

It's cute (可爱).....

But does
it DO
anything??



Powder diffraction - applications

Qualitative analysis - what IS this stuff?!!

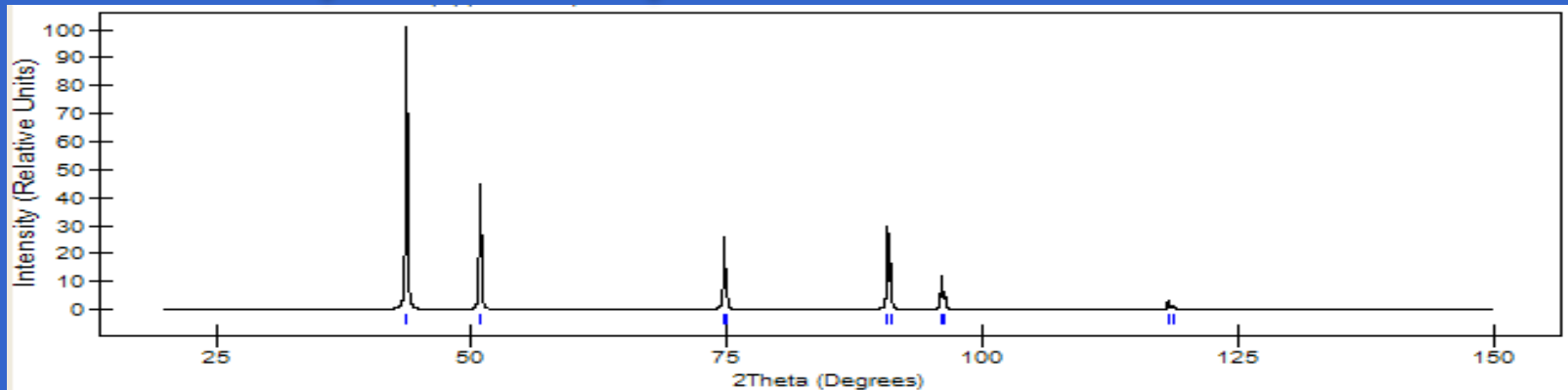
Every material has a unique x-ray powder pattern
Every PHASE has a unique powder pattern

This image, taken under a microscope, shows that a 'duplex stainless steel' has two phases

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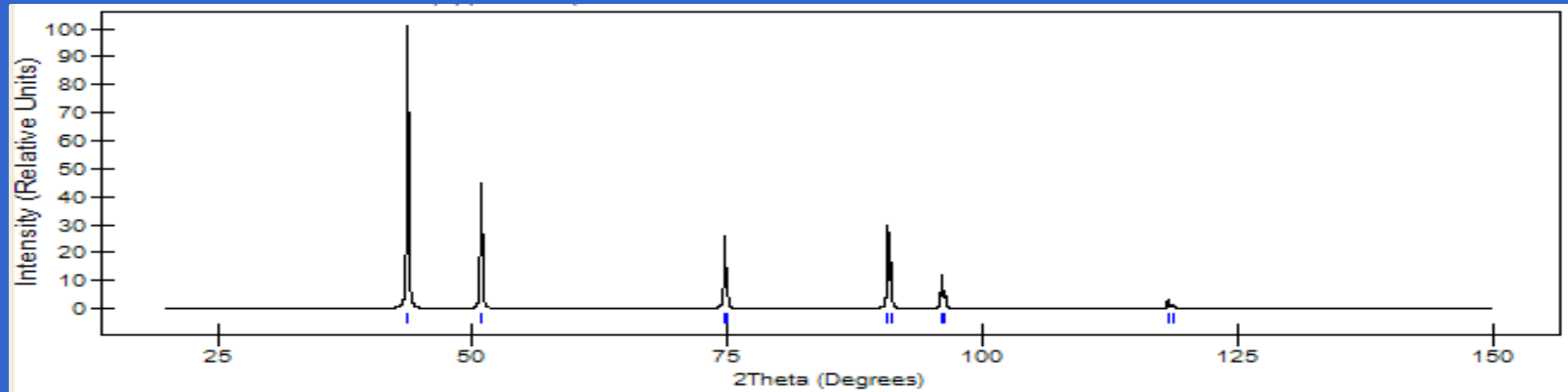


This is the X-ray diffraction pattern



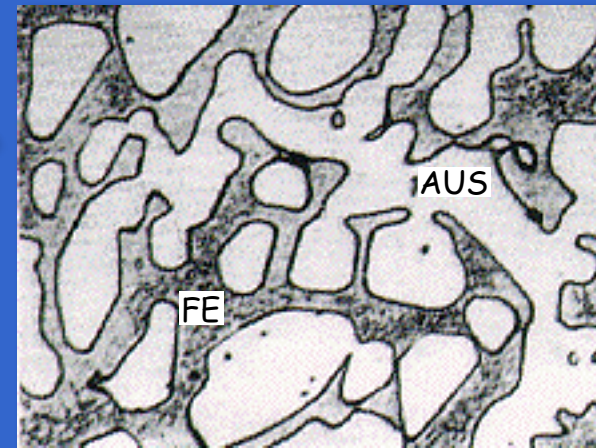
Powder diffraction - applications

Qualitative analysis - what IS this stuff?!!



The X-ray diffraction pattern tells us this

How?



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1977 JCPDS became the International Centre for
Diffraction Data (ICDD) - currently publishing various
databases, including the new PDF-4, with diffraction
and structure data for >300,000 phases

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d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu Kα1 1.54056Å

Å

Stick Pattern

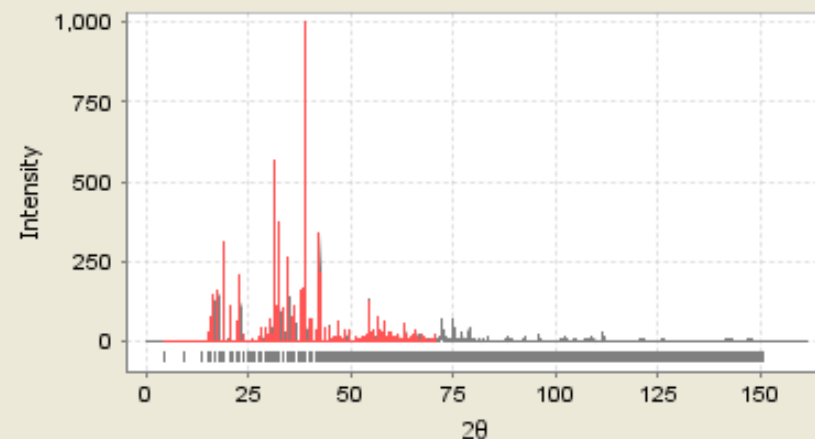
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Diffraction Pattern

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☐ PD3 Pattern

Fixed Slit Intensity

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9.1093	9.700000	1	4	0	0	
13.6821	6.466670	1	6	0	0	
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PDF Experimental Physical Crystal Optical Structure Miscellaneous References Comments

PDF #: 04-007-1562

Status: Primary

QM: Star (S)

Pressure/Temperature: Ambient

Chemical Formula: Ca Cu

Structural Formula:

Empirical Formula: Ca Cu

Weight %: Ca38.68 Cu61.32

Atomic %: Ca50.00 Cu50.00

ANX: NO

Compound Name: Calcium Copper

Mineral Name:

Common Name: α-Ca Cu

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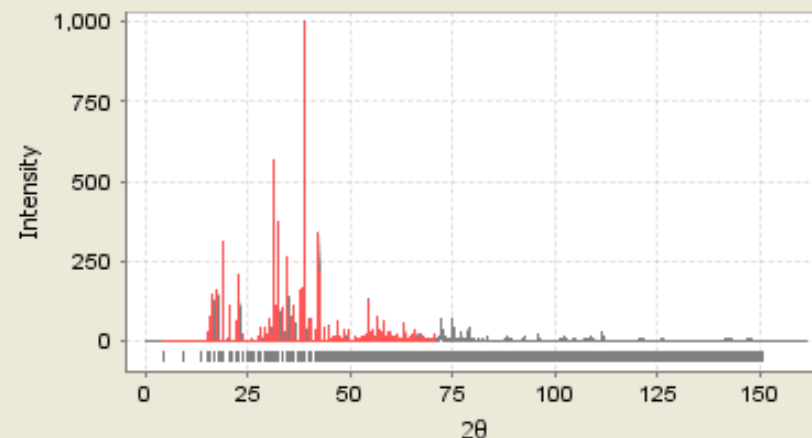
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Author's Reported Data (See Reference tab for source)

Radiation: CuKα1

λ: 1.5406 Å

Filter:

d-Spacing: Calculated

Cutoff:

Intensity: Calculated

I/Ic: 2.71

Camera Diameter:



d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu K α 1 1.54056Å

Å

Stick Pattern

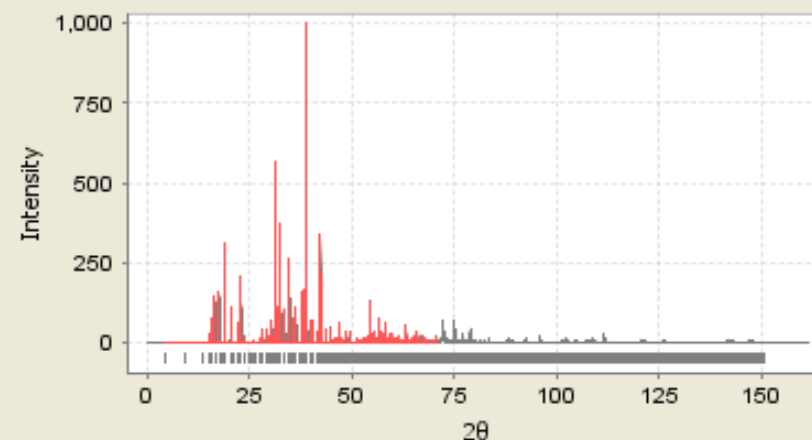
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SYS: Orthorhombic

