

Anomalous XRD

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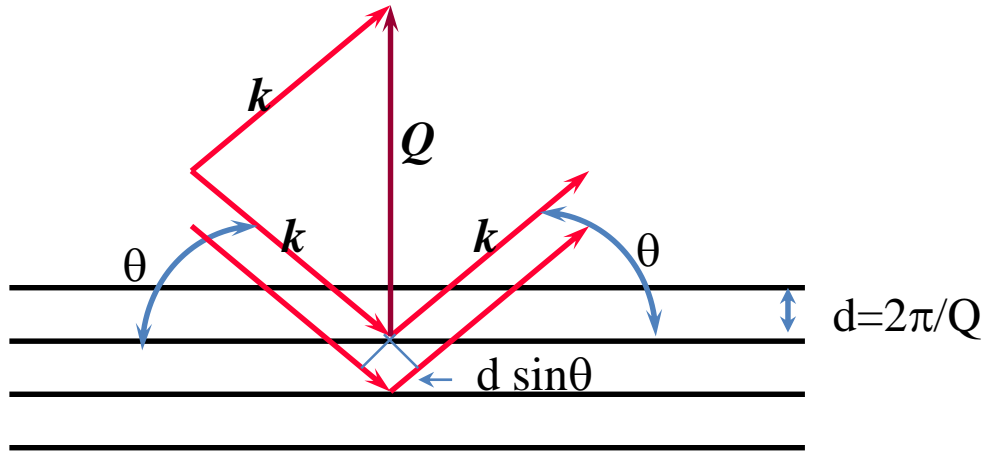
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X-ray diffraction from crystal

Constructive interference of X-ray scattered from atomic plains



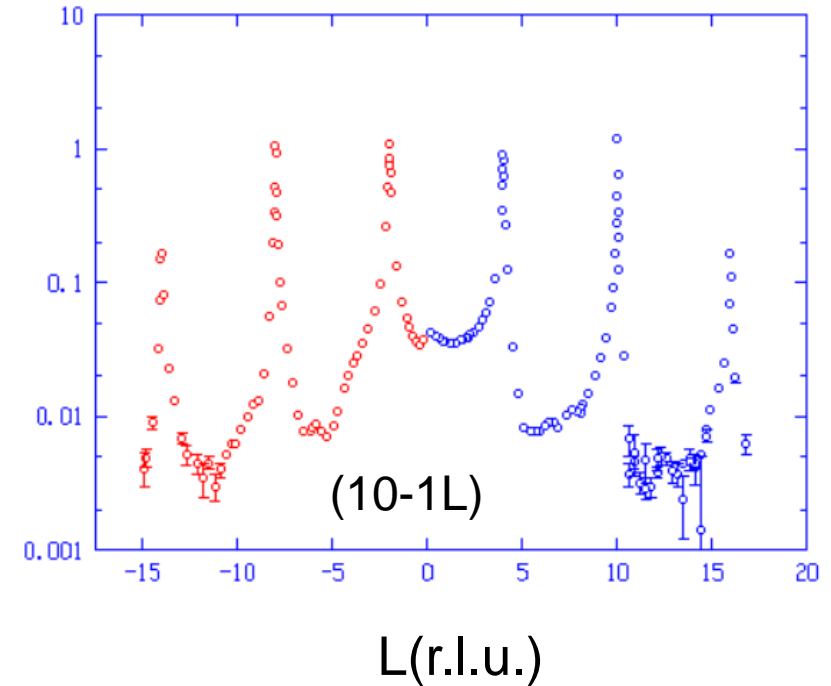
Bragg Condition

$$2d \sin\theta = \lambda = 2\pi/k = 2\pi hc / E$$

$$Q = \frac{2E}{12.398} \sin\theta$$

$$F_{hkl} = \sum_n f_n \exp(-M_n) \exp[2\pi i(hx_n + ky_n + lz_n)]$$

Surface XRD from $\text{LiNbO}_3(0001)$



*Anomalous (resonant) XRD has the **combined** characters of diffraction and spectroscopy with applications for*

- Structure determination
- Magnetism
- *3d* and *f*-electron systems, orbital ordering
- Anomalous Small Angle X-ray Scattering



The differential cross section
for the coherent elastic x-ray scattering on single crystals ($\hbar\omega_k = \hbar\omega_{k'}$ and $E_g = E_f$)
in which the individual atomic scattering amplitudes interfere at different lattice sites n :

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_0^2 \left| \sum_n e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_n} f_n(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}', \hat{\epsilon}, \hat{\epsilon}', \hbar\omega_k) \right|^2$$

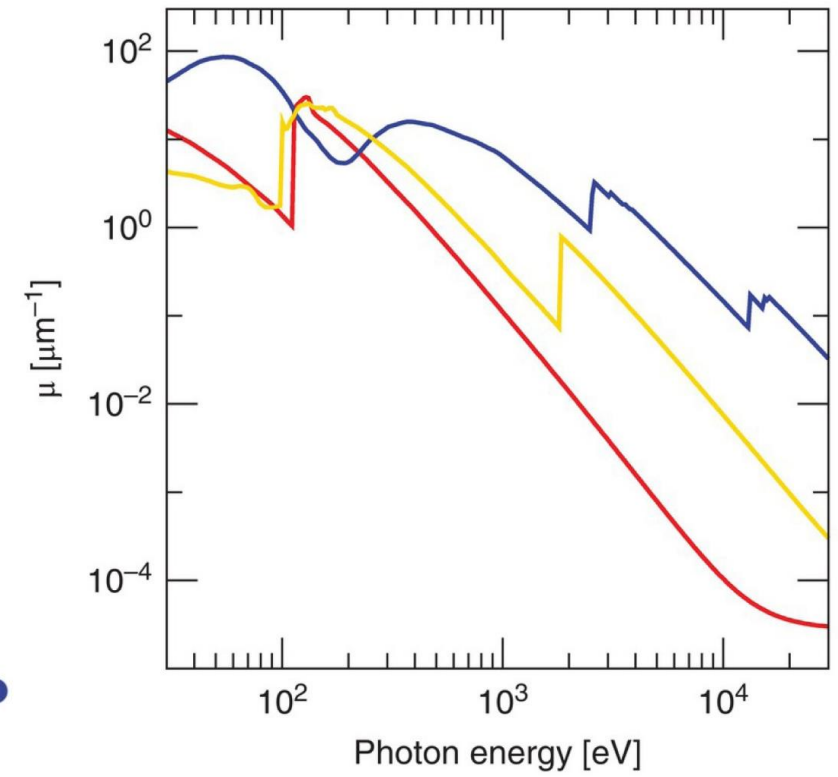
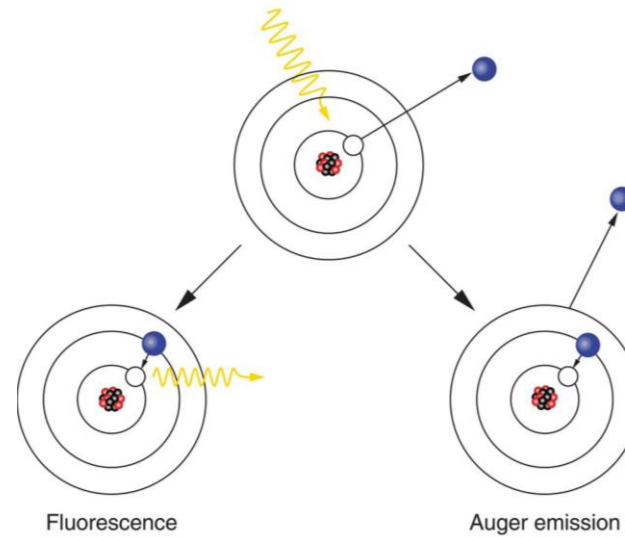
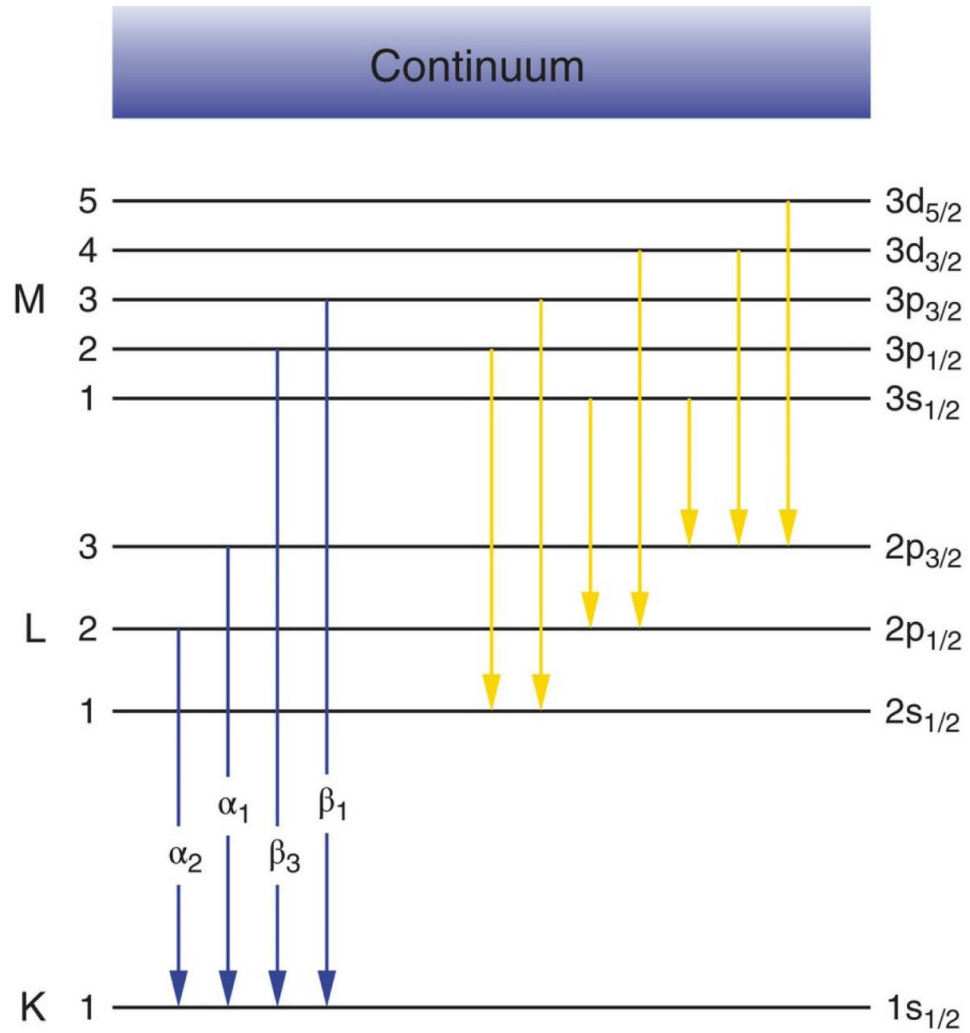
$r_0 = e^2/mc^2 \approx 2.82 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{Å}$: classical electron radius

