

INTRODUCTION TO THE **LH-DAC** AND ITS **APPLICATION AT SYNCHROTRON RADIATION** **FACILITIES**

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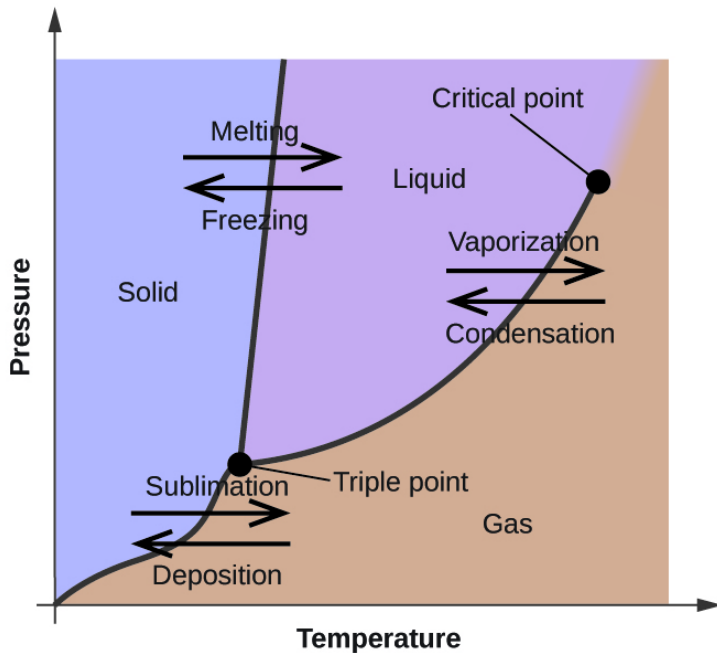
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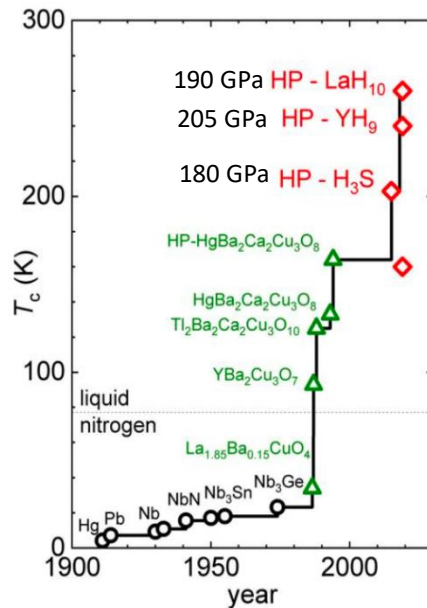
- Interest in HP-HT and how do we produce it in laboratories
- Why LH-DAC ?
- Principle of the LH-DAC:
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WHY HIGH PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE (1)

Basic Physics



Synthesis of new materials



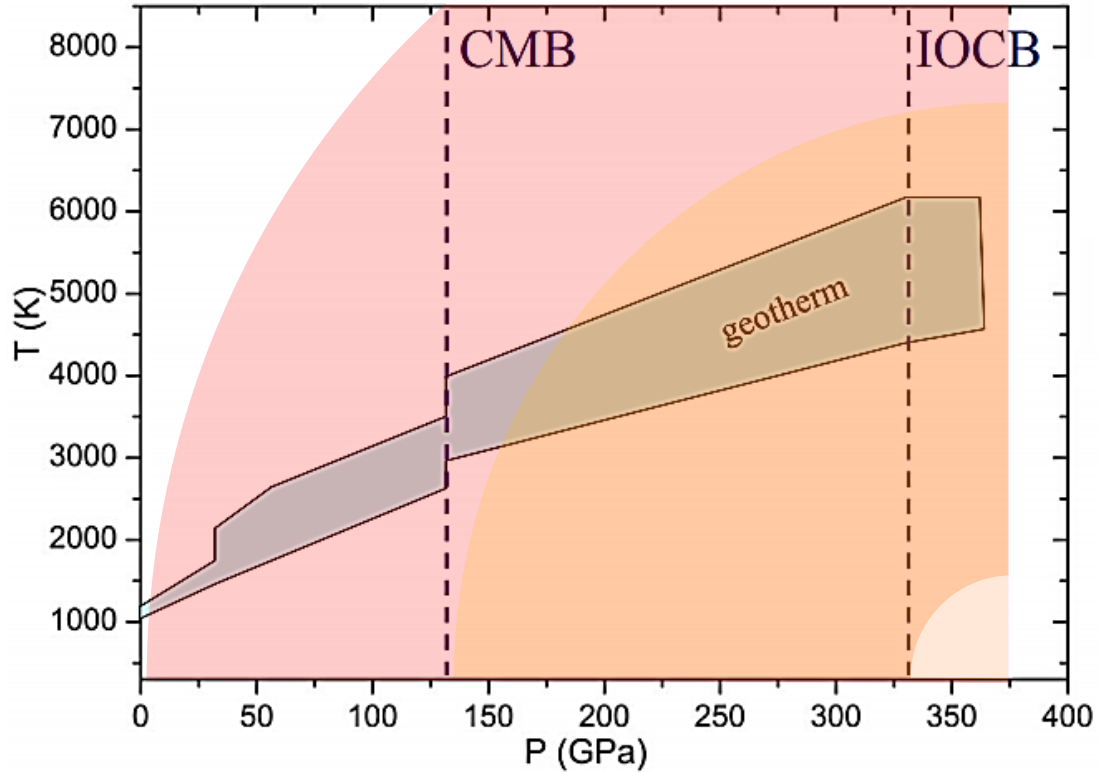
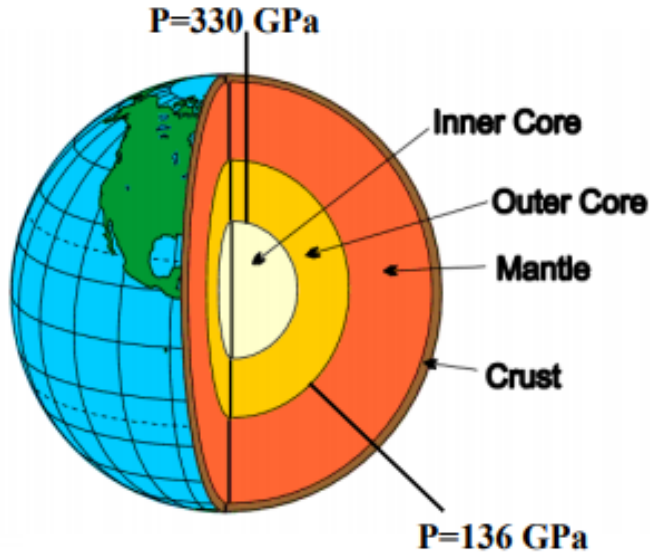
ambient temperature SC

ultra-hard materials



WHY HIGH PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE (2)

Geophysical interest



HOW HIGH PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE

static

Large Volume Presses

Paris-Edinburgh

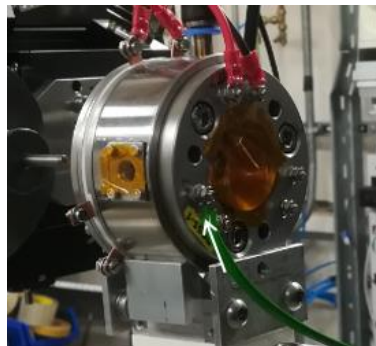


DAC

Multi-anvils

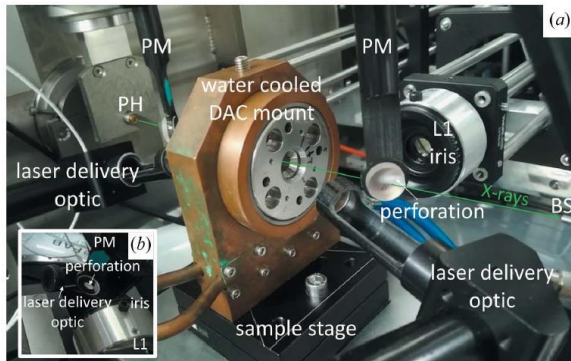


resistively-heated



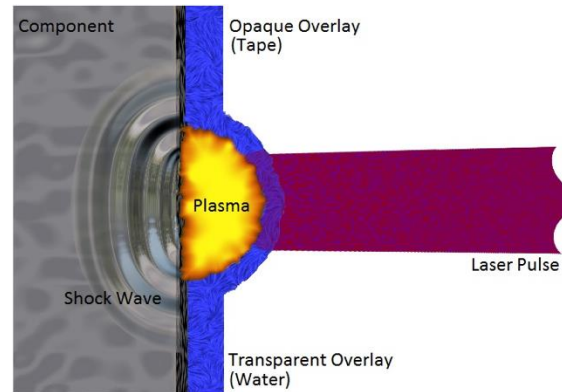
Louvel et al., *J. Synch. Rad.* **27**, 529 (2020)

laser-heated



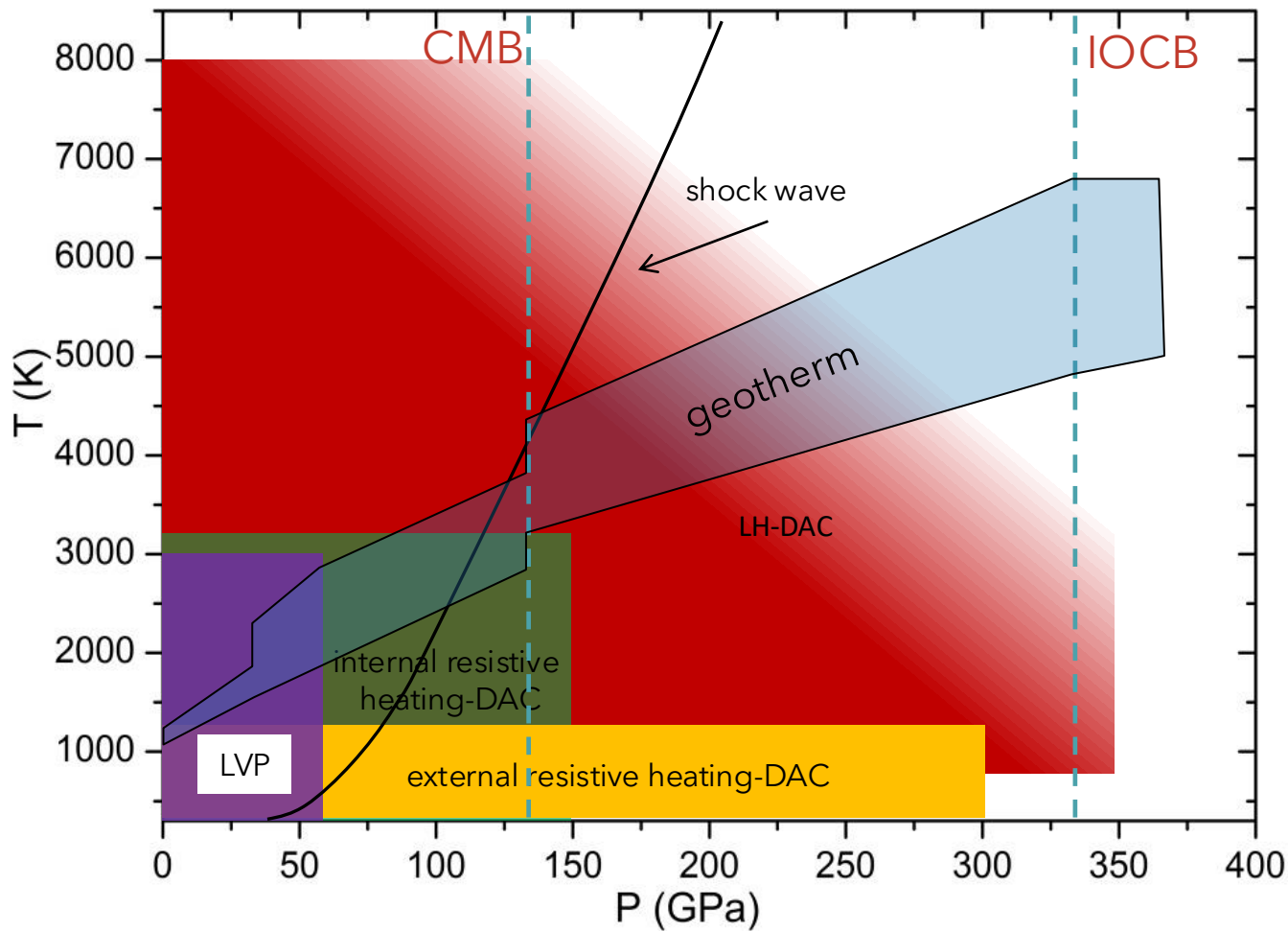
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dynamic

