Neutrons in Soft Matter

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Self-introduction

Born in 1961

Fukushima, Japan

- 1984 Graduated from Kyoto Univ.
- 1989 Ph. D from Osaka Univ.

Shape memory alloy Single X'tal/X-ray, Neutron

- I989-2002 Research Associate at Hiroshima Univ.
- 2002-2008 Associate Prof. at Kyoto Univ.
- 2008- Professor at KEK

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Microemulsion SANS/NSE

Soft Matter Physics Non-equilibrium phenomena

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Soft Matter



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Surfactant NCNR Summer School 2012

Common properties

-large number of internal degree of freedom

- weak interaction between structure unit
- delicate balance of entropy and enthalpy



phase transition

Hierarchical structure



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Nano-scale Structures in Soft Matter





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Hierarchical dynamics



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Inelastic/Quasi-elastic scattering



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Surfactants

Amphiphilic property

r vater

hydrophilic hydrophobic

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Semi-microscopic structures



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Packing parameter



head-water head-head

tail-tail

tail-oil

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Pressure dependence

M. Nagao, HS, et al. 1999-2007





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AOT + D_2O + *n*-decane



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Pressure dependence of SAXS



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Structure change with P



The same as increasing T





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Why T-effect and P-effect seems to be the same?



counter-ion dissociation

tail-tail interaction

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Bending energy of surfactant layers

W. Helfrich, Z. Naturforsch. C28 (1973) 693

mean curvature $H = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$

Gaussian curvature
$$K = \frac{1}{R_1} \frac{1}{R_2}$$





spontaneous curvature

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Neutrons see...



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Phase separation of a water-in droplet



Kawabata et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 92 (2004) 056103.

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Results of NSE experiments

T=43°C/P=0.1MPa



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Scattering from a shell

Expansion of the shape fluctuation into spherical harmonics

 $R(\theta \ \phi, t) = R_0 \{1 + \sum_{nm} a_{nm}(t) Y_{nm}(\theta \ \phi)\}$

Huang et al. PRL 59 (1987) 2600. Farago et al. PRL **65** (1990) 3348.

up to n=2 mode gives $I(Q,t)/I(Q,0) = \exp[-D_{eff}Q^{2}t]$ $D_{eff} = D_{tr} + \frac{5(2)2(QR_{0})(|a_{2}|^{2})}{Q^{2}[4\pi f_{0}(QR_{0}) + 5f_{2}(QR_{0})(|a_{2}|^{2})]}$ translational diffusion shape deformation where $f_{0}(QR_{0}) = [j_{0}(QR_{0})]^{2}$ $f_{2}(QR_{0}) = 5[4j_{2}(QR_{0}) - (QR_{0})j_{3}(QR_{0})]^{2}$ damping frequency of the 2nd mode deformationmean-square displacement of the 2nd mode deformation<math display="block">mean-square displacement of the 2nd mode deformation mean-square displacement of the 2nd mode deformation

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T- and P- dependence of the bending modulus



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T- and P-effects on an ionic surfactant monolayer



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Possible application

-pressure antagonism of anesthesia -deep sea organisms -food processing





Cells and Vesicles



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Lamellar structure of lipid bilayers



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Phase transitions of lipid bilayers



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Neutron vs X-ray

neutron





x-ray





static structure

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NSE measurements on lipid bilayers

N. L. Yamada, HS, et al. 2005-2008



Considered as a single membrane fluctuation.



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Single membrane fluctuation

A lateral length *L* along the membrane flat surface is perturbed in some way, because they are 2D connected object.

roughness exponent: $\zeta = 1$ (2D object) = 3/2 (1D object)

 $L\simeq (\kappa/k_BT)^{1/2\zeta} Q^{-1/\zeta}$

 $h \simeq (k_{\rm B}T/\kappa)^{1/2} L^{\zeta}$

The Stokes-Einstein diffusion coefficient is,

 $D(Q) \simeq (k_B T/\eta L) \simeq (k_B T/\eta) (k_B T/\kappa)^{1/2\zeta} Q^{1/\zeta}$

The relaxation rate is,

 $\Gamma(Q) \simeq D(Q) Q^2 \simeq (k_B T/\eta) (k_B T/\kappa)^{1/2\zeta} Q^{2+(1/\zeta)}$

