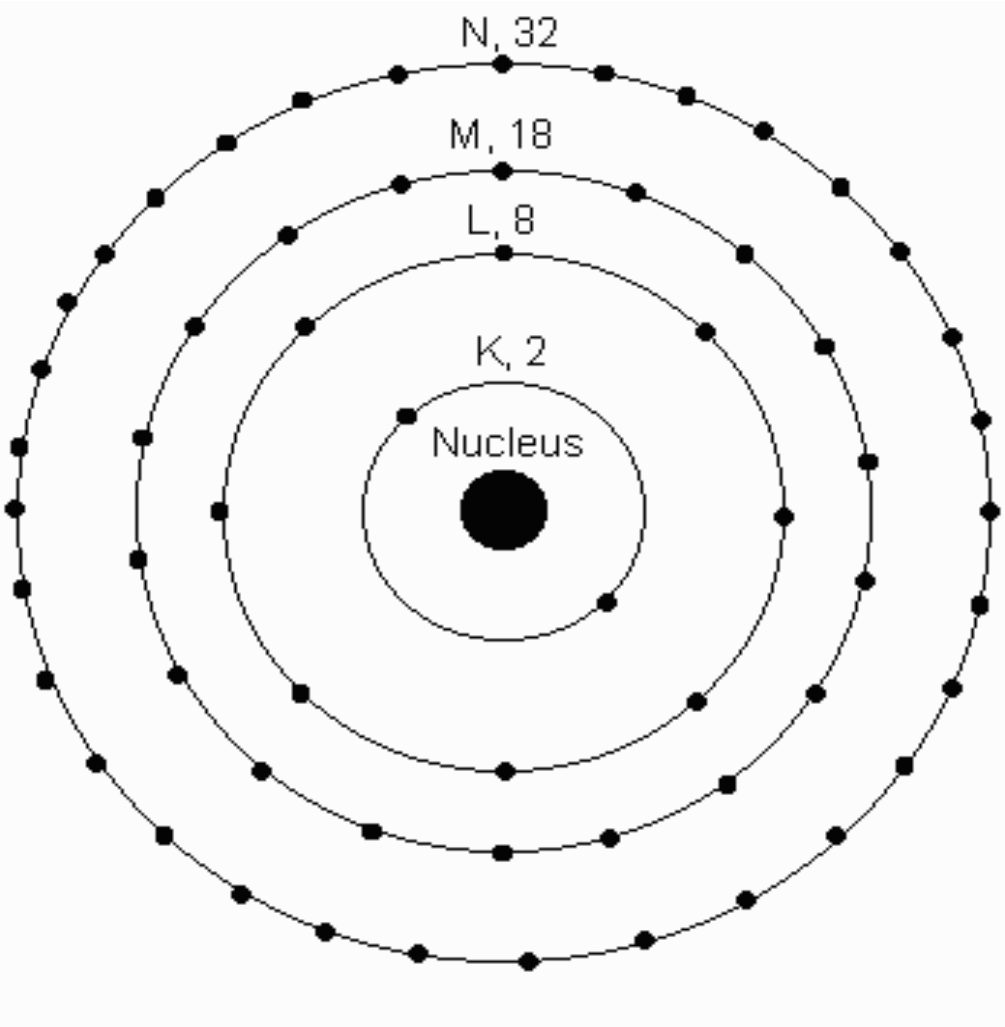


3-X-Ray Diffraction



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Atom