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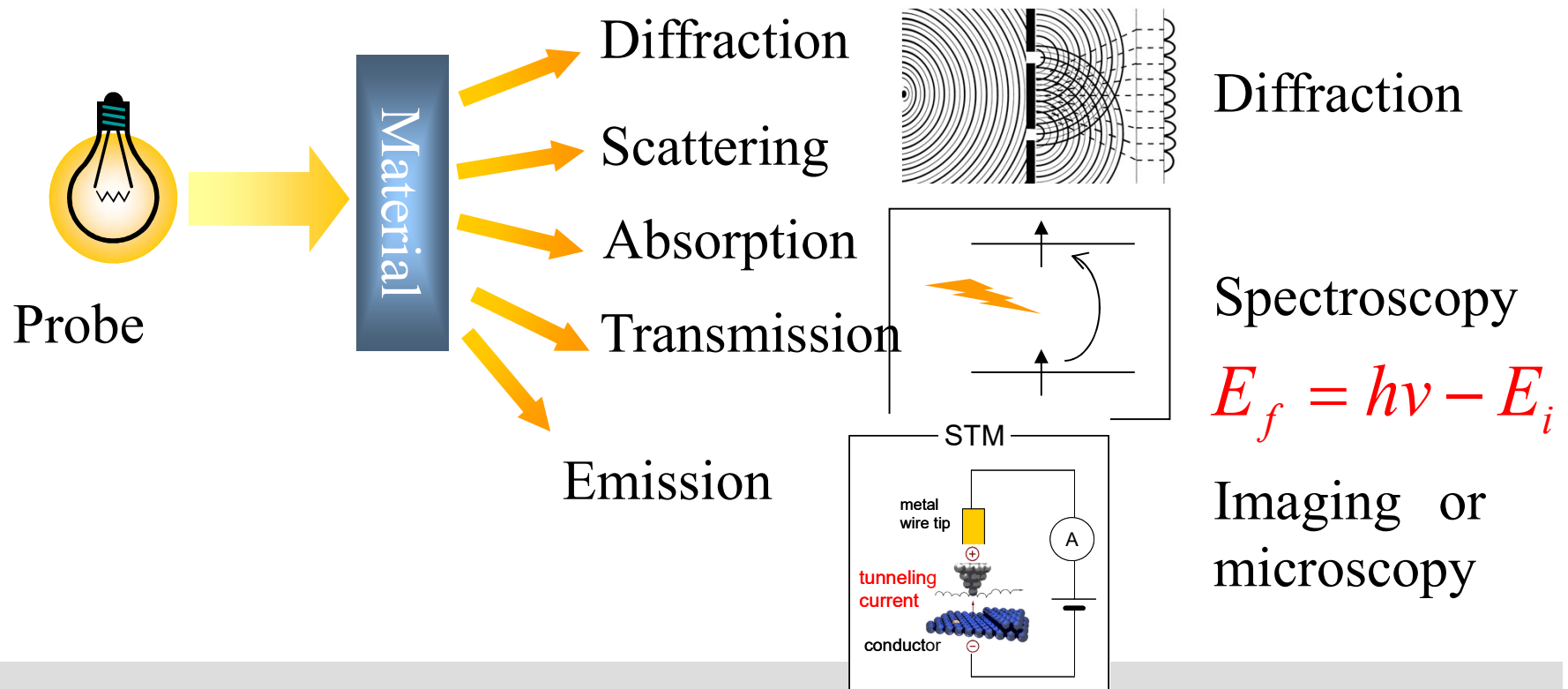
Characterization and XAFS

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Three categories

- Materials are illuminated by probe (light, electron, neutron, muon, He, ion and sharp tip)



How to characterize the Catalysts

What we would like to obtain

**Quality, Quantity and State and structure
Analysis**

Method

Imaging, Spectroscopy and Diffraction

Temporal and Static

Operando and in situ



Characterization techniques

NMR	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance	Nuclear spin	Structure
ESR	Electron Magnetic Resonance	Electron spin	Structure
IR	Infrared	Vibration	Adsorbate
RAMAN	Raman scattering	Vibration	Structure
UV-VIS	Ultraviolet and visible absorption	Electron absorption	Electronic state
XPS	X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy	Photoelectron mission	Electronic State
XRD	X-ray diffraction	Diffraction	Structure
XSAS	X-ray small angle scattering	Scattering	Long range order
XAFS	X-ray absorption fine structure	X-ray absorption	Local structure
Mössbauer		Gamma-ray absorption	Electronic state
TEM	Transmission electron microscopy	Electron	Morphology
SPM	Scanning probe microscopy	Probe tip	Morphology
EPMA	Electron probe microanalysis	Fluorescent x-ray	Local composition
XRF	X-ray fluorescence	Fluorescent X-ray	Composition
PEEM	Photoemission electron microscopy	Photoemission	WF
ND	Neutron Diffraction	Diffraction	Structure

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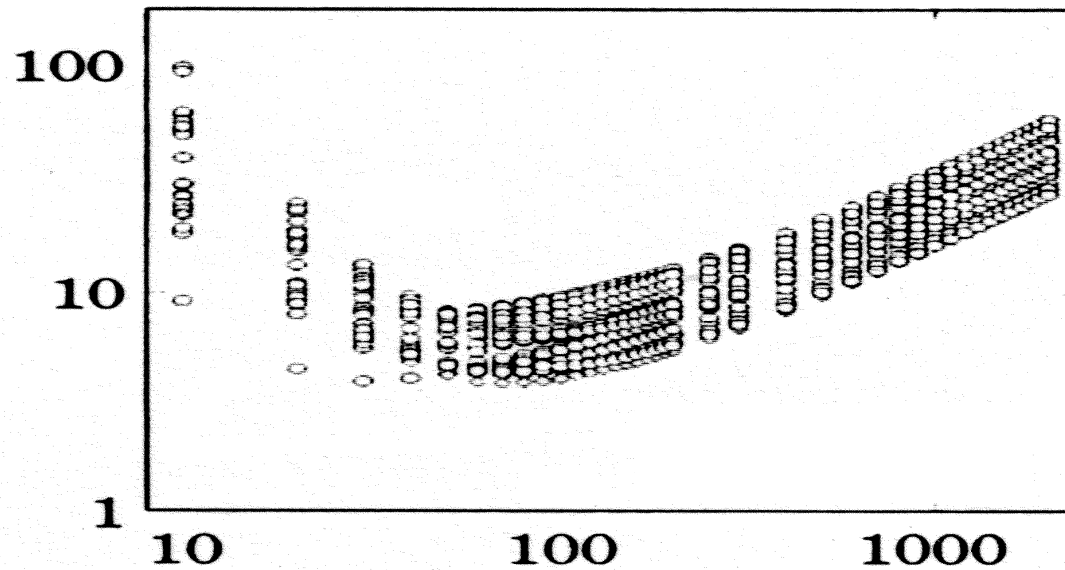
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Surface Sensitive

Inelastic Mean Free Path of electron

- The initial kinetic energy of the electron.
- The nature of the solid.

Electron inelastic mean free path / Å



Electron kinetic energy / eV

**Electron is
surface
sensitive**



X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS)

- **Elemental analysis, electronic structure**
 - **Non-destructive, Surface sensitive**

UHV is necessary.

Recently ambient pressure XPS is available

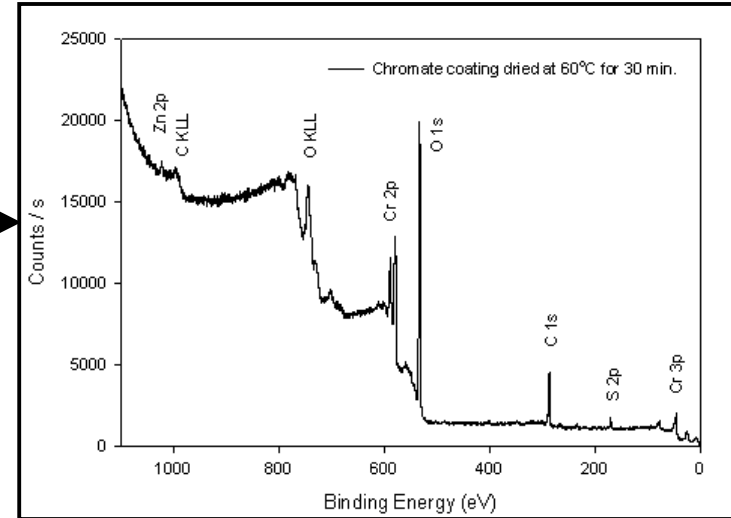
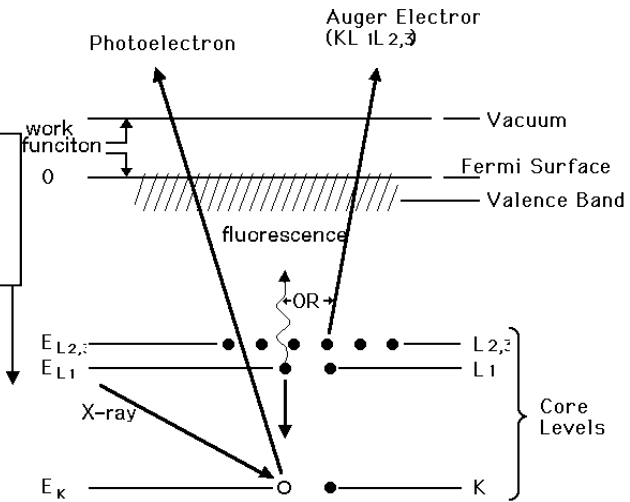
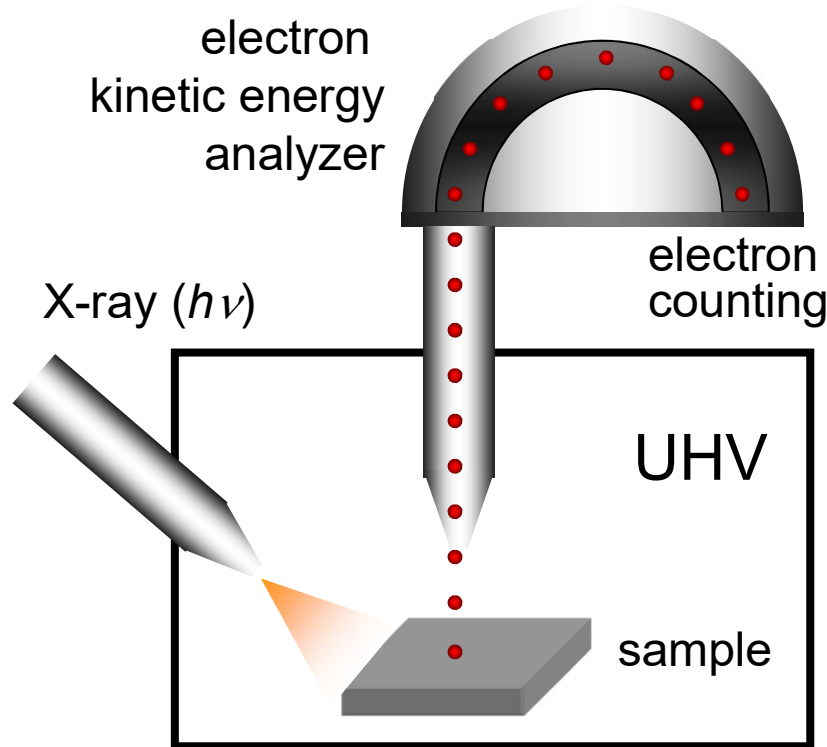


A scheme of XPS

X-ray excite core electron

$$E_k^{\text{vacuum}} = h\nu - E_b - \phi$$

at vacuum level



XPS gives

Binding energy

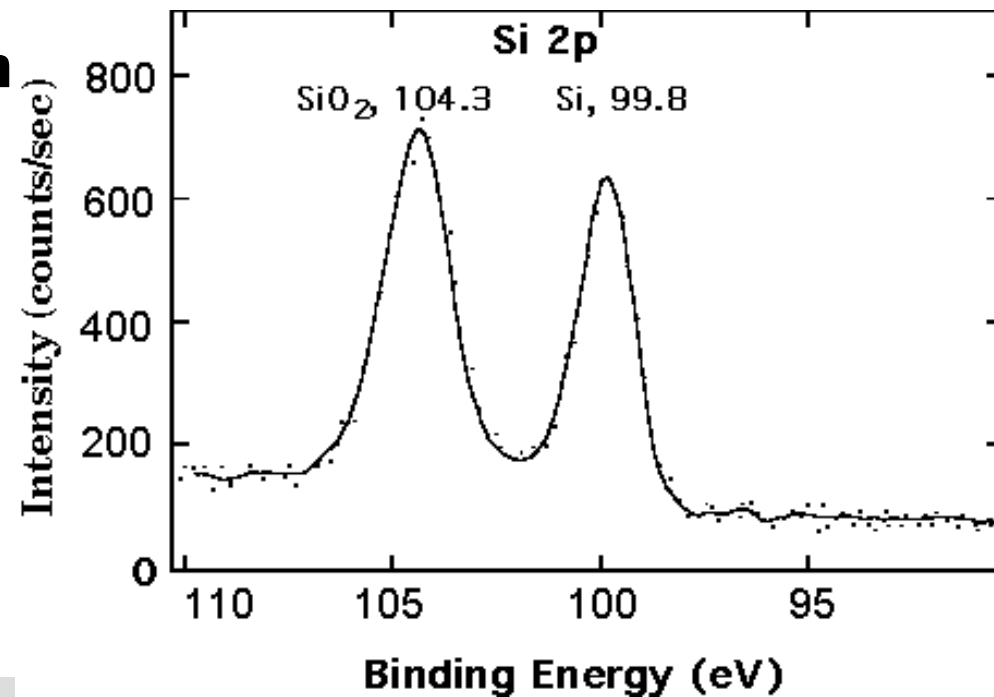
- Element analysis and chemical state

Intensity

- Surface concentration

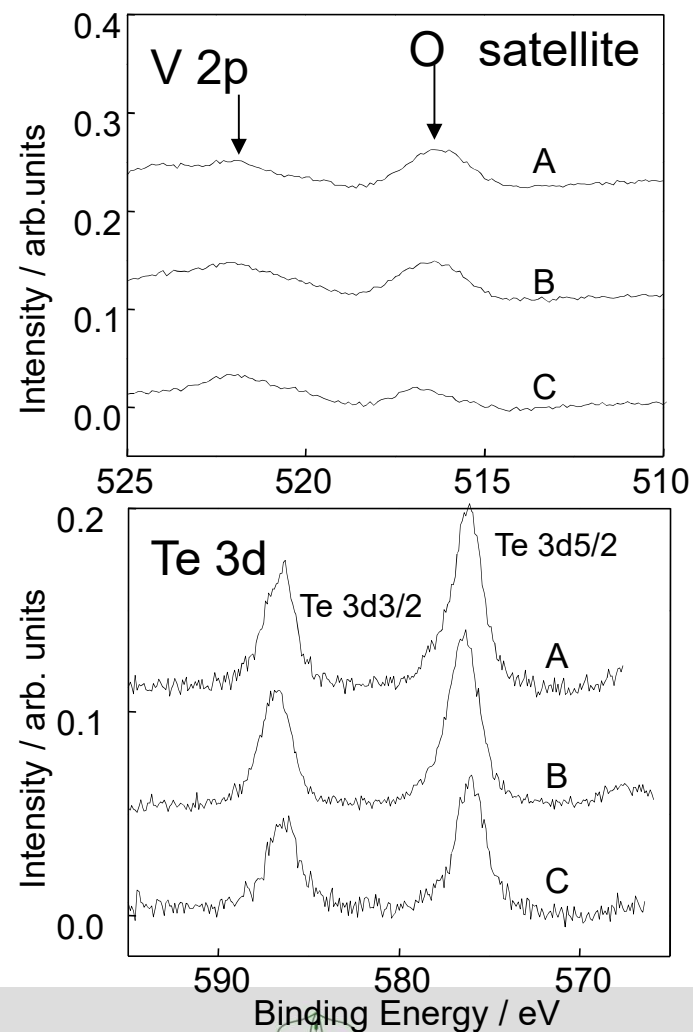
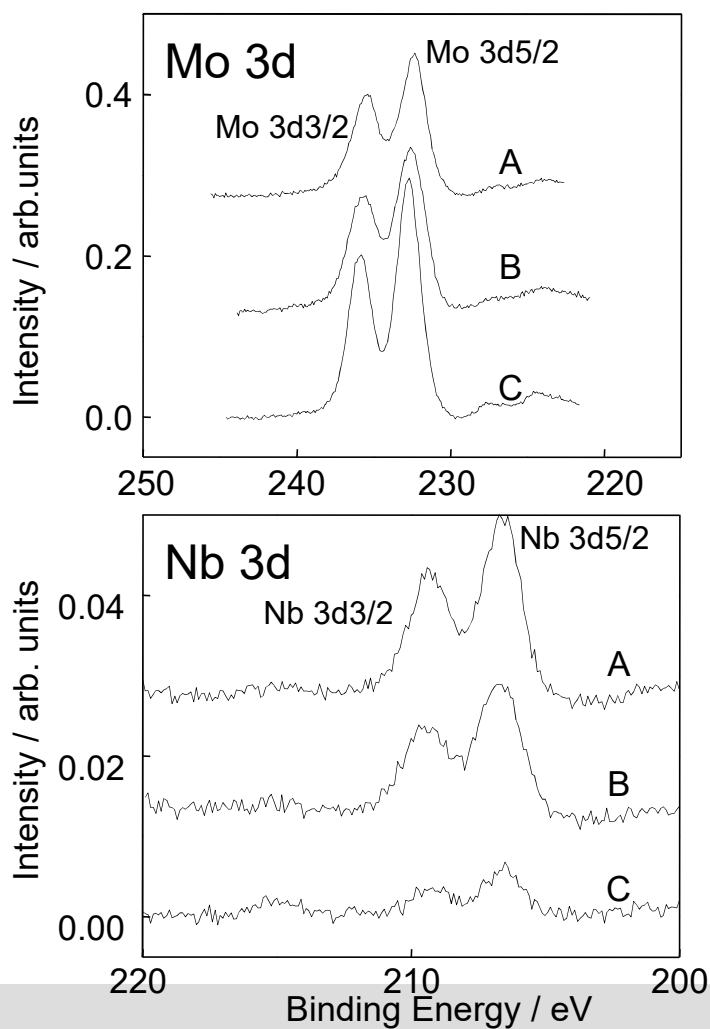
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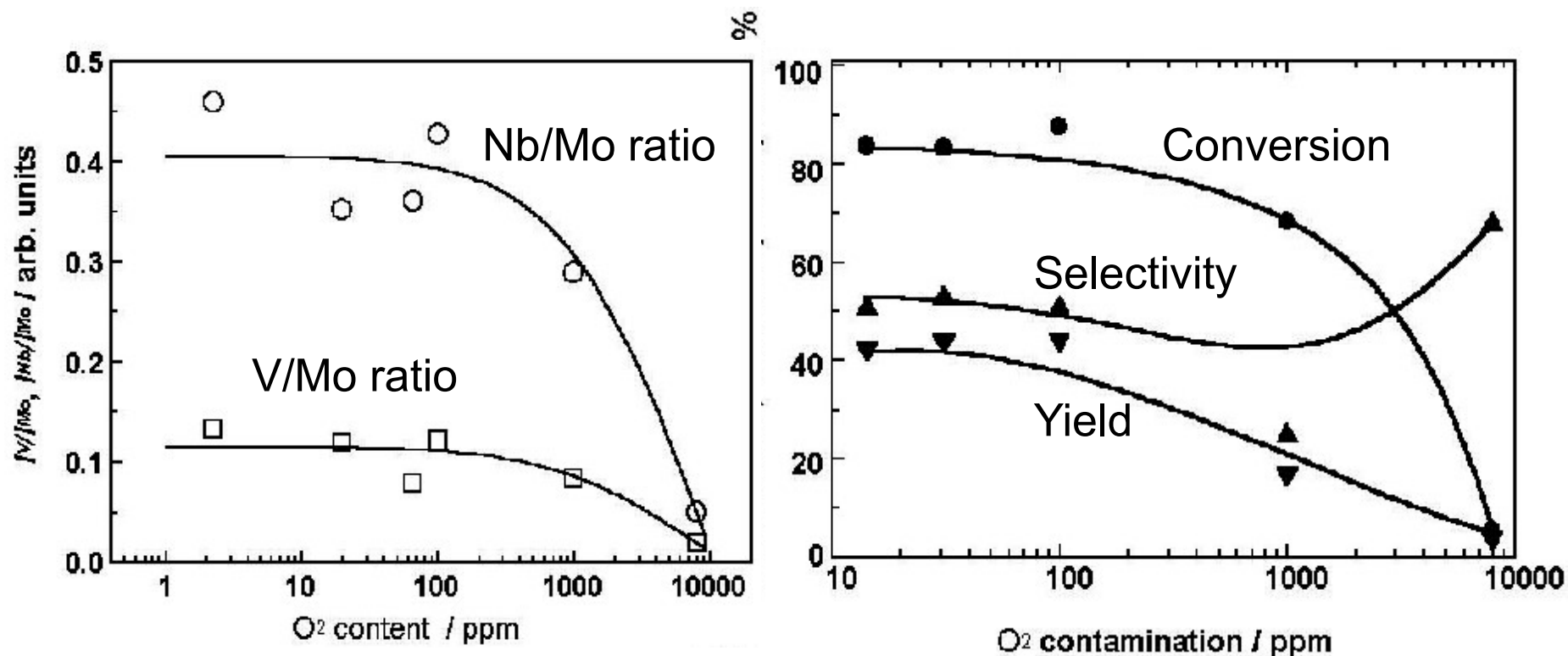


Mo-Te-V-Nb Oxide

Increase the oxygen concentration in order of A,B, and C



XPS results on surface concentration composition and ammoxidation



**Oxygen concentration increases
and
Surface composition changes**

Propane oxidation



Peak deconvolutions

The binding energy depends on the valence state.