Space Group: Pnma (62)

Aspect:

Author's Cell (See Reference tab for source)

a: 38.80(1) Å

b: 4.2710(20) Å

c: 5.8940(90) Å

 α : ° β : ° γ : °Volume: 976.72 Å³

Z: 20.00

MolVol: 48.84



Convert Cell

Author's Cell Axial Ratio

c/a: 0.152

a/b: 9.085

c/b: 1.380

Dcalc: 3.524 g/cm³Dmeas: g/cm³Dstruc: 3.52 g/cm³

SS/FOM: F(30) = 148.2(0.0051, 40)

Melting Point:

R-factor: 0.061

Error:

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Wavelength

Cu K α 1 1.54056Å

Å

Stick Pattern

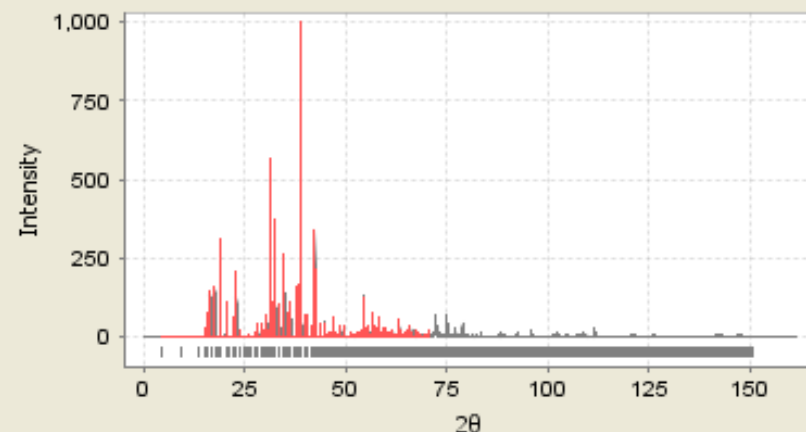
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Diffraction Pattern

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PDF Experimental Physical **Crystal** Optical Structure Miscellaneous References Comments

ICDD Calculated Parameters

Space Group: Pbnm (62)

Molecular Weight: 103.63

Crystal Data

a: 5.894 Å b: 38.800 Å c: 4.271 Å
 α : 90.00 ° β : 90.00 ° γ : 90.00 °
 Volume: 976.72 Å³ Z: 20.00

Crystal Data Axial Ratio

c/a: 0.725 a/b: 0.152 c/b: 0.110

Reduced Cell

a: 4.271 Å b: 5.894 Å c: 38.800 Å
 α : 90.00 ° β : 90.00 ° γ : 90.00 °
 Volume: 976.72 Å³



d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu K α 1 1.54056Å Å

Stick Pattern

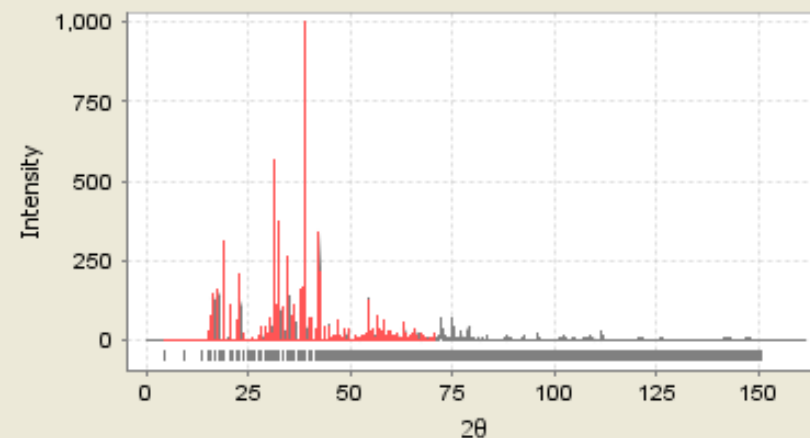
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Diffraction Pattern

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Fixed Slit Intensity

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 $\epsilon\alpha$: $n\omega\beta$: $\epsilon\gamma$: Sign: 2V:



d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu Kα1 1.54056Å

Å

Stick Pattern

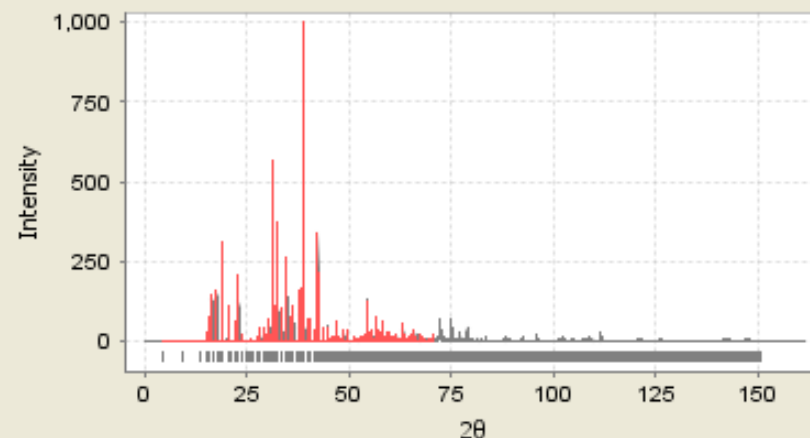
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Fixed Slit Intensity

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SG Symmetry Operators (8)

Seq	Operator
1	x,y,z
2	-x,-y,-z
3	x+1/2,-y+1/2,-z+1/2
4	-x+1/2,y+1/2,z+1/2
5	-x,y+1/2,-z
6	x,-y+1/2,z
7	-x+1/2,-y,z+1/2
8	x+1/2,y,-z+1/2

TDP Type: U Origin: Crystal (Symmetry Allowed): Centrosymmetric

Atomic Coordinates (10)

Atom	Num	Wyckoff	Symmetry	x	y	z	SOF	IDP	AET
Ca	1	4c	.m.	0.4638	0.25	0.6321	1.0	0.02	17-d
Ca	2	4c	.m.	0.3652	0.25	0.8735	1.0	0.02	17-d
Ca	3	4c	.m.	0.2639	0.25	0.1259	1.0	0.02	17-d
Ca	4	4c	.m.	0.1644	0.25	0.8726	1.0	0.02	17-d

Anisotropic Thermal Displacement Parameters (0)

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d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu K α 1 1.54056Å

Å

Stick Pattern

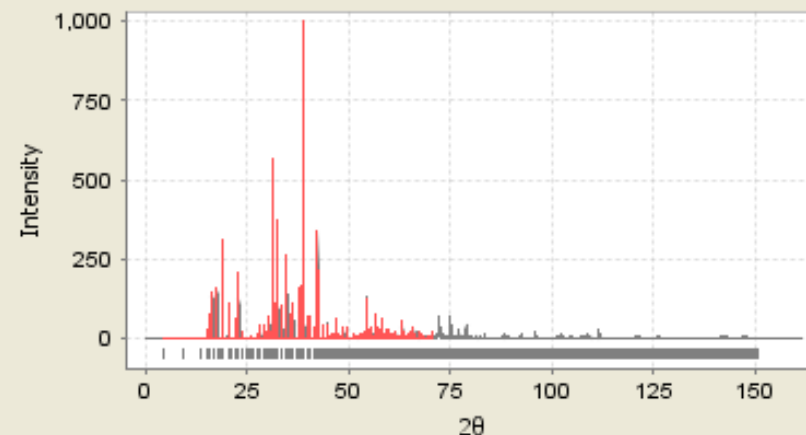
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CAS:

Former PDF's #: 01-072-5678, 03-065-2256, 03-065-7630

Pearson: oP40.00

Cross-Ref PDF #'s (1)

00-041-1273 (Primary)

Pearson w/o H:

Prototype Structure:

Prototype Structure (Alpha Order):

LPF Prototype Structure: Ca Cu₂oP40,62

LPF Prototype Structure (Alpha Order): Ca Cu

Mineral Classification:

Zeolite Classification:

Subfile(s): LPF Pattern, Metals & Alloys, Primary Pattern, Inorganic

Entry Date: 01/05/2005

Last Modification Date: 01/25/2010



d-Spacings

Wavelength

Cu K α 1 1.54056Å

Stick Pattern

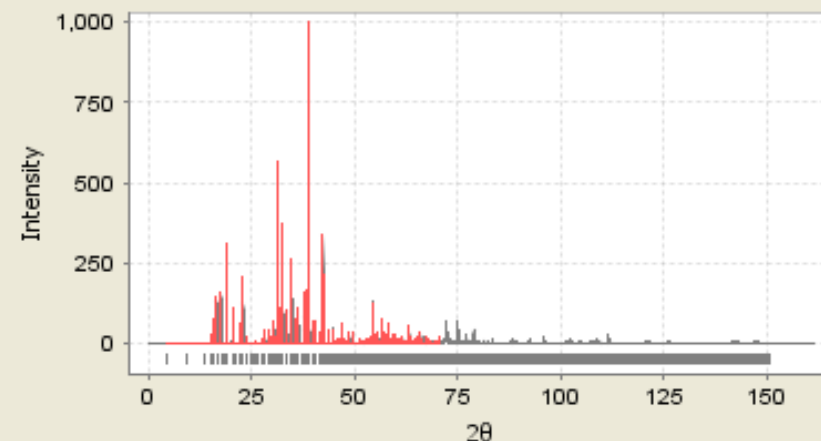
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Diffraction Pattern

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PDF Experimental Physical Crystal Optical Structure Miscellaneous References Comments

Experimental Data Reference

"The Structures of α -CaCu, β -CaCu, SrAg and BaAg: Four Different Stacking Variants Based on Noble-Metal-Centred Trigonal Prisms". Merlo F., Fornasini M.L. *Acta Crystallogr., Sec. B: Struct. Crystallogr. Cryst. Chem.* **37**, 500 (1981). Calculated from LPF using POWD-12++.