$f_n(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}', \hat{\epsilon}, \hat{\epsilon}', \hbar\omega_k)$: scattering amplitude of the electrons at site n

\mathbf{R}_n : position of the n^{th} site

$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}'$: scattering vector

X-ray Absorption



$$F_{hkl} = \sum_n f_n \exp(-M_n) \exp[2\pi i(hx_n + ky_n + lz_n)]$$

$$f = f^0 + f'(E) + i f''(E)$$

Imaginary part implies absorption by the medium proportional to μ/λ

For $h = k = l = 0$ and one element,

$$F_{hkl} = f * \sum_n \exp(-M_n) \exp[2\pi i(hx_n + ky_n + lz_n)]$$

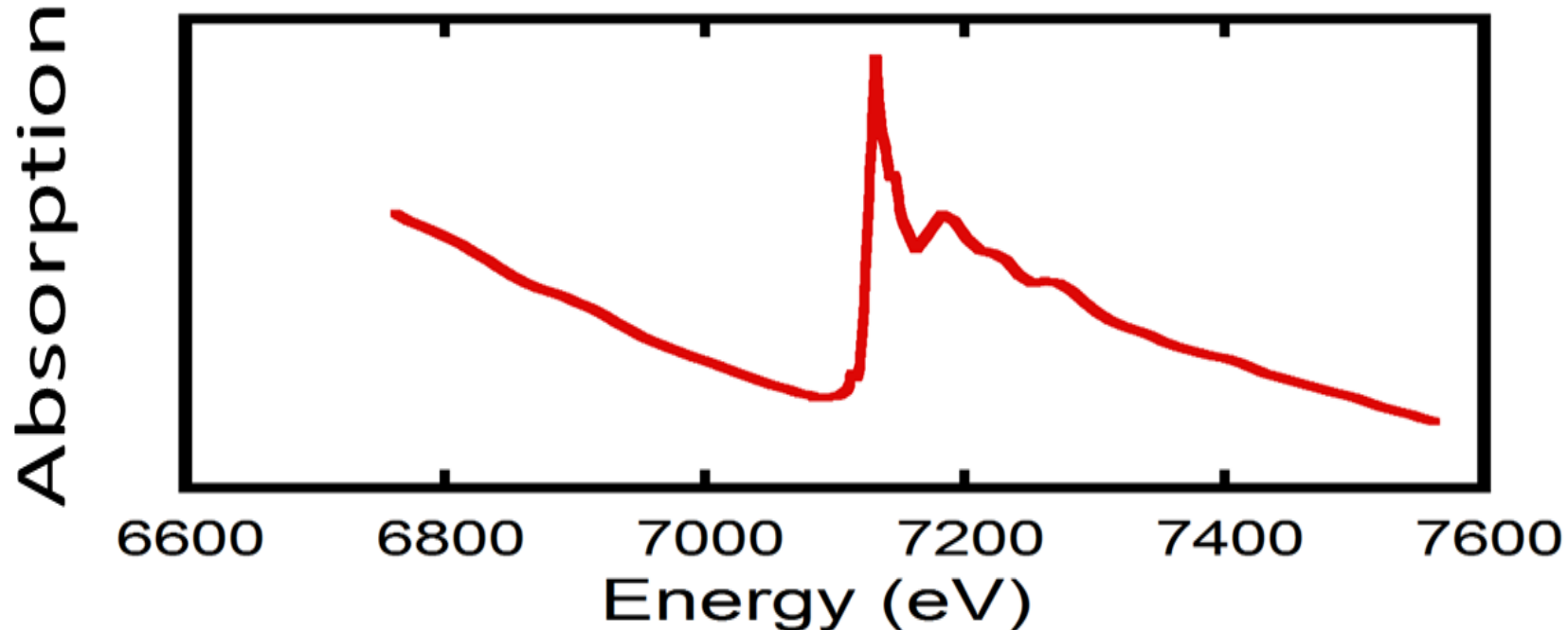
$$= f * \sum_n \exp(-M_n) = f * sf$$

$$I \propto |F_{hkl}|^2 = sf^2 * \{(f^0 + f'(E))^2 - (f''(E))^2\}$$

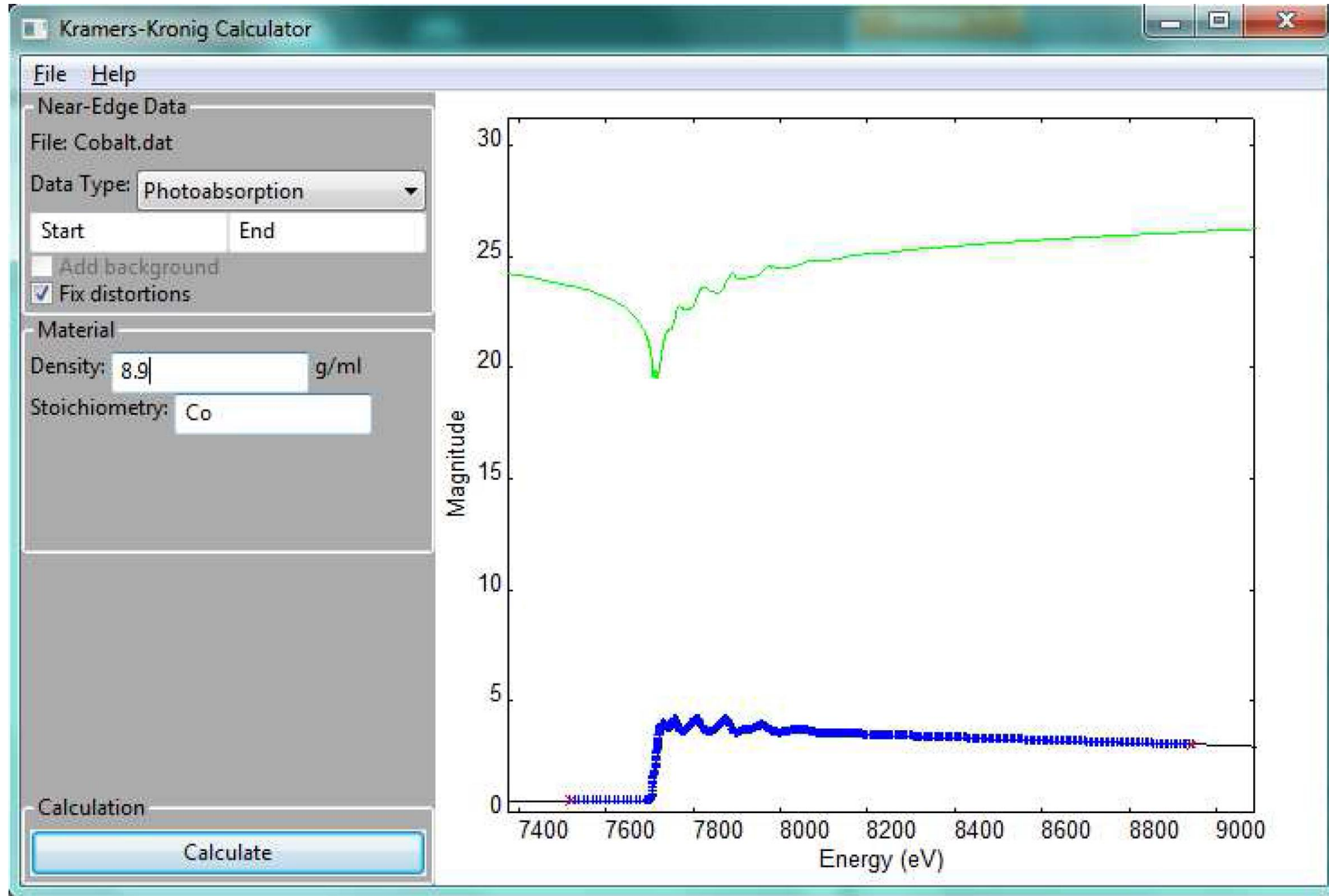
Kramers-Kronig relation

The real part $f'(E)$ of the anomalous scattering factor due to the K electrons can be calculated by absorption data for $f''(E)$

$$f'_K(E) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\xi [f''(E)]}{\xi^2 - E^2} d\xi$$



