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« Combined Analysis Using X-Ray Scattering »

Instrumentation

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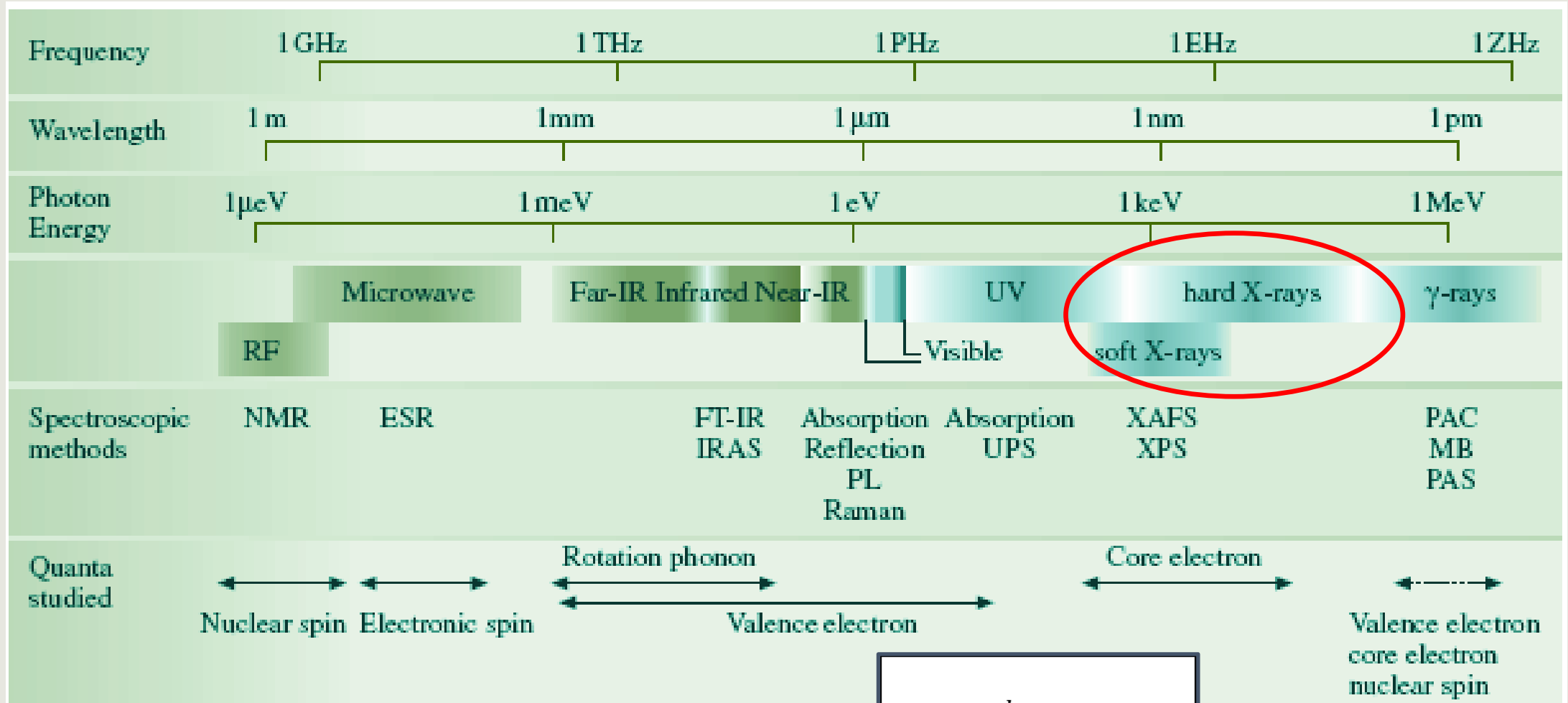


Wave matter Interaction

When a photon does encounter an atomic particle, it transfers energy to the particle. The energy may be reemitted back the way it came (reflected), scattered in a different direction or transmitted forward into the material.

Wave matter interaction

The energy of photons used for optical spectroscopic measurements of various quanta



EHz : exahertz (10^{18}) - ZHz : zettahertz (10^{21}) - YHz : yottahertz (10^{24})

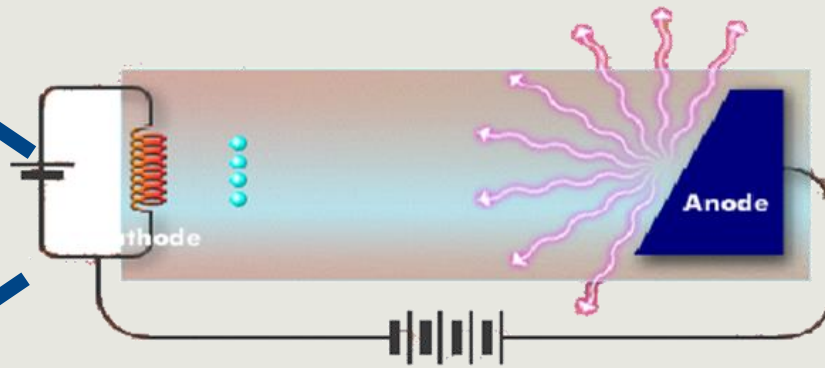
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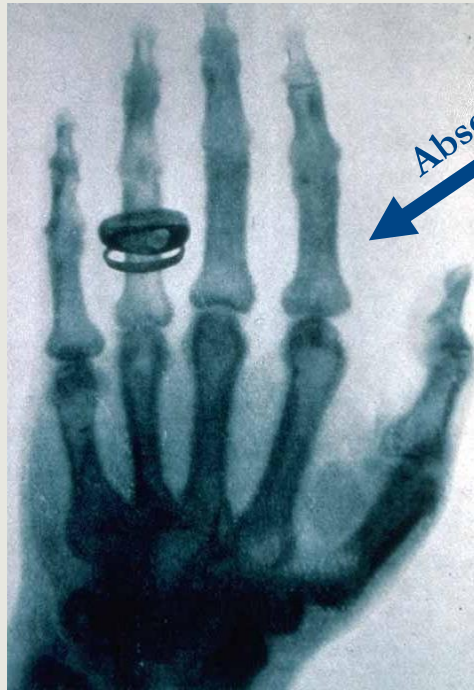


Reflection

X-rays Production : classically by excitation of external electronic level with electron beam

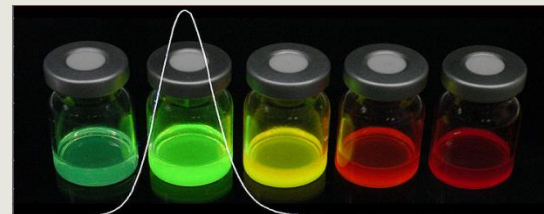


Diffusion

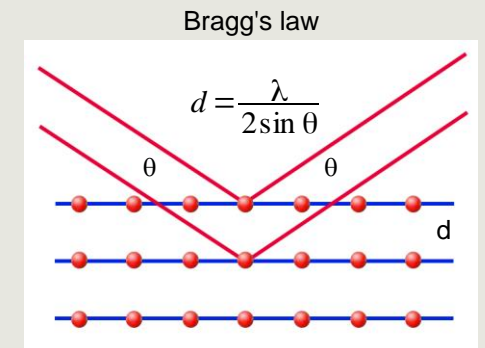


Absorption

fluorescence



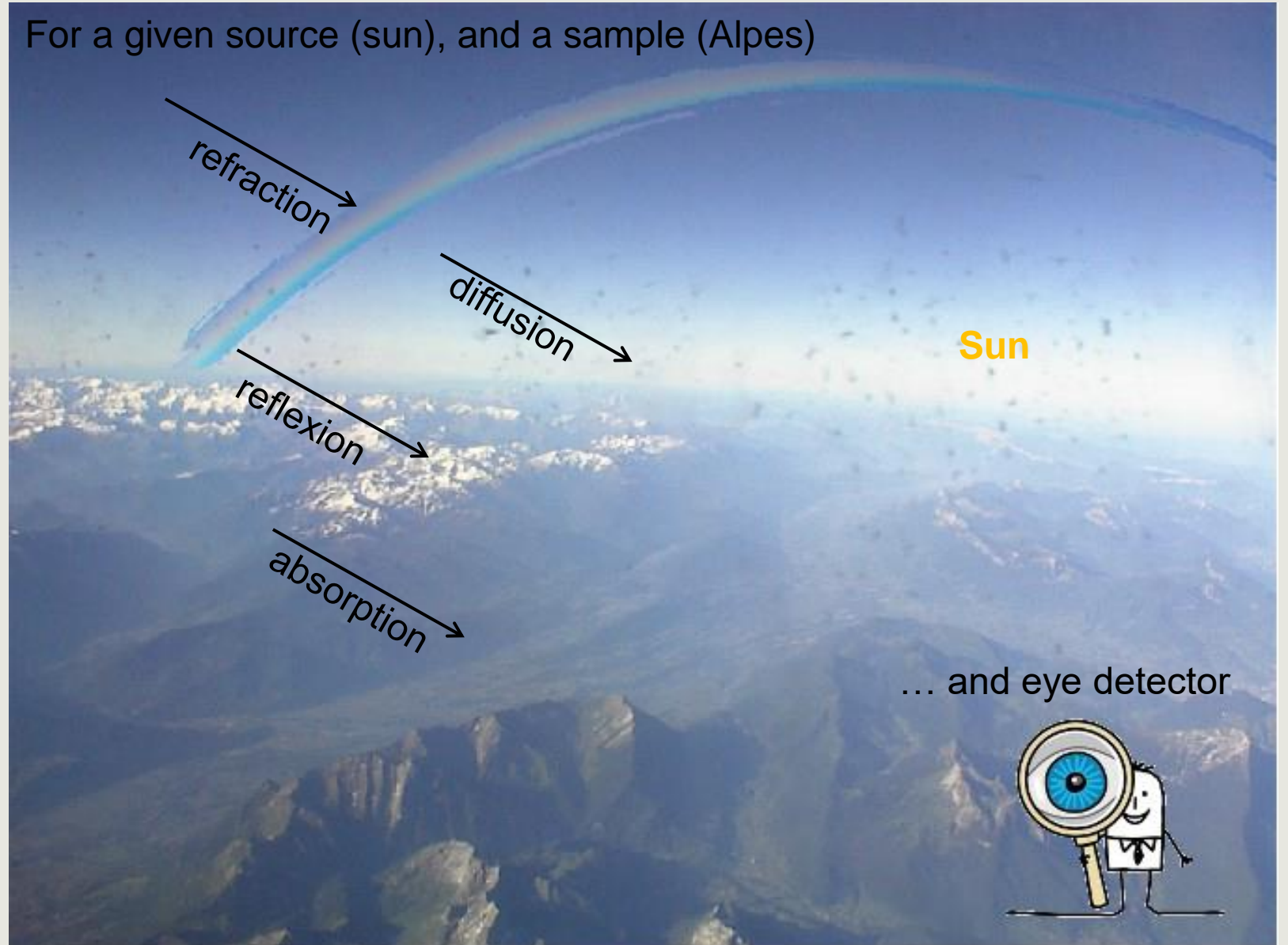
Diffraction



Wave matter interaction

Instrumentations using radiation for material analysis need to be optimized :

- source characteristics
- detection characteristics
- sample environment
- mechanical design



Wave matter interaction

We can propose instruments for this expertise:

- X-ray diffraction : phase analysis, identification and quantification of phase
- X-ray diffusion (SAXS) : nanoparticles morphology
- X-ray fluorescence : elemental analysis
- X-ray imaging : image of X-ray absorption
- X-ray reflection : nanometric coating analysis



Focus on X-ray diffraction

Wave matter interaction

Which material is able to diffract ?

Anything which has a structure at the nanometric scale, with enough contrast.

Structure : ordering at the atomic scale

Then, mostly crystallized material in bulk or powder but even in liquid crystals or in smoke

Contrast : X-ray interacts with electronic level

Then, heavy atoms => high contrast



Each tool or instrument is designed to fulfill a task

According to its characteristics, it will be used in a defined range ...

Or

A tool or an instrument can be designed according to the definition of a need ...

Instrument

Instrument is designed for the need we are looking for. It allows to measure and quantify physical parameters (length, weight, power, energy, time...)



A hammer is designed according to the type of nail, and for the destination

=> Same type of instrument can have different design depending on the application

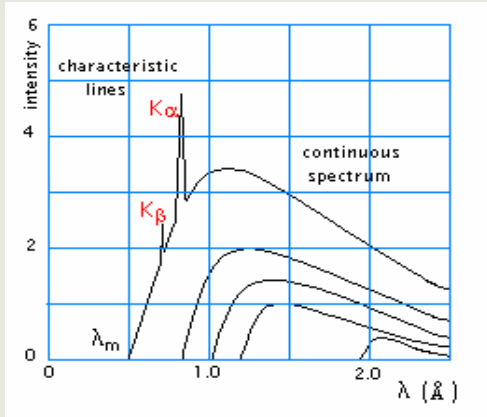
X-ray diffraction instrument

A light emission characterized by :

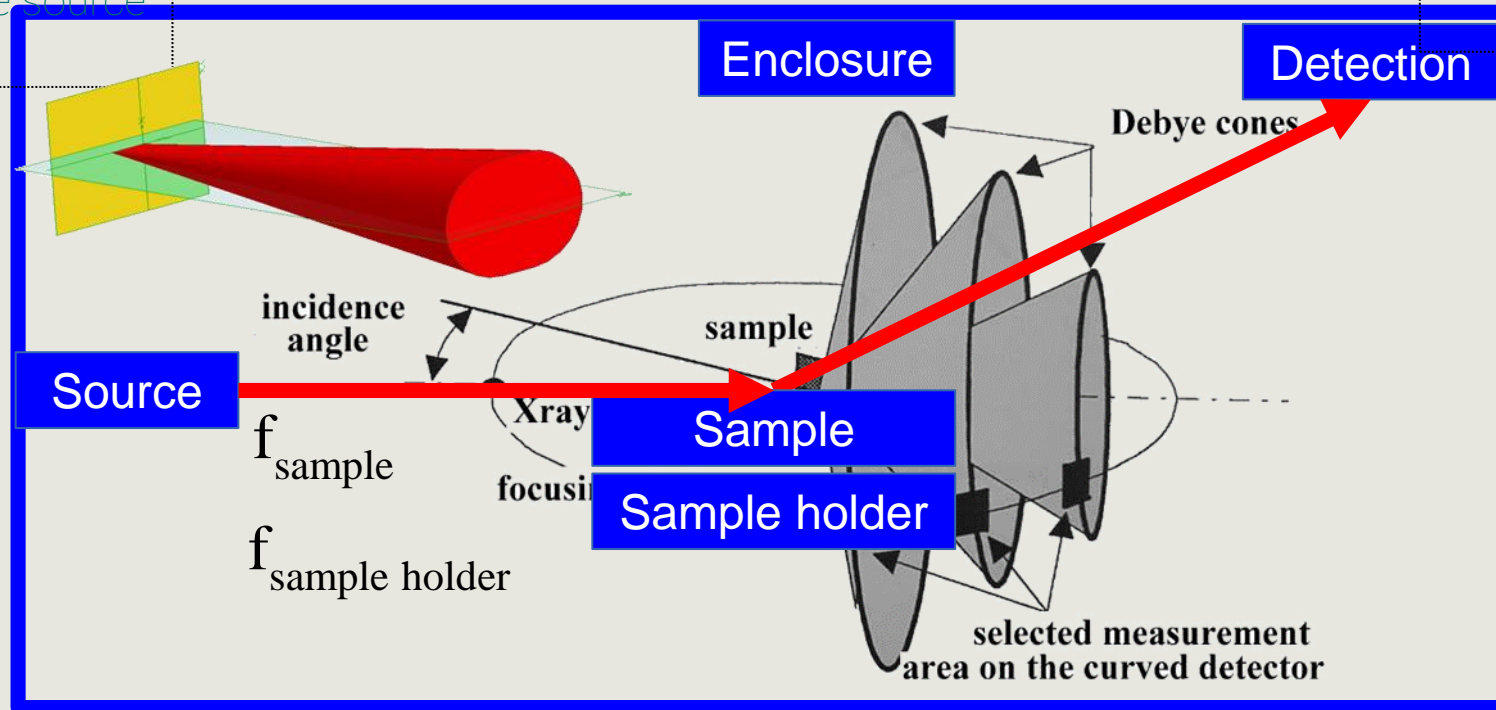
- a spectral range
- a solid angle
- intensity
- dimension and shape of the source