Additional Powder Data Reference(s)

Physical Data Reference(s)

Ibid.

Optical Data Reference(s)

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Stick Pattern

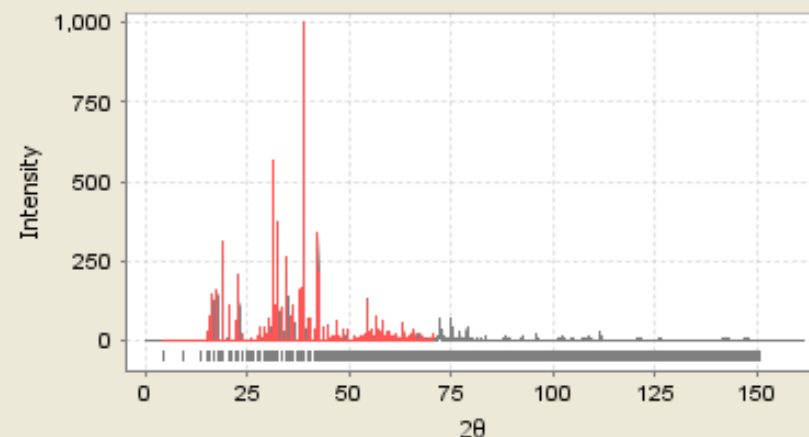
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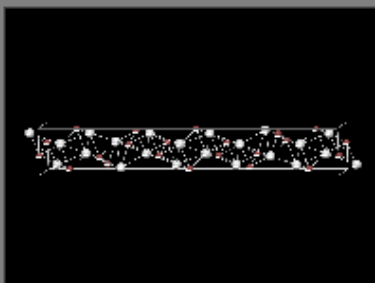
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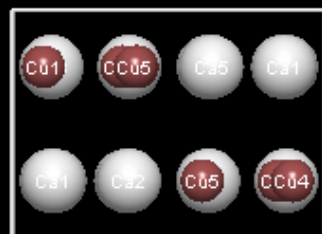


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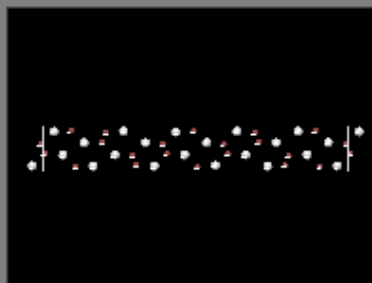
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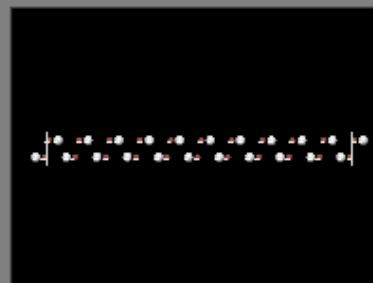
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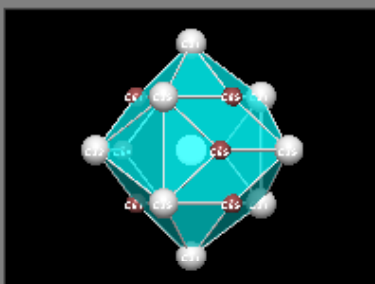
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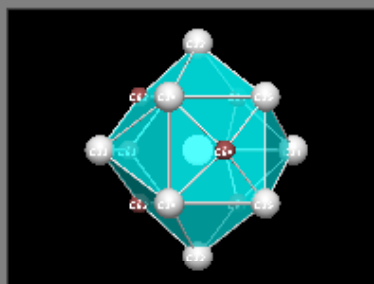
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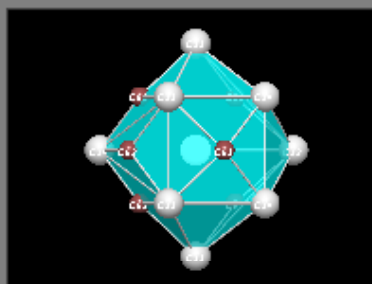
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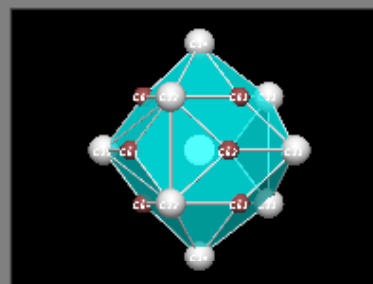
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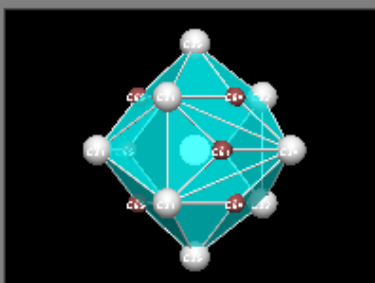
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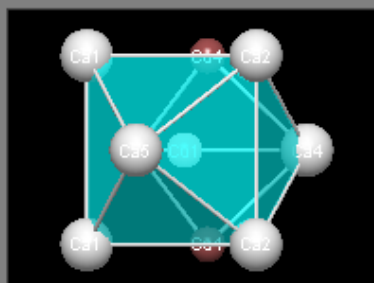
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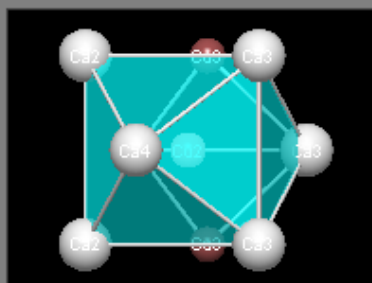
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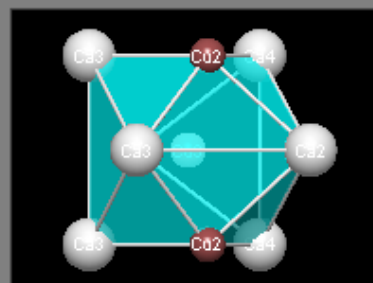
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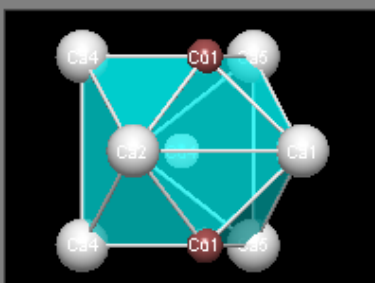
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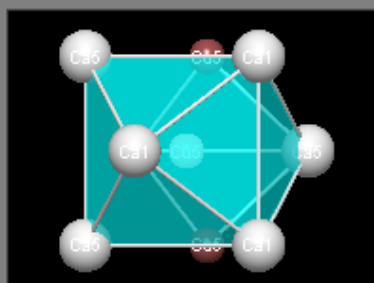
Atomic environment of Cu2



Atomic environment of Cu3



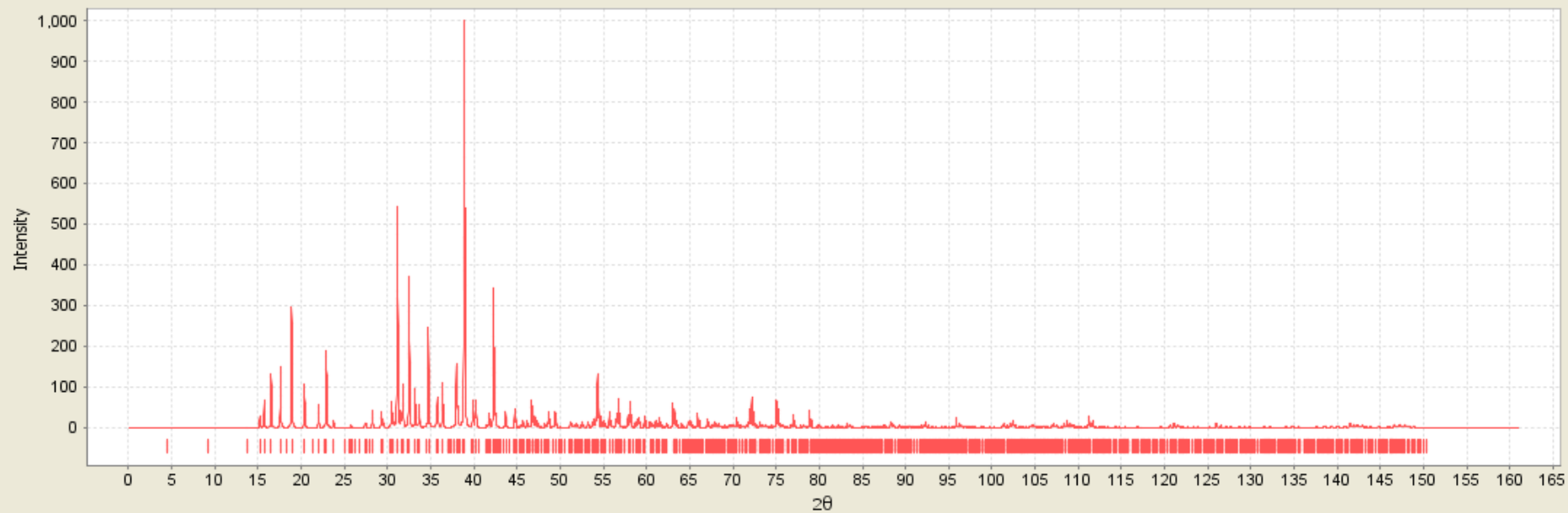
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Atomic environment of Cu5

