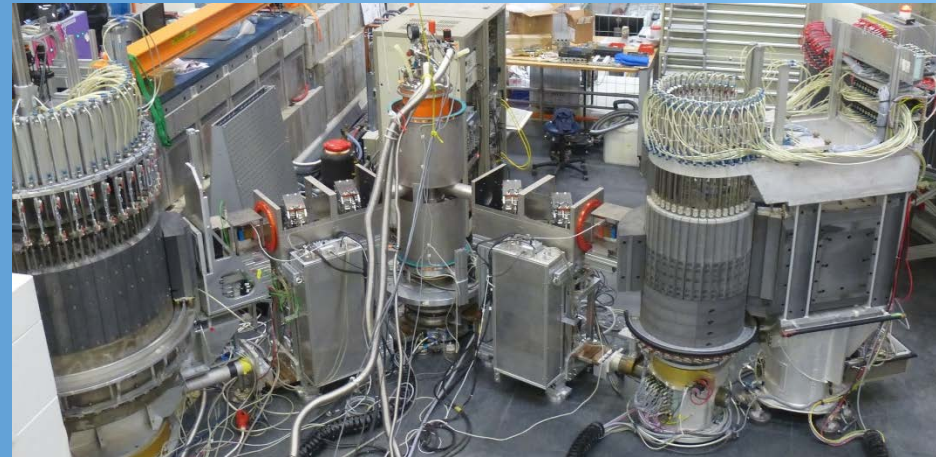


The Neutron Resonance Spin Echo Option @ V2/FLEXX at BER II

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Is an NRSE option better than a dedicated instrument?

V2/FLEXX, the cold-neutron host spectrometer

Features of the NRSE option at V2/FLEXX



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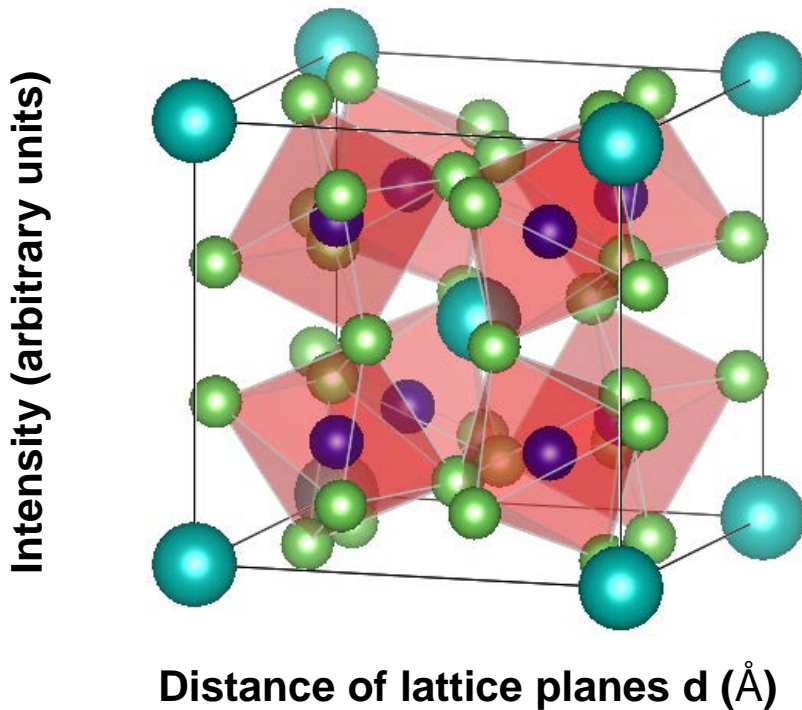
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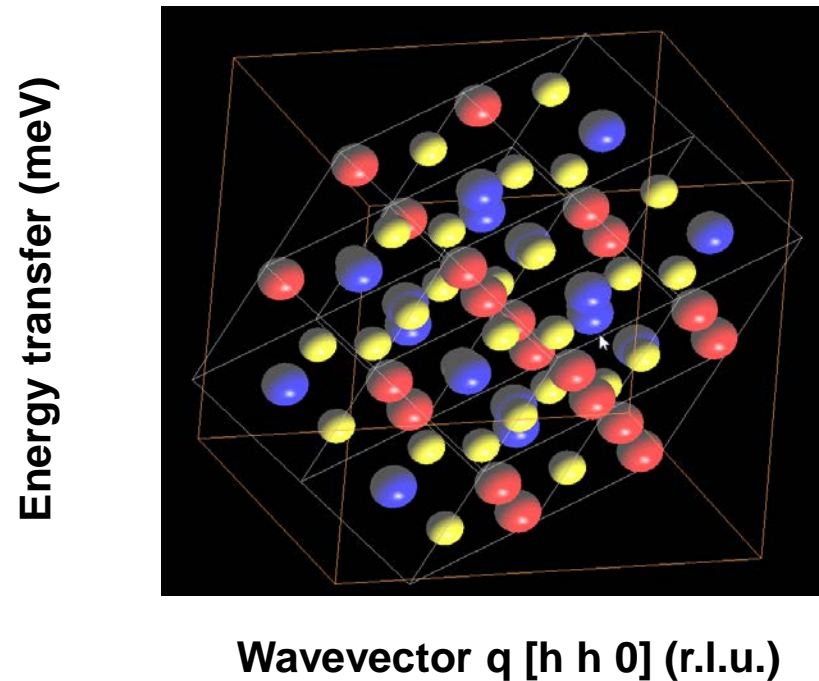
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Probing Material Structures: Scattering Techniques

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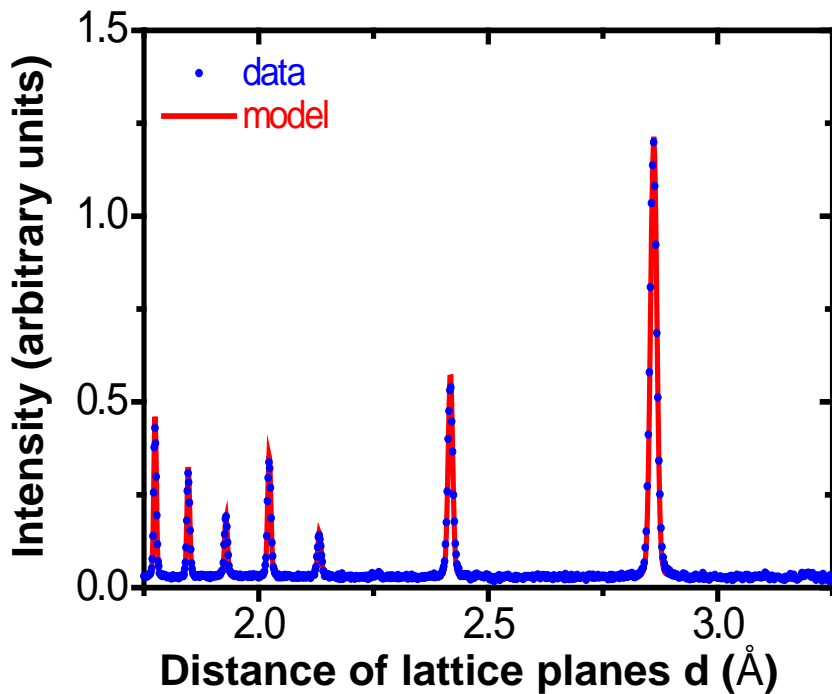
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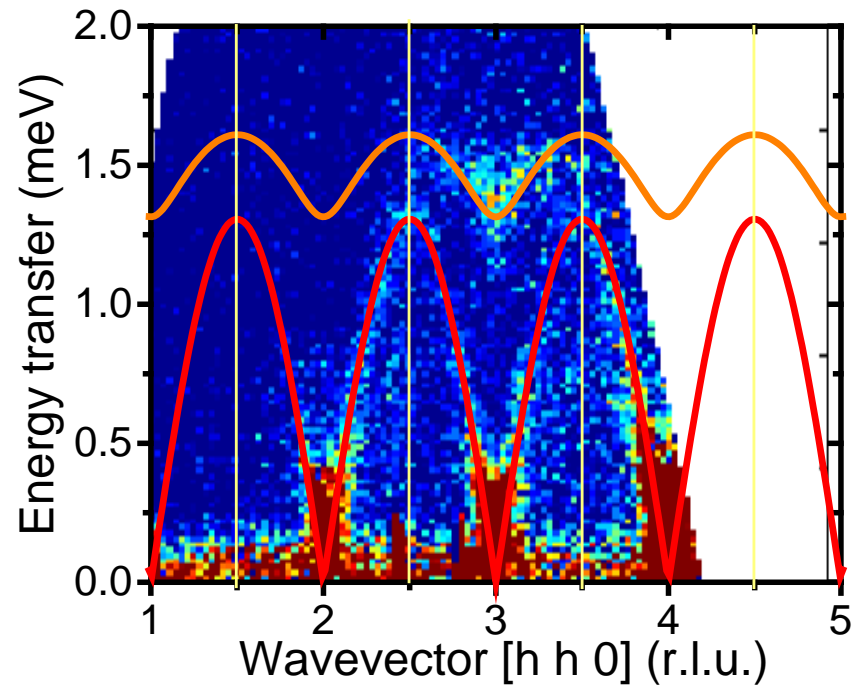
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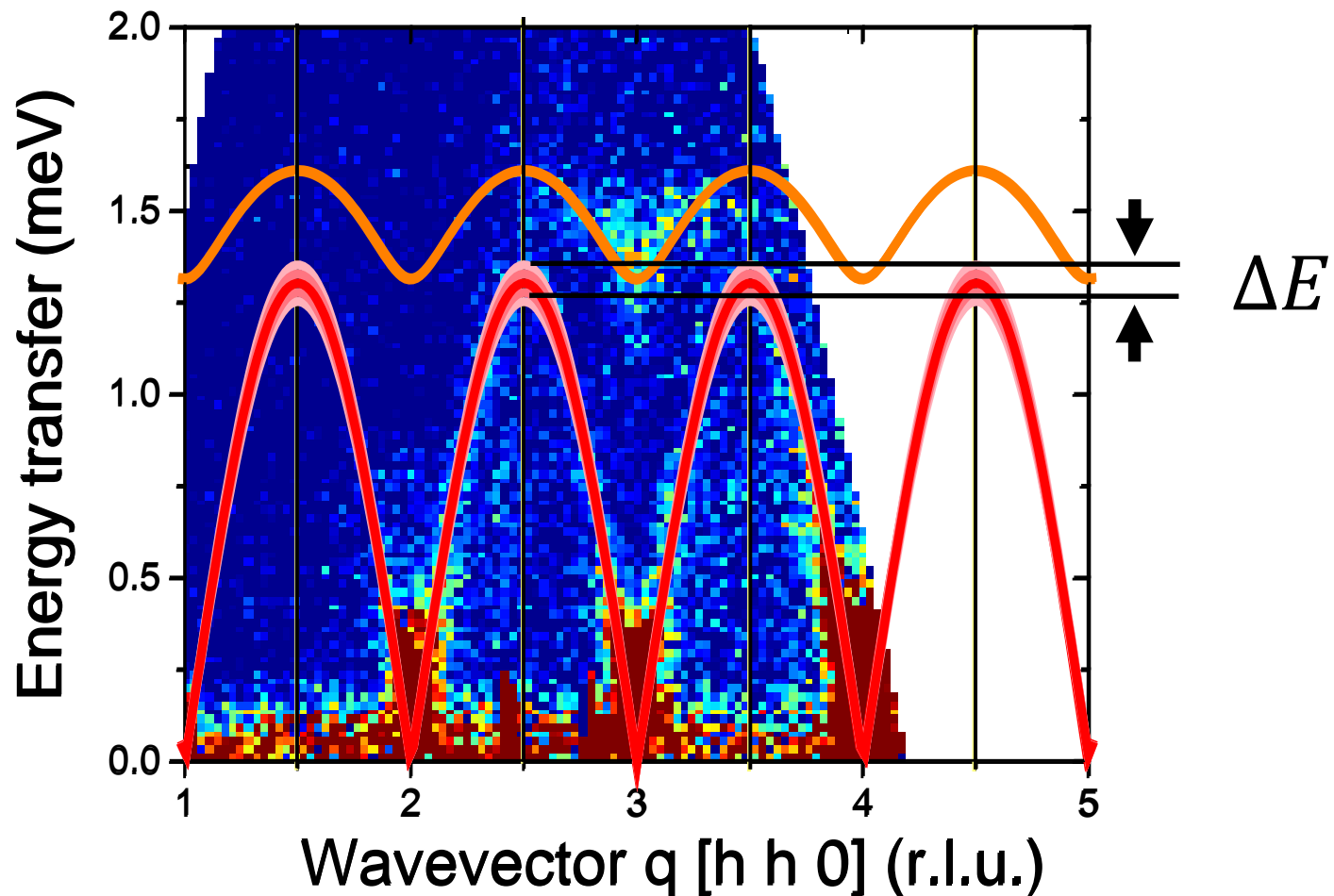


