

# POWDER DIFFRACTION

## Principles

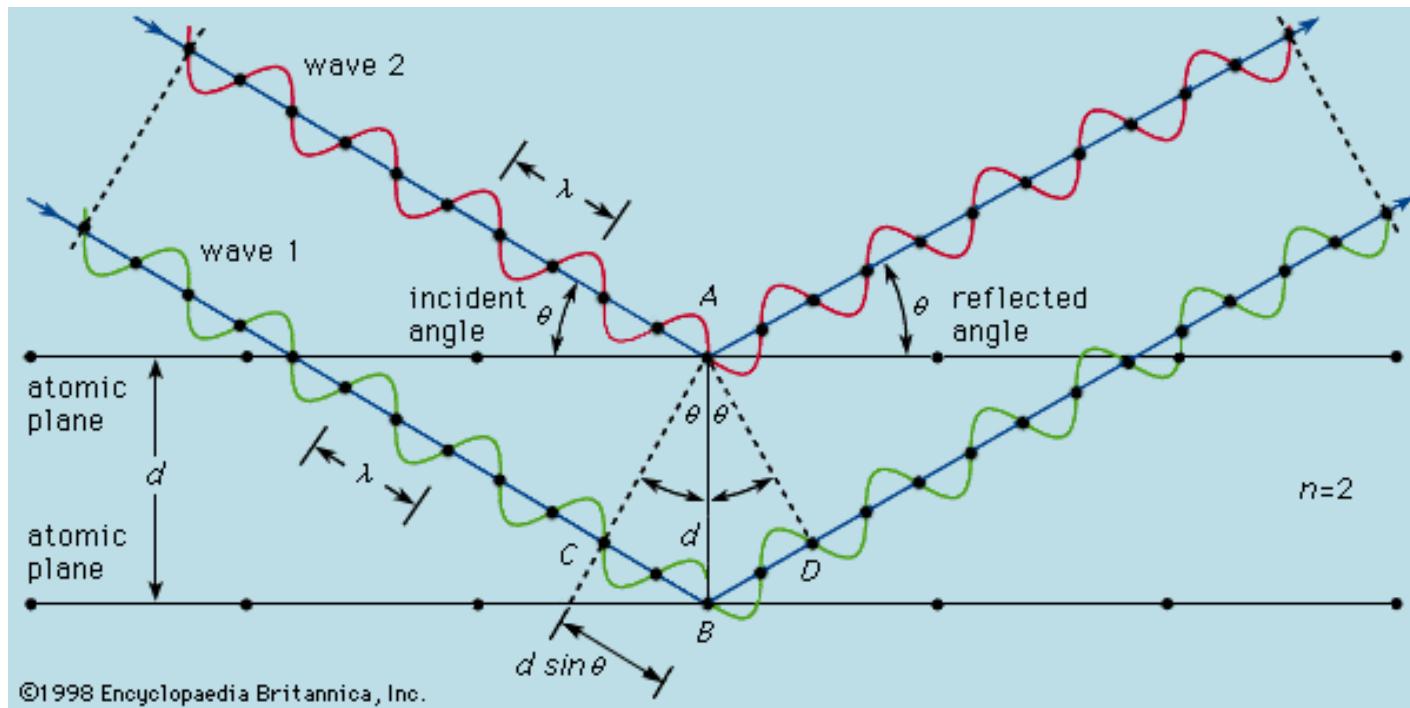
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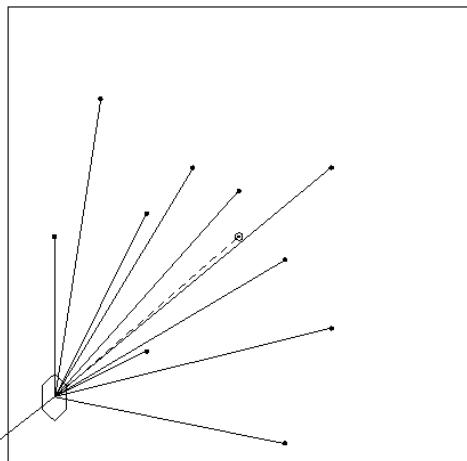
## BRAGG'S LAW



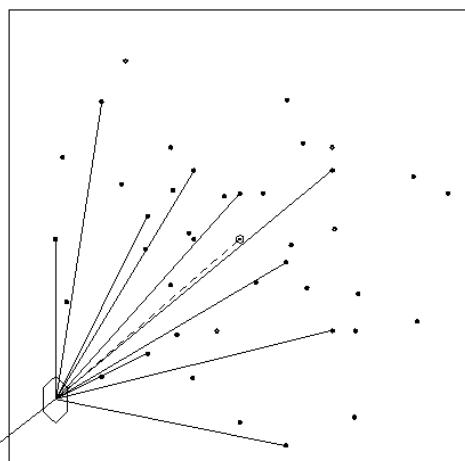
$$2 d_{hkl} \sin \theta_{hkl} = n \lambda$$

(Geometric interpretation of diffraction)

