

Molecular dynamics in ice and water: insights from broadband dielectric spectroscopy

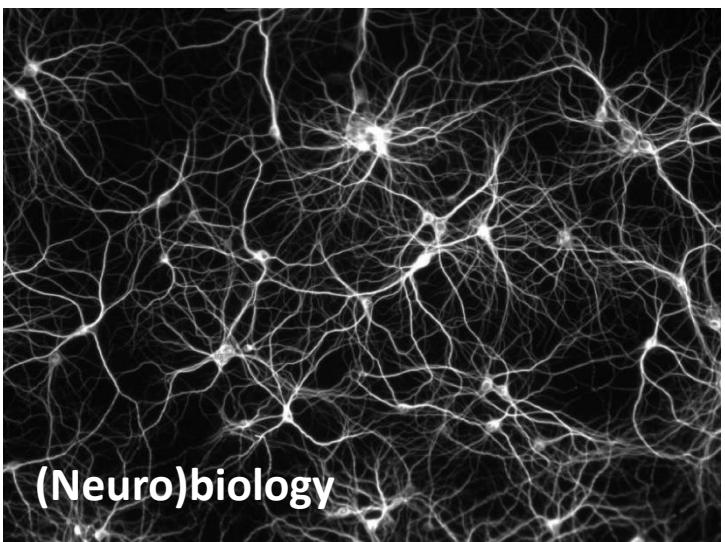
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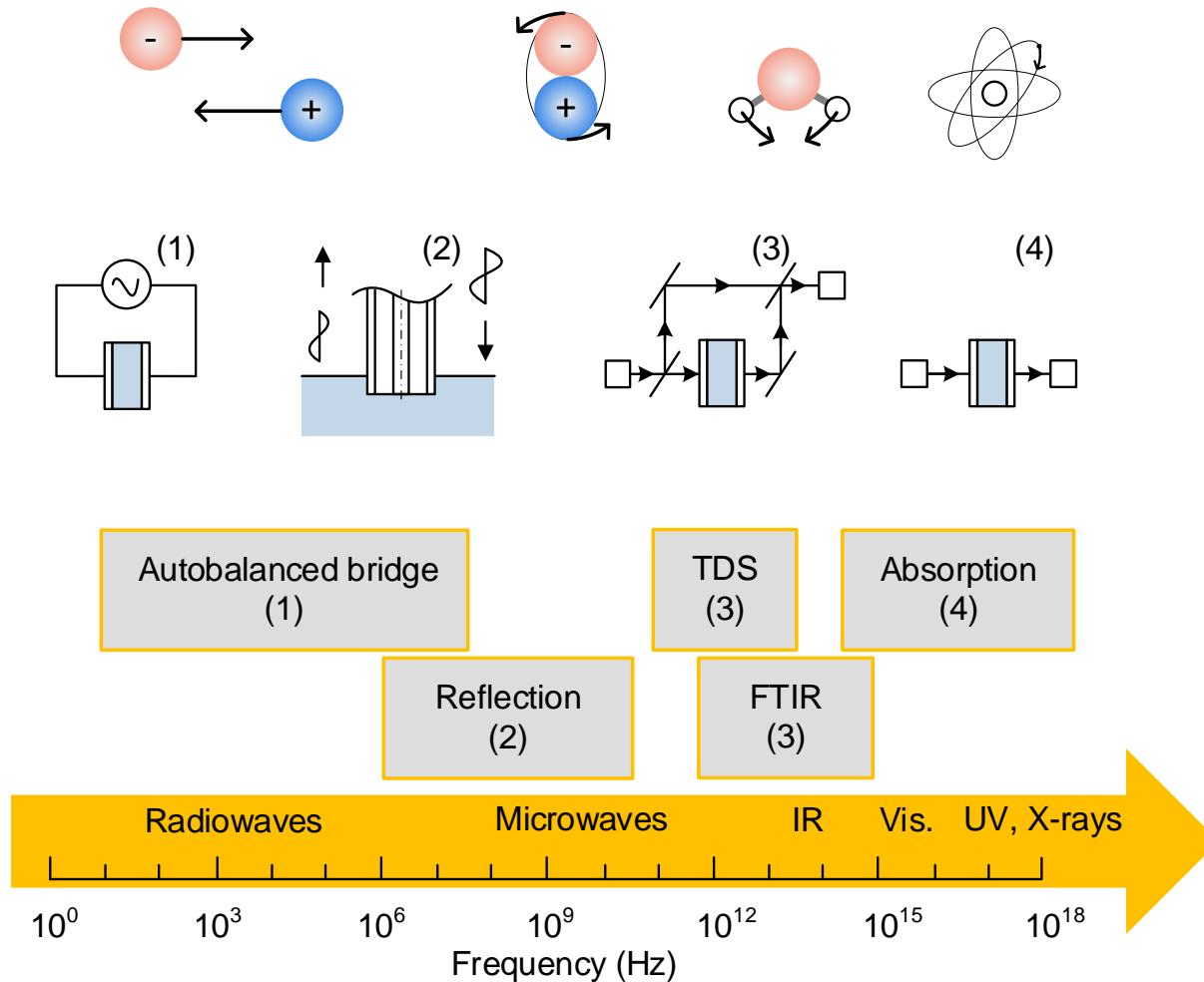
Motivation



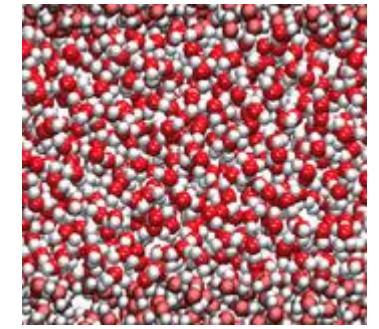
Structure & Dynamics



Broadband dielectric spectroscopy



Molecular dielectric



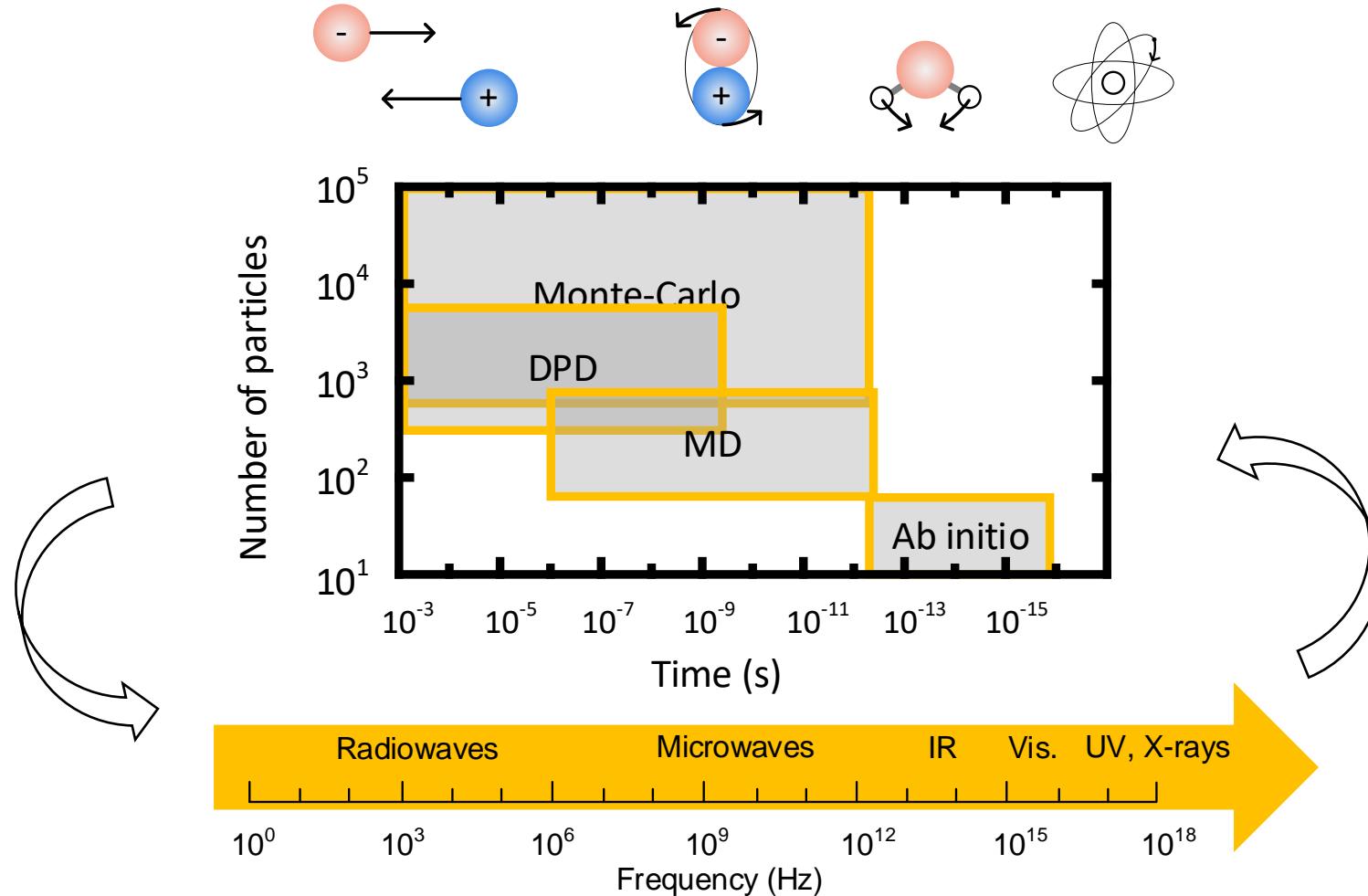
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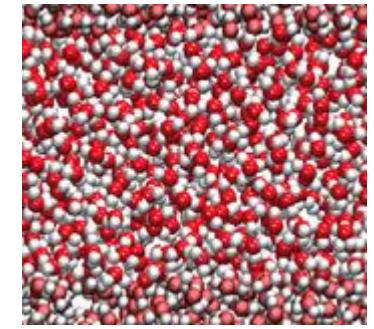
Constitutive relation

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \epsilon(\omega) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

