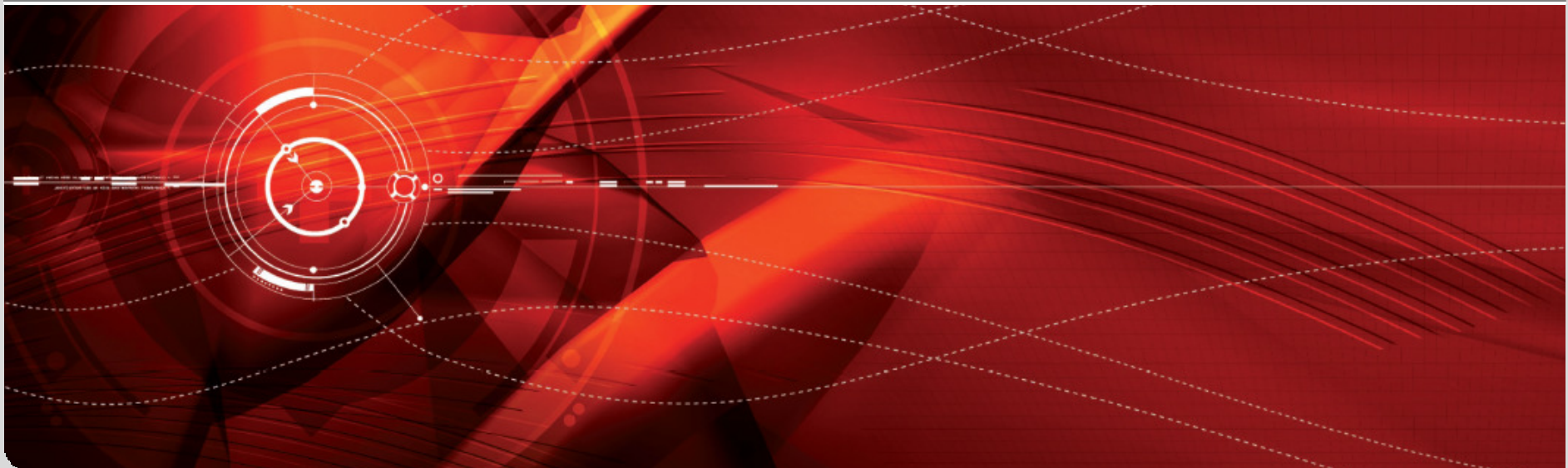


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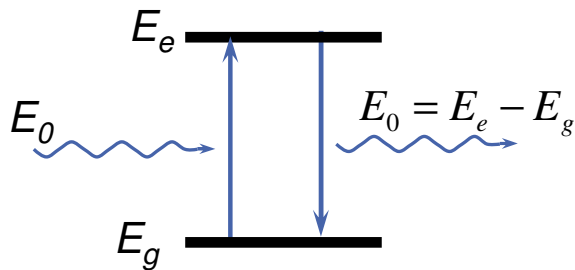
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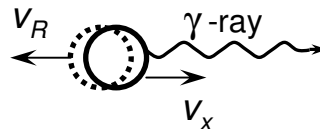
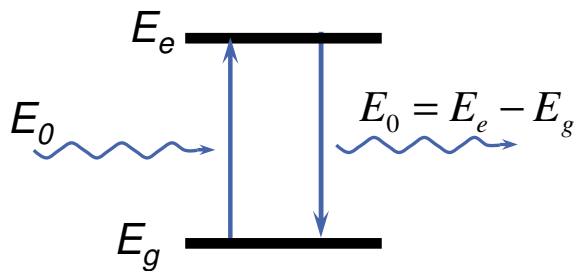
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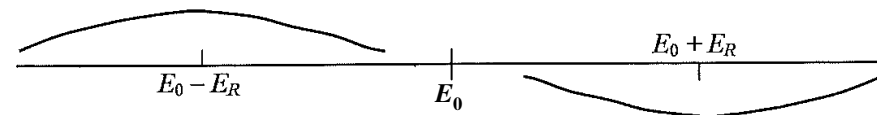


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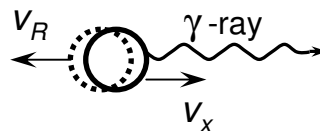
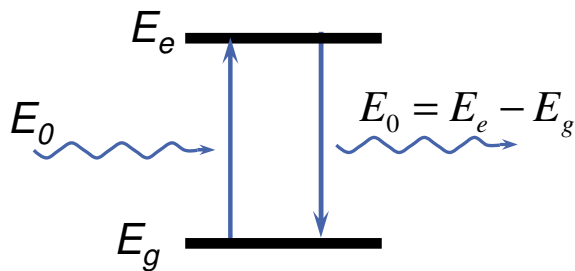
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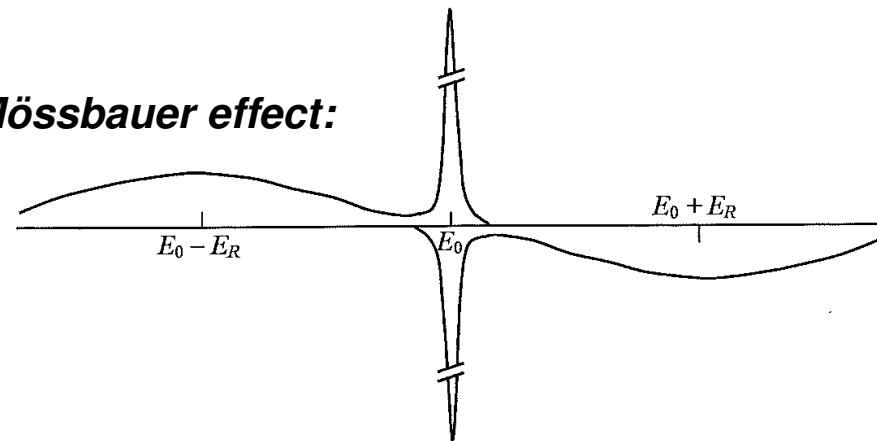
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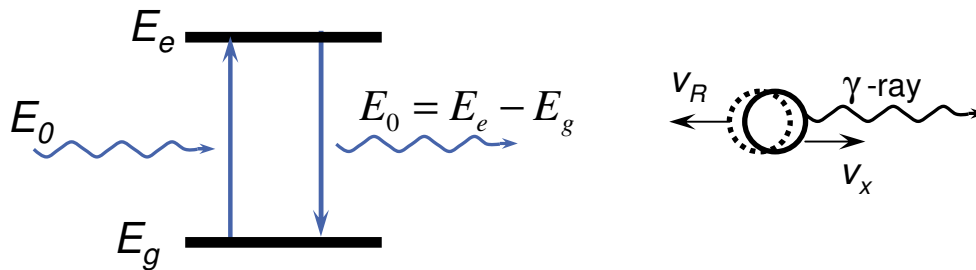
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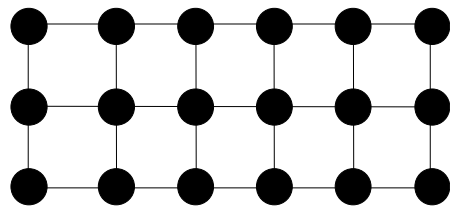


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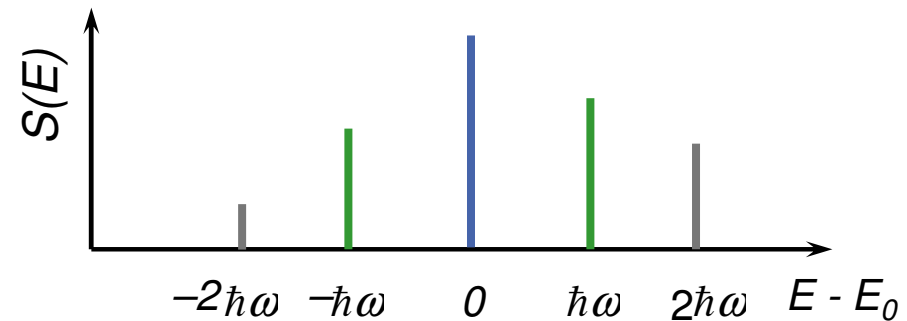
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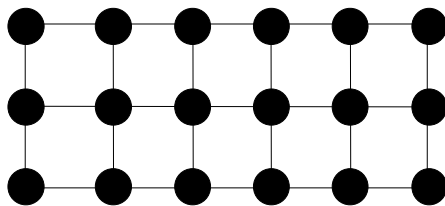
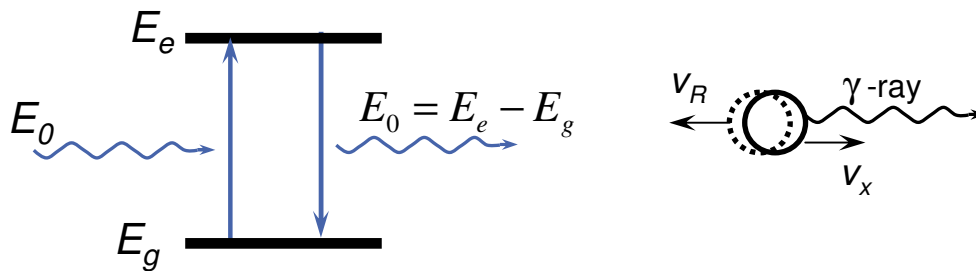
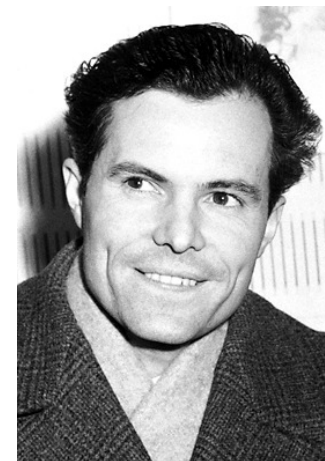
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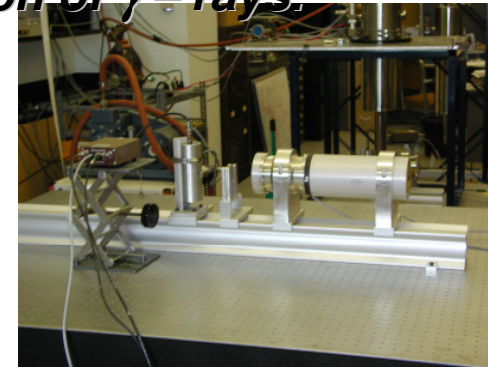
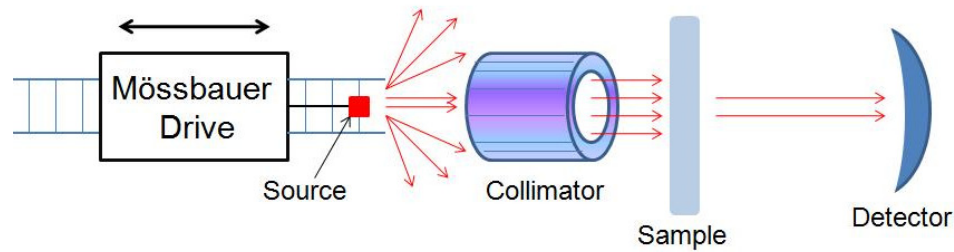
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Prize motivation:

