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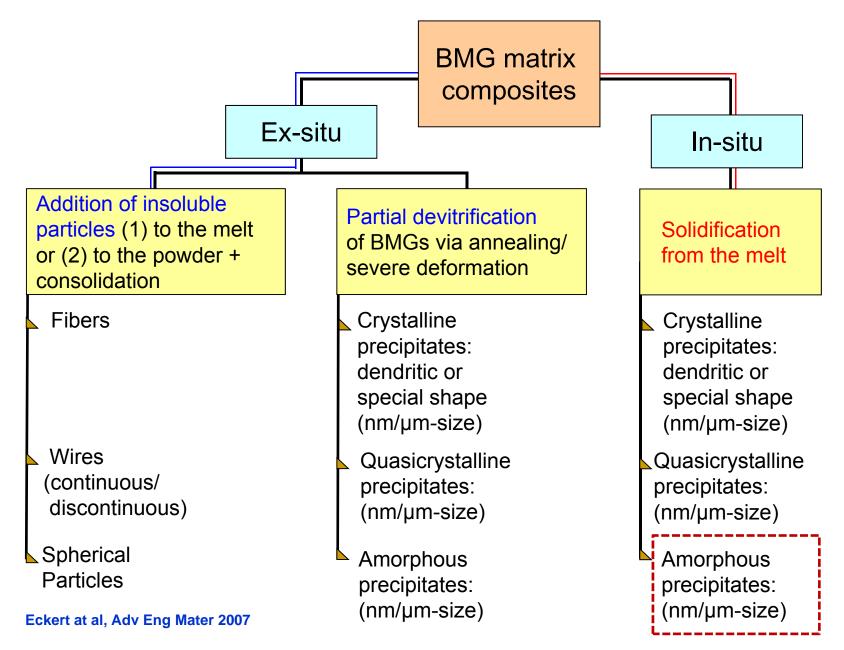
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4.7 Bulk Metallic Glass Composites

: exhibit much better mechanical properties \rightarrow detail later in Chapter 8



4.9 Bulk Metallic Glass Foams

: have interesting combination of properties such as high stiffness in conjunction with very low specific weight, high gas permeability combined with high thermal conductivity, high mechanical energy absorption, and good acoustic damping.

Metallic foams can be classified into <u>closed-cell</u>, <u>partially open-cell</u>, <u>and</u> <u>open-cell types [88]</u>. Closed-cell type metal foams have spatially separated pores and are useful for structural applications such as lightweight construction and energy absorption. On the other hand, open-cell type metal foams have interconnected pores and are useful as functional materials for applications such as electrodes, catalyst support, fluid filters, and biomedical materials. Since the properties of these foams, especially the strength and modulus of elasticity, can be tailored by controlling the volume fraction as well as the structure of pores [91], these materials can be used as biomedical implants. This is because their structure allows bone tissue in-growth leading to the establishment of stable fixation with the surrounding tissues.

 → By producing BMGs as foams, their ductility could be increased without sacrificing the strength
 Pore sizes ranging from the sub-micrometer to the millimeter scale and porosities ranging from 2% to more than 85% Images of several representative porous amorphous metals, produced using liquid-state methods, are shown in Figure 1. These methods demonstrated the possibility of foaming reactive Zr-based alloys of the sort used in most metallic glass applications.

Representative powder-processed porous amorphous metals are shown in Figure 2.

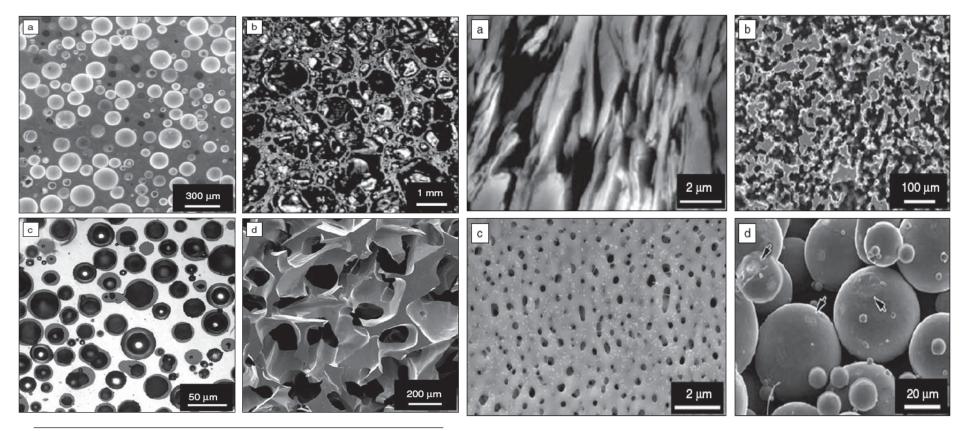
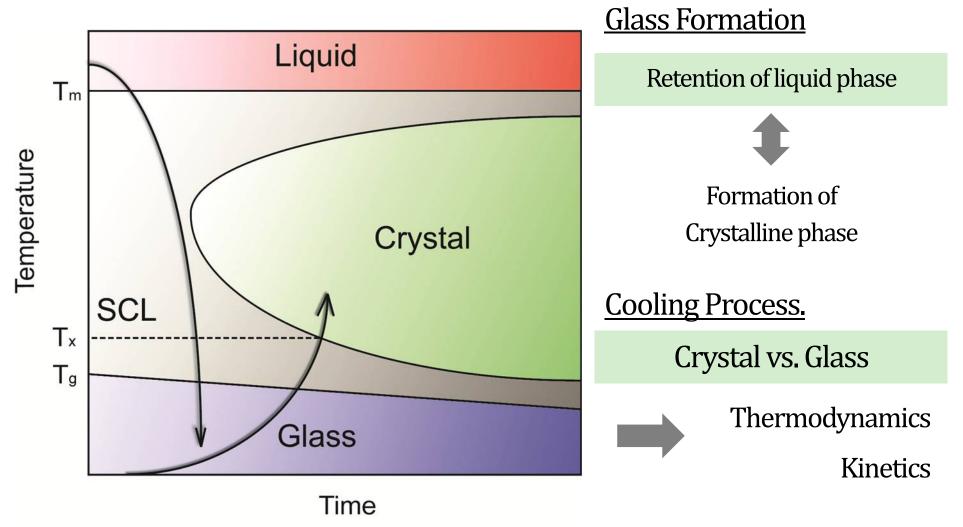