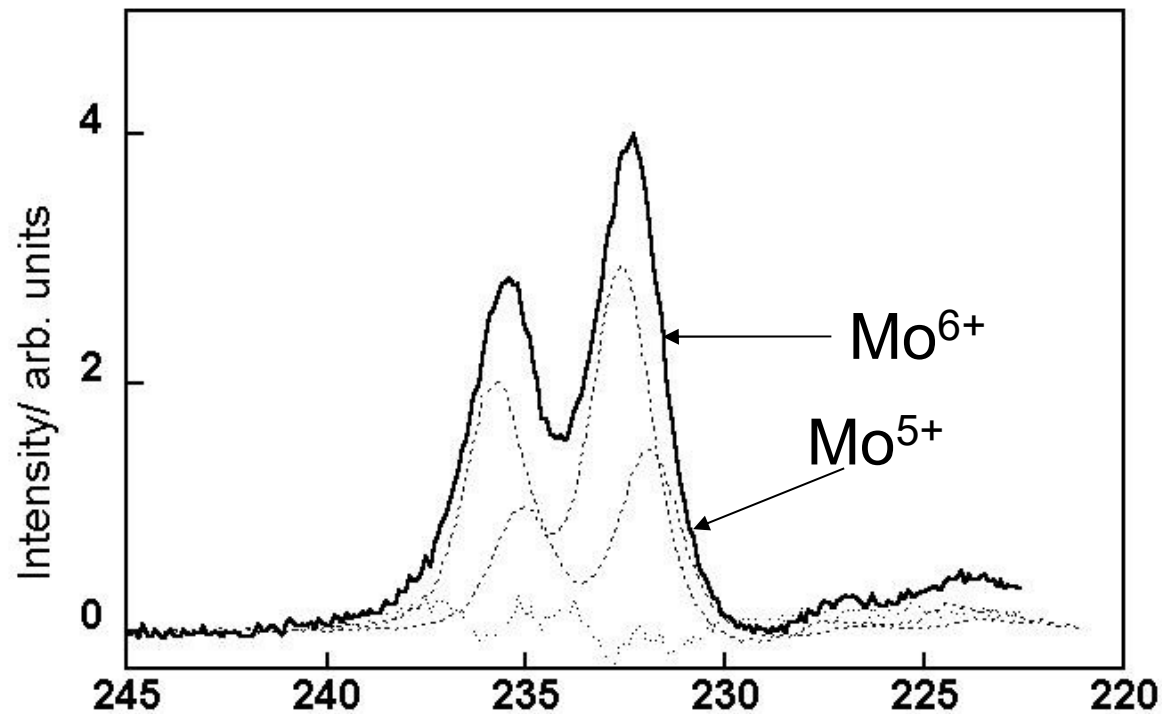


Fig. 7 K.Asakura et al.



High pressure XPS

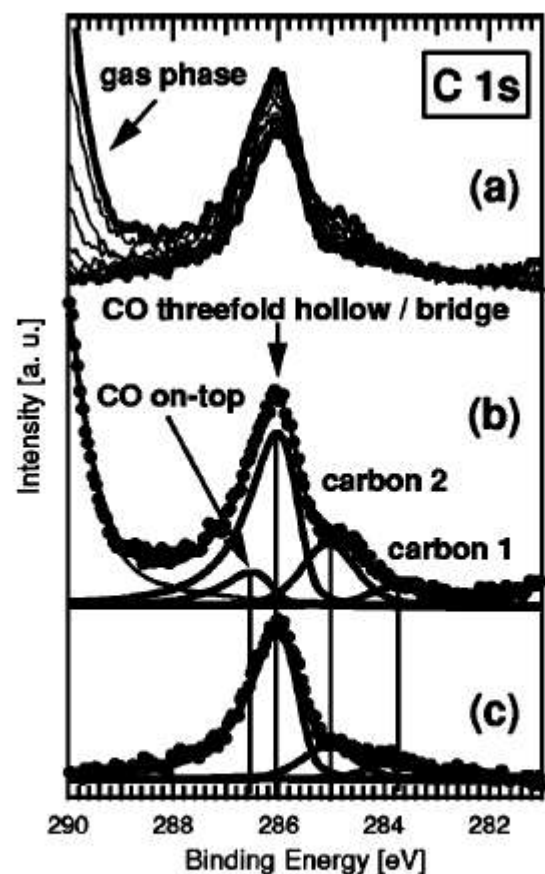


FIG. 11. Fitting results of *in situ* C 1s spectra ($h\nu=1486.6$ eV, $\theta=0^\circ$) at different CO pressures from 5×10^{-8} mbar to 1 mbar. (a) Data from Fig. 5 after normalization and subtraction of a Shirley background; (b) fit of the data for $p=1$ mbar; (c) fit of the data for $p=5 \times 10^{-8}$ mbar (see the text for details).

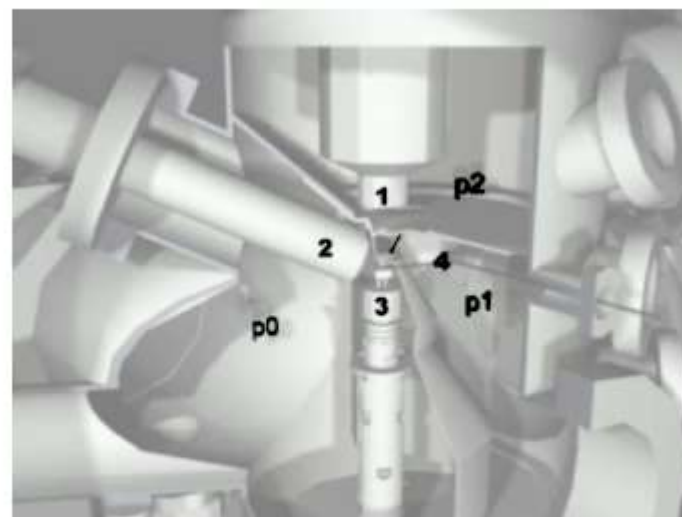


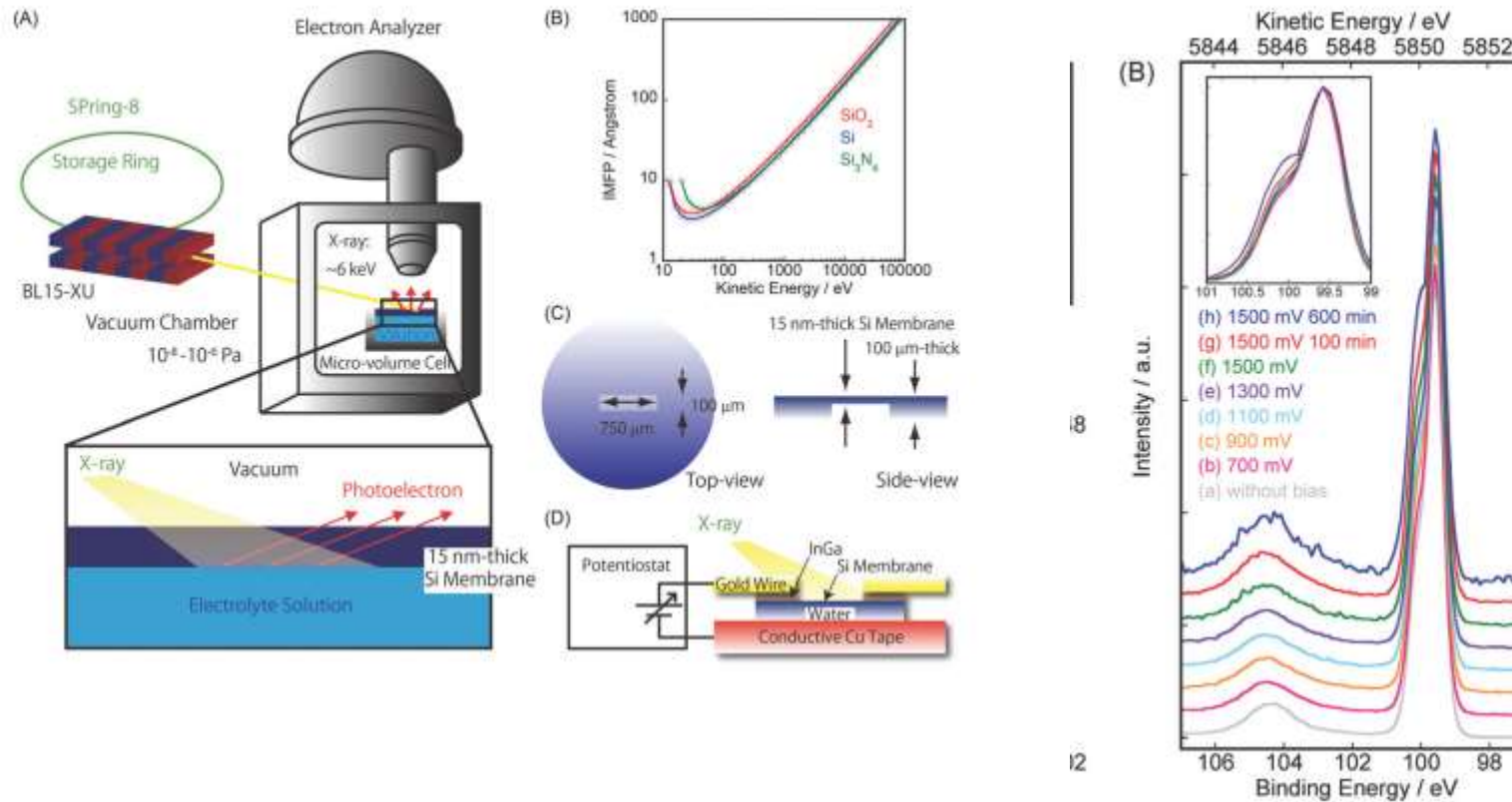
FIG. 2. Schematic cut through the analysis chamber of the XPS apparatus with aperture system. The sample stage and the first two pumping stages are indicated by the pressures p_0 , p_1 , and p_2 . (1) Electron energy analyzer lens, (2) aluminum window of the x-ray source, (3) sample holder, (4) dosing system for beam pressures.

Detector Differential pumping

Pantforder, J. RSI 76 014102 2005



XPS from interface with liquid



T. Masuda, H. Yoshikawa, H. Noguchi, T. Kawasaki, M. Kobata, K. Kobayashi and K. Uosaki, *Applied Physics Letters* 2013, 103, 111605.



TEM (Transmission Electron Microscopy)

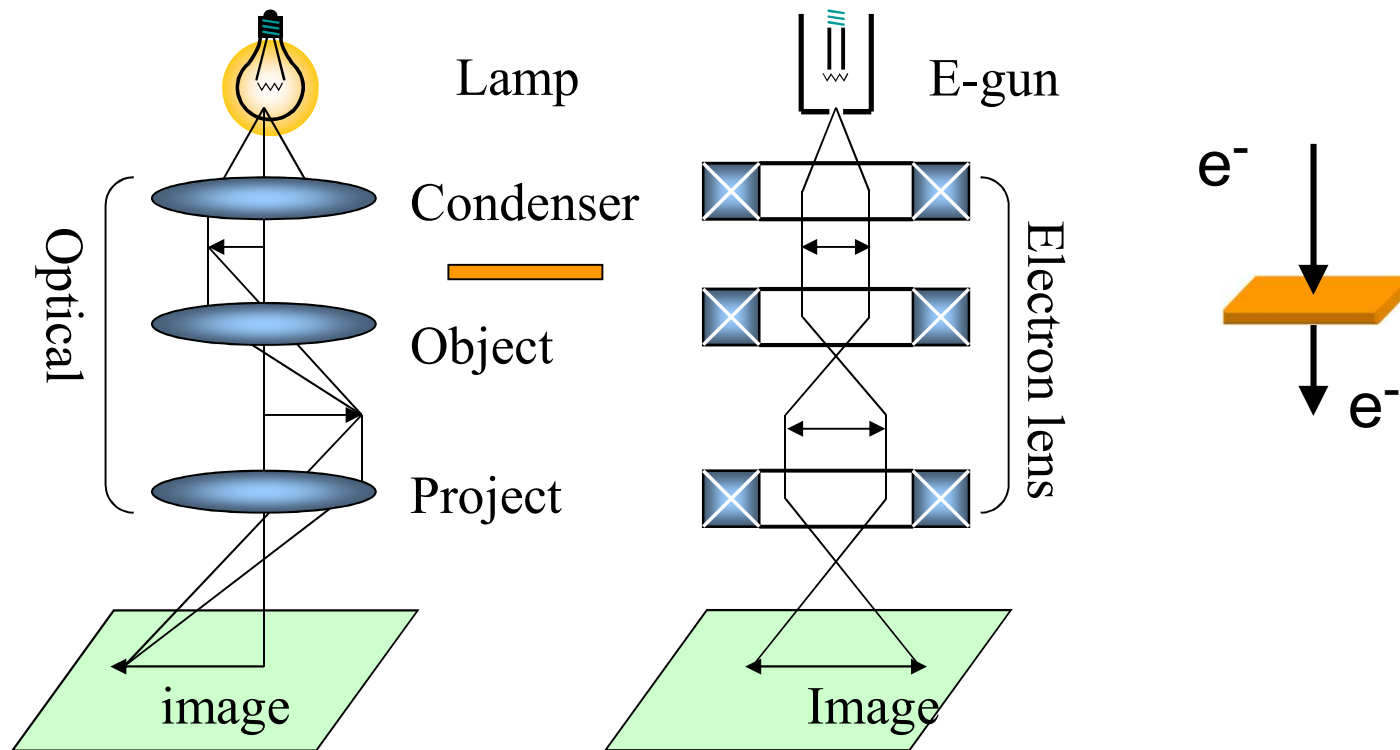
Information

- **Atomic level structure and morphology**
 - **Composition analysis by Analysis TEM**
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- **Disadvantage**
 - Sample damage
 - Sample size and thickness



A scheme of Transmission Electron Microscopy

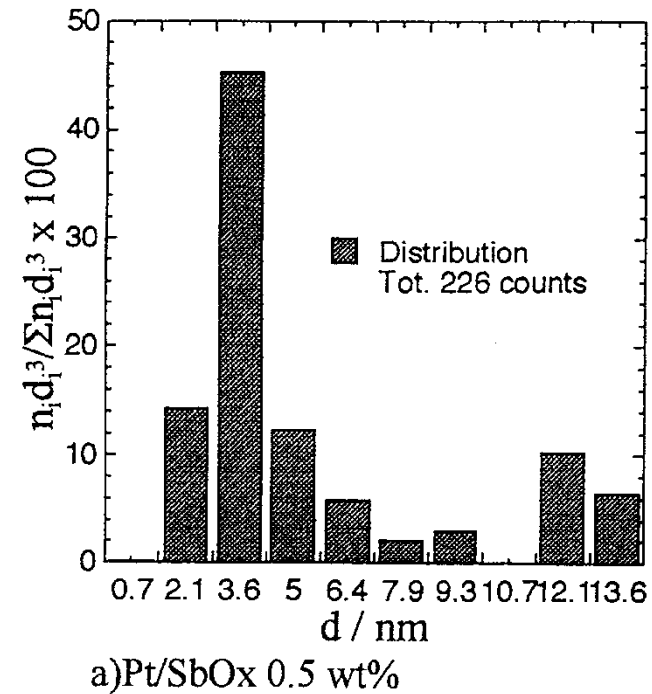
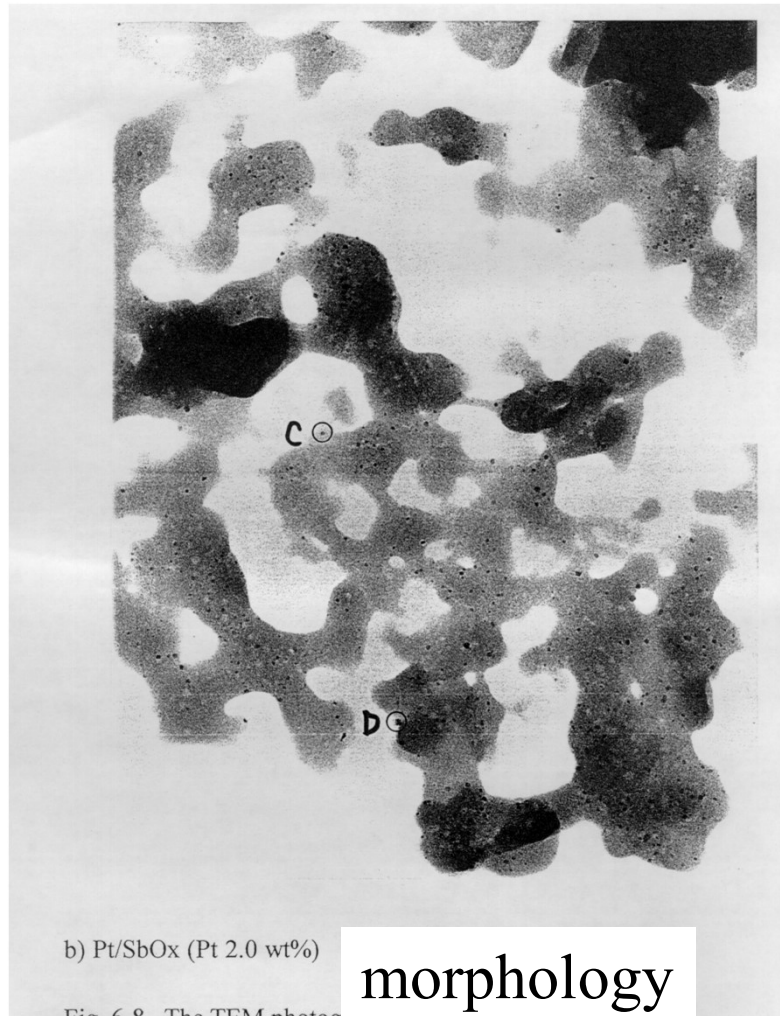
Scattered and diffracted beams are imaged



