

6.730 Physics for Solid State Applications

Lecture 6: Periodic Structures

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Outline

- Point Lattices
- Crystal Structure = Lattice + Basis
- Fourier Transform Review
- 1D Periodic Crystal Structures: Mathematics

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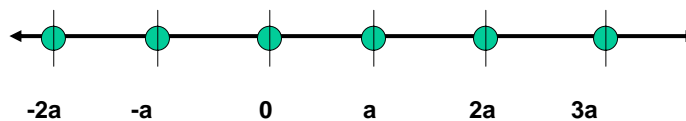
Point Lattices: Bravais Lattices

Bravais lattices are point lattices that are classified topologically according to the symmetry properties under rotation and reflection, without regard to the absolute length of the unit vectors.

A more intuitive definition:

At every point in a Bravais lattice the “world” looks the same.

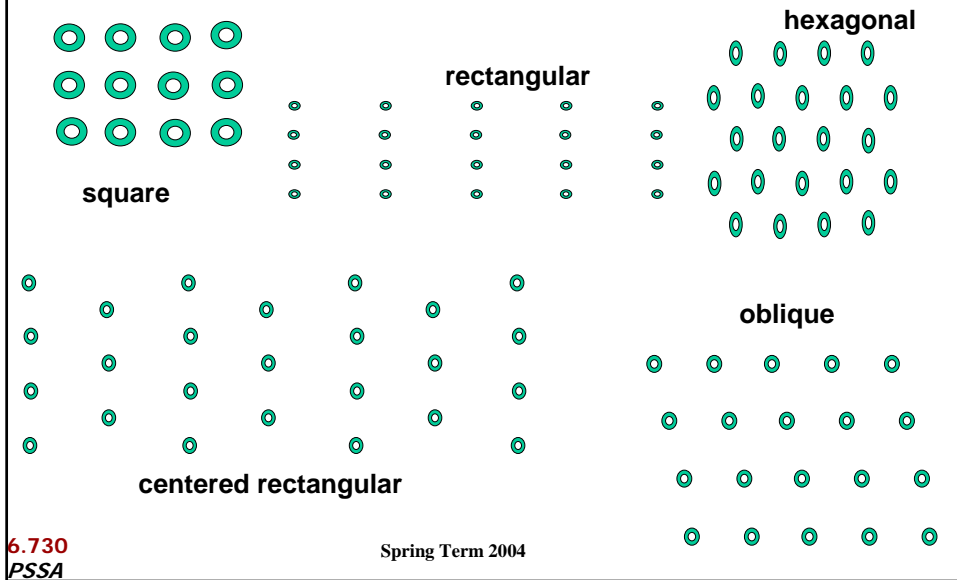
1D: Only one Bravais Lattice



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2D Bravais Lattices

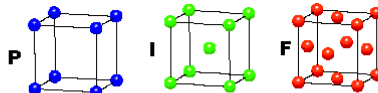


3D: 14 Bravais Lattices

CUBIC

$$a = b = c$$

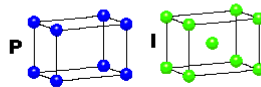
$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$



TETRAGONAL

$$a = b \neq c$$

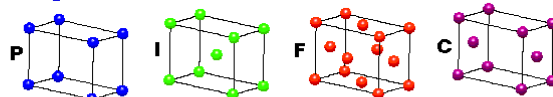
$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$



ORTHORHOMBIC

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

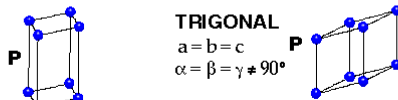


HEXAGONAL

$$a = b \neq c$$

$$\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 120^\circ$$



$$a = b = c$$

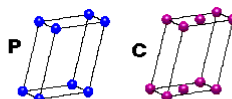
$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$$

