

Peak Shape Modelling

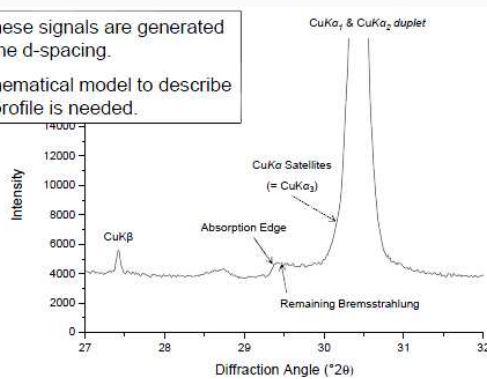
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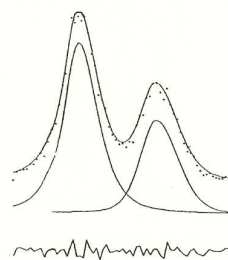
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Peak shape modelling

All these signals are generated by one d-spacing.
Mathematical model to describe the profile is needed.



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The Rietveld Method, RA Young

- Analytical profile fitting
- Direct convolution approach

Analytical profile fitting

- Fit a numerical function (profile shape function; PSF) to a measured diffraction pattern.
- PSF → 2θ, I, FWHM
- An optimization algorithm is employed to adjust parameters of PSF until the difference between the measured and calculated lines are minimized.

Direct convolution approach

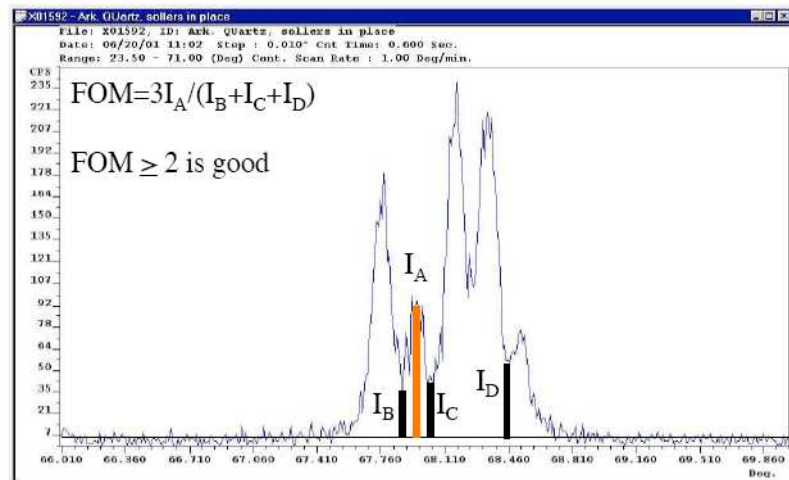
(Fundamental Parameters Approach)

- Profiles are generated by convolution where various functions are convoluted to form the observed profile shape.
- Calculate peak profile from device configuration.

- Precision - reproducibility
- Accuracy – approach to the “true” value
- Improperly calibrated instruments, inadequate correction for systematic errors → highly precise but inaccurate measurement

Resolution test:

Five fingers of quartz: FOM= 2.29



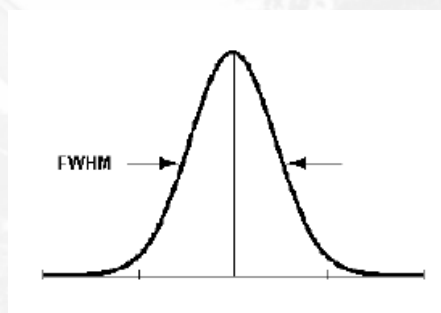
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Full Width Half Maximum

- All peak shape functions incorporate dependence of half width of Bragg peaks or FWHM.
- FWHM shows angular dependence expressed by the **Caglioti** function.

$$H^2 = U \tan^2 \theta + V \tan \theta + W$$

- ✓ H = half width
- ✓ U, V, W = refinable parameters



➤ Convolution – product of two functions is integrated over all spaces.

➤ Deconvolution $(f * g)(t) = f(t) * g(t)$

$$= \int_0^t f(t-\tau)g(\tau) d\tau = \int_0^t f(\tau)g(t-\tau) d\tau$$

➤ Intrinsic profile (specimen profile) (S)

➤ Spectral distribution (radiation source contribution) (W)

➤ Instrumental contribution (G)

➤ Observed profile; $h(x)$

➤ $h(x) = (W * G) * S + \text{background}$

Intrinsic profile (specimen profile) (S)

➤ Darwin width

✓ Inherent width of a diffraction peak

✓ Result of uncertainty principle ($\Delta p \Delta x = h$)

- Location of a photon in a crystal is restricted to a small volume. (\leftarrow absorption coefficient) $\rightarrow \Delta p$ must be finite. $\rightarrow \Delta \lambda$ ($\Delta p = h/\Delta \lambda$; de Broglie relation) must be finite. \rightarrow produces a finite width to a diffraction peak.