Optical microscopy TEM



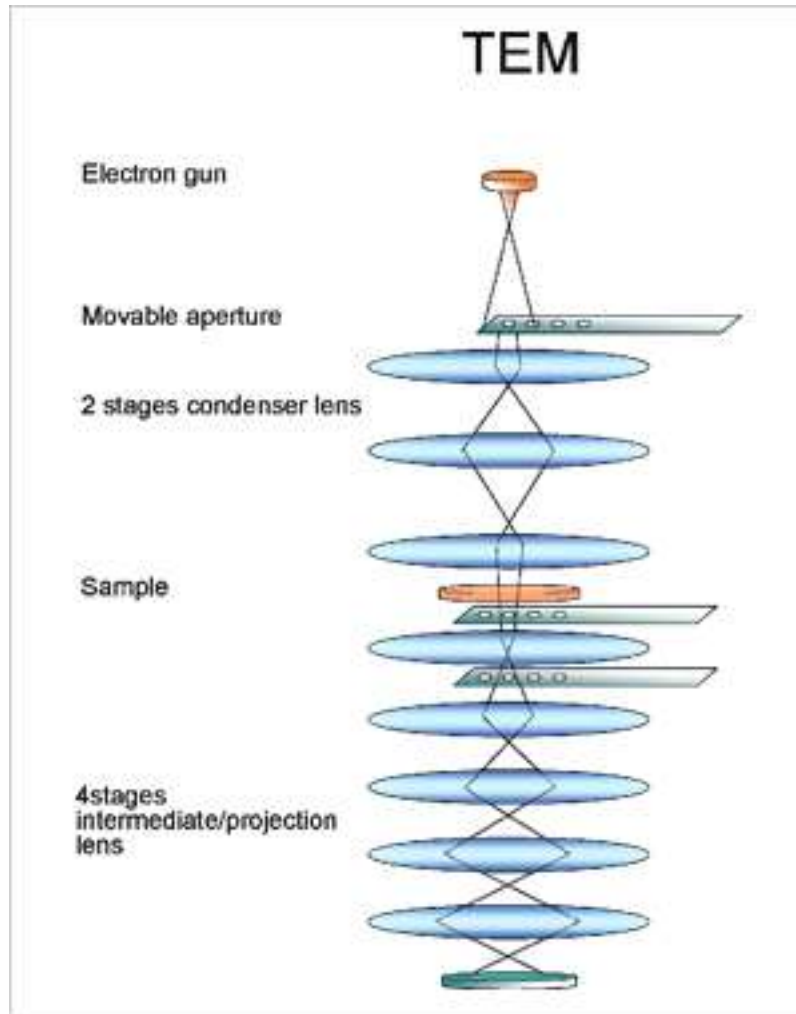
Particle size and morphology



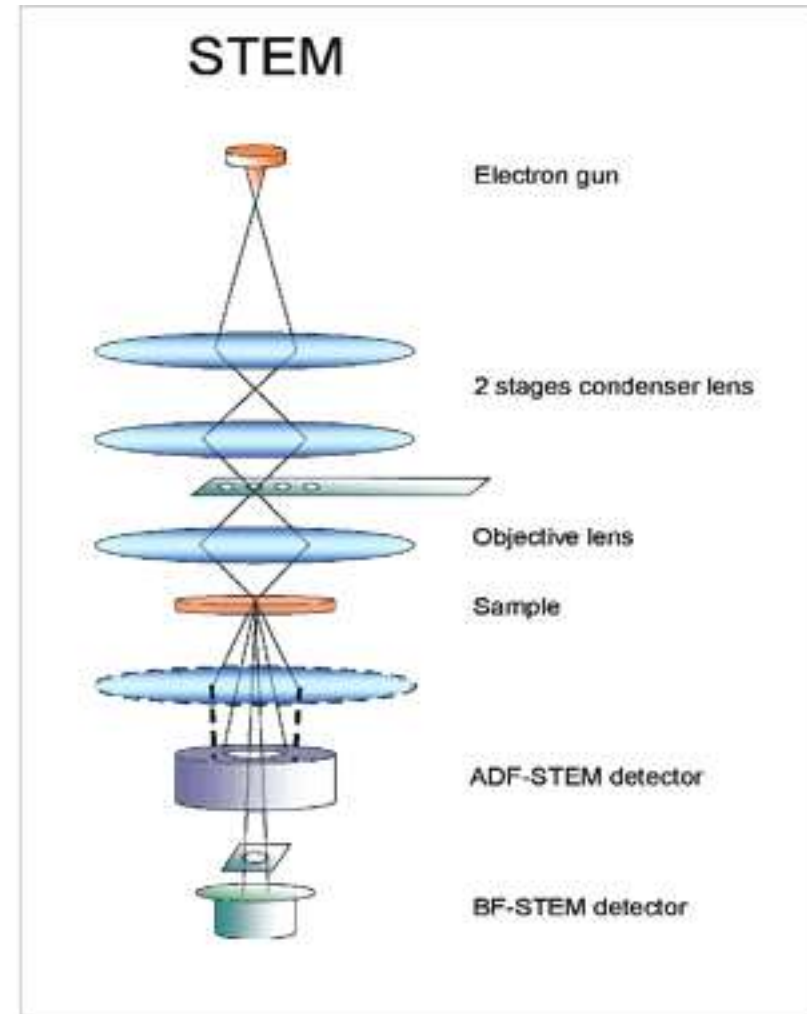
Particle size distribution



TEM and STEM



Sample is illuminated

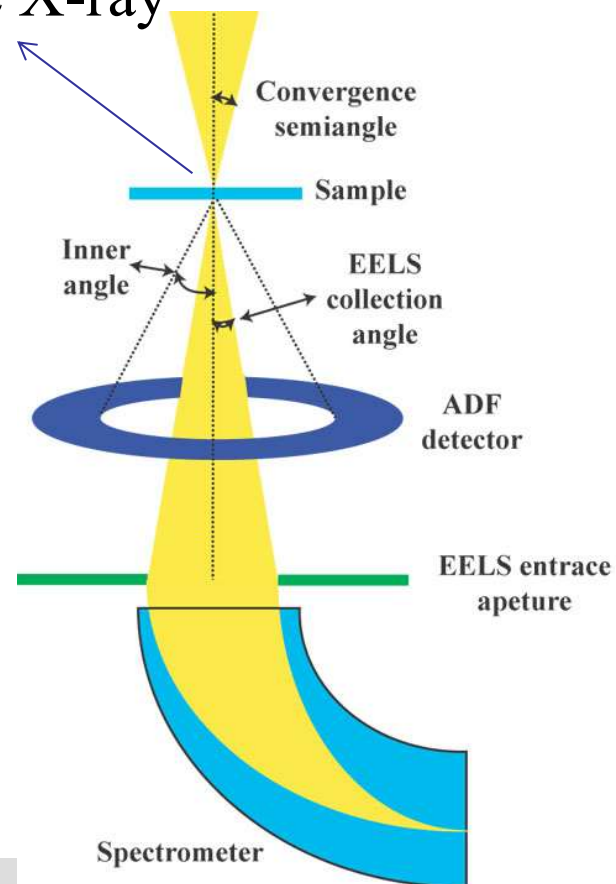


Electron is focused on the sample



Analysis STEM

Fluorescence X-ray



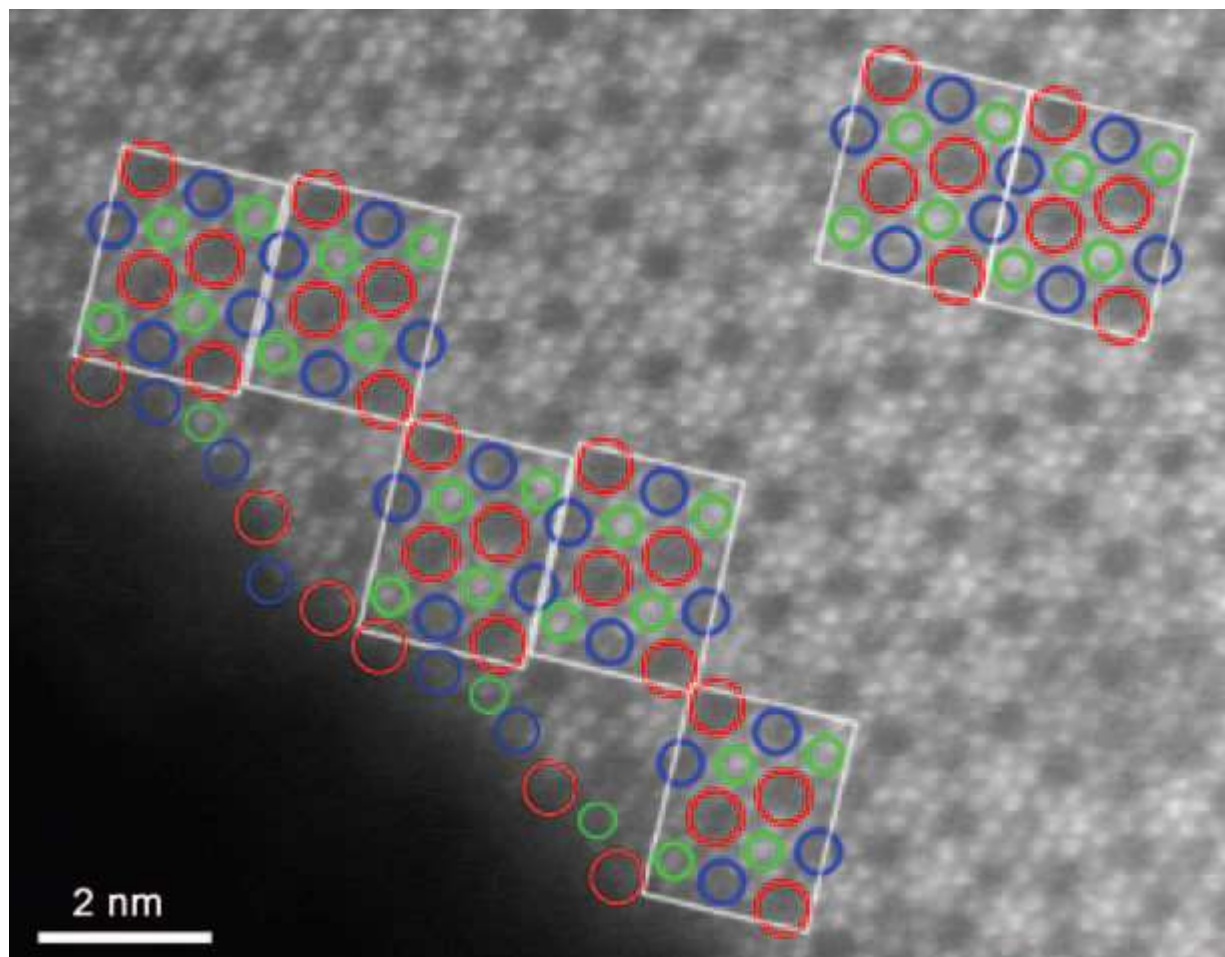
Fluorescence X-ray elemental analysis

HAADF(High angle annular dark field) Large Z scatter the electron to a higher angle. More electron on ADFdetector

EELS(electron energy loss spectroscopy) --elemental and chemical state analysis

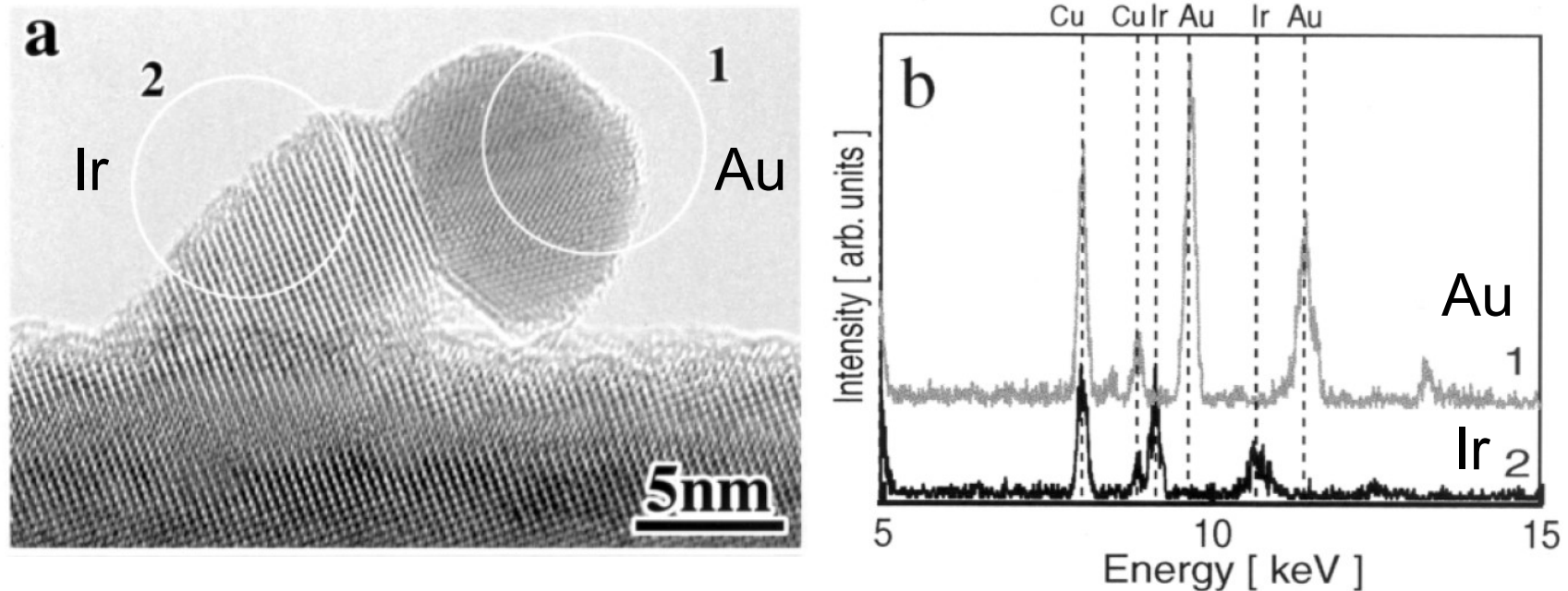


HAADF STEM of MoVTeO6



1 Z. Wei, T. Annette, S. Robert and S. Dangsheng,
Angewandte Chemie International Edition 2010, 49, 6084.

A TEM image of Au-Ir deposited on TiO₂

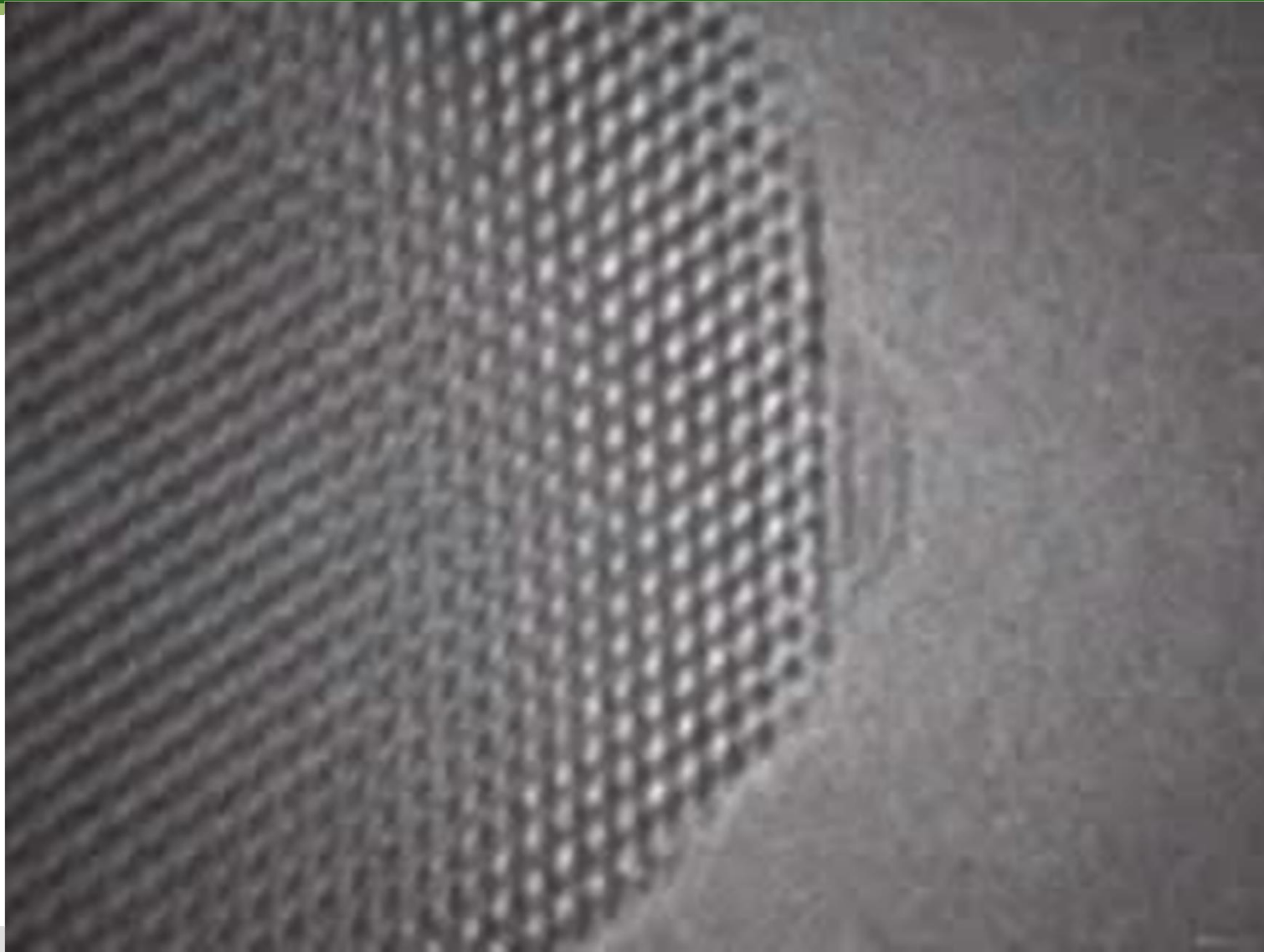


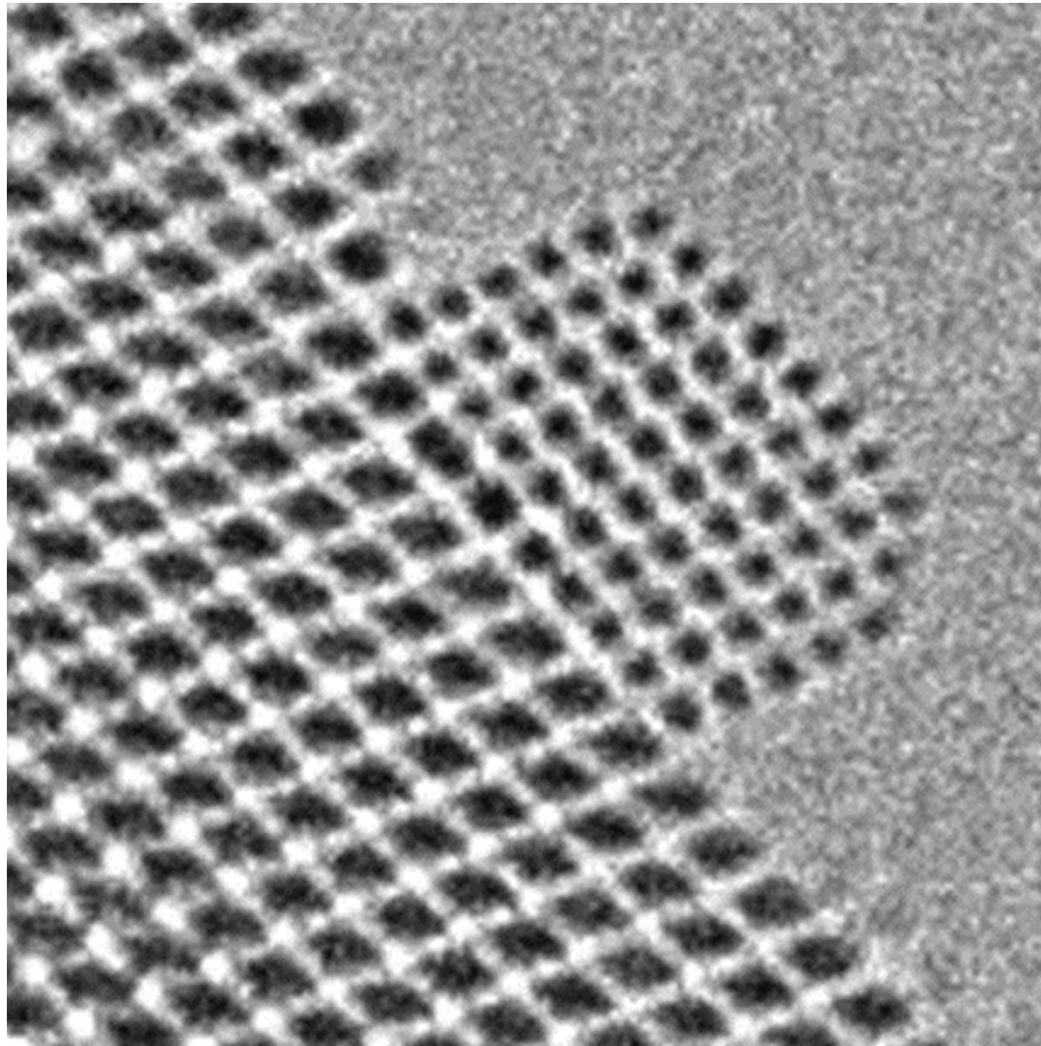
A TEM image of Au-Ir deposited on TiO₂ (a) and corresponding EDS spectra obtained from each area indicated in the TEM image (b).

Tomoki Akita et al., *Journal of Electron Microscopy* 52(2): 119–124 (2003)



Au/CeO₂ during electron irradiation.

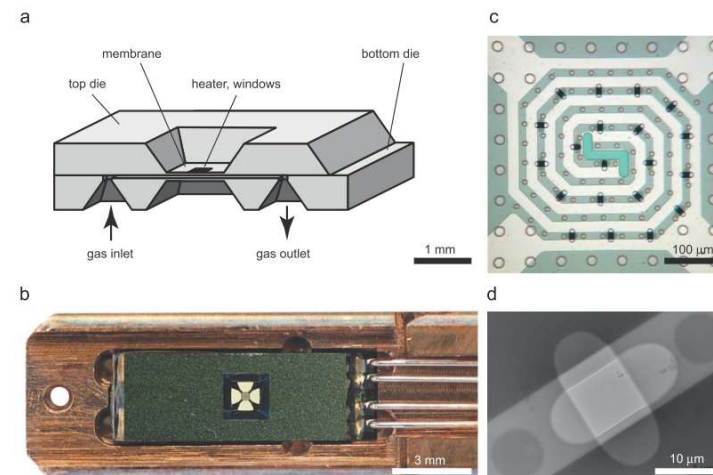




Ambient TEM

A few mbar

J. F. Creemer, S. Helveg, G. H. Hoveling, S. Ullmann, A. M. Molenbroek, P. M. Sarro and H. W. Zandbergen, *Ultramicroscopy* 2008, 108, 993.