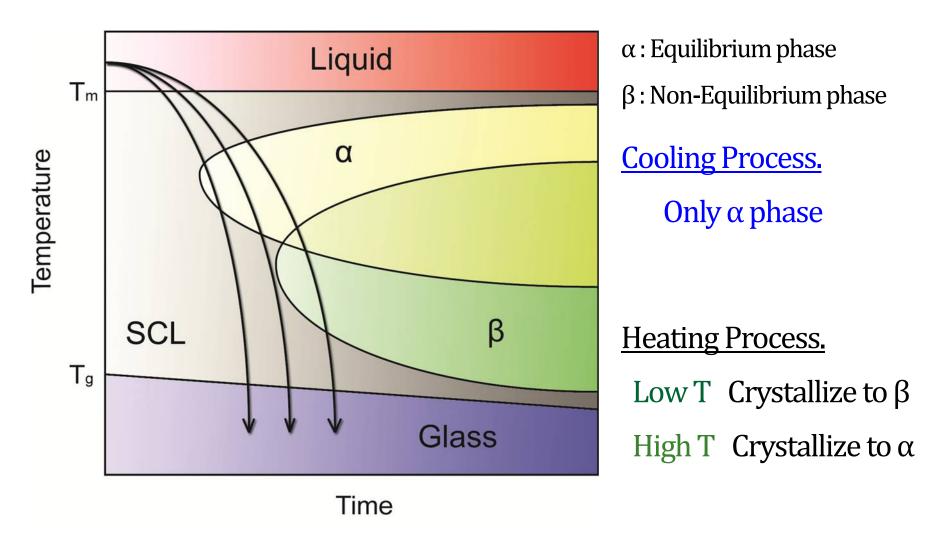
Figure 1. Examples of amorphous metal foams created by liquid-state and supercooled-liquid-state methods. (a) Pd-based foam (porosity P = 42-46%) made by precipitation of dissolved hydrogen gas during cooling.⁷ (b) Pd-based foam (P = 85%) made by entrapping gas in the melt and then expanding it in the supercooled-liquid state.⁵ (c) Zr-based foam made by infiltration of a bed of hollow carbon spheres. Volume fraction of spheres in the foam is 59%.¹² (d) Zr-based foam (P = 78%) made by infiltration of BaF₂ salt particles followed by removal of those particles in an acid bath.¹⁴

Figure 2. Examples of powder-processed porous amorphous metals and amorphous metal foams created by solid-state methods. (a) Cu-based foam (porosity P = 75%) made by dissolution of crystalline Cu from an extruded composite.²¹ (b) Ni-based foam (P = 42%) made by dissolution of brass from an extruded composite.²² (c) Ti-based porous amorphous metal (P not given) made by selective dissolution of one phase from a two-phase amorphous metal.¹⁹ (d) Zr-based porous compact (P = 34%) made by partial electroconsolidation of amorphous powders.²³

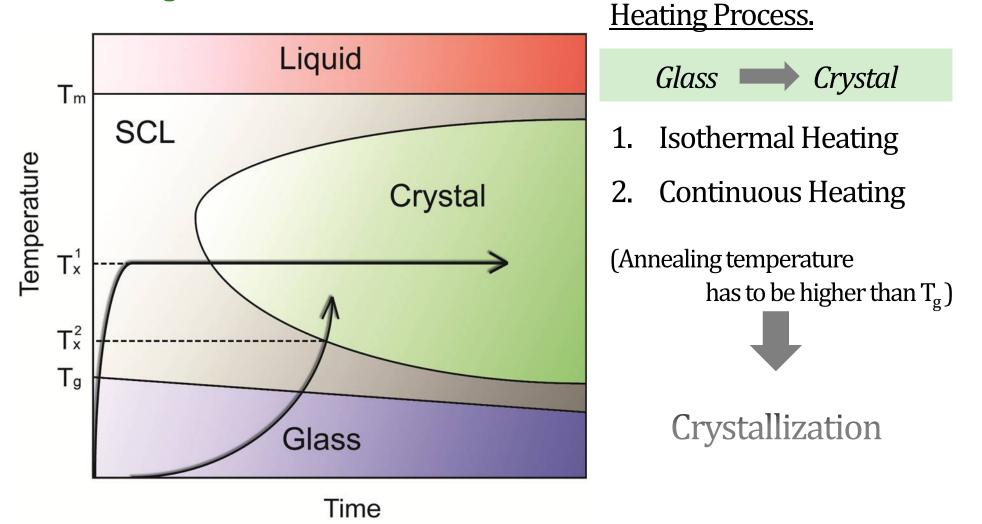
Crystallization in TTT diagram.