Broadband dielectric spectroscopy and molecular dynamics simulations



Molecular dielectric



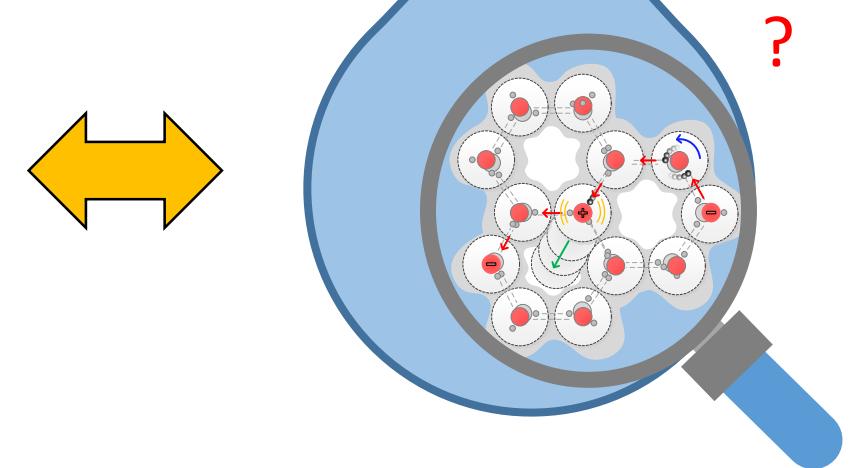
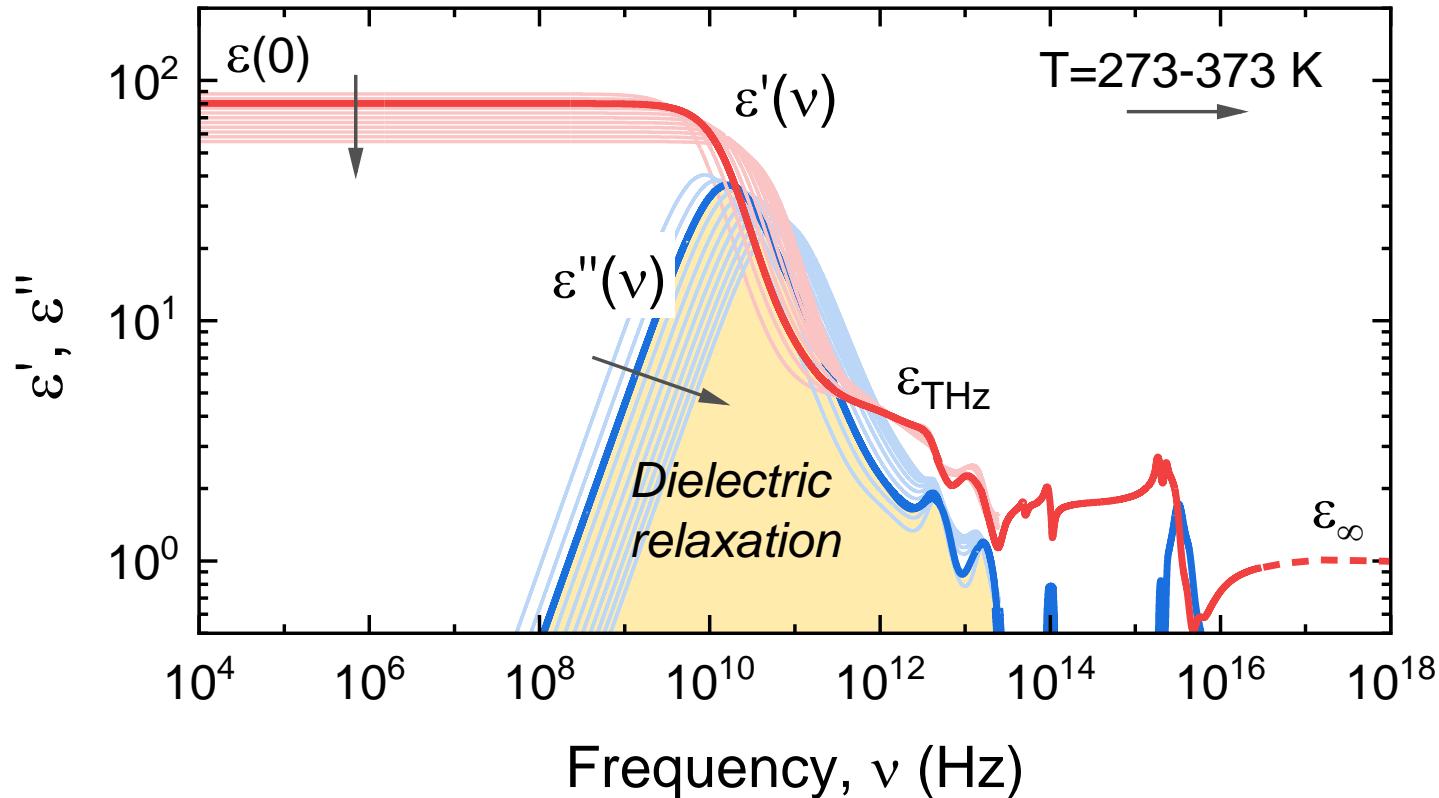
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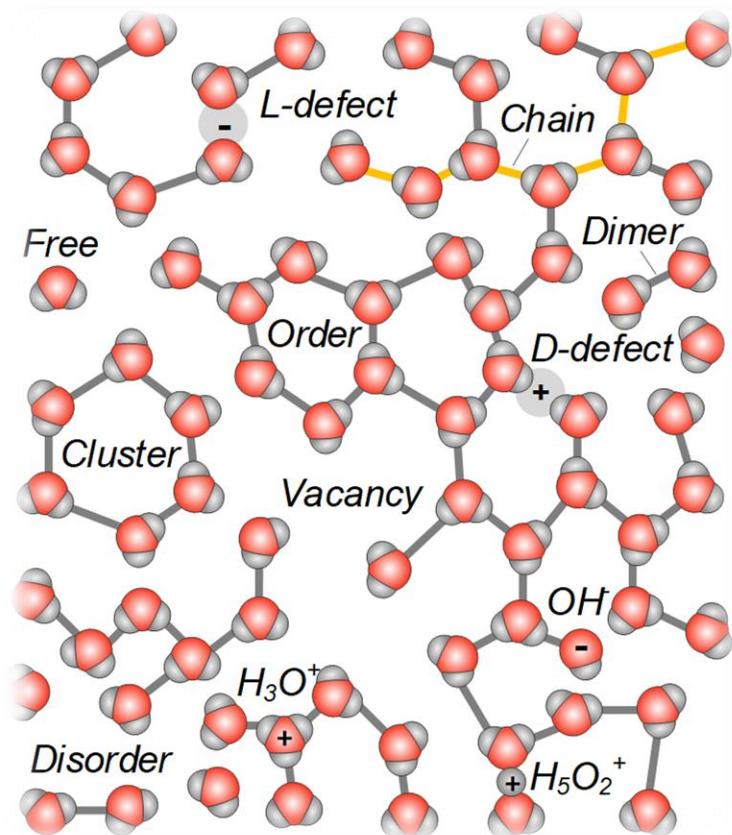
Broadband dielectric spectrum of water



$$D(r, \omega) = \epsilon(\omega) E(r, \omega)$$

Bernal-Fowler water (1933)

Where did we get this structure of water?



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A Theory of Water and Ionic Solution, with Particular Reference to Hydrogen and Hydroxyl Ions

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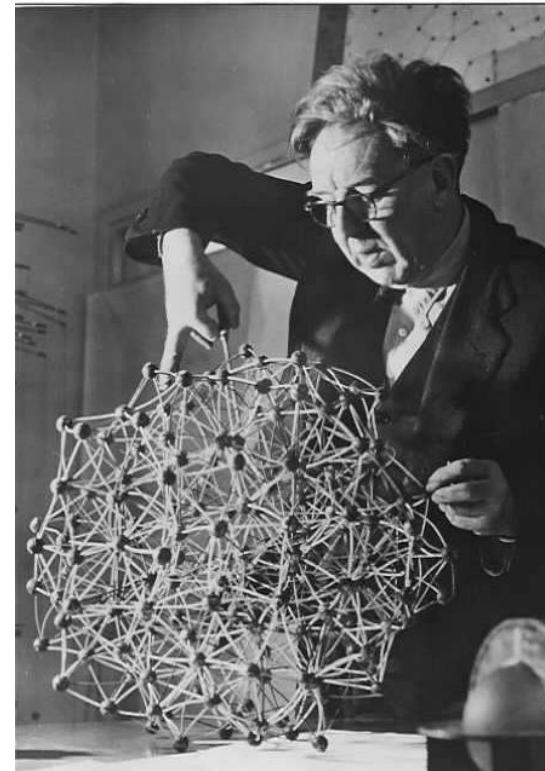
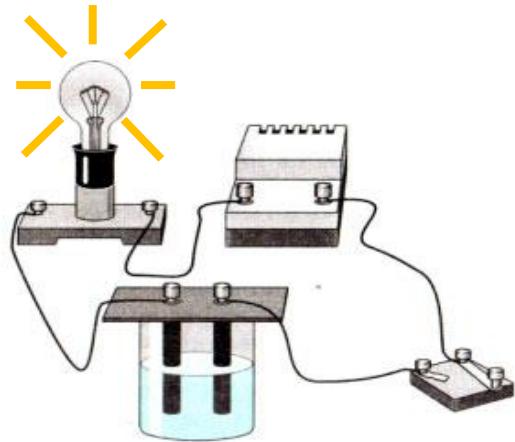


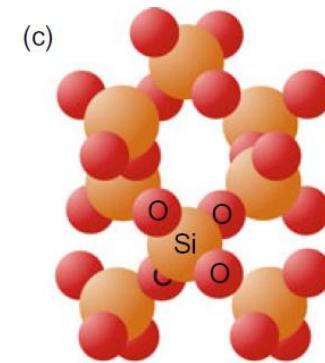
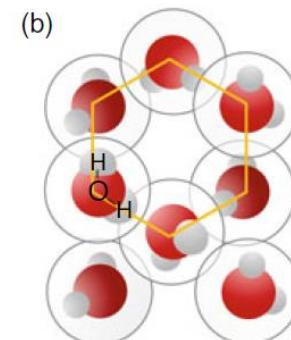
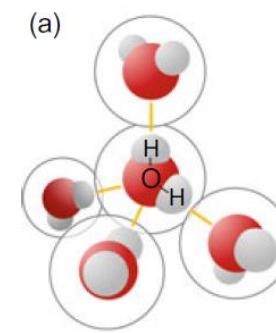
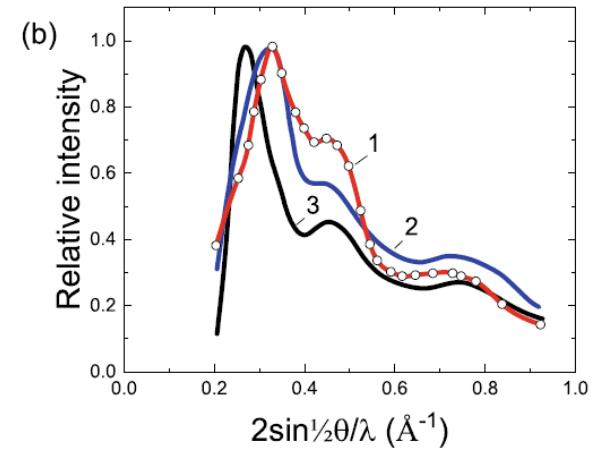
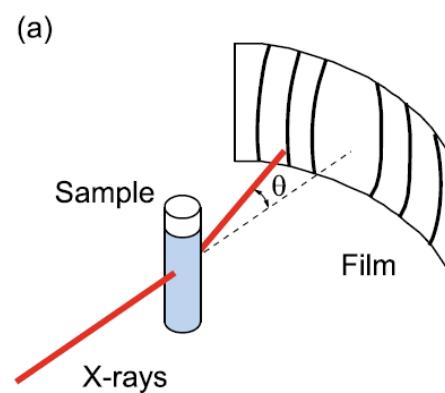
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Bernal-Fowler water (1933): experimental background



Assumption #1:

Pure water is a poor conductor, thus it has low concentration of H^+ and OH^- .



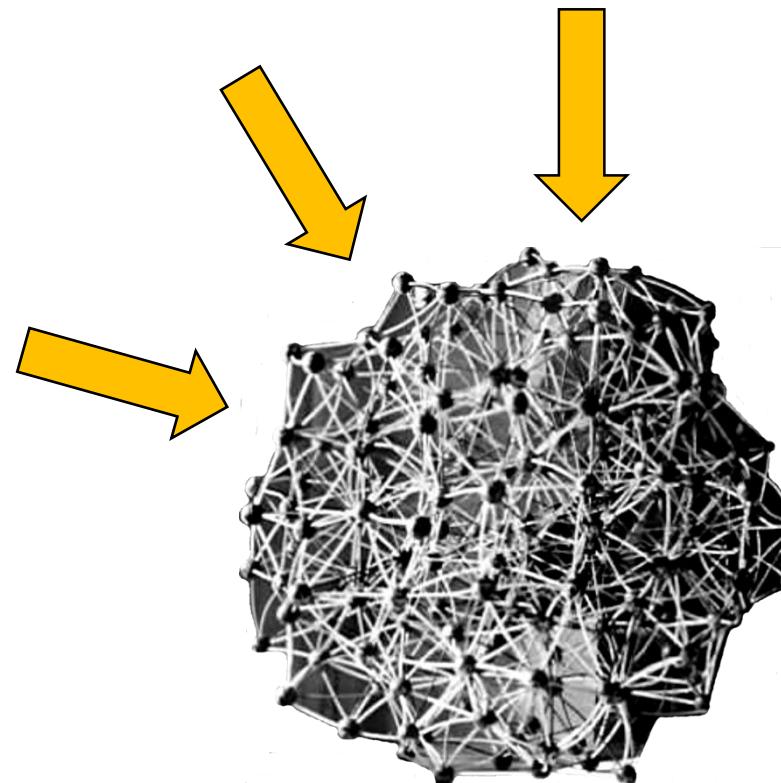
Assumption #2:

Water scatters X-rays just like quartz, thus, it has similar structure.