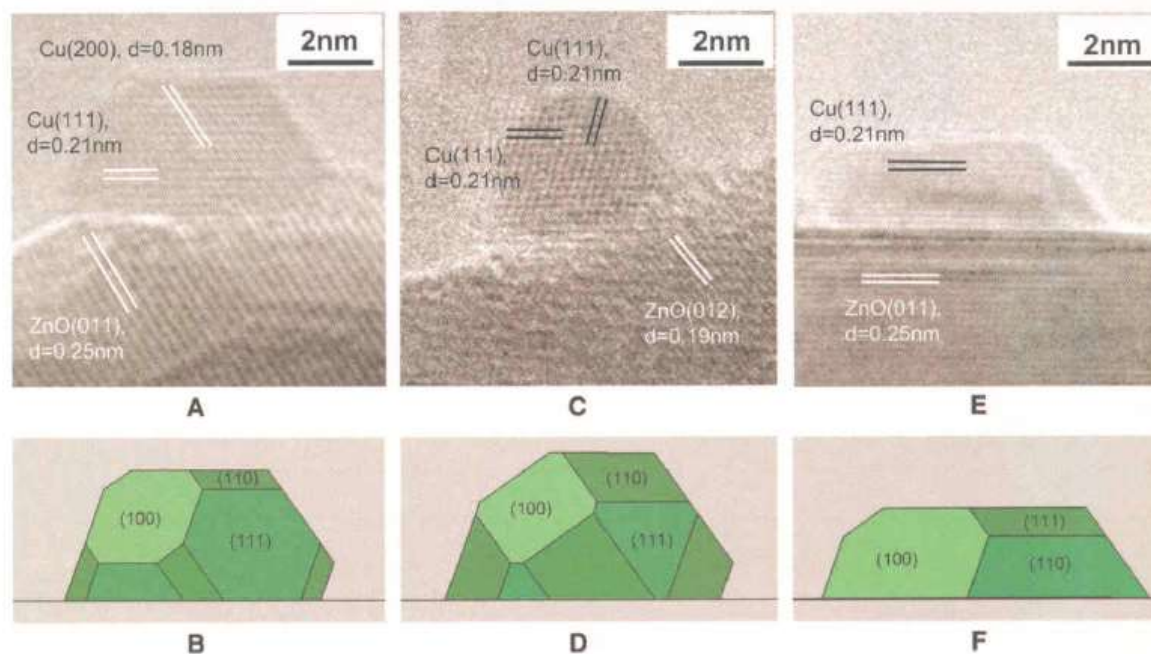


H₂

H₂+H₂O

H₂+CO

Fig. 1. In situ TEM images (A, C, and E) of a Cu/ZnO catalyst in various gas environments together with the corresponding Wulff constructions (B, D, and F). (A) The image was recorded at a pressure of 1.5 mbar of H₂ at 220°C. The electron beam is parallel to the [011] zone axis of copper. (C) Obtained in a gas mixture of H₂ and H₂O, H₂:H₂O = 3:1 at a total pressure of 1.5 mbar at 220°C. (E) Obtained in a gas mixture of H₂ (95%) and CO (5%) at a total pressure of 5 mbar at 220°C.



Contents

Spectroscopy:

Solid State NMR, IR, RAMAN, XPS.

imaging

Principle of SEM, Analysis SEM and TEM STM and PEEM.

Diffraction

XRD, TED and LEED

Diffraction is a backside of Imaging.

Diffraction

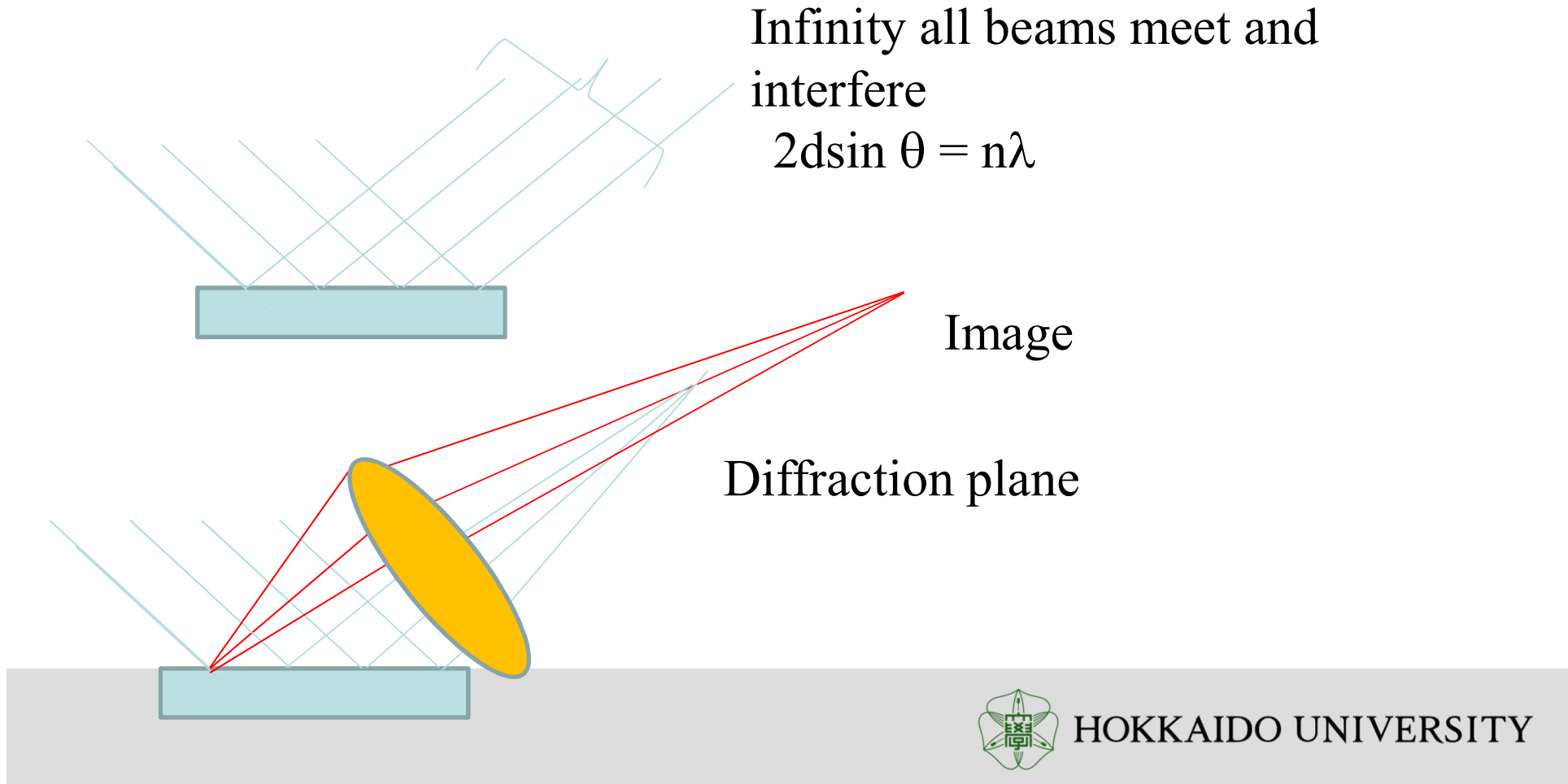
Diffraction is a interference of waves in the same direction

Infinity all beams meet and interfere

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

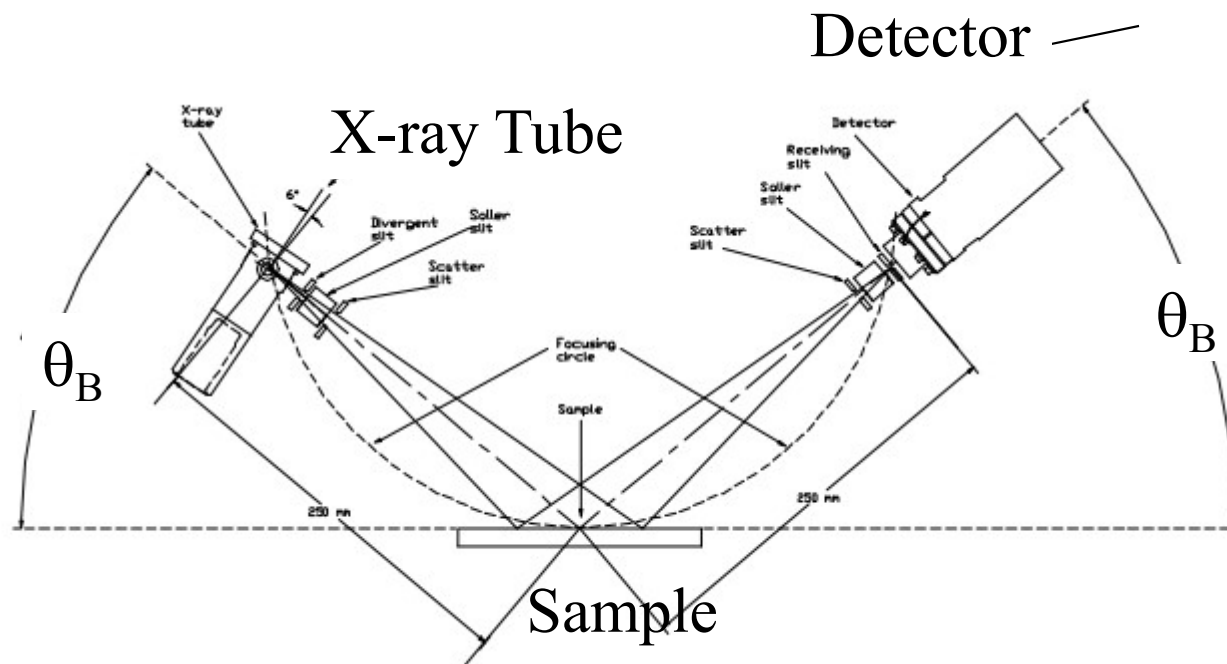
Image

Diffraction plane

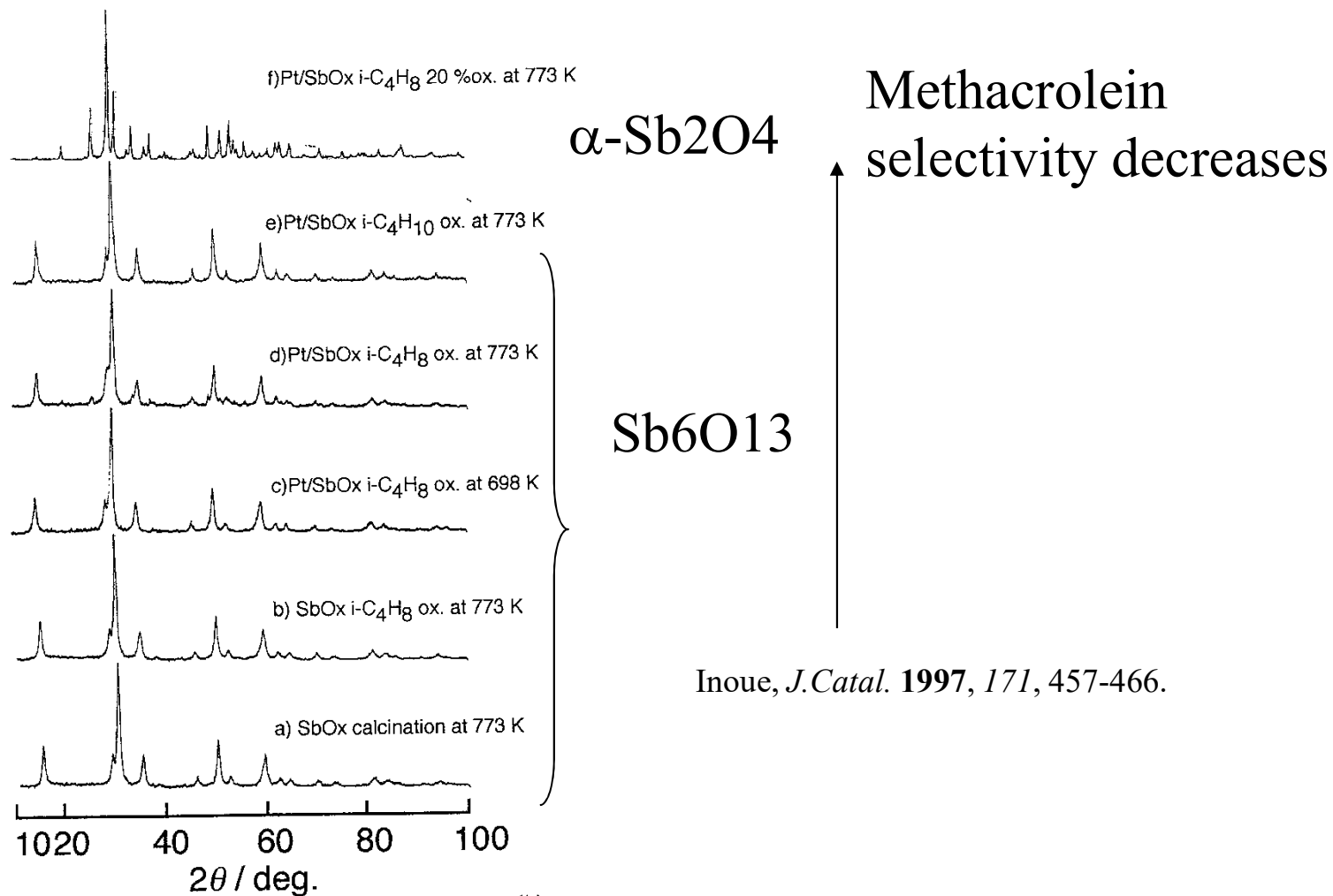


XRD=X-ray diffraction

crystalline



XRD gives crystalline forms



Inoue, *J. Catal.* **1997**, *171*, 457-466.



Particle size

$$L = K\lambda / \Delta(2\theta) \cos \theta_B$$

Scherrerの式 L :crystalline size,

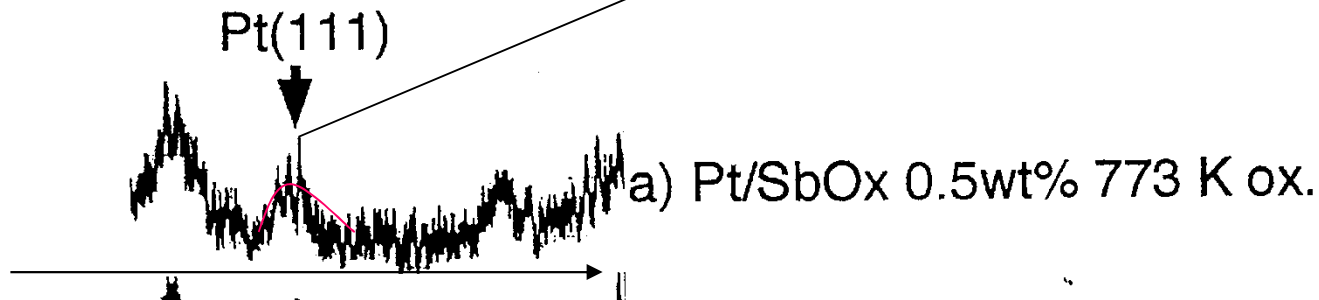
$K=0.89-1.39$

$\Delta(2\theta)$ half width

λ 波長

Pt particle size = 6.4 nm

Inoue, T.; *J.Catal.* 1997, 171, 457-466.



Bragg角



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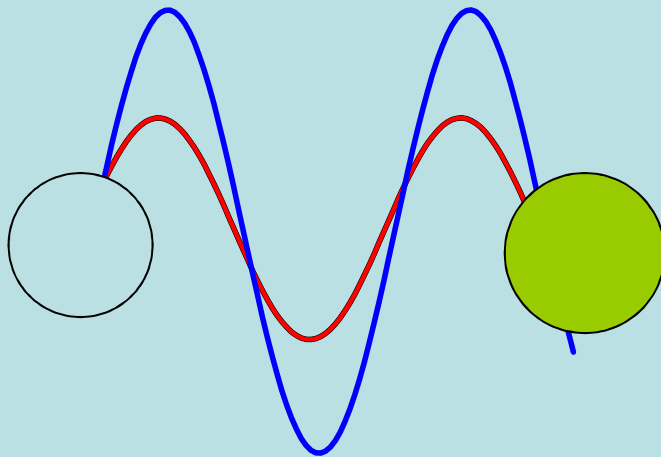
Scattering of electron and interference

$$\frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} = E - E_0$$

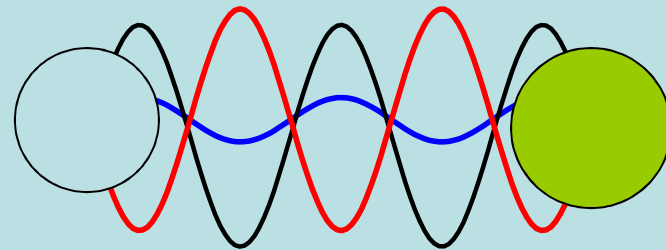
K: wave vector、

\hbar : Plank Const

E: Photon energy E0:threshold



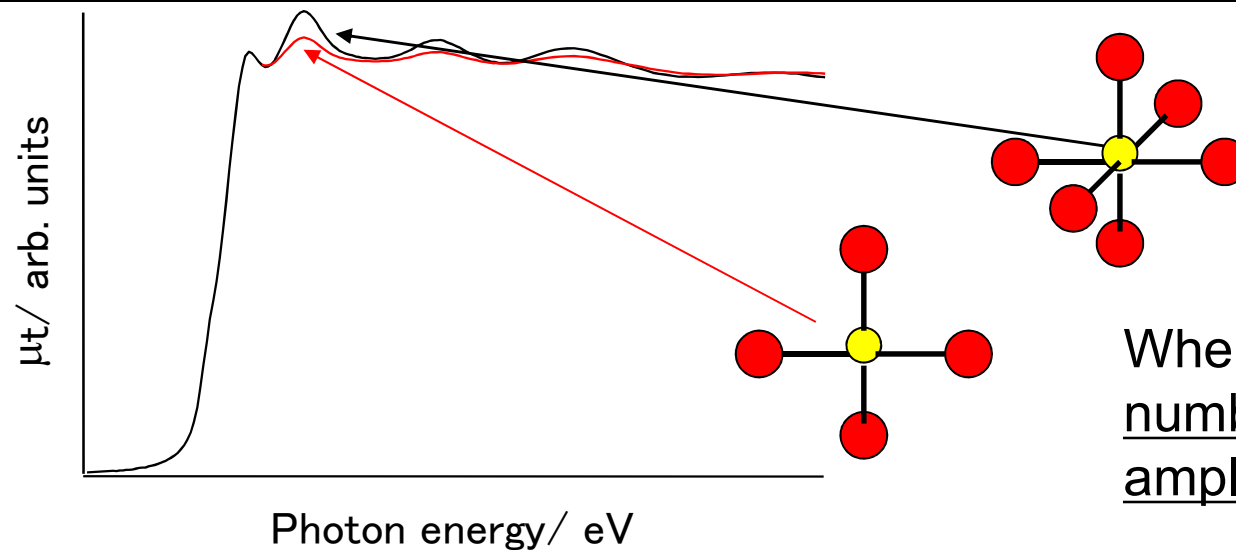
Enhancement



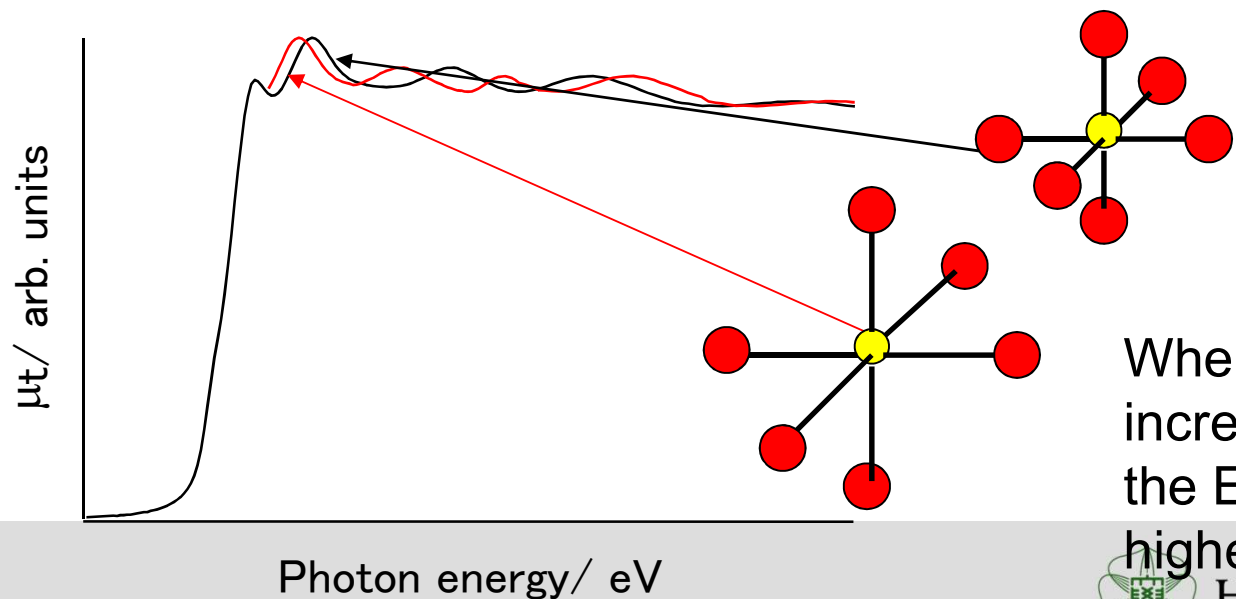
suppression



XAFS gives you bond distance and coordination number



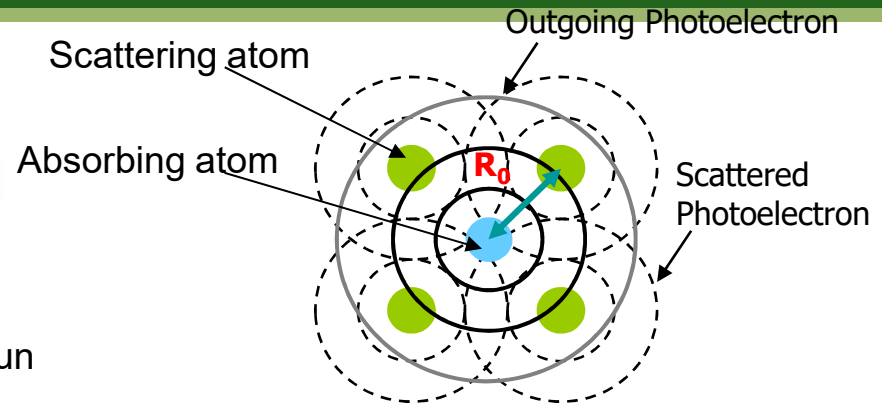
When the coordination number increases, the amplitude also increases