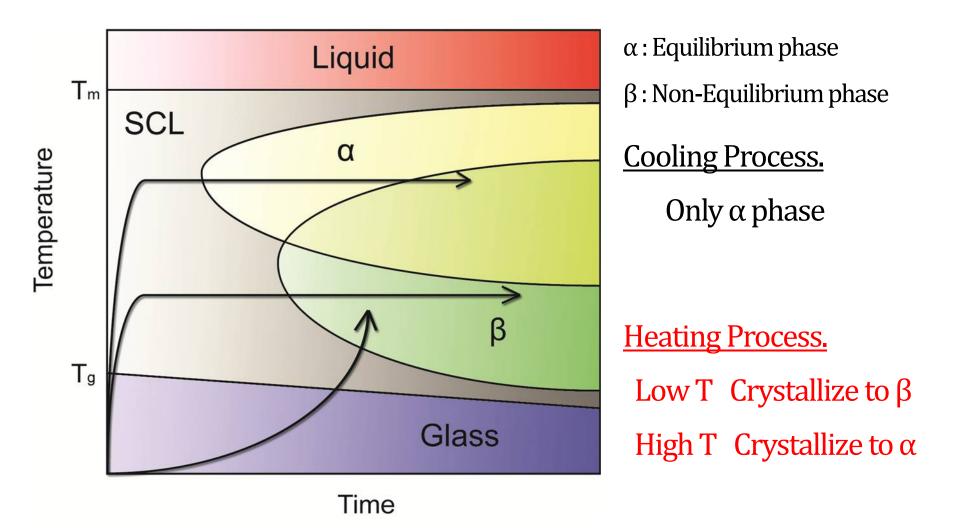
Crystallization to Equilibrium or Non-equilibrium Phase.



Annealing Method.



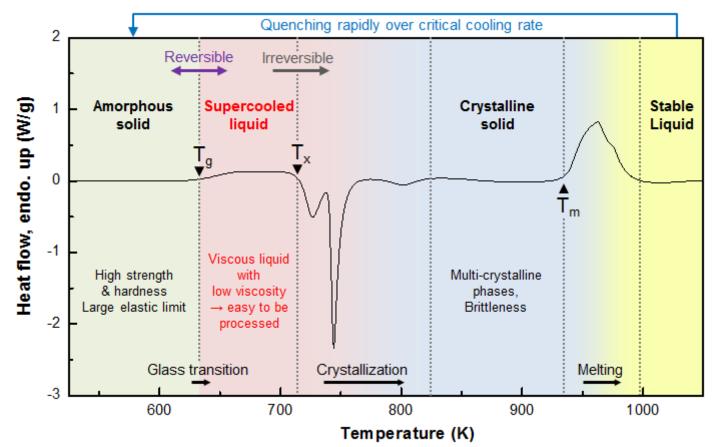
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Crystallization Behavior

Temp. or Pressure Amorphous phase $\xrightarrow{\downarrow}$ crystal phase (high E (metastable) state)

Tailor the microstructure to obtain a glass+nanocrystal or an ultrafine-grained composite, or a completely crystalline materials of different grain sizes by controlling the time and temperature of crystallization.



DSC trace of Vitreloy 1 substrate and the temperature regions sectioned according to phase transformations

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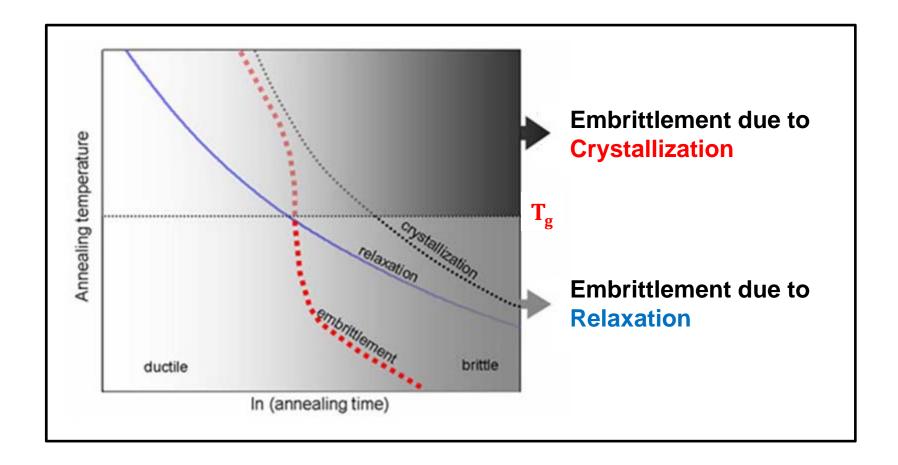
1) Importance for scientific point of view

: Crystallization of metallic glasses occurs by a nucleation and growth process, <u>it offers an opportunity to study the growth of crystals into an isotropic medium</u>. Further, this process also offers a chance to test the classical nucleation and growth theories at large undercooling.

2) Importance for technological point of view

: ① The crystallization temperature of metallic glasses provides a real <u>upper</u> <u>limit to the safe use of metallic glasses</u> without losing their interesting combination of properties. The important and interesting properties of metallic glasses are lost as a result of crystallization.

