



Catalytic Activity in Vesicles

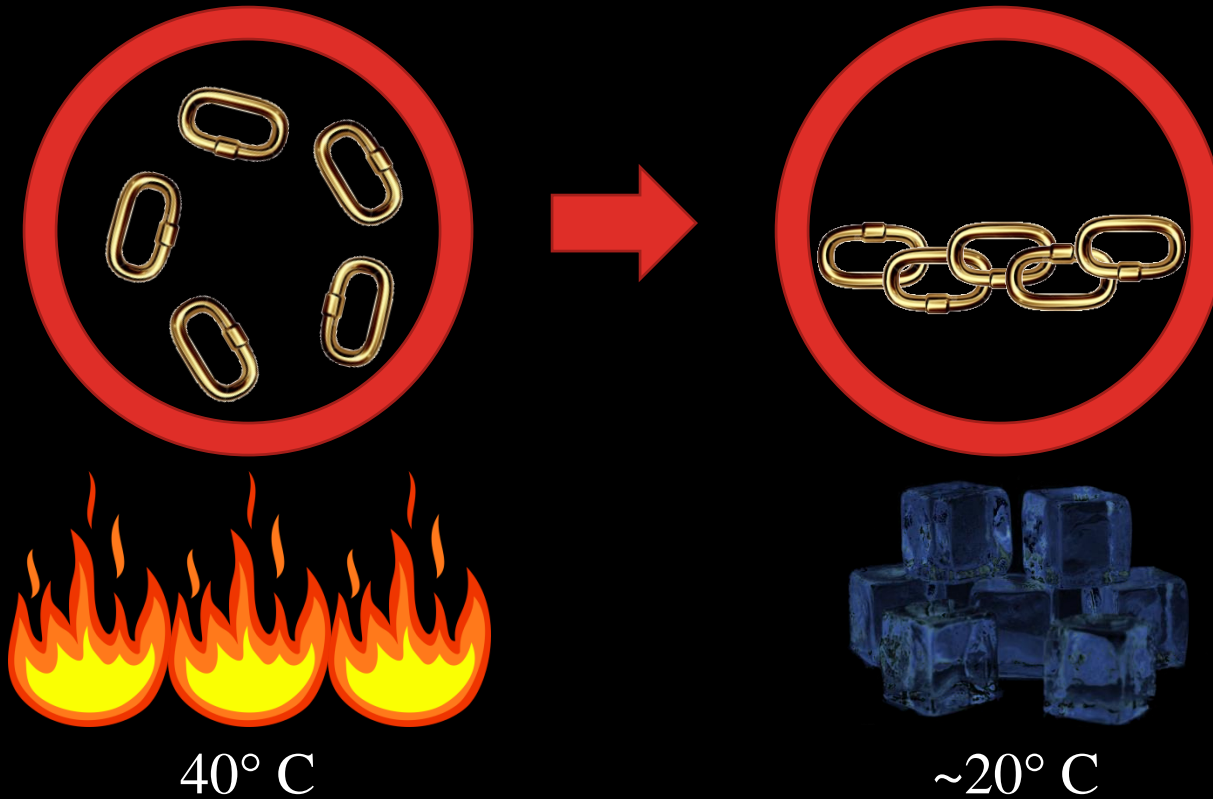
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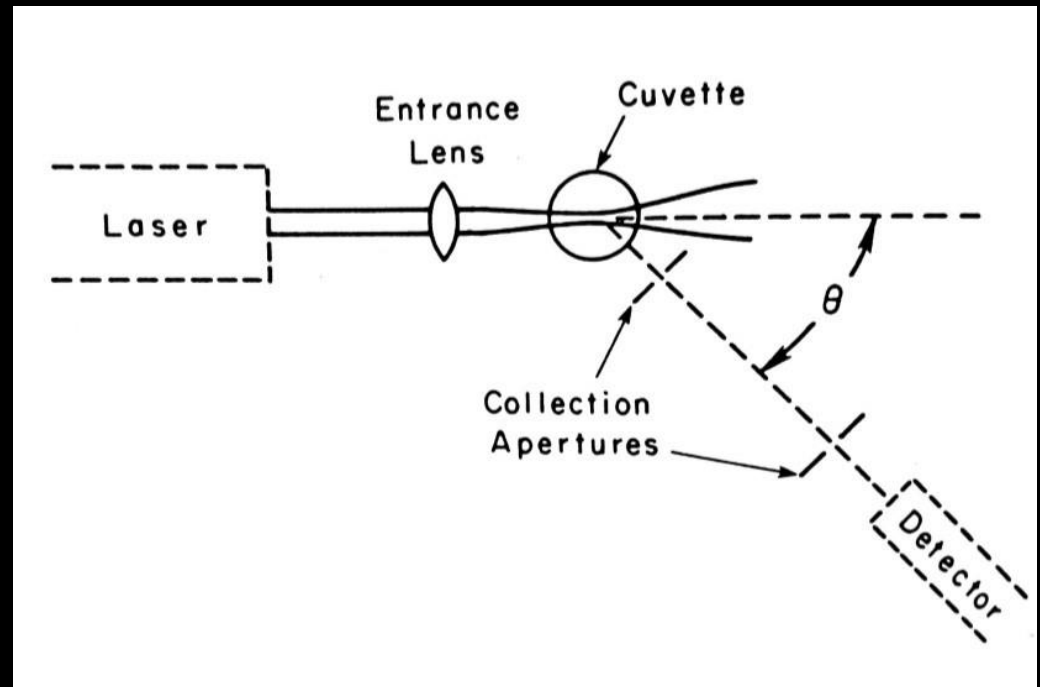
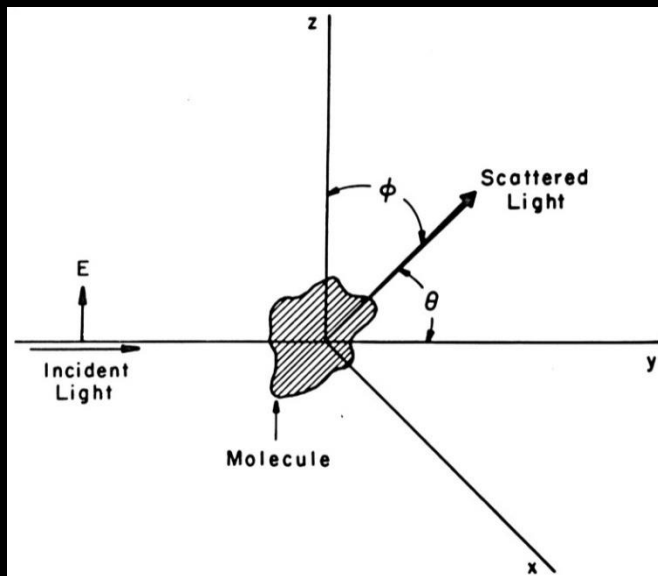
Dynamic Light Scattering Sol to Gel States