Test of Bernal-Fowler water

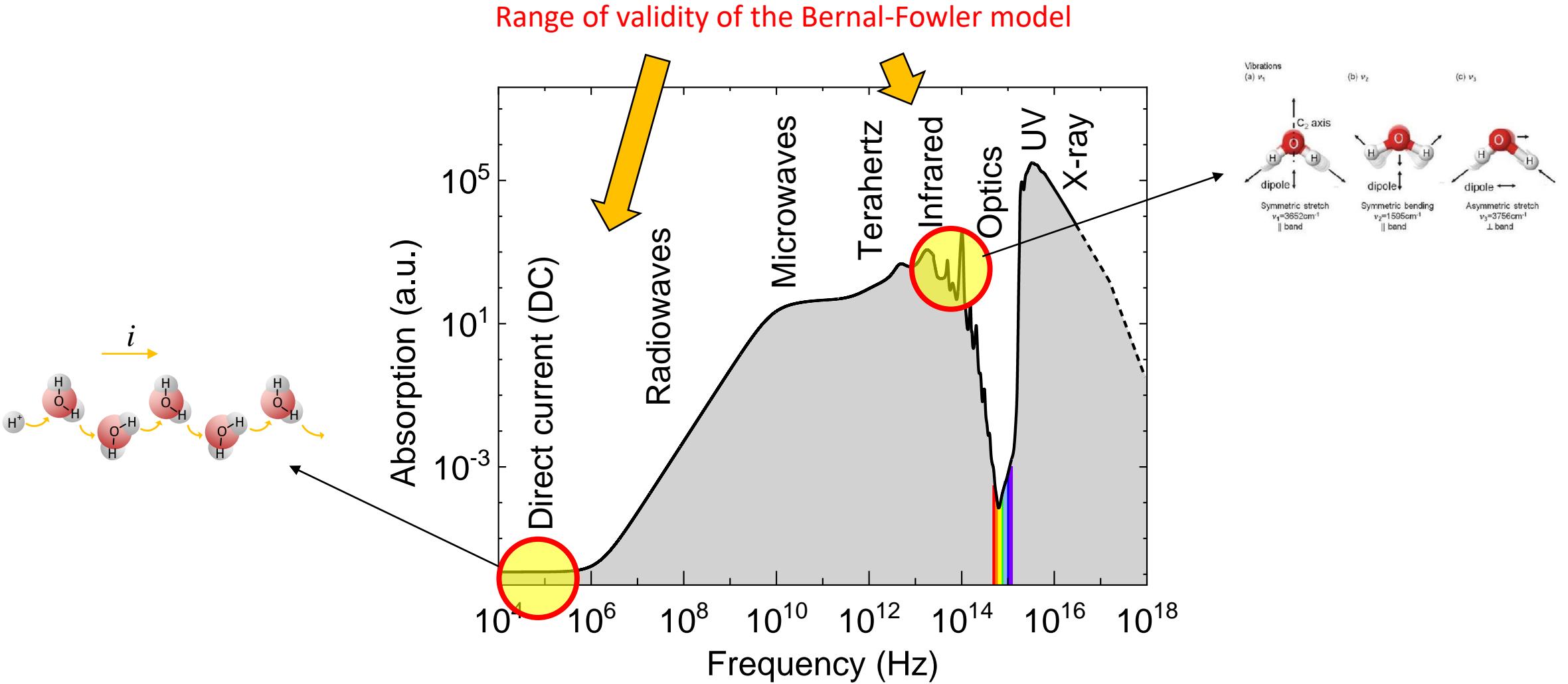
1933 - 2021

- Ab-initio, Monte Carlo and Molecular dynamics simulations
- Diffusion measurements with isotopic tracers
- NMR spectroscopy
- Neutron Scattering
- X-ray scattering

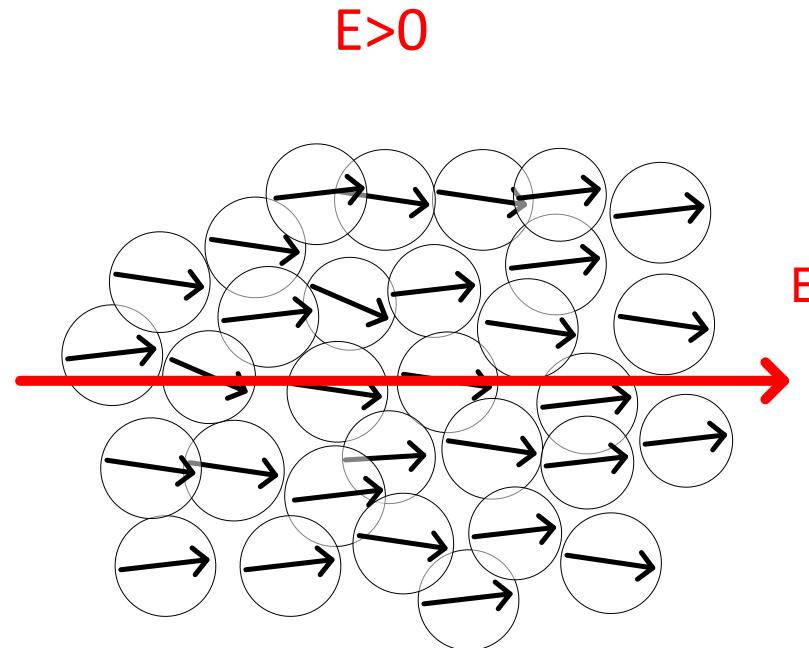
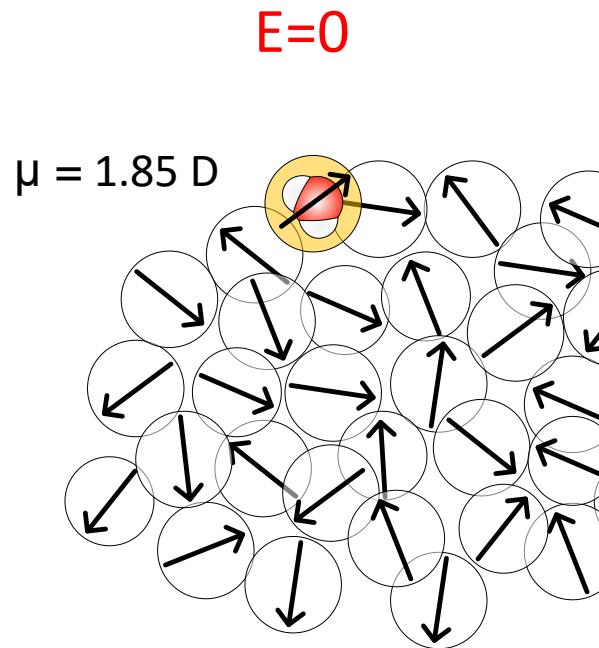


What about electrodynamics?

Absorption of electromagnetic waves by water



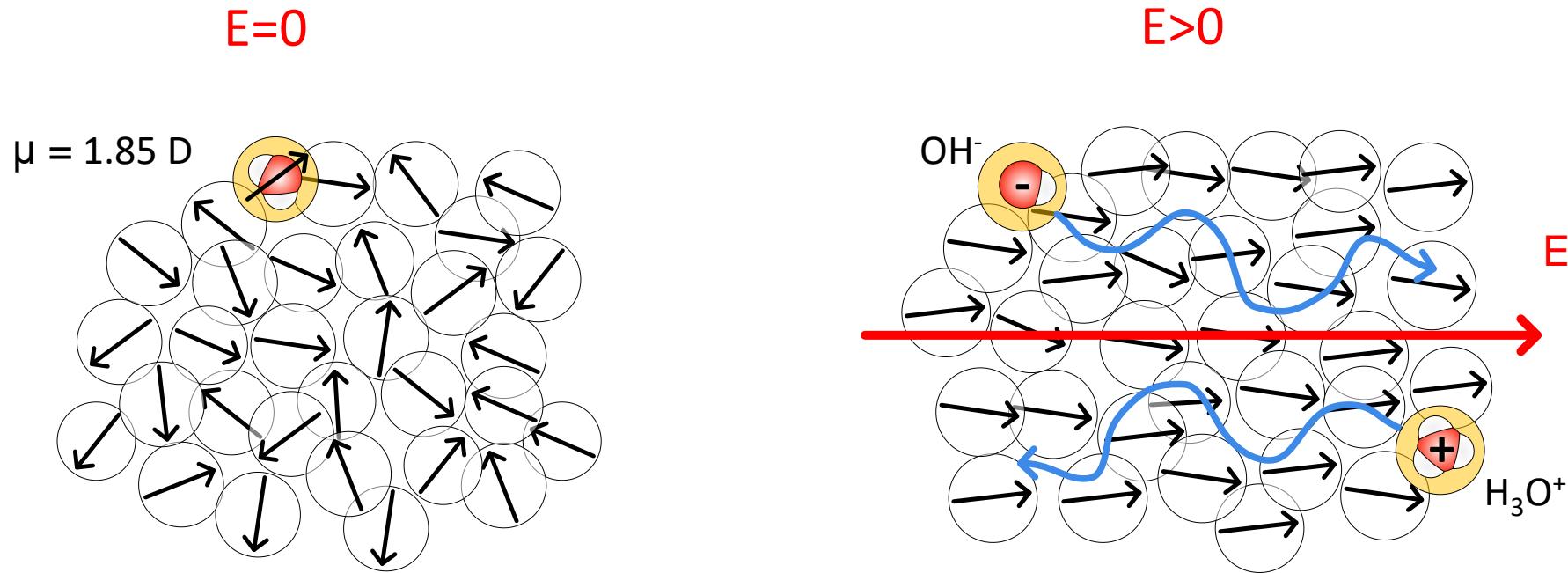
Bernal-Fowler water in electric field



Dielectric constant: $\varepsilon(0) = 1 + \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{N\mu^2}{V k_B T}$