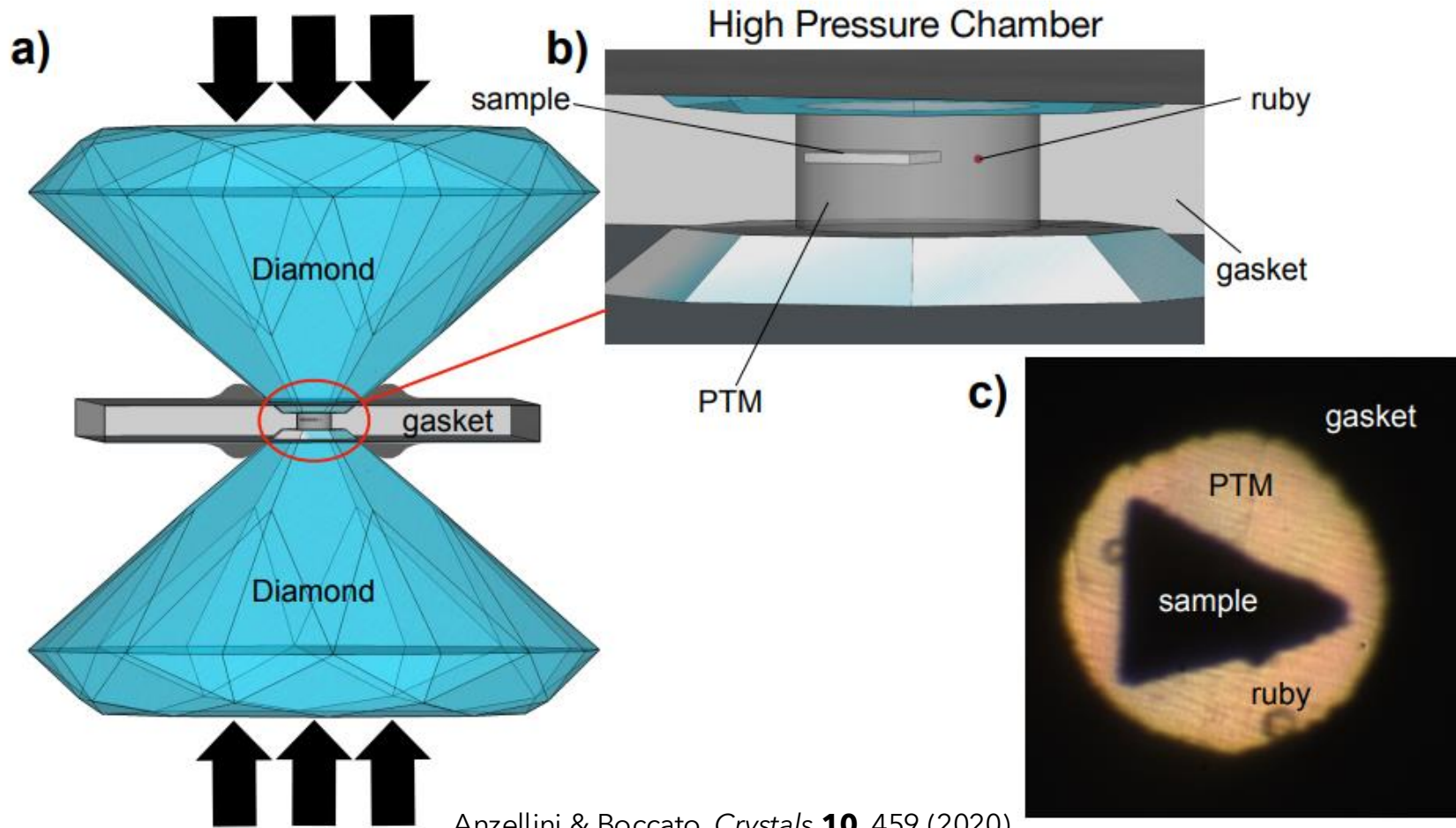


shock

WHY LH-DAC ?



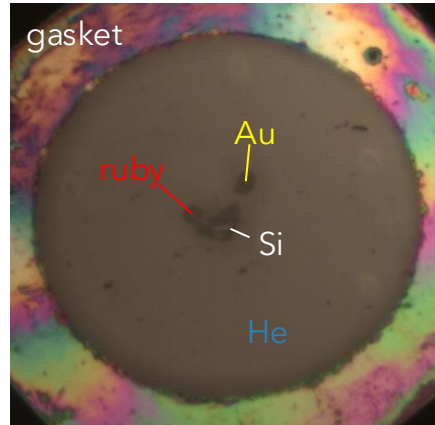
PRINCIPLE OF DAC



SAMPLE PREPARATION

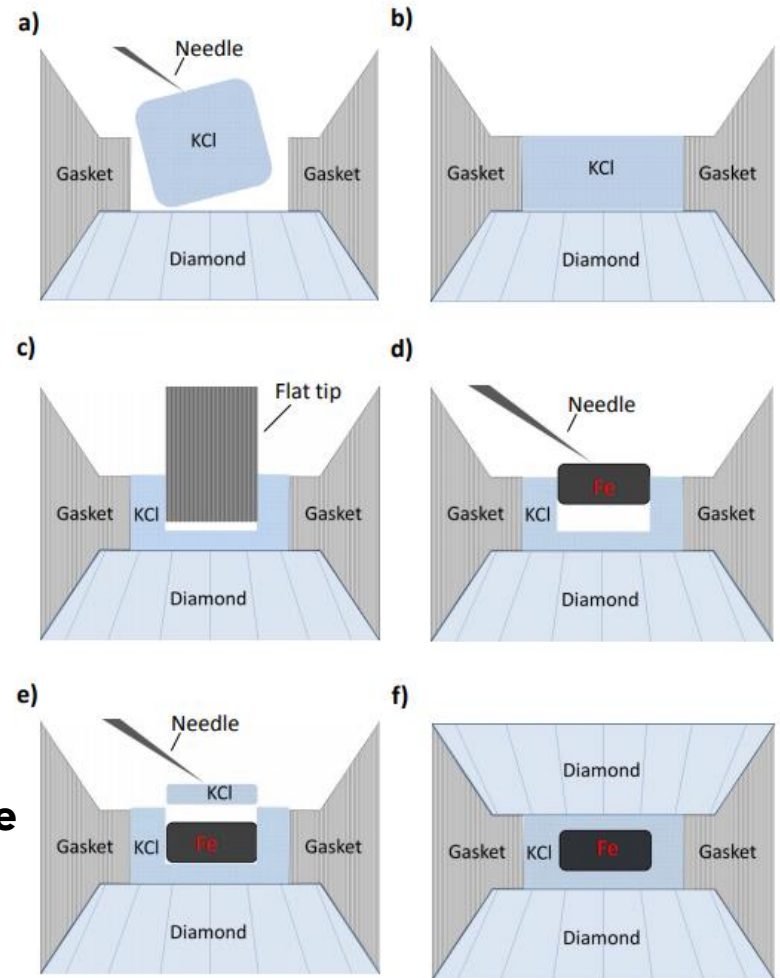
PTM generally chosen from low shear strength material

gases (He, Ne, ...) are generally used for experiment at ambient T

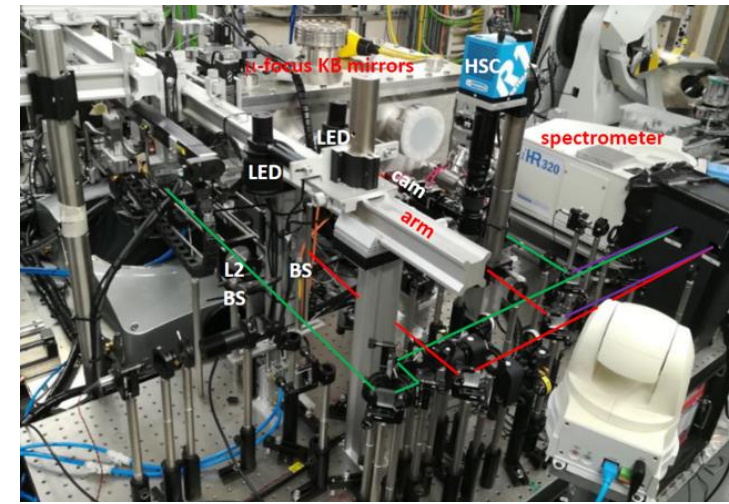
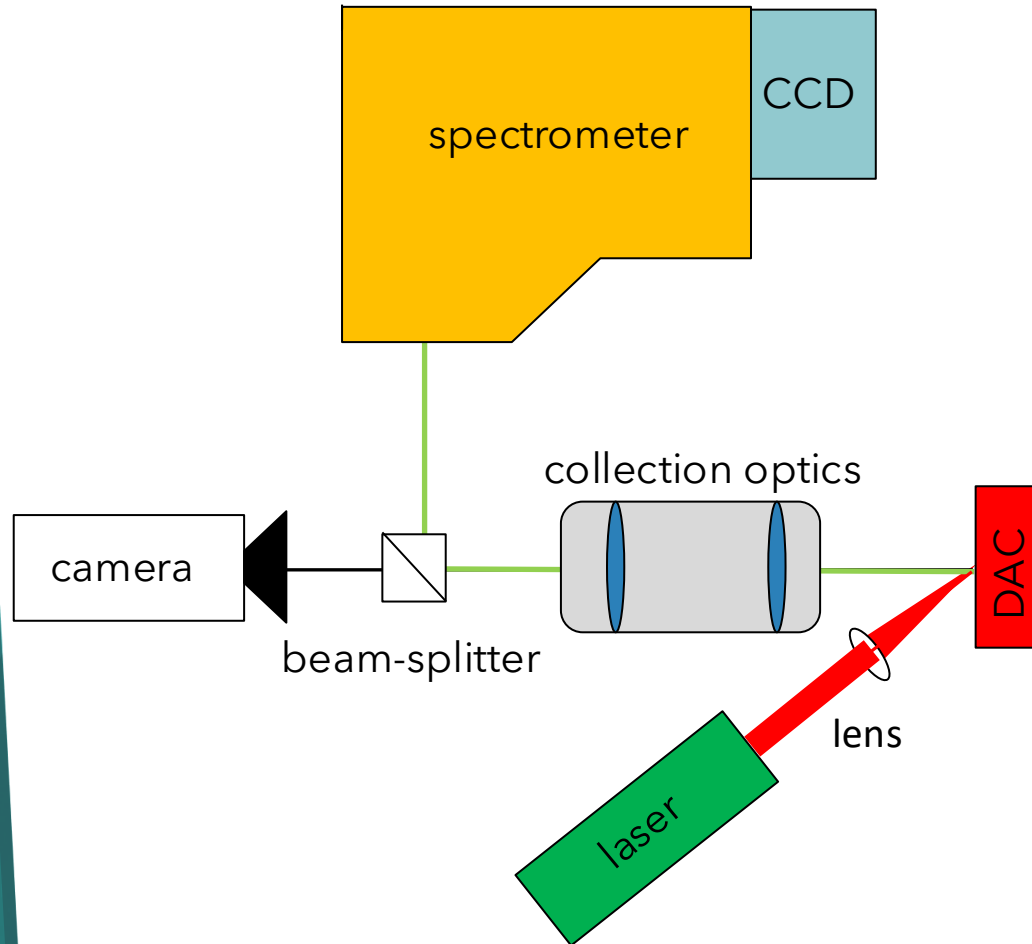


Diamonds are extremely thermally conductive

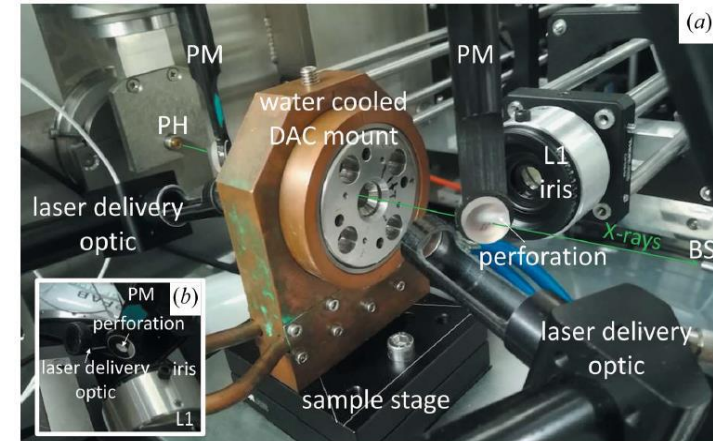
PTM used to thermally and chemically insulate the sample from the diamonds



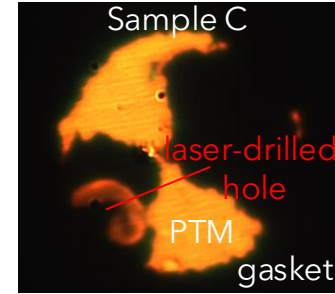
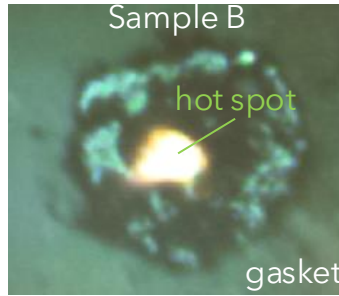
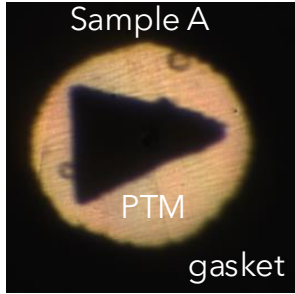
PRINCIPLE OF LH-DAC (1)



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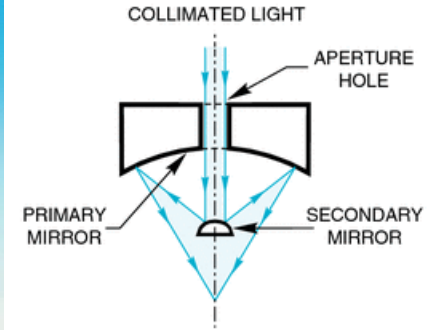
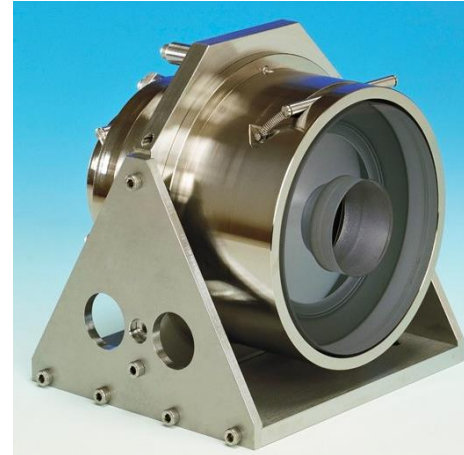
IMAGE