When the bond length increases, the frequency of the EXAFS oscillation will higher

The EXAFS equation

1. leaving the absorbing atom
2. scattering from the neighbor atom
3. returning to the absorbing atom



XAFS oscillation Absorbance Smooth background

$$\chi(k) = \frac{\mu(E) - \mu_s(E)}{\mu_0(E)} = S_0^2 \sum_i \frac{N_i F_i(k_i)}{k_i r_i^2} e^{-2k_i^2 \sigma_i^2} \sin(2k_i r_i + \phi_i(k_i))$$

Edge-jump

$$k = \sqrt{2m_e(E - E_0) / \hbar}$$

Theoretically or empirically derived Parameters

F_i : Backscattering amplitude

* $e^{-2r_i / \lambda(k_i)}$

ϕ_i : Phase shift

Curve-Fitting Parameters

N_i Coordination number

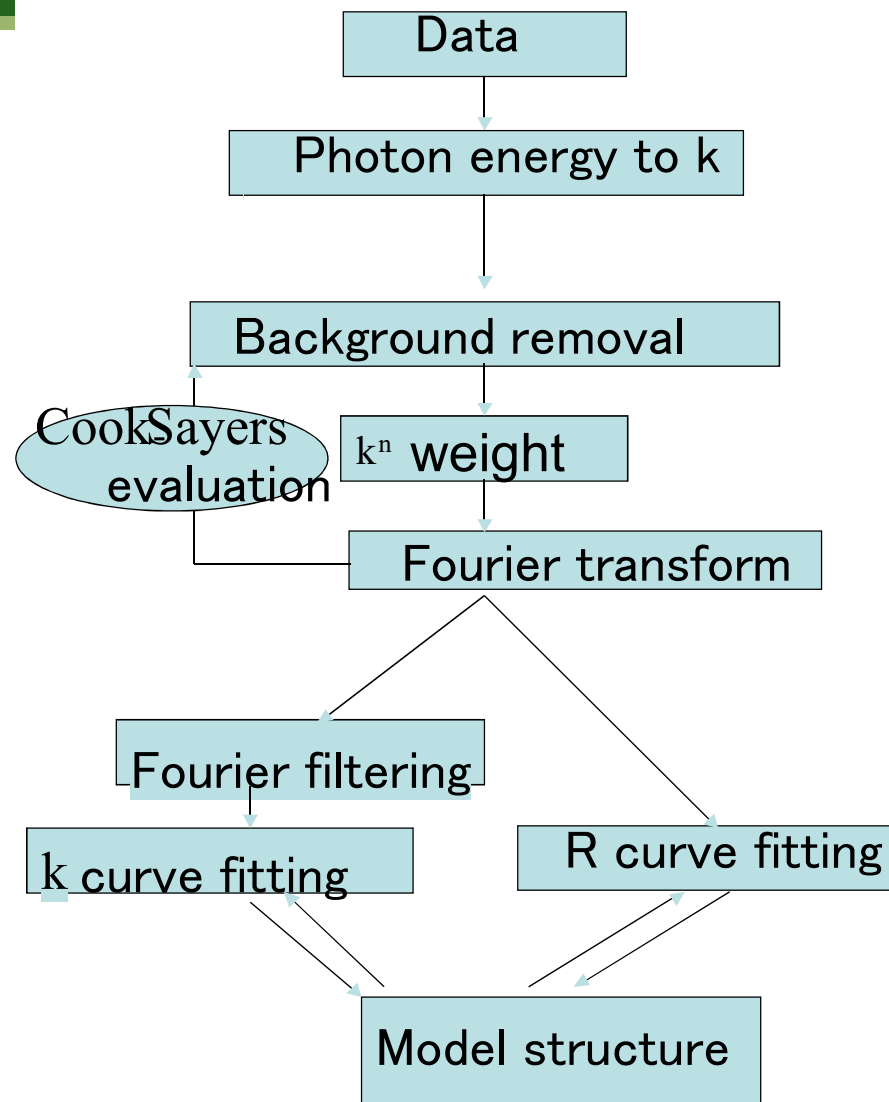
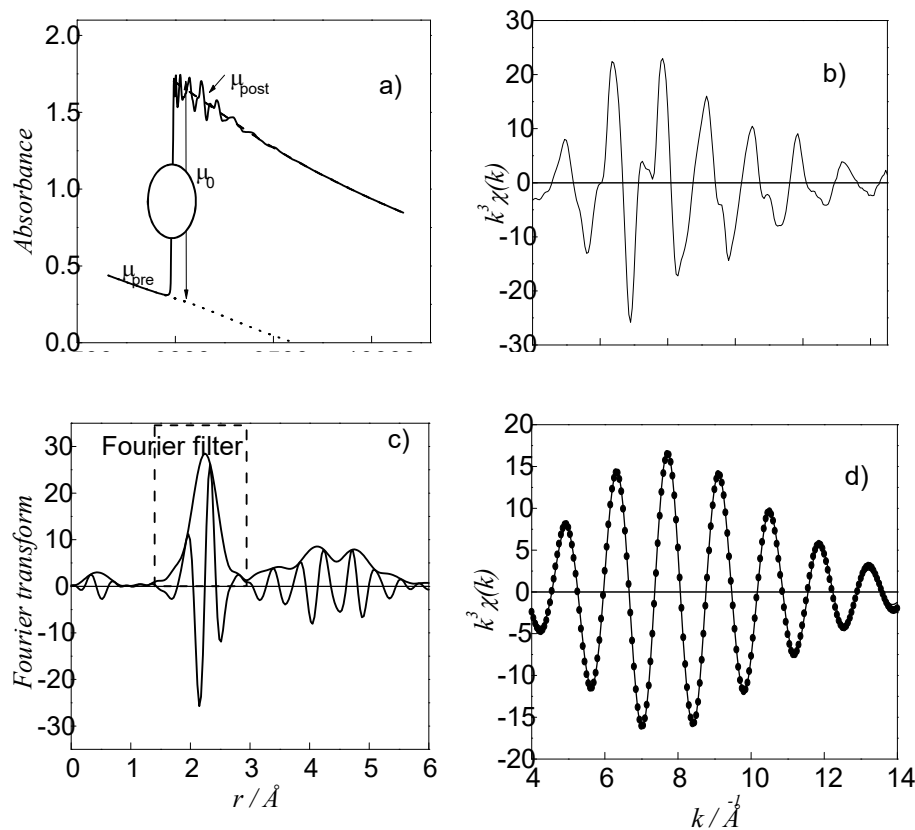
σ_i^2 DWfactor

E_0 energy shift

r distance



Sketch of XAFS analysis



Feature of XAFS

Sample is not necessarily in a crystalline form.

Solution, Surface, amorphous, and so on.

In the presence of gas phase, we can measure XAFS.

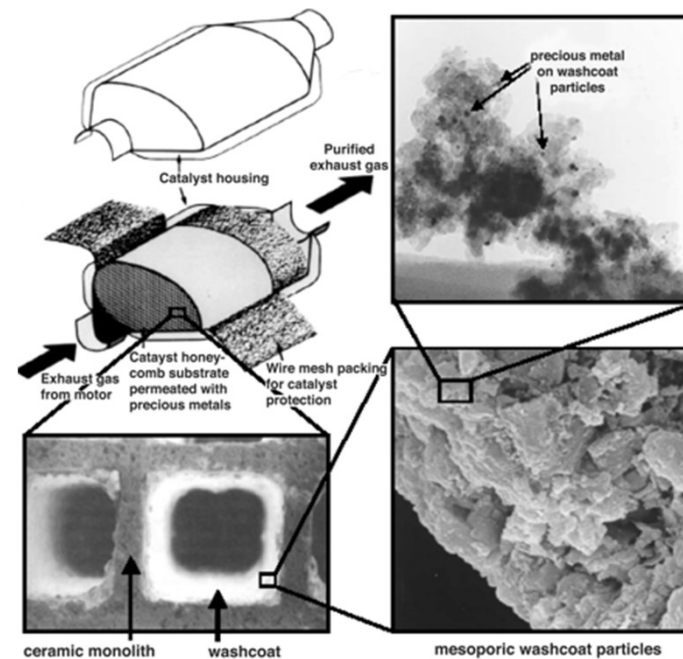


Catalyst in practice

Automobile catalysts



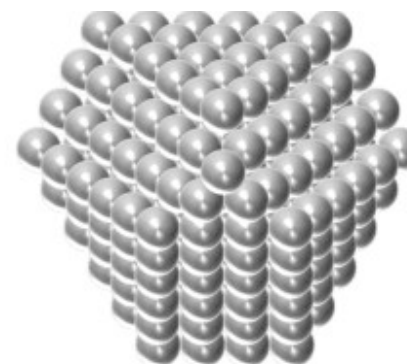
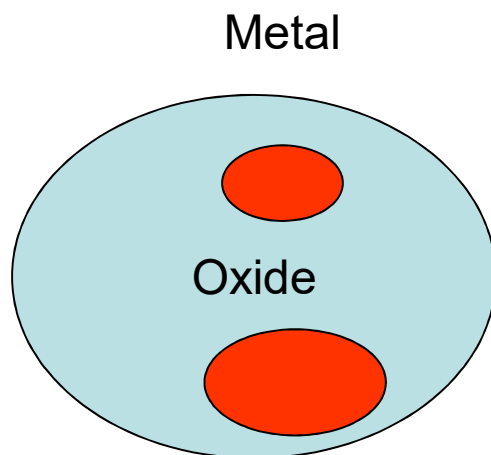
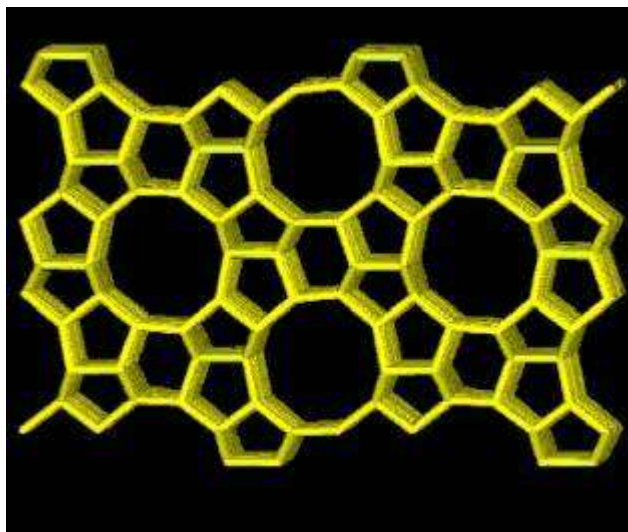
Automobile catalyst
To remove NO_x
From exhausted gas



Supported metal catalysts

Industrial practical catalysts

Metal nanoparticles are dispersed on the metal oxide surfaces in order to obtain high surface area.



Metal morphology, structure and electronic states are modified by the interaction from oxide supports



Diffraction techniques are not unavailable

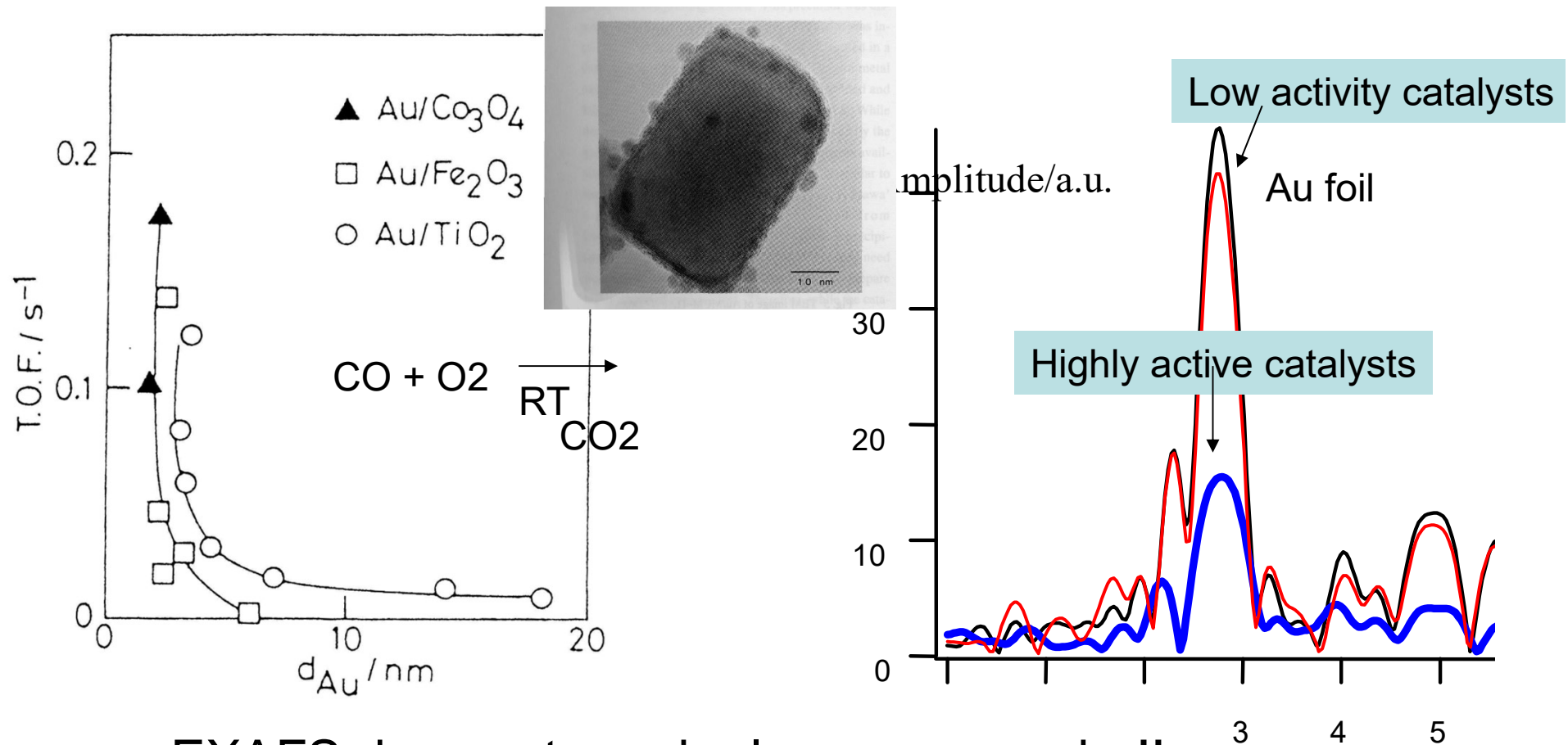
Because no crystalline structure is present on the surface, diffraction techniques become difficult to be applied.

How to obtain the supported metal catalysts.



Supported nano Gold catalyts

High activity for CO oxidation at room temperature when it is in nanosize



EXAFS does not require long range order!!
Amorphous, liquid, Enzyme, powder

Question?

What is the real structure of catalyst species?

What is the structure during the reaction ?

Is it the same as that in its initial state?

Answer is no!!

- Catalysts are always changing.**



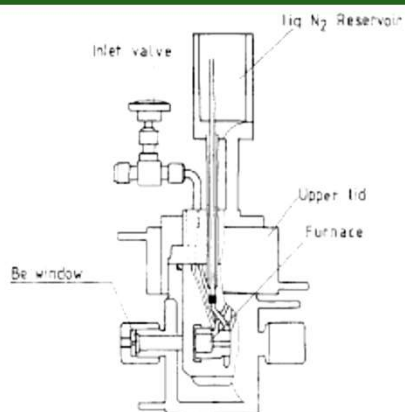
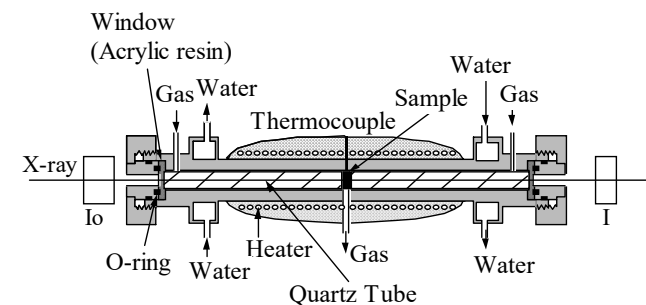
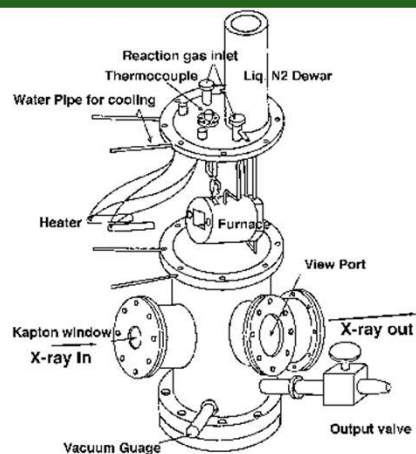


Figure 2. Chamber for the EXAFS measurements under vacuum and at high pressures.



High pressure cell
J.Phys.
Chem.93,4213(1989)

Z.Phys.Chem.,144,10
5(1985).

J.Synchro.Rad.8, 581(2001).

X-ray absorption,
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New York, John Wiley &
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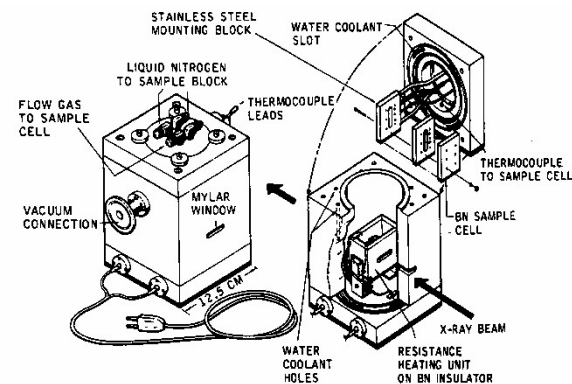
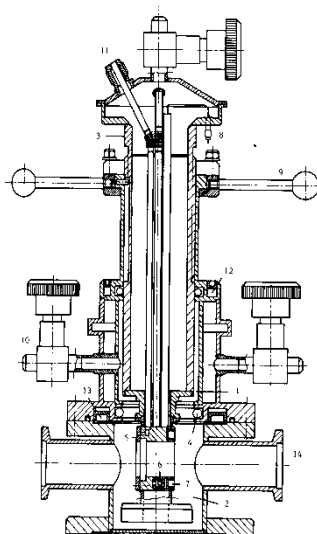
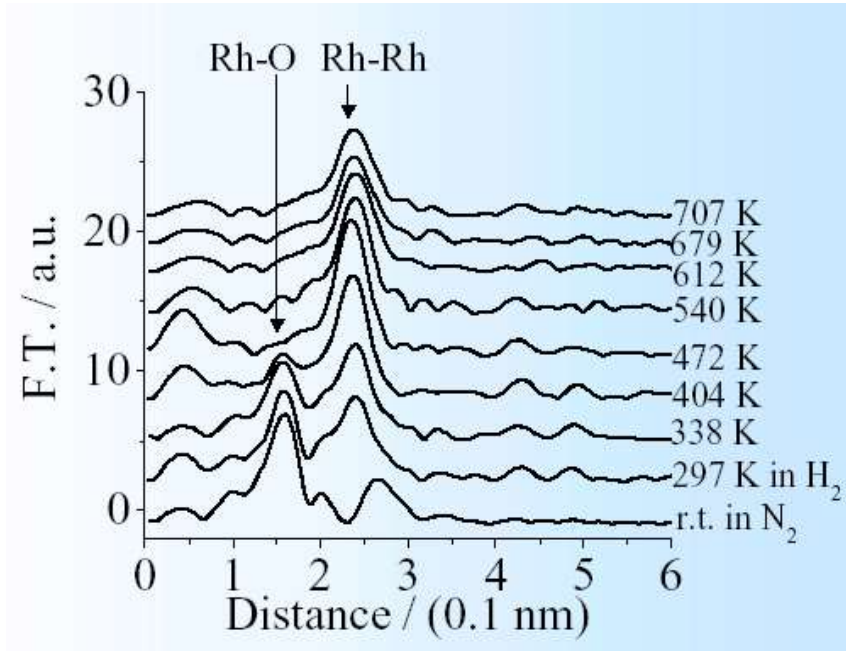
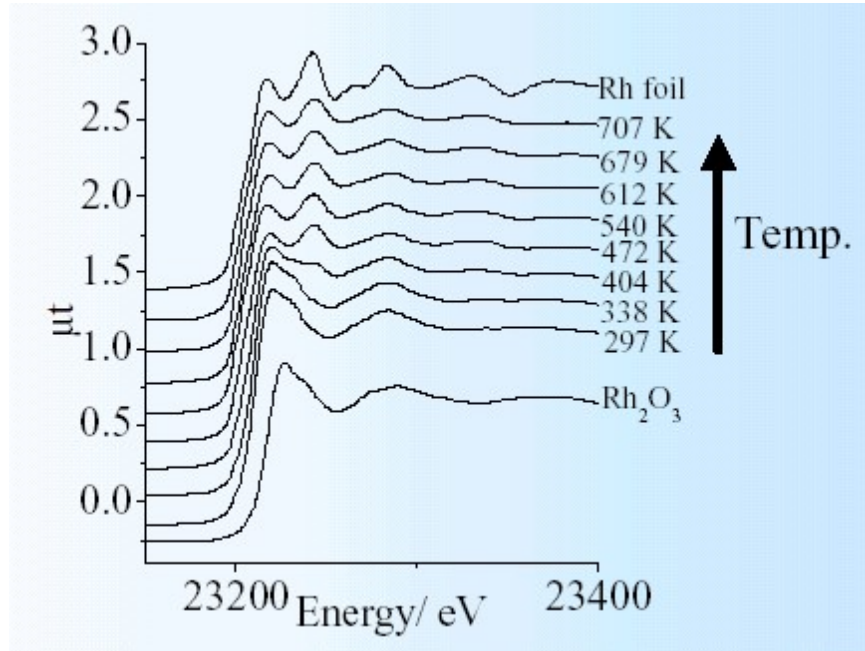


Figure 8.1. In situ cell of Lytle et al. (6).