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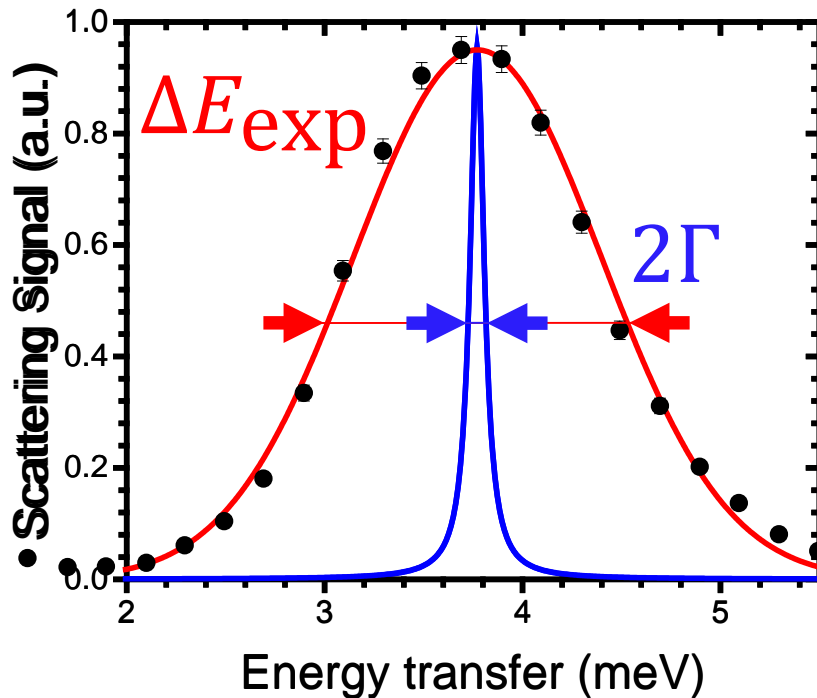
NRSE Motivation: Quasiparticle Linewidth



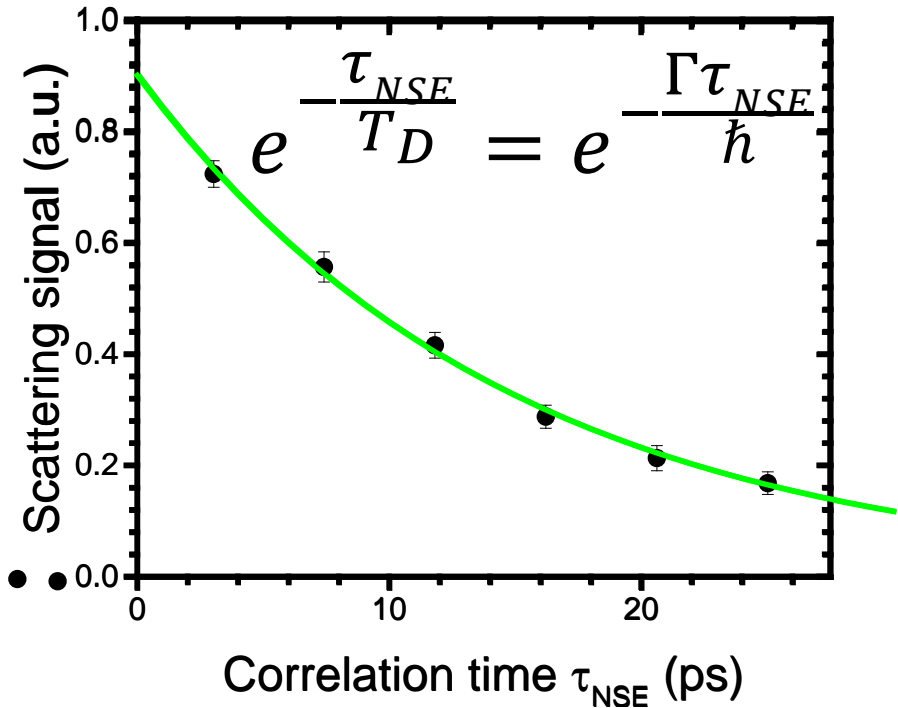
Dispersion relates quasiparticle energy to quasiparticle momentum
Energy *width* in the dispersion encodes quasiparticle lifetime

Quasiparticle Linewidth and Lifetime

energy domain



time domain



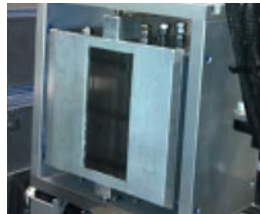
Energy *linewidth* Γ inversely proportional to *lifetime* T_D :
$$\Gamma = \hbar/T_D$$

The Upgraded Cold Neutron TAS FLEXX

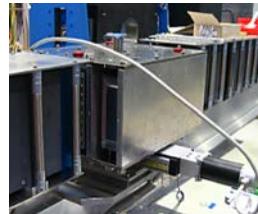
new primary spectrometer optimized for high flux and low background and optional polarized neutron capabilities



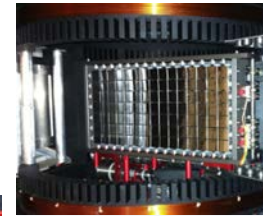
Velocity selector



Polarizer



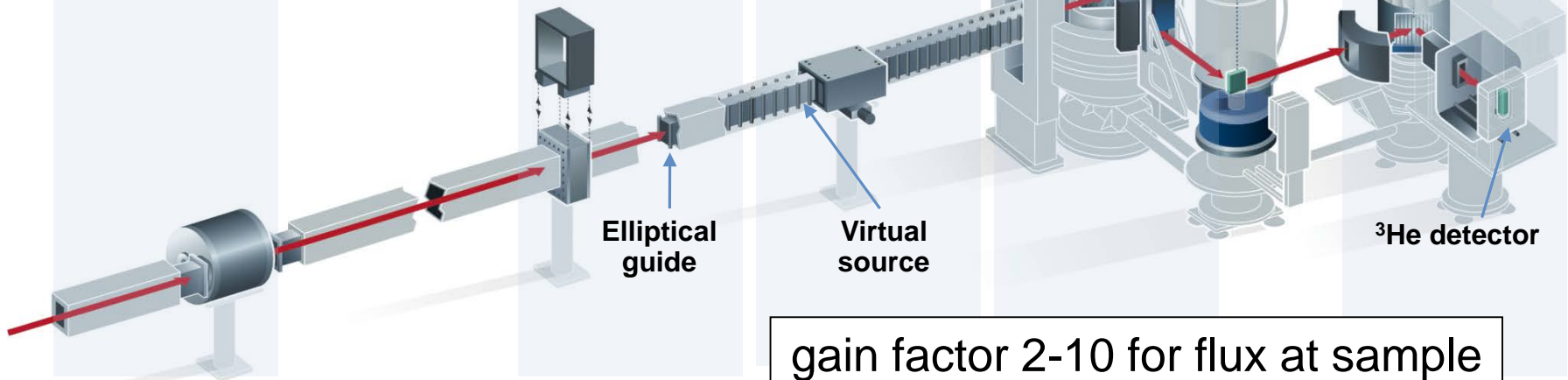
Optional collimators



Double focusing monochromator



PG and Heusler analyzer

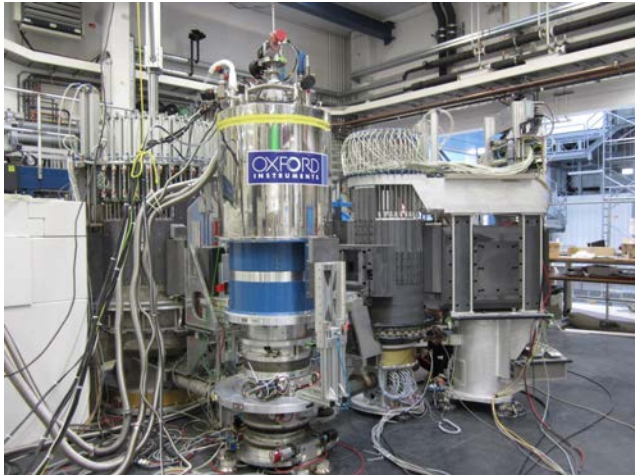


gain factor 2-10 for flux at sample

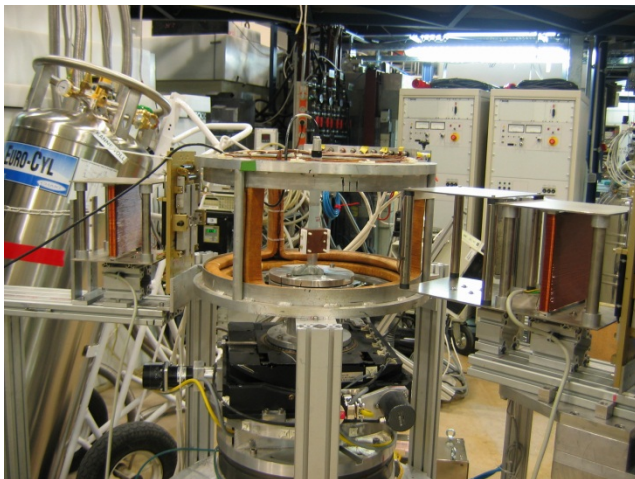
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FLEXX Options

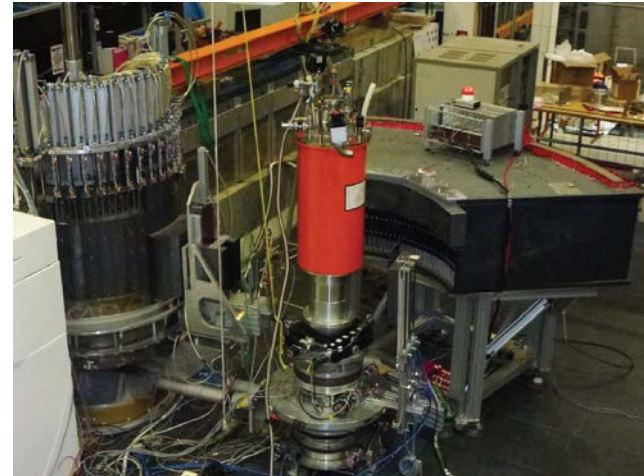
FLEXX standard TAS mode



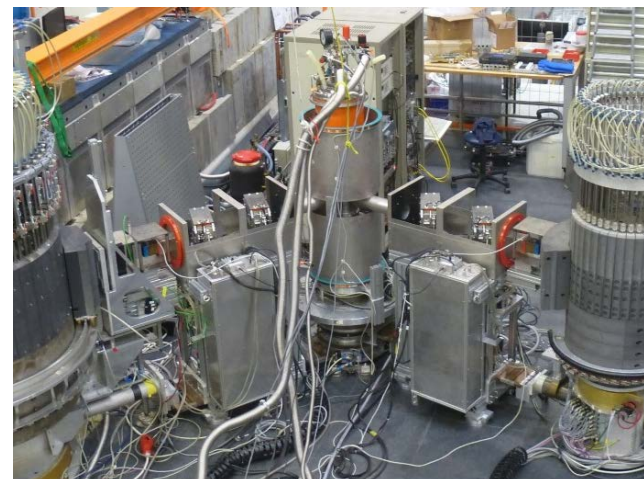
XYZ polarization analysis



MultiFLEXX backend



Neutron Resonance Spin Echo Option



FLEXX Polarizer: S-Bender



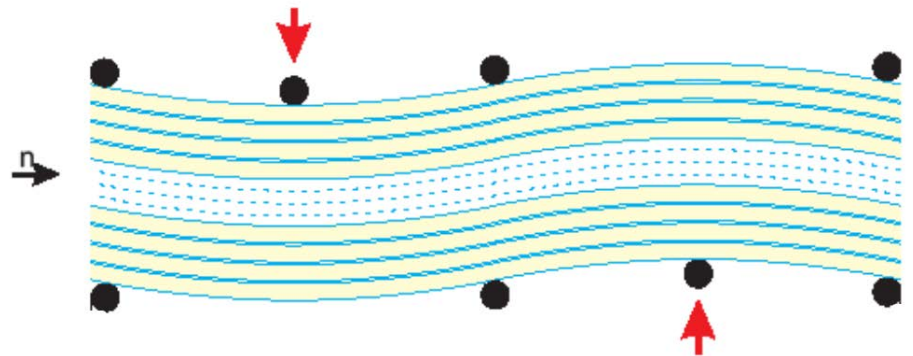
beam cross section: 60 mm x 125 mm

400 wafers 0.15 x 125 x 120 mm³

Fe-Si multilayer with $m = 3$

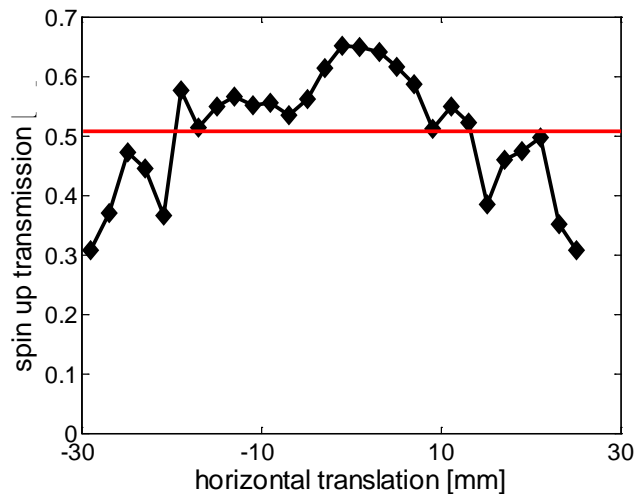
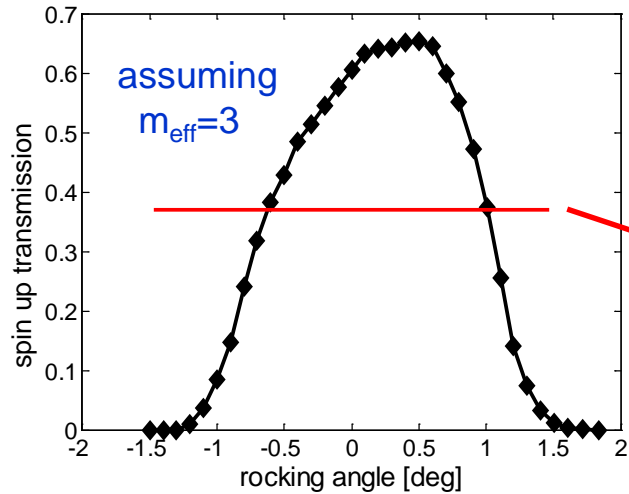
anti-reflecting Gd-layer/Si/Gd-layer

