

DYNAMICS IN IONIC LIQUIDS



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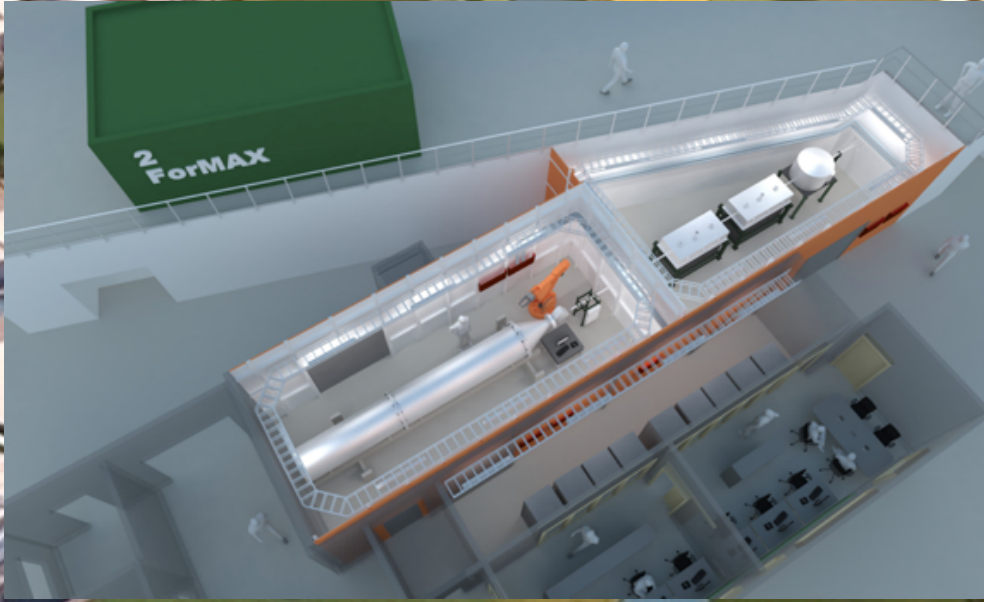
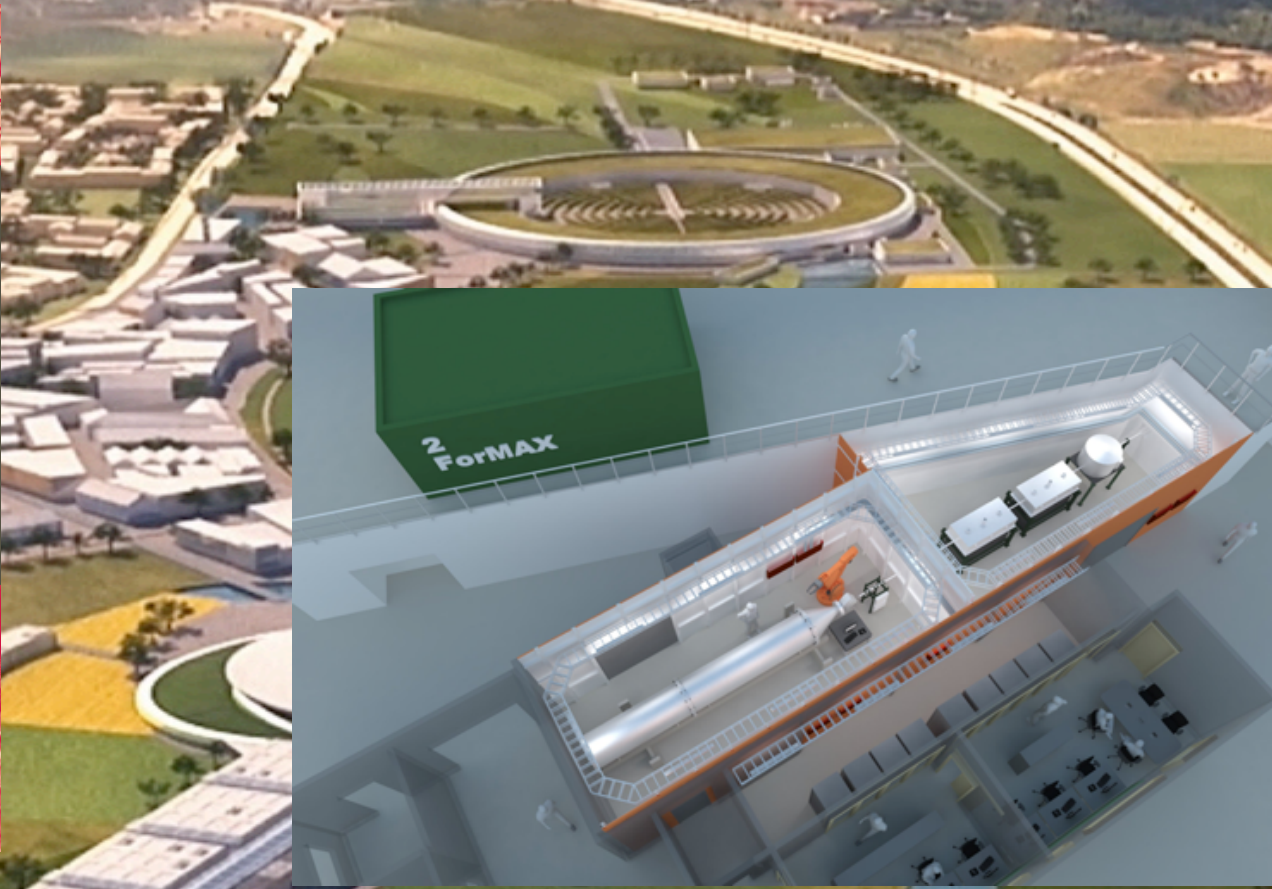
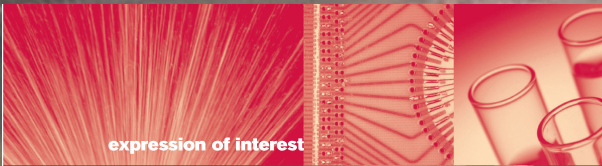
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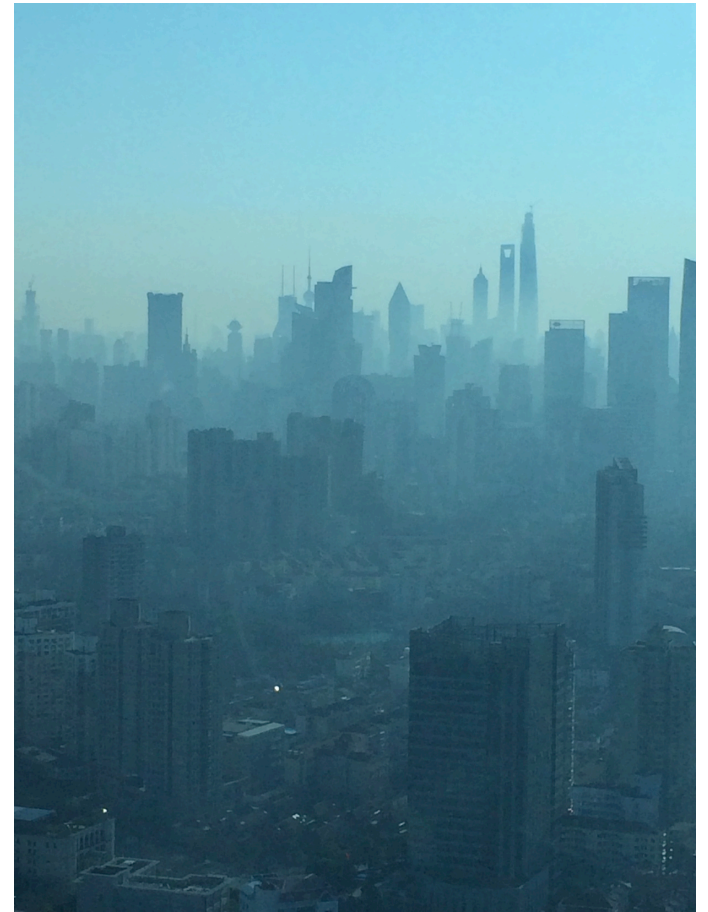
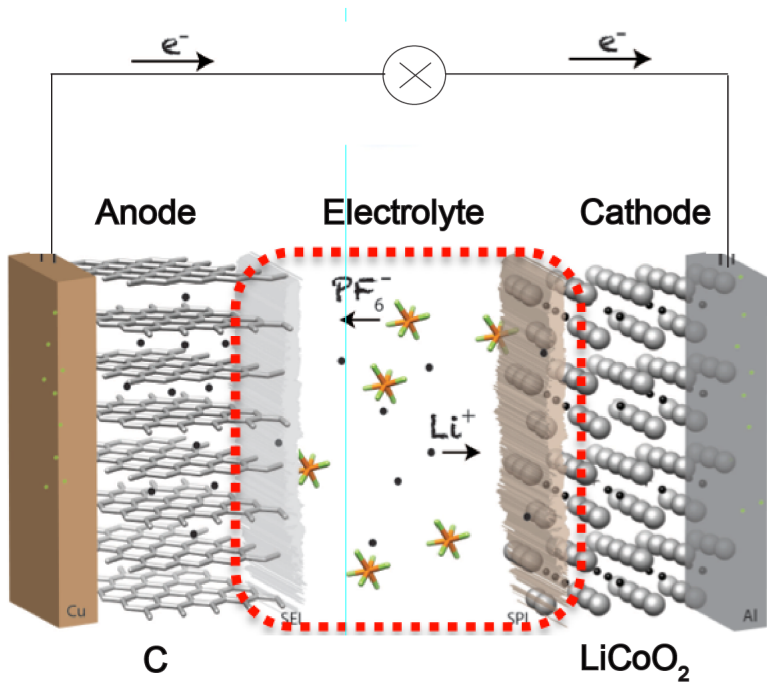
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"I feel that if it were possible for those far-seeing men who founded this Institution to come amongst us to-day, they would consider that the great heritage which they left us has been fully preserved."

Training of Mercantile Marine Officers

SOME important recommendations for the better training of apprentices for sea service are contained in a report just issued by an Advisory Committee to the Manning Committee of the Shipping Federation. To qualify for the position of a junior officer in the British Mercantile Marine, it is necessary to serve an apprenticeship of four years, or three years if a boy has passed through the *Conway*, or *Worcester*, or *Pangbourne* College, and to pass the Board of Trade examination for second mate. At present, there is no recognised course of instruction or any uniformity in training for apprentices or cadets, and very often it is only with the greatest difficulty that apprentices prepare themselves for examination. Some shipping companies have special schemes of training; but such is not the general case. It is now proposed that a Central Board of Control should be set up with the power to draw up a standard syllabus of instruction, to set annual examination papers, to give practical advice to captains of ships in matters of education, to appoint local boards of examiners and to publish periodical statistics relating to the

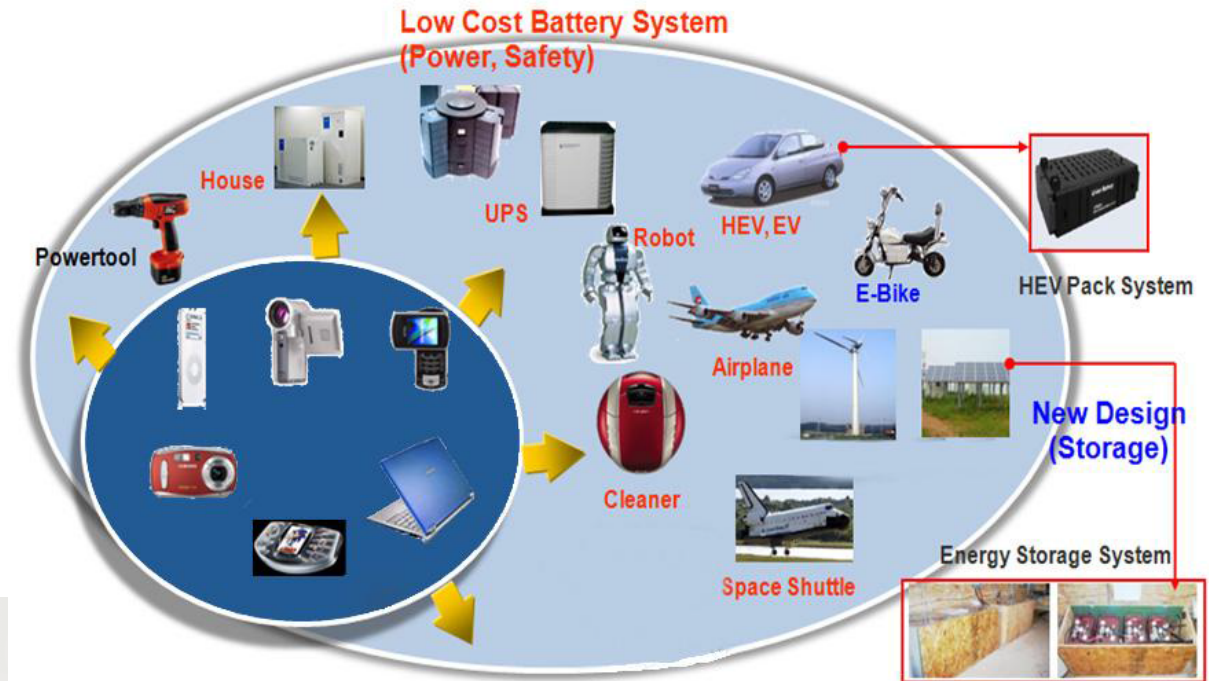
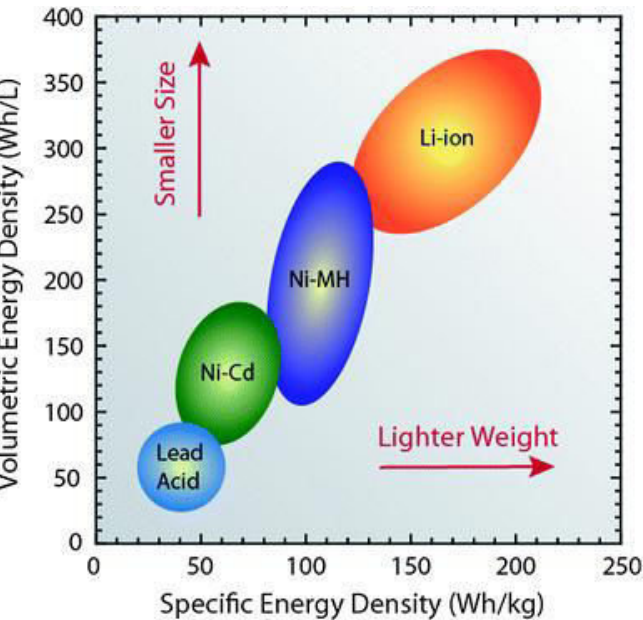
wear, valve seat wear, bearings, oil consumption, piston temperatures, brakes and other matters, and from these valuable information has been obtained.

Battery-Electric Cars

AFTER many years of almost suspended animation, the battery-electric vehicle industry is showing signs of life. At the Exide motor show, Mr. D. P. Dunne stated that the monthly output of these vehicles in Great Britain is larger than it has ever been before. Compared with petrol vehicles, they make less noise and produce less atmospheric pollution. Statistics prove that their life is much longer and their maintenance is much less than that of any other form of mechanically propelled road vehicle. Several corporations are using electric vans in connexion with their electrical apparatus hiring schemes. The West Ham undertaking has vans with a speed of 20 miles per hour and a range of 50 miles per charge. They use an electric motor coupled to the back-axle through differential gearing. The charging arrangements are quite simple: a 'jack' is provided on the dashboard for connecting with the mains and there is an automatic control to limit the rate of charging. This undertaking has introduced a night tariff of 0.66d. per unit for vehicle charging. In certain cases, such vehicles will prove more economical than petrol vans.