Refractive Optics



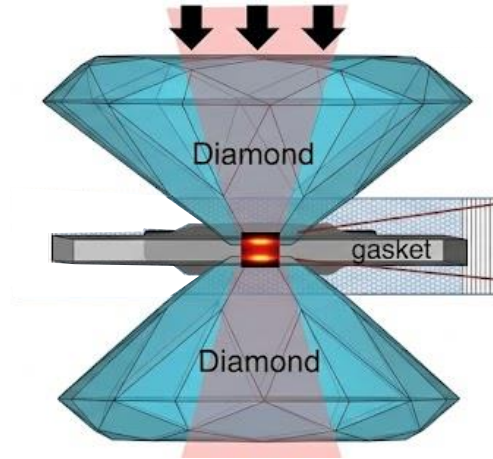
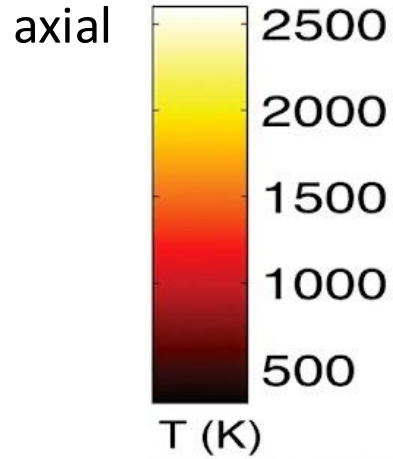
Reflecting Optics



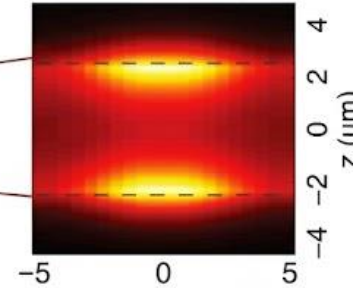
LASER PART (1)

Metals and semiconducting materials

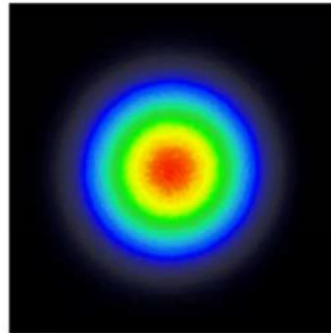
YAG or YLF lasers ($\lambda=1.064\text{ }\mu\text{m}$) - mainly interacting with the electrons $\rightarrow$ weakly absorbed by the material



Temperature Analysis
of Heated Sample



radial



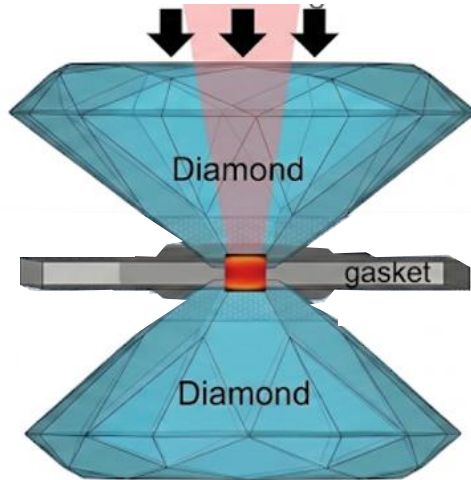
Big thermal gradients!!

LASER PART (2)

Optical transparent materials

CO₂ lasers ($\lambda=10.6\text{ }\mu\text{m}$) - light directly absorbed by phonons $\rightarrow$ large penetration depth into the material

Less thermal gradients

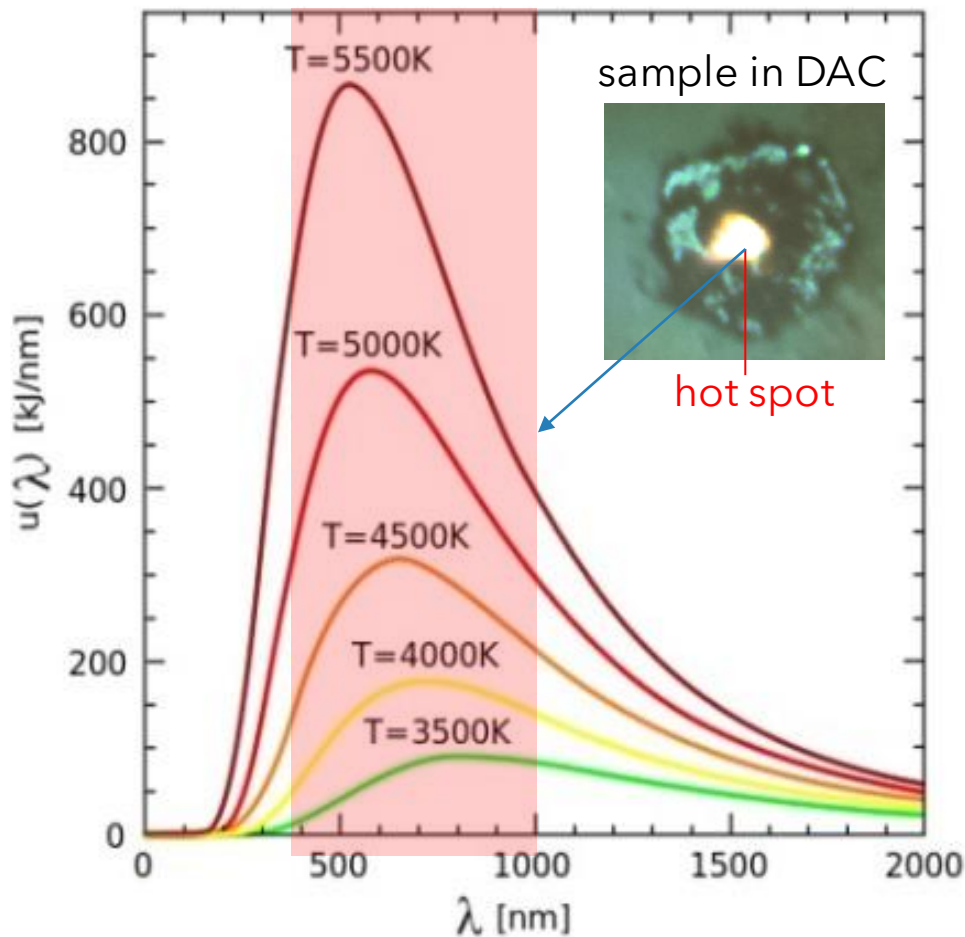


single side heating

- Big focal spot!!
- Special Optics needed

both kind of lasers
can be used in
continuous or pulsed
modes.

TEMPERATURE (1)

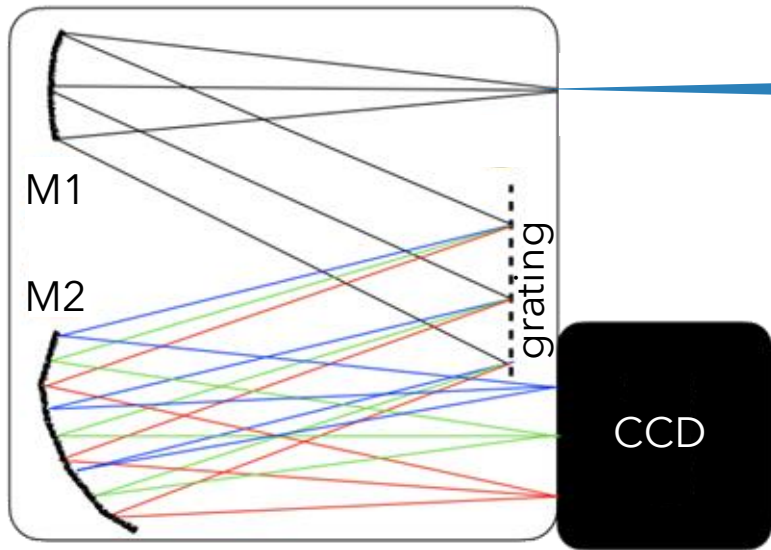


$$\text{Planck: } I(\lambda, T) = \frac{\varepsilon 2 \pi h c^2}{\lambda^5} \left[\exp\left(\frac{hc}{kT\lambda}\right) - 1 \right]^{-1}$$

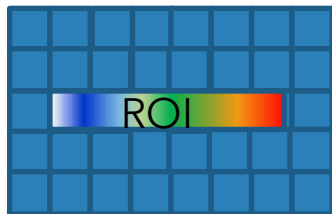
The fitting is done in grey-body approx:
 $\varepsilon \neq \varepsilon(\lambda)$

TEMPERATURE (2)

Czerny-Turner spectrometer



CCD plate

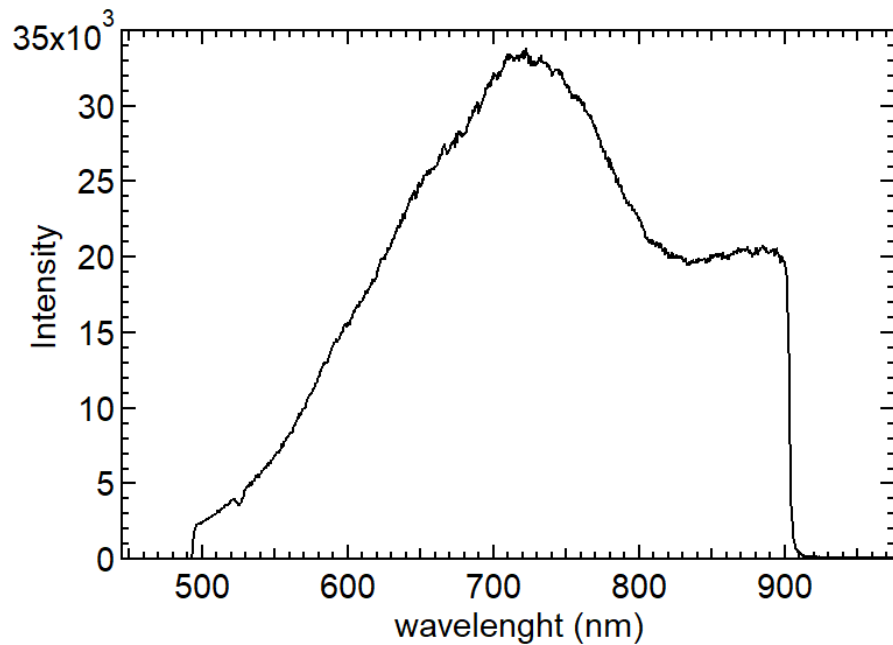
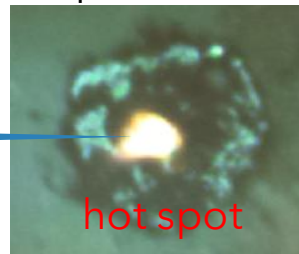


collection optics



thermal radiation

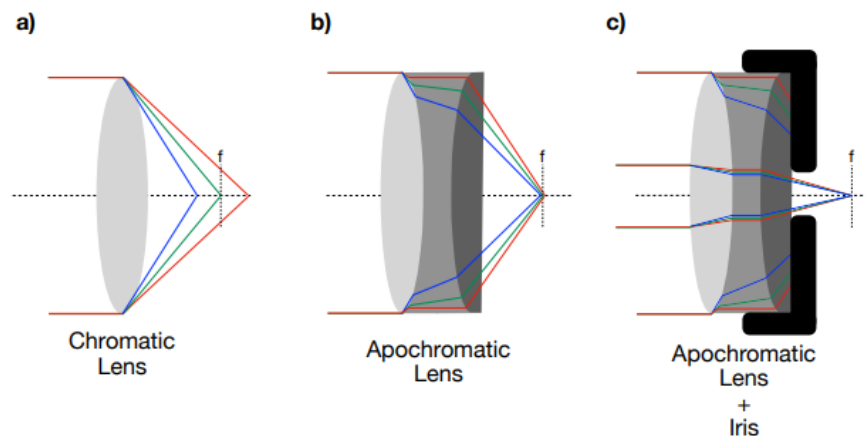
sample in DAC



TEMPERATURE (3)

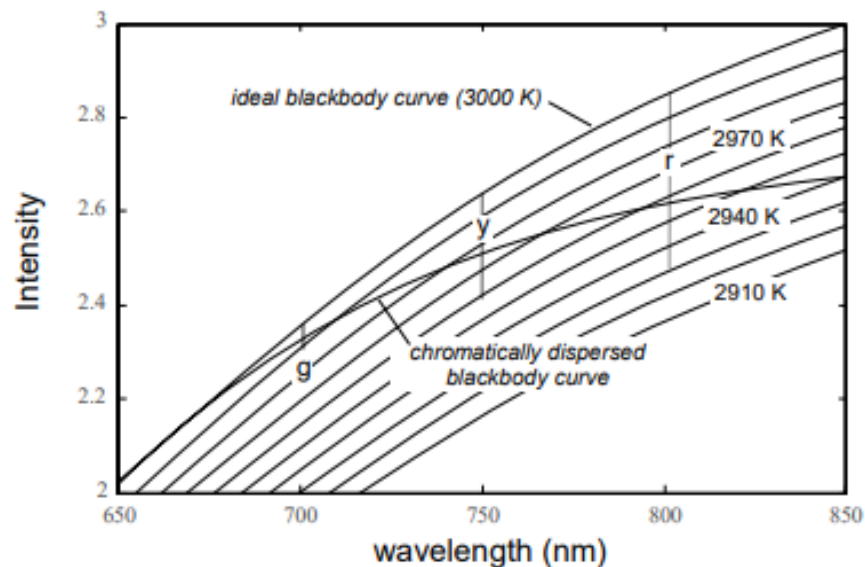
Sources of erroneous T readings

- 1) Change in emissivity due to phase transition
- 2) Misalignments of the hotspot with the spectrometer entrance slit
- 3) Chromatic + Radial aberration (for refractive objectives)



