

Structure of Periodic Solids

xtal : Infinite repeat of identical units.

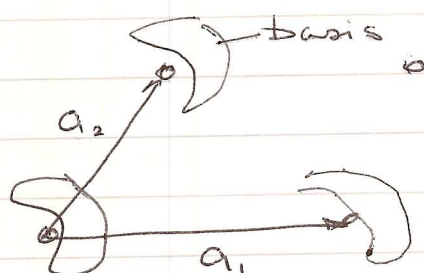
basis : Repeating unit

Lattice : Translation vector

$$\vec{R} = n_1 \vec{a}_1 + n_2 \vec{a}_2 + n_3 \vec{a}_3$$

$\{\vec{R}\} \Rightarrow$ Bravais lattice

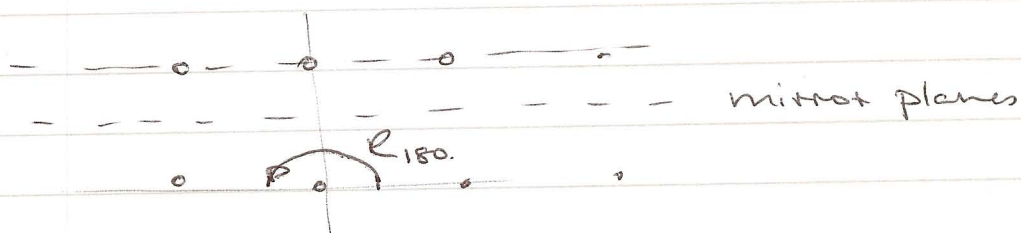
primitive translation vector.



Symmetries: — $T = \sum_i n_i \vec{a}_i$

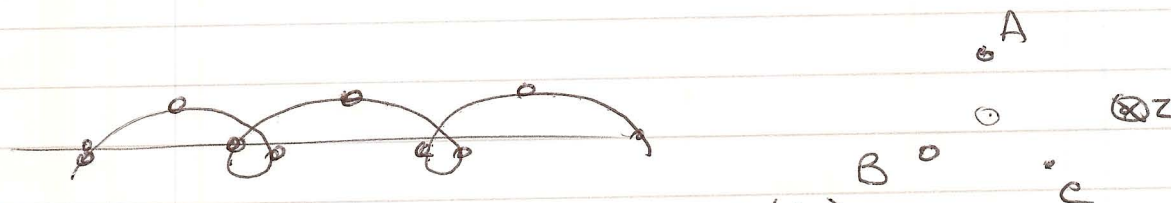
Point group symm. $R \equiv$ Rotations / Reflections.

2D $\square$ lattice



Space group — All possible $T+R$

[N.B. Maybe $T+R$ symm, T, R separately not.



$$\Rightarrow T\left(\frac{1}{3} \text{ latt const}\right) + R\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

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3D Lattices

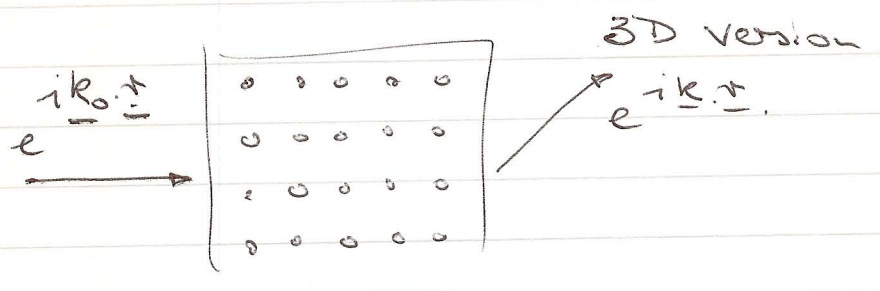
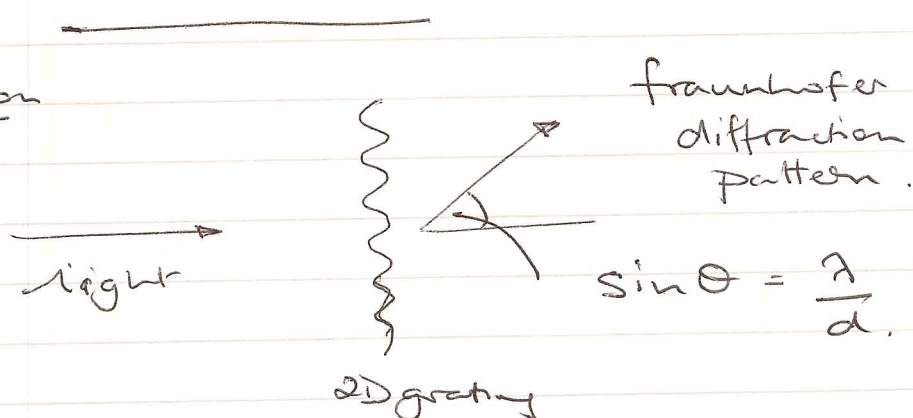
7 distinct point groups — crystal symmetries