Gelatin Solution



DLS & Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (PCS)

- Solid State Laser Requirements
 - Low Noise
 - Vertical Polarization

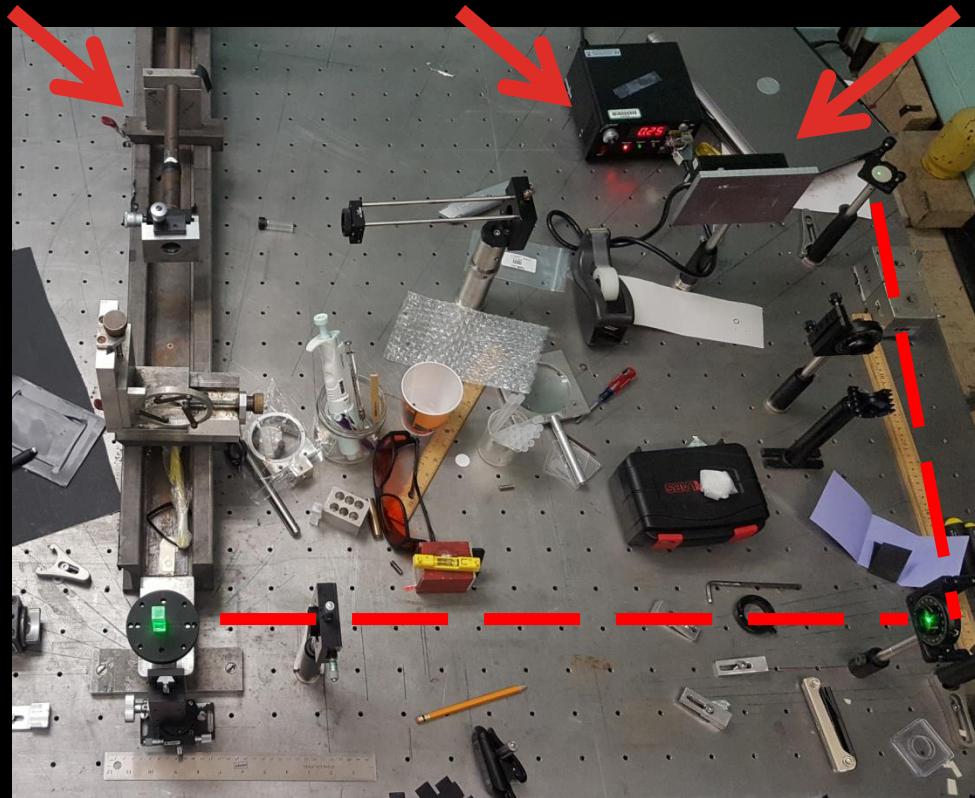


DLS & PCS

PMT & Detector

Laser Intensity Control

Solid State Laser



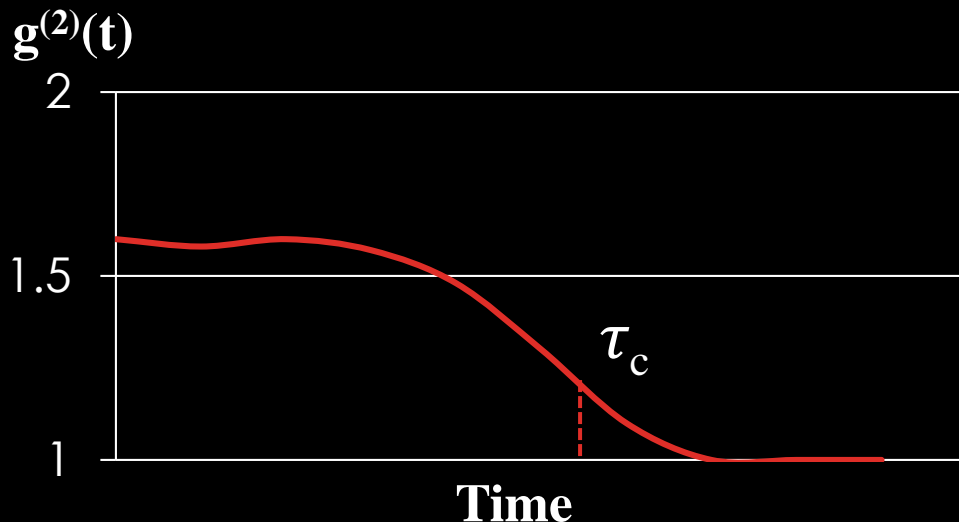
DLS & PCS

Correlation Function for Intensity

$$g^{(2)}(t) \equiv \langle I(t)I(0) \rangle \equiv \text{Intensity Correlation Function}$$

For Gaussian Scattered Light

$$g^{(2)}(t) \equiv 1 + |\langle E(t)E(0) \rangle|^2 = 1 + |g^{(1)}(t)|^2 \quad \text{Field Correlation Function}$$

