

# **Neutron Scattering by Magnetic Crystals**

## **II.I: Neutron Scattering Theory**

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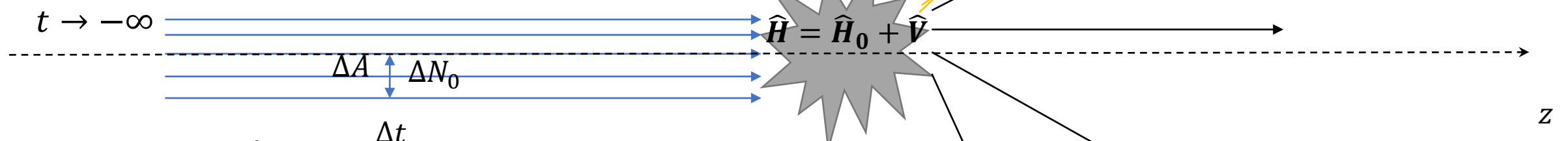
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# General Scattering Theory

# A General Scattering Setting: Scattering Geometry

$$\sigma := \frac{\Delta N / \Delta t}{f} = \frac{\Delta N / \Delta t}{\frac{\Delta N_0}{\Delta A \Delta t}} = \frac{\Delta N}{\Delta N_0} \Delta A$$

Incident particle number flux  $f \hat{z} := \frac{dN_0}{dA dt} \hat{z}$



$$\Delta N = N(\Delta t)$$

$t \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\sigma_{tot} := \frac{dN/dt}{f}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} V(\vec{r}) \sim o\left(\frac{1}{r^{1+\epsilon}}\right) \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} := \frac{dN/dtd\Omega}{f}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE} := \frac{dN/dtd\Omega dE}{f}$$

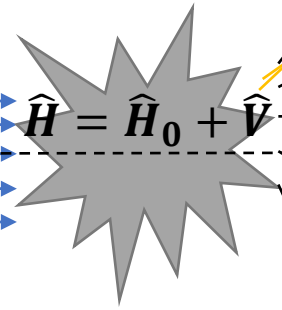
# A General Scattering Setting: Scattering Geometry

Plane wave  $\psi_i = e^{ikz}$

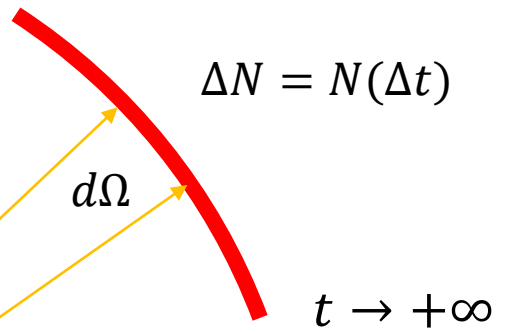
$$f = \frac{dN_0}{dA dt} = \frac{\hbar k}{m} |\psi_i|^2$$

$$\psi_s = F(\theta, \varphi) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \quad \vec{j}_s = \frac{-i\hbar}{2m} |\psi_s|^2 \nabla \ln \frac{\psi_s}{\psi_s^\dagger} = \frac{\hbar k}{m} \frac{|F(\theta, \varphi)|^2}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

Incident particle number flux  $f\hat{z} \equiv \frac{dN_0}{dA dt} \hat{z}$   
 $t \rightarrow -\infty$



$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{V}$$



$t \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\psi_f(r \rightarrow \infty) = \psi_i + \psi_s$$

$z$

$$dN/dt = \vec{j}_s \cdot r^2 d\Omega \hat{r} = \frac{\hbar k}{m} |F(\theta, \varphi)|^2 d\Omega$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{dN/dt d\Omega}{f} = |F(\theta, \varphi)|^2$$

$$\text{Non-relativistic flux: } \vec{j}[\Psi] = \frac{-i\hbar}{2m} [\Psi^\dagger \nabla \Psi - \Psi \nabla \Psi^\dagger - 2q\vec{A}|\Psi|^2] + \frac{\mu_s}{s} \nabla \times \Psi^\dagger \vec{S} \Psi$$

# A General Scattering Setting: S Matrix

Schrödinger picture:  $i\hbar\partial_t|\Psi(t)\rangle = \hat{H}|\Psi(t)\rangle$   $t_0 = 0$

Closed or isolated system:  $\partial_t\hat{H} = 0$   $|\Psi(t)\rangle = e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}(t-t_0)}{\hbar}}|\Psi(t_0)\rangle = e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}}|\Psi(0)\rangle$

$$\hat{H}|\Psi_\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha|\Psi_\alpha\rangle \quad \hat{H}_0|\Phi_\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha|\Phi_\alpha\rangle \quad \hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{V}$$

Lippmann-Schwinger equation  $(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0)|\Psi_\alpha\rangle = \hat{V}|\Psi_\alpha\rangle$

$$f(\hat{A}) \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \hat{A}^n$$

$$\langle\Phi_\alpha|\Phi_\beta\rangle = \langle\Psi_\alpha|\Psi_\beta\rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\int d\beta |\Phi_\beta\rangle\langle\Phi_\beta| = \int d\beta |\Psi_\beta\rangle\langle\Psi_\beta| = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots, |x| < 1$$

Green Function Method:

$$(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0)\hat{G} = \hat{I} \quad |\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha\rangle = \hat{G}\hat{V}|\Psi_\alpha\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle = |\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)}\hat{V}|\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle = |\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \int d\beta \frac{\langle\Phi_\beta|\hat{V}|\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle}{(E_\alpha - E_\beta \pm i\epsilon)}|\Phi_\beta\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle = |\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)}\hat{V}|\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)}\hat{V}\frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)}\hat{V}|\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)}\hat{V}}|\Phi_\alpha\rangle$$

$$k_\alpha \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2mE_\alpha}}{\hbar} \quad U(\vec{r}) \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}V(\vec{r})$$

If  $\langle\vec{r}|\hat{H}_0|\vec{r}'\rangle = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m}\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')\nabla^2$   $(\nabla^2 + k_\alpha^2)\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = U(\vec{r})\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_\alpha^2)G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \quad G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \equiv -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{\pm ik_\alpha|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

$$\Psi_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}) = \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) + \int d\vec{r}' G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')U(\vec{r}')\Psi_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}') = \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) + \int d\vec{r}' G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')U(\vec{r}')\Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}') + \int d\vec{r}' G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')U(\vec{r}') \int d\vec{r}'' G_\pm(\vec{r}' - \vec{r}'')U(\vec{r}'')\Psi_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}'')$$

Far Field Approximation:  $|\vec{r}| \gg |\vec{r}'|$   $|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'| \approx |\vec{r}| - (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')/|\vec{r}|$

$$G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{\pm ik_\alpha|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \approx -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{\pm ik_\alpha[|\vec{r}| - (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')/|\vec{r}|]}}{|\vec{r}| - (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')/|\vec{r}|} \approx -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{\pm ik_\alpha|\vec{r}|}}{|\vec{r}|} e^{\mp i\vec{k}_\alpha \cdot \vec{r}'}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}) = \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) + F(\theta, \varphi) \frac{e^{\pm ik_\alpha|\vec{r}|}}{|\vec{r}|}$$

$$F(\theta, \varphi) \equiv -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int e^{\mp i\vec{k}_\alpha \cdot \vec{r}'} d\vec{r}' U(\vec{r}')\Psi_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}')$$

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# A General Scattering Setting: S Matrix

$$g(\alpha) \equiv \langle \Psi_\alpha | \Psi(0) \rangle \quad \|\varphi\| \equiv \langle \varphi | \varphi \rangle$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \|\Psi(t) - \Phi(t)\| = 0$$

$$|\Psi^\pm(t)\rangle = e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha g(\alpha) |\Psi_\alpha^\pm\rangle = \int d\alpha g(\alpha) e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} |\Psi_\alpha^\pm\rangle;$$

$$|\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle = |\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \frac{1}{(E_\alpha - \hat{H}_0 \pm i\epsilon)} \hat{V} |\Psi_\alpha^\mp\rangle = |\Phi_\alpha\rangle + \int d\beta \frac{\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^\mp \rangle}{(E_\alpha - E_\beta \pm i\epsilon)} |\Phi_\beta\rangle$$

$$|\Phi(t)\rangle = e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}_0 t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha g(\alpha) |\Phi_\alpha\rangle = \int d\alpha g(\alpha) e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} |\Phi_\alpha\rangle$$

$$|\Psi^\pm(t)\rangle = |\Phi(t)\rangle + \int d\alpha g(\alpha) e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} \int d\beta \frac{\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^\pm \rangle}{(E_\alpha - E_\beta \mp i\epsilon)} |\Phi_\beta\rangle = |\Phi(t)\rangle + \int d\beta \wp_\beta^\pm(t) |\Phi_\beta\rangle$$

