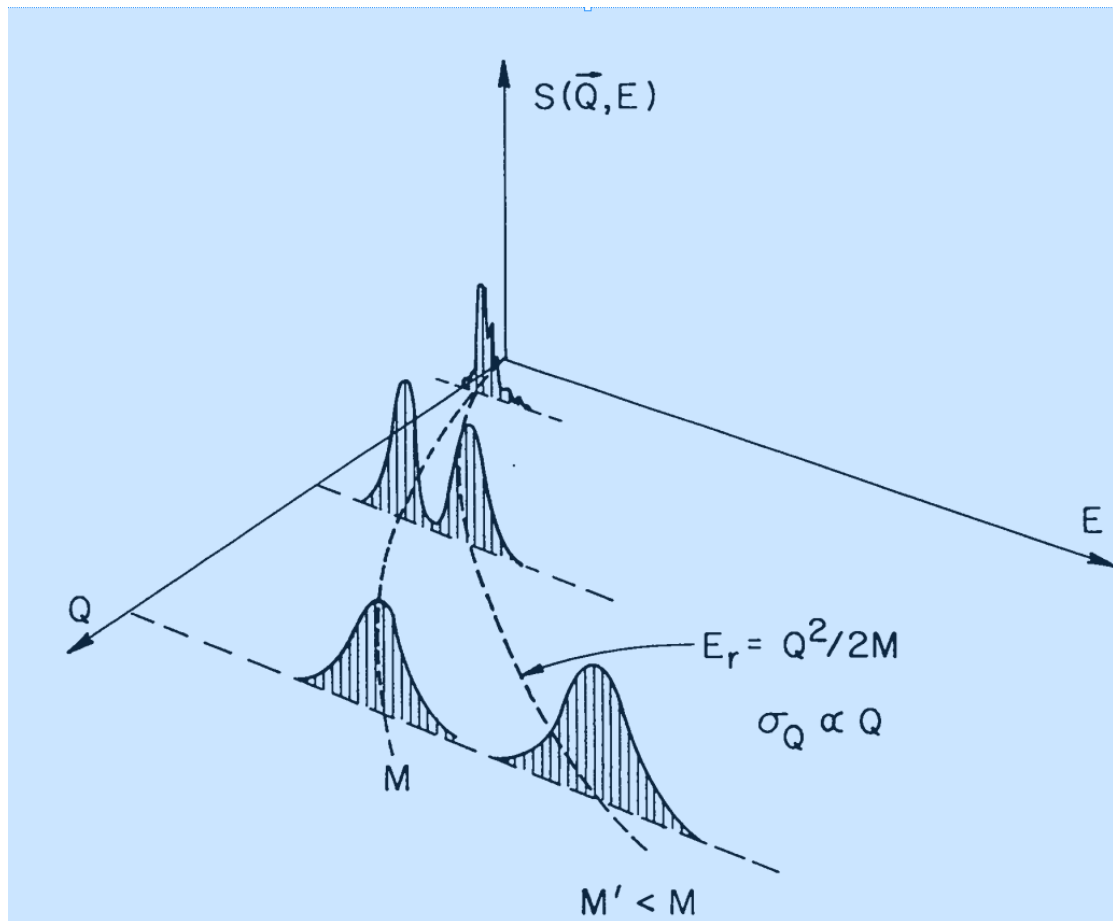
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DESIGNING AND BUILDING A DINS NEUTRON INSTRUMENT: LAYOUT AND DINS SPECIFIC CONFIGURATIONS . 1) GEOMETRY



In principle both direct and inverse geometries can be used Brugger, Taylor, Soper et al. (1984)

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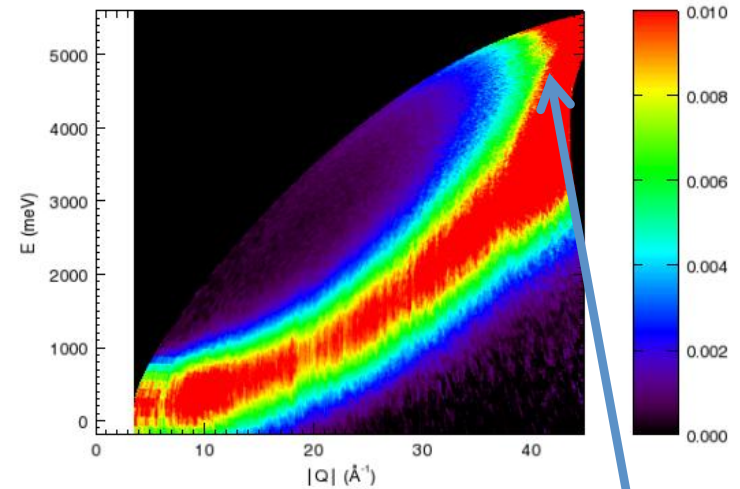
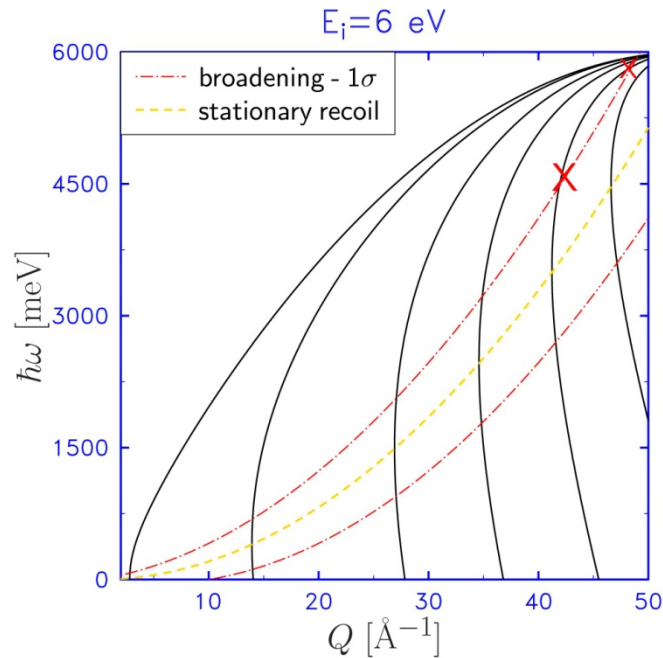


From R.O. Simmons
LA-10227-C (1984)

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For hydrogen containing samples, data for direct geometry can be analysed only in constant-q mode.

Limited q- ω range



$$n(\mathbf{p}) \delta\left(\omega - \frac{\hbar Q^2}{2M} - \frac{\hbar}{M} \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{p}\right)$$