Structure



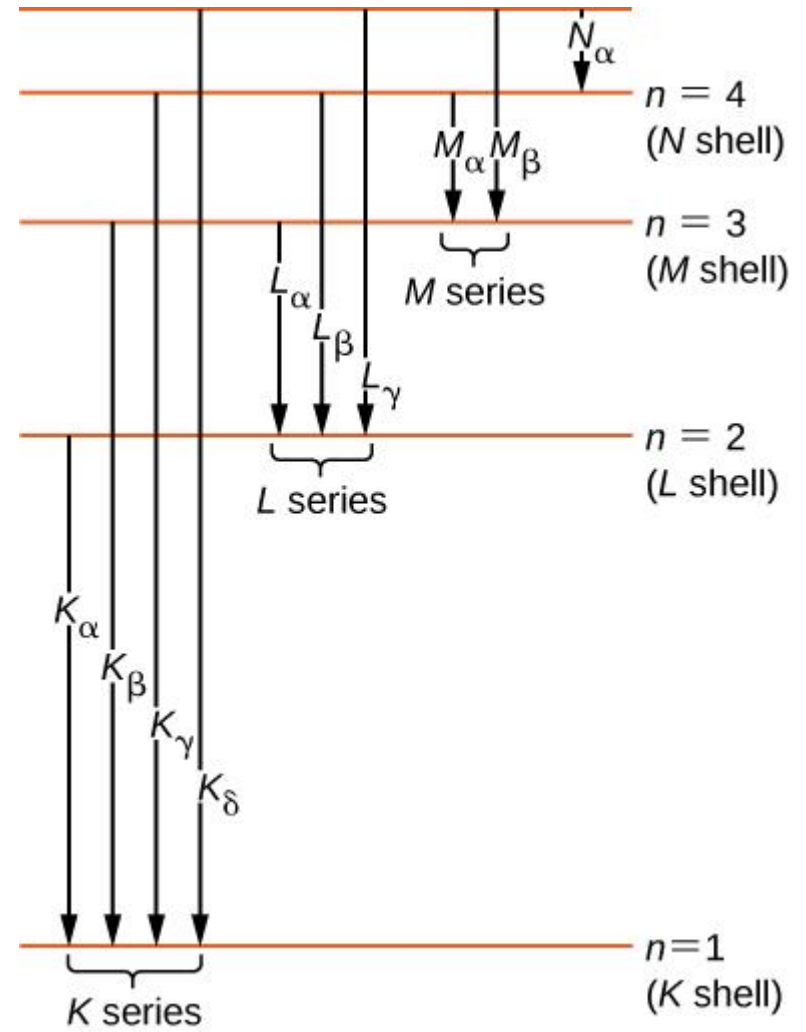
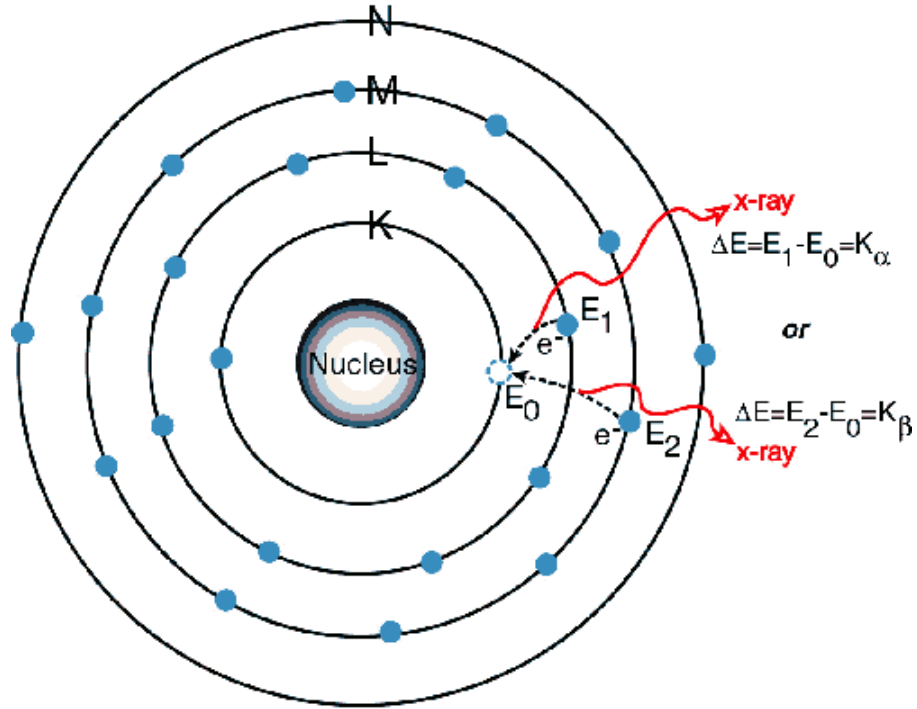
Quantum numbers