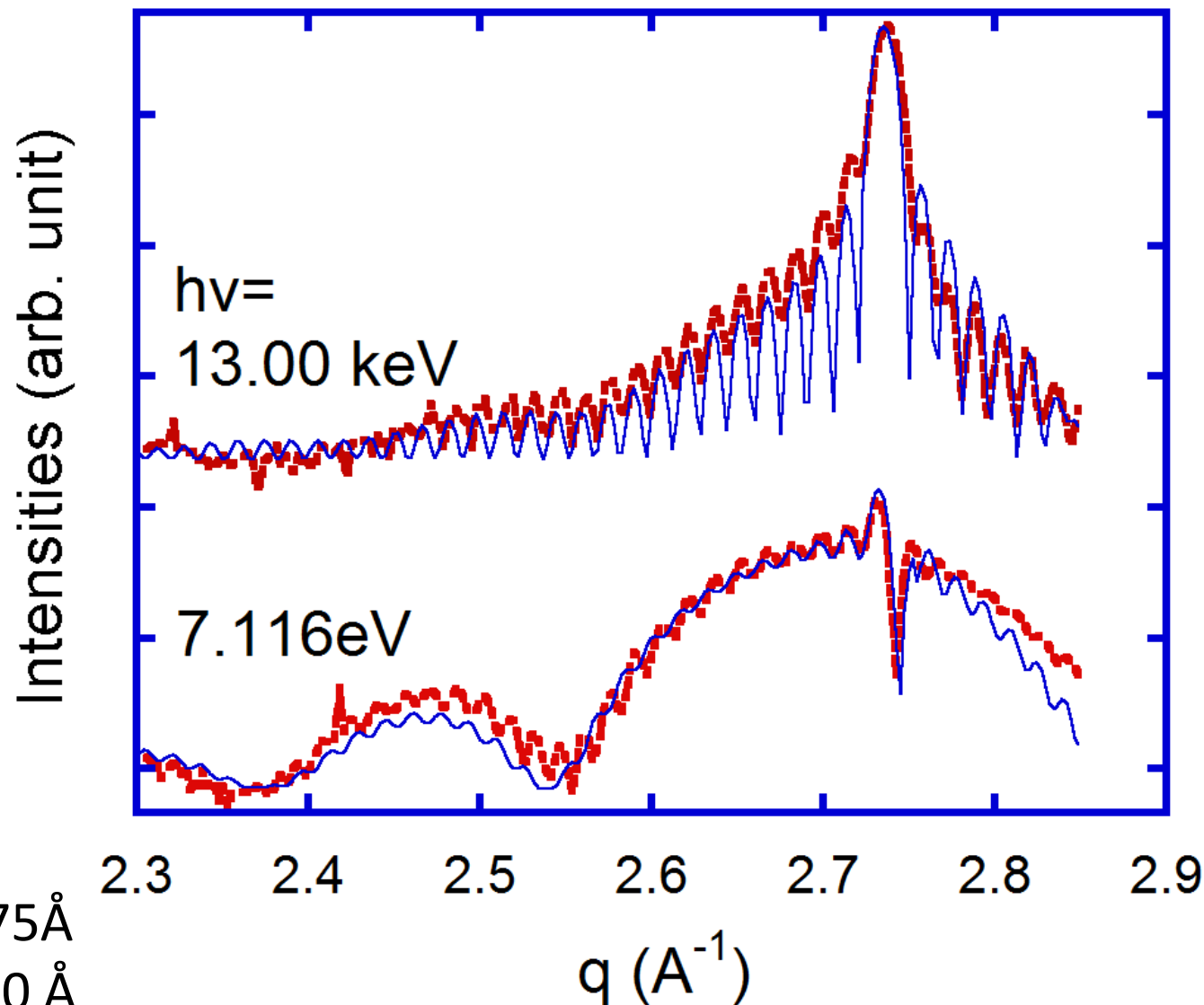
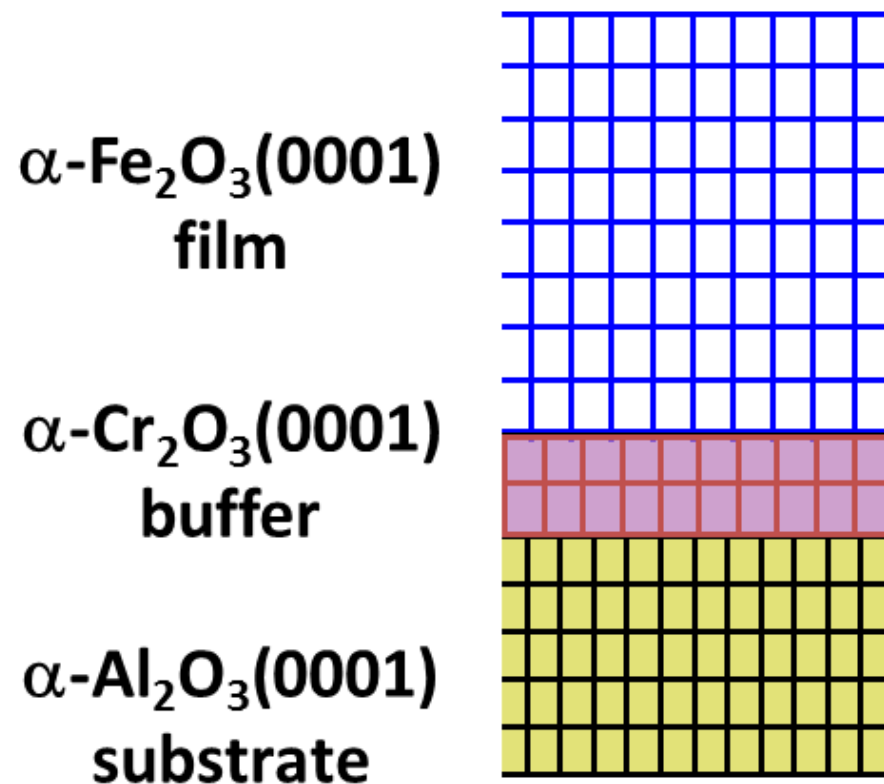
Example calculator, *kkcalc* <https://pypi.org/project/kkcalc/>



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Enhance contrast: buried layer



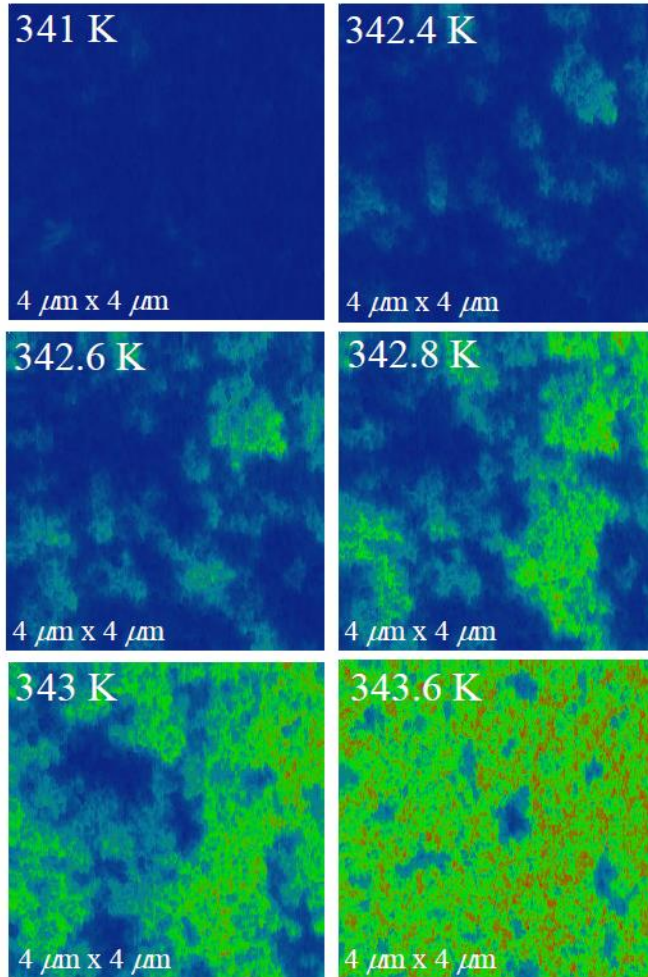
Film $c = 13.78 \text{ \AA}$, 330 \AA thick, bulk $c = 13.75 \text{ \AA}$
Buffer $c = 13.92 \text{ \AA}$, 34 \AA thick, bulk $c = 13.70 \text{ \AA}$
Substrate $c = 12.99 \text{ \AA}$

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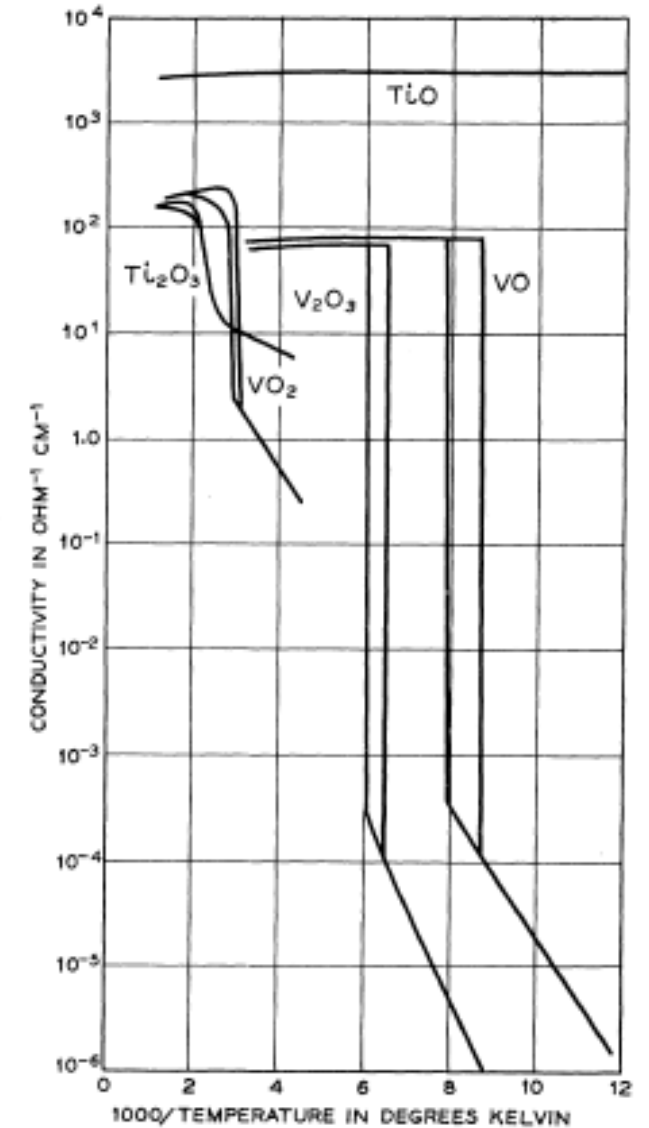
Metal – insulator transitions in VO₂

F.J. Morin, PRL3, 34 (1959)

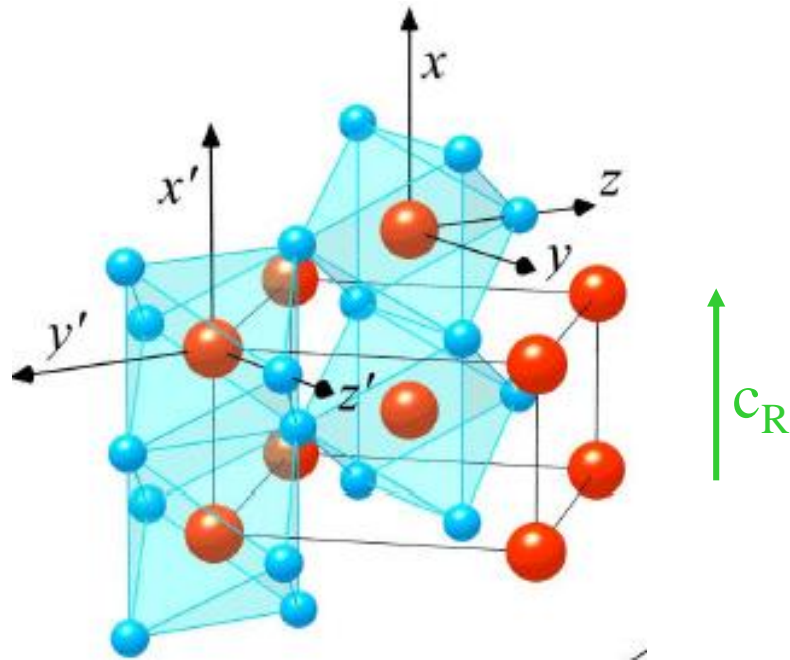


First order transition
 Accompany structural transition
 Doping or strain change T_c

Qazilbash et al., **Infrared Spectroscopy and Nano-Imaging.** Science 318, 1750 (2007).