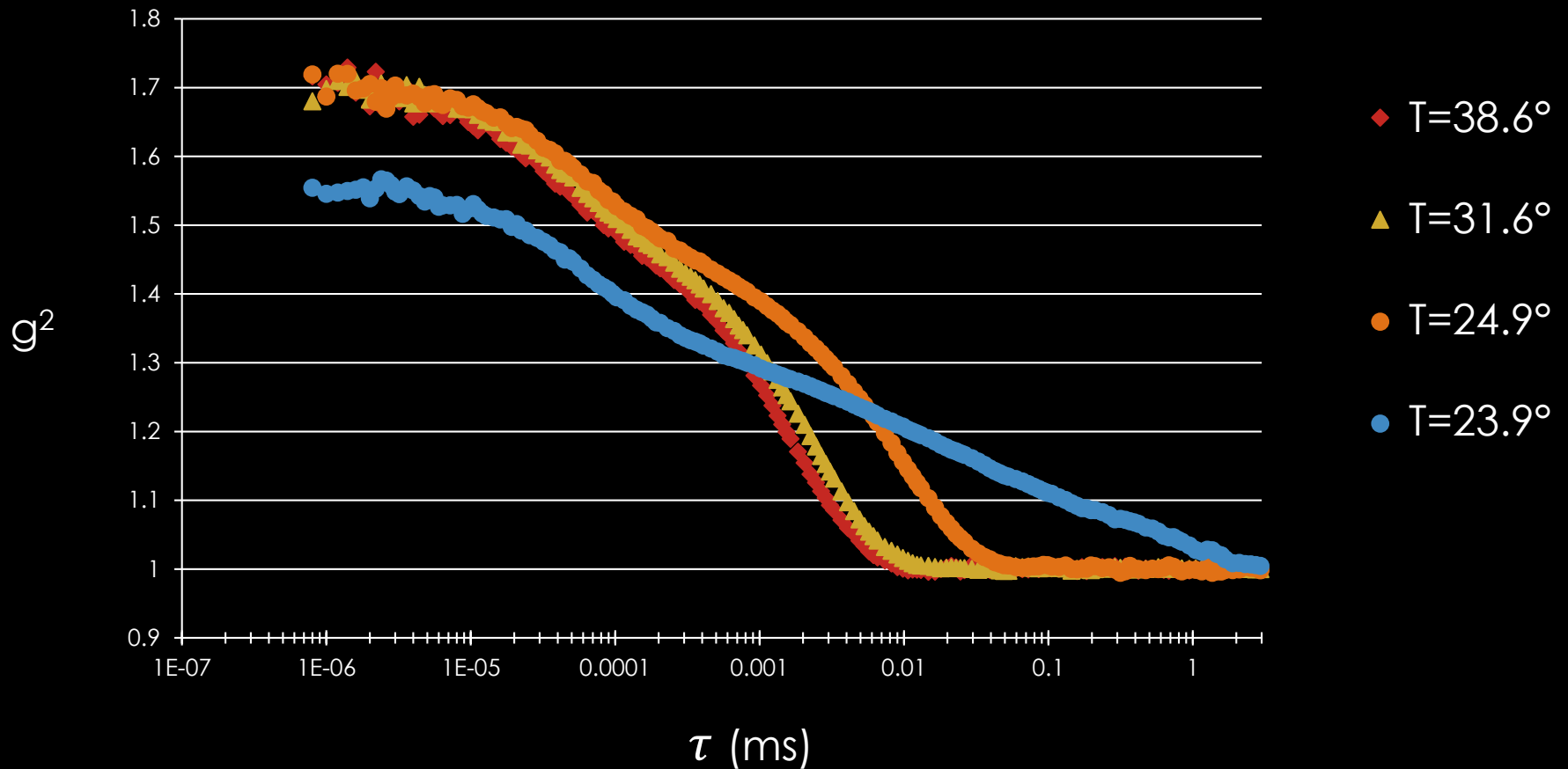


$$\tau_c^{-1} = 2q^2D = 2q^2k_B T(6\eta\pi r)^{-1}$$

$$q = 4\pi n\lambda^{-1}\sin(\theta/2)$$

$$r = (16\pi/3)(n/\lambda)^2k_B T\eta^{-1}\sin^2(\theta/2) \tau_c$$

g^2 Function v. Tau



