Small-Angle X-Ray (SAXS) and Neutron Scattering to Quantify Nanostructure

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20,085 undergraduate students
5,054 full-time graduate
6,739 part-time undergraduate students
3,366 part-time graduate
83.9 percent residents of Ohio

\$332.0 million External Grants (2005) 3,000 full time faculty

& 6 SAXS Cameras!!! 6 hrs APS, IPNS, SNS Roe, Schaefer, Beaucage, Jim Mark etc.





Outline:

General Background, Instruments, Facilities

- 1) Specific Scattering Laws.
- 2) General Scattering Laws. Guinier's Law; Porod's Law; Unified Scattering Fractal Scattering Quantification of Branching in Aggregates
- 3) Polydispersity
- 4) ASAXS for Catalysts
- 5) Summary



Kammler HK, Beaucage G, Kohls DJ, Agashe N. Ilavsky J *J Appl. Phys.* **97**(2005) (Article 054309).



Nanostructure from Small Angle X-ray Scattering







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Small- and Wide-Angle X-ray Scattering Measurements



Small-Angle X-ray Scattering, (SAXS)

We Get Intensity as A Function of Angle (or radial position)



-Longer Distance for Lower Angle

- -Large Dynamic Range Detector
- -Evacuated Flight Path

-Extend Angle Range with Multiple SDD's



Crystalline Reflections Can Also Be Used

Small-Angle X-ray Scattering at the APS Chicago



Small-Angle X-ray Scattering at Other Synchrotrons



ESRF we use ID2 with T. Naryanan (Probably the best instrument)

Much easier to get time on smaller synchrotrons We use SSRL (Stanford); CHESS (Cornell)







Time Resolution 10 ms (Synchrotron Facility) For Flow Through Experiment (Flame/Liquid/Gas Flow) can be 10 μs

Size Resolution 1 Å to 1 μ m (Synchrotron Facility)

Nanostructure from Small Angle X-ray Scattering



3-Techinques are similar SALS/LS, SANS, SAXS



Contrast, index of refraction, electron density, neutron cross section

3-Closely related Techniques:

USAXS- Ultra Small Angle Scattering SAXS at 1/1000 °. APS in US and ESRF in Europe.

ASAXS- Anomalous x-ray scattering, vary wavelength leads to change in contrast due to the complex absorption spectra.

GISAXS- Promise of high resolution spectra for surface structures but there are technical issues with data interpretation.



http://staff.chess.cornell.edu/~smilgies/gisaxs/GISAXS.php

For Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS)

1) Specific Structure

Calculate Pairwise Correlation Function Calculate Fourier Transform to predict scattering or direct transform of measured data to correlation function and analysis of correlation function. Svergun (Hamburg) has applied this to protein in native state

Simple application to monodisperse structures

Sphere Function/Rod Function/Cylinder

$$I(q) = 9G \left[\frac{\sin qR - qR \cos qR}{(qR)^3} \right]^2 \qquad \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{Nn_e^2}$$

The Debye Scattering Function for a Polymer Coil





$$I(q) \sim N n_e^2$$

n_e Reflects the density of a Point generating waves

N is total number of points

The Scattering Event



 $I(\theta)$ is related to amount Nn^2

 $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is related to size/distances

$$q = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$
$$d = \frac{2\pi}{q}$$

2) Rather than consider specific structures, we can consider *general scattering laws* by which all scatters are governed under the premises that 1) "Particles" have a size and 2) "Particles" have a surface.





-Consider that an in-phase wave scattered at angle θ was in phase with the incident wave at the source of scattering.

-This can occur for points separated by *r* such that

$$|\mathbf{r}| = 2\pi/|\mathbf{q}|$$
$$- q = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin\frac{\theta}{2}$$



-For high θ , *r* is small



-For small θ , *r* is large













The particle becomes a probability density function from the center of mass.



That follows a Gaussian Distribution.

$$p(r) = \exp\left(\frac{-3r^2}{4R_g^2}\right)$$

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Whose Fourier Transform is Guinier's Law.