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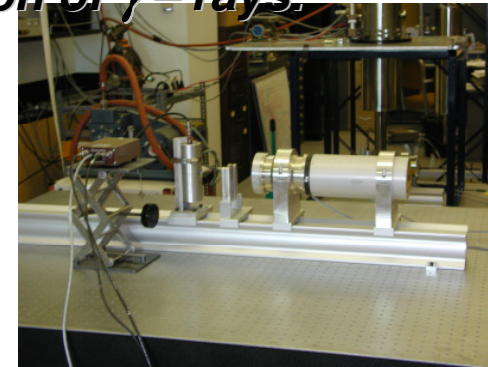
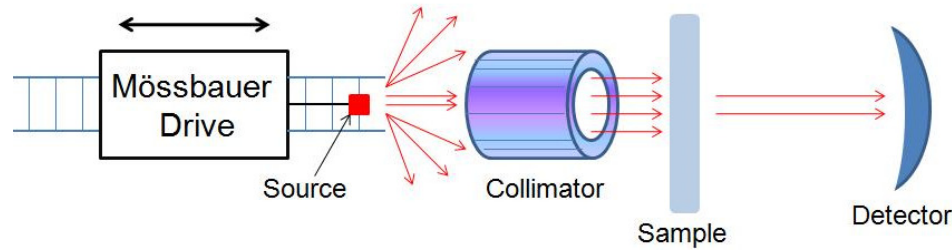
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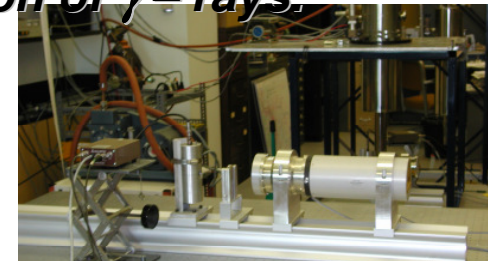
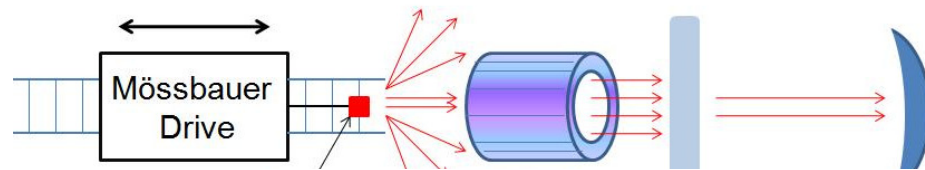
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PETRA III

Property	Synchrotron Radiation	Radioactive Source
Spectral flux (ph/s/eV)	2.5×10^{12}	2.5×10^{10}
Brightness (ph/s/(eV · sr))	2.8×10^{22}	2.5×10^{13}
Brilliance (ph/s/(eV · sr · mm ²))	2.8×10^{22}	2.5×10^{11}
Typical beam size (mm ²)	1 × 1	10 × 10
Focused beam size (μm ²)	6 × 6	—
Energy resolution (neV)	—	4.7
Time resolution (ns)	0.7	—
Polarization	linear or circular	unpolarized

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Hyperfine interactions in the nucleus of ^{57}Fe ($E_e = 14.4 \text{ keV}$, $\tau = 141 \text{ ns}$)

I. Isomer (chemical) shift:

$$\delta = E_A - E_S = \frac{2\pi}{3} z S'(z) e \Delta\rho(0) \Delta\langle r^2 \rangle$$

$$\Delta\langle r^2 \rangle = \langle r^2 \rangle_e - \langle r^2 \rangle_g$$

$$\Delta\rho(0) = e(|\Psi_a(0)|^2 - |\Psi_s(0)|^2)$$

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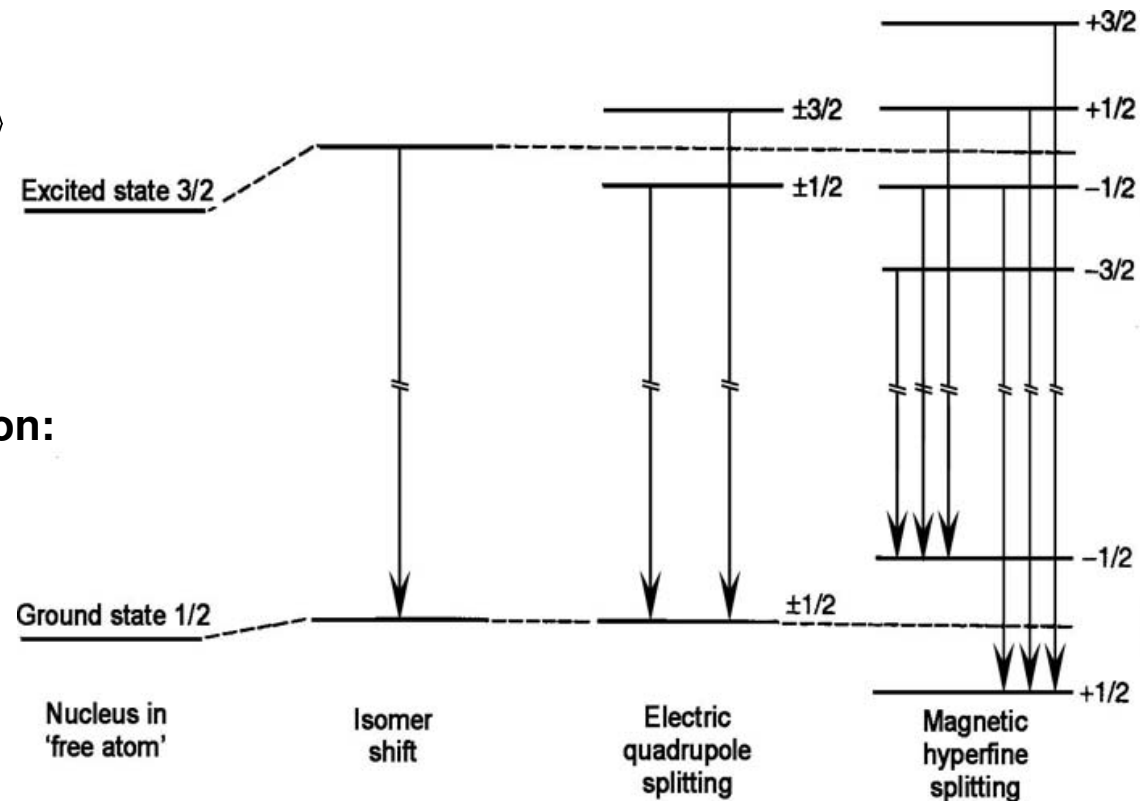
$$\Delta E_Q = \frac{eQV_{zz}}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\eta^2}{3} \right)$$