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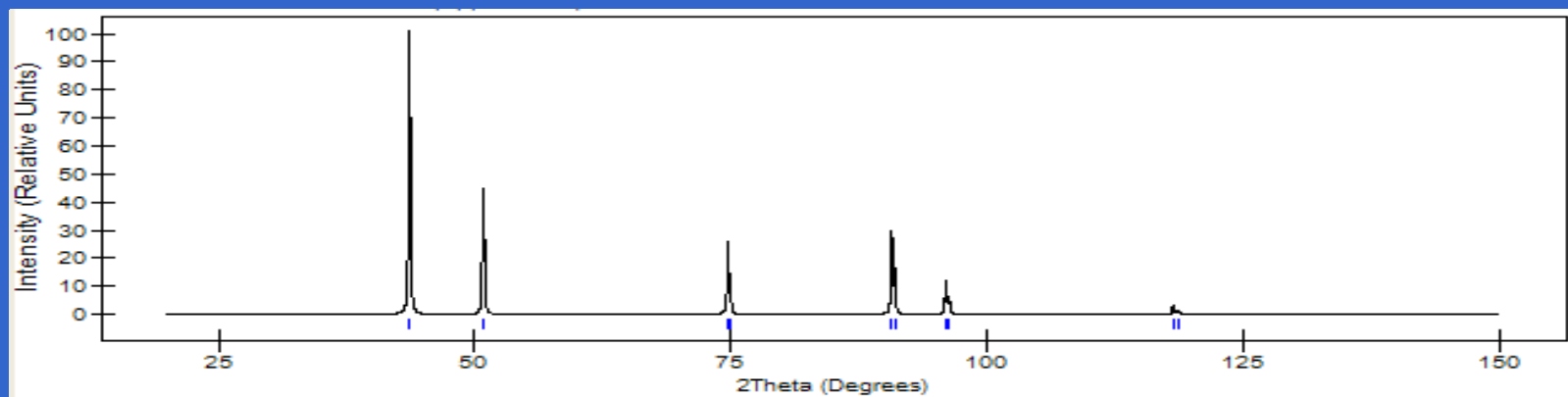
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Powder diffraction - applications

Qualitative analysis - what IS this stuff?!!



Make d, I list:

2.080	100	1
2.025	100	2
1.798	45	4
1.433	20	
1.272	26	7
1.170	50	3

Do search/match

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1.040	12	
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Powder diffraction - applications

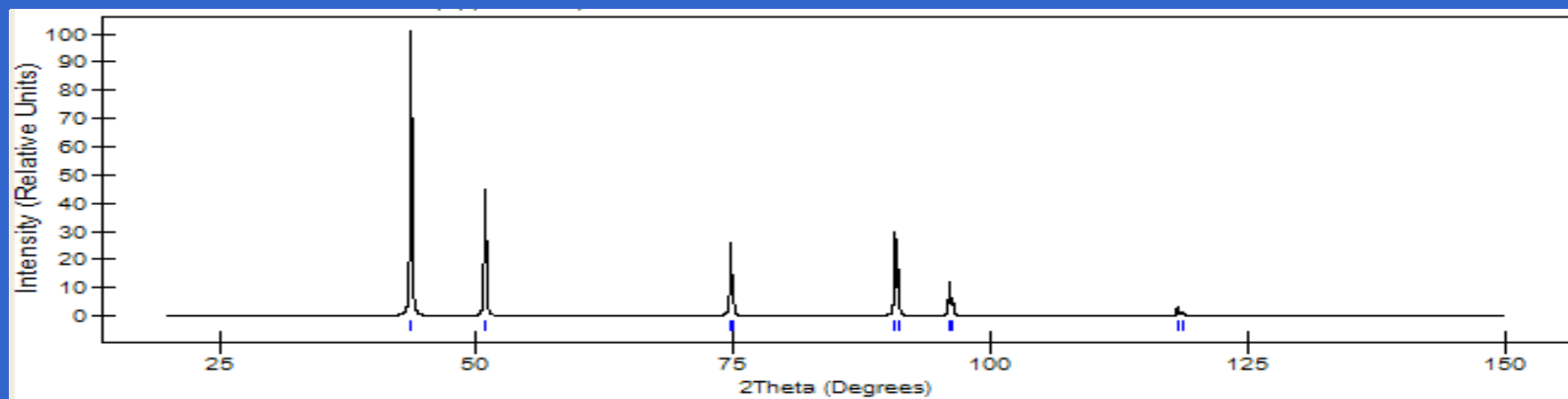
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3.33 _x	6.72 _y	3.19 _x	8.09 _y	3.28 _y	5.18 _x	3.10 _x	4.30 _x	C ₁₀ H ₁₀ N ₂ O ₆	29–1716
3.31 _x	6.40 _x	6.10 _x	3.85 _y	2.77 _y	6.70 _x	3.48 _x	2.64 _x	C ₁₂ H ₆ Cl ₆	17–1054
3.38 _y	6.13 _x	8.66 _y	3.20 _y	3.29 _y	9.70 _y	4.57 _y	3.46 _y	C ₁₁ H ₁₁ N ₃ -HCl	28–1749
3.34 _x	5.93 _y	5.19 _y	3.77 _y	3.65 _y	3.51 _y	2.94 _y	1.67 _y	C ₈ H ₆ N ₂ O ₂	26–1863
3.37 _x	5.85 _x	3.86 _x	3.72 _y	3.52 _y	3.03 _y	2.70 _y	7.72 _x	C ₈ H ₆ N ₂ O ₂ -HCl	5– 459
3.31 _x	5.73 _x	3.43 _y	3.59 _x	3.19 _y	4.36 _x	4.19 _y	3.27 _y	C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂	30–1845
3.30 _x	5.44 _y	5.63 _y	3.24 _x	4.97 _y	6.58 _y	4.58 _y	3.15 _y	(NH ₄) ₂ P ₂ O ₇	20– 102
3.38 _x	5.30 _x	3.49 _x	5.90 _y	3.67 _y	3.26 _y	3.18 _y	2.99 _y	KH ₂ P ₂ O ₇	15– 509
3.35 _x	5.21 _x	4.86 _x	4.33 _x	4.04 _x	3.90 _x	3.55 _x	2.73 _x	β-C ₆ H ₁₁ NO ₂	22–1874
3.40 _x	5.01 _y	3.09 _y	4.10 _x	3.00 _x	4.03 _y	6.74 _y	3.45 _y	C ₇ H ₆ N ₆	24–1654
3.30 _x	4.76 _x	4.18 _x	5.73 _y	2.92 _y	3.98 _y	2.38 _y	3.35 _y	C ₆ H ₆ O ₄	37–1919
3.31 _x	4.71 _x	3.50 _y	5.56 _y	3.84 _y	3.03 _y	7.02 _y	2.30 _y	C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -HCl	29–1827
3.39 _x	4.48 _x	3.43 _y	3.01 _y	4.09 _x	2.98 _x	2.78 _x	3.18 _y	NaHSO ₄	25– 833
3.34 _y	4.42 _x	10.1 _y	1.48 _y	2.56 _x	1.68 _x	1.28 _y	1.23 _y	Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄ ·2H ₂ O/Holloy-site-10A	9– 451
3.40 _y	4.38 _x	2.88 _y	5.76 _x	2.61 _x	4.09 _x	2.76 _x	1.76 _y	V ₂ O ₅ /Shcherbinoite, syn	9– 387
3.33 _x	4.30 _y	2.82 _y	6.08 _y	4.72 _y	1.71 _y	3.52 _y	2.15 _y	(NH ₄) ₂ Co ₂ (SO ₄) ₃	22–1037
3.37 _x	4.28 _y	1.84 _y	1.55 _y	2.47 _y	2.31 _y	1.39 _y	2.14 _y	AlPO ₄ /Berlinite, syn	10– 423
3.34 _x	4.26 _y	1.82 _y	1.54 _y	2.46 _y	2.28 _y	1.37 _y	1.38 _y	SiO ₂ /Quartz, low, syn	33–1161
3.36 _x	4.23 _x	3.57 _y	5.27 _x	3.72 _x	4.04 _x	3.97 _y	7.19 _y	C ₆ H ₆ N ₂ O ₂ S	30–1944

Powder diffraction - applications

Qualitative analysis - what IS this stuff?!!



Make d, I list:

2.080	100	1
2.025	100	2
1.798	45	4
1.433	20	
1.272	26	7
1.170	50	3

1.081	30	6
1.040	12	
1.018	20	8
0.907	35	5
0.898	3	
0.830	14	

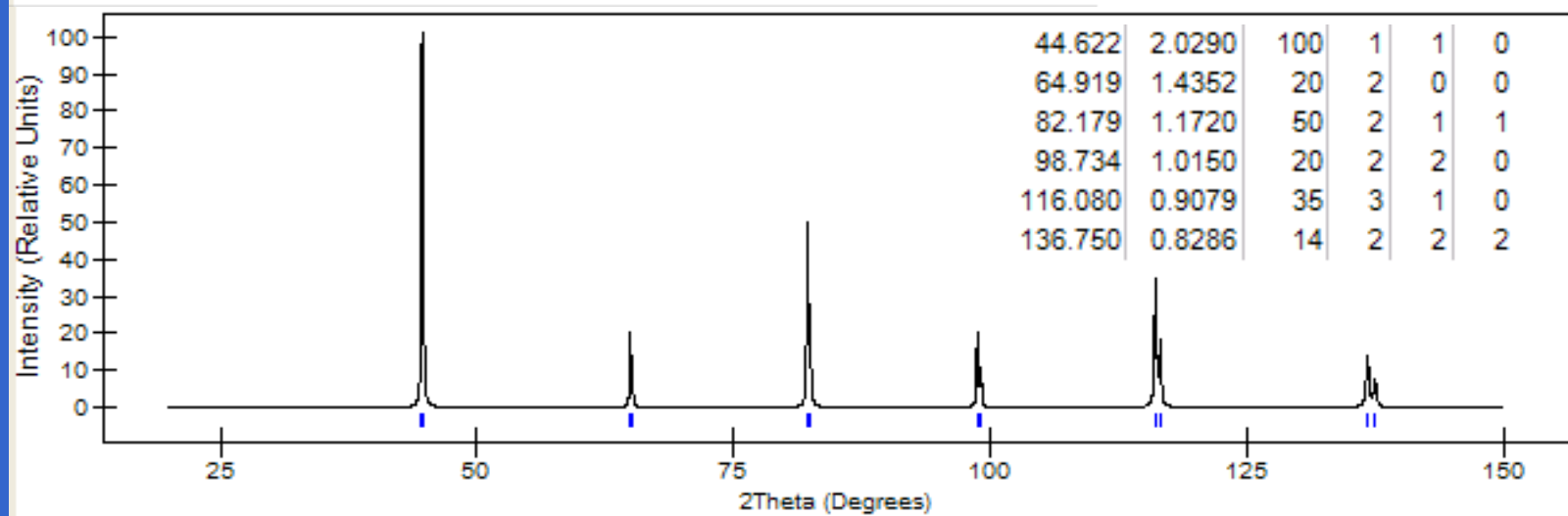
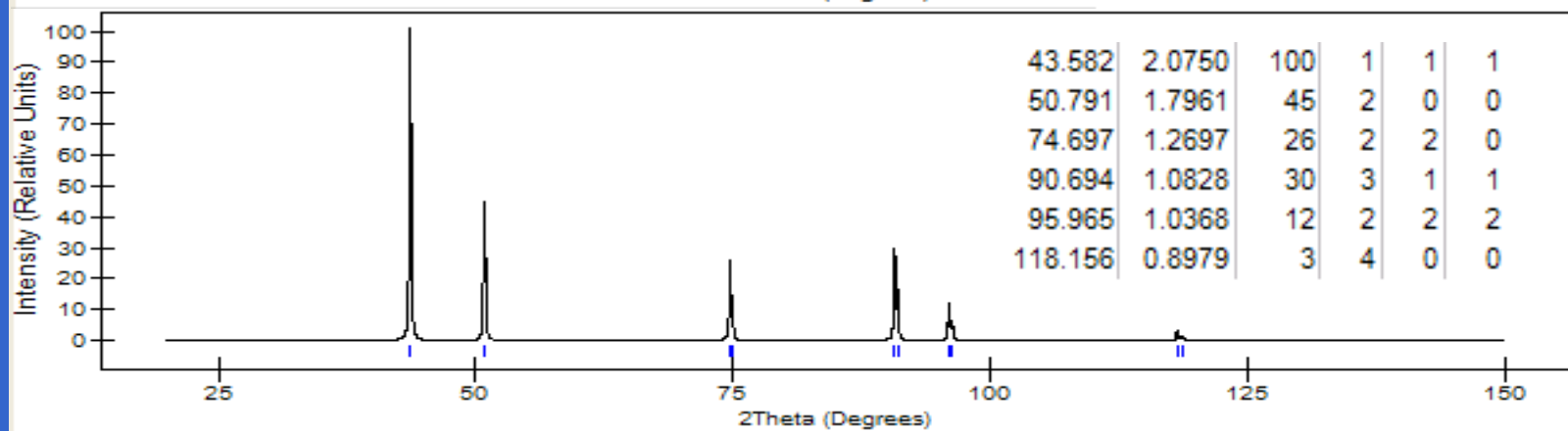
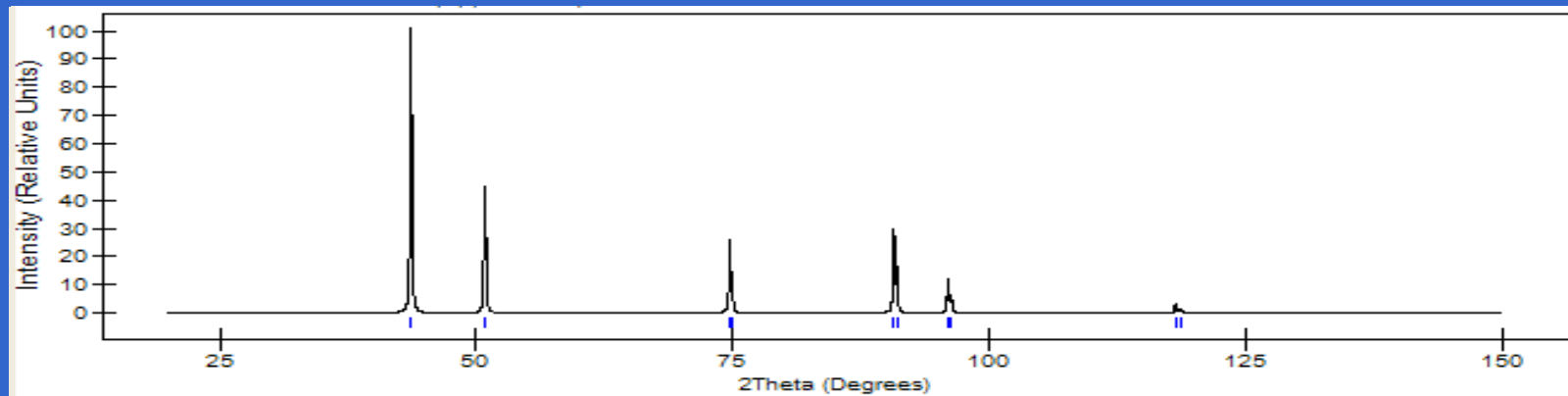
Do search/match

1 4 5 - no match

1 4 6 - MATCH!

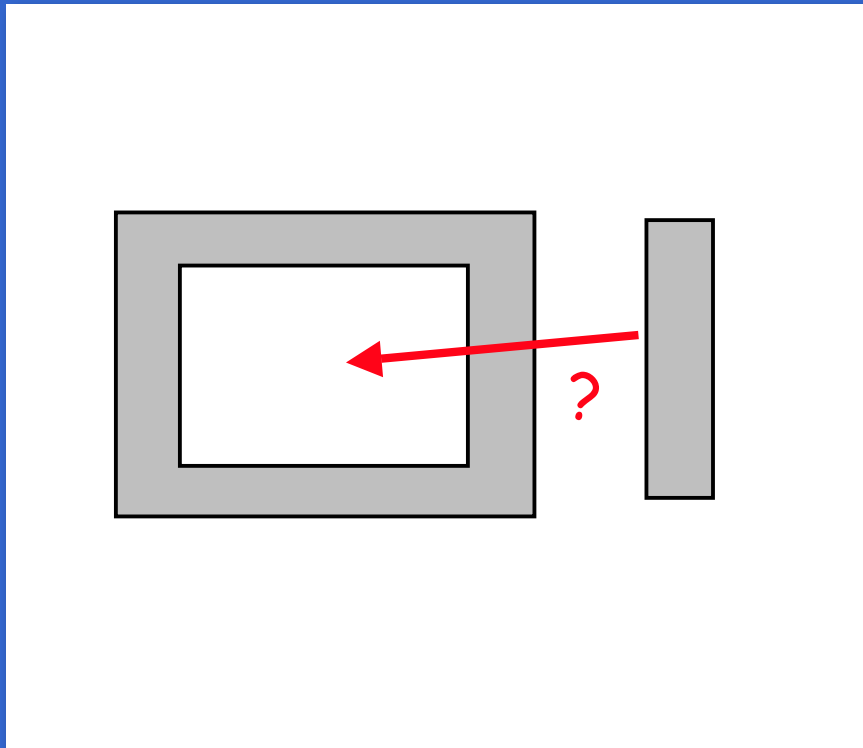
1 3 x - no match

2.0750	100	2.0290	100
1.7961	45	1.4352	20
1.2697	26	1.1720	50
1.0828	30	1.0150	20
1.0368	12	0.9079	35
0.8979	3	0.8286	14



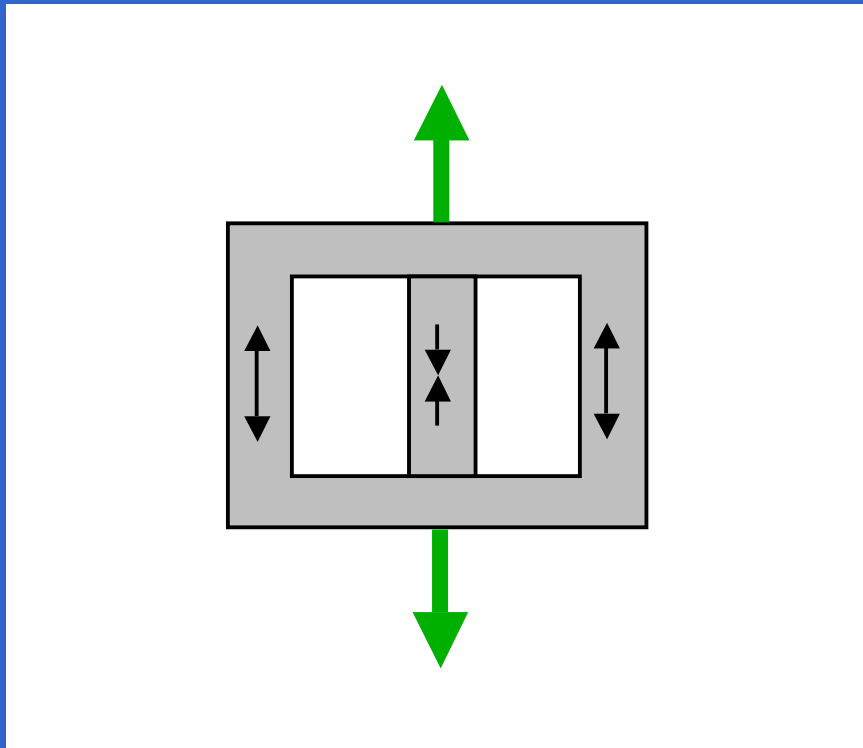
Powder diffraction - applications

1. Qualitative analysis
2. Quantitative analysis
3. Crystal structure determination
4. Crystallite size
5. Microstrain
6. Residual macrostresses 残余宏观应力



