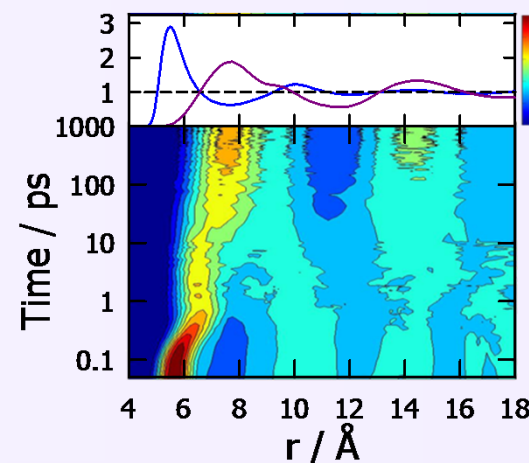
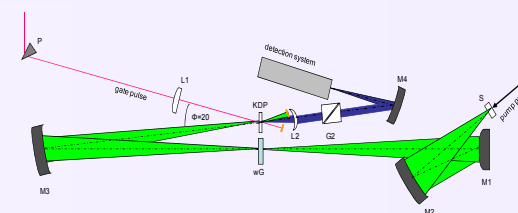
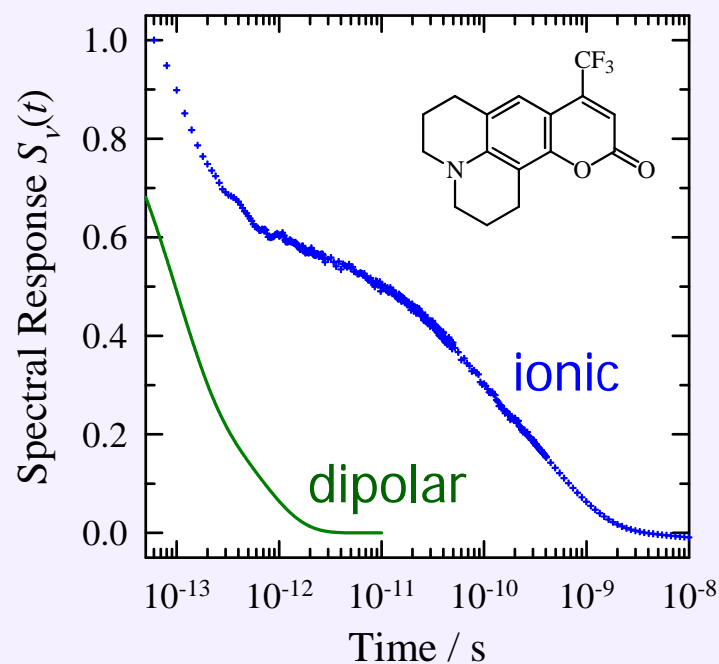
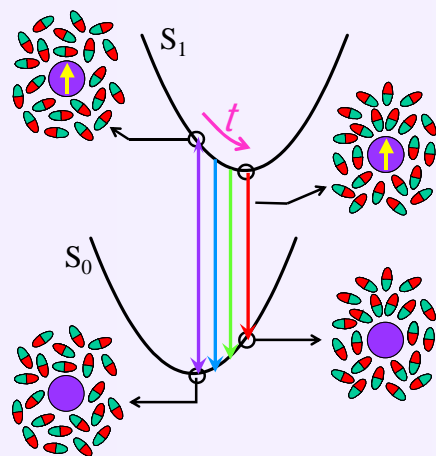
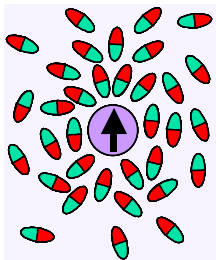


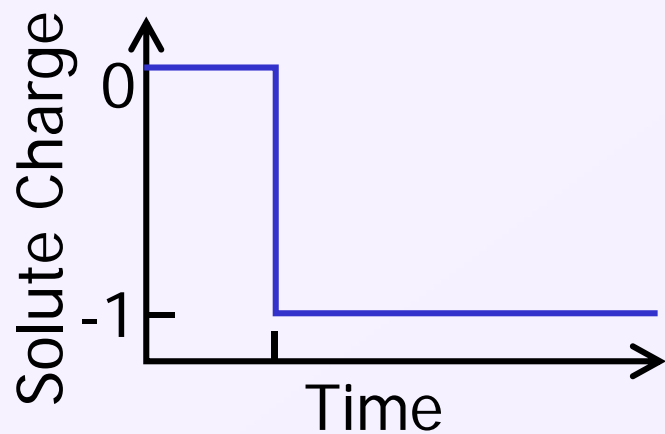
Dynamics of Polar Solvation (in Dipolar & Ionic Solvents)



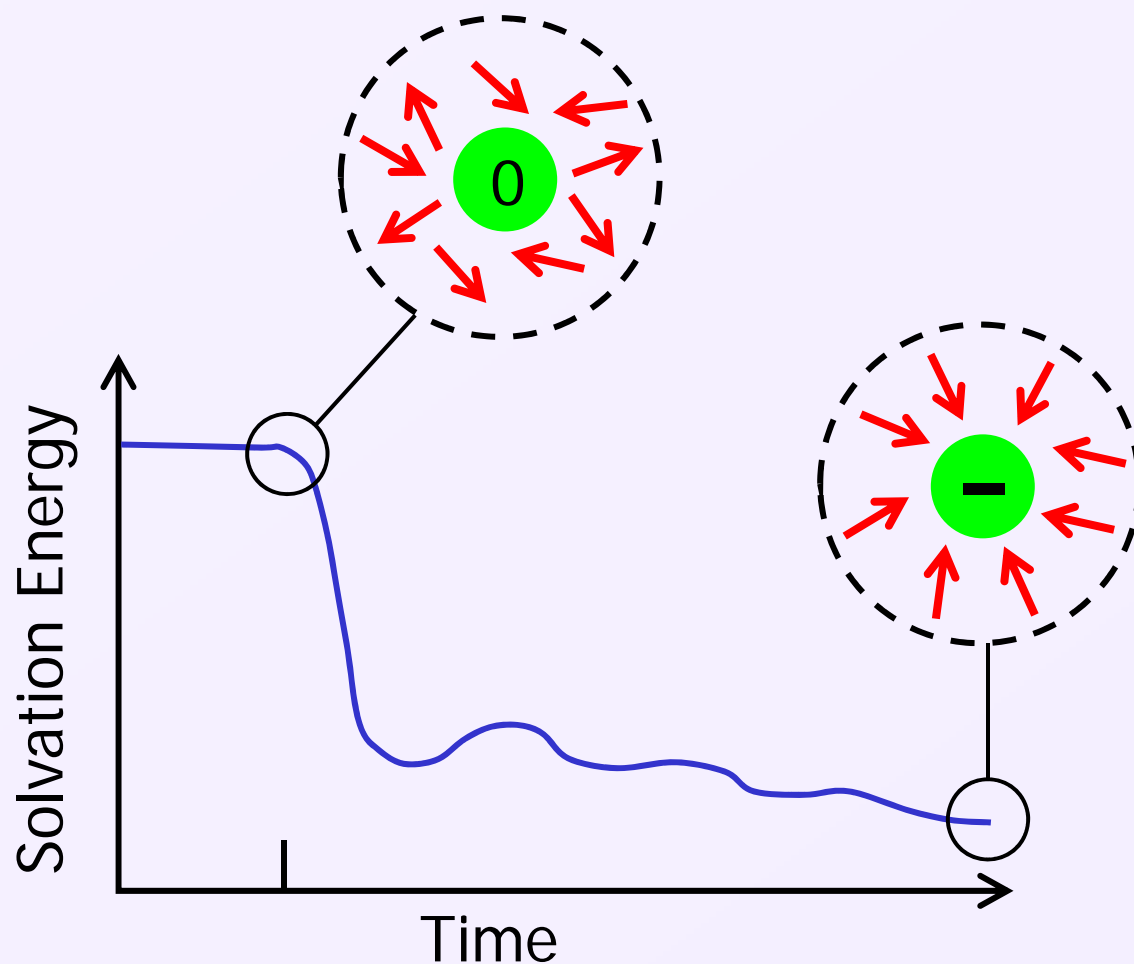


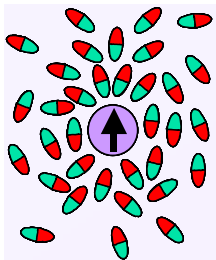
Solvation Dynamics?