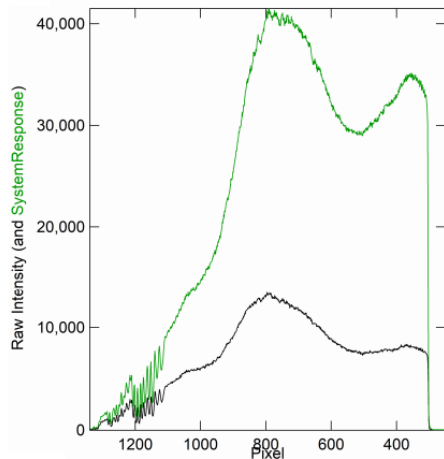
Anzellini & Boccato, *Crystals* **10**, 459 (2020)

Walter & Koga, *Phys. Earth Planet. Int.* **143**, 541 (2004)

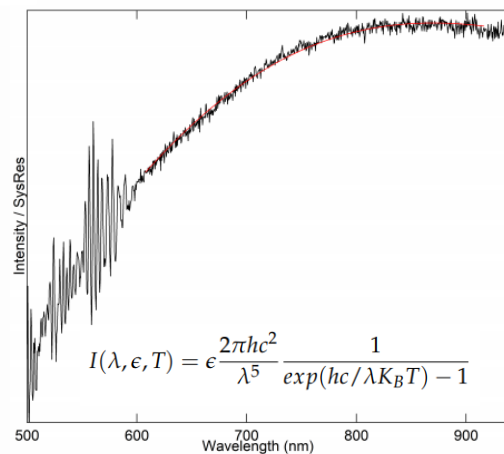


TEMPERATURE (4)

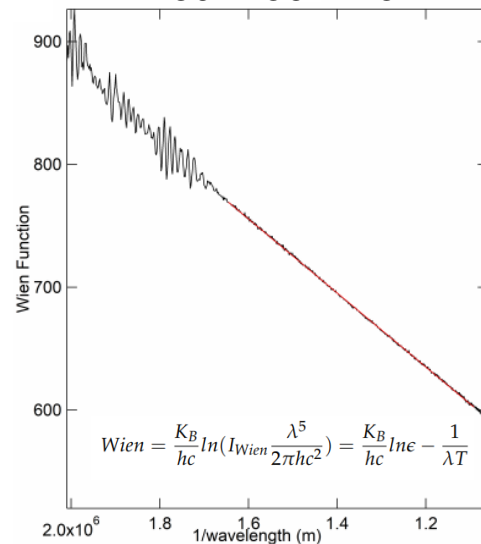
raw signals



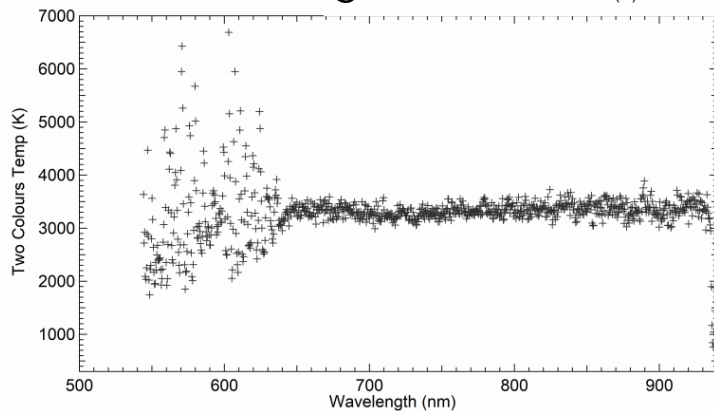
Planck



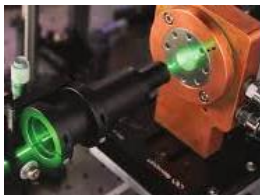
linearized Wien



sliding two-colours



PRESSURE MEASUREMENT (ambient T)

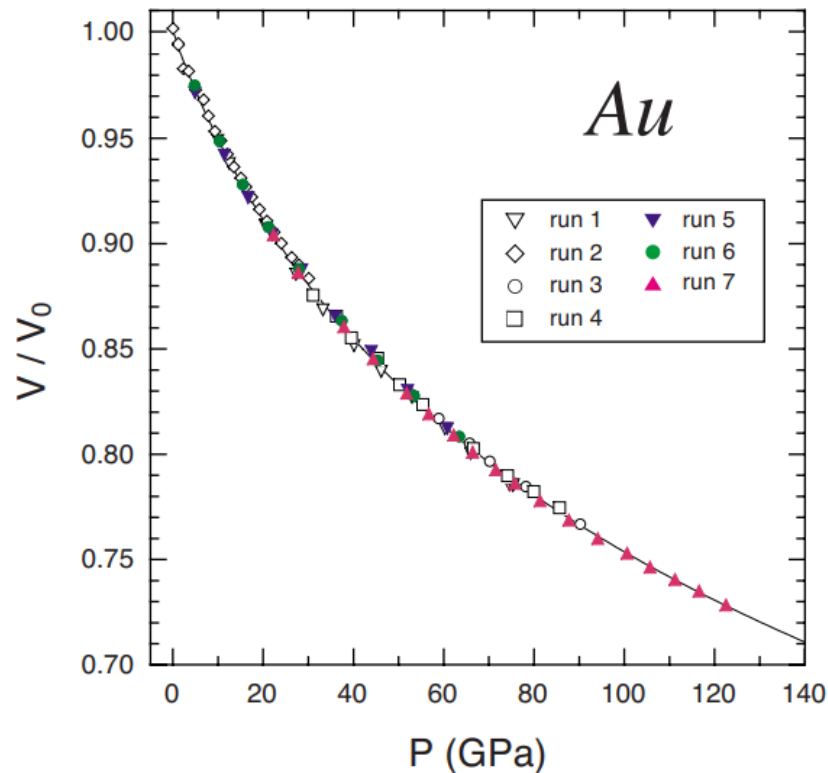
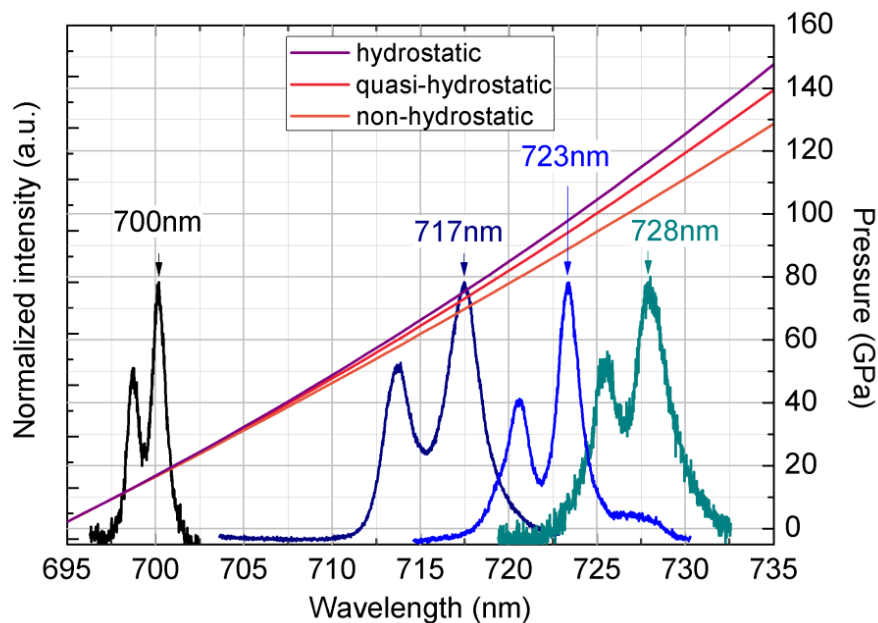


Measured in a laboratory from:

- P-induced shift in ruby fluorescence peaks
- P-induced shift in Raman signal from the diamond culet

If XRD available

EoS of a calibrated standard



THERMAL PRESSURE

Anzellini et al., *Scientific Reports* **9**, 14459 (2019)



XRD methods

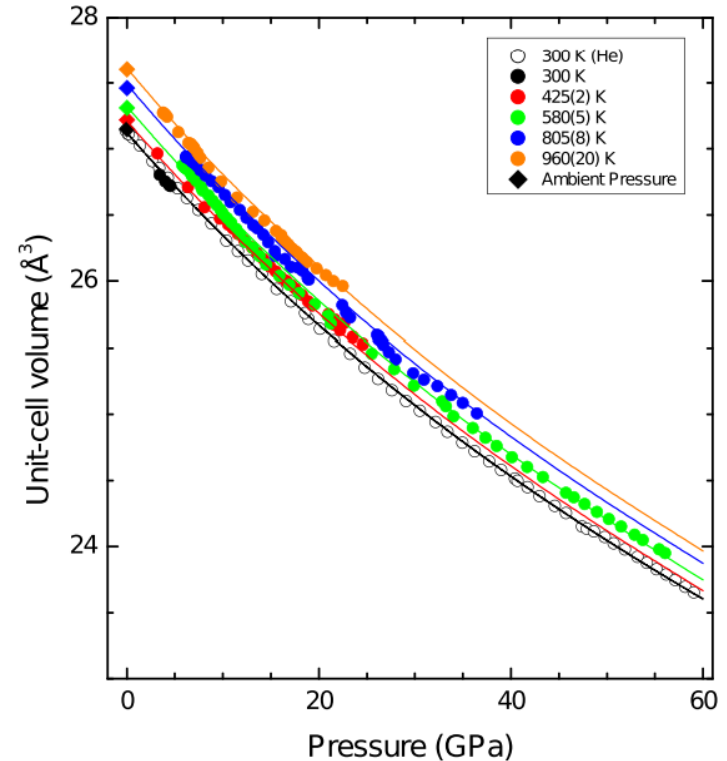
Pressure can be measured from calibrated X-ray standard

Luminescence methods

Pressure can be measured only before and after heating

Thermal pressure intrinsically linked to the PTM → It can be estimated empirically from previous XRD measurements

$$P_{th}(T) = \frac{0.03 \cdot P_{300K}}{T_m - T_0} (T - T_0).$$

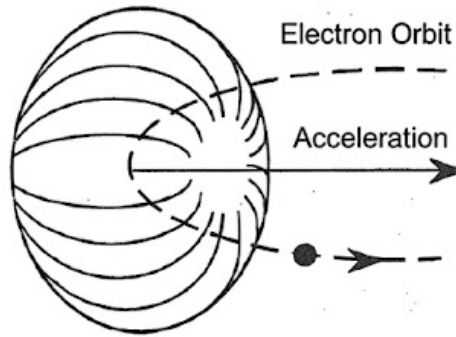


COUPLING WITH **SYNCHROTRONS**



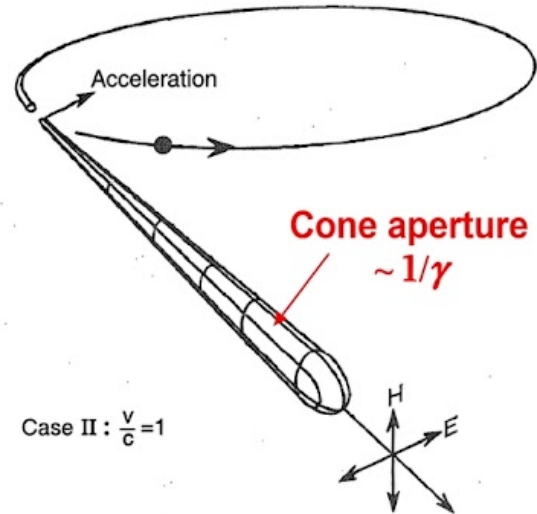
What is Synchrotron Radiation

relativistic effect on accelerated charged particles



Case I : $\frac{v}{c} \ll 1$

At low electron velocity (non-relativistic case) the radiation is emitted in a non-directional pattern