Metallic rutile phase

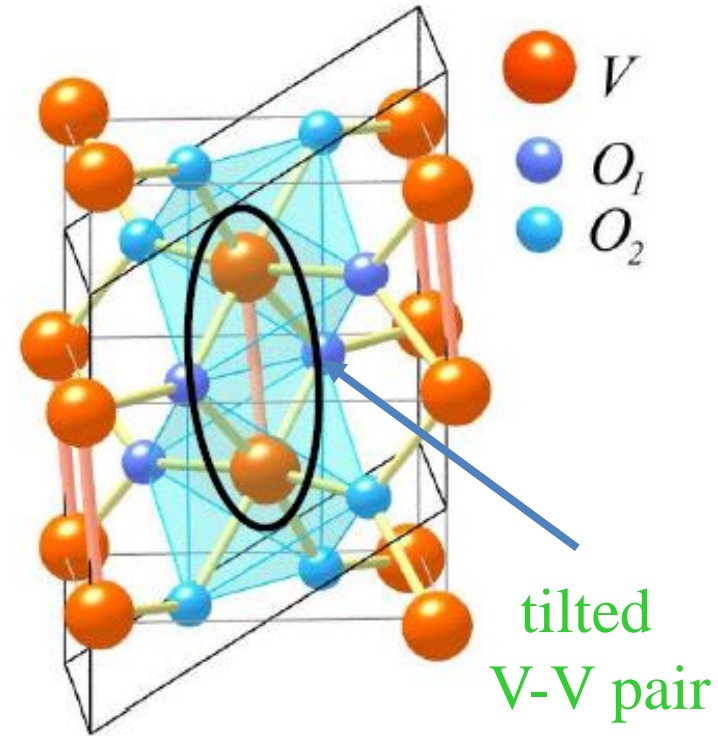


Chains of VO_6 octahedra running along c_R

Hubbard model

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \sigma} t_{ij} (c_{i\sigma}^+ c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^+ c_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i (n_{i\uparrow} - \frac{1}{2})(n_{i\downarrow} - \frac{1}{2})$$

Insulating phase: monoclinic M_1

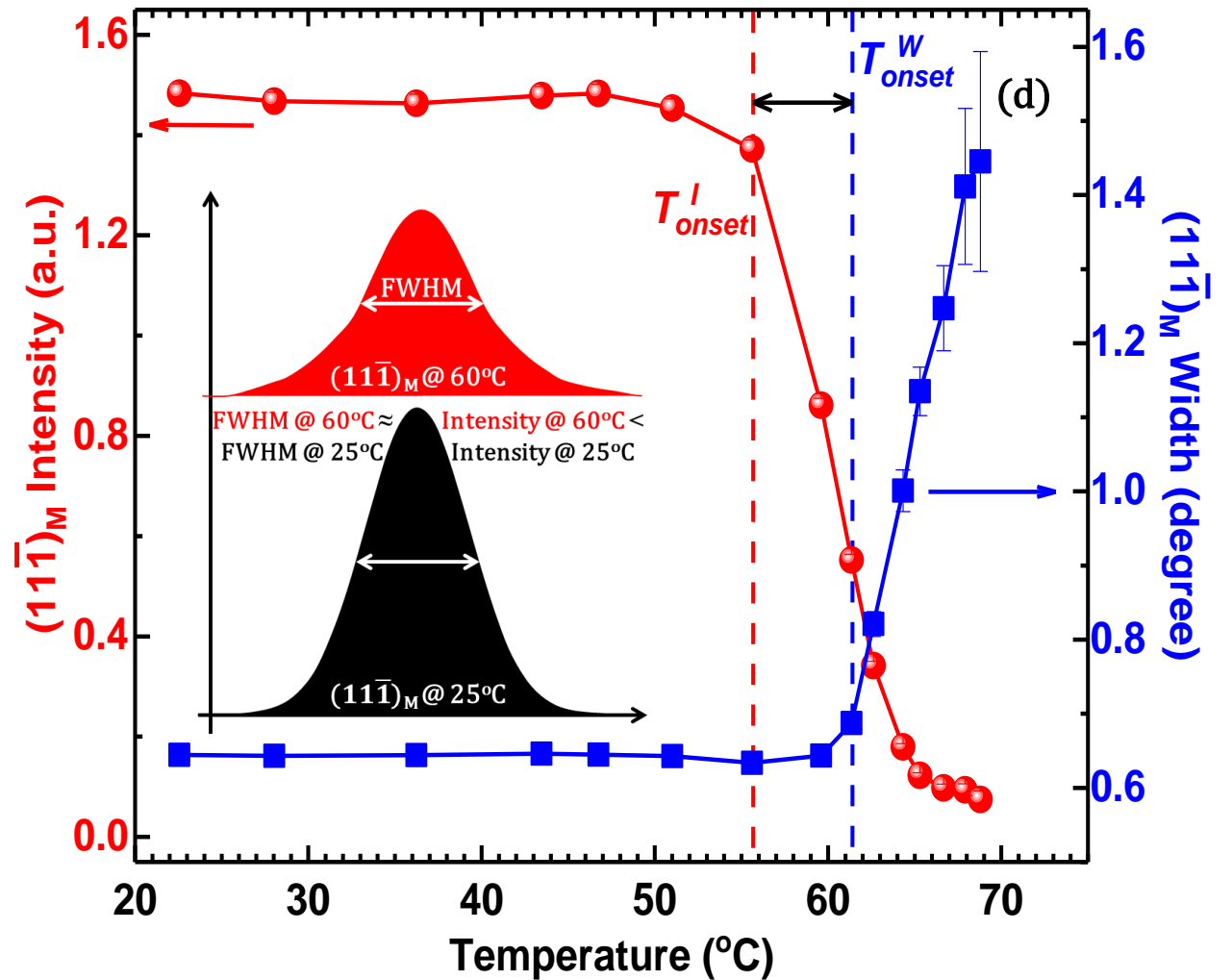
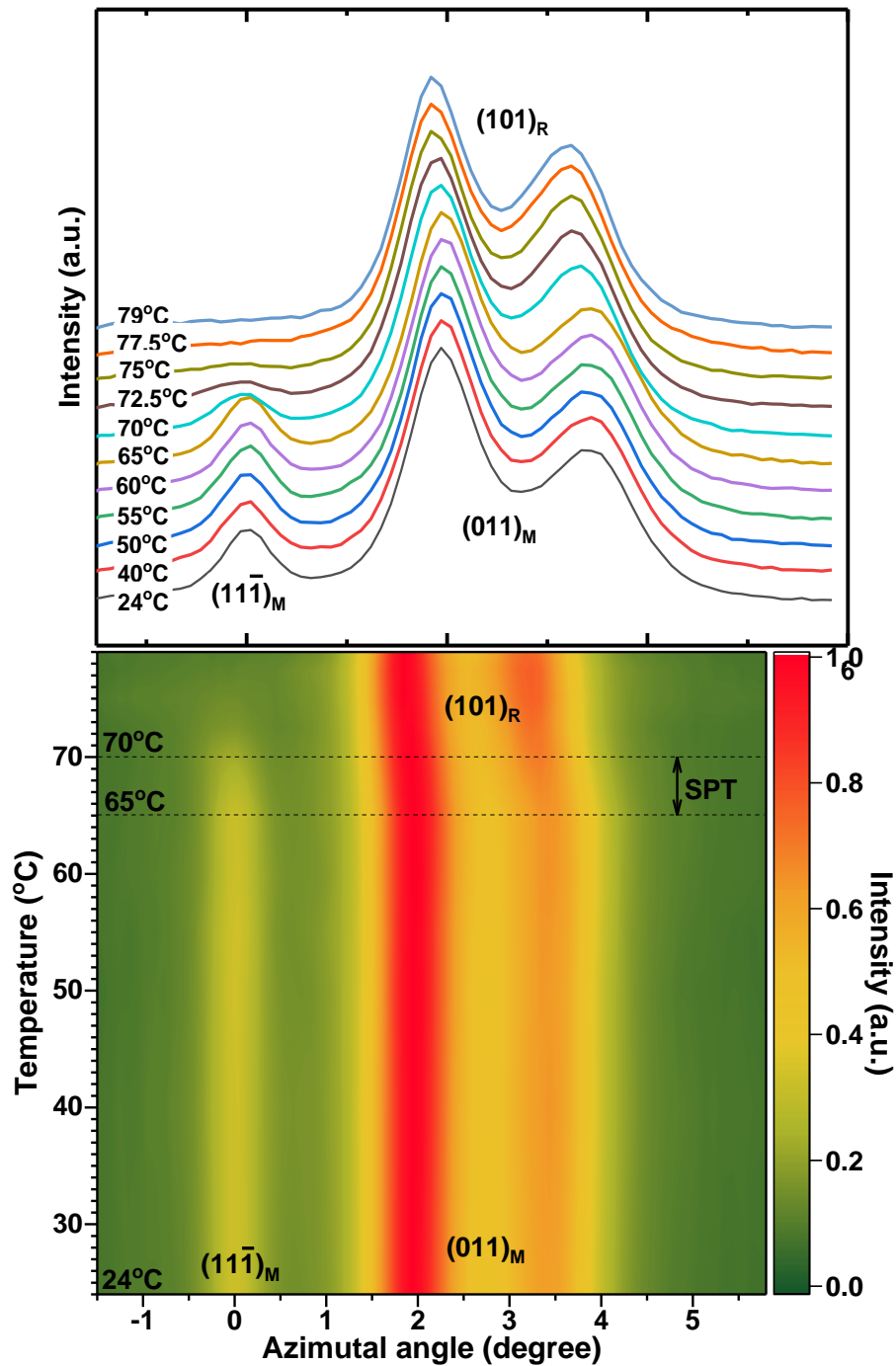