② Metallic glass ribbons were found to lose their bend ductility upon crystallization. But, it should be realized that Tx cannot be taken as an indicator of the safe operating temperature of a metallic glass. For example, even though many Fe-based metallic glasses have Tx in the region of 400 $^{\circ}$ C, their maximum long-term operating temperatures are only of the order of 150 $^{\circ}$ C.



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• Studies on the crystallization behavior of metallic glasses also provide an opportunity to <u>study the kinetics of crystallization and also the micromech-</u> anisms of crystallization. Such results will provide a clear understanding of the way the metallic glass transforms into the crystalline state and offer a means to impede or control the crystallization behavior.

→ the mechanical and other properties could be <u>optimized through a proper</u> <u>understanding of the crystallization behavior of metallic glasses</u>.

• Any property of the material that changes on crystallization of the metallic glass may be used to monitor the crystallization behavior. These include electrical resistivity, saturation magnetization, magnetic coercivity, and elastic modulus, among others. When these properties are followed as a function of temperature during the heating of the metallic glass, there is a sharp and discontinuous change at the crystallization temperature. However, such methods are indirect and therefore caution should be exercised in using them to determine the kinetics of crystallization.

Crystallization → Change of Physical Properties

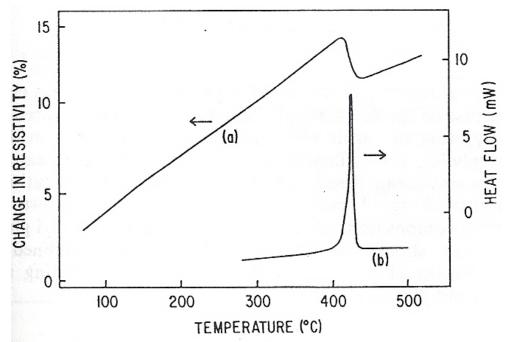


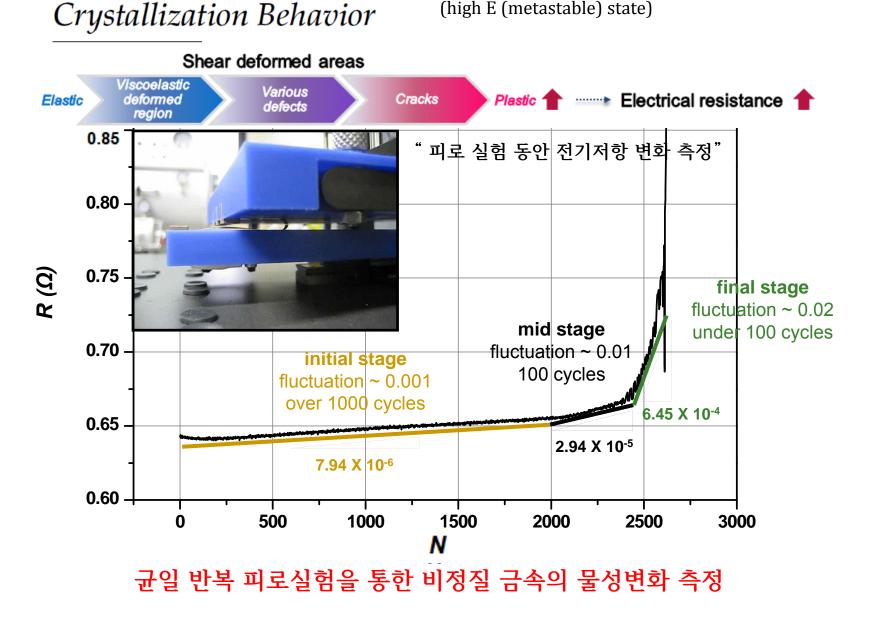
Figure 10.3 (a), Resistivity curve obtained by heating the glass $Fe_{40}Ni_{40}B_{20}$ at 5K/min from room temperature (courtesy of J. Rout). (b), DSC trace obtained under the same conditions

 \rightarrow Monitor the crystallization of metallic glass : electrical resistivity – sharp decrease in onset of crystallization Any of the property changes described above may be used to monitor the crystallization of a metallic glass.

- Electrical Resistivity
- Elastic Modulus
- Magnetic coercivity
- Saturation magnetization

and so on.

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CRYSTALLIZATION

Nucleation and Growth process

Densification of about 1% Crystallization of metallic glasses

Decrease in enthalpy

(equivalent to half the latent heat of melting)

Changes in physical properties

Elastic modulus, magnetic coercivity

Amorphous vs Nanocrystalline

- 1) Microstructural observation <u>XRD, (HR)TEM</u>, EXAFS ...
- 2) Thermal analysis

DSC (Differential Scanning Calorimetry)

- : Measure heat absorbed or liberated during heating or cooling
- cf) a) glass → nucleation & growth
 (perfect random)
 b) local clustering: quenched-in nuclei → only growth
 - c) Nanocrystalline → growth

X-ray or Neutron results

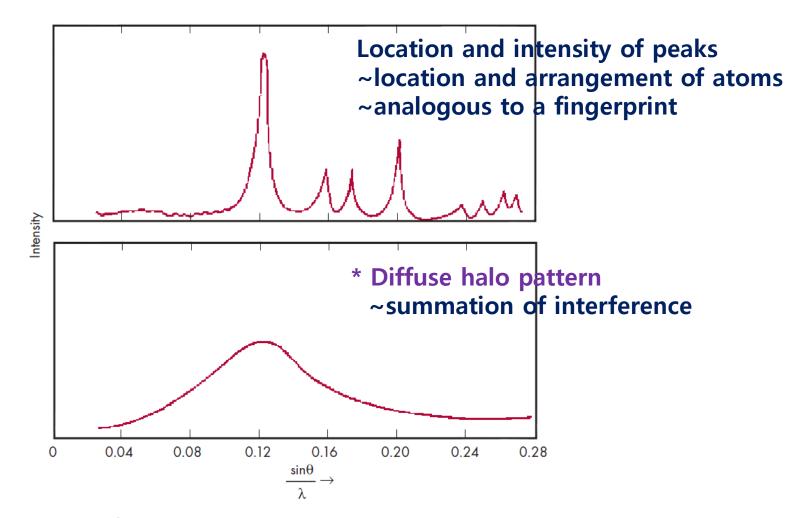


Figure 3. Characteristic Diffraction Patterns from Crystalline Material (Top) and Amorphous Material (Bottom).