A detector is characterized by

- spacial resolution
- dynamic range
- energy resolution
- dimension



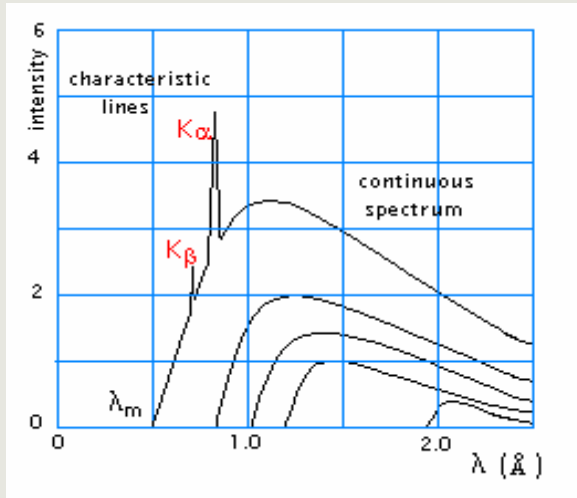
Molybdenum spectrum vs the applied voltage



f_{operator}

**Most instruments using radiation corresponds to this scheme :
XRD – XRF- FTIR- Raman-UV ...**

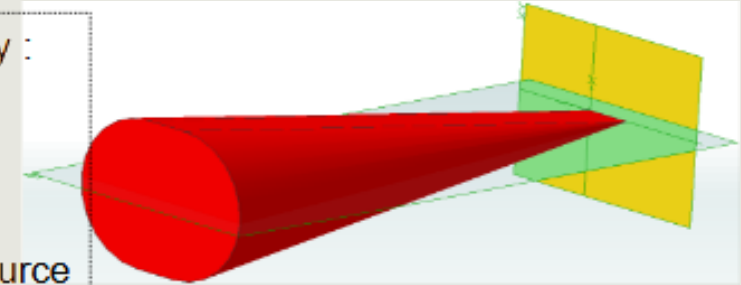
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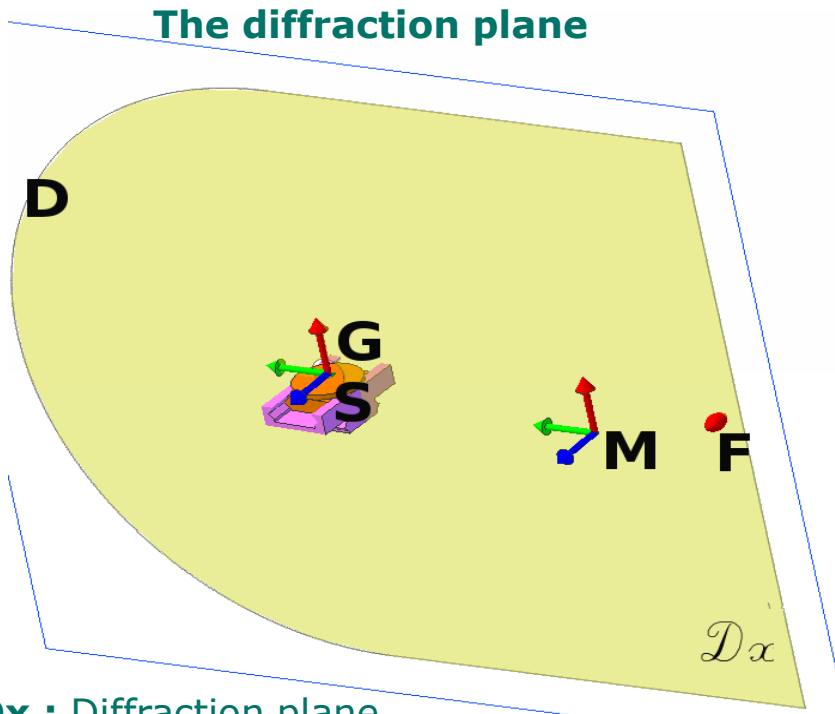


Optimizing the characteristics of a source allows to focus on a given interaction

	fluorescence	imaging	diffraction	reflection	diffusion
Spectral range	large	large	Monochromatic (excepted Laue)	monochromatic	monochromatic
Solid angle	Few degrees	Large (60°)	Small to parallel or focusing	Very small	Very small or focusing
Source size	Small or large	Small for resolution improvement	small	small	small
Source shape	point/linear	point	Point or linear	linear	Point or linear

This is achieved by using appropriate optics (1D, 2D, monochromator, mirror, collimator, slits ...)

X-ray diffraction instrument



- Dx** : Diffraction plane
- F** : focus of the source
- M** : Optical position (monochromator, mirror), involving a primary beam deviation
- G** : Goniometer center where is localized the sample
- S** : Sample position
- D** : Diffraction device
- Dir X** : Direction of the primary beam
- Dir Y** : Direction perpendicular to the diffraction plane (axial direction)
- Dir Z** : Direction perpendicular to the sample surface (equatorial direction)

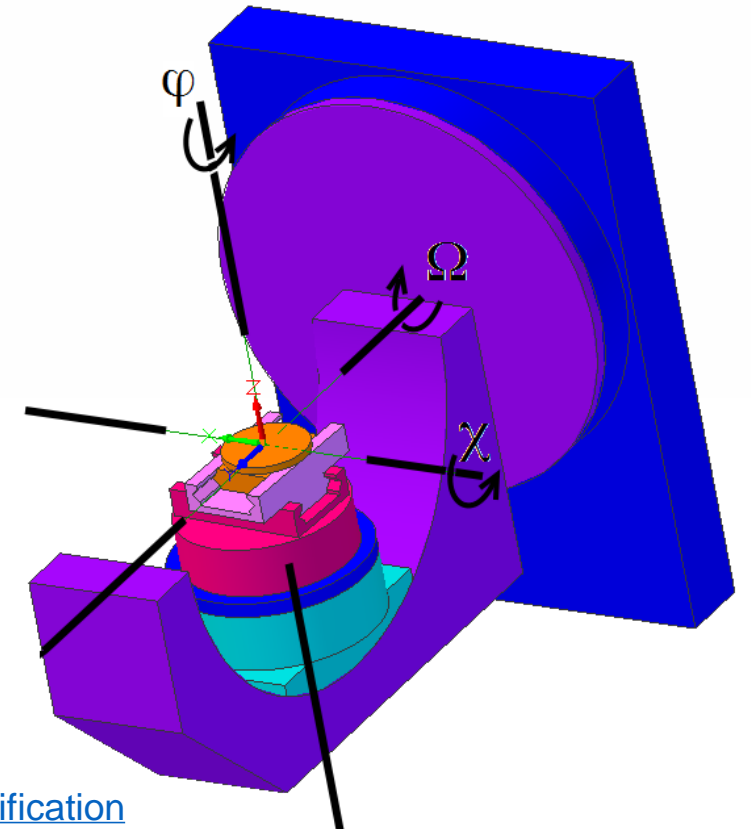
The Goniometer

Sample orientation is defined by 3 Eulerian angles:

- " Ω " angle is the incident angle on the sample surface
- " φ " angle is the rotation belongs the normal axis to the sample surface
- " χ " angle allows to tilt sample belongs the axis intercept of the diffraction plane and sample surface

Remark:

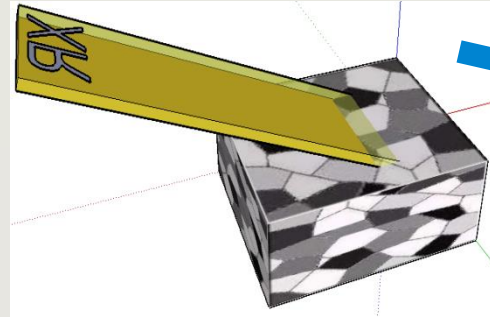
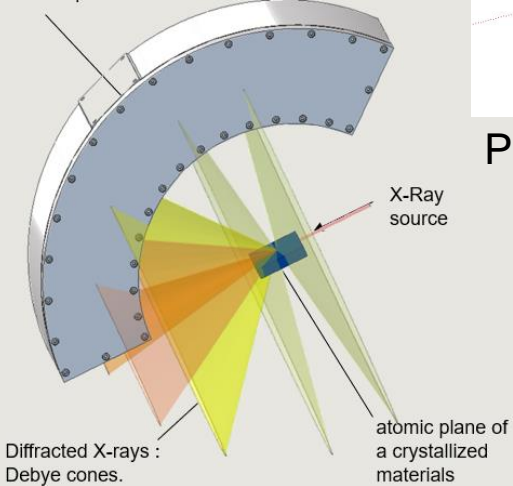
- " 2θ " angle belongs to the detection part



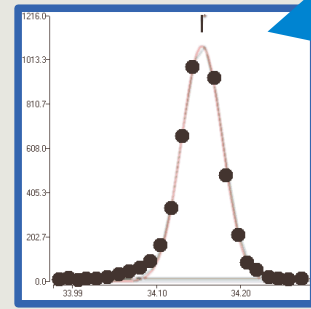
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X-Ray diffraction, what kind of informations

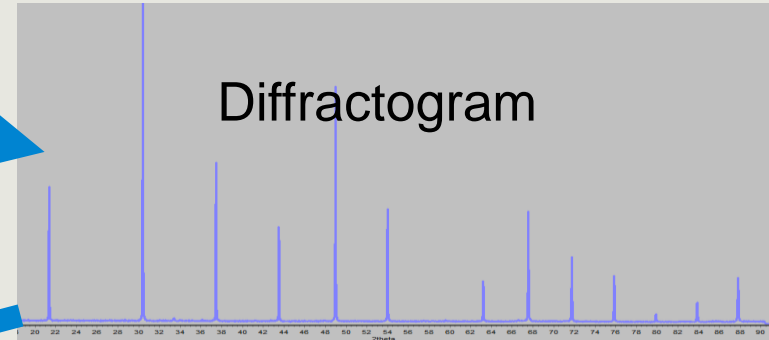
X-ray detector is able to intercept these cones.



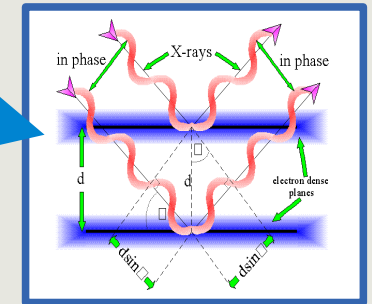
Peak intensity/shape



$$I = I_0 \cdot P \cdot L \cdot F^2 \cdot m \cdot A \cdot e^{-2M \cdot \frac{1}{V^2}}$$



Peak position



$$\lambda = 2d_{hkl} \sin(\theta_{hkl})$$

Overall analysis of peaks shape, position and intensity and background function

- What is the composition? and how much?
- what is the crystallite size and morphology?
- Is-there any constrains inside crystallite? Or in the overall sample?
- Is there an organization at the crystallite scale?
- And can we quantify a distribution? Pole figures, Structure, organization of electronic density levels :
- What is the structural modification of my sample vs physical parameters (P, T...)?
- Structural anisotropy :

- Phase identification
- Phases quantification
- Particles size, micro strains
- Stress analysis
- Preferred orientation (powder) or texture (bulk)
- ODF
- cell parameters, valence, atomic occupation, ...
- dilatation, phase transition
- stress, texture, thin film characterization ...

X-Ray diffraction, powder vs crystal

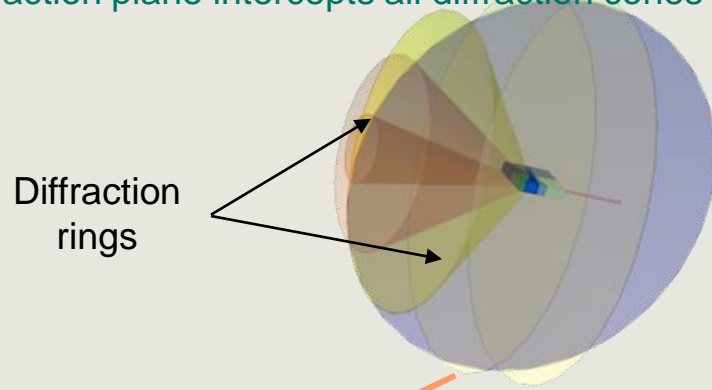
Powder sample :

- Large number of grains probed by X-rays
- Grains are small according to beam size (20 μm)
- Each grain is able to diffract according to its orientation

=> several diffracted beam for a fixed sample orientation

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Diffraction plane intercepts all diffraction cones

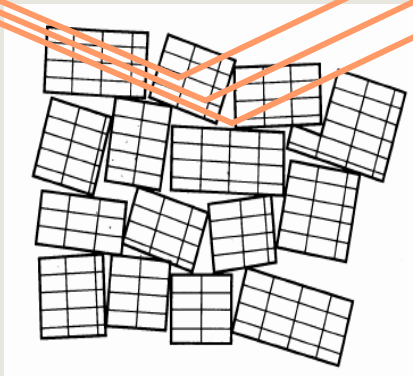


Powder diffractometer setup

Oriented polycrystal :

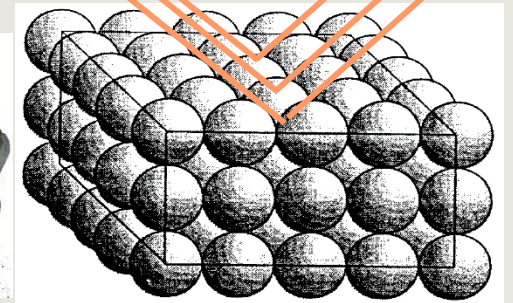
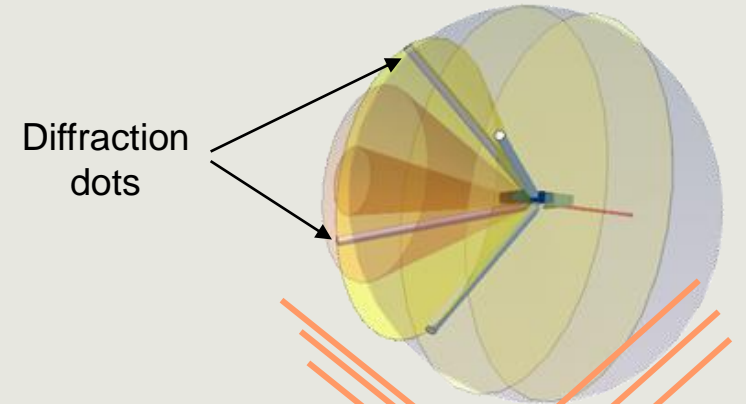
- large number of crystallite having a rule for organization

Texture diffractometer setup



Single crystal :

- 1 unique grain probed by X-rays
 - 1 unique diffracted signal for a given orientation of crystal
- => only possibilities to record several diffracted beam
- Moving crystal by using a goniometer and monochromatic beam
 - Not moving crystal, but using a polychromatic beam → Laue method (consult us to define the instrument)



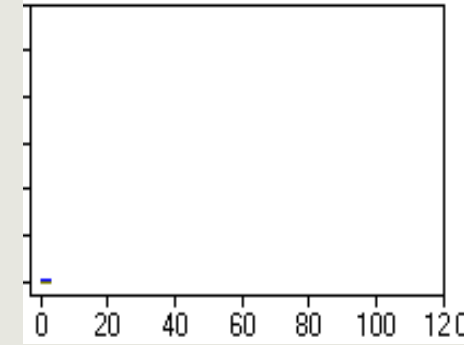
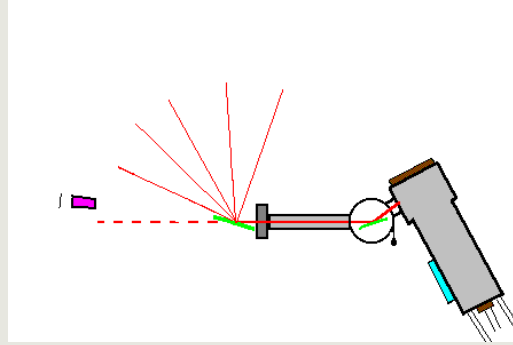
Single crystal diffractometer setup

X-Ray diffraction, detection types

0D Detection :

Acquisition is done Stepwise

2θ and statistics are time dependent

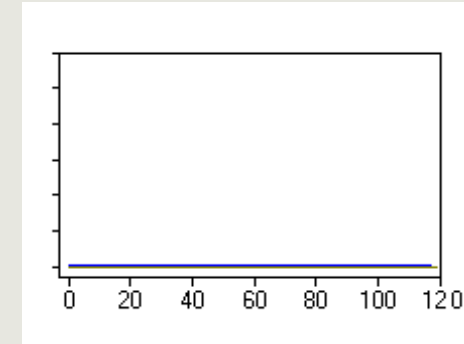
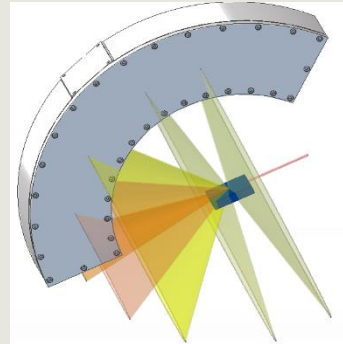


Bragg-Brentano geometry

1D Detection :

Acquisition is done in snapshots

Statistics is time dependent



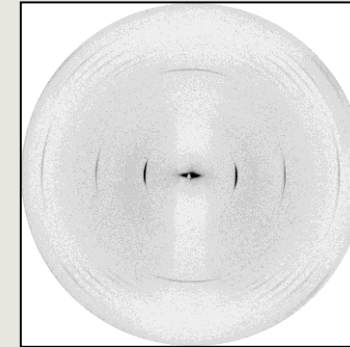
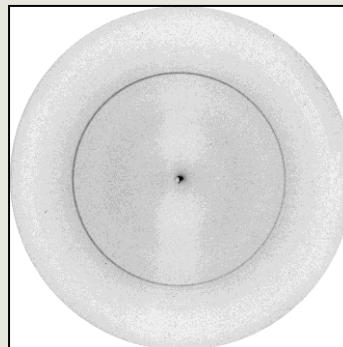
asymmetric geometry

2D Detection :