MONOCLINIC

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

$$\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

$$\beta \neq 120^\circ$$



TRICLINIC

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

$$\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$$



4 Types of Unit Cell

P = Primitive

I = Body-Centred

F = Face-Centred

C = Side-Centred

+

7 Crystal Classes

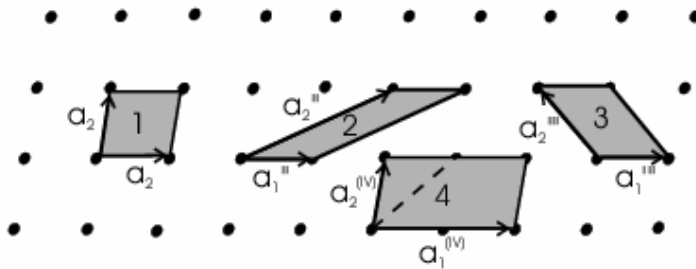
→ 14 Bravais Lattices

Lattice and Primitive Lattice Vectors

A **Lattice** is a regular array of points $\{\mathbf{R}_i\}$ in space which must satisfy (in three dimensions)

$$\mathbf{R}_\ell = n_1\mathbf{a}_1 + n_2\mathbf{a}_2 + n_3\mathbf{a}_3 \quad \text{for all} \quad n_i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

The vectors \mathbf{a}_i are known as the **primitive lattice vectors**.

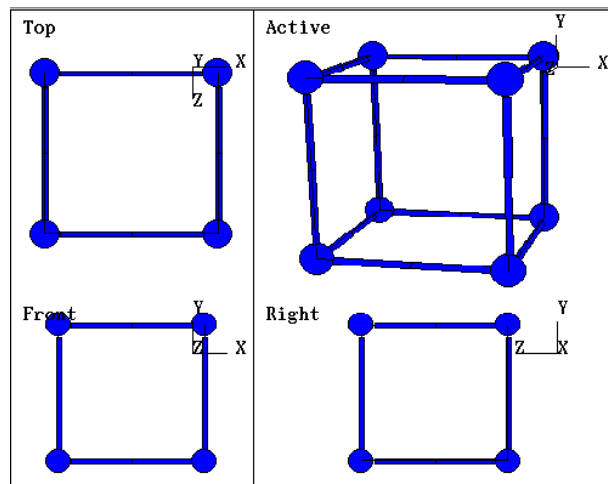


A two dimensional lattice with different possible choices of primitive lattice vectors.

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Cubic



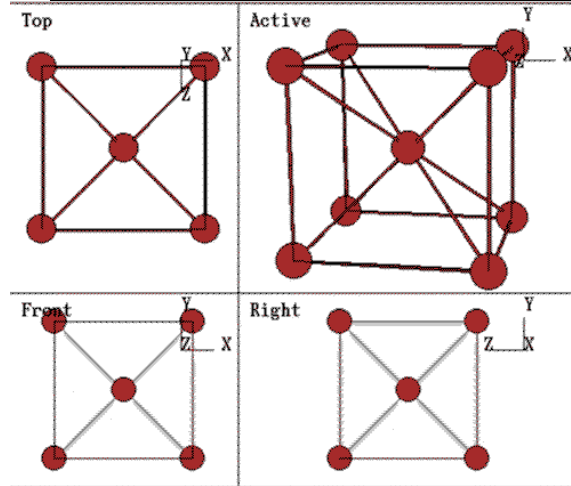
$$\mathbf{a}_1 = a\mathbf{i}_x \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = a\mathbf{i}_y \quad \mathbf{a}_3 = a\mathbf{i}_z$$

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Body Centered Cubic



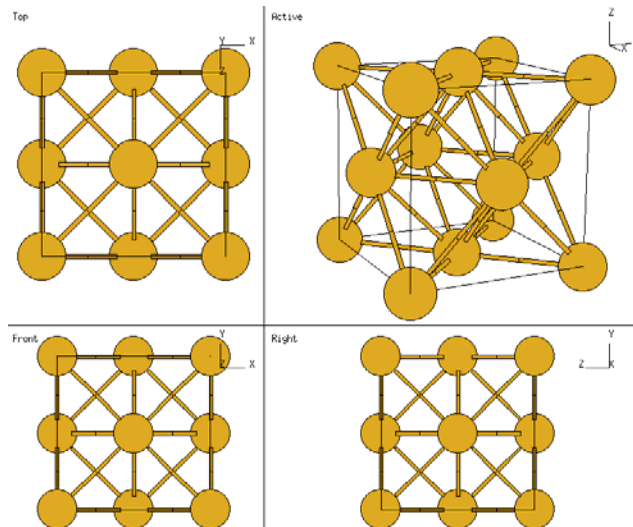
$$a_1 = \frac{a}{2}(i_y + i_z - i_x) \quad a_2 = \frac{a}{2}(i_z + i_x - i_y) \quad a_3 = \frac{a}{2}(i_x + i_y - i_z)$$