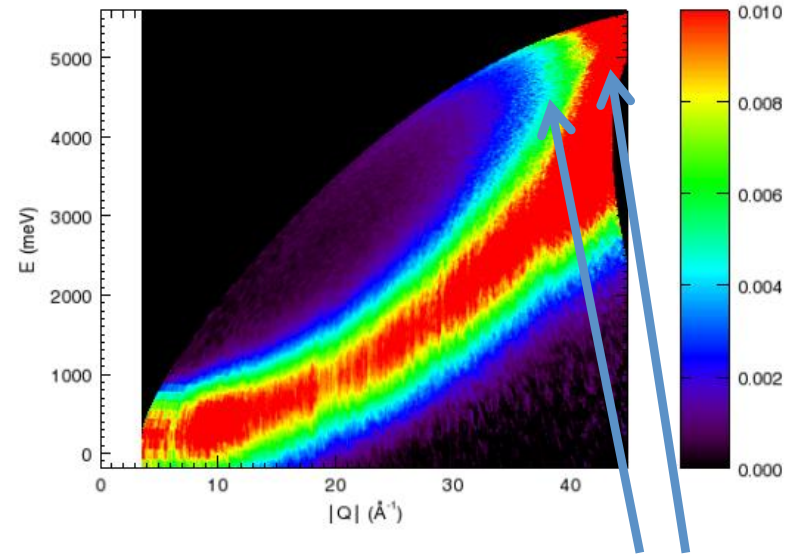
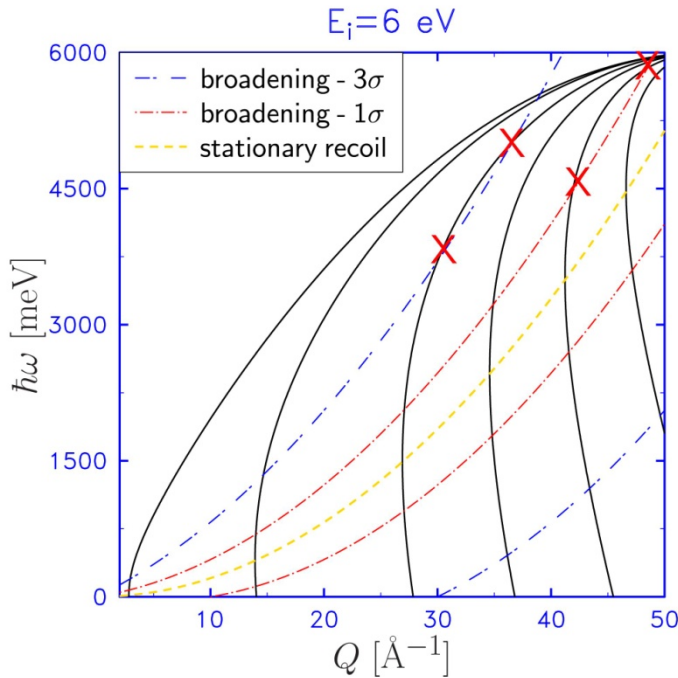
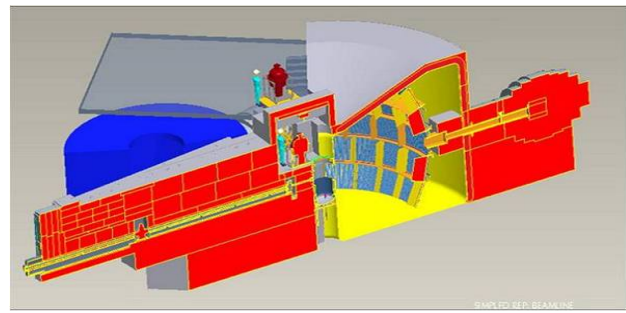
1- Stationary proton recoil is broadened by the proton momentum distribution -std dev approx 5 \AA^{-1}

Good measurements need to scan broadenings at $\pm 25 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$

2- X mark the loci where the same broadening (proton's momentum) appears at two different couple of values of energy and wave vectors at the SAME SCATTERING ANGLE !

Extra intensity !

Hydrogen recoil measurements on SEQUOIA at the SNS



Extra intensity !

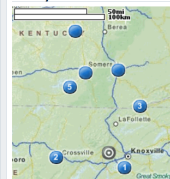
- 3- constant angle \neq constant-Q AND constant angle * Jacobian \neq constant-Q
- 4- constant-Q strips rebinning is OK

Historical Weather For 2010 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, USA

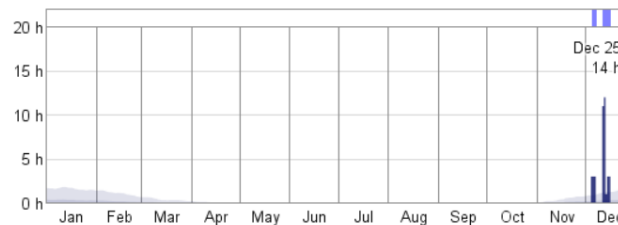
Location

This report describes the historical weather record at the Oak Ridge (Oak Ridge, Tennessee, United States) during 2010. This station has records back to January 1999. Oak Ridge, Tennessee has a warm humid temperate climate with hot summers and no dry season. The area within 40 km of this station is covered by forests (86%), lakes and rivers (6%), built-up areas (5%), and croplands (4%).

