



POWDER DIFFRACTION

Principles

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BRAGG'S LAW

$$2 d_{hkl} \sin \theta_{hkl} = n \lambda$$
 (Geometric interpretation of diffraction)

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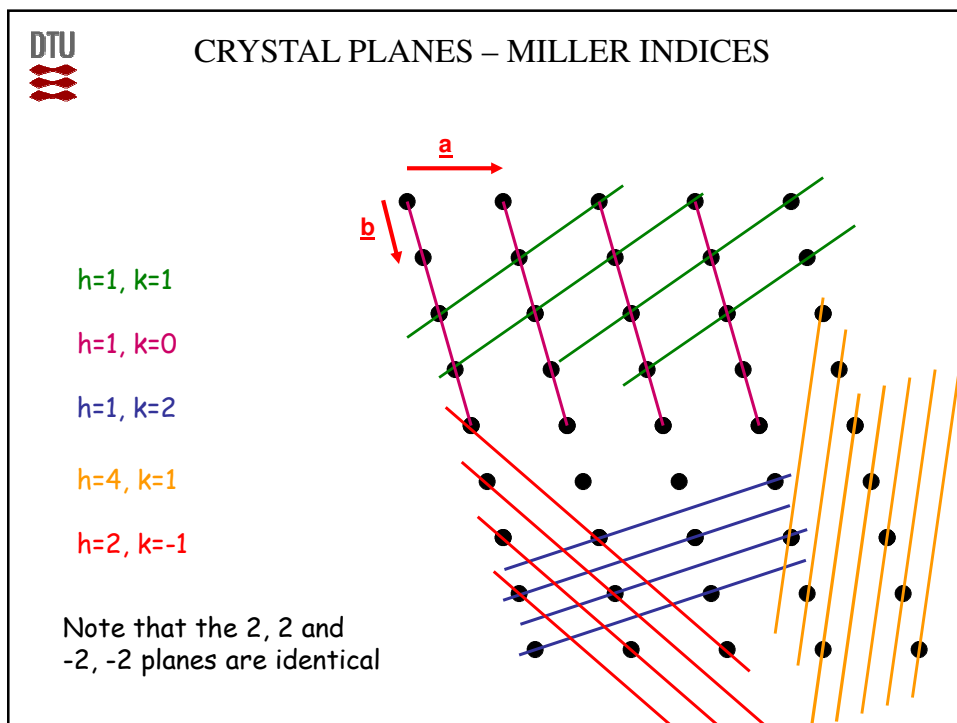
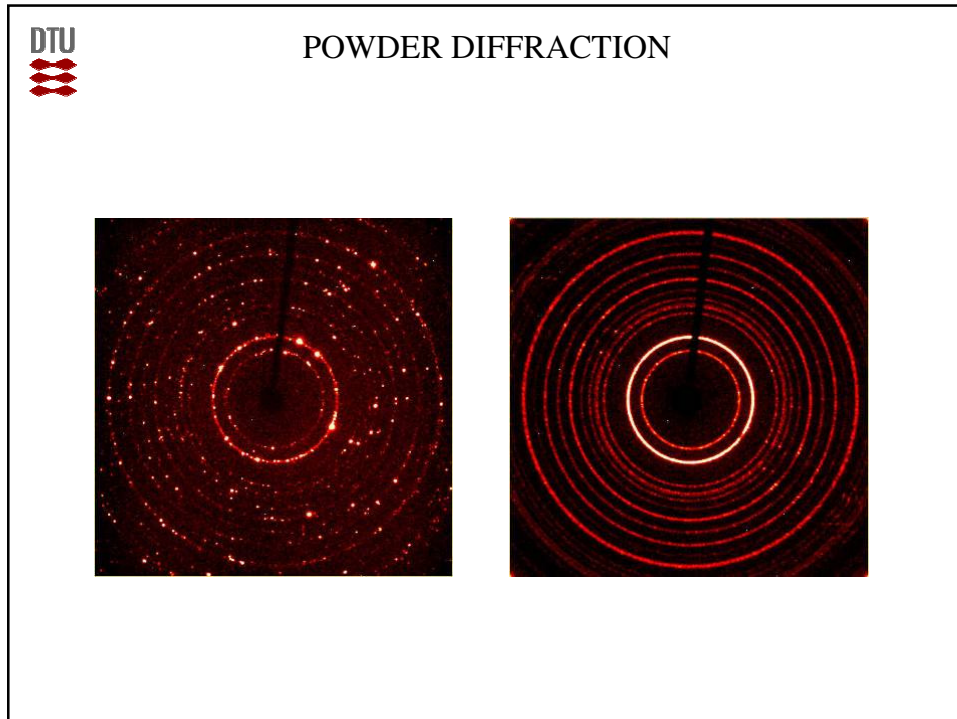
SINGLE- VS. MULTI-CRYSTAL DIFFRACTION