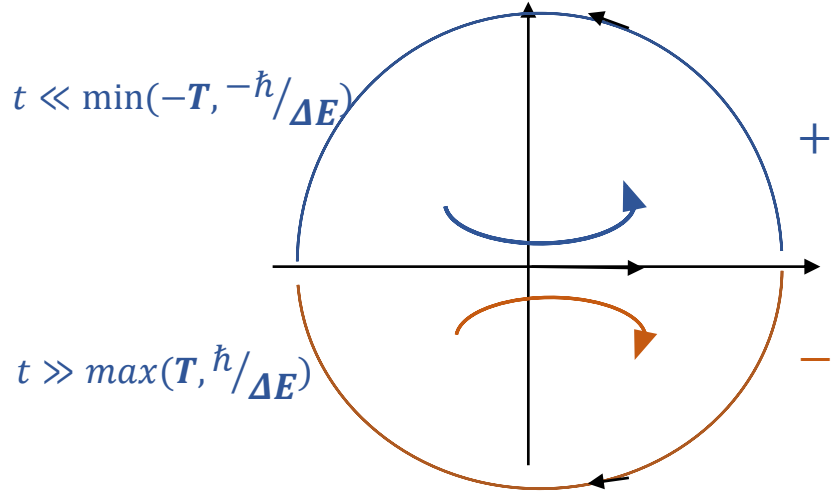
$$\wp_\beta^\pm(t) \equiv \int d\alpha g(\alpha) e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} \frac{\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^\pm \rangle}{(E_\alpha - E_\beta \mp i\epsilon)}$$

$$-iE_\alpha t = -i(|E_\alpha| e^{i\theta})t = -i|E_\alpha|t \cos\theta + |E_\alpha|t \sin\theta$$

$\wp_\beta(t)$	$+\infty$	$-\infty$
+	0	$2\pi i e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta   \hat{V}   \Psi_\alpha^+ \rangle$
-	$-2\pi i e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta   \hat{V}   \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle$	0

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |\Psi^\pm(t)\rangle = |\Phi(t)\rangle \quad |\Psi_\alpha^\pm\rangle = W(\pm\infty) |\Phi_\alpha\rangle$$

**Wave Operator**  $W(\pm\infty) \equiv \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} W(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} e^{\frac{i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}_0 t}{\hbar}}$



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# A General Scattering Setting: S Matrix

$$\int d\beta |\Phi_\beta\rangle \langle \Phi_\beta| = \int d\beta |\Psi_\beta\rangle \langle \Psi_\beta| = 1$$

**Scattering matrix**  $S_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \Psi_\alpha^+ | \Psi_\beta^- \rangle = \langle \Phi_\alpha | \hat{S} | \Phi_\beta \rangle$   $\hat{S} \equiv W^\dagger(+\infty)W(-\infty) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow -\infty, \\ \tau \rightarrow +\infty}} e^{\frac{i\hat{H}_0\tau}{\hbar}} e^{-\frac{i\hat{H}\tau}{\hbar}} e^{\frac{i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} e^{-\frac{i\hat{H}_0t}{\hbar}}$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |\Psi^-(t)\rangle = |\Phi(t)\rangle + \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta \varrho_\beta^-(t) |\Phi_\beta\rangle = |\Phi(t)\rangle - \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta |\Phi_\beta\rangle 2\pi i e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle$$

$$= \int d\alpha g(\alpha) e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} |\Phi_\alpha\rangle - \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta |\Phi_\beta\rangle 2\pi i e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} |\Phi_\beta\rangle \left[ g(\beta) - 2\pi i \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle \right]$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |\Psi^-(t)\rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta g(\beta) e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} |\Psi_\beta^-\rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta g(\beta) e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha |\Psi_\alpha^+\rangle \langle \Psi_\alpha^+ | \Psi_\beta^- \rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta g(\beta) e^{\frac{-iE_\beta t}{\hbar}} \int d\alpha |\Psi_\alpha^+\rangle S_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta g(\beta) \int d\alpha |\Psi_\alpha^+\rangle e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} S_{\alpha\beta} = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\beta g(\beta) \int d\alpha |\Phi_\alpha\rangle e^{\frac{-iE_\alpha t}{\hbar}} S_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\int d\alpha g(\alpha) S_{\beta\alpha} = g(\beta) - 2\pi i \int d\alpha \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) g(\alpha) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle \quad \forall g(\alpha)$$

## Probability Amplitude

$$S_{\beta\alpha} = \delta(\alpha - \beta) - 2\pi i \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle = \delta(\alpha - \beta) - 2\pi i \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \delta^3(\vec{p}_\alpha - \vec{p}_\beta) M_{\beta\alpha}$$



# A General Scattering Setting: Transition Rates and Cross Section

$$S_{\beta\alpha} = \delta(\alpha - \beta) - 2\pi i \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle = \delta(\alpha - \beta) - 2\pi i \delta(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \delta^3(\vec{p}_\alpha - \vec{p}_\beta) M_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$\delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{i(E_\alpha - E_\beta)t/\hbar} dt \quad [\delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta)]^2 = \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \delta_T(0) = \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \frac{T}{2\pi\hbar}$$

$$P(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = |S_{\beta\alpha}|^2 = 4\pi^2 |\delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta)|^2 |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2$$

$$= 4\pi^2 \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) \frac{T}{2\pi\hbar} |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2 = \frac{2\pi T}{\hbar} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2$$

$$dP(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = |S_{\alpha\beta}|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta = \frac{2\pi T}{\hbar} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta \quad d\mathcal{N}_\beta: \text{State Number in the range } (\beta, \beta + d\beta)$$

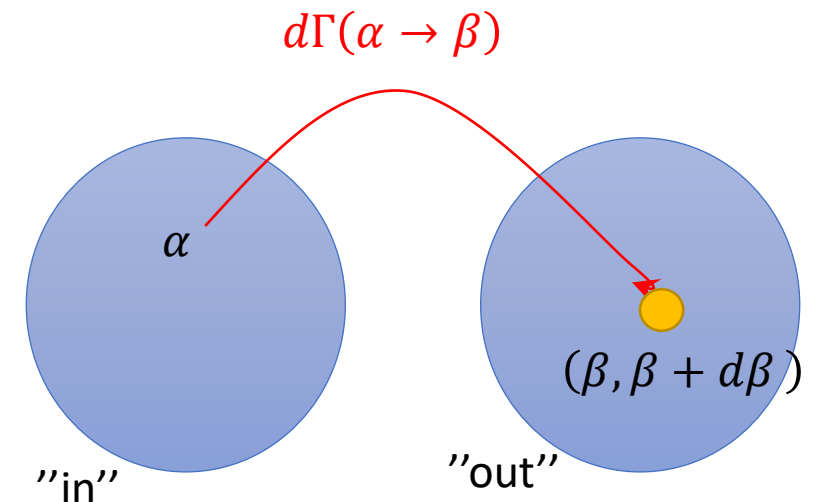
## Differential Transition Rate: Fermi's Golden Rule

$$d\Gamma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = \frac{dP(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta$$

If  $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$       Relative Velocity       $u_\alpha E_1 E_2 = \sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}$

$$p_1 \cdot p_2 \equiv E_1 E_2 - \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_2$$

$$d\sigma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = \frac{d\Gamma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}{u_\alpha / V_0} = \frac{2\pi V_0}{\hbar u_\alpha} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta$$



# Neutron Scattering

**Kinematical Theory**

**Neutron Diffraction and Spectroscopy**

Dynamical Theory

Neutron Optics: Reflection and Imaging

# Scattering Master Formula

$$\frac{d\sigma\left((\vec{k}_i, \sigma_i) \rightarrow (\vec{k}_f + d\vec{k}_f, \sigma_f)\right)}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \left(\frac{mV_0}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) \left| \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \right|^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle$$

$$A(\vec{q}, t) \equiv \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \rangle$$

$$V(\vec{q}, t) \equiv e^{iHst/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{i-Hst/\hbar}$$