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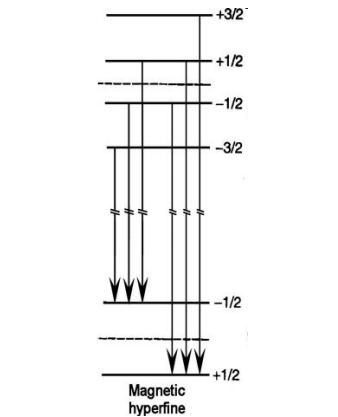
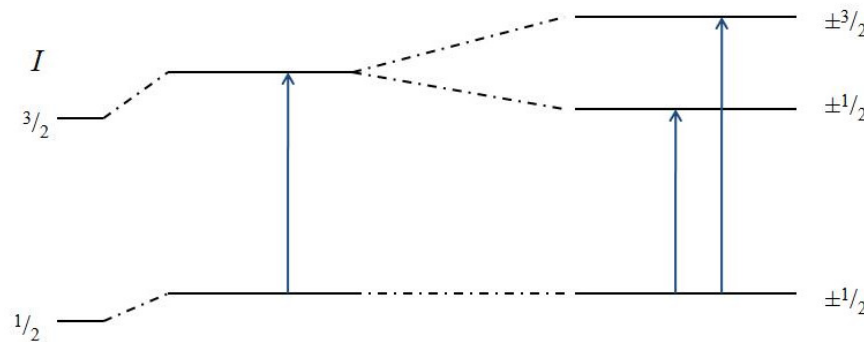
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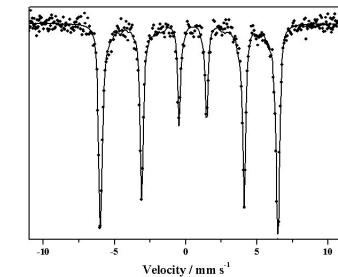
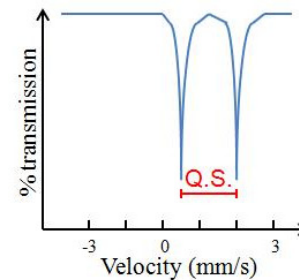
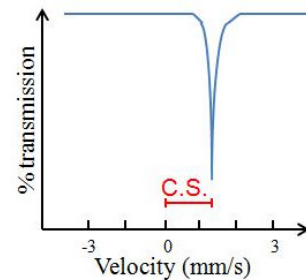


Comparison between Mössbauer and nuclear forward scattering spectra

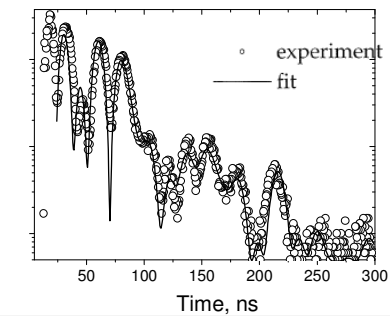
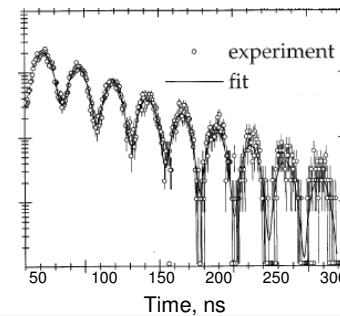
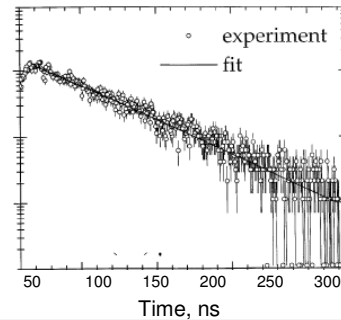
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Mössbauer spectrum in the **energy domain**
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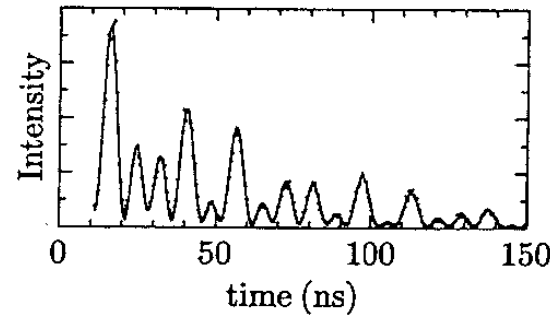
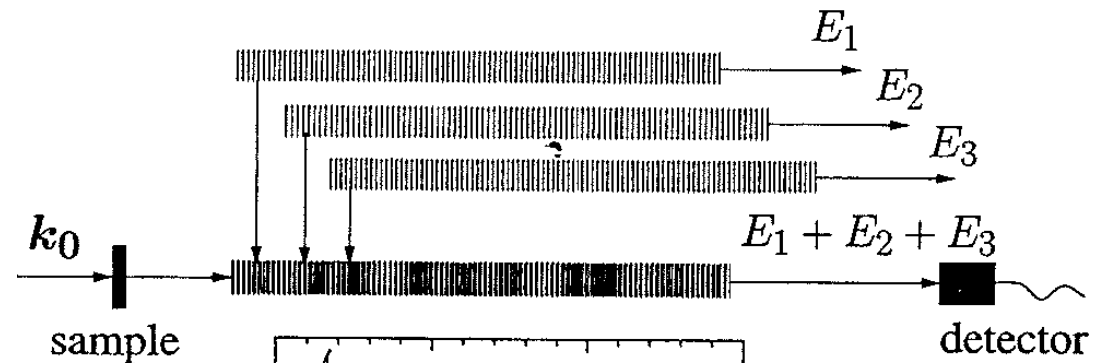
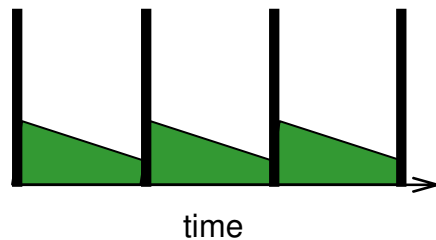


Mössbauer spectrum in the **time domain**
(nuclear forward scattering)



Nuclear Exciton

Simultaneous, phased in time, collective excitation of all hyperfine levels of the excited state of resonant nuclei in the sample. It propagates through the sample predominantly in spatially coherent channels (forward or Bragg direction).



Quantum beats

The coherent superposition of waves emitted from various hyperfine split levels.

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Dynamic beats

$$t_a = \sigma_0 f_{LM} n_A d \quad \text{effective thickness}$$

σ_0 maximal cross-section for nuclear resonant absorption

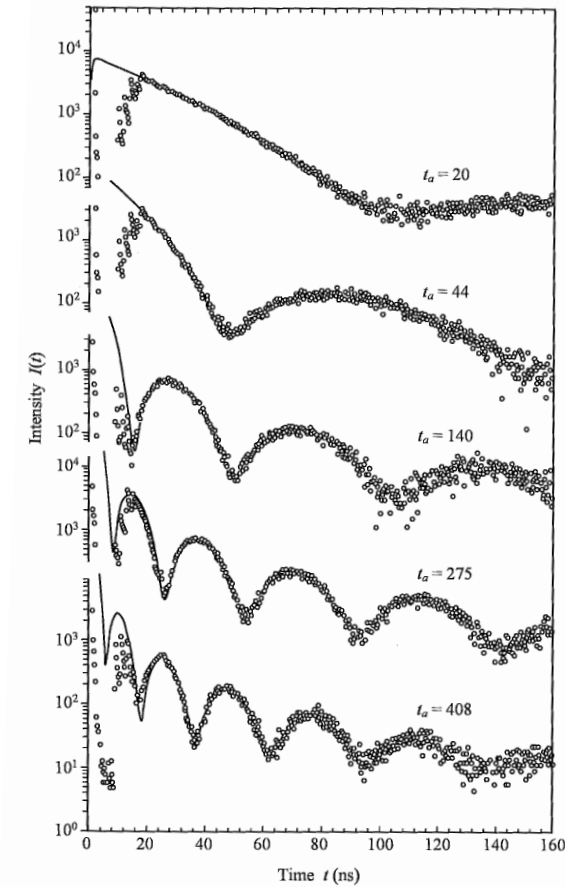
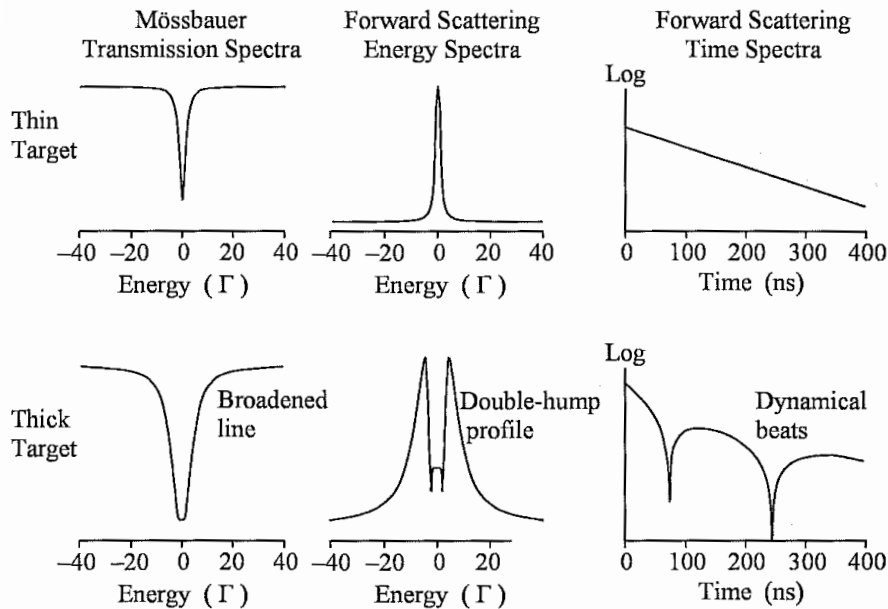
n_A Avogadro's number

