disordered sequence in any one tunnel. Crystals of the composition $\mathrm{Na}_{0.5} \mathrm{~V}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{15}$ give no diffuse spectra by which this may be assessed, but single crystals of $\mathrm{Ba}_{2-x} \mathrm{Ti}_{8} \mathrm{O}_{16}$, which is isomorphous with hollandite, offer additional evidence which is being investigated both by X-ray diffraction and dielectric absorption measurements.

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# Polarization Correction for Crystal-Monochromatized X-radiation* 

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#### Abstract

The polarization correction for diffraction of a crystal-monochromatized X-ray beam is derived. Suitable expressions for different experimental methods are also given. The polarization correction is first tabulated in parts so that the appropriate correction for any wavelength and monochromator rystal can be determined. Another table lists selected values of the polarization correction, in a final form, for different wavelength X-radiations reflected from (1011) planes of a quartz monochromator. The maximum correction for $\mathrm{Ag} K \alpha$ is a little more than $1 \%$, whereas for $\mathrm{Cr} K \alpha$ the maximum correction is $34 \%$.


## 1. Polarization factor

The use of crystal-monochromatized X-radiation has many advantages over conventional methods using filters. Of greatest importance is the virtual elimination of background scattering due to non-characteristic radiation. Furthermore, it is possible to use a bentcrystal monochromator to obtain integrated intensities photographically, as will be shown in a subsequent communication. The chief objection to the use of crystal monochromators, the intensity decrease in the twice diffracted beam, can be minimized by suitable

[^0]choice of monochromator crystal and X-radiation. Thus, single-crystal photographs of inorganic compounds made in the author's laboratory with Ag Ka diffracted from ( $10 \overline{1} 1$ ) planes of a quartz monochromator have intensities directly comparable with similarly exposed photographs prepared with a conventionally filtered beam.

Whenever crystal-monochromatized X-radiation is used, the beam striking the specimen crystal is partially polarized owing to reflection by the monochromator crystal. The polarization factor for the twice diffracted beam is different, therefore, from the relation, $\frac{1}{2}\left(1+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta\right)$, normally used. In order to determine the appropriate polarization factor, consider Fig. 1. The intensity of an unpolarized X-ray beam


Fig. 1.
can be considered as the sum of two equal parts due to independent components in two orthogonal directions of polarization:

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{0}=I_{\sigma}+I_{\pi} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\frac{1}{2} I_{0}=I_{\sigma}=I_{\pi},
$$

where $\sigma$ indicates the component in the plane of incidence, and $\pi$ the component normal to it. Using the amplitudes of the optical field, equation (1) can be alternatively written

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2} E_{0}^{2}=E_{\sigma}^{2}=E_{\pi}^{2} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The $\sigma$ component can be considered first. This component is reflected by the monochromator planes, $P_{1}$, (whose normal, $n_{1}$, lies in the $y z$ plane) along the $y^{\prime}$ direction (also lying in the $y z$ plane) which is inclined by $2 \theta_{1}$ to $y$. After reflection, the $\sigma$ component becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\sigma}^{\prime}=k E_{\sigma} \cos 2 \theta_{1} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $k=e^{2} / m c^{2} r$ and contains all the factors which are independent of the direction of polarization. Referring this component to the primed coordinates, it lies in the $y^{\prime} z^{\prime}$ plane and is parallel to $z^{\prime}$.

This component is next reflected by the specimen crystal planes, $P_{2}$, along $y^{\prime \prime}$ which is inclined by $2 \theta_{2}$ to $y^{\prime}$. (The normal, $n_{2}$, of these planes may be inclined to $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ and $z^{\prime}$.) The effect on $E_{\sigma}^{\prime}$ of the second reflection can be studied best by resolving $E_{\sigma}^{\prime}$ along two mutually perpendicular directions, viz. one along the plane $P_{2}$, and one along $n_{2}^{\prime}$, the projection of the normal $n_{2}$ on the $x^{\prime} z^{\prime}$ plane. If $n_{2}^{\prime}$ lies at an angle $\varrho$ away from the $z^{\prime}$ axis, the two components are:

Along the normal: $E_{\sigma n}^{\prime}=E_{\sigma}^{\prime} \cos \varrho$.
Along the plane: $E_{\sigma p}^{\prime}=E_{\sigma}^{\prime} \sin \varrho$.
The normal component is attenuated by the cosine of the reflection angle, $2 \theta_{1}$, while the component along the plane is not attenuated, i.e.

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\sigma n}^{\prime \prime}=k^{\prime} E_{\sigma n}^{\prime} \cos 2 \theta_{2} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\sigma p}^{\prime \prime}=k^{\prime} E_{\sigma p}^{\prime} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Similarly, the $\pi$ component, after reflection by the planes, $P_{1}$, is not affected, i.e.