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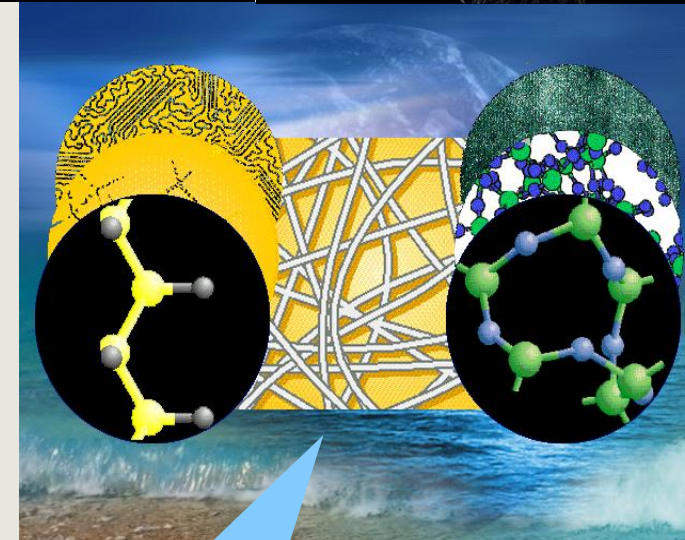
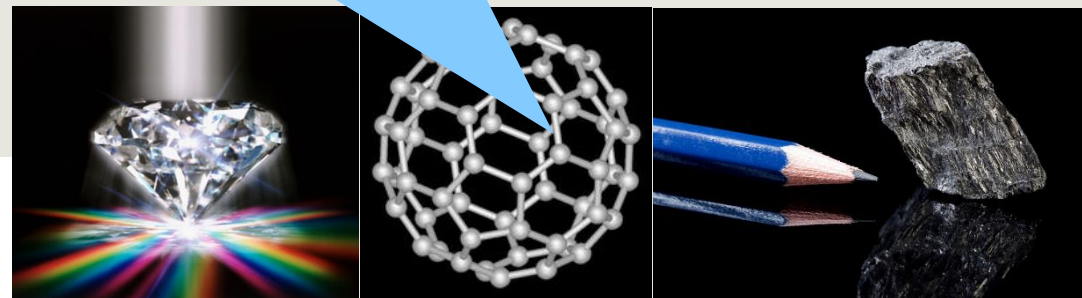
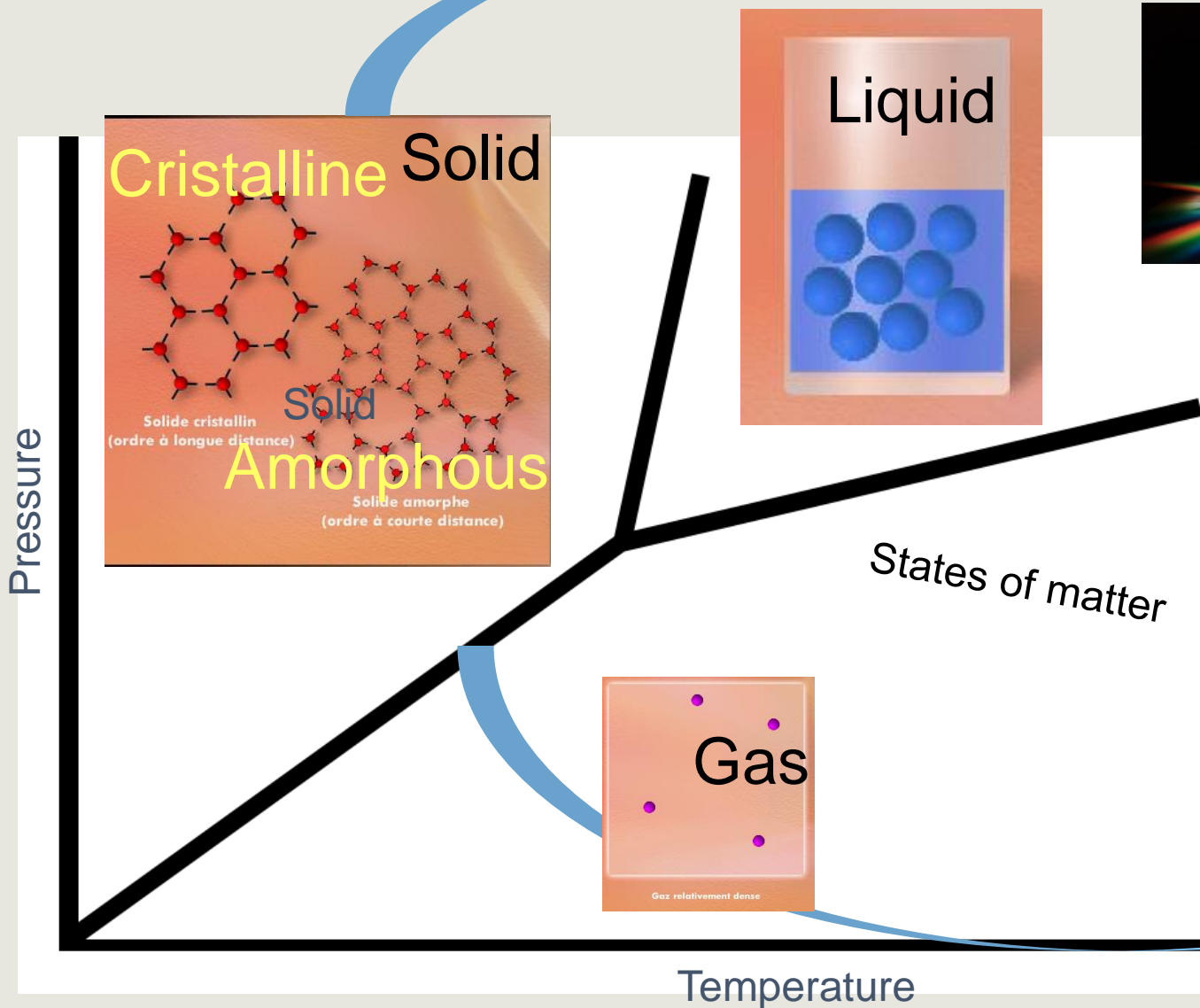
Statistics is time dependent

Texture information but point beam required



Function matter

Phases



whatever the state, XRD allows to evidence and measure structural parameters in matter

Instrumental function for XRD

- **Instrumental function is governed by all components of the XRD instrument :**

- source characteristics
- optics and collimation
- detection device
- sample environment

- **XRD components should be compatible to each other**

- Example : 1D optic is not recommended with a 2D detector (equatorial aberration)

- **The good knowledge of the instrumental function allows to estimate as well the quality of the result**

- Example : absorption correction or LP correction are not the same in Bragg Brentano or in Debye Scherrer

- **The instrument must be adapted to the requested measurement**

- Example : performing transmission measurement with Bragg-Brentano XRD is not appropriate

- **Instrumental conditions must be correctly chosen (reproducibility of results)**

- Example : choose of the appropriate wavelength vs sample

- **Use of appropriate standards**

- Example : in reflection, eccentricity is influenced by transparency. Using standard with same absorption can correct this

Instrumental function for XRD

Elastic coherent interaction :

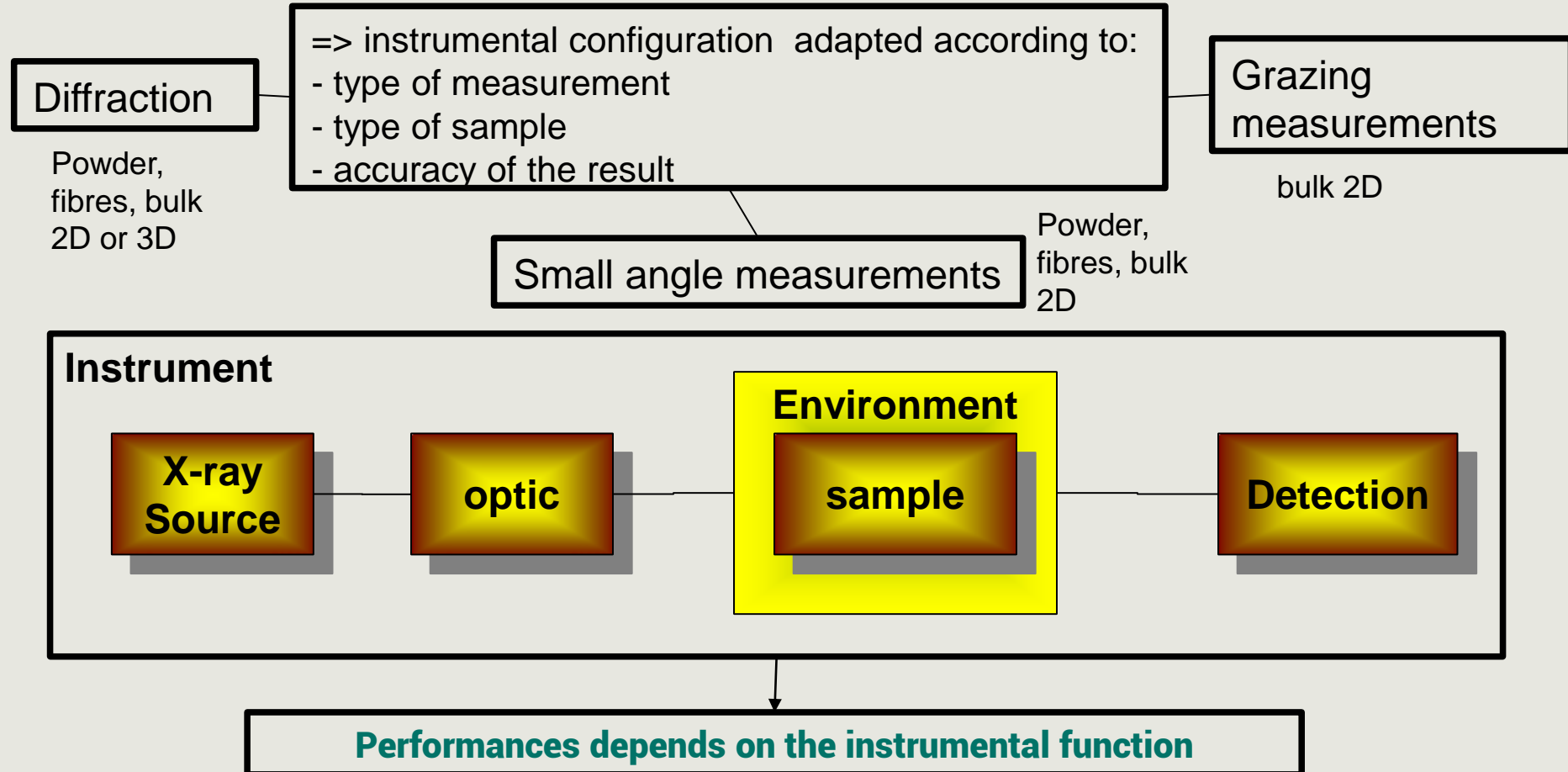
reflectometrie : investigation on thin film for measuring thickness, roughness and density

diffraction : investigation on phases

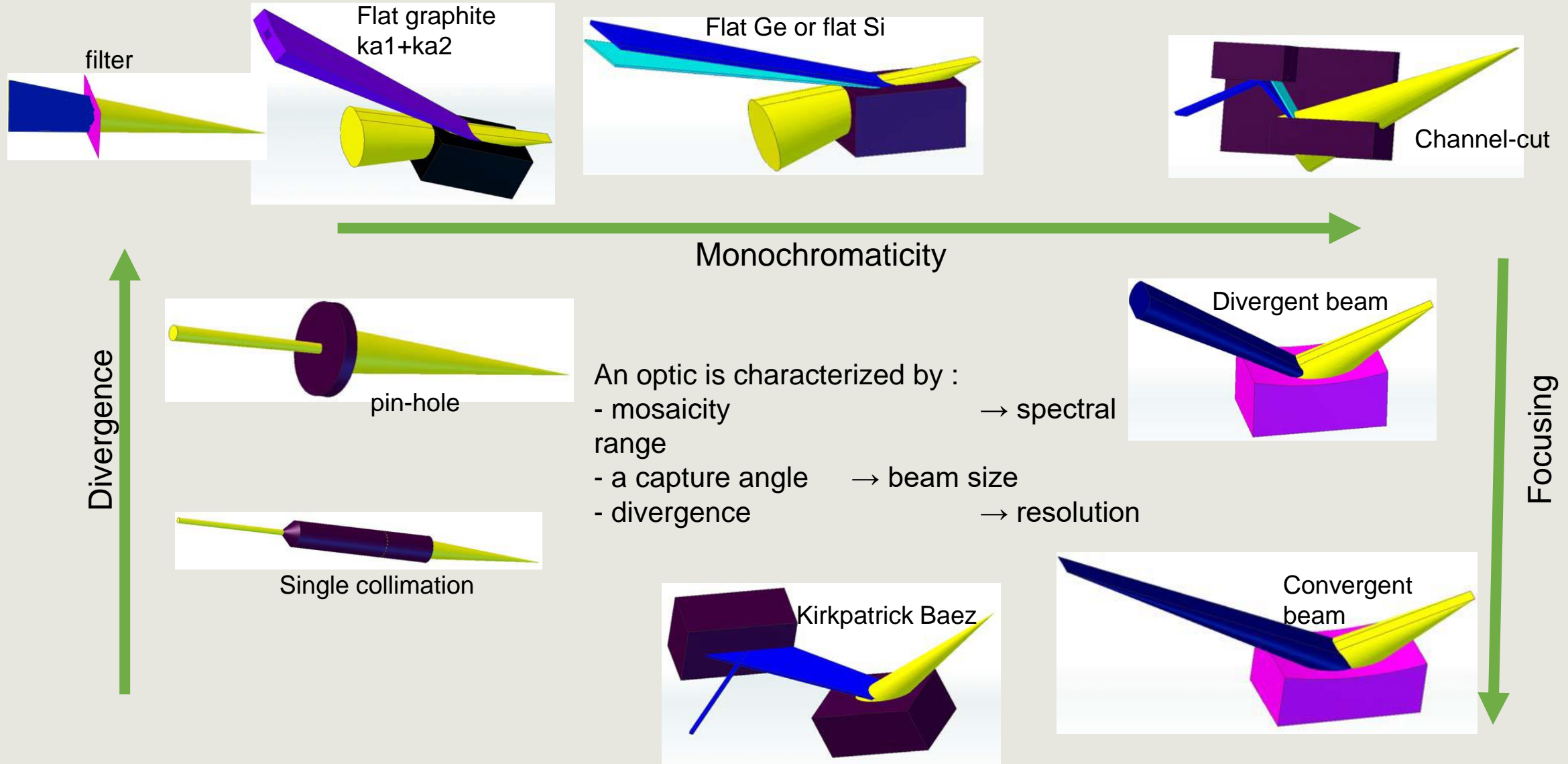
absorption : imaging and radiography.

Incoherent elastic interaction :

diffusion by a rough surface or cristalline defects.



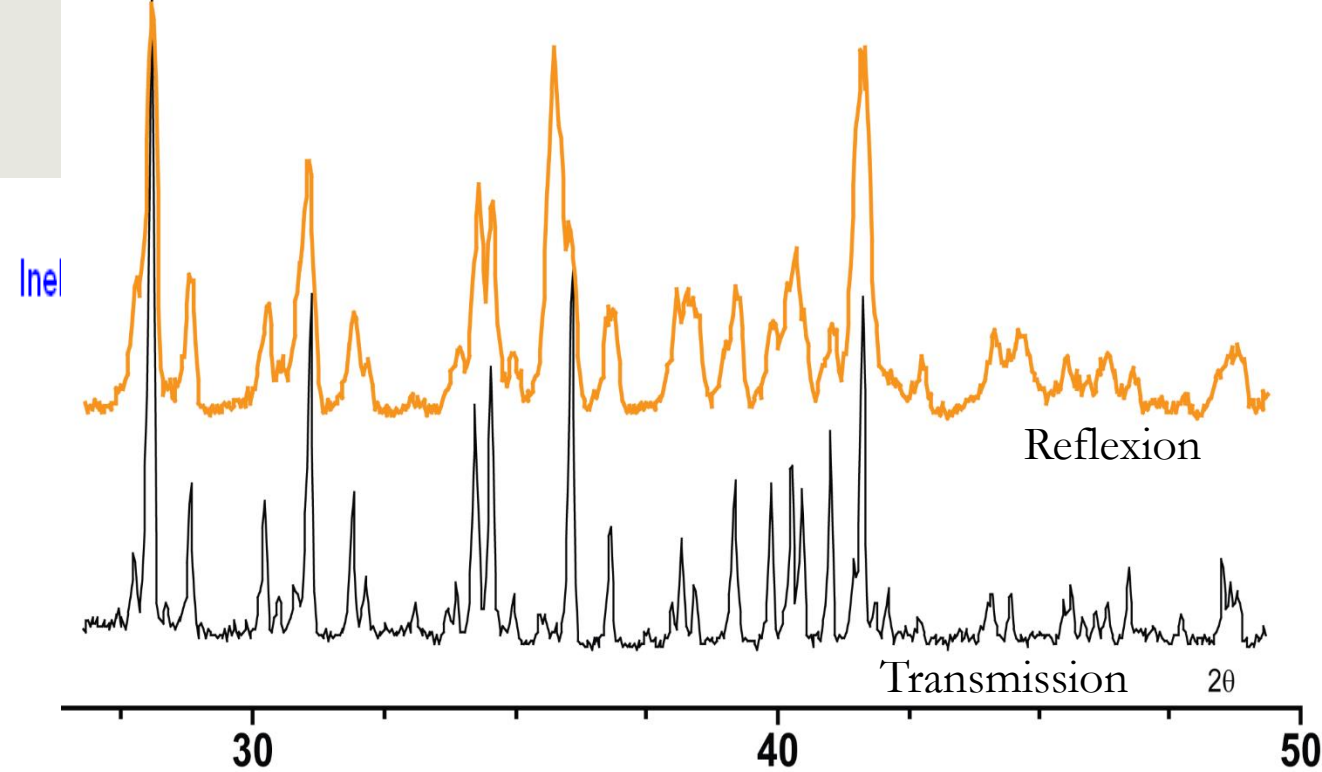
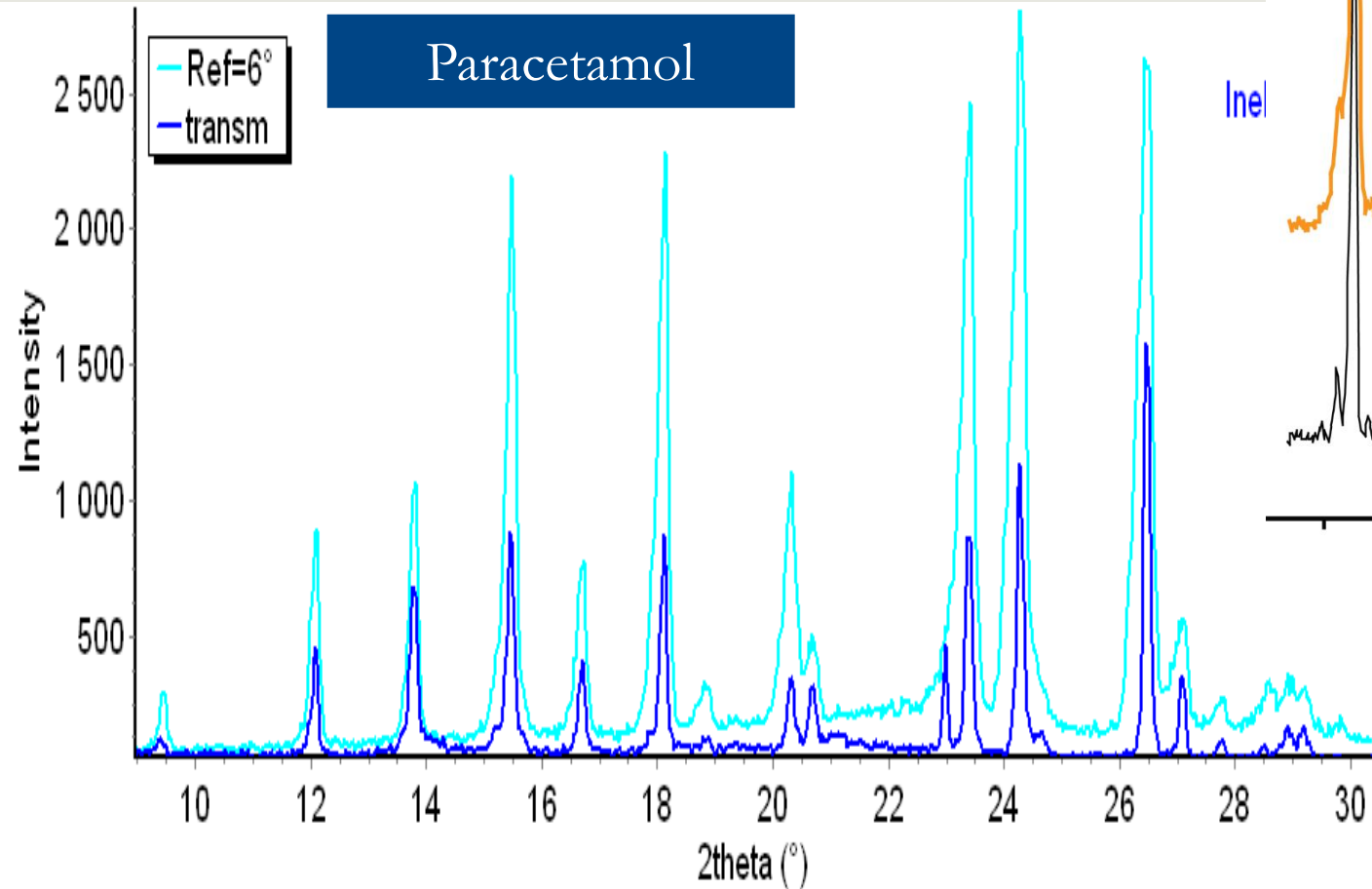
Instrumental function for XRD – beam characteristics