Solute Perturbation

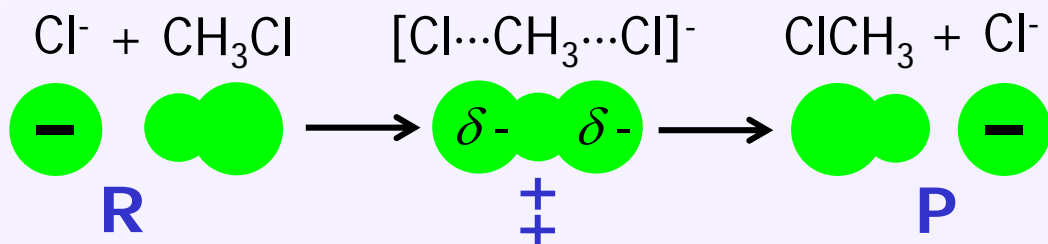


Solvation Response



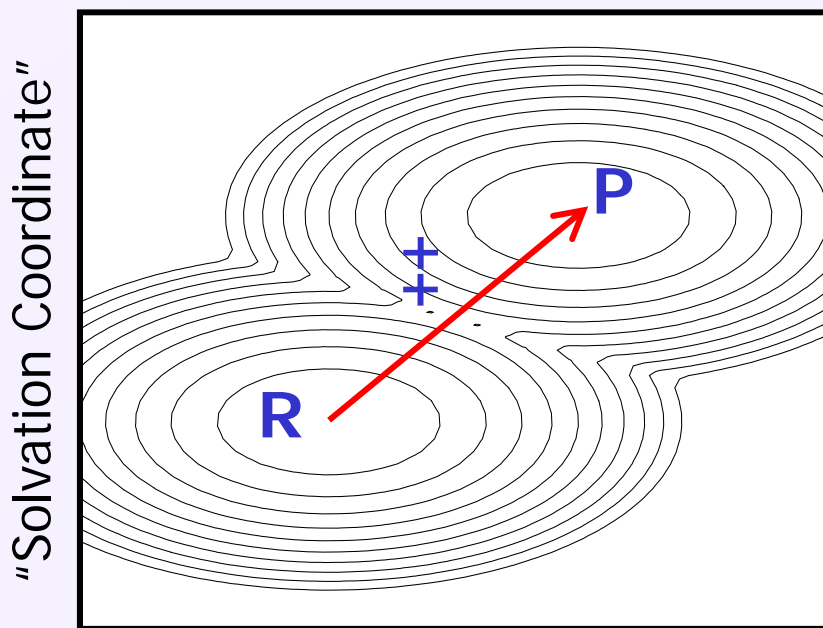
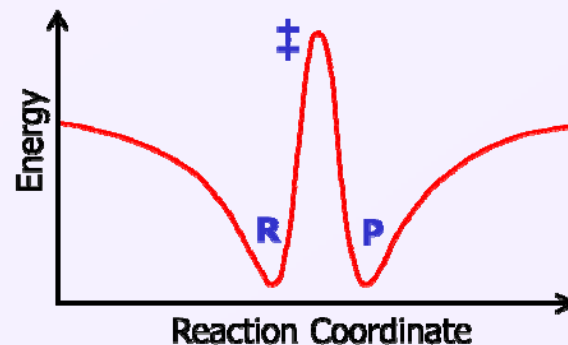


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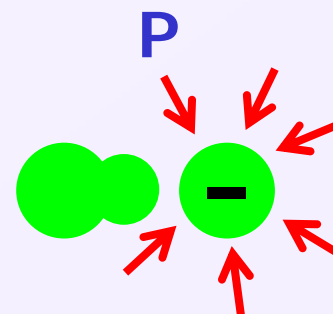


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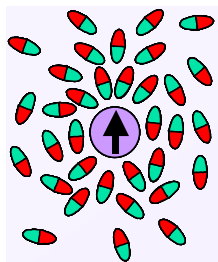
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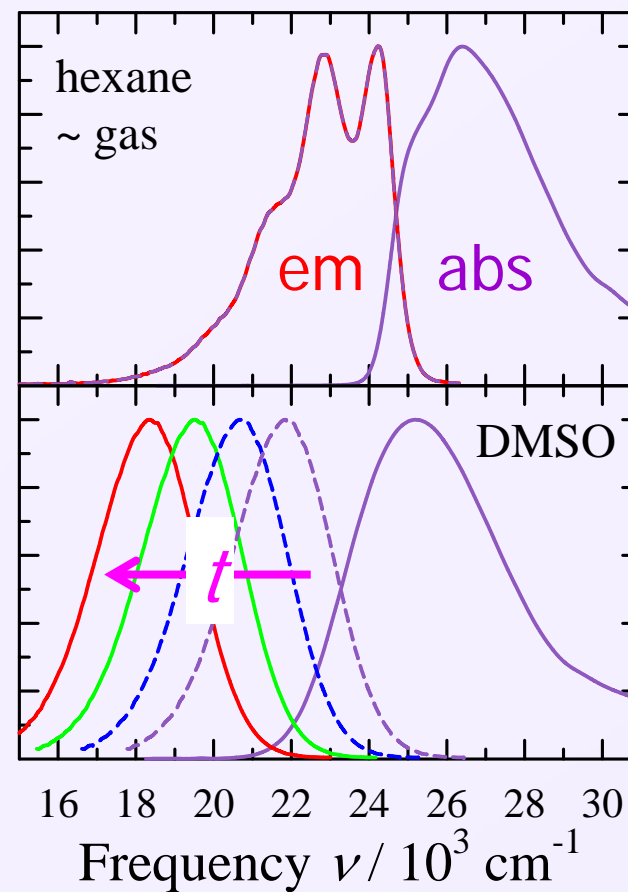
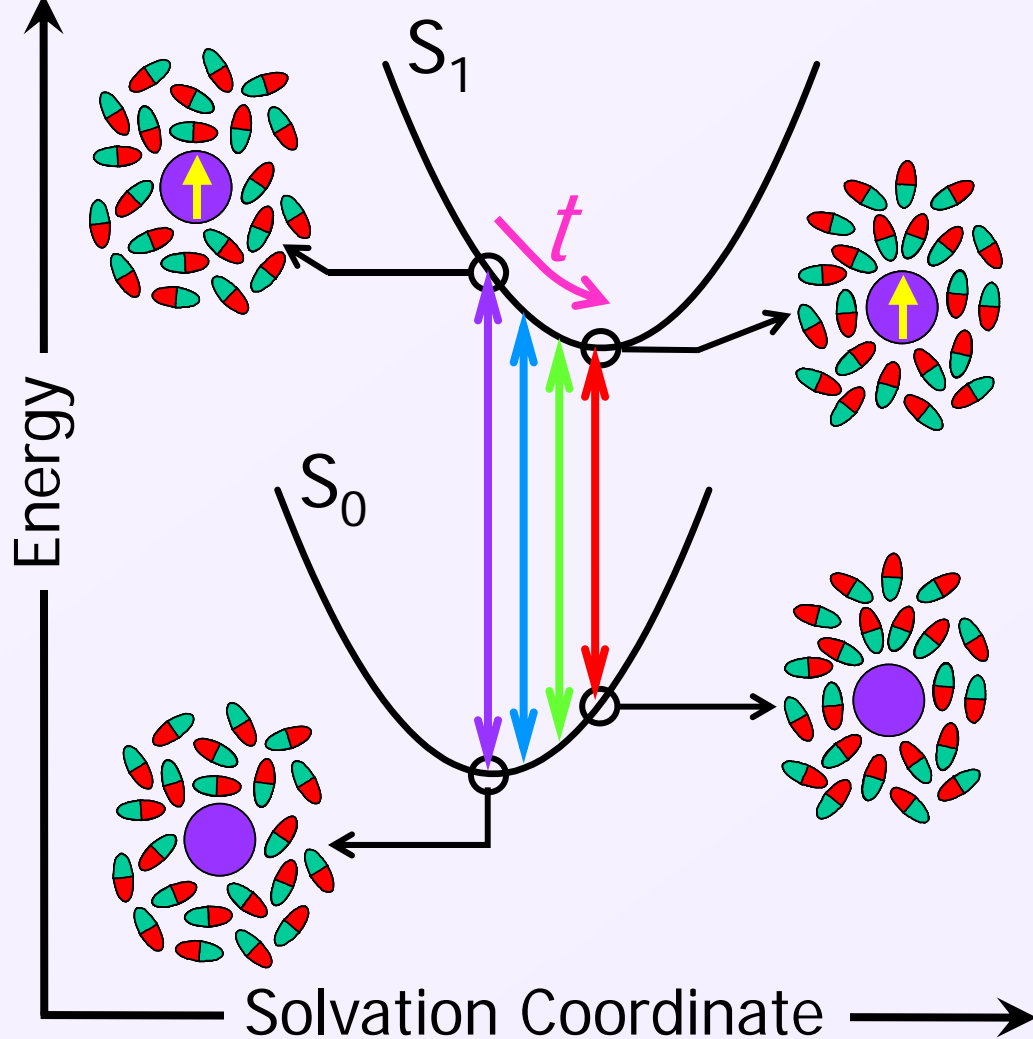
Gas-Phase Reaction Coordinate

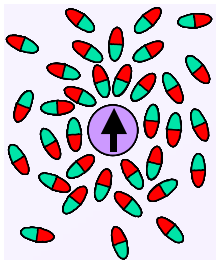


➤ Like it or not, solvent is part of the reaction coordinate!