One crystal

Four crystals

Powder

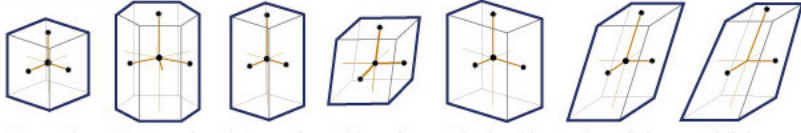
sample Debye-Scherrer cones image plate detector



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CRYSTAL PLANES – d-VALUES

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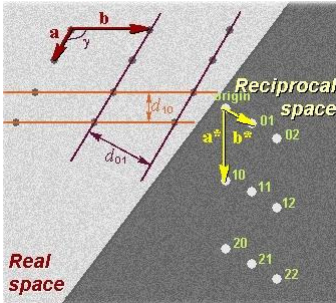
a b c (Å) α β γ (°)

$$1/d_{hkl}^2 = [h^2 \sin^2 \alpha / a^2 + k^2 \sin^2 \beta / b^2 + l^2 \sin^2 \gamma / c^2 + 2kl(\cos \beta \cos \gamma - \cos \alpha) / (bc) + 2hl(\cos \alpha \cos \gamma - \cos \beta) / (ac) + 2hk(\cos \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \gamma) / (ab)] / [1 - \cos^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \beta - \cos^2 \gamma + 2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta \cos \gamma]$$