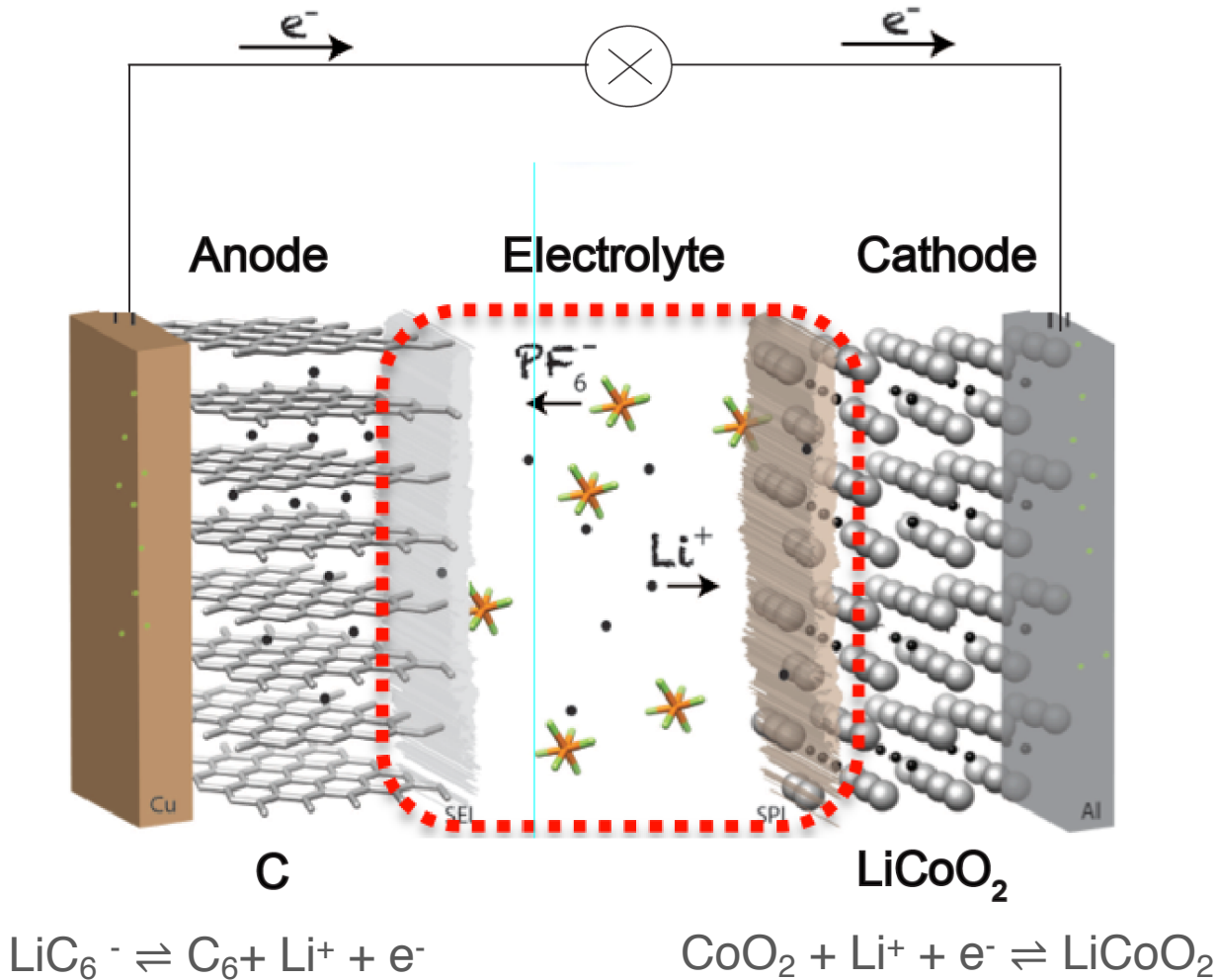
Energy storage - batteries

- Modular design
- Flexibility in shape
- Charge/discharge speed



Energy storage - batteries

Li-ion battery



Proof of concept
1983, Sony

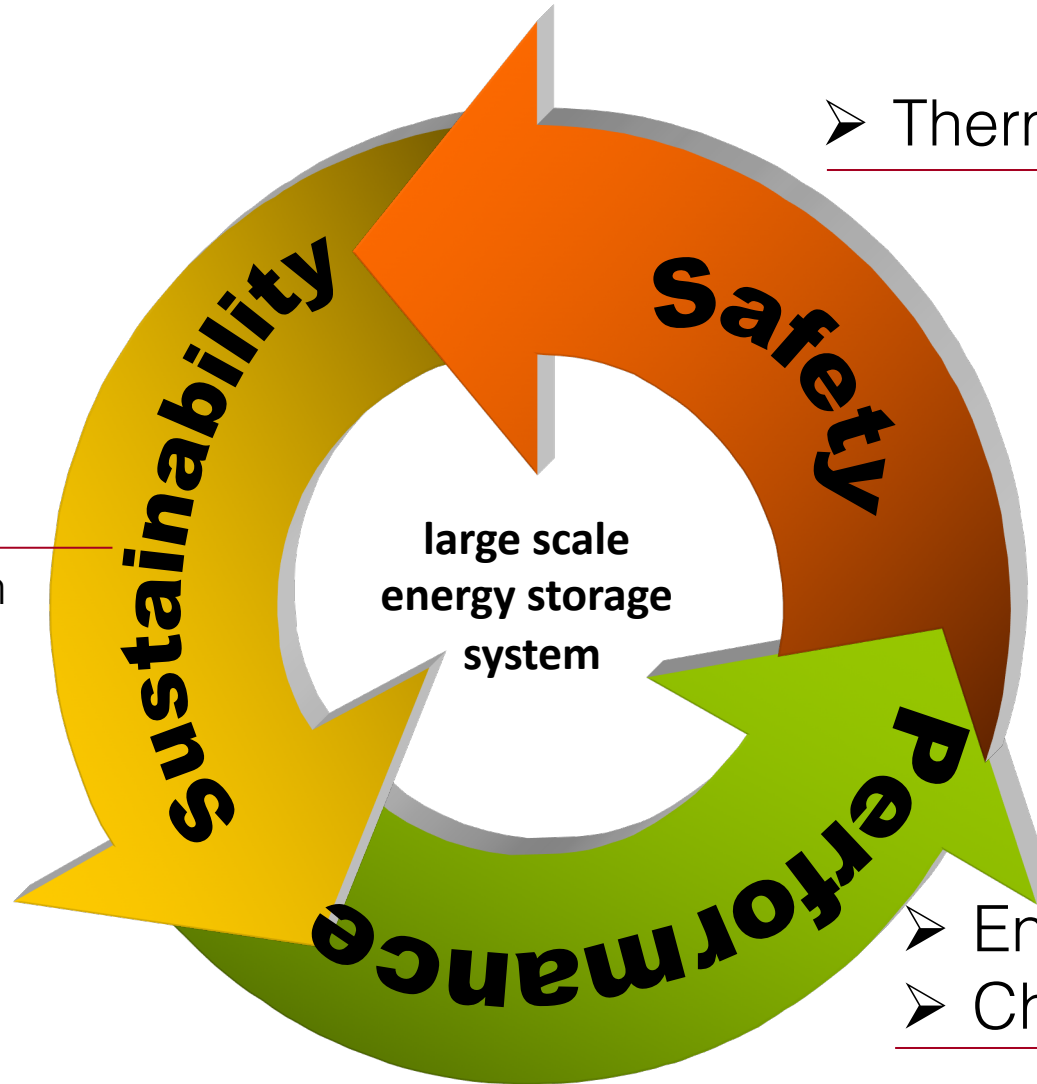


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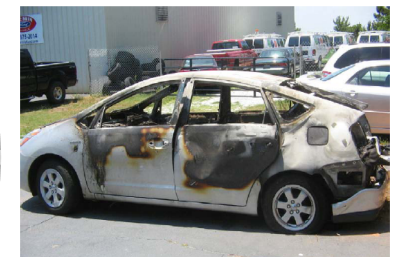
ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

- Recycling
- Life cycle
- Cost

Co: 41,850 US\$/ton

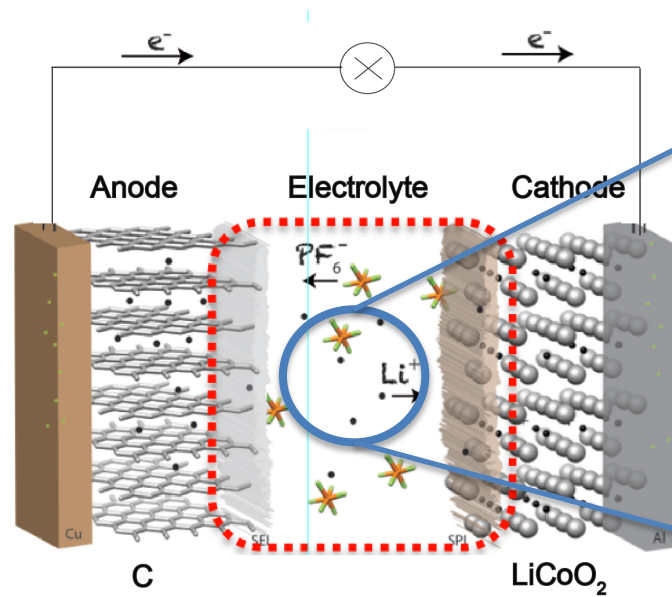


- Thermal runaway



- Energy density
- Charge rate

Electrolytes for next generation batteries



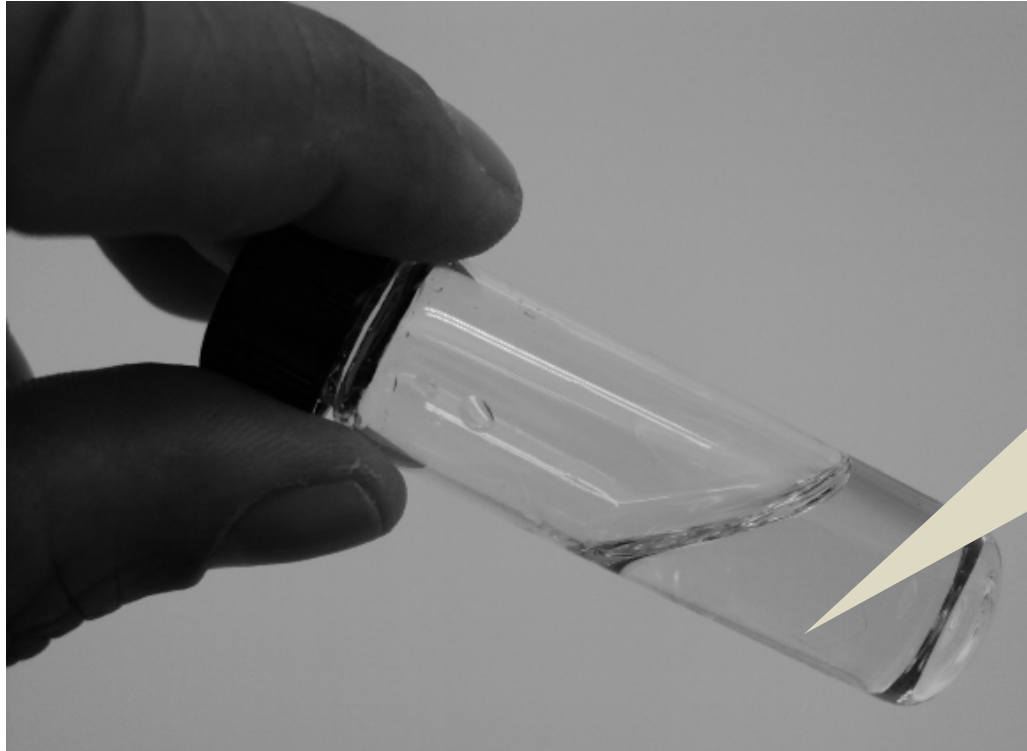
Properties?

- Thermally stable
- Electrochemically stable (large voltage window)
- High conductivity
- Cost
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Materials?

- Organic solvents
- Polymer membranes & gels
- Ceramics/glasses
- Ionic liquids

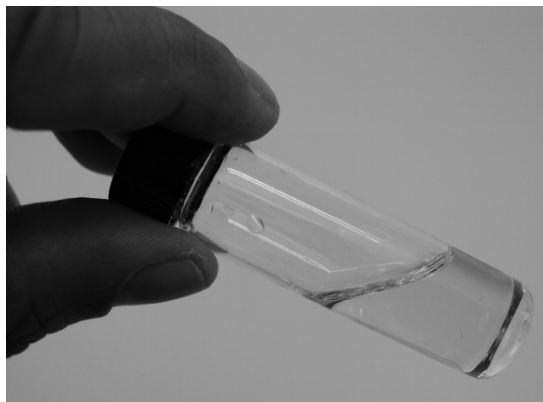
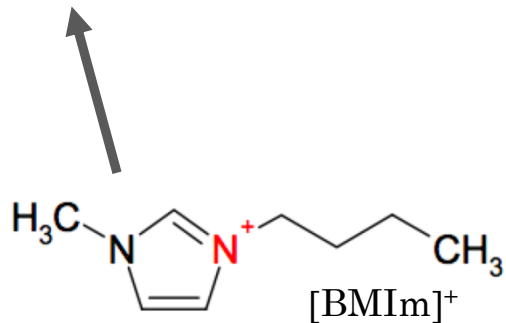
IONIC LIQUIDS



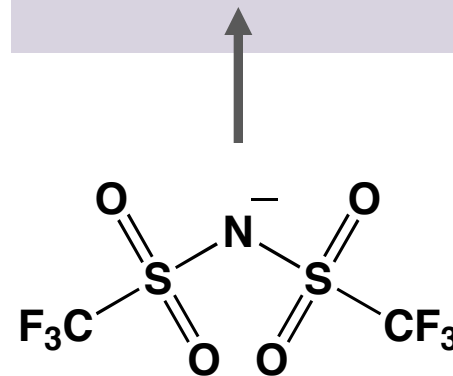
Only ions !

IONIC LIQUIDS

Salt/IL	T_m (° C)
NaCl	803
KCl	772
[BMIm]Cl	65



IL	T_m (° C)
[BMIm]Cl	65
[BMIm]PF ₆	10
[BMIm][TFSI]	-22



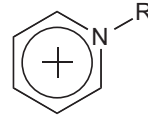
IONIC LIQUIDS

- ❑ Bulky
- ❑ Asymmetric
- ❑ Weakly coordinating
- ❑ Flexibility in the design

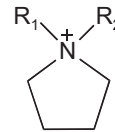
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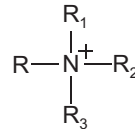
1-alkyl-3-alkylimidazolium



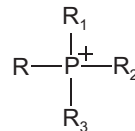
1-alkylpyridinium



N-alkyl-N-alkylpyrrolidinium

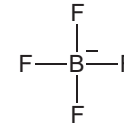


Tetraalkylammonium

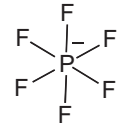


Tetraalkylphosphonium

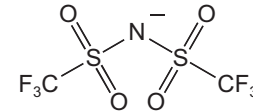
Anions



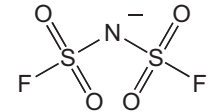
Tetrafluoroborate



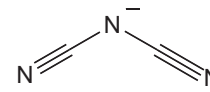
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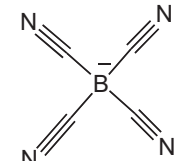
Bis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)imide



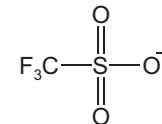
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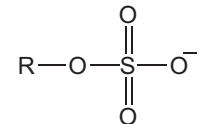
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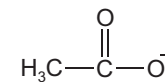
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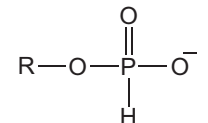
Trifluoromethanesulfonate



Alkyl-sulfonate



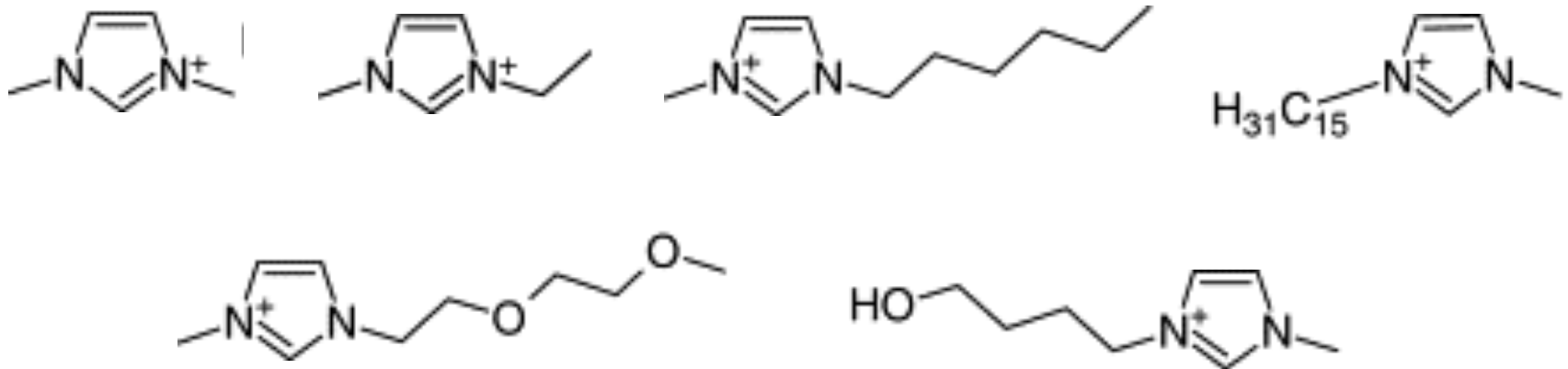
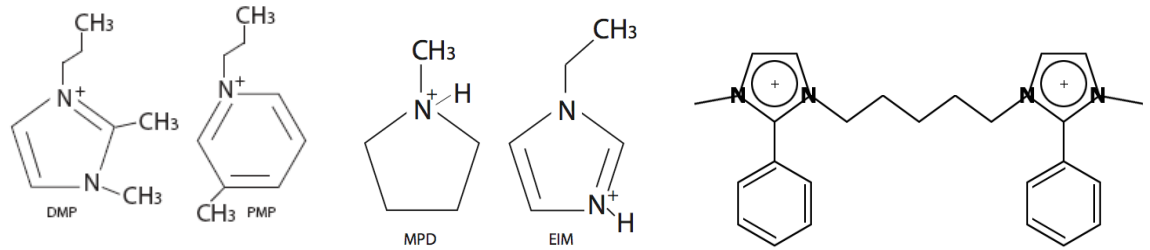
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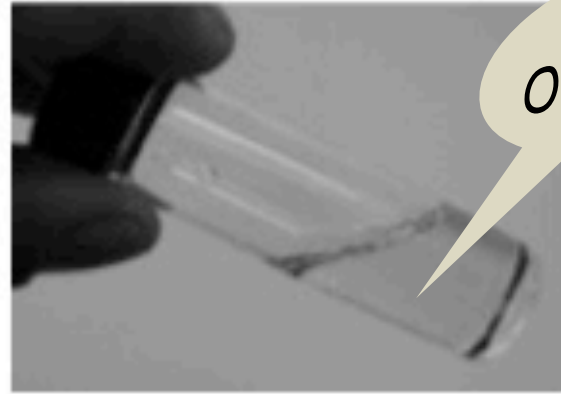
Alkyl-phosphonate