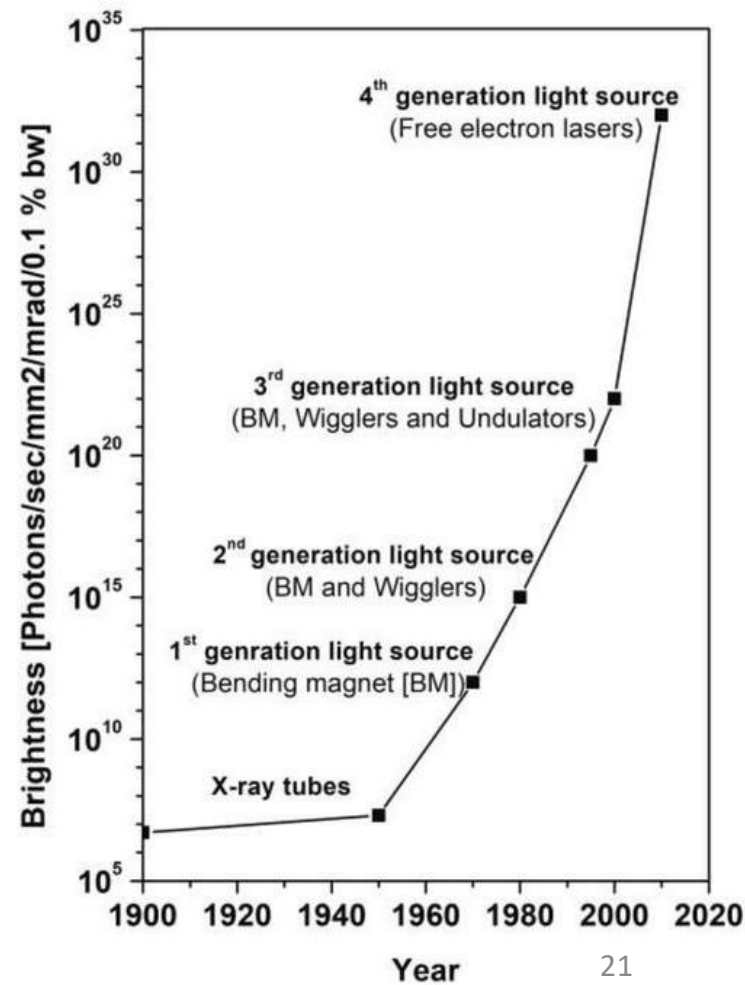
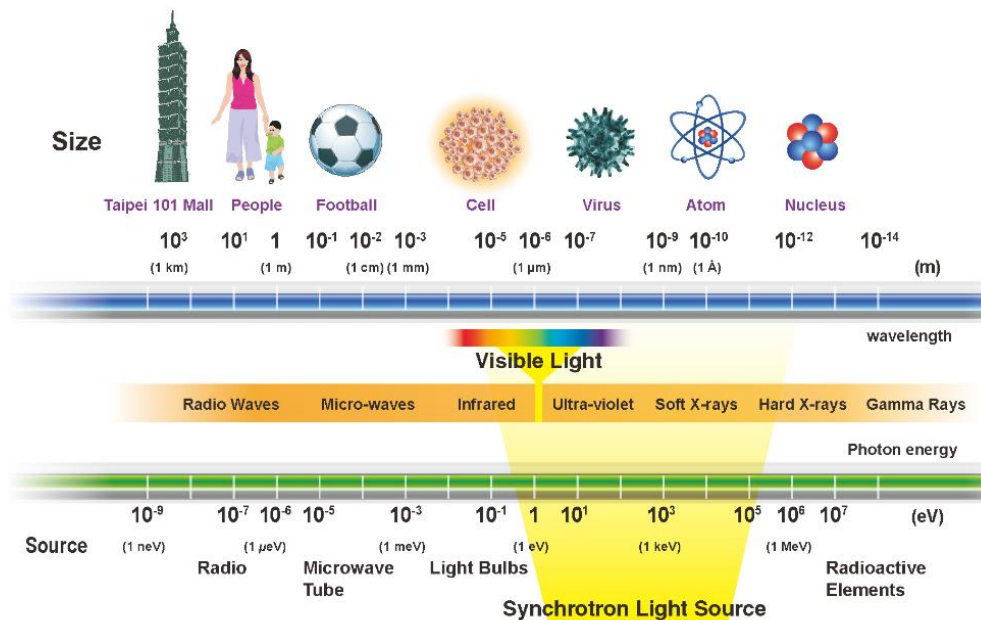


Case II : $\frac{v}{c} = 1$

When the electron velocity approaches the velocity of light, the emission pattern is folded sharply forward.

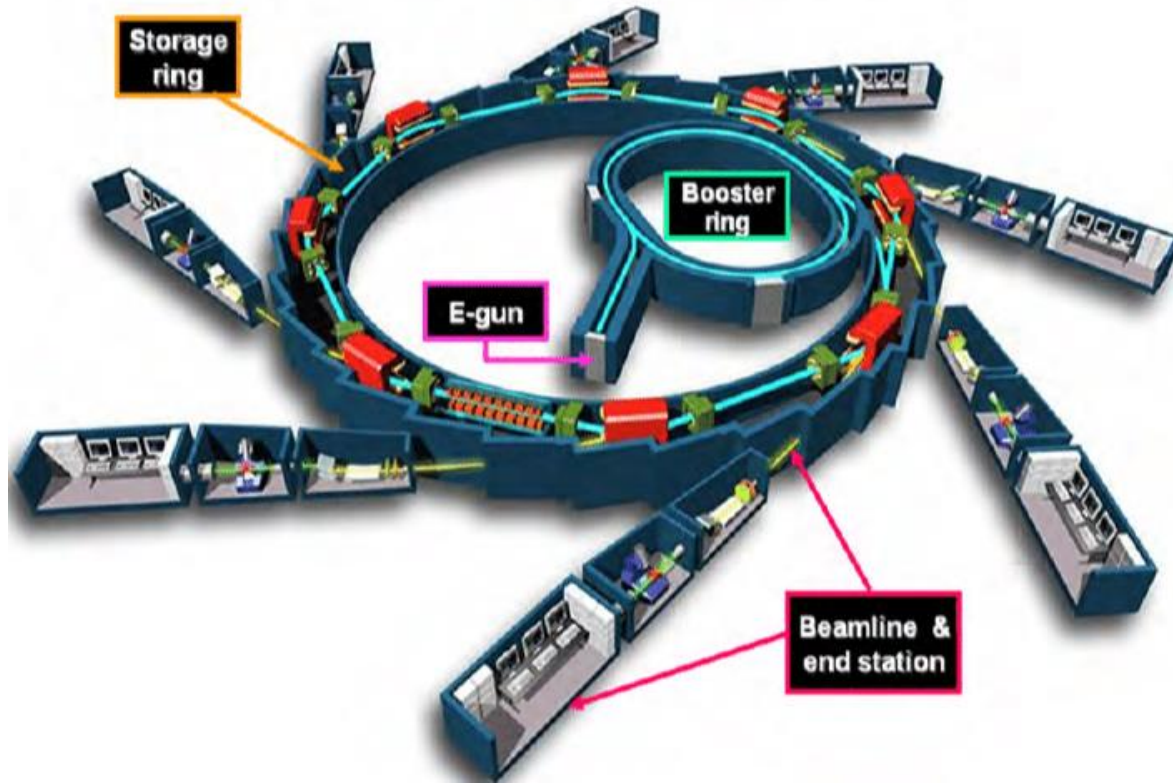
Characteristics of Synchrotron Radiation

- High Brightness
- Highly collimated
- Broad and continuous wavelength range



WHAT IS A **SYNCHROTRON** ?

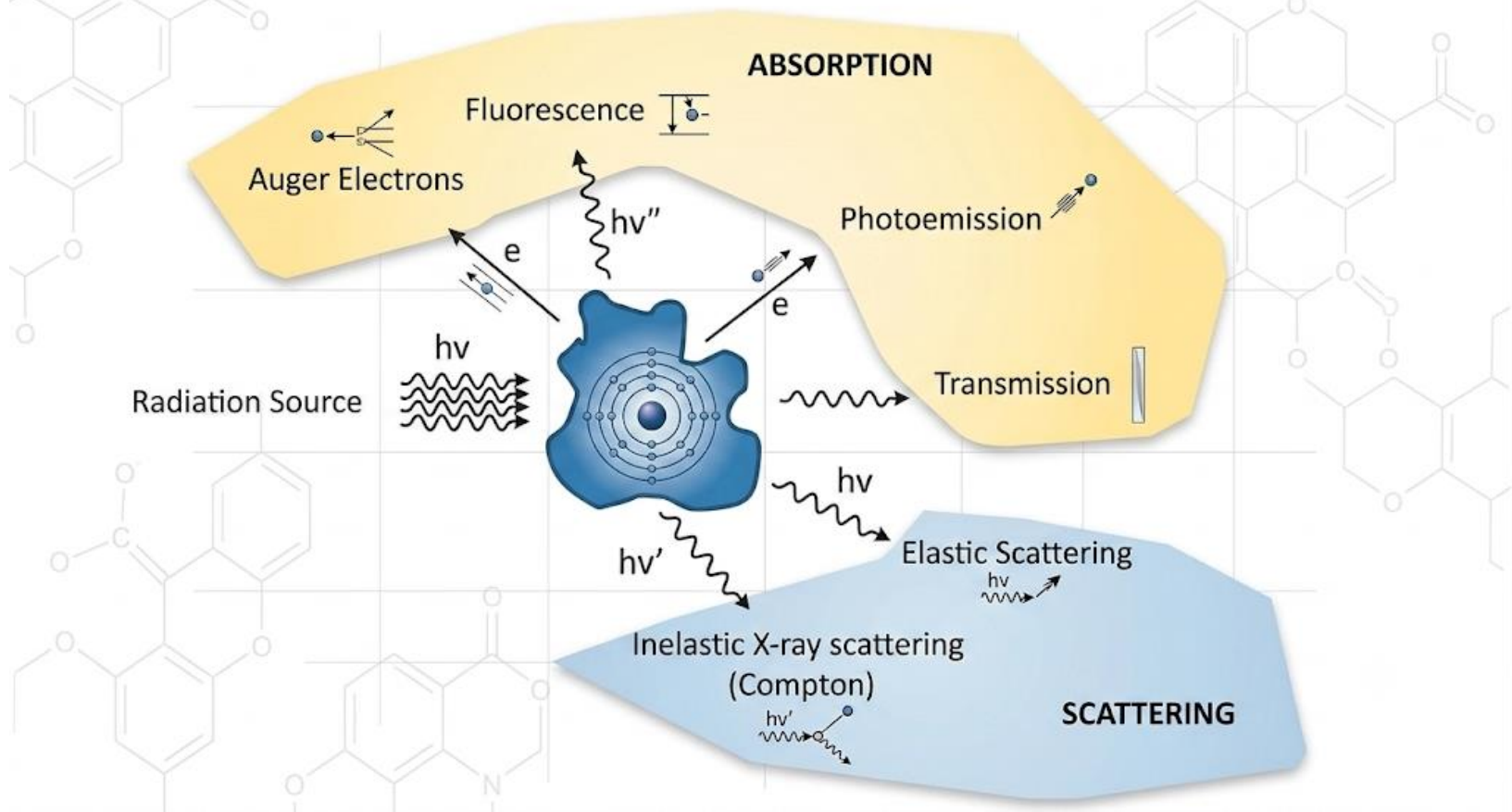
Synchrotron Design



Ali *et al.* (2011). Synch. Rad.: Applications in Diagnosis and Treatment of Malignant Brain Tumors, Diagnostic Techniques and Surgical Management of Brain Tumors, Dr. Ana Lucia Abujamra (Ed.)

Interaction Matter - Radiation

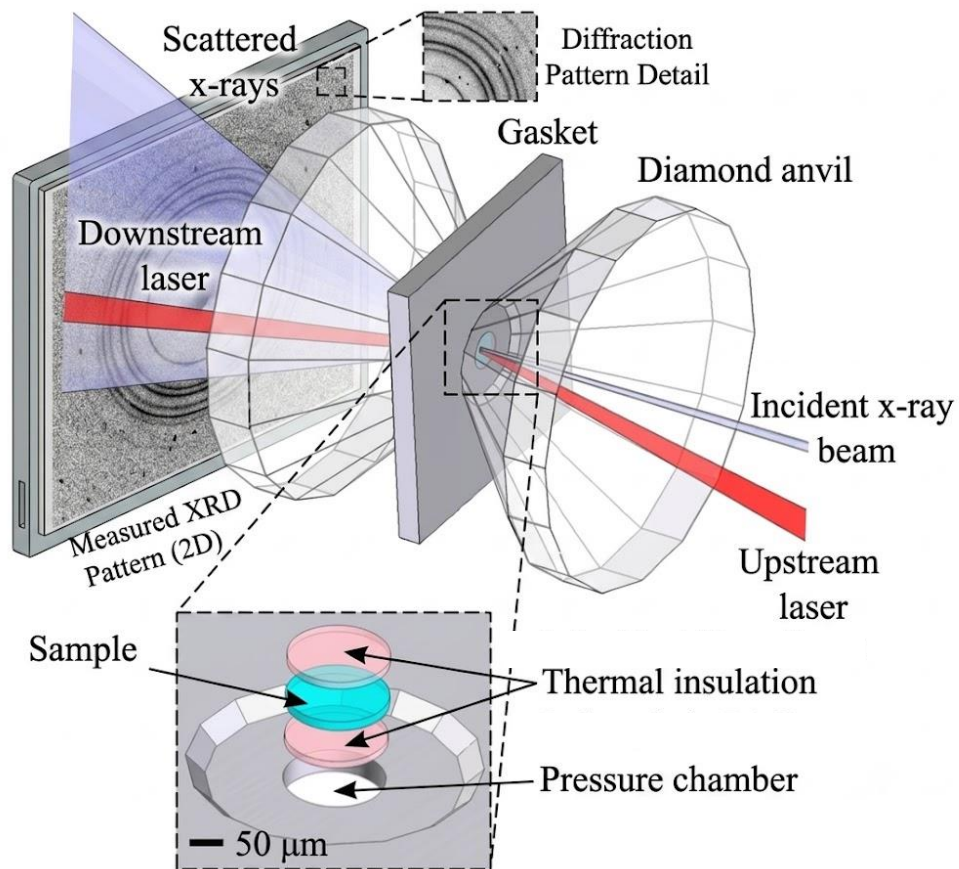
Mainly two processes are involved in the UV and X-ray range:



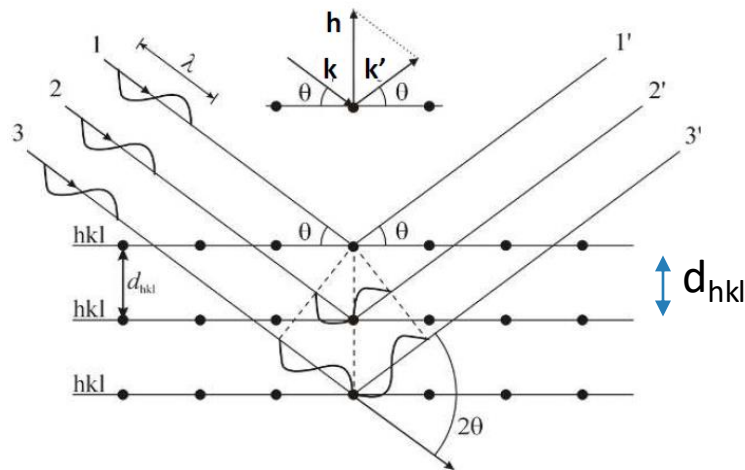
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XRD

XRD (1)



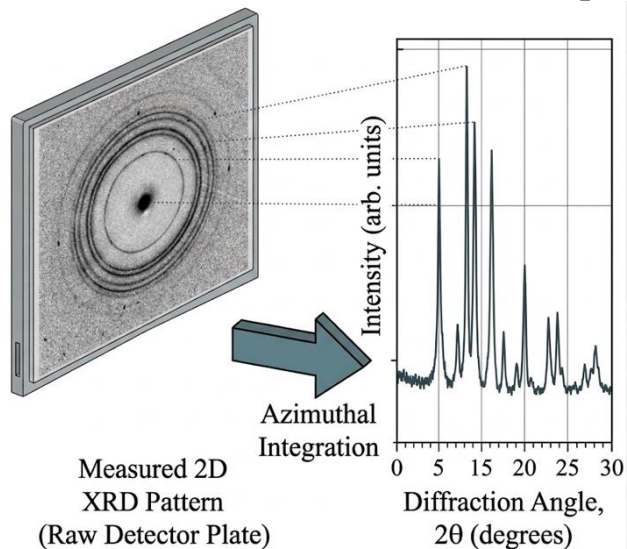
Bragg law: $\lambda = 2d_{hkl} \sin \theta$



Information

- Structural
- Textural
- Chemical

X-ray Diffraction - XRD (2)



Position of the peaks:

- space group
- lattice parameters $\rightarrow$ molar volume

Peaks profile:

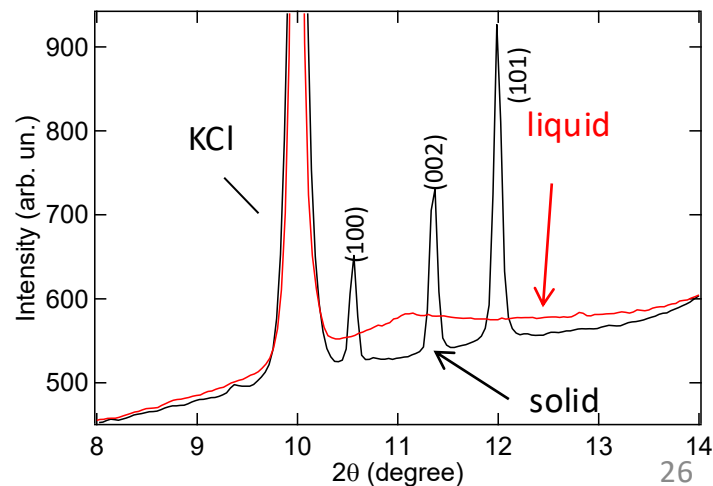
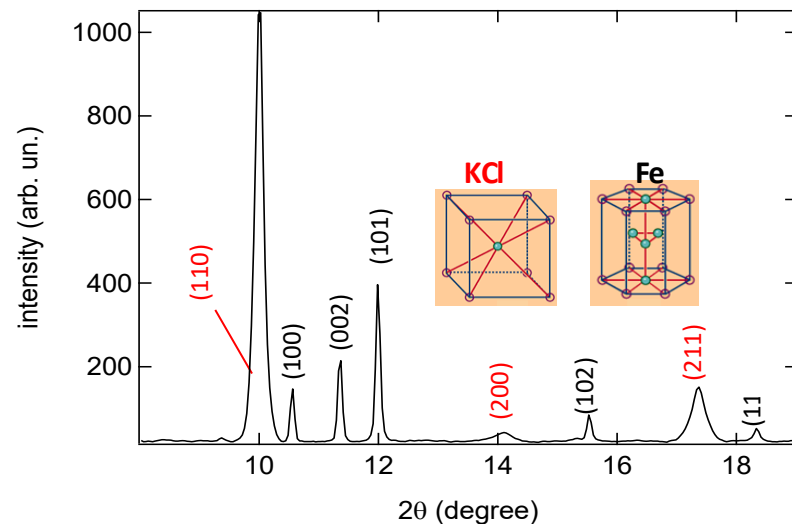
- micro-strain
- crystallite size

Information on the state of the sample

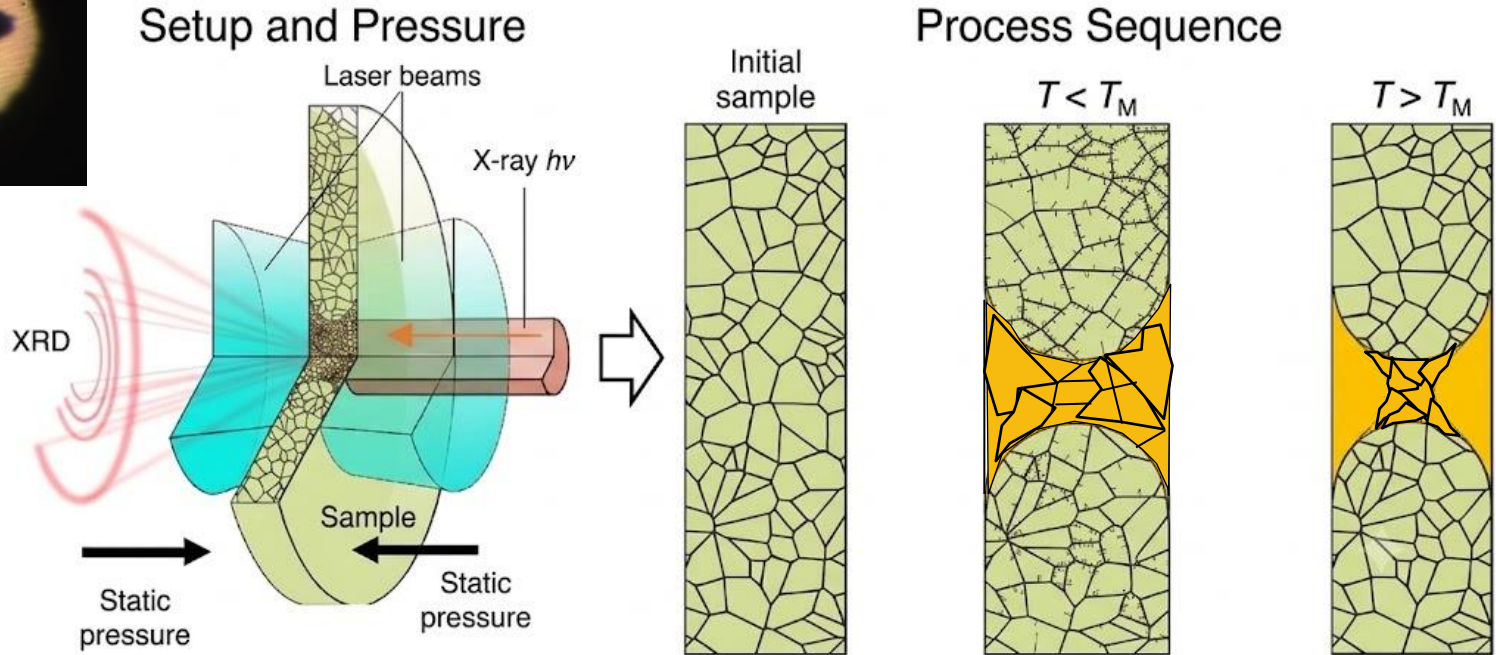
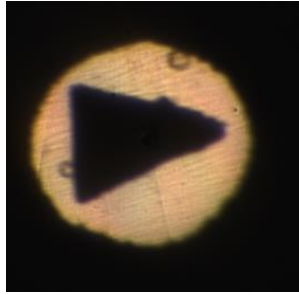
- Crystalline
- Amorphous

Intensity of the peaks:

- Crystal structure
- Atomic positions
- Temperature factors
- Occupancy
- Preferred orientation



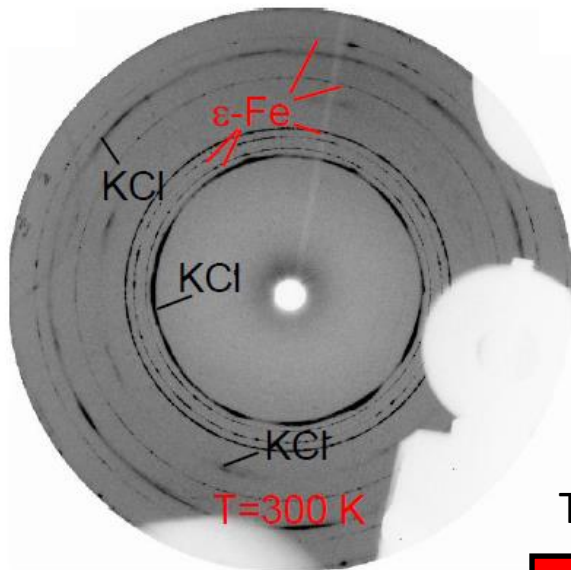
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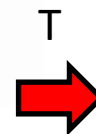
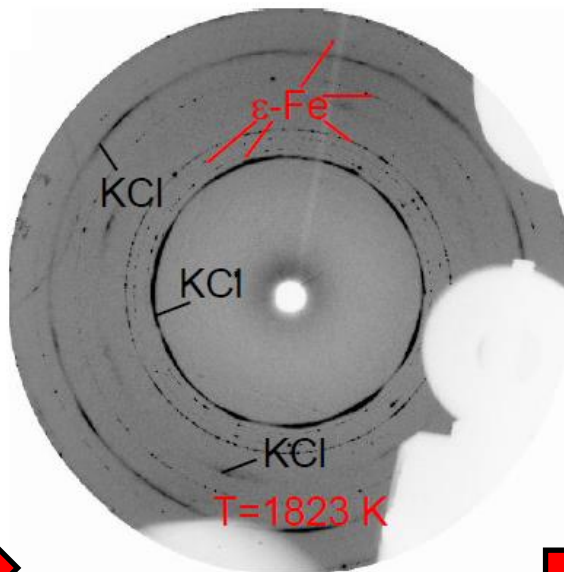
Hrubiak *et al.*, *Nature Communications* **8**, 14562 (2017)

XRD (4)