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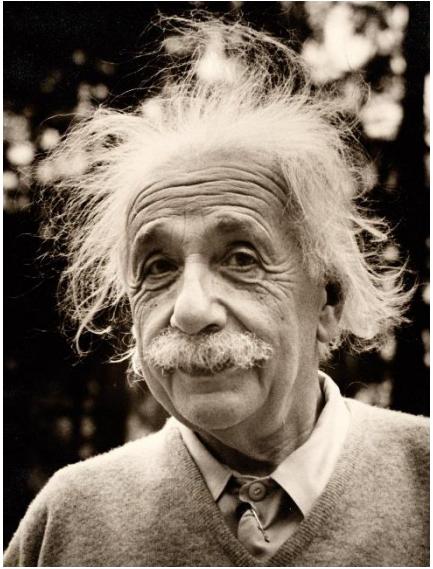
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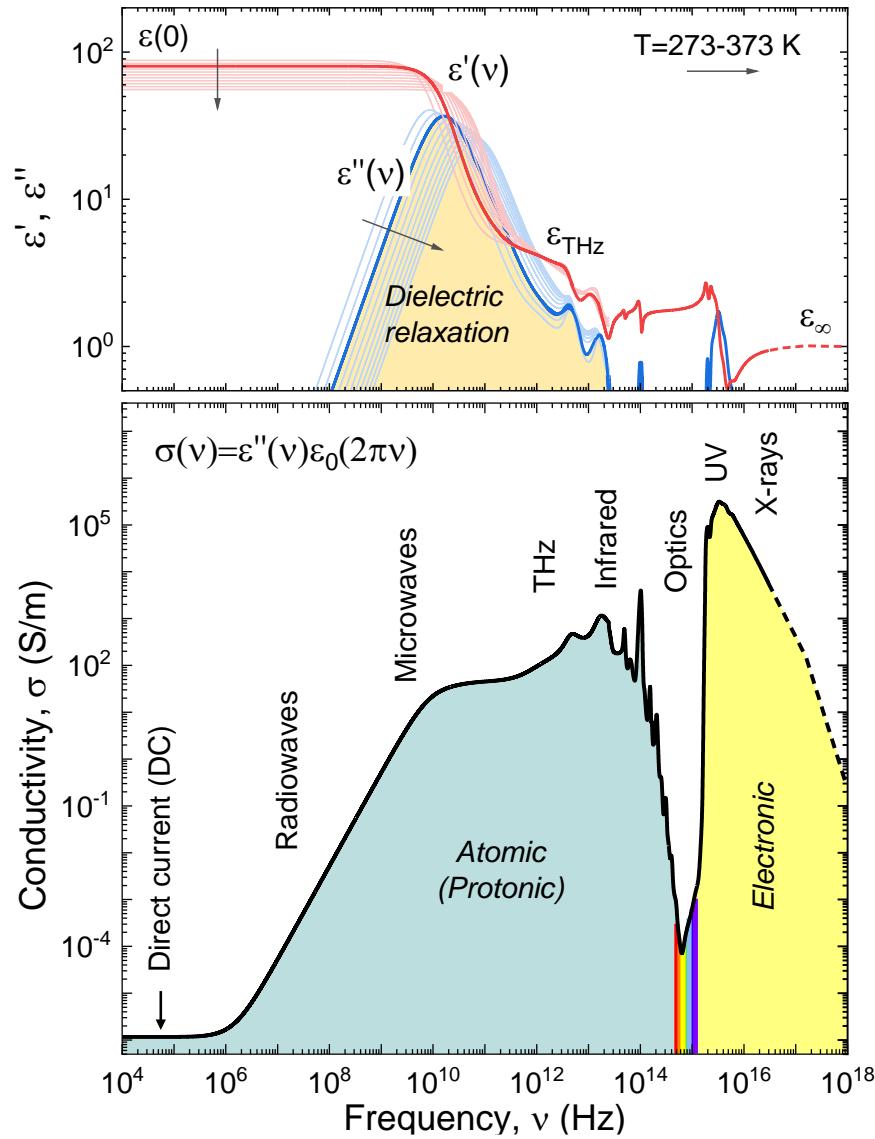
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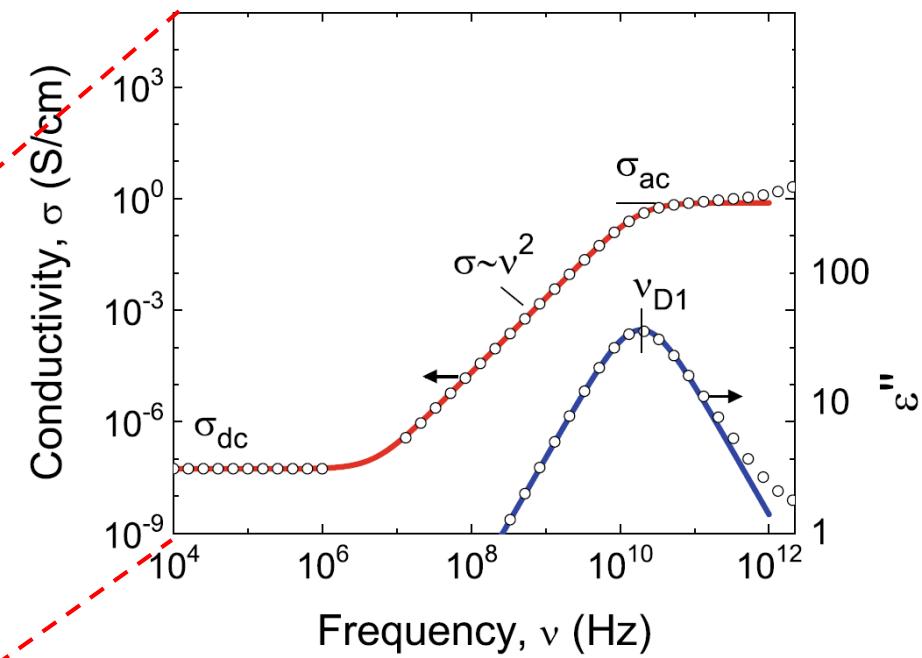
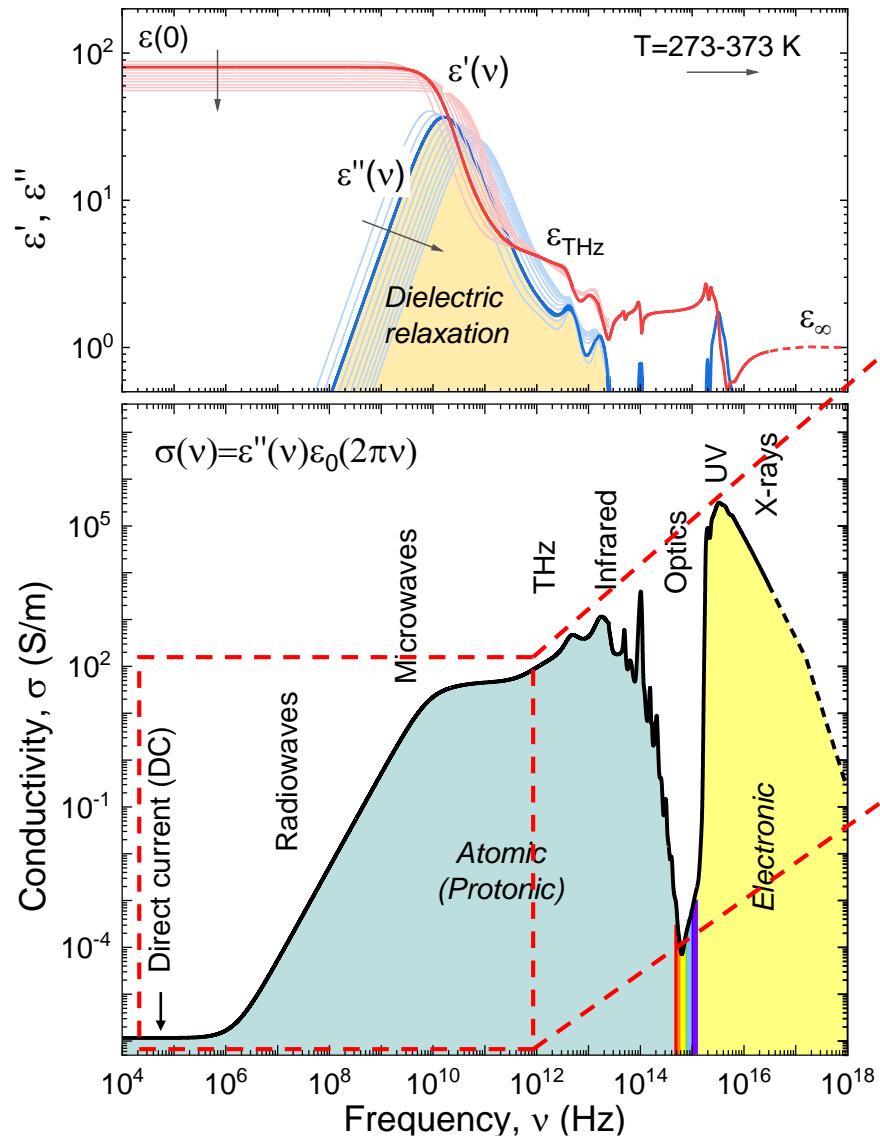


“We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.”

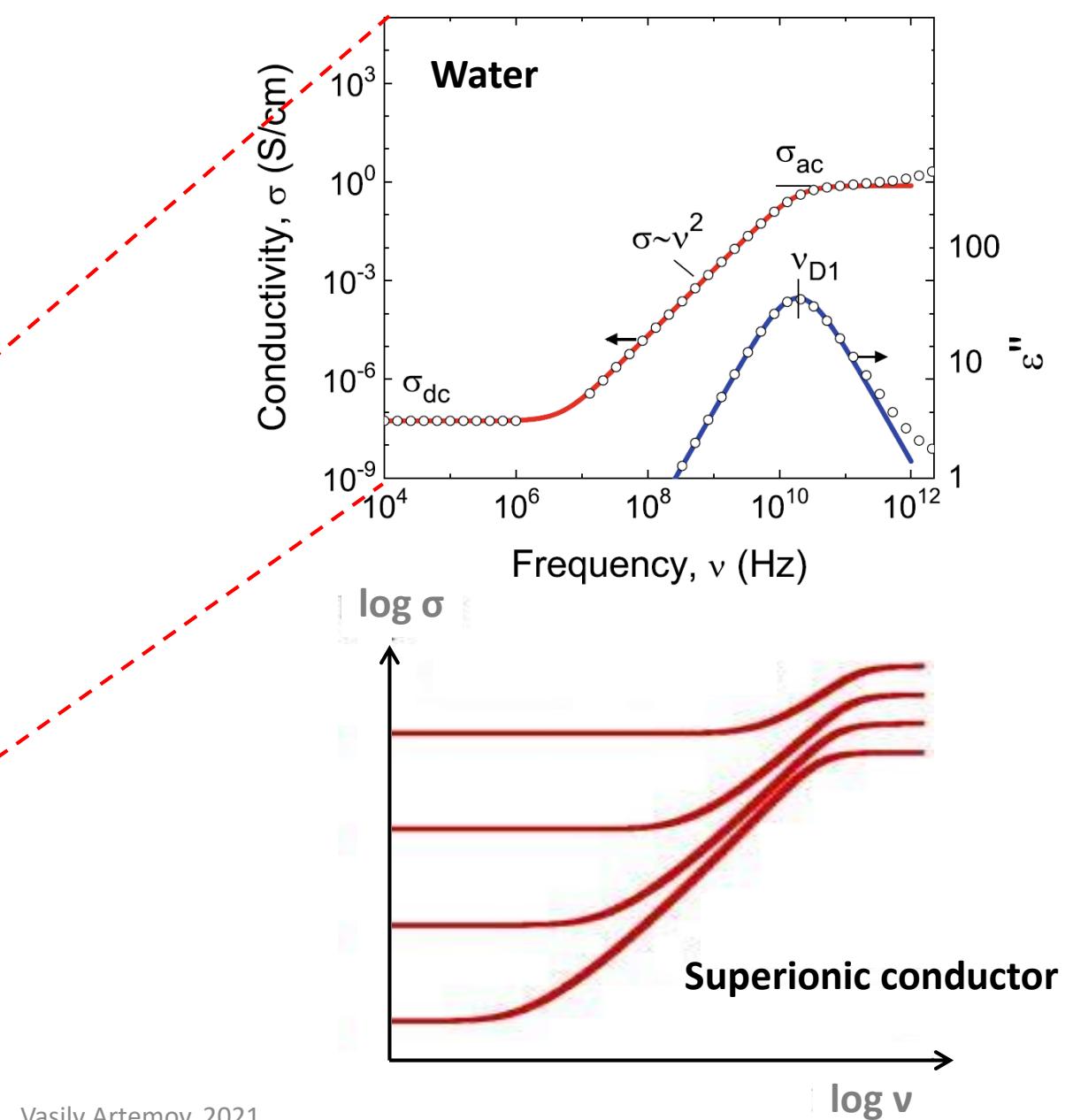
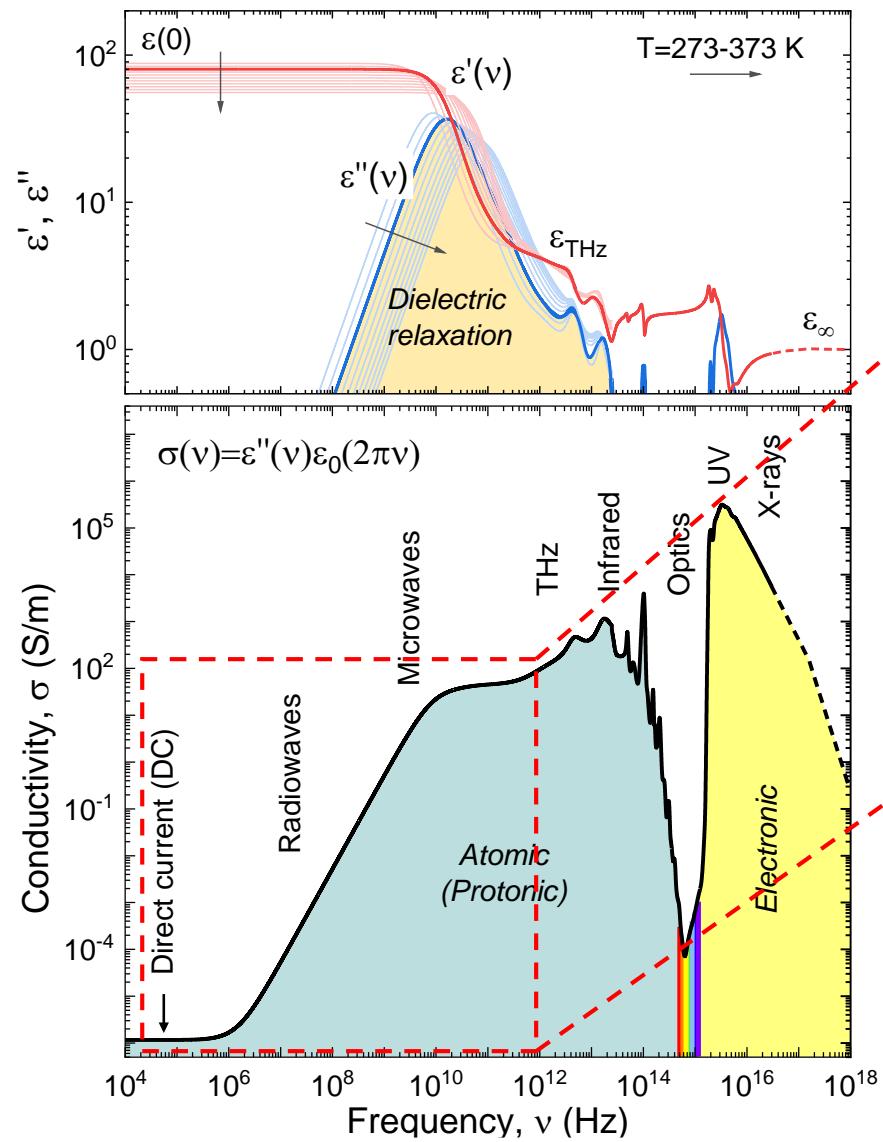
Dynamic conductivity of water: a different type of thinking