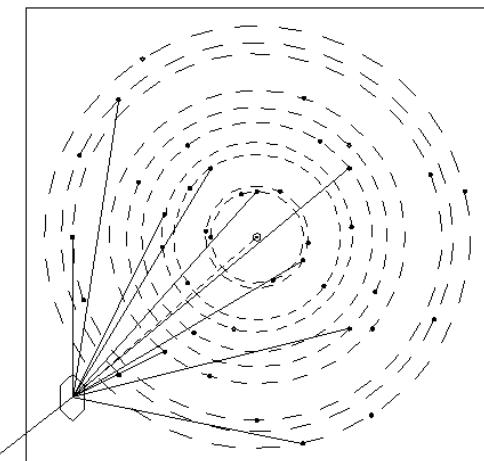
# SINGLE- VS. MULTI-CRYSTAL DIFFACTION



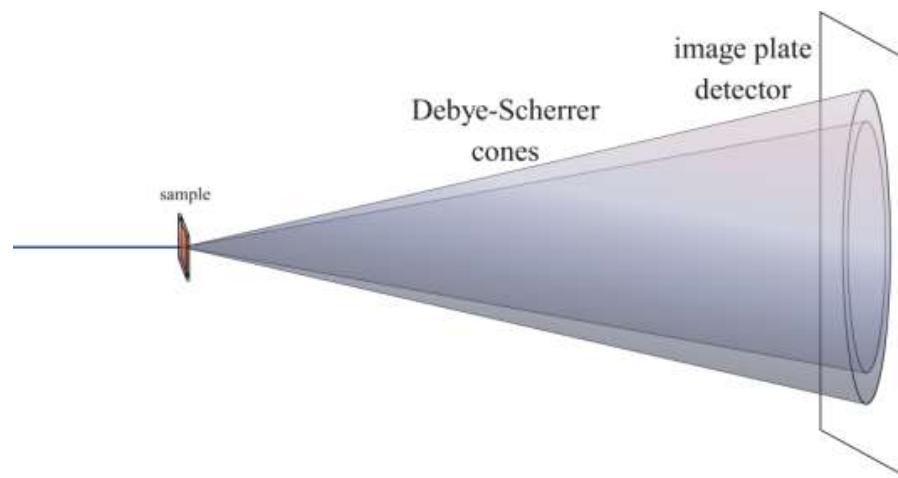
One crystal



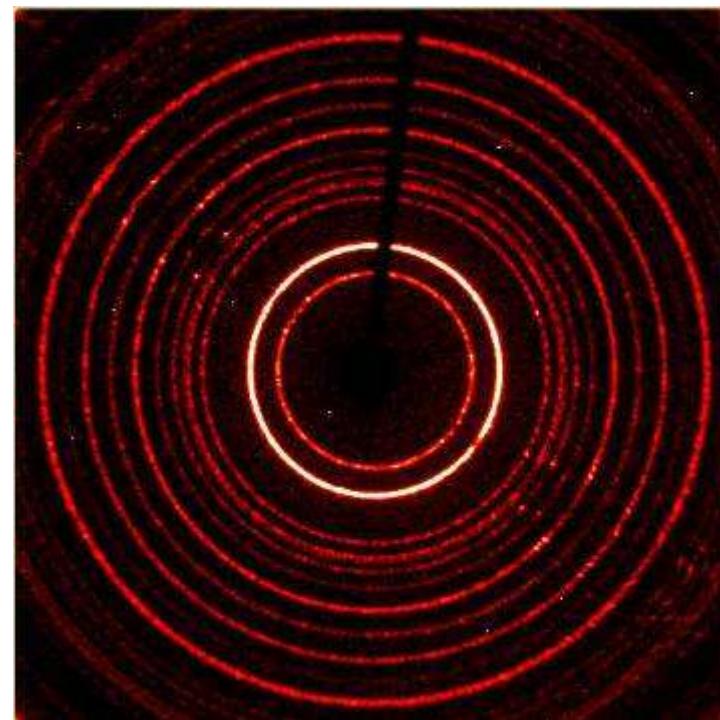
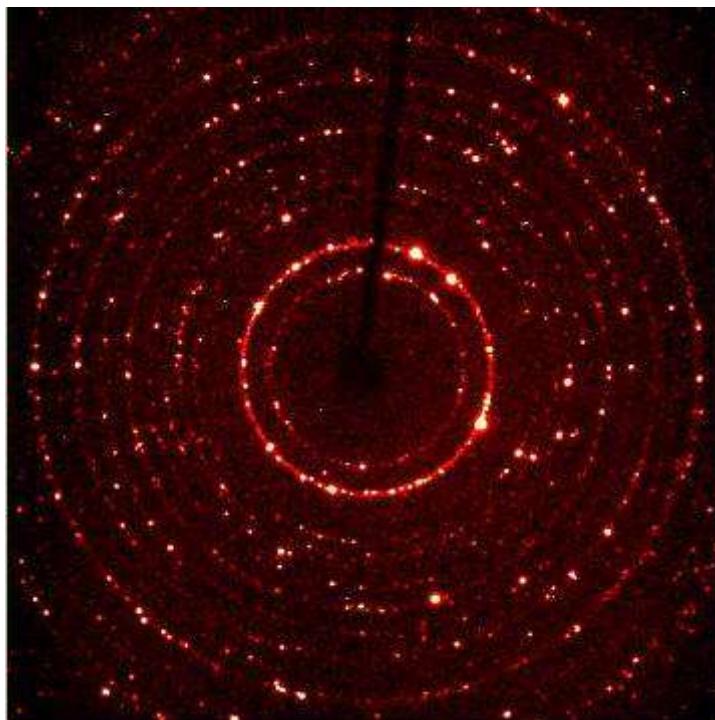
Four crystals



Powder



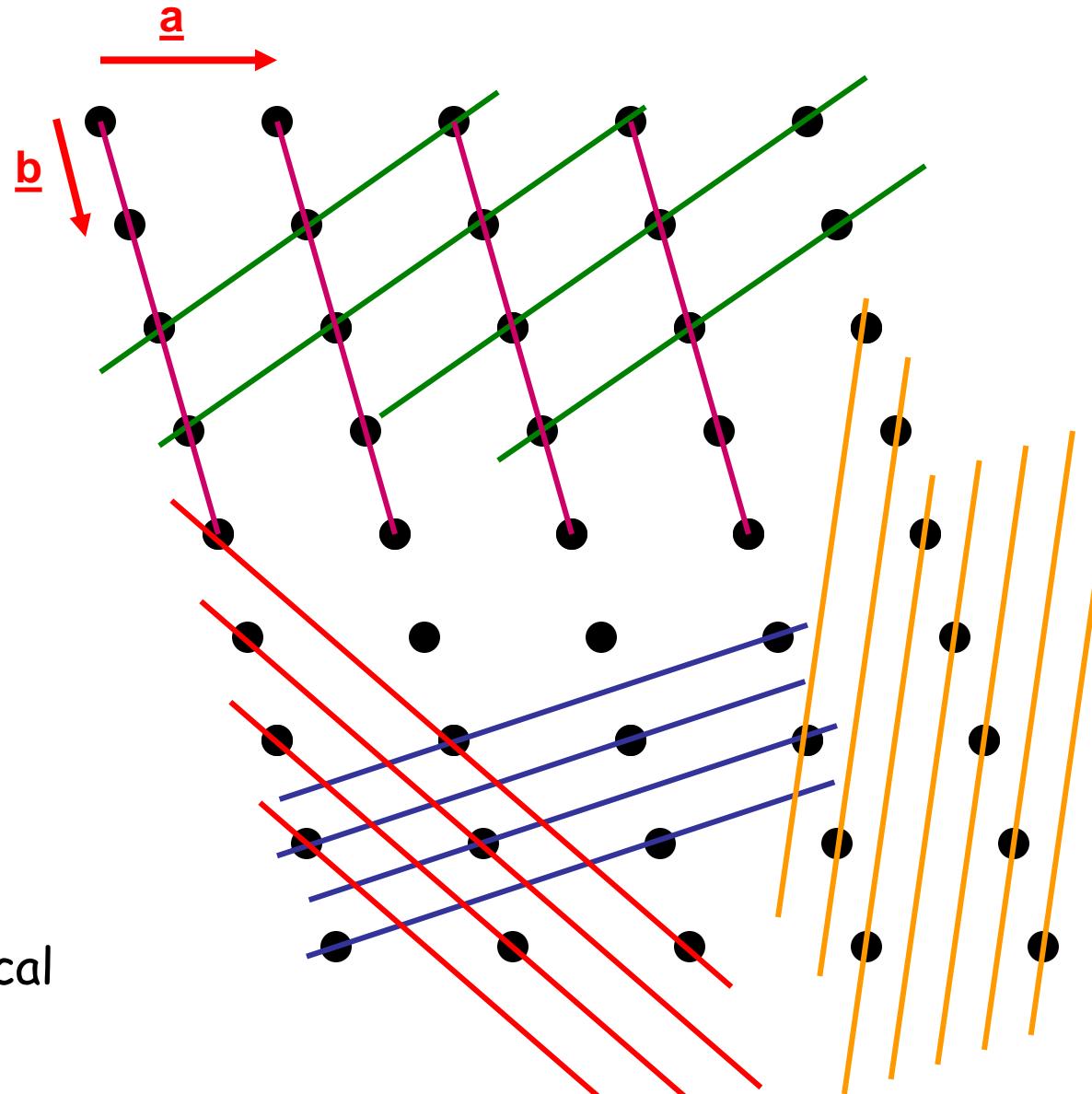
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## CRYSTAL PLANES – MILLER INDICES

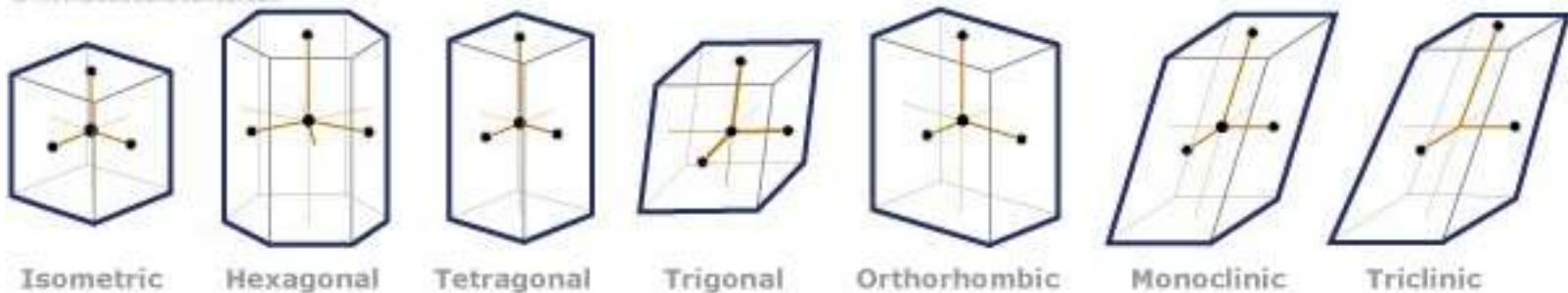
 $h=1, k=1$  $h=1, k=0$  $h=1, k=2$  $h=4, k=1$  $h=2, k=-1$ 