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\pi}^{\prime}=k E_{\pi} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Resolving $E_{\pi}^{\prime}$ along the same two perpendicular directions used for resolving $E_{\sigma}^{\prime}$, the two components are:
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { Along the normal: } & E_{\pi n}^{\prime}=E_{\pi}^{\prime} \sin \varrho . \\ \text { Along the plane: } & E_{\pi p}^{\prime}=E_{\pi}^{\prime} \cos \varrho .\end{array}\right\}$
The normal component is changed and the component along the plane is not, so that
and

$$
\left.\begin{array}{l}
E_{\pi n}^{\prime \prime}=k^{\prime} E_{\pi n}^{\prime} \cos 2 \theta_{2}  \tag{9}\\
E_{\pi p}^{\prime \prime}=k^{\prime} E_{\pi p}^{\prime}
\end{array}\right\}
$$

( $k^{\prime}$ has the same meaning for the second crystal as $k$ had for the first.)
The resultant contribution of the $\sigma$ component to the intensity

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{E_{\sigma}^{\prime \prime}}=\overline{E_{\sigma n}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\sigma p}^{\prime \prime}} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

and of the $\pi$ component,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{E_{\pi}^{\prime \prime}}=\overline{E_{\pi n}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\pi p}^{\prime 2}} \tag{li}
\end{equation*}
$$

can be added to give the resultant contribution from both components:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{E^{\prime \prime}}{ }^{2}=\overline{E_{\sigma}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\pi}^{\prime \prime}}{ }^{2}=\overline{E_{\sigma n}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\sigma p}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\pi n}^{\prime \prime}}+\overline{E_{\pi p}^{\prime \prime}}{ }^{2} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

After making appropriate substitutions for each term,
${\overline{E^{\prime \prime}}}^{2}=\frac{1}{2} k^{2} k^{\prime 2} \bar{E}_{0}^{2}\left[\left(\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \cos ^{2} \varrho+\sin ^{2} \varrho\right) \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2} \div\right.$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\left(\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \sin ^{2} \varrho+\cos ^{2} \varrho\right)\right] \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

The final intensity is expressed in terms of the intensity just before the second reflection,

Table 1. Bragg angles $\left(\theta_{1}\right)$ for ( $\mathbf{1 0} \overline{1} 1$ ) planes of quartz

|  | Wavelength |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Radiation $\dagger$ | $(\AA)$ | $\theta_{1}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1}$ |
| $\mathrm{Ag} K \alpha^{*}$ | 0.561 | 4.8 | 0.9722 |
| $\mathrm{Mo} K \alpha^{*}$ | 0.711 | 6.1 | 0.9553 |
| $\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha^{*}$ | 1.542 | 13.3 | 0.7995 |
| $\mathrm{Fe} K \alpha^{*}$ | 1.937 | 16.6 | 0.6905 |
| $\mathrm{Cr} K \alpha^{*}$ | 2.291 | 19.8 | 0.5937 |

$\dagger$ The wavelength of $K \alpha^{*}$ is computed according to the relation

$$
K \alpha^{*}=\frac{1}{3}\left(2 K \alpha_{1}+K \alpha_{2}\right)
$$

Table 2. $\Sigma_{1}=\left(\cos ^{2} \varrho \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}+\sin ^{2} \varrho\right)$ and $\Sigma_{2}=$ $\left(\sin ^{2} \varrho \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}+\cos ^{2} \varrho\right)$ as a function of $\theta_{2}$ and $\varrho$