Dynamic conductivity of water

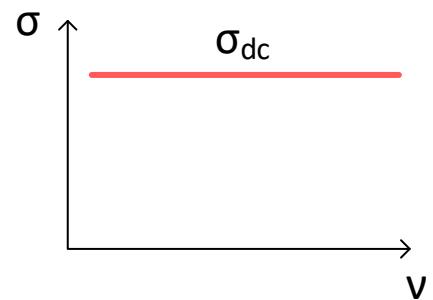
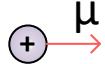


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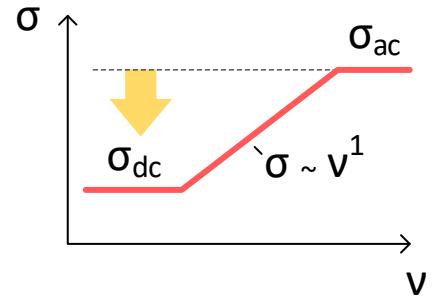
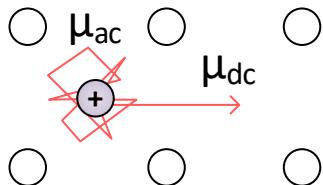


Dynamic conductivity and mobility

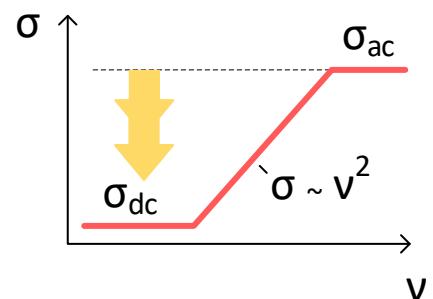
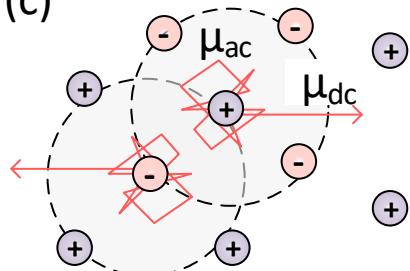
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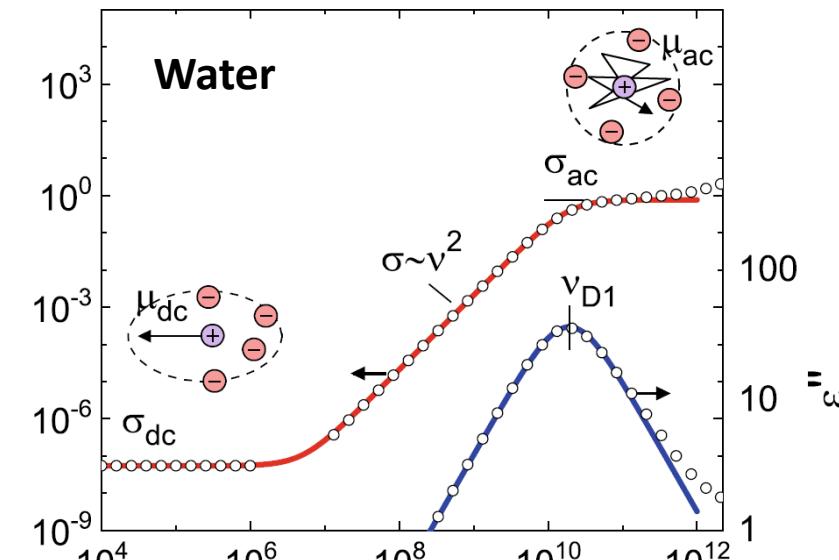
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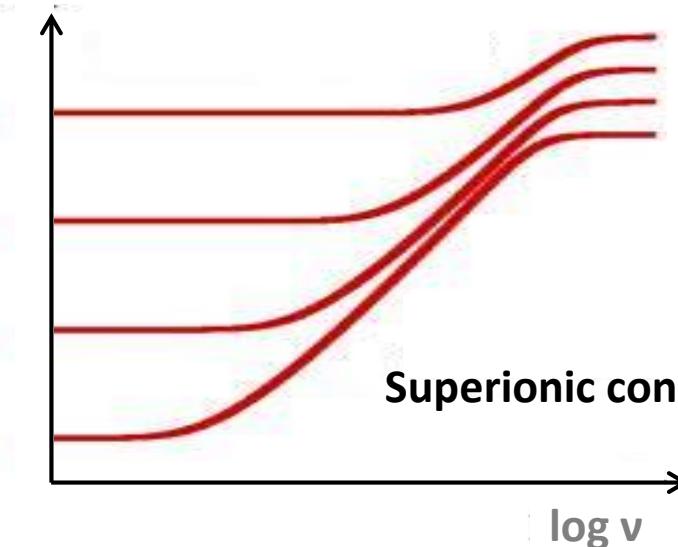
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Conductivity, σ (S/cm)

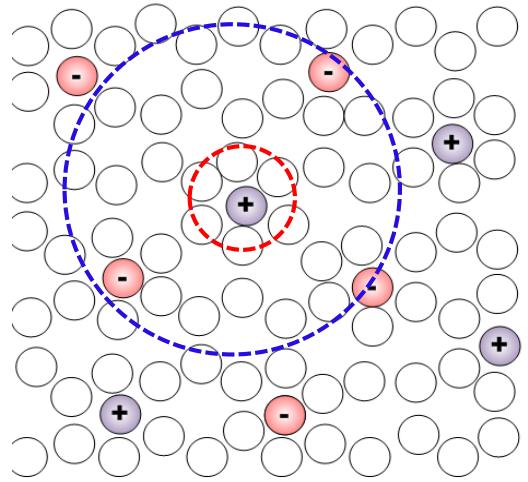


$\log \sigma$



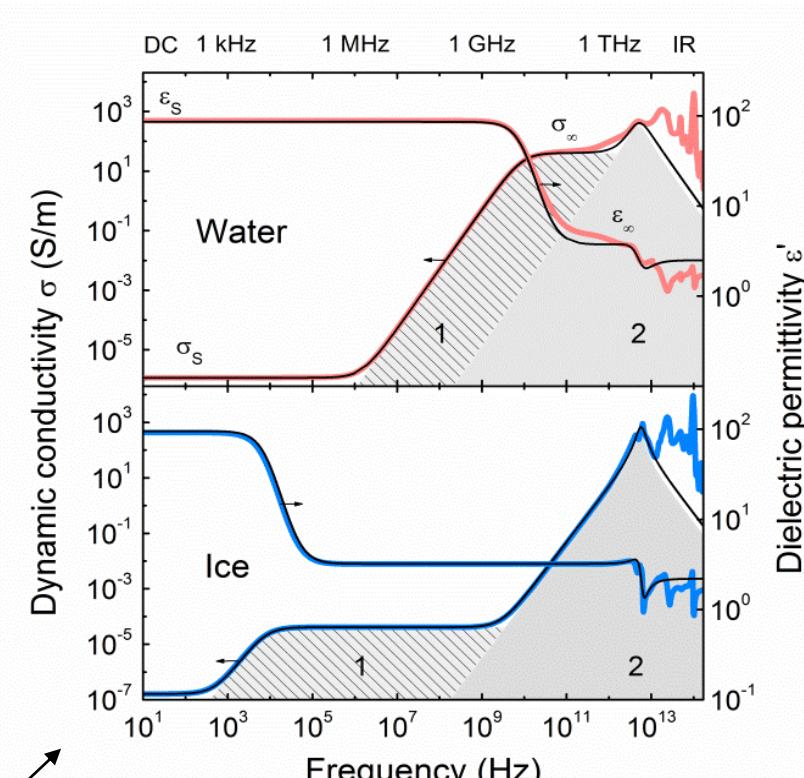
Superionic conductor

Turning on ion-ion interaction



$$\begin{cases} m\ddot{x} + m\gamma\dot{x} + \kappa_2 \int_0^t M(t-t')\dot{x}(t')dt' + K = f(t) \\ m^*\ddot{X} + m^*\Gamma\dot{X} - K = F(t), \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{in_i q^2 B}{(\kappa_1/\omega)^2 - AB}$$

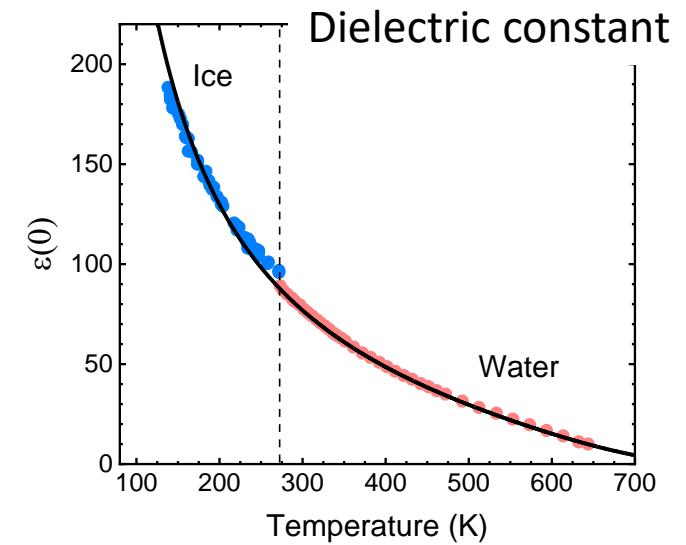
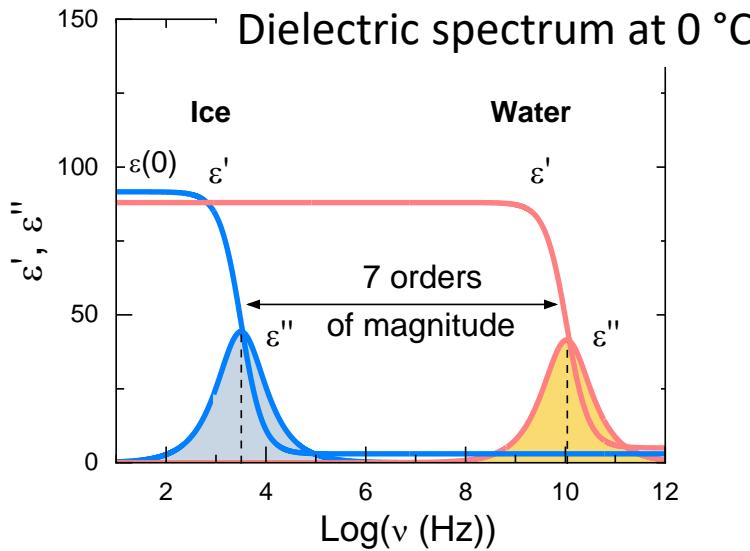
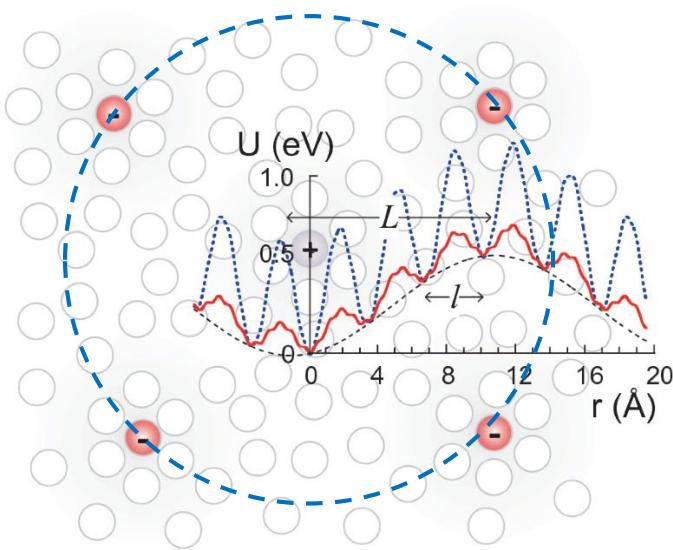