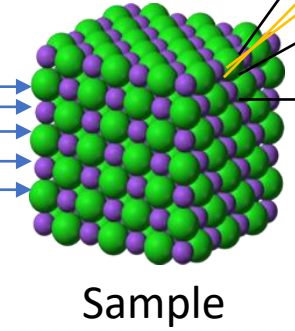
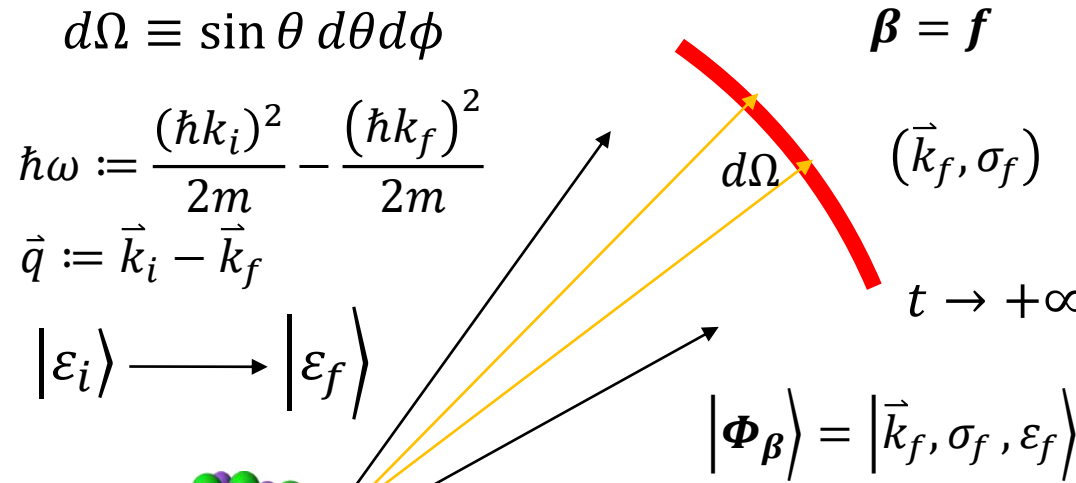
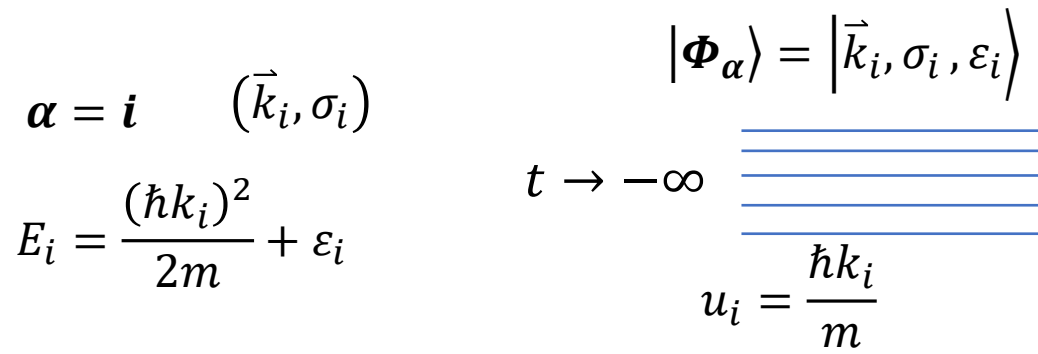
$$V(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r}_n V(\vec{r}_n) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_n} \quad \vec{q} \equiv \vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f$$

# Neutron Scattering Setting: Lab Frame

$$d\sigma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = \frac{2\pi V_0}{\hbar u_\alpha} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Psi_\alpha^- \rangle|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta$$

Born Approximation: Weak interaction, High Energy

$$d\sigma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = \frac{2\pi V_0}{\hbar u_\alpha} \delta_T(E_\alpha - E_\beta) |\langle \Phi_\beta | \hat{V} | \Phi_\alpha \rangle|^2 d\mathcal{N}_\beta$$



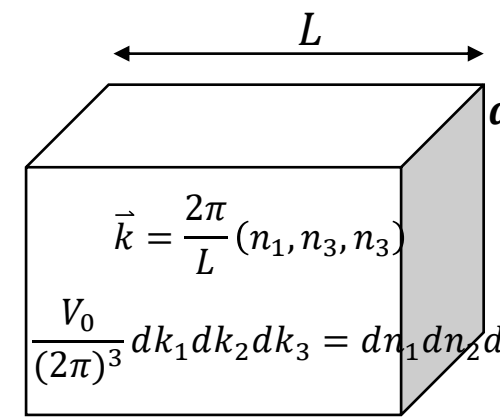
$$d\sigma \left( (\vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i) \rightarrow (\vec{k}_f + d\vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f) \right) = \frac{2\pi m V_0}{\hbar^2 k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) |\langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle|^2 \frac{m k_f V_0}{(2\pi)^3 \hbar^2} d(\hbar\omega) d\Omega$$

$$= \left( \frac{m V_0}{2\pi \hbar^2} \right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) |\langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle|^2 d(\hbar\omega) d\Omega$$

$$d\sigma \left( (\vec{k}_i, \sigma_i) \rightarrow (\vec{k}_f + d\vec{k}_f, \sigma_f) \right) = \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) d\sigma \left( (\vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i) \rightarrow (\vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f) \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{m V_0}{2\pi \hbar^2} \right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) |\langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle|^2 d(\hbar\omega) d\Omega$$

$p(\varepsilon_i)$ : Statistical Probability of Sample Initial State Being  $|\varepsilon_i\rangle$



$$d\mathcal{N}_\beta = \frac{V_0}{(2\pi)^3} (k_f)^2 d(k_f) d\Omega$$

$$= \frac{V_0}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m k_f}{\hbar^2} d(\hbar\omega) d\Omega$$

# Master Formula : Scattering Function and Intermediate Function

$$\frac{d\sigma((\vec{k}_i, \sigma_i) \rightarrow (\vec{k}_f + d\vec{k}_f, \sigma_f))}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \left(\frac{mV_0}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) \left| \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \right|^2 \quad \int d\vec{r}_n |\vec{r}_n\rangle \langle \vec{r}_n| = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \hat{V} | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle &= \int d\vec{r}_n d\vec{r}'_n \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \vec{r}_n \rangle \langle \vec{r}_n | \hat{V} | \vec{r}'_n \rangle \langle \vec{r}'_n | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle = \int d\vec{r}_n d\vec{r}'_n \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \vec{r}_n \rangle V(\vec{r}_n) \delta(\vec{r}_n - \vec{r}'_n) \langle \vec{r}'_n | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \\ &= \int d\vec{r}_n \langle \vec{k}_f, \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | \vec{r}_n \rangle V(\vec{r}_n) \langle \vec{r}_n | \vec{k}_i, \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle = \frac{1}{V_0} \int d\vec{r}_n \langle \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | V(\vec{r}_n) e^{i(\vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f) \cdot \vec{r}_n} | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad \langle \vec{r}_n | \vec{k}_i \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_0}} e^{i\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{r}_n} \\ &= \frac{1}{V_0} \langle \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | V(\vec{q}) | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad V(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r}_n V(\vec{r}_n) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_n} \quad \vec{q} \equiv \vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) \left| \langle \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | V(\vec{q}) | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \right|^2 \quad \delta(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \hbar\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i)t/\hbar} e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} &= \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i)t/\hbar} e^{-i\omega t} dt \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) \langle \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f \rangle \langle \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | V(\vec{q}) | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad \sum_{\varepsilon_f} |\varepsilon_f\rangle \langle \varepsilon_f| = 1 \\ &= \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_f} p(\varepsilon_i) \langle \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f \rangle \langle \sigma_f, \varepsilon_f | e^{iH_S t/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{-iH_S t/\hbar} | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad \langle O \rangle \equiv \sum_{\varepsilon_i} p(\varepsilon_i) \langle \varepsilon_i | O | \varepsilon_i \rangle \\ &= \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{\varepsilon_i} p(\varepsilon_i) \langle \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f \rangle \langle \sigma_f | e^{iH_S t/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{-iH_S t/\hbar} | \sigma_i, \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad V(\vec{q}, t) \equiv e^{iH_S t/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{-iH_S t/\hbar} \\ &= \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle \left\langle \sigma_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f \right\rangle \left\langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \right\rangle \right\rangle \quad H_S: \text{ Sample Hamiltonian } H_S |\varepsilon\rangle = \varepsilon |\varepsilon\rangle \end{aligned}$$

# Master Formula: Scattering Function and Intermediate Function

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle \left\langle \sigma_i \left| V^\dagger(\vec{q}) \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \left\langle \sigma_f \left| V(\vec{q}, t) \right| \sigma_i \right\rangle \right\rangle$$

$$V(\vec{q}, t) \equiv e^{iHst/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{-iHst/\hbar}$$

$$A(\vec{q}, t) \equiv \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \rangle \quad A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) \equiv \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \langle \sigma_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_f \rangle \quad A^\dagger(\vec{q}, 0) \equiv A^\dagger(\vec{q})$$

$$p(\varepsilon_i) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\varepsilon_i}{k_B T}}}{\sum_{\varepsilon_i} e^{-\frac{\varepsilon_i}{k_B T}}}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} S(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

**Scattering Function**  $S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t)$

**Intermediate Scattering Function**  $I(\vec{q}, t) \equiv \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$

Correlation function

Thermal Equilibrium

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t_0) A(\vec{q}, t + t_0) \rangle$$

$$V(\vec{r}_n) = V^\dagger(\vec{r}_n) \quad V(-\vec{q}) = V^\dagger(\vec{q}) \quad A(-\vec{q}, t)_{\sigma_f \rightarrow \sigma_i} = A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t)_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f}$$