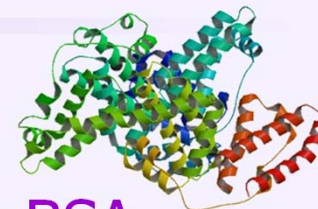


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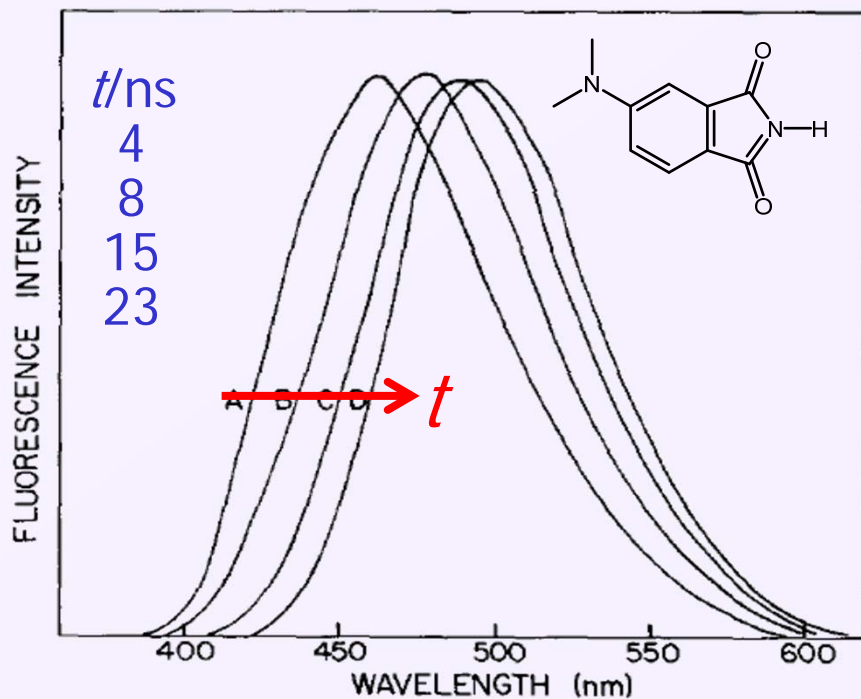




Pioneering Experiments

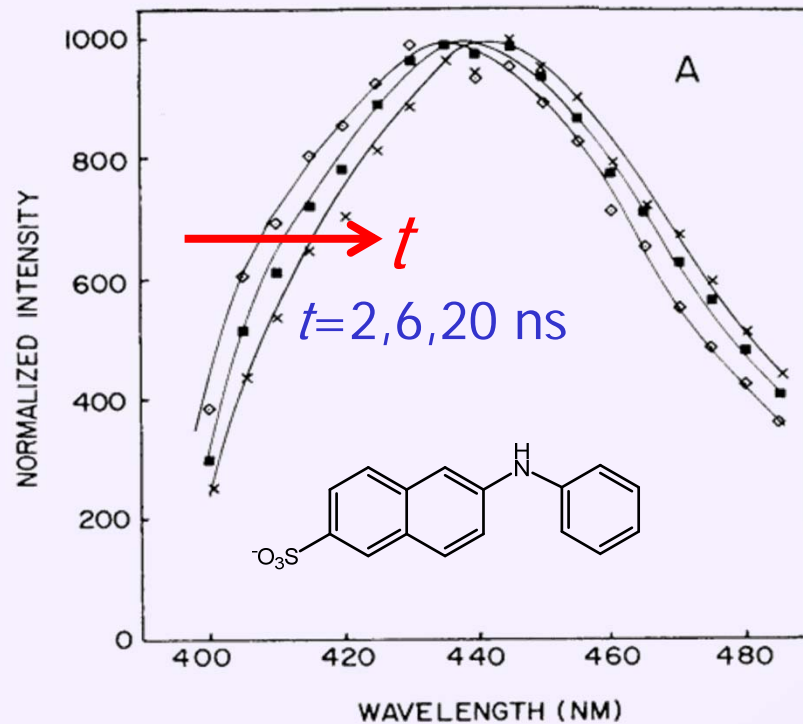


4-AP in 1-Propanol @ 203 K

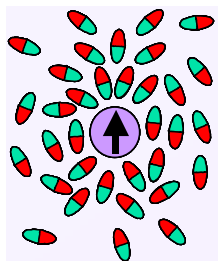


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TNS Adsorbed to BSA



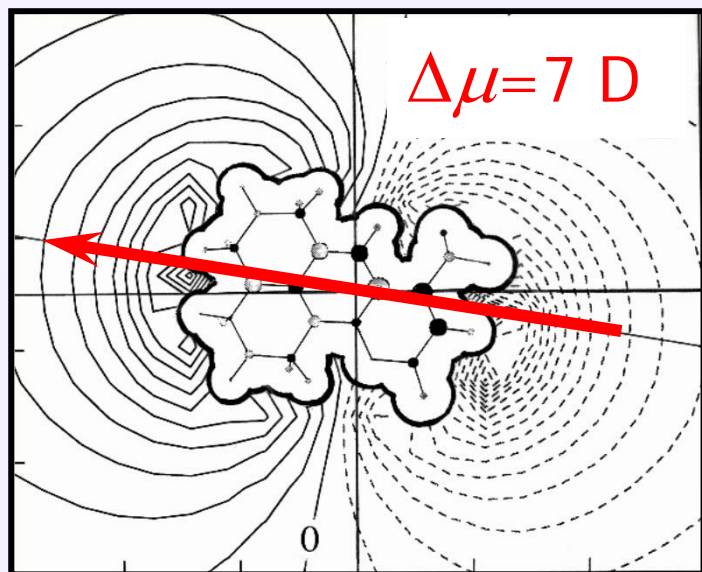
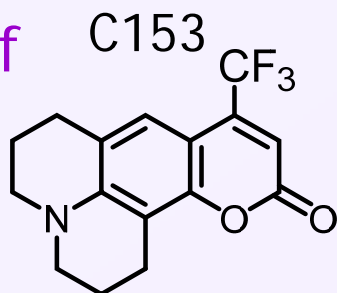
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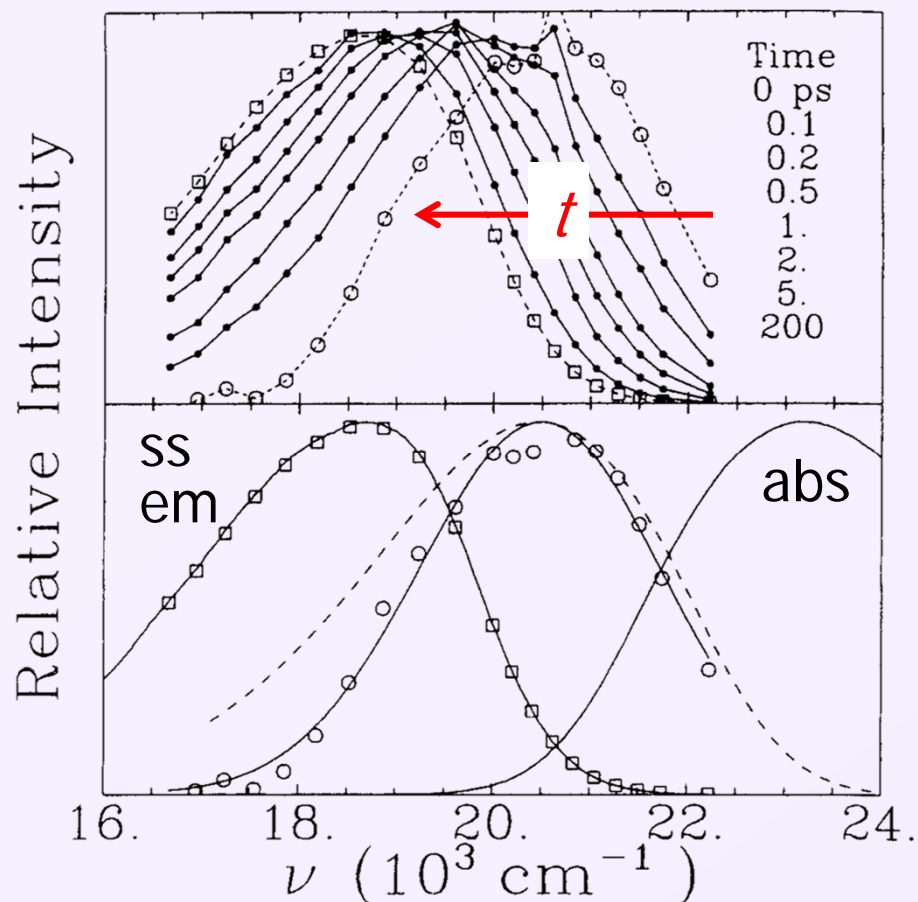
Dipolar Solvents (1995)

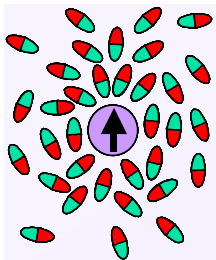
An Ideal Probe of Polar Solvation

- simple S_1 state
- only non-specific solvation (Δ)