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IONIC LIQUIDS



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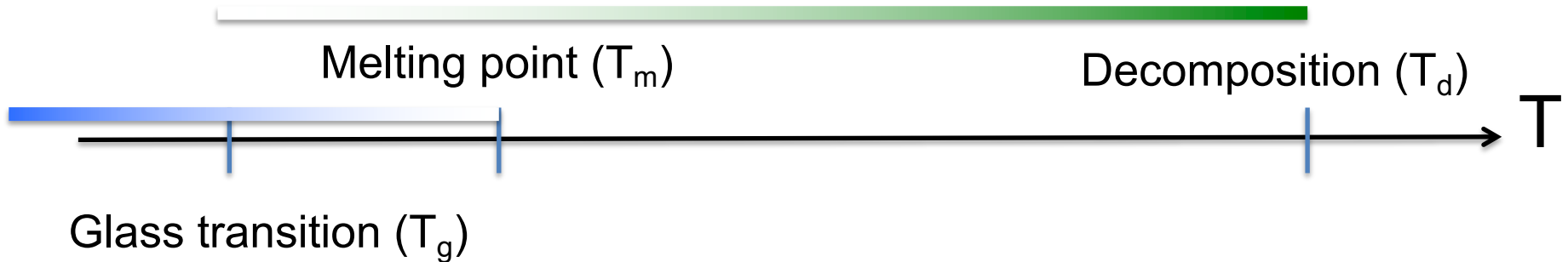
- Wide liquid range
- High ionic conductivity
- Non-volatility
- Low vapour pressure
- Thermal stability ($> 200\text{C}$)
- Electrochemical stability ($>4\text{ V}$)
- Non-flammability

IONIC LIQUIDS

Solid

Liquid

Gas



- No/small vapour pressure – decomposition before boiling
- Many ILs are easily supercooled – crystallization can easily be avoided



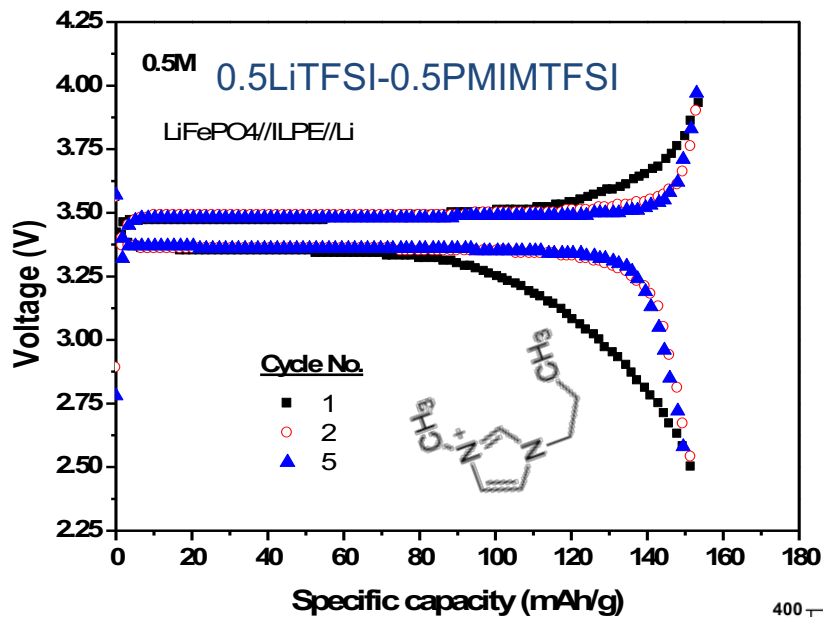
Ionic liquids for energy applications

Aleksandar Matic and Bruno Scrosati, Guest Editors

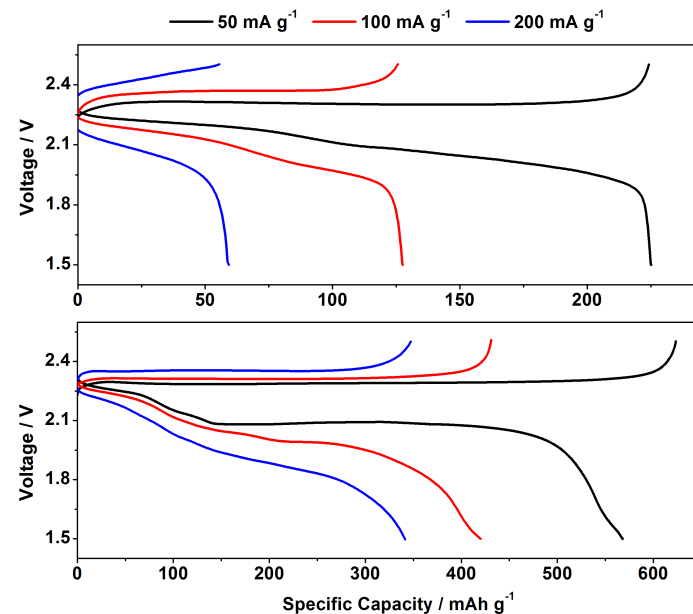
There is an urgent need for new energy storage and conversion systems in order to tackle the environmental problems we face today and to make the transition to a fossil fuel-free society. New batteries, supercapacitors, and fuel cells have the potential to be key devices for large-scale energy storage systems for load leveling and electric vehicles. In many cases, the concepts are known, but the right materials solutions are lacking. Ionic liquids (ILs) have been highlighted as suitable materials to be included in new devices, most commonly as electrolytes. Attractive features of ILs such as high ionic conductivity, low vapor pressure, high thermal and electrochemical stability, large temperature range for the liquid phase, and flexibility in molecular design have drawn the attention of researchers from many different fields. In addition, there is the possibility of designing new materials and morphologies using electrochemical synthesis with ILs. In this article, we provide an introduction to ILs and their properties, serving as a base for the topical articles in this issue.

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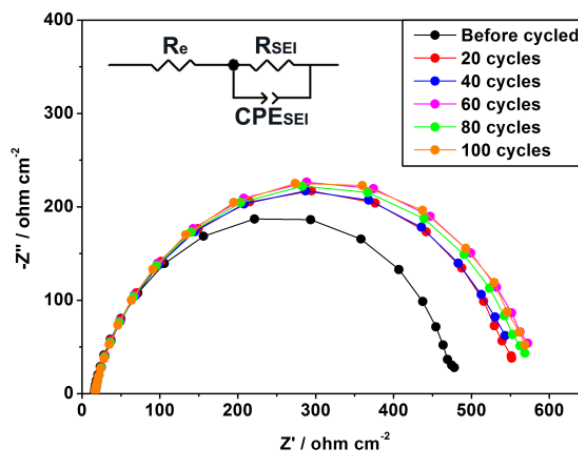
Electrolytes for Li-batteries



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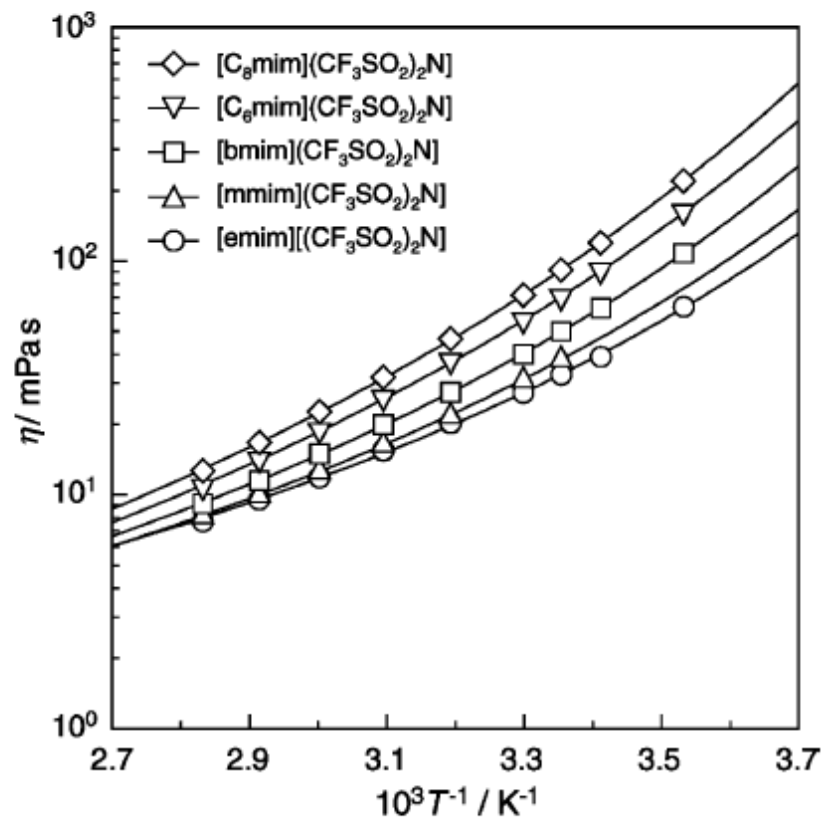
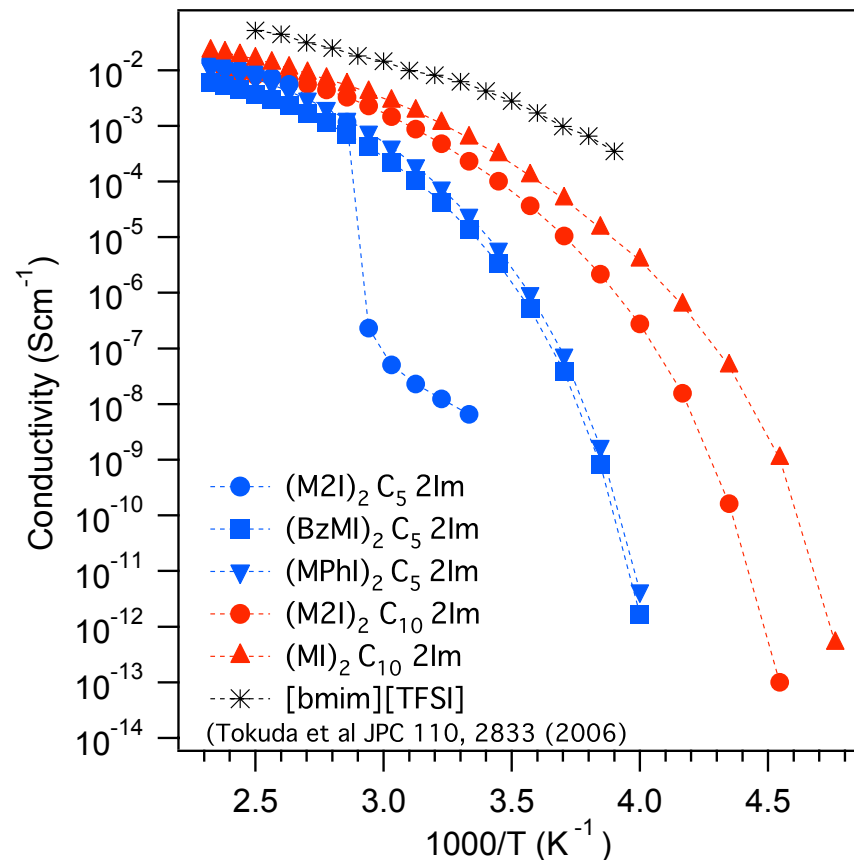