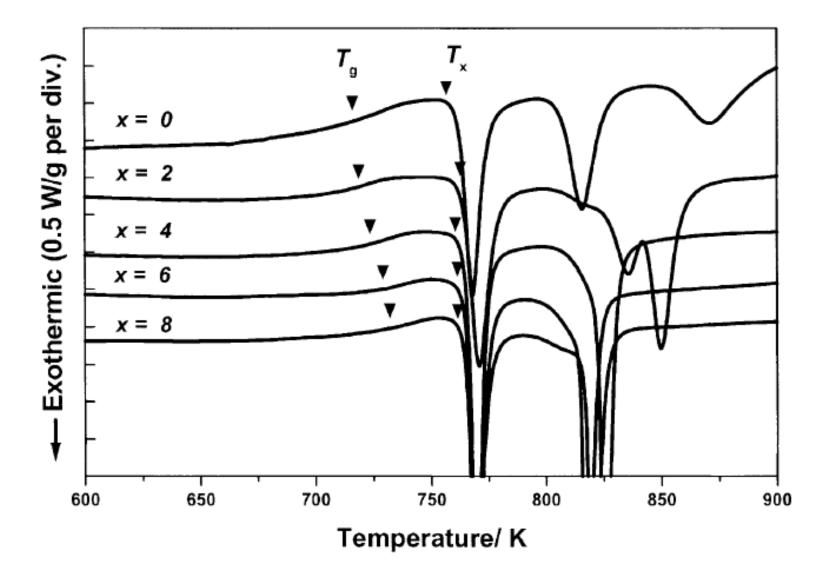
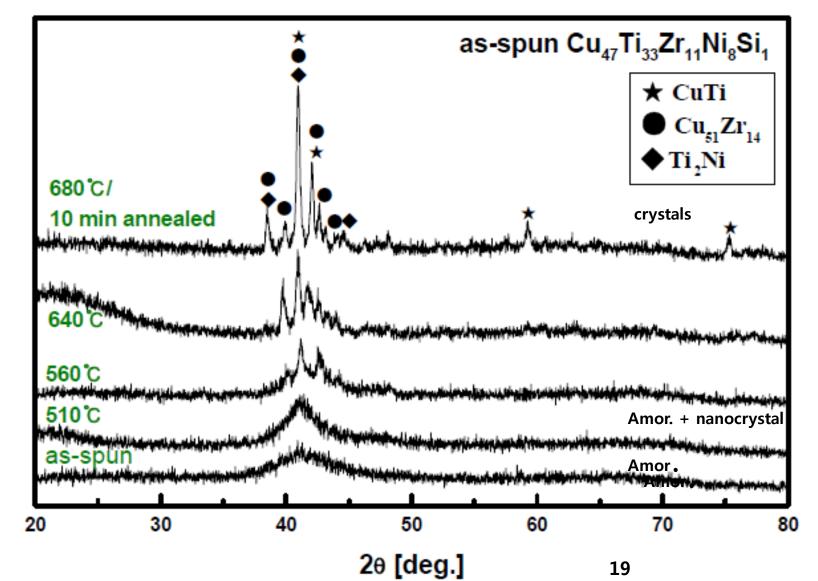


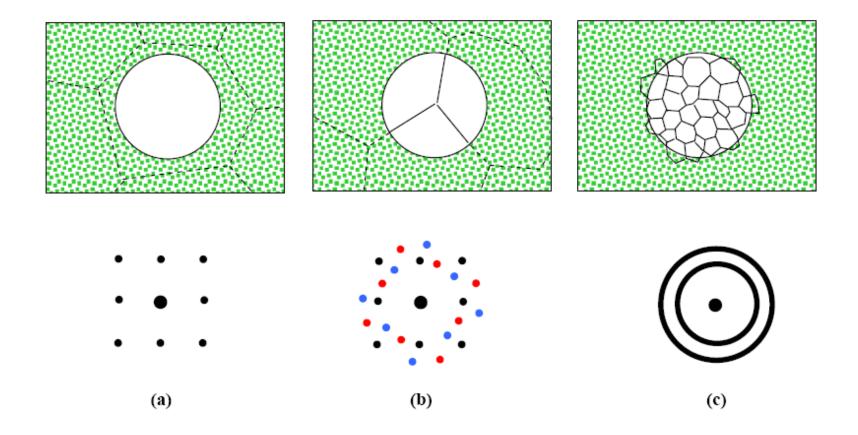
Fig. 1. DSC traces of rapidly solidified $Cu_{47}Ti_{33}Zr_{11}Ni_{8-x}Sn_xSi_1$ (*x* = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8) alloy ribbons obtained during heating with a heating rate 0.667 K/s.

