

Digital Pattern Simulations



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Pattern Simulations What?

Digital powder patterns can be calculated for all entries in the Powder Diffraction File.

Multiple patterns can be plotted to simulate experimental data.



Pattern Simulations Why?

Digital pattern calculations can be varied to account for instrumental and experimental conditions normally present in a diffraction experiment.

By using digital patterns, reference data can be adjusted to more closely simulate experimental data for either phase identification or quantitative analysis.



Pattern Simulations How?

The Powder Diffraction File (PDF) contains 3 basic types of data. Therefore, the simulations use 3 different algorithms to calculate a digital pattern from each type. In the PDF, the software automatically elects the appropriate algorithm based on the information available from the entry data.

Each algorithm can be adjusted for common experimental and instrumental factors.



Pattern Simulations

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calculated patterns in a simulation.

This changes only the selected pattern in the simulation.



From a PDF Entry



From an entry, select the Graph icon.

This will produce a digital diffraction pattern using default settings.





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Simulations with Experimental Data

The digital pattern module can be used interactively with the program Sleve+. (See the Identification – PDF-4 Sleve+ tutorial).

The program Sleve+ will search the database to find matches for experimental data based on Fink, Hanawalt or Long 8 search algorithms.

Sleve+ will examine the peak heights of the reference data and scale them to the experimental data. This scale factor is then input automatically into the digital plotting routines.



Sleve+ and Experimental Data

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Digital Patterns

- Can simulate crystallite size and other experimental conditions
- Useful for comparing data mining results
- Can be used to compare multiphase simulations with experimental results



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