LiS-battery S//IL//Li cell

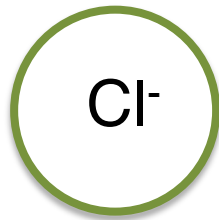


Ion transport – conductivity

Ion transport strongly coupled to viscosity

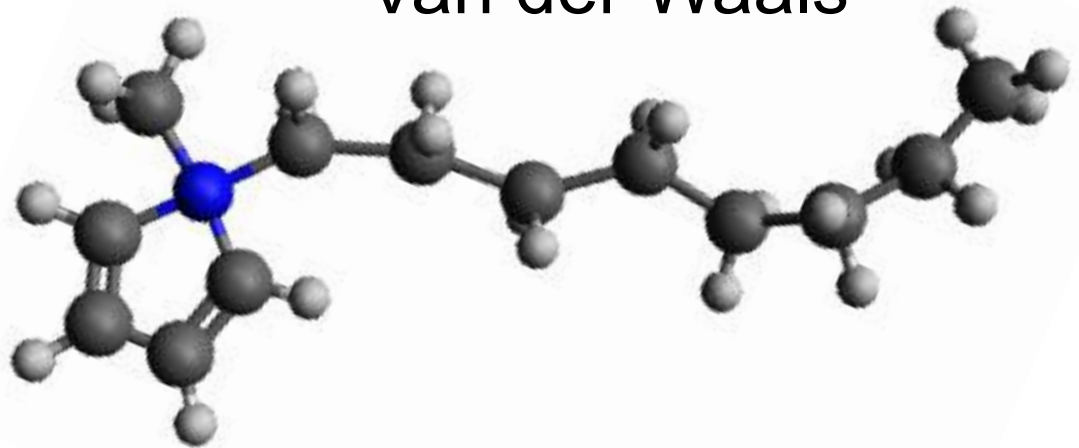


Interactions



Ionic

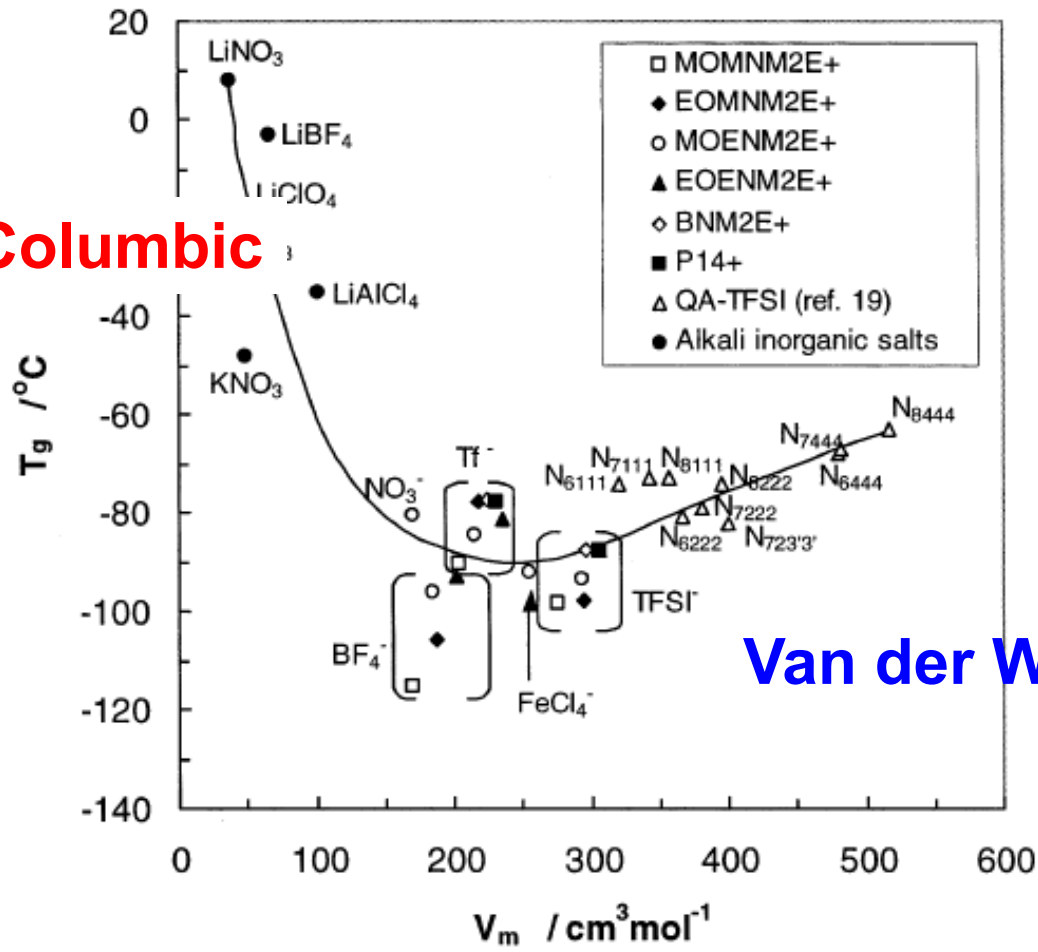
Van der Waals



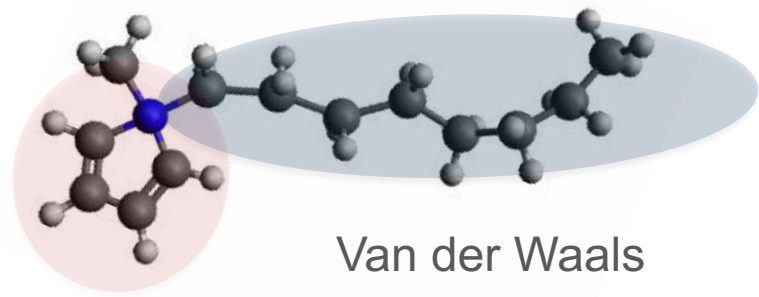
Interactions

T_g vs molar volume V_m
 $V_m^{1/3} \approx (r^+ + r^-)$

Coulombic



Van der Waals

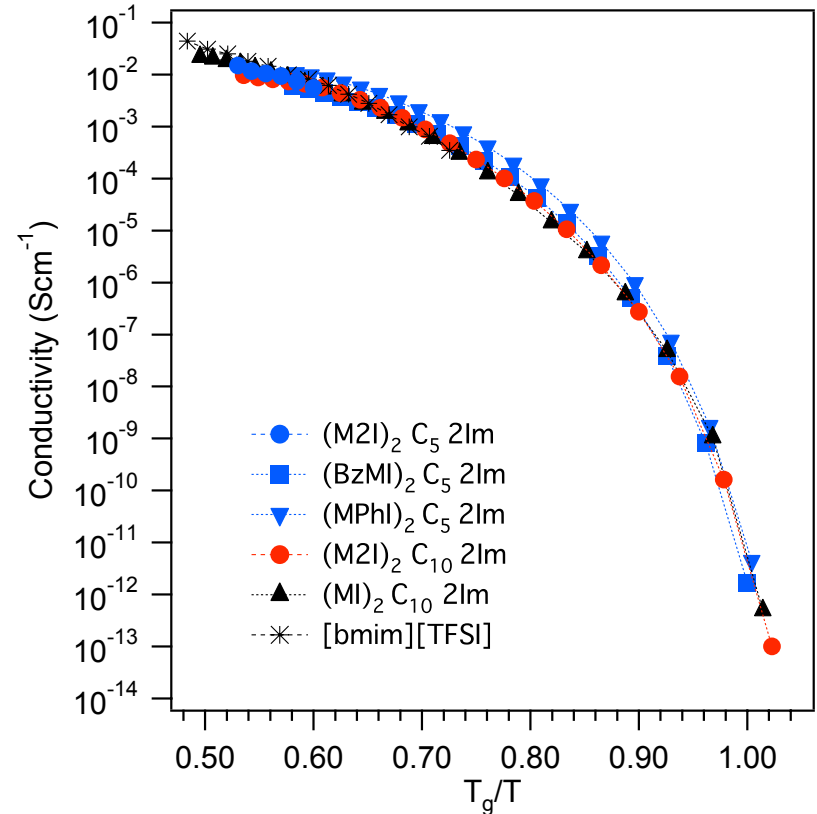
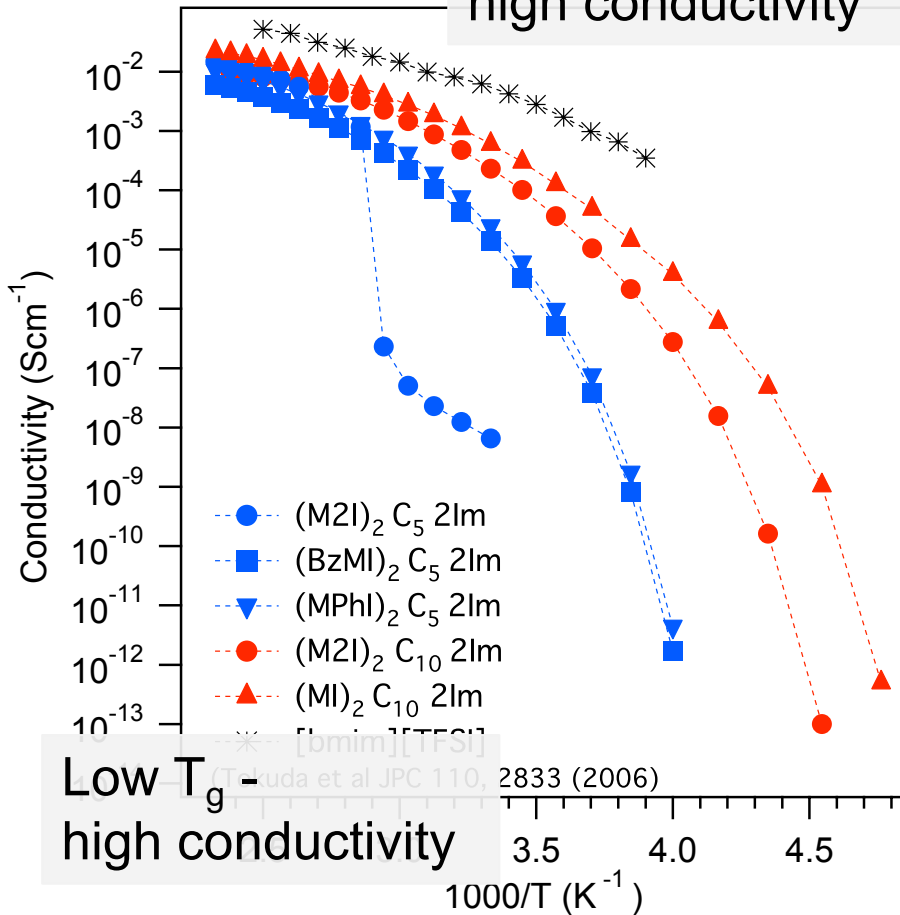


Ionic

Van der Waals

Ion transport – conductivity

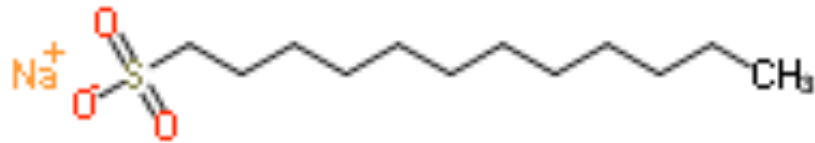
Small ions -
high conductivity



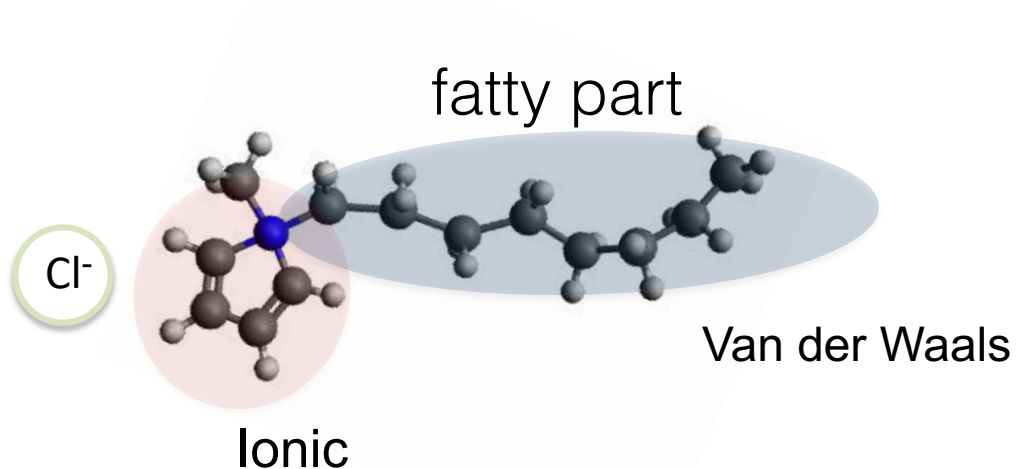
Conductivity scales with T_g –
strong connection between σ and η

IL cations resemble surfactants!

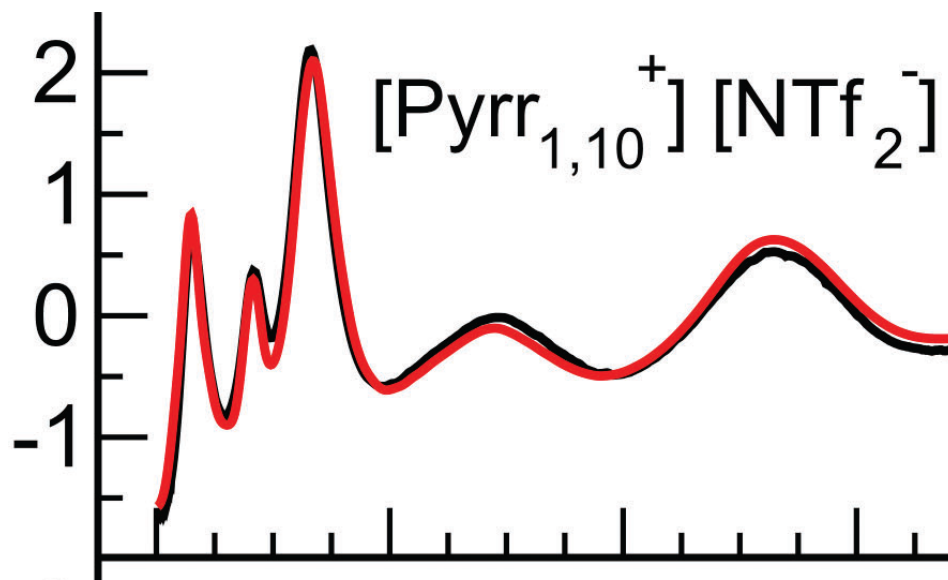
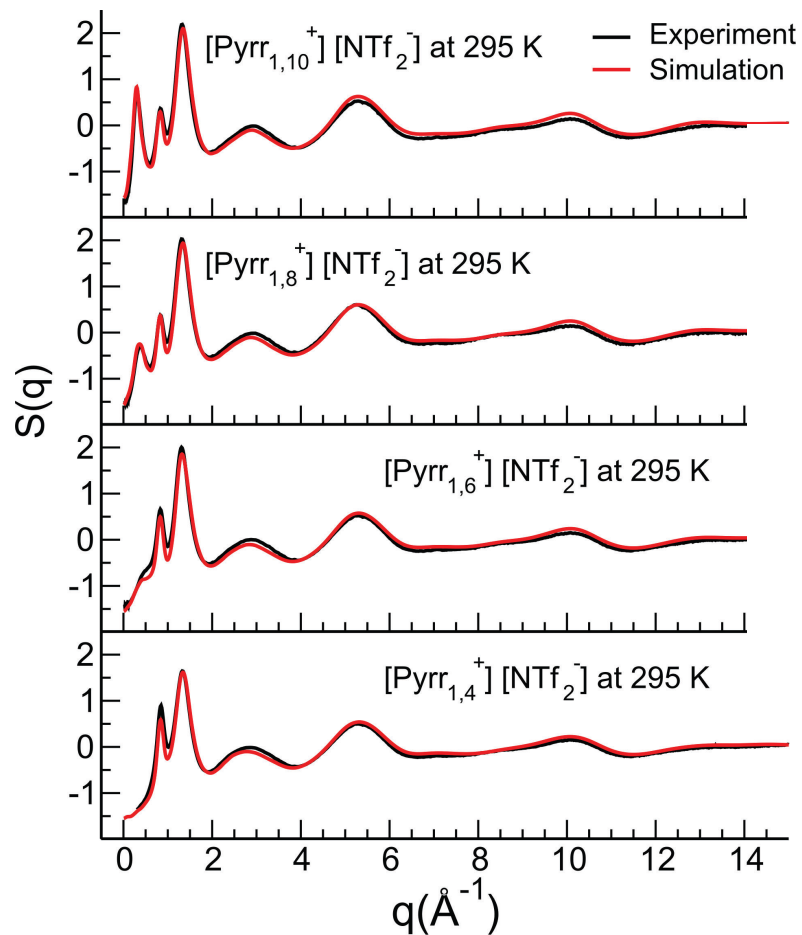
Surfactant



Ionic liquid

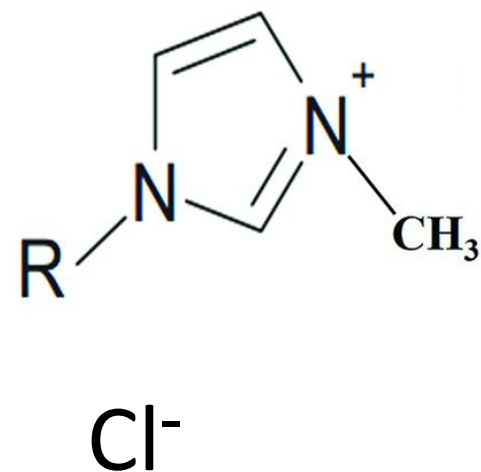
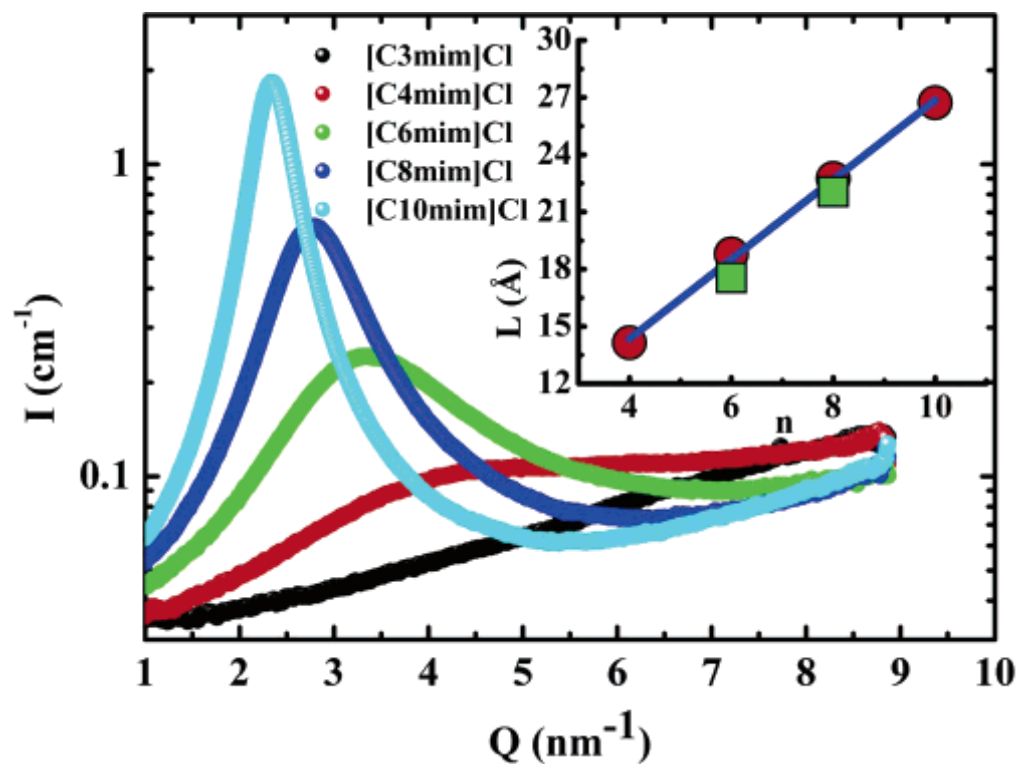


NANO-STRUCTURE IN ILs

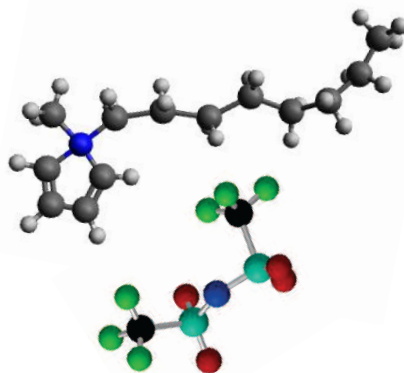
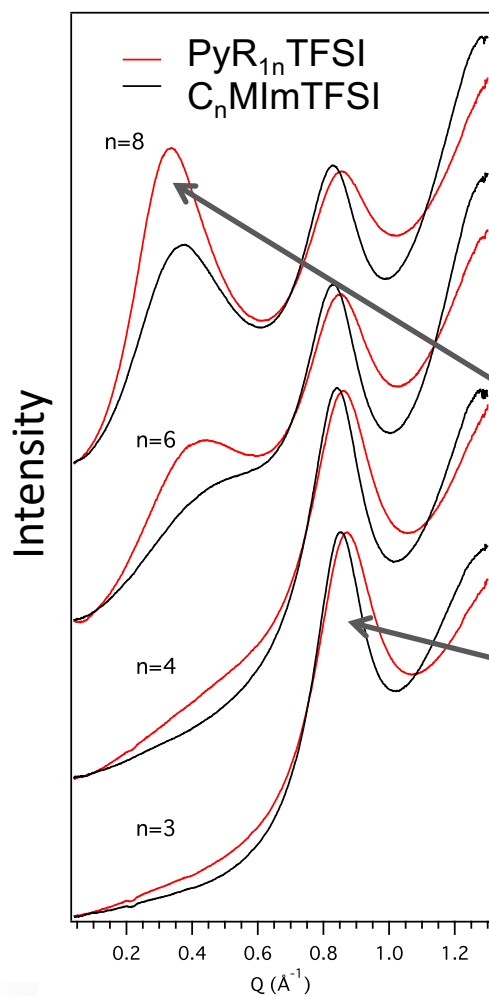


NANO-STRUCTURE IN ILs

□ Distinct peak in SAXS (or SANS)