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FACE CENTERED CUBIC



$$a_1 = \frac{a}{2}(i_y + i_z) \quad a_2 = \frac{a}{2}(i_z + i_x) \quad a_3 = \frac{a}{2}(i_x + i_y)$$

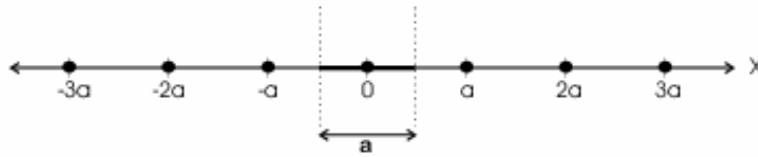
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Wigner-Sietz Cell

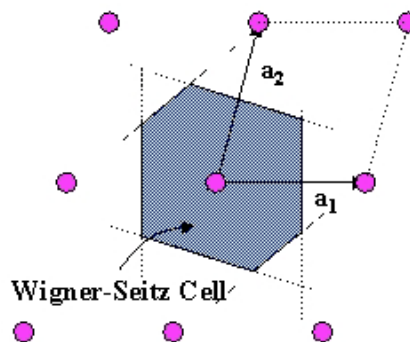
1. Choose one point as the origin and draw lines from the origin to each of the other lattice points.
2. Bisect each of the drawn lines with planes normal to the line.
3. Mark the space about the origin bounded by the first set of planes that are encountered. The bounded space is the Wigner-Sietz unit cell.



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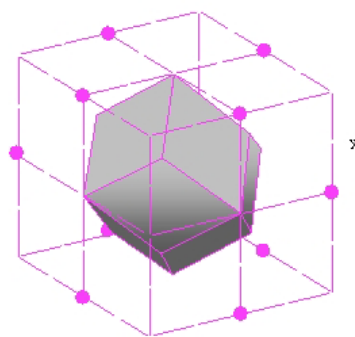
Wigner-Sietz Cell



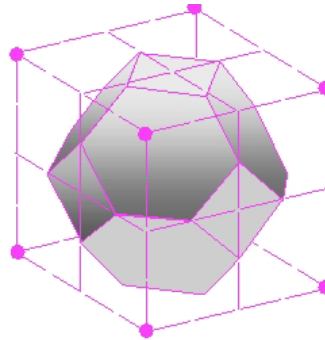
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Wigner-Sietz Cell



FCC

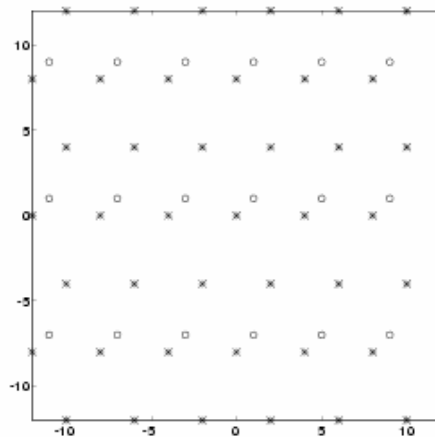


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Crystal Structure = Lattice + Basis