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$$G = Nn_e^2$$



Guinier's Law Pertains to a Particle with no Surface.

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Any "Particle" can be Approximated as a Gaussian probability distribution in this context.

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Guinier's Law can be thought of as the *First Premise of Scattering:*

All "Particles" have a size reflected by the radius of gyration.

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At the other extreme we consider a surface. We can fill the interface with spheres of size *r*

$$r = S/(\pi r^2) \qquad n_e = \frac{4\pi}{3}r^3$$

Porod's Law can be thought of as the **Second Premise of Scattering:**

All "Particles" have a surface reflected by S/V. $(d_p = (S/V)^{-1})$

$$I(q) \sim Nn_e^2 \sim \left(\frac{S}{\pi r^2}\right) \left(\frac{4\pi r^3}{3}\right)^2 \sim \frac{16S\pi r^4}{9} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{2\pi n_e^2 \left(\frac{S}{V}\right)}{Vq^4}$$



For a Rough Surface: $2 \le d_s < 3$ (This Function decays to Porod's Law at small sizes)

$$I(q) \sim Nn_e^2 \sim \left(\frac{S}{r^{d_s}}\right) \left(\frac{4\pi r^3}{3}\right)^2 \sim Sr^{6-d_s} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{S}{q^{6-d_s}}$$



Sphere Function

$$I(q) = 9G\left[\frac{\sin qR - qR\cos qR}{\left(qR\right)^3}\right]^2$$



$$I(q) \approx \frac{G}{q^4 R^4}$$

Porod's Law for a Sphere!


Particle Size, d_p





Figure 1. An USAXS pattern of agglomerated fumed silica (Aerosil 200, Degussa ÅG). The scattering data (circles) are well described by the global unified fit equation (solid line). Furthermore, three Porod regimes (dashed line, dashed—dotted line, and long—short-dashed line) are shown together with the Guinier regimes (dotted line and dashed—double-dotted line). Summer regimes (article and a since "addie-addie and "info The appearance of the second Porod (weak power-law) regime (0.0005 Å⁻¹ < q < 0.01 Å⁻¹) proves that these particles are agglomerated and mass fractal as shown by the TEM insert. The gray shaded area indicates the integral part for determination of dys.



Figure 2. A USAXS plot of a nonagglomerated fumed silica (Si-B 32) made in a 17 g/h sustained premixed flame reactor (ref 18). The scattering data (circles) are well described by the global unified fit equation (solid line). Furthermore, Porod regimes (dashed line and long-short-dashed line) are shown together with the Guinier regime (dotted line). The lack of the Porod (weak power-law) regime at 0.0005 Å⁻¹ < q < 0.005 Å⁻¹ indicates that the particles are nonagglomerated as shown by the TEM insert. The gray shaded area indicates the integral part for determination of d_{WS} .



Figure 3. Comparison of d_{WS} and d_{BET} for agglomerated silica powders made in our vapor-or liquid-fed flame aerosol reactors (refs 18 and 20–22) and those of commercially available powders (Aerosil 200 and Aerosil 380, Degussa AG).



Figure 4. Comparison of d_{WS} and d_{BET} for various nonagglomerated silica powders made in our vapor-fed (refs 18 and 19) and liquid-fed (ref 20) flame aerosol reactors.

Structure of flame made silica nanoparticles by ultra-snallangle x-ray scattering. Kammuler HK, Beaucage G, Mueller R, Pratsinis SE Langmuir 20 1915-1921 (2004).







