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TNN5:Characterization of nanomaterials:

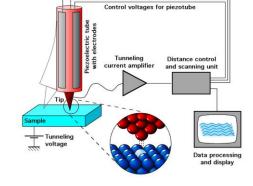
XRD, SAXS, EDX, EELS, Nanoindentation



- Summary of:
  - Bottom-up synthesis: Physical/Vapour phase methods.
  - Characterization of nanomaterials: TEM, SEM and XPS
- Characterization of Nanomaterials: STM, AFM, XRD and SAXS

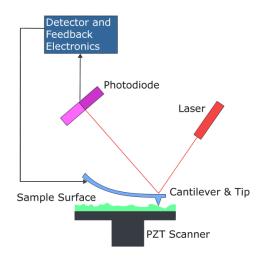
- Characterization of Nanomaterials: STM and AFM
  - Near field microscopy techniques:
    - Scanning tunneling microscopy (STM)
      - Tunnel effect
      - Very thin tip electrically powered → tear the electrons by tunnel effect
      - Measuring electric current → Reconstruct where

the electrons are



- Characterization of Nanomaterials: STM and AFM
  - Near field microscopy techniques:
    - Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)
      - Surface sensing technique → Attractive vs
         Repulsive → Interatomic forces
      - Detection method: Laser beam → Reflexion when

cantilever deflects



- Characterization of Nanomaterials: STM and AFM
  - Near field microscopy techniques:
    - Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)
      - Three types:
        - Contact mode (repulsive forces)
        - Non contact mode (attractive forces)
        - Tapping mode. Non contact mode with larger amplitudes (both repulsive and attractive forces). Larger resolution

Photodiode

Sample Surface

Cantilever & T

 AFM vs TEM: Convolution effect Tip shape influence

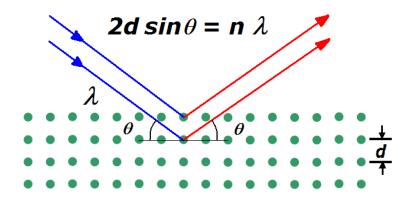
## Today lecture

- Characterization of Nanomaterials: XRD, SAXS, EDX, EELS, FIM, 3DAP, Nanoindentation
  - X-Ray Diffraction (XRD)
  - Small angle X-Ray scattering (SAXS)
  - Energy Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy (EDS/EDX)
  - Electron loss energy spectroscopy (EELS)
  - Field Ion Microscope (FIM)
  - Three-dimensional atom probe (3DAP)
  - Nanoindentation

Technique to study the structure, defects and stresses of solids

Beam of x-ray with wavelength from 0.07 to 0.2 nm is diffracted by crystalline specimen according to Bragg's law:

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



 $\lambda$ = X-Ray wavelength  $\theta$  = diffraction angle d = interplanar distance

Identify crystalline phases

Structural characteristics (cell parameters, crystallite sizes, defects, etc)

Non-destructive technique

Sample preparation is easy

Cheap

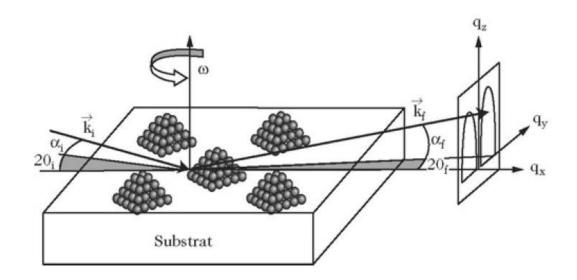
Detection of homogenous and inhomogenous strains due to their dependence on the Bragg angle

Homogeneous or uniform elastic strain shits the diffraction peaks, without change in peak profile. Shift change in the peaks means change in the lattice constants.

Inhomogeneous strains vary from crystallite to crystallite or even within a single crystallite. As XRD is an averaged information leads to peak broadening.