magnetization field > 300 G

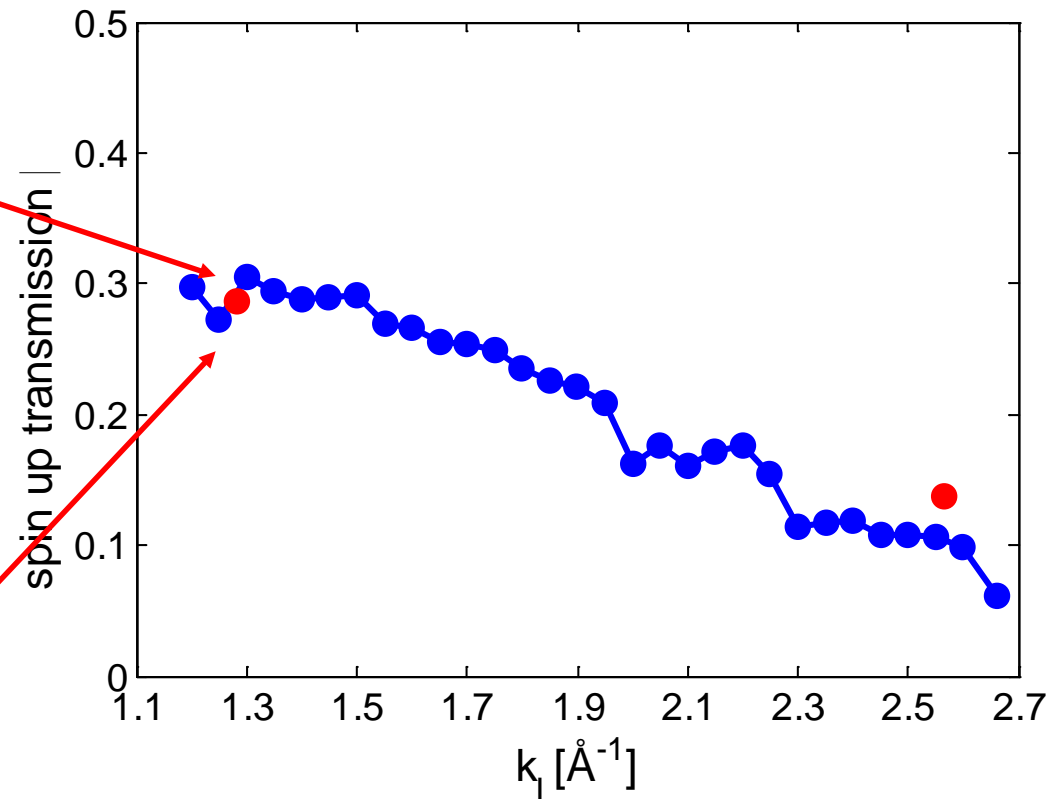


FLEXX S-Bender Transmission

device transmission



FLEXX transmission
as measured with monitor at sample position

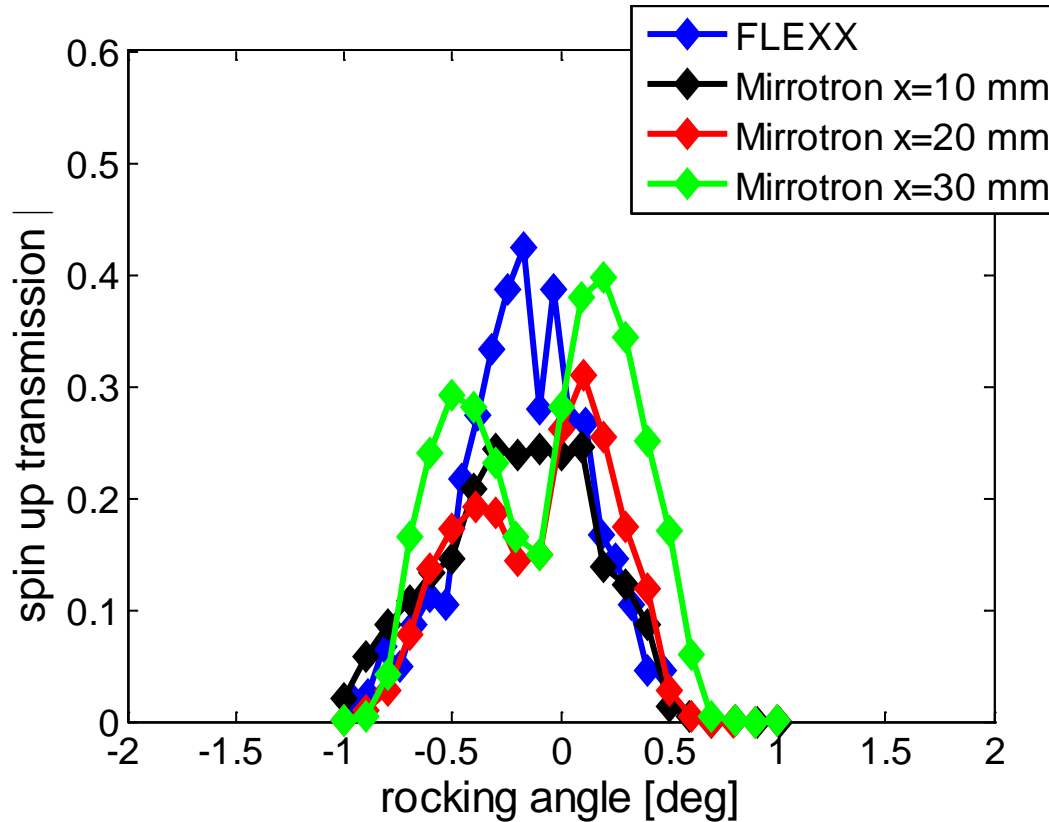


polarizer transmission is confirmed at FLEXX
transmission is entirely due to device transmission

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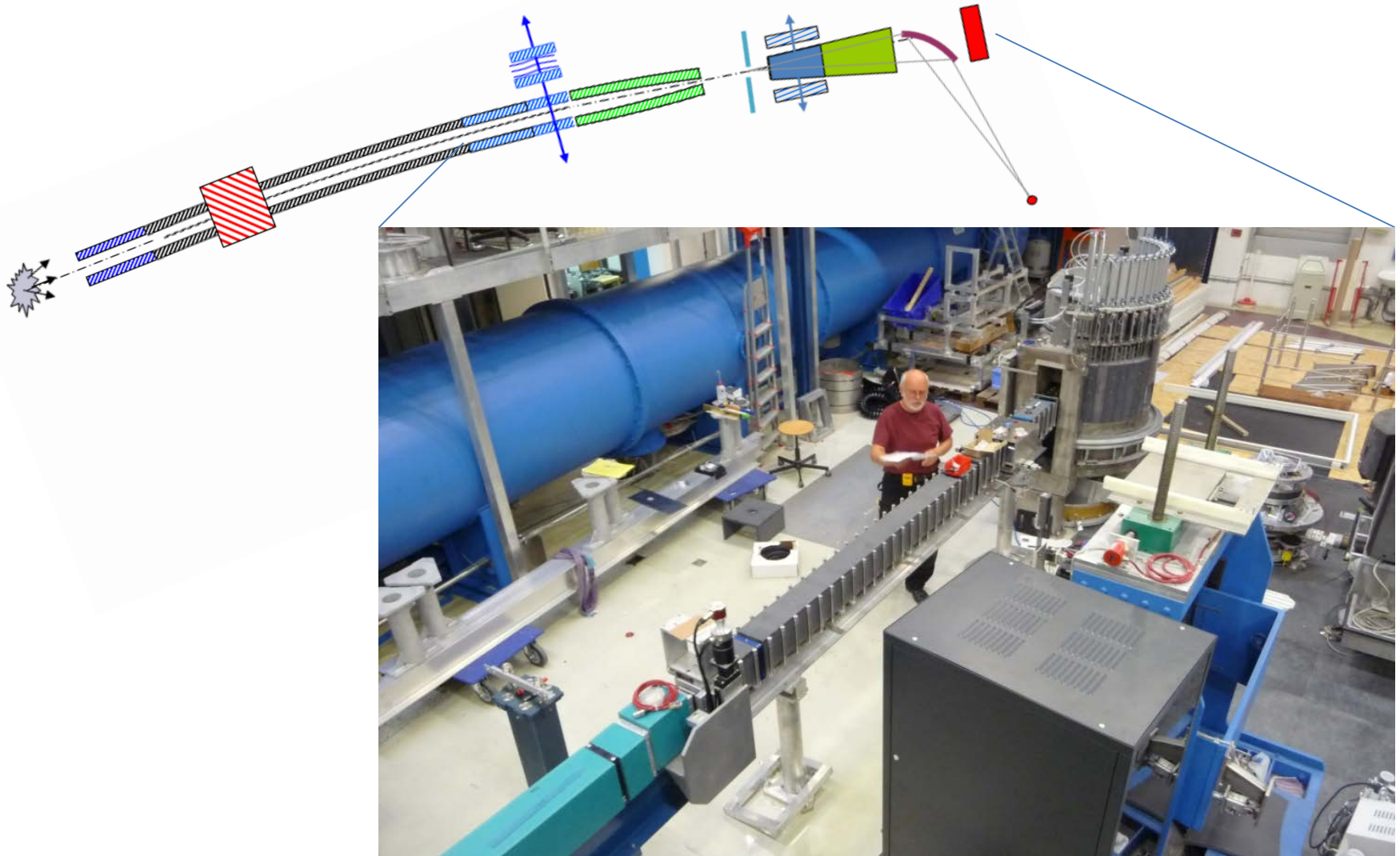
polarizer rocking scans $k_1=2.56 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$
(measurements by Mirrotron)

polarizer rocking scan at FLEXX $k_1=2.66 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$
as measured with monitor at sample position