Overall Surface Area (Sum of Primaries)

At intermediate sizes the chain is "self-similar"



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N = Number of Intermediate Spheres in the Aggregate



 $I(q) \sim N n_e^2$ $N \sim \left(\frac{R_2}{r_{\text{int}}}\right)^{d_f}$ $n_e \sim \left(\frac{r_{\text{int}}}{R_1}\right)^{d_f}$

n_e = Mass of inter.
sphere
$$Nn_e^2 \sim \left(\frac{r_{\text{int}}}{R_1}\right)^{d_f} \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^{d_f} \implies I(q) \sim \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1^2}\right)^{d_f} q^{-d_f}$$

Linear Aggregates



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Branched Structures



PDMS/Silica Hybrid Material

Guo L, Hyeon-Lee J, Beaucage G J. Non-Cry. Solids 243 61-69 (1999)







1) Mass Fractal dimension, d_f.

$$z = \alpha \left(\frac{2R}{d_p}\right)^{d_f} \qquad \text{z is mass/DOA} \\ \begin{array}{c} \textbf{d}_p \text{ is bead size} \\ \textbf{R is coil size} \end{array}$$

Random aggregation (right) $d_f \sim 1.8$; Randomly Branched Gaussian $d_f \sim 2.5$; Self-Avoiding Walk $d_f = 5/3$

Problem:

Disk $d_f = 2$ Gaussian Walk $d_f=2$



Nano-titania from Spray Flame

 $2R/d_p = 10, \alpha \sim 1, z \sim 220$ $d_f = ln(220)/ln(10) = 2.3$

A Measure of Branching is not Given.



2) Fractal dimensions (d_f, d_{min}, c) and degree of aggregation (z)



d_{min} should effect perturbations & dynamics, transport electrical conductivity & a variety of important features.

Beaucage G, *Determination of branch fraction and minimum dimension of frac. agg.* Phys. Rev. E **70** 031401 (2004). Kulkarni, AS, Beaucage G, *Quant. of Branching in Disor. Mats.* J. Polym. Sci. Polym. Phys. **44** 1395-1405 (2006).



backbone particles

inelastic dead ends

2: cluster size

Fractal aggregates are springs



Initial Stage





Thinning of the carbon film

Hole growth and stretching of the NCA

Maximum strotch achieved through hole growth

FIG. 7. Schematics of hole formation and stretching.



Development of the hole & first changes in the NCA



NCA breaks loose at one end and snaps back



FIG. 9. Elastic behavior of titania NCA. (a) Initial shape of NCA on an ultrathin carbon film. (b) The NCA began to stretch as a hole developed in the carbon film after 7.5 min. (c) The NCA stretched by 36% after 10 min. (d) Contracted NCA after the anchor point to the film (bottom right) broke at 11.3 min.

Ogawa K, Vogt T., Ullmann M, Johnson S, Friedlander SK, Elastic properties of nanoparticulate chain aggregates of TiO₂, Al₂O₃ and Fe₂O₃ generated by laser ablation, J. Appl. Phys. 87, 63-73 (2000).

A Scaling Model for Branched Structures Including Polyolefins



$$\phi_{Br} = \frac{z - p}{z} = 1 - z^{1/c - 1}$$

Mole Fraction of Branches

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3) Neutron & X-ray Scattering

We can "Build" a Scattering Pattern from Structural Components using Some Simple Scattering Laws









Persistence is distinct from chain scaling



Branching has a quantifiable signature.





Branching dimensions are obtained by combining local scattering laws

Small Angle Scattering



Branch Content from Scattering



G Beaucage, Physical Review E (2004)

A S Kulkarni and G Beaucage, Journal of Polymer Science, Part B: Polymer Physics (2006)



arising from combining Local Scattering Laws

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	F5	F2
$\overline{M_w(\mathrm{g/mol})}$	2×10^{6}	18×10^{6}
G(arb. units)	1376 ± 8	38 ± 1
$R_{g}(\text{\AA})$	$197\!\pm\!1$	$268\!\pm\!10$
B_f	$0.0448 \!\pm\! 0.0004$	0.00035
d_f	2.05	2.15
<i>d</i> _{min}	1.67	1.64
С	1.23	1.36
Ζ	19 200	173 000
$\phi_{ m br}$	0.84	0.94

4) Branched Polymers at Thermal Equilibrium: Model Systems for LCB



For Polymers d_{min} is the Thermodynamically Relevant Dimension (5/3 = 1.67 or 2)