→ 14 Bravais lattices

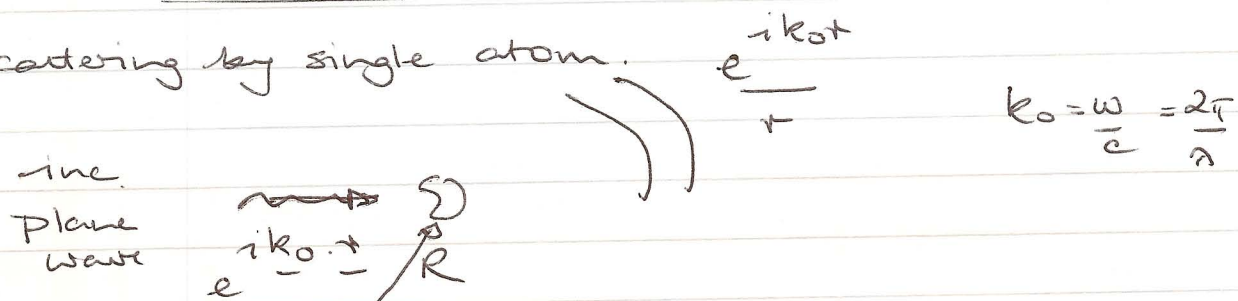
[Simple cubic → bcc → fcc]

32 distinct point groups

230 different space groups

Diffraction

Scattering by single atom.



Weak scattering — 1st Born Approx

$$\psi \propto e^{i\mathbf{k}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}} + f(\theta) \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R})}}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}|} e^{i\mathbf{k}_0 \cdot \mathbf{R}}$$

Now $|t| \gg |R|$

$$k_0 |t - R| = k_0 \sqrt{t^2 + R^2 - 2 \underline{t} \cdot \underline{R}}^{1/2}$$

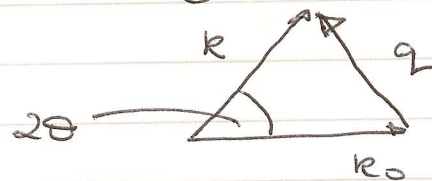
$$\approx k_0 t - k_0 \underline{t} \cdot \underline{R}$$

$$= k_0 t - \underline{k} \cdot \underline{R}$$

Scattered wave
 $\underline{k} = k_0 \underline{t} / |t|$

Scattered wave
 ψ_{scat}

$$f(\theta) e^{\frac{i k_0 t}{t}} e^{-i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{R}} e^{i \underline{k}_0 \cdot \underline{R}}$$



Many scatterers:

$$\psi_{\text{scat}} = f(\theta) e^{\frac{i k_0 t}{t}} \sum_{\underline{R}} e^{i \underline{q} \cdot \underline{R}}$$

in general varies in
phase $\sum \rightarrow 0$

Except if $\underline{q} \cdot \underline{R}_i = 2\pi m_i$

Set of vectors $\underline{G}$ that satisfy

$$\underline{G} \cdot \underline{R} = 2\pi \times \text{integer} \Rightarrow \text{recip lattice}$$

Ans: $\vec{b}_i = \frac{2\pi}{\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_2 \wedge \vec{a}_3} \vec{a}_2 \wedge \vec{a}_3 + \text{cyclic perm.}$

By inspection. $\vec{b}_i \cdot \vec{a}_j = 2\pi \delta_{ij}$

Form Lattice of $\vec{b}$'s just like lattice
of $\vec{a}$'s.

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Brillouin zones & Bragg's Law

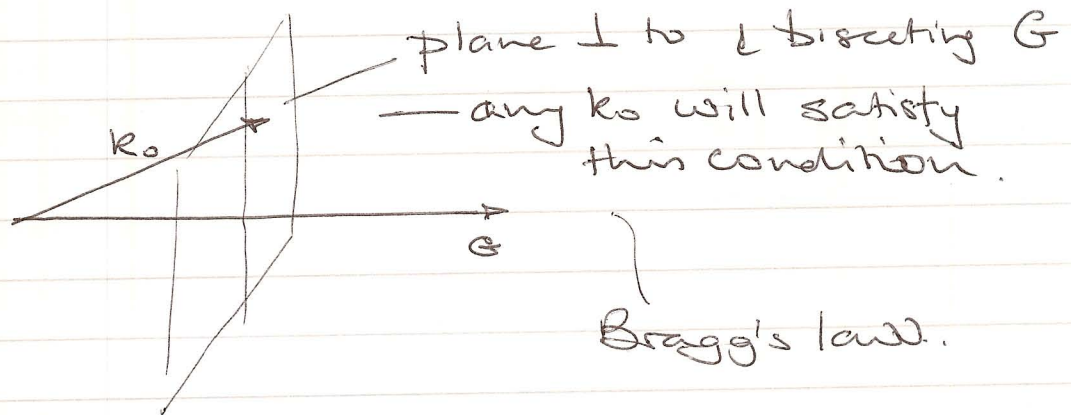
$$|k| = |k_0| \quad \text{Cons of Energy}$$