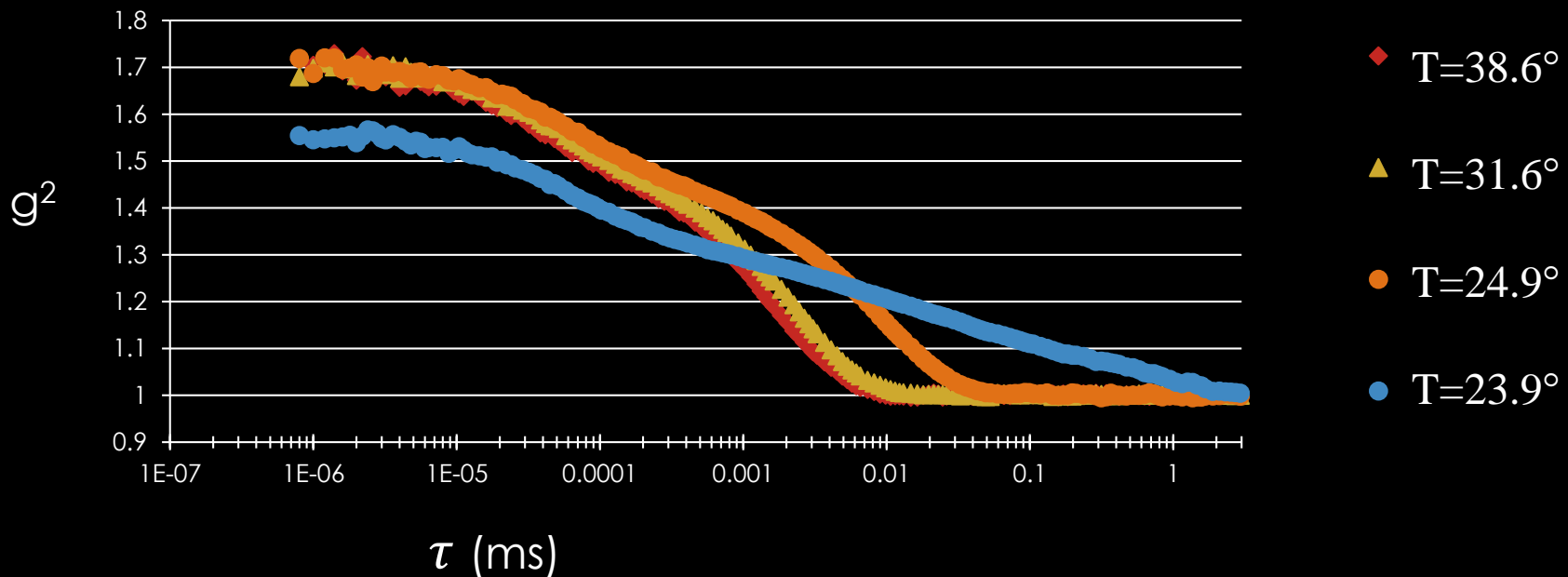
Data Interpretation

Field Correlation Function

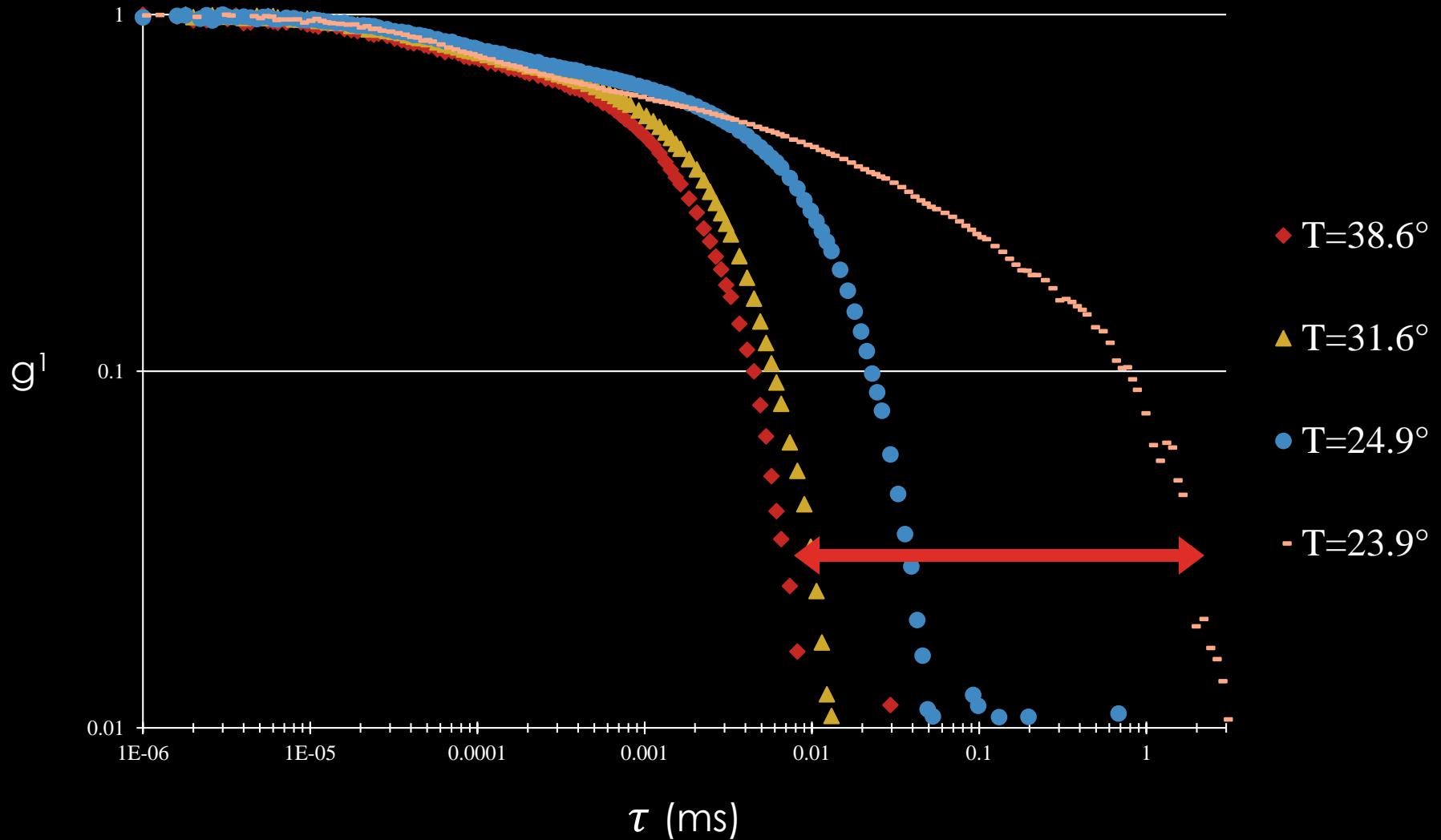
$$g^1(t) = [[\varphi(t) + 1 - \sigma]^{0.5} - (1 - \sigma)^{0.5}] / [1 - (1 - \sigma)^{0.5}]$$