 $d_f = d_{min} c$ ~ thermo x branching

Mole fraction of Branches



FIG. 1. 2D schematic sketches of aggregates with similar R_g . (a) Linear aggregate and (b) a branched fractal aggregate of identical p but different z and d_f , as described in the text.

$$\phi_{\rm br} = \frac{z-p}{z} = 1 - z^{1/c-1} = 1 - \left(\frac{R_{g,2}}{R_{g,1}}\right)^{d_{\rm min}-d_f}$$



Horton et al., Macromolecules, <u>22</u>, 681 (1989) US Jeng, TL Lin, LY et al. *App Phys A*, **74**, S487 (2002).

#	Sample	R _g (Å)	d _f	d _{min}	С	ϕ_{br}	Theoretical ϕ_{br}
1	3 Arm Star	6.87	2.00	1.33	1.49	0.39	0.33
2	6 Arm Star	78.27	2.00	1.25	1.59	0.71	0.67
3	18 Arm Star	4.37	2.27	1.61	1.40	0.81	0.88

Hyperbranched Polymers

SANS on Hyperbranched Polymers: Beaucage model correctly describes transition from good-solvent to Θ - solvent collapsed state for the minimum path dimension.



E. De Luca, R. W. Richards, I. Grillo, and S. M. King, J. Polym. Sci.: Part B: Polym. Phys. **41**, 1352 (2003). Geladé, E. T. F.; Goderis, B.; et al. Macromolecules, **34**, (2001). AS Kulkarni, G Beaucage, Macromolecular Rapid Communications, accepted, (2007).



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This Approach Can Quantify LCB in Polyolefins. (Talk by Kulkarni/Beaucage Tomorrow T34 0668 3:30)

	M _n (g/mol)	Index LCBI	Mole Fraction of Branches \$\overline{br}\$	NMR n _{br} /10⁴ C	Model Based on Mole Fraction of Branches
PE 0	46,500	0.04	0	0	en en en
PE 2	11,500	0.91	0.39±0.005	0.36	~~~ ~
PE 3	37,900	2.27	0.63±0.004	0.91	E second and



FIG. 6. (a) Lattuada time series simulation results (scattering data agree with experimental results in Ref. [42]). The simulations are for diffusion-limited aggregation with polydisperse aggregates. (b) Branch fraction, c, d_f , and d_{\min} versus time from unified fits shown in (a).

4) Model Polydisperse Simulations

M_w/M_n ~ 4 Large aggregates Growth kinetics show d_{min} => 1 d_f => 1.8 for RLCA Predicted previously by Meakin

TABLE IV. Fit results and calculations from simulations by Lattuada *et al.* [42] of variable z and time for diffusion-limited aggregates. L8, L30, and L100 refer to Fig. 5 while the time series refer to Fig. 6.

	L8	L30	L100	125 s	275 s	515 s	965 s	
G	1.03	1.01	1.08	1.24	15.4	150	1670	
R _g	2.37	4.96	9.91	16800	23400	32900	45100	
B_{f}	0.251	0.0617	0.0166	2.73×10 ⁻⁸	2.06×10^{-7}	1.08×10^{-6}	7.73×10 ⁻⁶	
d_f	1.86	1.86	1.898	1.85	1.82	1.83	1.8	
d_{\min}	1.16	1.15	1.16	1.38	1.13	1.28	1.03	
с	1.6	1.62	1.64	1.34	1.61	1.43	1.74	
Ζ	8	30	100	2069	3342	6518	9958	
$\phi_{ m br}$	0.54	0.73	0.83	0.95	0.99	0.98	1.00	

[42] M. Lattuada, H. Wu, and M. Morbidelli, J. Colloid Interface Sci. 268, 106 (2003).