$$\hbar k = \hbar k_0 + \hbar G \quad \text{diffraction condition}$$

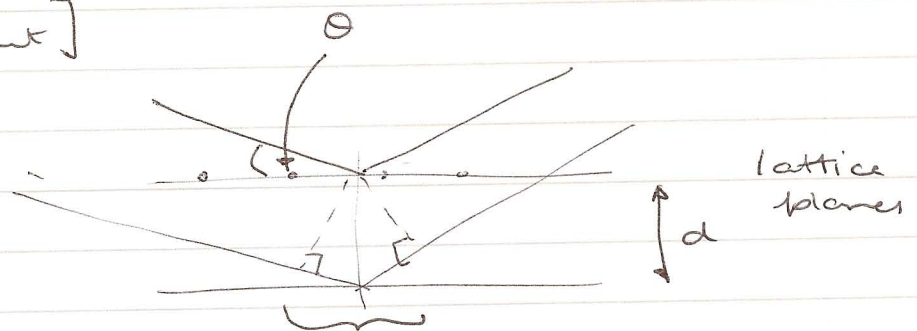
$$\therefore k^2 = k_0^2 + G^2 + 2k_0 \cdot G$$

send $G \rightarrow -G$, still in set.

$$\therefore \underline{k_0} \cdot \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} = \left| \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} \right|^2$$



[Bragg argument]



constructive interference
if $2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$

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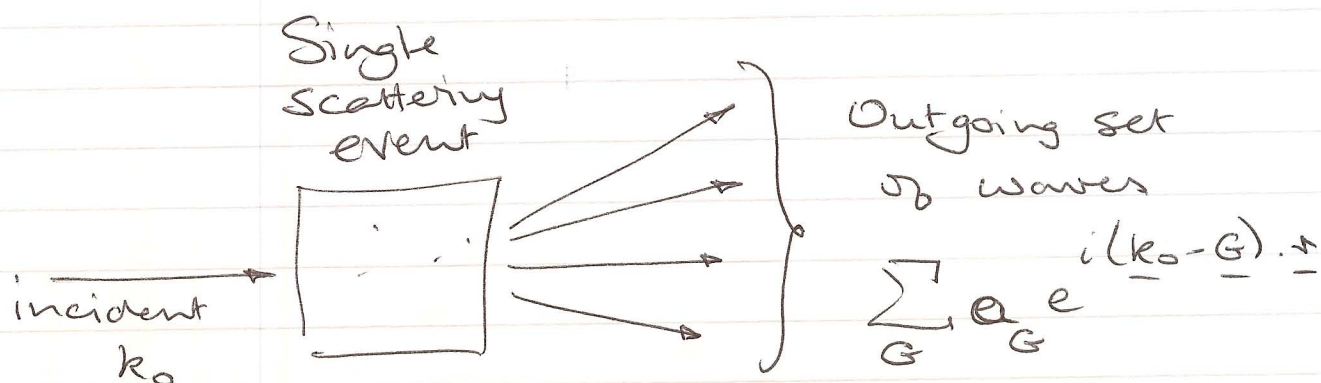
Consistent:

$$|G| = \frac{2\pi}{d} \cdot n \quad |k_0| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\underline{k_0} \cdot \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin \theta \cdot \left| \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} \right| = \left| \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} \right|^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin \theta = \left| \underline{\frac{1}{2}G} \right| = \frac{\pi n}{d}$$

X-ray determination of xtal structure



— measure $\underline{G}$'s $\rightarrow$ reciprocal lattice $\rightarrow$ lattice

— measure $a_{\underline{G}}$ $\rightarrow$ "form factors" — detailed structure of "basis".

Electrons — single scattering approx no good

$\rightarrow$ multiple scattering (complicated)

BUT

$$\underline{k} \rightarrow \underline{k} + \underline{G} \rightarrow \underline{k} + \underline{G}' \rightarrow \dots$$

Always momentum changes in units of $\underline{G}$ — "fractional" part of $\underline{k}$ is a good quantum number.

— fundamental symmetry, Bloch's Th^m.