J.Chem.Phys. 70 (1979) 4849.

In-situ work

Structure change during the reduction processes



Flow rate :20 % H₂/Ar 100ml/min
Temperature rate: 7K/min

XANES : Oxidized Rh species \rightarrow Rh metal

EXAFS : Rh-O \rightarrow Rh-Rh

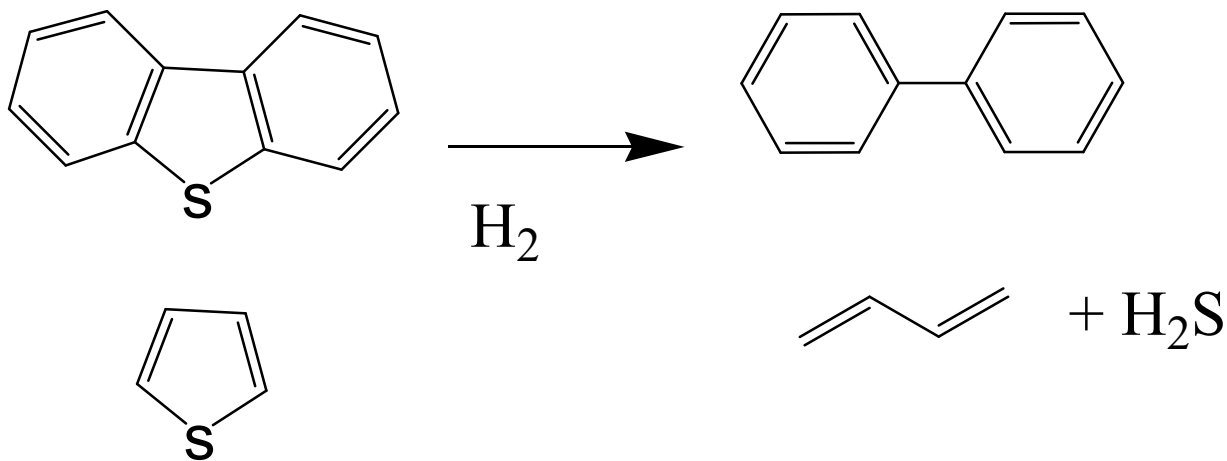
K. Bando et al. in-situ high temperature XAFS



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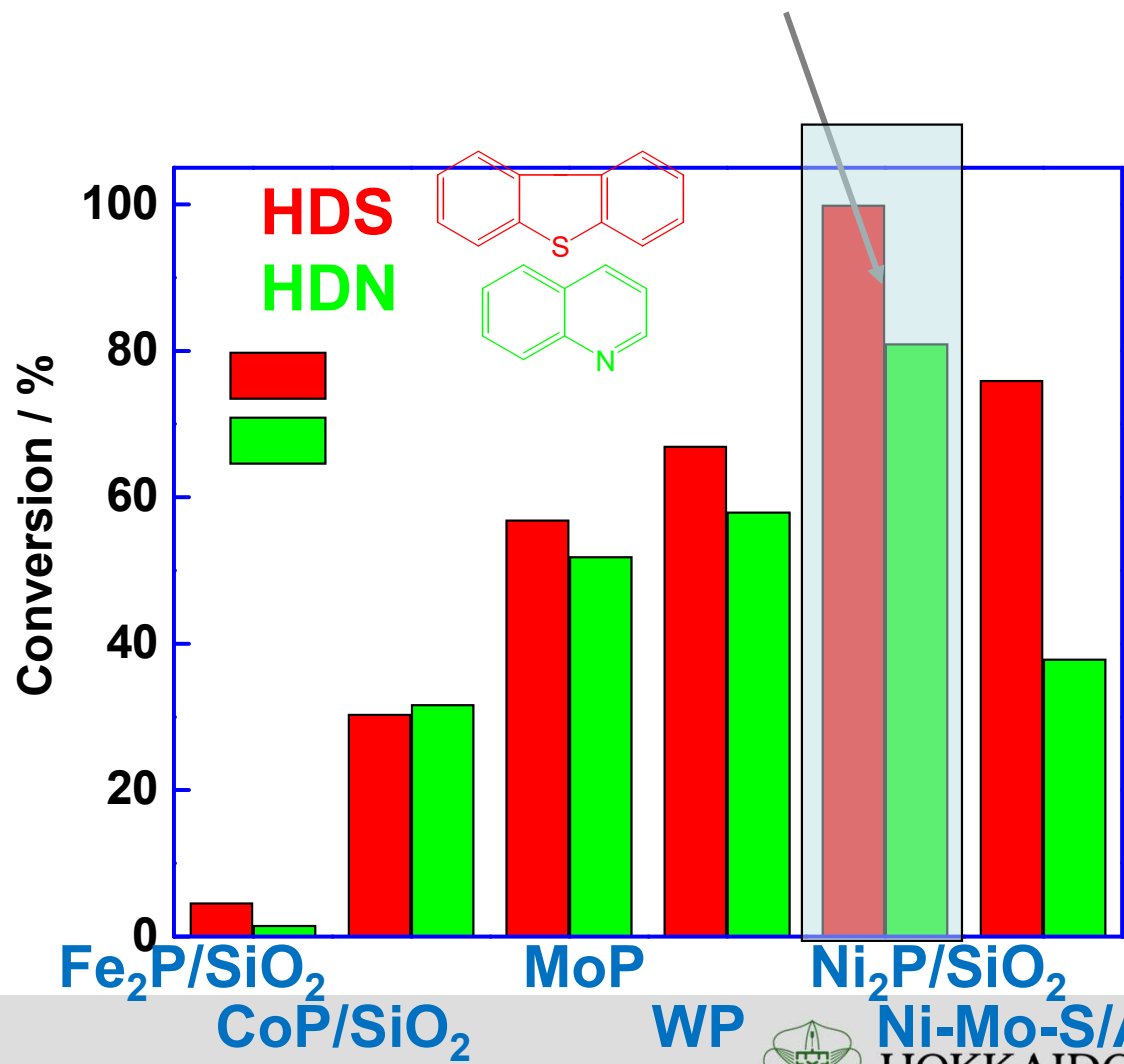
Hydrodesulfurization(HDS) catalyst

It removes sulfur compounds from fossil fuel.
Reactions are conducted under high pressure condition in the presenc of oil.

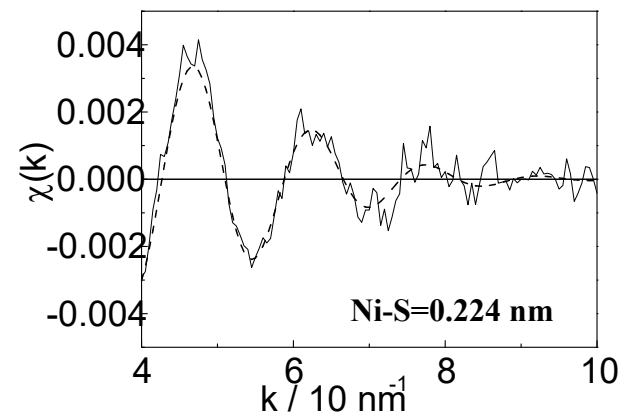
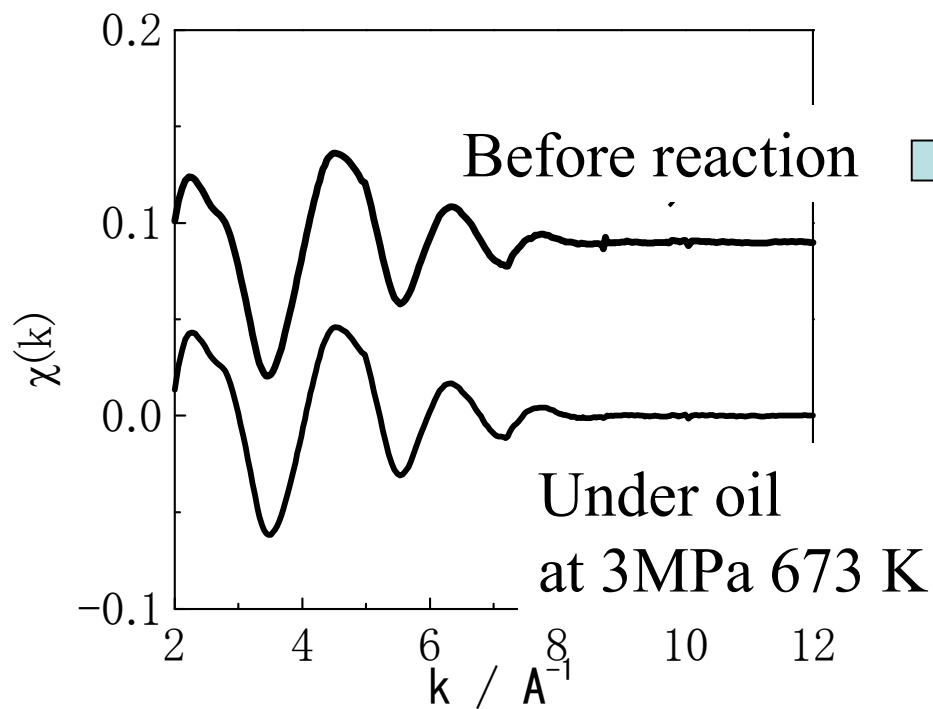


Metal phosphides

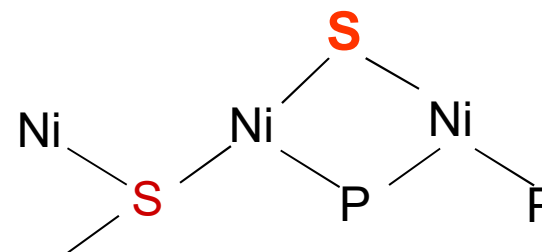
More active than commercially available NiMoS



EXAFS of Ni₂P in the presence of Oil



***J. Cat.* 2006, 241, 20-24.**
***Rev. Sci. Instrum.* 2008,**
79,014101



Active site structure
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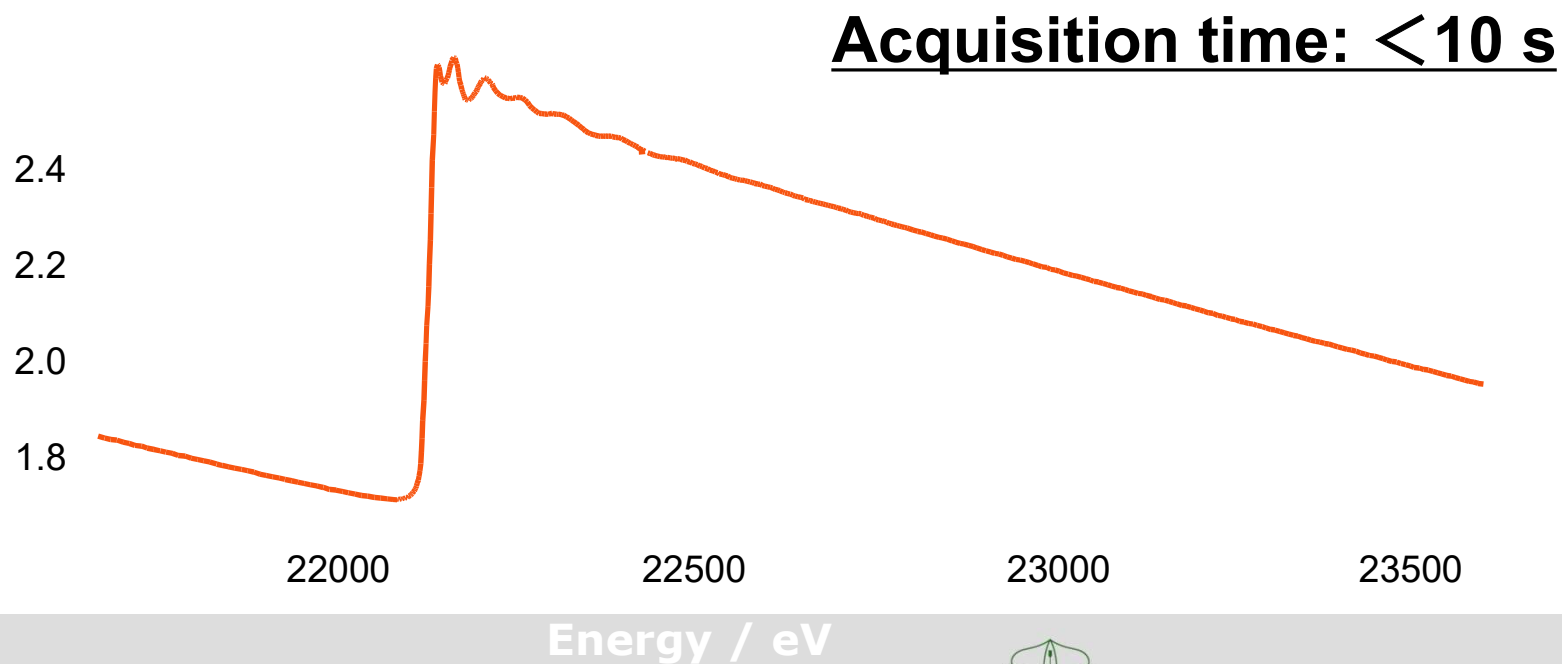
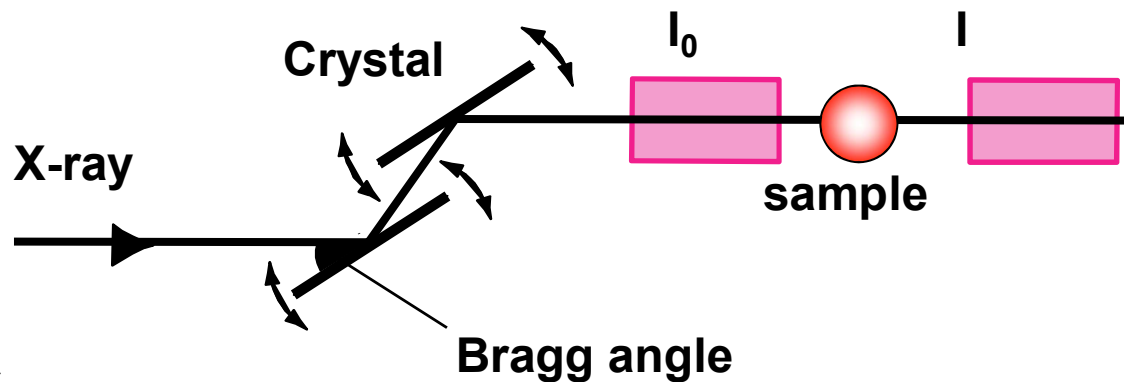
Diagram of conventional XAFS technique

XANES

- (1) Oxidation state
- (2) Symmetry, etc.

EXAFS

- (1) Interatomic distance
- (2) Coordination number

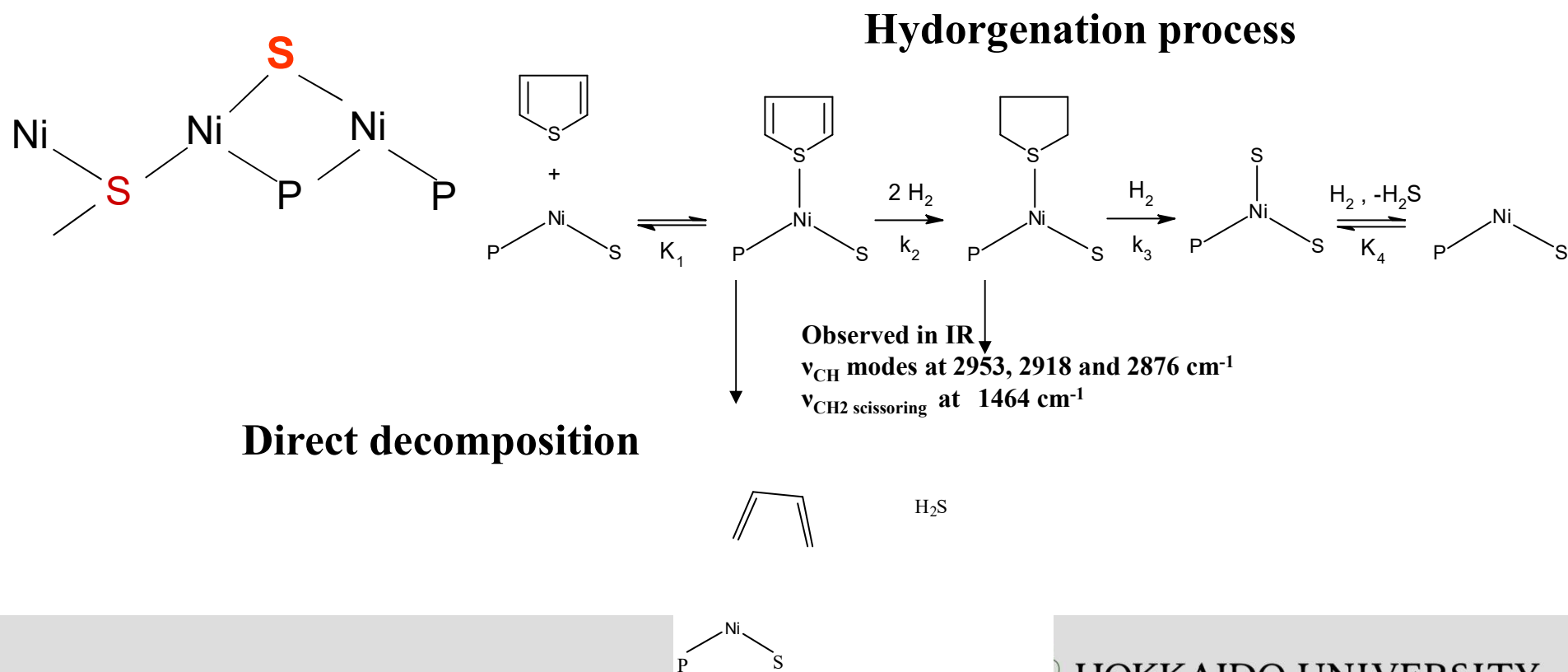


Questions and how?

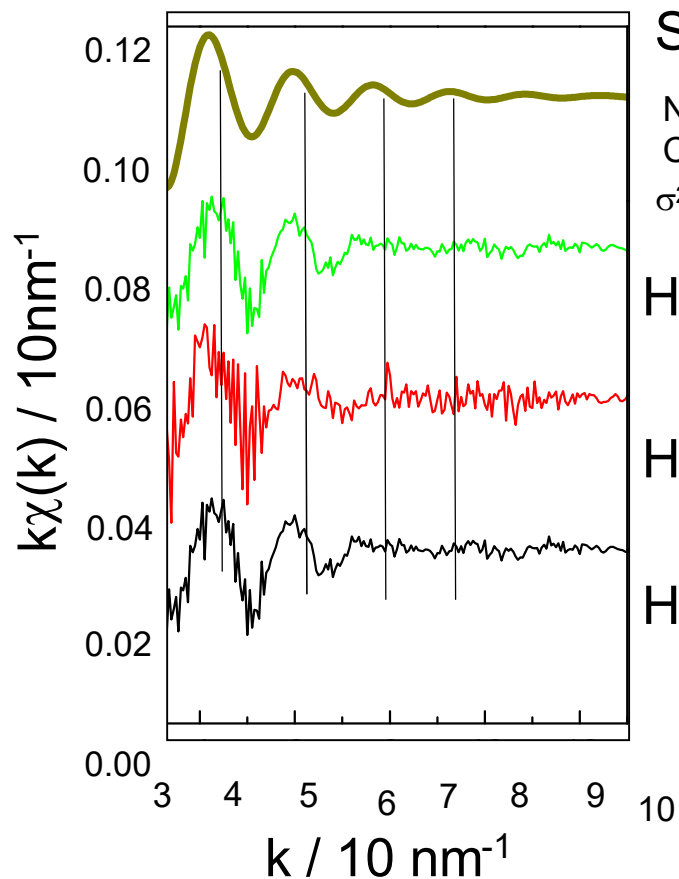
Is NiPS really active site?

What is the reaction path?