 Behavior is Similar to Simulation d_f drops due to branching

- Aggregate Collapse
- Entrainment High in the Flame

Mechanics Depend on Structure Structure on Growth Chemistry



Mean Primary Particle Size, "a" Mean Aggregate Size, "R" Specific Surface Area related to 1/a "R" is related to "a", "N", and Structure "Structure" is Related to Growth Mechanism "a" is Related to Early Stage "N" and "R" to Later Stage

 $1 \le d_{f} \le 3$ (L/a) = (R/a)^{d_{min}} Minimum Path Dim. $1 \le d_{min} \le d_{f}$ C = d_f/d_{min} How Branched? Linear C = 1; Reg. C = d_{f}







From: *S. K. Friedlander, H. D. Jang, K. H. Ryu Appl. Phys. Lett.* <u>72</u> 173 (1998).



The Modulus for a Critical Concentration Composite, Ecomposite is given by:

$$E_{\text{composite}} = E_{\text{Oxide}} \, \Phi_{\text{critical}} (3 + d_{\min}) / (3 - d_{f})$$

Test these Propositions using Tuned Nano-Composites


Guinier's Law





Structure of Flame Made Silica Nanoparticles By Ultra-Small-Angle X-ray Scattering Kammler/Beaucage Langmuir 2004 <u>20</u> 1915-1921



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Small-scale Crystallographic Structure







Supported Catalysts

Nobel Metals (Gold) Become Reactive Catalysts When of 1-6 nm Size



Fig. 1. CO oxidation turnover frequencies (TOFs) at 300 K as a function of the average size of the Au clusters supported on a high surface area TiO_2 support (7). The Au/TiO_2 catalysts were prepared by deposition-precipitation method, and the average cluster diameters were measured by TEM. The solid line serves merely to guide the eye.

A 2.20 1.80 1.40 1.00 0.60 0.0 2.0 4.0 6.0 8.0 10.0 Cluster Diameter (nm)

Fig. 3. (A) The activity for CO oxidation at 350 K as a function of the Au cluster size supported on $TiO_2(110)$ - (1×1) assuming total dispersion of the Au. The CO:O₂ mixture was 1:5 at a total pressure of 40 Torr. Activity is expressed as (product molecules) \times (total Au atoms)⁻¹ s⁻¹. (B) Cluster band gap measured by STS as a

Onset of catalytic activity of gold clusters on titania with the appearance of non-metallic properties. Valden M, Lai X, Goodman DW Science 281, 1647-1650 (1998).



Fig. 4. A series of CCT STM images of Au/ TiO₂(110)-(1×1) as prepared in Fig. 2 (A) after 120 min of O₂ exposure at 10 Torr, and (B) after 120 min of CO:O₂ (2:1) exposure at 10 Torr. The Au coverage was 0.25 ML, and the sample was annealed at 850 K for 2 min before the exposures. All of the exposures are given at 300 K. The size of the images is 50 nm by 50 nm.

Solution Method For Au/Support Oxide (Using HAuCl₄)



Fig. 4. Turnover frequencies based on surface exposed gold atoms as a function of the mean particle diameters of gold in CO oxidation at 0° C. \triangle , Au/Co₃O₄; \Box , Au/ α -Fe₂O₃; \bigcirc , Au/TiO₂.

Size- and support-dependency in the catalysis of gold. Haruta M, Catalysis Today 36, 153-166 (1997).



Gold Catalysts Prepared by coprecipitation for low-temperature oxidation of hydrogen and of Carbon Monoxide. Haruta M, Yamada N, Kobayashi T, lijima S, J. Of Catalysis 115, 301-309 (1989).

480 Citations

We can obtain: Mean Size, Polydispersity, State of Aggregation For Both Particle Types.

This can be done *in situ* in almost

any environment that can be brought to the synchrotron.

Measurements with ETHZ (Eveline Bus, Jereon Van Bokhoven) ESRF (T. Narayanan)

Option 1: Brute Force/Lab Source

 $d_p, nm \sigma_g$

3.97 1.35

14.9 1.08



Option 1: Brute Force

How do the particles vary with concentration gold?