< X-ray diffraction >

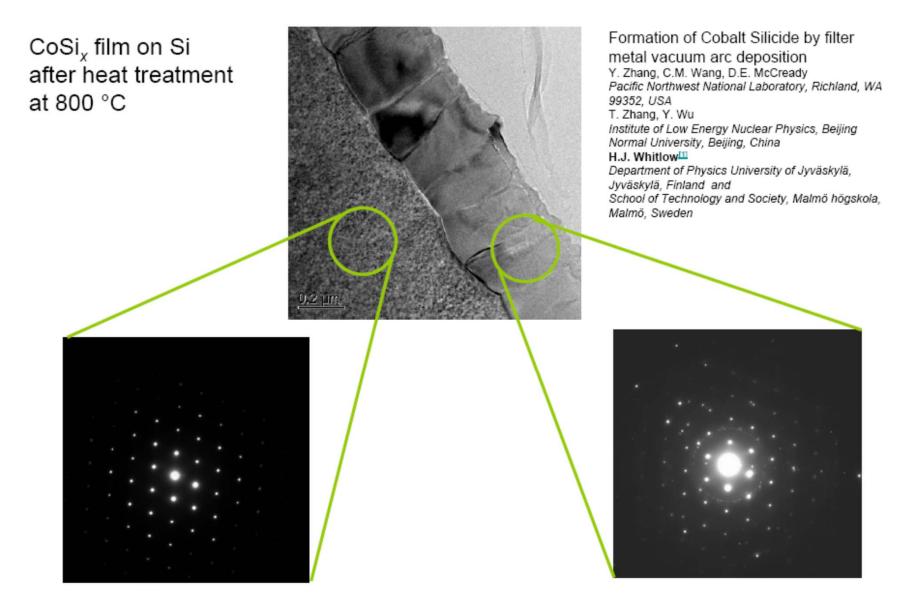
Crystallization after annealing



Electron Diffraction Pattern--Spot to Ring

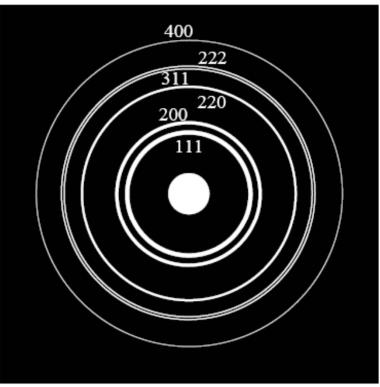


Selected area diffraction



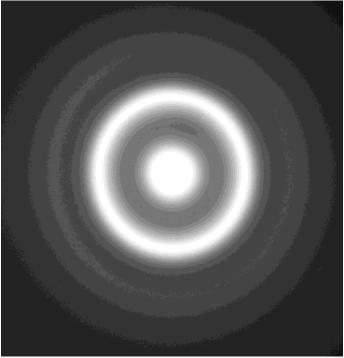
Ring pattern

• Typical polycrystalline Au diffraction pattern

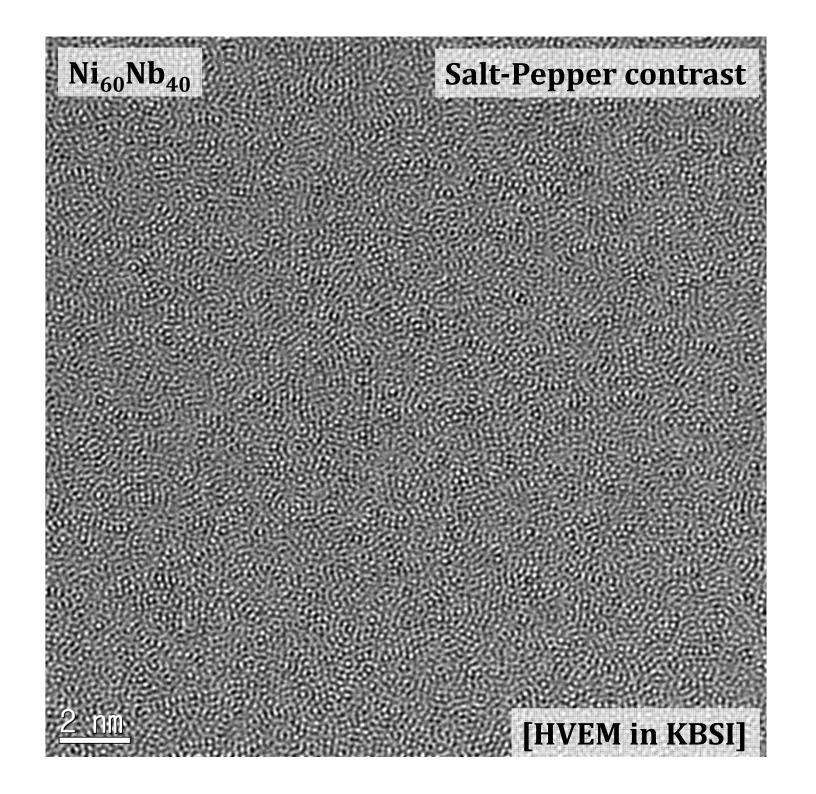


Amorphous materials

- Diffused ring pattern
- Reflecting the short range ordered structure
- Often seen at contamination layer or on carbon support film