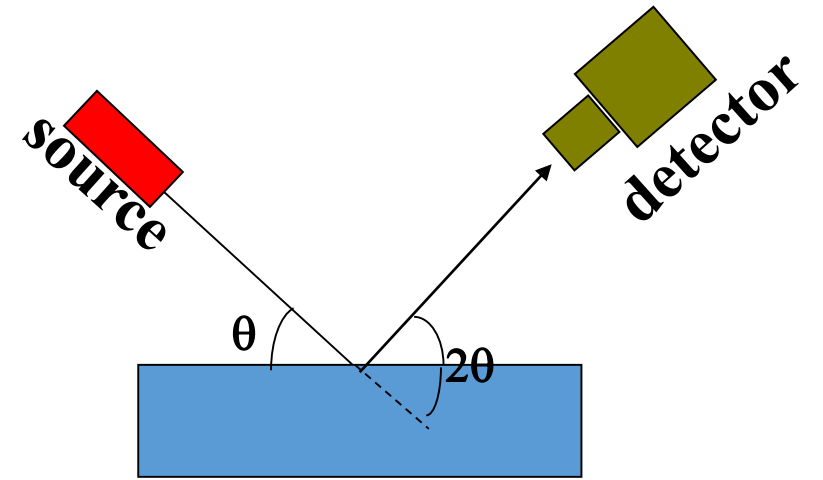
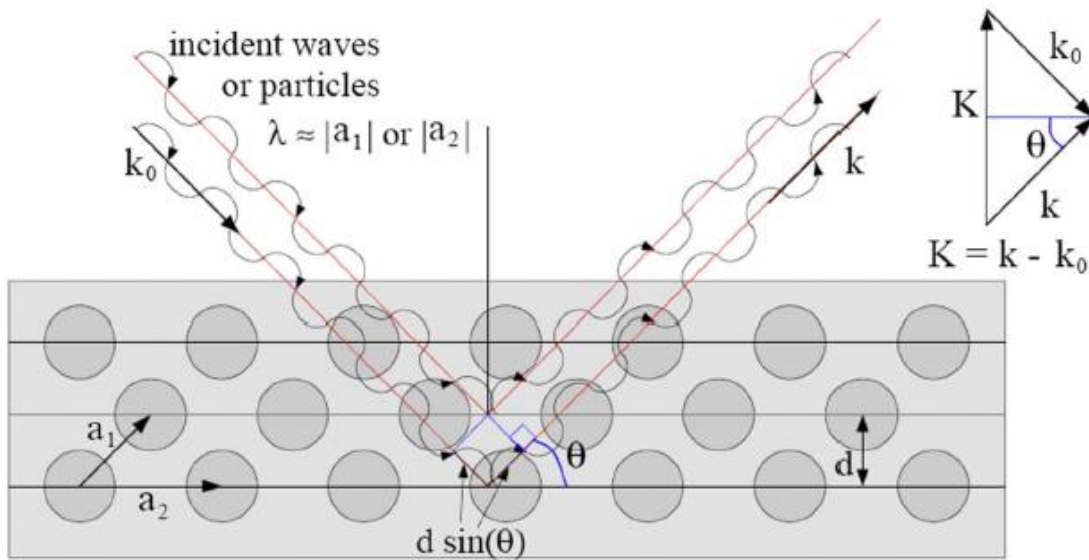
The energy level to which each electron belongs is determined by four quantum numbers

- n – this principle quantum number assigned integral values 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ... that refer to the quantum shell to which the electron belongs. Quantum shells are also assigned a letter. $n=1$ is K, $n=2$ is L, $n=3$ is M, and so on
- l - is the azimuthal quantum number which determines the angular momentum of the electron. $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$. the azimuthal quantum numbers are designated by lower case letters. s for $l=0$, p for $l=1$, d for $l=2$, f for $l=3$, etc.
- There are another two quantum numbers: $m_l = -l, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, l$; $m_s = 1/2, -1/2$ (for electron)

X-Ray

Selection rule: The change in orbital angular momentum can be $\Delta l = \pm 1$





Bragg's Law:

1) We can get a diffraction only from planes that are parallel to the surface (the incident angle = the diffracted angle = θ).