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle = \left\langle A(\vec{q}) A^\dagger(\vec{q}, -t + \frac{i\hbar}{k_B T}) \right\rangle$$

$$\langle A^\dagger(-\vec{q}) A(-\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_f \rightarrow \sigma_i} = \langle A(\vec{q}) A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f}$$

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, \infty) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) \rangle \langle A(\vec{q}, \infty) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) \rangle \langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle = |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2$$

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle^* = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) A(\vec{q}) \rangle$$

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle = |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2 + \left[ \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle - |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2 \right]$$

Static

Dynamic

$$S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t) = |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar\omega) + \tilde{S}(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

Static, Elastic

Inelastic, Dynamic

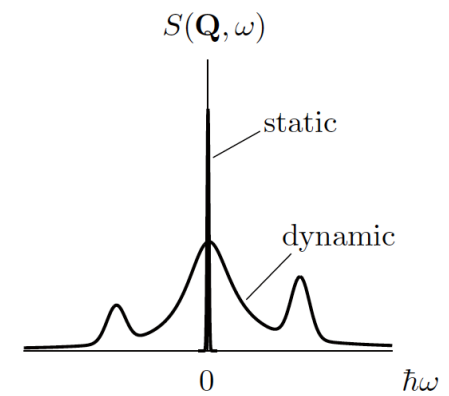


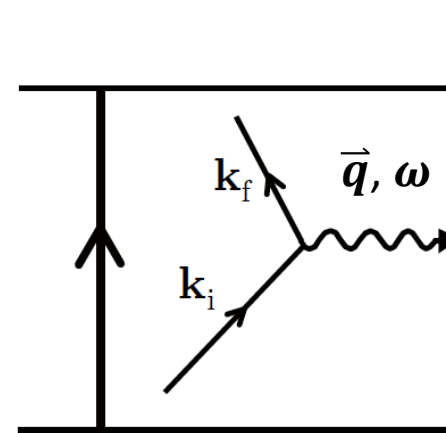
Fig. 3.4 Schematic of the response function  $S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$ . The elastic component arises from static correlations, and the inelastic component arises from dynamic correlations.

# Master Formula: Scattering Function and Intermediate Function

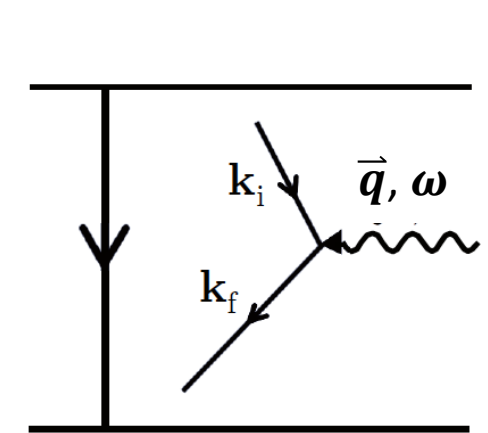
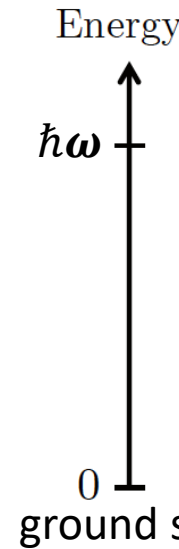
## The Principle of Detailed Balance

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(\vec{q}, \omega) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle \\
 S(-\vec{q}, -\omega)_{\sigma_f \rightarrow \sigma_i} &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \langle A^\dagger(-\vec{q}) A(-\vec{q}, t) \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \langle A(\vec{q}) A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \left\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, -t + \frac{i\hbar}{k_B T}) \right\rangle_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}} \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f} \\
 &= e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}} S(\vec{q}, \omega)_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f}
 \end{aligned}$$

(a) Neutron energy-loss  
 $S(\vec{q}, \omega)_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f}$



(b) Neutron energy-gain  
 $S(-\vec{q}, -\omega)_{\sigma_f \rightarrow \sigma_i}$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle A^\dagger(-\vec{q}) A(-\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_f \rightarrow \sigma_i} &= \langle A(\vec{q}) A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) \rangle_{\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_f} \\
 \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle &= \left\langle A(\vec{q}) A^\dagger(\vec{q}, -t + \frac{i\hbar}{k_B T}) \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- (1) The population of states with energy  $\hbar\omega$  above the ground state is proportional to  $e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}}$
- (2) Scattering probability is proportional to the population of initial states

# Master Formula : Structure Factor $S(\vec{q})$

$$S(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$S(\vec{q}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(\vec{q}, \omega) d(\hbar\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega t} d(\hbar\omega) \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \delta(t) \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}, 0) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}) \rangle = \langle |A(\vec{q})|^2 \rangle$$

If thermal equilibrium,

$$\langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}, t) A(\vec{q}, t) \rangle = \langle A^\dagger(\vec{q}) A(\vec{q}) \rangle$$

- Structure Factor  $S(\vec{q})$**  (1) represents both static and dynamic correlations  
 (2) measures equal-time, or instantaneous correlation

$$S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t) = S_{el}(\vec{q}, \omega) + \tilde{S}(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

$$S_{el}(\vec{q}, \omega) = |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar\omega)$$

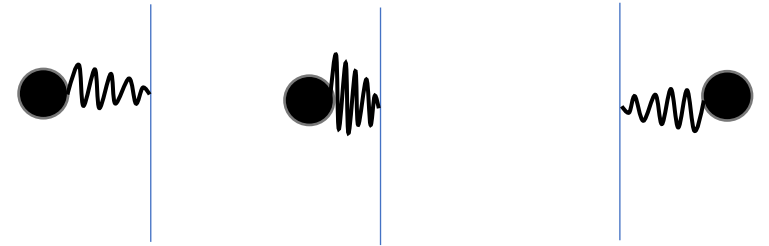
$$S(\vec{q}) = S_{el}(\vec{q}) + \tilde{S}(\vec{q})$$

Elastic structure factor  $S_{el}(\vec{q}) = |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2$

Dynamic structure factor  $\tilde{S}(\vec{q}) = \langle |A(\vec{q})|^2 \rangle - |\langle A(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2$

*e.l. Scattering from nuclei*

$S(\vec{q})$ : instantaneous position of nuclei;  
 $S_{el}(\vec{q})$ : time-averaged position of nuclei;



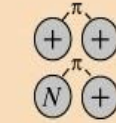
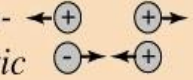
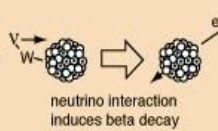
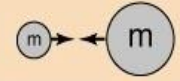


# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Short-Range Neutron-Nuclei Strong Interaction

## What we know:

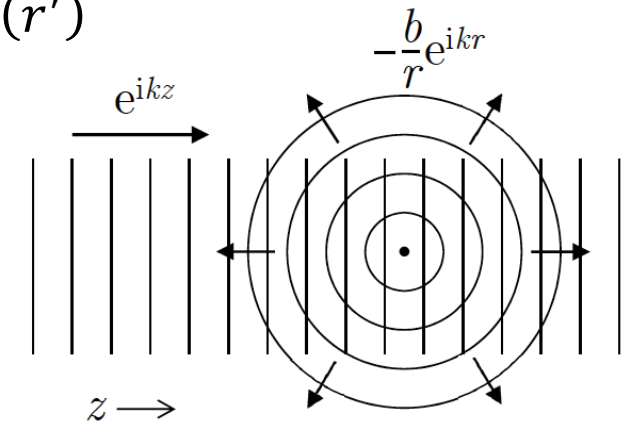
- (1) The accurate neutron-nuclei interaction unknown: Many-body interaction
- (2) The neutron-nuclei interaction depends both on the number of nucleons in the nuclei and the total spin of this neutron-nuclei system
- (3) Strong nuclear force is isotropic
- (4)  $1 \text{ fm} \ll 1 \text{ \AA}$ , so that intra-nucleus interference ignored and neutron's penetration depth ( $10^{-2} m$ ) in samples is much larger than that of x-ray ( $10^{-4} - 10^{-7} m$ )

Fundamental Forces				
<b>Strong</b>		Strength <b>1</b>	Range (m) $10^{-15}$ (diameter of a medium sized nucleus)	Particle gluons, $\pi$ (nucleons)
<b>Electro-magnetic</b>		Strength $\frac{1}{137}$	Range (m) Infinite	Particle photon mass = 0 spin = 1
<b>Weak</b>		Strength $10^{-6}$	Range (m) $10^{-18}$ (0.1% of the diameter of a proton)	Particle Intermediate vector bosons $W^+, W^-, Z_0$ , mass > 80 GeV spin = 1
<b>Gravity</b>		Strength $6 \times 10^{-39}$	Range (m) Infinite	Particle graviton ? mass = 0 spin = 2