Instrumental function for XRD – effect of sample holder

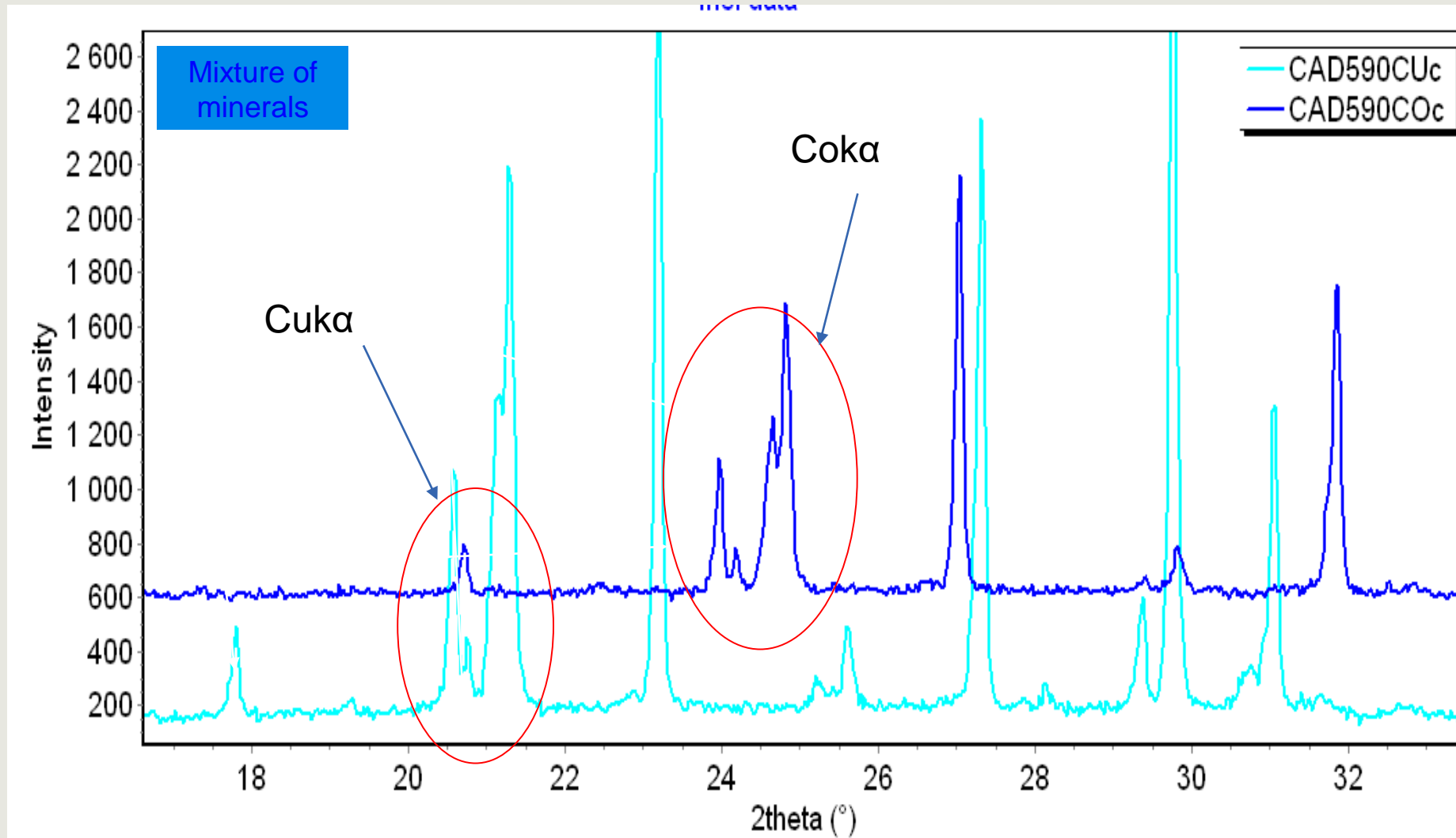
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Paracetamol

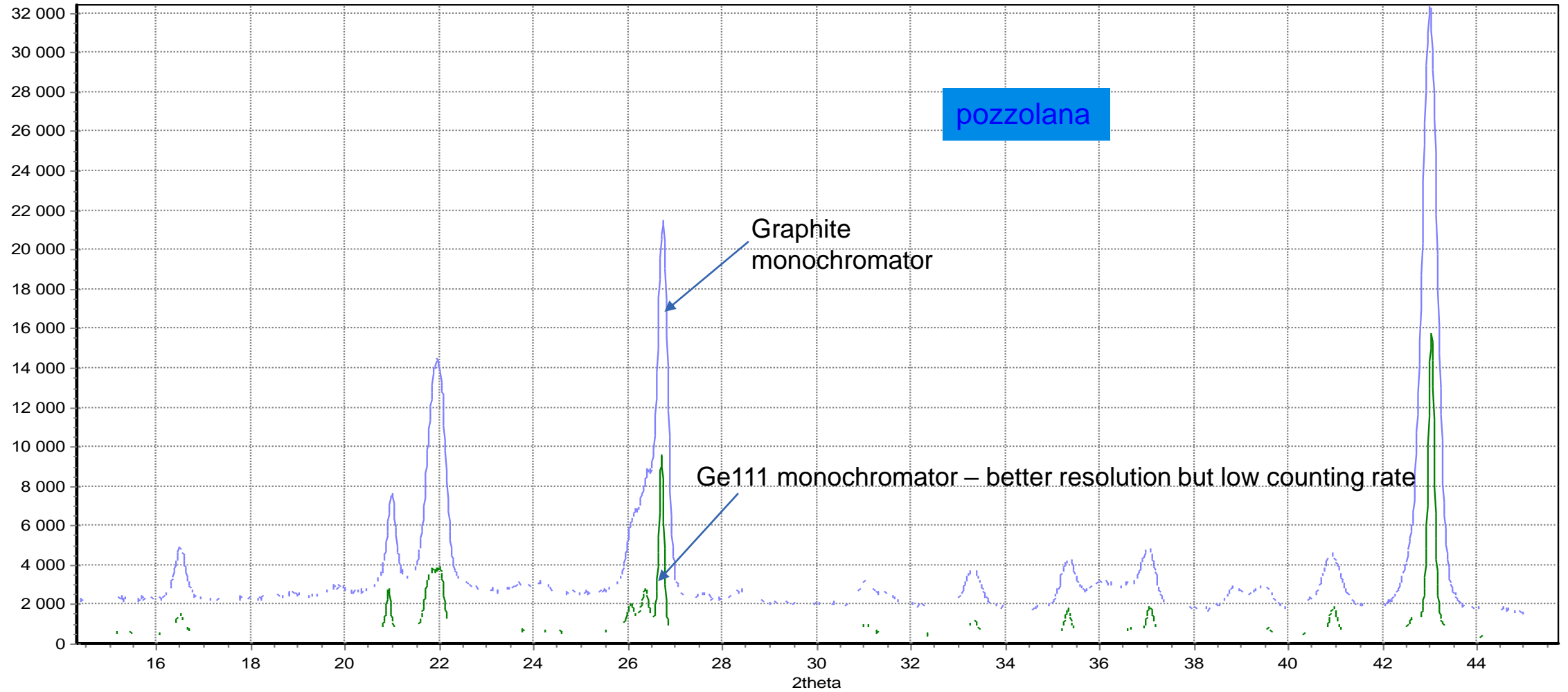


Better resolution in transmission

Instrumental function for XRD – effect of wavelength



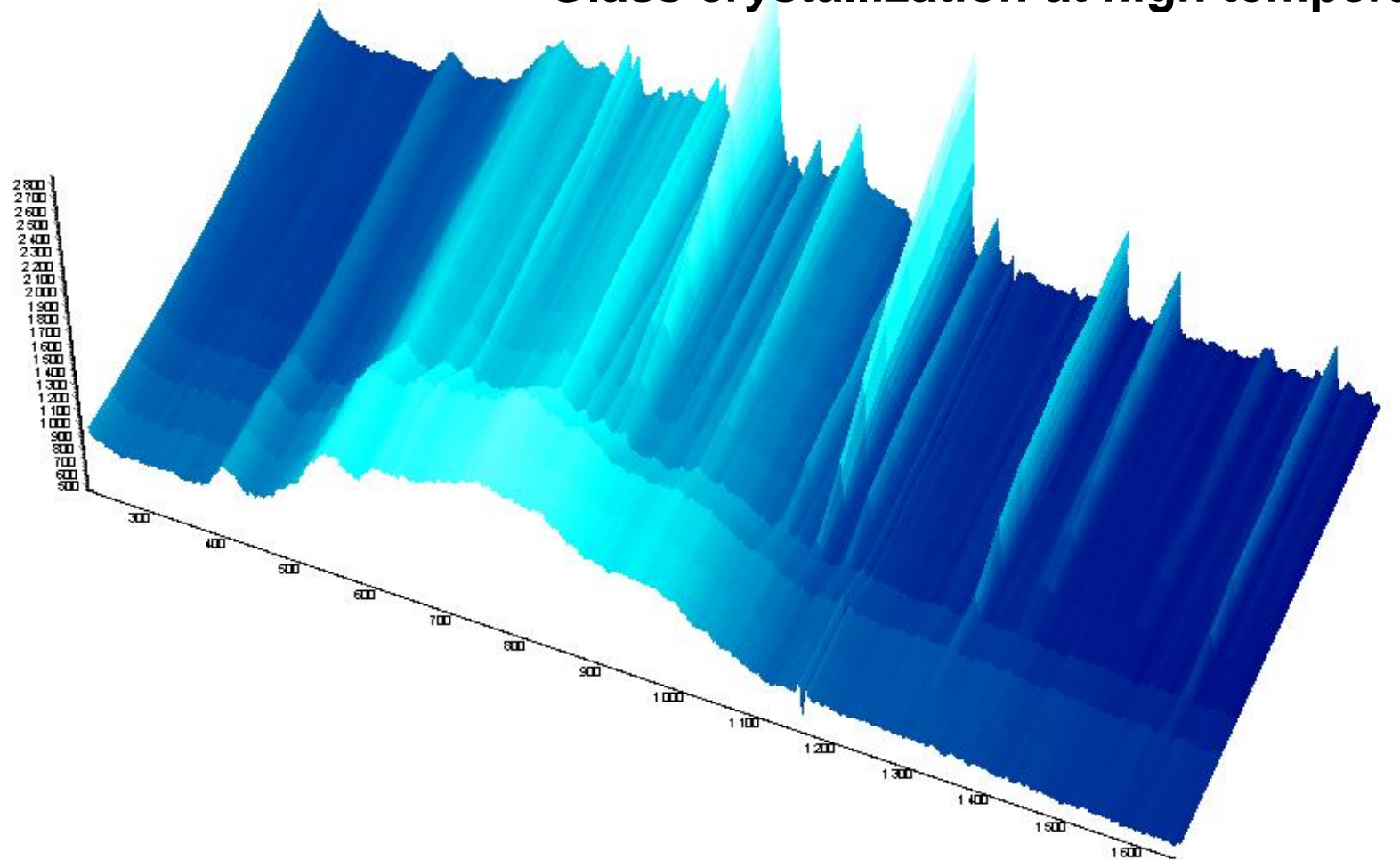
Instrumental function for XRD – effect of optic type



Instrumental function for XRD – effect of optic

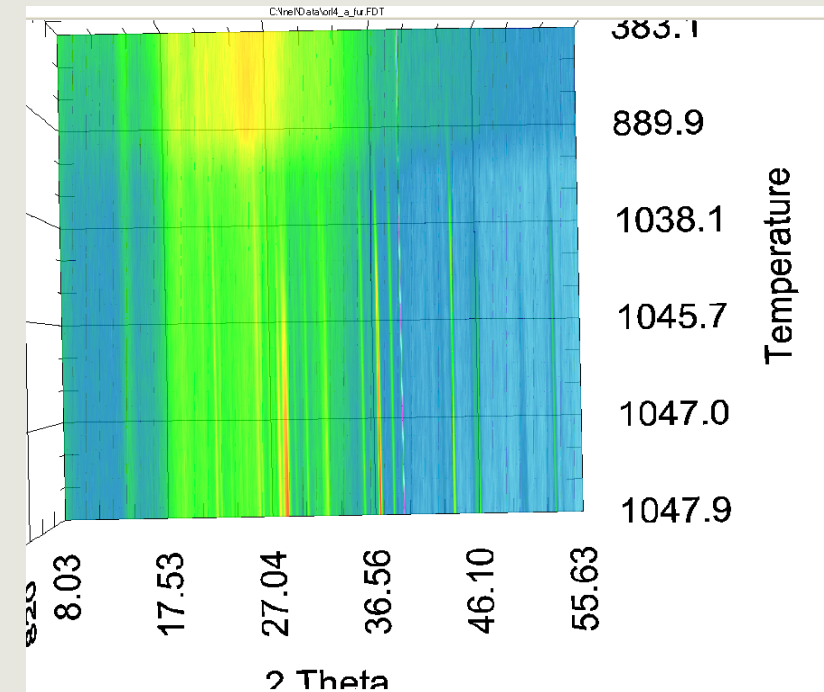
High flux by using elliptical mirror

Glass crystallization at high temperature



CONDITIONS :



power : 38kV – 38mA,
Furnace : FUR1200
acquisition: 3min

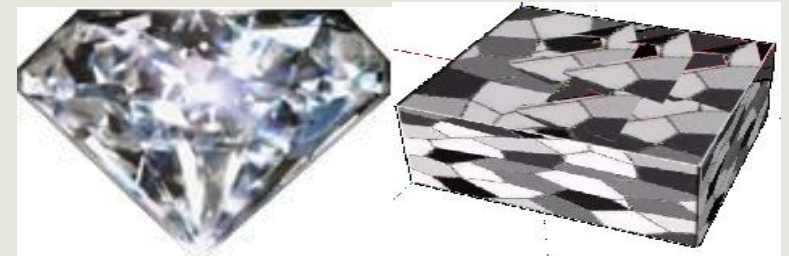


X-ray diffraction setup

Understanding how to get the result

- appropriate instrumental configuration
- appropriate sample conditioning
- appropriate calibrations / corrections

		Type of solid	
		Single crystal	polycrystalline
Type of radiation	monochromatic 	Rotating crystal Method	Powder XRD
	polychromatic 	Laue Method	ED-XRD



Single crystal

Polycrystalline material

XRD for polycrystal with monochromatic beam – focusing geometry

Debye Scherrer geometry

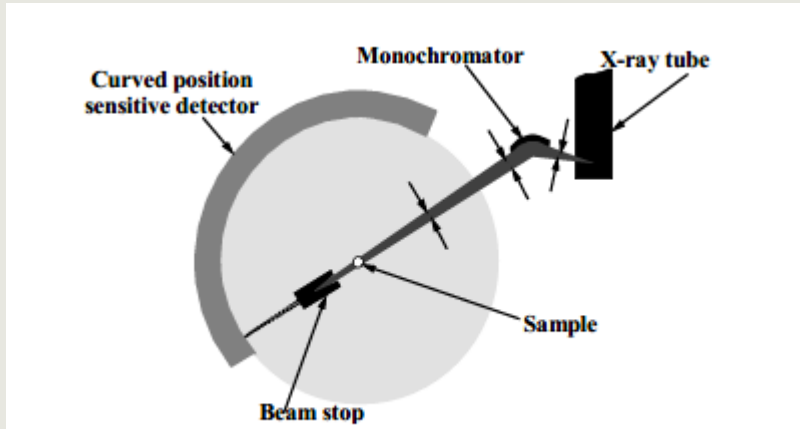


Figure 2.28. Debye-Scherrer diffractometer equipped with a position sensitive detector

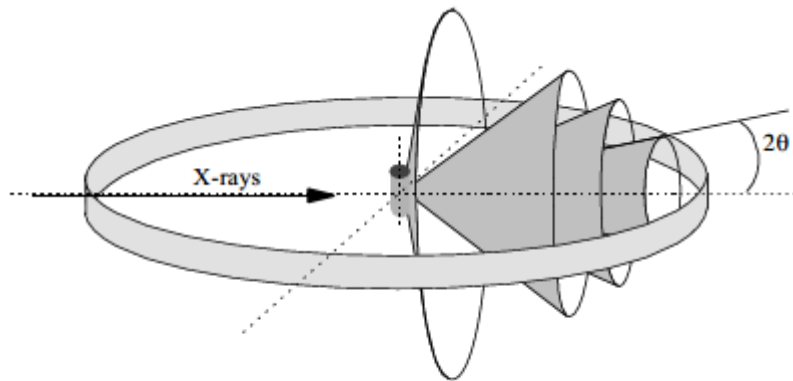


Figure 2.25. Geometric arrangement of the Debye-Scherrer and Hull diffractometer

Bragg Brentano geometry

Sample is an optical component!!