2)

$$|\vec{K}| = n |\vec{H}_{hkl}|$$

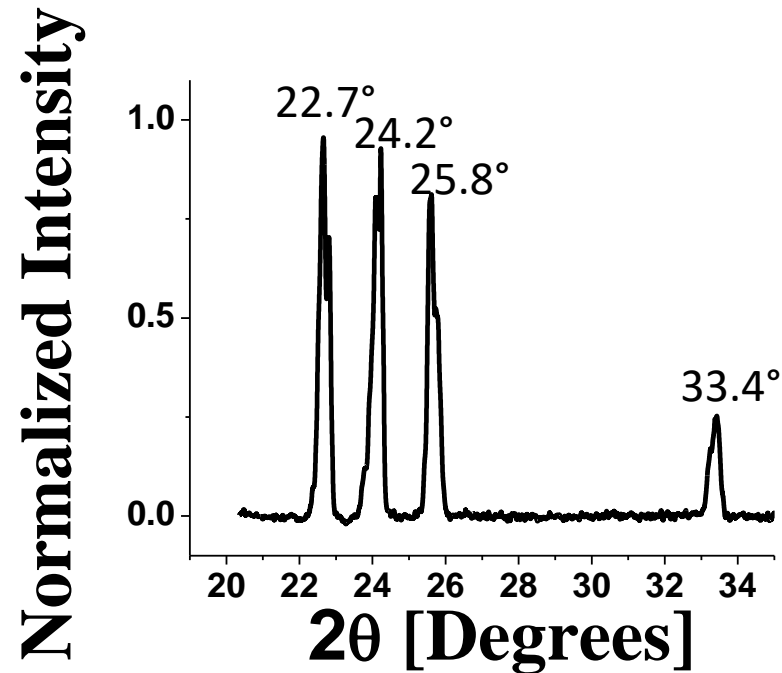
$$|\vec{K}| = 2|\vec{k}| \sin \theta \quad |\vec{k}| = \frac{1}{\lambda}; |\vec{H}_{hkl}| = \frac{1}{d_{hkl}}$$

$$\frac{n}{d_{hkl}} = 2 \frac{1}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

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

Example 3.1

Fine the d-spacing from the following x-ray diffraction of hexagonal ice, if $\lambda=1.54\text{\AA}$.



$$d_1 = \frac{1.54}{2 \sin(11.35^\circ)} = 3.91 \text{ \AA}$$

$$d_2 = 3.67 \text{ \AA}$$

$$d_3 = 3.45 \text{ \AA}$$

$$d_4 = 2.68 \text{ \AA}$$

Structure Factor

$$F = \sum_j f_{A_j} e^{2\pi i \vec{H} \cdot \vec{r}_j}$$

$|F| = 0$, forbidden diffraction

$$I \approx F^2$$

For orthogonal system :

$$F = \sum_j f_{A_j} e^{2\pi i (hx_j + ky_j + lz_j)}$$

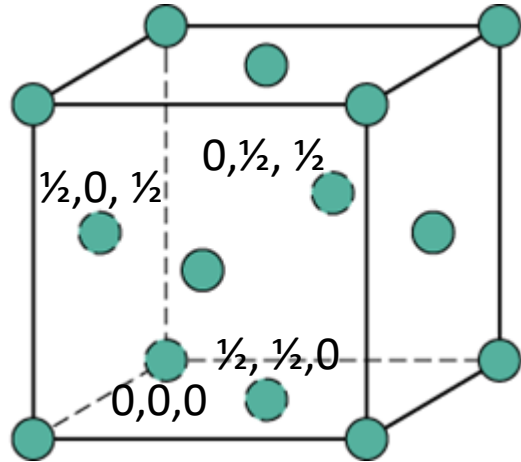
$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$

$$e^{2\pi i} = 1; e^{\pi i} = -1; e^{1/2\pi i} = i$$

Example 3.2

Determine the allowed and forbidden diffractions for FCC and Diamond structures.