$A = \kappa_1/\omega - m[\omega + i(\gamma + \omega_0^2 M(\omega))]$ and
 $B = \kappa_1/\omega - m^*\omega + im^*\Gamma, M(\omega) = 1/(\tau_c^{-1} - i\omega)$

Fit parameters for water: $n_i=1$ M (2%), $\gamma=4$ THz, $\Gamma=2.2$ THz, $\tau_c=0.7$ ms, $\omega_0=0.7$ THz, $\Omega_0=5$ THz

Fit parameters for ice: $n_i=1$ M (2%), $\gamma=3$ THz, $\Gamma=2.4$ kHz, $\tau_c=0.6$ ms, $\omega_0=0.6$ THz, $\Omega_0=5$ THz

Ice and water: similar structures, different dynamics



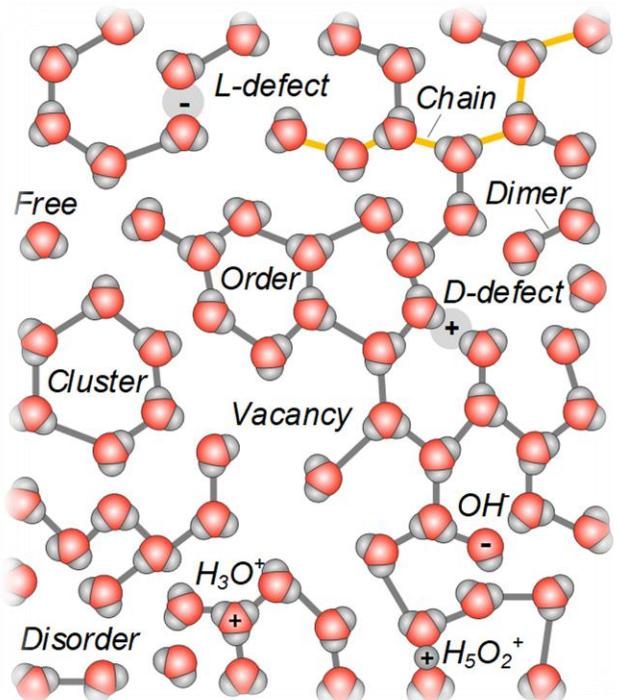
$$\epsilon_s = \frac{n_i q^2 (m^* \Gamma + \kappa_1 \tau_c)}{\epsilon_0 \kappa_1 (m\gamma + \kappa_2 \tau_c + m^* \Gamma)} \approx \frac{n_i q^2}{\epsilon_0 \kappa_2}.$$

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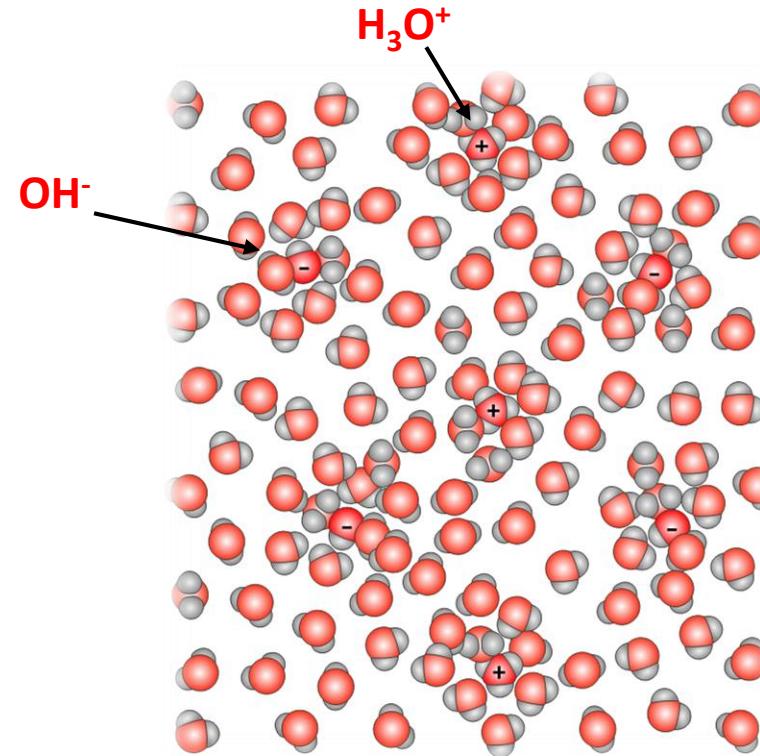
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A comparison of water structures

Bernal-Fowler model of water



The ionic model of water



2% of H₃O⁺ and OH⁻

pH and ion concentration

Concentration of ions according to the standard pH concept:

$$\text{pH}=7 \quad [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] + [\text{OH}^-] \approx 10^{-9} \%$$

Compare with:

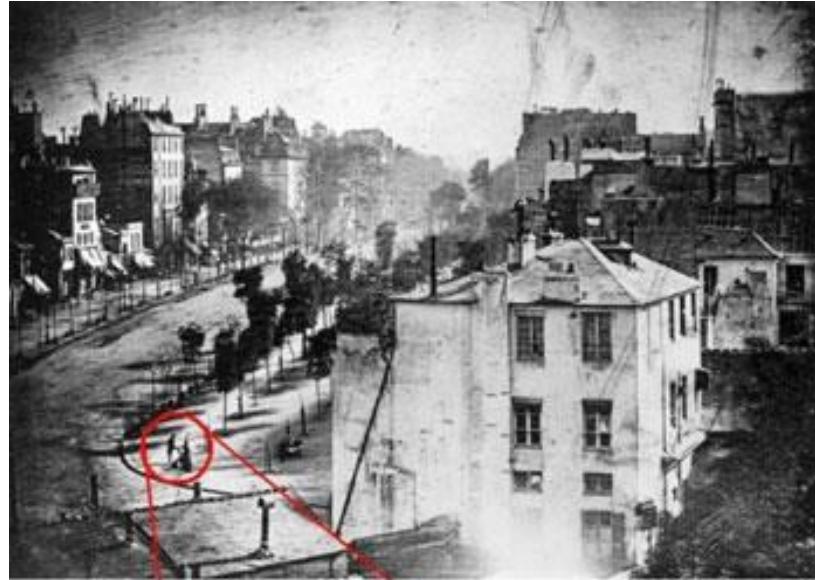
$$\text{HDO} \approx 10^{-2} \%$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \approx 10^{-7} \%$$

$$\text{CO}_2 \approx 10^{-4} \%$$

$$\text{O}_2 \approx 10^{-4} \%$$

$$\text{N}_2 \approx 10^{-3} \%$$

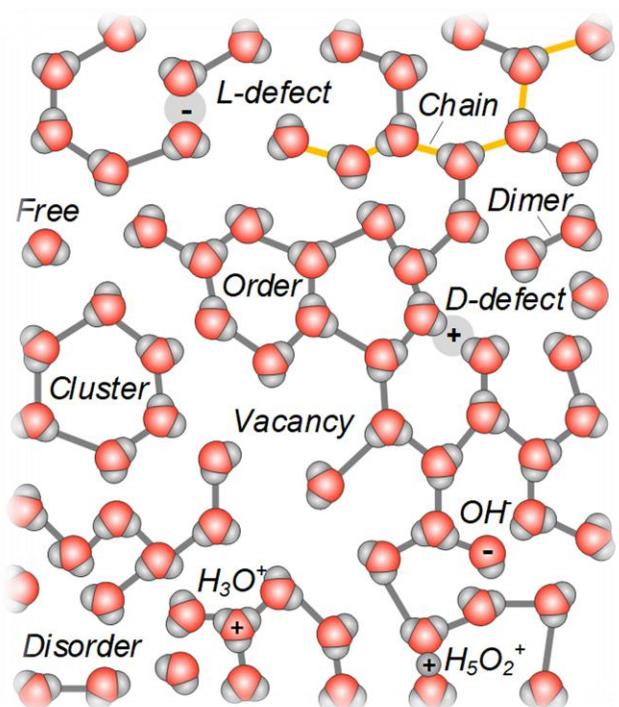


Boulevard Du Temple, Louis Daguerre, 1838



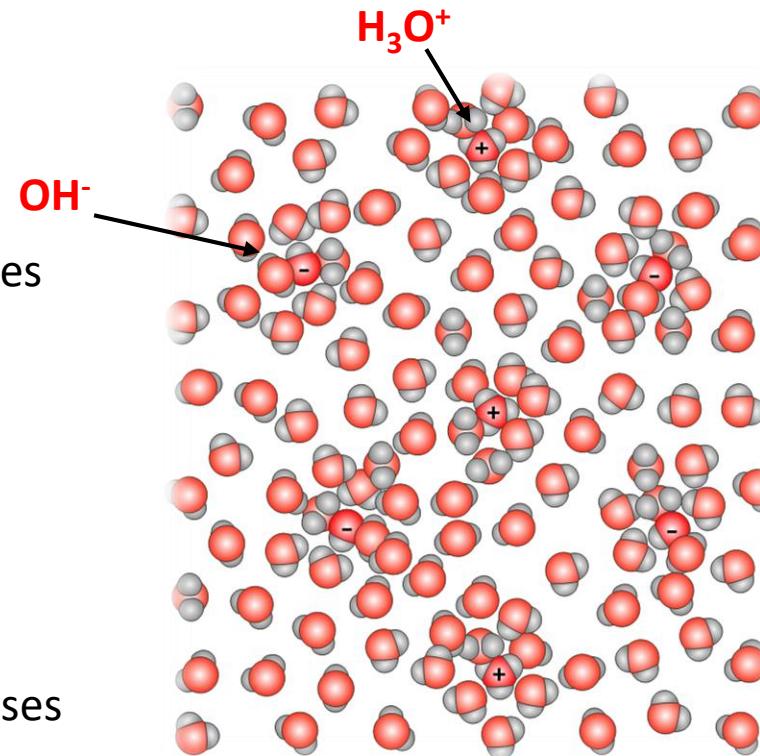
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Bernal-Fowler model of water
(Diffusion averaged picture)

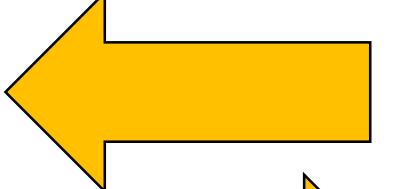


$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] + [\text{OH}^-] \approx 10^{-9} \%$$

The ionic model of water
(Instantaneous structure)



Observation time increases

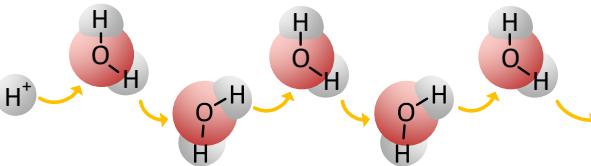


Observation time decreases

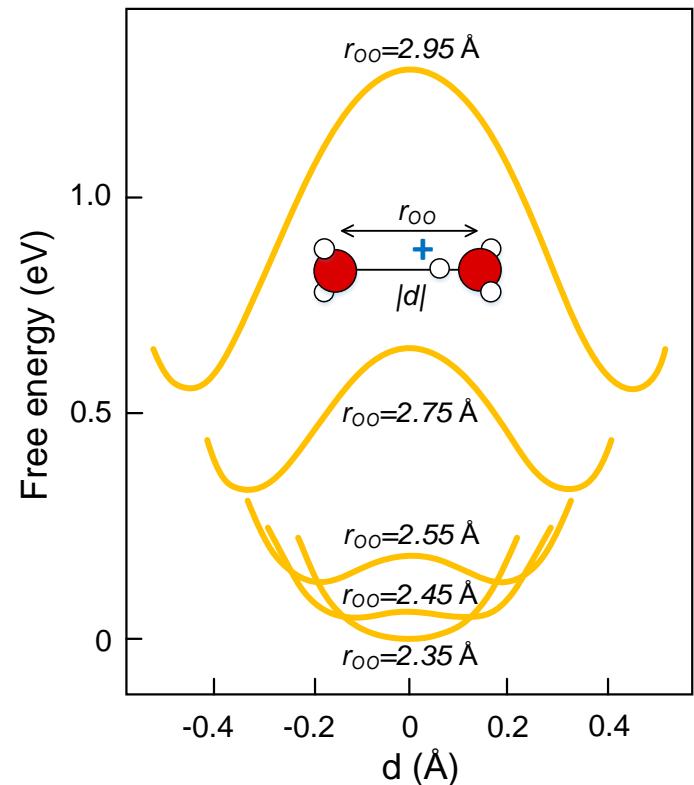
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Quantum effects in water