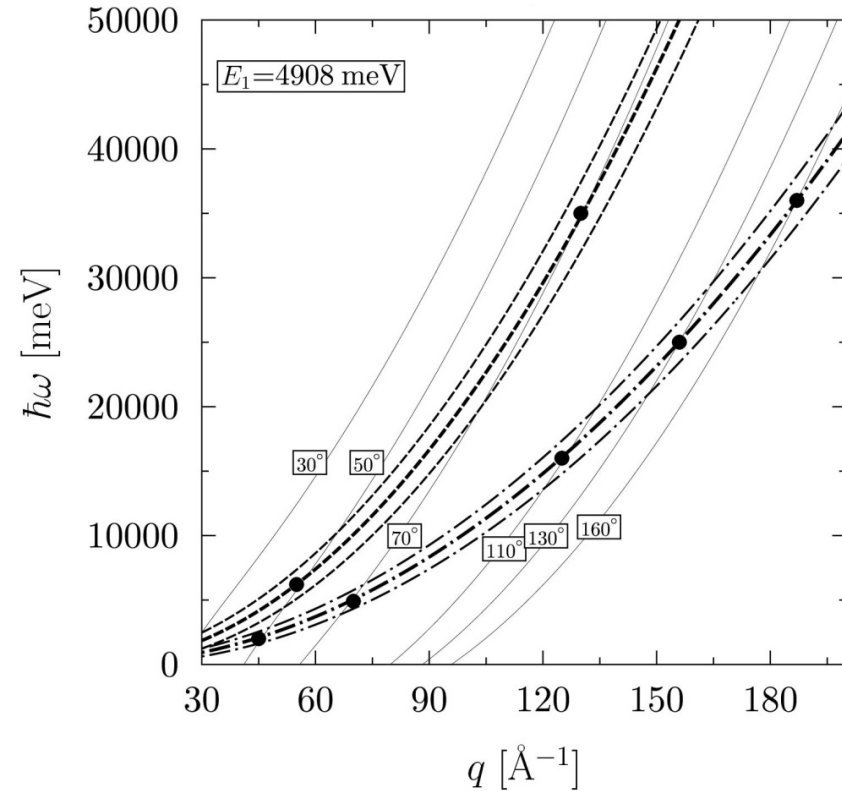
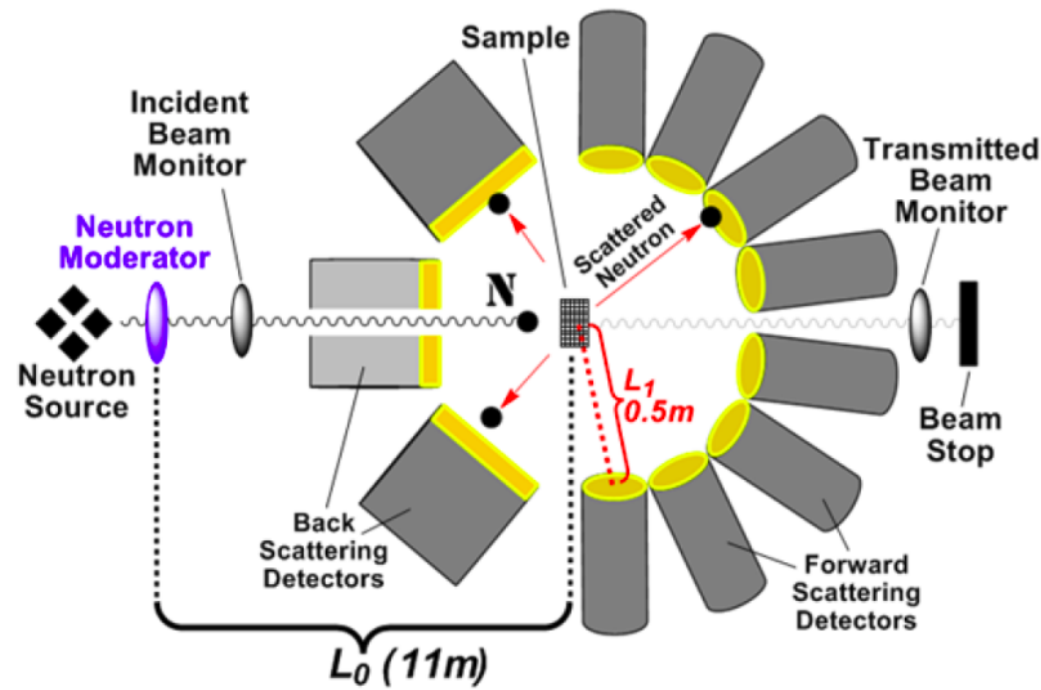
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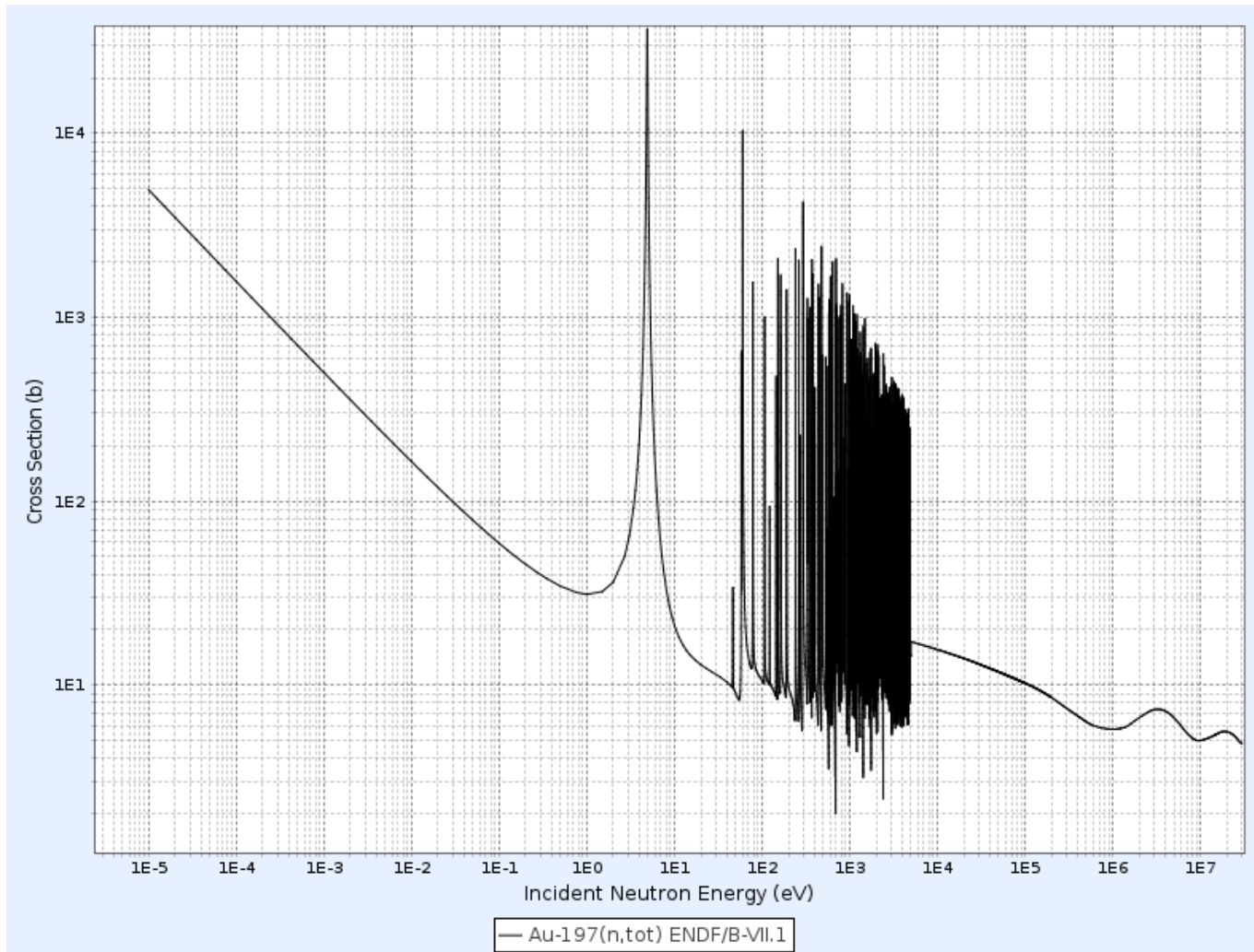
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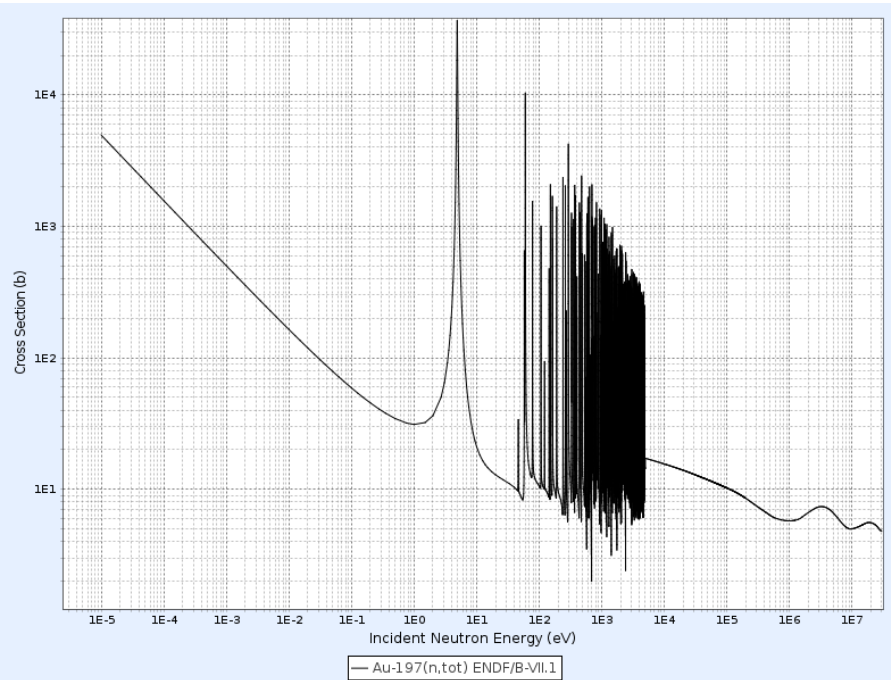
L_0 is long, L_1 is short

DESIGNING AND BUILDING A DINS NEUTRON INSTRUMENT: LAYOUT AND DINS SPECIFIC CONFIGURATIONS . 2) Resonant energy analysers

Crystal monochromators are inefficient above 1 eV; Choppers in inverse geometry are impractical; Neutron absorption resonances are used



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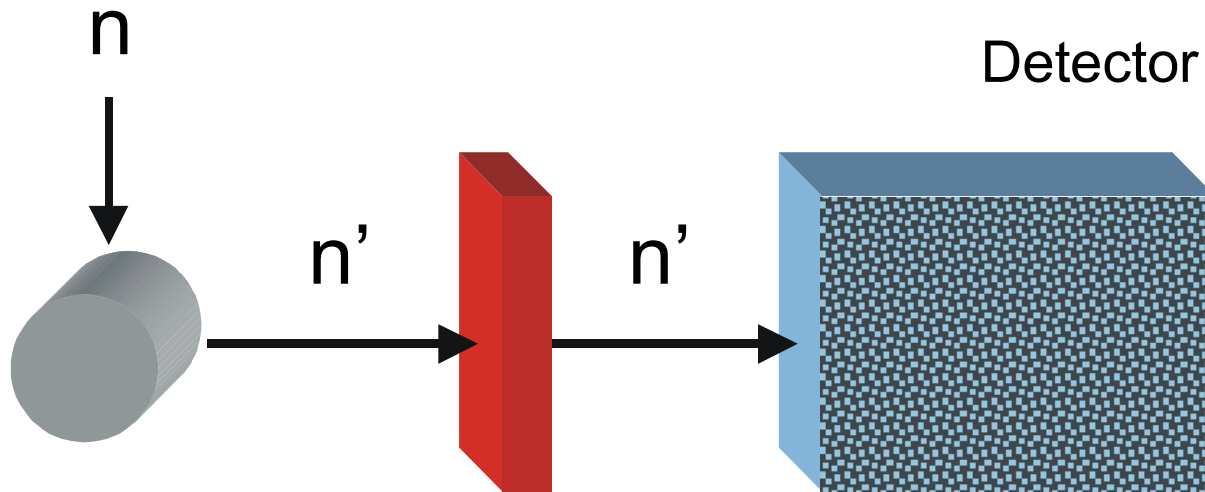


Metallic foils showing resonances are a sort of “passive” energy analysers

Following resonant absorption:

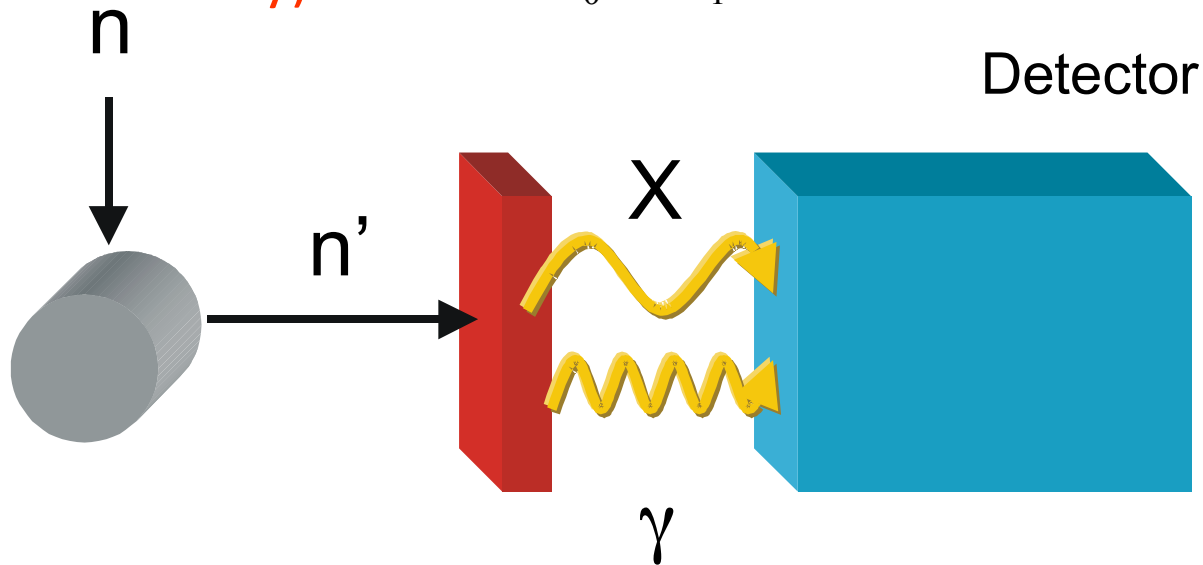
- 1) Neutrons with energies equal or near the resonance are removed from the scattered beam**
- 2) A prompt (instantaneous) gamma emission is produced**

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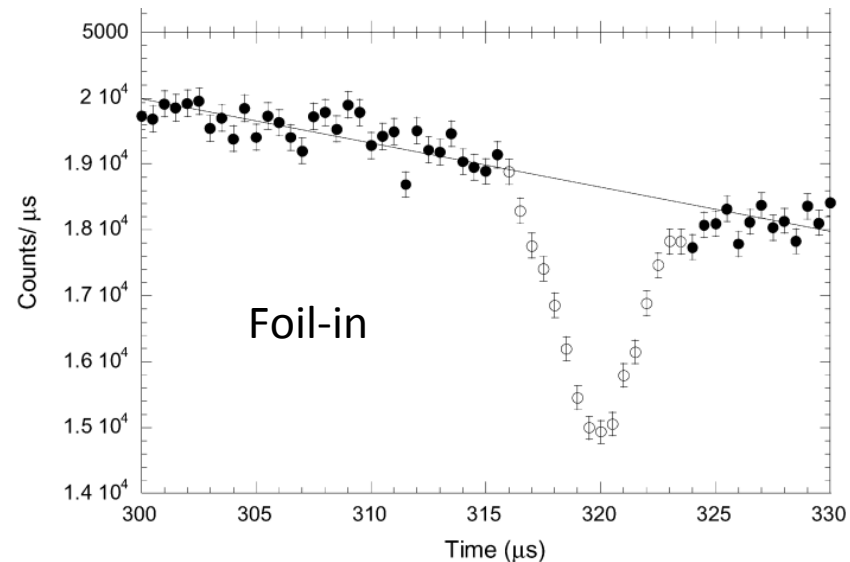
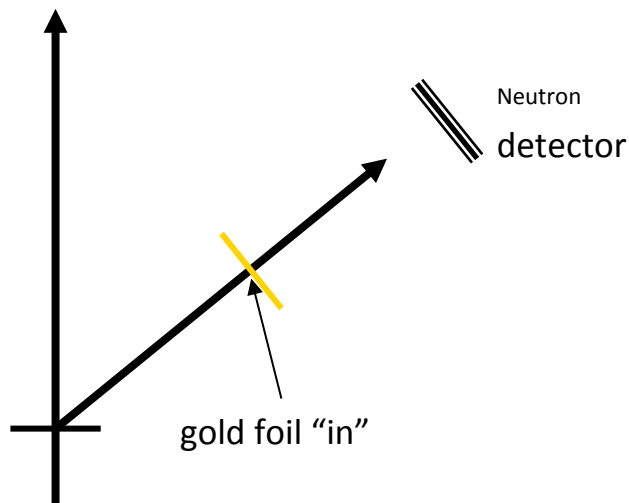
Fixed v_1 (final v)
(Inverse Geometry)

$$t = \frac{L_0}{v_0} + \frac{L_1}{v_1} \longrightarrow v_0$$



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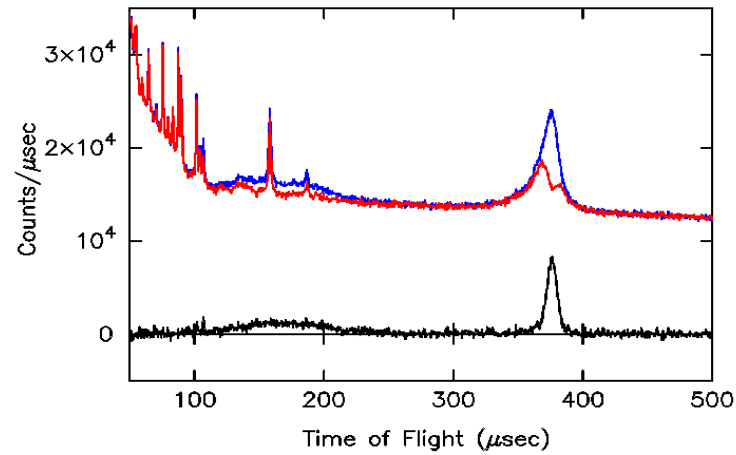
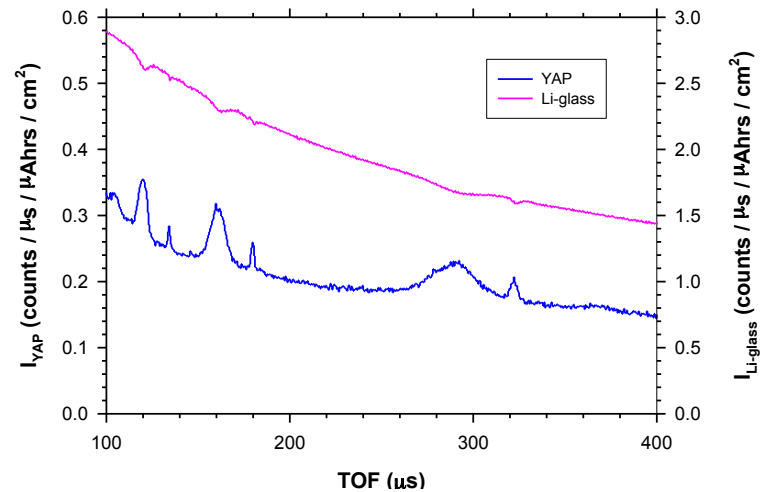
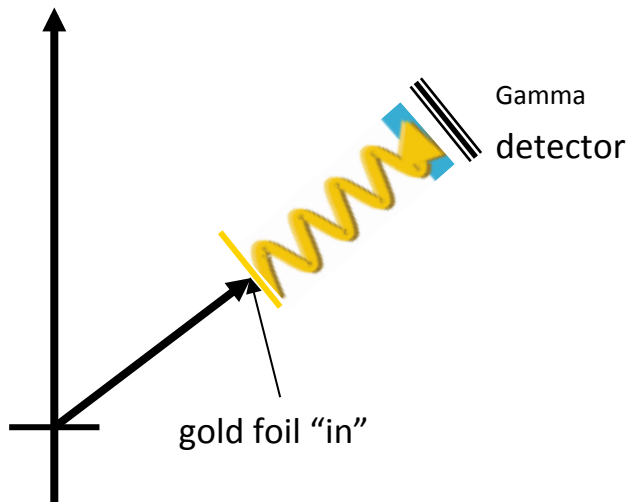


NEEDS MOVING COMPONENTS:
Resonant foils cycled in and out of the scattered beam

$$\text{Cts} = \text{Foil out} - \text{foil in}$$

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2) The prompt (instantaneous) gamma emission is recorded



In principle no NEED of MOVING COMPONENTS: In practice resonant foils are cycled in and out to improve Signal to Background

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Total energy transfer resolution

Table 3
Resonance energy E_1 and FWHM, ΔE_1 for the different foils at room temperature, taken as FWHM from the experimental neutron scattering cross section data available at [61]. ΔE_1 represents the energy contribution to the instrument resolution. In the case of ^{238}U the value at a temperature $T = 77\text{ K}$ is also reported, indicated with a (*). The columns 4–8 report the calculated resolution $\Delta\hbar\omega$ for selected values of the energy transfer $\hbar\omega$.