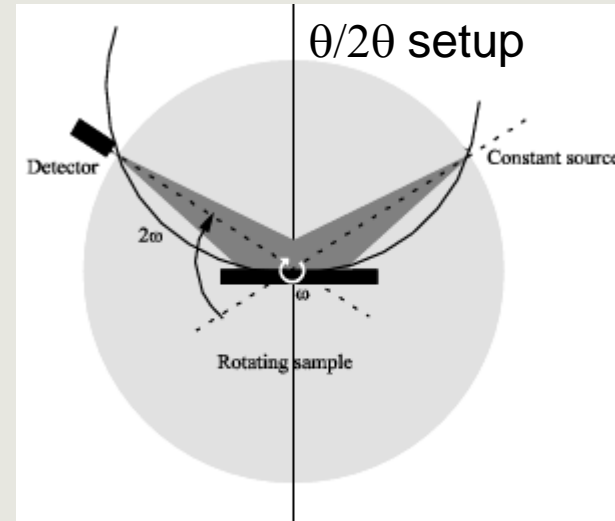


Figure 2.46. θ - 2θ Bragg-Brentano diffractometers

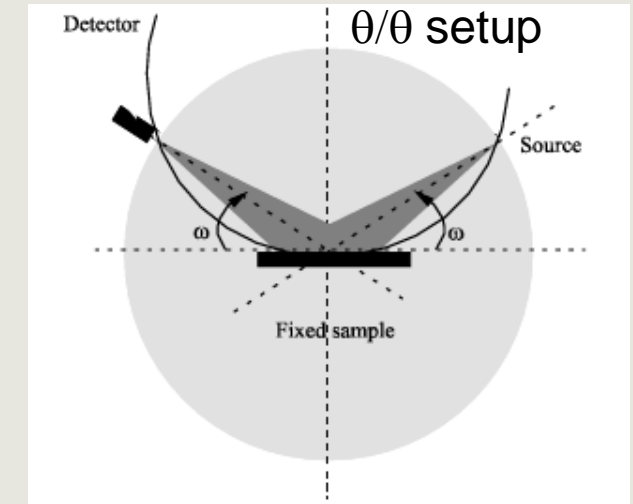


Figure 2.47. θ - θ Bragg-Brentano diffractometer

without optic

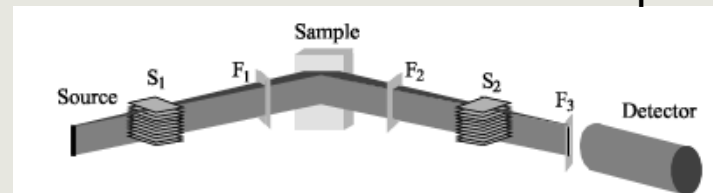


Figure 2.48. Path of the X-ray beams in a Bragg-Brentano diffractometer

without monochromator

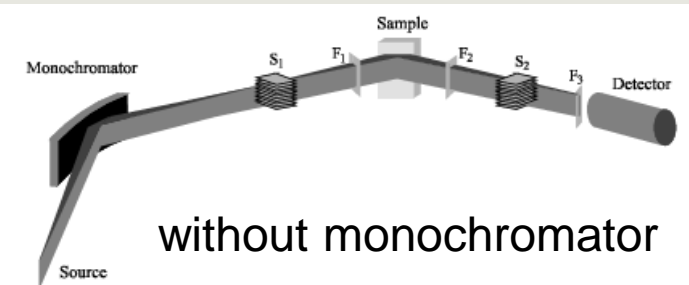
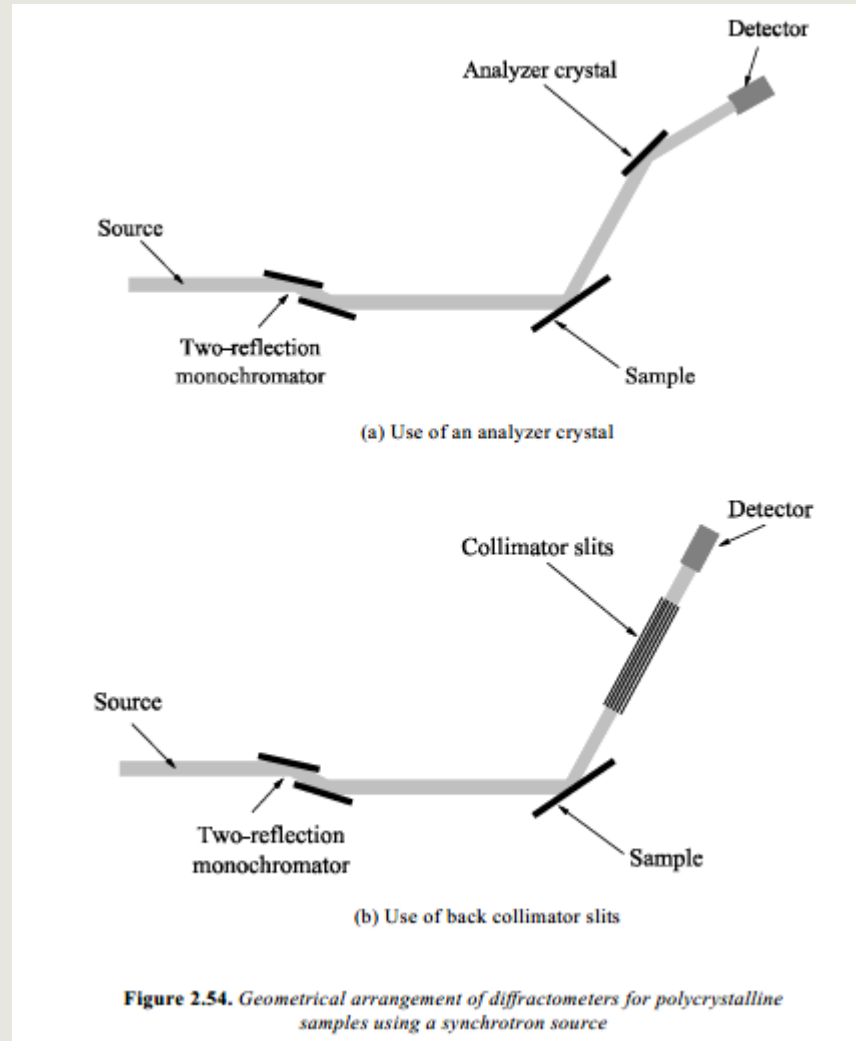


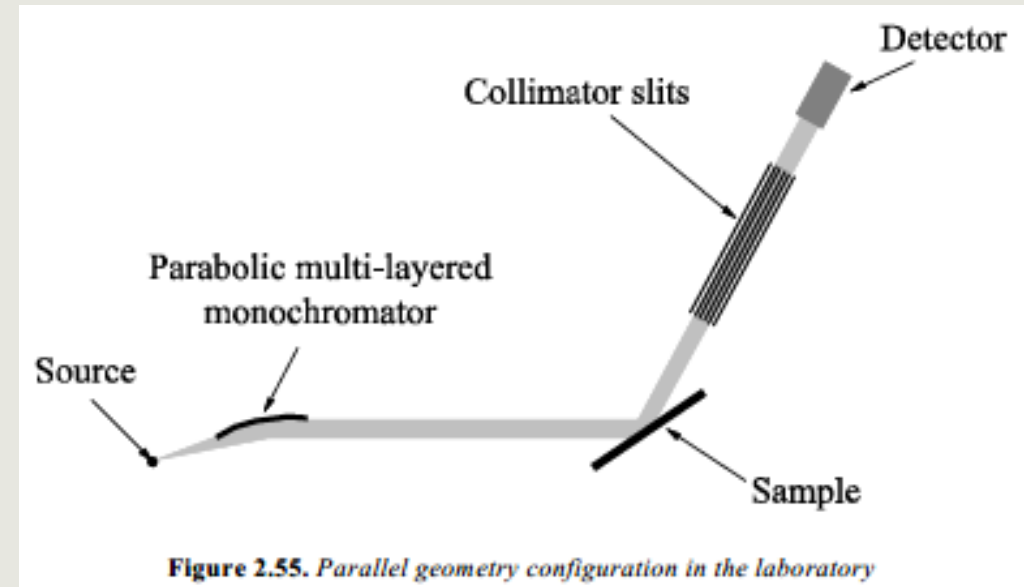
Figure 2.51. Path of the X-ray beams in a Bragg-Brentano diffractometer equipped with a front monochromator

XRD for polycrystal with monochromatic beam – parallel beam geometry

Parallel beam geometry
With flat crystals (1, 2 or 4 bounds)



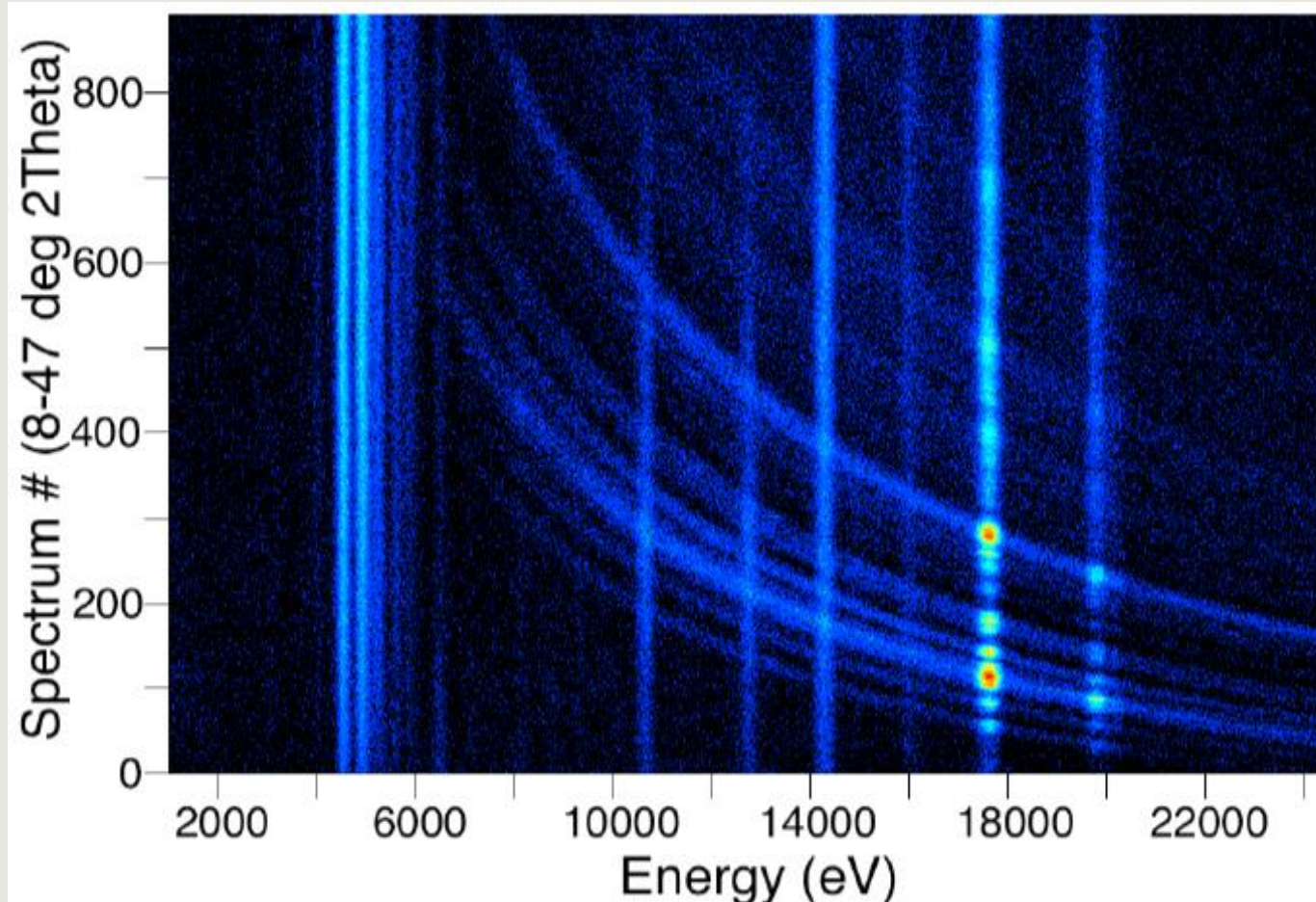
Parallel beam geometry
With parabolic (or elliptic) mirror



XRD for polycrystal with polychromatic beam – parallel beam geometry

- 1- Structural information are diffracted by all the wavelength
- 2- Elements are emitting fluorescence signal

Need to have a detector with a **spacial detection**, able to dissociate **energy**



XRD-XRF angle-energy map (raw data)

Angle-energy map measured for a BaSO₄ rich sample using Mo radiation not monochromatised and scanning the SDD detector from 5 to 47. in 2 θ .

Ref. L. Lutterotti, U. Trento

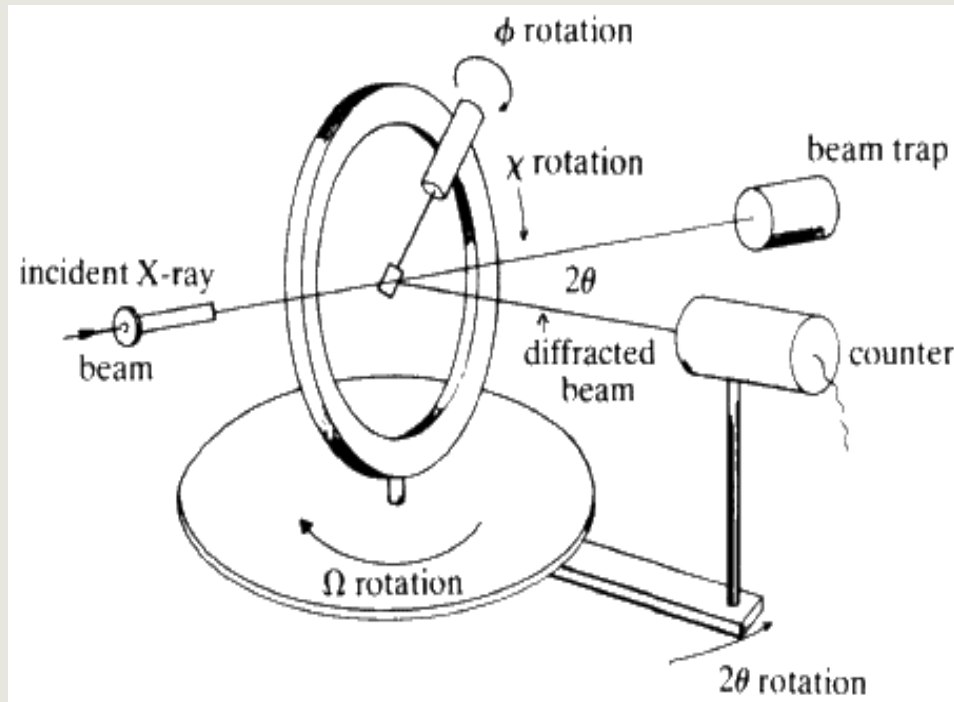
Expected characteristics:

- 50mm Strip detector, composed by 100microns (could be 50?) linear pixel width
- High dynamic per pixel
- Each pixel is able to measure EDX with a resolution better then 180eV
- Light weight and low consumption
- No gas needed
- Real time detector with low dead time
- Possibility to combine several detectors in order to cover a larger intercept of the Debye cones
- Efficiency for energy range from 1keV to 30keV

XRD for single crystal with monochromatic beam – parallel beam geometry

Parallel beam geometry

With flat crystals (1, 2 or 4 bounds)



Sample hold by appropriate goniometer
Different type of configuration

XRD for single crystal with polychromatic beam – parallel beam geometry

The Laue method is mainly used to determine the orientation of large single crystals. White radiation is reflected from, or transmitted through, a fixed crystal.

The diffracted beams form arrays of spots, that lie on curves on the film. The Bragg angle is fixed for every set of planes in the crystal. Each set of planes picks out and diffracts the particular wavelength from the white radiation that satisfies the Bragg law for the values of d and θ involved.

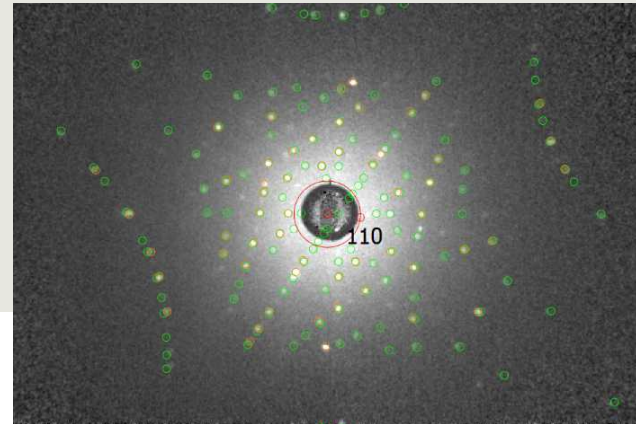
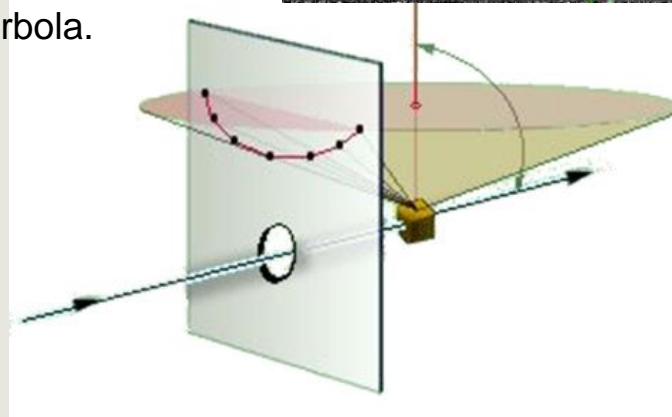
Experimental

There are two practical variants of the Laue method, the back-reflection and the transmission Laue method:

Back-reflection Laue

In the back-reflection method, the film is placed **between** the x-ray source and the crystal. The beams which are diffracted in a backward direction are recorded.