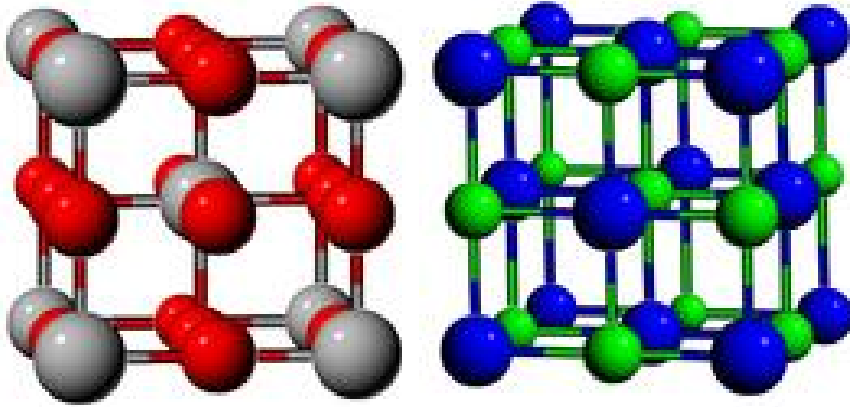


A two dimensional lattice with a basis of three atoms

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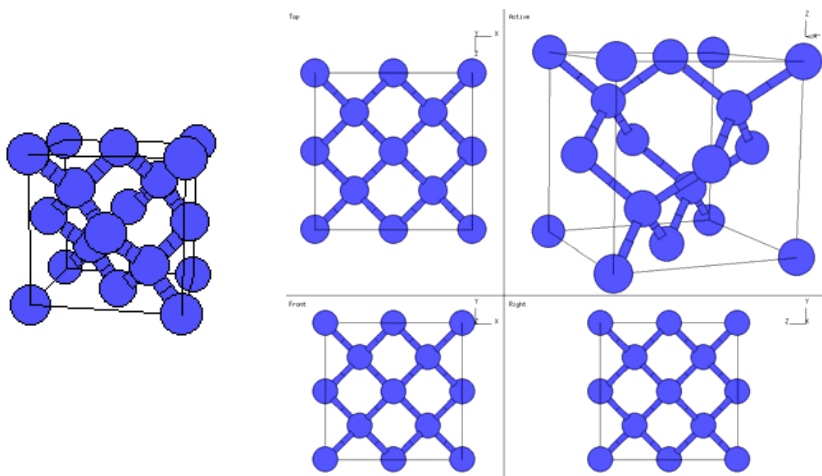
Cubic Structure with atomic basis



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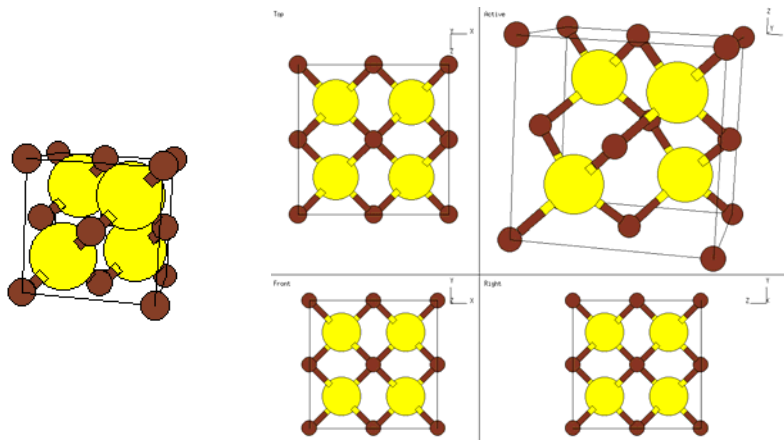
Diamond Crystal Structure



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Zincblende Crystal Structure

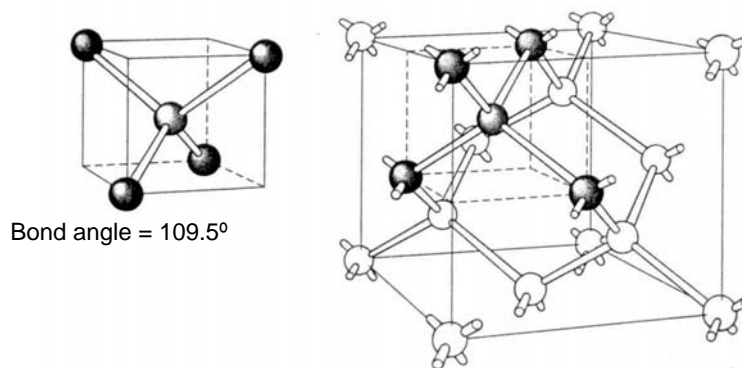


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Diamond Crystal Structure: Silicon



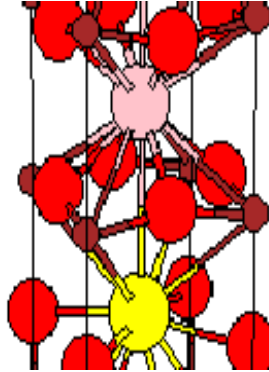
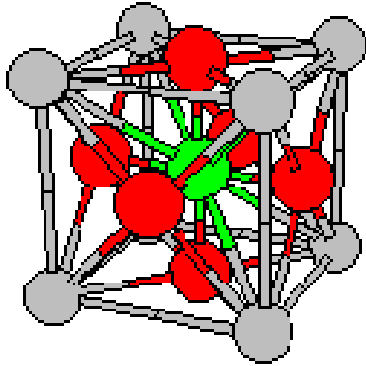
Bond angle = 109.5°