$$\varphi(t) = g^2(t) - 1$$

$$\sigma = \varphi(0) = g^2(0) - 1$$

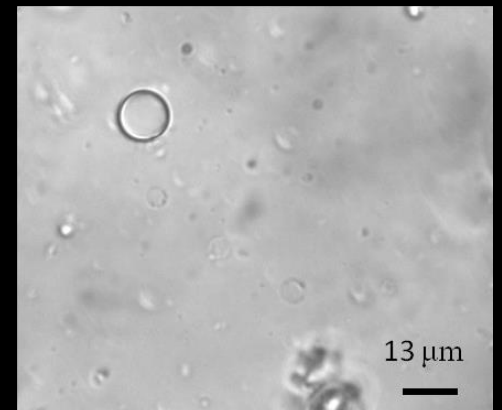
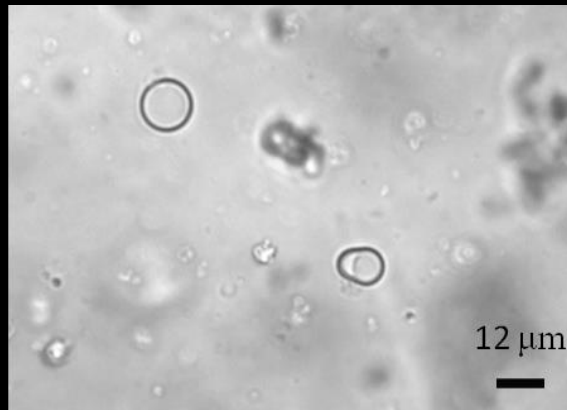
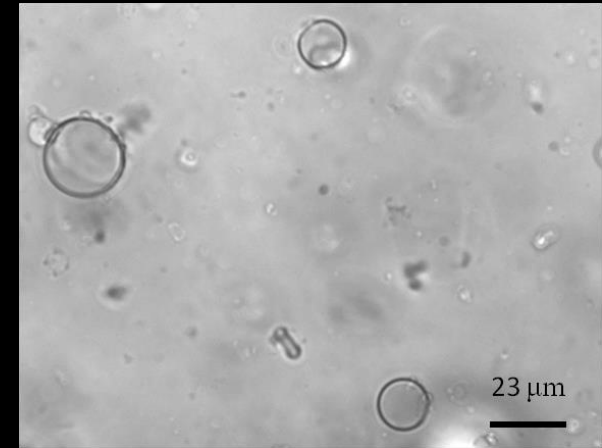
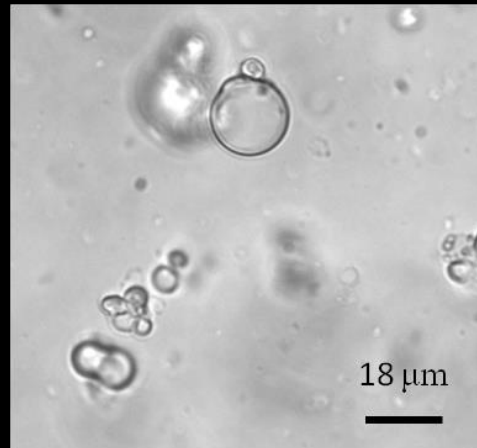