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{\alpha}^{+}(\vec{r}) = \Phi_{\alpha}(\vec{r}) + F(\theta, \varphi) \frac{e^{+ik_{\alpha}|\vec{r}|}}{|\vec{r}|} \quad F(\theta, \varphi) \equiv -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' e^{-i\vec{k}_{\alpha} \cdot \vec{r}'} U(\vec{r}') \Psi_{\alpha}^{\pm}(\vec{r}')$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |F(\theta, \varphi)|^2 \quad S\text{-wave dominated} \quad \lim_{|\vec{k}_{\alpha}| \rightarrow 0} |F(\theta, \varphi)|^2 = b^2 \quad \sigma = 4\pi b^2$$

$$\text{Scattering length } b := -\lim_{|\vec{k}_{\alpha}| \rightarrow 0} F(\theta, \varphi) = \lim_{|\vec{k}_{\alpha}| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' U(\vec{r}') \Psi_{\alpha}^{+}(\vec{r}')$$



# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Fermi Pseudopotential

## Born Approximation???

$$b_c = \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' U(\vec{r}') \Psi_\alpha^+(\vec{r}')$$

$$U(\vec{r}) \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} V(\vec{r})$$

Cold  
Thermal  
Hot

Energy (meV)

0.1 – 10

5 – 100

100 – 500

Temp (K)

1 – 120

60 – 1000

1000 – 6000

Wavelength (nm)

0.4 – 3

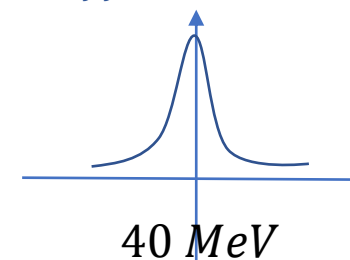
0.1 – 0.4

0.04 – 0.1

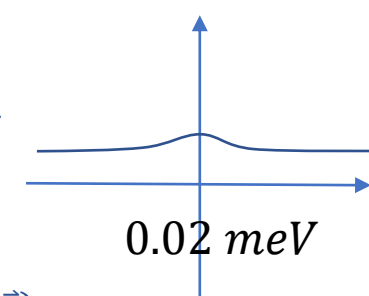
$$\frac{\int V_{eff} V(\vec{r}') d\vec{r}'}{V_{eff}} \sim 40 \text{ MeV} \gg E_n$$

Born Approximation does not work!

$V_{eff} \sim fm^3$



$\tilde{V}_{eff} \sim 10^6 (fm)^3$



$$(\nabla^2 + k_\alpha^2) \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \tilde{U}(\vec{r}) \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha(\vec{r})$$

**Fermi Approximation**  $\tilde{U}(\vec{r}) := 10^{-6} U(10^{-2} \vec{r})$   $\Psi_\alpha^+(\vec{r}) \rightarrow \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^+(\vec{r})$

$$b_c = \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' U(\vec{r}') \Psi_\alpha^+(\vec{r}') = \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \tilde{U}(\vec{r}') \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^+(\vec{r}')$$

**Born Approximation!**

$$\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}) \approx \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = e^{i\vec{k}_\alpha \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}) = \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) + \int d\vec{r}' G_\pm(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \tilde{U}(\vec{r}') \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^\pm(\vec{r}')$$

$$b_c = \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \tilde{U}(\vec{r}') \tilde{\Psi}_\alpha^+(\vec{r}') \approx \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \tilde{U}(\vec{r}') e^{i\vec{k}_\alpha \cdot \vec{r}'} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \tilde{U}(\vec{r}')$$

Since still  $100 \text{ fm} \ll 1 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\tilde{U}(\vec{r}) \approx a\delta(\vec{r})$   $b_c = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' a\delta(\vec{r}) = \frac{a}{4\pi}$   $\tilde{U}(\vec{r}) = 4\pi b_c \delta(\vec{r}) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} V(\vec{r})$

**Fermi Pseudopotential**

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} b_c \delta(\vec{r})$$

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Fermi Contact Interaction

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} b_c \delta(\vec{r}) + 2\Delta \vec{I} \cdot \vec{s} \delta(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \hat{b}_r \delta(\vec{r}) \quad \hat{b}_r = b_c + 2\Delta \vec{I} \cdot \vec{s} \quad \Delta \text{ is a certain constant}$$

$b_c$ : coherent scattering length

$$\hat{J} = \hat{I} + \hat{S} \quad \hat{J}^2 = \hat{I}^2 + \hat{S}^2 + 2\hat{I} \cdot \hat{S} \quad \hat{J}^2, \hat{J}_z, \hat{I}^2, \hat{S}^2 \text{ commute with each other and share common eigenstates } \{|J, J_z, I, s\rangle\}$$

$$[\hat{J}^2, \hat{J}_z, \hat{I}^2, \hat{S}^2] |J, J_z, I, s\rangle = [J(J+1)\hbar, J_z\hbar, I(I+1)\hbar, s(s+1)\hbar] |J, J_z, I, s\rangle \quad s = \frac{1}{2} \quad J = I + \frac{1}{2}, I - \frac{1}{2} \quad J_z = -J, -J+1, \dots, J$$

$$2\hat{I} \cdot \hat{S} = \hat{J}^2 - \hat{I}^2 - \hat{S}^2 = J(J+1)\hbar - I(I+1)\hbar - s(s+1)\hbar$$

$$\left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \equiv \left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z, I, s = \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$\left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \equiv \left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z, I, s = \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

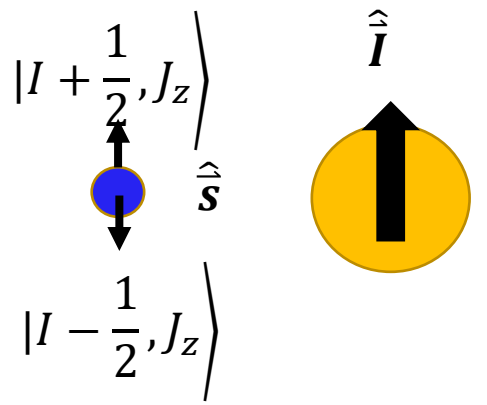
$$2\hat{I} \cdot \hat{S} \left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle = I \left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \quad 2\left(I + \frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 2I + 2\text{-fold degenerate}$$

$$2\hat{I} \cdot \hat{S} \left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle = -(I+1) \left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \quad 2\left(I - \frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 2I\text{-fold degenerate}$$

Define  $b_{r+}, b_{r-}, b_i$  Incoherent scattering length  $b_i := \sqrt{\langle \hat{b}_r^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{b}_r \rangle^2}$

$$\hat{b}_r \left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle = b_{r+} \left| I + \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \quad b_c = \frac{1}{2I+1} [(I+1)b_{r+} + Ib_{r-}] \quad \Delta = \frac{1}{2I+1} [b_{r+} - b_{r-}]$$

$$\hat{b}_r \left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle = b_{r-} \left| I - \frac{1}{2}, J_z \right\rangle \quad \langle \hat{b}_r \rangle := b_{r+} \cdot \frac{2I+2}{4I+2} + b_{r-} \cdot \frac{2I}{4I+2} = b_c$$



$$b_i = \sqrt{b_{r+}^2 \cdot \frac{2I+2}{4I+2} + b_{r-}^2 \cdot \frac{2I}{4I+2} - b_c^2} = \frac{\sqrt{I(I+1)} |b_{r+} - b_{r-}|}{2I+1} \quad \hat{b}_r = b_c - \frac{b_i}{\sqrt{I(I+1)}} 2\hat{I} \cdot \vec{s}$$

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Neutron Absorption and Absorption Cross Section

- (1) Absorption mechanism: four types of nuclear reaction  $(n, \gamma)$ ,  $(n, fission)$ ,  $(n, p)$  and  $(n, \alpha)$
- (2) Only  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$  has no neutron absorption; many light nuclides have very weak thermal absorption
- (3) Heavy nuclides tend to have more significant neutron absorption than light ones.
- (4)  $(n, \gamma)$  is the dominant mechanism for thermal neutron absorption

$$U(\vec{r}) = U_r(\vec{r}) + iU_i(\vec{r}) \quad V_r(\vec{r}) \approx 42\text{MeV}, V_i(\vec{r}) \approx 2\text{MeV} \quad U(\vec{r}) \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V_r(\vec{r}) + iV_i(\vec{r}))$$

$$b = b_r - ib_a \quad b = \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' U_r(\vec{r}') \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}') \quad b_a = - \lim_{|\vec{k}_\alpha| \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' U_i(\vec{r}') \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}')$$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_\alpha^2) \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = U(\vec{r}) \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) \quad \int d\vec{r} \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) (\nabla^2 + k_\alpha^2) \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{r} \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) U(\vec{r}) \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})$$

$$\int d\vec{r} \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) \nabla^2 \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{r} U(\vec{r}) |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 - \int d\vec{r} k_\alpha^2 |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 \quad \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) \nabla^2 \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \nabla \cdot (\Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) \nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})) - (\nabla \cdot \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r})) (\nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}))$$