TR Emission: C153 in DMSO

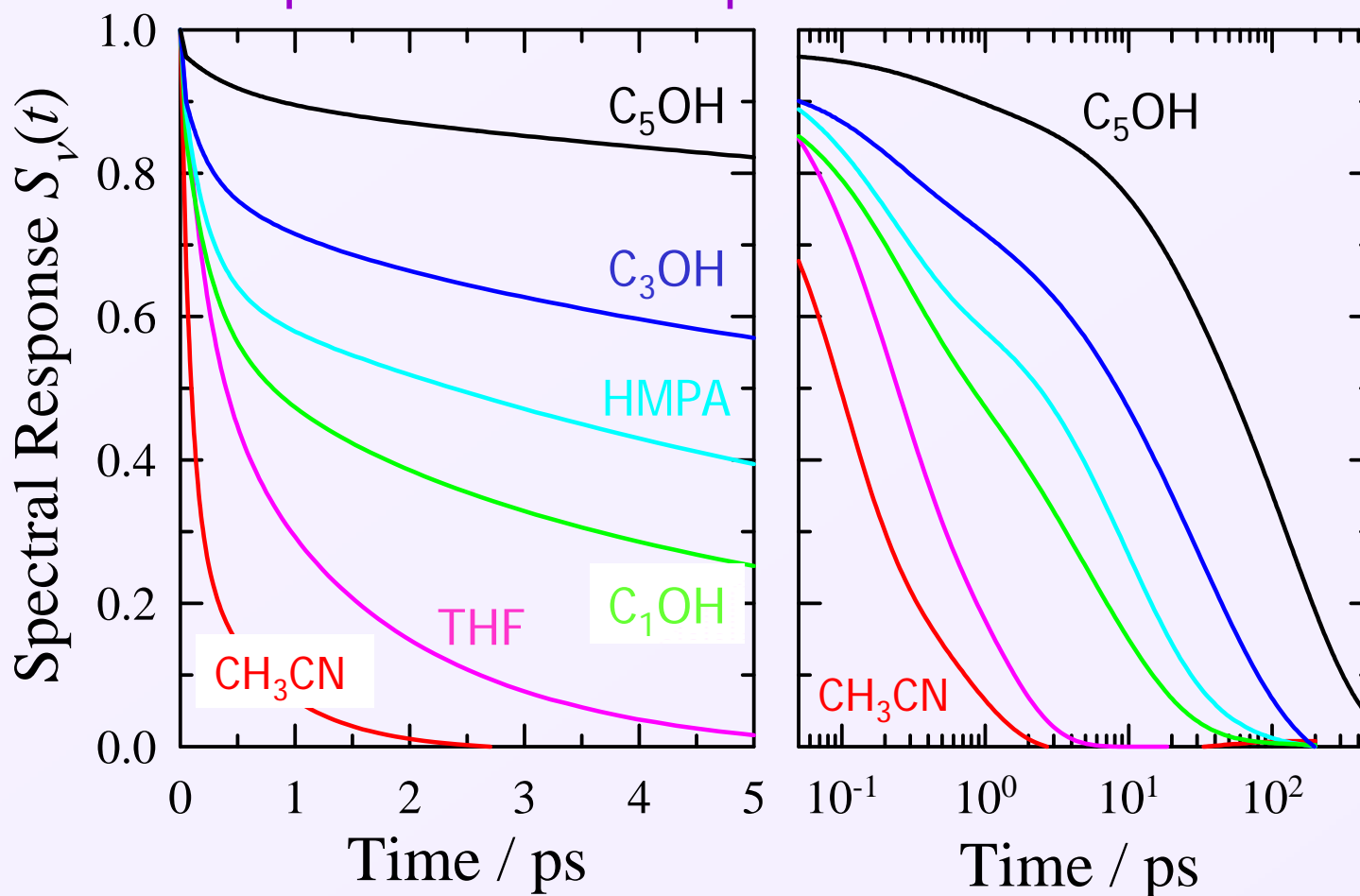




The Solvation Response $S(t)$

$$S_\nu(t) \equiv \{\nu(t) - \nu_\infty\} / \{\nu_0 - \nu_\infty\}$$

Representative Response Fns. C153 298 K



Times

t_{1e}/ps

0.1

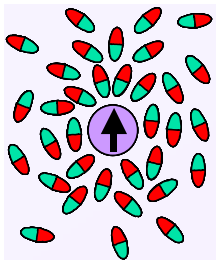
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2

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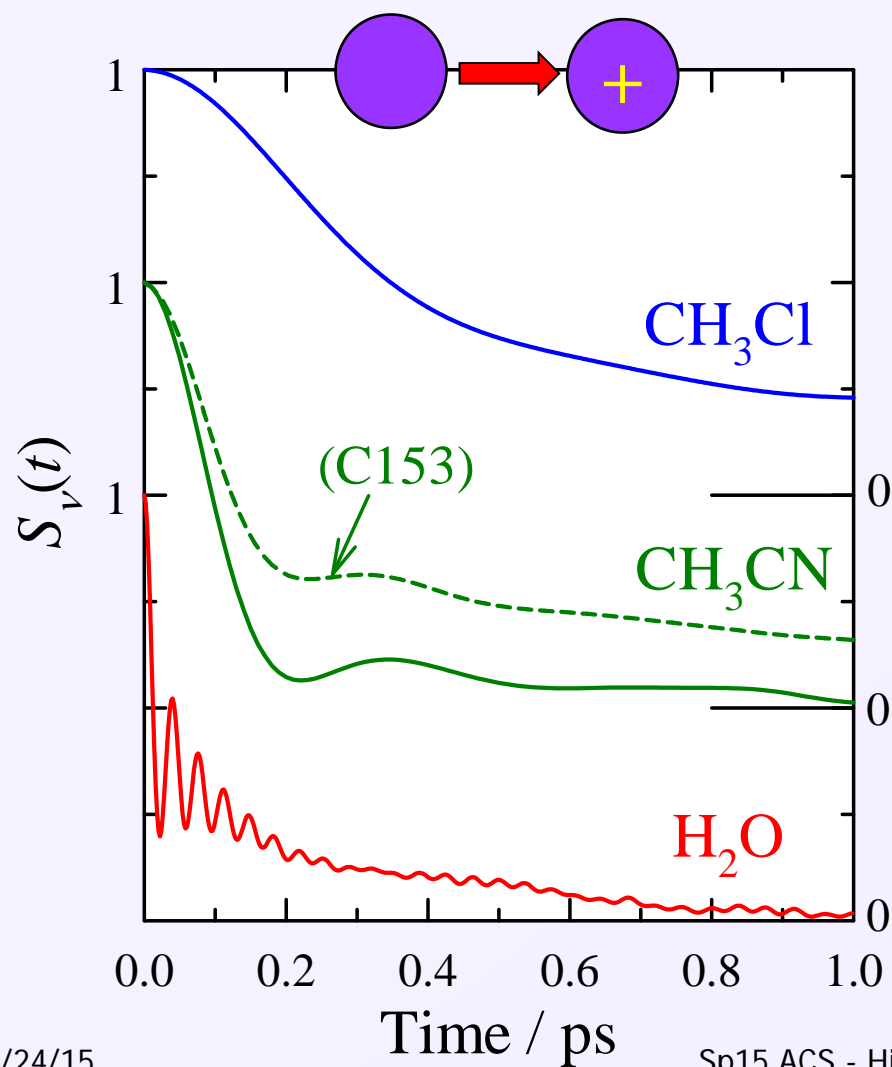
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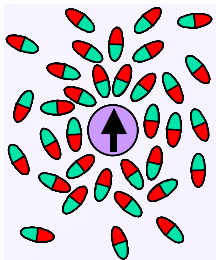


Molecular Dynamics Simulations

simulations provided many insights into solvation mechanism



- prominent "inertial" or "Gaussian" decay
- response often linear
- mainly solvent rotational dynamics
- speed closely linked to solvent polarity