f_{LM} Lamb-Mössbauer factor

d Sample thickness

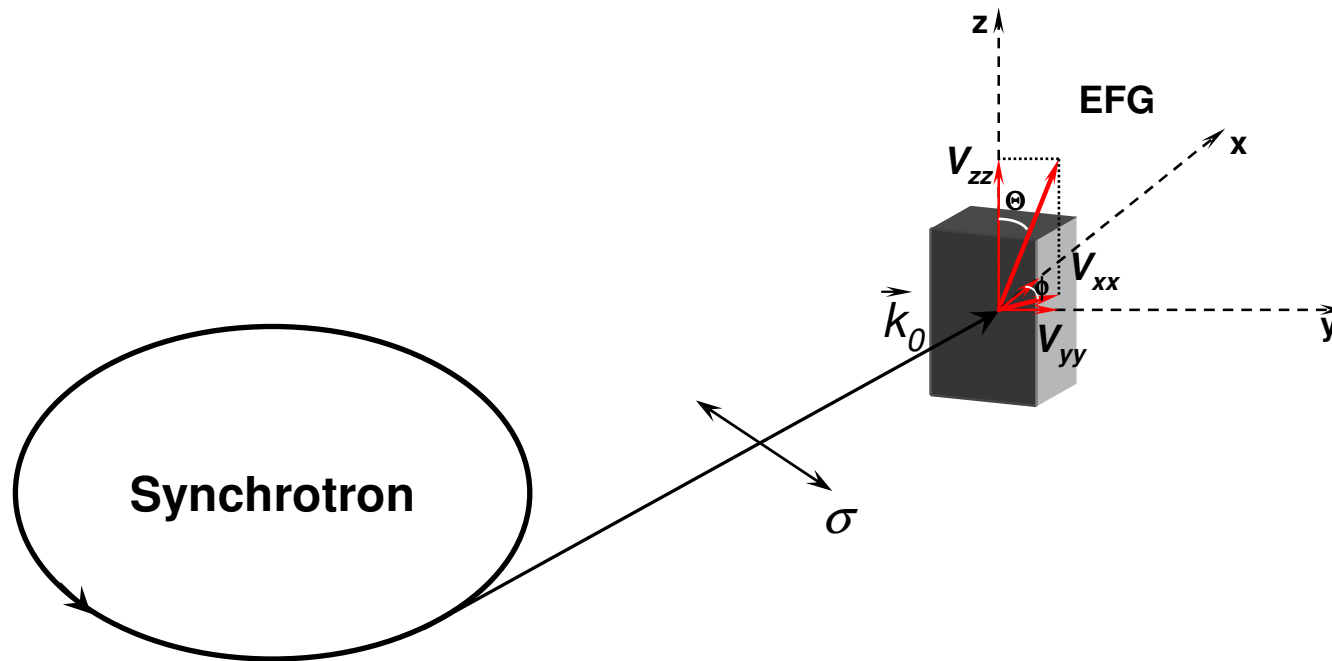
Lattice dynamics:

$$f_{LM} = e^{-k^2 \langle x^2 \rangle}$$



Nuclear forward scattering spectra of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Mg}^{57}\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$ for various effective thicknesses t_a
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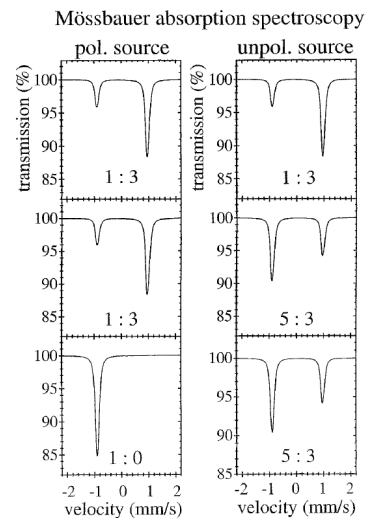
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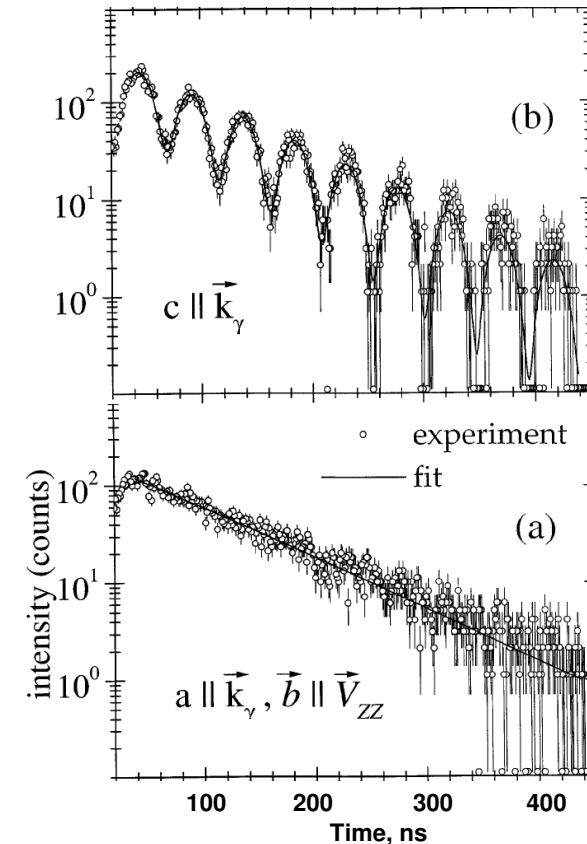
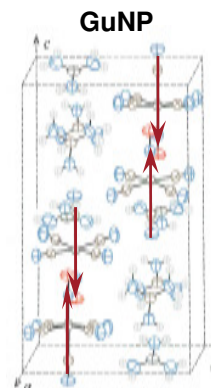
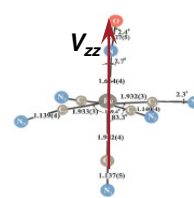
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Electric quadrupole interactions

Geometry	Nuclear Scattering Length $N(\omega)$	Time spectrum $\sigma \rightarrow$ unpolarized
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B	$\frac{3}{8\pi} \begin{pmatrix} F_{+1} & 0 \\ 0 & F_0 \end{pmatrix}$	
C	$\frac{3}{8\pi} \begin{pmatrix} F_0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{+1} \end{pmatrix}$	
D	$\frac{3}{16\pi} \begin{pmatrix} F_0 + F_{+1} & F_0 - F_{+1} \\ F_0 - F_{+1} & F_0 + F_{+1} \end{pmatrix}$	
E	$f_{\sigma\sigma} = f_{\pi\pi} = \frac{3}{16\pi} (F_{+1} + F_0)$	
F	$f_{\sigma\sigma} = \frac{3}{8\pi} F_{+1}$ $f_{\pi\pi} = \frac{3}{16\pi} (F_{+1} + F_0)$	
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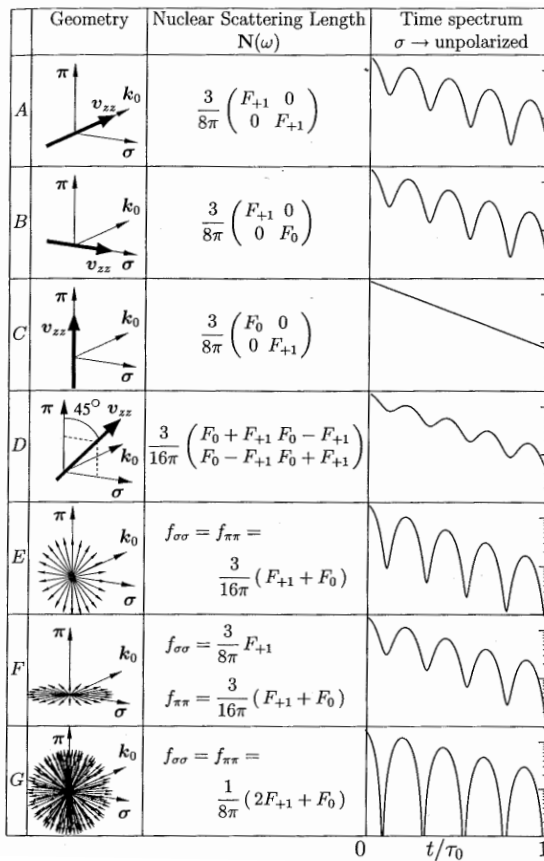
Nitroprusside anion:
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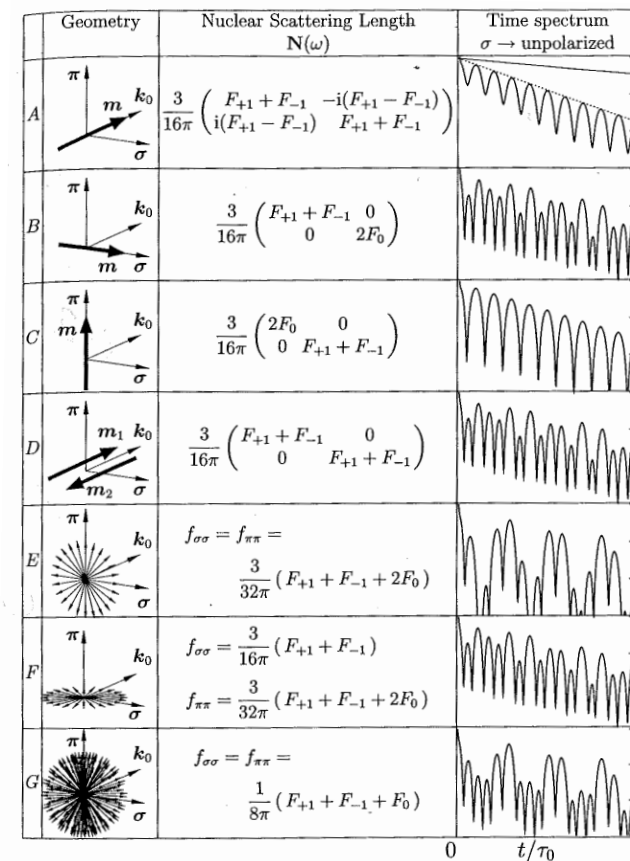
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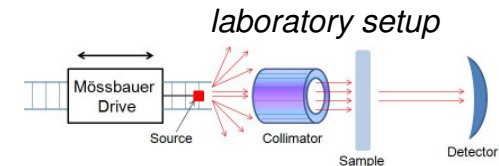