tilted V-V pair

Short V-O2 distance

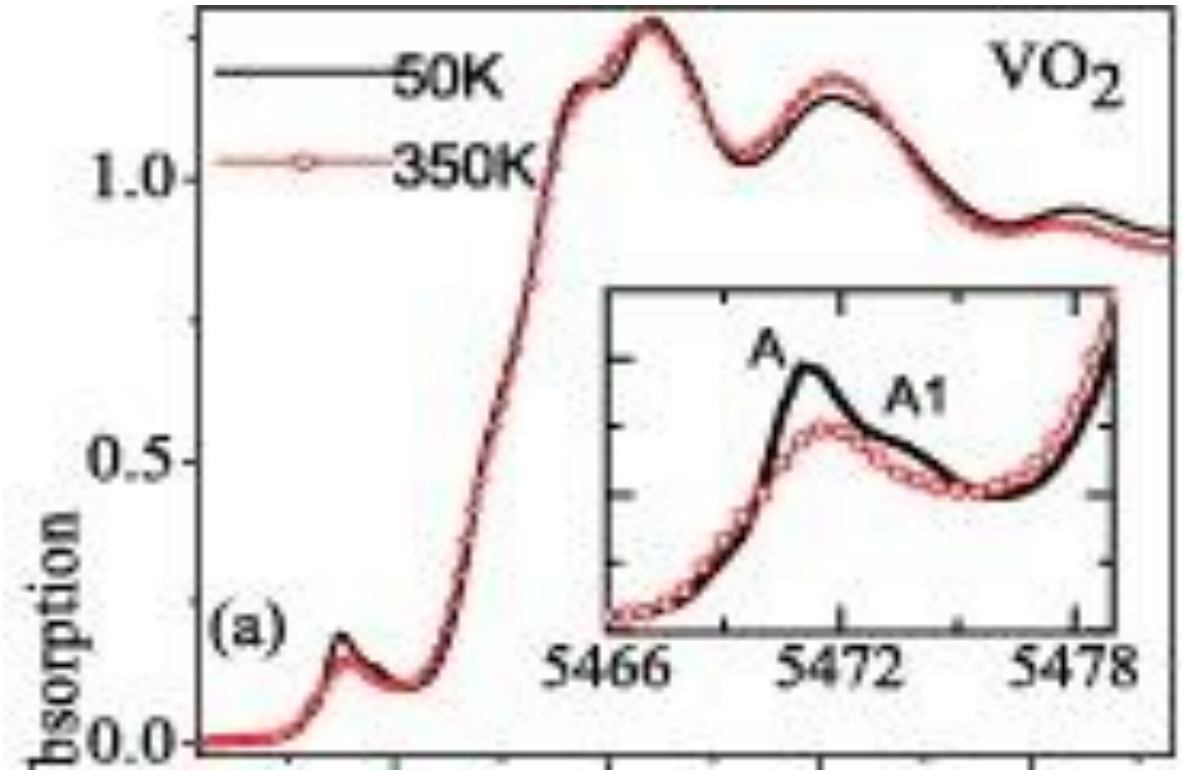
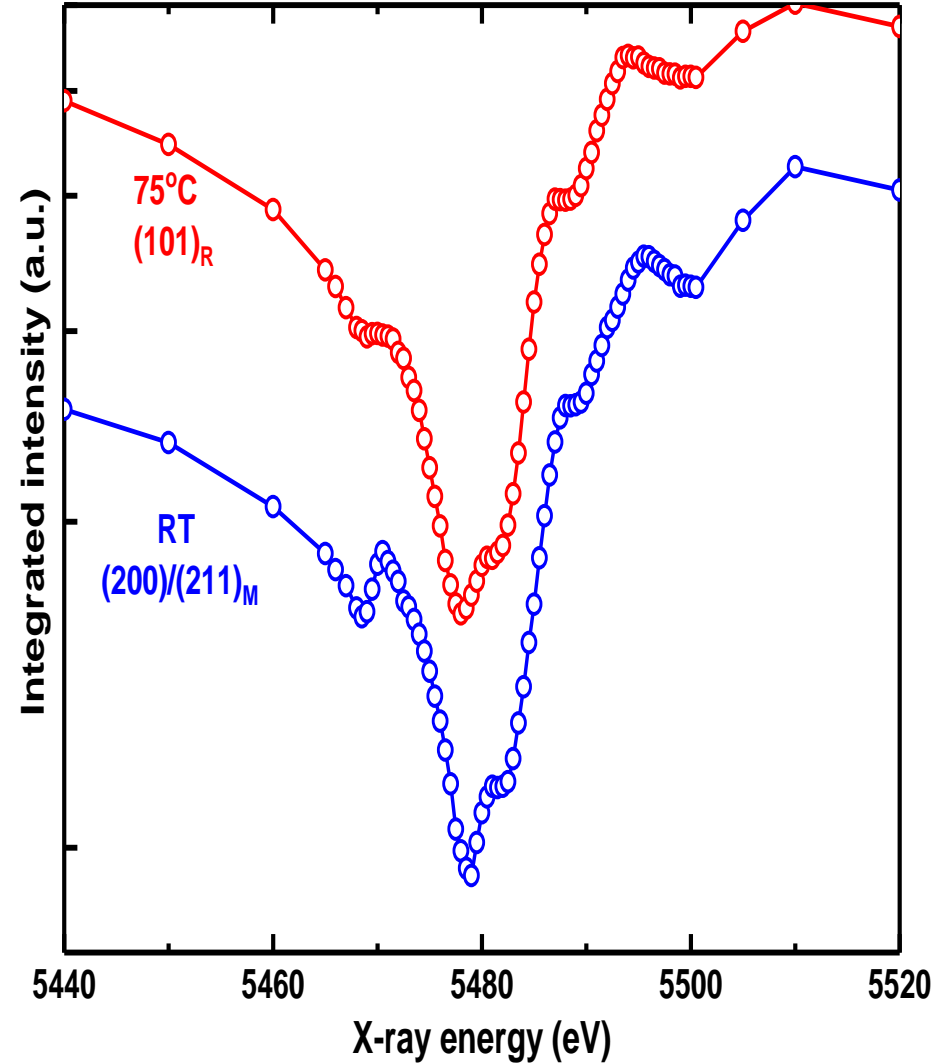
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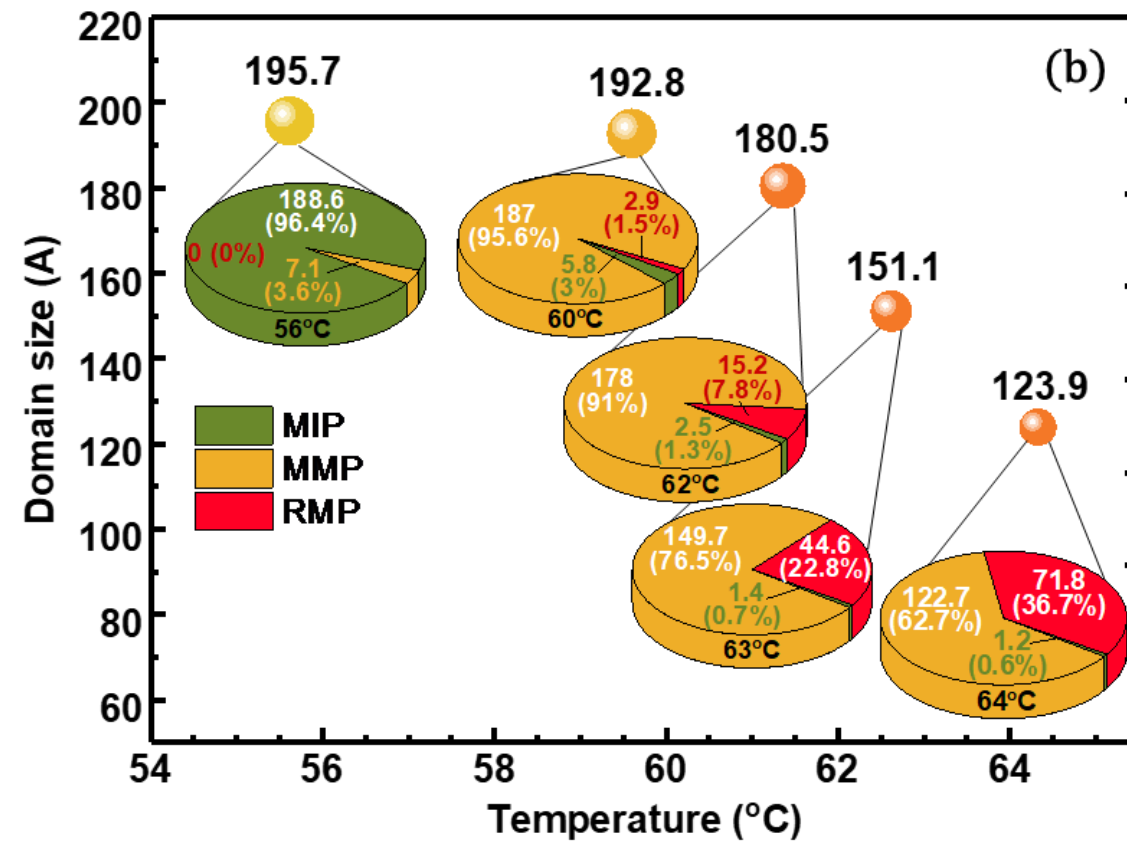
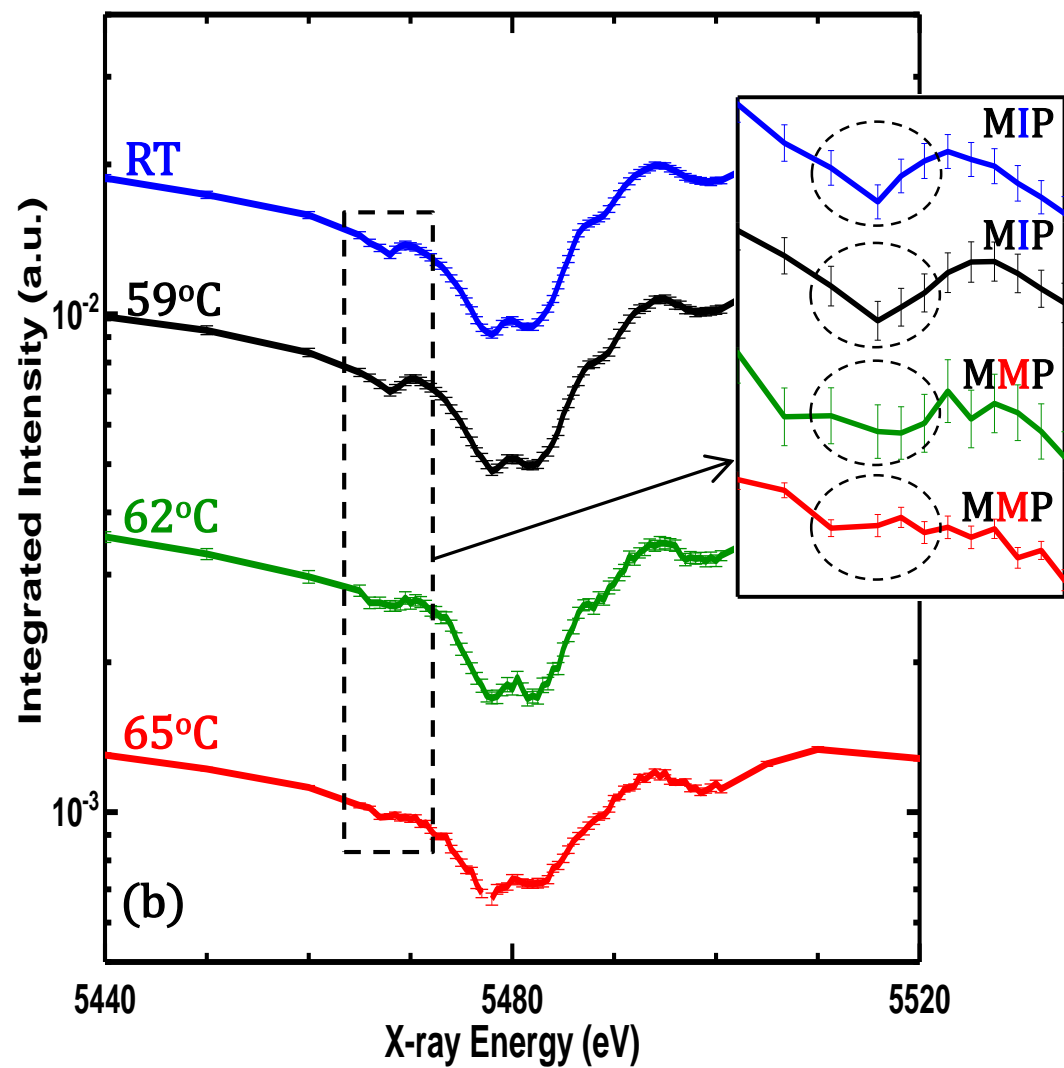
X-ray absorption