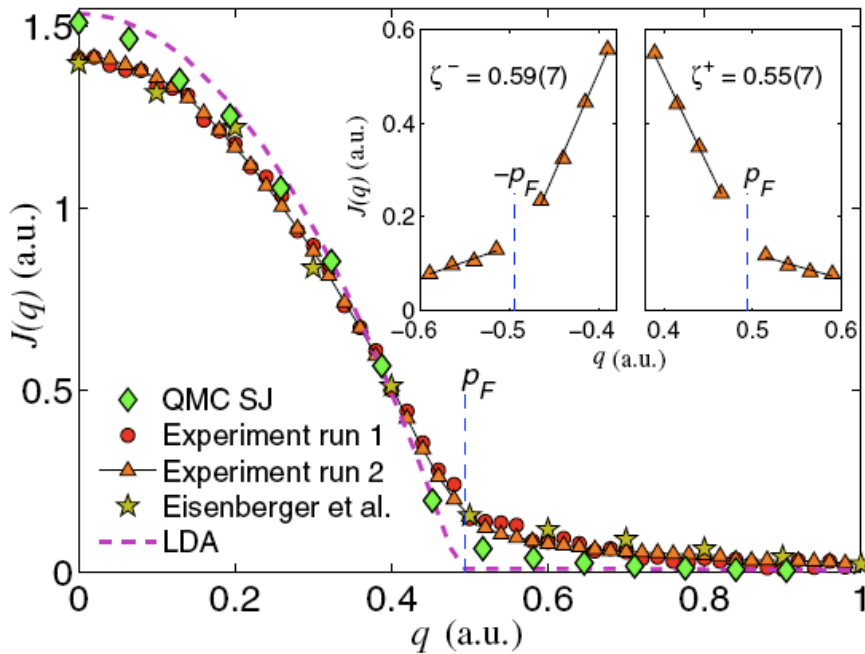
Filter	E_1 (eV)	ΔE_1 (meV)	$\Delta\hbar\omega$ (meV)				
			$\hbar\omega = 10\text{ meV}$	$\hbar\omega = 500\text{ meV}$	$\hbar\omega = 3\text{ eV}$	$\hbar\omega = 7\text{ eV}$	$\hbar\omega = 20\text{ eV}$
^{149}Sm	0.872	83	98	113	224	492	1848
^{240}Pu	1.06	56	66	74	133	272	965
^{185}Re	2.16	58	69	73	99	157	429
^{242}Pu	2.67	71	85	89	114	167	416
^{197}Au	4.91	182	216	221	252	313	581
^{238}U	6.67	103 (66*)	125	128	144	174	307
^{187}Os	12.7	100	135	138	151	177	286
^{150}Sm	20.7	261	331	334	351	379	495
^{238}U	20.9	177	243	246	262	290	404
^{238}U	36.6	242	387	391	411	446	578
^{238}U	66.0	320	701	707	736	784	952
^{139}La	72.1	436	844	850	879	928	1098
^{168}Er	79.7	120	785	791	826	883	1075
^{238}U	102.6	410	1210	1217	1254	1315	1521

$$2\% \leq \Delta\hbar\omega/\hbar\omega \leq 4\%$$

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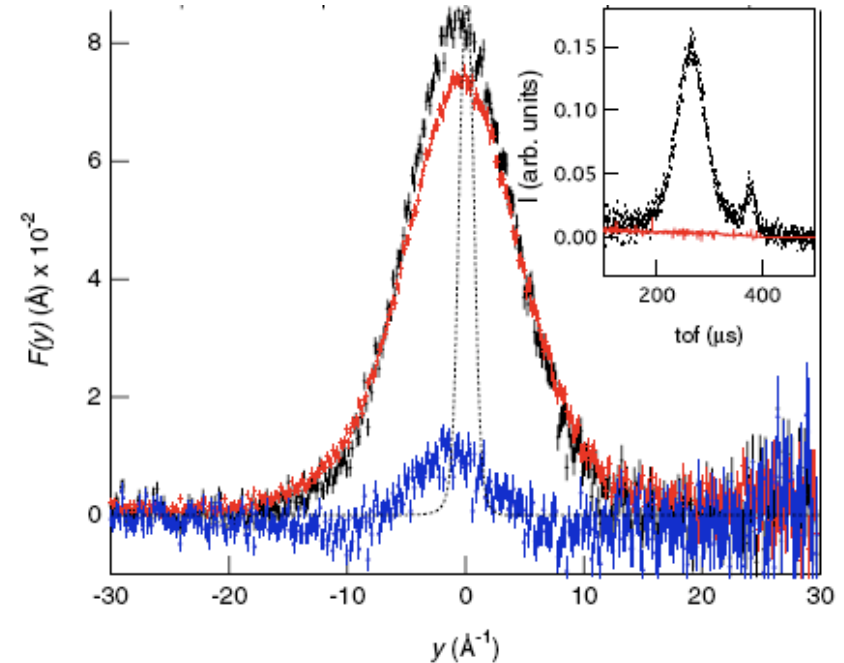
Momentum resolution- similar to X-Ray Compton scattering

Electrons, using ID16 at ESRF



Compton profile of Na; p- resolution $\approx 13\%$
 S. Huotari et al, PRL 105, 086403 (2010)