Measurements with ETHZ (Eveline Bus, Jereon Van Bokhoven) ESRF (T. Narayanan)



Option 1: Brute Force

In situ versus ex situ measurements.

Measurements with ETHZ (Eveline Bus, Jereon Van Bokhoven) ESRF (T. Narayanan)



Desirable: In Situ Study/Contrast variation for Gold

Option 2: Anomalous Scattering/Synchrotron

In situ anomalous small-angle x-ray scattering from metal particles in supportedmetal catalysts. I Theory and II Results. Brumberger H, Hagrman D, Goodisman J, Finkelstein KD, J. Appl. Cryst. 38 147-151 and 324-332 (2005).







Total (upper curve) and separated scattering curve of an amorphous silicongermanium alloy.

G.Goerigk and D.L.Williamson http://www.desy.de/~jusifa/solarzellentechnik.htm

Scattered Intensity Depends on Contrast, G (For Each Phase)



Pratsinis J. Appl. Cryst. <u>37</u> 523-535 (2004).

"f" Depends on Wavelength

Sintering of Ni/Al₂O₃ catalysts studied by anomalous small angle x-ray scattering. Rasmussen RB, Sehested J, Teunissen HT, Molenbroek AM, Clausen BS Applied Catalysis A. 267, 165-173 (2004).





Fig. 1. The magnitude of the atomic form factors of Ni and Al_2O_3 in electron units [30]. The atomic form factor of Ni (full line) has a strong energy dependence close to the K-absorption edge of Ni (8333 eV), whereas the atomic form factor of Al_2O_3 (dashed line) is constant. The squares mark the four X-ray energies used in this study.

Fig. 7. ASAXS scattering curve measured at 8308 eV on the fresh catalyst (full line). The circles represent the separated scattering curve (KI(q)) obtained by subtracting the normalized scattering curves measured at 8308 and 8326 eV. The dashed line represent the best fit to the data using the approach described in the text.





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Fig. 8. Normalized nickel number particle size distributions of catalysts sintered at 650 °C obtained by ASAXS as described in the text. The nickel particles are assumed to be spherical with radius r, but otherwise no assumption on the shape of the distribution is made. The full line is the distribution of the fresh catalyst. The short dash (long dash) is the distribution after sintering for 5 h (100 h).

Assumption Method

- i) Assume a distribution function.
- ii) Assume a scattering function (sphere)
- iii) Minimize calculation

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Fig. 11. Comparison of specific nickel surface areas derived from the sulfur chemisorption capacity (S_{cap}) and ASAXS (Tables 3 and 4). The line is the result of a linear regression ($S_{ASAXS} = 1.4(0.2)S_{S_{cap}} + 0.6(0.8)$), where the number in parentheses is the standard deviation of the fit.



Fig. 10. Average nickel particle radius (squares) and variance (circles) of distribution determined by ASAXS after sintering at 650 °C.

Sintering of Ni/Al₂O₃ catalysts studied by anomalous small angle x-ray scattering. Rasmussen RB, Sehested J, Teunissen HT, Molenbroek AM, Clausen BS Applied Catalysis A. 267, 165-173 (2004).

Not unique & Molenbroel Based on assumptions But widely used & easy to understand



Unified Method

- i) Global fit for B_P and G.
- ii) Calculate PDI (no assumptions & unique "solution")
- iii) Assume log-normal distribution for σ_g and distribution curve (or other models)
- iv) Data to unique solution Solution to distribution

 $PDI = \frac{B_P R_g^4}{1.62G}$

$$\sigma = \ln(\sigma_g) = \left[\frac{\ln(PDI)}{12}\right]^{1/2}$$



 10^{7} 10[°] 10⁵ 10^{4} Intensity (cm)⁻¹ 10^{3} 10^{2} 10¹ 10^{0} 10^{-1} 10^{-2} Self-preserving Polydisperse Dilute Sphere (no correlations) Guinier Scattering 10^{-3} Branched Aggregate 10^{-4} 0.0001 0.001 0.01 0.1 1 q (Å)⁻¹