C. Marini et al 2013 EPL 102 66004

Reduced dip indicates
metallic rutile phase at 75 °C



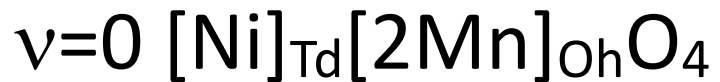
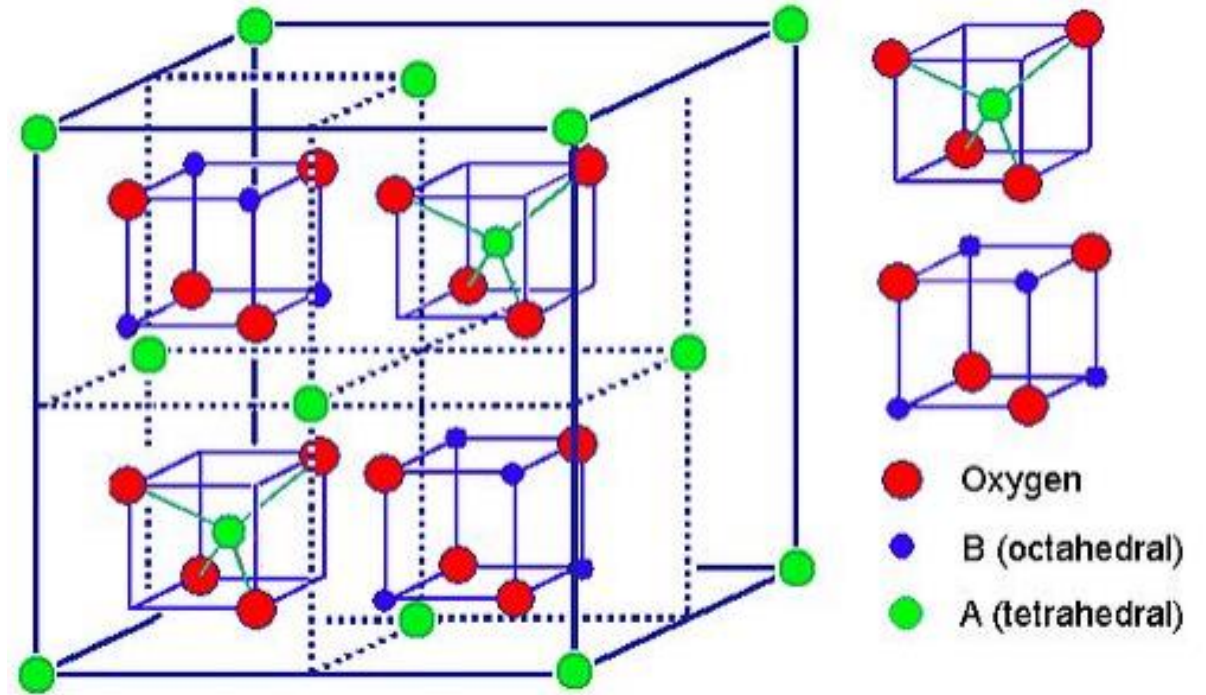
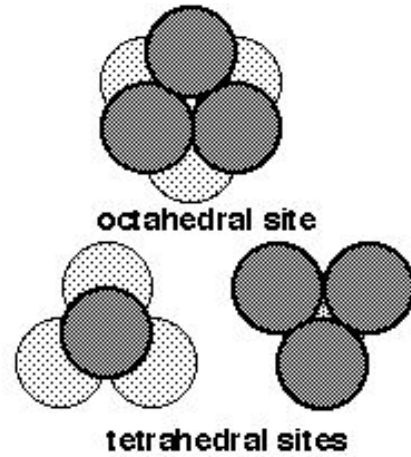
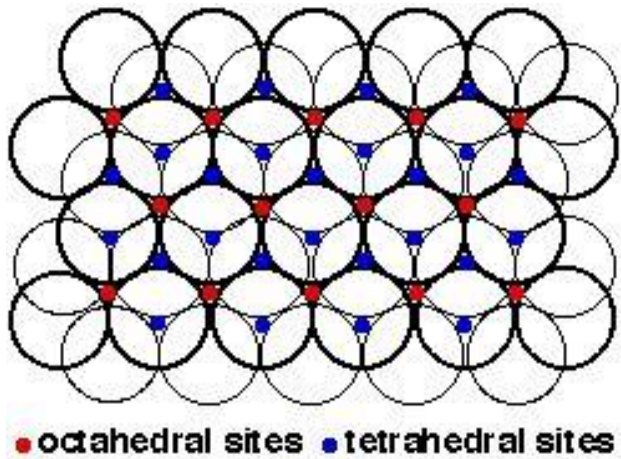


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Cation inversion in spinel NiMn_2O_4



(422) Contribution only from tetrahedral site only



(222) Octahedral only

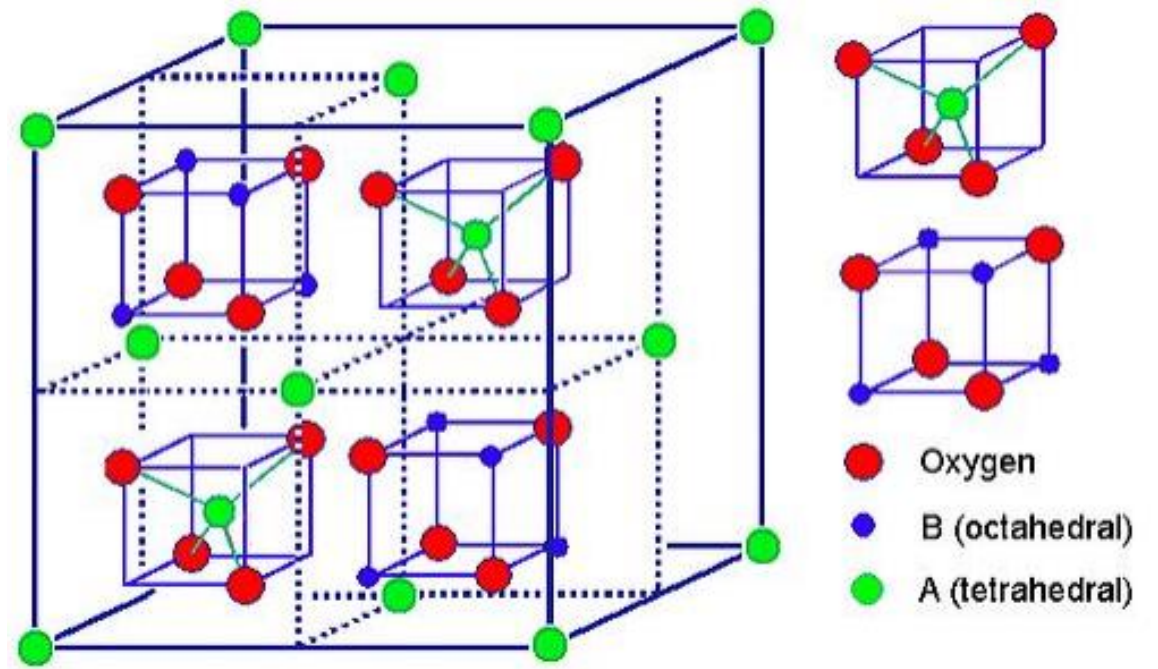
Tetrahedral sites

$(0\ 0\ 0), (1/2\ 1/2\ 0)$

$(0\ 1/2\ 1/2), (1/2\ 0\ 1/2)$

$(1/4\ 1/4\ 1/4), (3/4\ 1/4\ 3/4)$

$(3/4\ 3/4\ 1/4), (1/4\ 3/4\ 3/4)$



$$F_{hkl} = \sum_n f_n \exp(-M_n) \exp[2\pi i(hx_n + ky_n + lz_n)]$$

$$F_{222}^T = \sum_n f_T \exp[2\pi i(2x_n + 2y_n + 2z_n)]$$

$$= f_T (e^0 + e^{2\pi i} + e^{2\pi i} + e^{2\pi i} + e^{3\pi i} + e^{7\pi i} + e^{7\pi i} + e^{7\pi i})$$

$$= f_T (1 + 1 + 1 + 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1) = 0$$