Peak broadening can also be due to reduction of crystallite size. This can be determined by peak profile analysis -> Rietveld refinements

- Grazing Incidence Small Angle X-Ray Scattering (GISAXS)
  - To a first approximation: average height h, average size d, average separation D



# X-ray diffraction: instruments

Different sources: Cu, Mo, Co, synchrotron

Different sample holders: air-sensitive, shape, temperature dependent

Different detectors and filters



D8 Advance : High Temperature

Da Vinci 1

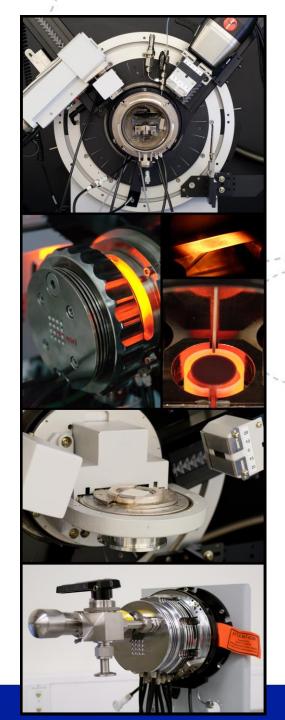
Da Vinci 2

A Unit

D8 Focus

D8 Advance : High Temperature

High/Low temperature/pressure
 MRI TC-Wide Range camera
 Vacuum, inert or reactive gas atmospheres
 -190-400 °C with LT stage
 RT-1200 °C with a choice of two radiant heaters
 RT-1400 °C with Pt-Rh or Ta strip heaters
 0-20 bar gas pressure



Da Vinci 1

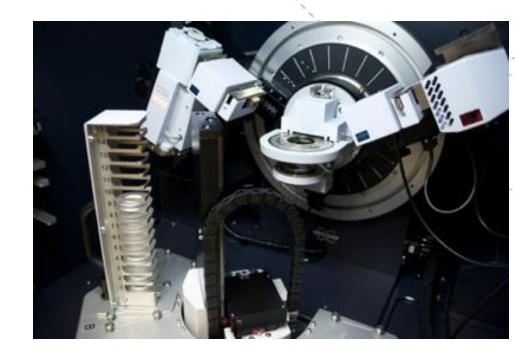
CuKα radiation 2.5° primary and secondary Soller slits 60-90 position sample changer LynxEye™ SuperSpeed Detector Variable divergence slit: "V6" means that the divergence slit (the slit between the X-ray source and the sample) opens automatically such that the illuminated length on the sample always remains 6 mm (when using fixed divergence slit, the illuminated length on the sample changes from long to short - this is just geometry).

#### Da Vinci 1

- Well suited for:
- Fast XRD scans for phase identification
- Samples that can wait in a queue for hours before being measured (the engineer will load the samples into the instrument every morning and afternoon)
- Energy-discriminating detector makes it useful also for the fluorescing elements (Fe, Co, Mn)
- Not so good for:
- Samples that change fast in air (then the D8 Focus may be better to use, due to the booking system)
- Samples that doesn't fit the standard sample holders
- Measurements where you want to avoid the Kα2 contributions (then the A-unit is recommended)

#### Da Vinci 1



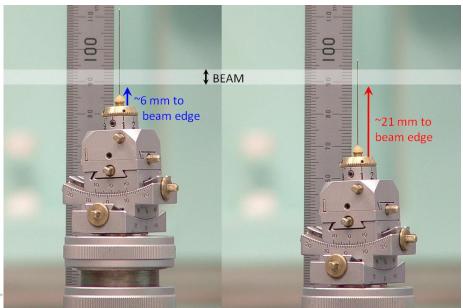


Da Vinci 2

MoKα radiation
Capillary sample stage

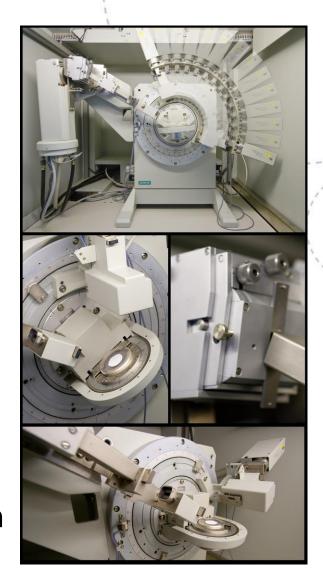
Typically 3-155 degrees  $2\theta$  (0.46 Å-1 < Q < 17.3 Å-1, 13.6 Å > d > 0.36

Å) \_\_\_





- A Unit
- Bragg-Brentano geometry
- Data collection from 0.5 to 140° 20
- Quartz primary monochromator
- Cu Kα1 radiation
- Rotating single sample holder with user selectable rotation speeds
- Well suited for:
- Collection of data for structure solution and/or Rietveld refinement
- Not so good for:
- Samples containing fluorescing elements (Fe, Co, Mn), depending on the concentration.