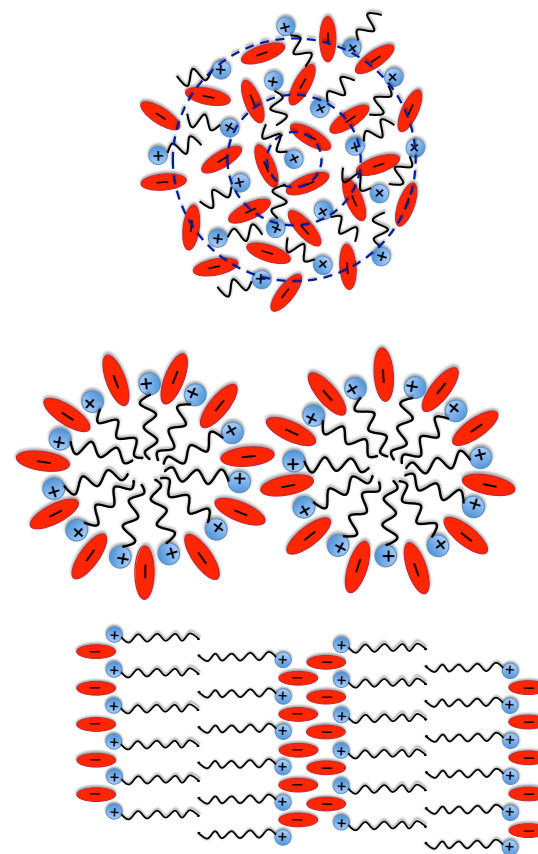


Nano-structure in IL electrolytes



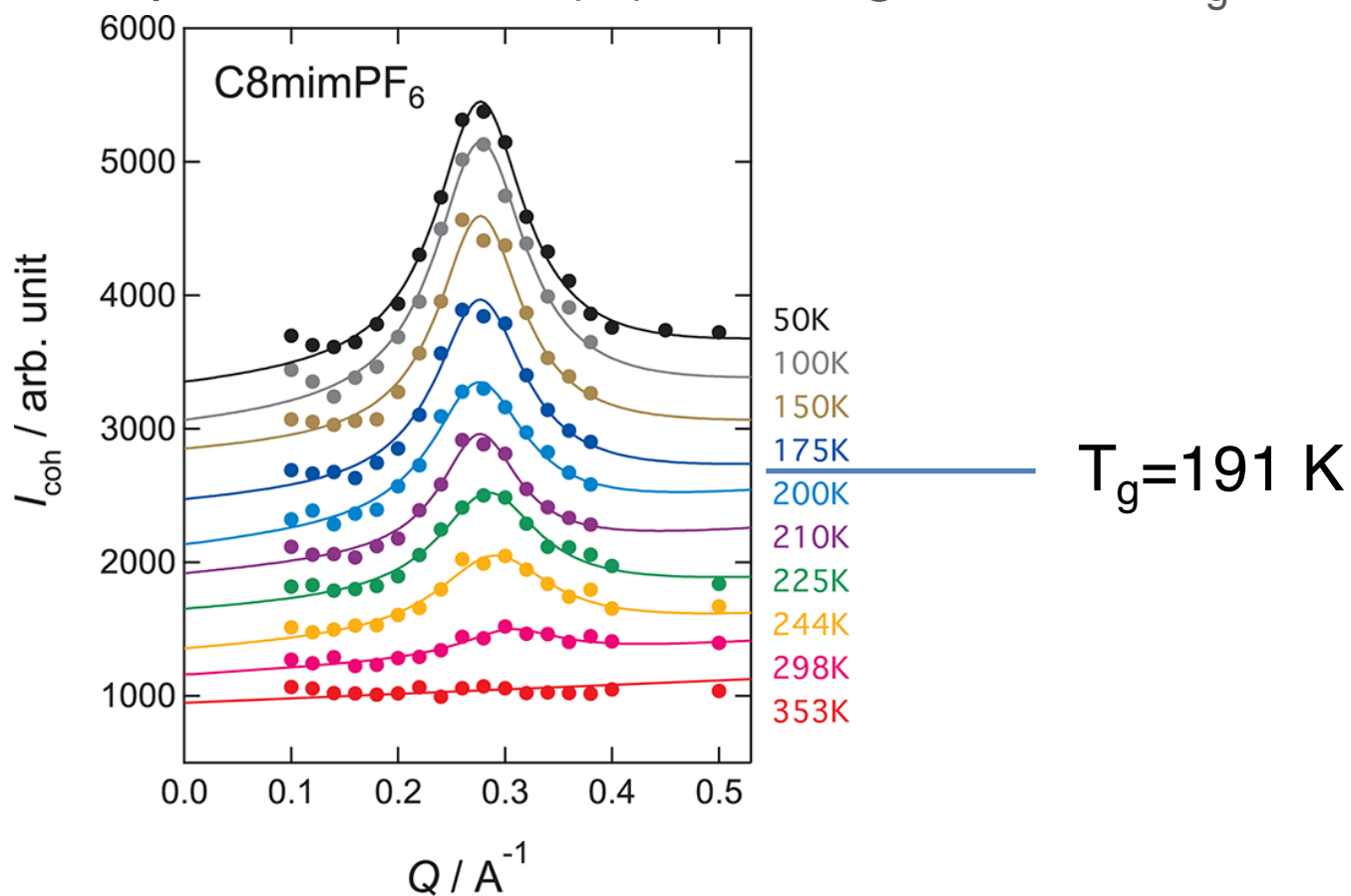
Ordering of apolar domains

Charge ordering

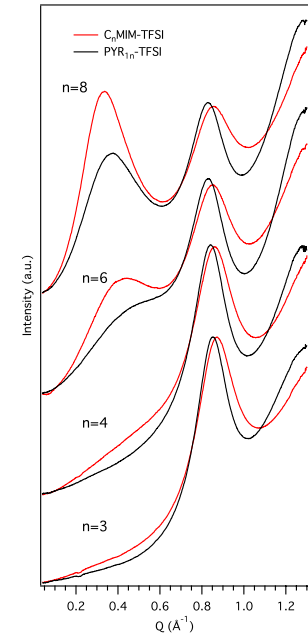
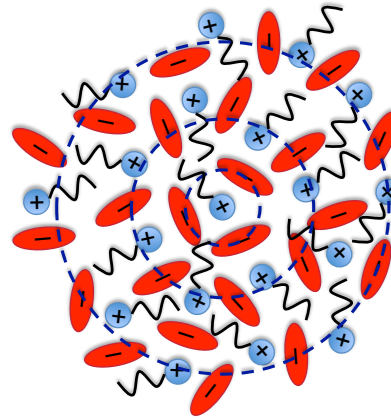
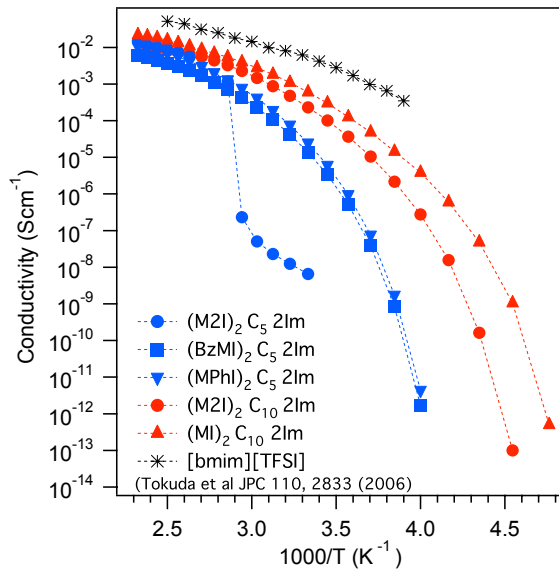


Structuring in ionic liquids electrolytes

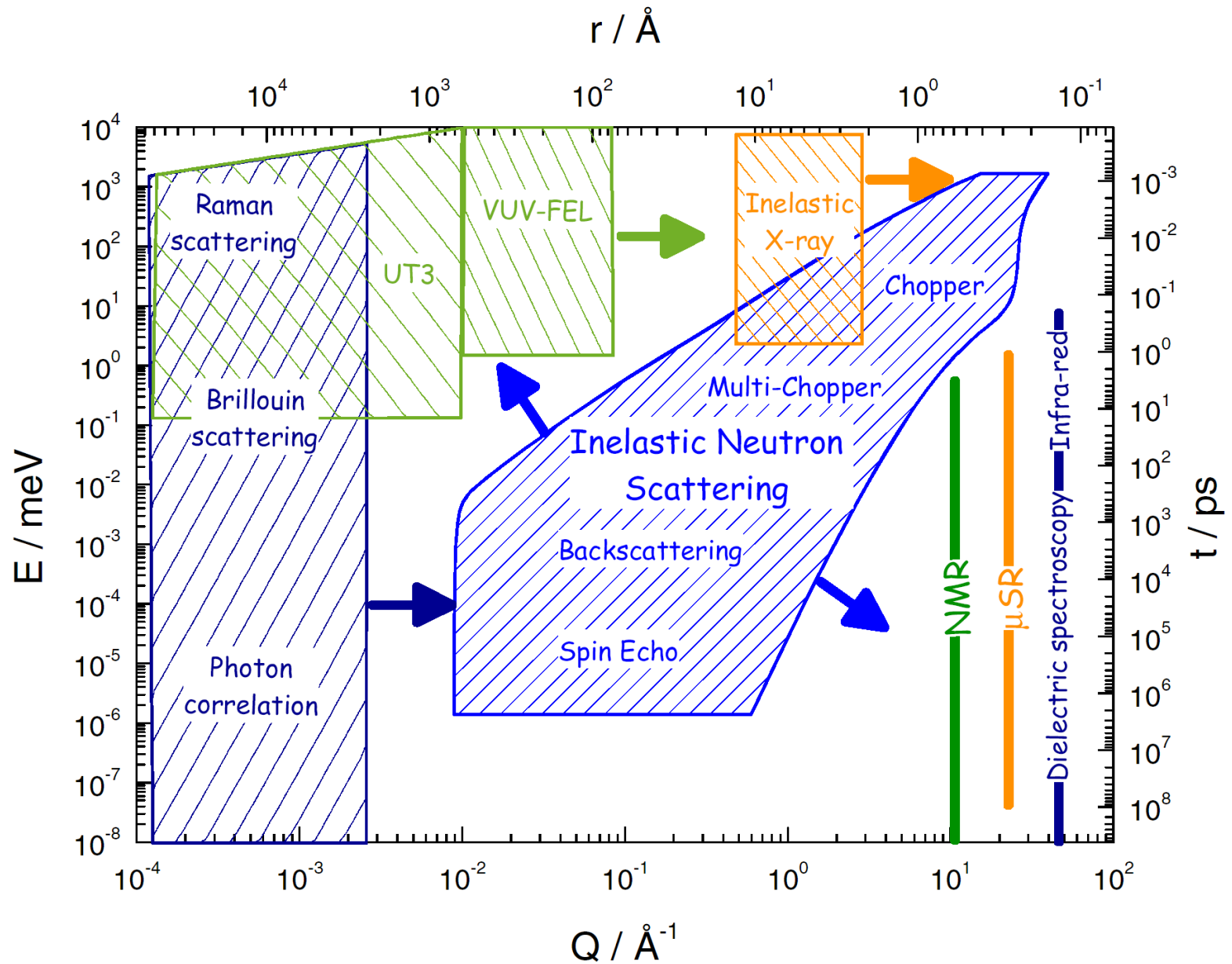
Temperature dependence of $S(Q)$ – changes below T_g



Ion transport



Understanding ion transport in ionic liquids requires looking at the dynamics on relevant length scales



NEUTRONS HAVE IT ALL



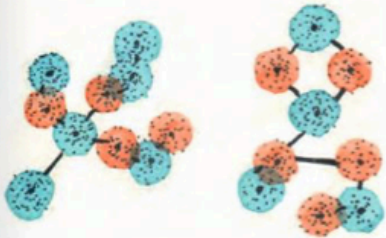
EVEN IF WE'RE
JOKING, THIS SAYING
IS WELL-KNOWN
AND IT'S GENERALLY
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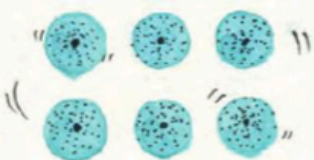
Nicolas, physicist

THE NEUTRON ALLOWS US TO DETERMINE:

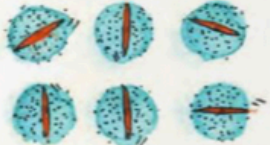
The organization of atoms*
and the position of each one



The individual and collective
movements of atoms* and
molecules*



The orientation and power of small
magnets carried by atoms* in
magnetic materials.



Let's scatter neutrons

ORPHÉE,
NUCLEAR RESEARCH
REACTOR IN SACLAY

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Scattering experiment

In the experiment we measure the double differential scattering cross section

$$\frac{\partial^2 \sigma_s}{\partial \Omega \partial \omega}$$

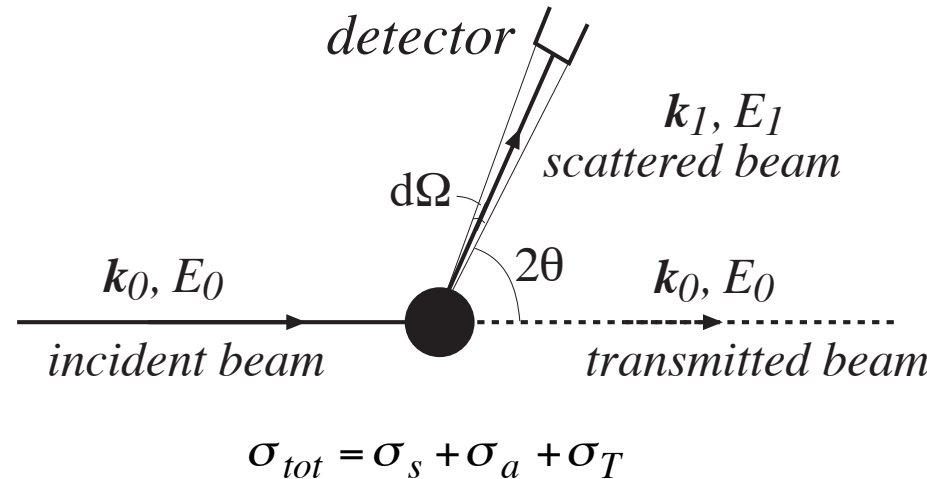
$$\sigma_s = \iint \frac{d^2 \sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} d\omega d\Omega$$

total scattering cross section

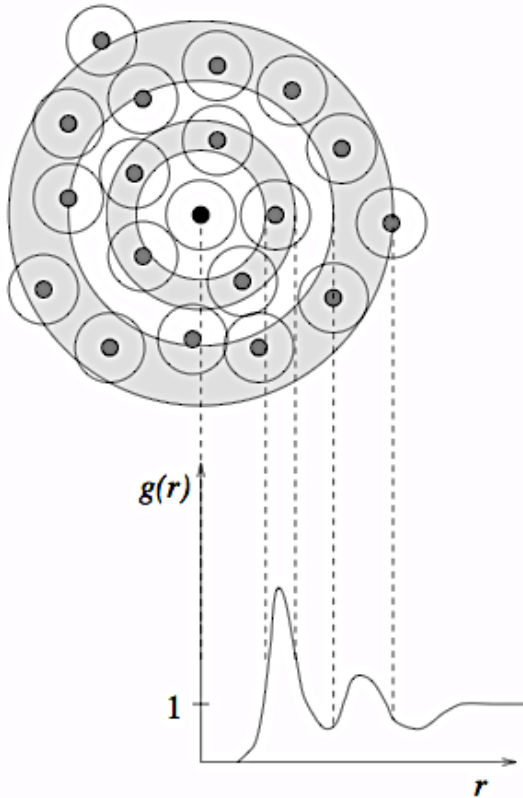
$$\frac{\partial^2 \sigma}{\partial \Omega \partial \omega} \propto \int dt \int dr e^{-i(\omega t - Qr)} \langle \rho(r,0) \rho(r'+r,t) \rangle = S(Q,\omega)$$

$$g(r,t) = \frac{1}{N} \int dr' \langle \rho(r',0) \rho(r'+r,t) \rangle$$

$$g(r,t) \Leftrightarrow S(Q,\omega) \text{ (Fourier transforms)}$$



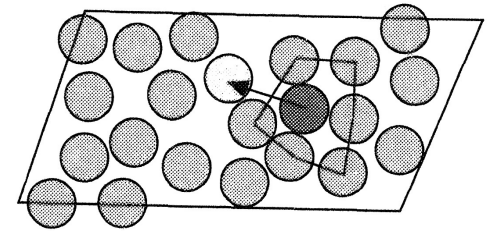
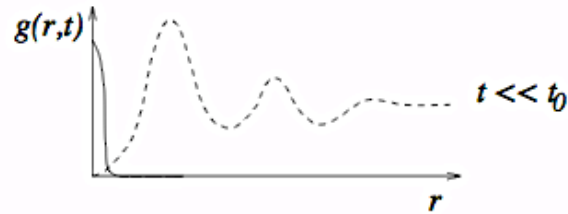
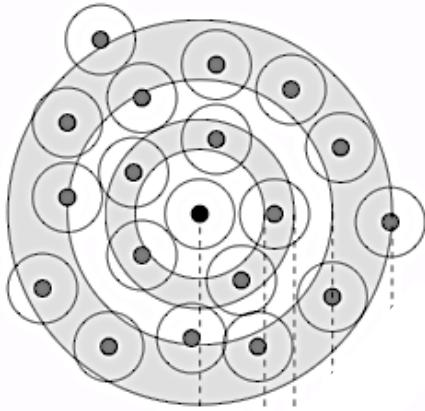
$g(r,t)$ – structure & dynamics



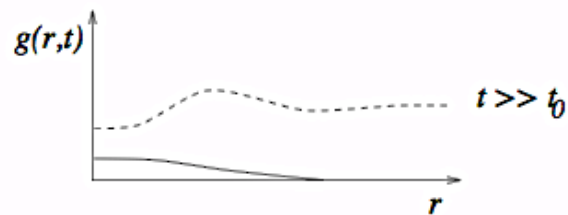
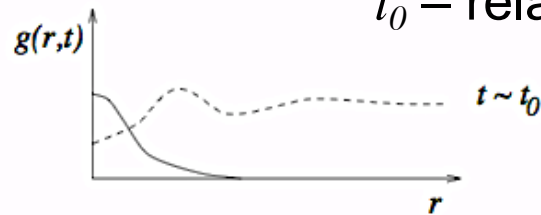
$$g(r,0) = \delta(r) + \sum_i \langle \delta(r - R_i + R_0) \rangle = \delta(r) + g(r)$$

Structure!