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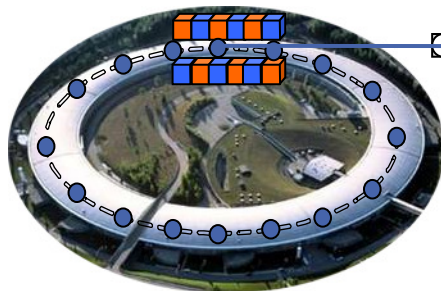


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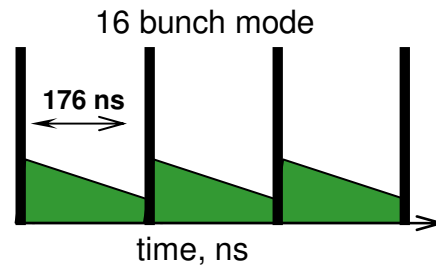
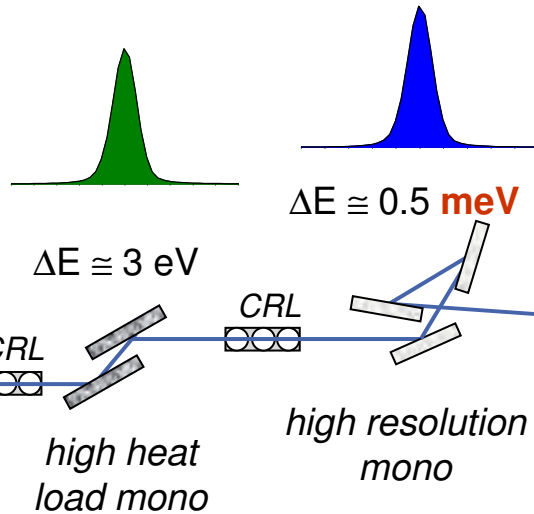
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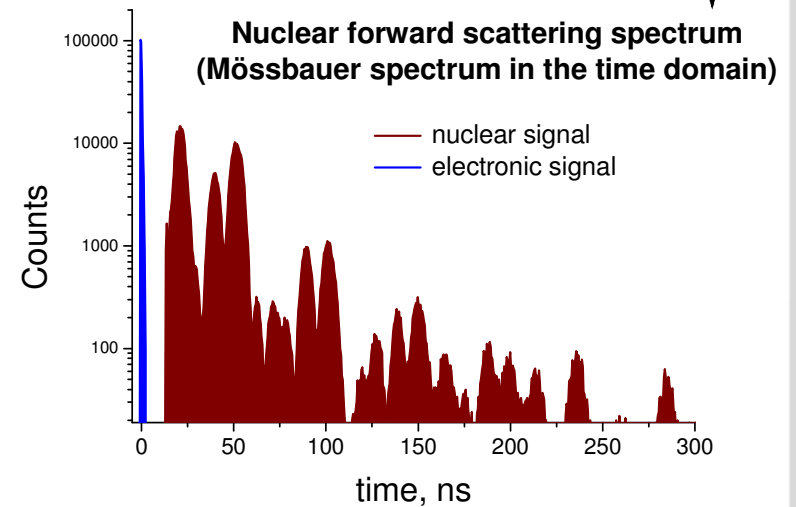
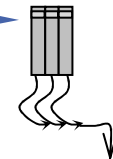
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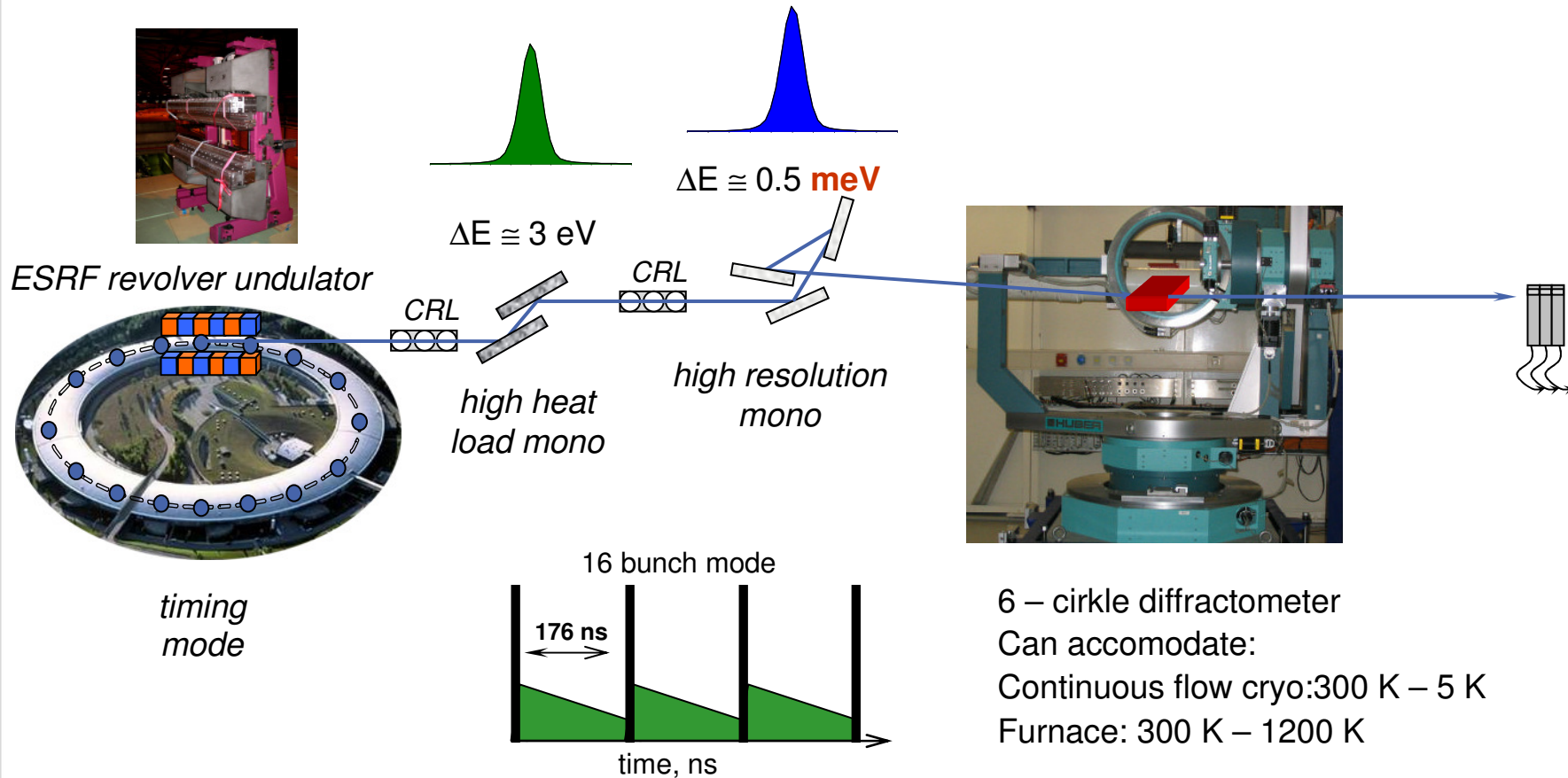