Grotthuss mechanism:

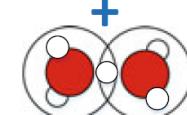


Proton tunneling:

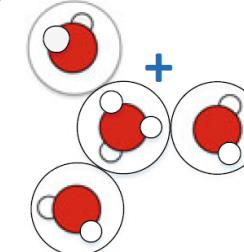


Two states of excess proton:

(a) $H_5O_2^+$ (Zundel)

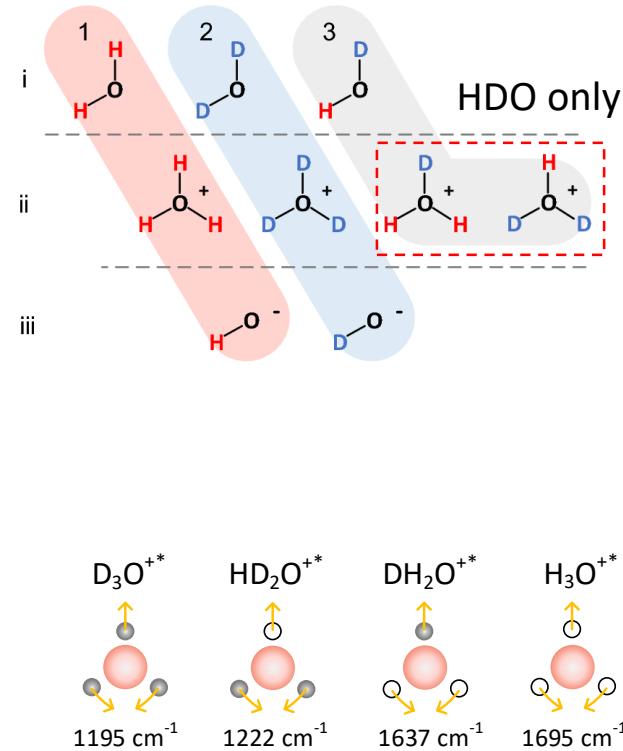
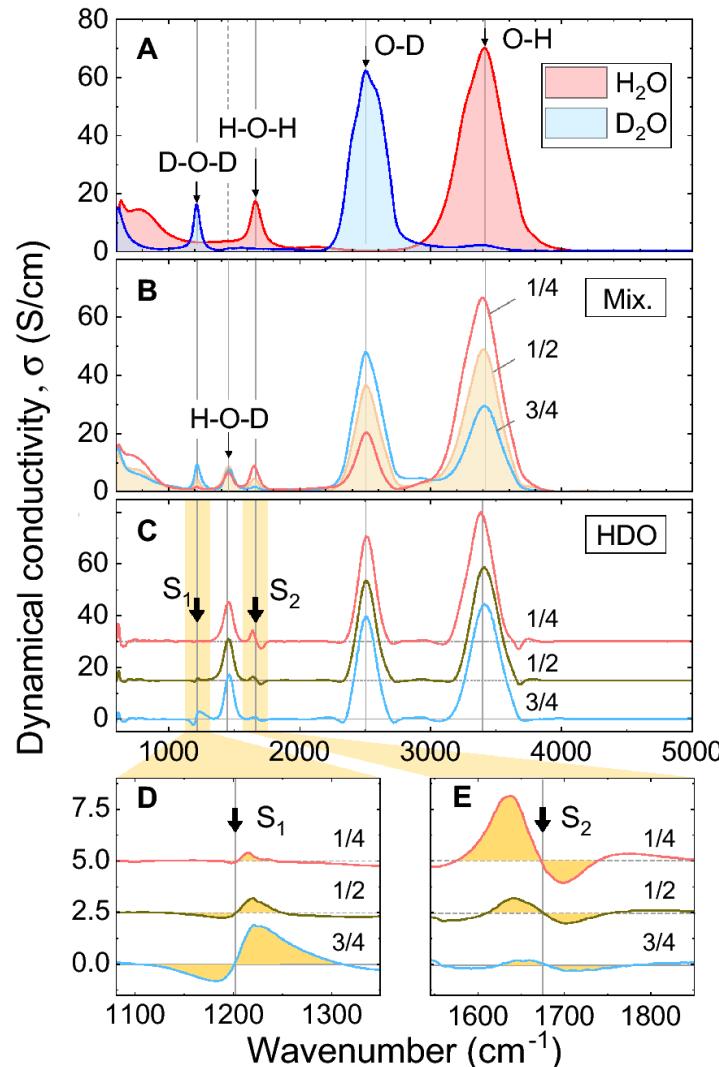


(b) $H_9O_4^+$ (Eigen)

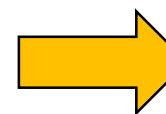
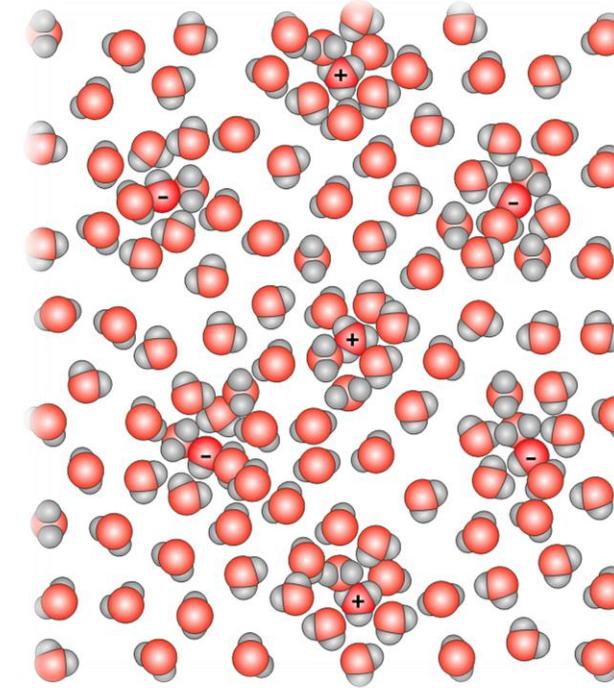


Where is the infrared
signature of the excess
protons?

Revealing excess protons in IR spectrum of water



The ionic model of water



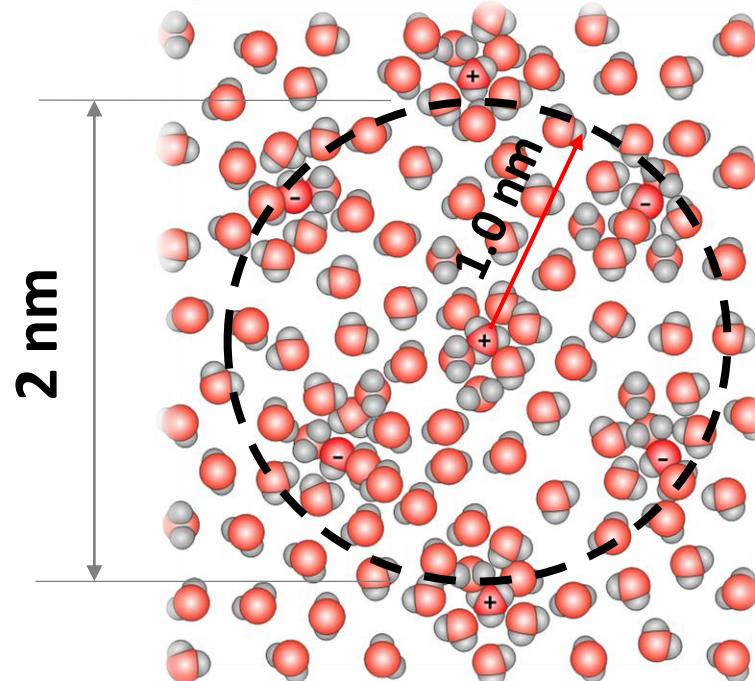
2% of H_3O^+ and OH^- confirmed

Lifetime of ion is 3 ps → time heterogeneity

Space-time heterogeneity of water

The ionic model of water

2% of H_3O^+ and OH^-



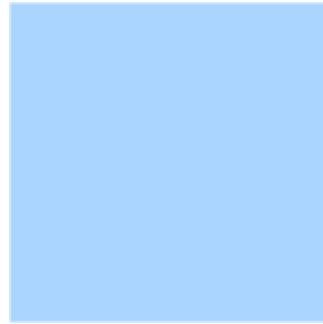
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Lifetime of ions: 3 ps

