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**Low-energy dispersion of dynamic charge stripes in  $\text{La}_{1.75}\text{Sr}_{0.25}\text{NiO}_4$  observed with inelastic neutron scattering**<sup>1</sup> RUIDAN ZHONG, JOHN TRANQUADA, GENDA GU, Brookhaven Natl Lab, DMITRY REZNIK, University of Colorado, BARRY WINN, Oak Ridge Natl Lab — The dynamic stripe correlations have been the subject of intense research, owing to the possible links with high- $T_c$  superconductivity. In light of a recently published, direct observation of charge-stripe fluctuations in  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{NiO}_4$  using inelastic neutron scattering<sup>2</sup>, we did a follow-up neutron experiment on a  $x=0.25$  sample to characterize the low-energy dispersion of these dynamic charge stripes using the HYSPEC instrument at the Spallation Neutron Source. The scattering signals are collected in the vicinity of a charge-order peak with a large wave vector  $(4.4, 3, 0)$ , where dynamic spin-stripe correlations are negligible. Mapping the low-energy charge-stripe fluctuations in a wide temperature range, we observe a finite dispersion along the stripe-modulation direction at  $T \geq 160\text{K}$  where the charge stripes become disordered, while the steep dispersion in the orthogonal direction is not resolved.

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<sup>2</sup>S. Anissimova, *et al.*, Nat. Commun. 5, 3467 (2014)

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