$$\int d\vec{r} \left[ \nabla \cdot (\Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) \nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})) - (\nabla \cdot \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r})) (\nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})) \right] = \int d\vec{r} U(\vec{r}) |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 - \int d\vec{r} k_\alpha^2 |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 \quad \vec{j}[\Psi] = \frac{-i\hbar}{2m} [\Psi^\dagger \nabla \Psi - \Psi \nabla \Psi^\dagger]$$

$$\int d\vec{S} \cdot \Psi_\alpha^\dagger(\vec{r}) \nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{r} U(\vec{r}) |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 + \int d\vec{r} [|\nabla \Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 - k_\alpha^2 |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2] \quad \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = e^{i\vec{k}_\alpha \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\int d\vec{S} \cdot \vec{j}[\Psi] = \frac{-i\hbar}{2m} \int d\vec{r} [U(\vec{r}) - U^\dagger(\vec{r})] |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 = \frac{\hbar}{m} \int d\vec{r} U_i(\vec{r}) |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 \quad \vec{j}[\Phi_\alpha(\vec{r})] = \frac{-i\hbar}{2m} [\Phi_\alpha(\vec{r})^\dagger \nabla \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) - \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r}) \nabla \Phi_\alpha(\vec{r})^\dagger] = \frac{\hbar \vec{k}_\alpha}{m}$$

$$\sigma_a = \frac{-\int d\vec{S} \cdot \vec{j}[\Psi]}{|\vec{j}[\Phi_\alpha(\vec{r})]|} = -\frac{1}{k_\alpha} \int d\vec{r} U_i(\vec{r}) |\Psi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 \approx -\frac{1}{k_\alpha} \int d\vec{r} U_i(\vec{r}) |\Phi_\alpha(\vec{r})|^2 = -\frac{1}{k_\alpha} \int d\vec{r} U_i(\vec{r}) = \frac{4\pi b_a}{k_\alpha}$$

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Material Medium

$$V(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} V(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}}$$

$$V(\vec{q}, t) \equiv e^{iH_S t/\hbar} V(\vec{q}) e^{-iH_S t/\hbar}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle \langle \sigma_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f \rangle \langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \rangle \right\rangle$$

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j \hat{b}_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j) \quad \hat{b}_j \equiv \hat{b}_{j,r} + i\hat{b}_{j,a} = \mathbf{b}_{j,c} - \frac{b_{j,i}}{\sqrt{I_j(I_j+1)}} 2\vec{I}_j \cdot \vec{s} + i b_{j,a} \quad \hat{A}(t) \equiv e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{A} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}}$$

$$\text{Scattering Length Density } \rho_{SL}(\vec{r}) = \sum_j \hat{b}_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j)$$

$$\rho_{SL}(\vec{r}) = \sum_M \hat{b}_M \rho_M(\vec{r}); \rho_M(\vec{r}): \text{density of type M nucleus}$$

$$V(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} V(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j \hat{b}_j e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j}$$

$$e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{A}^n e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{A} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{A} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \dots e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{A} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = [\hat{A}(t)]^n$$

$$e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \frac{(i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j)^n}{n!} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t))^n}{n!} = e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)}$$

$$V(\vec{q}, t) \equiv e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} V(\vec{q}) e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{b}_j e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} \hat{b}_j e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} e^{\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{-\frac{iH_S t}{\hbar}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j \hat{b}_j(t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)}$$

$$\vec{r}_j = \vec{r}_j(0)$$

$$\hat{b}_j = \hat{b}_j(0)$$

$$\text{Define } \hat{\beta}_j(t) := \langle \sigma_f | \hat{b}_j(t) | \sigma_i \rangle \quad \langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \rangle = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j \hat{\beta}_j(t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)}$$

$$I(\vec{q}, t) = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}\right)^2 \left\langle \langle \sigma_i | V^\dagger(\vec{q}) | \sigma_f \rangle \langle \sigma_f | V(\vec{q}, t) | \sigma_i \rangle \right\rangle = \sum_{j,l} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} S(\vec{q}, \omega) \quad S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t)$$

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Coherent and Incoherent Cross Section

**Assumptions:**  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} S(\vec{q}, \omega)$      $S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t)$      $I(\vec{q}, t) = \sum_{j,l} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle$

(1) The motion of atoms is decoupled from the internal states of nuclei (**characterized by scattering length**)

$$\hat{\beta}_j(t) := \langle \sigma_f | \hat{b}_j(t) | \sigma_i \rangle; \quad \hat{b}_j(t) \equiv e^{\frac{iH_s t}{\hbar}} \hat{b}_j e^{-\frac{iH_s t}{\hbar}}$$

$$I(\vec{q}, t) = \sum_{j,l} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle = \sum_{j,l} \left\langle \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(t) \right\rangle \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$\hat{b}_j \equiv \hat{b}_{j;r} + i\hat{b}_{j;a} = b_{j;c} - \frac{b_{j;i}}{\sqrt{I_j(I_j + 1)}} 2\vec{I}_j \cdot \vec{s} + i b_{j;a}$$

**Counterexamples:** strong nuclei-nuclei exchange interactions;  
large isotopic difference

$$\langle 0 \rangle \equiv \sum_{\varepsilon_i} p(\varepsilon_i) \langle \varepsilon_i | \bar{O} | \varepsilon_i \rangle \quad p(\varepsilon_i) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\varepsilon_i}{k_B T}}}{\sum_{\varepsilon_i} e^{-\frac{\varepsilon_i}{k_B T}}}$$

(2) Nuclear spin dynamics are sufficiently slow relative to the neutron-nuclei interaction

$$\left\langle \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(t) \right\rangle = \left\langle \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l(0) \right\rangle = \left\langle \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l \right\rangle$$

$\bar{O}$ : averaged over different isotopes and nuclear spin states

(3) Different isotopes and/or spin states are distributed **randomly** among the sites for a given atomic species

$$\begin{aligned} I(\vec{q}, t) &= \sum_{j \neq l} \bar{\beta}_j^\dagger \bar{\beta}_l \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle + \sum_l \overline{|\hat{\beta}_l|^2} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{j,l} \bar{\beta}_j^\dagger \bar{\beta}_l \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle + \sum_l \left[ \overline{|\hat{\beta}_l|^2} - \overline{|\bar{\beta}_l|^2} \right] \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\langle \hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l \right\rangle = \overline{\hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l} = \begin{cases} \overline{|\hat{\beta}_l|^2} & j = l \\ \overline{\hat{\beta}_j^\dagger \hat{\beta}_l} & j \neq l \end{cases}$$

$I_{coh}(\vec{q}, t)$

$I_{inc}(\vec{q}, t)$

**Counterexamples:** isotopically labelled systems;  
strong nuclei-nuclei exchange interactions; nuclear spin-ordered system

# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Unpolarized Neutron Case

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} \right]_{unpol} = \sum_{\sigma_i \sigma_f} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_j = \langle \sigma_f | \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j | \sigma_i \rangle \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j \rightarrow \langle \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j \rangle_{iso;spin} = \bar{\mathbf{b}}_j$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} S(\vec{q}, \omega) \quad S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t)$$

$$I(\vec{q}, t) = \sum_{j,l} \bar{\beta}_j^\dagger \bar{\beta}_l \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \rangle + \sum_l \left[ \overline{|\hat{\beta}_l|^2} - |\bar{\beta}_l|^2 \right] \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \rangle$$

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} \right]_{unpol;coh} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_{j,l} \bar{\mathbf{b}}_j^* \bar{\mathbf{b}}_l \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \rangle$$

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} \right]_{unpol;inc} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_l \frac{(\sigma_{inc})_l}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \rangle$$

$$(\sigma_{inc})_l \equiv \left[ \overline{|\mathbf{b}_l|^2} - |\bar{\mathbf{b}}_l|^2 \right]$$