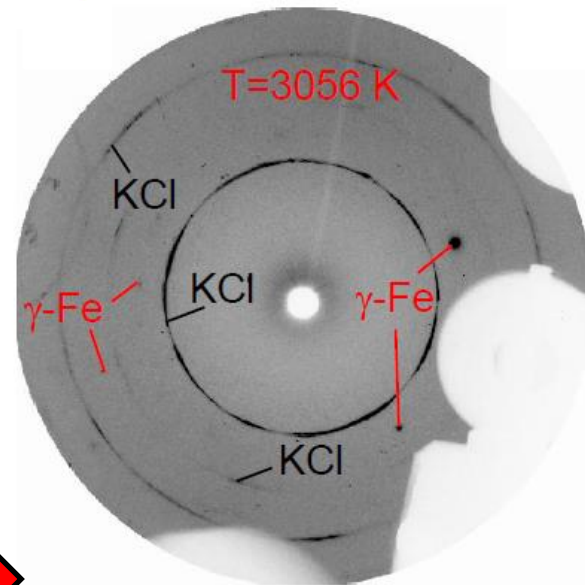
starting powder signal



temperature effects



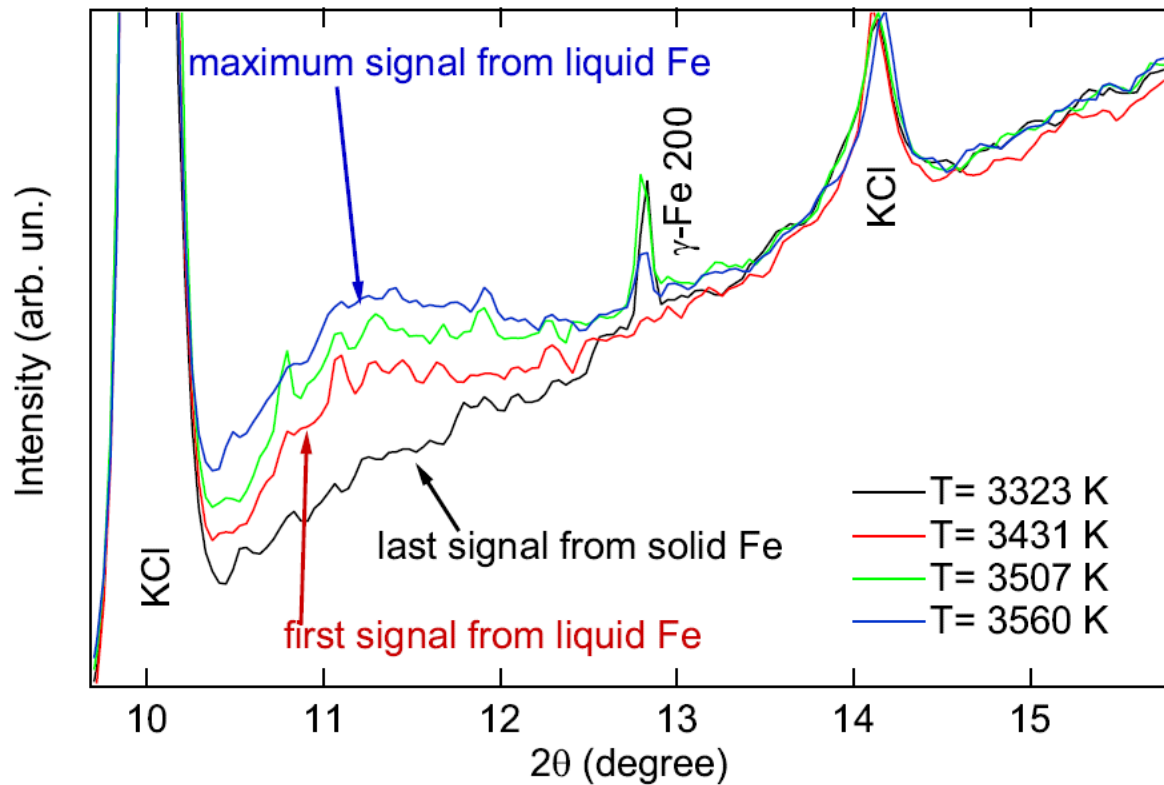
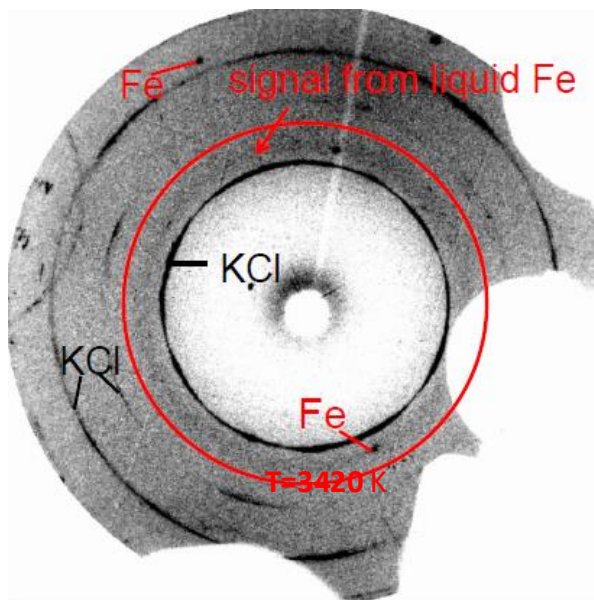
recrystallization



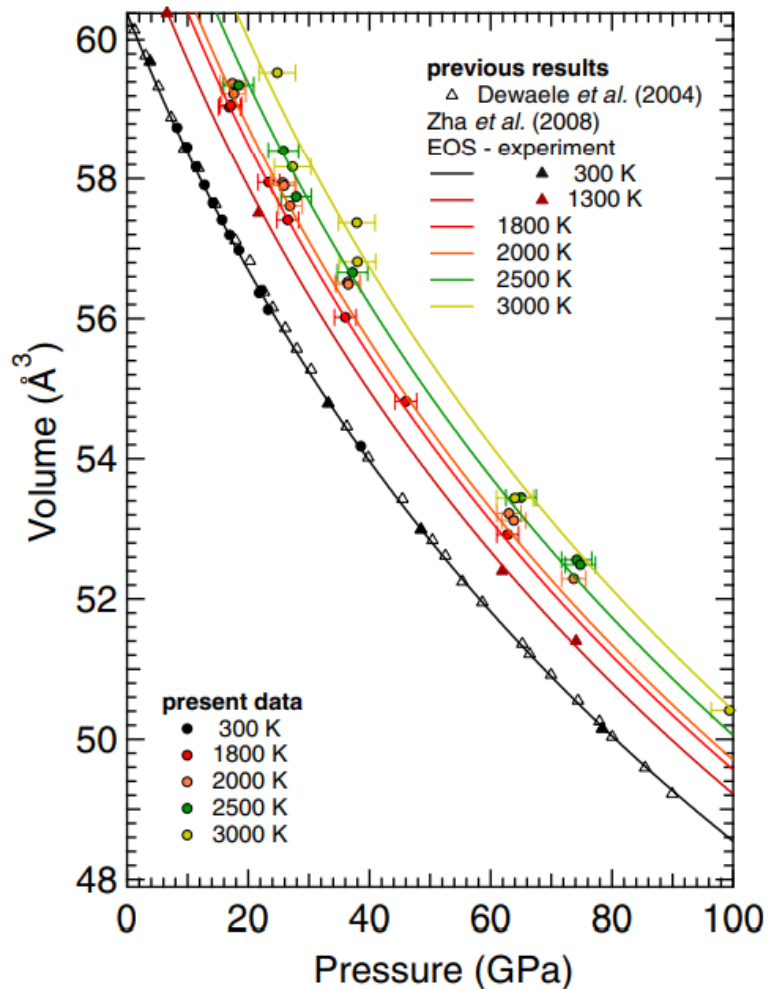
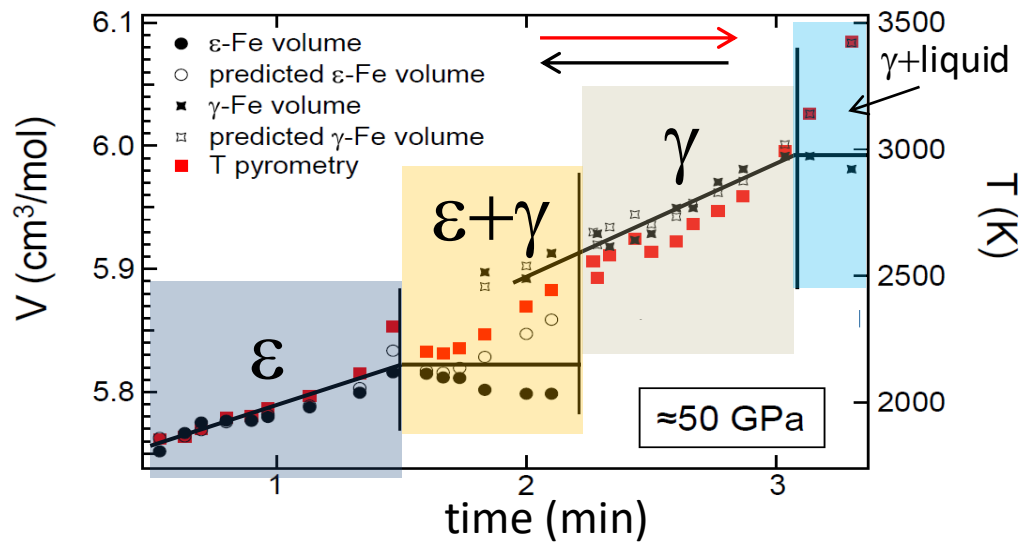
example of Fe sample loaded in KCl PTM

XRD (5)

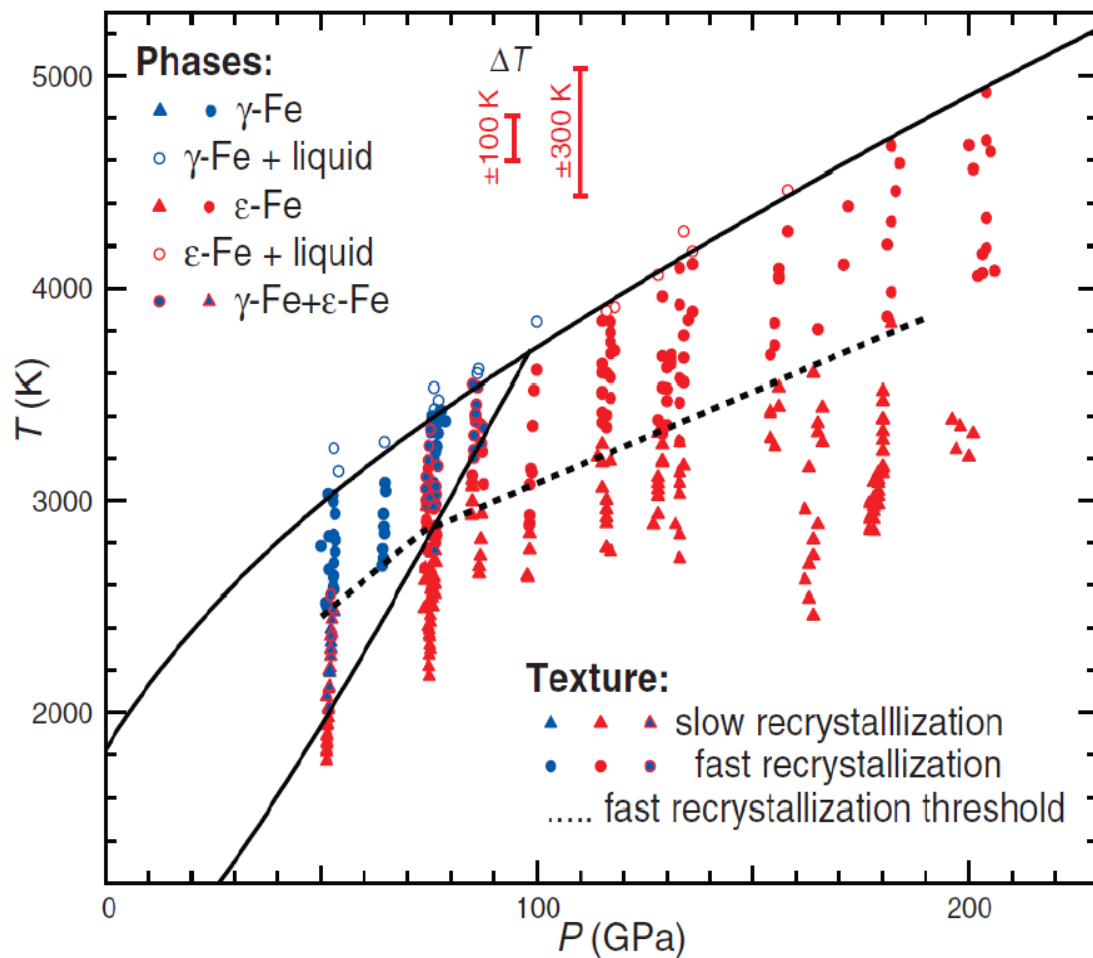
diffuse ring of molten sample



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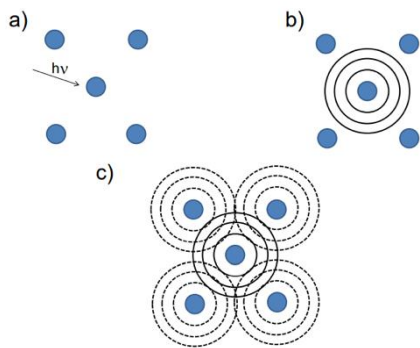
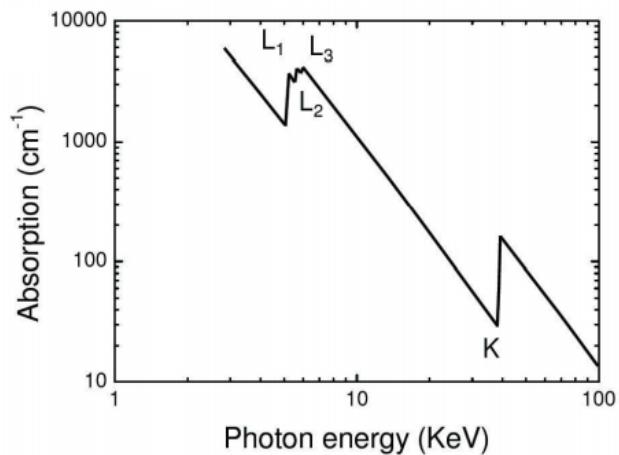
XRD (6)



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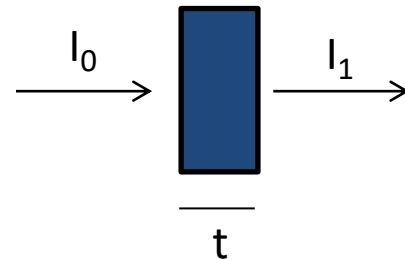
XAS

XAS (1)