Note that the 2, 2 and -2, -2 planes are identical



# CRYSTAL PLANES – d-VALUES

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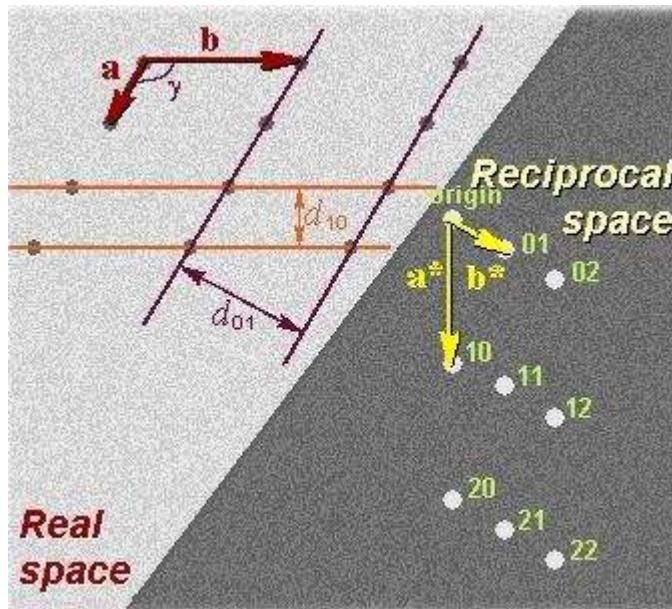


a	b	c (Å)	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$ (°)
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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{d_{hkl}^2} = & [h^2 \sin^2\alpha / a^2 + k^2 \sin^2\beta / b^2 + l^2 \sin^2\gamma / c^2 + \\ & 2kl(\cos\beta \cos\gamma - \cos\alpha) / (bc) + 2hl(\cos\alpha \cos\gamma - \cos\beta)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

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

# RECIPROCAL SPACE



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

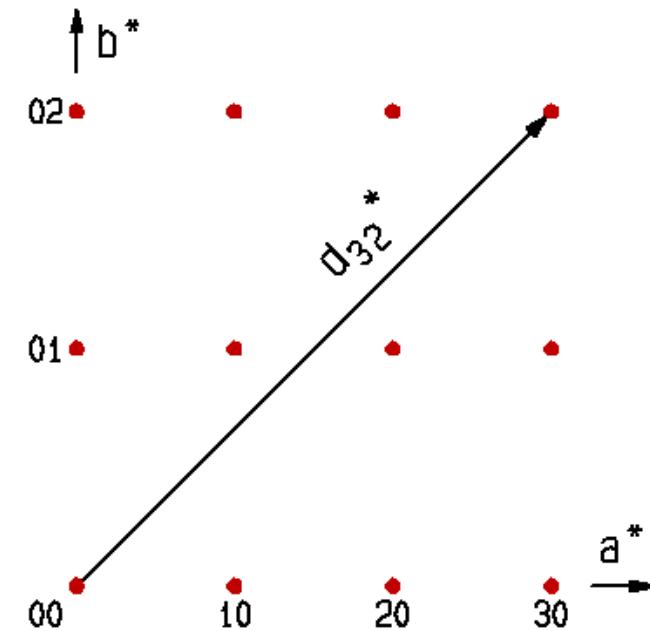
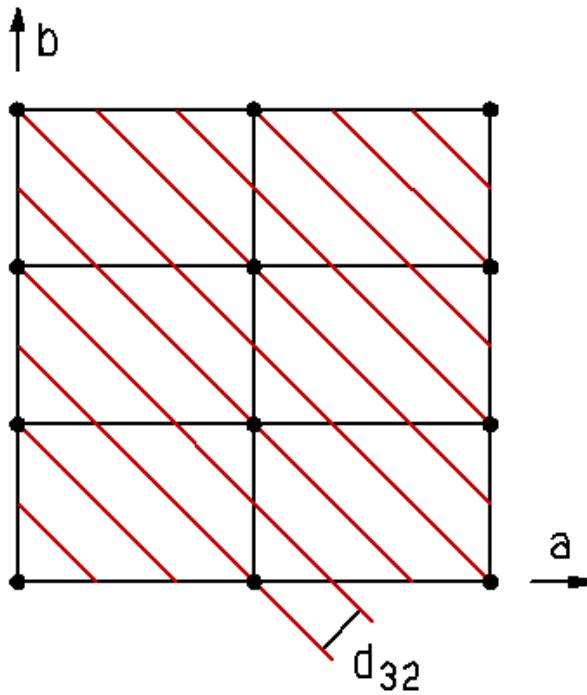
$$\mathbf{b}^* = \mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{c} / V_{\text{cell}} \quad (= a c \sin\beta / V_{\text{cell}})$$

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

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^* = 1 \quad \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}^* = 0$$