$g(r,t)$ – structure & dynamics



t_0 – relaxation time of the system

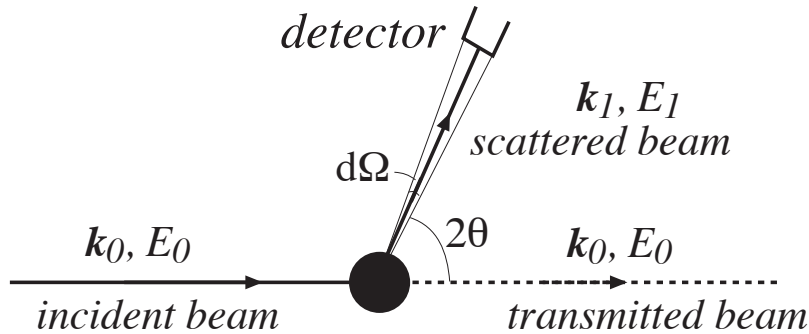


Dynamics!

$$g_s(r,t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \int \langle \delta\{r' - R_i(0)\} \delta\{r' + r - R_i(t)\} \rangle dr'$$

$$g_d(r,t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \neq j} \int \langle \delta\{r' - R_j(0)\} \delta\{r' + r - R_i(t)\} \rangle dr'$$

Scattering experiment



$$\langle b \rangle^2 = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N b_i \right)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle b^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N b_i^2 \right)$$

$$\sigma_{coh} = 4\pi \langle b \rangle^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{inc} = 4\pi \left(\langle b^2 \rangle - \langle b \rangle^2 \right)$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} = \frac{k_1}{k_0} \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\langle b \rangle^2 S_{coh}(Q, \omega) + \left(\langle b^2 \rangle - \langle b \rangle^2 \right) S_{inc}(Q, \omega) \right)$$

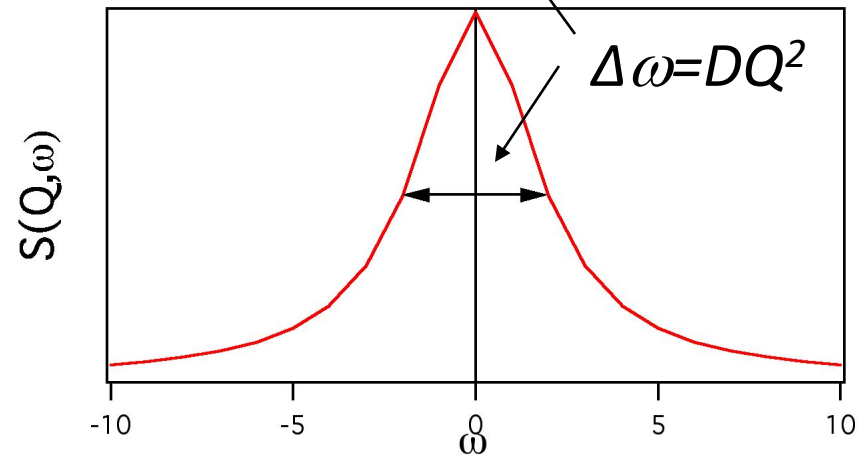
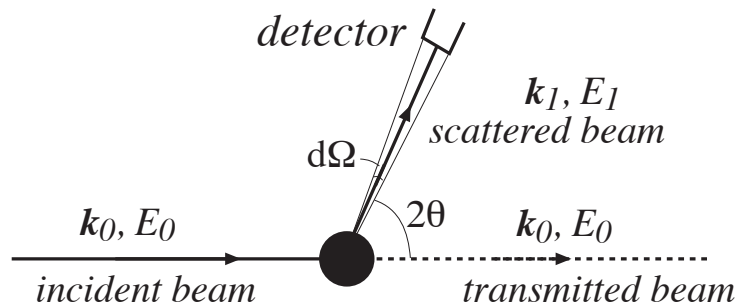
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Scattering experiments - dynamics

Example: Liquid like diffusion / Brownian dynamics

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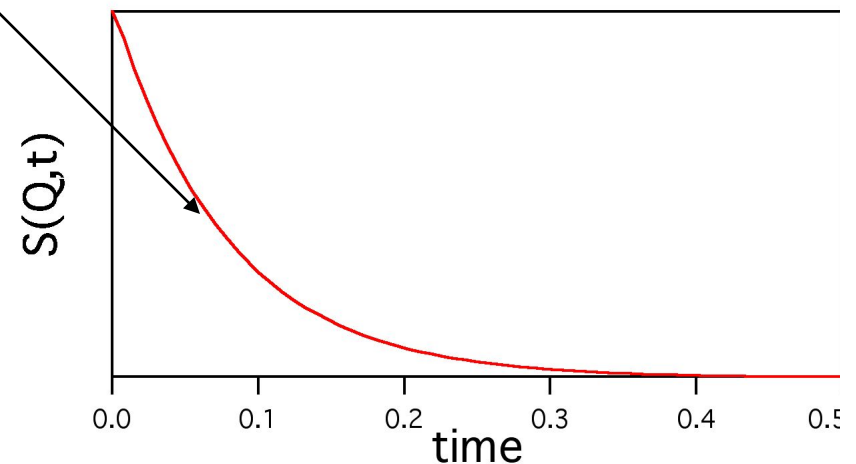
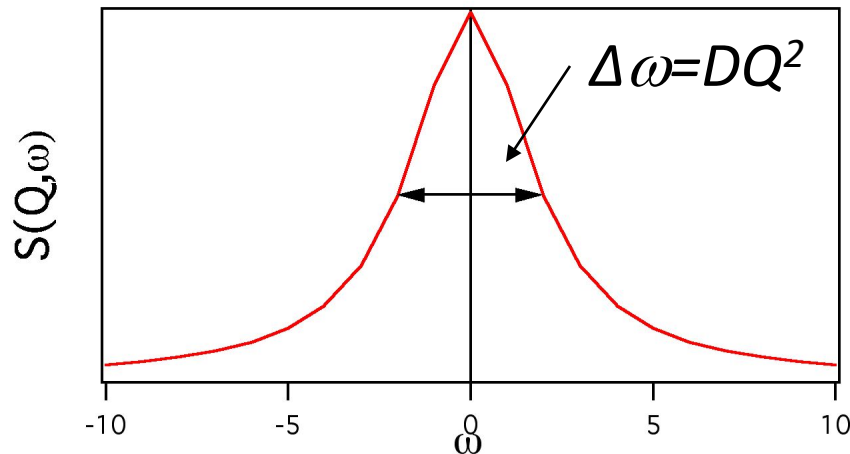


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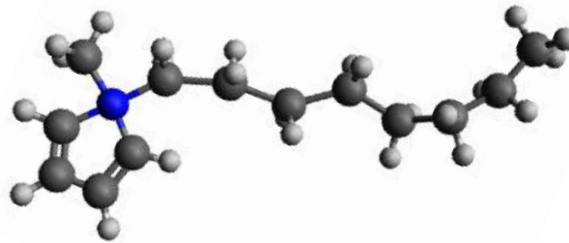
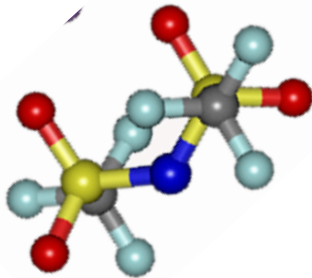
$$S(Q,\omega) \Rightarrow S(Q,t) \propto \exp\{-t/\tau\} \quad \tau = \frac{1}{DQ^2}$$



Intermediate scattering function

Neutrons for studying IL-dynamics?

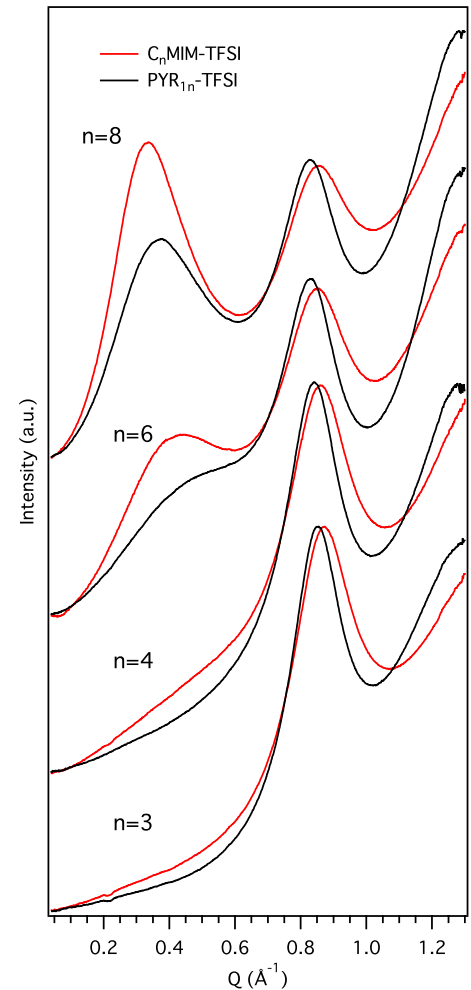
- ❑ Microscopic dynamics
- ❑ Relevant length & time scales
- ❑ Deuteration to look at either collective or single particle dynamics



Deuteration

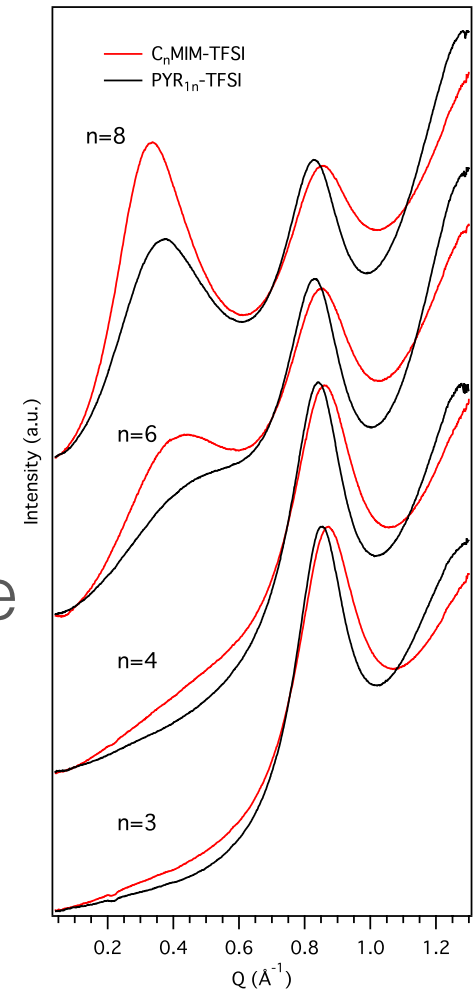
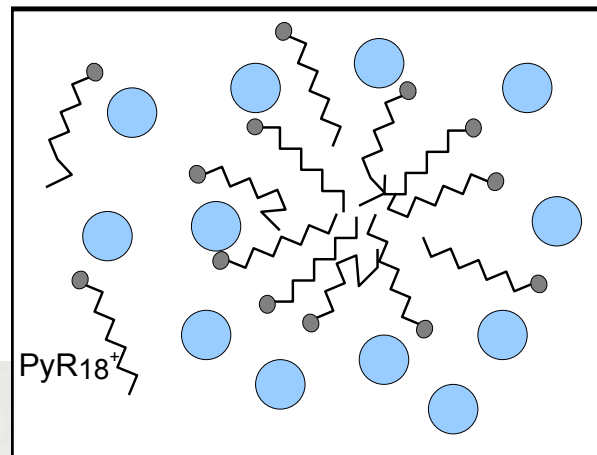
$$\text{H: } \sigma_{\text{coh}}=1.8 \quad \sigma_{\text{inc}}=80.2$$

$$\text{D: } \sigma_{\text{coh}}=5.6 \quad \sigma_{\text{inc}}=2.0$$



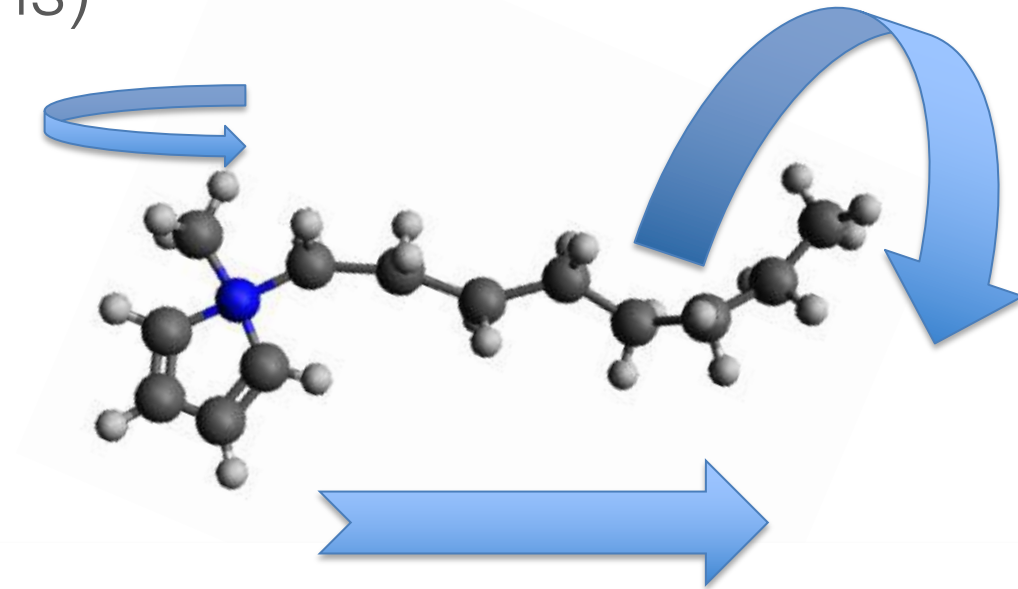
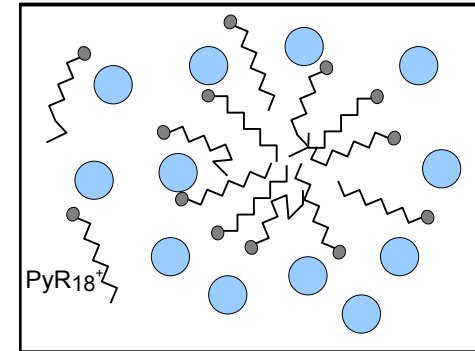
Neutrons for studying IL-dynamics?

- ❑ What is the link between microscopic dynamics & ion conductivity?
- ❑ How is the dynamics influenced by the nano-structure in the liquid - residence time in cluster/life time of cluster?

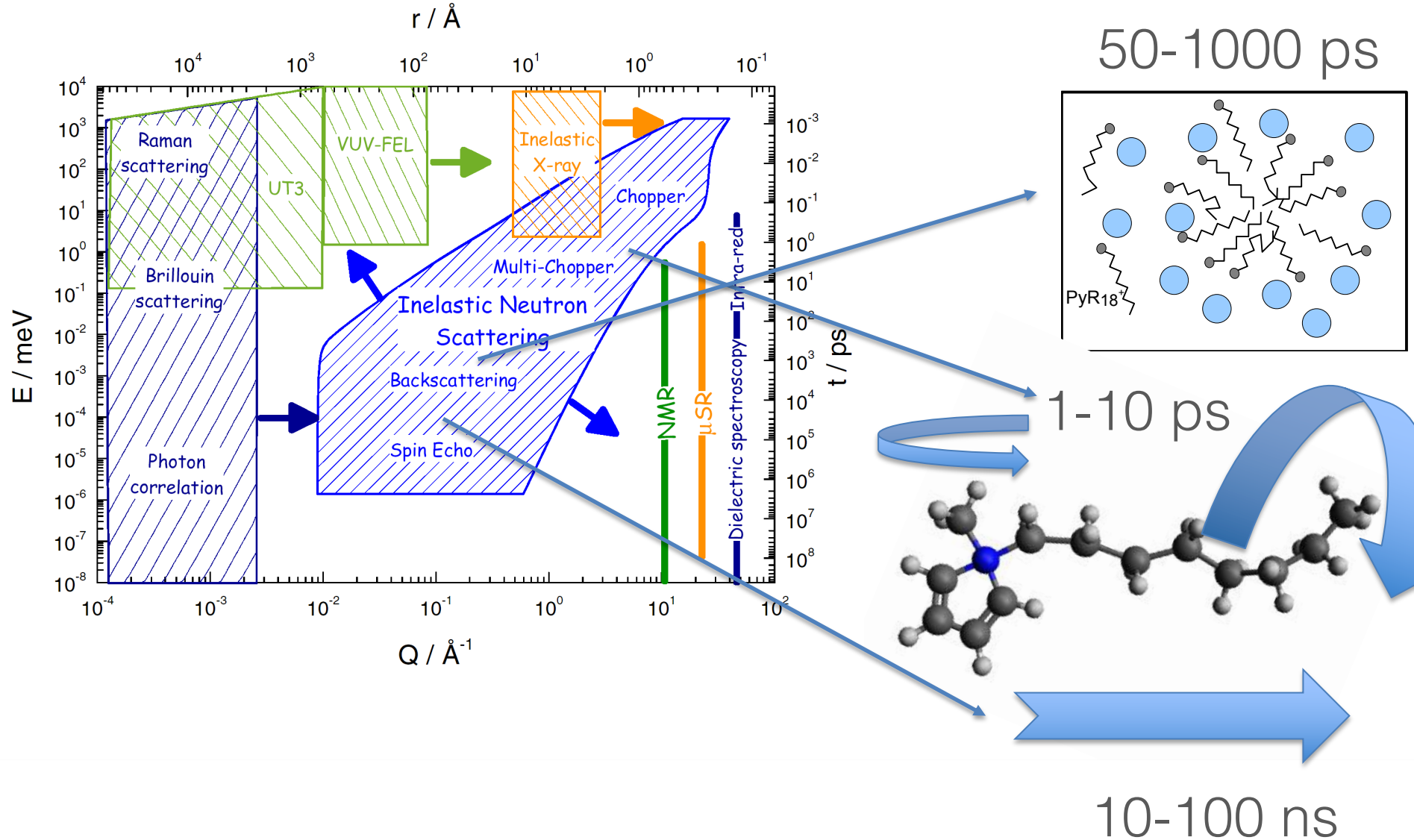


Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids

- ❑ Fast dynamics (few ps)
 - rotations, librations, ..
- ❑ Intermediate dynamics (100 ps)
 - residence time / cluster dynamics
- ❑ Slow dynamics (1-100ns)
 - Diffusive/translational