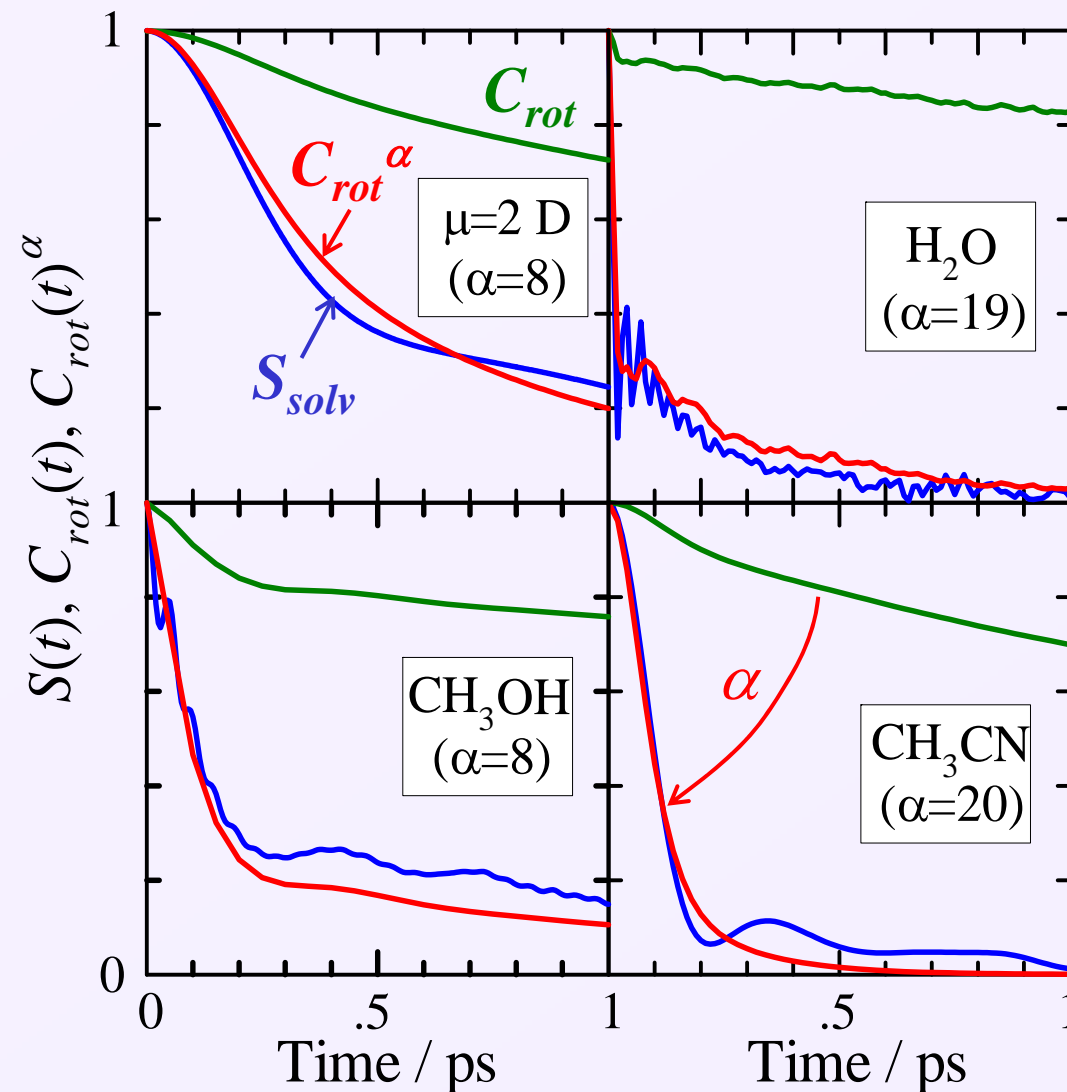
Solvation & Solvent Rotation

A Simple Connection

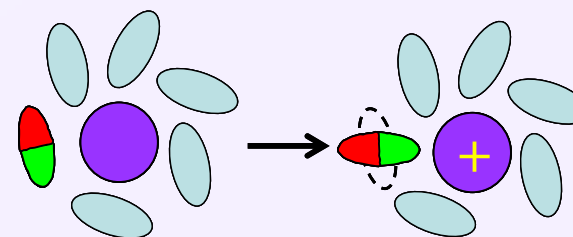
$$S_{solv}(t) \cong \{C_{rot}(t)\}^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = \frac{4\pi\rho\mu^2}{3k_B T} (1 - 1/\epsilon)^{-1}$$

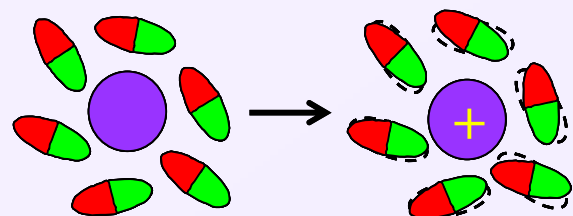
α = "cooperativity"

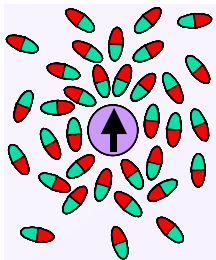


low polarity $\alpha=1$



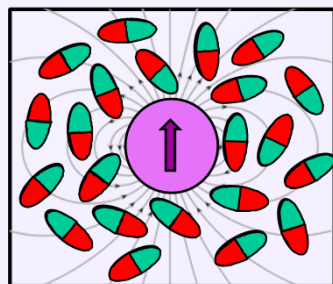
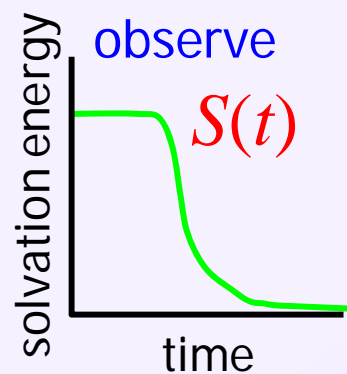
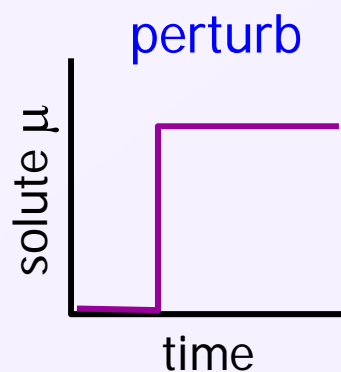
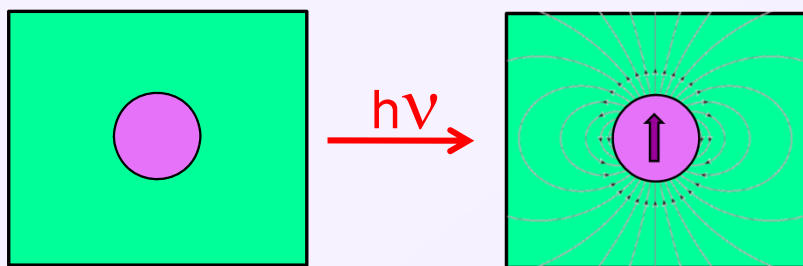
high polarity $\alpha \gg 1$



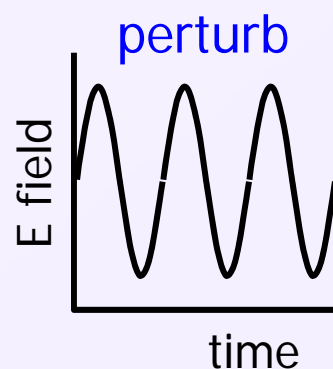
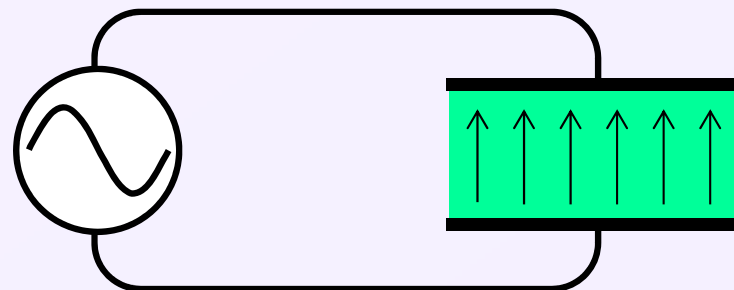


Solvation & Dielectric Dynamics

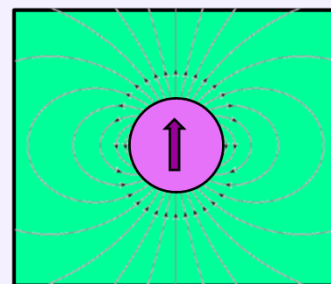
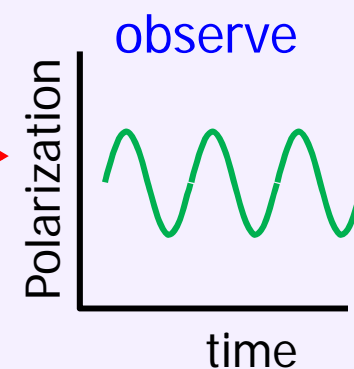
Solvation Dynamics