(222) Octahedral site only

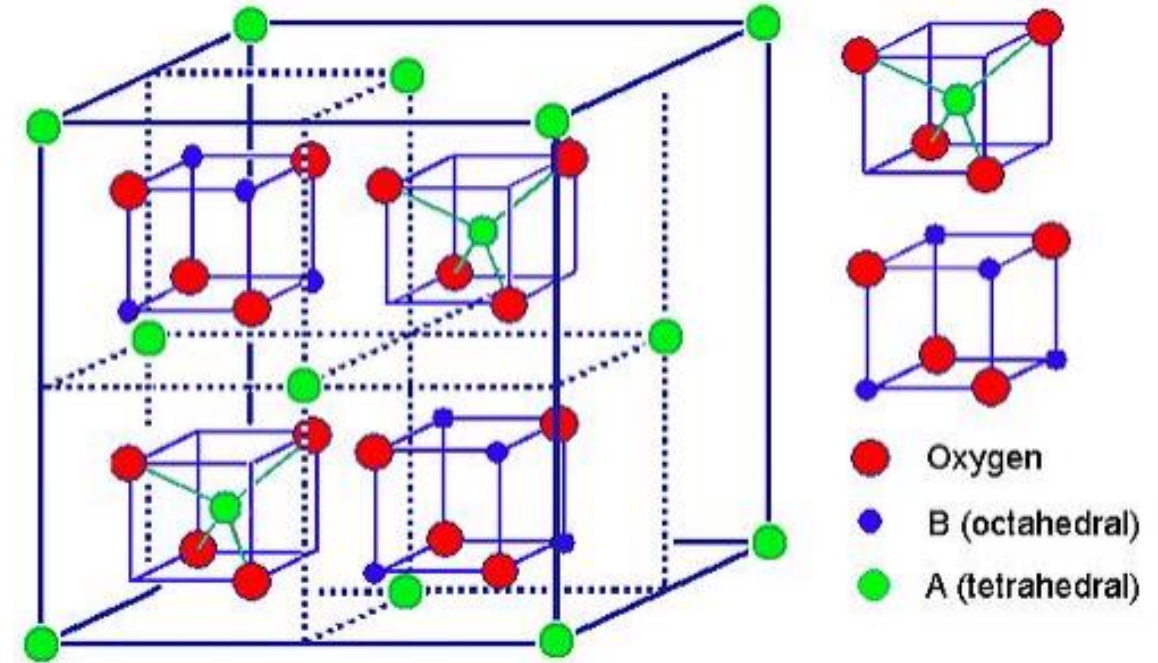
Octahedral sites

$(1/8 \ 1/8 \ 5/8), (3/8 \ 3/8 \ 5/8), (1/8 \ 3/8 \ 7/8), (3/8 \ 1/8 \ 7/8)$
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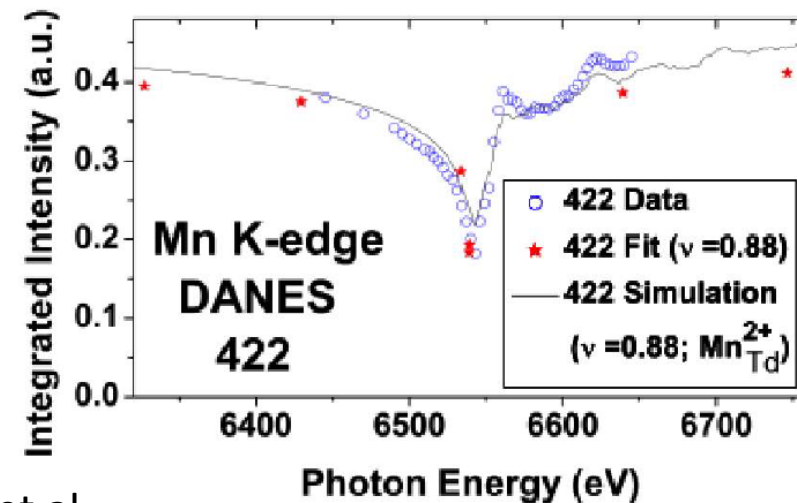
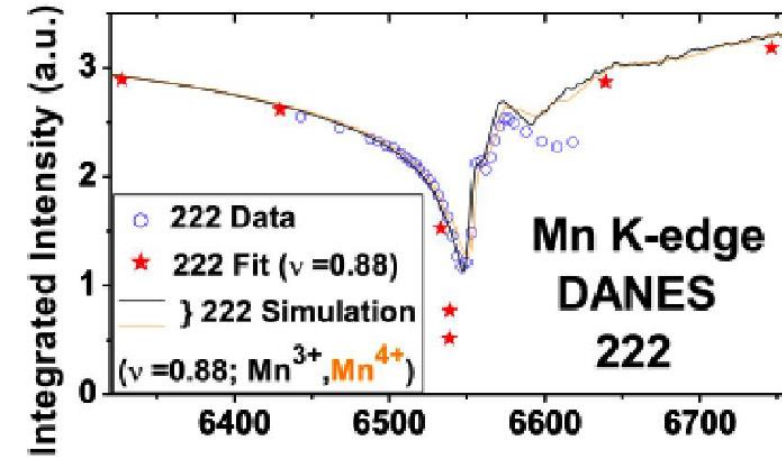
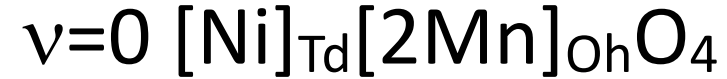
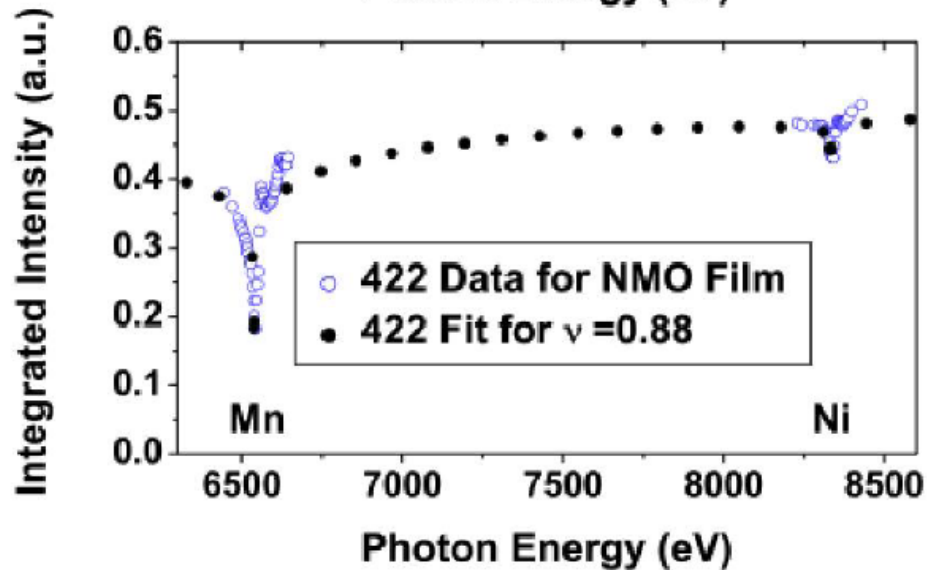
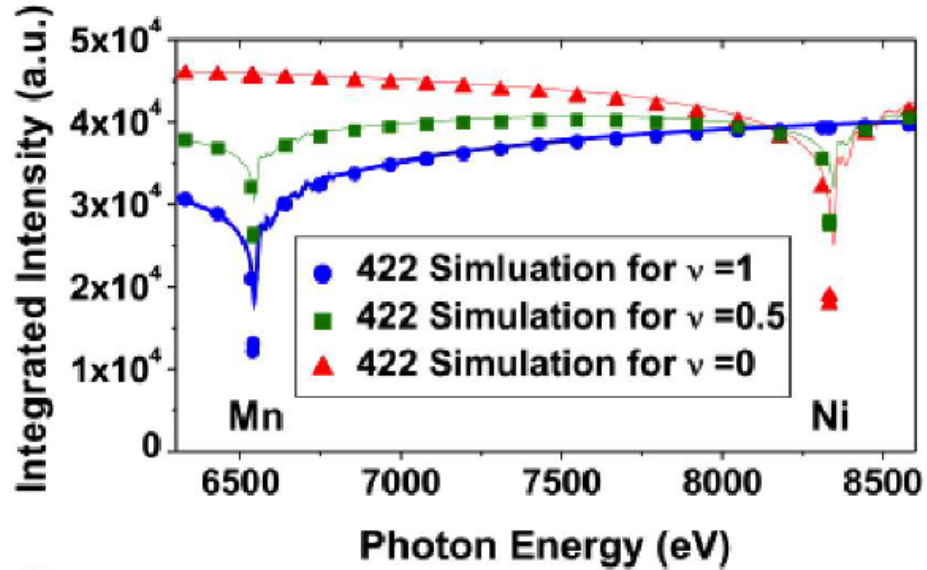
$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{422}^O &= \sum_n f_o \exp[2\pi i(4x_n + 2y_n + 2z_n)] \\
 &= f_o \{ (1 - 1 + 1 - 1) + (1 - 1 + 1 - 1) \\
 &\quad + (1 - 1 + 1 - 1) + (1 - 1 + 1 - 1) \} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(422) Tetrahedral site only



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Electrons in a quantized electromagnetic field

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H} &= \sum_j \frac{1}{2m} \left(\mathbf{P}_j - \frac{e}{c} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_j) \right)^2 + \sum_{ji} V(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) - \frac{e\hbar}{mc} \sum_j \mathbf{s}_j \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_j) \\ &\quad - \frac{e\hbar}{2(mc)^2} \sum_j \mathbf{s}_j \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_j) \times \left(\mathbf{P}_j - \frac{e}{c} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_j) \right) + \sum_{k\lambda} \hbar\omega_k \left(c^\dagger(k\lambda)c(k\lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

K.E. of electron in the EM field

Coulomb interaction between electrons

Zeeman energy of electrons with spin s_j

Spin-orbit coupling

Self energy of EM field



Matter radiation interaction relevant to X-ray scattering

$$H_1 = \sum_i \frac{e^2}{2m} [\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_i, t)]^2$$

Thomson

$$H_2 = - \sum_i \frac{e^2 \hbar}{2m^2 c^2} \mathbf{s}_i [\partial_t \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_i, t) \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_i, t)]$$

Non-resonance
Magnetic (10^{-6} of charge)

$$H_3 = - \sum_i \frac{e}{m} [\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_i, t) \cdot \mathbf{p}_i]$$

Spin-orbit coupling

$$H_4 = - \sum_i \frac{e}{m} \mathbf{s}_i \cdot [\nabla \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_i, t)]$$