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

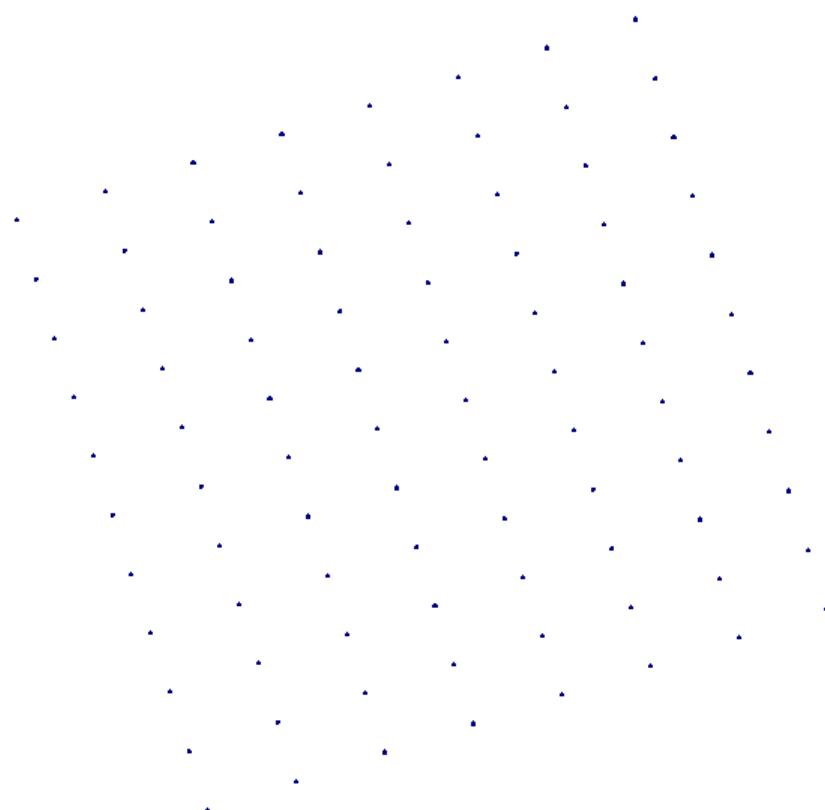
## RECIPROCAL SPACE



$$d_{32} = 1 / d_{32}^*$$

# EWALD CONSTRUCTION

Single-crystal, monochromatic radiation

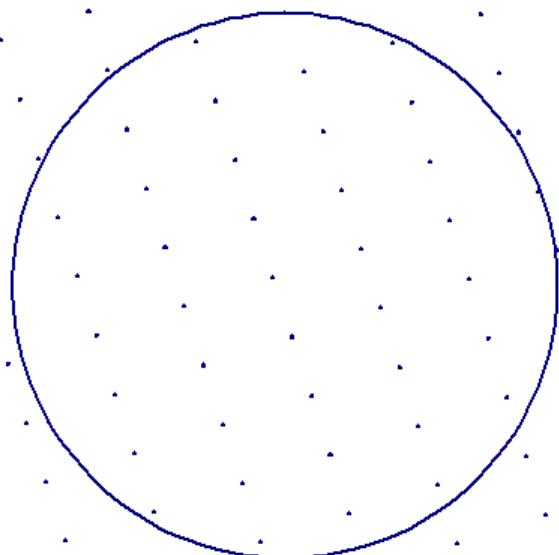


Ewald construction of a single crystal

Monochromatic radiation

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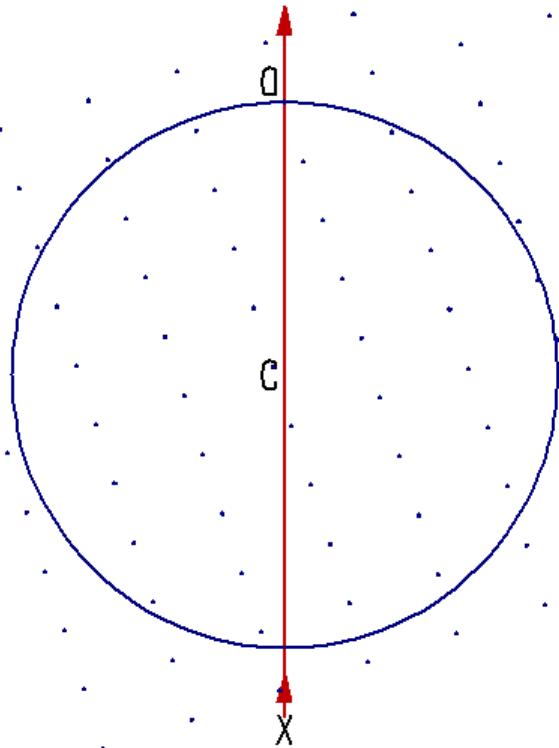
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$$R = 1 / \lambda$$

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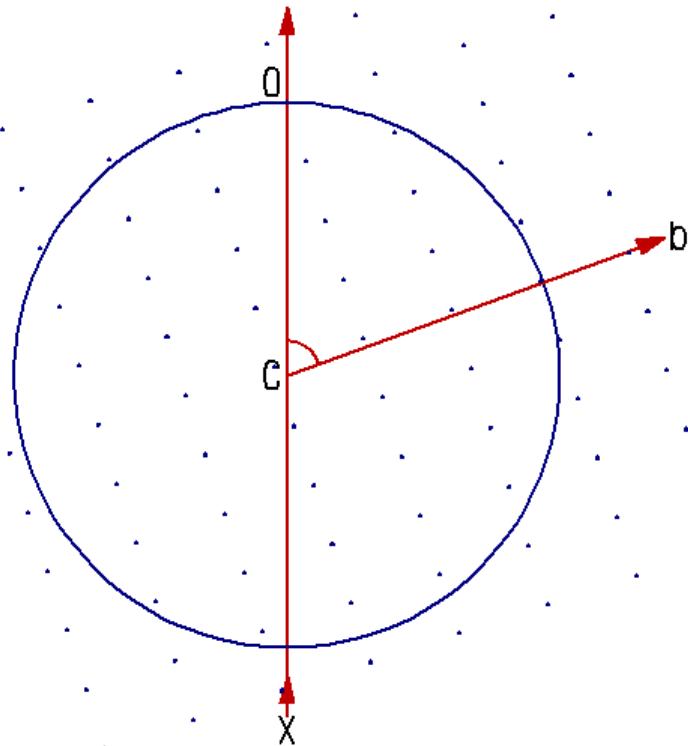
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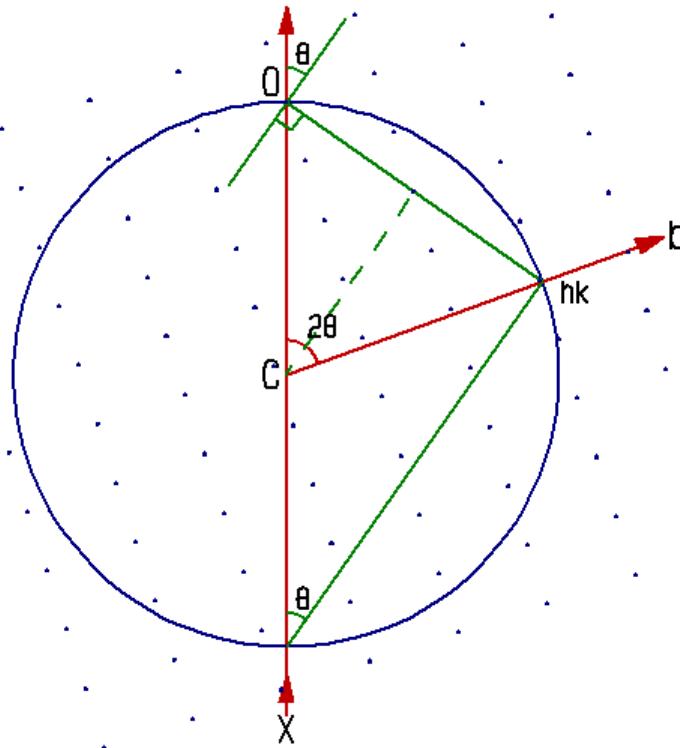
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Single-crystal, monochromatic radiation



$$R = 1 / \lambda$$

$$R * \sin\theta = r_{hk} / 2$$

$$r_{hk} = d_{hk}^* = 1 / d_{hk}$$

$$2 d_{hk} \sin \theta_{hk} = \lambda$$

Reflections within a radius of  $2R$  can be observed

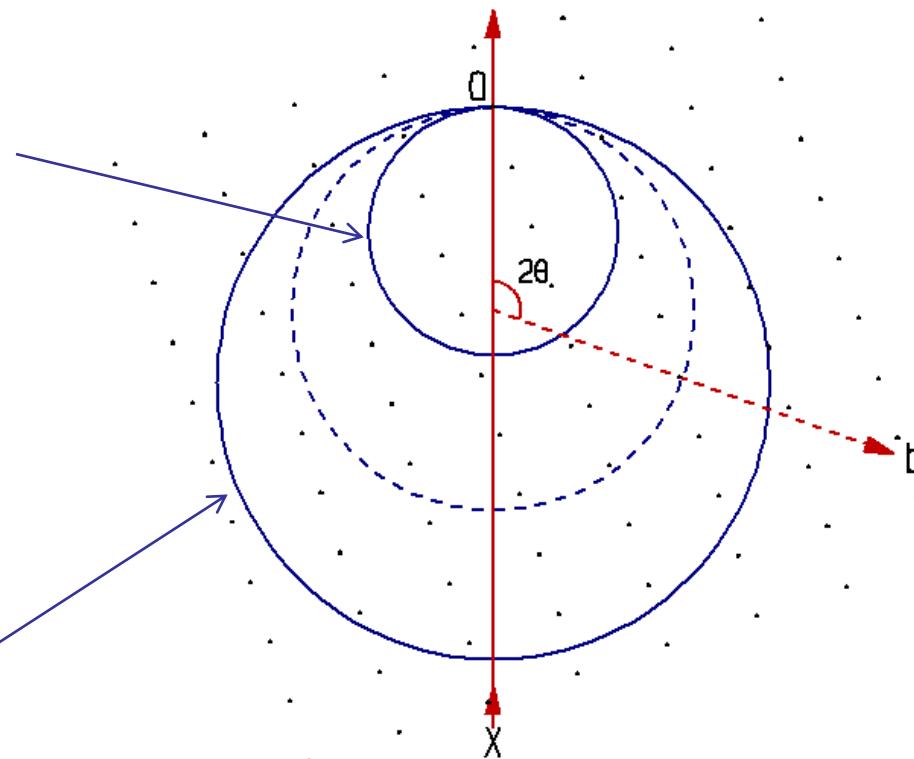
[http://www.doitpoms.ac.uk/tplib/reciprocal\\_lattice/ewald.php](http://www.doitpoms.ac.uk/tplib/reciprocal_lattice/ewald.php)