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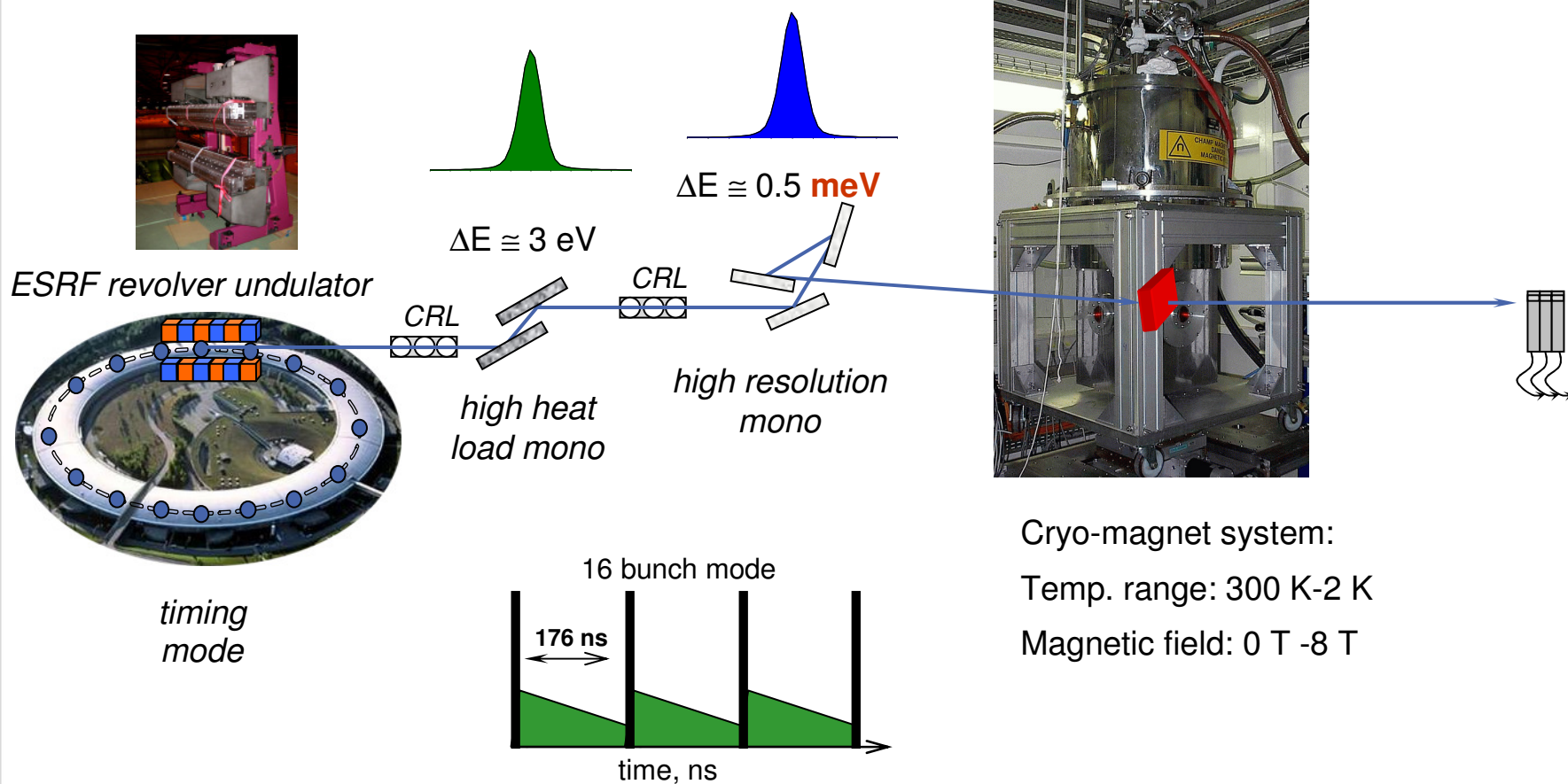
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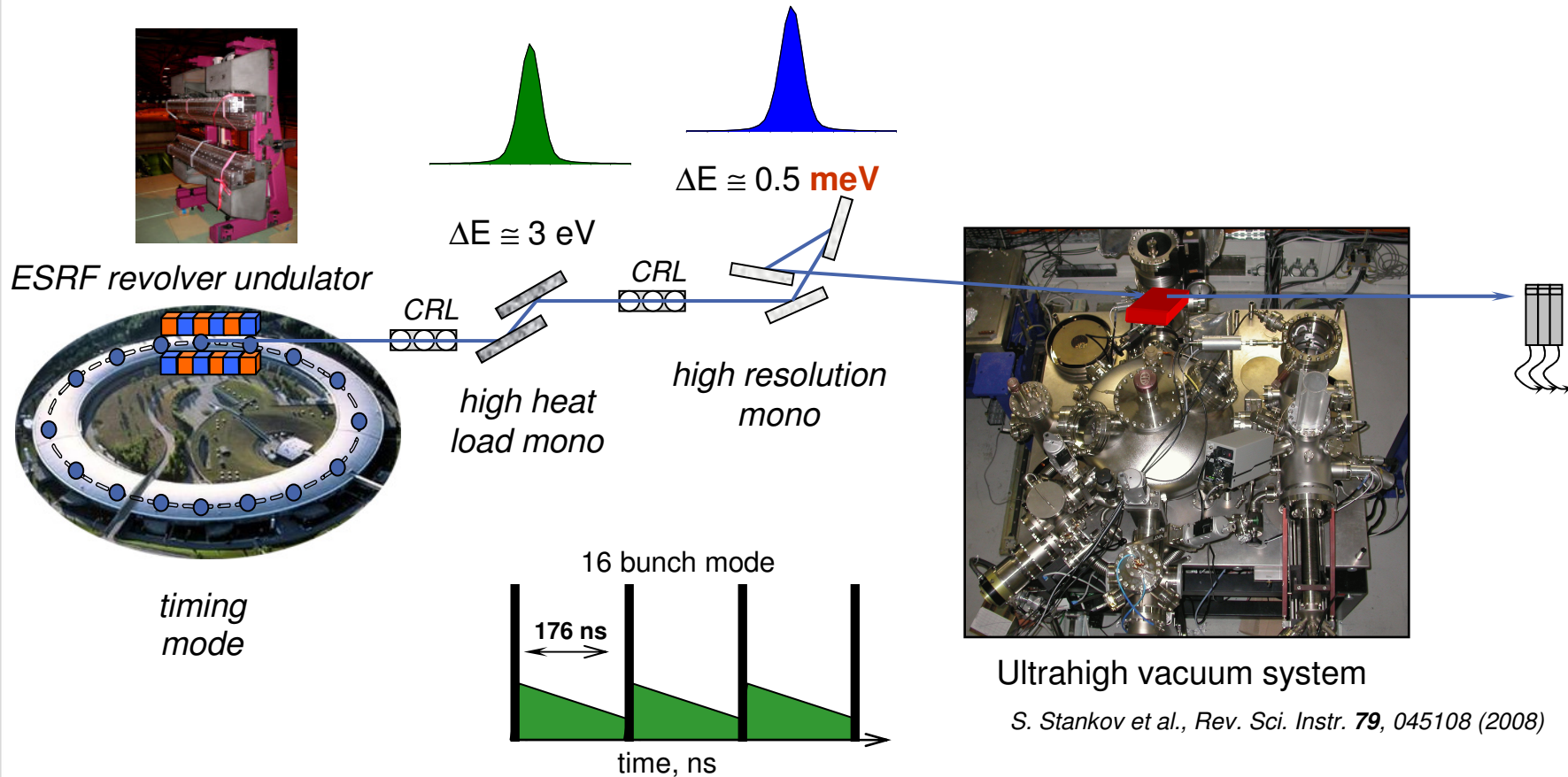
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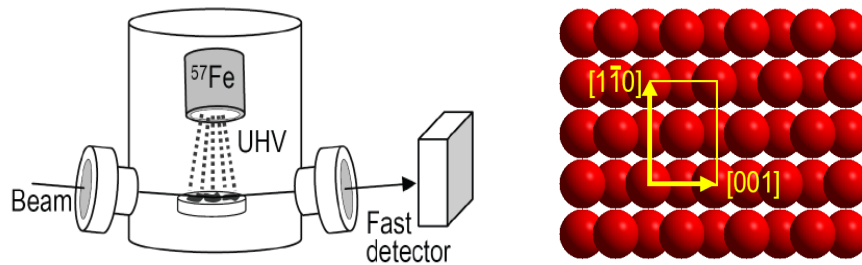
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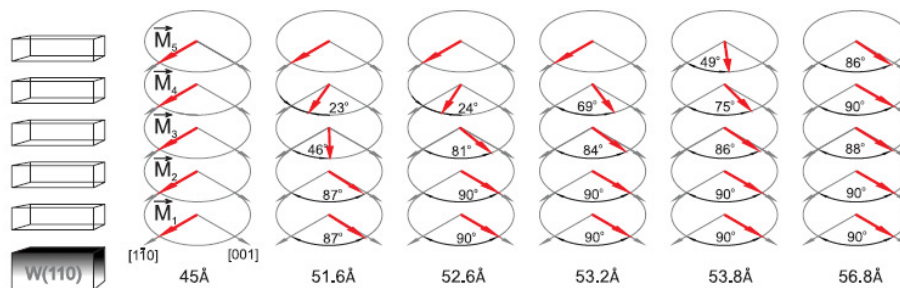


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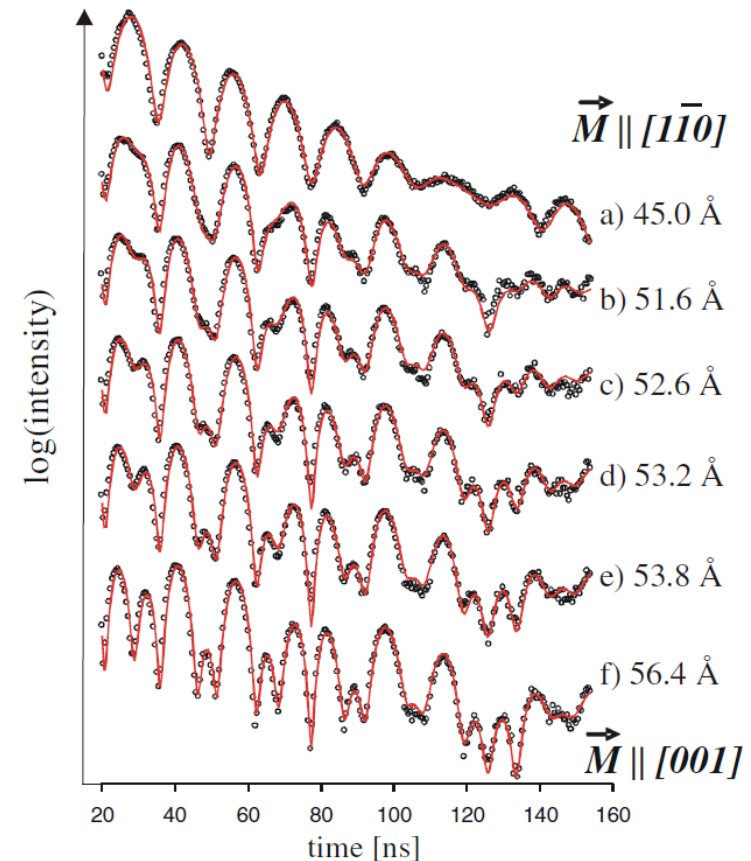