One side of the cone of Laue reflections is defined by the transmitted beam. The film intersects the cone, with the diffraction spots generally lying on an hyperbola.

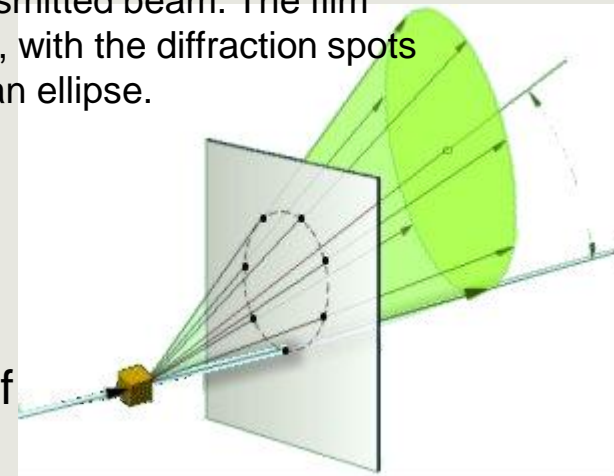


Transmission Laue

In the transmission Laue method, the film is placed **behind** the crystal to record beams which are transmitted through the crystal.

One side of the cone of Laue reflections is defined by the transmitted beam. The film intersects the cone, with the diffraction spots generally lying on an ellipse.

Case of

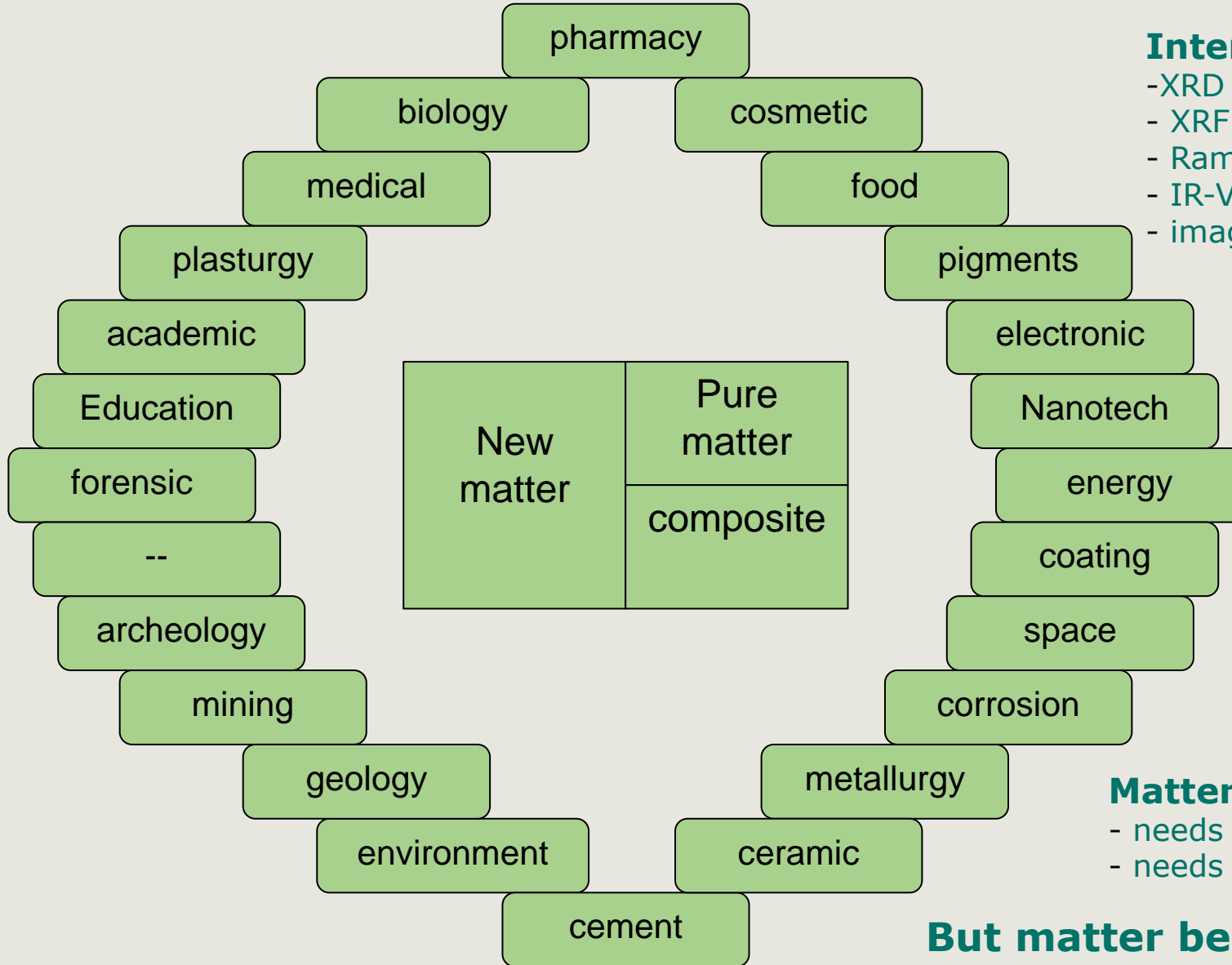


The background is a light gray color with various white and colored scientific icons scattered throughout. These include a blue chain of spheres, vertical bars in red, orange, and blue, a white circle with two triangles, a circular ring with colored segments, a grid of dots, a horizontal bar, a zigzag line, a sunburst, a square with a circle inside, a stack of horizontal lines, a spiral, a double-headed arrow, a stack of blue rings, a stack of white rings, and a stack of blue rings.

Application fields

Wide domains in material science

Application fields



Interest for using non destructive analytics

- XRD
- XRF
- Raman spectroscopy
- IR-VIS-UV spectroscopy
- imaging (RGB, hyperspectral, radiography ...)

Many application fields

- Academic
- private research
- quality control
- in field analysis

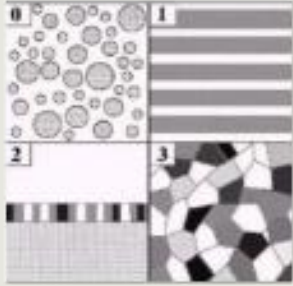
Matter is the center of interest for customer

- needs techniques for characterization
- needs methodology (procedures, norms ...)

But matter becomes more complex !

Matter organisation at different scales

Mineral, organic, vegetal, animal ...
All can be complex arrangements



0-D : thin powder
1-D : fiber stacking
2-D : multi-layer coating
3-D : bulk agglomerate

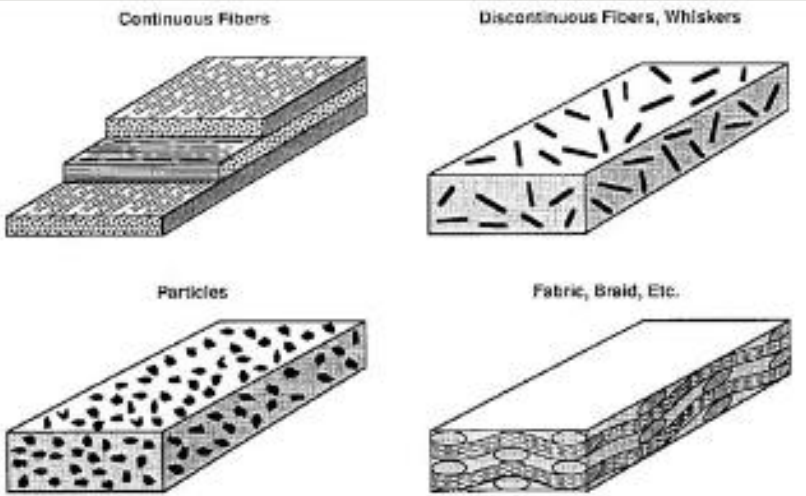
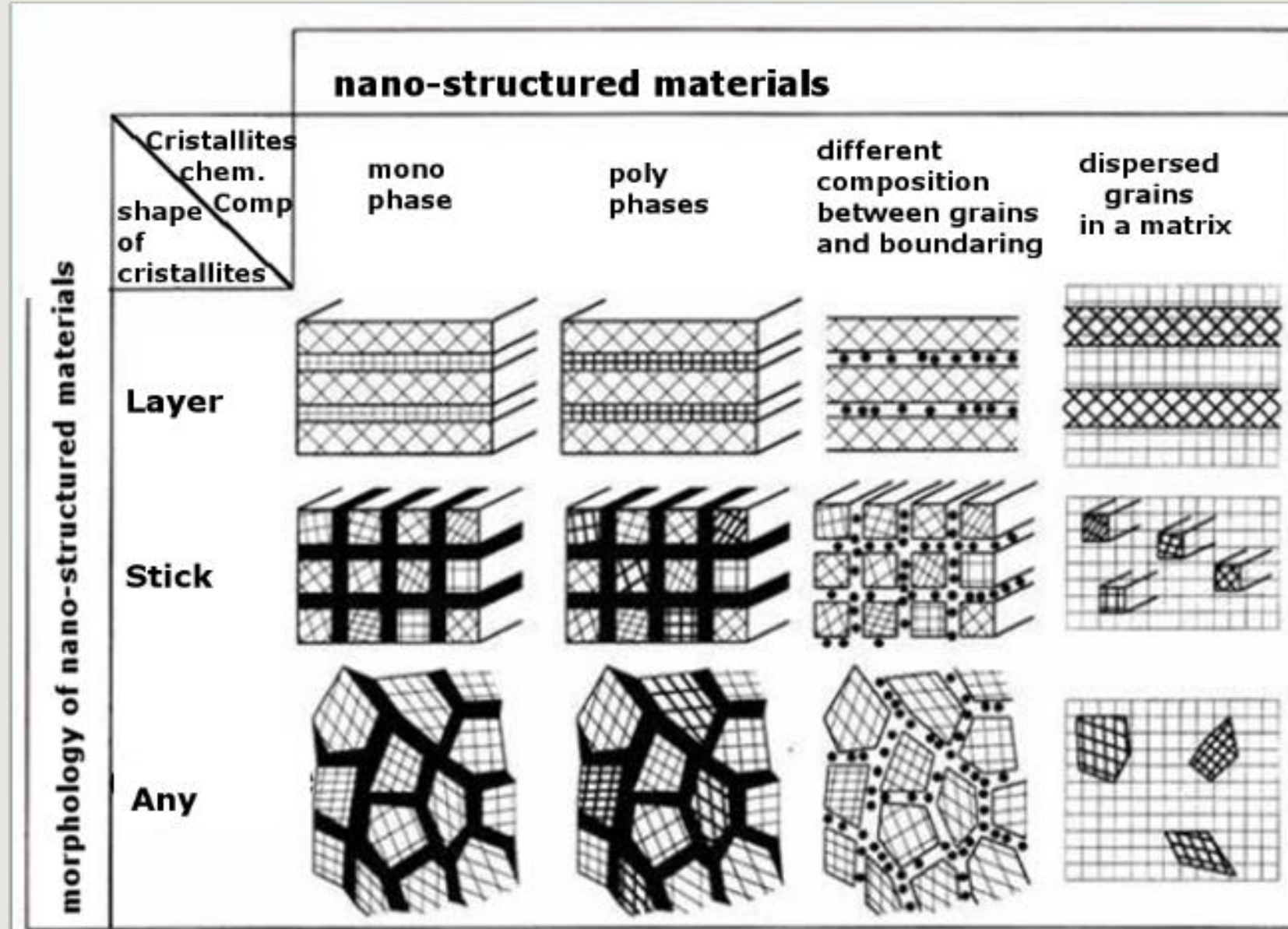


Figure 1 Reinforcement forms.



Matter, different structure at different scales

Multi-scale strategy

For a better understanding, correlations should be done at a multi-scale:

CM – sample scale: profiling + imaging

Identification of global texture of sample, surfaces, porosity ...

MM - grain scale : XRD + XRF

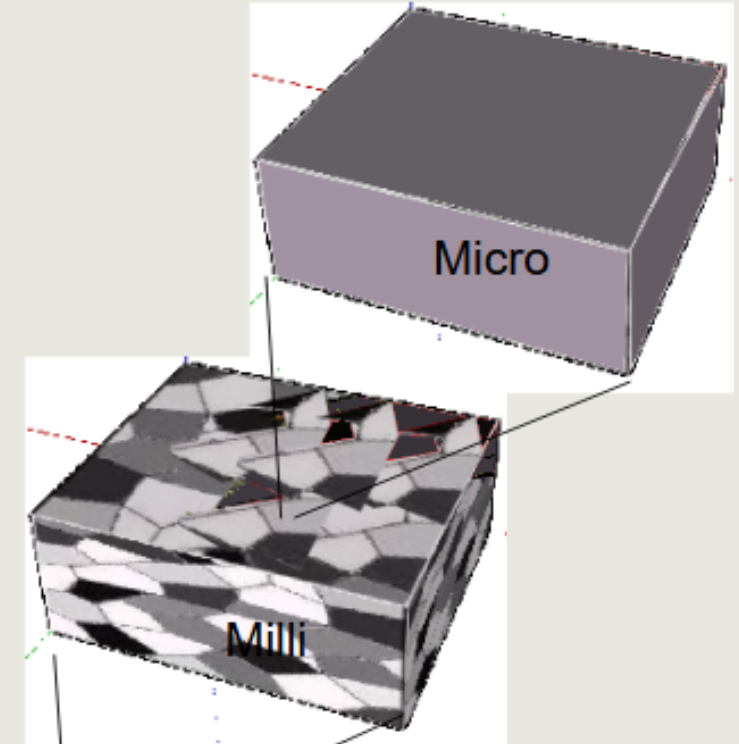
Characterization of surfaces composition

$\Sigma \Rightarrow$ phases and Σ elements

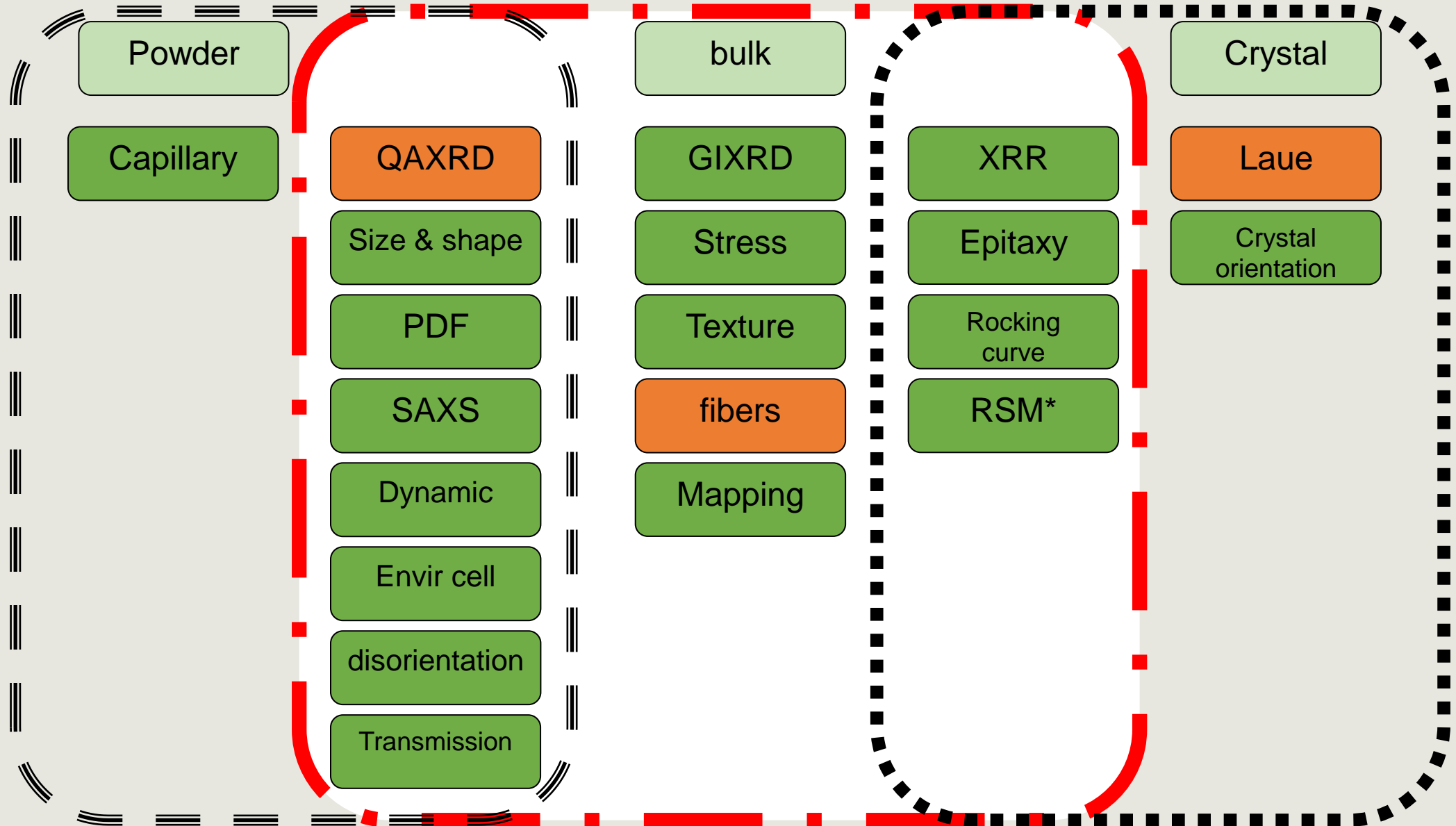
MIC – micro grain scale: Raman

Identification of individual phases

\Rightarrow individual phase distribution



XRD analytic techniques



Combined instruments

A way to automate material characterization



Combined analytics, ID1 (SOLSA project)