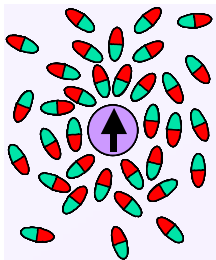


Dielectric Response



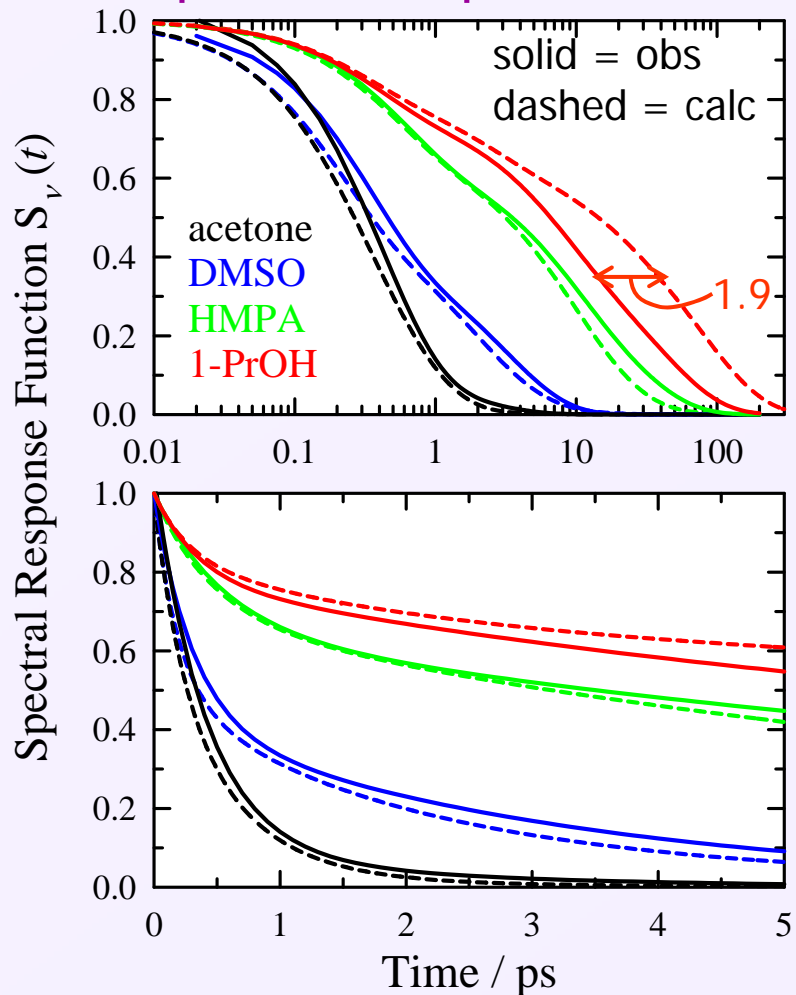
$\epsilon(\nu)$



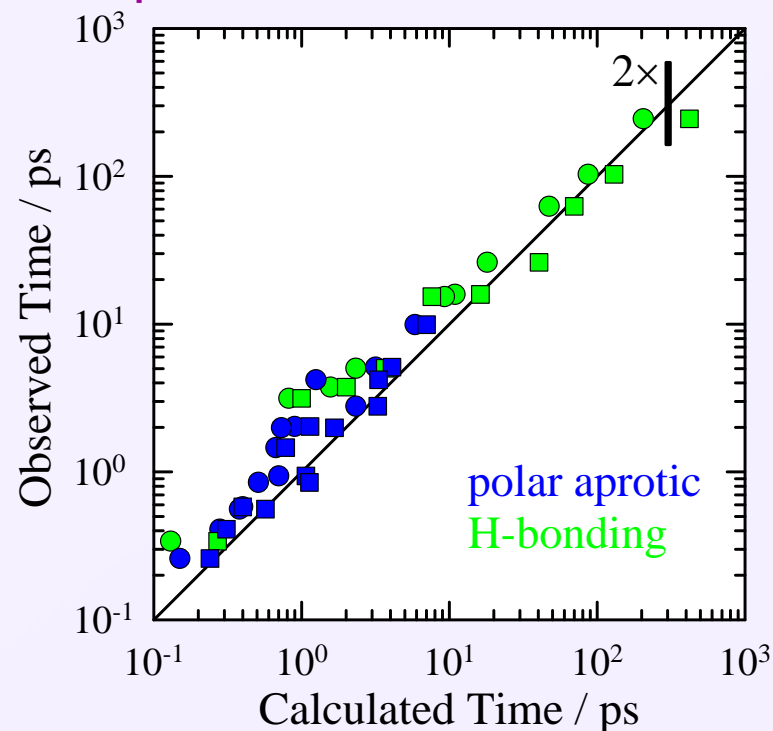


Dielectric Predictions

Spectral Response Fns.

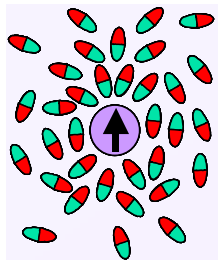


Response Times in 22 Solvents



➤ simple dielectric continuum predictions surprisingly accurate

Horng et al., *J. Phys. Chem.* 99, 17311 (1995).

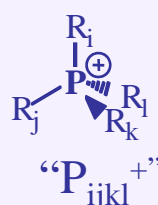
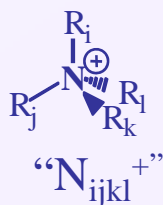
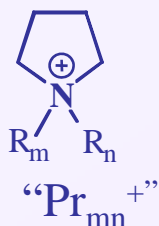


(Room T) Ionic Liquids

= molten salts liquid at (near) room temperature

Cation Families

imidazolium pyrrolidinium ammonium phosphonium

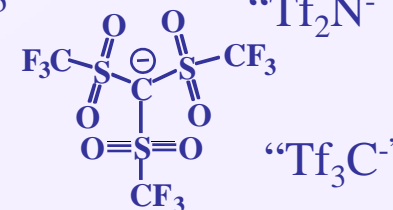
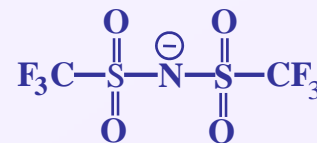


Common Anions

Cl⁻, CH₃COO⁻

NO₃⁻, CH₃SO₃⁻

BF₄⁻, PF₆⁻



Properties

Thermal and chemical stability

Low melting point

High ionic conductivity

Solubility (affinity) with many compounds

Negligible volatility

Flame retardancy

Moderate viscosity

High polarity

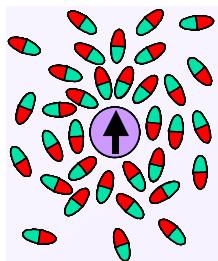


Variation of ion structure

Applications

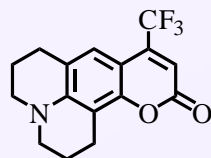
- ion conductive materials for electrochemical devices
- solvents for chemical reaction
- solvents for bioscience

Armand et al., *Nature Materials* **8**, 621 (2009)

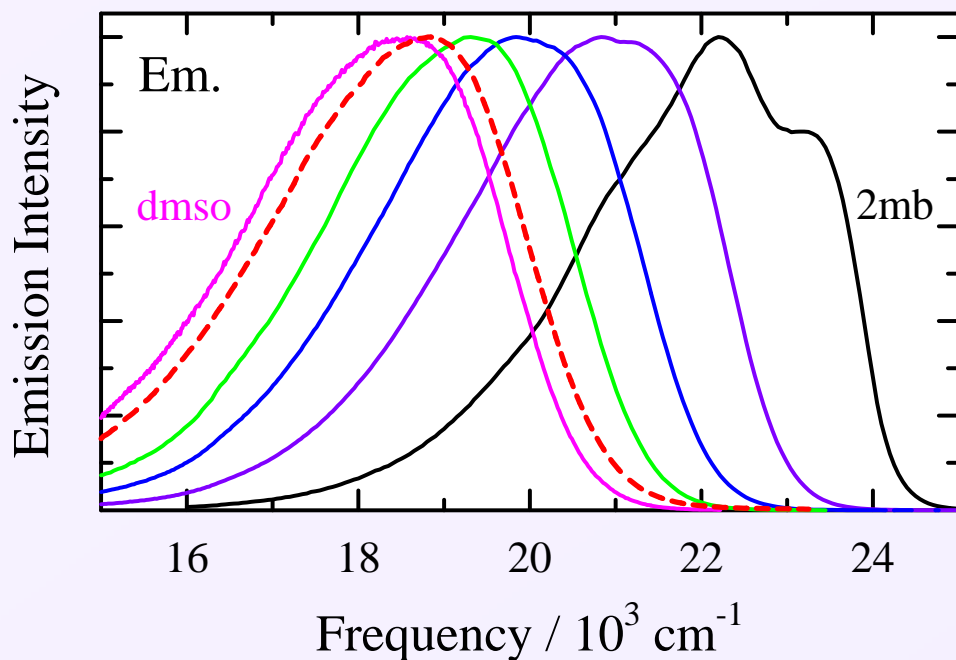


Solvation Energies Unremarkable

C153 Solvatochromism

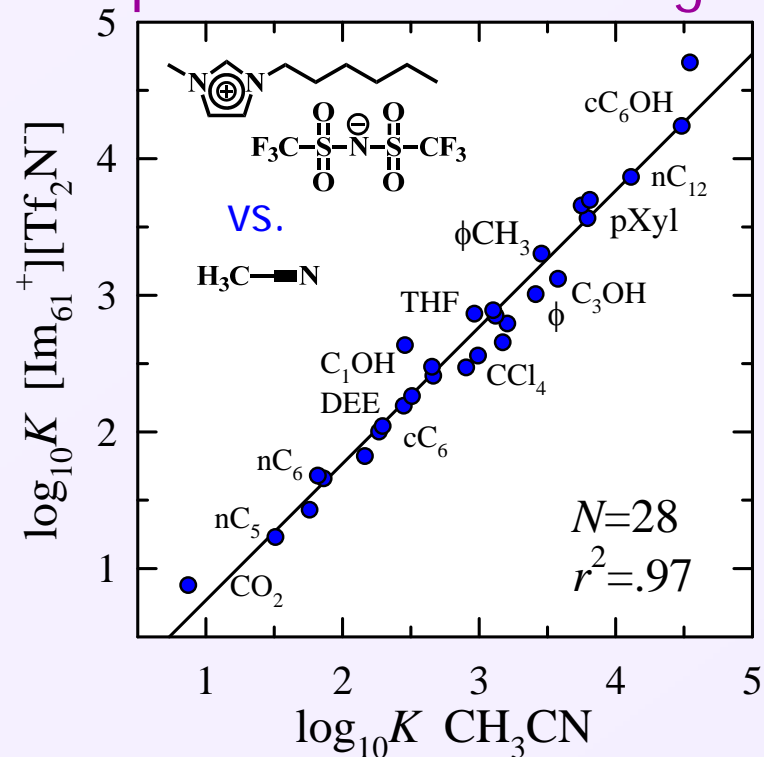


U_{EI} = solute-solvent interaction energy

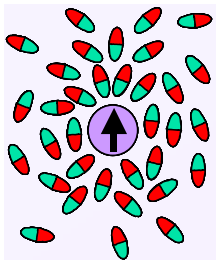


- "polarity" comparable to DMSO, CH₃OH, CH₃CN
- solvation free energies can be remarkably similar to those of conventional solvents