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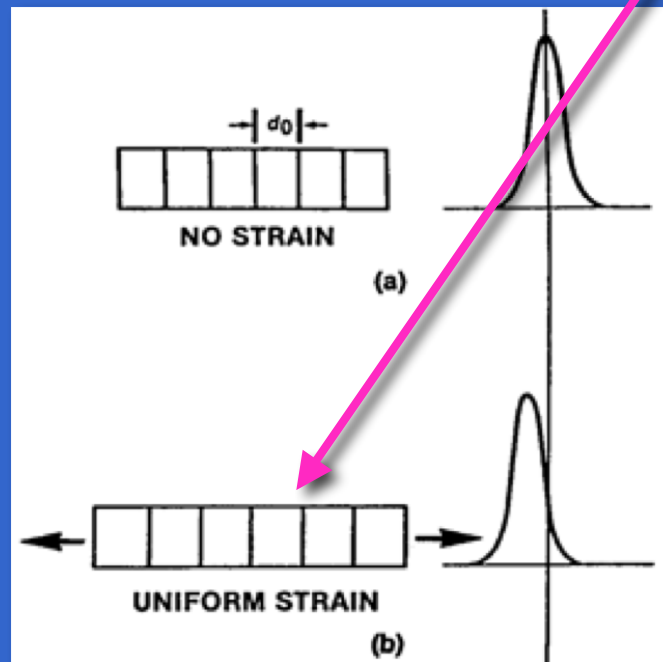


stress = modulus \times strain
 $\sigma = E \epsilon$
(Hooke's law)

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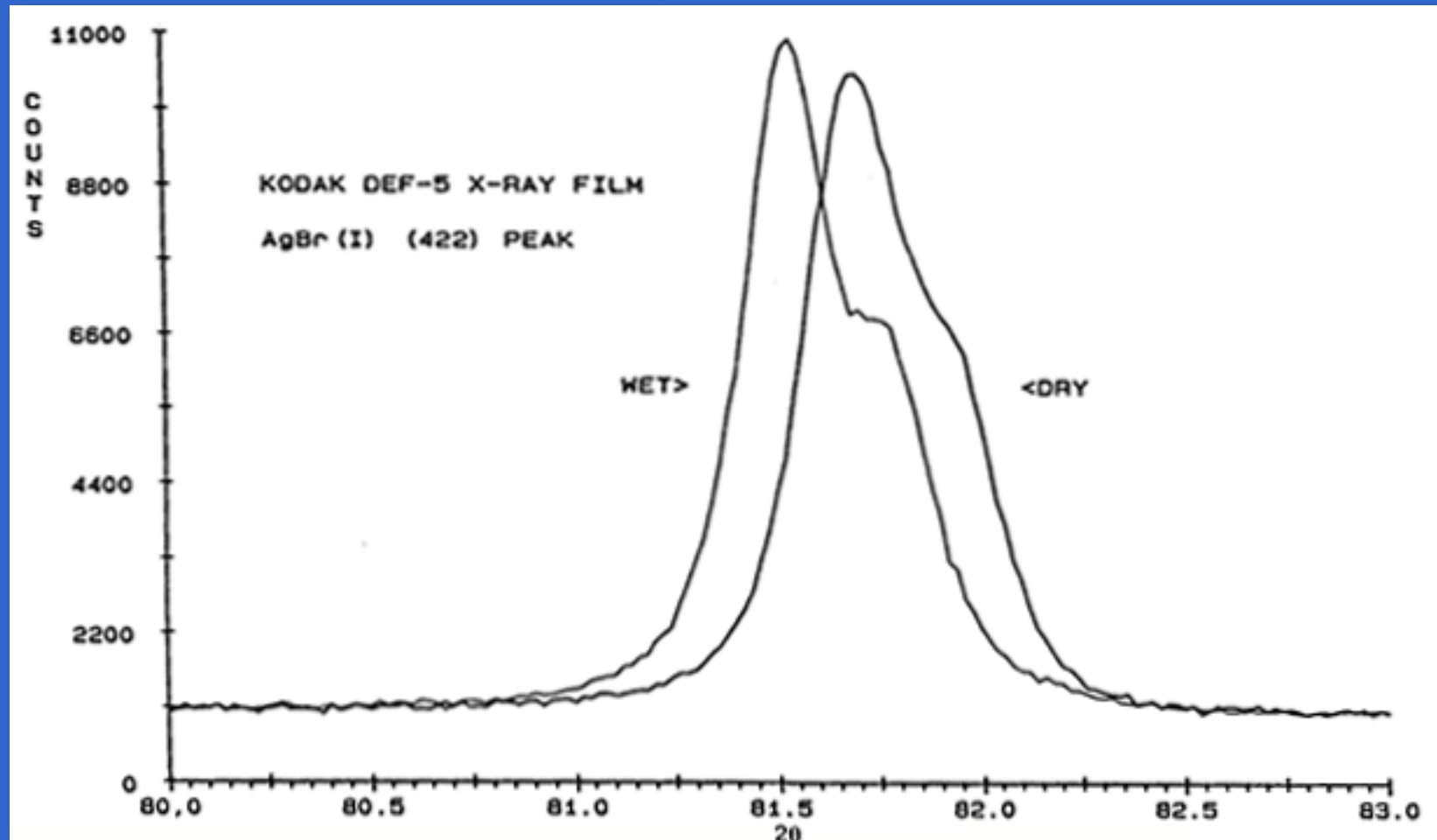
Residual stress

Reflections shift position (d-values change under stress)



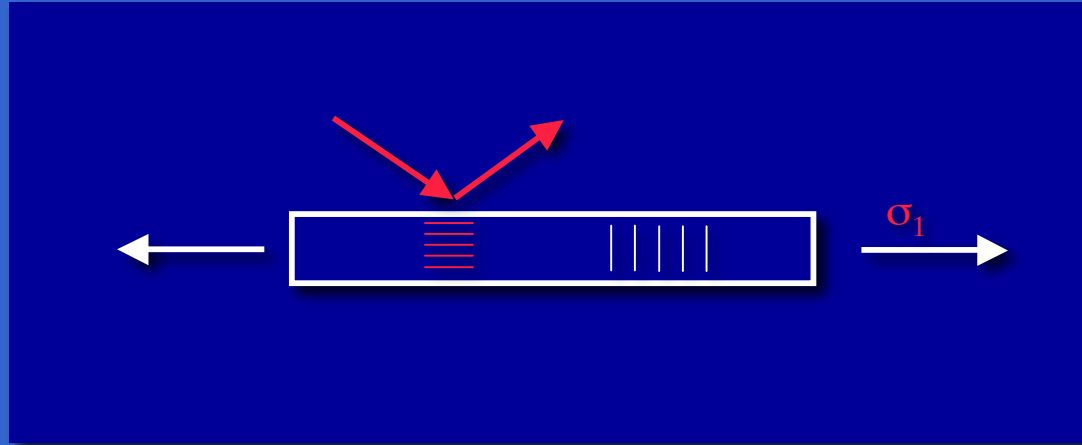
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Residual stresses



Residual stress

Suppose isotropic 各向同性的 solid loaded in uniaxial 单轴的 tension



Can measure change in interplanar spacing for planes reflecting as above

$$\Delta d = (d - d_0) / d_0 - \text{this is the strain } \varepsilon_3$$

$$\varepsilon_3 = (1/E) (\sigma_3 - \nu(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)) - \nu \text{ is Poisson's ratio}$$

$$\varepsilon_3 = - (1/E) \nu \sigma_1 - \text{so, can get stress}$$

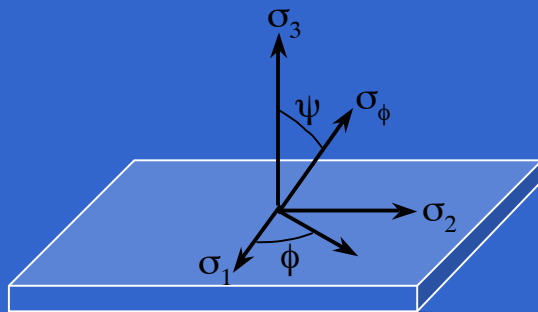
Residual stress

Biaxial & triaxial stress states more complicated

二轴 三轴

Stress state resolved differently along different directions in sample, so peak shifts change w/ direction

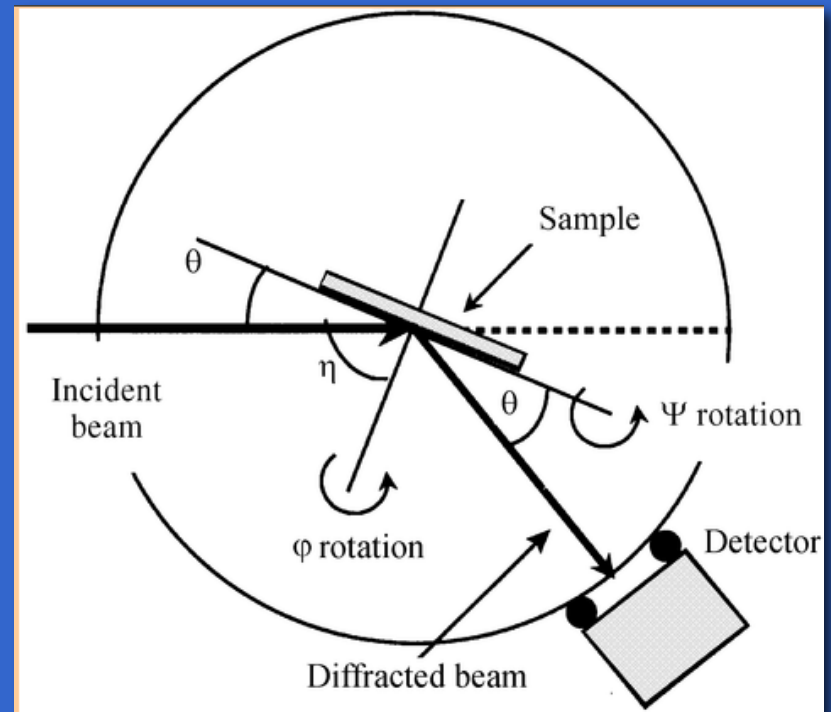
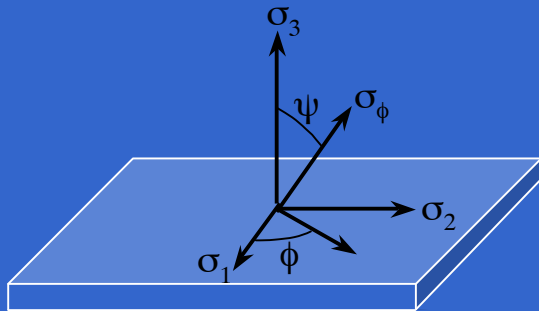
$$\varepsilon_{\phi\psi} = \sigma_{\phi} (1 + \nu)/E \sin^2 \psi - (\nu/E)(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$