Advantages

Generic PDI (asymmetry also) Global fit (mass fractal etc.) Direct link (data => dispersion) Use only available terms Simple to implement

PDI/Maximum Entropy/TEM Counting



Figure 2

USAXS data from aggregated nanoparticles (circles) showing unified fits (bold grey lines), primary particle Guinier and Porod functions at high q, the intermediate mass fractal scaling regime and the aggregate Guinier regime (dashed lines). (a) Fumed titania sample with multi-grain particles and low-q excess scattering due to soft agglomerates. $d_{VIS} = 16.7 \text{ nm}$ (corrected to 18.0 nm), PDI = 3.01 ($\sigma_g = 1.35$), $R_g = 11.2 \text{ nm}$, $d_e = 1.99$, $z_{21} = 175$, $z_{R_g} = 226$, $R_{g2} = 171 \text{ nm}$. From gas adsorption, $d_p = 16.2 \text{ nm}$. (b) Fumed zirconia sample (Mueller *et al.*, 2004) with single-grain particles, as shown in the inset. The primary particles for this sample have high polydispersity leading to the observed hump near the primary particle scattering regime. $d_{VIS} = 20.3 \text{ nm}$, PDI = 10.8 ($\sigma_g = 1.56$), $R_g = 26.5 \text{ nm}$, $d_e = 2.90$. From gas adsorption, $d_p = 19.7 \text{ nm}$.

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Figure 6

Comparison of particle volume distributions for titania made without an electric field using TEM (circles; Kammker *et al.*, 2003), PDI (grey line) and maximum entropy (black line). (a) 0.5 gh⁻¹ [fractal $d_{VIS} = 12.1$ nm, PDI = 3.52 ($\sigma_g = 1.38$), $R_g = 8.9$ nm, $d_i = 1.59$, $z_{21} = 1160$, $z_{R_g} = 1343$]. (b) 55 g h⁻¹ [$d_{VIS} = 37.2$ nm, PDI = 20.0 ($\sigma_g = 1.65$), $R_g = 50.8$ nm]. (c) 11 g h⁻¹ [$d_{VIS} = 46.8$ nm, PDI = 15.5 ($\sigma_g = 1.61$), $R_g = 60.8$ nm]. (3 g h⁻¹ is shown in Fig. 5.)

Maximum Entropy Method

- i) Assume sphere or other scattering function
- ii) Assume most random solution
- iii) Use algorithm to guess/compare/calculate
- iv) Iterate till maximum "entropy"

Advantages

No assumption concerning distribution function No assumption for number of modes Matches detail PSD's well Related Alternatives Regularization

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3.1 g h⁻¹ titania. (a) Repeat USAXS runs on a non-aggregated titania powder (Fig. 1). (b) Particle size distributions from TEM (circles; Kammler et al., 2003), equations (1), (2), (17) and (18) using PDI and R_{y} , and using the maximum-entropy program of Jemian (Jemian et al., 1991). Distribution curves are shifted vertically for clarity. $d_{VIS} = 34.9$ nm, PDI = 14.4 ($\sigma_g = 1.60$), $R_g = 44.2$ nm.

Software for My Collaborators/Students (And Me)

All Methods are available in Jan Ilavsky's Igor Code http://www.uni.aps.anl.gov/usaxs/

Anomalous Scattering



All Methods are available in Jan Ilavsky's Igor Code http://www.uni.aps.anl.gov/usaxs/

Unified Fit (Not all implemented)



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Sphere (or any thing you could imagine) Distributions



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Maximum Entropy/Regularization Code (Jemian)



Zeolites/Spherical Colloids Many Other Parts to Scattering Are Not Covered For Instance:

Zeolites:





-Pore Structure -Nano-Structure -Micron Structure









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Keep in Mind:



-SAXS Measurement is Generally Easy

-SAXS Analysis is Generally Difficult

-A Reasonable Model is Mostly Needed

-You will Generally Have to Understand What is going on.

(-This is not a good Technique for Those Interested only in Verifying)