-XRD designed by INEL

- X-ray source (Cu)
- Multilayer optics and collimation
- CPS 180 detection
- motioned around the sample for omega axis

-XRF designed

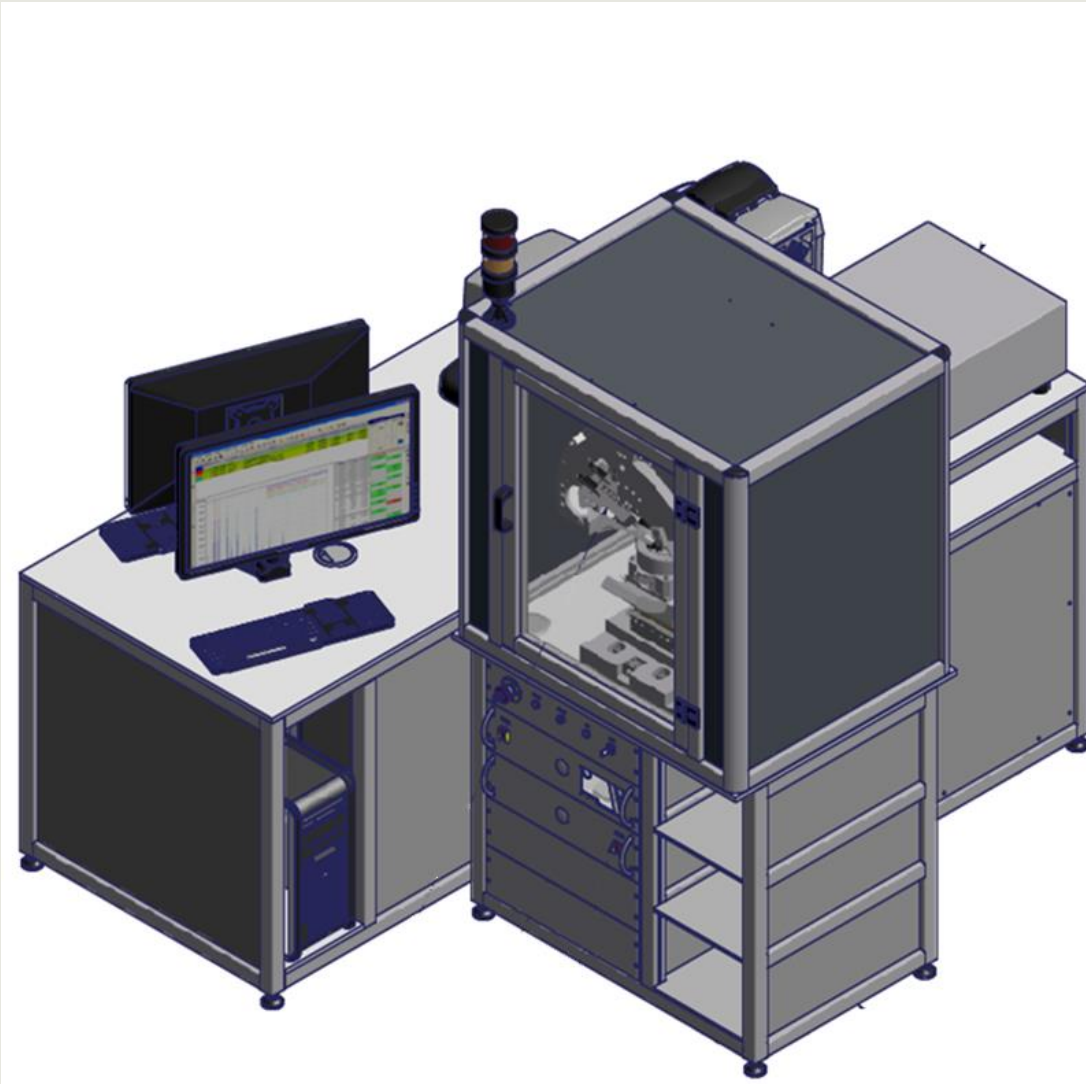
- SDD detector

-Raman spectrometer

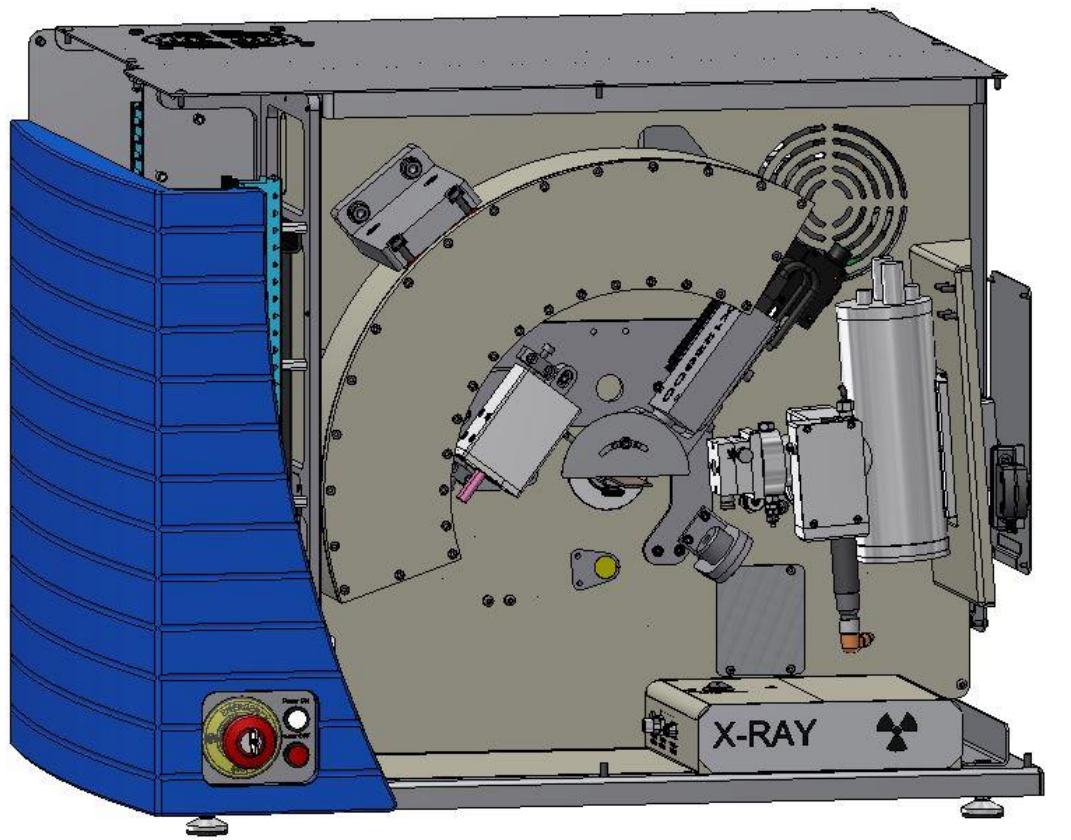
- fiber

-Sample holder

- texture goniometer : chi, phi, Z, X and Y



Combined analytics, ID2b (SOLSA project)



-XRD on the basis of Equinox 100, developed by INEL

- X-ray source (Cu, Co, Mo)
- Multilayer optics and collimation
- CPS 180 detection

-XRF designed for SOLSA project

- 4W X-ray source (Mo)
- SDD detector

-Sample holder

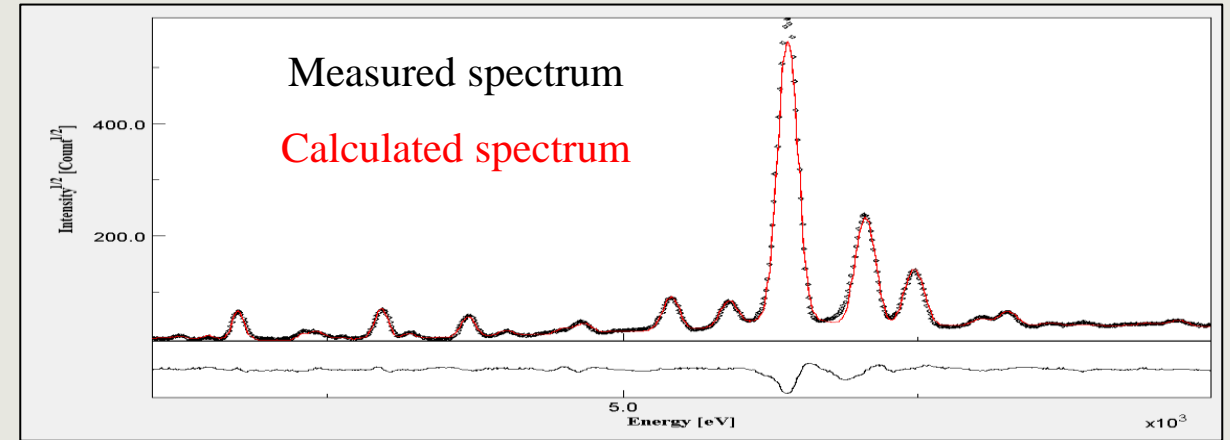
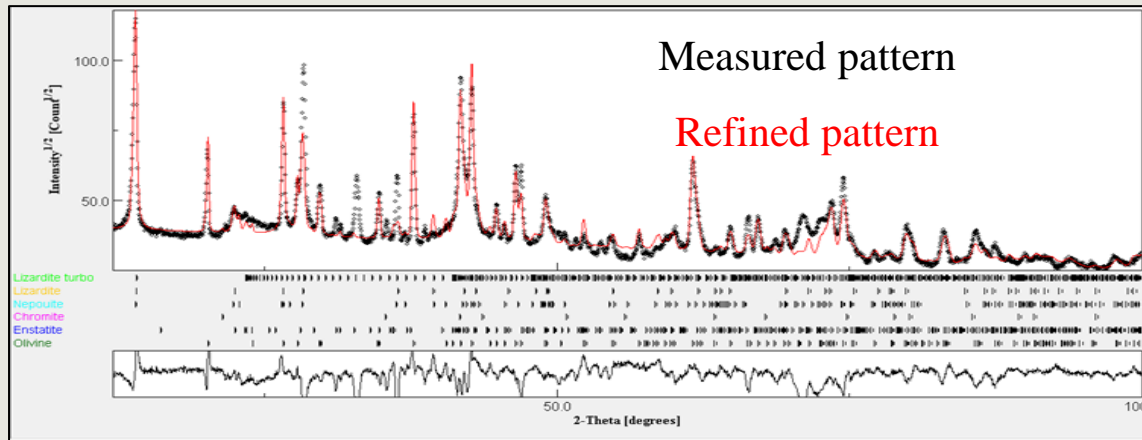
- In reflection
- able to perform simultaneous XRD/XRF measurement

LUXREM Software designed by University of Trento

- simultaneous acquisition
- simultaneous data treatment by Rietveld

Combined refinement XRD-XRF

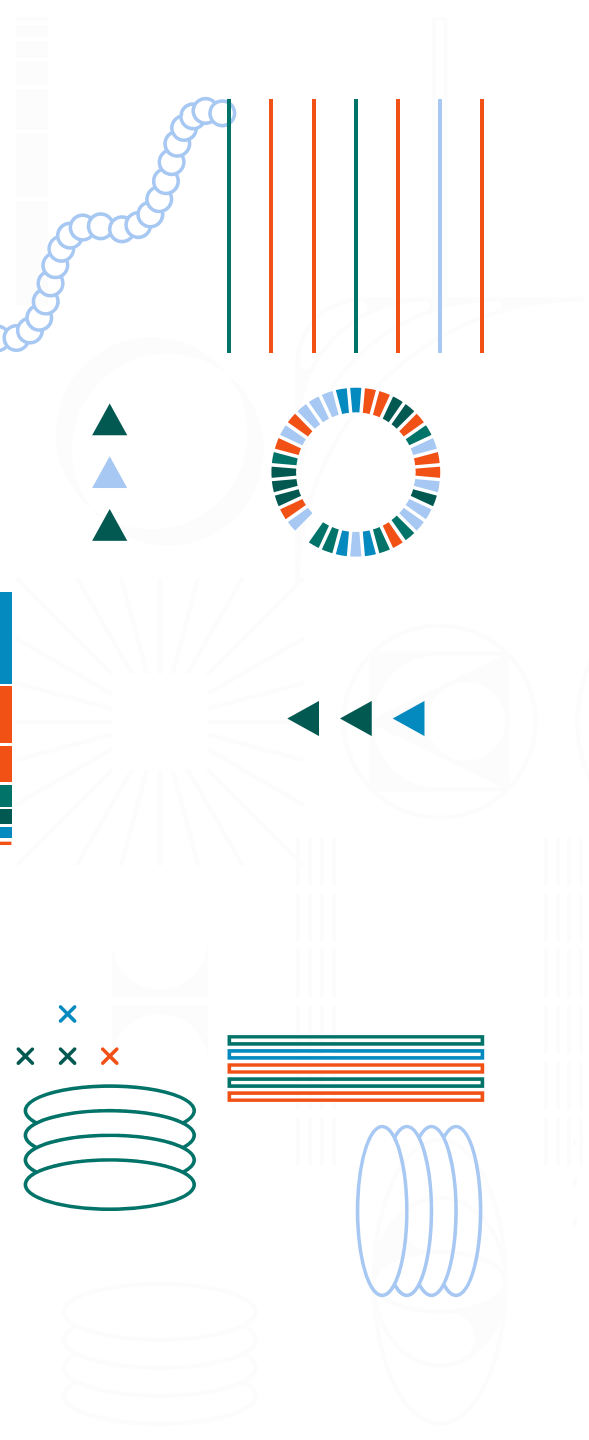
- Results on powder from Harzburgite H10, using Maud Rietveld SW: combined XRD/XRF



phase	Olivine	Lizardite	Lizardite turbostratique	Népouite	Talc	Enstatite	Chromite
Proportion (%)	58,48	15,23	16,48	6,98	0	2,77	0,06

chemical	Mg	Fe	Cr	Si	O	Ca	Cu	Mn	Zn	Ni	Al	Ti
Proportion (%)	15,83	8,35	0,25	18,08	52,74	0,39	0,02	0,14	0,01	0,20	3,28	0,04

chemical	H	Cl	TOTAL
Proportion (%)	0,62	0,06	100,00



Combined analysis for industry

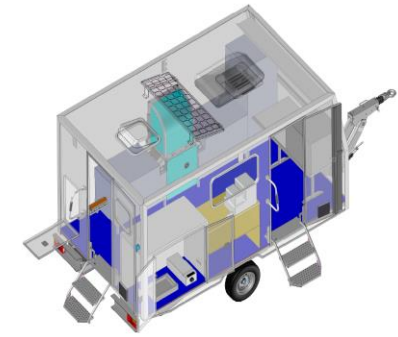
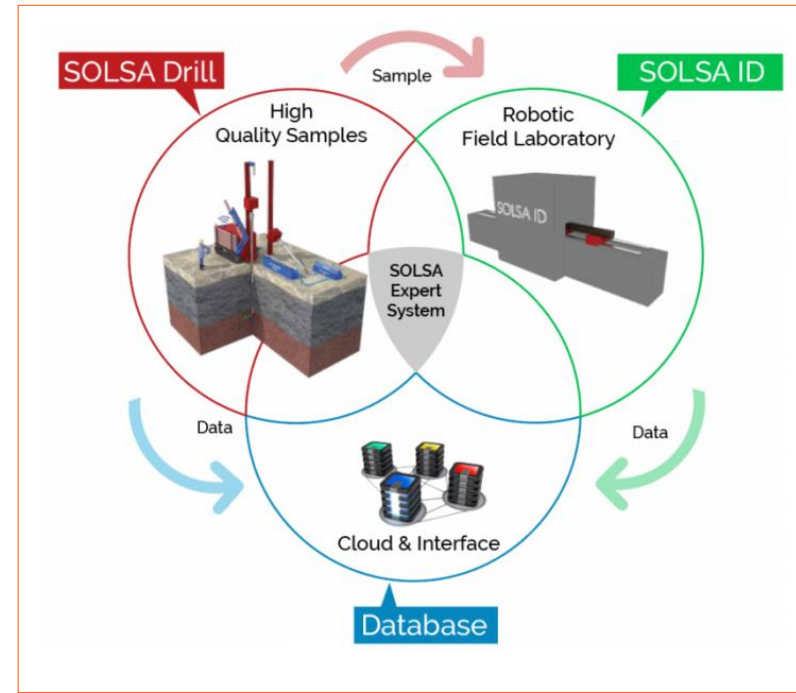
A way to automate material characterization

Promotion of the SOLSA research project

SOLSA, a H2020 collaborative research project

with :

- **Eramet**, coordinator
- **BRGM**
- **Inel - Thermo Fisher**
- Eijkelkamp
- CNRS-CRISMAT
- Univ. de Trento
- Univ. de Verona
- Univ. de Vilnius
- TU Delft



