Elastic scattering from atomic aggregates Part 2

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X-ray scattering from crystals Diffraction conditions

Scattering from crystals: amplitude



Sum over lattice points



From amplitude to intensity

$$\begin{split} \left(\sum_{m} e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{m}}\right) &\left(\sum_{n} e^{-i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{n}}\right) = \left(\sum_{m_{1}=0}^{N_{1}-1} e^{im_{1}\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}\right) \left(\sum_{n_{1}=0}^{N_{1}-1} e^{-in_{1}\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}\right) \times \cdots \times \cdots \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{iN_{1}\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}-1}{e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}-1}\right) \left(\frac{e^{-iN_{1}\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}-1}{e^{-i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}}-1}\right) \times \cdots \times \cdots \\ &= \frac{\sin^{2}\left(N_{1}\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}/2\right)}{\sin^{2}\left(\vec{K}\cdot\vec{a}_{1}/2\right)} \times \cdots \times \cdots \\ e^{ix} = \cos x - i\sin x} \quad \sin^{2}\frac{x}{2} = \frac{1-\cos x}{2} \end{split}$$

Laue interference function (1-dim)





Interference conditions (3-dim)

$$I_{e.u.}(\vec{K}) = \prod_{i=1}^{3} \frac{\sin^{2}(N_{i}\vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_{i}/2)}{\sin^{2}(\vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_{i}/2)} |F(\vec{K})|^{2}$$

$$N^{2} \text{ if } \qquad (\textbf{0} \text{ otherwise})$$

$$\frac{N^{2} \text{ if }}{\sqrt{n^{2} \text{ if }}} \qquad (\textbf{0} \text{ otherwise})$$

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Alternative derivation

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The scattered amplitude of a lattice is the FT of the lattice function

$$A_{\text{e.u.}}(\vec{K}) = \mathcal{F}[L(\vec{r})] = \sum_{\vec{T}} e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{T}}$$

For an infinite crystal, the FT of the lattice function is a lattice in reciprocal space

$$\mathcal{F}[L(\vec{r})] = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\vec{G}} \delta(\vec{K} - \vec{G})$$

 $\vec{K} = \vec{G}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{ccc} \vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_1 = & 2\pi \, h \\ \vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_2 = & 2\pi \, k \\ \vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_3 = & 2\pi \, \ell \end{array} \right\} \quad (h, k, \ell \text{ integer})$$

The Bragg condition (a)



The Bragg condition (b)



The Ewald construction

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(2-dimensional projection)



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(2-dimensional projection)



End of k_0 vector = origin of reciprocal space

Interference condition:

$$\vec{K} = \vec{G}$$

Scattering vector = reciprocal lattice vector

The condition is very difficult to fulfill even for one reflection

while

A large number of reflections is sought for structure determination



Ewald: single crystal

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Single crystal <u>Mono</u>chromatic radiation



The crystal orientation is varied 4-circles diffractometer

Single crystal <u>Poly</u>chromatic radiation



Ewald: powders

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Single crystal <u>Mono</u>chromatic radiation



Powders <u>Mono</u>chromatic radiation



Many single crystals randomly oriented

Powder diffraction rinciple



Ewald sphere and limiting sphere

(2-D projection) Limiting sphere **Ewald** sphere $\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k_{\text{in}}} \implies G_{\text{max}} = 2k_{\text{in}} = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \implies d_{\text{min}} = \frac{2\pi}{G_{\text{max}}} = \frac{\lambda}{2}$

$$\vec{K} = \vec{G}$$

fulfilled only if $\vec{G} \in$ limiting sphere

Further limitation: K-dependent atomic scattering factor

X-ray scattering from crystals Experimental methods

Monochromatic single crystal diffraction

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4-circles diffractometer

The sample orientation is varied with respect to the incident radiation





"White-beam" single crystal diffraction

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Forward scattering or backward scattering



Laue photograph of a complex silicate

Laboratory Powder Diffraction - Diffractometer



Laboratory Powder Diffraction – Debye-Scherrer camera



S.R. Powder Diffraction – Debye-Scherrer method



Laboratory powder diffraction



Powder Diffraction – Lab.vs.Synchrotron



Powder diffraction detection methods



X-ray scattering from crystals The structure factor

Structure factor





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Crystalline solids

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 \prod_{i=1}^3 \underbrace{\sin^2(N_i \vec{K} \cdot \vec{a}_i / 2)}_{i=1} \left| F(\vec{K}) \right|^2$$
Laue interference function Structure factor