➤ Two sample effects which broaden the profile shape functions

✓ Size $\beta_{\text{size}} = 1/(t \cos \theta)$

✓ Microstrain $\beta_{\text{strain}} = 4e \tan \theta$

- The inherent spectral profile of the K-alpha1 line from a Cu target has a breadth of $0.518 \times 10^{-3} \text{ \AA}$ (approximately Lorentzian and asymmetric).
- The inherent width & asymmetry is usually overwhelmed by the fact that various components of radiation ($K_{\alpha 1L}$, $K_{\alpha 2L}$, $K_{\alpha 3,4L}$ ---) in a polychromatic beam will each spread out as 2θ increases.
- This spectral dispersion is so great that it can dominate the diffraction profiles at high angle, making them quite broad & relatively symmetric.
- Monochromatization can limit the breadth of W to the Darwin width of the monochromator crystal and its mosaicity.

$$H^2 = U \tan^2 \theta + V \tan \theta + W$$

Instrumental contribution (G), Observed profile h(x)

- 5 principal non-spectral contribution to the instrumental profile (G)

X-ray source image

Flat specimen → asymmetry

Axial divergence of incident beam → asymmetry

Specimen transparency → asymmetry

Receiving slit

- Intrinsic profile (S)
- Spectral distribution (radiation source contribution) (W)
- Instrumental contribution (G)
- $h(x) = (W * G) * S + \text{background}$ (*; convolution)
- $(W * G)$; fixed for a particular instrument/target system → instrumental profile g(x)
- $h(x) = g(x) * S + \text{background}$

LaB₆ (SRM 660c)

- Very asymmetric profile in sealed tube parafocusing system
- Symmetric Gaussian profile in neutron & synchrotron X-ray

Table 1.2 Some symmetric analytical profile functions that have been used^a

Function	Name
(a) $\frac{C_0^{1/2}}{H_k \pi^{1/2}} \exp(-C_0(2\theta_i - 2\theta_k)^2/H_k^2)$	Gaussian ('G')
(b) $\frac{C_1^{1/2}}{\pi H_k} \frac{1}{\left[1 + C_1 \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_k)^2}{H_k^2}\right]}$	Lorentzian ('L')
(c) $\frac{2C_2^{1/2}}{\pi H_k} \frac{1}{\left[1 + C_2 \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_k)^2}{H_k^2}\right]^2}$	Mod 1 Lorentzian
(d) $\frac{C_3^{1/2}}{2H_k} \frac{1}{\left[1 + C_3 \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_k)^2}{H_k^2}\right]^{3/2}}$	Mod 2 Lorentzian
(e) $\eta L + (1 - \eta)G$ The mixing parameter, η , can be refined as a linear function of 2θ wherein the refinable variables are NA and NB : $\eta = NA + NB*(2\theta)$	pseudo-Voigt ('pV')
(f) $\frac{C_4}{H_k} \left[1 + 4^m(2^{1/m} - 1) \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_k)^2}{H_k^2}\right]^{-m}$ m can be refined as a function of 2θ , $m = NA + NB/2\theta + NC/(2\theta)^2$, where the refinable variables are NA , NB , and NC .	Pearson VII
(g) Modified Thompson–Cox–Hastings pseudo-Voigt, 'TCHZ' $TCHZ = \eta L + (1 - \eta)G$ where $\eta = 1.36603q - 0.47719q^2 + 0.1116q^3$ $q = \Gamma_L/\Gamma$ $\Gamma = (\Gamma_G^5 + A\Gamma_G^4\Gamma_L + B\Gamma_G^3\Gamma_L^2 + C\Gamma_G^2\Gamma_L^3 + D\Gamma_G\Gamma_L^4 + \Gamma_L^5)^{0.2} = H_k$ $A = 2.69269$ $B = 2.42843$ $C = 4.47163$ $D = 0.07842$ $\Gamma_G = (U \tan^2 \theta + V \tan \theta + W + Z/\cos^2 \theta)^{1/2}$ $\Gamma_L = X \tan \theta + Y/\cos \theta$	(Mod-TCHZ pV)

- Gaussian
- Lorentzian
- Modified Lorentzian
- Intermediate Lorentzian
- Pseudo-Voigt
- Pearson VII
- Split Pearson VII

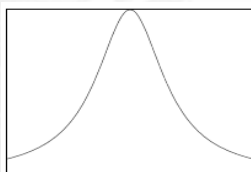
Analytical profile fitting > Gaussian, Lorentzian, Pseudo Voigt profile

- Most instruments are more Gaussian at low angles and more Lorentzian at high angles (wavelength dispersion).