Protons, using VESUVIO at ISIS

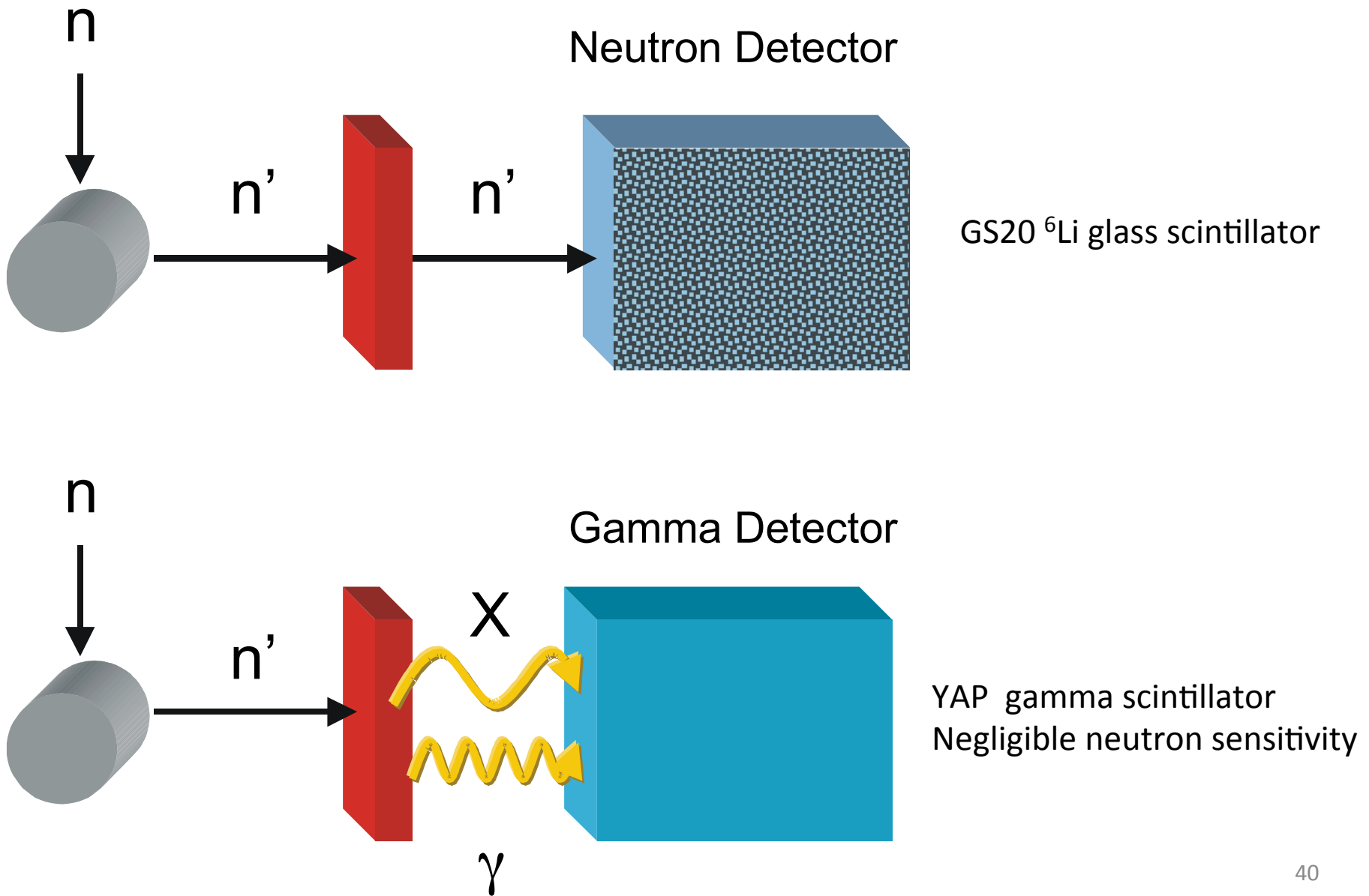


Neutron Compton profile of water; p-resolution $\approx 14\%$
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$$q = \vec{p} \cdot \hat{q}$$

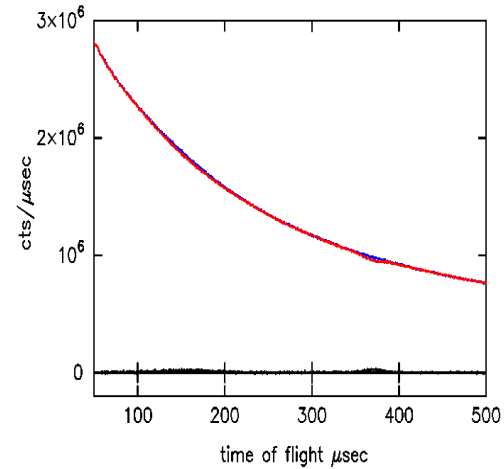
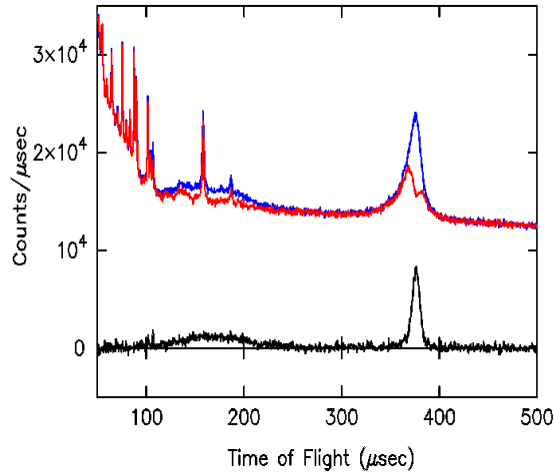
$$y = \frac{\vec{p}}{\hbar} \cdot \hat{q}$$

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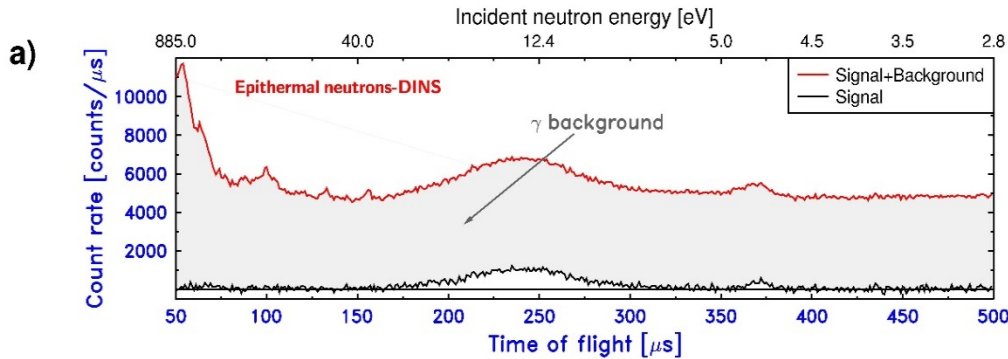
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Comparative measurements have shown that YAP gamma scintillators have better performance

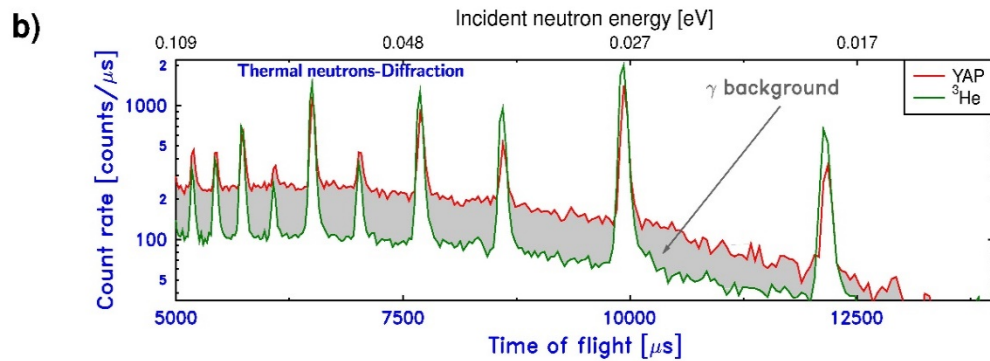


	H		Zr	
	peak	error	peak	error
YAP	$5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
Li-glass	$5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-3}$

