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Density Scaling of Glassy Dynamics and Dynamic Heterogeneities in Glass-forming Liquids.¹ YUAN-CHAO HU, Department of Mechanical and Biomedical Engineering, City Univ of Hong Kong; Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, YONG YANG, Department of Mechanical and Biomedical Engineering, City Univ of Hong Kong, WEI-HUA WANG, Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences — The discovery of density scaling in strongly correlating systems is an important progress for understanding the dynamic behaviors of supercooled liquids. Here we found for a ternary metallic glass-forming liquid, it is not strongly correlating thermodynamically, but its average dynamics, dynamic heterogeneities and static structure are still well described by density scaling with the same scaling exponent γ . As an intrinsic material constant stemming from the fundamental interatomic interactions, γ is theoretically predicted from the thermodynamic fluctuations of potential energy and the virial. Although γ is conventionally understood merely from the repulsive part of the inter-particle potentials, the strong correlation between γ and the Grneisen parameter up to the accuracy of the Dulong-Petit approximation demonstrates the important roles of anharmonicity and attractive force of the interatomic potential in governing glass transition of metallic glass-formers. The supercooled dynamics and density scaling behaviors will also be discussed in model glass-forming liquids with tunable attractive potentials to further quantify the nonperturbative roles of attractive interactions.

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