Non-crystalline systems

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 |f(K)|^2 S(K)$$

Structure factor

Structure factor and selection rules

$$F\left(\vec{K}\right) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{\alpha}}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \exp\left[2\pi i(xh+yk+zl)\right]$$

$$\vec{K} = \vec{G} = h\vec{b}_{1} + k\vec{b}_{2} + l\vec{b}_{3}$$

Example: Orthorhombic lattice, Bragg reflections from (001) planes



Selection rules for fcc structure

$$F(\vec{K}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{\alpha}} \qquad \vec{R}_{\alpha} = \vec{K}$$
$$= \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \exp[2\pi i(xh + yk + zl)] \qquad \vec{K} = \vec{G} = k$$

$$\vec{R}_{\alpha} = x\vec{a}_{1} + y\vec{a}_{2} + z\vec{a}_{3}$$
$$\vec{K} = \vec{G} = h\vec{b}_{1} + k\vec{b}_{2} + l\vec{b}_{3}$$



Selection rules for diamond and zincblende

cubic conventional cell, 8 atoms per cell



Calculated pattern of Germanium (a)

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From selection rules:

$\left F\right ^2 = -$	0	hkl	mixed	
	$\int 32f^2$	hkl	odd	
]0	hkl	even	$h + k + l \neq 4n$
	$\left[64f^2\right]$	hkl	even	h + k + l = 4n



Cu Kα, λ=1.5425 Å





K-dependence of atomic scattering factor



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Cu Kα, λ=1.5425 Å

Lorentz factor in powder diffraction

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The intersections of the G spheres with the Ewald sphere are different for different G values

Lorentz factor
Calculated pattern of Germanium (d)

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for un-polarized beam

120

160

80

2 θ (deg)



Powder diffraction: info from peaks position



- Lattice constants
- Fingerprint (phases identification)
- Thermal expansion
- Defect structure
- Residual stresses

Powder diffraction: info from intensities



Powder diffraction: info from profile shape





• Perfect infinite sample	Dirac delta	
• Particle size broadening	$\Delta(2\theta) = k\lambda/L\cos\theta$	L = average size, k = constant
 Microstrain broadening 	$\Delta(2\theta) = \eta \tan \theta$	$\eta = strain$

Powder diffraction and structure refinement

1st step:	Peaks Indexing $ ightarrow$ size and symmetry of the unit cell				
2nd step:	Measured intensities -> Structure factor				
3rd step:	Structure factor \rightarrow Structural model guess				
4th step:	Refinement of structural model				
	by fit to the entire powder profile (Rietveld method)				

Getting structural info from scattering The phase problem

Structure factor and electron density

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The structure factor is the F.T. of the electron density of a cell

$$F(\vec{K}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\vec{K}) e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{\alpha}}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} \left[\int_{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha}(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{r}} d\vec{r} \right] e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}_{\alpha}}$$

$$= \int_{\text{cell}} \rho(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{r}} d\vec{r}$$

$$F(-\vec{K}) = F^{*}(\vec{K})$$

$$F(-\vec{K})^{2} = \left|F(\vec{K})\right|^{2}$$
Friedel law

Discrete diffraction peaks

$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{h,k,\ell=-\infty}^{+\infty} F(hk\ell) \exp[-2\pi i(xh+yk+z\ell)]$$

The phase problem



The Patterson method

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The Patterson function is the F.T. of the scattered intensity

$$P(\vec{R}) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{h,k,\ell=-\infty}^{+\infty} I(hk\ell) \exp[-i\vec{K}\cdot\vec{R}],$$

and corresponds to the density-density autocorrelation function

$$P(\vec{R}) = \left\langle \rho_e(\vec{r}) \rho_e(\vec{R} - \vec{r}) \right\rangle$$

The Patterson map gives peaks in correspondence of all interatomic vector distances, translated at the origin of real space (3D RDF).