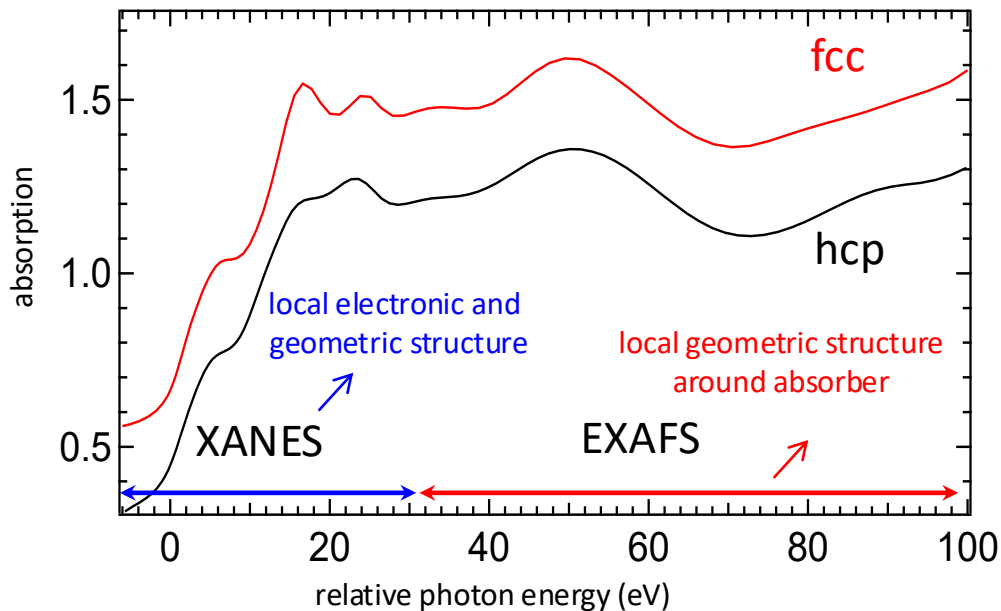


Beer-Lambert Law

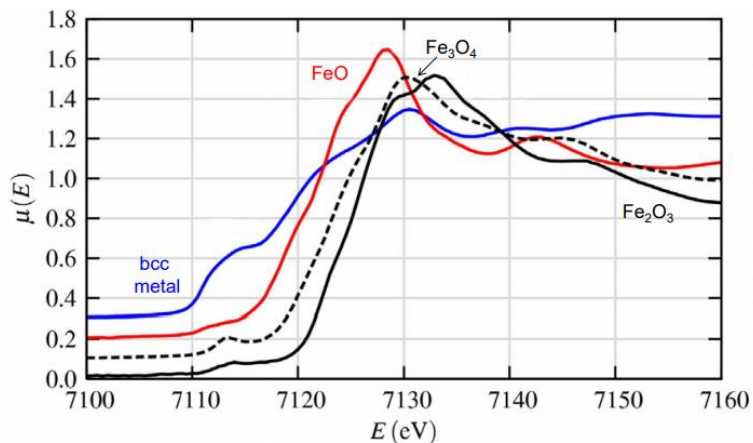
$$I_1 = I_0 e^{-\mu t}$$



μ : linear absorption coefficient (E)

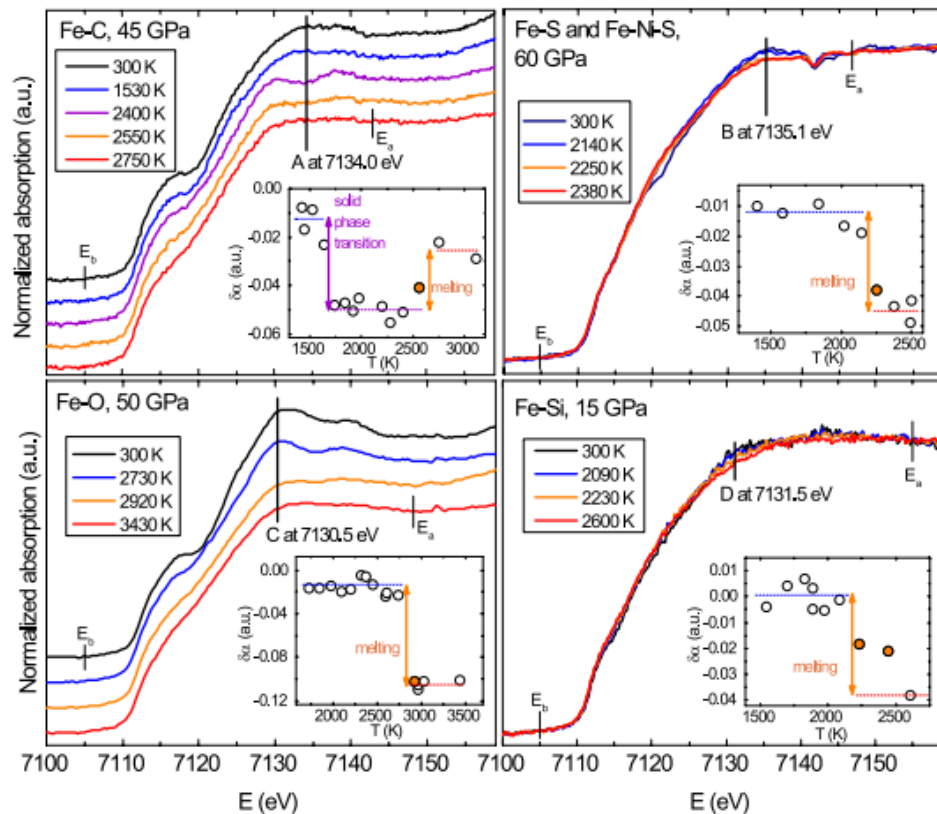


Edge sensitive to oxidation state



M. Newville "Fundamentals of XAFS", Consortium for Advanced Radiation sources, University of Chicago (2004).

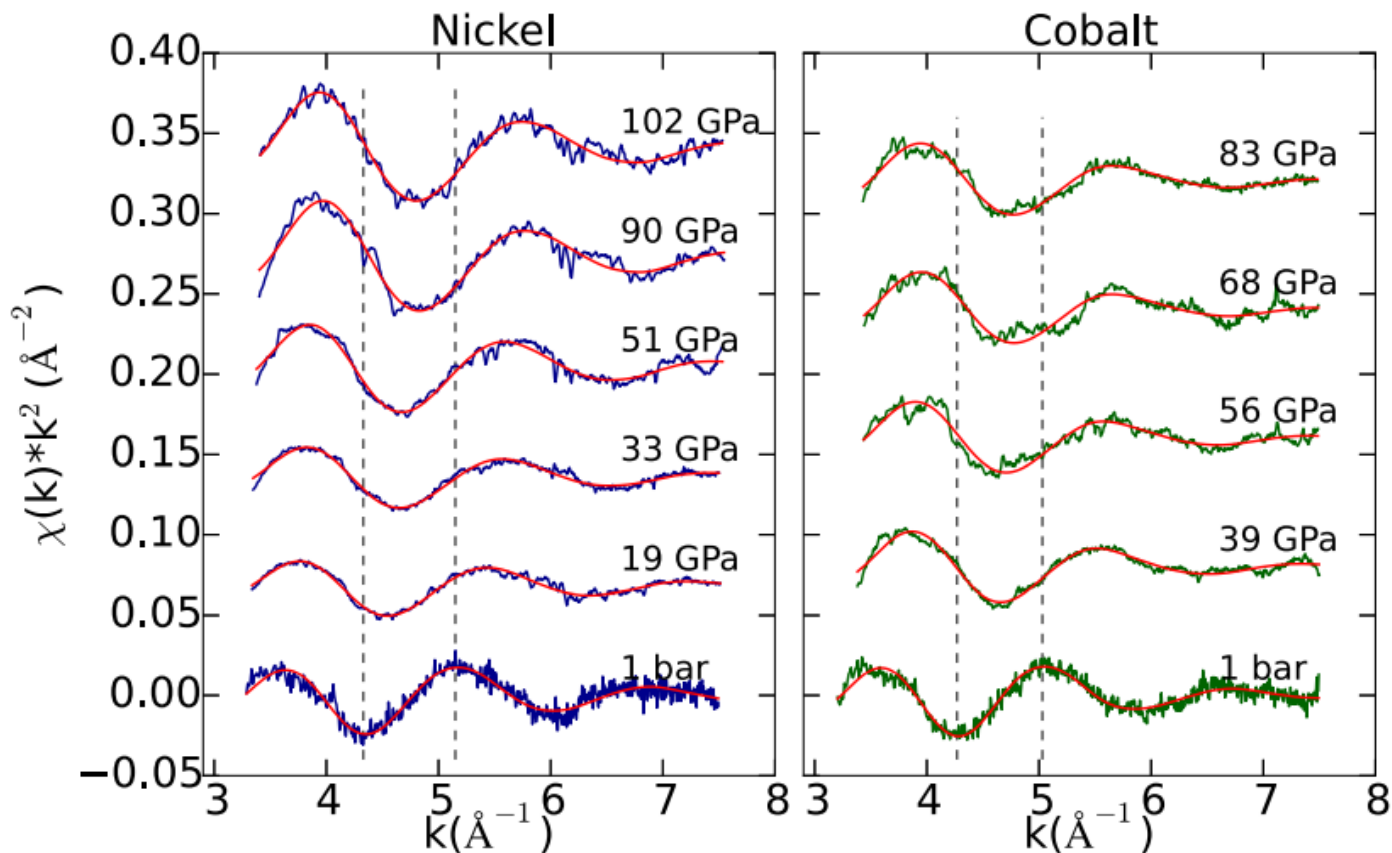
can detect onset of melting



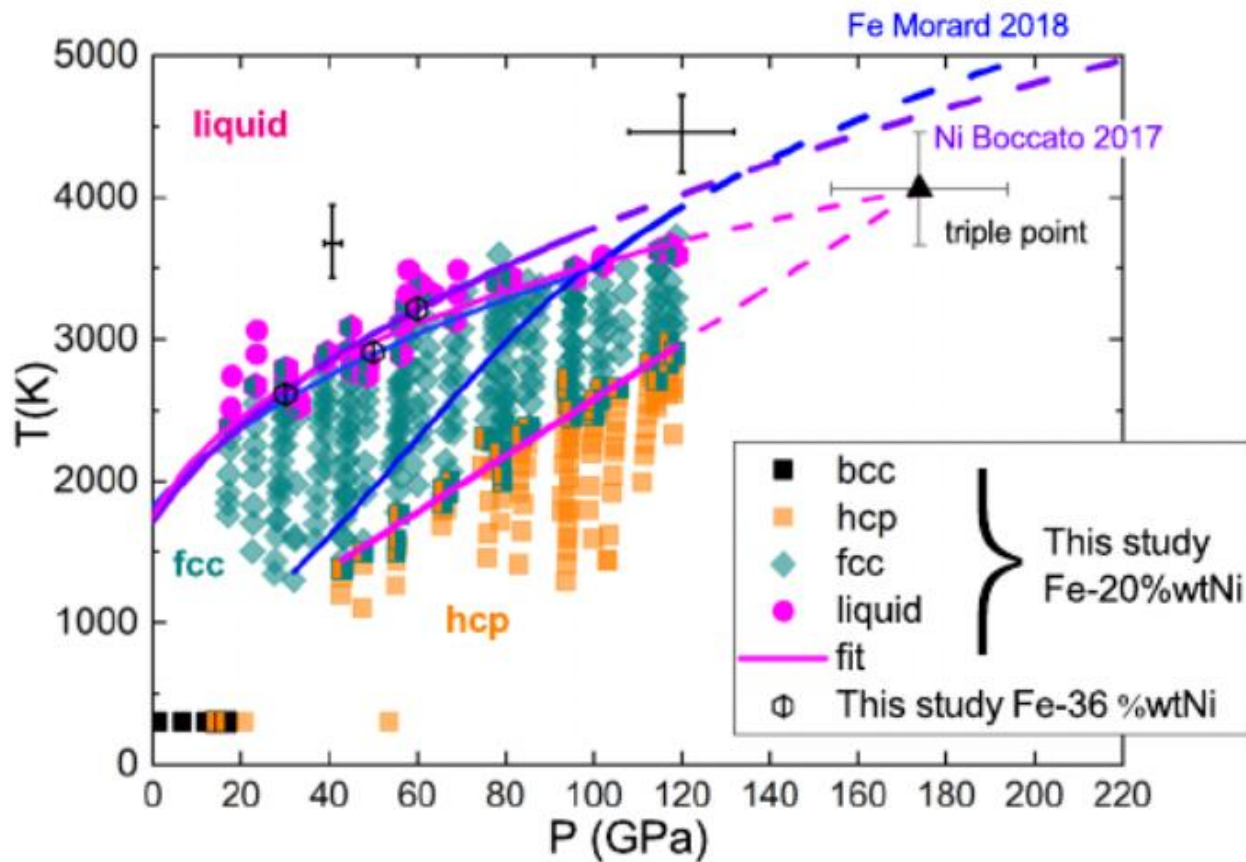
Boccatto et al., Scientific Reports. **10**, 11663 (2020)

XAS (3)

Exploring compressional behaviour of liquids



XAS (4)



MULTI-TECHNIQUES (4)

Portable double-sided laser-heating system for Mössbauer spectroscopy and X-ray diffraction experiments at synchrotron facilities with diamond anvil cells

Review of Scientific Instruments **83**, 124501 (2012); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.4772458>

I. Kupenko^{1,2}, L. Dubrovinsky¹, N. Dubrovinskaia³, C. McCammon¹, K. Glazyrin¹, E. Bykova³, T. Boffa Ballaran¹, R. Sinmyo¹, A. Hanfland², W. Crichton², and M. Merlini⁴



Physics of the Earth and Planetary Interiors

Volume 174, Issues 1–4, May 2009, Pages 282–291



Development of *in situ* Brillouin spectroscopy at high pressure and high temperature with synchrotron radiation and infrared laser heating system: Application to the Earth's deep interior

Motohiko Murakami ^{a, b}, Yuki Asahara ^c, Yasuo Ohishi ^c, Naohisa Hirao ^c, Kei Hirose ^{d, e}



Full . Submitted: 20 July 2016 . Accepted: 08 December 2016 . Published Online: 28 December 2016

Combined laser ultrasonics, laser heating, and Raman scattering in diamond anvil cell system

Review of Scientific Instruments **87**, 123908 (2016); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.4972588>

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SUMMARY

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 - Description of the three paths for imaging, laser-heating and T measurement
 - LH-DAC metrology
- LH-DAC at Synchrotron facilities
 - Coupled with XRD → Obtainable information
 - Couple with XAS → Obtainable information
 - Multi-techniques