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$$\therefore \vec{a}^* = 2\pi \frac{\vec{b} \times \vec{c}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c}} = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{i} + \hat{j}),$$

$$\vec{b}^* = 2\pi \frac{\vec{c} \times \vec{a}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c}} = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{c}^* = 2\pi \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{b}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c}} = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{i} + \hat{k})$$

Reciprocal of fcc lattice

$$\vec{a} = \frac{a}{2} (\hat{i} + \hat{j}), \quad \vec{b} = \frac{a}{2} (\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{c} = \frac{a}{2} (\hat{i} + \hat{k})$$

volume of primitive cell $= \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = a^3/4$

and $\vec{a}^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \quad \vec{b}^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}), \quad \vec{c}^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$

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Crystal diffraction

Why use X-ray for crystallography?

Atomic spacing (say for NaCl) is 2.8 \AA . When X-ray is produced by accelerating electrons through a potential difference V ,

$$eV = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = \frac{hc}{eV} = \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8}{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 10^4} \quad (\text{say } V = 10 \text{ kV})$$

$$= 1.24 \text{ \AA}$$

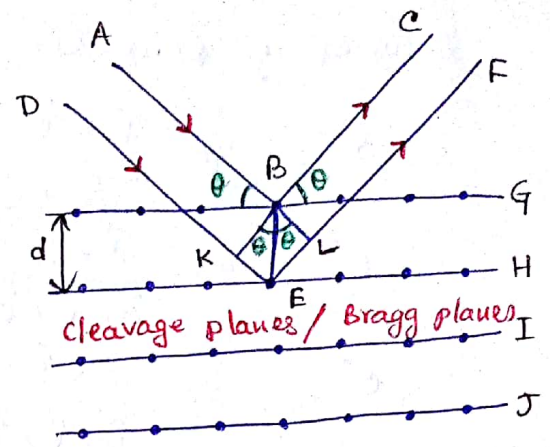
$\lambda_{\text{X-ray}} \approx a$ (elastic scattering without change in λ)

$\lambda_{\text{visible/UV}} \gg a$ (reflection or refraction)

$\lambda_{\text{X-ray}} \ll a$ (small angle diffraction)

Bragg's law for crystal diffraction

Maximum intensity from reflected beam (waves) from two different atomic planes (cleavage planes) with path difference equal to integral multiple of λ x-ray.



Path difference between ray $[AB, BC]$ & $[DE, EF]$ is $KE + EL$

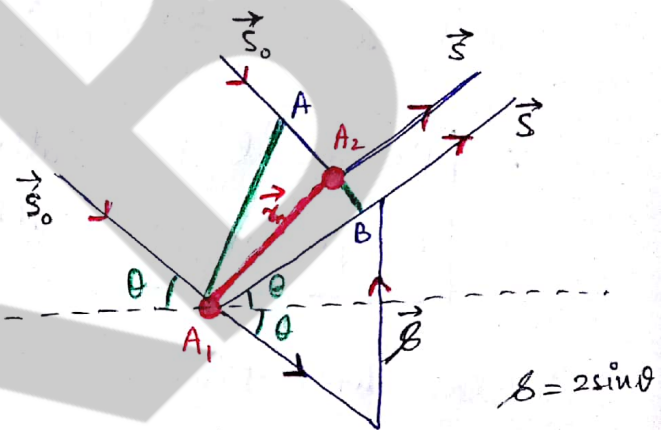
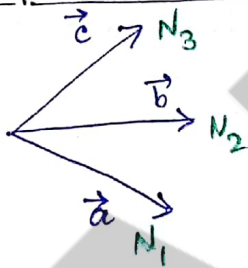
$$= d \sin \theta + d \sin \theta = 2d \sin \theta.$$

So for constructive interference,

$$2d \sin \theta = n\lambda, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \Rightarrow \text{"Bragg's law."}$$

$\lambda, \theta = \text{known}, \quad d = \text{unknown.}$

Laue's equation of XRD



Assumptions: (a) The primary X-ray beam travels within the crystal at the speed of light. (b) Each scattered wavelet travels through the crystal without getting rescattered.

Say N_1 number of points along direction \vec{a}
 N_2 number of points along direction \vec{b}
 N_3 number of points along direction \vec{c}

Total $N = N_1 N_2 N_3$ points in the crystal lattice.

Path difference between two x-rays is $d = \vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{S} - \vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{S}_0 = \vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{\delta}$

$$\therefore \text{Phase difference is } \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{\delta} = k \vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{\delta}$$

remember: \vec{S}, \vec{S}_0 unit vector, $|\vec{\delta}| = \delta = 2 \sin \theta$, $\vec{r}_n = n^{\text{th}}$ lattice point from origin $= \vec{r} = n_1 \vec{a} + n_2 \vec{b} + n_3 \vec{c}$.