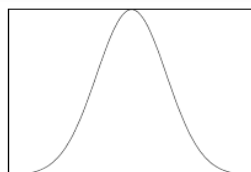
Pseudo Voigt profile; $nL + (1-n)G$

Lorentzian profile

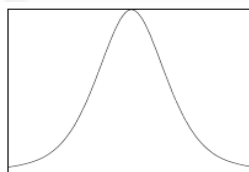
Gaussian profile



Lorentzian (n = 1.0)



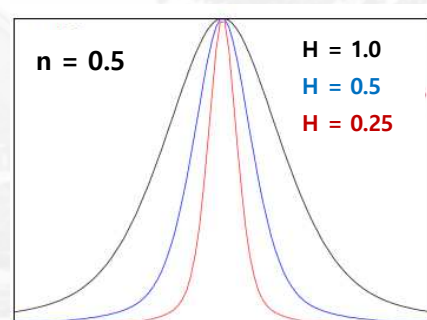
Gaussian (n = 0)



Pseudo Voigt (n = 0.5)

Same FWHM (H) in

$$H^2 = U \tan^2 \theta + V \tan \theta + W$$



Analytical profile shape functions

(a) $\frac{C_0^{1/2}}{H_K \pi^{1/2}} \exp(-C_0(2\theta_i - 2\theta_K)^2/H_K^2)$ Gaussian ('G')

(b) $\frac{C_1^{1/2}}{\pi H_K} \frac{1}{\left[1 + C_1 \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_K)^2}{H_K^2}\right]}$ Lorentzian ('L')

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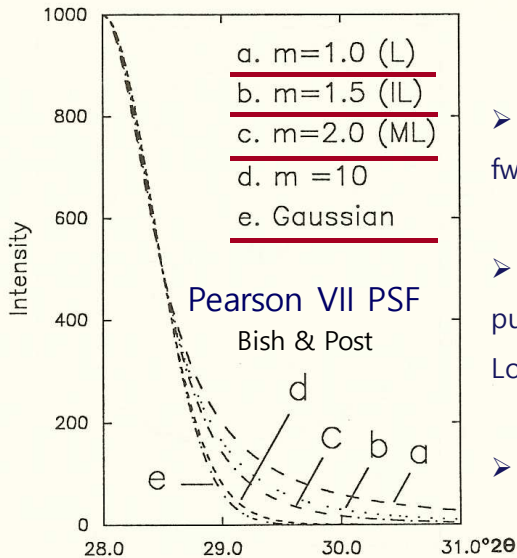
$\eta = NA + NB*(2\theta)$

(f) $\frac{C_4}{H_K} \left[1 + 4*(2^{1/m} - 1) \frac{(2\theta_i - 2\theta_K)^2}{H_K^2}\right]^{-m}$ Pearson VII

m can be refined as a function of 2θ ,

$m = NA + NB/2\theta + NC/(2\theta)^2$,

where the refinable variables are NA , NB , and NC .

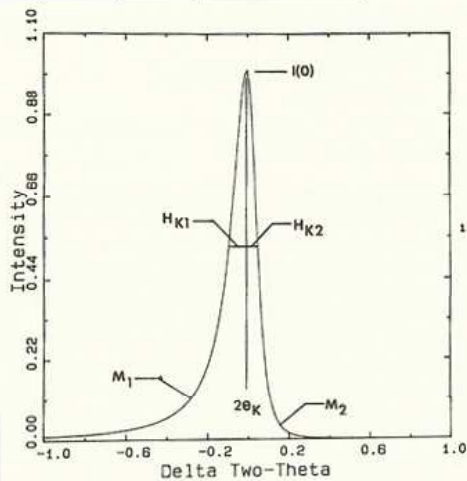


➤ A series of Pearson VII profiles generated with the same fwhm but with different values of exponent m

➤ Depending on the value of m , the function replicates the pure Lorentzian (L), Intermediate Lorentzian (IL) and Modified Lorentzian (ML) profiles.