Sample thinning, In-situ heating 시 surface nucleation & diffusion 영향 고려 요망

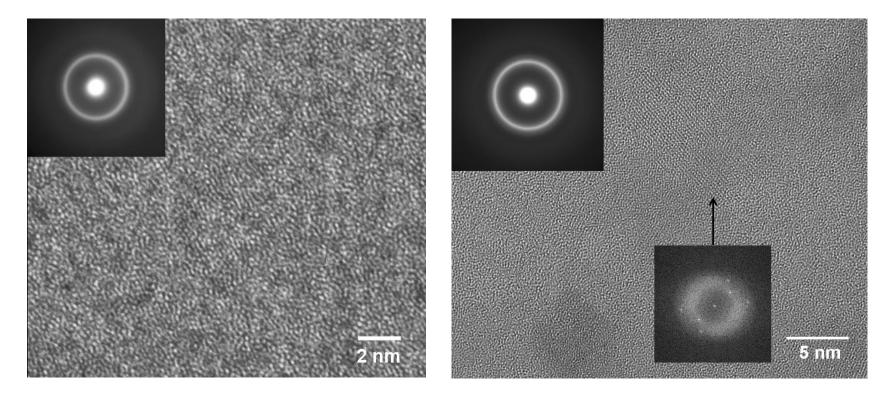


Structural analyses: HRTEM

$Cu_{46}Zr_{42}Al_7Y_5$

As-melt-spun

Heated up to 480 ℃



: nanocrystallization of Y rich amorphous phase due to relatively lower GFA

* Acta Materialia, 54, 2597 (2006)

TEM results for $Nd_{30}Zr_{30}Al_{10}Co_{30}$ alloy

Nd₆₀Al₁₀Co₃₀ **2.91** Å Nd₃₀Zr₃₀Al₁₀Co₃₀ 2.37 Å, 2.99 Å Zr₆₀Al₁₀Co₃₀ **2.40** Å 200 nm

SADP and Dark-field TEM image

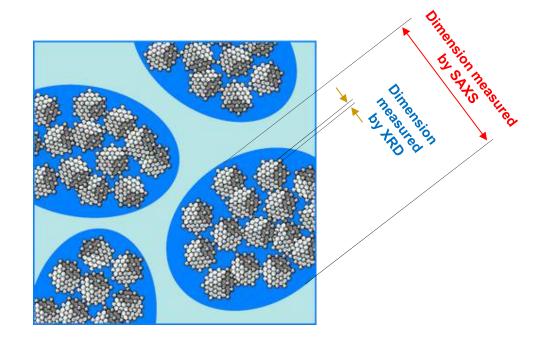
Angle range of Small angle scattering

- Length scale of small angle scattering : 1 1000 um
- Information on relatively large r is contained in I(q) at relatively small $q (=4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda)$
- Bragg's law : *sinθ=λ/2d*

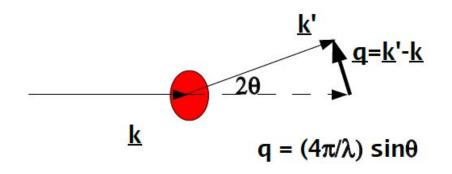
 d = few Å $\lambda = 1 Å$ $2\theta = 20$

 d = 100 Å $\lambda = 1 Å$ $2\theta = 0.6$

- Sample contains a scattering length density inhomogeneity of dimension larger than 1 nm, scattering becomes observable in small angle region $(0 \sim 4^{\circ})$