- 2 atom basis to a FCC Lattice
- Tetrahedral bond arrangement
- Each atom has 4 nearest neighbors and 12 next nearest neighbors

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Perovskite and Related Structures



YBa₂Cu₃O_{7-x}
High-T_c Structure

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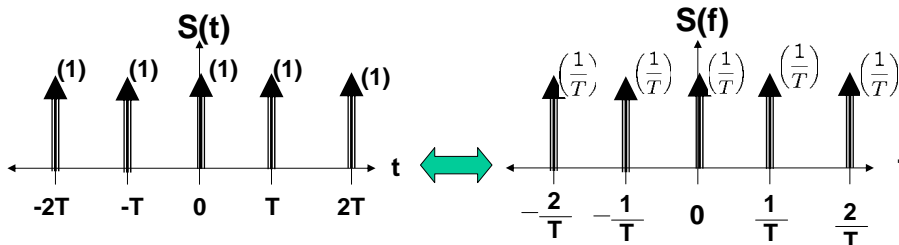
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Fourier Transform Review

EE-convention for Fourier Transforms

$$A(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df \iff A(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

$$S(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(t-nT) \iff S(f) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(f-\frac{m}{T})$$



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Physics Convention for Fourier Transforms

$$A(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \iff A(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

$$A(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(q) e^{iqx} \frac{dq}{2\pi} \iff A(q) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(x) e^{-iqx} dx$$

In general,

$$A(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dq}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} e^{i(qx - \omega t)} A(q, \omega)$$



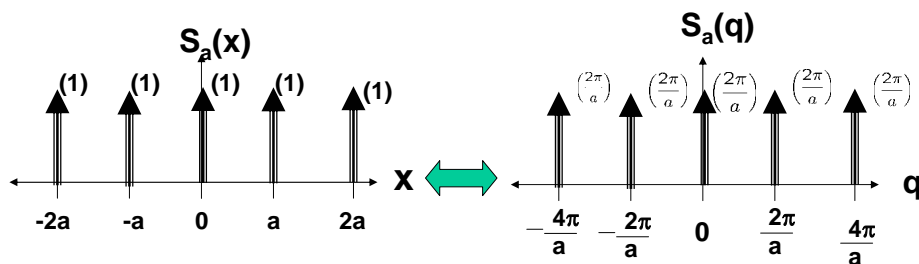
$$A(q, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx dt A(x, t) e^{-i(qx - \omega t)}$$

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1D Periodic Crystal Structures

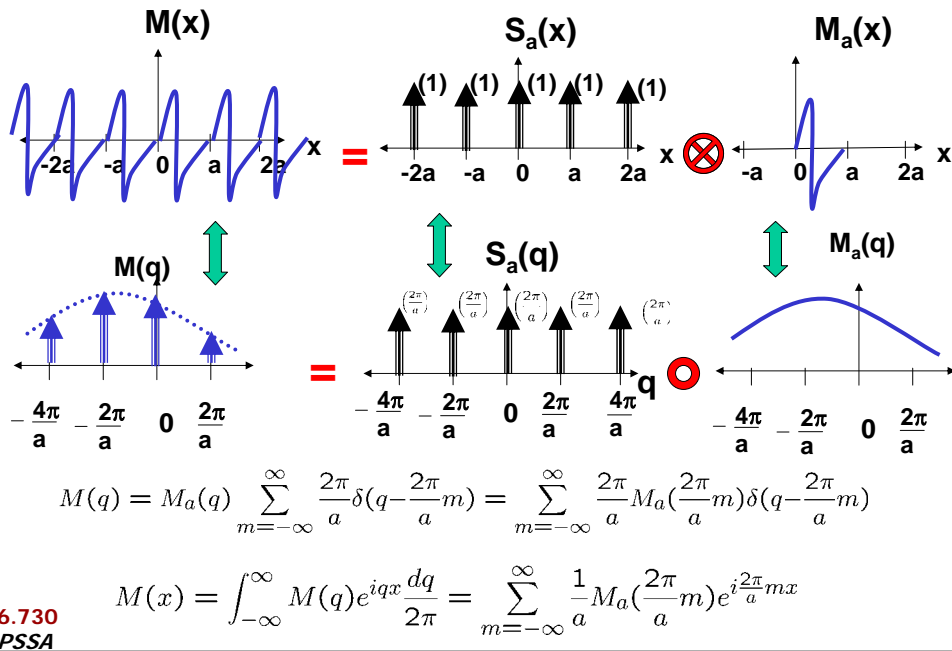
$$S_a(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(x - na) \iff S_a(q) = \frac{2\pi}{a} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta\left(q - \frac{2\pi}{a}m\right)$$