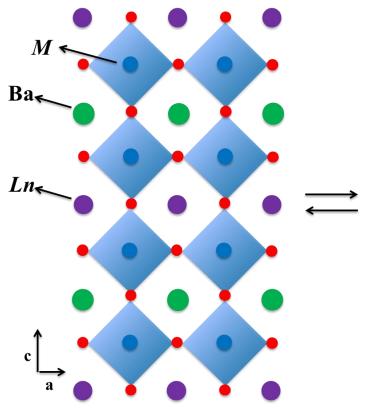


- D8 Focus
- Bragg-Brentano geometry
- $\circ$   $\theta$ –2 $\theta$  operating mode
- Cu Kα radiation
- 9 position sample changer
- Well suited for:
- Booking system useful if you wish to measure your samples straight after production etc.
- Not so good for:
- Samples containing cobalt (due to fluorescence). Then the Da Vinci 1 is recommended since its detector has better energy discrimination.



# Lay. Double Perov. vs Single Perov.

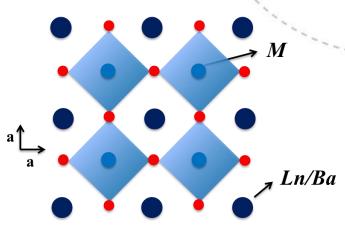
 $LnBaM_2O_6$ ; Ln = lanthanide, Y; M = Co, Fe, Mn. vs.  $Ln_{0.5}Ba_{0.5}MO_3$ 