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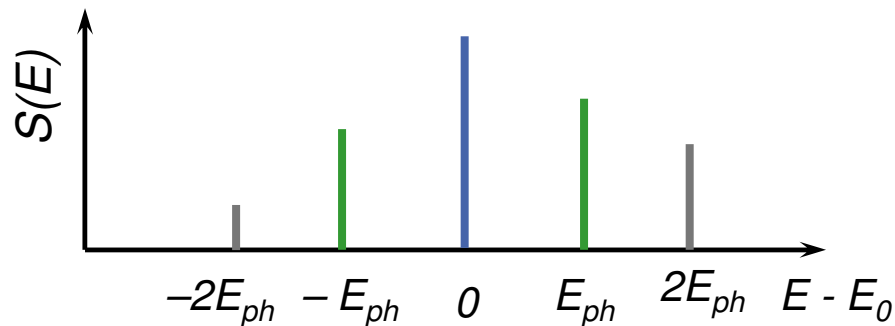
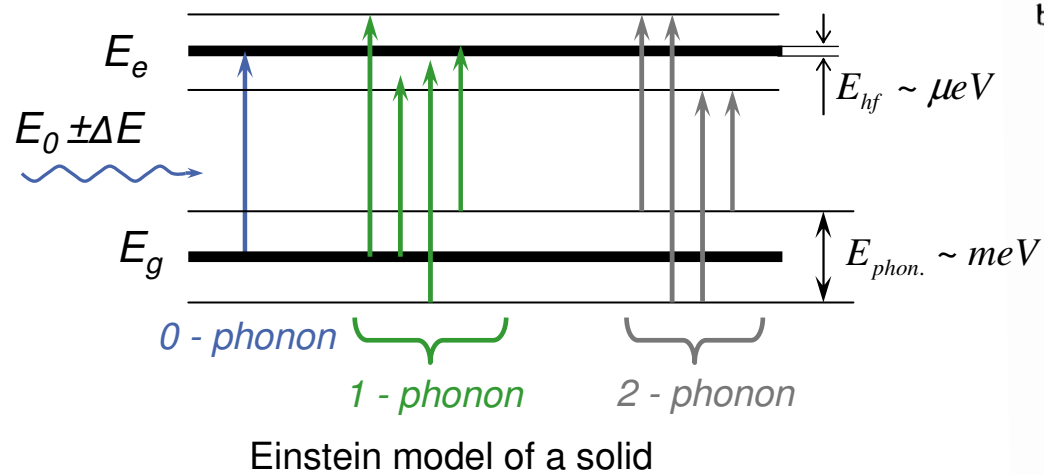
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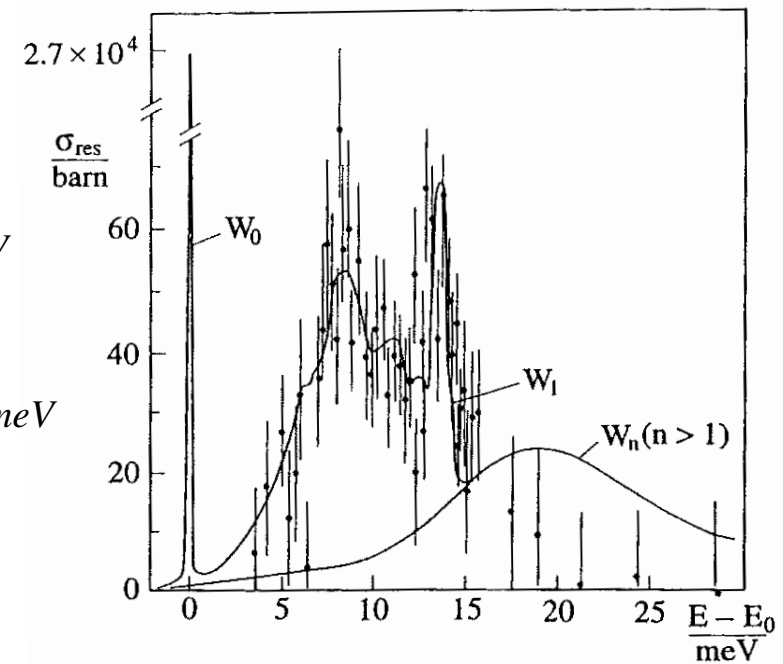


NFS time spectra measured *in-situ* at the indicated film thicknesses.

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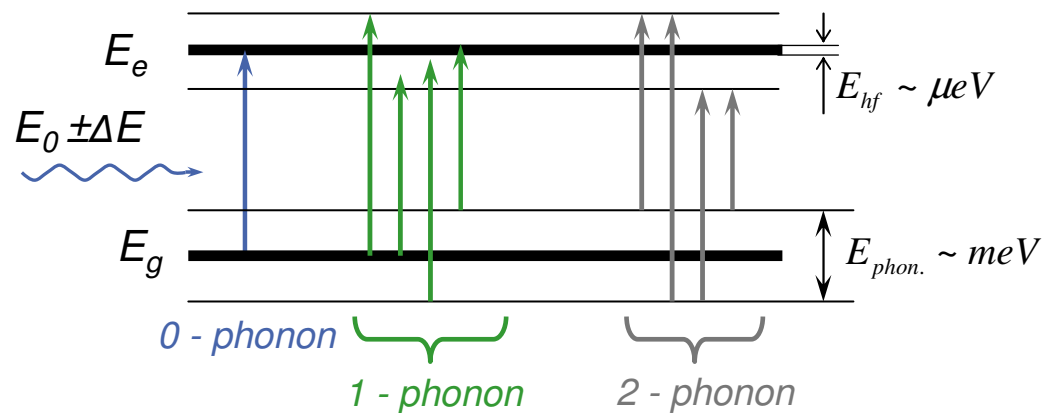
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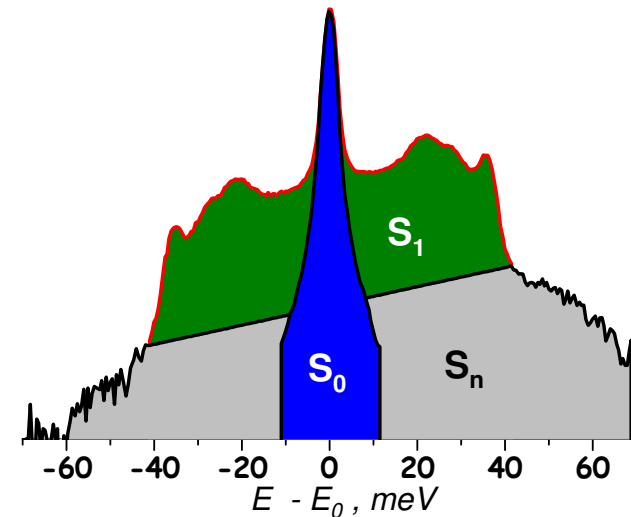
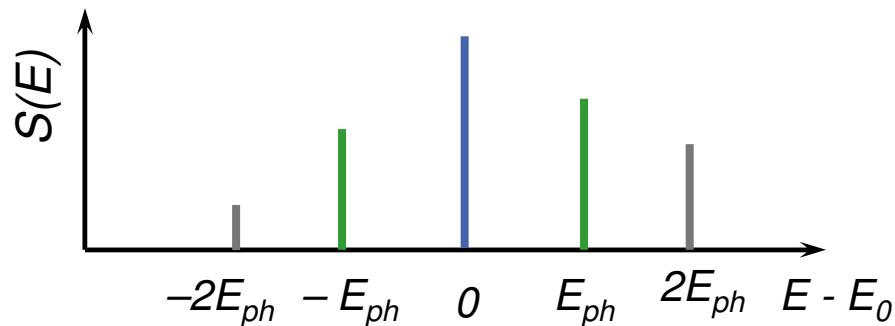
The partial phonon density of states of ^{159}Tb in TbOx ($E = 58\text{keV}$).

H. Weiss and H. Langhoff, *Phys. Lett.* **69A**, 448 (1979)

Nuclear inelastic X-ray scattering



Einstein model of a solid



$$W(E) = f_{LM} \left[\delta(E) + \sum_1^{\infty} S_n(E) \right]$$

Quasiharmonic approximation
(harmonic interaction between the atoms)

$$S_n(E) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_1(E') S_{n-1}(E - E') dE'$$

$$S_1(E) = E_R g(E) / E (1 - \exp(-E/k_B T))$$

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Phonon DOS determines the vibrational thermodynamics of the solid

➤ Mean square atomic displacement $\langle x^2 \rangle = -\frac{\ln f_{LM}}{k_\gamma^2}$

➤ Velocity of sound $g(E) = \left(\frac{\tilde{m}}{m}\right) \frac{E^2}{2\pi^2 \hbar^3 n v_D^3}$

➤ Vibrational contribution to the internal energy

$$U = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^\infty g(E) E \frac{e^{\beta E} + 1}{e^{\beta E} - 1} dE$$

➤ Lattice specific heat at constant volume/pressure

$$C_V = 3k_B \int_0^\infty g(E) \frac{(\beta E)^2 e^{\beta E}}{(e^{\beta E} - 1)^2} dE \quad C_P = C_V \left(1 - T \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dT}\right)$$

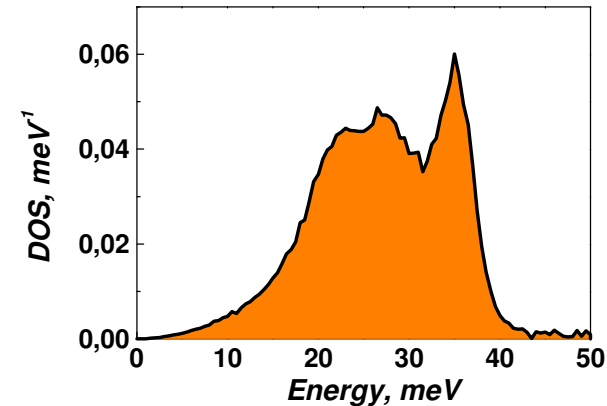
➤ Vibrational entropy

$$S = 3k_B \int_0^\infty g(E) \left[\frac{\beta E}{2} \frac{e^{\beta E} + 1}{e^{\beta E} - 1} - \ln(e^{\beta E/2} - e^{-\beta E/2}) \right] dE$$

