Acoustic wave spectroscopy across the Brillouin zone

Optical excitation of acoustic waves through wavevector and frequency specification



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Outline

Acoustic wave generation & detection MHz frequency range Impulsive stimulated Brillouin, thermal scattering Longitudinal & shear waves GHz frequency range Multiple-pulse picosecond ultrasonics Longitudinal & shear waves Supercooled liquids & glasses Tests of mode-coupling theory Tests of "shoving" model & Poisson ratio prediction Comparison between longitudinal & shear dynamics



Coherent control GHz-THz acoustic waves



Frequency range 20 MHz – 2 THz Macroscopic-mesoscopic wavelengths Detailed study of thermal transport, phononics, nm correlation lengths

GHz longitudinal & shear wave generation



thickness ~10 nm

Detection: Depolarized Brillouin scattering

Selects acoustic polarization & frequency



Signal from substrate reveals acoustic wave after propagation through sample

Silica glass or sapphire substrate used for different frequency ranges

Depolarized Brillouin scattering detection Deathstar multiple-pulse excitation Excitation period matches Brillouin frequency



Four-wave mixing and acoustic waves

Acoustic wavevector selected experimentally Acoustic response driven "impulsively" by short laser pulses *Impulsive stimulated Brillouin & thermal scattering* Real-time observation through time-resolved four-wave mixing



Crossed excitation pulses form interference "grating" pattern Spatially periodic, temporally "impulsive" driving force exerted Spatially periodic material response diffracts probe light Grating wavevector q is the phonon wavevector

Heterodyne detection 4-wave mixing setup



Coherent scattering angle varied for wavevector selection

~ 30 MHz – 3 GHz frequency range now reached



ISTS data from glycerol q=0.086 μm⁻¹ ~7 decades temporal range





Shear acoustic waves

Depolarized impulsive stimulated Brillouin scattering (ISBS)

ONSET OF SHEAR ACOUSTIC RESPONSE IN TRIPHENYLPHOSPHITE



Recent results show different longitudinal & shear relaxation dynamics

MHz-GHz acoustic capabilities Multiple-pulse GHz frequency selection ~ 10-400 GHz longitudinal frequency range Can be extended to > 1 THz ~ 5-50 GHz shear frequency range

Can be extended to ~ 100 GHz Christoph Klieber

Crossed-pulse GHz wavevector selection

- ~ 30-3000 MHz longitudinal frequency range
 Can be extended to > 10 GHz
- ~ 100-1000 MHz shear frequency range
 Can be extended to ~ 50-5000 MHz
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Picosecond Shear Acoustic Waves in Liquid Glycerol

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Motivation

Probing high-frequency acoustic responses of liquids

Mapping the frequency dependence of the mechanical response of liquids over as many orders of magnitude as possible

Test first-principles theory and model predictions for supercooled liquids

Our Approach

Generation of coherent shear acoustic wave packets

"Death Star" pulse shaper for frequency selectivity and enhancement

Picosecond Brillouin spectroscopy (PBS) analysis



Shear Acoustic Waves in Liquid Glycerol



Newton's rings



- Study of thin liquid films of variable thicknesses
- Brillouin frequency tunable between 20/40 GHz and 50/95 GHz with prism
- Either glass or sapphire as a gauge Brillouin medium



Shear Acoustic Waves in Liquid Glycerol

Picosecond Brillouin spectroscopy (PBS)





The Brillouin amplitude carry out information on the acoustic damping at the Brillouin frequency



The Brillouin phase is proportional to the time of flight through the liquid film



Glycerol at Room Temperature



- Longitudinal speed of sound has reached its infinitefrequency value
- Shear frequency range overlaps with the highfrequency edge of alpha relaxation
- Close to linear frequency dependence of attenuation

$$\eta_s = \frac{3\alpha_s \rho v_s^3}{2\omega^2}$$

This indicates a frequency dependent shear viscosity

Temperature Dependent Acoustic Moduli of Glycerol

Imaginary parts of acoustic moduli

Instant. Shear Modulus and Static Shear Viscosity

➤ Measurement of the high frequency limits of the elastic moduli K_∞ / G_∞, even far above the glass transition temperature

Instantaneous shear modulus G_∞ can be used to estimate the shear viscosity through the well-known Maxwell relation:

$$\eta_{\rm S} = G_{\rm m} \cdot \left\langle \tau(\alpha) \right\rangle_{\rm TA}$$

Conclusion

- Robust measurement applicable to many liquid and soft matter samples
- Measurement of longitudinal and shear acoustic properties of liquid Glycerol at GHz frequencies

Outlook

Measurements at higher frequencies

Measurements over larger temperature interval

Other liquids, tests of first-principles theory and model predictions for supercooled liquids