angular acceptance of polarizer is confirmed at FLEXX

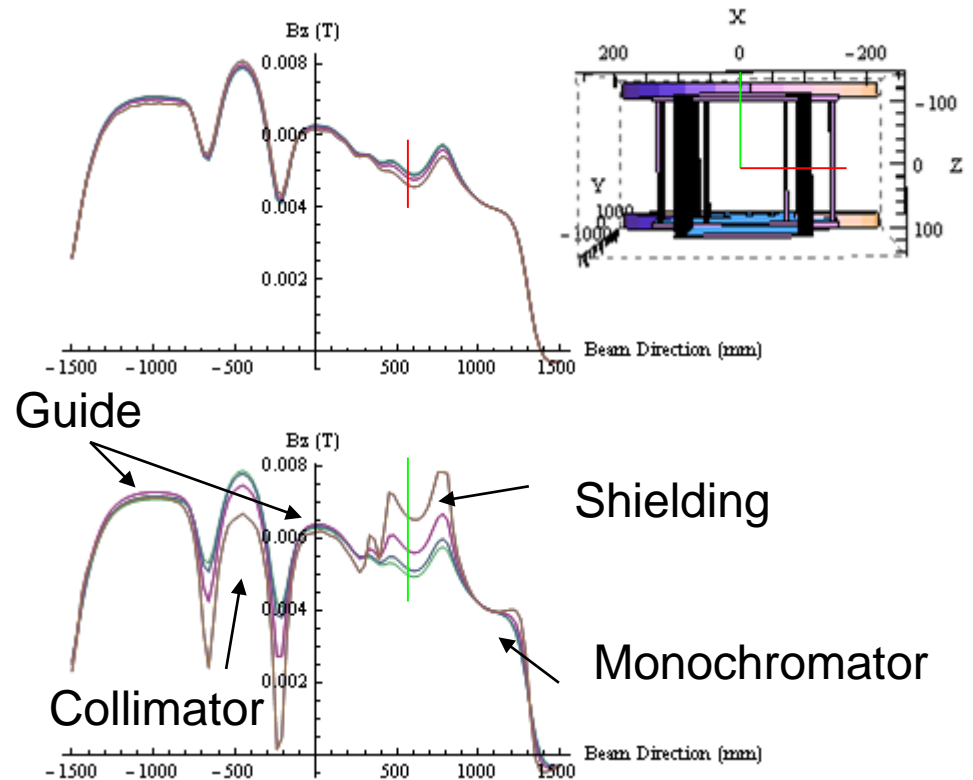
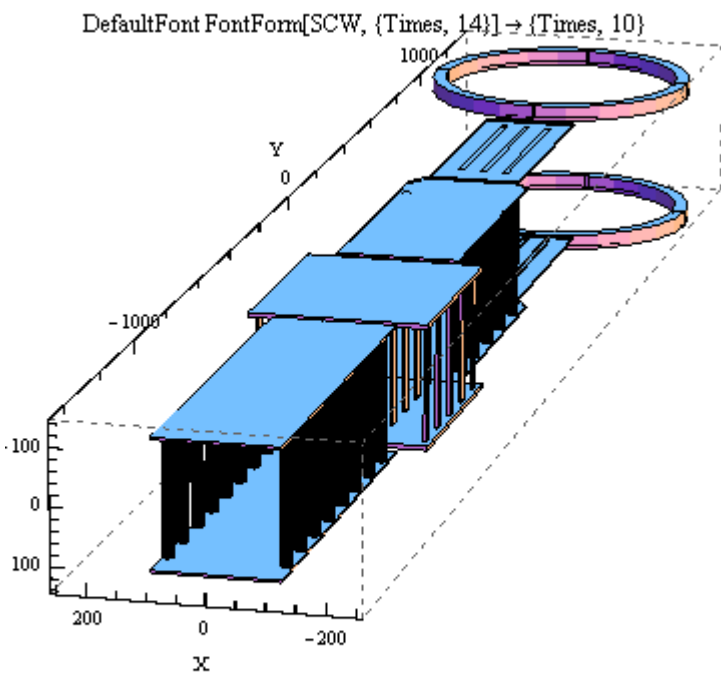
FLEXX Primary Spectrometer Guide Field



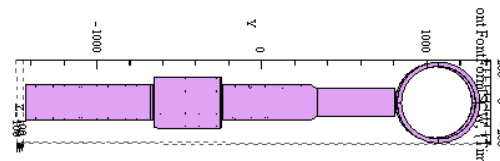
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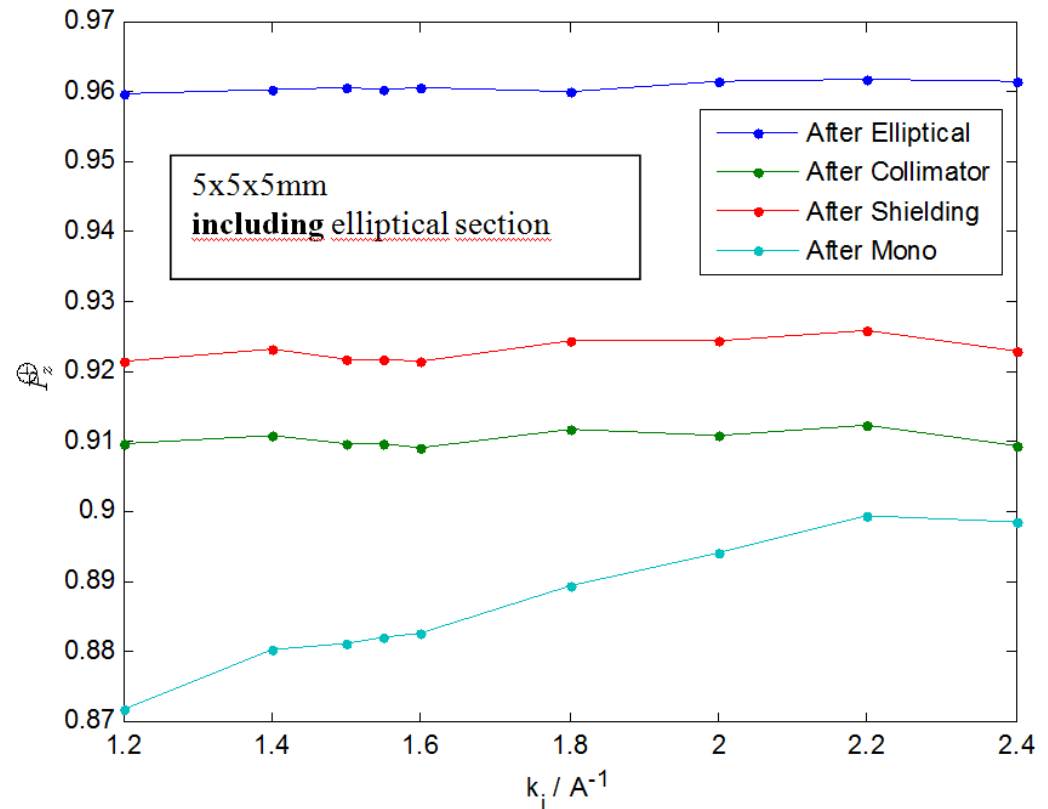
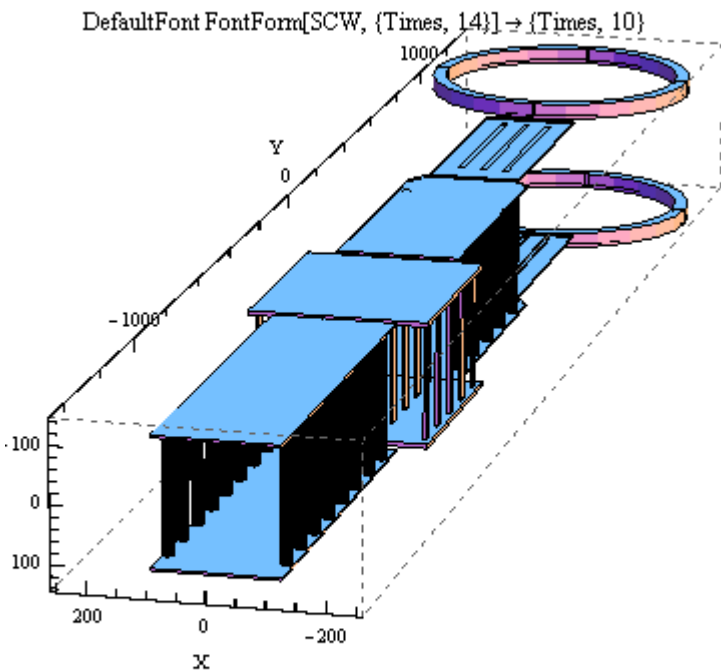


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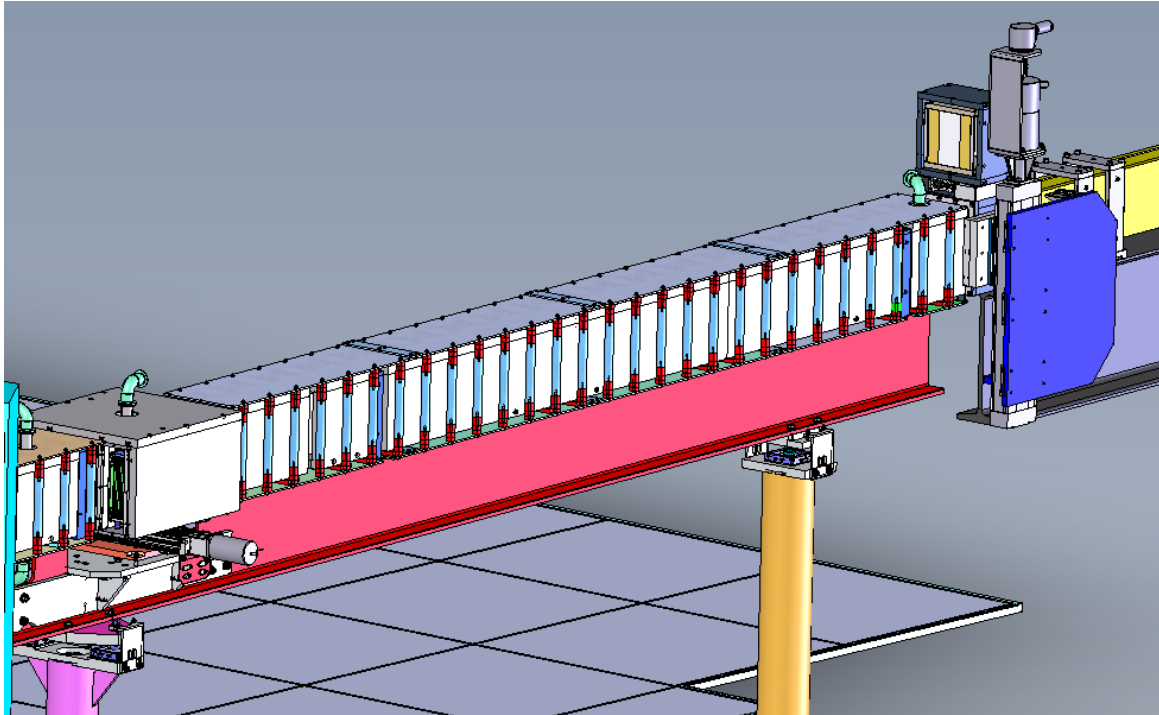
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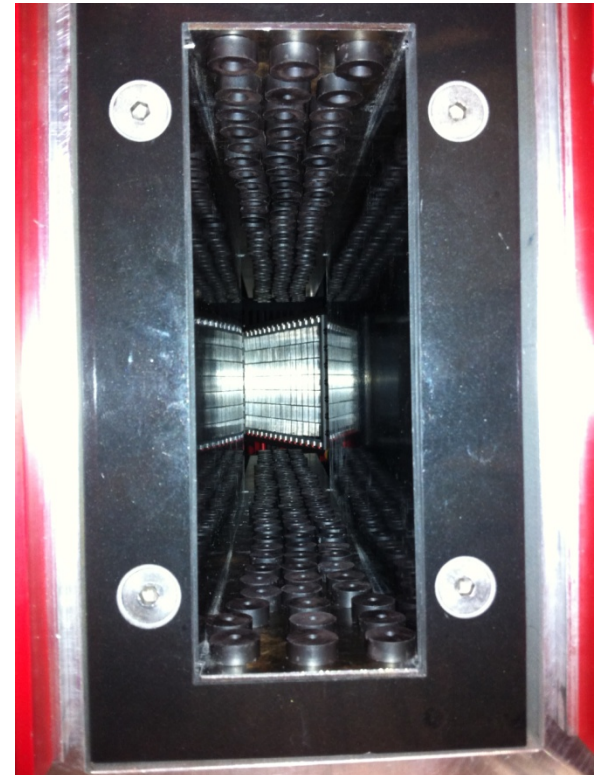
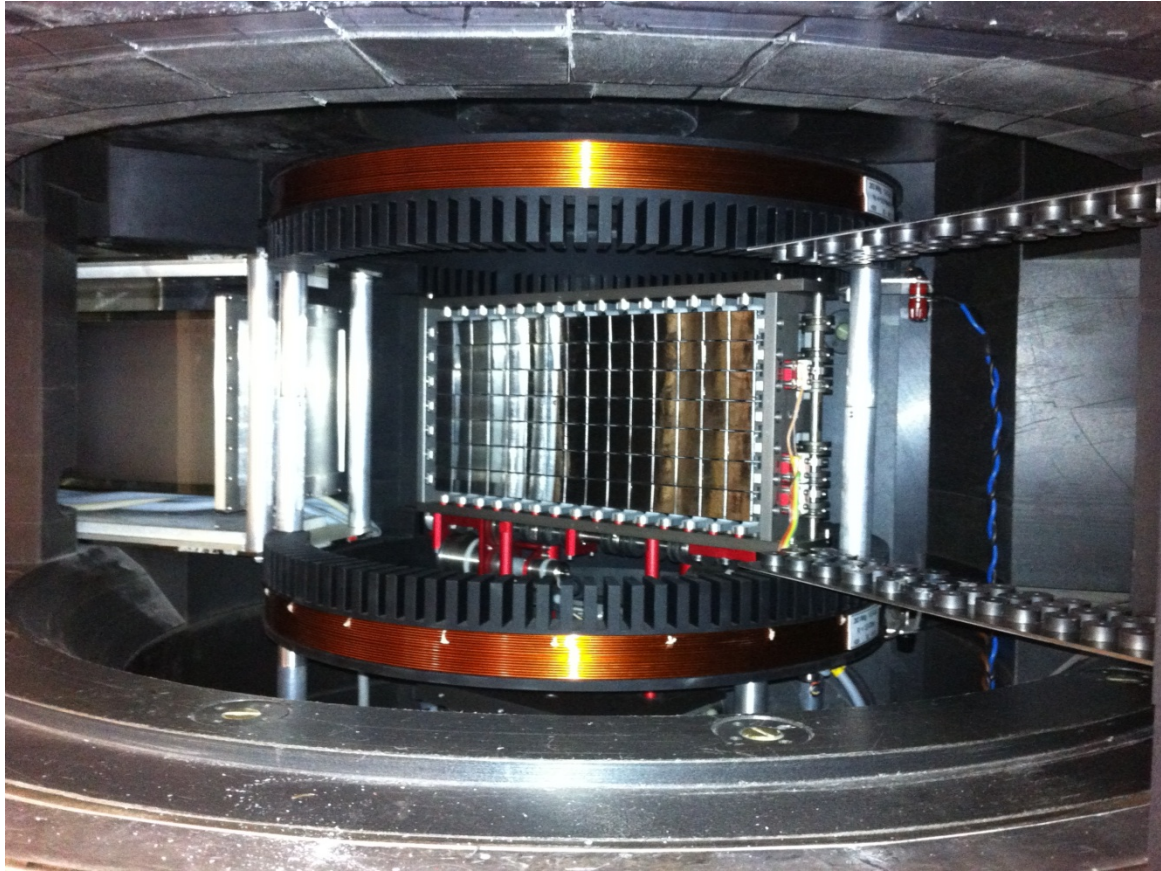