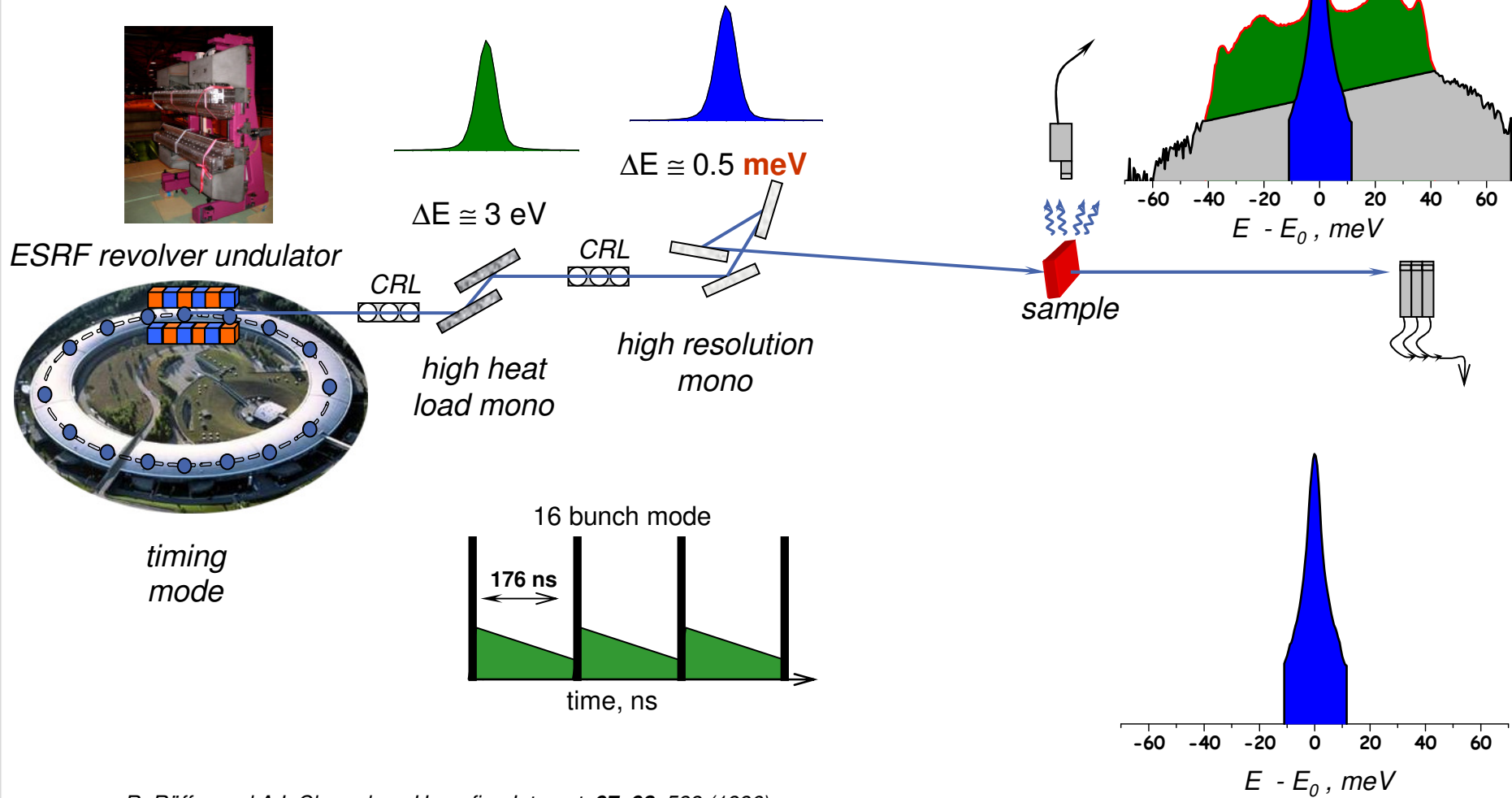
➤ Mean kinetic energy and force constant

$$T(\vec{k}_\gamma) = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty \tilde{g}(E, \vec{k}_\gamma) E \frac{e^{\beta E} + 1}{e^{\beta E} - 1} dE \quad V(\vec{k}_\gamma) = \frac{M}{\hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \tilde{g}(E, \vec{k}_\gamma) E^2 dE$$

Phonon DOS of α - Fe



Instrumentation for nuclear inelastic scattering experiments

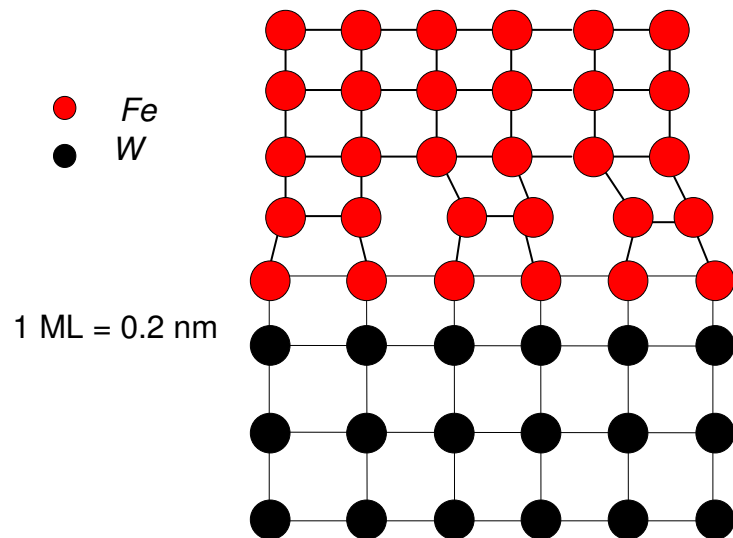


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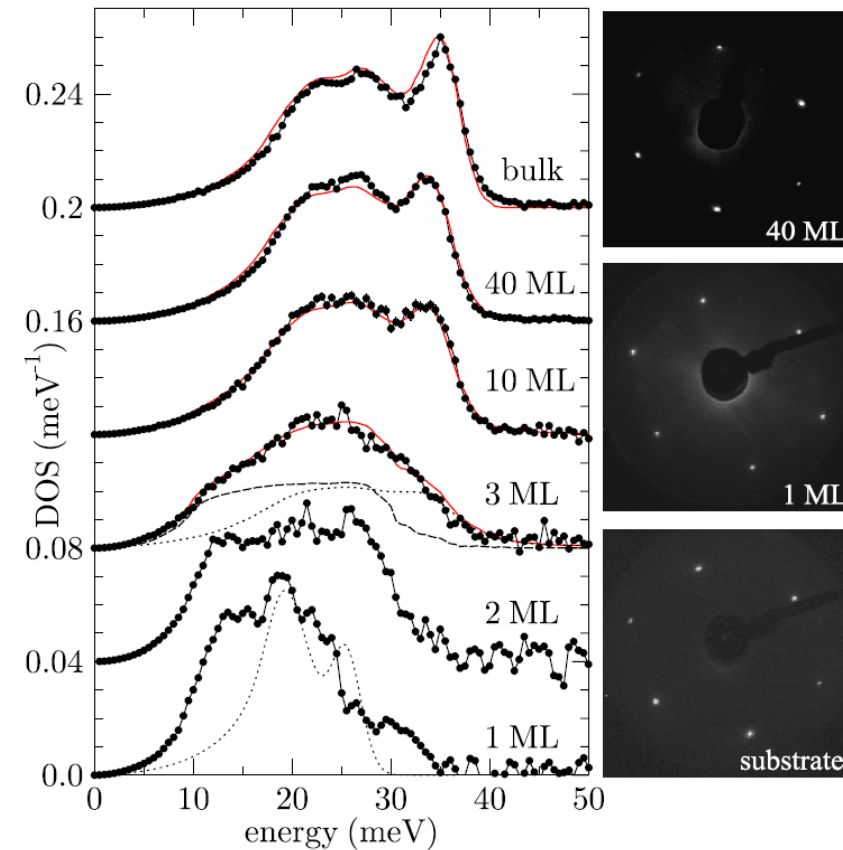
Phonons in Fe: from bulk to a monolayer

Fe/W(110)

a model system for investigation of structure, diffusion and magnetic properties of nanostructures.



misfit parameter: $\varepsilon = (a_{Fe} - a_W) / a_W = -9.4\%$



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Summary:

- ✓ **Simultaneous access to electronic, magnetic properties and lattice dynamics**
- ✓ **Partial (element and isotope - specific) information**
- ✓ **Access to buried layers**
- ✓ **Sensitive to 1 atomic layer of material**
- ✓ **The number of accessible isotopes is continuously increasing:**
 ^{57}Fe , ^{119}Sn , ^{149}Sm , ^{151}Eu , ^{161}Dy , ^{83}Kr , ^{125}Te , ^{121}Sb (^{127}I , ^{129}I , ^{61}Ni , ^{169}Tm ...)
- ✓ **Nuclear resonance beamlines worldwide:**

Grenoble - ESRF (ID18)

Argonne - APS(3-ID)

Hamburg - Petra III (P01)

Kouto - Spring-8(BL09XU)