

1. Mention the powder XRD peak positions for the prepared by SnO₂ nanoparticles in methanol. (Use the diffractogram given in Slide no. 10).

2. Calculate the crystallite size using Scherrer's equation if: $k = 0.9$, $\lambda = 1.0506 \text{ \AA}$, FWHM = 0.5 radian, and $\theta = 11$ degree

1. The peaks of the xRD graph are when

$$2\theta = 26, 34, 38, 52 \text{ and } 66 \text{ degrees}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 13, 17, 19, 26 \text{ and } 33 \text{ degrees}$$

From Scherrer's Equation the particle/grain sizes are:

$$= \frac{k \times \lambda}{\cos(\theta) \times \text{FWHM}}$$

$$k = 0.9$$

$$\lambda = 1.0506 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\text{FWHM} = 0.5$$

$$\text{For } \theta = 13^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Grain size} &= \frac{0.9 \times 1.0506 \times 10^{-10}}{0.5 \times \cos(13)} \\ &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(13)} \\ &= 1.941 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } \theta = 17^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Grain size} &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(17)} \\ &= 1.977 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } \theta = 19^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Grain size} &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(19)} \\ &= 2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

For $\theta = 26^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Grain size} &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(26)} \\ &= 2.104 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

For $\theta = 33^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Grain size} &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(33^\circ)} \\ &= 2.255 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

2. When $\theta = 11^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Grain size} &= \frac{1.89 \times 10^{-10}}{\cos(11)} \\ &= 1.926 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$