# SINGLE-CRYSTAL LAUE DIFFRACTION

Single-crystal, white or "pink" radiation

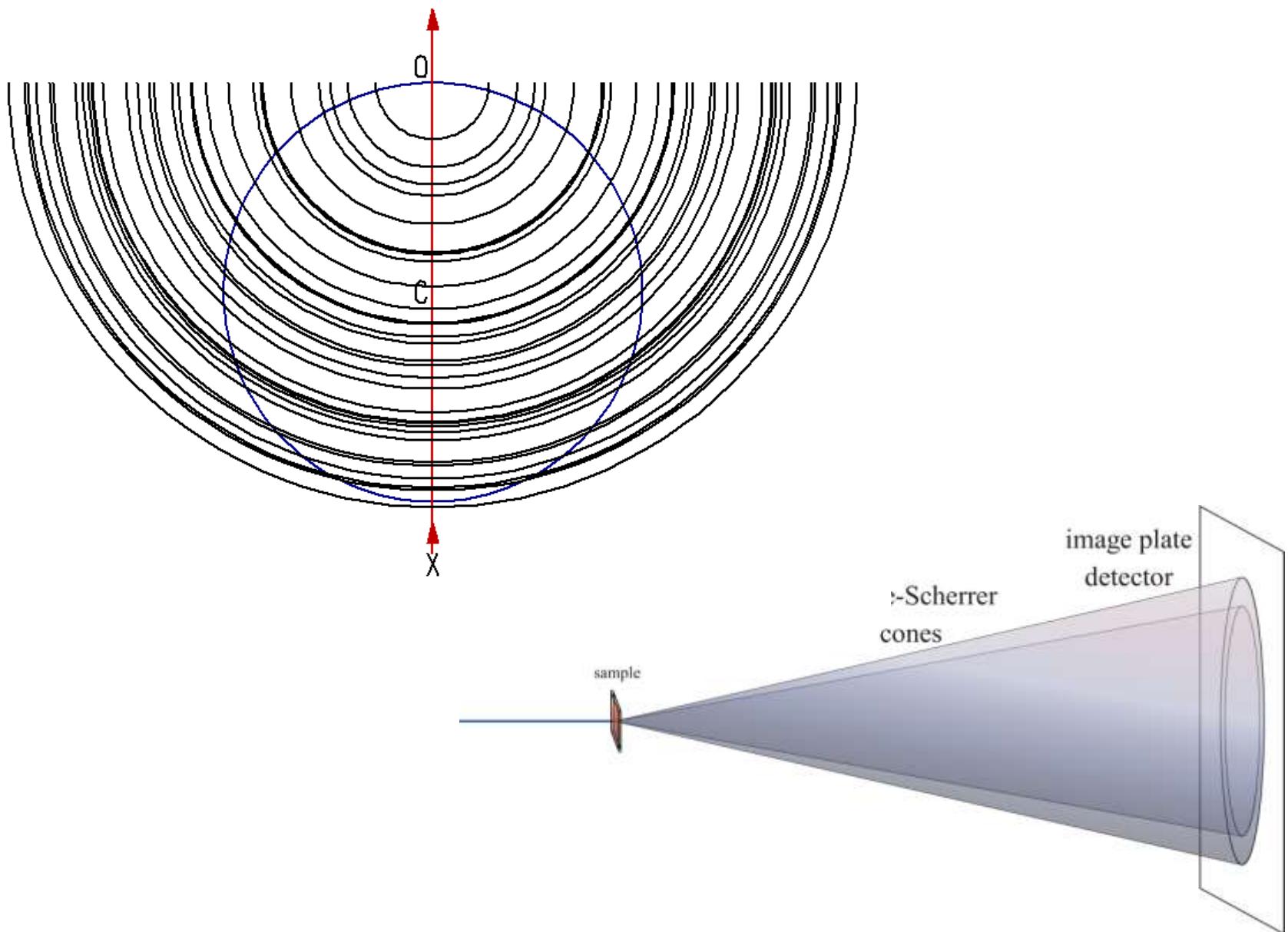
Max. wavelength  
Min. energy

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Max. energy



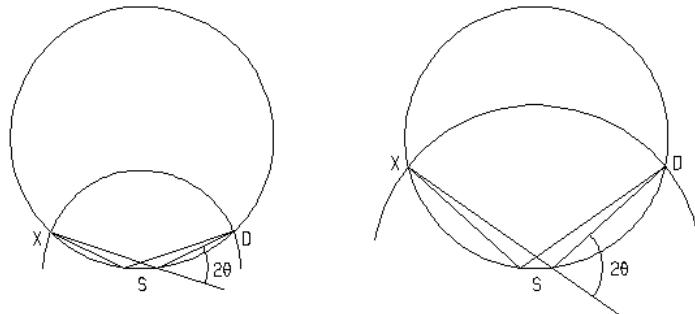
All reflections between the two Ewald spheres can be observed.

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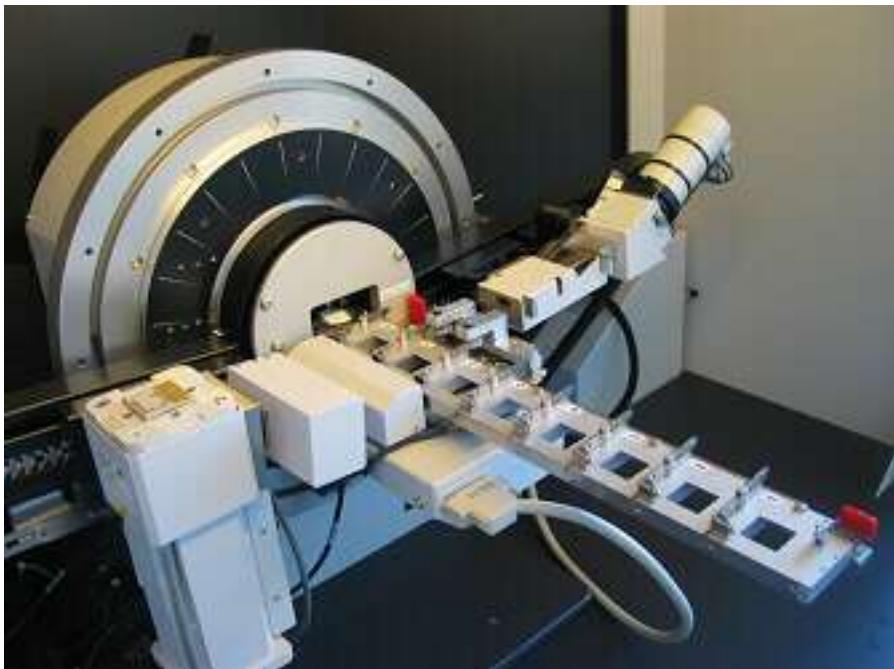
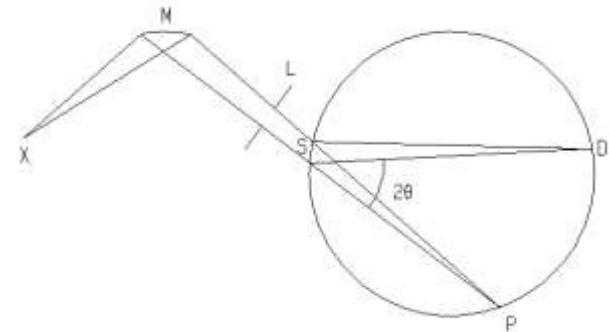