If y is the displacement of the scattered wave from origin at a distance R at time t with amplitude A_0 , then

$$y_0 = \frac{A_0}{R} e^{i\omega t} \quad \therefore \text{displacement from } \vec{r}_n \text{ is}$$

$$y = \frac{A_0}{R} e^{i\omega t} e^{ik\vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{S}}$$

\therefore Total displacement due to the whole Bravais lattice is

$$Y = \sum_{\text{all points}} \frac{A_0}{R} e^{i\omega t} e^{ik\vec{r}_n \cdot \vec{S}}$$

$$= \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} \sum_{n_3=0}^{N_3-1} e^{ik[(n_1\vec{a} + n_2\vec{b} + n_3\vec{c}) \cdot \vec{S}]} \frac{A_0}{R} e^{i\omega t}$$

$$= \frac{A_0}{R} e^{i\omega t} \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} e^{ikn_1\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} e^{ikn_2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{S}} \sum_{n_3=0}^{N_3-1} e^{ikn_3\vec{c} \cdot \vec{S}}$$

Now $\sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} e^{ikn_1\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} = 1 + e^{ik\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} + e^{i2k\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} + \dots + e^{i(N_1-1)k\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}}$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{iN_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}}{1 - e^{i(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}}$$

$$\therefore \left(\sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} e^{ikn_1\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} \right) \left(\sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} e^{ikn_1\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S}} \right)^* = \frac{1 - e^{iN_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}}{1 - e^{i(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}} \times \frac{1 - e^{-iN_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}}{1 - e^{-i(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \cos\{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\} + i\sin\{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\}}{1 - \cos\{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\} - i\sin\{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\}} \times$$

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$$= \frac{(1 - \cos\{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\})^2 + (\sin\{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\})^2}{(1 - \cos\{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\})^2 + (\sin\{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\})^2}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \cos\{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\}}{1 - \cos\{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K\}} = \frac{\sin^2\left\{\frac{N_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}{2}\right\}}{\sin^2\left\{\frac{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{S})K}{2}\right\}} = \frac{\sin^2(N_1\psi_1)}{\sin^2(\psi_1)}$$

where $\psi_1 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{s}$.

\therefore Total intensity $I = Y Y^* = \left(\frac{|A_0|}{R} \right)^2 \frac{\sin^2(N_1 \psi_1)}{\sin^2 \psi_1} \frac{\sin^2(N_2 \psi_2)}{\sin^2 \psi_2} \frac{\sin^2(N_3 \psi_3)}{\sin^2 \psi_3}$

$$\psi_1 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{s} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} |\vec{a}| |\vec{s}| \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} a 2 \sin \theta \cos \alpha = \frac{2\pi a \sin \theta \cos \alpha}{\lambda}$$

Similarly $\psi_2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} \vec{b} \cdot \vec{s} = \frac{2\pi b \sin \theta \cos \beta}{\lambda}$,
 $\psi_3 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} \vec{c} \cdot \vec{s} = \frac{2\pi c \sin \theta \cos \gamma}{\lambda}$

[Notice the analogy of \vec{s} with $[h, k, l]$ plane with angles α, β, γ]

In $\lim_{\psi_1 \rightarrow h\pi}$, $\frac{\sin^2(N_1 \psi_1)}{\sin^2 \psi_1}$ is maximum $= N_1^2$

Similarly $\lim_{\psi_2 \rightarrow k\pi} \frac{\sin^2(N_2 \psi_2)}{\sin^2 \psi_2} = N_2^2$, $\lim_{\psi_3 \rightarrow l\pi} \frac{\sin^2(N_3 \psi_3)}{\sin^2 \psi_3} = N_3^2$

Then $I_{\max} = \left(\frac{|A_0|}{R} \right)^2 N_1^2 N_2^2 N_3^2 = \frac{|A_0|^2}{R^2} N^2$

$\therefore \frac{2\pi a \sin \theta \cos \alpha}{\lambda} = h\pi$,

$\frac{2\pi b \sin \theta \cos \beta}{\lambda} = k\pi$,

$\frac{2\pi c \sin \theta \cos \gamma}{\lambda} = l\pi$,

$2a \sin \theta \cos \alpha = h\lambda$

$2b \sin \theta \cos \beta = k\lambda$

$2c \sin \theta \cos \gamma = l\lambda$

"Laue equations".