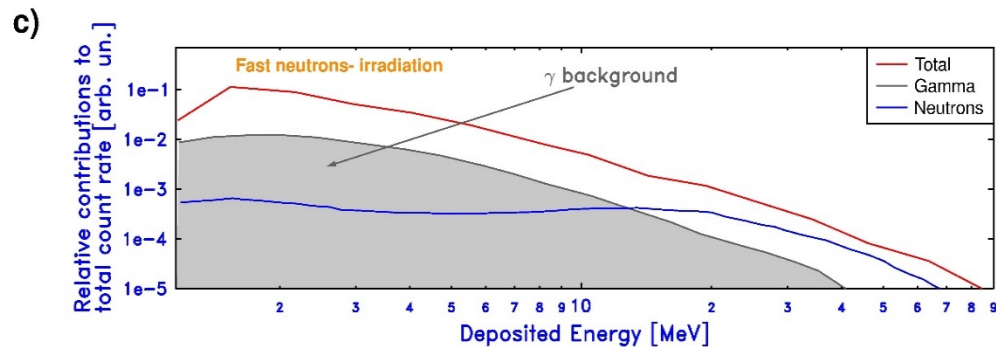
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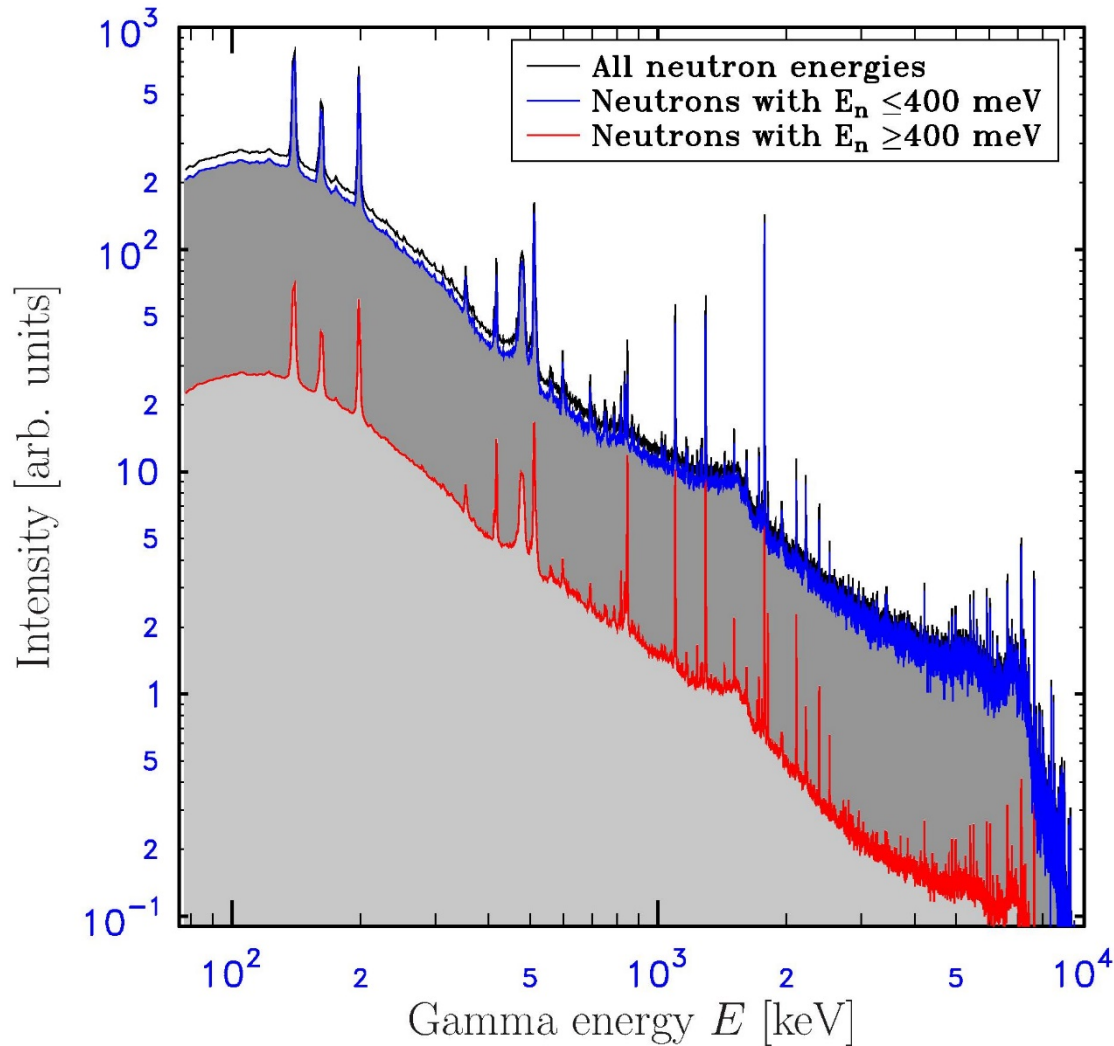
DINS signal/gamma background= 15%



Knowledge and characterisation of gamma background is necessary!
Well, just like any other instrument...



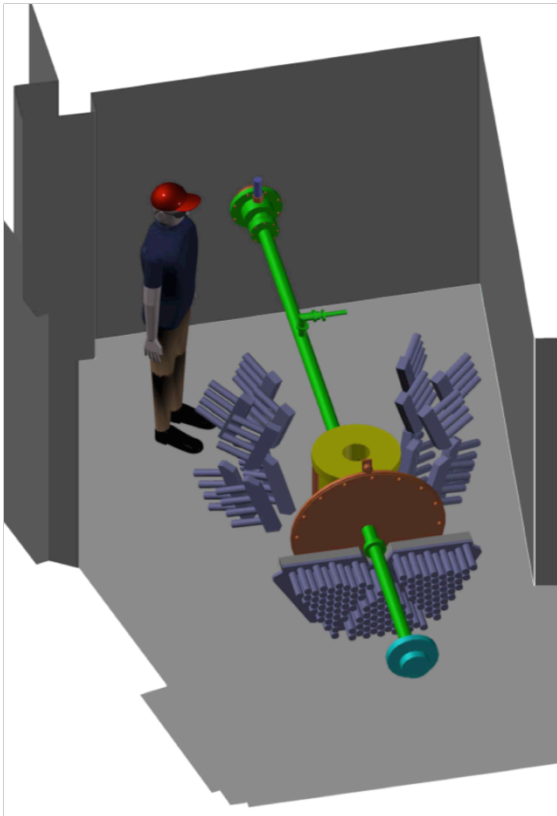
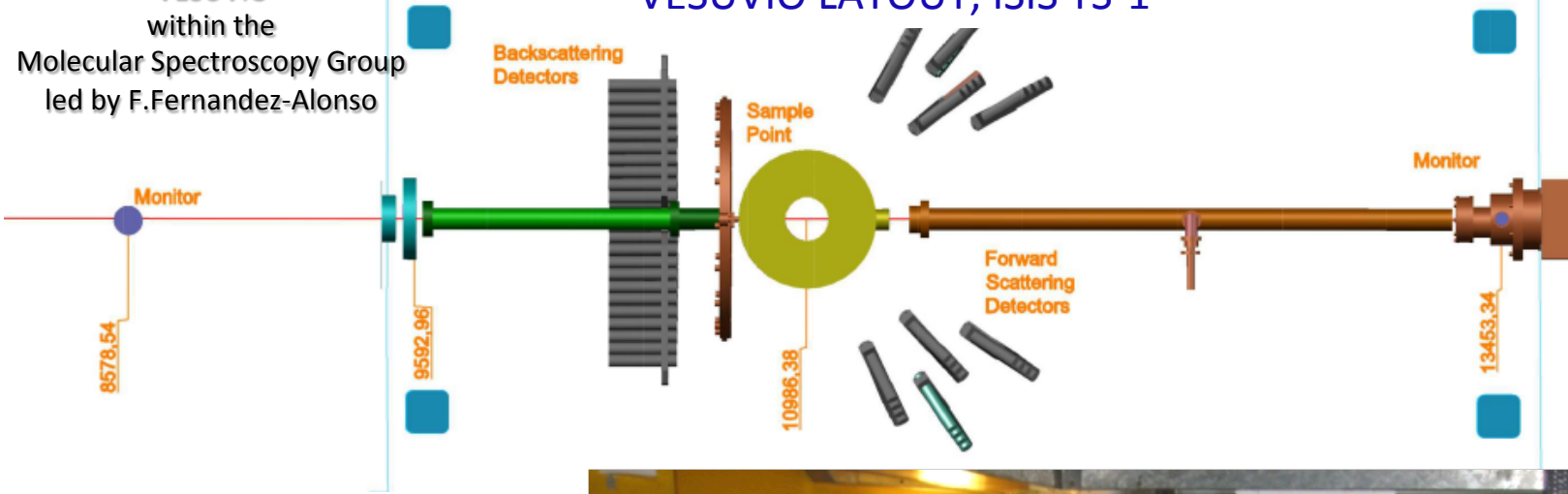
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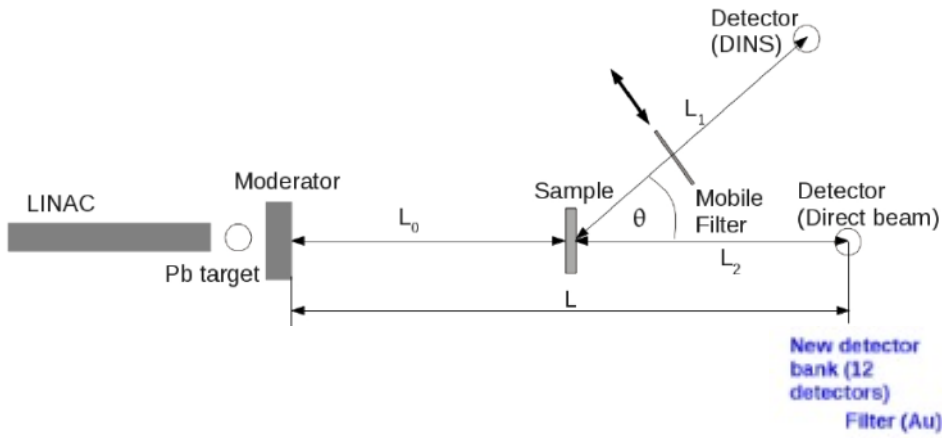
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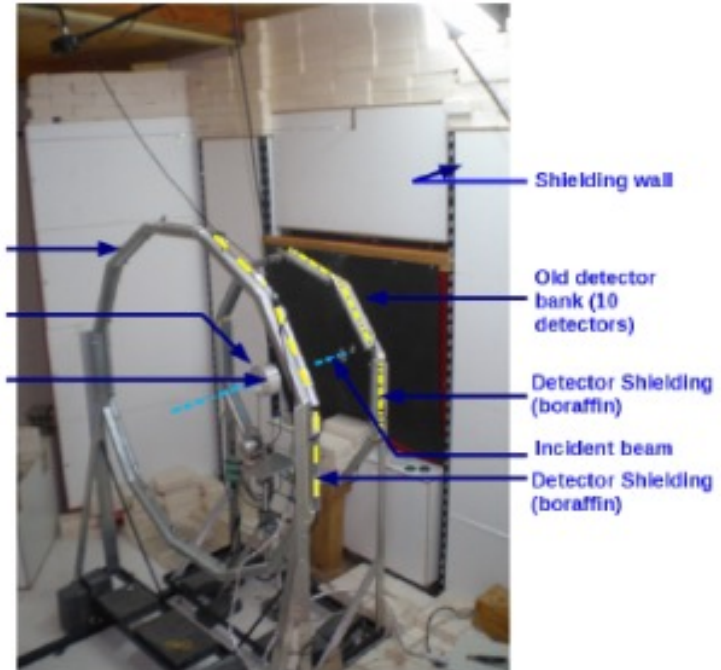
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DINS SPECTROMETER in Bariloche - LAYOUT