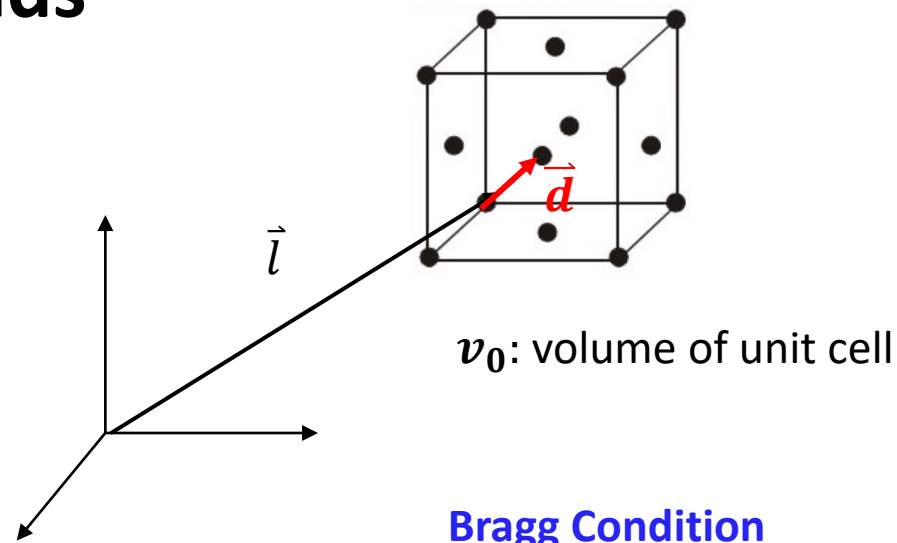
# Neutron-Nuclei Interaction: Crystalline Solids

$$\vec{r}_{ld}(t) = \vec{l} + \vec{d} + \vec{u}_{ld}(t)$$

$$\sum_{j,l} \bar{b}_j^* \bar{b}_l \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{j,l} \bar{b}_j^* \bar{b}_l e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \sum_{\vec{l}, \vec{d}, \vec{l}', \vec{d}'} \bar{b}_{\vec{d}'}^* \bar{b}_{\vec{d}} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot(\vec{l}'+\vec{d}')} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}+\vec{d}+\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$= N \sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} \sum_{\vec{d}, \vec{d}'} \bar{b}_{\vec{d}'}^* \bar{b}_{\vec{d}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot(\vec{d}-\vec{d}')} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \right\rangle$$



**Bragg Condition**

$$\sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{v_0} \sum_{\vec{G}} \delta(\vec{q} - \vec{G})$$

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} \right]_{unpol, coh} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{N}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} \sum_{\vec{d}, \vec{d}'} \bar{b}_{\vec{d}'}^* \bar{b}_{\vec{d}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot(\vec{d}-\vec{d}')} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$V = e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)}$$

$$U = -i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}$$

$$\left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \right\rangle = \langle e^U e^V \rangle = e^{-W_d - W_{d'}} e^{\langle UV \rangle} = e^{-W_d - W_{d'}} \left[ 1 + \langle UV \rangle + \frac{1}{2!} \langle UV \rangle^2 \right]$$

elastic    One-phonon    two-phonon

$$W_d = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\vec{q} \cdot \vec{u}_d)^2 \rangle$$

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} \right]_{unpol; inc} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \frac{N}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_d \frac{(\sigma_{inc})_d}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_d(t)} \right\rangle$$

$$(\sigma_{inc})_d \equiv \left[ |\mathbf{b}_d|^2 - |\bar{\mathbf{b}}_d|^2 \right]$$

# Magnetic Interaction

# Magnetic Interaction : Dipole-Dipole Interaction

$$v_M(\vec{R}) = -\vec{\mu}_n \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{R}) \quad \vec{\mu}_n \equiv -2\gamma_n \mu_N \vec{s}_n$$

Neutron gyromagnetic ratio  $\gamma_n = 1.913$

Nuclear magneton:  $\mu_N = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_p}$

$m_p$ : mass of proton

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{B}_S(\vec{R}) + \vec{B}_L(\vec{R})$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{r}_n - \vec{r}_e$$

$$\vec{\mu}_e \equiv -2\mu_B \vec{s}$$

Bohr magneton  $\mu_B = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$

$$\vec{B}_S(\vec{R}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \left( \frac{\vec{\mu}_e \times \vec{R}}{r^3} \right) = -2\mu_B \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \left( \frac{\vec{s} \times \vec{R}}{r^3} \right) \quad \vec{B}_L(\vec{R}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{e\vec{v}_e \times \vec{R}}{r^3} = -2\mu_B \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\vec{p} \times \vec{R}}{r^3}$$

$$V_M(\vec{r}) = \sum_j v_{M;j} = 2\gamma_n \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \sum_j \vec{B}_j(\vec{r})$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \gamma_n \mu_B \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \sum_j \left[ \nabla \times \left( \frac{\vec{s}_j \times \vec{R}_j}{R_j^3} \right) + \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\vec{p}_j \times \vec{R}_j}{R_j^3} \right] \quad \vec{R}_j = \vec{r} - \vec{r}_j$$

$$\vec{B}_{S;j}(\vec{q}) \equiv -2\mu_B \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \nabla \times \left( \frac{\vec{s}_j \times \vec{R}_j}{R_j^3} \right) = -2\mu_B \mu_0 \{ \hat{q} \times (\vec{s}_j \times \hat{q}) \} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j}$$

$$\vec{B}_{L;j}(\vec{q}) \equiv -2\mu_B \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r} \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\vec{p}_j \times \vec{R}_j}{R_j^3} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}}$$

$$= -2\mu_B \mu_0 \frac{i}{\hbar q} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q})$$

$$V(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} V(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} \sum_j \hat{b}_j e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j}$$

$$V_M(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} V_M(\vec{r}) = 2\gamma_n \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \sum_j [\vec{B}_{S;j}(\vec{q}) + \vec{B}_{L;j}(\vec{q})]$$

$$= -4\gamma_n \mu_0 \mu_B \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \sum_j e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} \left[ \hat{q} \times (\vec{s}_j \times \hat{q}) + \frac{i}{\hbar q} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) \right]$$

$$|V_M(\vec{q})| \propto 2\gamma_n \mu_0 \mu_B \mu_N = 2\gamma_n \mu_0 \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} \frac{e\hbar}{2m_p} = \frac{\gamma_n \mu_0 e^2 \hbar^2}{2m_e m_p}$$

$$|V_N(\vec{q})| \propto \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} b_c$$

$$\frac{|V_M(\vec{q})|}{|V_N(\vec{q})|} \sim \frac{3.075 \text{ fm}}{b_c} \sim 1$$

# Magnetic Interaction : Dipole-Dipole Interaction

$$[\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j, \vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}] = 0$$

$$V_M(\vec{q}) = -4\gamma_n \mu_0 \mu_B \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \sum_j e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} \left[ \hat{q} \times (\vec{s}_j \times \hat{q}) + \frac{i}{\hbar q} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) \right]$$

Define Spin Magnetization Density  $M_S(\vec{r}) = -2\mu_B \sum_j \vec{s}_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j)$   $\vec{M}_S(\vec{q}) := \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{M}_S(\vec{r}) = -2\mu_B \sum_j e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} \vec{s}_j$

$$\sum_j e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} \frac{i}{\hbar q} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) = \frac{i}{2\hbar q} \sum_j [e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) + (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j}] \frac{-i}{2\hbar q} \hat{q} \times \sum_j [e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} \vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_j e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j}] = \frac{-i}{2\hbar q} \hat{q} \times \frac{2m_e}{e} \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{J}_L(\vec{r})$$

Orbital electric current-density operator  $\vec{J}_L(\vec{r}) \equiv \frac{e}{2m_e} \sum_j [\vec{p}_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j) + \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j) \vec{p}_j]$   $\vec{J}_L(\vec{r}) = \nabla \times \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) + \nabla \phi$

$$\int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{J}_L(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} [\nabla \times \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) + \nabla \phi] = -i\vec{q} \times \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) - i\vec{q} \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \phi$$

Transverse molecular current  
Longitudinal conduction current

Surface terms ignored

$$\sum_j e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_j} \frac{i}{\hbar q} (\vec{p}_j \times \hat{q}) = \frac{-i}{2q\mu_B} \hat{q} \times \left[ -i\vec{q} \times \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) \right] = \frac{-1}{2\mu_B} \hat{q} \times [\hat{q} \times \vec{M}_L(\vec{q})]$$

$$\vec{M}_L(\vec{q}) := \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) \quad \vec{M}(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{M}(\vec{r})$$

$$\mathbf{V}_M(\vec{q}) = 2\gamma_n \mu_0 \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot [\hat{q} \times (\vec{M}_S(\vec{q}) \times \hat{q}) + \hat{q} \times (\vec{M}_L(\vec{q}) \times \hat{q})]$$

$$\vec{M}(\vec{r}) = \vec{M}_S(\vec{r}) + \vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) \quad \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}) \equiv \vec{M}(\vec{q}) - (\vec{M}(\vec{q}) \cdot \hat{q}) \hat{q}$$

$$= 2\gamma_n \mu_0 \mu_N \vec{s}_n \cdot \hat{q} \times (\vec{M}(\vec{q}) \times \hat{q}) = -\vec{\mu}_n \cdot \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q})$$

$$\vec{M}_L(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \times \int \frac{\vec{J}_L(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r}' - \frac{1}{8\pi} \nabla \nabla \cdot \int \frac{\vec{r}' \times \vec{J}_L(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r}'$$