# POWDER DATA COLLECTION

Bragg-Brentano (reflection mode)



Guinier (transmission mode)



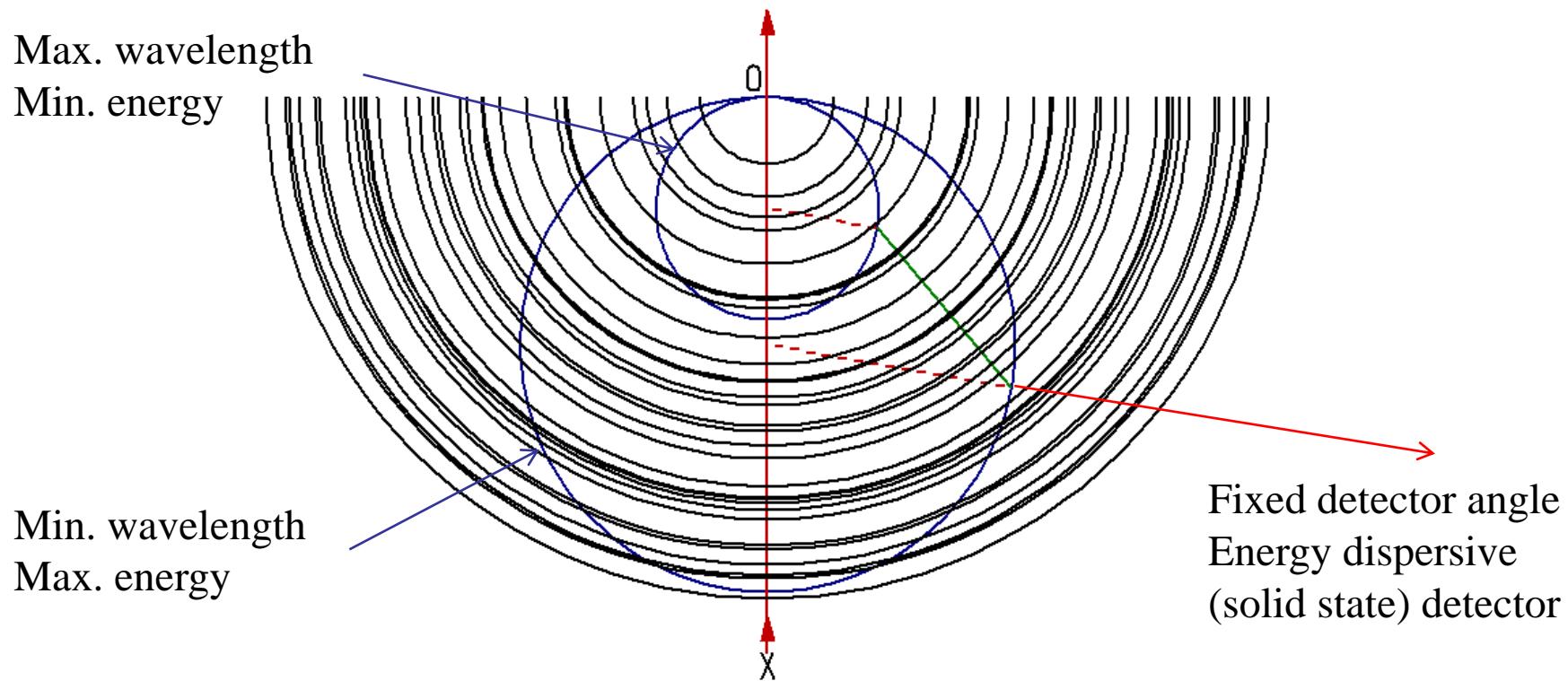
Bruker D8 Advance



Huber G670

# ENERGY DISPERITIVE POWDER DIFFRACTION

Powder, white or "pink" radiation



Reflections crossing the green line can be observed

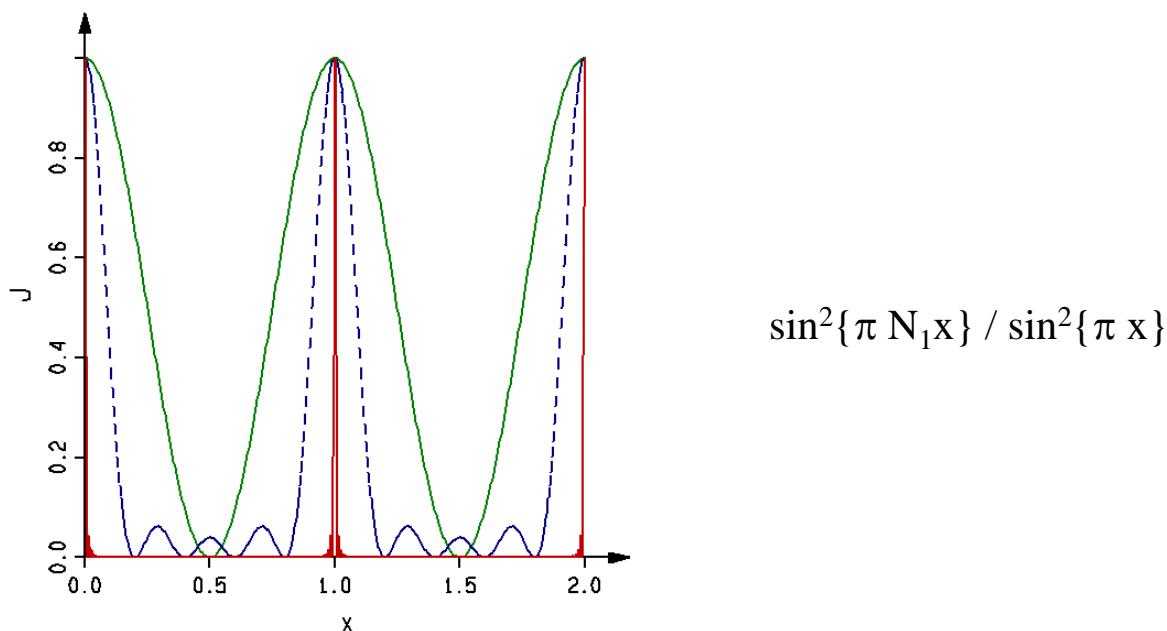
## INTERFERNCE FUNCTION

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

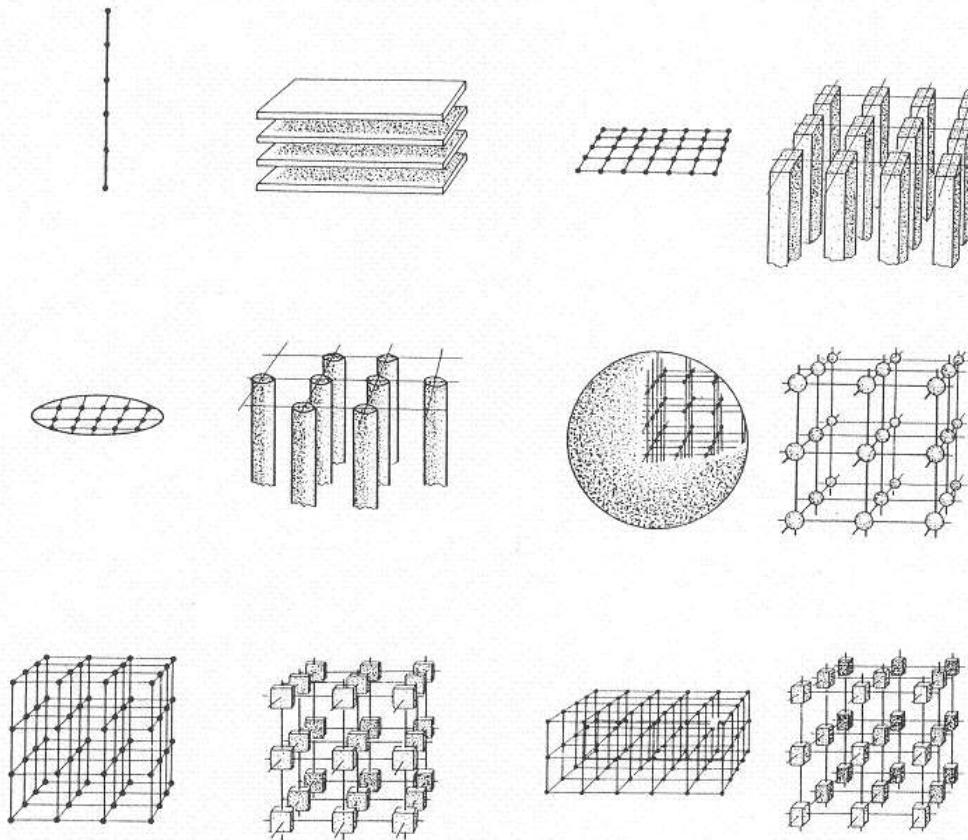
$$\mathbf{v} = n_1 \mathbf{a} + n_2 \mathbf{b} + n_3 \mathbf{c}$$