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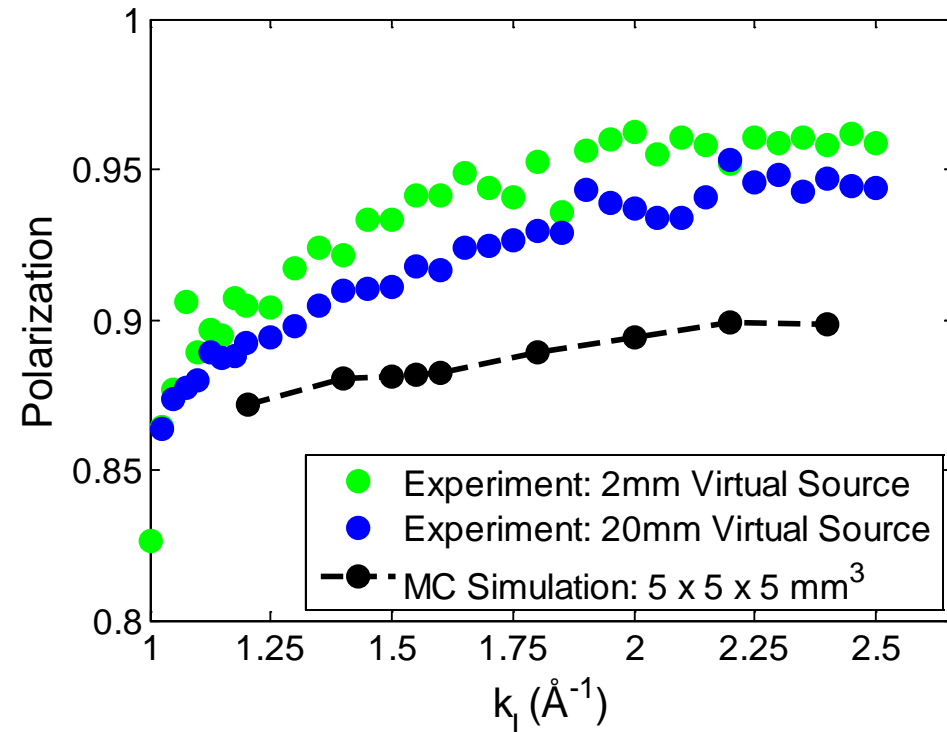
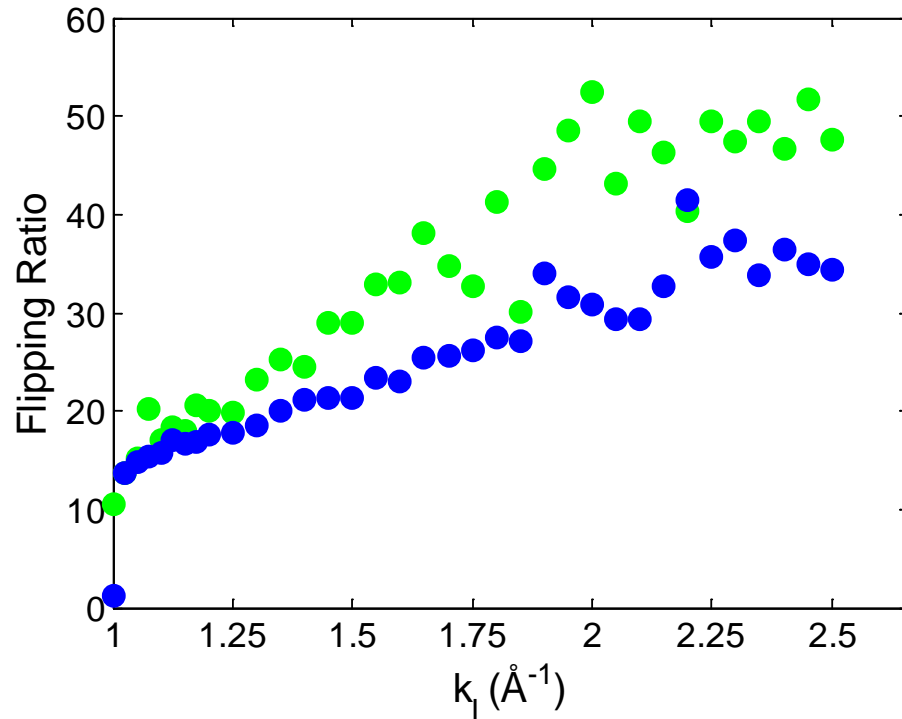
FLEXX Guide Field Realization



FLEXX Monochromator Helmholtz Coils



FLEXX Polarisation



experimental polarization

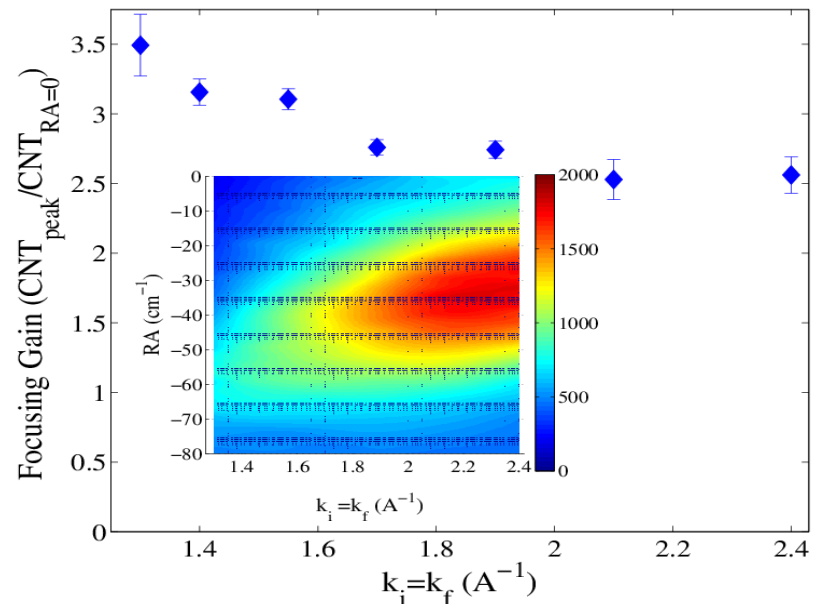
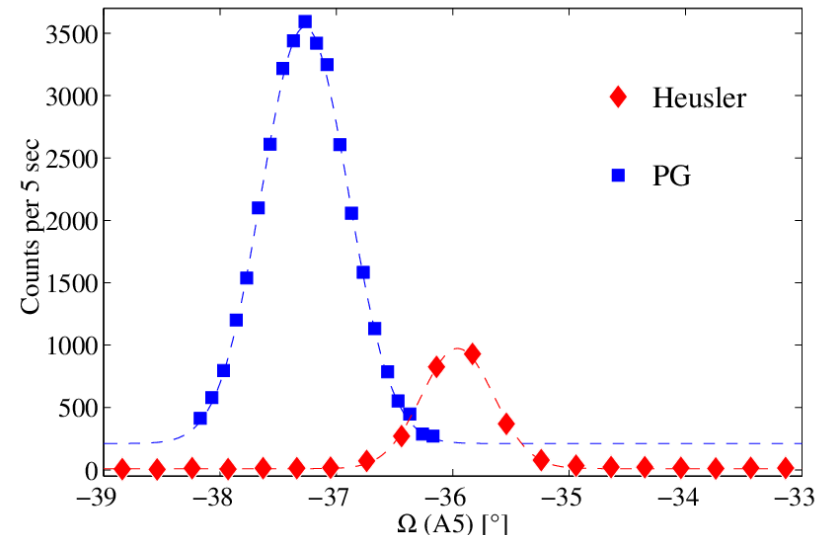
- decreases towards larger wavelengths as expected from MC simulation
- does depend on virtual source width and monochromator curvature

FLEXX Heusler Analyzer Performance

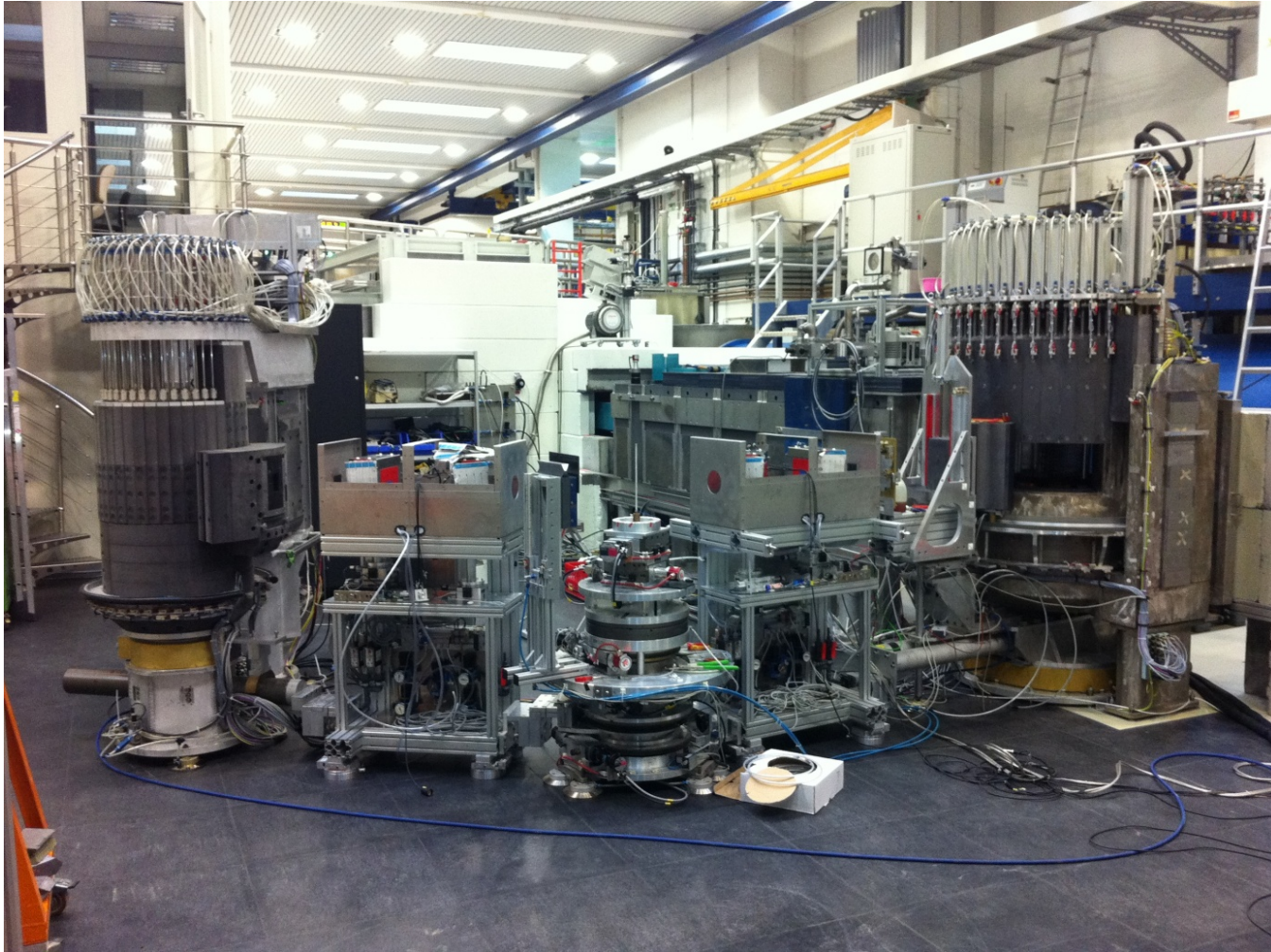
3 rows, 15 crystals each
 Cu_2MnAl (111) Bragg peak
 0.42° mosaic (individual crystals)
fixed vertical, variable horizontal curvature
vertical 0.17 T magnetization field beam
cross section: 60 mm x 125 mm



horizontal focussing gain $\sim 2.5\text{-}3$



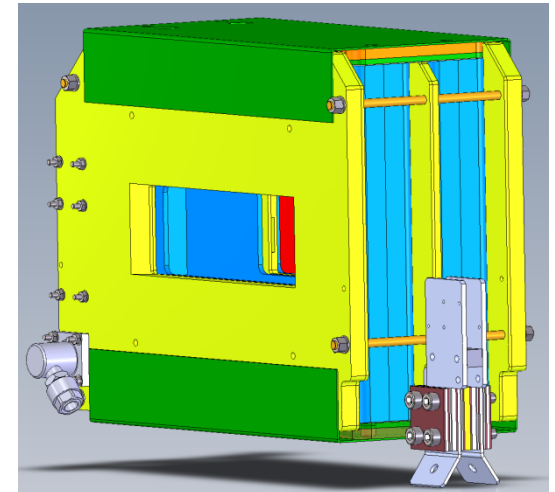
NRSE Option at V2/FLEXX



Upgrade of NRSE Option at V2/FLEXX

**New bootstrap coils for the NRSE option at FLEX
(in collaboration with MPI Stuttgart / FRM II)**

- **increase in accepted beam width**
- **access to steeper dispersion by larger coil tilt angles**
- **access to larger scattering angles for Larmor diffraction**
- **improved magnetic shielding in the NRSE arms**