Bragg's law from Laue equations

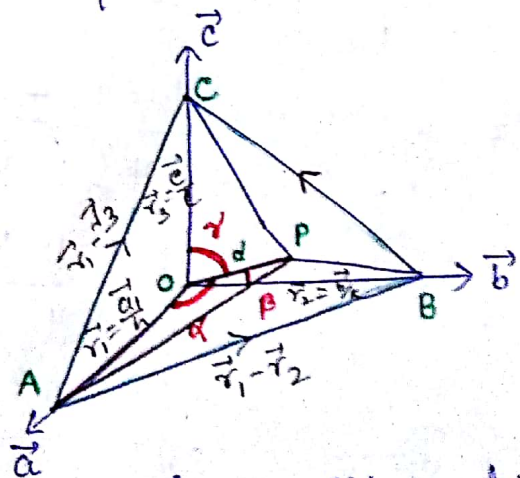
From Laue equation, direction cosines of \vec{s} are

$\cos \alpha = \frac{h\lambda}{2a \sin \theta}$, $\cos \beta = \frac{k\lambda}{2b \sin \theta}$,

$\cos \gamma = \frac{l\lambda}{2c \sin \theta}$.

But also see that if (h, k, l) is a miller plane with equation

$\frac{x}{a/h} + \frac{y}{b/k} + \frac{z}{c/l} = 1$ then $\frac{a}{h} \cos \alpha = \frac{b}{k} \cos \beta = \frac{c}{l} \cos \gamma = d$.



∴ The direction cosines of \vec{r} are also proportional to $1/a, 1/b, 1/c$, so the X-ray is diffracted from \vec{r}_0 to \vec{r} by the miller plane (h, k, l) .

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore d &= \frac{a}{h} \cos \alpha = \frac{a}{h} \frac{h\lambda}{2a \sin \theta} = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{b}{k} \cos \beta = \frac{b}{k} \frac{k\lambda}{2b \sin \theta} = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{c}{l} \cos \gamma = \frac{c}{l} \frac{l\lambda}{2c \sin \theta} = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \theta}\end{aligned}$$

Note that h, k, l of Laue equation aren't necessarily identical with Miller indices but may contain a common factor n .

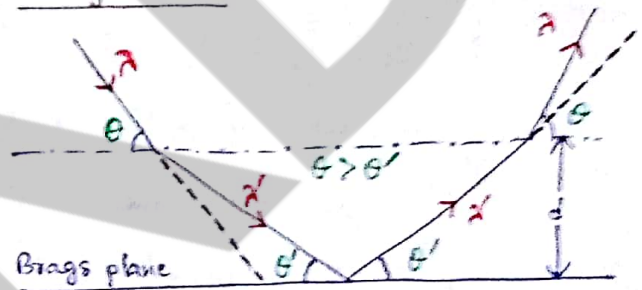
$$\therefore 2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$$

with d = adjacent interplanar spacing with Miller indices

$$\frac{h}{n}, \frac{k}{n} \& \frac{l}{n}.$$

Modification of Bragg's law due to refraction

Refraction of X-rays due to change in wavelength & angle of incidence because of the refractive index of the crystal.



$$\text{Bragg's equation } n\lambda' = 2d \sin \theta'$$

$$\text{Using Snell's law, the refractive index is } \mu = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda'} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta'}$$

$$\therefore n \frac{\lambda}{\mu} = 2d \sqrt{1 - \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\mu^2}}$$

$$\therefore n\lambda = 2d \sqrt{\mu^2 - \cos^2 \theta} = 2d \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta - (1 - \mu^2)} = 2d \sin \theta \sqrt{1 - \frac{1 - \mu^2}{\sin^2 \theta}}$$

$$\approx 2d \sin \theta \left(1 - \frac{1 - \mu^2}{2 \sin^2 \theta}\right)$$

$$\approx 2d \sin \theta \left(1 - \frac{2(1 - \mu)}{2 \sin^2 \theta}\right)$$

$$\approx 2d \sin \theta \left(1 - (1 - \mu) \frac{4d^2}{n^2 \lambda^2}\right)$$

$$n\lambda = 2d \sin \theta \left[1 - \frac{4d^2(1 - \mu)}{n^2 \lambda^2}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}[1 - \mu^2 &= (1 + \mu)(1 - \mu) \\ &\approx 2(1 - \mu) \text{ as } \mu \approx 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}[2d \sin \theta &= n\lambda \\ \text{or } \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} &= \frac{4d^2}{n^2 \lambda^2}]\end{aligned}$$

∴ The correction term $\frac{4d^2(1 - \mu)}{n^2 \lambda^2}$ is small & becomes more small as " n " increases.