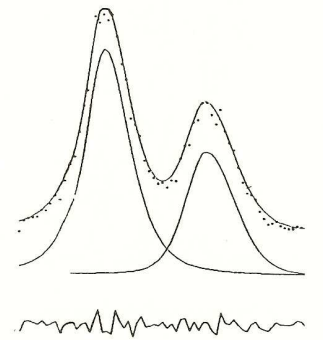
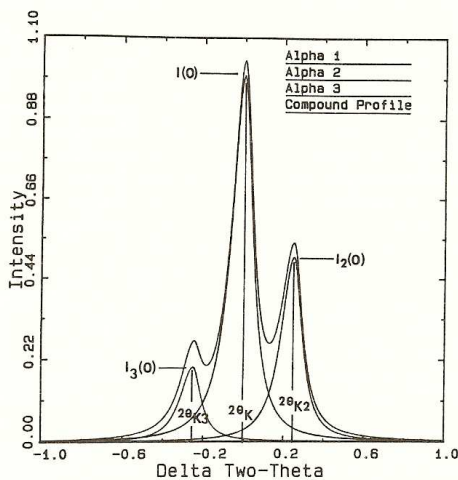
➤ The shape is essentially Gaussian when $m > \sim 10$.

Split Pearson VII

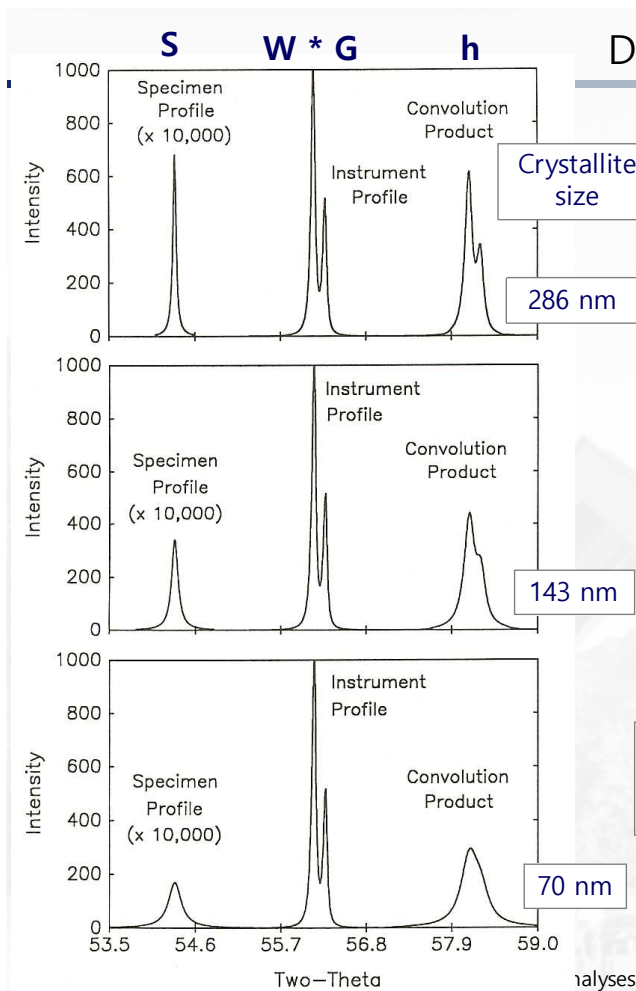


➤ The two half profiles share a common Bragg angle $2\theta_K$ and peak intensity $I(0)$.

➤ Their different fwhm's H_K and exponents m , allow the profile to model an asymmetric line.



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Unconstrained profile fitting



Direct convolution approach

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$$h = (W * G) * S$$

- Line shape ← convolution of (W*G) and (S) contributions

S; Intrinsic profile (specimen profile)
 W; Spectral distribution (radiation source contribution)
 G; Instrumental contribution
 W*G; instrument

Integrated intensity of the peak remains the same while the peak broadens and the peak intensity decreases.

Need to know precisely the nature of contributions from both instrument & specimen.