$$1/d_{hkl}^2 = (h^2 + k^2 + l^2) / a^2$$

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RECIPROCAL SPACE



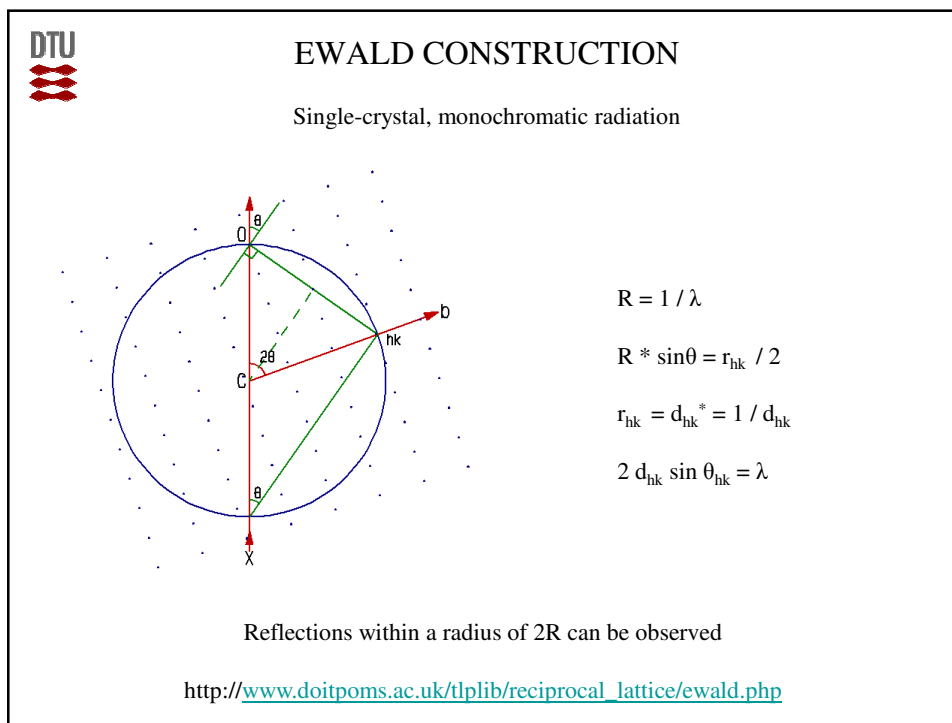
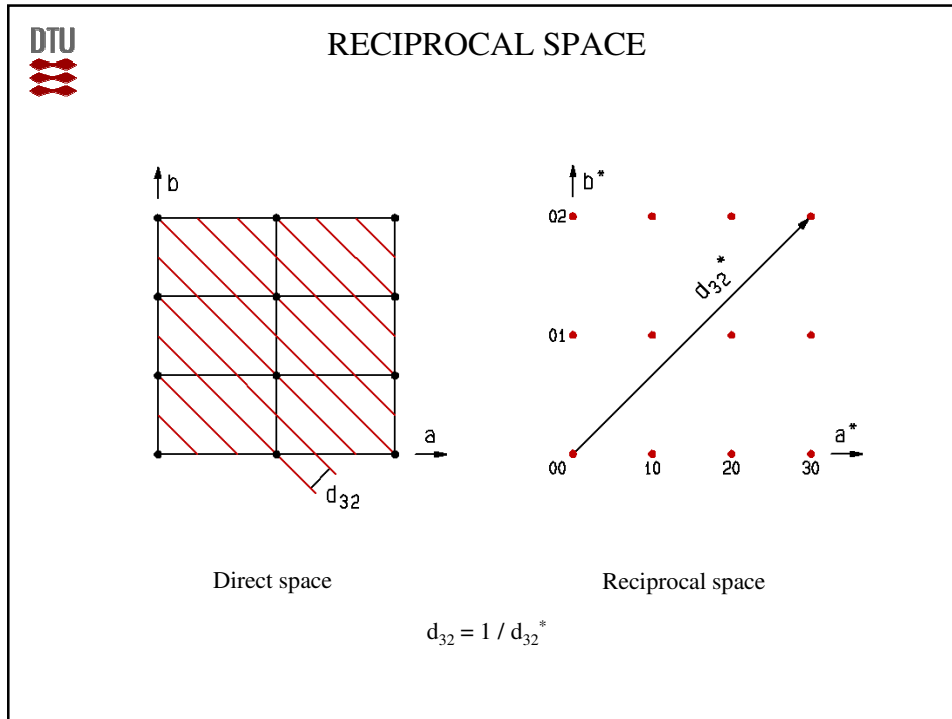
$$a^* = b \times c / V_{\text{cell}} \quad (= b c \sin \alpha / V_{\text{cell}})$$