 $LnBaM_2O_6$ 

LDP: A-site cation order

**Tetragonal** 



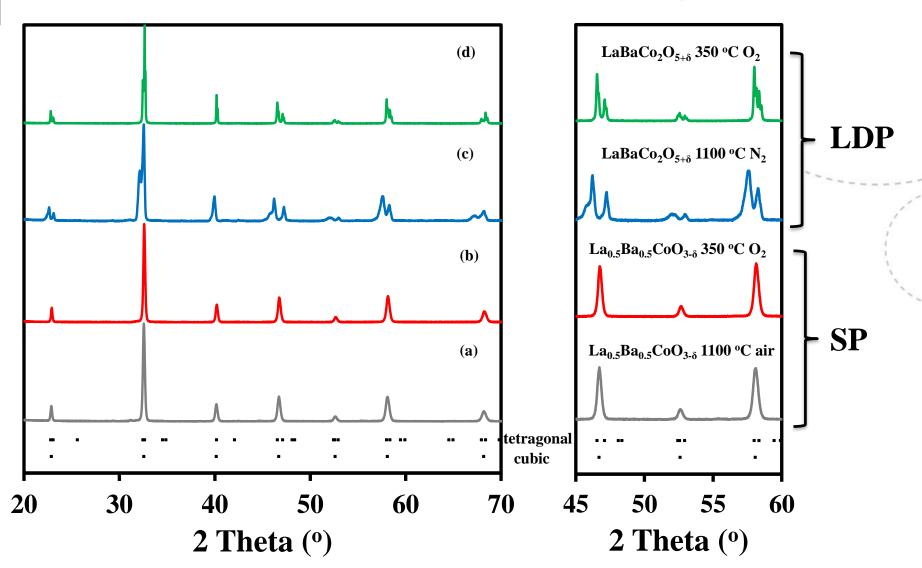
 $Ln_{0.5}Ba_{0.5}MO_3$ 

SP: A-site cation disorder **Cubic** 

Why? → Oxygen vacancies O²- ion and e<sup>-</sup> conduction

Ba presence good for H<sup>+</sup> conduction

# **Synthesis**

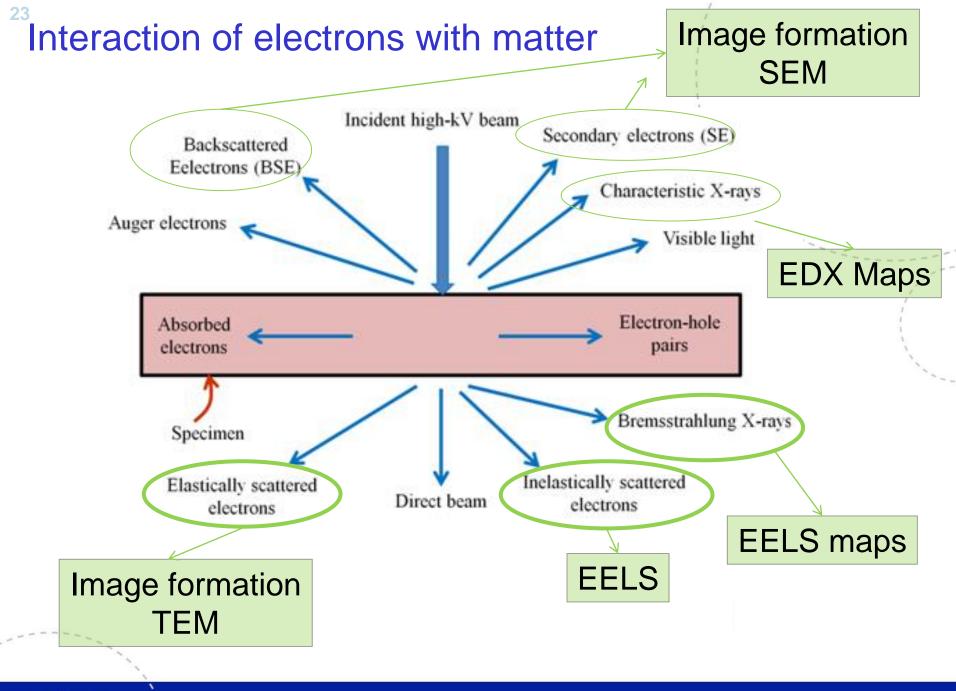


Electron Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy (EDS/EDX)

Analytical technique used for the elemental analysis or chemical characterization

Attached to SEM and TEM microscopes

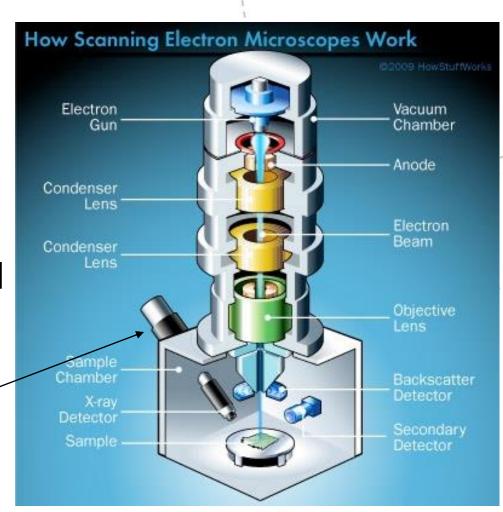
Limitation on element accuracy → Heavier elements more accurate than lighter elements → Diffraction technique.



#### Scanning Electron Microscopy SEM

- Image formation is because of the secondary and back-scattered Electrons
- Samples are dehydrated and made conductive.





http://science.howstuffworks.com/scanning-electron-microscope2.htm

#### Electron Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy (EDS/EDX)

#### Example:

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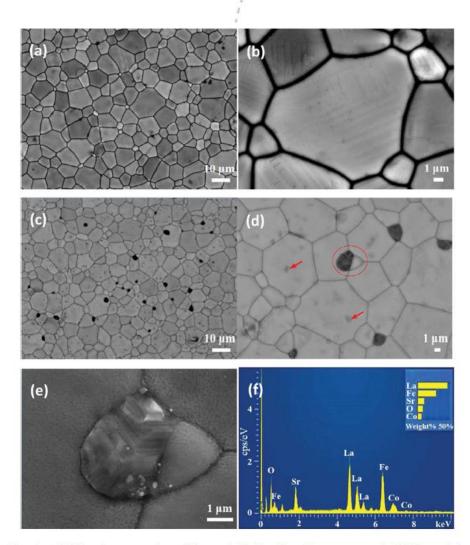


Fig. 2 SEM micrographs of (a and b) the freshly prepared LSCF and (c and d) LSCF samples after being heat treated at 800  $^{\circ}$ C in the absence of Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in air for 96 h; (e) enlarged image of the segregated micronsized particle as circled in (d); and (f) typical EDS spectrum of LSCF grains in (b). Arrows in (d) indicate segregated isolated submicronsized particles.