Experimental Free Energies

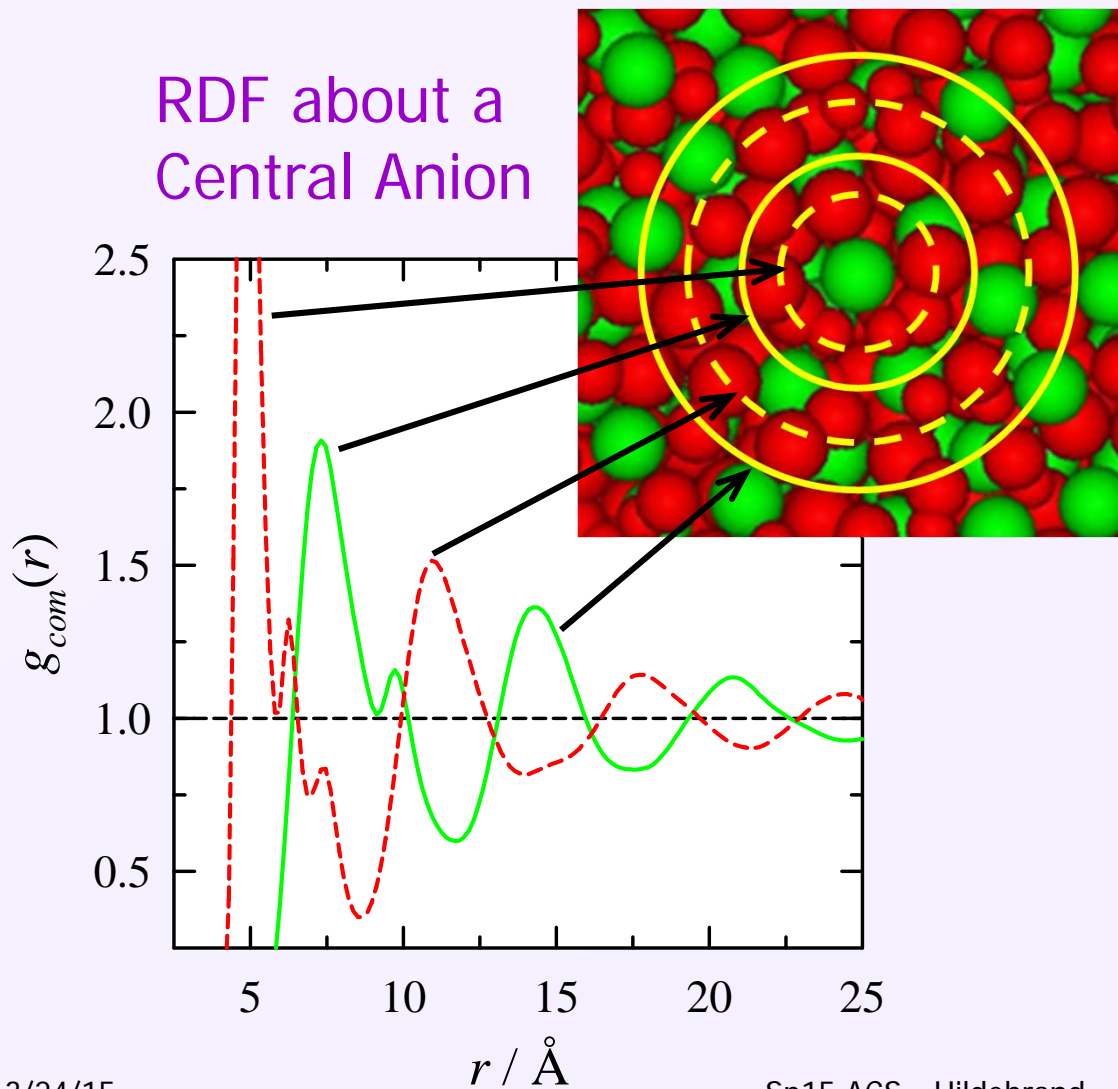


Abraham & Acree, *Green Chem.* **8**, 906 (2006).



Charge Structuring

RDF about a Central Anion



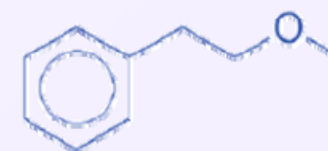
Effect of Charge

IL

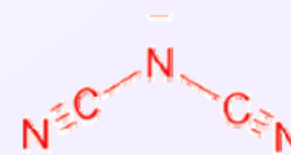
NM



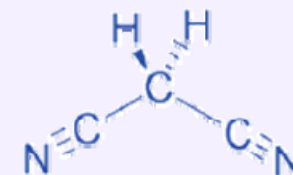
MOEPy⁺



MOEBz



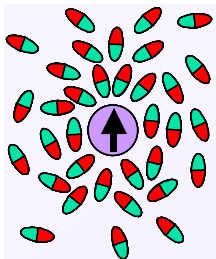
DCA⁻



DCM

| | | |
|-------------------|---|-----|
| molar volume | ↑ | 17% |
| fluidity $1/\eta$ | ↑ | 29x |

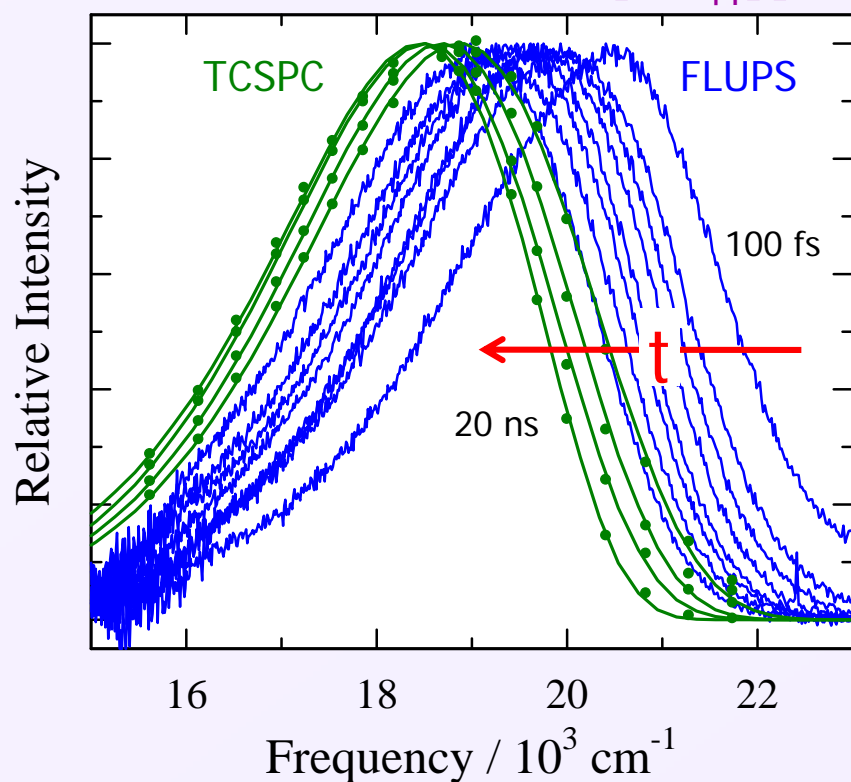
Shirota & Castner, *JPCA*
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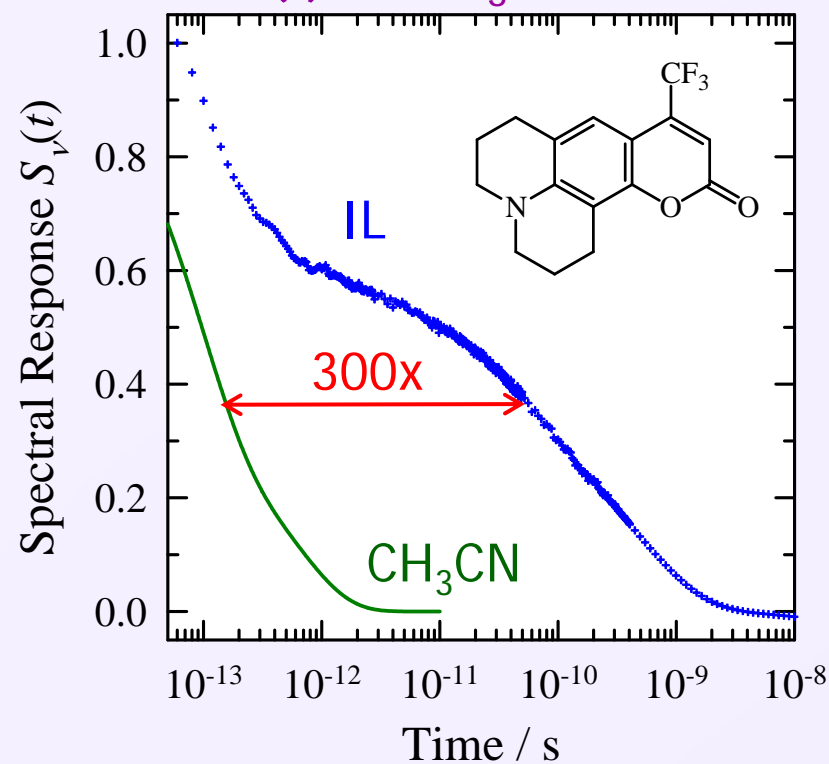
Solvation Dynamics

- experiments with Niko Ernsting capture the full response 80 fs – 40 ns

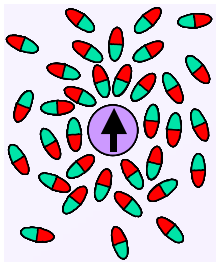
TR Emission of C153/[Im₄₁][PF₆]



S(t) in CH₃CN & IL

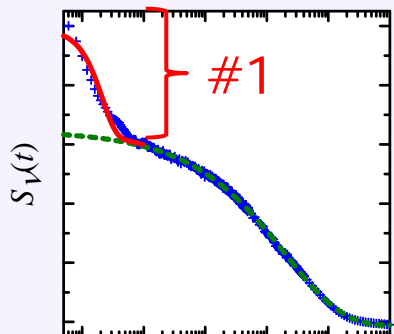


- ~100-fold slower than typical dipolar solvents
- strongly bimodal & broadly distributed in time