# Magnetic Interaction : Magnetic Pair Correlation Function and Cross Section

$$V_M(\vec{q}) = -\vec{\mu}_n \cdot \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}) \quad I_M(\vec{q}, t) = \left( \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^2 \left\langle \left\langle \sigma_i \left| V_M^\dagger(\vec{q}) \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \left\langle \sigma_f \left| V_M(\vec{q}, t) \right| \sigma_i \right\rangle \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} S(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

$$\left\langle \sigma_f \left| V_M(\vec{q}, t) \right| \sigma_i \right\rangle = -\left\langle \sigma_f \left| \vec{\mu}_n \right| \sigma_i \right\rangle \cdot \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \quad \left\langle \sigma_i \left| V_M^\dagger(\vec{q}) \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle = -\left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{\mu}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \cdot \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q})$$

$$S(\vec{q}, \omega) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} I(\vec{q}, t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_M(\vec{q}, t) &= \left( \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^2 \left| \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{\mu}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 \left\langle \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q}) \mu_0 \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle = \mu_0^2 \left( \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^2 \left| \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{\mu}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 \left\langle \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle \\ &= \left( 2\gamma_n \mu_N \mu_0 \mu_B \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(2\mu_B)^2} \left| 2 \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{s}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 \left\langle \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle = \left( \frac{3.075 \text{ fm}}{2\mu_B} \right)^2 \left| 2 \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{s}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 \left\langle \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Define  $S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle \vec{M}_\perp^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_\perp(\vec{q}, t) \right\rangle$

$$S(\vec{q}, \omega) = \left( \frac{3.075 \text{ fm}}{2\mu_B} \right)^2 \left| 2 \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{s}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) \quad \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{k_f}{k_i} \left( \frac{3.075 \text{ fm}}{2\mu_B} \right)^2 \left| 2 \left\langle \sigma_i \left| \vec{s}_n \right| \sigma_f \right\rangle \right|^2 S_M(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

Define Magnetic pair correlation function:  $\Gamma_{ij}(\vec{r}, t) := \frac{1}{N} \int \langle M_i(\vec{r}', 0) M_j(\vec{r}' + \vec{r}, t) \rangle d\vec{r}'$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{N}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_{ij} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt d\vec{r} e^{i(\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \Gamma_{ij}(\vec{r}, t) [\delta_{ij} - \hat{q}_i \hat{q}_j]$$

$\Gamma_{ij}(\vec{r}, t)$ : measures correlations between two magnetization at different place and different time

# Magnetic Interaction : Magnetic Static and Dynamic Correlation

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{N}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_{ij} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt d\vec{r} e^{i(\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t)} \Gamma_{ij}(\vec{r}, t) [\delta_{ij} - \hat{q}_i \hat{q}_j]$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}(\vec{r}, t) := \frac{1}{N} \int \langle M_i(\vec{r}', 0) M_j(\vec{r}' + \vec{r}, t) \rangle d\vec{r}'$$

**Static Correlation:**  $\langle \vec{M}_{\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}, +\infty) \rangle = \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}, \infty) \rangle = \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}) \rangle$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = |\langle \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}) \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar\omega) + \tilde{S}_M(\vec{q}, \omega)$$

**Static**

**Dynamic**

# Magnetic Interaction : Magnetic and Structure Correlation

## Assumptions

1. Localized Magnetizations

$$\vec{M}(\vec{r}) = \sum_j \vec{M}_j(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j)$$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle \vec{M}_{\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$\vec{M}_j(\vec{q}) \equiv \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}'} \vec{M}_j(\vec{r}')$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{M}(\vec{q}) &\equiv \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \vec{M}(\vec{r}) = \sum_j \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \vec{M}_j(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j) \\ &= \sum_j \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}'} \vec{M}_j(\vec{r}') e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} = \sum_j \vec{M}_j(\vec{q}) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{jl} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} \vec{M}_{l\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle$$

2. Magnetic correlations are decoupled with the structure correlations

$$\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} \vec{M}_{l\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle = \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{l\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{jl} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{l\perp}^{\dagger}(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

**Counterexamples: Dynamic Jahn-Teller Effect—the coupling between lattice vibrations and the orbital fluctuations of an ion with an orbitally-degenerate ground state.**

**a. Magnetic scattering and elastic in structure**

*(static)(static) (static)(dynamic)*

**b. Magnetovibrational scattering: magnetically ordered systems**

*(dynamic)(static)*

Neutron destroy and create phonons through magnetic interaction but without change to magnetic part

**c. Inelastic Scattering in both magnetic and structural systems**

*(dynamic)(dynamic)*

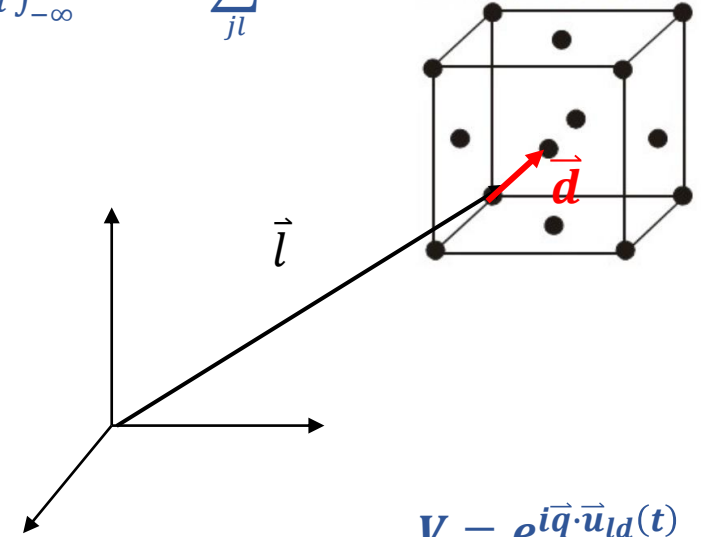
# Magnetic Interaction : Crystalline Solids and Static Lattice Approximation

$$S_M(\vec{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{jl} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{l\perp}^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_{ld}(t) = \vec{l} + \vec{d} + \vec{u}_{ld}(t)$$

$$\sum_{jl} \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_l} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}_j(t)} \rangle \langle \vec{M}_{l\perp}^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{j\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle$$

$$= N \sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} \sum_{\vec{d}, \vec{d}'} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot(\vec{d}-\vec{d}')} \langle \vec{M}_{\vec{d}'\perp}^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{\vec{d}\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \rangle$$



$$V = e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)}$$

$$U = -i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}$$

$$W_d = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_d)^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \rangle = \langle e^U e^V \rangle = e^{-W_d - W_{d'}} e^{\langle UV \rangle} = e^{-W_d - W_{d'}} \left[ 1 + \langle UV \rangle + \frac{1}{2!} \langle UV \rangle^2 \right]$$

elastic    One-phonon    two-phonon

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega d(\hbar\omega)} = \frac{Nk_f}{k_i} \left( \frac{3.075 \text{ fm}}{2\mu_B} \right)^2 |2\langle \sigma_i | \vec{s}_n | \sigma_f \rangle|^2 \sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} \sum_{\vec{d}, \vec{d}'} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot(\vec{d}-\vec{d}')} \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle \vec{M}_{\vec{d}'\perp}^\dagger(\vec{q}) \vec{M}_{\vec{d}\perp}(\vec{q}, t) \rangle \langle e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{0\vec{d}'}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{u}_{ld}(t)} \rangle$$

**Bragg Condition**  $\sum_{\vec{l}} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{l}} = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{v_0} \sum_{\vec{G}} \delta(\vec{q} - \vec{G})$



Supplementary



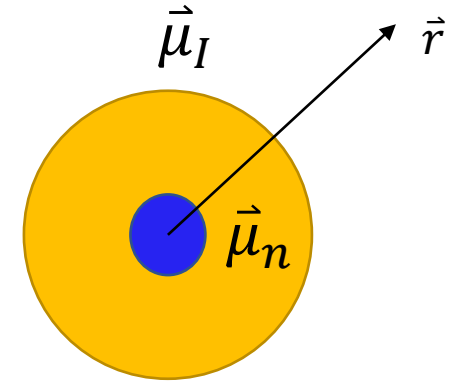
# Fermi Contact Interaction

Interaction between neutron magnetic moment  $\vec{\mu}_n$  and nucleus magnetic moment  $\vec{\mu}_I$  is

$$\hat{U} = -\vec{\mu}_n \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}) \quad \text{Magnetic field } \vec{B}(\vec{r}) \text{ is produced by } \vec{\mu}_I$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \nabla \times \frac{\vec{\mu}_I \times \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{3\vec{r}(\vec{\mu}_I \cdot \vec{r}) - \vec{\mu}_I r^2}{r^5} - 4\pi\vec{\mu}_I \delta(\vec{r})$$

Outside nucleus      Inside nucleus



Inside nucleus       $\hat{U} = -\vec{\mu}_n \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\mu}_n \cdot 4\pi\vec{\mu}_I \delta(\vec{r}) = 2\Delta \vec{I} \cdot \vec{s} \delta(\vec{r})$        $\Delta = 2\pi\gamma_n\gamma_I$