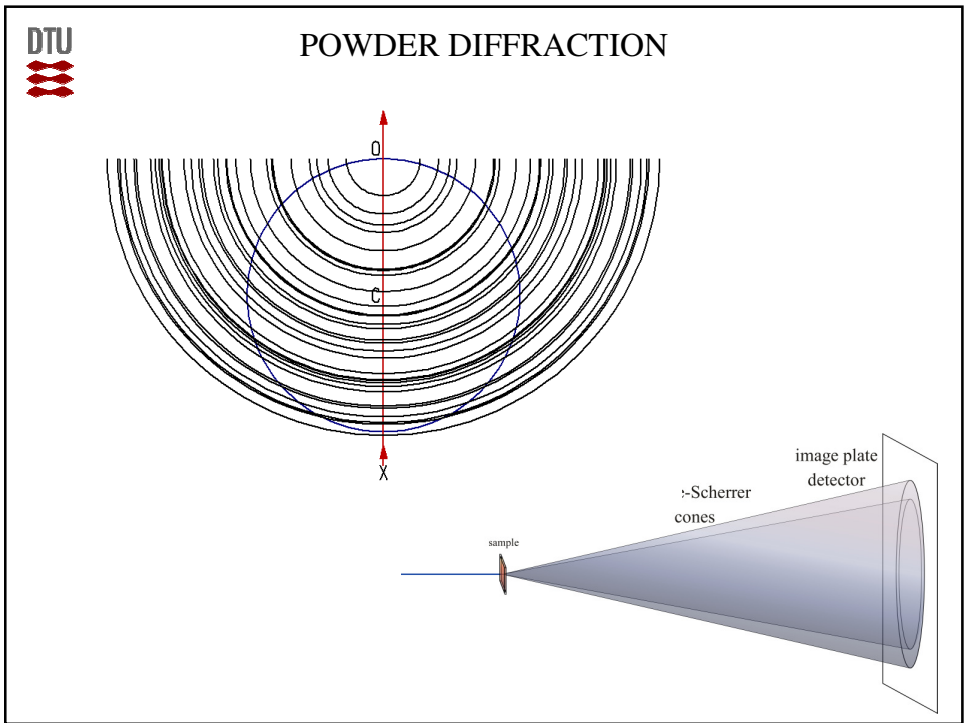
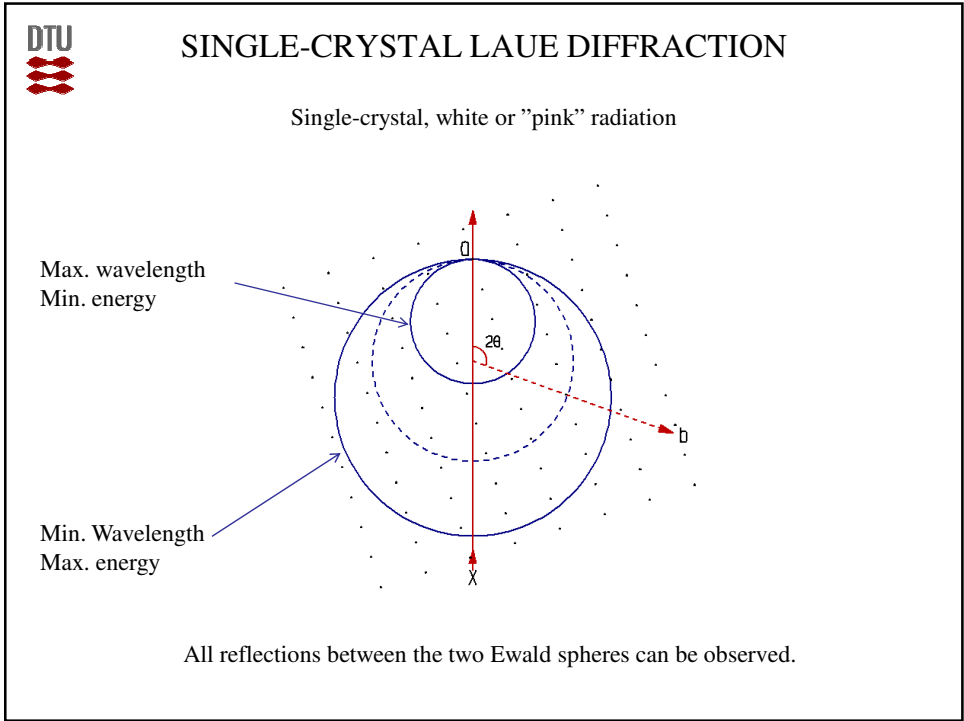
$$b^* = a \times c / V_{\text{cell}} \quad (= a c \sin \beta / V_{\text{cell}})$$

$$c^* = a \times b / V_{\text{cell}} \quad (= a b \sin \gamma / V_{\text{cell}})$$

$$a \cdot a^* = 1 \quad a \cdot b^* = 0$$

$$d_{hkl} = 1 / d_{hkl}^*$$





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POWDER DATA COLLECTION

Bragg-Brentano (reflection mode)

Guinier (transmission mode)

Bruker D8 Advance

Huber G670

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ENERGY DISPERSIVE POWDER DIFFRACTION

Powder, white or "pink" radiation

Reflections crossing the green line can be observed

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INTERFERENCE FUNCTION

$$f_j = f_j \exp\{2\pi i(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = n_1\mathbf{a} + n_2\mathbf{b} + n_3\mathbf{c}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{\text{cryst}} = \sum_{\text{cryst}} \exp\{2\pi i \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{\text{hkl}} = J(\mathbf{r}^*) \cdot \mathbf{F}_{\text{hkl}}$$

$$\sum_{N_1} \exp\{2\pi i n_1 \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\} = (1 - \exp\{2\pi i N_1 \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\}) / (1 - \exp\{2\pi i \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\}) = \sin\{\pi N_1 \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\} / \sin\{\pi \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*\}$$

$\sin^2\{\pi N_1 x\} / \sin^2\{\pi x\}$

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