g^1 Function v. Tau



Relevance to Polymerization in Vesicles

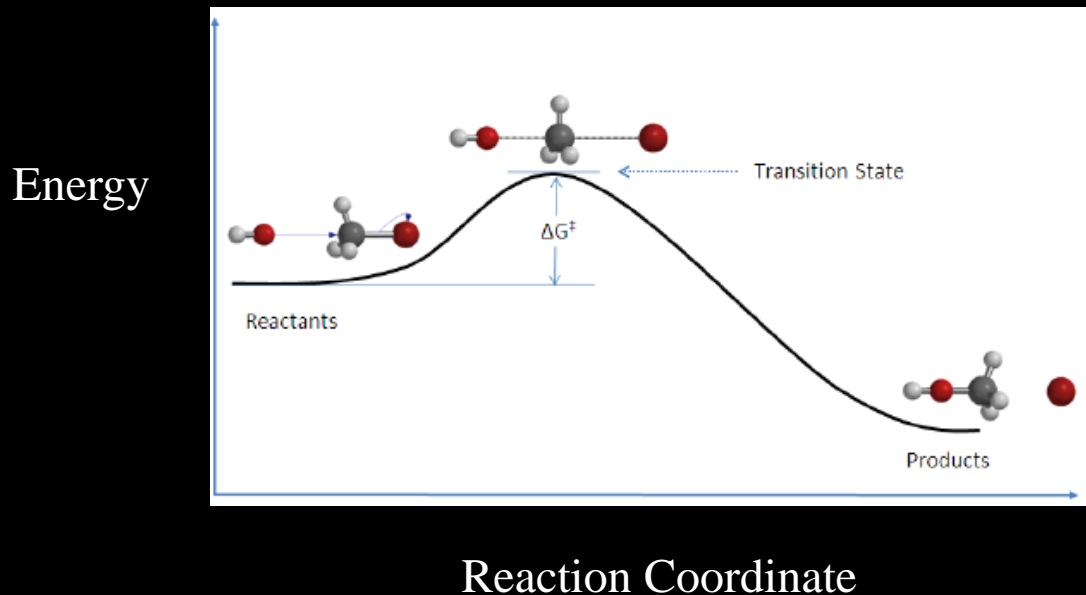
- One method for analysis concerning polymerization in a vesicle
- Useful to characterize the statistical & coherent properties of electric fields



Catalytic Activity in a Vesicle

Requires a greater understanding of Potential and Electric Fields within and around the vesicle and reaction rate

- $k \sim e^{(-E_a/(k_bT))}$



Vesicle Potentials

$$V_{in} = 3\sigma_2 \sigma_3 A E_o r b^3 \cos(\theta)$$

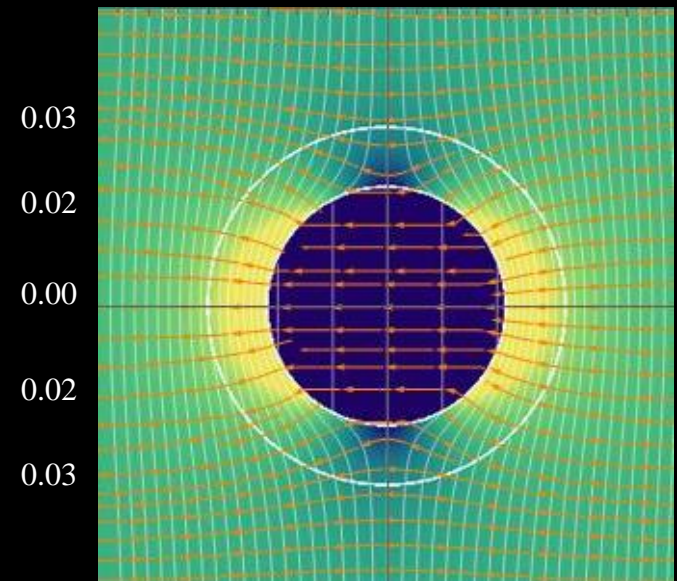
$$V_{mid} = \sigma_3 A E_o b^3 (2\sigma_2 + \sigma_1) r \cos(\theta) + \sigma_3 A E_o a^3 b^3 (\sigma_2 - \sigma_1) \cos(\theta) / r^2$$

$$V_{out} = -A \cos(\theta) + A b^3 r^{-2} (1 + A \sigma_3 b^3 (2\sigma_2 + \sigma_1)) + A \sigma_3 a^3 (\sigma_2 - \sigma_1) \cos(\theta)$$

Where:

$$A = 3 * [2a^3(\sigma_2 - \sigma_1) (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3) - b^3(2\sigma_2 + \sigma_1) (2\sigma_3 + \sigma_2)]$$

Length (microns)



0.03 0.02 0.00 0.02 0.03

Width (microns)

Vesicle Electric Fields

$$E_{in} = -3\sigma_2 \sigma_3 A E_0 b^3 \cos(\theta)$$

$$E_{mid} = \sigma_3 A E_0 b^3 (2\sigma_2 + \sigma_1) \cos(\theta) + 2\sigma_3 A E_0 a^3 b^3 (\sigma_2 - \sigma_1) \cos(\theta) / r^3$$

$$E_{out} = A \cos(\theta) + 3A b^3 r^{-3} [(1 + A \sigma_3 b^3 (2\sigma_2 + \sigma_1)) + A \sigma_3 a^3 (\sigma_2 - \sigma_1)] \cos(\theta)$$