EC INNOVATION RADAR
Identification of innovation potential by EU



INEL INNOV
Designed startup to valorize the products

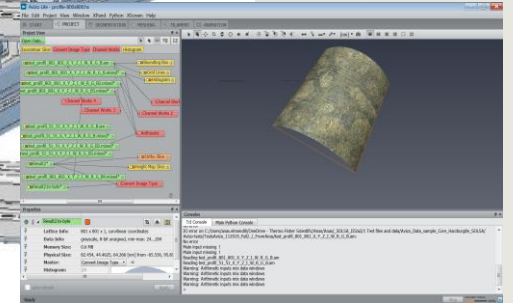
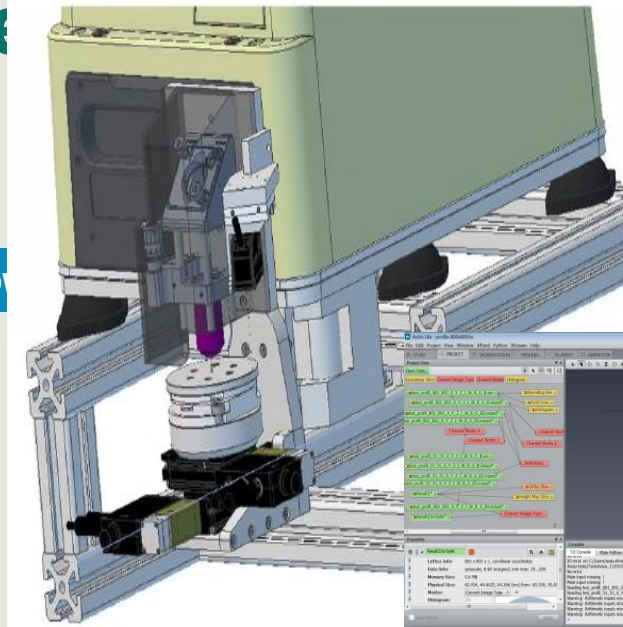
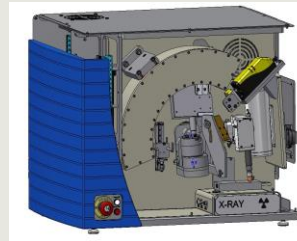
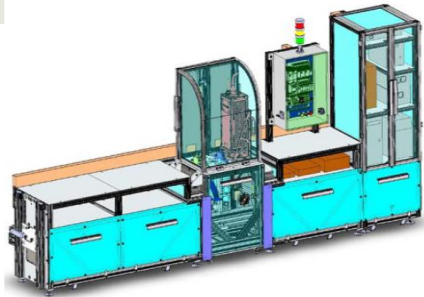


In field analytical solutions for mining

On line analysis : drilled core scanner

Discrete analysis on portable equipment

Advanced treatments



10'

10'

10'

10'

10'

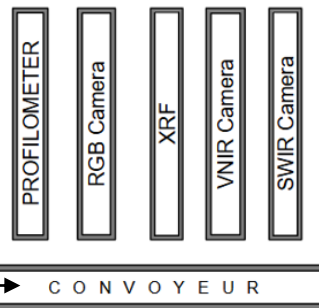
Combined analysis to identified region of interest

Sampling and preparation

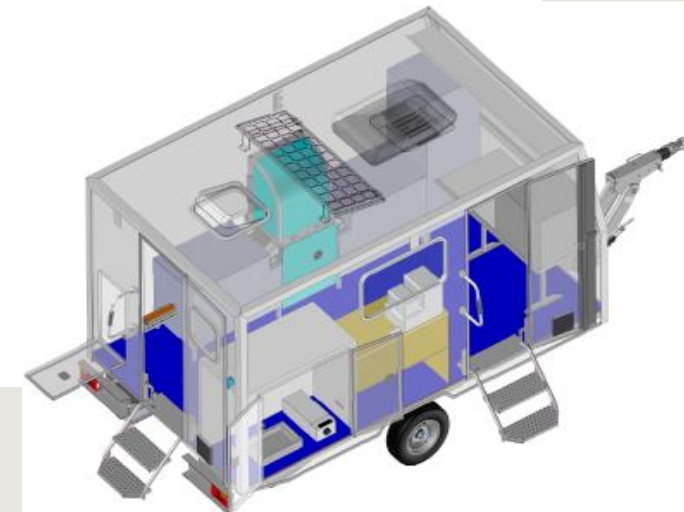
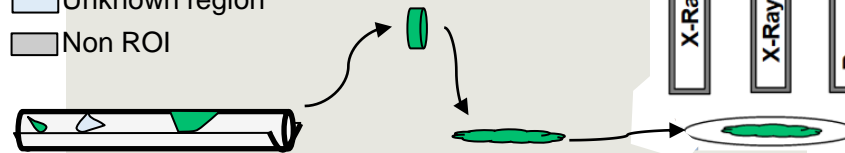
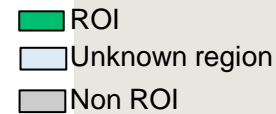
Combined analysis for chemical and mineralogical quantification

Expert software for combined analysis

Drilled core



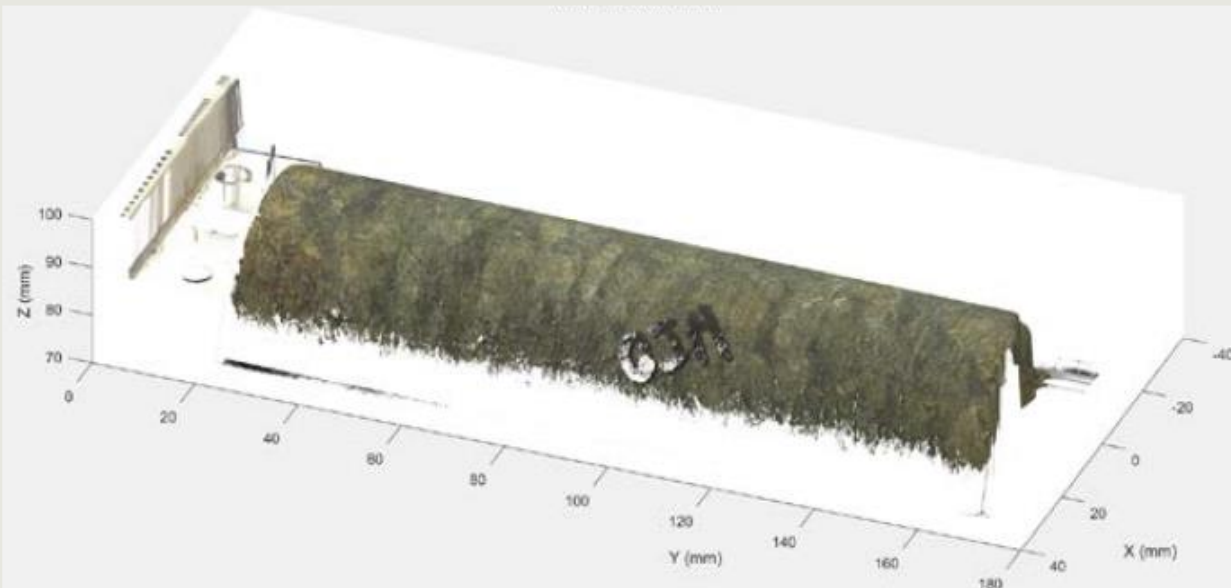
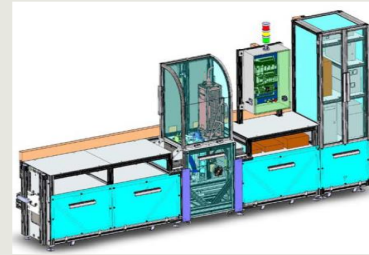
Regions Of interest (ROI)



Drilled core scanner with combined techniques

MORPHOLOGY AND MINERAL TEXTURE

→ RGB images and profilometer data: segmentation



Data folder: C:\ER-NC70-0061\SOLSA-02A\

PROFILE P, RGB P, XRF N, VNIR N, SWIR N

Instruments to Fuse:

- RGB
- XRF
- VNIR
- SWIR

Load forms... Fuse

100%

Selection by Instrument: RGB

Selection by Parameter(s): 1-layered Data

Gray layer	Channel 2/3	Channel 2/3
Height	Height	Height
Variance	Variance	Intensity

Display

Nb of surfaces to select: 2

Pixel Triangle

Quadrilateral

Select

Compare

Siblings

Variation...

3D siblings

Area

Store

Compute a histogram

Segment

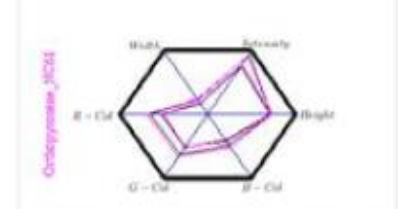
Segment with a refer...

3D Mesh Rendering

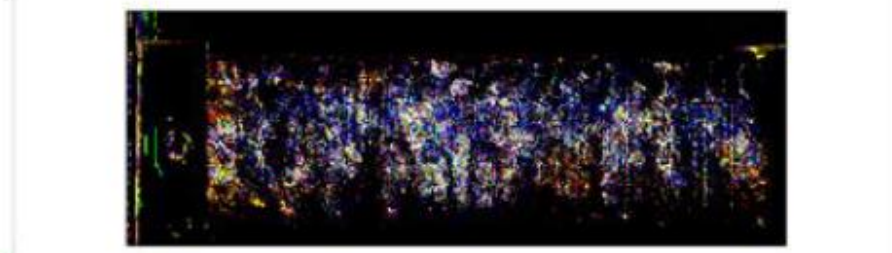
Dip-Strike diagram



I [0.76, 0.93] W [0.16, 0.23] R [0.52, 0.63] G [0.52, 0.63]



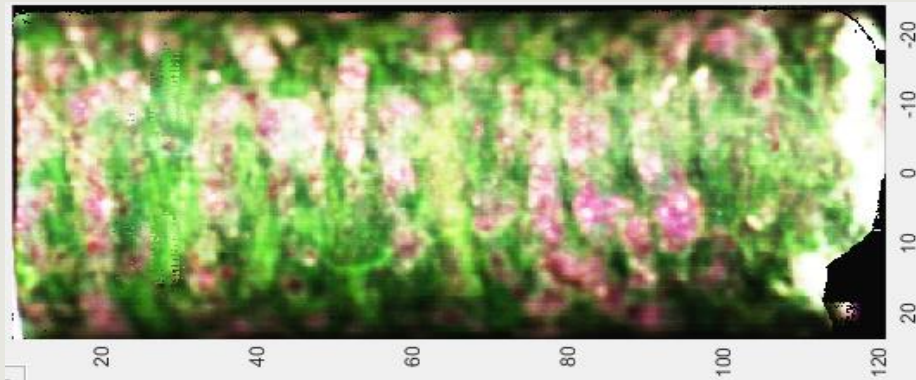
I [0.78, 0.92] W [0.19, 0.23] R [0.5, 0.60] G [0.51, 0.60]



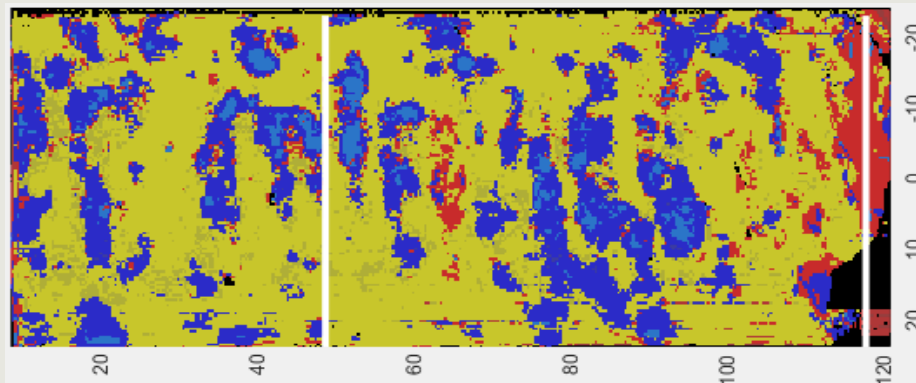
DRILLED CORE SCANNER: MORPHOLOGY AND MINERALOGY

→ Combined data treatment : example on harzburgite sample

- Hyperspectral images data treatment

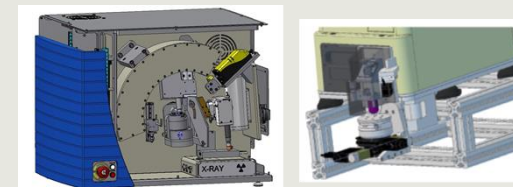


Minerals	Error	Color	Prop
Olivine-Serpentine	0	Yellow-Green	56.56
Olivine-Serpentine-Sm...	0	Yellow-Green	4.57
Pyroxene	0	Blue	2.73
Pyroxene-Serpentine	0	Blue	23.3
Pyroxene-Serpentine-...	0	Blue	0.07
Pyroxene-Serpentine-...	0	Blue	0.16
Serpentine	0	Red	7.82



- Local investigation by selecting targeted area
- Segmentation by comparing with referenced samples
- Global investigation :
 - Histogramme,
 - Structural data (faults, fractures...), ...
- Detection:
 - Mineralogy (Hyperspectral)
 - Shape/grain size
 - Roughness
 - Surface estimate → m²
 - ...

CHEMICAL AND MINERALOGICAL DISCRETE COMBINED ANALYSIS



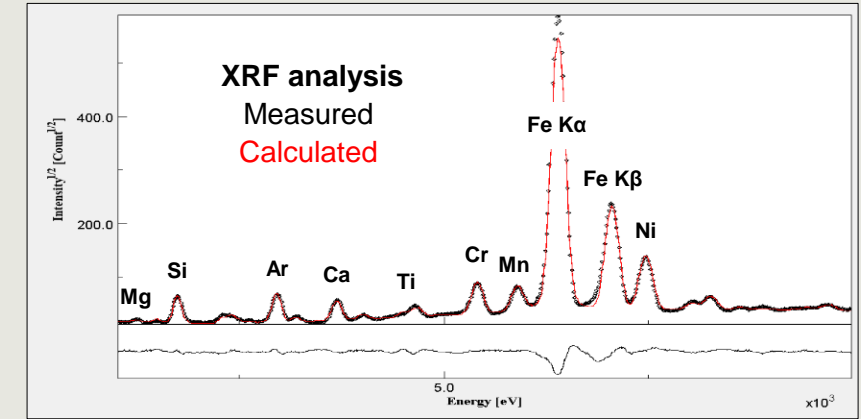
example on a sample of harzburgite ground into a powder

Chemical and mineralogical quantification:

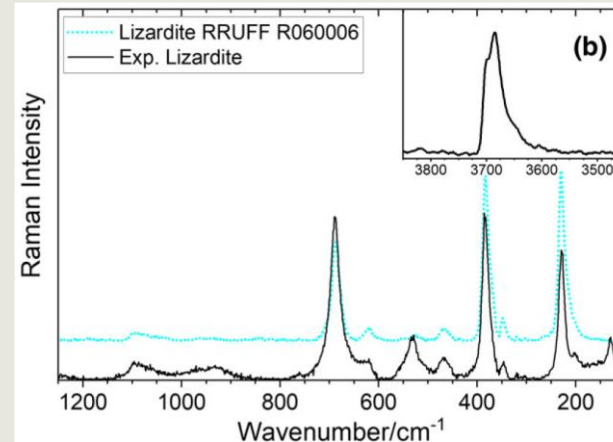
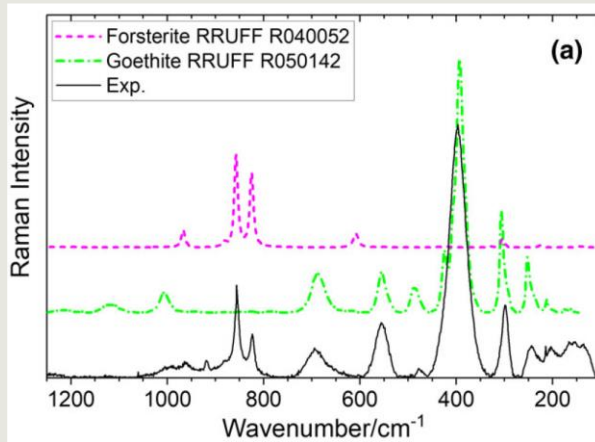
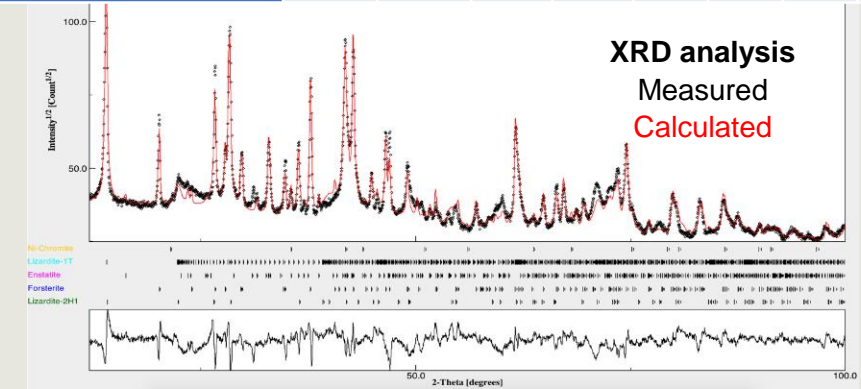
1. Chemical elements identification (XRF)

Selection of the possible phases in the XRD DB and Raman from the identified elements

1. “Rietveld Search-Match” treatment by using the selected phases



Identified chemical element	Mg	Si	Ca	Ti	Cr	Mn	Fe	Ni
Minilab Proportion (%)	23,30	19,95	0,39	0,04	0,27	0,14	9,53	0,15
Lab. Proportion (%)	25,27	18,65	0,25		0,22	0,09	6,12	0,22



Secchi et al. (2018)
El Mendili et al. (2019)

Raman analysis

- Shows that serpentine is **lizardite**
- Confirms the presence of **forsterite, enstatite and chromite**
- goethite** is also detected(very small amount)

Phases	Lizardite	Forsterite	Enstatite	Ni-Chromite	Quartz
Minilab Proportion (%)	42 ± 1	45 ± 2	12 ± 1	1 ± 1	-
Lab. Proportion (%)	46	41	13	-	trace

BENEFITS OF MODULAB

Reliability benefit

- Good accuracy compared to laboratory analyses

ECONOMIC BENEFIT

- Analysis is **50 to 100 times** cheaper

TIME BENEFIT

- Automated approach to concentrate labor on other tasks
- Up to **20 times** more analyzed sample

TECHNOLOGICAL BENEFIT

- Systematic banking of large amounts of data

ORGANISATIONNAL BENEFIT

- Lesser dependence on external providers
- Real time adjustment of the industrial parameters to optimize the process

ENVIRONNEMENTAL BENEFIT

- Limitation of sample transport



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