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

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



# INTERFERENCE FUNCTION



# PARTICLE SIZE - STRESS / STRAIN (DEFECTS)

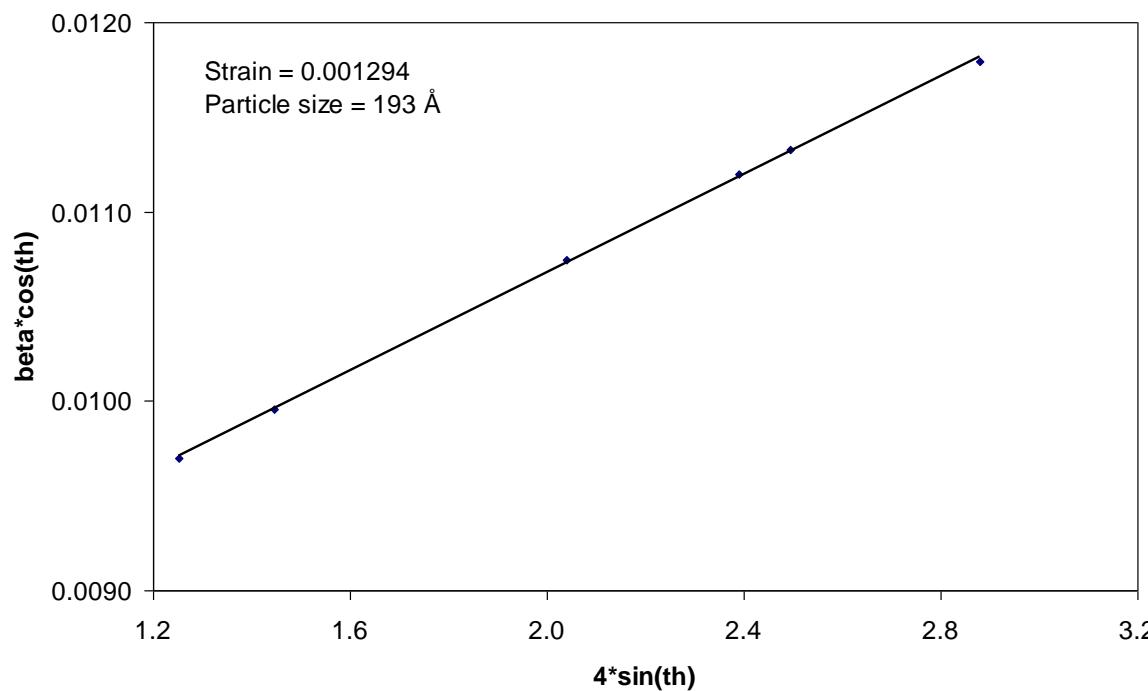
**Size ( $\tau$ ) (Sherrer) :**  $\beta = k \lambda / \tau \cos(\theta)$

$$\beta^2 = \text{FWHM}_{\text{obs}}^2 - \text{FWHM}_{\text{ref}}^2 \quad (\text{rad})$$

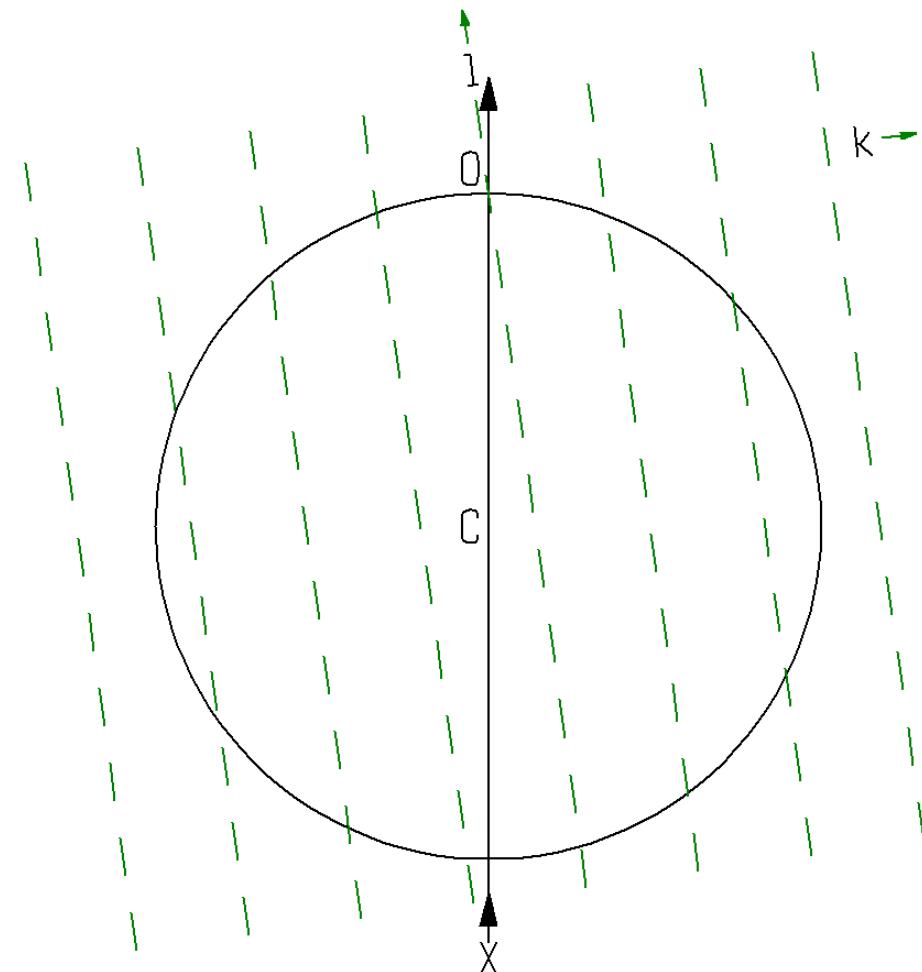
**Stress/strain ( $\varepsilon$ ):**  $\beta = 4 \varepsilon \tan(\theta)$