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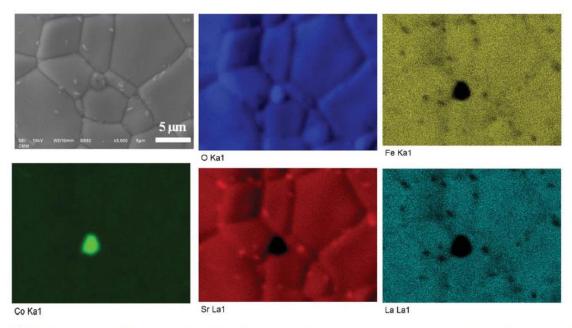


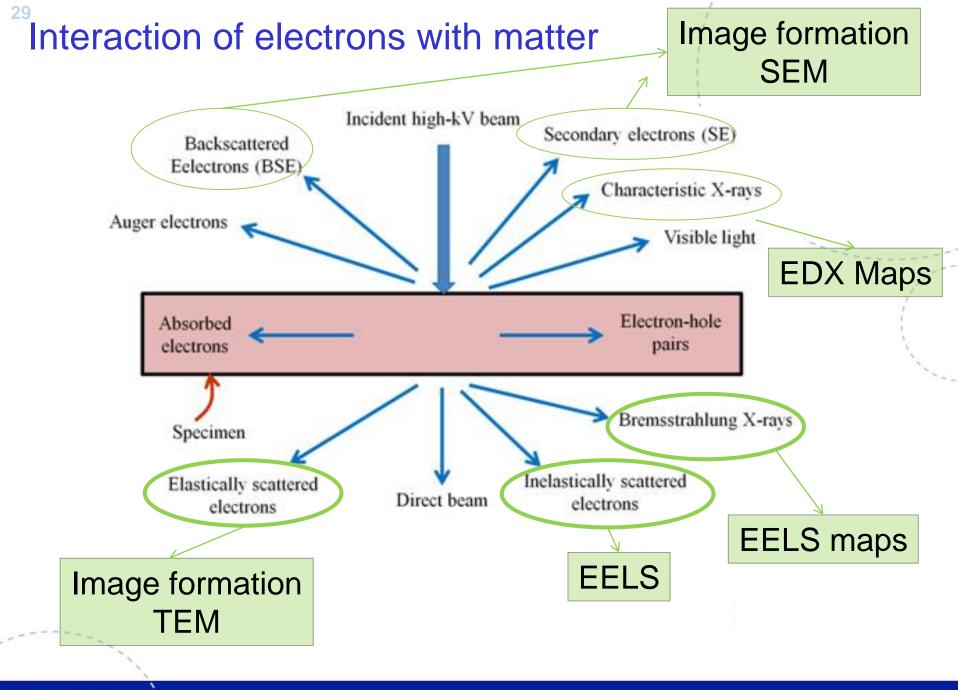
Fig. 3 SEM micrograph and EDS mapping of the LSCF surface after being heat-treated in the absence of Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 800 °C in dry air for 96 h.

Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (EELS)

Technique very close to EDX → Analyze chemical compositions

It works better for lighter elements than EDX

Attached to a TEM unit → Scattered electrons



Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (EELS) @ NTNU



Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (EELS)

Example



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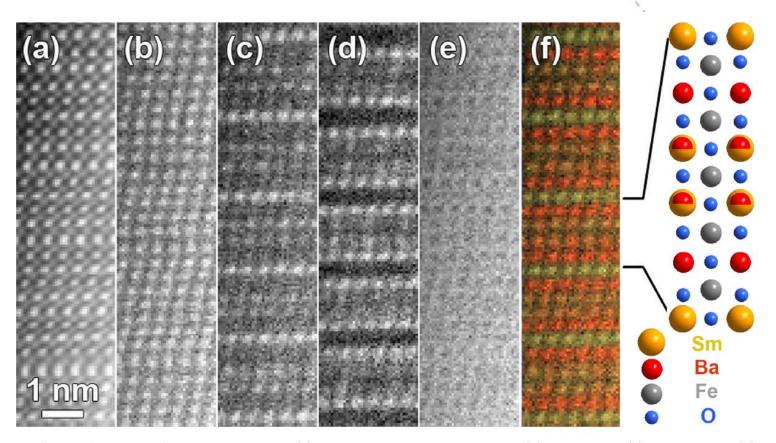