| $2 \theta_{2}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $\varrho\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $\Sigma_{1}$ | $\Sigma_{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0, 180 | 0, 180 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 10, 170 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 20, 160 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 30, 150 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 40, 140 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 50, 130 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 60, 120 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 70, 110 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 80, 100 |  | 1 |
|  | 90, (270) | 1 | 1 |
| 10, 170 | 0, 180 | 0.9698 | 1 |
|  | 10, 170 | 0.9707 | 0.9991 |
|  | 20, 160 | 0.9733 | 0.9965 |
|  | 30, 150 | 0.9774 | 0.9924 |
|  | 40, 140 | 0.9823 | 0.9875 |
|  | 50, 130 | 0.9875 | 0.9823 |
|  | 60, 120 | 0.9924 | 0.9774 |
|  | 70, 110 | 0.9965 | 0.9733 |
|  | 80, 100 | 0.9991 | 0.9707 |
|  | 90, (270) | 1 | 0.9698 |
| 20, 160 | 0, 180 | 0.8830 | 1 |
|  | 10, 170 | 0.8865 | 0.9965 |
|  | 20, 160 | 0.8967 | 0.9863 |
|  | 30, 150 | 0.9122 | 0.9708 |
|  | 40, 140 | 0.9313 | 0.9517 |
|  | 50, 130 | 0.9517 | 0.9313 |
|  | 60, 120 | 0.9708 | 0.9122 |
|  | 70, 110 | 0.9863 | 0.8967 |
|  | 80, 100 | 0.9965 | 0.8865 |
|  | 90, (270) | 1 | 0.8830 |
| 30, 150 | 0, 180 | 0.7500 | 1 |
|  | 10, 170 | 0.7576 | 0.9925 |
|  | 20, 160 | 0.7792 | 0.9708 |
|  | 30, 150 | 0.8125 | 0.9375 |
|  | 40, 140 | 0.8533 | 0.8967 |
|  | 50, 130 | 0.8967 | 0.8533 |
|  | 60, 120 | 0.9375 | 0.8125 |
|  | 70, 110 | 0.9708 | 0.7792 |
|  | 80, 100 | 0.9925 | 0.7576 |
|  | 90, (270) | 1 | 0.7500 |
| 40. 140 | 0, 180 | 0.5868 | 1 |
|  | 10, 170 | 0.5993 | 0.9875 |
|  | 20, 160 | 0.6351 | 0.9517 |
|  | 30, 150 | 0.6901 | 0.8967 |
|  | 40, 140 | 0.7575 | 0.8293 |
|  | 50, 130 | 0.8293 | 0.7575 |
|  | 60, 120 | 0.8967 | 0.6901 |
|  | 70, 110 | 0.9517 | 0.6351 |
|  | 80, 100 | 0.9875 | 0.5993 |
|  | 90, (270) | 1 | 0.5868 |

Table 2 (cont.)
$2 \theta_{2}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$
50,130

| $\varrho\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $\Sigma_{1}$ | $\Sigma$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0,180 | 0.4132 |  |
| 10,170 | 0.4309 | 0.9 |


| 10,170 | 0.4309 | 0.9823 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 20,160 | 0.4819 | 0.9313 |
| 30,150 | 0.5599 | 0.8533 |


| $\mathbf{4 0 , 1 4 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6 5 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 7 5 7 5}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 50,130 | 0.7575 | $\mathbf{0 . 6 5 5 7}$ |


| 60,120 | 0.8533 | 0.5599 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 70,110 | 0.9313 | 0.4819 |
| 80,100 | 0.9823 | 0.4309 |

60, 120


| 0,180 | 0.22000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10,170 | 0.2726 |
| 20,160 | 0.3378 |
| 30,150 | 0.4375 |
| 40,140 | 0.5599 |
| 50,130 | 0.6901 |
| 60,120 | 0.8125 |
| 70,110 | 0.9122 |
| 80,100 | 0.9774 |
| $90,(270)$ | 1 |

$90,(270)$
0,180
70,110

| 0,180 | 0.1170 | 1 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10,170 | 0.1436 | 0.9733 |
| 20,160 | 0.2203 | 0.8967 |
| 30,150 | 0.3377 | 0.7792 |
| 40,140 | 0.4818 | 0.6351 |
| 50,130 | 0.6351 | 0.4818 |
| 60,120 | 0.7792 | 0.3377 |
| 70,110 | 0.8967 | 0.2203 |
| 80,100 | 0.9733 | 0.1436 |
| $90,(270)$ | 1 | 0.1170 |

80,100
0,180
10,170
20,160
30,150
40,140
50,130
60,120
70,110
80,100
$90,(270)$

| 0.0302 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0.0595 | 0.9707 |
| 0.1437 | 0.8865 |
| 0.2727 | 0.7576 |
| 0.4309 | 0.5993 |
| 0.5993 | 0.4309 |
| 0.7576 | 0.2727 |
| 0.8865 | 0.1437 |
| 0.9707 | 0.0595 |
| 1 | 0.0302 |
|  |  |
| 0 | 1 |
| 0.0302 | 0.9698 |
| 0.1170 | 0.8830 |
| 0.2500 | 0.7500 |
| 0.4132 | 0.5868 |
| 0.5868 | 0.4132 |
| 0.7500 | 0.2500 |
| 0.8830 | 0.1170 |
| 0.9698 | 0.0302 |
| 1 | 0 |

$I=K I^{\prime} \times$
$\left\{\frac{\left(\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \cos ^{2} \varrho+\sin ^{2} \varrho\right) \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \sin ^{2} \varrho+\cos ^{2} \varrho}{1+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1}}\right\}$,
where the quantity in brackets is the polarization factor for a twice diffracted X-ray beam.