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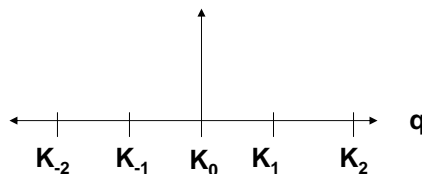
1D Periodic Crystal Structures



Reciprocal Lattice Vectors

1. The Fourier transform in q-space is also a lattice
2. This lattice is called the **reciprocal lattice**
3. The lattice constant is $2\pi / a$
4. The **Reciprocal Lattice Vectors** are

$$K_m = m \frac{2\pi}{a} \quad \text{where} \quad m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$$



Periodic Function as a Fourier Series

Recall that a periodic function and its transform are

$$M(q) = M_a(q) \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi}{a} \delta(q - K_m) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi}{a} M_a(K_m) \delta(q - K_m)$$

$$M(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} M(q) e^{iqx} \frac{dq}{2\pi} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a} M_a(K_m) e^{iK_m x}$$

Define $M[K_m] = \frac{1}{a} M_a(K_m)$ then the above is a **Fourier Series**:

$$M(x) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} M[K_m] e^{iK_m x} \quad M[K_m] = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a M(x) e^{-iK_m x} dx$$

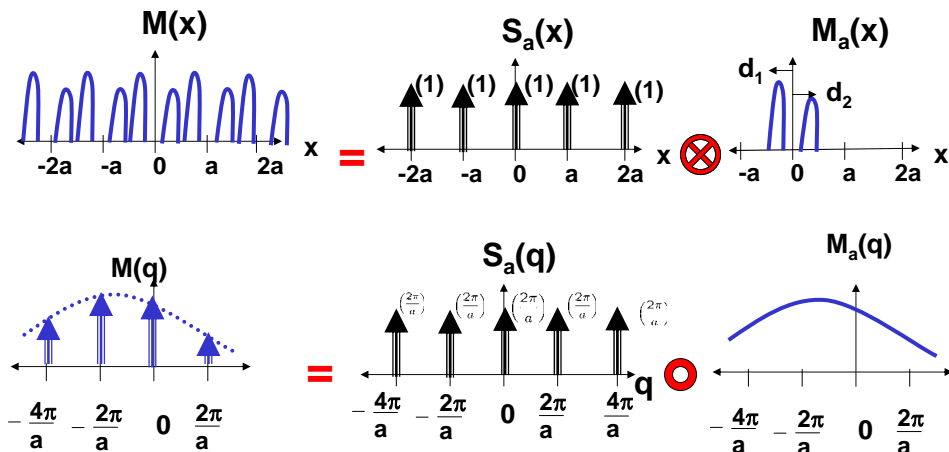
and the equivalent Fourier transform is

$$M(q) = 2\pi \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} M[K_m] \delta(q - K_m)$$

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1D Periodic Crystal Structures with a basis



$$M(q) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi}{a} M_a\left(\frac{2\pi}{a} m\right) \delta\left(q - \frac{2\pi}{a} m\right)$$

Delta functions still only occur where the reciprocal lattice is, independent of the basis. But the basis determines the weights.

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Atomic Form Factors & Geometrical Structure Factors

$M_a(x)$

Different Atoms (1) and (2)

$$\underbrace{M_a(K_m)}_{\text{Structure Factor}} = \underbrace{f_a^{(1)}(K_m)}_{\text{Atomic Form Factor}} e^{-iK_m d_1} + \underbrace{f_a^{(2)}(K_m)}_{\text{Atomic Form Factor}} e^{-iK_m d_2}$$

$M_a(x)$

Same atoms at d_1 and d_2

$$M_a(K_m) = \underbrace{f_a(K_m)}_{\text{Atomic Form Factor}} \cdot \underbrace{[e^{iK_m d_1} + e^{iK_m d_2}]}_{\text{Geometrical Structure Factor } S(K_m)}$$

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