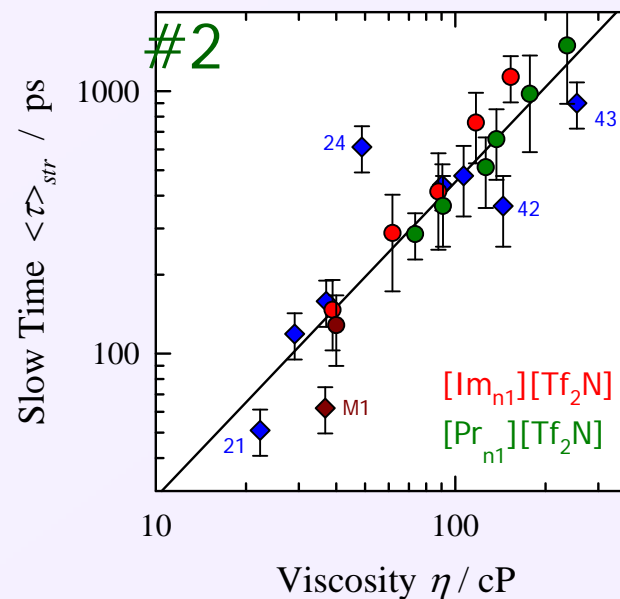
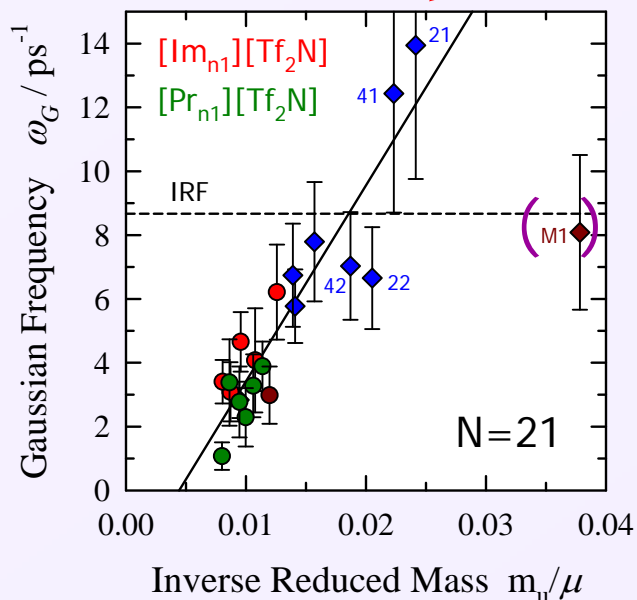


Experimental Survey of 21 ILs

$$S_v(t) = f_G \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \omega_G^2 t^2\right\} + (1 - f_G) \exp\left\{-(t/\tau)^\beta\right\}$$



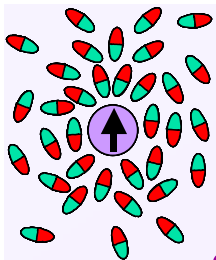
Time / s



Mechanism (from MD Simulations):

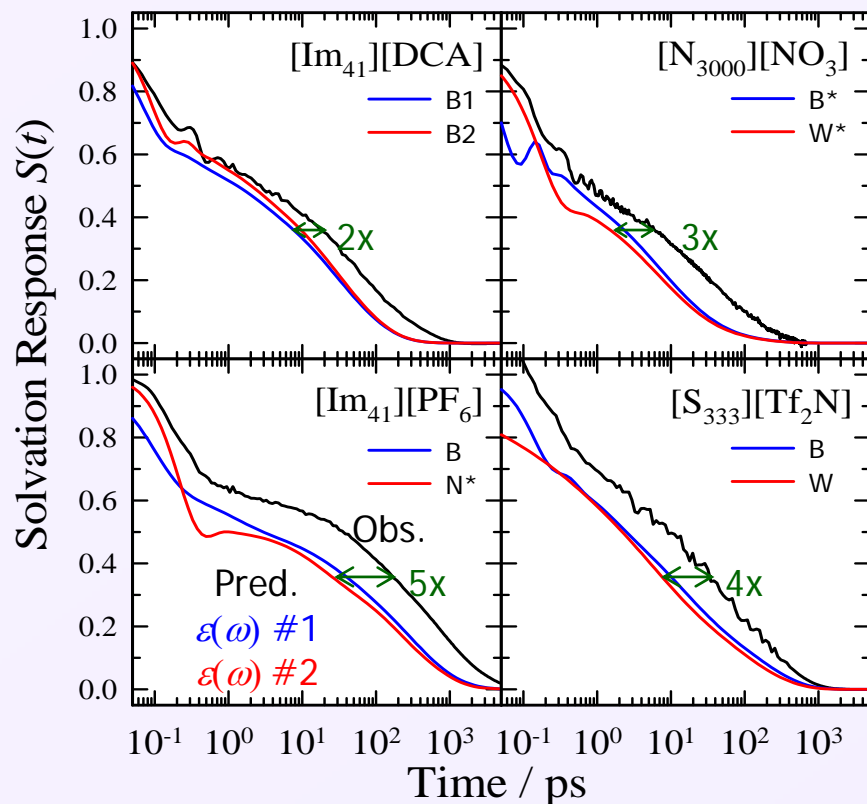
- primarily ion translation
- #1: 30-40% inertial motion of 1st shell ions
- #2: overdamped, highly coupled ion motions
⇒ subtle displacements of ions over $<1\sigma$

Zhang et al., *JPCB* **117**, 4291 (2013).



Relation to Dielectric Dynamics

Some $S(t)$ Comparisons

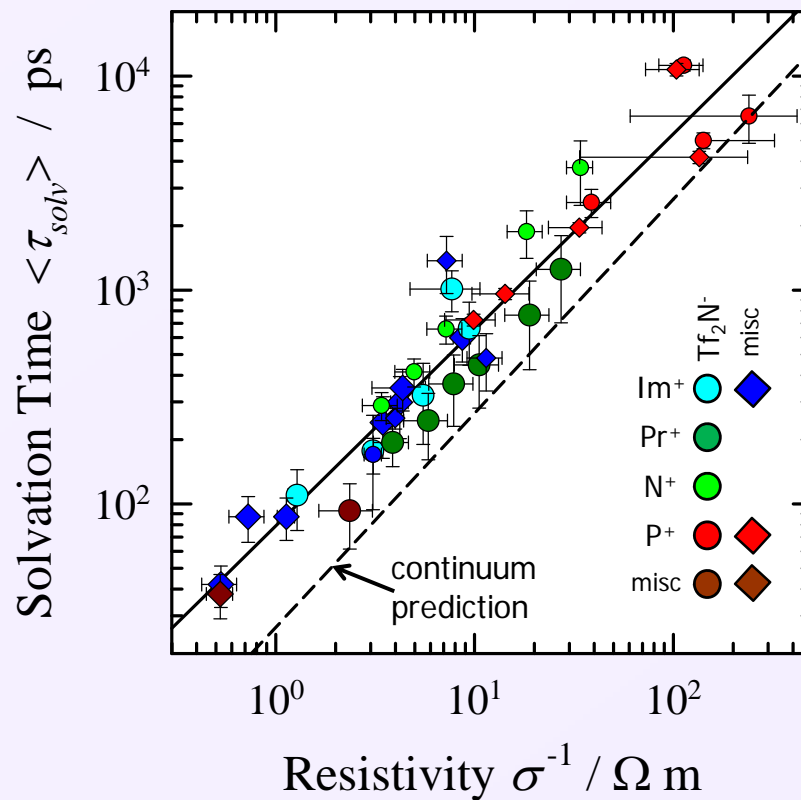


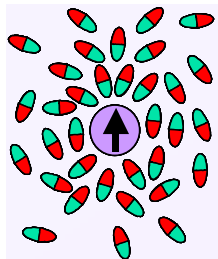
➤ dielectric continuum predictions qualitatively correct but too fast by factors of 3-4

➤ $\langle \tau_{\text{solv}} \rangle \propto 1/\sigma$

$$\langle \tau_{\text{solv}} \rangle \equiv \int_0^{\infty} S(t) dt = \frac{(\epsilon_{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_c)}{4\pi\sigma_0} \sim \text{const.}$$

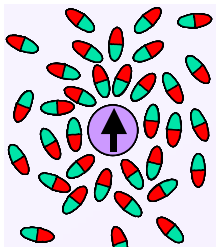
$\langle \tau_{\text{solv}} \rangle$ and Conductivity



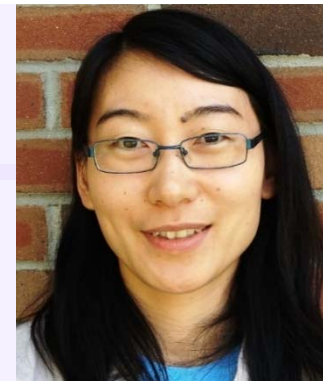
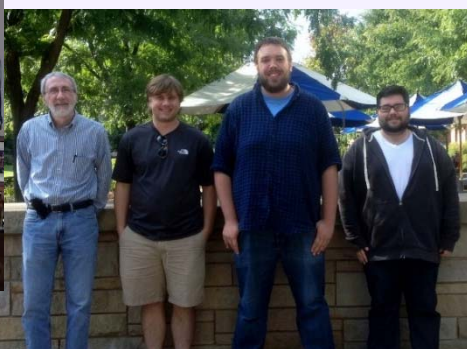


Summary

- solvation dynamics key component of solution-phase reactions
- dynamics in familiar dipolar solvents (reasonably) well understood
- dynamics in “neoteric” solvents like ionic liquids still being investigated
- dynamics in structured, mostly biological, also of current interest



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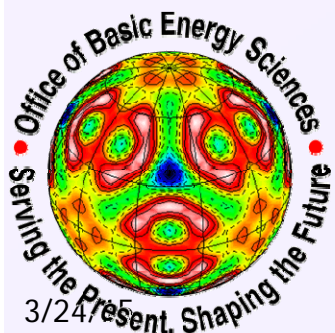
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