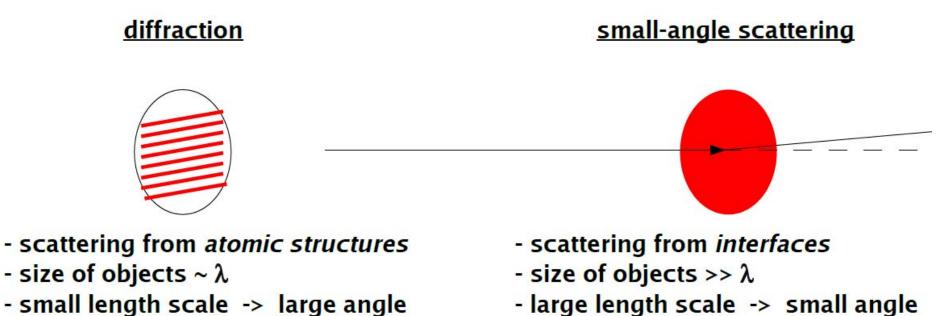


Diffraction v.s. Small angle scattering



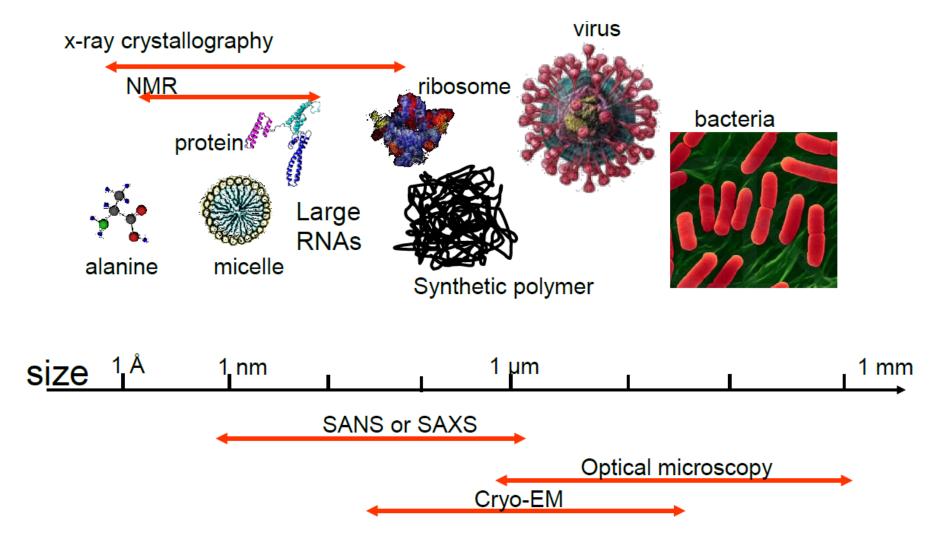
<u>x-rays</u> scatter from *electrons*

neutrons scatter from nuclei and *magnetic moments*



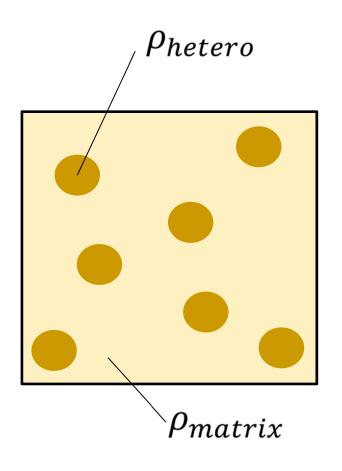
- small length scale -> large angle

Length scale for small angle scattering



The scope of small angle X-ray scattering in terms of spatial dimension covers ~ 1 nm to $\sim 1\mu$ m ranges, perfectly suitable for biomolecular structrual study.

Scattering length density



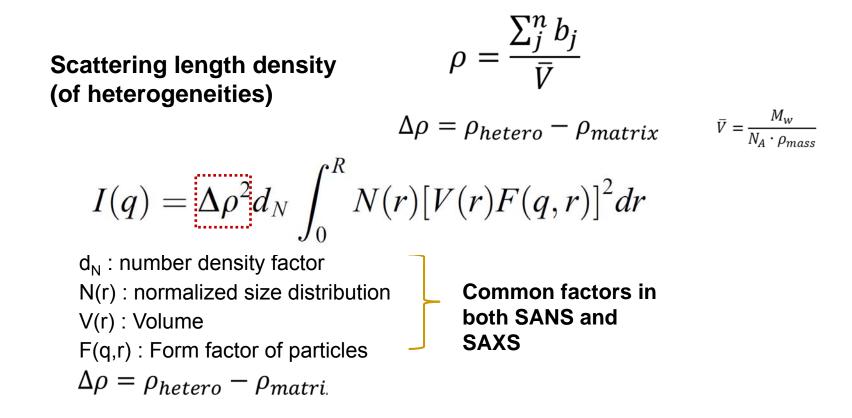
Scattering length density (of heterogeneities)

$$o = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} b_{j}}{\overline{V}}$$

- b_j : bound coherent scattering length of atom j
- \overline{V} : Volume containing the n atoms

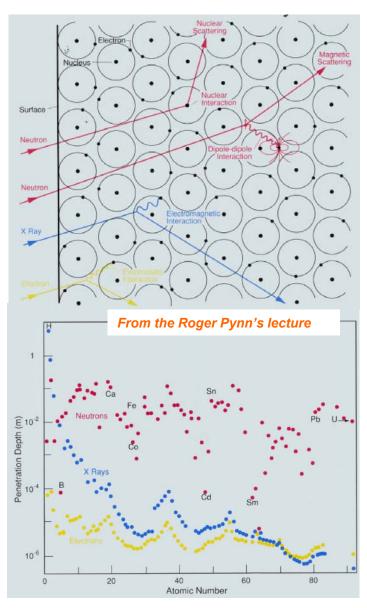
$$\Delta \rho = \rho_{hetero} - \rho_{matrix}$$

Intensity in small angle scattering



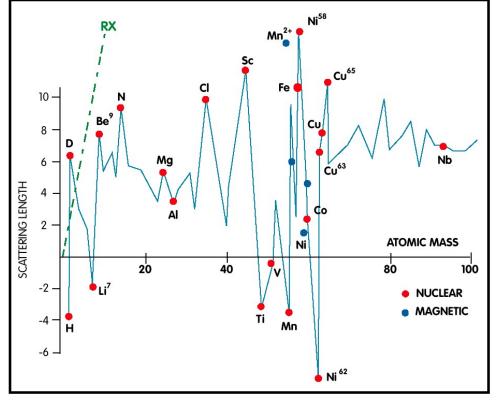
Coherent and Incoherent Scattering

items	X-ray	neutron
source	collision of electrons with target metals(Cu, Mo, W)	nuclear reactor spallation neutron
	acceleration of charged particles	source (accelerator)
scattered by	electrons	atomic nuclei, unpaired spins
interaction	EM(electromagnetic)	Nuclear(strong int.) EM
scattering amplitude	linearly depend on Z	nearly indep. on Z
sample amount	µg ~ mg	~g
meas. time	10 ^{1~2} min (step scan: ~hr)	10 ^{0~2} hr
hard to see	relatively light elements (H, Li, B, C, O …)	highly abs. nuclei (Gd, Sm, Eu, Cd, B…)



Neutron scattering length

$$\Psi = \psi_{in} + \psi_{scatt} = e^{i k z} - (b/r) e^{i k r}$$



- > intrinsic property !!!
- ➤ order of 10⁻¹⁵m (fm)
- Sometimes negative or imaginary values (resonance scattering)
- independent of the thermal neutron energy
- > no correlation with Z or A