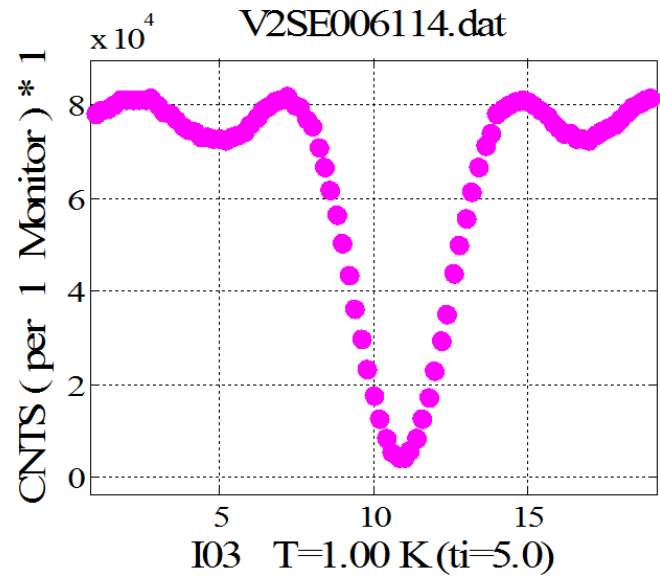
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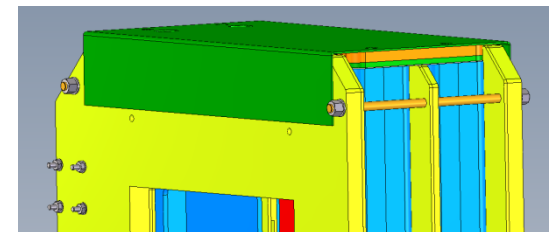
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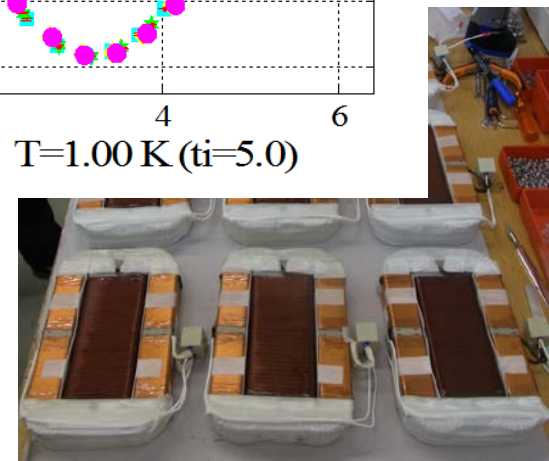
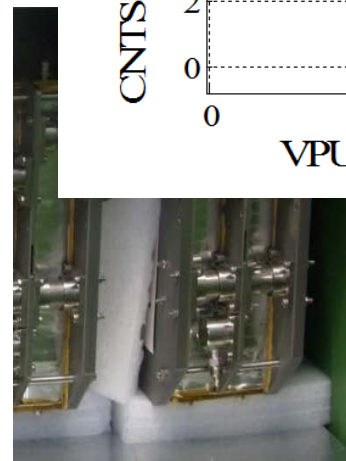
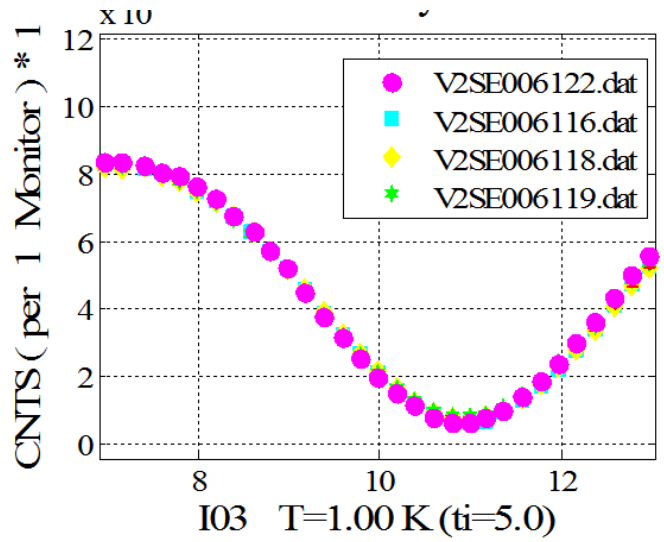
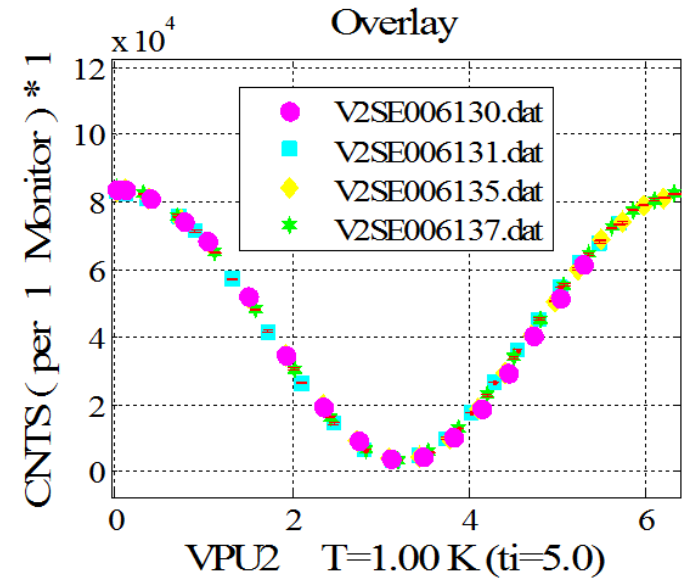
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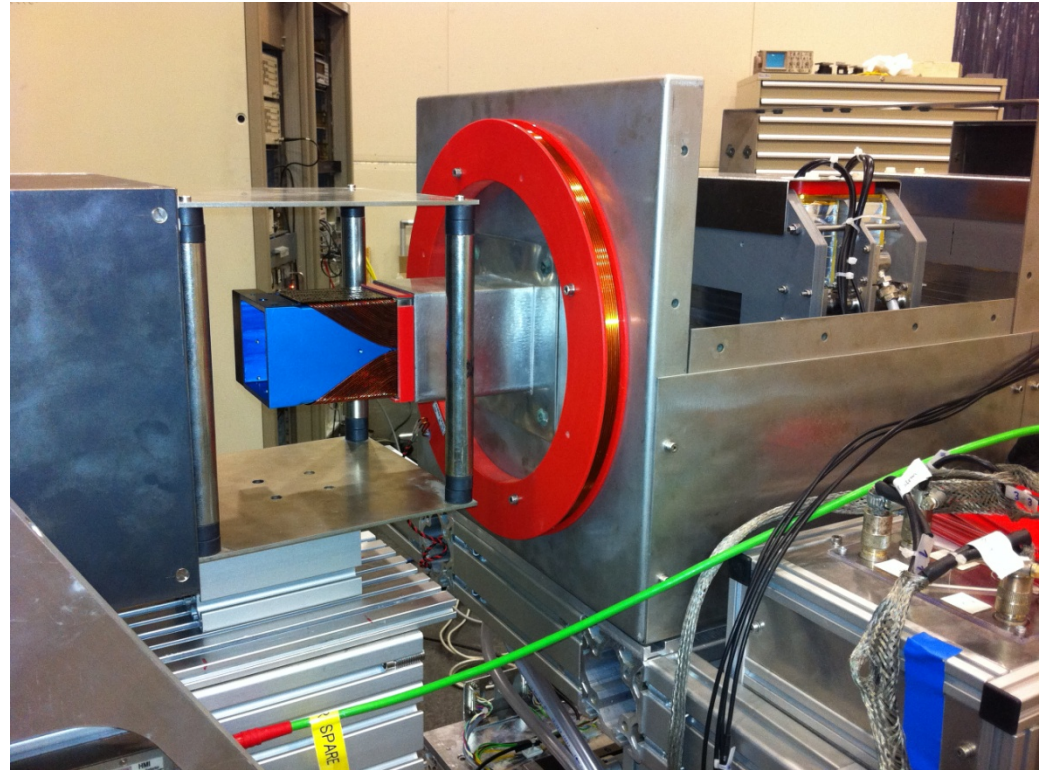
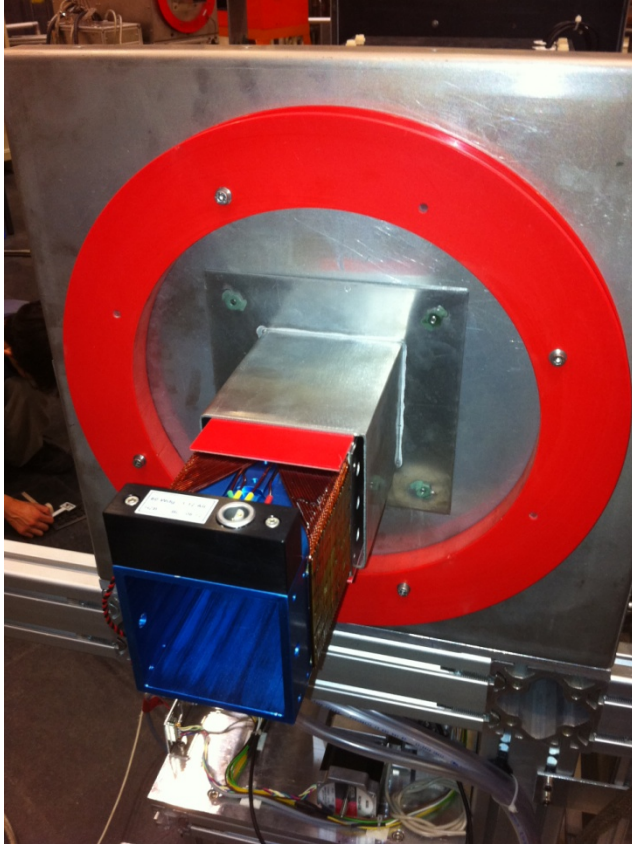
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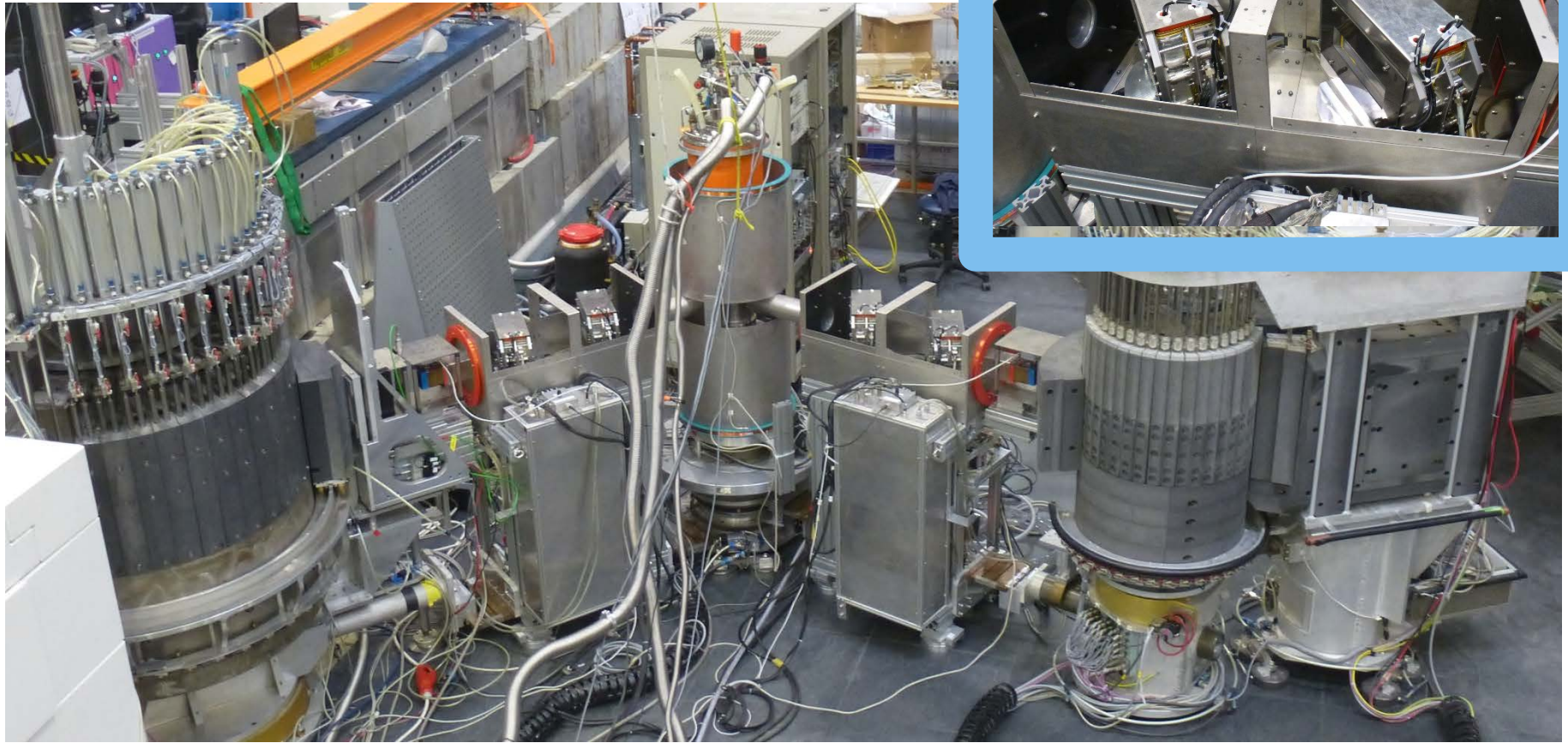
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NRSE Coupling Coils