## 2. Polarization correction

The final expression for the polarization correction depends on the experimental arrangement used. For

Table 3. Polarization factor $p^{\prime}$, and polarization correction $p / p^{\prime}$, as a function of $\theta_{2}$ and $\varrho$, for selected $X$-radiations ( $\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1}$ values as listed in Table 1.)

| $2 \theta_{2}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $\underline{0}$ ( ${ }^{\circ}$ | Ag $K \alpha^{*}$ |  | Mo $K \alpha^{*}$ |  | $\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha^{*}$ |  | Fe $K \alpha^{*}$ |  | $\mathrm{Cr} K \alpha^{*}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $p^{\prime}$ | $p / p^{\prime}$ | $p^{\prime}$ | $p / p^{\prime}$ | $p^{\prime}$ | $p / p^{\prime}$ | $p^{\prime}$ | $p / p^{\prime}$ | $p^{\prime}$ | $p / p^{\prime}$ |
| 0, 180 | 90 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 30, 150 | 90 | 0.8732 | 1.0021 | 0.8721 | 1.0033 | 0.8611 | 1.0161 | 0.8521 | 1.0268 | 0.8431 | 1.0378 |
| 60, 120 | 90 | 0.6197 | 1.0085 | 0.6164 | 1.0139 | 0.5832 | 1.0716 | 0.5563 | 1.1234 | 0.5294 | 1-1805 |
| 90, (270) | 90 | 0.4929 | 1-0144 | 0.4885 | 1.0235 | 0.4443 | 1-1253 | 0.4085 | 1.2240 | 0.3725 | 1.3423 |

the powder method, $\varrho=0$ provided that the intensities are measured along the plane of incidence, and that the specimen rotation axis is parallel to the reflecting planes of the monochromator crystal. In this case, the correct expression for the polarization factor is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}}{1+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1}} . \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

If the rotation axis is inclined, the more general equation (14) must be used.
The correct expression for the normal-beam method (rotation, oscillation or Weissenberg arrangements) is given by equation (14) where $\varrho=\boldsymbol{\nu}$ (constant for any level). For the zero level $\varrho=\nu=0$ and equation (14) reduces to equation (15). For the equi-inclination method the determination of $\varrho$ is more complicated and would have to be made, individually, for each reflection of every crystal.

Since $\varrho$ is the angle between the projection of the normal to the reflecting plane (on to a plane perpendicular to the incident monochromatized X-ray beam) and the plane of incidence, it can be measured directly on the film in the Buerger precession method. Furthermore, $\theta_{2}$ varies radially on the film, and also can be measured directly. Owing to these simple geometrical relations between $\varrho, \theta_{2}$ and the position of the reciprocal lattice points photographed by the Buerger precession method, it is convenient to prepare a chart of the polarization correction on the same scale as the film.

There is one other unknown in (14), viz. the angle $\left(\theta_{1}\right)$ of the first reflection of the X-ray beam. This angle is a function of the monochromator crystal and the wavelength of the radiation selected. Quartz crystals cut parallel to ( $\mathbf{1 0} \overline{1} 1$ ) make satisfactory monochromators for most wavelengths. Table 1 lists values of the Bragg angle, $\theta_{1}$, for the wavelengths commonly used.

The expression for the polarization factor is the bracket in equation (14).
Let
$\left(\cos ^{2} \varrho \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}+\sin ^{2} \varrho\right)=\Sigma_{1}$ and

$$
\left(\sin ^{2} \varrho \cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{2}+\cos ^{2} \varrho\right)=\Sigma_{2}
$$

then the polarization factor becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{1+\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1}}\left(\cos ^{2} 2 \theta_{1} \Sigma_{1}+\Sigma_{2}\right) \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since the polarization factor depends on the value of $\theta_{1}$ selected, but $\Sigma_{1}$ and $\Sigma_{2}$ are independent of $\theta_{1}$, Table 2 lists the values of $\Sigma_{1}$ and $\Sigma_{2}$ separately. This table can be used, therefore, to compute the polarization correction for any experimental arrangement.

The magnitude of the structure factors is related to the experimentally determined intensity by the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
|F|^{2}=I(\mathbf{l} / L p) . \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since charts plotting $1 / L p$ for the Buerger precession method have been published (Waser, 1951 ; GrenvilleWells \& Abrahams, 1952) it is convenient to prepare similar charts by plotting the reciprocal of (16) multiplied by the conventional polarization factor. If the polarization factor for a twice diffracted beam is denoted by $p^{\prime}$, equation (17) can be written

$$
\begin{equation*}
|F|^{2}=I \times \frac{1}{L p} \times \frac{p}{p^{\prime}}=I \times \frac{1}{L} \times \frac{1}{p^{\prime}} . \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Table 3 lists the polarization correction, $p / p^{\prime}$, for selected values of $\theta_{2}$ and $\varrho$, for several X-radiations monochromatized by reflection from the ( $10 \overline{1} 1$ ) planes of quartz. This table is included to indicate the magnitude of this correction, which is negligible for $\mathrm{Ag} K \alpha$ but attains a maximum value of $34 \%$ for Cr $K \alpha$. Complete tables for the radiations listed in Table 3 are in preparation.

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