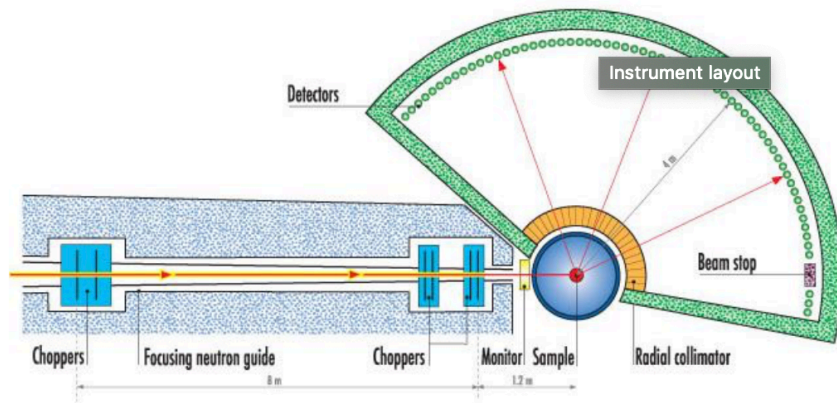


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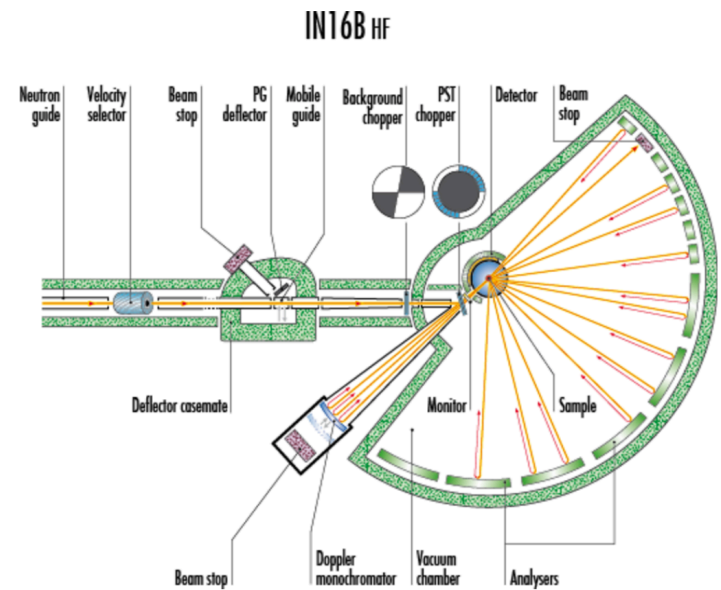


Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids

IN5 – TOF Spectrometer
(resolution 50-100 μeV)

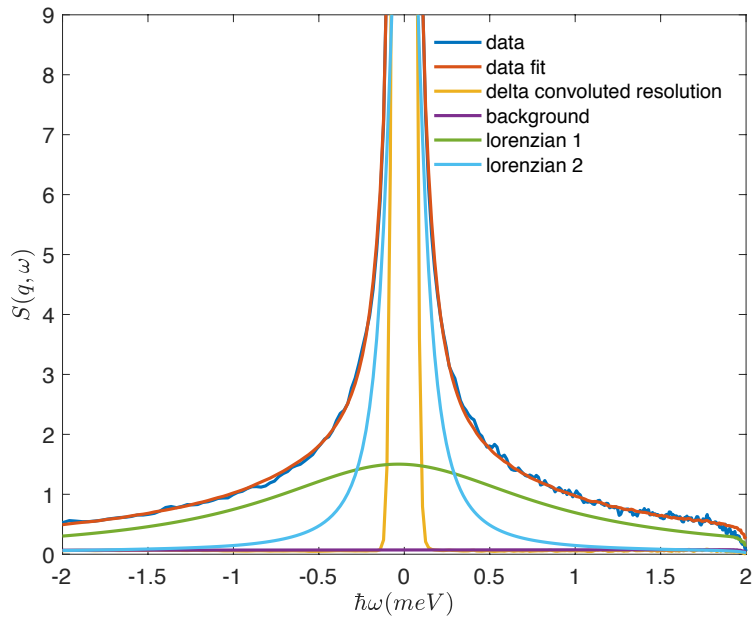


IN16B – Backscattering
(resolution 1 μeV)

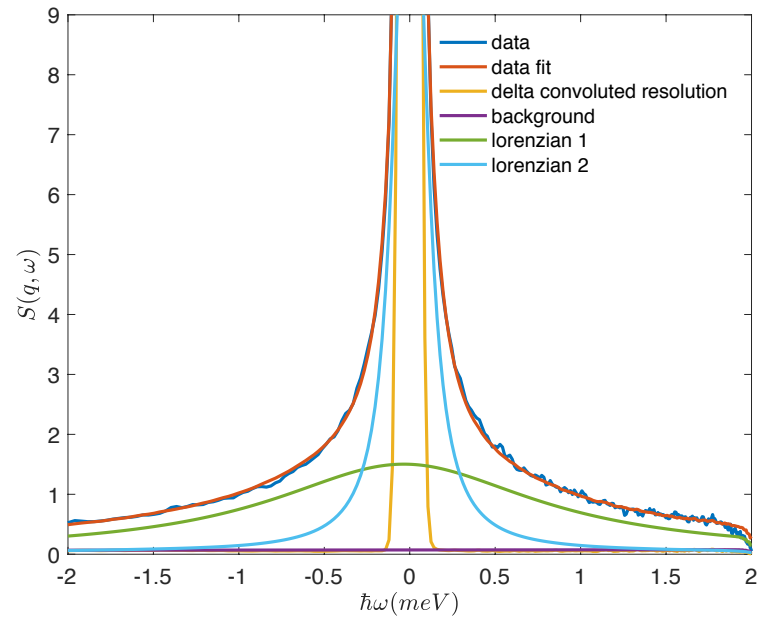


Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids

IN5/ILL – TOF Spectrometer
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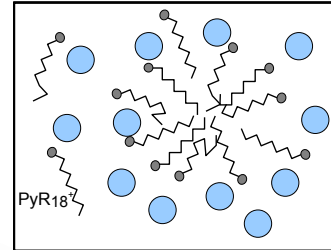


IN16B/ILL – Backscattering
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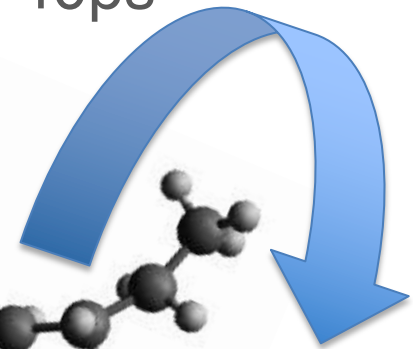
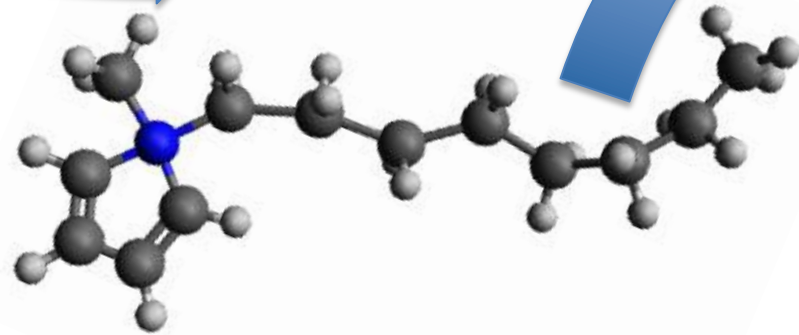
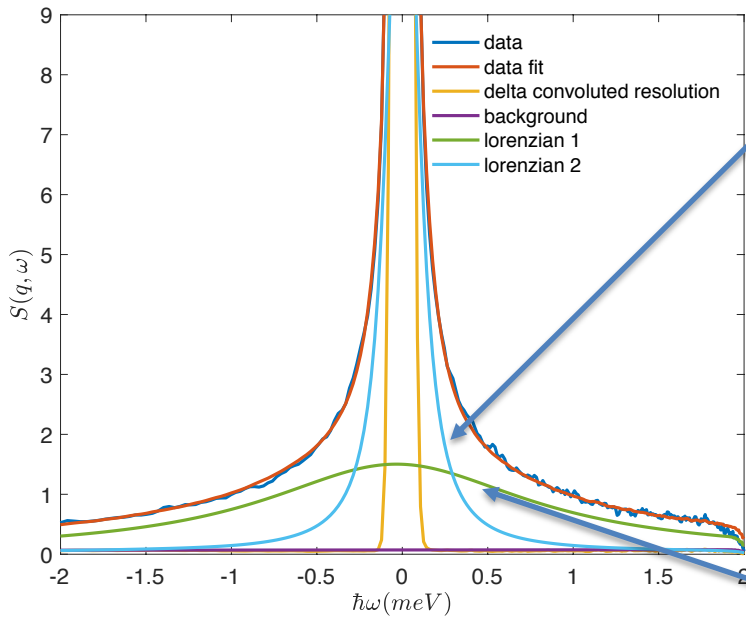


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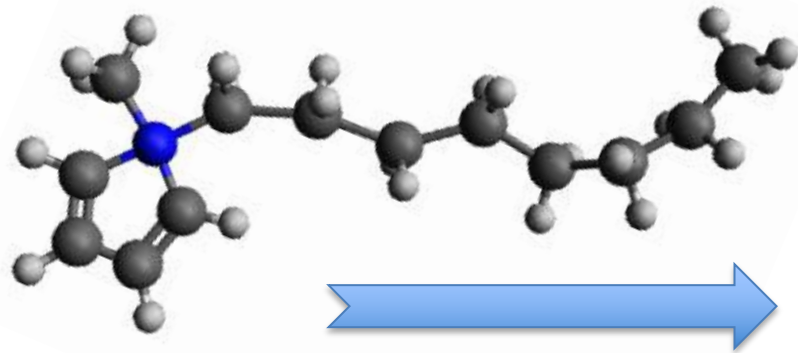
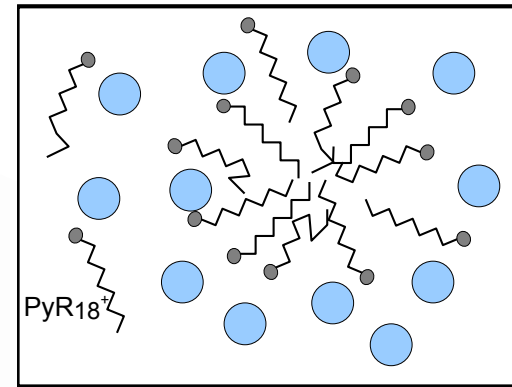
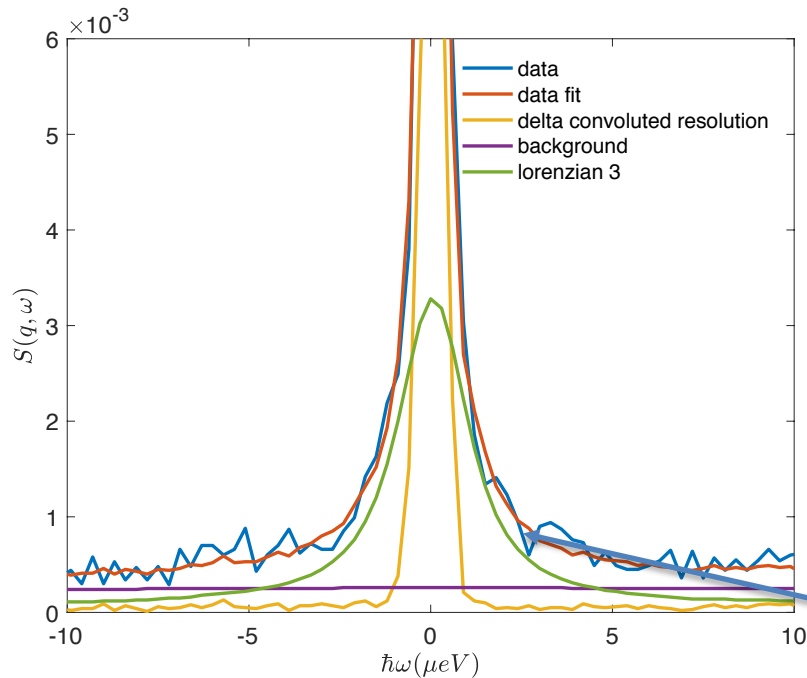
$\Delta\omega \approx 100 \mu\text{eV} \approx 40\text{ps}$



$\Delta\omega \approx 1000 \mu\text{eV} \approx 4\text{ps}$

Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids

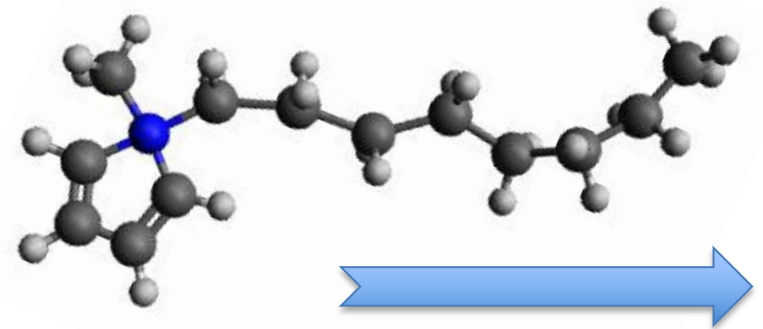
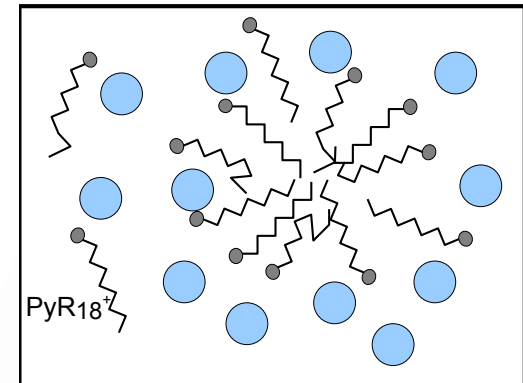
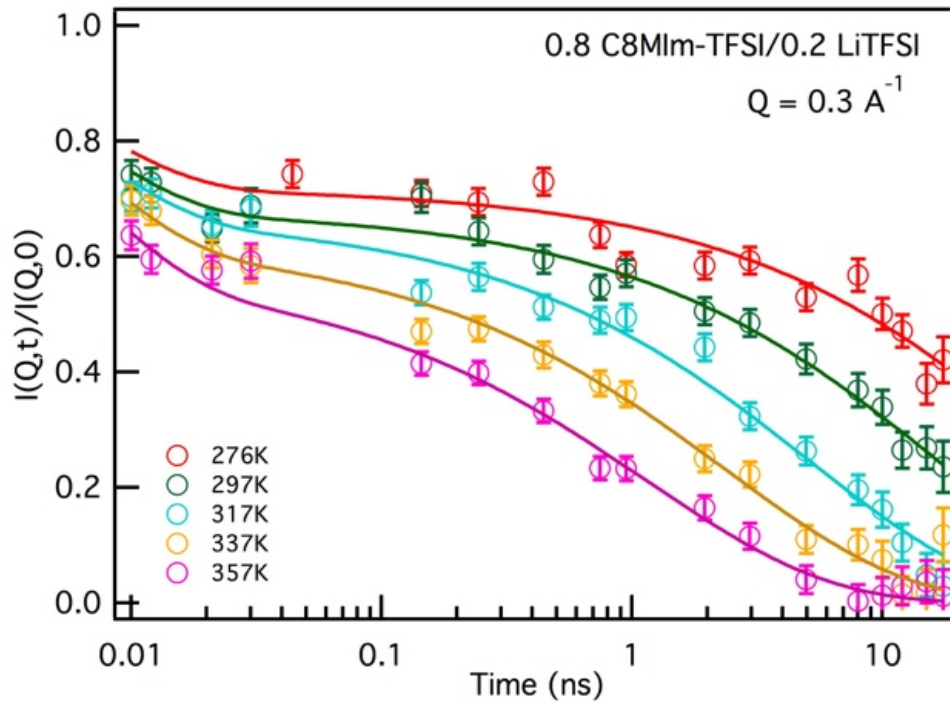
IN16B – Backscattering (resolution $0.5 \mu\text{eV}$)