More shear measurements of water

Coherent MHz Longitudinal and Shear Acoustic Phonons in Glass Forming Liquids

Jeremy A. Johnson, Darius H. Torchinsky, Keith A. Nelson **Fragility of Viscous Liquids: Cause(s) and Consequences** 8 Oct 2008

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 - TPP (shear vs. longitudinal)
 - DC704 (longitudinal)

Impulsive Stimulated Scattering

- Crossed laser pulses generate counterpropagating acoustic waves with wavelength Λ
- Probe beam diffracts off of relaxing region and time dependent relaxation is observed

ISTS Signal

Short times gives measurement of acoustic frequency and damping rate

Longer times gives measurement of thermal decay rate

Schmidt, Chiesa, Torchinsky, Johnson, Nelson, Chen. Journal of Applied Physics 103, 083529 (2008).

ISTS Signal

• With acoustic frequency and damping rate, we can determine the frequency dependent complex modulus

$$M^{*}(\omega) = M'(\omega) + iM''(\omega)$$

$$M'(\omega_{A}) = \rho \frac{\omega_{A}^{2} - \Gamma_{A}^{2}}{q^{2}}$$
$$M''(\omega_{A}) = \rho \frac{2\omega_{A}\Gamma_{A}}{q^{2}}$$

 Slow rise allows direct time domain measurement of structural relaxation (α-relaxation)

$$e^{-(t/ au_{KWW})^{eta_{KWW}}}$$

Longitudinal acoustic signal from the glass former DC704 with an acoustic wavelength of $38.1\mu m$ as the sample is cooled.

D.H. Torchinsky, K.A. Nelson. In Preparation.

Depolarized ISBS

- Crossed laser pulses with perpendicular polarizations generate counter-propagating shear acoustic waves
- Probe beam is depolarized as it diffracts off of the shear acoustic waves

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regions of linear polarization create shearing force on an element of the material

Shear ISBS

• With shear acoustic frequency and damping rate, we can determine the frequency dependent complex shear modulus

$$G^*(\omega) = G'(\omega) + iG''(\omega)$$

$$G'(\omega_s) = \rho \frac{\omega_s^2 - \Gamma_s^2}{q^2}$$

$$G'(\omega_s) = \rho \frac{2\omega_s \Gamma_s}{q^2}$$

 Because there is no absorption, there are no direct structural relaxation or thermal features in the data

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Shoving Model

$$\tau(T) = \tau_0 \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E(T)}{k_B T}\right)$$
 or $\eta(T) = \eta_0 \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E(T)}{k_B T}\right)$

- relaxation depends on rearranging region and surrounding liquid
 - strong short range repulsion
 - elastic response in surroundings
- shoving work depends on infinite frequency elastic moduli: bulk (K_∞) and shear (G_∞)
- G_∞ controls relaxation

Dyre et al. Phys. Rev. B 53, 2171-2174 (1996).

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The root mean square deviation quantifies the amount of departure from the shoving model predicted behavior.

Deviation from the dielectric relaxation data suggests a trend of increasing deviation with increasing fragility.

A similar trend in the mechanical relaxation data is not as clear.

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$$m = \left(\frac{d\ln(\eta)}{dT}\right)_{T=T_g}$$
$$\eta(T) = \eta_0 \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E_l}{k_B T}\right)$$
$$\frac{\Delta E_l}{T_g} = \frac{19.2^2 \ln 10}{m}$$
$$T_g \propto K_\infty + xG_\infty$$

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A proposed linear correlation between the fragility and instantaneous Poisson ratio

- 1. 2BP₈₇/oTP₁₃
- 2. 5-phenyl 4-ether
- 3. Ca(NO₃)₂ 4H2O
- 4. DC704
- 5. diethyl phthalate
- 6. m-fluoroaniline
- 7. propylene carbonate
- 8. salol
- 9. m-toluidine
- 10. triphenyl phosphite

Our results introduce more disagreement with the proposed correlation between fragility and the Poission ratio.

Egami *et al.* propose that the relationship should be

$$T_g \propto V \cdot \left(K_{\infty} + x G_{\infty} \right)$$

And they show this correlation for metallic glasses.

Egami et al. Phys Rev B 76, 024203 (2007).

One proposed assertion is the linear relationship between the bulk and shear moduli and T_g.

$$T_g \propto K_{\infty} + xG_{\infty}$$

This assertion is not supported by our data

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Summary

- ISS allows generation and probing of coherent longitudinal and shear acoustic phonons in the MHz frequency regime
- This has allowed direct tests of the shoving model, the proposed correlation between Poisson ratio and fragility, and some aspects of MCT

Outlook

 Extend accessible acoustic frequency range of ISS to provide overlap between our two techniques and provide a large range of longitudinal (9-10 decades) and shear (4-5 decades) acoustic waves

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