Figure 4. EELS elemental mapping of  $Sm_{2-\epsilon}Ba_{3+\epsilon}Fe_5O_{15-\delta}$ . (a) Overview HAADF-STEM image, (b)  $Fe-L_{2,3}$  map, (c)  $Sm-M_{4,5}$  map, (d)  $Ba-M_{4,5}$  map, (e) O-K map, and (f) color overlay with Sm in yellow and Sm in red together with a structural model.





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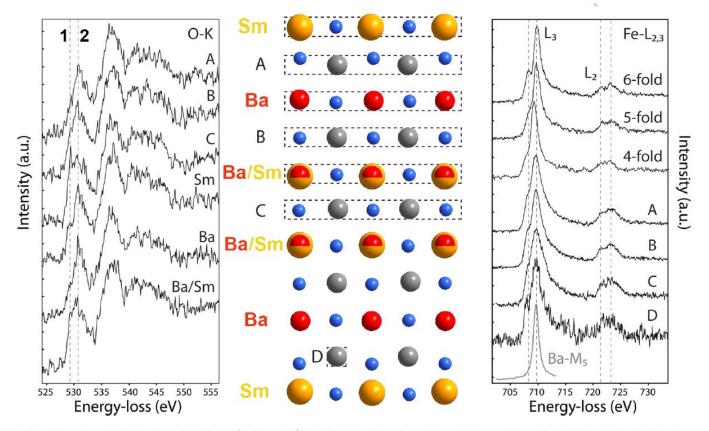


Figure 6. EELS fine structure of  $Sm_{2-\epsilon}Ba_{3+\epsilon}Fe_5O_{15-\delta}$ ; (Left panel) O–K edge fine structure signatures from the regions indicated in the central panel. (Center panel) Structural model with indicated EELS integration areas. (Right panel) Fe-L<sub>2,3</sub> fine structure signatures from the regions indicated in the central panel with references for 4-, 5-, and 6-fold coordinated Fe<sup>3+</sup>, and a simultaneously acquired and energy-shifted Ba  $M_5$  edge.

Relatively new technique to obtain mechanical properties of nanometric regions

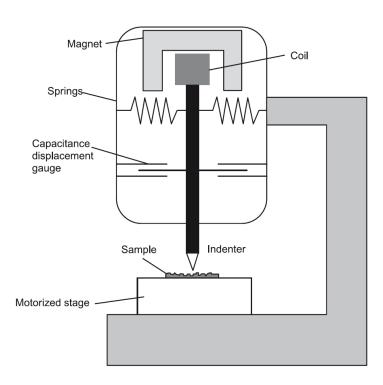
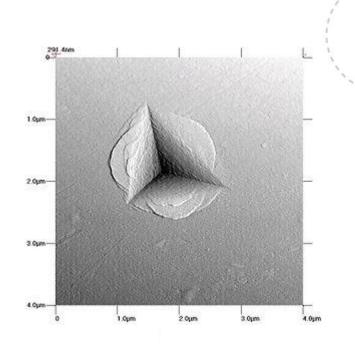
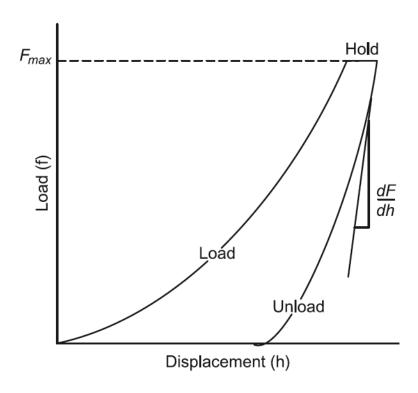


Fig. 5.15 Schematic diagram of nanoindentation mechanism.