Residual stress

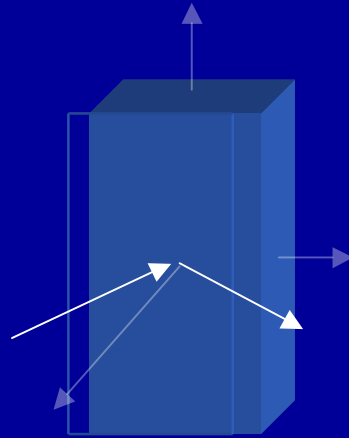
Measurement procedure - classical technique - $\sin^2 \psi$

Diffractometer must have two more rotations - ϕ and ψ

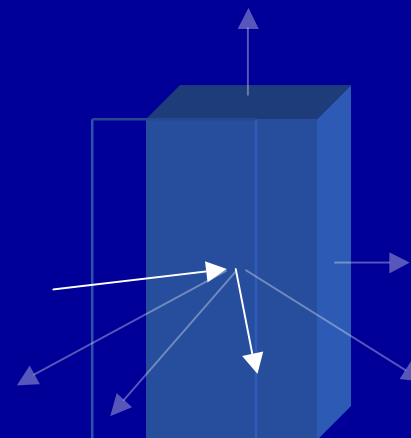


Residual stress

Measurement procedure - classical technique - $\sin^2 \psi$



$$\phi = 0 \quad \psi = 0$$

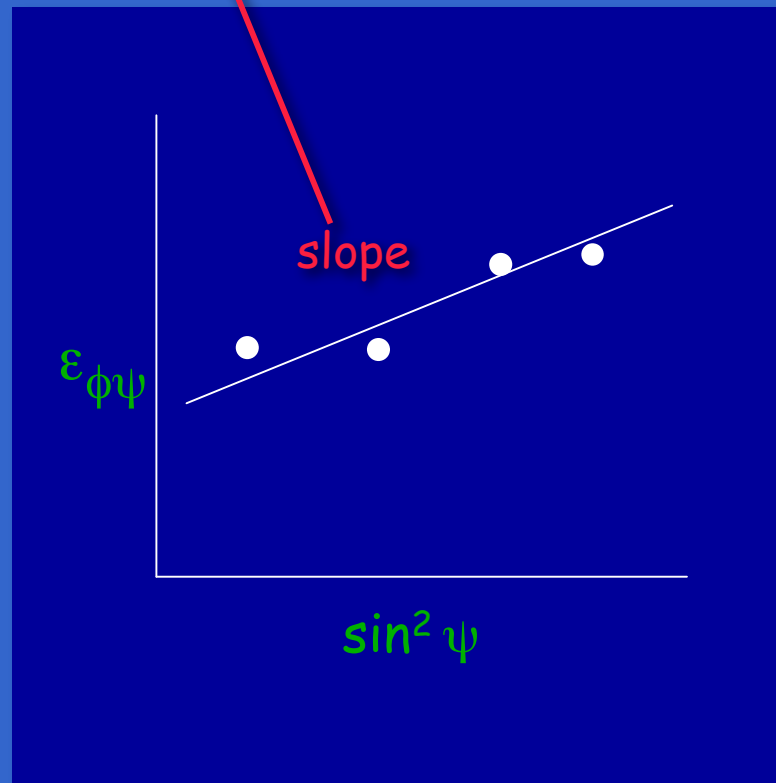


$$\phi = 0 \quad \psi = 45$$

Residual stress

Measurement procedure - classical technique - $\sin^2 \psi$

$$\varepsilon_{\phi\psi} = \sigma_{\phi} (1 + \nu)/E \sin^2 \psi - (\nu/E)(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$



Need E, ν -
measure or
calculate

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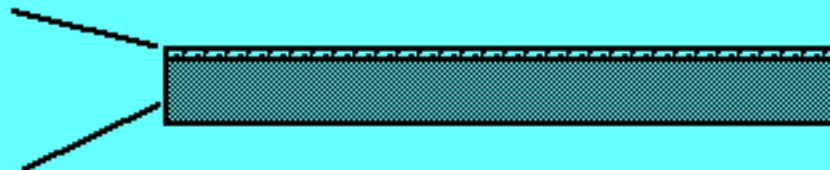
Thin films

Epitaxy in polycrystalline thin films

外延

thin film

substrate



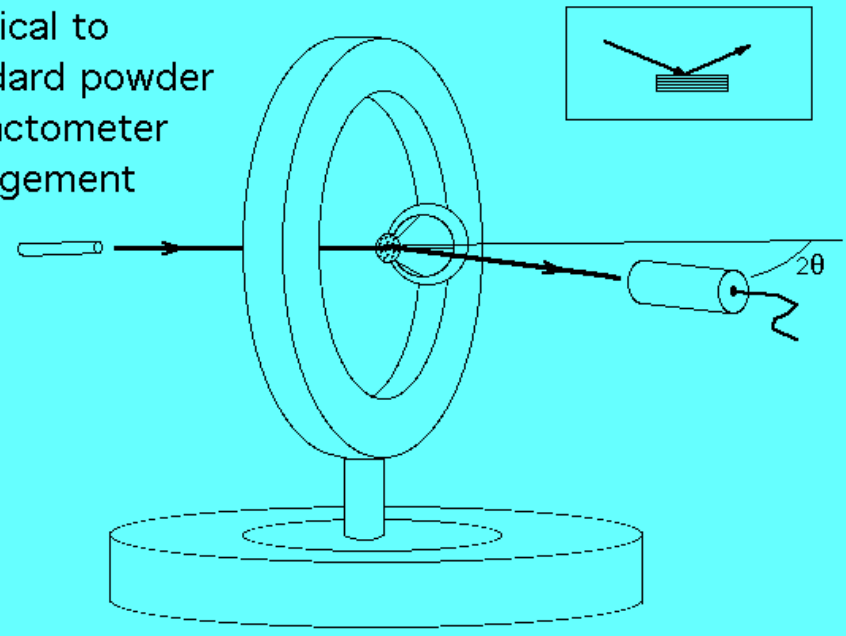
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Thin films