Combination of IR,
product analysis and
QXAFS



Difference spectra in HDS – before reaction



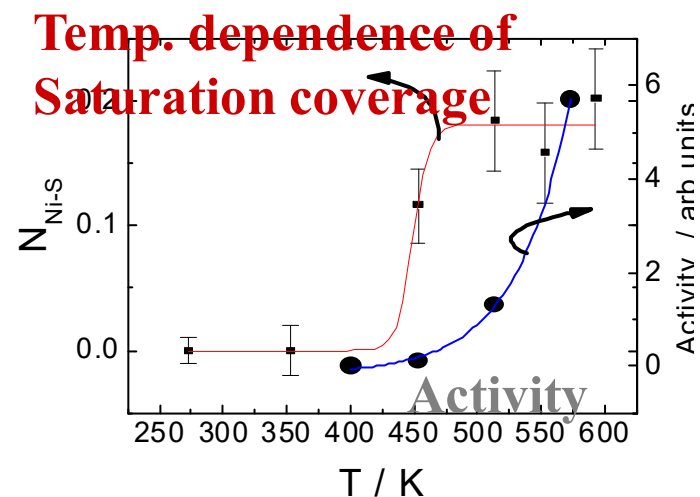
Simulated XAFS based on Ni-S bond

Ni – S (FEFF)
 CN = 0.2, R = 0.227 nm,
 $\sigma^2 = 0.0064 \text{ \AA}^2$

HDS at 593 K

HDS at 553 K

HDS at 513 K

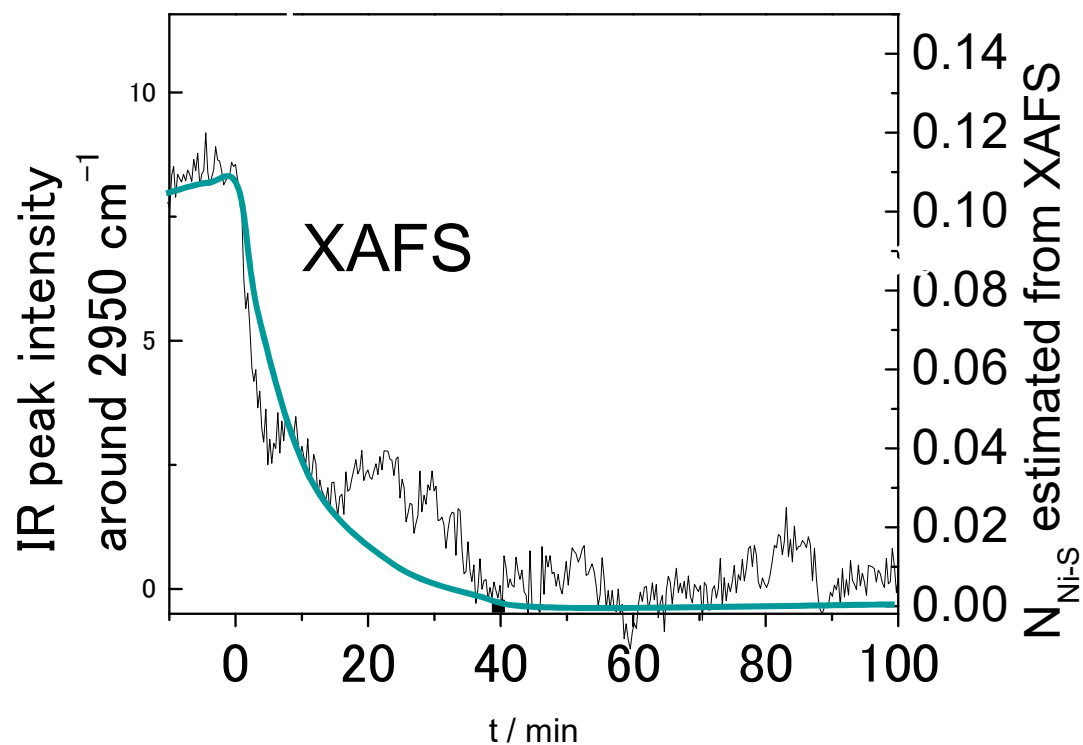


- **CF results of Ni-S**
R=0.227 nm; CN=0.2.
- **Judging from the ratio of surface Ni to the bulk ~0.2**
S/Ni_s=1.0 ± 0.2
- **Little reaction temperature dependence**

XANES change during 513 K

**XANES peak
change
corresponding
to the formation
of Ni-S**

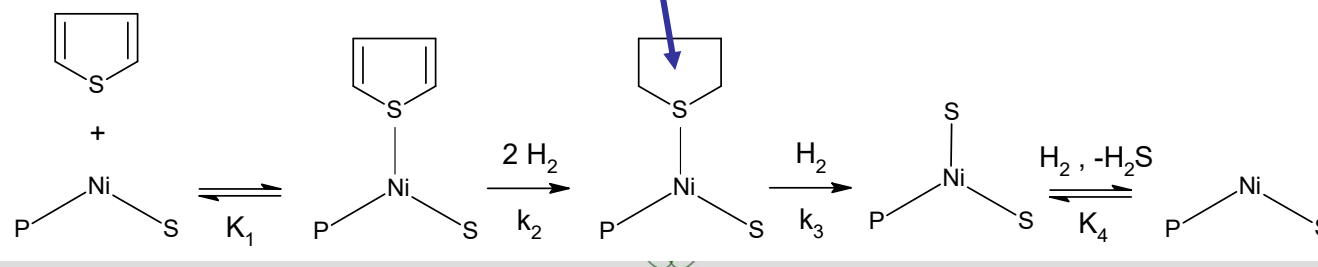
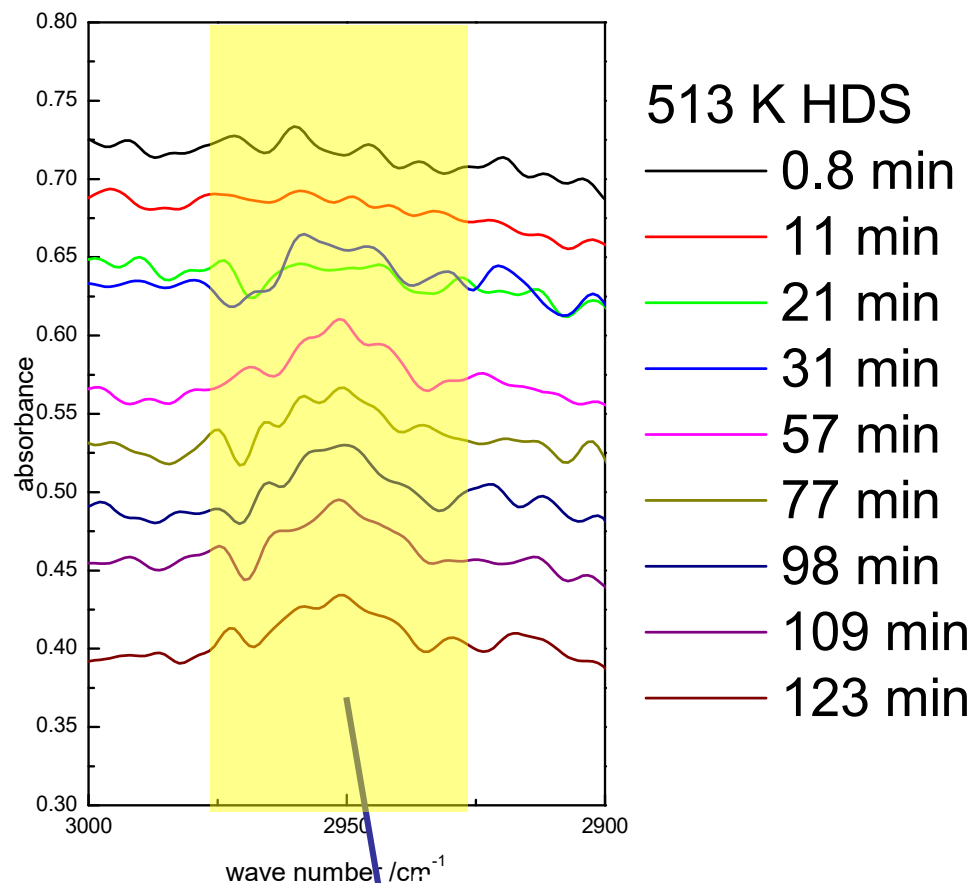
Thiophene introduction



FT-IR of the adsorbed species

No tetrahydrothiophene adsorption is detected soon after the HDS reaction starts.

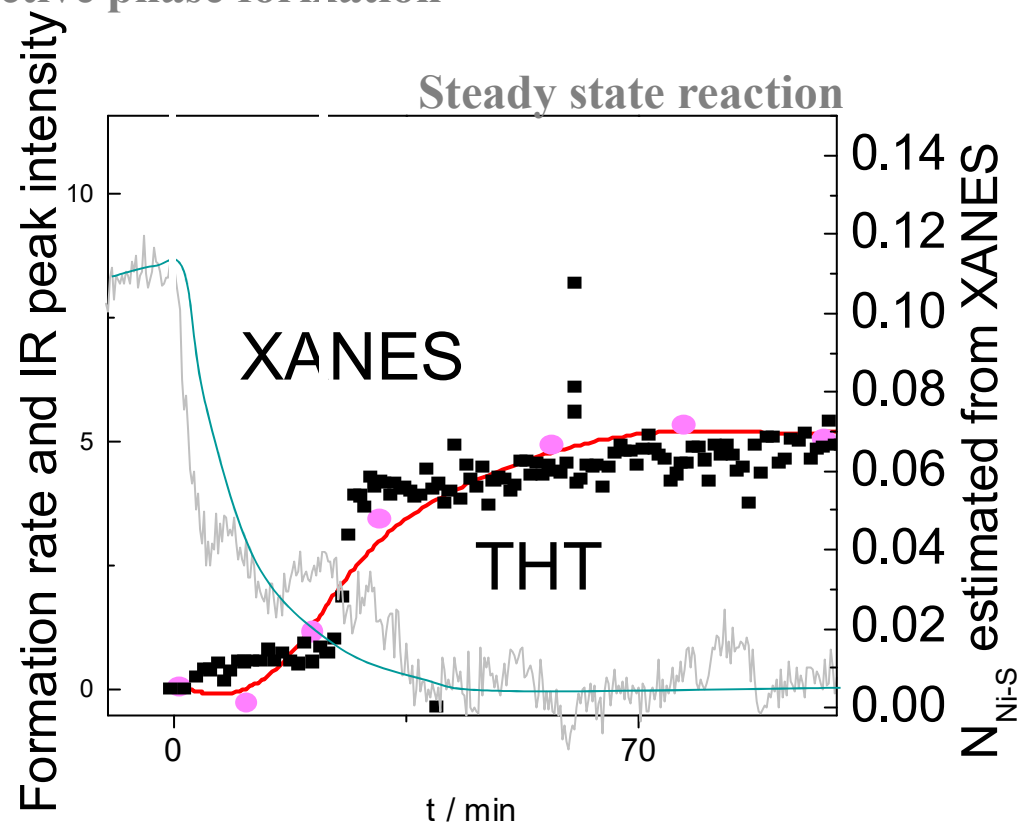
A few ten min after the reaction it starts to grow and is saturated.



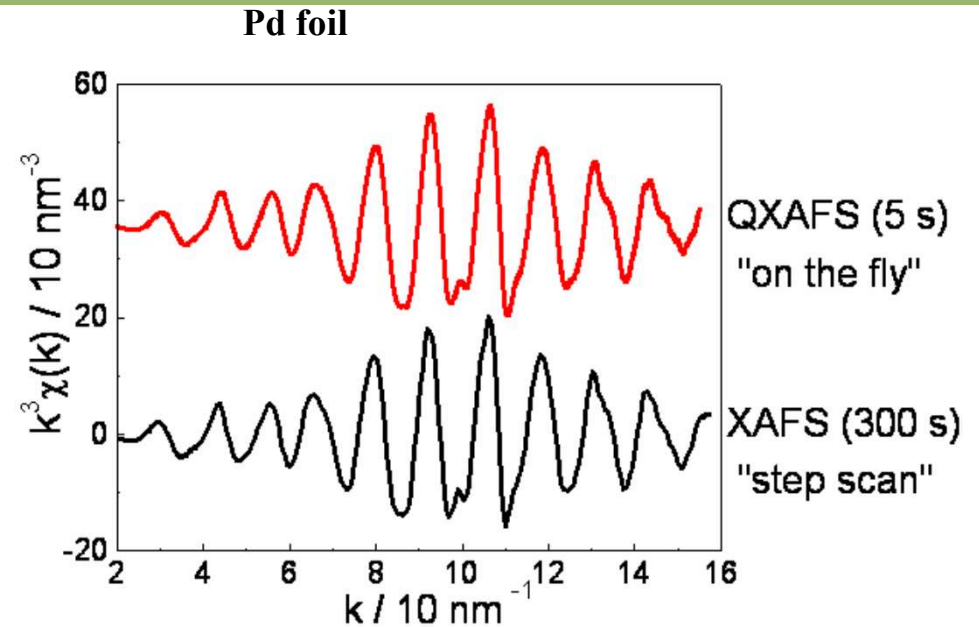
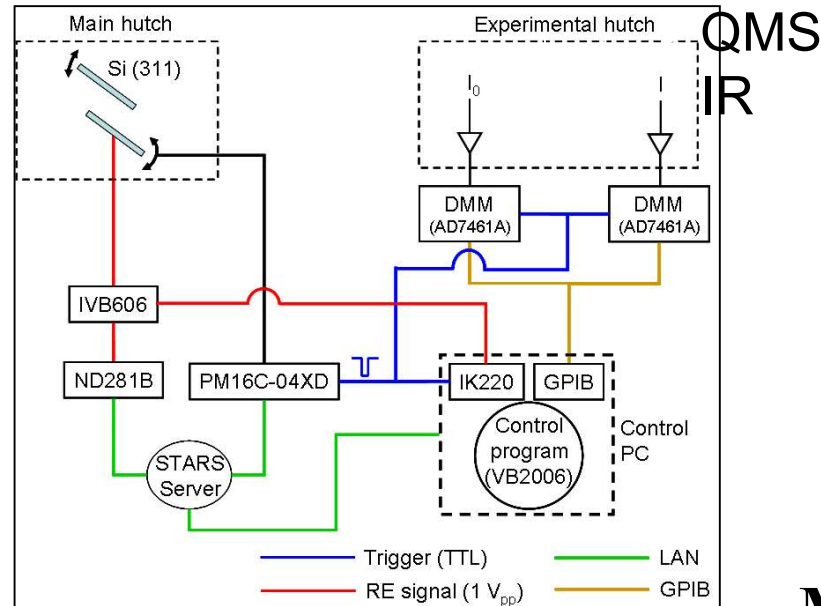
FT-IR and XANES

**Ni-S bond forms
then THT is formed.
Soon after the
formation of THT is
decomposed to H₂S
and**

Active phase formation



Time resolved --- in-situ QXAFS in BL9C



Monochromator is rotated quickly

PF 9C QXAFS beam line -> order of 10 s per spectrum.

[1] M. Nomura, K. Asakura et al., *AIP Conference Proceedings* 2007, 882, 896.

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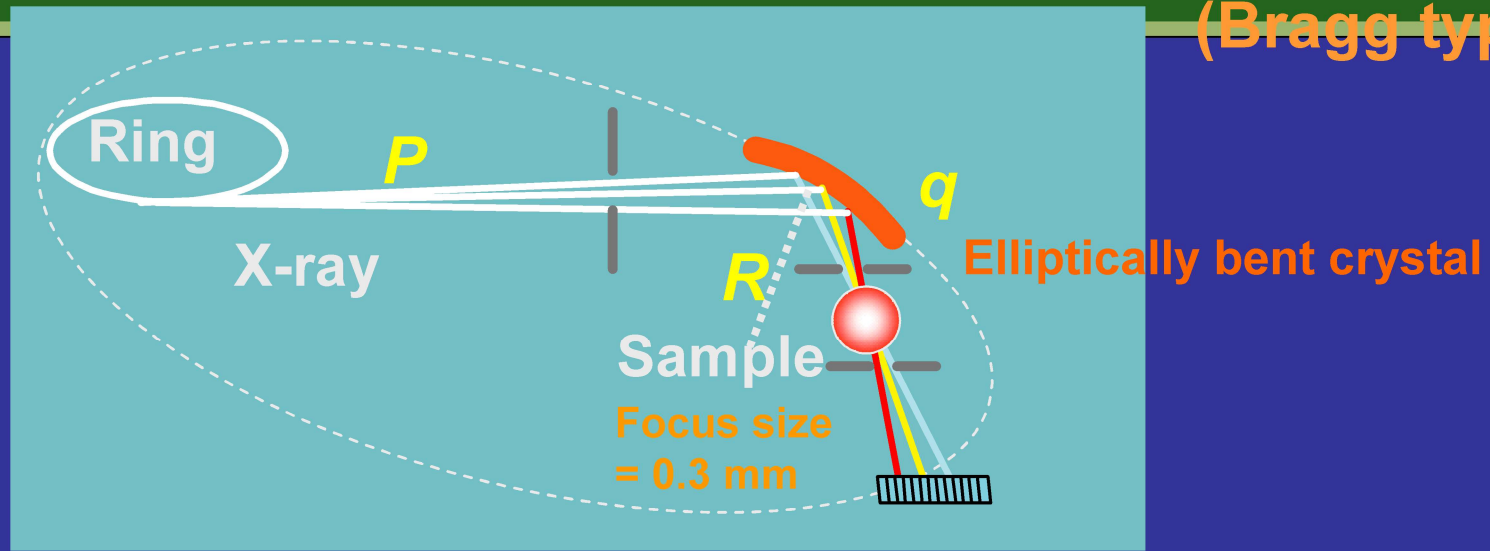
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Time-resolved EXAFS

- 1. [Ru₆C]/MgO catalysts during CO insertion reactions**
 - A. Suzuki, et al., *J. Phys. Chem. B* 2004, 108, 5609.
- 2. Rh/Al₂O₃ CO induced Rh cluster destruction**
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Diagram of energy dispersive XAFS(DXAFS) technique (Bragg type)



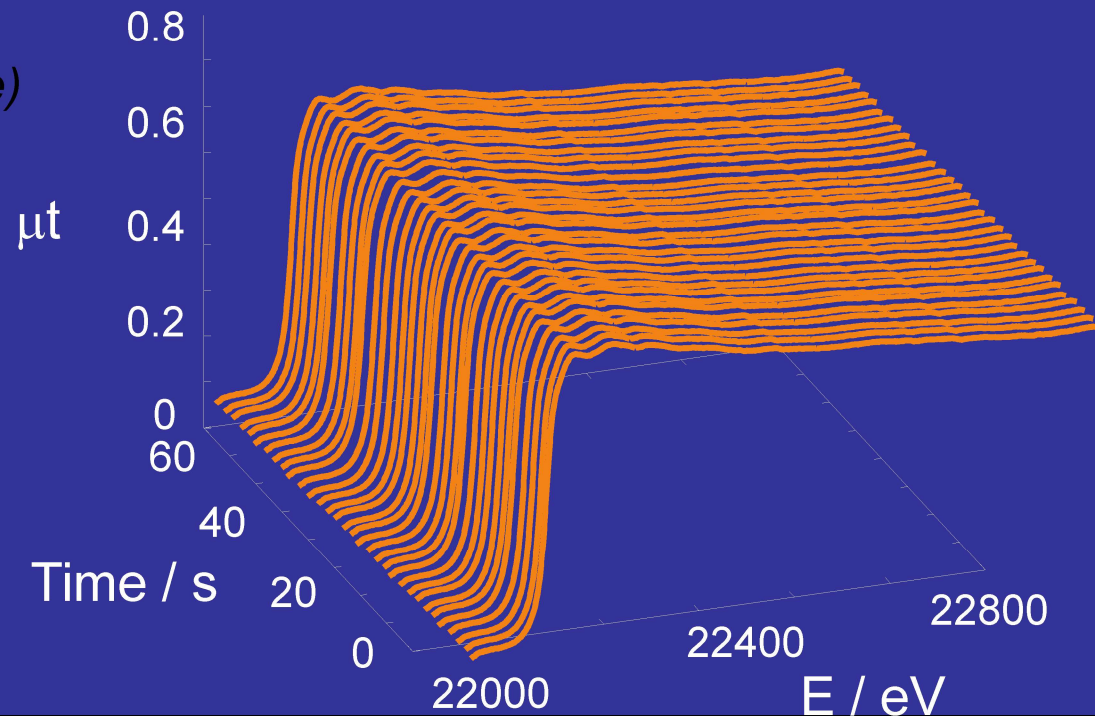
$\theta = 9.4$ degree (Rh K-edge)