**Williamson-Hall:**  $\beta = k \lambda / \tau \cos(\theta) + 4 \varepsilon \tan(\theta)$

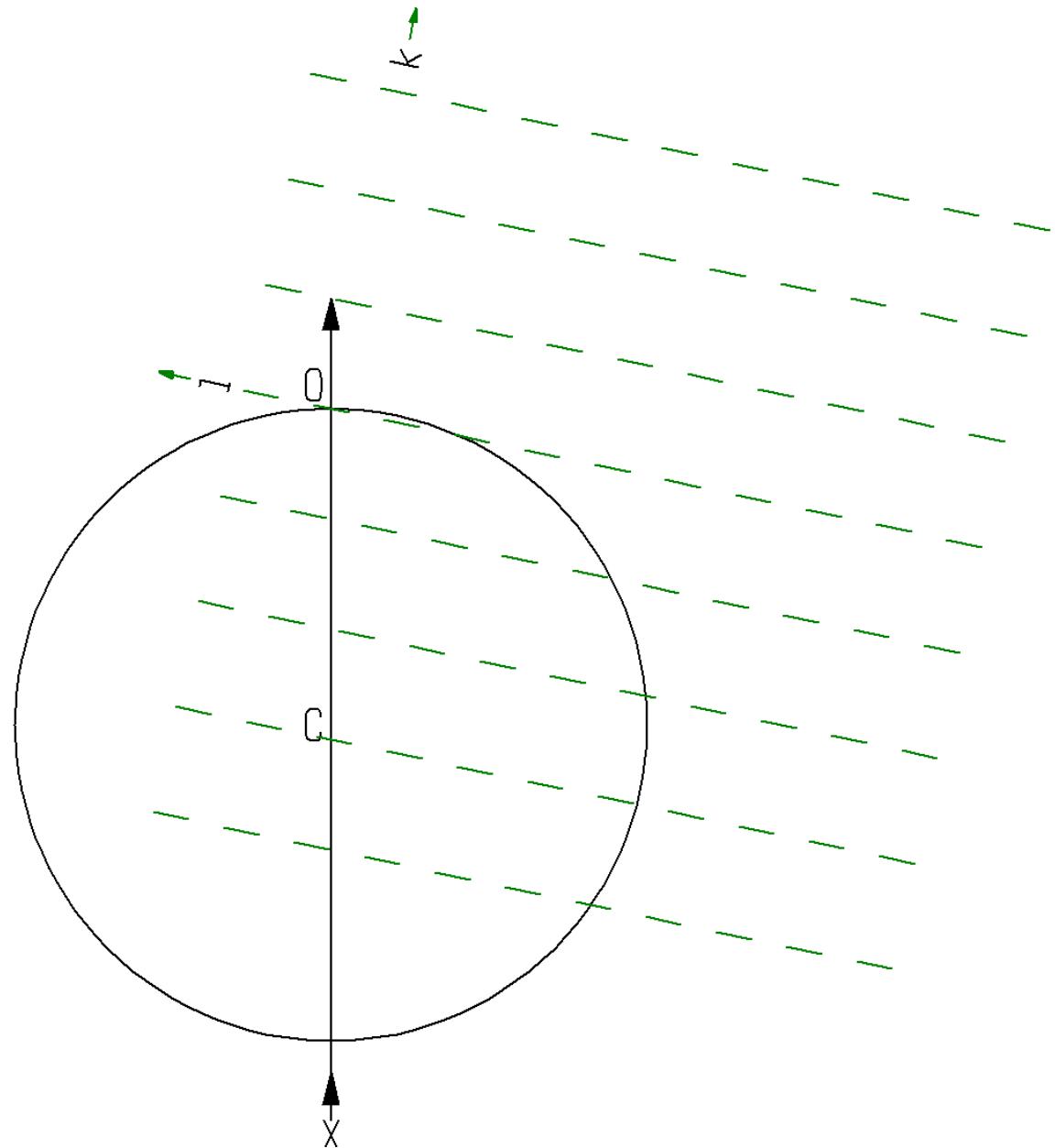
$$\beta \cos(\theta) = k \lambda / \tau + 4 \varepsilon \sin(\theta)$$



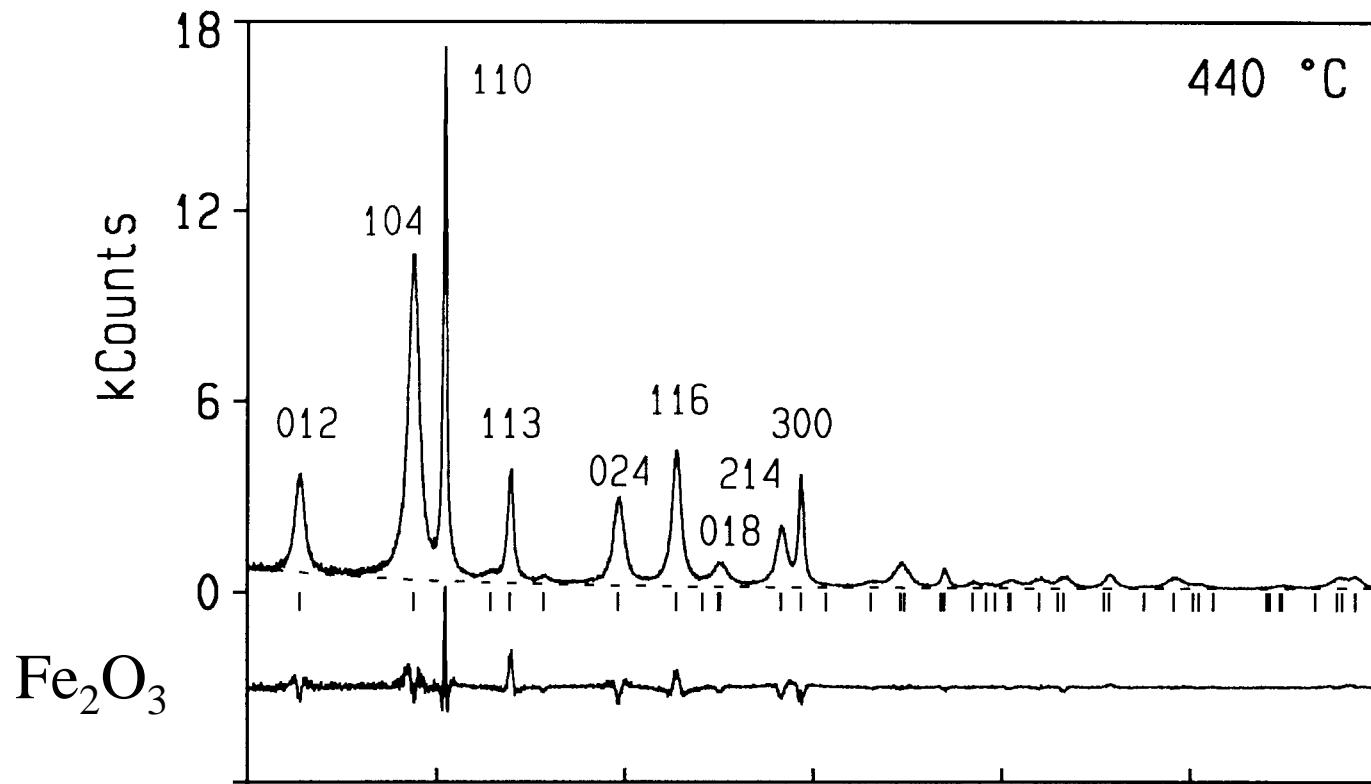
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$a = 5.0364(8)$ ,  $c = 13.750(2)$  Å       $D(a) = 399(3)$  Å,  $D(c) = 87(2)$  Å