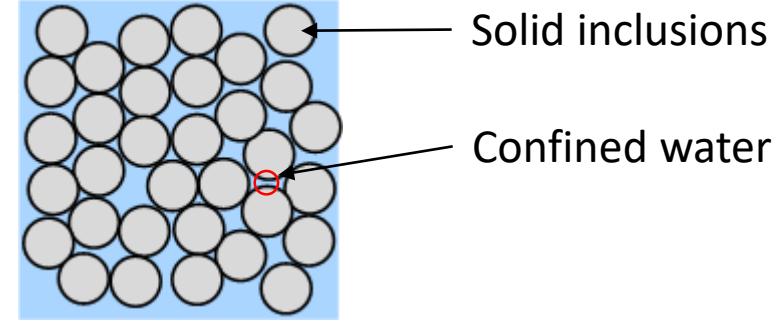
Lifetime of H_2O : 50 ps

Confined water: the test of spatial heterogeneity

Bulk water



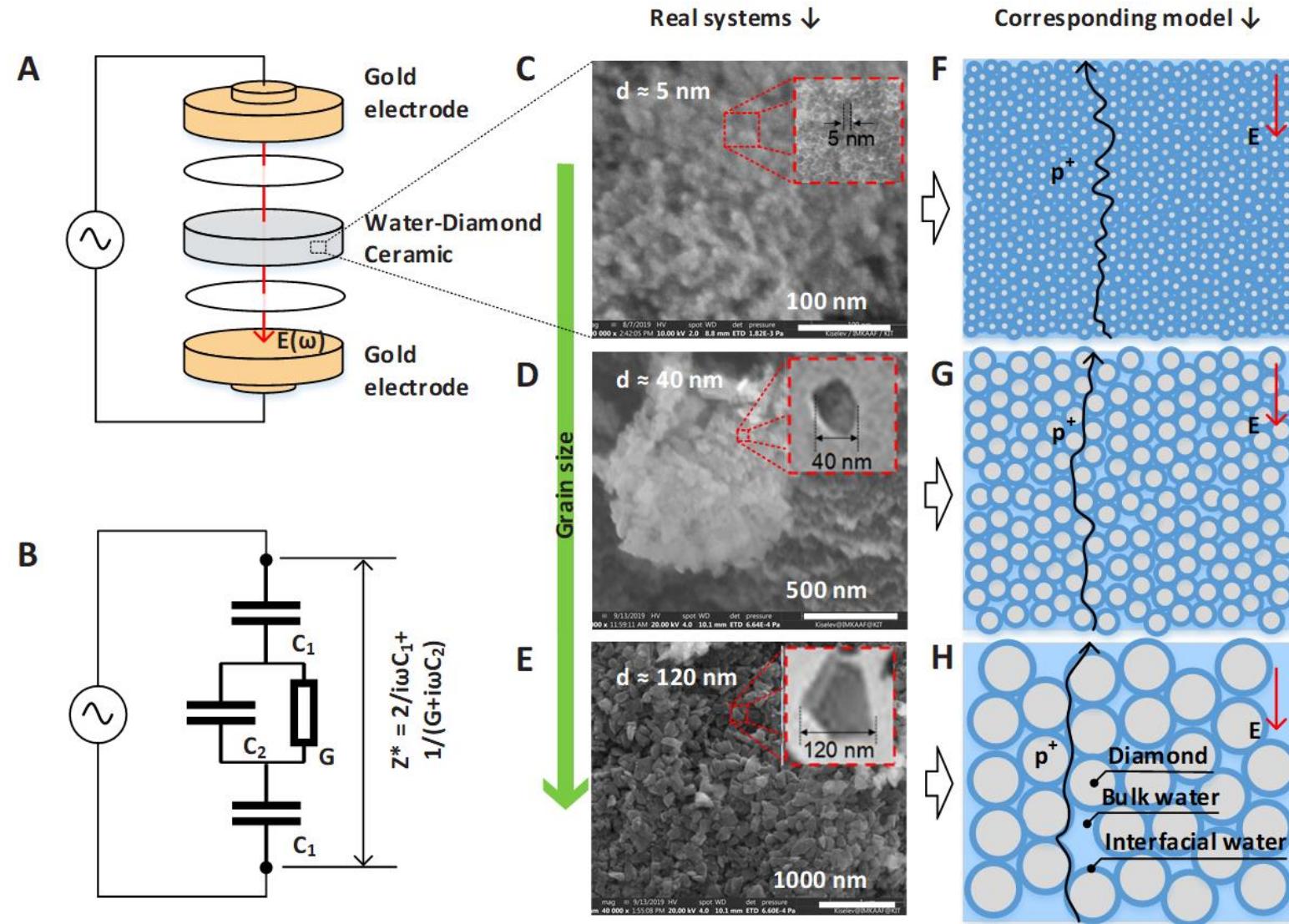
Water in porous matrix



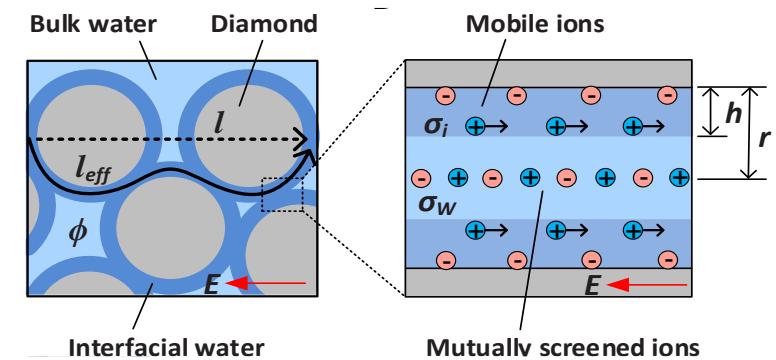
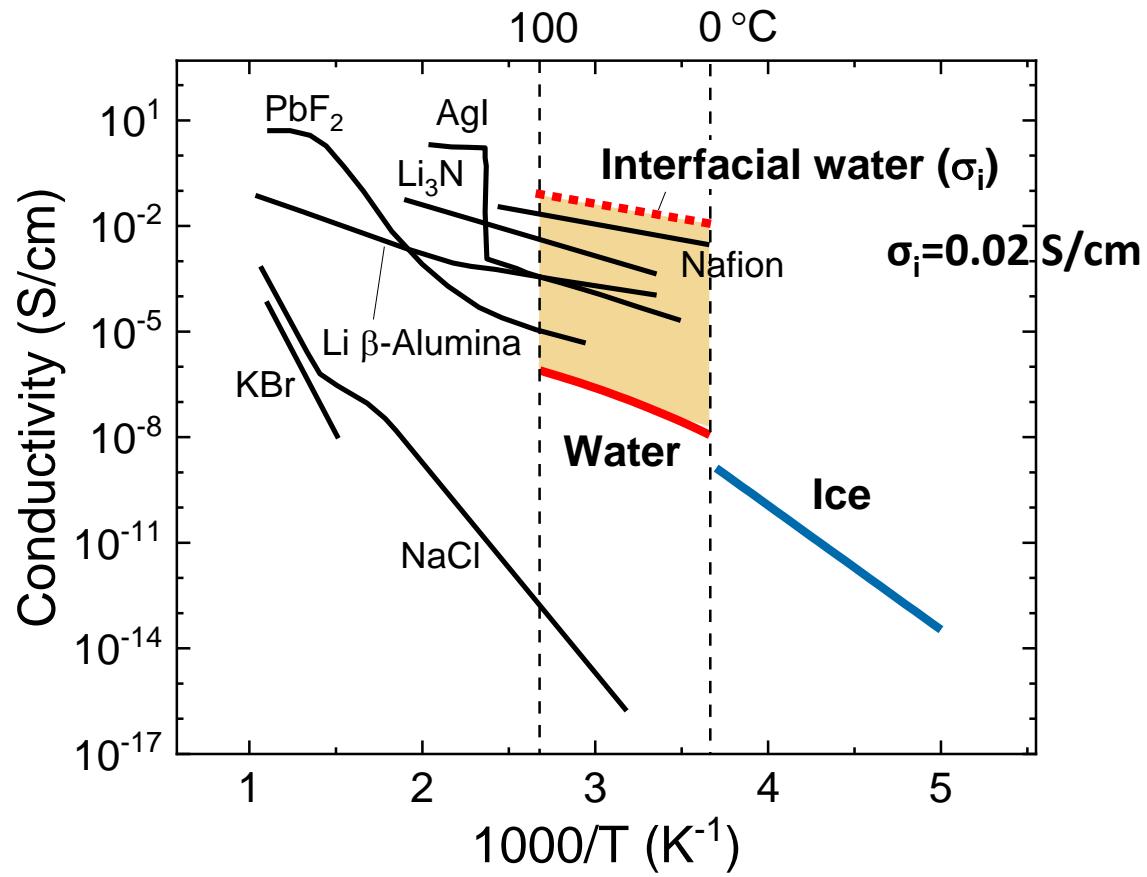
Solid inclusions

Confined water

Electric properties of water confined in nanopores



Water as superionic conductor



Conclusions (insights from broadband dielectric spectroscopy)

1. The century-old Bernal-Fowler model misses a part of the information because it is based on either static or optic data and excludes quantum effects.
2. We suggest the ionic model of water, which accounts for the quantum effects. According to the model, the concentration of H_3O^+ and OH^- ions of 2% and a lifetime of 3 ps. The model works for various electrodynamic properties in bulk and confinement.
3. The ionic model of water has a spatial heterogeneity period of 2 nm and a time heterogeneity period of 3 ps. We anticipate the changes in the properties of water near these points, such as change of viscosity, change of the dielectric constant, thermodynamic anomalies, etc.
4. We observed anomalously high proton conduction of the interfacial water. The effect paves the way for cheap and ecologically friendly devices for electrochemical energy storage.

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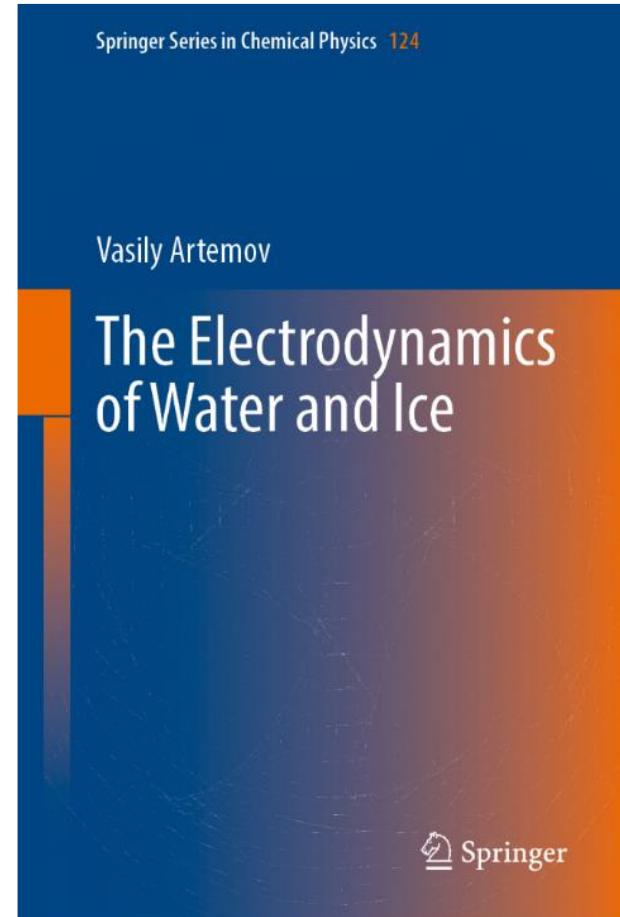
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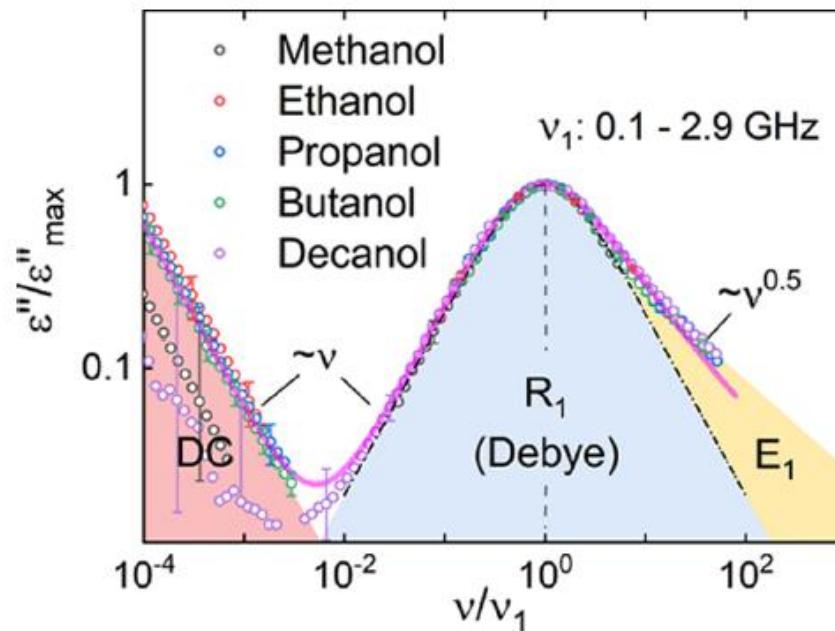
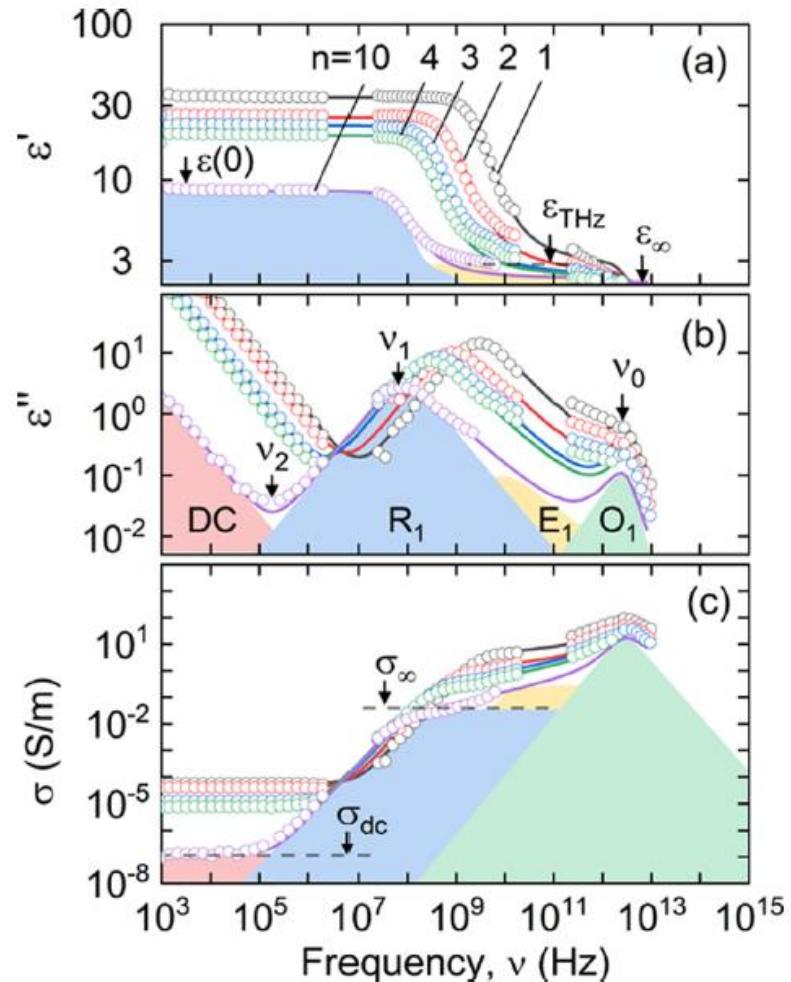
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Dielectric relaxation of monohydric alcohols



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