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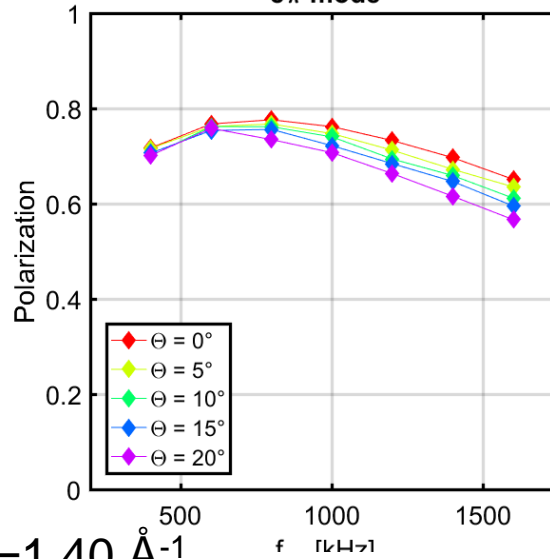
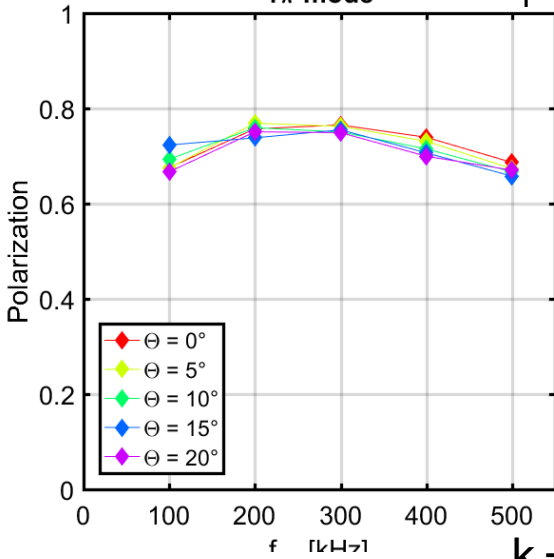
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Direct Beam Calibration Measurements

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4 π mode

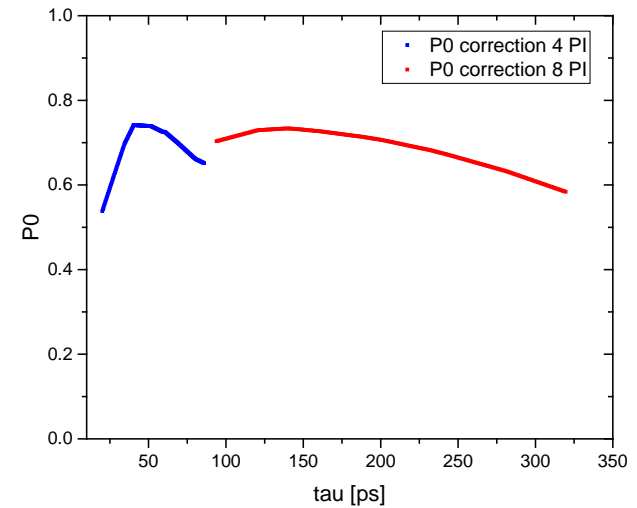
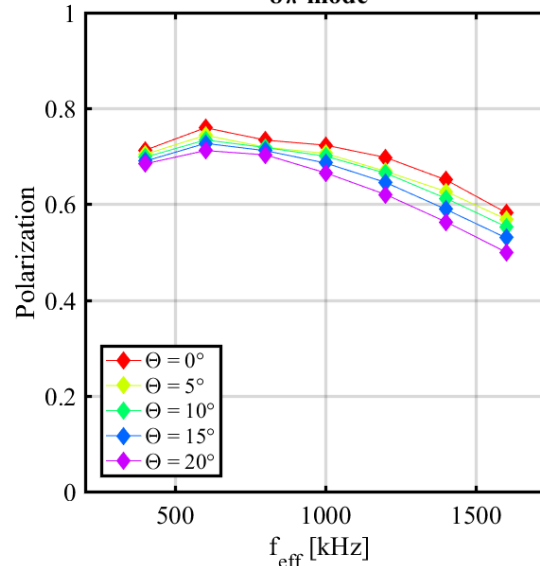
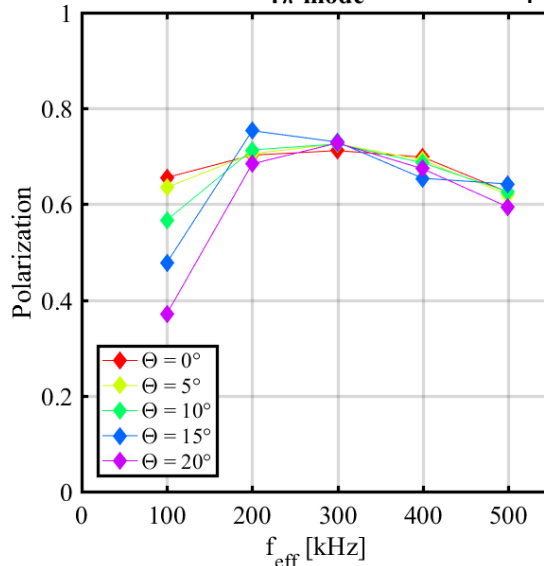
8 π mode



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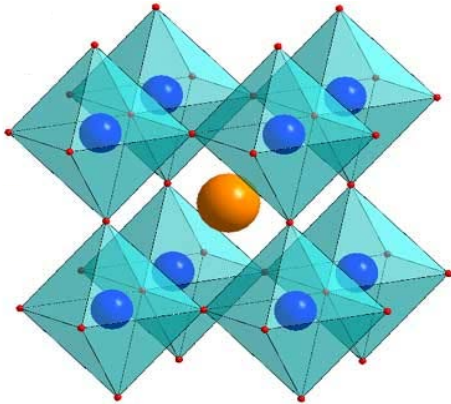
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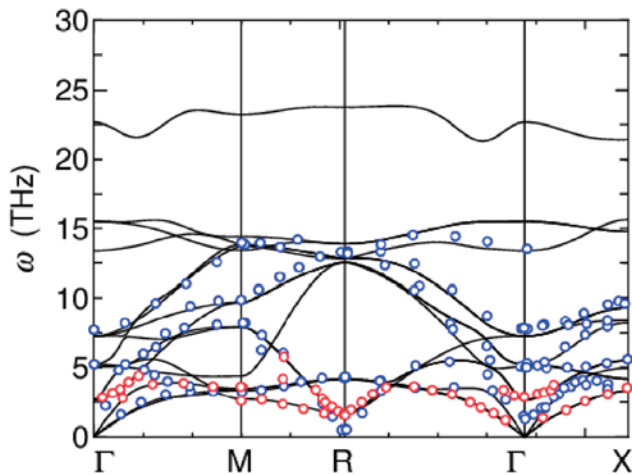
NRSE Science at V2/FLEXX and TRISP !

thermal transport in **thermoelectric SrTiO₃**

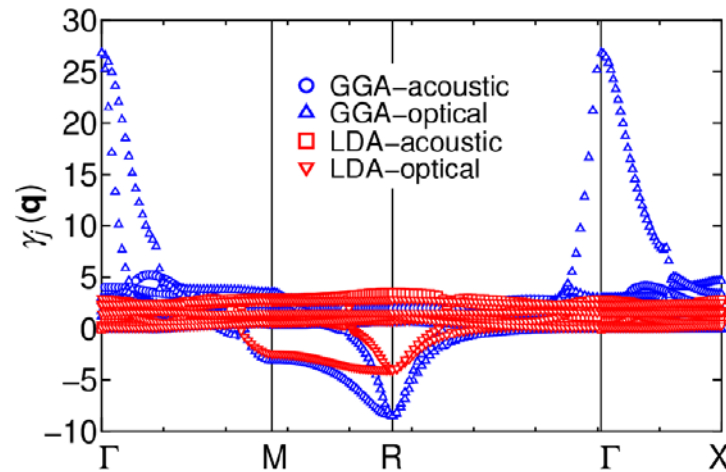


Goal: benchmark first-principles DFT / MD simulations with interatomic force constants including anharmonic lattice dynamics

SrTiO₃ phonon dispersion



calculated mode Grüneisen parameters

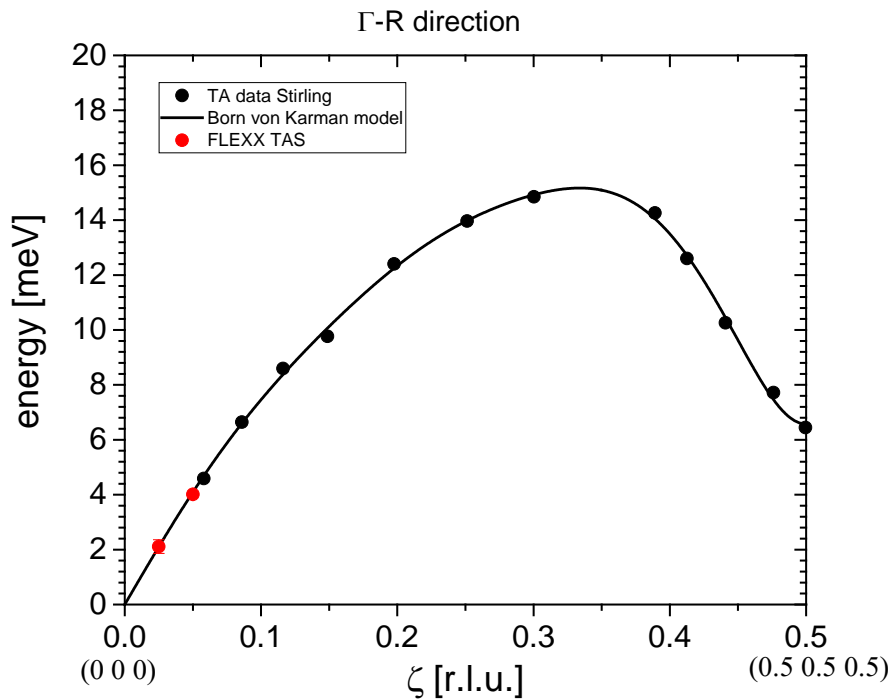


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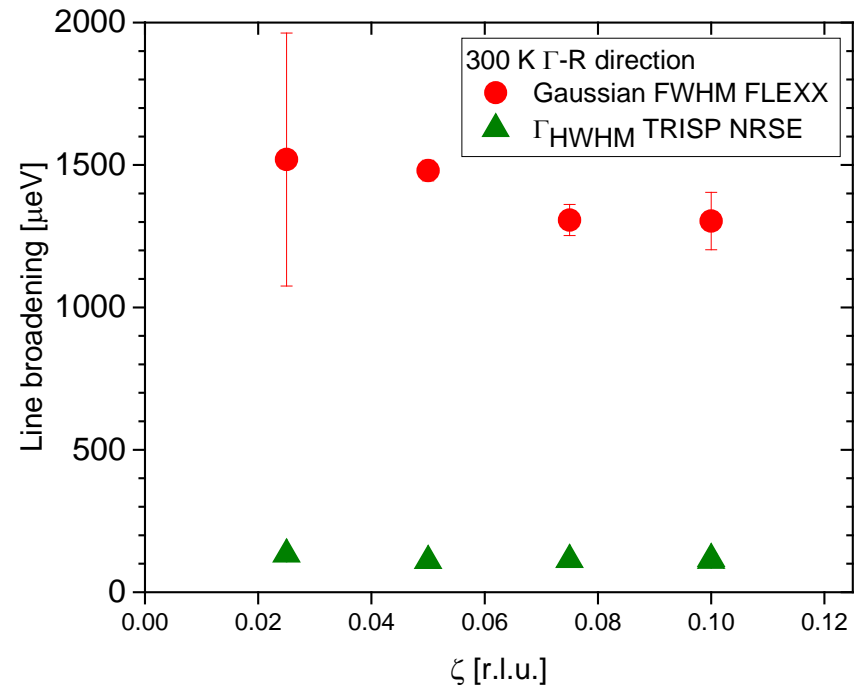
needs experimental access to phonon lifetimes at low spin echo times