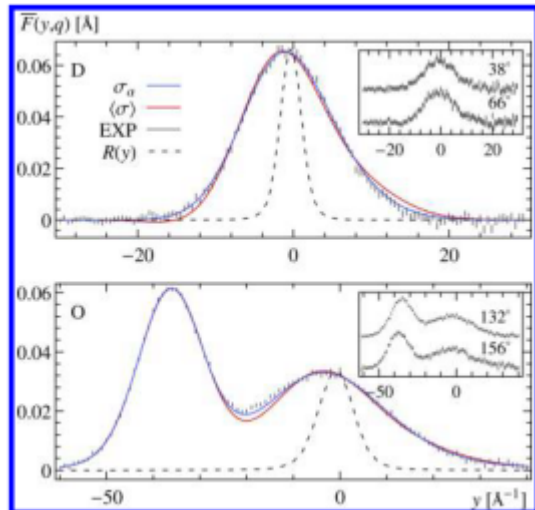
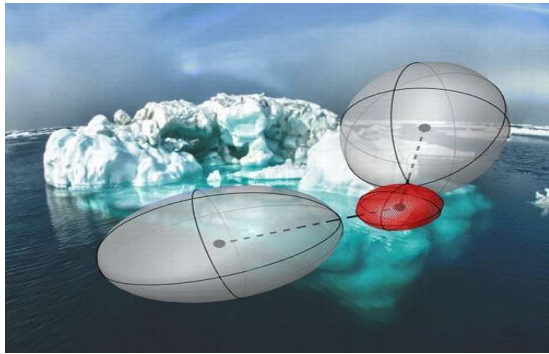


New detector bank (12 detectors)
Filter (Au)
Sample position

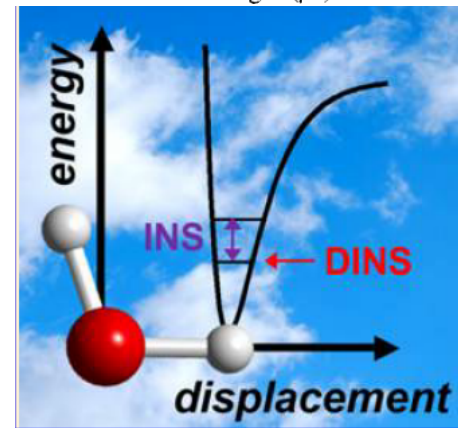
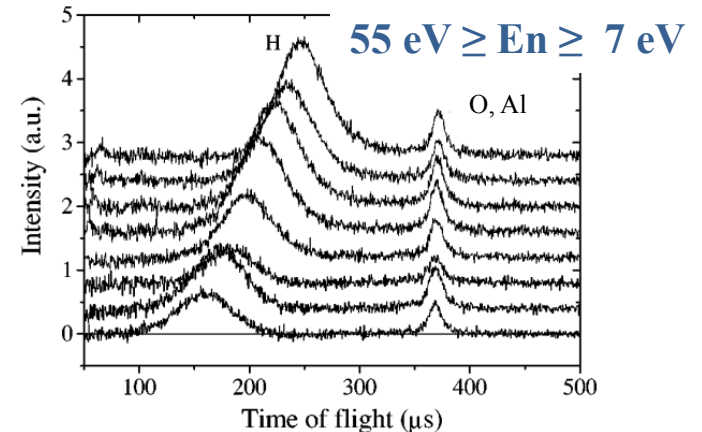


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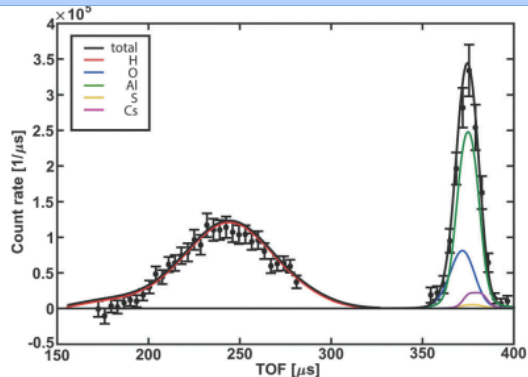
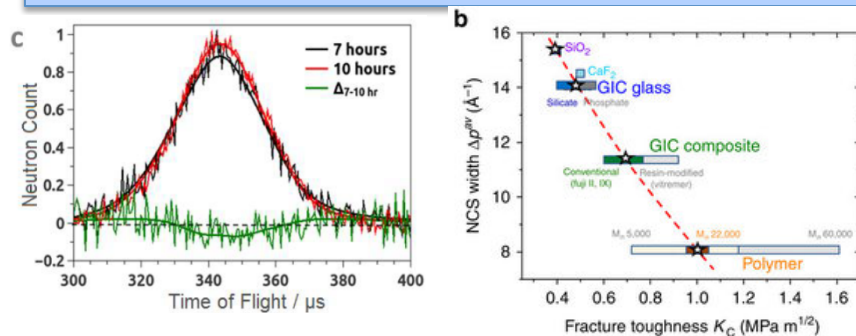


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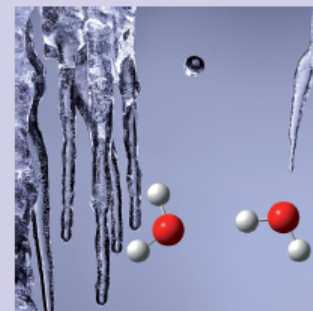
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Facility for fast neutron irradiation tests of electronics at the ISIS spallation neutron source

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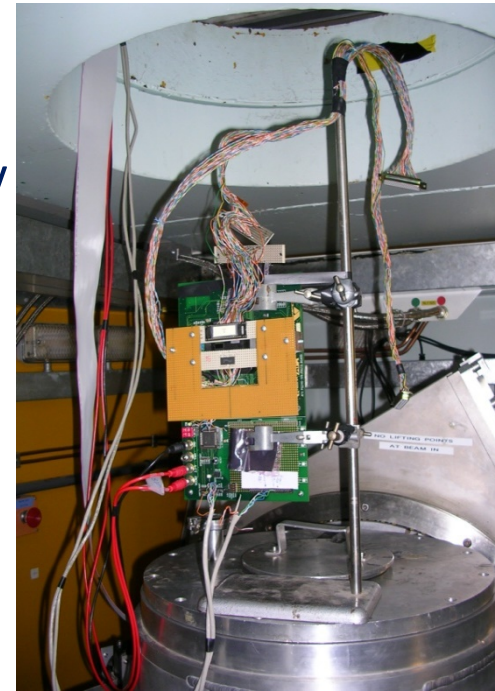
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from eV to MeV

-Within Italy- UK collaboration on instrumentats for eV-to-MeV neutrons, the Italian team proposed in 2006 a test experiment for irradiation of electronic chips on VESUVIO

-This paved the way to the construction of ChipIrr

- The user programme on irradiation continued on VESUVIO and will move to ChipIrr



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