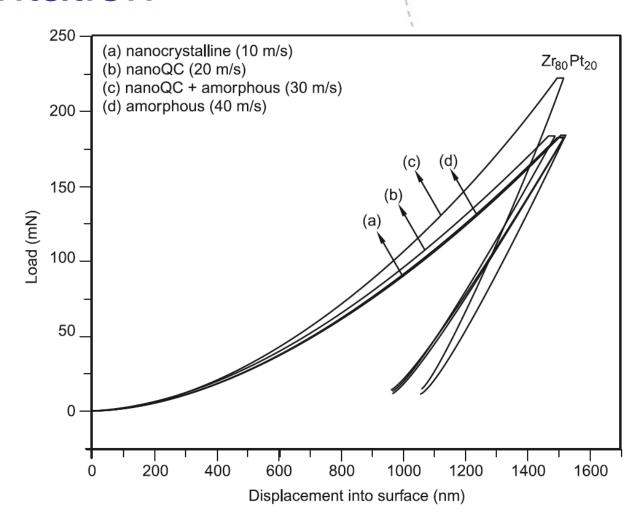
Zr-Cu-Al metallic glass

#### Load-displacement curve



**Fig. 5.16** Load–displacement curve of nanoindentation technique (*Source:* http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Load-displacement\_curve\_%2B\_onderdelen.JPG).

Zr-Pt alloy



**Fig. 5.17** Load–displacement curves for nanocrystalline Zr–Pt alloy (*Source:* BS Murty, IIT Madras).

#### Example

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#### *In-situ* Young's moduli of the constitutive layers in a solid oxide fuel cell



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#### HIGHLIGHTS

- A methodology to determine the modulus of functional layers in SOFCs is reported.
- In-situ Young's modulus for various functional layers is reported.
- The proposed testing methodology could be applied for other multilayer systems.

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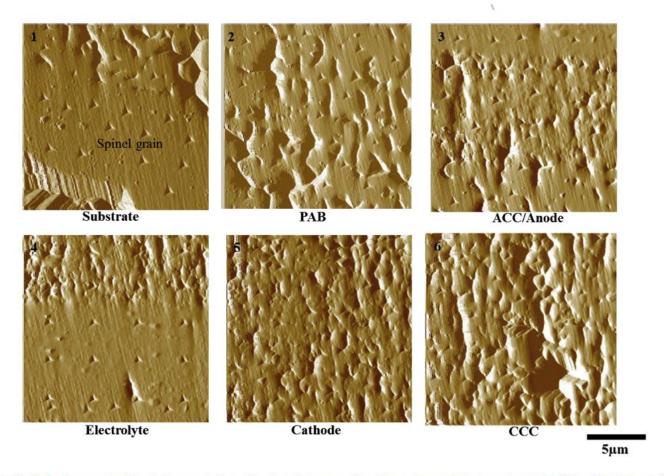


Fig. 5. Optical micrograph of typical nano indentation imprints on various layers in a substrate supported solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC).

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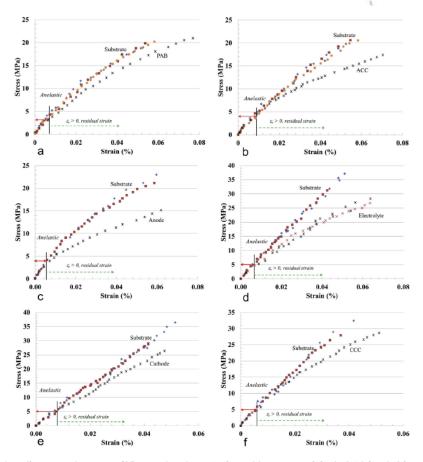


Fig. 4. a: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of bilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB). b: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of trilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB) + anode current collector (ACC). c: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of multilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB) + anode current collector (ACC) + anode (A). d: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of multilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB) + anode current collector (ACC) + anode (A) + electrolyte (E). e: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of multilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB) + anode current collector (ACC) + anode (A) + electrolyte (E) + cathode (C). f: Uniaxial monotonic tensile stress—strain response of multilayer specimen i.e. MMA substrate (S) + porous anode barrier (PAB) + anode current collector (ACC) + anode (A) + electrolyte (E) + cathode (C) + cathode current collector (CCC).

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  - Nanoindentation
  - Many others: FIM, SPM, IR, RAMAN, HR-TEM, ED, SIMS, LEIS, ND, etc...