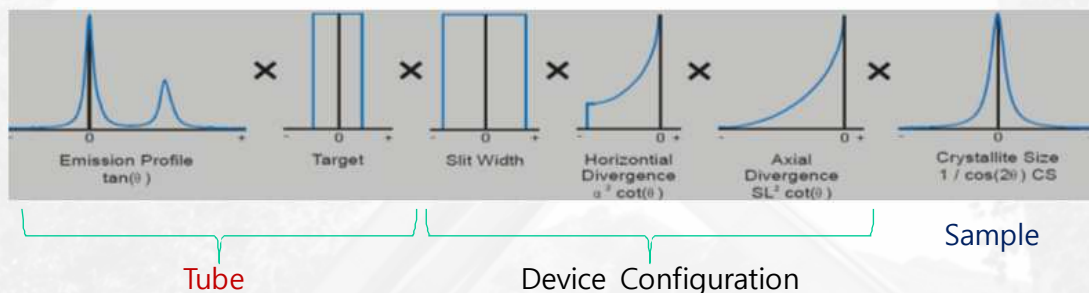
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Direct convolution approach > Fundamental Parameters Approach (FPA)

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- Calculate the peak profile from the device configuration.
- Take into account the contributions of:
 - ✓ Source emission profile (X-ray wavelength distribution from Tube).
 - ✓ Every optical element in the beam path (position, size, etc.).
 - ✓ Sample contributions (peak broadening due to crystallite size & strain).



FPA needs:

- Very detailed and complete description of the instrument configuration.
- Very well aligned instrument.

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- Background fitting (this should not affect the apparent Bragg intensities if it is done correctly)
- Extinction
- Preferred Orientation (Texture)
- Absorption & Surface Roughness
- Other Geometric Factors

- Need to know precisely the nature of contributions from both instrument and specimen.
- PSF representing instrument can be obtained by measuring a set of lines from a specimen.
 - ✓ Free of crystallite size broadening and lattice defects
 - ✓ Sufficiently small mean particle size and narrow size distribution without having particles so small as to introduce line broadening
 - ✓ Line profile standard, LaB₆ NIST SRM

Standard Reference Materials (SRMs)

➤ Powder Line Position + Line Shape Std for Powder Dif

✓ **Silicon (SRM 640f); \$745/7.5g**

➤ Line position - Fluorophlogopite mica (SRM 675); \$809/7.5g

➤ Line profile - **LaB₆ (SRM 660c); \$907/6g**

No broadening from size & strain

➤ Intensity

✓ ZnO, TiO₂ (rutile), Cr₂O₃, CeO₂ (SRM 674b); out of stock

➤ Quantitative phase analysis

✓ Al₂O₃ (SRM 676a); out of stock, Silicon Nitride (SRM 656); \$580/ 20g

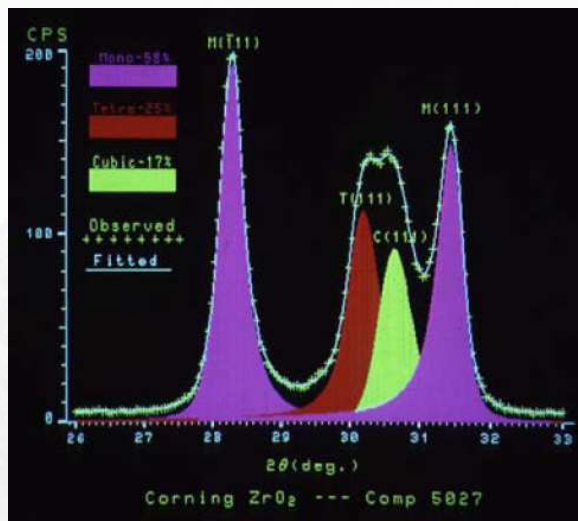
➤ Instrument Response Std

✓ Alumina plate (SRM 1976c); \$721/1 disc

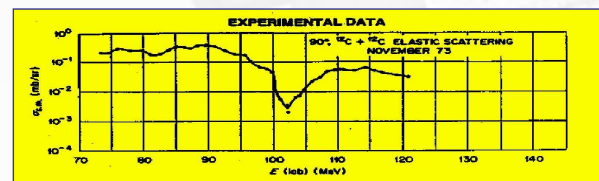
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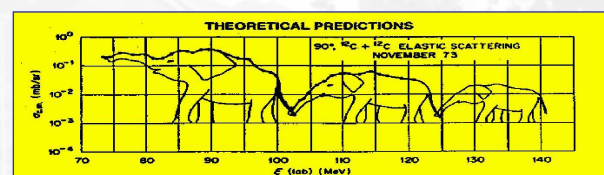
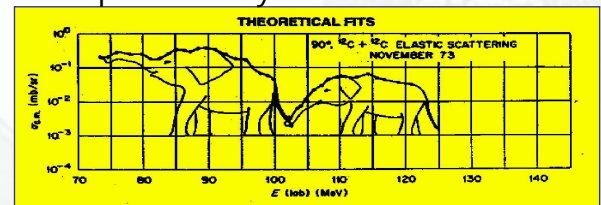
Line (peak) profile analysis



The danger of profile fitting



Elephants may be fit to data



Extrapolation ?????