Effects of atomic vibrations

Static crystal approximation

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Beyond the static crystal approximation: atomic vibrations

• zero point thermal

Effect of atomic vibrations (monatomic crystal)



Average over instantaneous displacements

Debye-Waller factor (monatomic crystals)

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Two equal atoms

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left\langle \left(\vec{K}\cdot\vec{u}_{m}\right)^{2}\right\rangle} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left\langle \left(\vec{K}\cdot\vec{u}_{n}\right)^{2}\right\rangle} = e^{-2W(T,K)}$$

Partition of total scattering intensity

Laue scattering





Diffuse scattering

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Benzil, $C_{14}H_{10}O_2$



Wüstite, $Fe_{1-x}O$, viewed down [001],

Complex distribution of defect clusters (structural disorder)

Synchrotron Radiation and diffraction

Tunability



Possibility of selecting the beam energy

High energy > High K > useful for amorphous systems

Tunability and resonant scattering

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MAD (Multi-wavelength Anomalous Diffraction)

Possibility of distinguishing neighbouring elements (similar Z)

> Partial PDF in non-crystalline materials: M(M+1)/2





- > Angular accuracy, better indexing of patterns
- > Better extraction of intensities, structure solution
- In-situ dynamic measurements
- ➢ Grazing incidence → surface structure
- Pressure studies

High pressure studies



In-situ dynamic studies



Macromolecular crystallography (MX)

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High intensityTunabilityCollimation



A schematic representation of the structure of F1-ATPase, which contains the catalytic sites where ATP is synthesised.

Macromolecular crystals

Production of single crystals from supersaturated solution

- Trial and error empirical approaches
- High purity requirements
- Nucleation, growth, end of growth
- Growth time varying from hours to months
- Improved quality under 'microgravity' conditions (in space)

Crystals of organic materials

- Volume < 0.1 mm³, lattice parameters > 100 Å
- Linear size 10-100 μm
- Weak interaction between molecules
- Stabilisation energy < protein folding energy
- Poor mechanical stability, high solvent content



Protein and virus crystals, grown on Space Stations

Diffraction by macromolecular crystals (1)

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Sample

- Contained in thin-walled capillary, together with solvent
- Capillary mounted on goniometer head for orientation
- Cooling to LN to reduce radiation damage (fast freezing to avoid water cryst.)

Measurement set ups

- 1. Monochromatic X rays > rotation of the crystal
- 2. White beam Laue technique

Radiation damage

- Absorption of X-rays > free radicals (OH) > damage the proteins
- Lower for higher energies (reduced absorption)
- Reduced by cooling the sample



Diffraction by macromolecular crystals (2)

The phase problem

Various methods available > estimate of the electron density



Model building

Crystallographic refinement (least squares)



Neutron scattering

Elastic neutron scattering

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For each pair of positions m,n: $\langle b_m b_n \rangle$ = average over isotopes and nuclear spins

Neutron cross sections (a)



Neutron cross sections (b)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} \langle b_{m} b_{n} \rangle e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{k}_{mn}}$$
Alternative derivation
$$\left\langle b_{m} b_{n} \rangle = \begin{cases} \langle b^{2} \rangle & \text{if } m = n \\ \langle b_{m} \rangle \langle b_{n} \rangle = \langle b \rangle^{2} & \text{if } m \neq n \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\langle b_{m} b_{n} \rangle = \langle b \rangle^{2} + \delta_{mn} \left[\langle b^{2} \rangle - \langle b \rangle^{2} \right] \\ \text{mean variance} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \langle b \rangle^{2} \sum_{m,n} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{k}_{mn}} + N \left[\langle b^{2} \rangle - \langle b \rangle^{2} \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{coherent}} + \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{incoherent}}$$

Coherent and incoherent elastic scattering



An example: random spins



Examples for different isotopes

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Nuclide	σ_{coh}	$\sigma_{\sf inc}$	Nuclide	σ_{coh}	$\sigma_{\sf inc}$
¹ H	1.8	80.2	V	0.02	5.0
² H	5.6	2.0	Fe	11.5	0.4
С	5.6	0.0	Со	1.0	5.2
0	4.2	0.0	Cu	7.5	0.5
AI	1.5	0.0	³⁶ Ar	24.9	0.0

• Difference between hydrogen and deuterium

• Vanadium is used for containers

http://webster.ncnr.nist.gov/resources/n-lengths/

Silica: neutrons .vs. X-rays



Amorphous SiO₂


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