



## Role of length and time scales of dynamic heterogeneities on fragility in various model glasses

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## Outline

## ✓ Purpose

- fragility in glass transition
- dynamic heterogeneities
- MD for various model glasses

✓ Spatiotemporal structures of DH

- multi-point and multi-time correlations
- Fragility vs. length scale  $\boldsymbol{\xi}$  and lifetime  $\tau_{\text{hetero}}$
- model detail dependence



## Fragility

#### P. G. Debenedetti and F. H. Stillinger, Nature 410, 259-267 (2001)



 $T_g / T$ 

# Physical implication of fragility *K*?

**Vogel-Fulcher-Tammann** 

$$\eta \sim \exp\left[\frac{1}{K(T/T_g - 1)}\right]$$

K: Fragility index

Fragile: o-Terphenyl



*K*: large van der Waals super-Arrhenius



*K*: small network-formation Arrhenius

## Simulations visualize Dynamic Heterogeneity (1995 $\sim$ )



Binary LJ spheres (Donati-Douglas-Poole-Kob-Glotzer)



Binary LJ disks (Berthier)



Polydisperse WCA spheres (Kawasaki-Tanaka)



Binary hard spheres (Flenner-Zhang-Szamel)



Binary soft disks (Hurley-Harrowell)



## It looks like a universal hallmark, doesn't it?

## Purpose of this study: Fragility vs. Dynamic Heterogeneities

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How do collective motions lead to super-Arrhenius?

## Is the model detail really trivial?





#### (b) Wahnström LJ model (WAHN)



(c) Hiwatari-Hansen softsphere model (SS)



#### (d) Coslovich-Pastore network model (NTW)





## 4-point correlations for Dynamic Heterogeneities(2000~) Glotzer, Berthier, Bilori, Chandler, Sastry, Szamel, ...



fluctuations in "local dynamics"  $\delta F(k, t)$ 

 $F_r(k,t) = F(k,t) + \delta F_r(k,t) \qquad F(k,t) = S(k) \times \exp[(-t/\tau_\alpha)^\beta]$ 

correlations of fluctuations in 2-point  $\rightarrow$  4-point

 $\chi_4^{(q)}(k,t) = \langle \delta F_q(k,t) \delta F_{-q}(k,t) \rangle \approx \langle \rho_k(t) \rho_{-k}(t) \rho_k(0) \rho_{-k}(0) \rangle$ 

We need 4-point correlations to determine length time scales of DH!!

### 3-time extension of 4-point correlations *Kim-Saito, PRE(2009), JCP(2010), JCP(2013)*



Variance of  $F(k, t) \rightarrow 4$ -point (1-time interval)

 $\chi_4(t) \approx \langle \delta F(k,t)^2 \rangle \qquad F(k,t) = S(k) \times \exp[(-t/\tau_\alpha)^\beta]$   $\sim \exp[-\tau/\tau_{\text{hetero}}]?$  $\tau_{\text{hetero}} \text{ VS } \tau_\alpha?$ 

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## Lifetime of Dynamic Heterogeneity remains controversial...



- Perera-Harrowell (binary soft discs)
- Flenner-Szamel (Kob-Andersen LJ)
- Doliwa-Heuer (hard discs)
- Weeks (colloidal glasses)
- $\checkmark au_{
  m hetero} \gg au_{lpha}$  at low T
  - Yamamoto-Onuki, Mizuno-Yamamoto (binary soft spheres)
  - Leonard-Berthier (fragile KCM model)
  - Ediger, Richert, ... (NMR, hole-burning, photo-bleach)
  - Orrit, Kaufman, ... (single molecule experiments)

## To resolve all controversy, we comprehensively examine multi-time correlation functions!!

## Why use multi-time correlations?: On the analogy of 2D-NMR and 2D-IR spectroscopies

3-time extension of  $\chi_4(t)$ 



Key strategies:
① Analyze couplings of *t*<sub>1</sub> - *t*<sub>3</sub> motions if homogeneous dynamics, *∆F*→0
② Change the waiting time *t*<sub>2</sub> quantify relaxation time of DH *T*hetero







[WAHN fragile glasses] Change the waiting time *t*<sub>2</sub>: How dose Dynamical Heterogeneity decay with time?



[NTW strong glasses] Change the waiting time *t*<sub>2</sub>: How dose Dynamical Heterogeneity decay with time?



## Result: Average lifetime Thetero



## Discussion: Is DH related to Locally Preferred Structures?





PMMA polydisperse colloids

## Summary: Dynamic Heterogeneities and Fragility