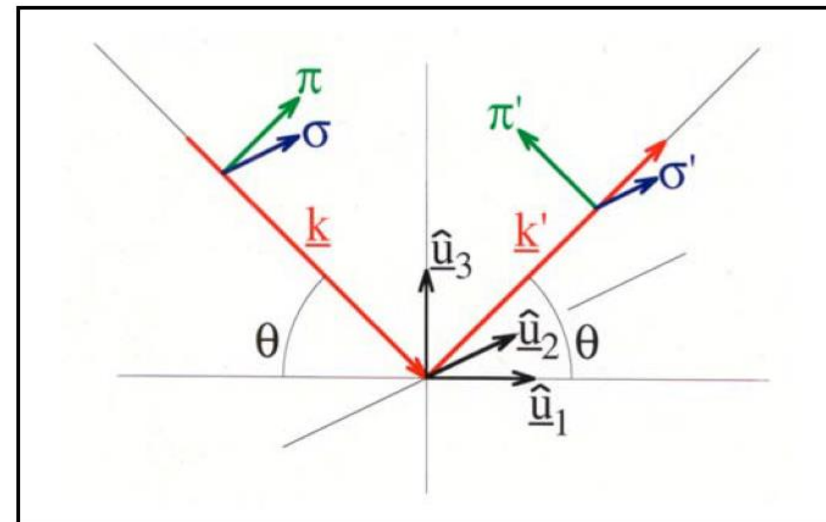
Spin dependent resonance

$$f'_j(\omega) + i f''_j(\omega) = \sum_{n,g} \frac{\langle \varphi_g^{(j)} | \hat{H}_3^* + \hat{H}_4^* | \varphi_n \rangle \langle \varphi_n | \hat{H}_3 + \hat{H}_4 | \varphi_g^{(j)} \rangle}{\hbar\omega - (E_n - E_g) + i\frac{\Gamma}{2}}$$

Elastic cross section for scattering of photon

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right|_{\varepsilon \rightarrow \varepsilon'} = \left[\frac{e^2}{mc^2} \right]^2 \cdot \left| \langle f_C \rangle_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon} + i \frac{\lambda_C}{d} \langle f_M \rangle_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon} \right|^2$$

$\pi/2$ phase shift



Polarization dependence

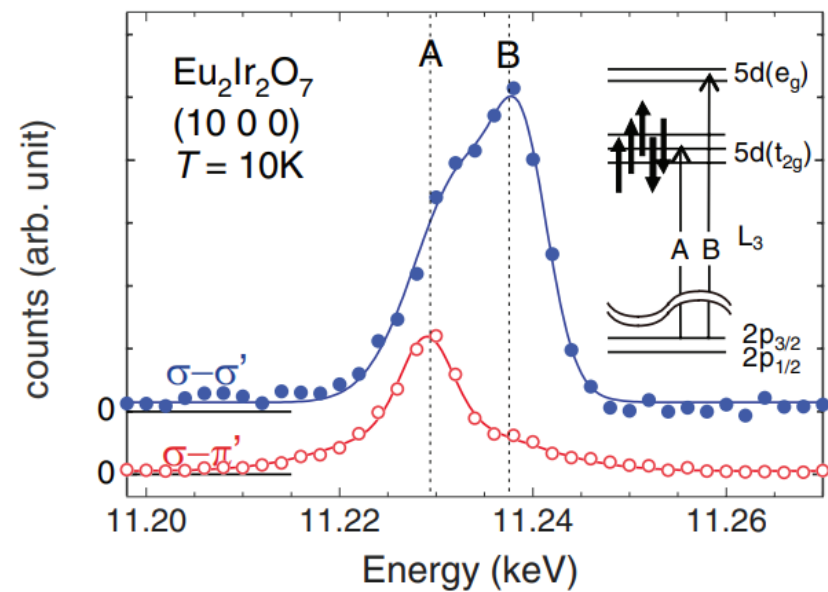
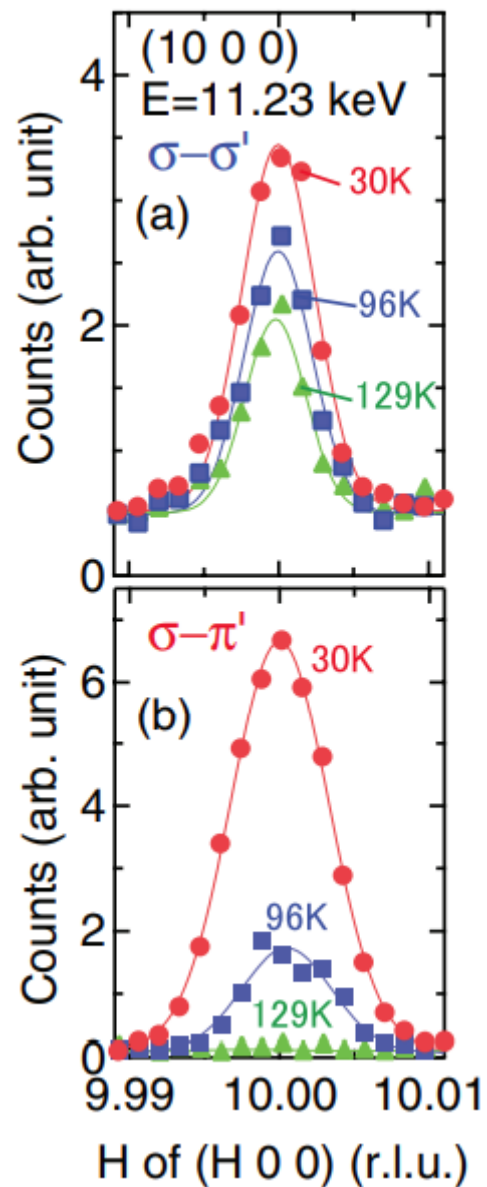
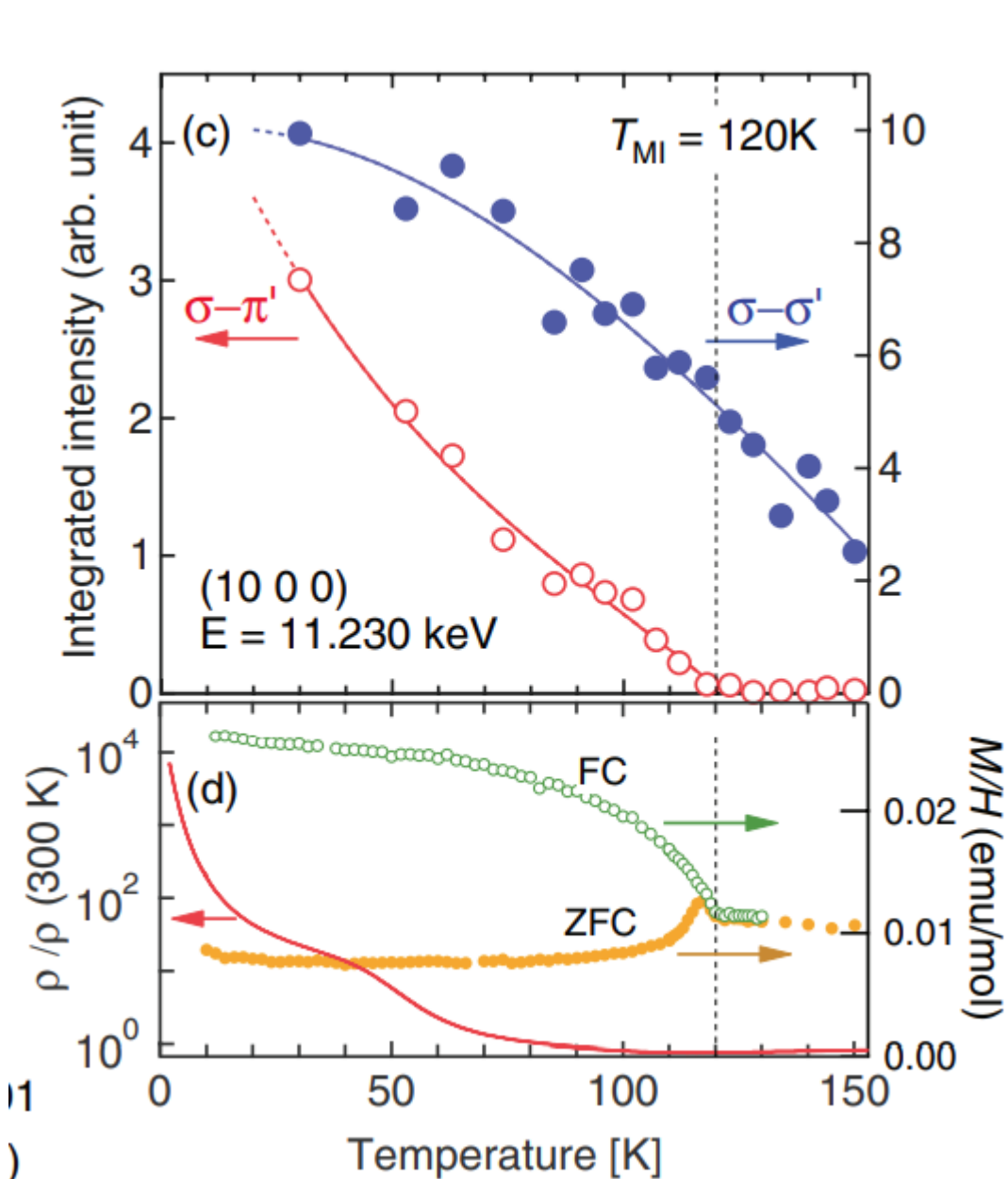
- $\langle f_M \rangle$ for the magnetic part:

to \ from	σ	π
σ'	$S_2 \cdot \cos \theta$	$[(L_1 + S_1) \cdot \cos \theta + S_3 \cdot \sin \theta] \cdot \sin \theta$
π'	$[-(L_1 + S_1) \cdot \cos \theta + S_3 \cdot \sin \theta] \cdot \sin \theta$	$[2L_2 \cdot \sin^2 \theta + S_2] \cdot \cos \theta$

- $\langle f_C \rangle$ for charge scattering:

to \ from	σ	π
σ	$\rho(\underline{Q})$	0
π	0	$\rho(\underline{Q})(\cos 2\theta)$

Spin and orbital contributions are different



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Further readings

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[Magnetism and synchrotron radiation. New trends](#) E. Beaurepaire, H. Bulou, F. Scheurer, J.P. Kappler (eds.)

Luigi Paolasini, Resonant and magnetic X-ray diffraction by polarized synchrotron radiation, *Collection SFN* **13**, 03002 (2014)