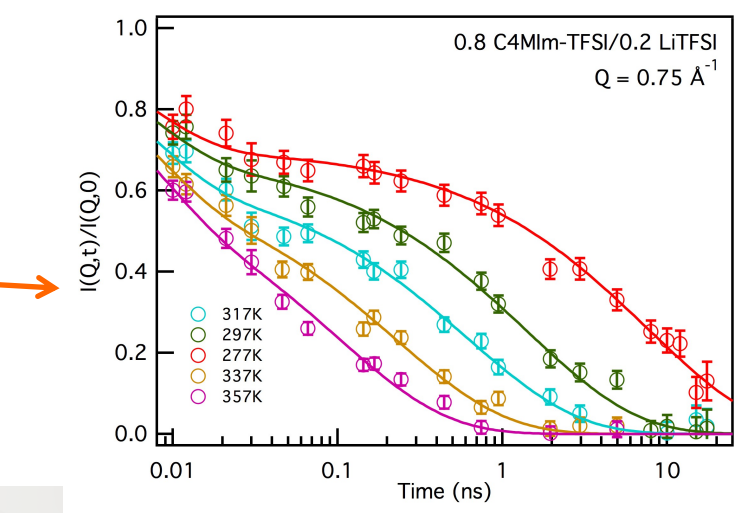
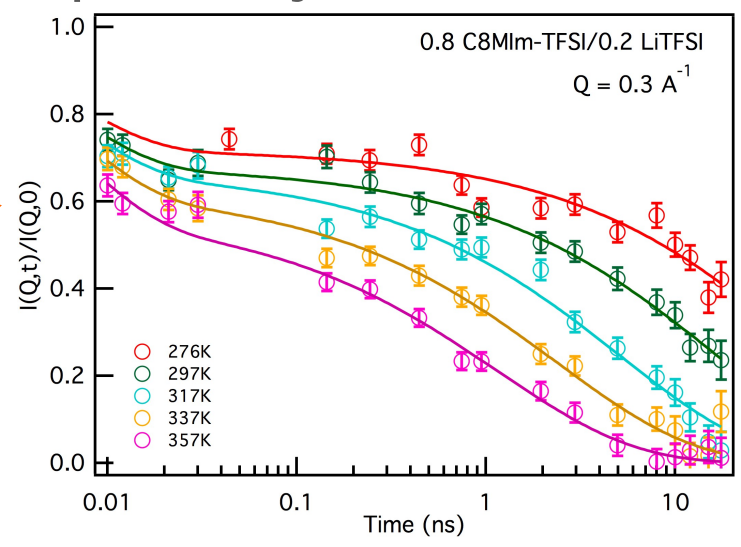
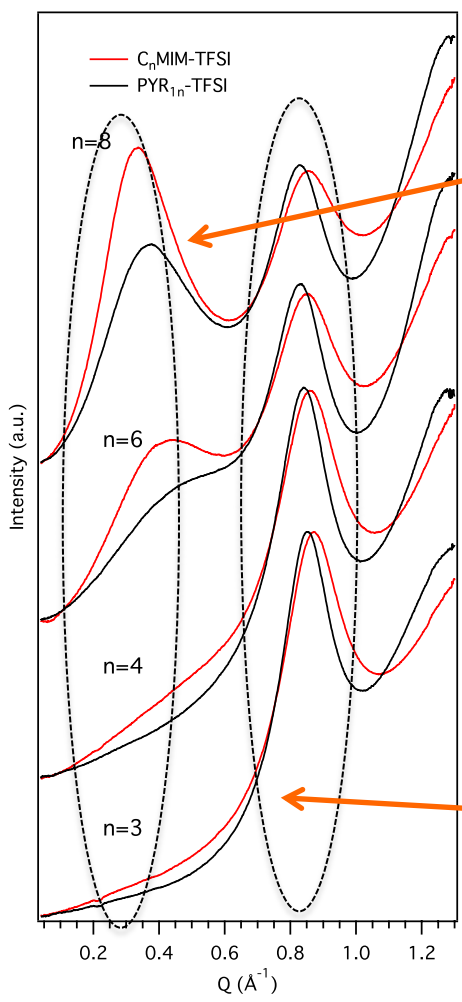
$$\Delta\omega \approx 1 \mu\text{eV} \approx 4 \text{ ns}$$

Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids

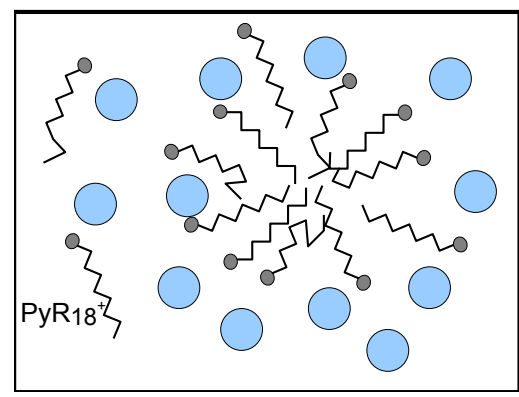
NSE (NIST) – Spin Echo
(10 ps– 100 ns)



Microscopic dynamics in ionic liquids?

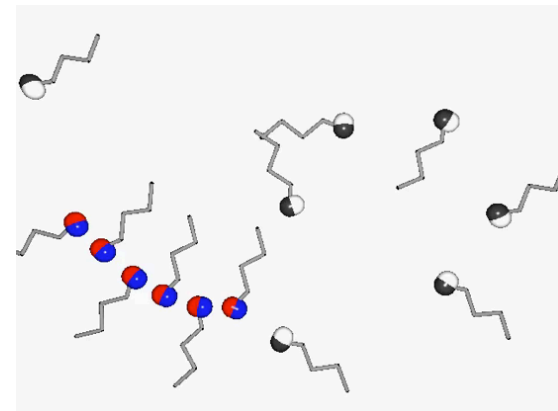
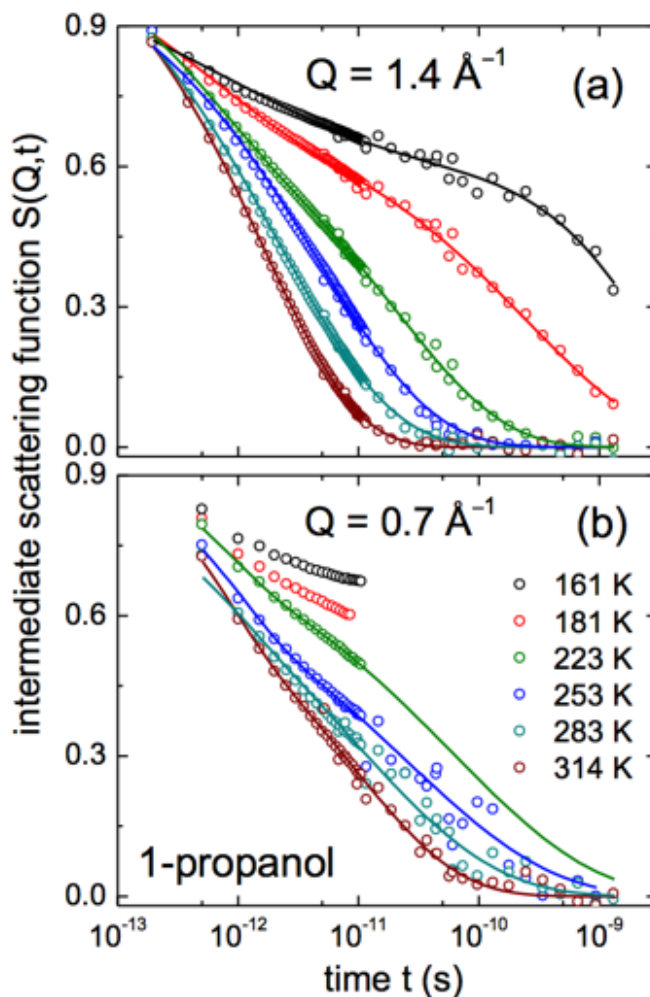
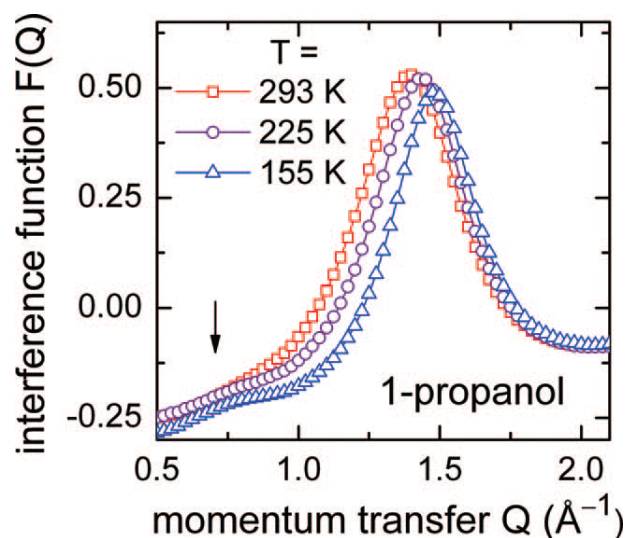
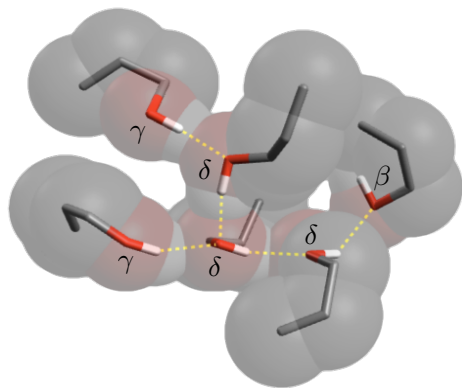


Polar domain relaxation



Charge ordering relaxation

Similarity to OH-bonded liquids



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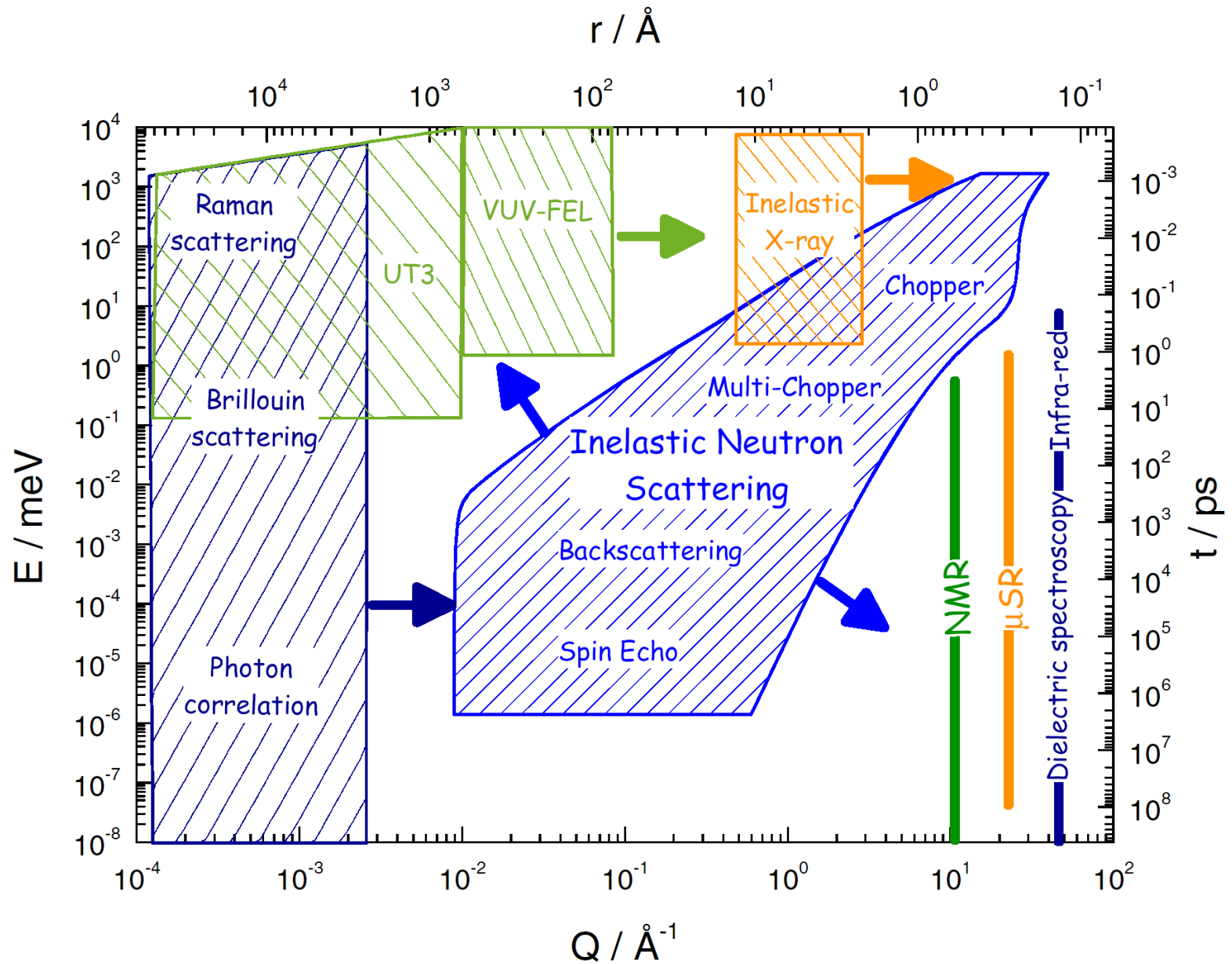
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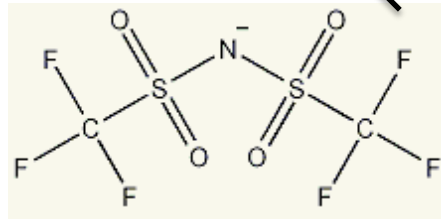
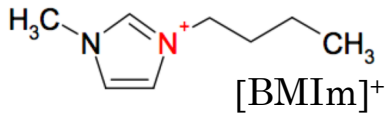
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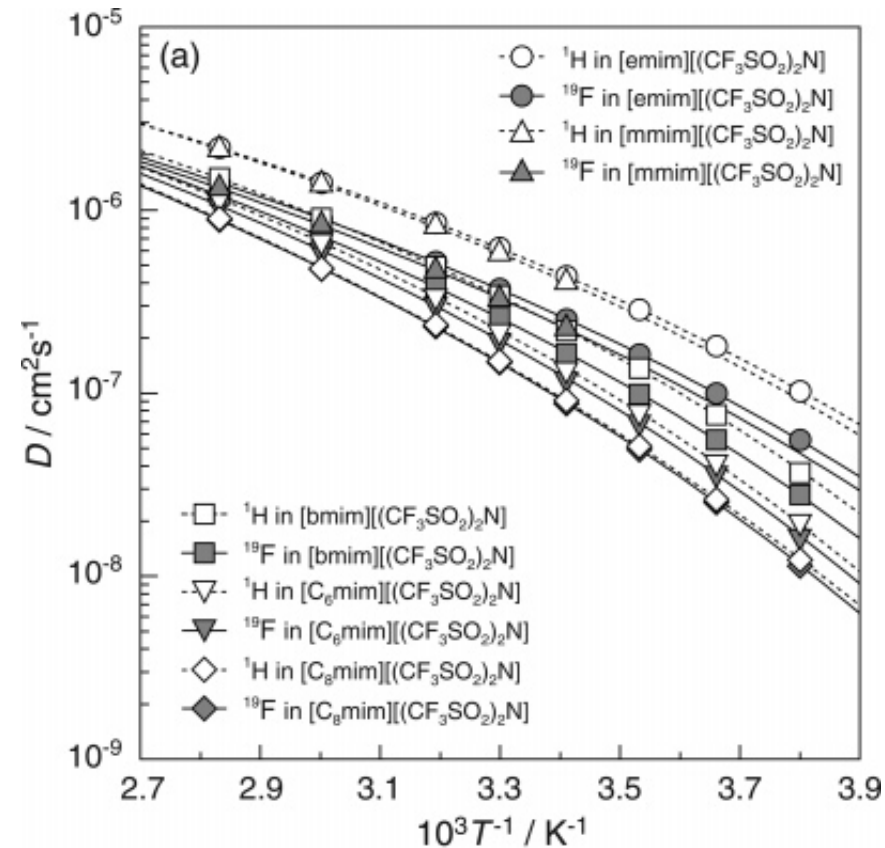
Ion transport

Ions transport sum of diffusion of anions and cations (D_- and D_+)

Diffusion coefficients can be measured by NMR: ^1H , ^{19}F



$$D = \frac{k_B T}{c \pi \eta r_s} \quad \text{Stokes-Einstein eq.}$$



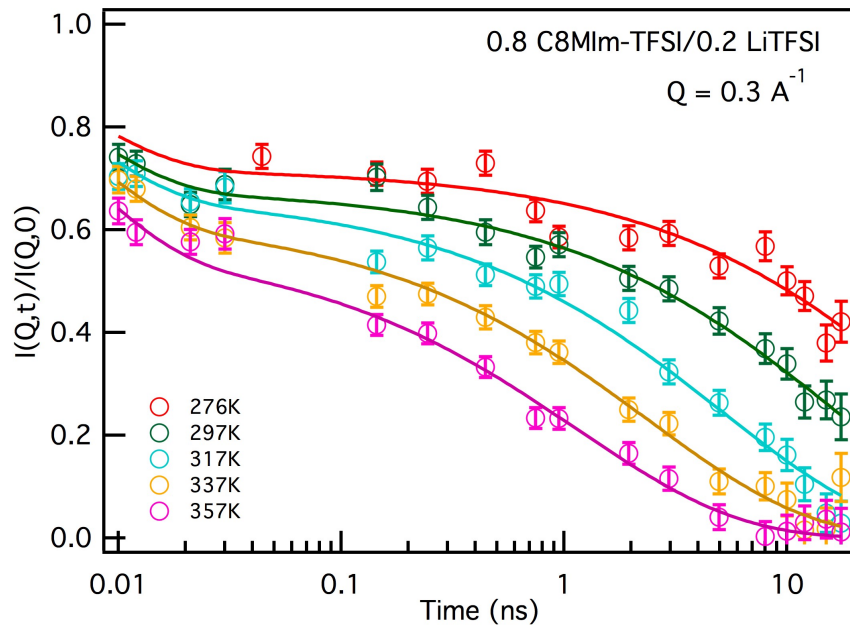
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 - Light scattering with probe particle
 - NMR (long range diffusion, species sensitive)
 - Conductivity (macroscopic)



Tuning interactions – dynamics

Apolar domains ($Q=0.3 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$)



Charge ordering ($Q=0.75 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$)