Thermoelectric SrTiO₃

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experimental line broadening

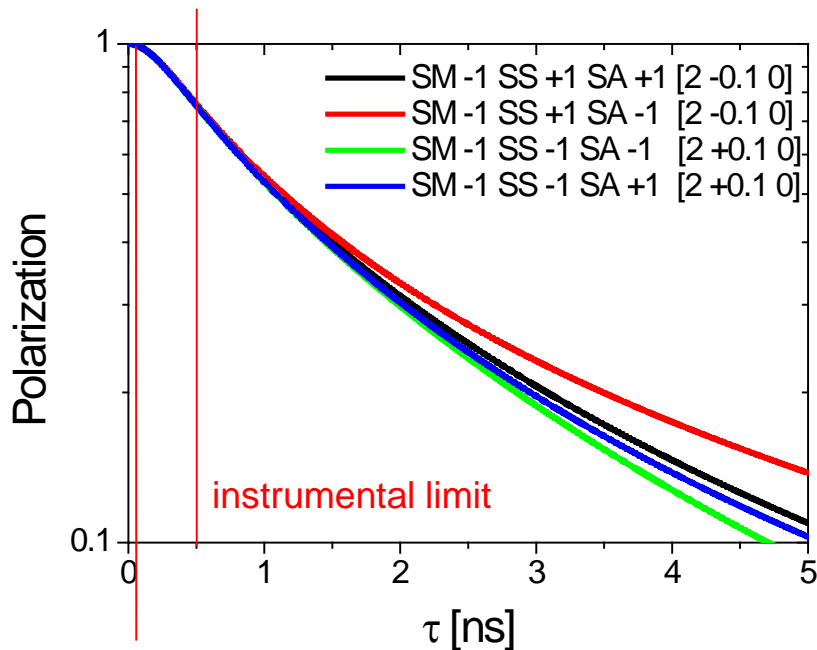


“Instrumental” Resolution for NRSE

beam divergence

$$P = \frac{1}{N} \int S(\mathbf{Q}, \Delta\omega) T_{TAS}(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f) e^{i\phi(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f)} d^3k_i d^3k_f + c.c.$$

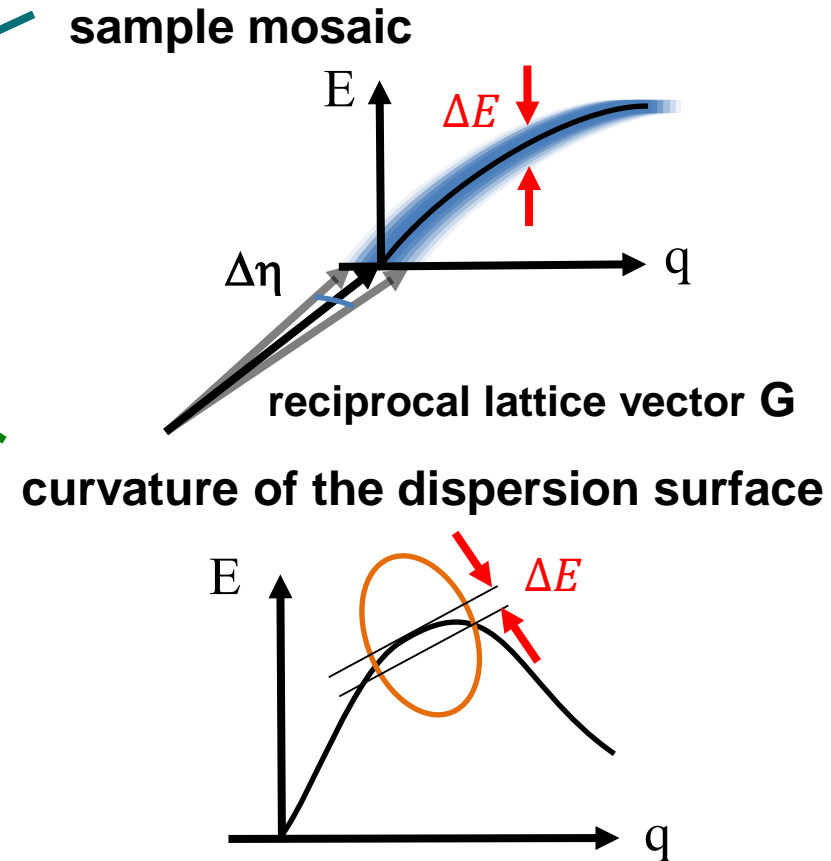
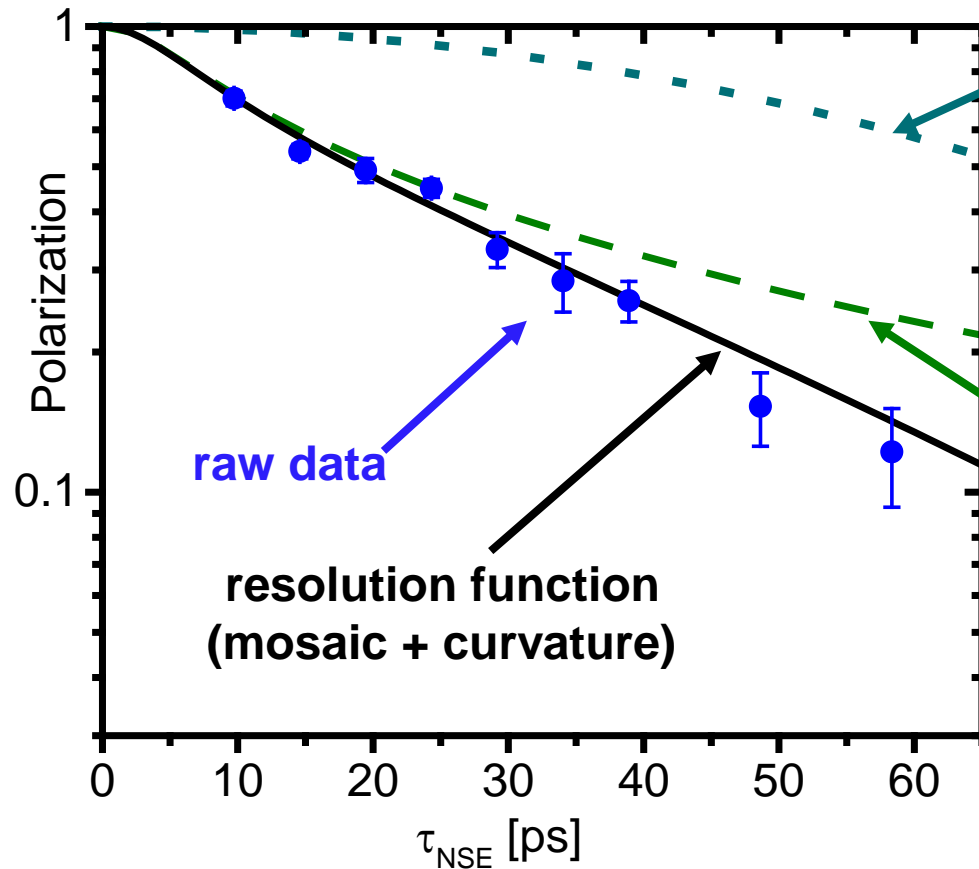
- use Gaussian approximation of TAS transmission probability $T_{TAS}(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f)$
- expand total Larmor phase $\phi(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f)$ to second order
- expand energy conservation to second order
- integrate by matrix technique



at very large spin echo times
instrumental resolution has to be
considered

upper limit typical phonon
measurements

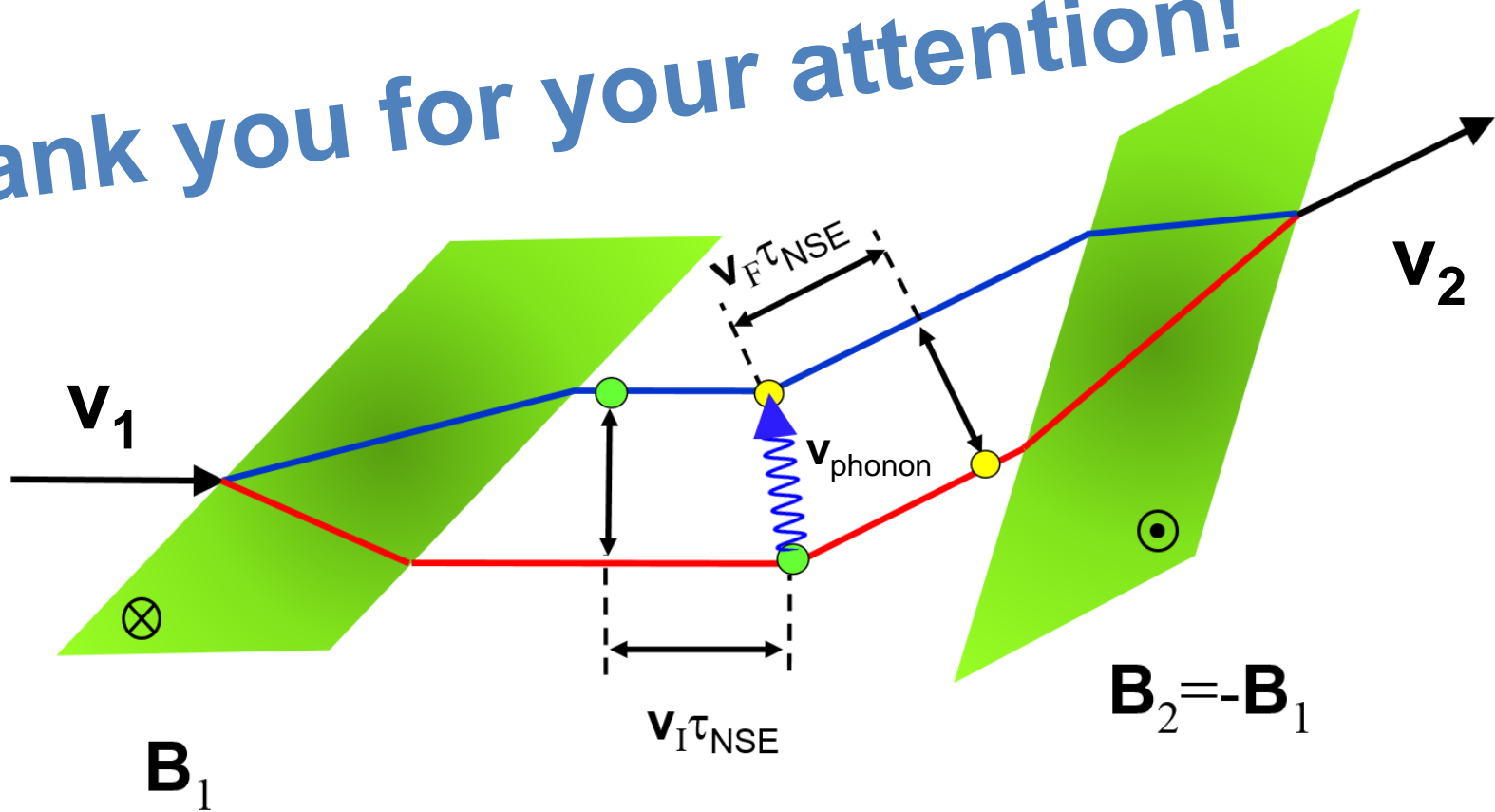
Development of Resolution Theory



Development of *analytical* resolution function for NRSE spectroscopy
Data correction: no convolution → divide data by calculated resolution function

Neutron Spin-Echo: Semi-Classical Model

Thank you for your attention!



Dispersive excitations require tilted magnetic field regions