FCC:



$$F = f_A (1 + e^{\pi i(k+l)} + e^{\pi i(h+l)} + e^{\pi i(k+h)})$$

Allowed diffractions: h, k, l are all odd or all even

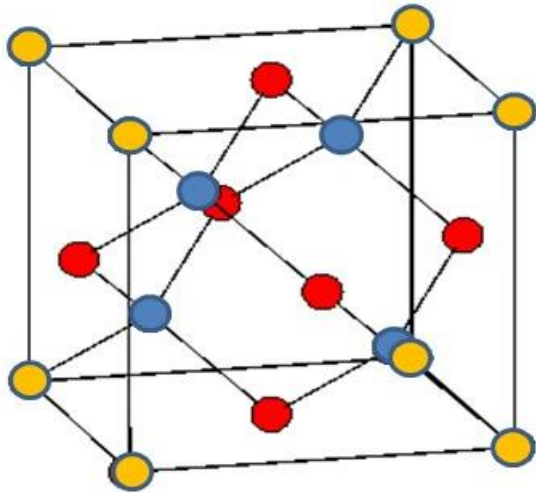
Forbidden diffractions: h, k, l are mixed

Diamond:

Diamond structure can be described as two FCC in $0,0,0$ and $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$ lattice site.

FCC#1: $0,0,0$ $0,\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2},0, \frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2},0$

FCC#2: $\frac{1}{4},\frac{1}{4},\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$



$$F = F_{FCC} \left(1 + e^{\frac{1}{2}\pi i(h+k+l)} \right)$$

Allowed diffractions: h,k,l are all odd; if h,k,l are all even, $h+k+l=4n$


Forbidden diffractions: h,k,l are mixed or h,k,l are all even, $h+k+l \neq 4n$

Example 3.3

Derive the expression for diffraction peak broadening that comes from grain size and microstrain.

Grain Size:

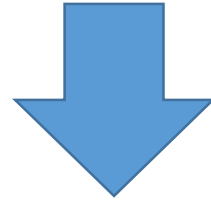
The uncertainty principle: $\Delta K \times \Delta X = 1$

$$\Delta X = D$$
$$\Delta K = 2\Delta\theta \cos\theta \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$D = \frac{\lambda}{2\Delta(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}$$

Microstrain:

$$\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$$

$$0 = 2\Delta d \sin \theta + 2d\Delta \theta \cos \theta$$



$$\varepsilon = \frac{\langle \Delta d \rangle}{d} = \frac{\Delta(\theta)}{\tan(\theta)}$$

Grain Size, D (Sherrer Eq.):

$$D = \frac{0.9 \cdot \lambda}{\Delta(2\theta) \cdot \cos(2\theta/2)} \quad ; \text{ Lorentzian, } M(\theta)$$

Strain, ε :

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\langle \Delta d \rangle}{d} = \frac{\Delta(2\theta)}{2 \tan(2\theta/2)} \quad ; \text{ Gaussian, } N(\theta)$$

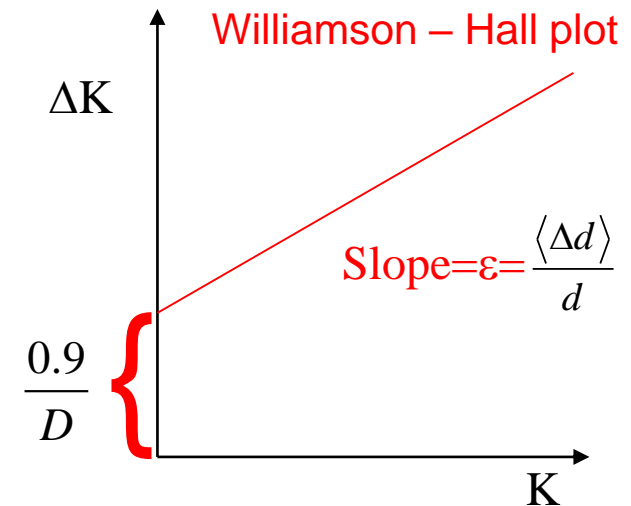
Grain Size+Strain = Voigt Function:

$$F(\theta) = \int M(\theta') \cdot N(\theta - \theta') d\theta'$$

Williamson – Hall plot (assuming two Lorentzians):