Thus they obtained the stretched exponential form of the relaxation function as,

 $I(Q, t) = \exp[-(\Gamma(Q)t)^{\beta}]$

where

$$\Gamma(Q) = \gamma_{\alpha} \gamma_{\kappa} (k_{B}T)^{1/\beta} \kappa^{1-(1/\beta)} \eta^{-1} Q^{2/\beta}$$

with

 $\beta = 2 / (2+1/\zeta) = 2/3$ (2D object) $\gamma_{\alpha} = 0.024$ (2D object) = 3/4 (1D object) = 0.0056 (1D object)

 $\gamma_{\kappa} = 1 - 3 \ln(\xi / l(t)) k_B T / (4\pi\kappa)$

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Zilman and Granek

NSE results





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T-dependence of bending modulus



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Anomalous swelling above T_M



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NSE results

DMPC+KBr T=50°C

DMPC+KBr T=25°C



 $I(q,t)/I(q,0)=C\exp[-(\Gamma t)^{2/3}]$

Bending modulus



Softening
Thermal fluctuation increases

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Our interpretation

irregular stacking of bumpy layers

thickening & hardening



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Possible application

Inhibitory Effects of Hybrid Liposomes on the Growth of Tumor Cells



Survival ratio depends on lipids





Salt vs Surfactant



Spherical Micelles

Water

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Inverted Micelles

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Water + Organic Solvent + Salt

water + acetonitrile (UCST)



V. Gutmann, "The Donor-Acceptor Approach to Molecular Interactions", Plenum Press (1978). water + 3-methylpyridine (LCST)



M.Wagner, et al., PCCP, 4, 5330 (2002).

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Antagonistic Salt

K. Sadakane, HS, et al. 2006-

sodium tetraphenylborate (NaBPh₄)



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Visual inspection





No phase separation is observed when $NaBPh_4 > 15 \text{ mM}$

Scattering Length Densities



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Small-Angle Neutron Scattering



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Deviation from O-Z



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Charge density wave model

(3) NaBPh₄ = 85 mM



Schematic picture



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$NaBPh_4 = 85 mM$, water rich

K. Sadakane, HS, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 167803 (2009).



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Optical Microscope

	III		
293	313	323	Temperature

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20µm

SANS results



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Model analysis

Scattering Intensity: $I(Q) = P(Q) \times S(Q)$

 $I(Q) = \frac{2\pi P(Q)S(Q)}{dQ^2}$

P(Q): Form factor of membrane

$$P(Q) = \frac{2(\Delta \rho)^2}{Q^2} \left[1 - \cos(\delta Q) \, e^{-\sigma^2 Q^2/2} \right]$$

S(Q): Structure factor of lamellar

$$S(Q) = 1 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left(1 - \frac{n}{N}\right) \cos\left(\frac{dnQ}{1 + 2\Delta Q^2 d^2 \alpha(n)}\right) \\ \times \exp\left[-\frac{\Delta Q^2 d^2 n + 2d^2 \alpha(n)Q^2}{2\left(1 + 2\Delta Q^2 d^2 \alpha(n)\right)}\right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 2\Delta Q^2 d^2 \alpha(n)}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 2$$

- δ : thickness of membrane
- d : repeat distance between each membrane
- Δρ: scattering contrast between membrane and bulk solution

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Result of the fitting





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Fit parameters

 $δ = 13.9 \pm 0.1$ (Å) d = 149.7 ±0.6 (Å) Δρ = 4.90 ±0.01 (10¹⁰cm⁻²)

Scattering length densities

 $D_2O : \rho = 6.39 \quad (10^{10} \text{cm}^{-2})$ 3MP : $\rho = 1.42 \quad (10^{10} \text{cm}^{-2})$

→ Δρ= 4.97 (10¹⁰cm⁻²)

Estimation of the membrane thickness



This value is consistent with the fitting value, 13.9 Å.

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NSE confirmed the membrane picture



 $I(Q,t)/I(Q,0) = \exp(-(\Gamma t)^{2/3})$

 $\Gamma = 0.025 (k_B T/\kappa)^{1/2} (k_B T/\eta) Q^3$

The single membrane fluctuation model (Zilman and Granek) explains well.

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Behave as amphiphilic molecules

A. Onuki, J. Chem. Phys, 128, 224704 (2008).



Liquid-liquid interface

Decreasing the interfacial energy in the presence of ions

$$\Delta\gamma = -AT \sqrt{n_{\rm ion}/\ell_{\rm B}}$$
 (n_{ion} : concentration of ion)

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Possible application

detergent



surfactant



difficult to dissociate



salt



cation+anion



easy to dissociate



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