$p = 30$ m

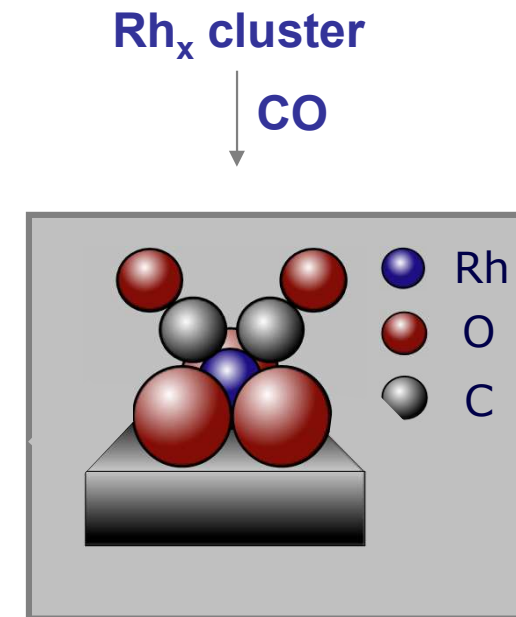
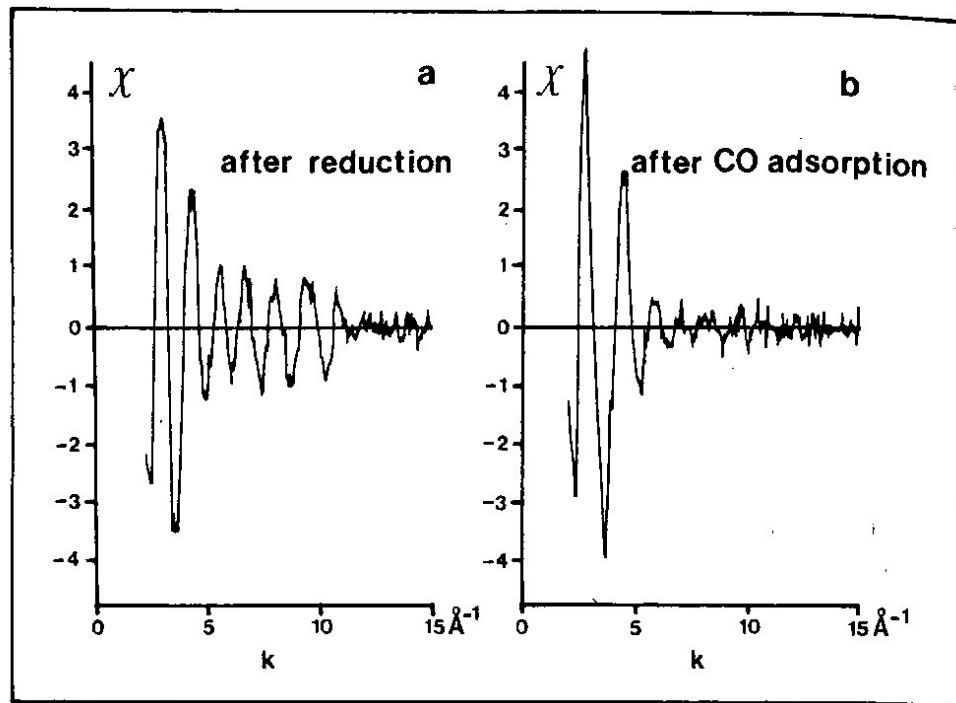
$q = 0.35$ m

$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{2}{R \sin \theta}$ □

$\Delta E/E = L \sin \theta \cot \theta / p$



Disruption of Rh clusters on Al₂O₃ surface by CO at RT



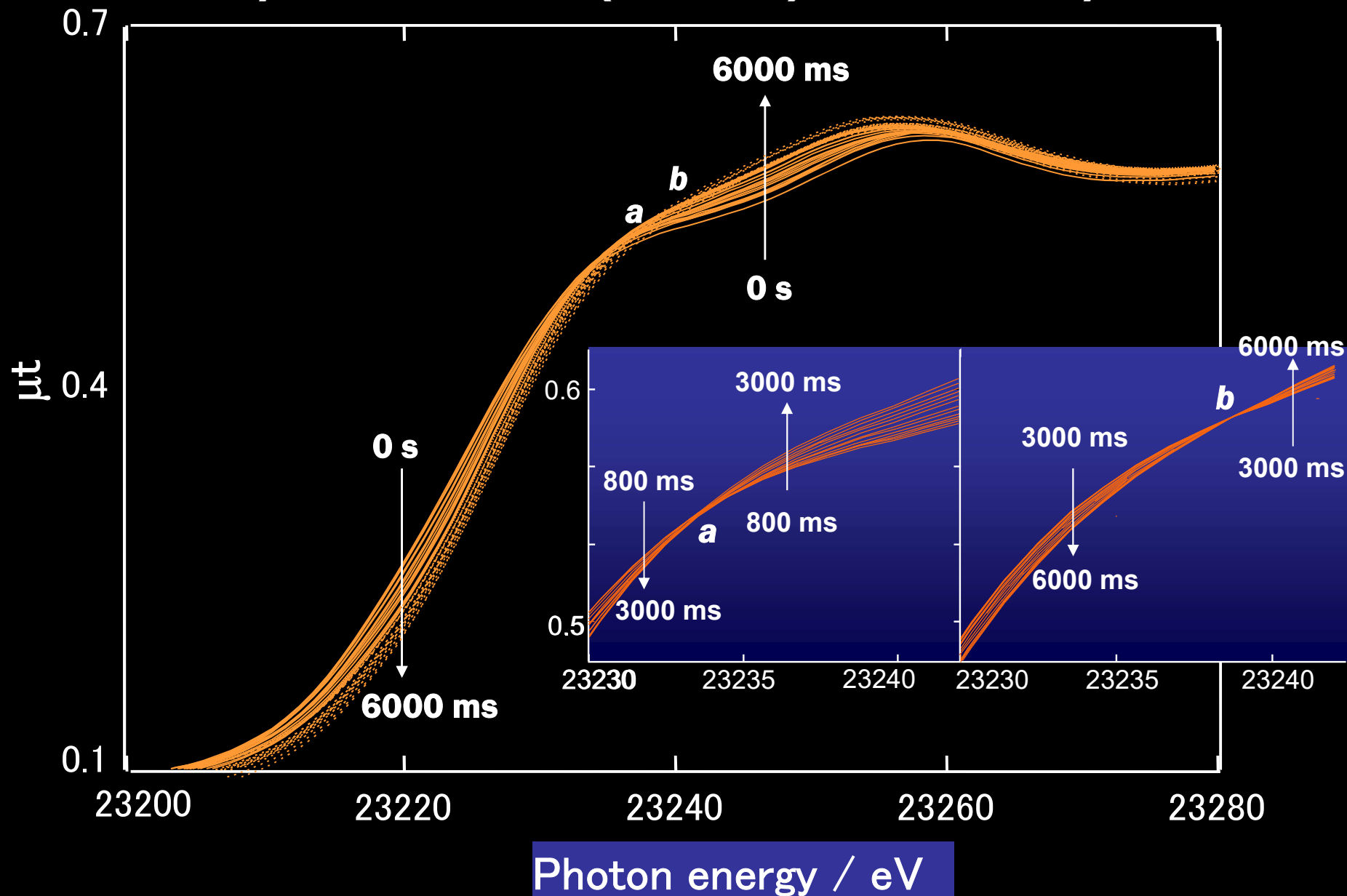
EXAFS Parameter Values for the 0.57 wt % Rh/γ-Al₂O₃ Catalyst after Reduction and CO Admission^a

treatment	coordination								
	Rh-Rh			Rh-O			Rh-CO		
	<i>N</i>	<i>R</i> (Å)	$\Delta\sigma^2 \times 10^2$ (Å ²)	<i>N</i>	<i>R</i> (Å)	$\Delta\sigma^2 \times 10^2$ (Å ²)	<i>N</i>	<i>R</i> (Å)	$\Delta\sigma^2 \times 10^2$ (Å ²)
reduction at 593 K	3.7	2.68	0.5	1.9	2.74	0.0			
reduction at 593 K, evacuation at 593 K, CO admission at 298 K				3.1	2.12	0.3	1.8		0.7

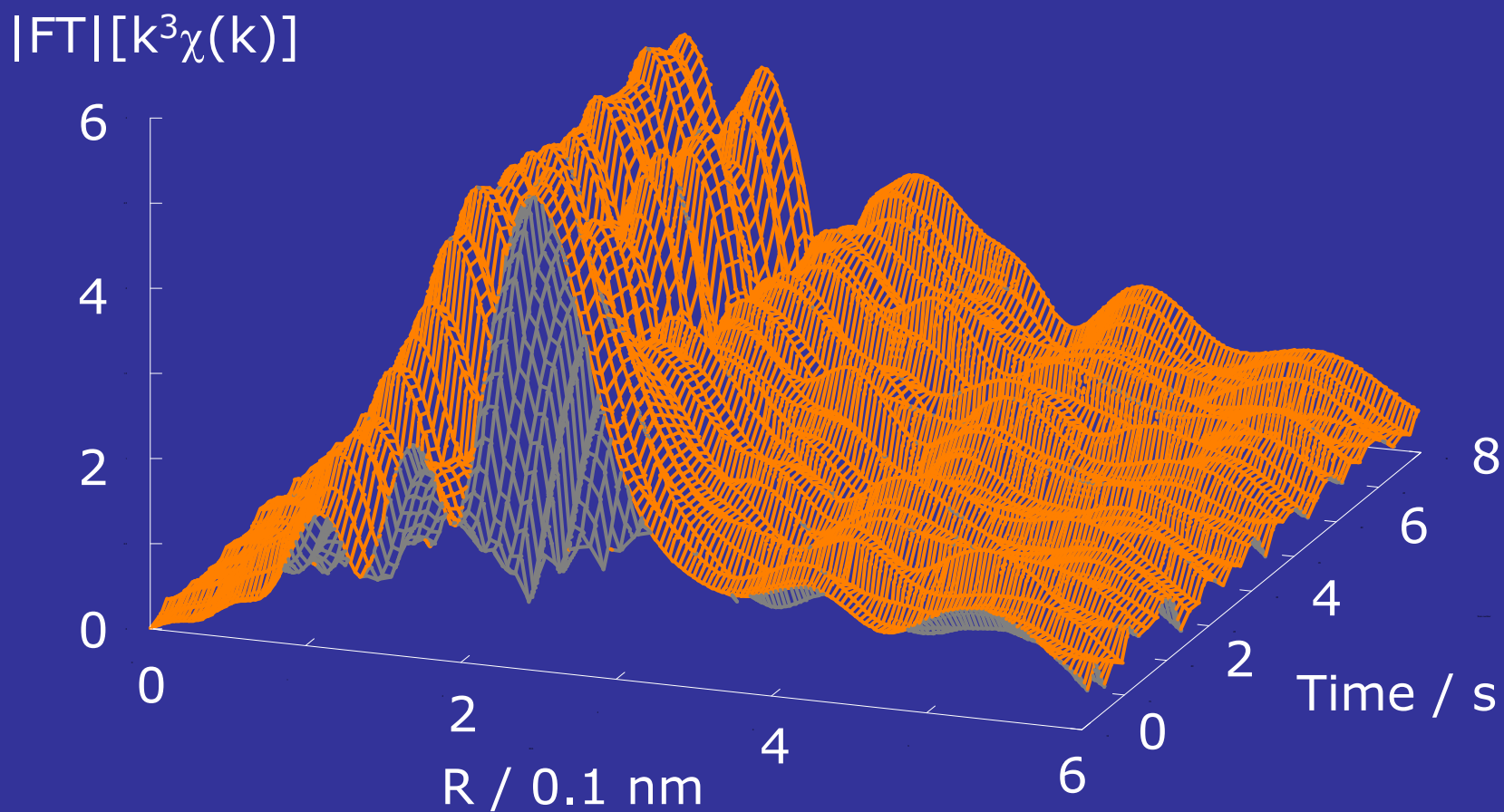
^a Accuracies: *N*, ±15%; *R*, ±1%; $\Delta\sigma^2$, ±15%.

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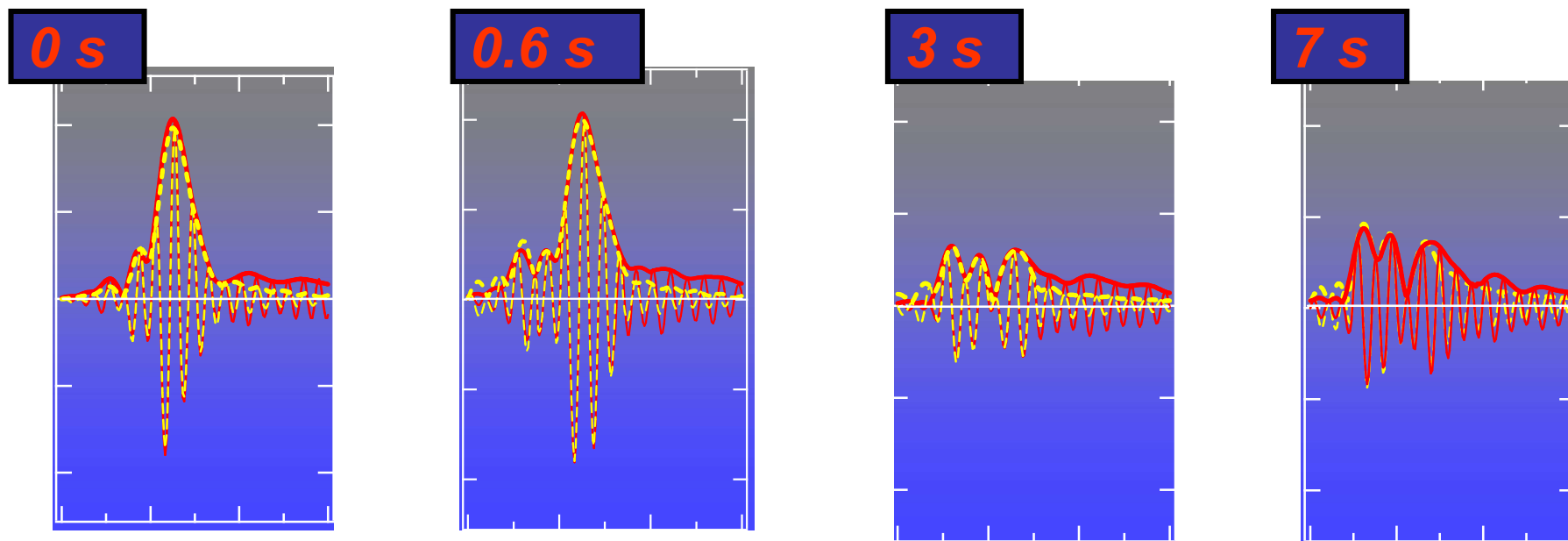
A series of XANES spectra at the Rh K-edge during the carbonylation under CO (26.7 kPa) at 298 K every 100 ms

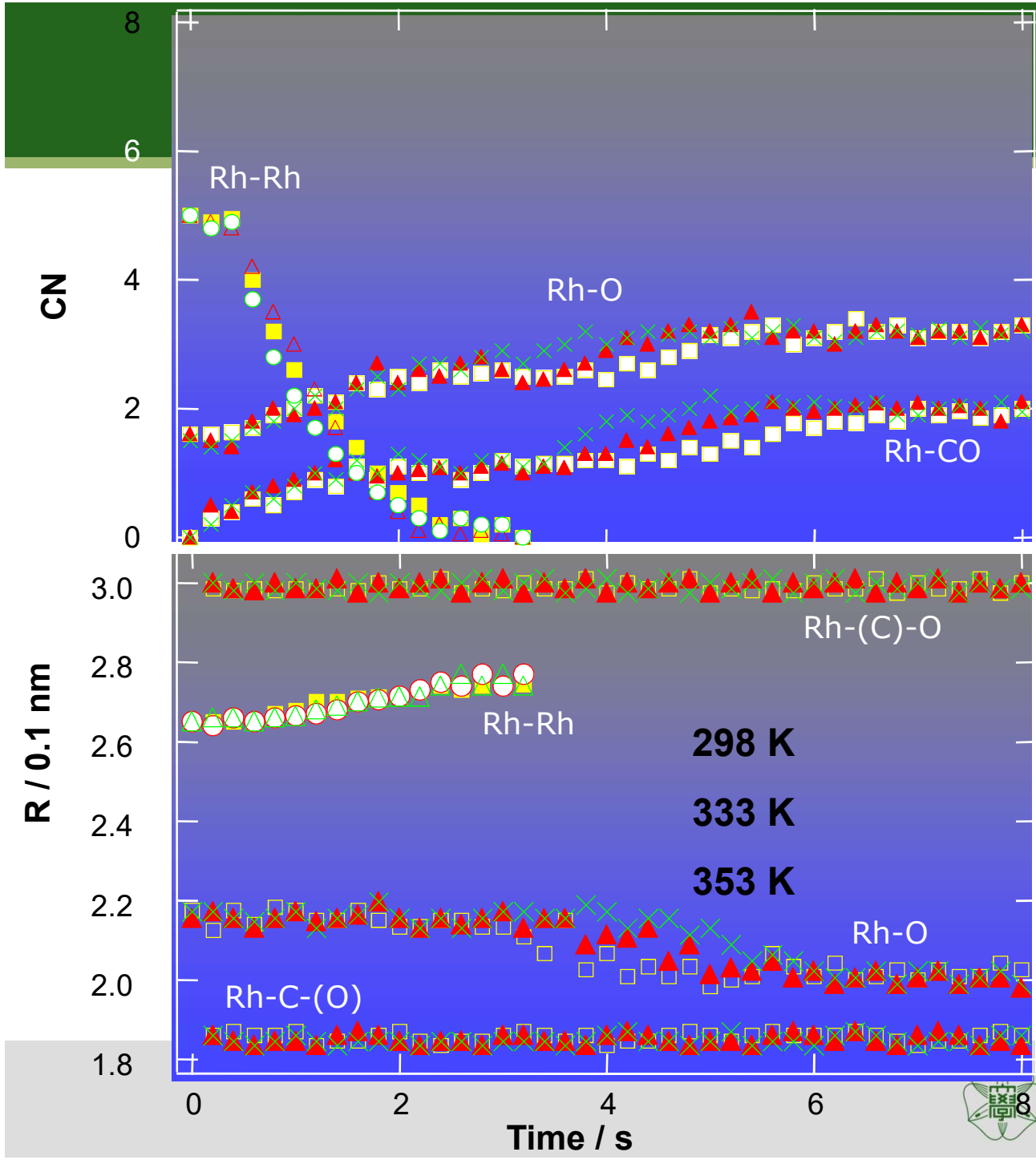


A series of k^3 -weighted EXAFS Fourier transformed functions at the Rh K-edge during the disintegration of Rh clusters on Al_2O_3 under CO (26.7 kPa)



The k^3 -weighted EXAFS Fourier transformed functions for Rh/ Al_2O_3 under CO (26.7 kPa) at 298 K measured by DXAFS together with the curve fittings of the observed FT data and their imaginary parts

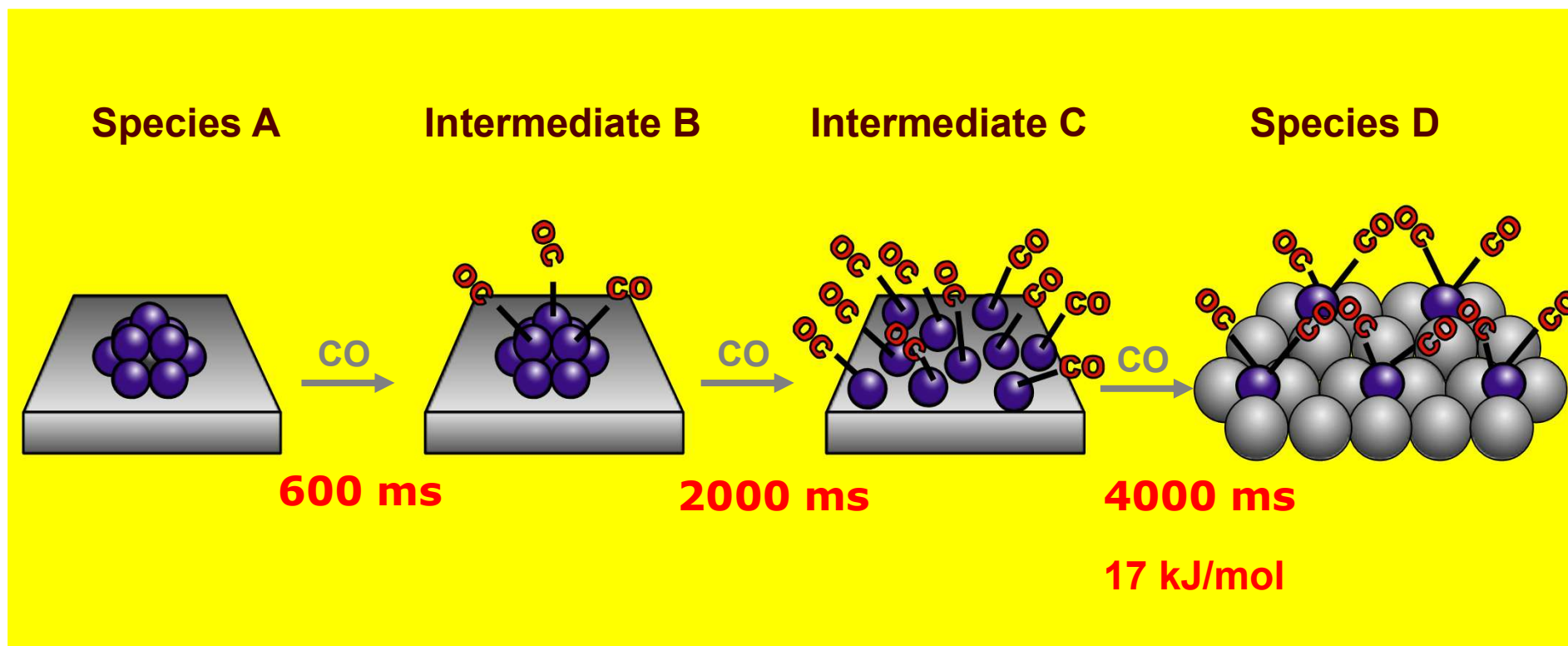




The values of coordination number (CN) and bond distance (R) determined by the curve fitting as a function of CO exposure time



Illustrative mechanism and time scale at 298 K for the disintegration of Rh clusters on Al_2O_3 during CO adsorption by time-resolved DXAFS



Metal – support interaction

Support - maintaining a highly dispersed state

It might show catalytic activity forming a bifunctional catalysis.

It affects the metal activity through metal support interaction.

Metal support interaction plays important roles in the catalyst.

- It stabilizes the small particle size.**
- It modifies the electronic state.**
- It modifies shape and geometry of metal particles.**

But there is no clear identification of the metal-support interaction.

In the conventional catalyst, EXAFS from metal-support interaction is hidden by strong framework EXAFS.