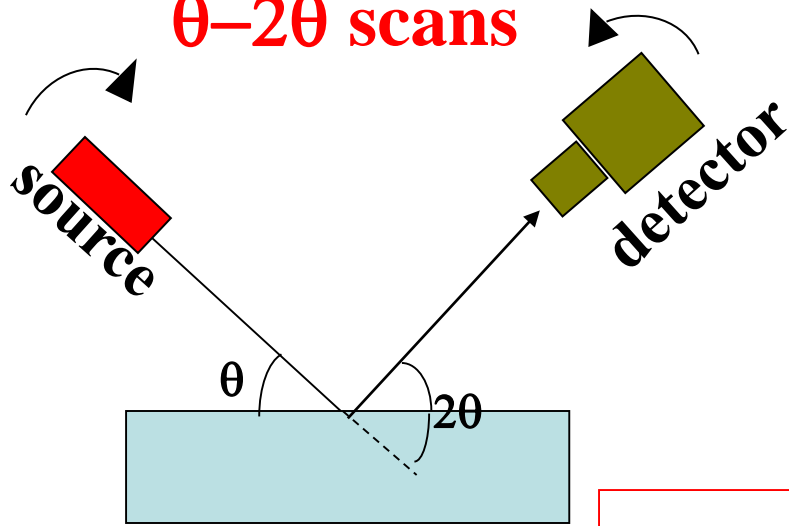
$$K = \frac{2 \cdot \sin(2\theta/2)}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{\Delta(2\theta) \cdot \cos(2\theta/2)}{\lambda} = \Delta K = \frac{0.9}{D} + K \cdot \frac{\langle \Delta d \rangle}{d}$$

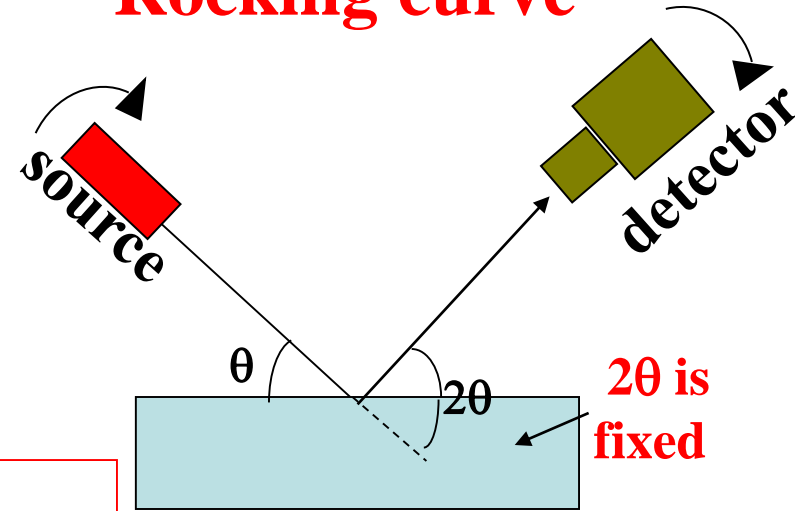


XRD

θ - 2θ scans



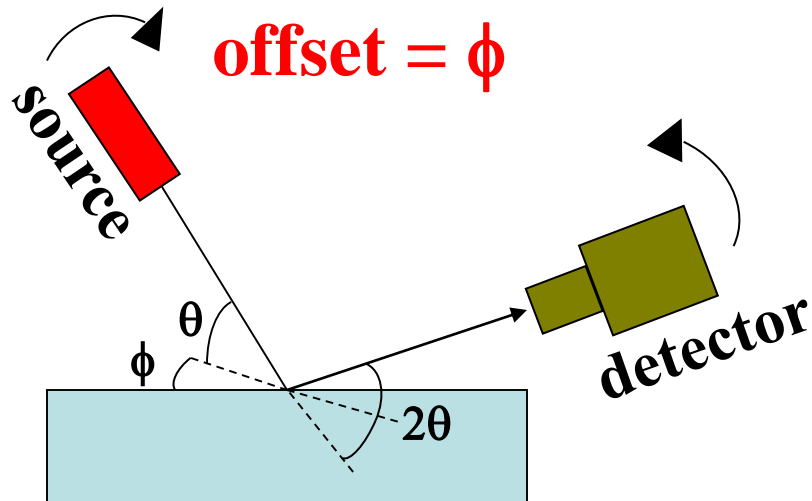
Rocking curve



2θ is fixed

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2 \cdot \sin(2\theta/2)}$$

θ - 2θ scans with offset = ϕ



Static detector