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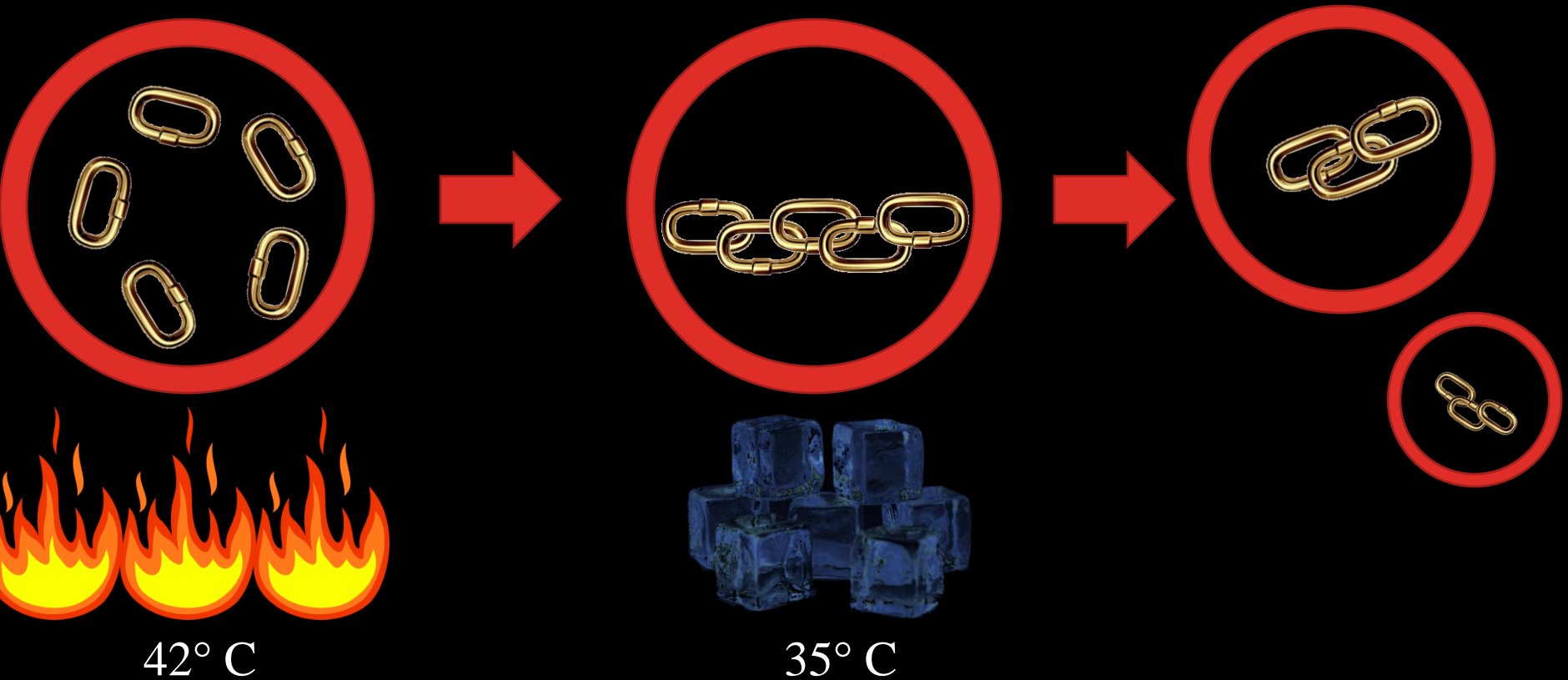


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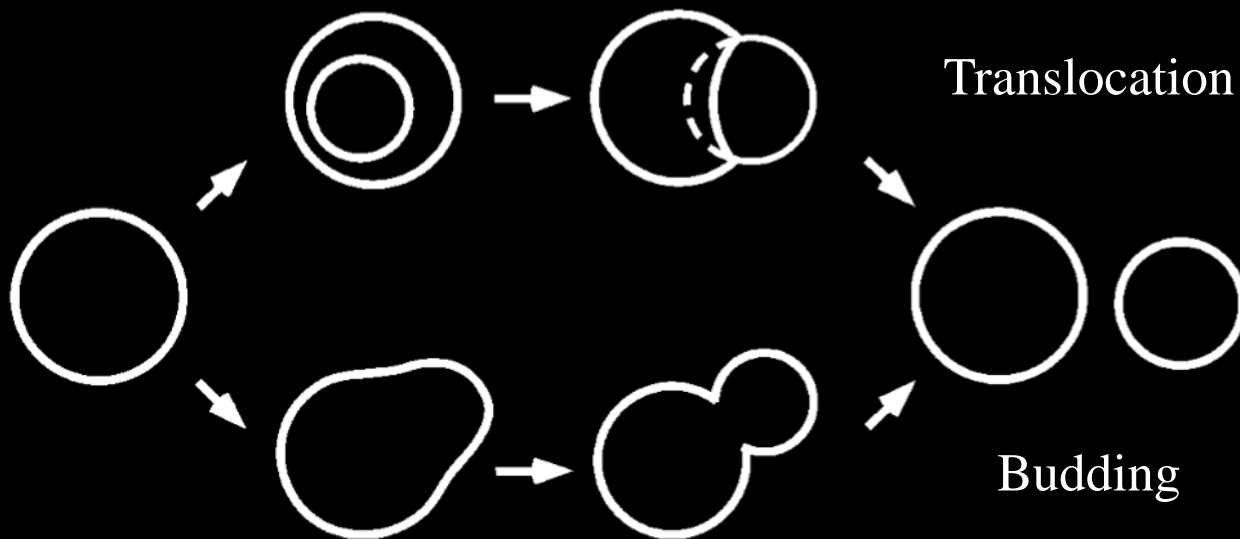
Self-Reproducing Model