First, suppose we have a thin
single crystal plate

Mount in 4-circle diffractometer

Identical to
standard powder
diffractometer
arrangement

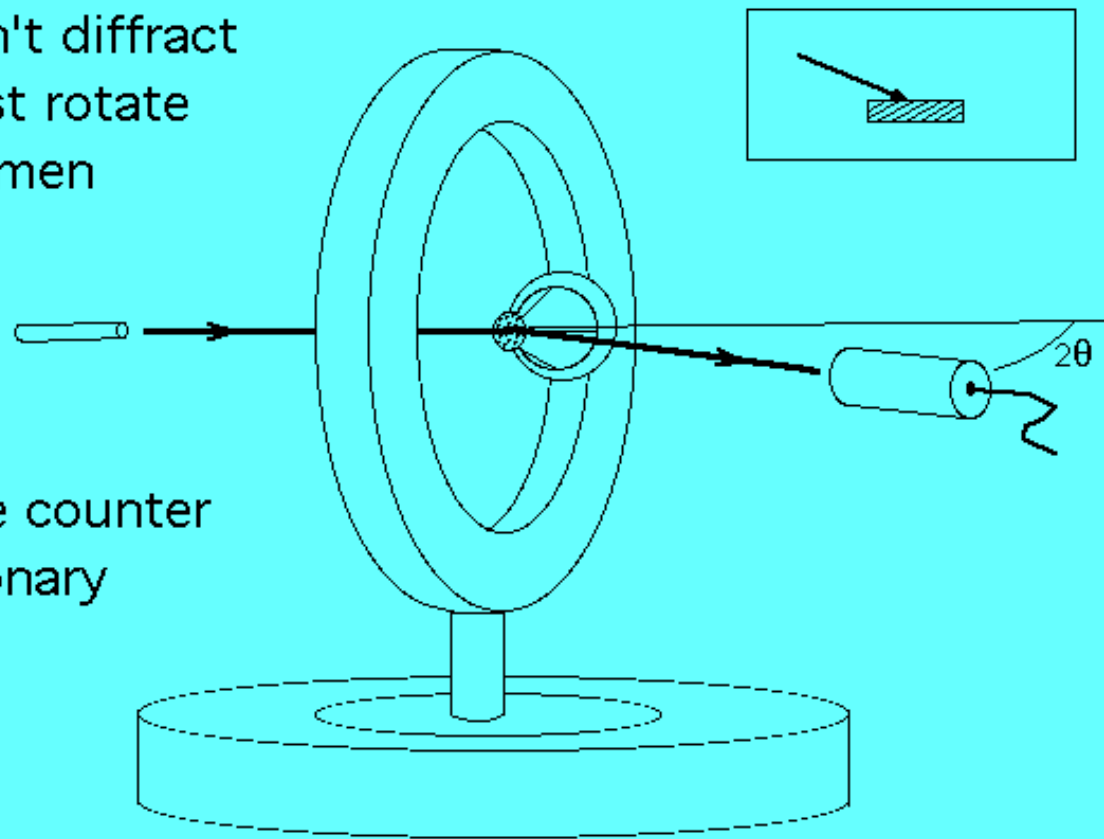


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Thin films

This set of planes (same d)
doesn't diffract
- must rotate
specimen

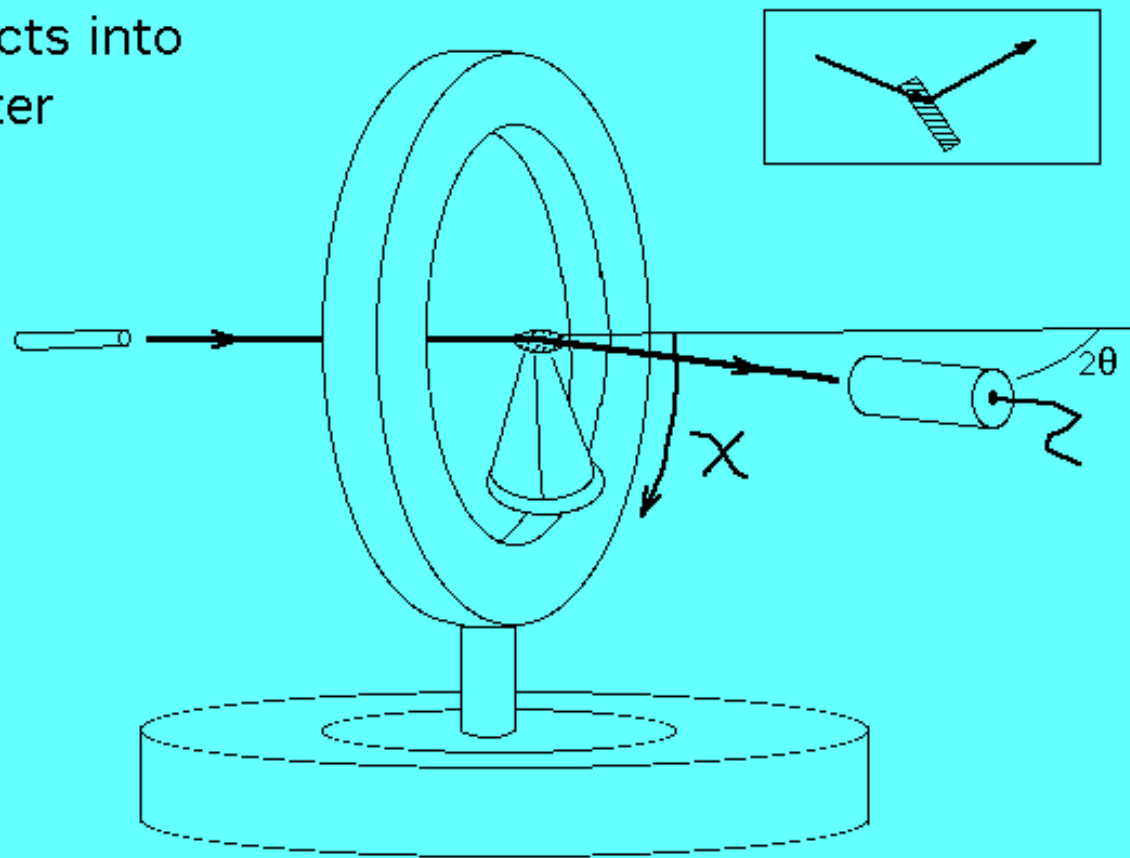
Leave counter
stationary



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Thin films

Now this set of planes
diffracts into
counter

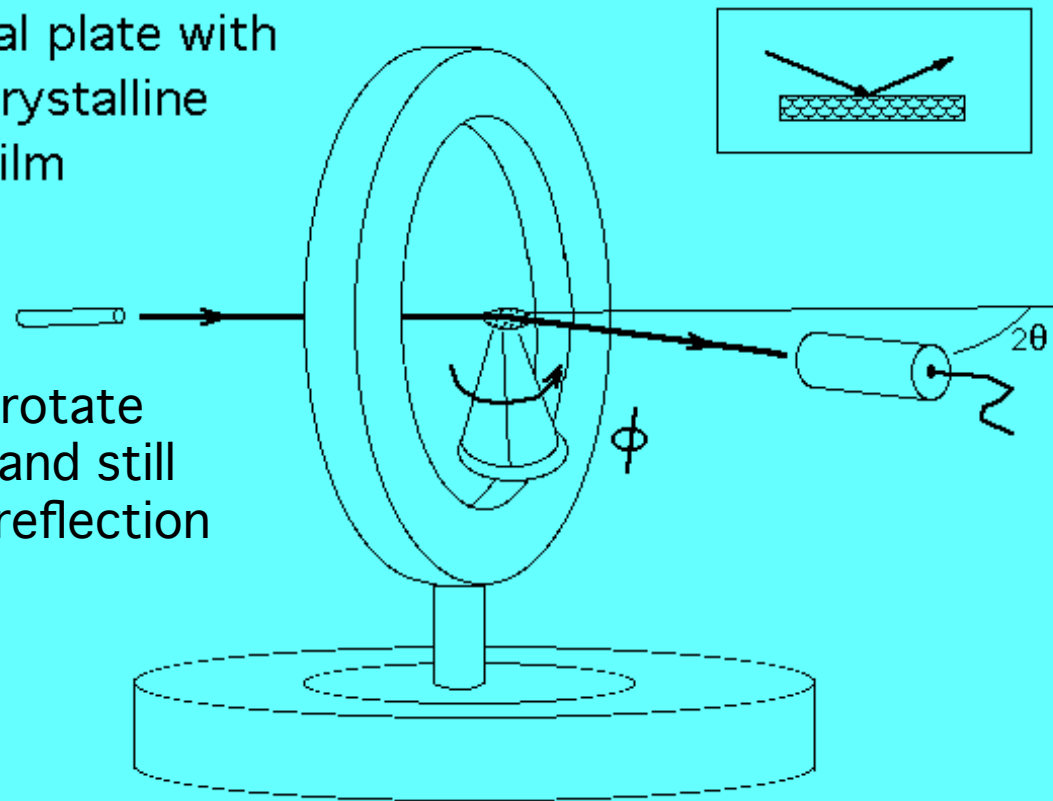


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Thin films

Replace single
crystal plate with
polycrystalline
thin film

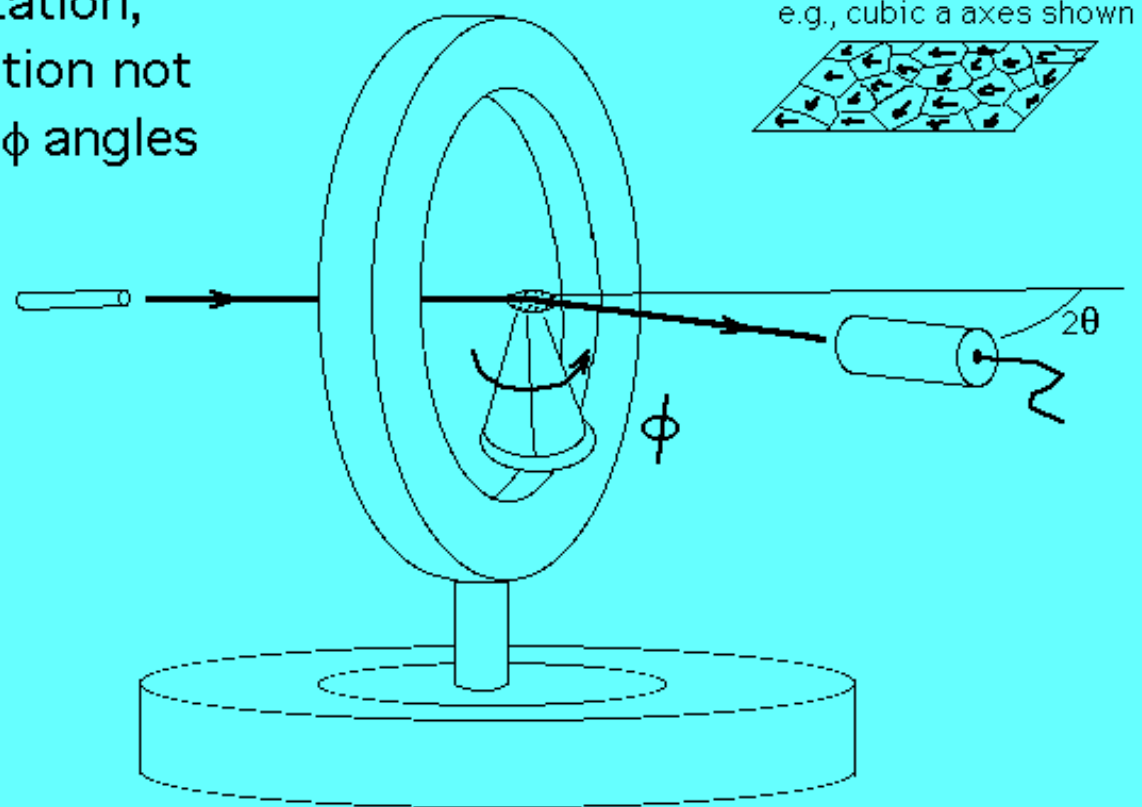
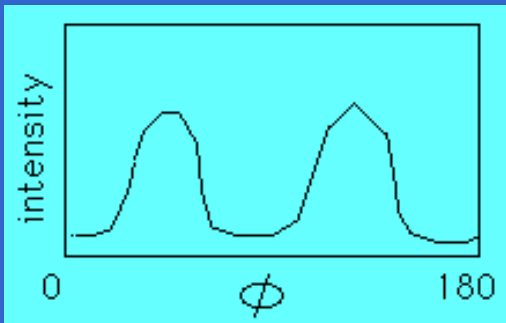
Can rotate
film and still
get reflection



Powder diffraction - applications

Thin films

However, if preferred orientation, reflection not at all ϕ angles



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8. Crystallinity
9. Studies of phase diagrams
 - A. Phase boundaries
 - B. Solid solutions
 - C. Phase transitions
10. Studies of chemical reactions and identification of reaction products.
11. Determination of grain sizes.
12. Preferred orientation in polycrystalline bodies.
13. Many more