Vesicle Heating



Self-Reproducing Model

- Take DPPC and/or DLPE Lipids and produce vesicles
 - Cycle the temperature from 35°C and 42°C and back again

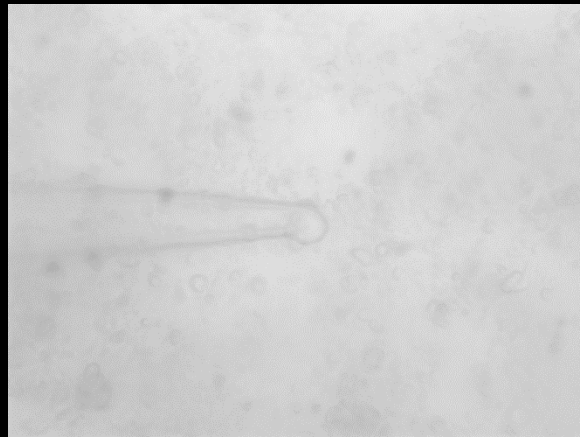


Results of Initial Tests Using DLPE:DPPC Vesicles

- DLPE:DPPC Vesicles (3:7)
 - Buffer Solution Only (no gelatin)



T=24.8° C



T=29.7° C



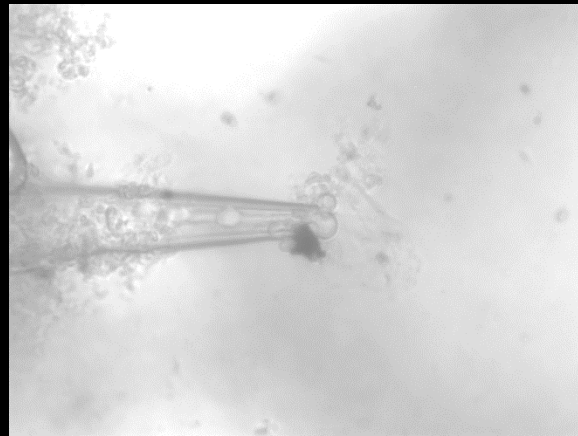
T=35.5° C

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T=36.4° C

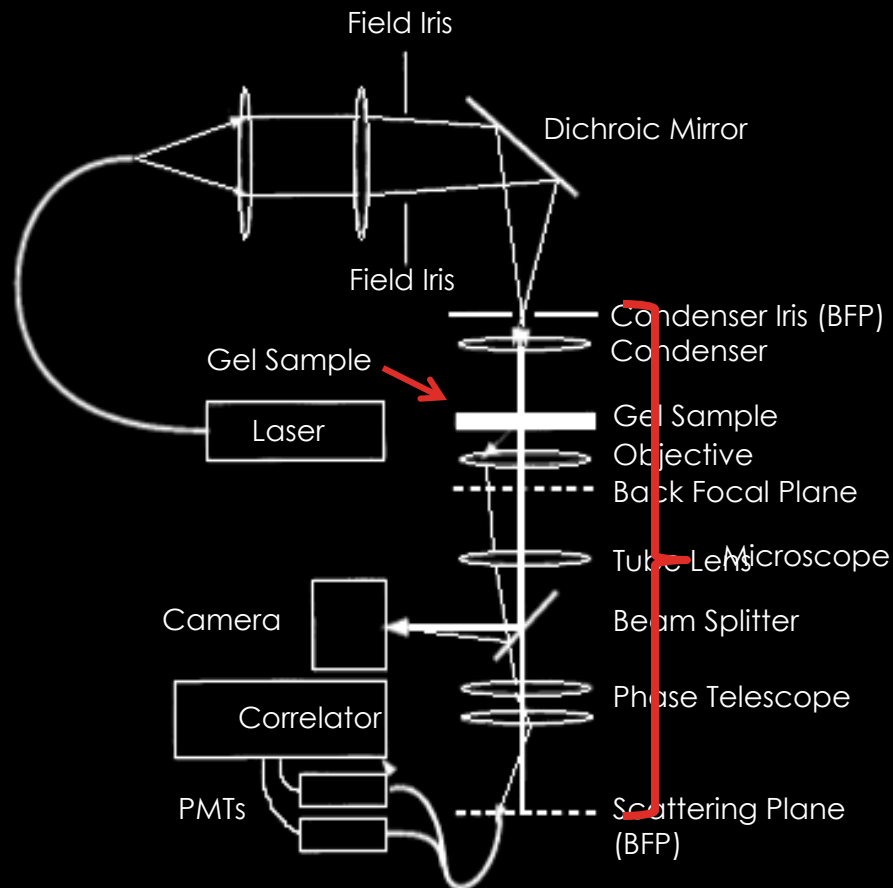


T=37.1° C



T=42.8° C

Simultaneous Dynamic Light Scattering & Imaging



Future Directions of Research

- Self-Reproducing Model of Vesicles (DLPE/DPPC lipids)
 - Temperature Cycling
 - Potential and Electric Vector Fields inside and outside of the vesicles
- Simultaneous DLS and Imaging Microscopy
 - While attempting to reproduce vesicles

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